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CODE 3: Emergency

By ANGELA LEGGETT
Staff Writer

Do you know what to do when you see an emergency vehicle using its emergency lights or hear it sounding a siren?

Many drivers don't know they are suppose to pull to the right and stop.

"When a vehicle sees lights and sirens, they need to pull to the right and give the center lanes to the fire truck," said Dan Rose, a battalion chief of the Pampa Fire Department.

Emergency vehicles use their lights and sirens when responding to code-3 calls which are emergency situations to alert motorists that they are coming.

"I wanted to press the point about how important it is that we

use lights and sirens at all times of the day and night," said Lon Robertson, area supervisor for American Medical Transport.

Drivers of fire fighting equipment, ambulances, police and sheriff's vehicles have the same responsibility.

"We do it to let people know that even at night it is important for everyone to hear us coming," Robertson said. "There may be people three or four blocks down the road and we need to let them know we are coming."

The uniform act of Texas traffic laws states that the driver of every other vehicle shall yield the right-of-way and immediately drive to a position parallel to the right of the roadway, clear any intersection and stop until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed.

Occasionally a driver is caught off guard when they hear sirens and they pull to the left which is illegal, officials said.

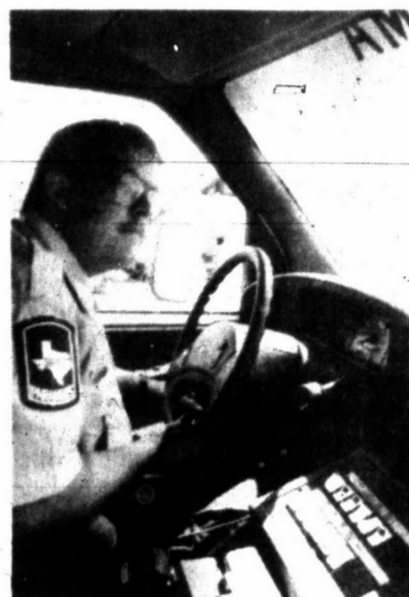
There are numerous distractions that can cause drivers not to see an emergency vehicle coming such as other people in the car or doing something when driving. There are also things such as loud music that can cause drivers not to see emergency vehicles coming but they should be aware at all times of their surrounding and be alert to the sound of sirens, according to officials.

"When in doubt, pull to the left and stop," Robertson said. "In an emergency, seconds can literally mean the difference between life and death to a patient in need. Each time we receive a call to respond to an emergency, we have a moral —

and legal — obligation to respond as rapidly as safety permits to provide medical care to those in need of assistance."

The only time that public safety crews display their lights and sound their sirens is when the vehicle is responding to an emergency, said Robertson. These identify them as emergency responders, and provide traffic privileges they would not otherwise have to afford the quickest possible response. Examples include exceeding the speed limit within reasonable means, and proceeding through red lights after making a complete stop before entering an intersection to make sure that on-coming traffic is clear.

When performing traffic maneuvers such as these, emergency crews take great care to ensure that



they do not endanger the public in any way, he stated. Lights and sirens plan an important role in safety procedures. Not only do they alert other drivers of the fact that the unit is responding to an emergency but they also increase safety levels for everyone involved. They do this by making emergency vehicles much more visible by sounding a discernable warning of their approach.

"Using lights and sirens is the law," Robertson said. "We are legally obligated to use our emergency lights and sirens each time we respond to an emergency situation."

Law enforcement officials can issue tickets to motorists for following fire apparatus or ambulances and crossing fire hoses.

"I don't think the problem is any worse than the day they invented the sirens," said Katie Gerhardt, Pampa Police Department detective. "People are strange because they are very curious but they have no idea how much harm they can cause, not only to us or themselves but to innocent people, when they follow emergency vehicles."

When the Pampa Fire Department is dispatched to a location, the police department is also dispatched to assist with traffic control.

"If you see an emergency unit displaying its lights and sirens, it means that it is responding to an emergency," Robertson said. "Please help to ensure the quickest possible response to emergencies within your community by pulling off to the right and stopping."

New law aimed at campus violence

By JON MARCUS
Associated Press Writer

Dana Getzinger says she was naive and unsuspecting — a typical college student — when a stranger in a ski mask sneaked into her room and tried to rape her while she was a sophomore at the University of Georgia.

Getzinger was stabbed and nearly died in the 1988 attack, which she later learned was at least the fifth within three months on students in her neighborhood near the campus.

"The universities tell you nothing," she said. "Schools are placing a greater importance on their image than on student safety."

More than 4,000 violent crimes — among them 16 murders and 493 rapes — were reported last year to security officials at the nation's 580 largest universities and colleges, *The Associated Press* found through a review of figures being released this month under a new federal disclosure law.

The federal Campus Security Act for the first time this year requires all universities and colleges to provide students, faculty, staff and prospective students and their parents with crime statistics for the previous three years, as well as a description of security procedures.

The law covers 2,222 colleges and universities. Schools that don't comply risk losing eligibility for federal money.

Many public institutions previously released such information, but most private institutions kept it confidential.

"Part of their sales pitch was, 'Come to this idyllic, safe-appearing campus,'" said Dorothy Siegel, director of the Campus Violence Prevention Center at Towson State University in Maryland. "They were not recognizing that gradually crime was creeping in."

The crime statistics are being handed out to students on most campuses this month.

"The most difficult thing in dealing with violent crime is convincing people that it will happen," said Marvin Herrington, chief of police at Stanford University, where an employee was fatally shot on campus Tuesday. "You get lulled into a false sense of security."

The schools surveyed by the AP enroll 5.6 million students. Collectively, they reported 2,528 aggravated assaults, 928 robberies, 5,081 car thefts and 15,313 burglaries during 1991.

Victim advocates question the value of statistics furnished by some universities and colleges.

"If the initial reports are that crime is vastly below what we're seeing in broader society, I would be very skeptical of that," said David Beatty, a spokesman for the National Victim Center.

There were 42.3 reported rapes per 100,000 people in America last year, according to the FBI. The schools surveyed by the AP reported 8.8 rapes per 100,000 students, a figure that leaves some people dubious.

"It misrepresents the reality," said Gail Abarbanel, director of the Santa Monica, Calif., Rape Treatment Center and co-author of a book about sexual assault on campus. "It gives people the impression that rape isn't happening, when it's practically an epidemic."

The University of Iowa reported four sexual assaults last year. But officials from the area's Rape Victim Advocacy Program say they handled 39 rapes during that time in which a student was the victim. Twelve occurred on campus.



(Staff photos by Daniel Wieggers)

Above, Pampa Fire Department drivers Jay Henson and Ricky Stout embark in Engine No. 1 from Central Fire Station Thursday night running their lights and sirens. A deliberate slow shutter speed creates the desired blur of lights and vehicle. Above right, American Medical Transport Paramedic Stephen Stephens checks traffic before turning Medic 21 ambulance onto Somerville from Sumner.

Efforts under way to assist prison staff

In a cooperative effort, the Pampa Chamber of Commerce and the Pampa Board of Realtors announce that a clearinghouse for rental housing will be maintained during the period of the arrival of the staff for the Jordan prison unit nearing completion east of the city.

Chamber of Commerce President Duane Harp said that a list of cur-

rently available housing units is being developed. The list will be posted at the Board of Realtors office at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Community Building in downtown Pampa.

"We are asking the property owners around town to report their available rentals to us so we can help the prison staff find the places with the least amount of trouble,"

said Harp. "We already know of several cases where a property owner was called numerous times after the property was rented, by people who had no way of knowing that it had been taken. Our idea is to save the renters and the owners some of the aggravation of the pursuit of the few available houses."

The clearinghouse method has

proven successful in other cities where new prisons had been opened, Harp said.

"The biggest problem is getting the word out to the property owners who may have one or two houses they rent," Harp said. "We want them to be able to offer their properties to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) employees in the most effective way."

The list will be updated when the office is made aware of the houses coming on or off the available market.

All property owners are encouraged to contact the Board of Realtors office at 669-1811 or go by the office inside the Community Building at the corner of Kingsmill and Ballard streets. If the Realtors office should be closed, the Chamber of Commerce staff will be able to assist by calling 669-3241.

The staff for the Jordan Unit of the TDCJ has begun to make their presence known in Pampa by making inquiries to area realtors and the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. Local realtors report an increase in calls to their offices, as well.

The Executive Director of the Chamber, Nanette Moore, said calls have been coming in steadily for several weeks.

At a recent meeting with the Jordan Unit Warden Darwin Sanders, city leaders were told that the prison system is aware of the shortage of housing in many of the cities where prisons are nearing completion.

The shortages come as a result of several reasons, Harp said. A major cause is the fact that many of the staffers are still looking to move up within the prison system. These

people are not ready to commit the investment toward the purchase of a home in a city where they may live for only 2 or 3 years. As a result, they will rent until they have achieved the rank which offers them stability for a period of time. The home purchase will come at a point later in their professional career.

"We don't get many opportunities to welcome this many new residents to our city in one short time span," Harp said. "We have a chance to show the Jordan Unit staff that Pampa is a place they will be glad to live. We are excited to have them coming to live among us, after a long period of expectation."

City leaders urge Pampa residents to show the TDCJ staff, many of whom may come from the southern part of the state, that the Panhandle is a great place to be. TDCJ employees have a reputation that they are eager to become active in the life of the community. Harp said they are typically people who enjoy supporting their church, children's and adult sports, PTA, and civic clubs.

Fan appreciation



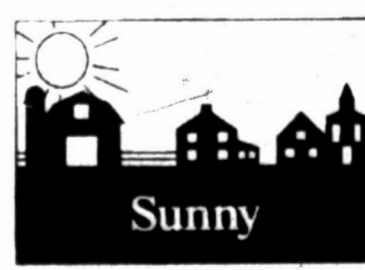
(Staff photo by Daniel Wieggers)

Pampa High School Harvesters fans, from left, Noelle Wyatt, Shanda Winton, an unidentified spectator, Deawn Guess and Misty Scribner watch Friday night's game against the Amarillo Sandies. For results, please see page 9.

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Canadian airlift to Somalia begins; U.S. expands effort

By GREG MYRE
Associated Press Writer

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — Canada on Saturday joined the international effort to feed hundreds of thousands of starving Somalis, and the United States expanded its relief operation.

The Red Cross and the United Nations also announced plans to sharply increase the amount of food sent to Somalia. But the United Nations kept on hold plans to air-drop food in remote villages, saying it still needed more time to prepare on the ground.

A group of officials from the European Community, led by British Development Minister Baroness Chalker, on Saturday began a two-day visit to assess the situation in Somalia and in refugee camps in eastern Kenya.

A high-level U.N. delegation ended a three-day tour of the devastated nation promising a large and rapid increase in aid, particularly by the World Health Organization and the U.N. Development Program.

"You can expect a major increase, a transformation in the food supply," Jan Eliasson, undersecretary for humanitarian affairs, said in the northern city of Hargeisa.

Officials said the first contingent of U.N. troops being deployed in Somalia to help protect humanitarian shipments and workers from widespread banditry were expected this week.

Drought and warfare already have killed at least 100,000 Somalis this year, and the United Nations says another 2 million could die within weeks if sufficient food is not delivered soon. The country has fallen into anarchy since the ouster of President Mohammed Siad Barre in January 1991.

The International Committee of the Red Cross estimates the largely desert nation needs 66,000 tons of food monthly. So far this year, the Red Cross has delivered about 110,000 tons and the U.N.'s World Food Program about half that.

Both agencies have been aided in recent weeks by airlifts run by the United States, France, Germany, the Lutheran World Federation and now Canada.

Paul Mitchell of the Rome-based World Food Program said his agency and the Red Cross agreed to increase monthly deliveries of food to a total of 57,365 tons. The U.N. agency will provide 36,300 tons, Mitchell said in a statement from Rome.

The food will be delivered primarily by ship to Mogadishu's port, despite widespread looting that for the past two weeks has prevented relief agencies from moving 11,000 tons of American sorghum stored there.

A U.N. official in New York said special envoy Mohamed Sahnoun had reached an agreement for the

port's reopening, but provided no details.

The United States will transport the 500 Pakistani U.N. troops to Mogadishu. Officials have said the first priority of the armed U.N. troops will be to safeguard the capital's port and airport.

T.J. Dowling, a U.S. Embassy spokesman in Kenya, said the forces were expected to arrive on Monday. But Pakistan's Brig. Gen. Imtiaz Shaheen, who will lead the force, said they could be delayed until Tuesday.

On Saturday, Canadian planes delivered 33 tons of rice, beans and oil to Mogadishu for the Red Cross and 17.6 tons for the World Food Program to the southern Somali town of Bardera, Red Cross and WFP officials said.

The Canadians have three C-130 cargo planes and 71 military personnel based in Kenya's capital, Nairobi, the headquarters of their relief effort.

The United States on Saturday expanded its airlift to three more towns, said U.S. military spokeswoman Air Force Reserve Capt. Maryellen Jadick, 35, of Willow Grove, Pa.

The Americans delivered 21 tons of corn meal to the central town of Hoddur for the World Food Program, 71 1/2 tons of food to Baidoa, and 14.3 tons of Unimix — a blend of rice, beans, oil and sugar — to the northeastern Kenya



(AP Photo) A small child walks with a bowl of rice and beans as others wait for their turn in Mogadishu Tuesday.

town of Wajir, Ms. Jadick said.

The United States also resumed flights to the western Somali village of Belet Huen, where they were unable to deliver food Friday after angry Somali truckers parked

their vehicles on the airstrip.

The truckers temporarily disrupted the airlift Saturday, but the Americans were able to deliver 53 tons of food on six flights for the Red Cross, Ms. Jadick said.

San Antonio man faces child injury charges

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Police say a toddler was knocked unconscious when a panhandler slammed a store door and walked away, leaving the girl's head pinned to the door frame.

Megan La Fuente, 2, was treated and released from Santa Rosa Children's Hospital late Thursday.

Jack Mains, 49, remained in the Bexar County Jail late Friday in lieu of a \$10,000 bond. He was charged with injury to a child.

Police say Megan and her mother, Audrey La Fuente, were entering a Kmart store when the suspect asked Ms. La Fuente for money. When she refused, the man cursed, police said.

She continued walking through the door, police said. But the man reached through the open door and slammed it, pinning Megan's head.

The suspect saw Megan collapse,

but he walked away, Ms. La Fuente told police.

As she was taking her daughter to a hospital, she saw the man in a parking lot and pointed him out to police.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

By Danny Bainum

Fresh pineapple is delicious over ice cream when it's caramelized. Cook bite-size chunks in butter until softened and browned, then add any pineapple juice that escaped in cutting, a touch of kirsch, and a caramel syrup made from 1-1/2 cups sugar and 3/4 cup water.

Important: Before cooking eggs in the microwave, be sure to pierce the yolks after removing from the shell to prevent pressure buildup. There have been reports of yolks exploding in people's faces and causing serious injury. Eggs cooked in an unpierced shell can be even more dangerous.

Red-pepper cheese toasts are nice with soup. Mix together shredded mozzarella cheese, a little olive oil and balsamic vinegar. Spoon onto bread slices. Top with sliced roasted red pepper and sprinkle with parmesan. Bake 5 to 8 minutes in a 500-degree oven.

What happens if you're out of honey for your muffin recipe? You can substitute 1-1/4 cups of sugar plus 1/4 cup of the liquid used in the recipe for every cup of honey called for.

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Business

Minding your own Business

By Don Taylor



Problem solving

After working into the early morning hours, Terry nearly finished getting all of last quarter's records on the computer. Suddenly, the lights flickered and went out. In a few seconds, the electricity came back on and all of Terry's work was gone. Terry has a problem.

Pat worked hard to keep the construction project on schedule, because there is a \$1,000 per day penalty for not completing the job on time. Yesterday, the supplier, of the last major piece of equipment for the job, told Pat there would be a 30 day delay on shipping. A 30 day delay means \$30,000 in penalties. Pat estimated the profit from the job at \$21,000. Pat has a problem.

The day before Billie planned to leave on vacation, the company's No. 1 salesperson requested a private meeting. She announced she had received a much better offer from Billie's toughest competitor. She did not want to negotiate. She asked for the meeting to give Billie two weeks notice. Billie has a problem.

If you spend any time in business, you will encounter problems. Problems are normal and to protect your sanity, you must learn to deal with them effectively.

Problem solving is a skill you can develop. It is a valuable skill that is needed not only in business, but also in government, education and other areas.

Step by Step

The best way to deal with any problem is to prevent it's occurrence. In a step-by-step approach, step one is to anticipate and avoid problems.

In the opening example, Terry lost several precious hours of data entry due to an electrical failure. While you cannot anticipate when an electrical outage may occur, you know it can happen. If Terry had saved the data on the computer every 20 minutes or so, most of the loss would have been prevented. A 20 minute data entry loss is not a major problem.

However, you cannot anticipate all problems. Some problems will sneak up on you. Problems are good at that. So, the second step in problem solving is to identify the problem and the cause(s).

A good order to follow is what, when, where, how and why. What happened? What are the consequences? What should we do? When did it occur? Where did it happen? How did the problem occur? How was it discovered? Why did it happen? Why didn't we anticipate the problem?

Often we ask "who" instead of what, when, etc. While discovering who caused the problem may be an important question later, finding someone to blame will not resolve the situation.

The third step in problem solving, is to list possible solutions. In this step of the process, we are simply looking for all the ways to solve the problem. It is most important to generate a lot of ideas. Brainstorming may help. Surround yourself with good clear heads, and start generating ideas. Encourage new and unique ideas and write them down.

The next step is to home in on the best solution. Eliminate ideas that cost too much, consume too much time or require too much manpower. Take the best two or three solutions and refine them for further evaluation. One solution will usually surface as the most practical.

The final step is to implement the solution. The best solution will not work without successful implementation. Put the solution steps in writing. What exactly needs to be done? When? Where? How will you carry out the work? Who will be responsible for seeing that it's done? Remember, it pays to be flexible. You can expect to make some minor revisions.

Now, if only I had next week's column-written. I should have anticipated the deadline. Well, that's another problem.

Pampans attend national Chamber Communique Desk and Derrick meeting

The 41st Annual Convention of Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs was held at The Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans, La., Sept. 2-6, 1992. Lisa McCoy, association president, was the presiding officer.

The Association is comprised of 110 clubs throughout the United States and Canada. Delegates representing 107 clubs were in attendance, with 698 registrants.

Officers for 1993 were elected to hold the following positions: Joan Blair, president, Dallas Club, Region IV; Lynne Grose, first vice president, Calgary Club, Region VII; Phyllis Nunn Bennett, second vice president, Oklahoma City Club, Region VI; Theresa Wiggins, secretary, Tulsa Club, Region VI; Doris Odum, treasurer, Pampa Club, Region V; and Lisa McCoy, Immediate vice president, Jackson Club, Region III.

Members of the Desk and Derrick Club of Pampa in attendance at the Convention included Ronda Norris, president and voting delegate; Carolyn Kitchens, vice president and alternate; Diane Pergeon, secretary; Scena Snider, immediate past president; Nancy Allen, Rae Bagley, Norma Briden, Melinda Cochran, Carol Cofer,

Charlotte Lewis, Elaine McDowell, Maxine Morgan, Doris Odum, Teresa Snow and Martha Sublett.

The 1993 Convention will be held Sept. 27 through Oct. 2 in Dallas.

Betty J. Nelson, vice president Land Management, Coastal Corporation, Houston, was named the recipient of the prestigious U.S. Oil Woman of the Year Award during the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs awards-luncheon in New Orleans, Louisiana.

This award is presented by Southern Publications, of Canada, to the most deserving woman in the petroleum industry. In her honor, Southern Publications will contribute to the Desk and Derrick Educational Trust and to the ADDC Foundation.

Nelson is a graduate of Pampa High School and Texas Tech University. She began her career as a student working under Addie Mae Bryan for E.L. Green of the Cabot Corporation Pampa office.

Her family, mother, Mrs. Jerry Green, has relocated to the Houston area and her brother, Don, a retiree from the Pampa Independent School District, has moved to San Marcos.

API plans membership drive

The American Petroleum Institute announces their 7th annual shrimp boil and 1992-93 membership drive Saturday at the Pampa Country Club.

Dinner is from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. sponsored by Texaco Trading and Transport Station Inc. A dance is from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Drawings will be held for merchandise, prizes, fun, food, refreshments and dance. Membership tickets will be available in advance and at the door. The Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute

recently held their 40th annual golf tournament at the Pampa Country Club. There were 41 teams consisting of 164 players. Proceeds from the golf tournament awarded \$13,500 in scholarships to 17 area students.

Anyone interested in oil, gas, or chemical industries are invited to join the Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute.

For more information call: Membership Chairman Dennis Laycock at 669-1093 or Dale Greenhouse at 665-0931.

Wilkinson named to board

The annual meeting of the Texas Association of Home Care was held recently in Houston.



Ernest Wilkinson, owner of Shepherd's Crook Nursing, was elected to a position on the association's board of directors. The association represents 250 agencies in Texas. The aim of the association is to promote and make available better

Wilkinson

health care for all citizens of Texas, especially the elderly.

A two day seminar followed covering community health care, infant home care, nursing, financial diversification, assessment skills in home nursing and death and dying pain management. The seminars were attended by Ernie and Suzie Wilkinson, co-owners of Shepherd's Crook Nursing.

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CONGRATULATIONS!... Darlene Birkes for winning the city-wide logo/banner contest. Darlene received the \$100 in "Pampa Bucks" during Chautauqua festivities from the Pampa Chamber of Commerce for her winning entry.

The annual Chamber of Commerce Membership Drive is set for Sept. 24. Chairman Billy Smith is busy getting his teams and workers rounded up.

Country Fair drawing tickets are now on sale! If you are interested in purchasing a ticket and have not been approached by a representative of the ticket committee, call the Chamber (669-3241) and we will have a committee member contact you.

YOUR CHAMBER AND YOU
These are just a sample of what your Chamber of Commerce has been up to:

- Advertise Chamber activities and new members in the "Chamber Communique" in the Sunday edition of *The Pampa News!*

- Reinstated the Sports Committee!
- Sponsors a Chamber "Country Fair" annually!

We will continue keeping you informed about what activities your Chamber is involved in.

CHAMBER CALENDAR:
MONDAY --- Prison Steering Committee 7:30 a.m., C of C Top O' Texan

TUESDAY --- Country Fair Steering Committee noon, C of C

THURSDAY --- Board of Directors 10:30 a.m., C of C United Way

Check-in 4:30, C of C

* Notice - The Top O' Texan meeting has been rescheduled to take place at Danny's Market

Dealers plan car sale in circus atmosphere

Two Pampa car dealers are trying something they've never done before. Culberson-Stowers, Inc. and Gray County Ford, Lincoln, Mercury will combine their remaining 1992 stock of cars and pickups for a special four-day tent sale September 17, 18, 20 and 21.

A large circus tent at the Pampa Mall parking lot will contain the new vehicles for buyers to choose from, Richard Stowers, general manager of Culberson-Stowers, Inc. said. "We'll have hot dogs and balloons to give away, and everyone who visits can register for a drawing for \$500 to be given away at the end of the sale," he said. He said that even the local banks will be represented so that buyers can finance their purchase on the spot.

Stowers and Val Cervantes, owner of Gray County Ford, have challenged each other to see which dealership can sell the most cars during the event, Stowers said.

"The dealership which sells the fewest cars cooks supper for the winning dealership," Stowers said.

"It's going to be a great time for the car or pickup buyers to get a great deal on a new vehicle before the 1993s hit the showrooms."

Stowers made note that the dealers will show Fords, Chevrolets, Lincolns, Pontiacs, Toyotas, Mercurys, Buicks, and GMCs. "We hope to make it a fun event for the serious buyer or for the person who just wants to look at the cars and pickups," he said. "We hope that special events like this will encourage Pampa residents to shop at home first when they're looking for a vehicle or anything else."

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Dona Cornutt
Cordially Invites You To Attend The Campaign For Christ At M.K. Brown Auditorium Sept. 13-17 7:30 p.m.

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Sandies use wind early to blow Harvesters away

By MARK SPENCER
Sports Editor

Although boxed into their end of the field by a staunch 35 mph wind, the Pampa Harvesters had a chance to come out swinging against the Amarillo High Sandies Friday.

But instead, Pampa had trouble finding any offensive punch, gaining only 77 yards and two first downs in the first half, and the Sandies rolled to a 36-7 victory over the Harvesters before about 4,000 fans at Amarillo's Dick Bivins Stadium.

"The big play of the ballgame was the opening coin toss," Pampa Coach Dennis Cavalier said. "We got back in the hole, and it just snowballed on us."

The Sandies, 2-0, have defeated the Harvesters 14 of the past 15 seasons. The loss dropped Pampa to 0-2.

For the second straight week, a strong wind grounded the Harvesters passing attack in the first half.

In the game's first possession, Pampa started on their own 20 and appeared it would be able to battle the oncoming wind after moving the ball 16 yards with four quick rushing plays.

But from there, the Harvesters stalled. A Gregg Moore quick kick on third down gave the Sandies the ball on their own 30, which would be their worst field position of the night.

The Sandies moved 48 yards in five plays, and then Sandies wide receiver David Villagomez scored from 22 yards out on a reverse. Jaret Greaser's point after gave the Sandies a 7-0 lead.

"I don't know if there was any one thing that was the key," Amarillo High Coach Larry Dippel said. "We took control early and scored and got in good shape."

Having the wind didn't hurt either.

After a Pampa fake punt failed, the Sandies started their next possession on the Pampa 45-yard line and moved to within striking distance again behind a Stephen Sherrod to Bryan Barton 32-yard pass on their first play.

Amarillo's Ryan Blackburn scored from two yards out six plays later. A two-point conversion failed leaving the Sandies with a 13-0 lead.

The Harvesters finally had the wind after the second quarter began. But with that problem alleviated, they only began to hurt themselves.

Amarillo was driving into Pampa territory when Sherrod was apparently intercepted by the Harvesters Tony Cavalier.

BY THE NUMBERS

Pampa.....7
Amarillo High.....36

Pampa 0 0 7 0 -7
Amarillo High 7 12 3 14 -36

A-David Villagomez 22 run (Jaret Greaser kick)
A-Ryan Blackburn 2 run (run failed)
A-Shane Ward 22 run (run failed)
A-Greaser 28 FG
P-Marc Hampton 12 run (Tim McCavit kick)
A-Mike Hanson 19 pass from Bret Leathers (Greaser kick)
A-Clay Leverett 60 pass from Leathers (Greaser kick)

	Pampa	AHS
First Downs	9	23
Yards Rushing	166	197
Yards Passing	27	142
Total Yards Gained	193	339
Comp-Att-Int	3-4-0	9-15-0
Punts Avg	4-39.8	2-23.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	5-2
Penalties-Yards	10-89	3-30

RUSHING: Pampa - Matt Garvin 8-25, Tony Cavalier 11-73, Gregg Moore 10-50, Marc Hampton 5-15, Greg McDaniel 1-3; Amarillo High - Ryan Blackburn 15-61, Shane Ward 16-93, David Villagomez 2-36, Clay Leverett 4-28, Stephen Sherrod 2-(minus 26), Bret Leathers 2-(minus 14), T.J. Jones 2-12, Chad Ragan 2-8.

PASSING: Pampa - Cavalier 3-4-0-27; Amarillo High - Sherrod 6-13-0-63, Leathers 2-2-0-79.

RECEIVING: Pampa - Matt Garvin 3-27; Amarillo High - Moby Stevens 1-18, Bryan Barton 4-48, Villagomez 1-(minus 3), Mike Hanson 1-19, Leverett 1-60.

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Pass interference was called, however, giving the Sandies an automatic first down on the Harvesters' 44 and eventually a touchdown when Shane Ward, the game's leading rusher with 93 yards, rumbled for a 23-yard touchdown straight up the middle.

In the first half, the Harvesters were penalized six times for 45 yards and outscored 19-0.

"Amarillo certainly played a better game than we did," Dennis Cavalier said. "But we made way too many errors to compete against them."

To start the third quarter, Pampa had the wind but never really had a chance to take advantage of it.

Amarillo received the opening kick off of the second half and held the ball for 11 plays and nearly six minutes of the third quarter.

Greaser nailed a 28-yard field goal into the biting wind at the end of that drive to put Amarillo High ahead 22-0.

Pampa fumbled on the first play of its next possession, and by the time the Harvesters got the ball back they had only 4 minutes, 40 seconds left to use the wind.

With their offense on the field at last, the Harvesters put together a six-play scoring drive capped by Marc Hampton's 12-yard touchdown run. Tim McCavit's point after



Pampa quarterback Tony Cavalier (11) runs from Amarillo High's Chris Bookman (12) and Blaine Baker (41) during the first quarter of the Sandies' 32-7 victory Friday at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo. (Staff photos by Danial Wiegars)

put the Harvesters on the board but well behind, 22-7.

The Harvesters momentum appeared to continue when Pampa linebacker Justin Johnson separated Sandies backup quarterback Bret Leathers from the football and PHS linebacker Darin Wyatt recovered at the Amarillo 39-yard line.

But it was not to be as Pampa came up a yard short from a first down on fourth and six.

"I never felt like we were back in it," Dennis Cavalier said. "I had a glimmer there after we scored and they had a turnover. But they took half the time off the clock in the third quarter driving for that field goal. That's how you win games in the wind — you hang on to the ball when you go against it."

The Sandies added another fourth quarter touchdown when Leathers hit a wide open Mike Hanson for 19 yards in the back of the end zone.

Then, with 20 seconds remaining on the clock and the Sandies leading 29-7 on their own 40, Leathers dropped back to pass and connected on a 60-yard pass to Clay Leverett.



Amarillo High's Bryan Barton (85) is tackled by Pampa's Dave Davis, left, Justin Johnson (88), Jason Johnson (45) and Will Winborne (21).

Seles captures U.S. Open in grand fashion

NEW YORK (AP) — With her razor-sharp groundstrokes once again accompanied by grunts, Monica Seles continued her Grand Slam domination Saturday, capturing the U.S. Open with a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

The victory, Seles' second straight at the National Tennis Center, was her seventh Grand Slam title, including her third of 1992. She also captured the Australian and French opens.

The victory was worth \$500,000, the largest prize in tennis. Sanchez Vicario collected \$250,000 as runner-up.

This was the 13th Grand Slam tournament Seles has played, and the eighth time she has reached the final. At Wimbledon in July, Seles reined in her loud grunting after several players complained. She took home the second-place prize.

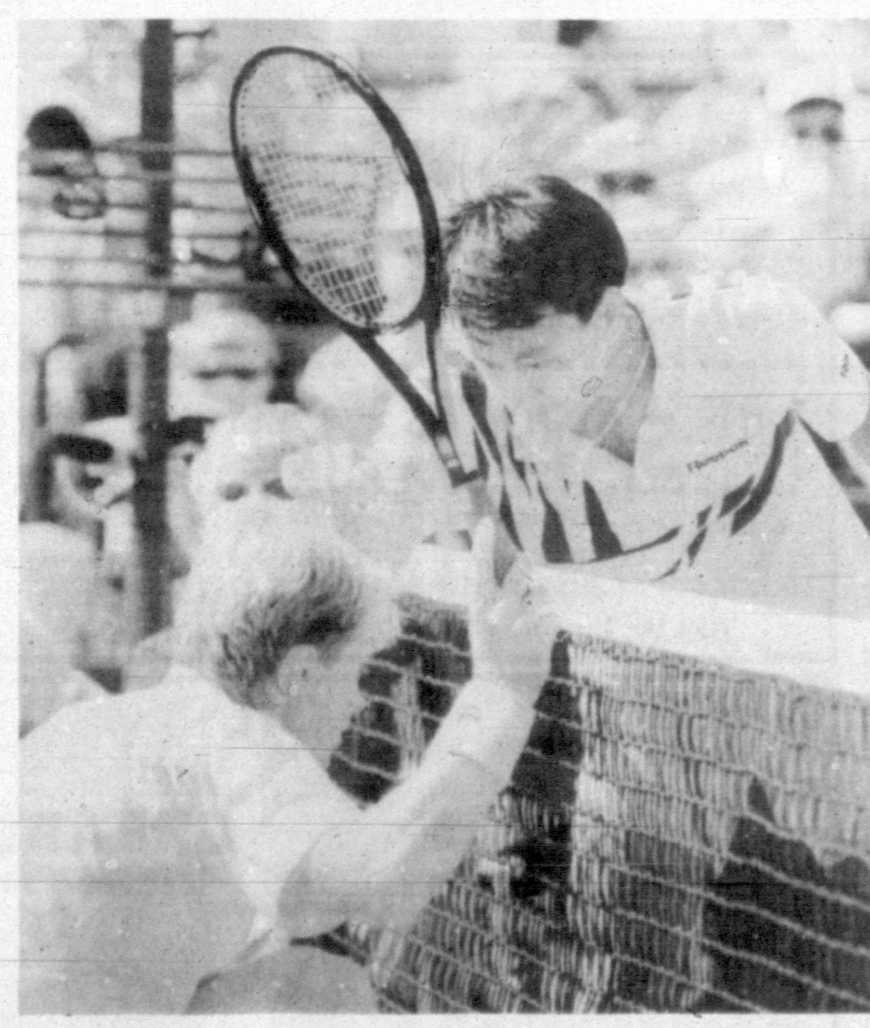
This time, the grunting and the winning form returned, although it took 1 1/2 hours.

Where the first men's semifinal, when defending champion Stefan Edberg beat Michael Chang, lasted a record five hours, 26 minutes, the women began at almost a record pace, Seles ripping out to a 5-0 lead in 18 minutes.

But Sanchez Vicario, the 1989 French Open winner, lifted her game and began battling evenly at that point, holding serve twice and breaking Seles in the seventh game. She could only stem the tide for a little bit, though.

It wasn't easy, but Seles held at 30 in the ninth game to close out the opening set 42 minutes after the two began.

By then, Sanchez Vicario had shaken off the nerves that had plagued her at the start of the match and began playing her own game — running everything down and hitting



Michael Chang knocks on the head of Stefan Edberg after a return buzzed Edberg's head Saturday at the U.S. Open in New York. (AP Photo)

her groundstrokes deep with sharp angles. The problem for the Spaniard is that's Seles' game — and she hits the ball harder and deeper with even sharper angles.

Edberg outlasts Chang
NEW YORK (AP) — Defending U.S. Open champion Stefan Edberg mustered just enough strength to crack a service winner at match

point against Michael Chang after a record five hours, 26 minutes in Super Saturday's epic semifinals.

Worn down by the chases after volleys, flustered by his own inexplicable vulnerability on serves with 18 double-faults, Edberg came up with three gutsy shots at the end to close out a 6-7 (7-3), 7-5, 7-6 (7-3), 5-7; 6-4 victory.

Dallas wants big steps to be made at New York

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Consider the Dallas Cowboys game with the New York Giants on Sunday a game of steps.

For the Cowboys, it's a chance to take another step to the NFL's elite level. Jimmy Johnson's team took a step last year in making the playoffs and went up another notch on Monday night in knocking off the Super Bowl champion Washington Redskins 23-10 in the season opener.

Now comes the next step, going 2-0 and beating the Giants on their turf.

Dallas hasn't won its first two since 1986 and Johnson has not beaten the Giants here since taking over as coach in 1989.

For the Giants, this is a chance to avoid the big step in 1992, the one off the edge that leads a long way down.

New York is heading that way. The team went from Super Bowl champions in 1990 to an 8-8 team in Ray Handley's first season as coach. This season opened with a 31-14 loss to San Francisco. A second conference loss on Sunday might be the start that leads to a very long year, and Handley knows it.

"I've heard a lot of talk from them how they haven't been 2-0 and when I talked with the Dallas writers they brought up how Jimmy hasn't won up here," Handley said. "That's something I'm sure he feels they have to achieve to get to the level they want to be."

Handley is also sure that Johnson is selling his team on how

important the first four games are for Dallas. If they can follow the win over Washington with wins over Phoenix and Philadelphia, the Cowboys will be sitting pretty in the NFC East.

"That would make them hard to catch," Handley said. "All of those things make this a game we had better be prepared for or Dallas will come in and thump us pretty good. It will be a very important game for them. If all those things add up to crucial for us, then I concur."

Johnson said he has two worries this week: the Giants, who have beaten him in five of six games, and a letdown after the Washington game.

"Of course I'm worried about a letdown," said Johnson, whose team has won six straight regular-season games. "Anytime you have a game with as much emotion as ours on Monday night, you're worried. There is also the short week of preparation and we lose a day traveling up there."

Johnson also downplayed the Giants' woeful defensive performance against the 49ers, who controlled the ball for almost 36 minutes. New York gave up 384 total yards, including 172 on the ground against a team not known for its rushing attack.

What Johnson likes to point out is how well the Giants have played against Dallas in recent years, controlling the ball while limiting the running of Emmitt Smith, the league's leading rusher last season.

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 CARSON (PANHANDLE) XET, Inc., #4 J.C. McConnell, Sec. 65, 4, 1, G&N, elev. 3210 gl, spud 5-13-92, drlg. compl 5-20-92, tested 8-24-92, pumped 8 bbl. of 42 grav. oil ++ 13 bbls. water, GOR 500, perforated 2959-3593, TD 3625', PBTD 3604' —
 GRAY (PANHANDLE) Texaco E & P, Inc., #50 M.B. Davis, Sec. 8, 1, ACH&B, elev. 2818 kb, spud 7-22-92, drlg. compl 7-28-92, tested 8-5-92, pumped 45 bbl. of 41.8 grav. oil + no water, GOR 67, perforated 2675-3060, TD 3060' —
 POTTER (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Comstock Oil & Gas, Inc., #20-36 Bivins, Sec. 36, 0-18, D&P, elev. 3475 gr. spud 8-6-92, drlg. compl 8-10-92, tested 8-28-92, pumped 39 bbl. of 35 grav. oil + 29 bbls. water, GOR 3026, perforated 1981-2017, TD 2300' —
 ROBERTS (S.E. PARSELL Douglas) Canyon Exploration Co., #4 Theresa, J.C. Schule Survey, elev. 2525 kb, spud 7-4-92, drlg. compl 7-17-92, tested 9-1-92, flowed 442 bbl. of 44 grav. oil + 23 bbls. water thru 20/64" choke on 24 hour test, csg. pressure 1400#, thh. pressure 600#, GOR 1249, perforated 6516-

6547, TD 6750', PBTD 6686' —
Gas Well Completions
 GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Myriad Resources Corp., #12 Powell 'C', Sec. 28, B-2, H&GN, elev. 2908 gr. spud 8-25-34, drlg. compl 1-4-35, 8-15-92, tested 8-24-92, potential 150 MCF rock pressure, 380, pay 2425-2663, TX 2975', PBTD 2700' — Reclassified from Oil to Gas
 GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Myriad Resources Corp., #38 Powell 'D', Sec. 28, B-2, H&GN, elev. 2869 gr. spud 7-25-46, drlg. compl 9-25-46, 8-15-92, tested 8-24-92, potential 113 MCF, rock pressure .389, pay 2337-3019 TD 3019' — Reclassified from Oil to Gas
 LIPSCOMB (NORTH MAMMOTH CREEK Cleveland) Mewbourn Oil Co., #1 Barber '876', Sec. 876, 43, H&TC, elev. 2374 kb, spud 6-13-92, drlg. compl 6-28-92, tested 8-20-92, potential 530 MCF, rock pressure 1474.5, pay 7534-7568, TD 7750', PBTD 7711' —

Plugged Wells
 HANSFORD (WILDCAT) Alpar Resources, Inc., #3B Schubert '73', Sec. 73, 4-T, T&NO, spud 8-11-92, plugged 8-21-92, TD 5600' (dry) —
 HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J. M. Huber Corp., #2 Christian-Shaffer, Sec. 50, V, J, T, Christian Survey, spud 4-20-50, plugged 7-28-92, TD 3027' (gas) —
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Lawyers in buyer's market

DALLAS (AP) — The high profits and job security many attorneys have enjoyed at some top Dallas firms are losing ground to a recession which has prompted layoffs and forced some lawyers to switch careers.
 University of Texas School of Law Dean Mark G. Yudof said "the golden era" of the 1970s and 1980s has ended. Even when the economy rebounds, "the remarkable profits won't come back; lawyers won't be so extraordinarily wealthy," he said.
 Lawyers at some big firms have watched as their client base — and paychecks — shrank, with some practitioners laid off in the process.
 Others have traded in their legal careers for jobs outside the profession. Legal scholars and consultants say that the balance of power in corporate and business law in the recession has shifted from lawyers to their customers.
 For the first time in years, cost-conscious corporations have seized control of the price, amount and quality of the legal services they purchase. "Clients are on top 1,000 percent."
 It's their ball and they're rolling it," said Donald S. Akins of Dallas, president of Hildebrandt Inc., national law firm consultants.
 Firms, to prosper in the future, must learn to reduce fees, cut internal costs, improve technology and listen to their clients, said experts.
 "We brought this on ourselves," Mark Calhoun, chairman of Calhoun Gump Spillman & Stacy, told *The Dallas Morning News*. "We were one of the few businesses that refused to tell the client what something would cost. We just said if it takes longer, it'll cost you more."
 Despite the recession, revenues of the city's 10 largest firms last year still exceeded \$570 million, according to statistics compiled by *Texas Lawyer*, a trade journal. Their profits actually crept up 4 percent to \$225 million.

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When Nana's house is home

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By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

When this forty-something woman found out she was going to be a grandmother, she didn't want to be somebody's "Nana."

The baby who became the light of her life wasn't even quite real to her though she attended La Maze classes with her pregnant daughter.

"I guess reality didn't hit me until I cut that cord and they handed him to me," said Terri, an attractive, youthful woman. When she talks about her grandson Tommy, conviction fills her voice. The words she speaks come from her heart.

Terri isn't her real name, but her story is powerful — and true. It is the same reality that grandparents all over America are experiencing. Children, once primarily the charge of their youthful parents, are returning to grandma and grandpa's house as either permanent or semi-permanent residents.

Terri, a single woman, determined that her grandchild would have a stable environment and not be caught in the ups and downs of his mother's romantic relationship.

"I told her, I said, 'You can't just be a weekend mom.' She was working two jobs. She was really seeing everything was okay with this guy and Tommy took the back seat."

Terri said her daughter was involved in a relationship where anger and violence were common and she feared for Tommy's safety. Periods of time passed when Terri didn't even know the whereabouts of Tommy's mom.

"I just couldn't imagine anybody putting somebody like that ahead of your baby," she said shaking her head.

The fear for Tommy motivated Terri to take drastic legal steps to gain custody of the child.

"I had to pray a lot. I just had to go with 'She's an adult.' You have to think of this child - what is best for it? She could have got out of that environment. I look at Tommy and think I did the right thing," Terri said. "There's more child abuse than we know and no way was I gonna let Tommy be a part of this."

Tommy lives full time with his nana. The pair receive unqualified family support.

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**—Terri
Panhandle woman
raising her grandson**

"I probably couldn't go through this without their support. I had people say, 'How could you do this to your daughter?' It was the hardest thing I ever had to do. It's like - what do you do? Do you let the baby stay in this 'til he's hurt? She'd already been hurt. I had to put her aside and think of this innocent baby. There was no way I could turn my back on that," Terri said emphatically.

Tommy's mom visits and plays with her baby. He knows she's his mom and knows he has a dad.

A stable home is always available with me, Terri said. One day, maybe Tommy will live with his mom, but not until she demonstrates stability and responsibility concerning him.

"I feel like when she gets older and looks at this, she'll see mother was trying to do what

was best for Tommy," Terri said.

Terri emphasized that her attempts to gain and maintain custody of Tommy are in no way an attempt to punish her daughter, but to provide a safe home for the child.

"I didn't do this to punish anybody. There had to be a line drawn — he was in a happy environment (at my house). It was stable there. There was no abuse. I had to draw the line — it was him or her. She could get out. He can't walk out," Terri said.

The relationship between mother and daughter, once rocky, is smoother. A short while ago, holidays were spent in silence, now visits and phone calls are regular occurrences. The women have made a serious effort to patch up the relationship. Terri reports that her daughter's home life is more settled.

While sometimes there is a little more month than paycheck, Terri says her lot in life is better than others around her.

"He's not gonna have to do without because I'm older," she said. "My life revolves around him."

Sunday is 'their day' for fun with aunts, uncles and great-grandparents.

Terri is a little afraid about starting over; she wonders if she is too old to act like a mother, but she manages to conquer her doubts.

"I hear this from a lot of grandparents — the thought of having to raise kids again — teenagers — they don't want to. I feel like this is the way my life's written. This has really made me hard hearted. Don't tell me you can't, if you really think these kids are in a bad environment."



Starting over is on the rise, social worker says

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

Grandparents taking almost complete charge of their grandchildren is a trend becoming more pronounced.

"I see more in the past couple of years than in the years before that," said Patti Lowrance, a foster home developer and former child protective services specialist with the Department of Human Services.

Lowrance said that a high teen pregnancy rate, coupled with parents who feel responsible for their child's behavior, creates grandparents who are constantly on-call to take up the slack where an immature parent is unable or incapable of providing care.

She commented on their lifestyle: "I don't know if they look at their kids as a possession rather than a human being, but the emotional commitment just isn't there."

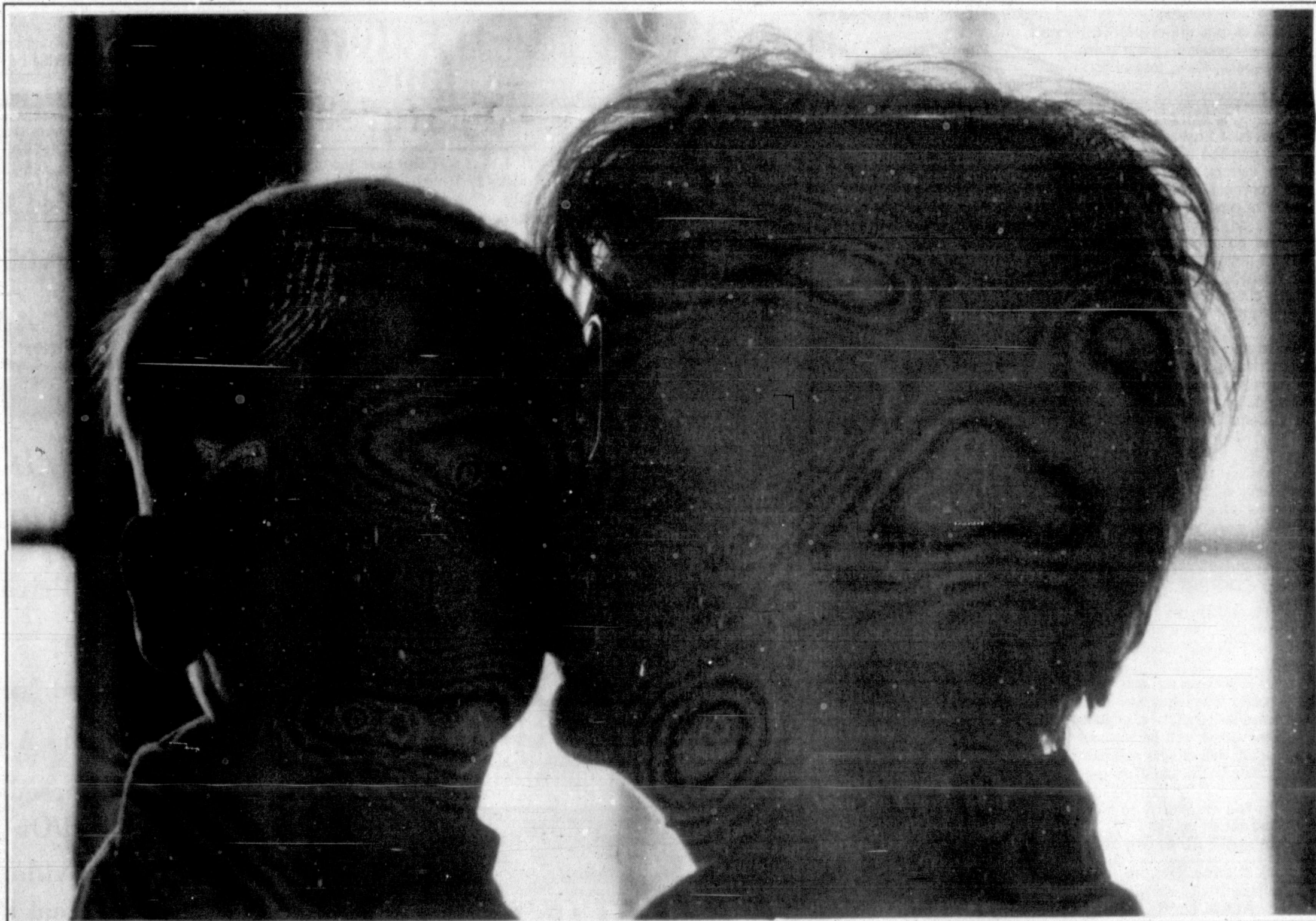
Lowrance noted a lack of direction in life, particularly in the group aged 15 - 25.

"I think we as parents have not put any responsibility on our kids and they grew up not having any. Somebody always did it for them," she said.

The parents leaving their children tend to be in the early 20's age group who do not want the responsibility for their offspring, she said. They may leave the child so that they can look for work somewhere else, but rather than picking up the child when they find a job, they return for periodic visits. Drug and alcohol use and abuse figure into this, Lowrance said.

Because of becoming a parent at an early age, sometimes they fear a missed youth and abandon children in order to try to recapture it.

Though abortion and adoption are options, it appears that many



(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegiers)

Somebody's Nana cuddles the center of her universe.

young mothers choose to keep their babies.

"I think these kids are really searching for something that belongs to them and these babies love them unconditionally," Lowrance explained.

However, she continued, she notes a lack of "mother love" toward the infant.

"They want (the baby) when they want them and when they want to go out with their friends, they don't," she said.

The next generation won't

know any better, Lowrance said.

"I think we're going to have kids growing up and becoming parents thinking 'My parents dumped me and it's okay for me to dump mine,'" she said.

"The thing that concerns me about these kids who are left with relatives, is these people who leave the kids go out and have more," she said.

"The biggest concern I have, because of the lack of responsibility by parents, we're raising children who know no responsi-

bility. We're going to see an increase of relatives and grandparents caring for kids as opposed to parents caring for kids. You can't force children to be on birth control. So kids are having kids. If a parent abandons a child, criminal charges can be brought against the parent, but you can't make them take responsibility. That responsibility has to be ingrained in them," she explained.

Lowrance knows personally of 30 to 40 children in Gray

County left totally in the care of grandparents. Without a loving environment, these youngsters often become angry and disturbed. Sometimes even well meaning grandparents want to rid themselves of an incorrigible teen by sending them to residential treatment facilities, psychiatric hospitals or children's homes. The desperate grandparents dump them into the state system with limited resources and always unable to provide what the child craves most - his

parents' love.

"It's really not fair for parents who've raised their children to turn around and raise their grandchildren, too. If you don't want the responsibility of raising a child, don't have one," she said.

On the bright side, Lowrance said she observed parents who left children with grandparents suddenly become aware of the fact that they are responsible for their offspring.

"They do wake up," she said.



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Joy D'Ann Brewer and William Earl Wilson

Brewer - Wilson

Joy D'Ann Brewer, Pampa, will become the bride of William Earl Wilson, Pampa, on Oct. 3 at First Presbyterian Church of Pampa.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Leon and Rosalie Brewer, Pampa. The groom-to-be is the son of Cindy Walton, Stamford, and the late Bill Wilson.

She is a graduate of Pampa High School and is a certified nurse for auxiliary nursing and a nursery worker for First Presbyterian Church.

He is a graduate of Stamford High School and is employed by Tejas Feeders.

Ballerina riding out Soviet collapse

By DEBORAH SEWARD
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — Lyudmila Vasilyeva stars in a ballet company that has no theater and a fragile budget, but says she wants to stay in Russia rather than pursue success abroad.

"Many of my friends have left, but I don't have the feeling I want to leave," she said. "I want to expand my repertoire here. I want my name to be known here so people will come see me dance."

Vasilyeva, 22, belongs to the last generation of dancers trained under the rigorous Soviet system. They expected to join the privileged world of performing arts subsidized by the state, until communism collapsed.

"There is a nervous tension in the company related to what's happening in the country," she said. "Some people think it's better to start their careers abroad. They all went kind of crazy and think they can be saved only there."

Russia has taken over where the Soviet state left off. The Moscow State Ballet, where Vasilyeva has danced for five years, gets government subsidies and still has its own orchestra.

There is not enough money, however, to sustain all ballet companies and orchestras or the schools that trained generations of Soviet artists.

Small ballet companies are folding and big ones are struggling. The Moscow State Ballet's subsidy is too low for it to acquire a permanent home or pay most dancers enough to hold them.

About 50 dancers have left in the past year and replacements must be integrated more quickly than before. The dancers hope they can keep the orchestra, since live musicians can adjust to their rhythms and taped music cannot.

Vasilyeva dreams of having a permanent home with practice halls and dressing rooms, like the Bolshoi Ballet, one of the Moscow State's main rivals.



(AP Photo)

Lyudmila Vasilyeva rehearses at the Moscow State Ballet's studio in Moscow earlier this summer. Vasilyeva stars in a ballet company that has no theater and a fragile budget, but says she wants to stay in Russia rather than pursue success abroad.

There seems to be little chance of that. The Bolshoi is finding its big classical theater an increasing burden because the huge maintenance costs drain resources needed for new ballets and better salaries.

In a way, the Moscow State Ballet has it easier. The company rents one floor of a ramshackle downtown

building for practice rooms and offices and performs in theaters throughout the city, including the Kremlin.

Vasilyeva and her husband, Misha, who also dances with the Moscow State, earn about 6,000 rubles a month between them and spend much of it on food.

Their apartment is light and airy, full of Western appliances and home entertainment equipment bought with hard currency earned from foreign tours. They have a car and a dacha, a country home for weekends and summer vacations.

After seeing her first ballet at age 6, Vasilyeva decided to become a dancer. She could not win a place at one of the famous schools of her native Moscow and studied instead in Perm, an industrial city 680 miles east, in the Ural Mountains.

She spent 10 years in Perm and was rejected by the Moscow State Ballet twice before finally winning acceptance.

In five years, she has risen from the corps de ballet to become one of the company's four lead dancers, dazzling audiences with roles in "Don Quixote," "Swan Lake" and "Sleeping Beauty."

This year, Vasilyeva has danced in Japan, Mexico, France and Italy. Earlier trips took her to Britain, the United States, Turkey, Holland and Germany.

The Moscow State troupe rarely tours the rest of the former Soviet Union because of political unrest, poor accommodations and food, low fees and small attendance.

Vasilyeva's eyes sparkle when she talks of someday performing at the Grand Opera de Paris, which Russian performers consider the best place in the world to dance.

She is still getting used to the new freedoms. Vasilyeva remembers when the KGB, which could make or break a dancer's career, went along on all foreign tours. Security officers shadowed the dancers, monitoring the contacts they made, what they bought and how much they drank.

"If you were seen alone in a bar, then it was the end," Misha said.

The last tour of Japan was especially fulfilling, Vasilyeva said, because Maya Plisetskaya, the Soviet ballet legend who now lives in Paris, attended one of her performances.

"I came back another person," she said. "But I came back."

Menus

Sept. 14 - 18

Pampa Meals on Wheels	Tuesday
Monday Gumbo, cornbread, cobbler.	Breakfast: French-toast sticks, cereal, toast, peanut butter, juice, milk.
Tuesday Shepherd's pie, green beans, cottage cheese, fruit cocktail.	Lunch: Corn dogs, tater tots, corn, salad, chocolate pudding, milk, salad bar.
Wednesday Seasoned chicken, peas, candied carrots, jello.	Wednesday Breakfast: Sausage, biscuits, gravy, juice, milk, cereal.
Thursday Stuffed peppers, flavored rice, whole tomatoes, pudding.	Lunch: Pizza, carrot sticks, salad, orange, milk, salad bar.
Friday Barbecue weiners, macaroni and cheese, cabbage, applesauce.	Thursday Breakfast: Blueberry muffins, sausage, cereal, juice, milk.
Pampa Senior Citizens	Lunch: Salisbury steak, potatoes, gravy, blackeyed peas, peach cobbler, rolls, milk, salad bar.
Monday Chicken fried steak or chicken and dumplings, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, pinto beans, slaw, toss or jello salad, chocolate pie or apple cobbler, cornbread or hot rolls.	Friday Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, cereal, juice, milk.
Tuesday Chicken pot pie or chili rellenos, new potatoes, green beans, fried squash, slaw, toss or jello salad, butterscotch crunch or lemon cake.	Lunch: Hamburgeres or barbecue, French fries, pinto beans, hamburger salad, pickles, pears, milk.
Wednesday Roast beef brisket with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, turnip greens, carrots, slaw, toss or jello salad, coconut pie or cherry cobbler, cornbread or hot rolls.	Pampa Schools
Thursday Fried chicken or meatloaf, mashed potatoes, fried okra, corn on the cob, toss or jello salad, cherry chocolate cake or tapioca, cornbread or hot rolls.	Monday Breakfast: Toast, jelly, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Friday Fried cod fish or baked ham, French fries, broccoli, Spanish macaroni, slaw, toss or jello salad, cherry delight or lemon pie, garlic bread, cornbread or hot rolls.	Lunch: Pizza, green beans, applesauce, choice of milk.
Lefors Schools	Tuesday Breakfast: Cowboy bread, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Monday Breakfast: Oats, rice, cereal, toast, juice, milk, peanut butter.	Lunch: Fish sticks, macaroni and cheese, blackeyed peas, pears, choice of milk.
Lunch: Oven-fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, banana pudding, milk.	Wednesday Breakfast: Oatmeal, biscuit, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
	Lunch: Beef and cheese nacho, pinto beans, pineapple, cornbread, choice of milk.
	Thursday Breakfast: Rice, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
	Lunch: Pot pie, peaches, hot roll, choice of milk.
	Friday Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
	Lunch: Hamburger, burger salad, pickle slices, French fries, apple cobbler, choice of milk.

Food and nutrition project kicks off; carnival set for October

DATES
14 - Lefors 5-H club meeting, 7 p.m., Lefors school cafeteria
16 - Swine Project meeting, 7 p.m., Annex
18 - Fall Leader Training, Brownwood

Tri-State Fair culinary entries due at Extension Office
4-H FOOD-NUTRITION PROJECT

The 4-H foods-nutrition project is getting organized now. Anyone interested in being a part of this should contact the extension office as soon as possible.

Two dates were set for county-wide project activities at a recent planning meeting. A Hairy-Scary Food Carnival will be conducted on Oct. 31 from 9 a.m. until noon. The workshop is being planned for elementary and middle school age 4-H'ers. Workshop topics will focus on apples, snacks, fitness, food safety, and the 4-H food show.

The date set for the Gray County 4-H food show is Nov. 14 at the Gray County Annex. More details on this contest will be available in October.

4-H Futures and Features

4-Hers will also have the opportunity to participate in two community service projects. 4-H'ers will participate in the community canned food drive and sculpture contest on Oct. 17. The other opportunity is to deliver mobile meals for the South Side Senior Center on Oct. 24.

TRI-STATE FAIR ENTRIES
4-H'ers wishing to enter clothing, canned goods, arts and crafts, or needlework in this year's Tri-State Fair should contact the Extension Office for a list of entry possibilities.

Donna Brauchi will take your entries to the fair on Sept. 18. Please have them to her by 10 a.m. on Sept. 18. 4-H'ers are responsible for picking up their entries on Sept. 27.

SWINE PROJECT MEETING

Youth and leaders wishing to learn more about feeding and caring for 4-H swine projects are invited to attend the swine project meeting on Sept. 16, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Gray County Annex. Emphasis for this meeting will be placed on

selection, feeding, housing, pens, and the little things that make a difference in "Developing a Champion." 4-H is interested in not only teaching kids how to produce top quality livestock, but in raising "blue ribbon kids."

Poster contest sponsored by Epilepsy Association

High Plains Epilepsy Association is sponsoring an area poster child contest in honor of National Epilepsy Month.

Any child between the ages of 10 and 14 who has epilepsy and lives in the Texas Panhandle is eligible to enter. The winner will be selected by a panel of judges who will base their decision on the child's participation in school and extra-curricular activities and the ability to meet people and discuss epilepsy.

For an application, call High

Plains Epilepsy Association at 372-3891. All applications must be completed by Oct. 5. The contest will be held on Oct. 10.

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Old Mother Hubbard's cupboard is not bare for American children

What are American children eating? There has been growing concern about cholesterol and fat intake by children. This concern has prompted recent studies.

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Study II collected food intake data from 7,462 children ages 1 to 17 years. The consumptions of total fat averaged 35 to 38 percent of total caloric intake. Between 37 and 55 percent of American children consumed more than the recommended amount of total fat. Saturated fat made up a large proportion of this fat intake: 14 percent of calories across all age groups in white children. Carbohydrate intake was lower than recommended levels. Protein intake was adequate. However, between 20 and 24 percent of adolescent females had intakes below the recommended amount for protein.

Cholesterol intake per 1,000 calories was decreased with age and, except in black youngsters between ages of 2 and 10 years, averaged out to be between 141 to 147 mg./1000 calories.

The second more recent study examined the diets of children from the Woodlands. Dietary intakes of 138 children in the 5th to 12th grades were studied. On average, both girls and boys at 35 percent of their calories in the form of fat. Thirteen percent of total calories ingested were in the form of saturated fat. The percent of carbohydrate ingested was about 50 percent of total calories, slightly less than the .55 percent recommended. Protein intakes were within the recommended ranges. Cholesterol intake was lower in girls than in boys, reflecting a similar pattern in adults.

The intake of total dietary fat seemed to be the most important indicator of a healthy diet. Those who consumed higher levels of fat also consumed more saturated fat and cholesterol. If the diet contained less than 30 percent of calories from fat, it was much more likely to have less than 10 percent of calories from saturated fat, greater than 8 percent of calories from polyunsaturated fat, and less than 300 mg. cholesterol per day.

These two studies show that the typical high fat diet eaten by American children can be improved by focusing on reducing fats. This can be achieved by limiting rich desserts, high fat spreads and snack foods and by increasing fruits, vegetables, and whole grains, and by encouraging the consumption of low-fat meats and dairy products.

Children learn which food to eat, how much, and when to eat as they interact with people. There-



Homemakers' News
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fore, family members have a great influence on the development of eating habits. Children may copy what they see their parents eating. Therefore, parents are models.

Television also plays an important role in children's food habits. Ninety-eight percent of American homes have at least one television set. On the average, preschool children watch more than 25 hours of television a week. This limits chances for physical activity and interaction with others. Also, TV-watching can affect the food choices a child makes.

Parents have the primary responsibility of teaching their young children about a good diet. Talking with children about the kinds of food needed for good health can help them make better food choices. Parents can have these discussions while grocery shopping, watching television or at the dinner table. Also, help children develop an interest by allowing them to assist when preparing food.

Parents can also lessen the impact of advertising by helping children understand what they see. They should point out the difference between commercials and TV shows, explain that advertising sells foods by making them sound appealing, and talk about the nutritional merits of advertised foods.

Parents also are responsible for directing the child-feeding activity. Children's eating habits are best when parents recognize and respond in suitable ways to their needs. Be aware of feeding cues coming from your child. Children shouldn't be forced to clean their plates if they are full. Neither should a hungry child be forced to wait until mealtime to eat. A light snack such as a cracker or an apple slice can carry them over until mealtime.

Be sensitive to your child's development readiness and set some mealtime standards that will help your child develop lifelong positive eating habits.



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Abigail Van Buren

'Please call police' banner is a Godsend to stranded driver

DEAR ABBY: I want you to know how helpful your "Please Call Police" banner was for me. On the Sunday night before Labor Day, at 11 p.m.; I was driving home alone after visiting my brother, who lives 12 miles away. One of my tires blew, so I pulled off the main highway, left my outside and inside lights on, and displayed my "Please Call Police" banner across the rear window.

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JANE DE CELLES,
SILVER SPRING, MD.

Miss Lefors pageant set for Oct. 10

LEFORS — Miss Lefors Area Centennial Pageant is scheduled for 7 p.m. Oct. 10 in the Lefors High School auditorium.

The event is sponsored by the Lefors Art & Civic Club, in conjunction with the Lefors post office centennial celebration.

Three categories have been scheduled for the pageant: "Little Miss" for ages 3-7; "Young Miss" for ages 8-12; and "Miss" for ages 13 and older.

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Jett - Johnson

Marla Faye Jett and Aubrey August Johnson, both of Arlington, were married Aug. 8 at the First Baptist Church in Arlington. Officiating was Dr. H.E. East.

The bride is the daughter of Ted and Sharon Jett, Pampa, and the granddaughter of Pauline Adams, Guymon, Okla.

The groom is the son of Ila Johnson, Houston, and David Johnson, Zephyr Cove, Nev.

Standing as maid of honor was Lisa Cole, Arlington. Bridesmaids were Kimberly Cardwell, Arlington; Terri Lyles, cousin of the bride, Borger; and Karl Brown, step-sister of the groom, Zephyr Cove, Nev.

Ushers were Brent Wilson, Fort Worth, and Nedar Pitts, Arlington.

Vocal music was pre-recorded by the bride and played during the ceremony. Organist was Mark Edwards, Arlington.

Following the ceremony, a reception honoring the couple was held at The Elks Lodge, Arlington.

Following a honeymoon trip to San Francisco, Calif., the couple will make their home in Arlington.

Groomsmen were David Tyrie Johnson, brother of the groom, Houston; Clay Jett, brother of the bride, Arlington; and Mike Ingerham, Euless. Ringbearer was William Lyles, cousin of the bride, Borger.

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September activities keep Pampans busy

The mere mention of September conjures up fun and excitement of facing busy schedules and lots of activities. Here are some items from the last of August and first week of September.

Belated 50th anniversary wishes to Rod and Kay Smithers, whose celebration was hosted by family members. About 175 family members and friends came from Pampa, Odessa, Andrews and Memphis. Cakes made by their daughter Kay Hughes were works of art. Andrea Hughes, a four-year-old granddaughter registered guests and her big brother Ryan, eight, kept the plates picked up to make it really a family undertaking.

Following their marriage, Rod and Kay moved to Hedgecock Ranch in Palo Duro Canyon. Their first time out was at Christmas when Kay's dad "brought them out" of the canyon. Rod has lots of tapes and memorabilia from his life as a real West Texas cowboy. He's always good for another cowboy story. He's a pro at sign language, too. Both Rod and Kay are enjoying retirement.

Belated 62nd anniversary wishes to Edwin and Anabel Simmons. There was a quiet family dinner with their son Paul and wife Ione, their daughter Vondel Stevens and her son Timothy. Monday evening Paul took his parents to Perryton for an anniversary party and card shower in the home of clients and friends Harold and Barbara Waterbury. Pampans in the group of 49 party-goers were Paul, Clifton and Dovie Rasco, Beatrice Gilliam, Jo Martin, and their pastor Howard and wife Wyonna Whitely of the Pampa Chapel.

They came home with a sackful of cards and lots of warm memories.

In March, 1945 Edwin and Anabel came to Pampa, when Edwin accepted employment with Cree Companies, and in December he became a CPA. Now at nearly 84, he and Anabel, always his able assistant, maintain on a daily basis the business he and the late Price/Dosier shared for a number of years. Even with the greatly diminished vision Anabel fuses a little bit if Edwin doesn't have enough copy work to keep her busy every minute. Accolades to this fine and unusual couple, who for 47 years have been outstanding Pampans!! Paul and Ione returned from a five-day vacation in Colorado Springs in time for the celebration.

Friends who met little two-year-old Lindsey Sackett, daughter of Ed and Paula, and granddaughter of Janice "Mumsy" and Floyd "Granddad" Sackett, gave Floyd full permission to brag all he wants to about the little lady. She is everything he told them she is! She knows her abc's, can count, and talk like a grown up, wears her cowboy boots, gift of guess who, like a real cowgirl. She played golf with her menfolks, took in Chataqua, the football game, talked with the cheerleaders and band director C.J. Johnson. Ed, Paula and Lindsey recently moved to Auburndale, Fla. only 20 minutes from Disneyland. Ed is photographer for the Orlando Sentinel and Paula owns and operates two jewelry stores in the area. Come back, Lindsey, any time, and bring your parents with you!

Belated birthday wishes to Roy Dyson, who is on the sunset side of 80 and stands tall and straight!



Peeking at Pampa By Katie

The Harvesters got off to a fine start last Friday. Again on game day the varsity team, about 50 members, attended school in dress suits, at the request of Coach Dennis Cavalier. Impressive sight! On Friday there was a surprise fire drill and pep rally in the stadium. Even the fire department came! Earlier in the summer the cheerleaders came home from camp at North Texas State University, Denton, with the right to attend national competition later in the year. Their mascot Kara Kay Skaggs won the mascot award that qualified her for national competition, too.

Varsity cheerleaders are Soña Solano, head, Angel Bridges, Jennifer Ward, Alana Ryan, Julie Montoya, Katina Thomas, Shelly Young, Kimberly Martin, Courtney Smith, and Ginny Hopper. Early in August the 10 girls held a camp in Pampa for would-be cheerleaders from kindergarten through the eighth grade. About 30 of them performed, well, at half-time at Friday night's game. Congratulations, cheerleaders, for your achievements! Angel Coufal is the new cheerleaders' sponsor.

Bobby and Steve Thomas and Bobby's dad Tom Powers of White Deer attended the Texas Tech-Oklahoma University game last Saturday with good reason.

Their sons Zach and Bart were players in the kick-off. Everything was perfect, at least during the first half! Both boys are outstanding football stars and deserve the parental support and pride they receive from Bobby and Steve.

Frosty and Dorothy Horner, Grace Green and Louise West were seen having a fun time together while having dinner at Danny's Market a few days ago.

Jimmy and B.J. Shuneman took time out for a game of shuffleboard while enjoying pizza at Mr. Gatti's with Sandra and little Julianna. Julianna's big brown eyes just sparkled.

The James McCoys, way out on East Browning, deserve praise for their beautiful grass and large bed of colorful flowers.

Jarrett Michael Fletcher, son of Rhonda and Mark, had a party room full of guests of all ages to share his fourth birthday with at Mr. Gatti's. Big brother Bradley Lynn did his share in being helpful. Some of Jarrett's party peers from St. Matthews, all cute as can be, were Ryan, Bridget Rice, and

Sandy Jones, who runs the game room with more patience than three people should have, sees about all the players in her special way. Belated birthday congratulations, Jarrett Michael.

Recovery wishes to Loraine Fite, recovering from a broken hip, Patsy Poole, from a broken foot, and Nathan Lancaster, from a dislocated shoulder, all separate accidents.

Speaking of little ones, it is great to see 2 year old Ryan Hutcherson out and around with his mother, Karen Peeler Hutcherson after an extended stay in an Amarillo hospital. Ryan is receiving lots of hugs and attention from doting grandparents, Leon and Betty Peeler.

Bill and Freddie Cody made a trip to Liberal, Kan., to visit their daughter Barbara and husband, James Wariner.

Welcome to Jo Brantley and her daughter who have moved to Lefors.

Dale and Brucile Garrett have returned from an extended trip of about two months. They took grandchildren to Monument Lake for a week where their mother, Dale Ann, came for them before her parents went on to South Ford, Colo.

Ralph and Ethel Shipman of Bonita, Calif., came to visit his brother and wife Troy and Juanita. They enjoyed the Old Settlers Reunion in Mobetie.

A guest in the Wilbur and Betty

Kemph home has been her sister, Leona Sattelmeier of Breckenridge, Okla. She can for Eva and Verner Webb's 50th anniversary and she remained for two weeks.

Lester K. Michael has returned from a family reunion at Parkersburg, W.Va.

A recent guest of Geneva Lisenbee was her brother, Jim Libby of Bay City.

Lucile and Norma Lantz took a little Labor Day trip from to McLean, Shamrock and Wheeler. Returning home by way of Magic City and Kellerville, they saw a flock of wild turkeys. They are always on the lookout for wild life and on a recent trip from McLean to Lefors, they saw an armadillo near McClellan Creek. Upon backing up to take a good look, it stood on its back legs and took a good look at its observers.

Friends of Marvin Moxon and Bill McBee welcome them home after their hospital stays. Prayerful good wishes go out to them.

Mayor Gene Gee will be missed after his Sunday move to Petrolia, where he will join former Lefors superintendent Ed Gilliland.

The descendants of S.E. and Francis A. Cole, early day resident of Wheeler, met Sept. 5 at the Chamber of Commerce Building in Pampa for a day of fun, good food and visiting. Relatives came from as far away as San Diego, Calif., Colorado, as well as Panhandle towns.

See you next week, Katie.

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Entertainment

Three dozen fall films target older audiences Redford rebounds in Sneakers

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It's comeback time in Hollywood.

Two of the film industry's brightest lights — Robert Redford and Woody Allen — will try to reverse their dimming fortunes as the fall movie season unfolds.

Redford — coming off 1990's "Havana," probably the biggest disaster of his 30-year career — stars in "Sneakers," a lighthearted thriller about a ragtag group of ethical burglars.

The film, directed by "Field of Dreams" maker Phil Alden Robinson, already has generated positive reviews and appears to have all the elements in place for box-office popularity. It opens Friday.

Redford also steps behind the camera for the first time since 1988's ho-hum "The Milagro Beanfield War" to direct "A River Runs Through It." Starring Brad Pitt, the movie makes its premiere Oct. 9.

And then there's Allen's "Husbands and Wives," one of the most anticipated titles.

Originally set to open in a handful of cities Sept. 23, the film about an older man (Allen) and a younger woman (Juliette Lewis) in "Cape Fear" will now make its debut nationwide Sept. 18.

TriStar Pictures made the switch following intense media coverage of the 56-year-old filmmaker's messy split with actress Mia Farrow during which Allen admitted he was in love with Miss Farrow's 21-year-old adopted daughter.

The film is likely to attract Allen fans and automobile accident gawkers.

The question is whether general audiences will tolerate this art-imitates-life comedy. Are Allen's neuroses still funny now that they could be true? We'll see. A recent re-release of Allen's "Manhattan" (also about an older man — Allen — and a younger woman) performed dismally at the box office.

Thanks to an anemic July, 1992 is lagging behind both 1991 and 1990 in ticket sales, which so far total \$3.13 billion vs. \$3.32 billion at the same date in 1990. The studios are hoping more adult-oriented fare will resuscitate a generally lackluster year.

Three dozen movies are scheduled for release by Thanksgiving.

Several are calculated kiddie detours such as Macaulay Culkin in "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" and "The Mighty Ducks," with Emilio Estevez coaching a children's hockey team. For young children, there's the animated "Aladdin" (Nov. 25).

But most fall films aim at older audiences, and there's an array of stars both in front of and behind the cameras.

Billy Crystal and Tim Robbins make their respective directorial debuts in the comedy "Mr. Saturday Night" (Sept. 25) and the political satire "Bob Roberts" (which opened Sept. 4).

Spike Lee's "Malcolm X" is set to bow Nov. 20, director Francis Ford Coppola is back with "Bram Stoker's Dracula" (November), Kevin Kline and Kevin Spacey swap wives in "Consenting Adults" (Oct. 16) and Andy Garcia and Dustin Hoffman decide

who's the real brave man in "Hero" (Oct. 2). Tom Selleck circles the bases in Japan in "Mr. Baseball" (Oct. 3).

After the waterlogged debut of "Christopher Columbus — The Discovery," Paramount hopes audiences will turn out for "1492" (Oct. 9), the second film this year about the explorer. Gerard Depardieu and Kevin Dunn star.

In "Night and the City" (October), Robert De Niro and Jessica Lange, who teamed in "Cape Fear," star in the remake of the 1950 melodrama.

Several films are adapted from acclaimed books: "Of Mice and Men" (Oct. 2, based on John Steinbeck's classic), "Rich in Love" (Oct. 23, from Josephine Humphreys' novel) and "The Lover" (Oct. 30, adapted from Marguerite Duras' story).

Among the more compelling releases is "Reservoir Dogs" (mid-October), starring Harvey Keitel and Tim Roth in a grisly story of a robbery gone wrong.



(Special photo by Melinda Sue Gordon)
Robert Redford portrays Marvin Bishop in *Sneakers*.

The film is likely to prompt intense debate over the limits of screen violence.

"Alive" (Nov. 6) tells the true story of cannibalism by a stranded soccer team. And "Jumpin' at the Boneyard" (Sept. 18) is a grim account of a drug addict and his family.

Independent releases include director Hal Hartley's "Simple Men" (Sept. 25), and Al Pacino and Jack Lemmon in David Mamet's "Glengarry Glen Ross" (Oct. 2).

A number of films delayed for a

variety of reasons will come out this fall.

"The Last of the Mohicans" was first scheduled to arrive in July. 20th Century Fox feared the epic about the 18th-century battles between France and England would be lost in the summer.

"We moved it for all the right reasons. ... It's not an action film," said Tom Sherak, Fox's executive vice president. "We need to sell this as an epic love story. It's a picture that's beautiful, romantic and well-acted."

Writer-director Cameron Crowe

("Say Anything") originally was told "Singles" would be a summer release. But Warner Bros. is doubtful about its box-office potential — even though the movie has a popular soundtrack album that's been in stores for weeks — so the studio will release it in only a handful of theaters this month.

As fall ends, an array of big titles will arrive around Christmas. They include Jack Nicholson in "Hoffa," Tom Cruise in "A Few Good Men" and Kevin Costner in "The Bodyguard."

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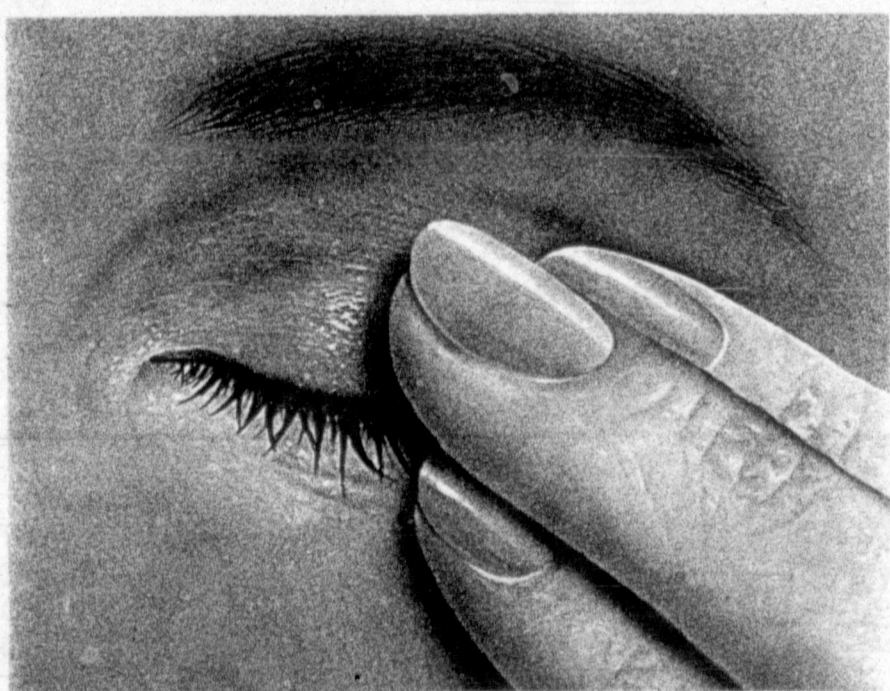
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The board of trustees of the Pampa Independent School District hereby gives notice that it is considering the adoption of a tax rate of \$.465 that will provide \$4,137 per student in state and local revenues.

The Pampa News

Comic Page

The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- ease
- Greek epic
- Actress Piper
- Inebriated (sl.)
- Group of nine
- Infuriates
- Pool player
- Minnesota
- Canada
- Thatch plants
- Affected manner
- Baba au
- Nile queen, for short
- Light feather
- Whips
- Last-named
- Selfish person
- Eliminates
- Drink slowly
- Shoe part

DOWN

- my heart in San Francisco
- Hawaiian porch
- Theatrical couple
- Surface measures
- Spanish aunt
- Average
- Roams
- Forest god
- ear and —
- Baseball player — Blue
- Scooped out
- Poured
- Surplus
- Remington
- Makes a canasta play
- Command

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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	ELA	SOT
LIGNITE	MOUTH	
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CLUE	SNUG	ULU
HYMNS	EPOCHAL	
	SUP	HUH
LIONESS	RAIDS	
UCLA	AKIM	ODA
BEER	LYRE	TAL
ERAL	MEET	AYE

ACROSS

- Charged particles
- Aged beer
- Freshwater fish
- Lingus (airline)
- College deg.
- Tensest
- Asian country
- Spanish god
- Beverages
- Headgear
- Plaintiff
- War god
- Who (It.)
- Minus
- Currency exchange premium
- Soaks
- Heads
- Weapons
- Knock
- Front
- Greased
- Dainties
- Longed
- Fred Astaire's sister
- Consumer advocate
- Ralph —
- Loch — monster
- Competitor
- Astronaut's ferry
- Lumber worker's tool
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WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

Glen, did you let the dog in here?
No, I put her in the garage.

Do you think maybe there's a dead squirrel around somewhere?
Well...I don't think so...

Maybe the septic tank is backed up. Do you think the septic tank is backed up?

Miriam, I ran out of mouthwash. Okay?
I think there is some Lysol downstairs...

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

GRANDDAD, I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO TELL YOU

IT'S ABOUT DAD...

I THINK HE'S A MEMBER OF THE CULTURAL ELITE!

EEK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

STRONG MORAL VALUES MAY VERY WELL BE SECURITY TO THE FAMILY...

BUT WITH NO WORK, NO MONEY AND NO HEALTH INSURANCE...

WHAT THEY REALLY NEED IS COLLATERAL

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

MOM SURE HAS A FUNNY WALK, DOESN'T SHE, DAD?

LISTEN, KID...

IF IT WASN'T FOR THAT WALK, YOU WOULDN'T BE HERE

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you're promoting something that you feel promises personal benefits, this is the time to be more assertive. It's important you give priority to your interests. Major changes are ahead for Virgo in the coming year. Send for Virgo's Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today marks the beginning of a period where you might reap rewards from individuals you were kind to in the past. It's your turn at the plate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Glimmers of new hope might be perceptible today, but you may not fully appreciate their importance until more of their ramifications become visible.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Conditions which could have a profound, positive effect on your ambitions are stirring now. Follow your inclination that urges you to strive for lofty objectives.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) People who previously resisted or rejected your views may now do an about-face and become protagonists rather than antagonists.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Measures can now be taken to alter a negative situation which seemed impervious to change. This dramatic transition could result in several new opportunities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Agreements you enter into in this cycle have very good chances for success, provided the parties concerned are attempting to be as fair as possible.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you're an employee, begin to do all you possibly can today to upgrade the quality of your performance. Good work will receive both recognition and advantages.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Positive changes are indicated at this time where your social life is concerned. Make an effort to establish new contacts, as well as new interests.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Conditions are more conducive at this time for you to finalize an important matter to your satisfaction. Don't give up now that the end is in sight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have the ability now to convince others to support ideas that are significant to you. Don't be afraid to make a bold presentation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There could be more material opportunities than usual for you in this present cycle. They will be in their early stages, so it's up to you to develop them.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

ONE OF THE BEST PARTS ABOUT SPENDING THE NIGHT AT GRAMMA'S IS BREAKFAST THE NEXT MORNING

SHE ALWAYS GIVES ME A BIG BOTTLE OF MILK

...AND A POWDERED DONUT

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"I don't ever want to see it again!"

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

UH OH. I THINK I'VE BECOME A LEADING ECONOMIC INDICATOR

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

CHUNK

GADFRY! DO NOT BE ALARMED! TH' ZORAX FEELS NO PAIN!

YOU'RE SURE?

YES! IT WILL GROW A REPLACEMENT TAIL VERY QUICKLY!

THANKS, ONN! THIS OUGHTA SATISFY TH' DUKE!

SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

"I feel so old. I can remember back before there was velcro..."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

The bus ride home is a quiet time when we can reflect on the day's school work.

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

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"DID WE FORGET TO TELL YOU THAT OUR HOROSCOPES ARE RETROACTIVE?"

CALVIN AND HOBBS

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I DON'T WANNA TAKE A BATH! I DON'T WANNA TAKE A BATH! YOU CAN'T MAKE ME!

AGHH! LEGGO! LEGGO! NO NO NO NO NO NO NO! PUT ME DOWN!

I WISH I WAS DEAD! I HATE YOU ALL! I HATE EVERYTHING! AARRGGHHH!

WHENEVER I HEAR ABOUT PEOPLE TRYING TO REDISCOVER THE 'CHILD WITHIN,' I WANT TO SCREAM!

THE-BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

MY FORECAST FOR TOMORROW'S WEATHER CALLS FOR POSSIBLE WARMING AFTER SUNRISE...

WITH A CHANCE OF SOME FORM OF PRECIPITATION THROUGHOUT THE DAY...PERHAPS TURNING COOLER DURING THE NIGHT

I LOVE THIS GUY...HE'S NEVER WRONG!

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

FRANK AND ERNIE'S KWIK-FIX GARAGE

BY THE WAY...I GREASED THAT LITTLE POLE THAT HOLDS THE HOOD UP.

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT THAT MAYBE YOU'RE A HUMMINGBIRD?

HUMMINGBIRDS ARE ATTRACTED TO THINGS THAT ARE RED..

EXCUSE ME..I DO NOT HAVE A RED NOSE!

GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

WATCH THIS, GARFIELD! I'LL SHOW MY OLD CLASSMATES I STILL HAVE ALL THE MOVES!

BOOGIE! BOOGIE! BOOGIE!

LET'S BOOGIE ON HOME. I'LL LEAD.

People, pets swallow the darndest things, doctors say

By RHONDA MORAN
The Brazosport Facts

ANGLETON (AP) — Ask Dr. Richard Ybarra about unusual things he's seen on X-rays, and he doesn't need long to think.

The adult patient who swallowed six bullets to keep from being shot a couple of months ago comes quickly to mind.

"That was probably the strangest thing I've seen," says Ybarra, who is medical director at the Angleton-Danbury General Hospital Emergency Department. "He swallowed the bullets because someone he was with was threatening to shoot him."

A specialist removed the bullets without surgery by "snaking" an endoscope down the sedated patient's throat, Ybarra says.

Pets who swallow odds and ends don't usually have the "scope" option, says Angleton veterinarian Leonard Venhaus.

"The technology is there, but the equipment is very expensive, so most veterinary clinics don't have it yet," he says. "It's the wave of the future. But for now, animals either pass what they've swallowed, or they have surgery to remove it."

The veterinarian has had a few memorable patients, too.

"We had a poodle in here that had a fetish," Venhaus says. "He had to have surgery three times to remove rubber baby bottle nipples he'd swallowed. There was just something about 'em that dog was attracted to — we never knew if it was the smell of milk, or if he was jealous of the baby. But if he could get 'em, he would eat 'em."

The stomach acid caused the rubber to swell so the dog couldn't rid himself of the nipples through either of the natural routes.

The "most surprising" thing Venhaus says he has seen on X-ray is an open safety pin, although fish hooks are also a problem, especially with cats.

"They pick up the scent of the bait, I guess, and swallow the hook. I have seen cats where the only thing hanging out of their mouth was a bobber on a line," Venhaus says.

"A guy came in once with a cat like that, and he said, 'I know what's on the other end of this, and I know what'll happen if I pull it.'"

"Sure enough, the X-ray showed that the cat had swallowed a fish hook," Venhaus says.

Pets and children have a few things in common — like a tendency to swallow coins, pins, erasers, and paper clips and just about anything else that's loose and on their level.

Ybarra says the most dangerous things for children are batteries and sharp objects, although anytime a child swallows something odd, he "should be evaluated, just to make sure it's not a problem."

Stomach acid can damage batteries and cause them to leak, which may be life-threatening to a child, Ybarra says.

Signs that a child has swallowed something foreign may include a feeling that "something is stuck," salivating, difficulty breathing, pain, heart palpitations.

"Whether or not it's a life-threatening situation depends on what was swallowed," Ybarra says. "Sharp objects are very dangerous, because they can perforate the bowel."

The doctor says coins are most likely to get stuck at the point where the stomach joins the small intestine, or where the small intestine joins the colon.

A child who has swallowed one coin "can probably be observed at home," the doctor says, "but if it was more than one coin, we usually go in with a scope to get them out."

When animals swallow something strange they may have symptoms like vomiting, abdominal pain and loss of appetite, Venhaus says.

Often, the thing causing the prob-

lem won't show up on an X-ray, because it isn't metal.

"Dogs like to chew on socks and pantyhose or knee-highs," Venhaus says. "They chew these things because the scent makes them feel close to the owners. It's the same reason a dog will chew your shoes."

Lake Jackson veterinarian Robert Schwebel says he's seen dogs and cats who've swallowed tennis balls, golf balls, socks and jewelry, among other things.

"Cats will swallow crab meat on a string, and it causes a lot of problems for them," he says. Once in the intestines, the string can cause "an accordion effect" that is very dangerous.

"Actually, any kind of string can cause problems, even if it doesn't have something sharp on the end," Schwebel adds.

He estimates that dogs and cats are about equally likely to swallow something they shouldn't, but if Schwebel had to name the worst offenders, his nominees would be large-breed dogs.

Venhaus agrees, noting that retriever-type dogs often wind up with rocks in their stomachs.

"It's not uncommon at all. I treated a dog who had about 2 pounds of rocks in his stomach. He was an old farm dog, and everybody who came out to visit would throw a rock for him to fetch. Over a period of time he swallowed a lot of them," Venhaus says.

Schwebel also has known

dogs with peculiar eating habits.

"Back when I was in the Army many years ago, we had a spaniel who ate a tennis ball one time. He ate a wool mitten another time. He ate a whole set of pantyhose," Schwebel recalls. "And he ate rocks off the driveway quite frequently. He had five or six surgeries to take care of all that."

Shouldn't dogs be smarter than that?

"Well, most dogs are," Schwebel laughs. "Actually, it's a little unusual for us to see pets that have eaten something strange. It's not something we see every day of the week."



Dr. Richard Ybarra of Angleton points to the x-ray, recently, of a man who swallowed six bullets because the person he was with threatened to shoot him.

Helsmley acquires a new lawyer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fallen hotel queen Leona Helmsley's health seems to have improved dramatically — at least according to her new attorney.

"She's perfectly healthy," Robert Bork said Wednesday in a telephone interview. Bork, a rejected Supreme Court nominee, recently took charge of Mrs. Helmsley's defense after

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USDA finalizing new pesticide record-keeping regulations

By JENNIFER DIXON
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers will soon be required to keep records every time they dust their fields with the most toxic pesticides.

Some growers are already grumbling about the hassle, but farmworker advocates say the records could provide lifesaving information for health care workers treating pesticide-poisoning victims.

"Different pesticides can cause similar symptoms such as headache, nausea, and dizziness, but require distinct treatments," said the Farmworker Justice Fund. "The consequences of incorrect treatment can mean the difference between a patient living or dying."

Mass poisonings have drawn public attention to the risks farmworkers face from pesticide sprays and residues, say advocates who cite a government estimate of 300,000 pesticide poisonings a year.

In June, about 100 migrant workers near Plains, Ga., were sprayed with a fungicide by a crop duster as they worked in the field. In November 1989, more than 80 farmworkers — including some who were pregnant — were poisoned near Ruskin, Fla.

Currently, growers are not required to tell their workers which pesticides they've been exposed to, according to the Migrant Legal Action Program, which provides migrant workers with legal assistance. So when farmworkers get sick or hurt, they often cannot help

physicians diagnose or treat their poisoning.

Until now, advocates also say, there has been no comprehensive system to accurately track what pesticides are being used, and what effects those pesticides have on farmworkers, communities, consumers and the environment.

The 1990 farm bill sought to change that by requiring all agricultural pesticide users to record their applications of the most toxic, or "restricted use" pesticides.

The law gives health care providers access to the records when diagnosing and treating suspected pesticide poisonings. Government agencies can use the information to study the use and effects of pesticides.

The Agriculture Department proposed regulations to implement the law in May, a year after missing a congressional deadline and less than a month after the Farmworker Justice Fund filed suit seeking to force the Bush administration to enact the rules.

USDA is now analyzing 144 public comments on its proposal and the regulations should be finalized within the next two months, said Dan Haley, administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Haley said the regulations should be in place by the start of the 1993 growing season.

Dozens of farmers have written the agency to complain that the proposed regulations will create excessive paperwork, while farmworker advocates complain that USDA's

proposal limits some health care workers' access to the records.

Under the proposal, farmers would record the address and size of the treated area, the target pest and crop or stored product being treated; the pesticide brand or product name, formula and Environmental Protection Agency registration number; total amount and rate of application; date treated; and applicator's name and address.

The fine for failing to keep such records would be up to \$500 for the first violation and a minimum of \$1,000 for additional violations.

Several growers told USDA that the regulations will increase their costs at a time when profit margins are already razor-thin.

"We don't need additional hassle!" said Mr. and Mrs. David Klump of Ottawa Lake, Mich.

"Pressure mounts in May as we work between spring rains, around equipment breakdowns ... soil conditions and TIME. To add to that the frustration of filling in forms, having to stop after planting each field or partial field to report pesticide use, rate of application, brand name, formulation, day, month and year just seems highly unreasonable," they said.

On the other side, the Farmworker Justice Fund complained that the regulations would limit access to the information to "licensed" health care professionals such as physicians. The group said farmworkers are frequently treated at rural clinics often staffed with nonlicensed paraprofessionals.

USDA to permit third country sales to former Soviet Union

By MARGARET SCHERF
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department will allow sales to third-country buyers of U.S. farm products destined for the former Soviet Union under several export-promoting programs.

"We recognize the reality of the trading situation in the former Soviet Union does not fit the traditional structure of the Export Enhancement Program, the Dairy Export Incentive Program and the Sunflowerseed Oil Assistance Program," said Ann M. Veneman, deputy agriculture secretary.

Buyers in the former Soviet Union "are increasingly relying on what we call compensatory forms of trade — barter, countertrade, offset arrangements and escrow accounts," she noted in a recent announcement.

Veneman said third-country purchasers of goods exported from the former Soviet Union typically also act as buyers of goods desired for import there.

The export enhancement programs provide government subsidies that allow exporters to lower the price of U.S. commodities on foreign markets.

Last month USDA allowed U.S. exporters on a trial basis to sell wheat destined for the former Soviet Union under EEP to third country buyers, she said.

"It has worked well so we're

expanding it to include all commodities the former Soviet Union is eligible for" under the three programs, she said.

"It is important that we give U.S. farmers and exporters the chance to take part in and benefit from the barter and other non-traditional trade that is taking place," Veneman said.

The action provides new opportunities to U.S. exporters who sell wheat, wheat flour, barley, rice, vegetable oil, frozen pork, milk powder and butterfat, she said.

WASHINGTON (AP) — People who send prohibited agricultural items to the United States or its territories through the military mail system will be subject to a minimum \$250 fine beginning Sept. 15.

That will bring to the military mail system the same restrictions the U.S. postal system has under the Plant Quarantine Act and other federal laws. They prohibit entry of foreign agricultural products that could spread pests and diseases to American crops and livestock.

Mailing agricultural products through the military mail system "has the potential to devastate

many agricultural industries," said Robert B. Melland, administrator of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

"A single fruit or a meat product can contain a pest organism or disease that can damage crops or cause disease in animals," he said.

Items prohibited include fresh fruits and vegetables, plants, seeds, bulbs and soil, meats, including salami, ham, bacon and all types of sausage and soup mixes-containing meat.

Inspection service officers use X-ray machines and detector dogs to inspect international mail as it arrives at U.S. mail facilities.

Similar regulations also are enforced in the United States against people who fail to declare agricultural products in their possession upon arrival at the first port of entry. The regulations also cover unauthorized products moving from Hawaii to the U.S. mainland.

Fines for violation of the new military mail system prohibitions will range from \$250 to \$1,000 for a civil penalty. "USDA may choose to pursue criminal action resulting in a fine of \$5,000 and/or a year in jail," the announcement said.

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Report: Cultivated land up this year

WASHINGTON (AP) — About 343 million acres of U.S. cropland are expected to be cultivated this year, 6 million more than last year, according to an Agriculture Department report.

That is 44 million acres less than the 1981 peak, when no cropland was idled in federal programs.

Acreage planted in crops was up everywhere except for the Southeast and Mountain regions, according to a situation and outlook summary this month by USDA's Economic Research Service.

Crop failure was estimated at 8 million acres for 1992, about 1 million acres above the 10-year average.

The largest increases in crop acreage occurred in the Southern

Plains due to greater planting of wheat, sorghum and soybeans, the summary said. Cropland in the Corn Belt was up 1.5 million acres as more feed grain acreage offset a decline in wheat and soybean acreage.

About 53.7 million acres of cropland were idled under federal programs this year, based on preliminary enrollment. This is down about 11 million acres from 1991 and down nearly 24 million from the 1988 peak of 78 million acres.

About two-thirds of the idled acres were in the long-term Conservation Reserve Program while the remainder were in annual programs.

The CRP, now in its seventh year, has converted a total of 35.4 million

cropland acres to conservation uses.

Increased enrollments have occurred in conservation priority areas such as the Chesapeake Bay, Long Island Sound, the Great Lakes and other watersheds.

Turning to water, the report said "although there are surface water shortages in the West, preliminary estimates suggest that total irrigated acreage in the U.S. is increasing."

It estimated irrigated land in farms to be up about 600,000 acres to a record high of 52.1 million.

"Soil moisture is generally favorable in the East, although cool weather has slowed crop progress in areas of the Midwest, Mid-Atlantic and Southeast," the report said.

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