

270 12/18/97 4227

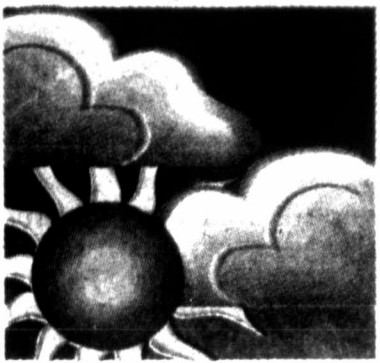
SOUTHWEST MICROPUBLISHING  
2627 E. YANDELL ST.  
EL PASO TX 79903

# PAMPA NEWS

VOL: 89 NO: 260

Pampa, Texas

50¢ DAILY/SUNDAY \$1



Low tonight near 30.  
High tomorrow in  
upper 40s. See Page 2  
for weather details.

**PAMPA** — The Pampa Police Department is soliciting applicants for the ninth Citizens' Police Academy expected to begin in March.

Interested citizens may pick up an application at the police department, 201 W. Kingsmill, or telephone 669-5700 for an application by mail.

The Academy meets three hours weekly for 12 weeks, according to Cpl. Donny Brown, crime prevention officer.

The program provides people with the opportunity to learn about how police departments work, investigation techniques and the penal code, and to meet the officers which serve Pampa.

"While 12 weeks may seem like a long time, previous graduates say the academy is fun and should last longer," Brown said. "I invite you to join us."

More than 100 people have graduated from the earlier academies.

**PAMPA** — With Valentine's Day coming soon, think you have a way with words in expressing your feelings for the one you love?

If so, then write your thoughts on the one you love, in 25 words or less, as a poem or a love letter, and you may win \$100 in Pampa Bucks plus valuable coupons.

Mail entries to Love Letter/Poetry Contest, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198, or hand deliver to The Pampa News at 403 W. Atchison. All entries must be in the Pampa News office by 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 14. Winners will be announced on Feb. 23.

The contest is sponsored by the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Retail Trade Committee and The Pampa News.

**PAMPA** — The Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross has scheduled two more training classes.

A standard first aid class will be offered on Wednesday, Feb. 12. Call the office at 669-7121 for time and registration information.

An infant and child CPR class will be offered at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13.

Both classes will be at the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. Call or drop by the office for more information and to register for either class.

**PAMPA** — The American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis.

Speaker will be Debbie Donnelly, who will provide information on the Meredith House. The public is invited.

Classified .....10  
Comics .....8  
Editorial .....4  
Sports .....9

## GOP cautious in applauding Clinton's goals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Summoned by President Clinton to "seize the days and the century," Republicans are applauding his goals of balancing the budget and strengthening schools but challenge his plans for achieving them.

The morning after the president's State of the Union address to Congress and a national television audience, Republican National Committee Chairman Jim Nicholson said today that Republicans would keep an open mind about Clinton's proposals. But appearing on Fox Morning News, he sought to cast the president as pushing big-government solutions.

"My bet is that it's going to be over-control," he said of Clinton's plan for overhauling education. "This sounds pretty federal to us."

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said local participation is precisely what Clinton wants in his drive to improve education, called by the president his No. 1 priority.

"It's not just about the federal government spending money or it's not just about the federal government having any kind of a role. It really requires a national response" by teachers, parents and school districts, McCurry said on CBS This Morning.

Despite bows all around to the ideal of cooperation, there was ample evidence partisanship was alive and well.

"Words are nice. We're waiting for the deeds," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss. "Is this truly the end of big government as we know it or will we find dozens of new Washington spending programs in the president's budget?"

Lott scheduled the opening of Senate debate for today on a constitutional amendment to balance the budget — a key Republican priority that Clinton argued against Tuesday night as "unnecessary and unwise" and

a potential threat to Social Security.

The re-elected president opened his remarks with a none-too-subtle message that the political tables were turned from two years ago, when the GOP unquestionably was ascendant. "I think I should start by saying, 'Thanks for inviting me back,'" he declared to the delight of Democrats.

Clinton received a president's customary standing ovation as he entered the House chamber. This was a night unlike any other, and even his audience's attention was split between the speech and word that a verdict was imminent in the O.J. Simpson wrongful death case in California.

"What's the O.J. verdict?" Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., asked a group of reporters as he left the hall following Clinton's 60-minute speech during which the president urged Congress to complete work on three items of "unfinished business," including balancing the budget, reopening the new welfare law to restore benefits to legal immigrants and enacting campaign finance reform by July 4.

He outlined steps that would boost education spending by 20 percent, to \$51 billion for fiscal 1998, including tax breaks for college. Americans, he said, must have "the best education in the world." To build public support for his proposal, Clinton arranged a trip today to Georgia, the first in what the White House would be a series of appearances.

He said the 1998 budget he will send to Congress on Thursday would "balance the budget and provide middle class tax relief to pay for education and health care, to help raise a child, to buy and sell a home."

He noted that there were just over 1,000 days remaining until 2000, and added, "let us seize the days and the century."

## Jury sentences Routier to death in son's murder

KERRVILLE (AP) — Gone are the days when Darlie Routier drove carpools in a Nissan Pathfinder and planned birthday parties replete with pinatas and water pistols.

The former Rowlett homemaker accused of fatally stabbing her two young sons is bound for death row.

Mrs. Routier, 27, stood stone-faced Tuesday as Judge Mark Tolle read a jury's verdict then sentenced her to die by lethal injection for killing her 5-year-old son Damon in a grisly knife attack June 6, 1996.

"She's realistic," said defense attorney Doug Mulder, explaining her indifferent reaction. "She was ... disappointed in the conviction and felt in all likelihood this was coming."

Prosecutors, who'd made much of Mrs. Routier's lack of emotion after her sons were slain, said Mrs. Routier's response in court was typical for her.

"It sunk in," said Toby Shook, one of the prosecutors. "She's not going to give the satisfaction of showing a reaction. I don't think it even got her heart rate up."

Mrs. Routier was accused of stabbing Damon and 6-year-old Devon then slashing her own throat to make it look like an intruder attacked her and her sons in their suburban home near Dallas. A charge covering Devon's death is still pending.

The case was moved to Kerrville because of publicity in North Texas.

A seven-woman, five-man jury found Mrs. Routier guilty of capital murder Saturday after ten hours of deliberation. Deliberations in the trial's punishment phase took four hours Tuesday.

"We knew what was going to happen," said defense attorney Richard Mosty. "I started preparing her ... I said, 'Darlie, there's no chance they're going to do anything but give you death.'"

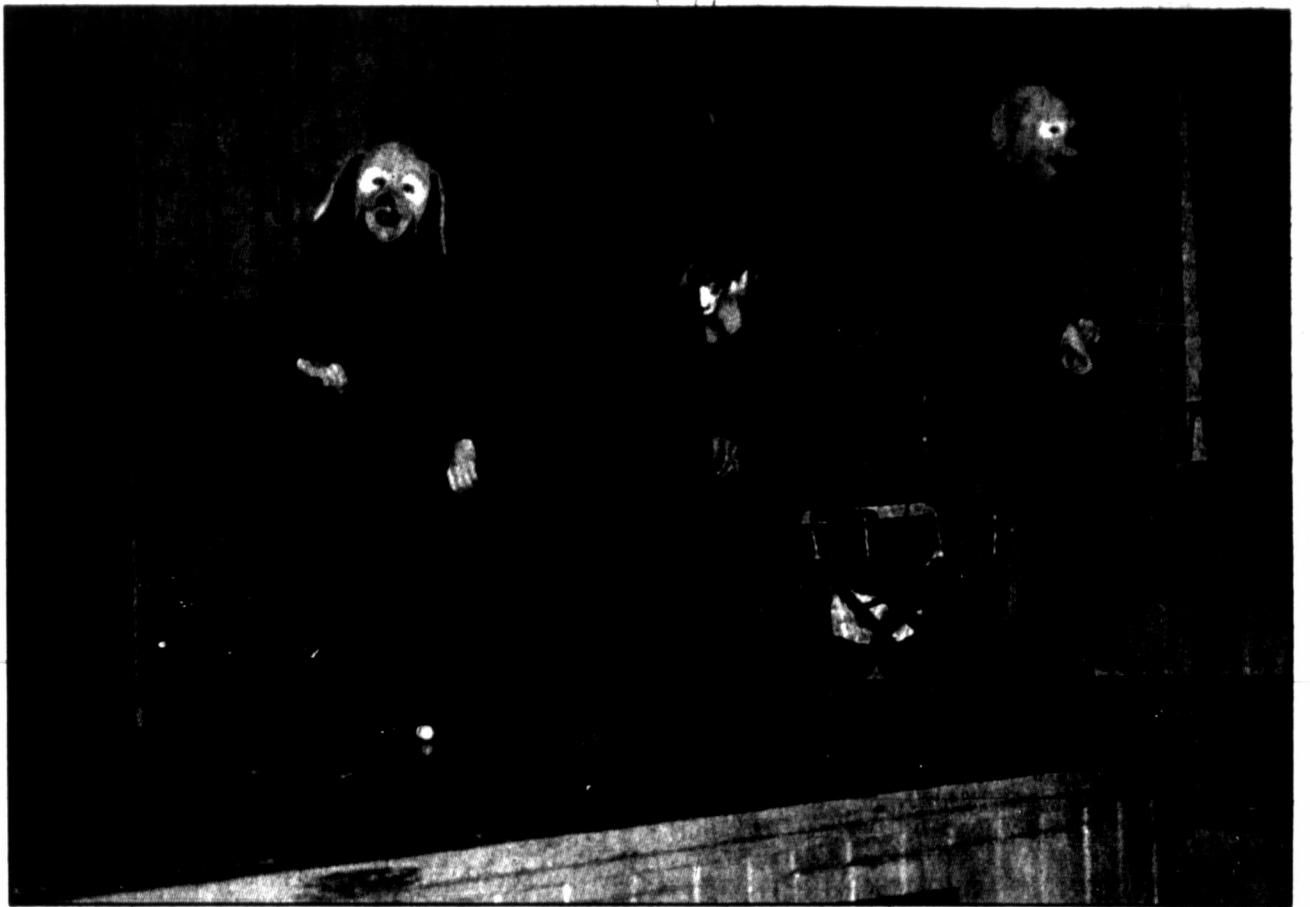
The Dallas County District Attorney's Office hailed the outcome, saying only a death sentence was appropriate for the crime.

"It sent a very strong, clear message to her and others like her: This will not be tolerated," prosecutor Greg Davis said.

Mrs. Routier becomes the seventh woman on Texas' death row.

While Texas has put 107 men to death by injection since 1982 and 361 in the electric chair from 1924 through 1964, records show it has been 134 years since a woman was executed in the state. Chipita Rodriguez was hanged in 1863 for the murder of a horse trader.

The women of death row are housed in a one-story red brick bungalow in Coryell County about 40 miles west of Waco.



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Members of the Texas Mime Theater, Casey Coale, Mick Corley and Alicia Church, perform for the students of Horace Mann Elementary School on Tuesday morning. The traveling mime troupe will perform at all the local elementary schools this week.

## Mimes entertain elementary students

The thrill of the theater and the mimicry of mimes has been brought to the Pampa elementary schools this week by the Texas Cultural Arts Foundation and the Pampa School District.

The Texas Mime Theater from Houston is presenting its "Carnival of Animals" to the elementary schools through Friday. Mime Theater members Casey Coale, Alicia Church, Mick Corley and their narrator, Dee Macaluso, perform more than 100 shows a year in schools, civic functions and festivals. The troupe, which got started in 1977 at the University of Texas, has performed as far away as Singapore.

Narrator Macaluso introduces the mimes and informs the audience that "Mime is the art of acting out something, telling a story without talking."

Select members of the audience participate in getting the

audience involved with miming. During the performance, the mimes tell the story of a saddened King Lion, who thinks he would rather be like the court jester and have fun making people laugh.

With some help from his friend, Chicken the court jester, the king manages to make his dream come true and runs away to the carnival.

With music and dramatic steps, the mimes tell the adventures and the other people the Royal Jester meets.

After many a mishap, the king finally finds his way to the circus audition only to be hired as a janitor.

The king, though unhappy about not performing, continues to clown around and is happy for a while. Depression follows the high of being at the circus and soon the king knows he must go home.

But what a home awaits him. The Chicken was left in charge. The palace is a shambles. The chicken arouses the palace staff to help clean the mess just as the king returns.

All this is told with music and exaggerated movements of the actors.

According to Alicia Church, the mime troupe got started during college and all have different backgrounds. Casey Coale is more of an actor, Mick Corley is an acrobat and gymnast and Church is the dancer in the group.

"This makes our troupe work well together," she said.

The Texas Mime Theater performed at Mann and Baker Elementary Tuesday. The troupe was to be at Austin at 9:30 a.m. and Wilson at 1:30 p.m. today. Thursday they will perform at Travis at 9:30 a.m. and Friday at Baker at 9:30 a.m.

## Foreign exchange students visit reading classes at middle school

Two Pampa High School foreign exchange students — Trondur Vatnhamar, of Faroe Island, Denmark, and Anni Kerstan of Germany — spoke to Rhonda Frels' sixth grade reading class Tuesday about their home countries and the differences here in the United States.

Vatnhamar and Kerstan are two of the students sponsored by the American Field Service that works to bring cultural awareness to people of many nationalities by having high school and college age students take part in the exchange program.

Vatnhamar, known as TV at Pampa High School, used his European sense of humor, slides and an ancient legend about his name to have the students laughing and understanding the differences between the countries.

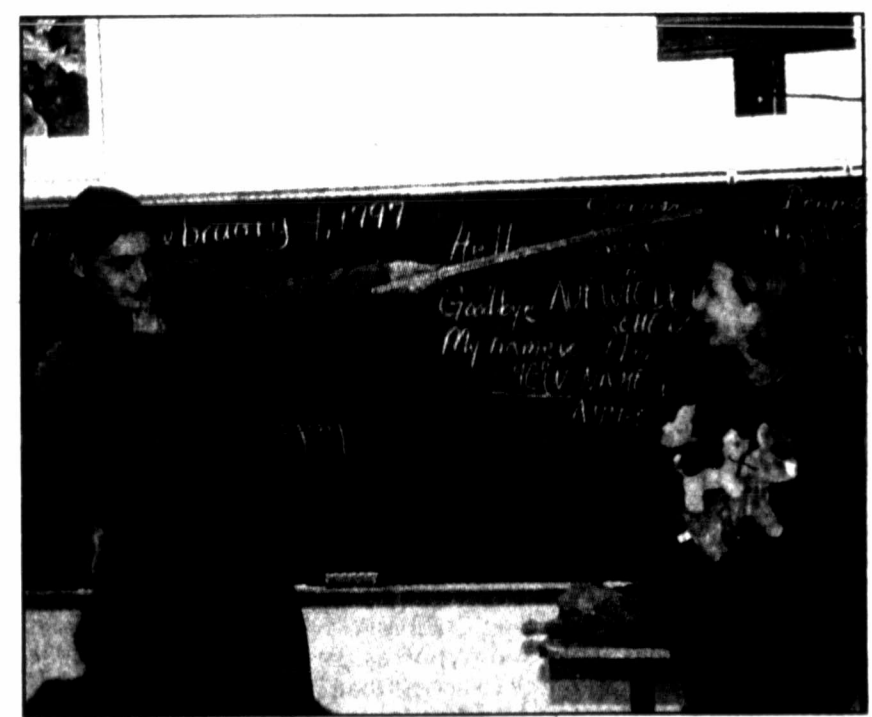
"In my country a driver's license costs \$2,250 and a pair of Levi's can cost up to \$100 compared to the \$25 they cost here."

TV talked about the difference in schools to the amazement of the sixth graders.

"We graduate after the 10th grade and only have three years of college. It is very different," he said.

Kerstan used toys and keepsakes from her homeland to give the students an idea of what Germany was like.

Both students said they miss not being able to drive and feel they are imposing on their American friends whenever they want to go somewhere.



(Pampa News photo by Dianna F. Dandridge)

Trondur Vatnhamar from Faroe Island, Denmark, and Anni Kerstan of Germany discuss the differences between their countries with sixth graders Tuesday in Rhonda Frels' reading classes at Pampa Middle School.

TV said he misses not playing soccer, because he came from a school which has a nationally ranked soccer team.

"The churches here are much better than ours," Kerstan said. "They have more activities for the youth. Ours are geared more to the older people."

While in the United States, exchange students stay with host families and live as a family member. Vatnhamar is hosted by the Gary Henderson family and Kerstan is hosted by the Rick Crosswhite family.

The exchange students will be

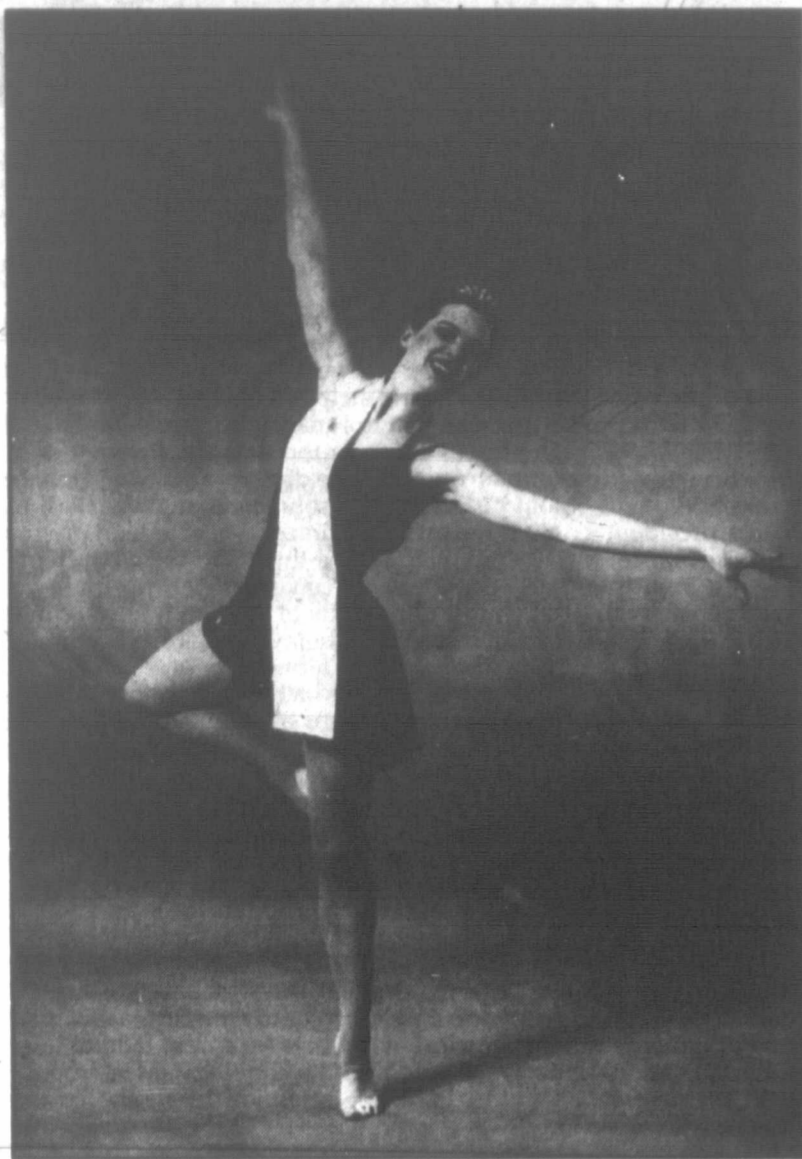
giving a program concerning their countries on Saturday at the Lovett Memorial Library 7 p.m., which is open to the public, following a private dinner to honor the host parents.

American Field Service is celebrating 50 years of sponsoring exchange students and 46 years in Pampa. In that time, 57 exchange students have been sponsored at Pampa High School.

Anyone interested in information about hosting a student should call Colleen Eskridge at 665-6025.



### Dance and talent winner



(Special photo)

Courtney Lang, daughter of Mark and Karen Lang, won first place in the 13 to 15 year old lyrical division in talent competition in Oklahoma City in January. In November she was awarded the title of Teen Miss Dance on the Texas Chapter #35 of Dance Masters of America. She is a student of Madeline Graves. This summer she will travel to Florida for Dance Masters national competition. She has also qualified for All-American talent showcase nationals to be held in Houston in July.

## Chisum defends bill against same-sex marriage

By STATE REP. WARREN CHISUM

### Guest column

Since introducing a bill that protects traditional marriage in Texas, I have heard many erroneous comments about what the bill will do and what my motivation was in filing it. Allow me a moment to set the record straight.

The same-sex marriage bill is not a "gay bashing" bill. In truth, the measure is designed to protect what has been considered, since recorded time began, the traditional marriage: the union of one man and one woman. This definition of marriage is steeped in antiquity. Ancient Roman law defined *matrimonium* as *conjunctio maris et feminae*, that is "union of male and female," and throughout history this definition has remained the same.

An article by Paul Halsall, written "... to refute the assertion that marriage is irretrievably or naturally heterosexual," states that, "With such a definition [union of male and female], the very idea of 'same sex marriage' becomes meaningless." My point exactly.

Are we attacking the gay and lesbian community by passing this legislation? No, we are protecting traditional marriage. Less than two percent of our population should not be able to redefine an institution that has stood the test of time and that billions have entered into. Is this a Christians vs. homosexual issue?

No, all of the world's major religions (including, but not limited to Christianity) honor marriage as "the union between one man and one woman."

Some say that disallowing same-sex marriages prevents the gay and lesbian community from receiving employee benefits. This is not true. Benefits available to unmarried heterosexuals are also available to unmarried homosexuals. Marriage is not an institution entered into in order to obtain employee benefits. It is sacred union between a man and a woman.

I have also heard that legalizing same-sex marriages would give same-sex couples more freedom in contractual arrangements such as division of property or adoption rights. Let's look at what happened in Denmark, Norway and Sweden where gay marriages are acceptable. What we find is that the legal relationships created by these laws are not considered to be the same as heterosexual marriages.

For the most part same-sex couples do not gain adoption rights or the right to marry in Church. They are also not allowed access to artificial insemination or in-vitro fertilization.

Across the board, experts agree that the best most nurturing environment for children is within the traditional family with a father and a mother.

In Hungary courts have recognized same-sex common law marriages, while at the same time ruling that in spite of a growing acceptance of homosexuality, there is no reason to change the law on civil marriages (limited to heterosexual couples only).

One argument that absolutely stuns me is that allowing same-sex marriages will deter the proliferation of AIDS. Nonsense! AIDS is a medical problem and marriage is not a prescription. The act of marriage does not automatically render someone monogamous. A person with a partner who is willing to have sex outside that relationship will not necessarily be constrained by marriage. If you can't be faithful to your partner before marriage, you'll have the same problem after marriage.

Lastly, for those of you who claim that my same-sex bill is unfair to the gay and lesbian community, my response is that I am simply upholding an institution that has stood the test of time. What would truly be unfair is if we allow a very small minority to redefine marriage for the millions of us who have entered into this sacred covenant between one man and one woman.

## Jury decides it's payback time — O.J. does the paying

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — This time, it fit.

The accusations, the evidence, the once-unthinkable notion an amiable ex-football star could slash two throats and leave his two young children without a mother — it all struck a jury as true.

In a hot, stuffy courtroom full of reporters, cops and tears, a jury decided it was payback time, and O.J. Simpson was to do the paying. Jurors slapped Simpson with an \$8.5 million judgment on Tuesday night, deducing from evidence old and new that he was liable for the slashing deaths of ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman the night of June 12, 1994.

The decision didn't have to be unanimous, but it was: 12-0. And that was just the beginning.

The jury's findings of malice and oppression triggered the second phase to determine punitive damages — money assessed to punish Simpson. The panel returns Thursday for a hearing on Simpson's financial status.

For relatives of the victims, the end of their painful 2 1/2-year odyssey drew near. Shouts of "Yes!" rose in the courtroom as

the verdict was read. Afterward, the victims' sobbing relatives hugged each other and their lawyers.

"We finally have justice for Ron and Nicole," said Fred Goldman, the aggrieved father who doggedly pursued Simpson to civil court after denouncing his October 1995 acquittal.

As the verdict was read, the 49-year-old Simpson stared straight ahead, as one of his lawyers, Phillip Baker, gently patted his back. The Simpson team then walked out of the courtroom and into a maelstrom.

Outside the building, a crowd estimated by police at 2,000 gathered and chanted "Killer, killer, killer" before Simpson emerged to a mixture of boos and cheers.

On his way home, he dashed into an ice cream shop to buy a cup of chocolate cookie dough ice cream for his eleven-year-old daughter, Sydney.

Reached by telephone later at his home, Simpson told The Associated Press, "I'm sitting with my kids right now," but he refused further comment.

The timing of the verdict spared TV networks the choice of O.J. Simpson or

President Clinton, who was giving his State of the Union address. The verdict, delayed more than three hours to allow lawyers and families to get to the courthouse, came just as the president wrapped up his hour-long speech.

At one point, Simpson's police-escorted trip to the courthouse in his black Suburban was televised live nationally on a split screen just as Clinton began his address.

Later, Clinton said: "We have to respect the jury verdicts that Americans bring in a situation like this."

The \$8.5 million represented the value of Goldman's funeral and the loss of his companionship to his parents. Ms. Simpson's family did not seek compensatory damages.

Ms. Simpson's parents filed a suit on behalf of her estate and also demanded money from Simpson for fatally assaulting her. Any money awarded will go to Sydney and her brother, eight-year-old Justin.

The verdict and its immediate aftermath proved, dramatically, how different the civil trial was from the criminal trial, which divided the nation over issues of police racism, domestic violence and the quality of justice.

## Southwestern Bell Amarillo phone directories available

AMARILLO — Out with the old, in with the new. It's time for the annual Southwestern Bell directory to be delivered and for outdated directories to be recycled through Project ReDirectory.

Delivery of more than 223,000 directories began Tuesday and should be completed in about three weeks.

The directory's coverage area includes Amarillo, Canyon, Cleeta and Umberger. In response to numerous requests for the directory from those who often come to Amarillo to make purchases, copies also will be distributed to 51 additional communities throughout the Panhandle.

A photo of a fallow deer at the Amarillo Zoo graces the cover of the new Southwestern Bell directory.

"We're proud to recognize the Amarillo Zoo, which attracts some 250,000 visitors each year to see animals in their natural surroundings," said Lew Bradshaw, local Southwestern Bell Yellow Pages manager.

Bradshaw said the cover photo provides significant exposure because area residents use the directory an estimated 25 million times each year.

In addition to residence, business and government listings, the directory includes emergency numbers, a guide to local and long distance telephone services, multi-colored Yellow Pages ads, money-saving coupons and helpful community information.

Area residents are encouraged to take part in the sixth annual Project ReDirectory campaign to recycle outdated Southwestern Bell and Great Western directories.

From Feb. 5 through March 2, 24-hour dropoff locations include the City Recycling Drop Off center, 27th and Hayes, and the Keep Amarillo Beautiful Recycling Centers at Western Plaza and at Plains and Avondale. From 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. only, the Luby's cafeterias at 4530 Canyon Drive and 2101 South Coulter will offer a free dessert to those purchasing a meal and dropping off a directory.

Since the first local Project ReDirectory campaign in 1992, a total of 345 tons of old directories have been recycled, saving 5,865 trees and 1,139 cubic yards of landfill space. Directories can be recycled into paper towels, toilet paper, cereal boxes, shoe boxes, animal bedding and many other products.

Southwestern Bell is asking residents to drop off only outdated directories at the Project ReDirectory collection sites. Other items, such as plastic bags, can cause problems when mixed with directories.

In addition to Southwestern Bell, Project ReDirectory is sponsored by the Amarillo Globe-News, BFI Waste Systems, City of Amarillo, Great Western Directories Inc., Keep Amarillo Beautiful, KAMR-TV, KFDD-TV, KVII-TV and Luby's.

## Consumers, organized labor, others say 'protect homestead law'

AUSTIN (AP) — Consumers, organized labor, builders and others say the state's homestead law is too valuable a protection to risk as lawmakers debate allowing second mortgages.

"It's hard to see where the protection of billions of dollars of wealth in home equity has hurt our economy. But it has kept generations of Texans in their homes when bad times hit," said Joe Gunn, president of the Texas AFL-CIO.

The state Constitution prohibits the forced sale of a borrower's homestead to repay debts except for the original mortgage, property improvements or taxes. As a result, Texas is the only state where lenders don't offer home equity loans or other forms of second mortgages.

Measures have been introduced in the House and Senate

that would allow second mortgages on home equity for a variety of purposes.

Backers argue that a homeowner's equity is his own money, and that the homeowner should be able to do with it as he pleases.

Appearing at the Travis County Courthouse, where foreclosures were taking place Tuesday, opponents said the state's unique homestead protection should be preserved.

"The argument for changing the law sounds simple and alluring: People should have the right to borrow money against their greatest asset ... But the reality is more accurately stated this way: Bankers should be able to foreclose on the home of any person who can't pay their debt for any reason," said Lyle A. Johansen of the Texas Association of Builders. While advocates of second

mortgages say they could be used to pay for college educations, medical bills or starting businesses, Tom "Smitty" Smith of the group Public Citizen said there's a downside to that.

"Bankers make home loans sound like money just hanging off of trees, but these home loans still have to be repaid. And if they change Texas' 150-year-old homestead protections, you lose your home if you have a medical crisis, if your company closes down or if you can't pay your loan for some other reason that is not your fault," Smith said.

"If this bill passes, those of you who can get a loan to send your kid to school today will have to put up your home. If you want to start a business, you'll also have to hock your home," he said.

State Comptroller John Sharp last year estimated that Texans

could save \$382 million a year if allowed to take out second mortgages. He said consumers could save \$225 million a year in interest payments and another \$99 million a year in federal income tax deductions, while interest costs to business would drop \$58 million.

The Senate in 1995 approved, 21-10, second mortgage legislation. It died in the House.

Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, has introduced legislation and a proposed constitutional amendment that would let voters decide if they want the option of borrowing against their equity.

## Judge wants end to ban on mail solicitation by lawyers

HOUSTON (AP) — Harris County defense lawyers who want to solicit clients by mail by using court records should be allowed to do so, a federal judge has ruled.

U.S. District Judge Ken Hoyt issued the order Monday, saying that action by state District Judge Charles Hearn "obstructs the administration of justice."

In the 1989 order, Hearn ordered clerks not to enter new defendants' addresses on official documents.

Hoyt said allowing attorneys to solicit in such case saves the county the cost of appointing attorneys to represent the poor and speeds resolution of the cases.

The judges could ask Texas Attorney General Dan Morales to appeal Hoyt's order, but attorney Ray Speece, who represents the 22 felony judges, said it was uncertain Tuesday if the request will be made.

The case dates to a time when a typical defendant entering the criminal justice system would find his mailbox crammed with a half-dozen or more letters from lawyers offering to represent

him. The addresses could be obtained easily from the district clerk's office.

Hearn, who is now a visiting judge, specified that no addresses would be available for defendants who did not have their own lawyers or who had not made at least one court appearance.

It is estimated that ten to 15 percent of the 500 lawyers who represent criminal defendants in Harris County use mail to generate business.

News organizations deprived of key facts about new defendants and defense attorneys who solicit clients by mail were outraged by Hearn's order.

Defense lawyer Lee Scham, who said 99.9 percent of his clientele was recruited by sending out letters, said he experienced a quick 75 percent drop in his income.

Scham and attorney J. Charles Whitfield sued the judges in federal court, alleging that constitutional rights had been violated.

Randall Kallinen, who represented Scham and Whitfield, contended the judges had no authority to issue the order.

**STEEL SIDING**  
669-0099  
*Exteriors Plus*

**REPLACEMENT WINDOWS**  
669-0099  
*Exteriors Plus*

**PATIO COVERS**  
669-0099  
*Exteriors Plus*

**CARPORTS**  
669-0099  
*Exteriors Plus*

**CUSTOM TRIM FOR BRICK HOMES**  
669-0099  
*Exteriors Plus*

**PATIO ENCLOSURES**  
669-0099  
*Exteriors Plus*

24 Hour  
Prescription  
Service

**DEAN'S PHARMACY**  
2217 Perryton Parkway  
669-6896

**LANDMARK CLUB**

The Tradition Continues

618 W. FOSTER • 665-4404 • PAMPA, TEXAS

**THE PAMPA NEWS**  
YOUR FREEDOM NEWSPAPER • SERVING THE TOP 'O TEXAS FOR 83 YEARS

403 W. ATCHISON  
PAMPA, TEXAS  
TELEPHONES: (806) 669-2525  
1-800-687-3348  
FAX: 669-2520

This newspaper (UPS 781-540) is published daily except Saturdays and holidays by The Pampa News, 403 W. Atchison, Pampa, Tx. 79065. Periodicals postage paid at Pampa, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to the Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, Texas 79066-2198.

Publisher: Wayland Thomas  
Managing Editor: Larry Hollis  
Advertising Director: Rick Clark  
Business Manager: Jayne Craig  
Circulation Manager: Dean Lynch

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
CARRIER HOME DELIVERY  
1 yr. ....\$84.00 6 mos. ....\$42.00  
3 mos. ....\$21.00 1 mo. ....\$7.00

**MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS**  
Mail In Roberts, Gray, Carson, Wheeler  
And Hemphill Counties In Texas  
1 yr. ....\$102.00 6 mos. ....\$51.00  
3 mos. ....\$25.50

Mail All Other Areas In U.S.  
1 yr. ....\$114.00 6 mos. ....\$57.00  
3 mos. ....\$28.50

Single Copy Mail  
Daily .....\$1.50 Sunday .....\$2.50  
No mail subscriptions are available within the city limits of Pampa. Mail subscriptions must be paid 3 months in advance.

**HOME DELIVERY**  
All carriers are independent contractors and The Pampa News is not responsible for advance payments of two or more months made to the carrier. Please pay directly to the News Office any payment that exceeds the current collection period.

**SINGLE COPIES**  
Daily 50¢/Sunday \$1.00  
Member: Audit Bureau of Circulation.  
Associated Press

Happy 35th Anniversary  
Mom & Dad  
Love  
Terri, Joe, Tyler &  
Arvon



# Grain sorghum producers now have full-time marketing, research director

Texas grain sorghum producers now have a full-time representative to direct research and find new markets for their product.

Travis Taylor, a graduate from A&M with a bachelor's degree in animal science and a master's in nutrition, will serve as executive director for both the Texas Grain Sorghum Association and the Texas Grain Sorghum Board.

This position has become necessary due to the increase in the amount of the grain sorghum raised in Texas. In 1995, the last year with available totals, Gray County alone raised 22,500 acres which produced 638,000 cwt of sorghum.

Taylor takes over from Jack Eberspacher, who served the two organizations for the past seven years and is now the executive director of the National Grain Sorghum Producers.

Grain sorghum is rapidly gaining favor with livestock feeders as an excellent provider of essential proteins and amino acids.

Taylor's education in animal science and nutrition will provide a strong basis to establish long-range research projects and market development with feeders, such as Moody Farms.

"We want to see increased use of Texas grain sorghum, not only by livestock feeders, but in other areas as well," said Taylor. "We want to look at new uses of sorghum, such as food products, and we will also be trying to boost our sales to Mexico."

Taylor said he looks forward to the challenge and he wants to work on projects which will provide the highest return and the biggest benefit for Texas grain sorghum producers.

Livestock feeders readily purchase sorghum contracts for more than 100,000 pounds. Lindy Forsyth, office manager of Moody Farms, said they have a nutritionist which has determined the rations for the cattle they feed.

Cattle coming in off range are gradually introduced to sorghum with their feed, with the amount of sorghum increasing from very little to more than 50 percent of the ration. The final or finishing ration can account for as much as 52 percent of the total feed.

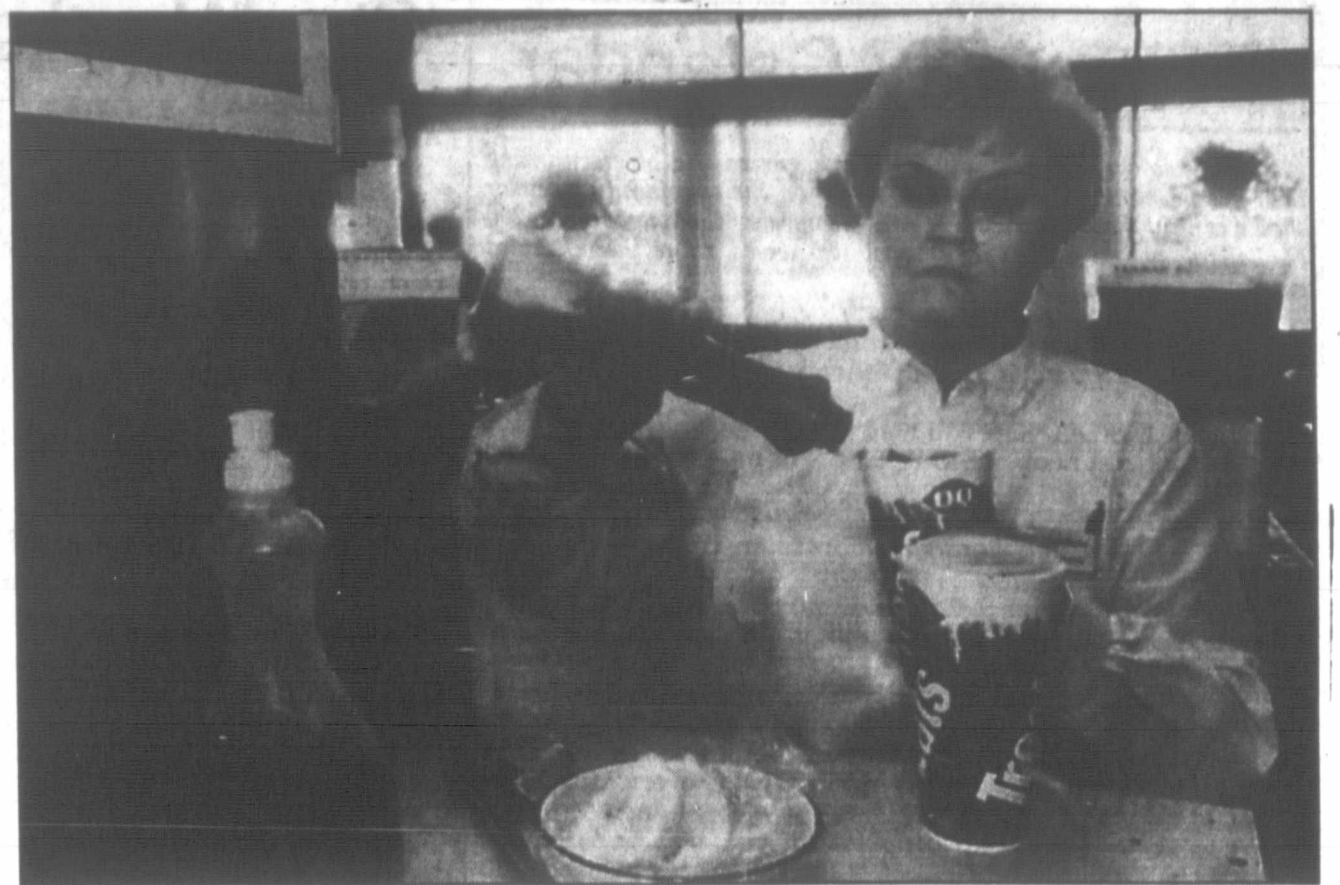
According to Forsyth, today's grain sorghum provides a better feed conversion than corn or other grains and has a much higher digestibility. The bigger grains of modern varieties are also easier to process than the grains of the past, she said.

The Texas Grain Sorghum Association, a voluntary membership organization for Texas producers, focuses on legislative and regulatory activities.

The Texas Grain Sorghum Board is a 15-member panel which administers the funds collected by the assessment on grain sorghum in the state. These funds are used for research, promotion and market development work.

All three offices — the Texas Grain Sorghum Association, the Texas Grain Sorghum Board and the National Grain Sorghum Producers — will continue to work from the Abernathy office.

For more information concerning the association, contact the office at (806) 298-4501.



(AP photo/Wichita Falls Times)

Karen Cameron, the Dairy Queen store manager in Archer City, makes a local favorite drink, the strawberry lime Sprite, for a customer. Dairy Queen is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

# DQ is HQ for small town Texas gossips as business strikes 50

By STEVE CLEMENTS  
Wichita Falls Times Record News

ARCHER CITY, Texas (AP) — For an institution started by Yankees, in Yankee land, Dairy Queen has managed to become as Texan as chicken-fried steak and the Alamo.

In small-town Texas, where you're a "newcomer" unless your great-grandfather settled the city, DQ needed less than 50 years to become an integral part of the landscape.

Maybe it's the menu, weighted as it is toward beef and batter-frying. Or maybe it's because Dairy Queens are concentrated in smaller towns, where they're often the only restaurant for miles.

Or maybe it's the atmosphere — the regulars who congregate, at coffee break, lunchtime, all the time, to trade gossip or keep an eye on their neighbors.

"It's kind of the regular place," said Ed Patton, who can be found, at least once each day, in the Archer City Dairy Queen. "All the regular people come in kind of regular. You can come in here and find out what's going on. Somebody's always talking about the latest gossip."

In Archer City, folks stop in at the Dairy Queen for most anything: After funerals, weddings, elections, during breaks and lunch, or instead of work. If it's an event, it's worth a sundae at DQ.

"After funerals, we're packed," said manager Karen Cameron. "It's amazing what they come down here for. If you were to drive by after a funeral, you'd think there wouldn't be a place to sit."

The store also functions as a home away from home, or an office away from the office, for many regular patrons, Ms. Cameron said.

DQ workers take messages for their customers, then write them on a wet-dry board. The person may not return to work that day, the reasoning goes, but they will walk into the Dairy Queen at some point during the day.

Take the example of a government official in Archer County, who will remain nameless for safety reasons — job safety, that is.

"They'll call up and say, 'Is there?' When I say no, they say, 'Well, he must be in his other office,'" Ms. Cameron said with a laugh.

"Some people get flowers delivered here and the UPS man will leave packages with us sometimes," said Sue Smith, manager of the Holliday Dairy Queen. "Sometimes we don't know the people, but we'll try to find them on the phone or ask somebody here if they know them."

The restaurant cultivates that kind of trade with "happy hour" specials and a relaxed attitude, said Doris Richeson, who owns more than 40 Dairy Queens in the North Texas area.

"We're gracious enough to make them feel very welcome," said Ms. Richeson, who bought her first DQ in Decatur in 1969. "It seems to make us sort of a meeting place, a social gathering place. And you find that in nearly every town."

For one thing, the restaurants know their customers. A few years ago, when the national chain wanted to "downsize" its portions and reduce its emphasis on meat, the Texas restaurants "went our own way," Ms. Richeson said.

"We know that Texans don't really cater to that," she said. "They want big portions and they want meat. And they voted our way. The customers voted with their pocketbooks. They voted for meat, for Hungrusters and Belt Busters and chicken baskets."

That may be true, but the favorite menu item at the Holliday Dairy Queen appears to be cheesecake.

It's the choice of a group of "DQ coots" who gather each afternoon to watch *Days Of Our Lives*, a soap opera in which actresses reveal more than their acting talents.

"It's like having a lingerie show in your own living room," said Steve Ewing. "You can kick back, watch it all go by and tell a few lies. That's why I call this the Liars Table."

Ewing raised his foot to the top of the table, showing a pants leg tucked into a boot.

"You see, you sit down here and tuck your pants inside your boots, 'cause you know it's going to get deep."

Another "liars table" member, Holliday resident Bob Bales, discounted the DQ's reputation for loose talk.

"There ain't hardly any gossip repeated around here," Bales said. "We always get it right the first time."

## State briefs

### Routier caring but had typical problems, neighbors say

ROWLETT (AP) — Neighbors who remember Darlie Routier for giving Christmas gifts to the blind and entertaining kids on the block shudder to realize she's now a condemned child killer.

"To me, it has been a nightmare for almost nine months," said Mercedes Adams as she stood across the street from the two-story suburban home where Mrs. Routier was accused of fatally stabbing two of her sons.

"Every morning, I'm looking up to ask God why, why don't we have an answer?" said Mrs. Adams, who described the convicted housewife as her best friend and refused to accept her conviction by a Kerrville jury Tuesday.

"In my heart, I don't believe Darlie did it," Mrs. Adams said. "I've known Darlie for a long time and there is something missing we don't know about. I know what is missing — the real killer."

Other residents ventured outside their homes as television cameras focused on the Victorian-style house with green and white wood trim that the Routiers abandoned to creditors.

### Legislators counter governor's reading initiative

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush has a good idea with his reading initiative, but it

needs to reach more children and hold school districts accountable for the results, according to three lawmakers.

Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, and Reps. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, and Jesse Jones, D-Dallas, said Tuesday their legislation would expand the governor's plan.

"It's the same thing, we just want to do more," Barrientos said.

Their bill, called "Basics First" after a Texas Federation of Teachers' academic standards campaign, would give state grants to school districts for reading programs in kindergarten through the third grade.

The bill would require the school districts specify the number of children in need of intensive reading instruction as well as account for their progress in grant renewals.

### Commissioners pick another interim director

AUSTIN (AP) — The new director of the Texas Lottery says she won't keep the job any longer than necessary.

The Texas Lottery Commission on Tuesday named Kim Kiplin, the agency's top attorney, as acting executive director, one day after former acting executive director Zoann Attwood resigned.

Ms. Attwood replaced former executive director Nora Linares for less than a month after she was fired on Jan. 7.

Ms. Kiplin, 37, has worked as general counsel for the lottery

since September 1993. She said she has no desire to become executive director and wants to continue her job as general counsel after a new director is named.

"I'm happy to help the agency anyway I can," Ms. Kiplin said. "I think I better serve and it serves the agency better in the long run to be their lawyer."

### Committee approves underage drinking bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Alice London told state senators that she wanted to put a human face on the fact that Texas leads the nation in alcohol-related traffic fatalities involving minors.

The Senate Criminal Justice Committee voted 7-0 on Tuesday to approve a bill by Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, that would crack down on underage drinkers who drive.

The bill now goes to the full Senate for consideration. Rep. Allen Place, D-Gatesville, is sponsoring the bill in the House.

Testifying before the committee, Mrs. London gave senators pictures of her 19-year-old stepson, Daniel, who was killed last June, along with his girlfriend, Bethany Early, 17, in a head-on crash involving a 19-year-old driver who police say was drunk.

Andrew Papke was charged with two counts of intoxication manslaughter and one count of intoxication assault after his 1991 Acura crumpled Daniel London's red, 1974 Volkswagen Beetle on a winding Austin road. Papke's case has not yet gone to trial.

## AT&T subsidiary moving into Lubbock, plans to create 955 jobs

LUBBOCK (AP) — An old corporate giant is making a new imprint on a job market that could use it.

AT&T reached out and touched Lubbock on Tuesday, announcing the addition of nearly 1,000 new jobs that should help the city better weather the loss of its Air Force base.

Jacksonville, Fla.-based American Transtech Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the communications giant, plans to build its eighth service center here by mid-1997.

"We chose Lubbock for our newest business center because of the area's highly skilled work force and the excellent training support we'll receive from South Plains College," said Monica Mehan, ATI president and chief executive officer.

The training partnership was

n't the only carrot drawing ATI to West Texas. Market Lubbock, the city's economic development arm, will provide the company with up to \$700,000 in public funds over the next five years.

City-owned Lubbock Power & Light will foot the bill for \$150,000 worth of infrastructure improvements related to the

West Lubbock site, and ATI will have access to around \$2.3 million worth of state training funds.

**Royse**  
Animal Hospital  
• Prescription Diets  
• Science Diets  
1939 N. Fossil • 665-2233

**CINEMA 4**  
Coronado Shopping Center  
Beverly Hills Ninja (PG-13)  
Michael (PG)  
Zeus & Roxanne (PG)  
The Celtic (R)  
For Show Times Call 663-7141  
\$5.00 Per Person

**FRIENDLY**  
a pharmacist who cares about his customers yet maintains that special small town hospitality

**B & B PHARMACY**

300 N. Ballard • 669-1071 or 665-5788



Dennis Roark  
Pharmacist

# LOTTO Texas Players Have A Choice.

Mitch says, my dad provides the same dependable service my grandpa J.S. (Jay) McBride has for over 30 years, plus he is fully insured, bonded and carries workers comp for your protection. Can your plumber say that?

**McBride Plumbing Inc.**  
Mike McBride Master Plumber MI2260  
**665-8540**  
Clip & Save \$5 on Service Call

**JACKPOT PRIZE**  
(Payment options available February 11, 1997)  
How do you want to be paid if you win?

**25 ANNUAL PAYMENTS**      **CASH VALUE OPTION**

Starting February 10, 1997, you can pick how you get paid if you win the jackpot prize. Mark the new "Cash Value Option" box if you want approximately half of the estimated jackpot all at once. Or mark the "25 Annual Payments" box if you want your prize paid over 25 years. If you don't pick an option, you will automatically be paid in 25 annual installments.

Must be 18 years or older to play. Overall odds of winning, 1 in 57. ©1997 Texas Lottery



## Community Calendar

Note: Civic clubs, organizations, church groups and others wanting their special meetings and activities listed on the community calendar should contact the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce office, 200 N. Ballard, or call 669-3241, at least two weeks before the scheduled event.

### February

**AL-ANON** will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-0407.

**CLEAN AIR AL-ANON** will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

**CLEAN AIR AL-ATREN** will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

**VFW POST #1657**, 105 S. Cuyler. Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

**BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS** of the Texas Panhandle Inc. has an office open in Pampa. For information as a volunteer, or if you have a child who would qualify for the program, call 665-1211.

**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CHARITY BINGO** every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 403 E. Brown. Doors open at 6 p.m. Public welcome. License #1-751616469-0.

**MEN OF THE MOOSE CHARITY BINGO** every Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 403 E. Brown. Doors open at 6 p.m. Public welcome. License #1-75-0769811-0.

**CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS** project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. Mondays at 2125 N. Hobart. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

**BUCKNER COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES** will offer a Nurturing Program with focus on providing quality parenting education. For more information, contact the First Baptist Church, 669-1155.

**THE ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP** will meet at 7 p.m. at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency. Dan Snider from the Lovett Memorial Library will speak on what books and resources are available at the library and how to access these items. For more information, contact Chrys Smith at 665-0356.

**FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**, 1700 Alcock, will be "singing" from 2-4 p.m., with the public invited. For more information, contact Mina Towery at 665-3361 or 665-8529.

**ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Annual Pancake Supper, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call 665-0701.

**BETA SIGMA PHI Scholarship Benefit Dance** at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium, from 8 p.m. to midnight. Dance and casino Mardi Gras. Band will be Kracker Jack. \$25 a couple in advance, or \$30 at the door. Set-ups and snacks included. All funds go toward a Pampa student scholarship. For more information, contact Terry Harrison at 665-6037 or Carolyn Smith at 665-5158.

**"THE GLORY AND THE FIRE"** dramatic presentation, First Assembly of God Church, 500 S. Cuyler (Cuyler and Hwy. 60), 7 p.m. nightly. This drama portrays scenes of life as people confront the reality of heaven and hell. Nursery provided through age 3. Children under age of 12 should be accompanied by adult, and parents should be advised that the intensity of this presentation may not be suitable for children under 12. Admission is free, but an offering will be received. For more information, contact Rev. Mike Moss at 665-5941 (office) or 665-6060 (home).

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL BANQUET** and naming of Citizen of the Year. 7 p.m., M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center. Featuring Dan Willis, cowboy poet/storyteller from Cranfills Gap, Texas. Tickets, \$15 per person. For more information, call the Chamber at 669-3241.

**"ART OF HEART" AUCTION** at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium from 6-9 p.m. Local merchants are donating items for the silent auction at 6 and 7 p.m. Area artists have donated paintings, pottery, jewelry, etc., for the live auction. All tickets are \$10. Tickets may be obtained by calling Chrys Smith or Dee Barker at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 665-0356.

**FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS** at 6 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Pot luck supper. For more information, call 665-8067, 665-0190 or 665-7896.

**VFW POST #1657** will have a covered-dish social at 6 p.m. for members and guests at the Post Home, 105 S. Cuyler. For more information, contact Jean Dietrich at 669-6579.

### March

**PANHANDLE DAY IN AUSTIN**. Day-long visit with Texas legislators in Austin. For more information, contact 669-3241.

**FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**, 1700 Alcock, will be "singing" from 2-4 p.m., with the public invited. For more information, contact Mina Towery at 665-3361 or 665-8529.

**SHAMROCK'S ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY** celebration and activities in Shamrock. For more information, contact Shamrock Chamber of Commerce at (806) 256-2501.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY**, Hobart Street Park. Just in time for spring cleaning. For more information, contact Scot Aler, 663-4626, or Charles Smith, 669-3041.

**FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS** at 6 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Pot luck supper. For more information, call 665-8067, 665-0190 or 665-7896.

## Peru: Fujimori seeks to kick start stalled talks with rebels

LJMA, Peru (AP) - President Alberto Fujimori says Tupac Amaru rebels holding 72 hostages must cut their losses and sit down for talks to end the eight week standoff at the Japanese ambassador's residence.

"The cards are on the table," Fujimori told reporters Tuesday after returning from a foreign trip where he won backing for his tough stand from Japan and the United States.

Fujimori said he hoped to see the hostages freed unharmed soon. He promised to seek their release through "every possible, imaginable means."

"We will act with the necessary prudence, but also with the firmness that everybody - even this small band of kidnapers - is aware of," he said.

An armored car has been parked by the walled compound and a house has been chosen for eventual talks. Fujimori has said the rebels have "informally" agreed to talks which could take place this week.

Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said in Tokyo he hoped the two sides would meet before Friday, when Fujimori is scheduled to fly to London to attend an economic summit.

The two heads of state met over the weekend in Toronto to discuss peaceful ways of ending

the standoff. The hostages include several Japanese business executives as well as Japan's ambassador, Morihisa Aoki.

More than 500 people were taken captive when heavily-armed Tupac Amaru rebels stormed a cocktail party at the ambassador's residence. They have freed most of the hostages, but have vowed to hold on to the rest.

Talks have so far stalled over the rebels' demand for the freedom of hundreds of their jailed comrades. Rebel leader Nestor Cerpa and government negotiator Domingo Palermo have met only once, on Dec. 28.

An intermediary, Canadian Ambassador Anthony Vincent, has said a commitment to discuss prison conditions for rebel inmates and safe passage to a third country for the rebels could be on the table at future talks.



## V&S OUTFITTERS

We Sell Hunting & Fishing Licenses

523 W. FOSTER • PAMPA, TEXAS  
806-665-3925

## 'Star Wars' challenges 'E.T.' for box office crown

By LYNN ELBER  
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The record-setting return of *Star Wars* to movie theaters has set up a clash of the space titans: Sinister Darth Vader vs. lovable E.T. for the title of Hollywood's all-time biggest moneymaker.

Debuting with \$35.9 million in weekend ticket sales, *Star Wars* jumped from fourth to second on the domestic list of top-grossing movies - putting it within reach of *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial*.

"It's pretty amazing. It's like it's doing it all over again, 20 years later," said George Lucas, whose space adventure was first released in 1977. "It's a story that reaches a chord with the audience and has become a real part of the culture."

He added: "Another part of it is there might be a recognition that seeing movies on the big screen is much different than watching them on television or on video."

Reissued with enhanced special effects and a few new scenes, the movie starring Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford and Carrie Fisher as space freedom fighters had the highest re-release debut weekend ever, boosting its cumulative gross to \$359 million. *E.T.*, Steven Spielberg's 1982 tale of a sweet alien befriended by a child, has grossed \$399.8 million.

Another Spielberg film, 1993's *Jurassic Park*, was bumped to the third spot with \$356.8 million.

## Army seems ready to reconsider co-ed training policy

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Army is prepared to re-examine whether it should continue training men and women together in light of widespread allegations of sexual misconduct by military instructors, a top Army officer says.

The Army's chief of staff, Gen. Dennis Reimer, told the Senate Armed Services Committee the Army may review its training policies if a task force looking into the issue decides it was a contributing factor to abuses.

"Some of the reports that I have seen said that this improves the per-

BOX OFFICE		
Top weekend movies		
Weekend of Jan. 31-Feb. 2		
All dollar figures in millions		
Rank	Weekend gross	Weekend gross per screen
1	\$35.9	\$35.9
2	\$35.2	\$35.2
3	\$4.5	\$4.5
4	\$4.37	\$4.37
5	\$4.36	\$4.36
6	\$4.2	\$4.2
7	\$3.5	\$3.5
8	\$2.8	\$2.8
9	\$2.7	\$2.7
10	\$2.68	\$2.68

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc. AP

*Star Wars* easily eclipsed the weekend's No. 2 film, *Jerry Maguire*, which earned an estimated \$5.6 million.

Lucas said he is deep into work on new films in the *Star Wars* saga, so-called "prequels" that are set 40 years before *Star Wars* and its sequels, *The Empire Strikes Back* (1980) and *Return of the Jedi* (1983).

performance of female soldiers in the gender-integrated training; others have said, no, it causes a problem," Reimer told the panel Tuesday.

"So I think we have to lay that all out and look at it and make a determination as to what is best for the United States Army."

The Army has been training men and women together since 1974, Reimer said. The Marine Corps maintains separate training programs.

Several senators questioned whether the Army should continue to mix men and women in

The studio that co-produced and released *Star Wars*, 20th Century Fox, also was basking in the film's success and brushing off questions about whether the film could sustain the pace next weekend.

"Everybody is saying how much is it going to fall, because movies inevitably fall the second week," said Tom Sherak, chairman of 20th Century Fox Domestic Film Group. "But what do you compare it to? It's a 20-year-old movie. Nobody knows."

Sherak suggested that moviegoers could also turn out in substantial numbers for the upcoming reissue of the rest of the trilogy.

"This is different than with other movies: It's a serial. And how often do moviegoers get to see the next chapter within three weeks?" he said.

Moviegoers, many of them obviously baby boomers sharing the *Star Wars* experience with their children, lined up at theaters this past weekend.

Lizy Destin, 13, of Beverly Hills, who had missed *Star Wars* on TV or video, became an instant fan.

"It was excellent," she said. "I loved Harrison Ford. I hope he gets Princess Leia."

"The graphics are better and so is the sound," said eleven-year-old Brendan Gibson of Van Nuys. "Some of the places and people in there seem real."

His review: "It's good for kids."

It doesn't have any bad language in it and there's really no violence."

The top 10 movies at North American theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled Monday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.:

- Star Wars*, Fox, \$35.9 million, 2,104 locations, \$17,066 average, \$35.9 million, one week.
- Jerry Maguire*, Sony, \$5.2 million, 2,140 locations, \$2,422 average, \$116.6 million, eight weeks.
- Scream*, Miramax, \$4.5 million, 1,835 locations, \$2,455 average, \$70.4 million, seven weeks.
- Evita*, Buena Vista, \$4.37 million, 1,038 locations, \$4,214 average, \$36.8 million, six weeks.
- Metro*, Buena Vista, \$4.36 million, 1,947 locations, \$2,241 average, \$24.8 million, three weeks.
- Beverly Hills Ninja*, Sony, \$4.2 million, 2,112 locations, \$1,970 average, \$24.4 million, three weeks.
- In Love and War*, New Line, \$3.5 million, 1,612 locations, \$2,158 average, \$10.3 million, two weeks.
- The Relic*, Paramount, \$2.8 million, 1,719 locations, \$1,648 average, \$29.3 million, four weeks.
- Michael*, New Line, \$2.7 million, 1,881 locations, \$1,437 average, \$80.3 million, six weeks.
- Gridlock'd*, Gramercy, \$2.68 million, 743 locations, \$3,605 average, \$3.6 million, one week.

## CELEBRATE WITH THESE SAVINGS

Motorola Global LT Handheld

\$9.95

Motorola Shoebox Bag Phone without battery

\$29.95

Motorola DPC 550

\$29.95

NO activation fee!  
100 bonus minutes!

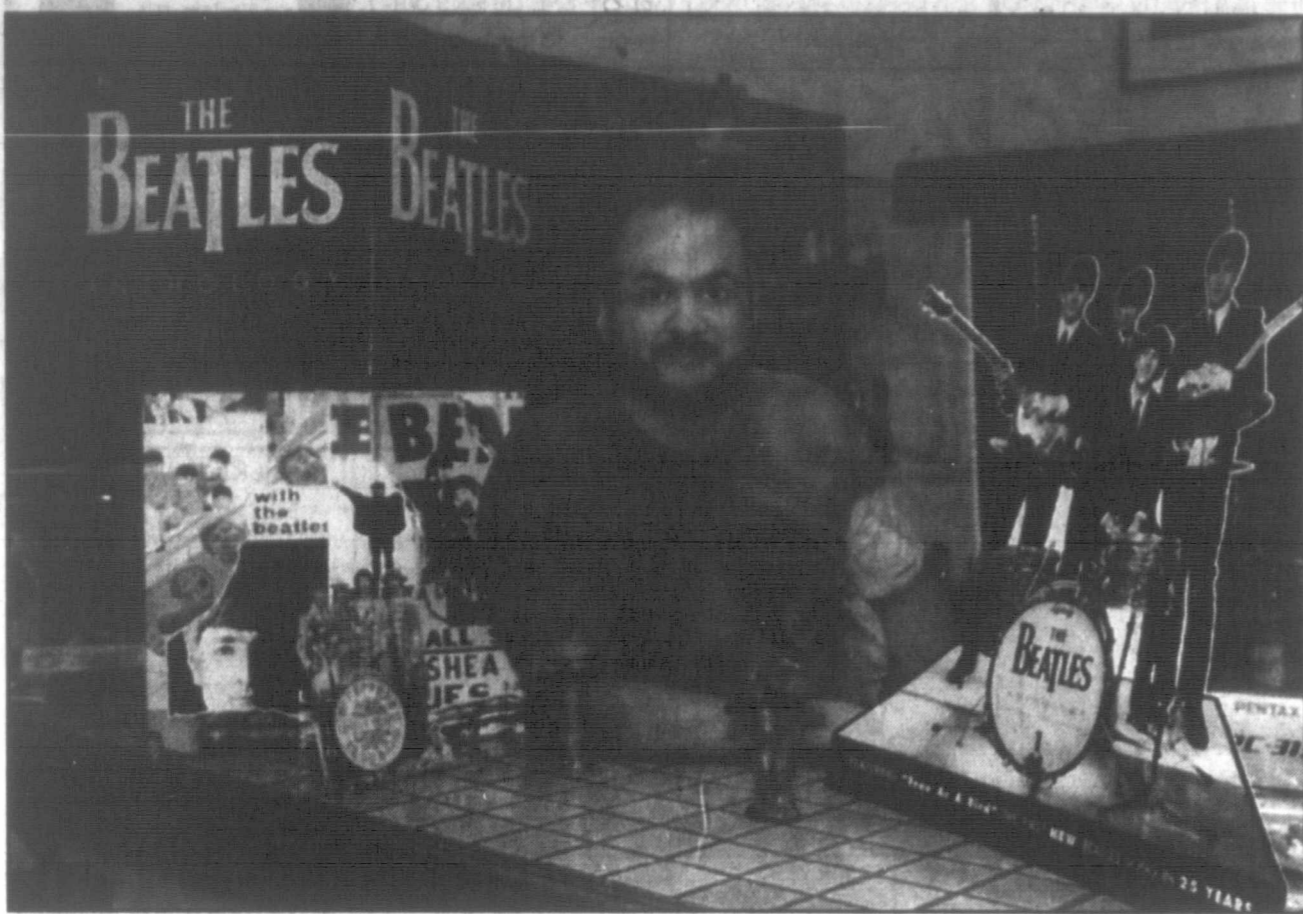
Switch Over Customers ★ Pay no activation and get 2 months free or pay activation and get 3 months free!

We are still offering a \$25.00 credit or 100 bonus minutes to our customers for referring others to us for service.

CELLULARONE<sup>®</sup> of the Panhandle  
1-800-530-4335 • 1329 N. HOBART • 669-3435

SALES REPRESENTATIVES AUTHORIZED AGENTS

STACEY RAMMING.....662-0997	FRANK'S TRUE VALUE.....806-665-4996
RANDY HENDRICK.....662-0191	MA'S AUTO SALES.....806-665-7119
CYNTHIA LEACH.....662-0123	LARRY MANGUS.....662-0126
	RONNIE MARTIN.....806-664-2525
	JOE JOHNSON.....806-665-3368



(AP photo by Ron Hefflin)

Tony Rodriguez poses in his Irving home with Beatles memorabilia. A radio programmer, Rodriguez took one radio station to all Beatles format — no commercials, no disc jockeys.

## Radio programmer tries using all-Beatles format to show new way of playing game

By JAIME ARON  
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Programming local radio stations made Tony Rodriguez rich, so it's with a tinge of remorse that he proclaims the industry in the dumps.

Rodriguez would know. He's been around broadcasting most of his 36 years, first watching his father help pioneer Hispanic radio in Dallas in the '70s and '80s, then inheriting the legacy with his brother in the '90s.

Rodriguez saw things changing for the worse a few years ago. Corporations were snapping up stations all over the dial, all over the country. A sterile, cookie-cutter product was the result. Local flavor was gone.

Soon, so was Rodriguez. He made big bucks selling two stations to Los Angeles-based El Dorado and became a consultant for them, freeing himself from the rat race that had dissolved into a reckless pursuit of profit with no regard to music or musicians.

"In general, local radio sucks. Let's just boil it down to that conclusion," Rodriguez said.

"Radio station owners are like art owners who never bother to look at the painting. They're just concerned with the profitability of the art. They know it affects people, but they themselves don't care."

Rodriguez still had the urge to program, and an even stronger desire to prove Corporate America wrong. He thought there was a better way of playing the same game, and he wanted to shove it in their faces.

He got the chance last summer when his long-running attempt to buy frequency 104.9 FM finally was approved.

Rodriguez wanted to make a statement with the station. He wanted to do something big. Something bold. Something different.

His result: All Beatles, no commercials, no disc jockeys.

He expanded the concept from what the Fab Four did together as well as their solo work, cover tunes, interviews, outtakes and whatever else he could grab.

"I just want to freak people out and shake the tree in every possible way: shake the programmers, shake the listeners, shake what's possible for radio," said Rodriguez, his hair slicked back, dressed comfortably in black jeans and a T-shirt for a recent interview at his home.

Although Rodriguez didn't know it, his idea wasn't original. Other stations tried it with little success. Now, add Rodriguez to that list.

KTCY, known as "Fab 105" since it went on the air

Aug. 10, will be switching to a black gospel format on Feb. 22, Rodriguez announced. The station will be run by his brother, who owns several other local stations.

Still, Fab 105 is going out with a bang. The Beatles' entire "rooftop concert" from the movie *Let It Be* will be played twice. Listeners also will be treated to the Beatles' *Live at the Hollywood Bowl* concert. And, a "Farewell to the Fab" party is planned for the final day.

The six-month venture was covered in red ink. Rodriguez wouldn't put a figure on it, instead saying it would've cost someone else about \$5 million.

He said he was giving up the station because it was time to start a sales department and, "I really didn't have the heart to go back into the business trenches to do that."

Rodriguez says he has no problem absorbing the loss. He lives with his wife of 11 years, Nellie, daughter Elisha, 10, and son Alex, 8; in a spacious home that backs up to a golf course inside a gated community.

Fab 105's biggest problem was that it never made a dent in the ratings.

In the first ratings book it was eligible for, KTCY beat only one station. It didn't register a pulse in the latest book.

The few followers were at least loyal, creating stacks of letters, faxes and e-mails to www.planetcasters.com, the station's Internet site.

"It's amazing how many young kids e-mailed me," Rodriguez said. "You expect people in their 40s and 50s to say the Beatles rule. You don't expect that from 13- and 14-year-olds."

He also connected with some of the glass-office types he was aiming at.

"I got a call from a peer who is an executive at a large broadcasting company and he said, 'Tony, I really salute you for saying radio sucks. I agree, but in my position I can't say it.'"

"I think there's a lot of radio guys out there who agree but can't say it. It's like the emperor wearing no clothes — you may know it, but if you work in the palace you can't say it," Rodriguez said.

Now that the station is nearing the end of its long and winding road, Rodriguez has no regrets.

"I always felt like it was electronic art," he said. "I also am happy that a lot of people got what I was up to. This was never a toy for me — it was more like a statement that I wanted to make."

With just a few weeks left, Rodriguez has a bit of advice for his listeners.

"I tell people you better enjoy it while you have it because I guarantee you this will never happen again," he said. "It's too crazy, too insane."

## Egypt shocked as cultists come to light

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Omar Abdulatif Sabri and Tariq Mustapha are young students who share a passion for parties and rock 'n' roll. Police say their passion extends to the devil, too — and they may face time in jail.

The two Egyptians were among 78 students picked up by police Jan. 22 from their homes in dramatic pre-dawn raids that followed a series of parties in the desert and in Cairo hotels. At the parties, police say, rituals were held to worship Satan.

Forty-three of the students have been charged with a variety of offenses against religion and morality, punishable by five years in jail and a fine. The rest have been released, but arrest warrants are out for 20 more suspects.

The arrests, which the Egyptian media have feasted on for two weeks, shocked this conservative and deeply religious Muslim society.

The press fed on widespread resentment in Egypt over Western cultural influences, and persistent fears of plots, true or imaginary, hatched abroad to corrupt Arab youth.

Some experts interviewed by the media were at pains to find a foreign link, suggesting possible involvement of Israel, which most Egyptians still see as their country's enemy despite a 1979 peace treaty. Others pointed out that some of the accused have lived in the West or have a foreign parent.

"Mossad orchestrates Satanic

orgies in Egypt," screamed The Egyptian Gazette in a headline, referring to Israel's intelligence service.

"Devil worship — made in America and exported by Israel," was the cover headline of the weekly magazine October.

The mere mention of devil worship was particularly shocking during the holy month of Ramadan, when Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset and often become more pious than during the rest of the year.

Mufti Nasr Farid Wassel, Egypt's chief Muslim theologian, reacted with fervor, accusing the alleged Satanists of apostasy, the act of renouncing one's faith which is punishable by death in Islam.

## Nation briefs

### Sheppard's son seeking money for his father's prison time

CLEVELAND (AP) — New DNA evidence supporting Dr. Sam Sheppard's story that an intruder killed his wife in 1954 may help the couple's son collect money for the ten years Sheppard spent in prison.

Sam Reese Sheppard wants to vindicate his father, whose sensational case inspired *The Fugitive*. He died in 1970 after winning a federal appeals court ruling that his first trial was flawed.

The DNA findings were presented Tuesday to Cuyahoga County officials and a team working for the younger Sheppard.

Terry Gilbert, a lawyer representing Sheppard, said the tests produced a result "entirely consistent with Sam Sheppard's story, that he came upon an intruder and there was a struggle."

The tests will be submitted in support of Dr. Sheppard's famous alibi — that a bushy-

haired intruder beat his pregnant wife to death in their home on July 4, 1954.

That would allow Sheppard to seek \$25,000 for each of the years his father was in prison, plus undetermined economic losses.

### Elizabeth Taylor has benign brain tumor

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor delayed surgery to remove a benign brain tumor so she can attend a black-tie gala to celebrate her 65th birthday and raise money to fight AIDS.

The diagnosis was announced Tuesday, and surgeons plan to remove the tumor from the left frontal lobe on Feb. 17.

The Feb. 16 benefit, "Happy Birthday, Elizabeth — A Celebration of Life" will support the Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation, which distributes money for AIDS research and treatment. The show at Hollywood's Pantages Theatre will be televised on ABC later this month.

"She postponed the surgery until after the birthday celebration to raise as much money as possible for AIDS," publicist Shirine Coburn.

Miss Taylor's actual birthday is Feb. 27.

But the impending brain surgery forced Miss Taylor to cancel a trip to Istanbul to raise money for a foundation aiding young victims of the Russia-Chechnya conflict, Coburn said.

Miss Taylor has suffered from a series of health problems. She had both hips replaced in recent years, then had to return for hip-adjustment surgery in October 1995 because one of the operations left her with one leg shorter than the other.

The violet-eyed winner of Academy Awards for *Butterfield 8* and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* was also hospitalized in 1995 for an irregular heartbeat.

Serious respiratory problems nearly killed her in 1990 and kept her hospitalized for three months.

# OPENING NOON THURSDAY, FEB. 6

## SAVINGS STOREWIDE!

# SAVE UP TO 60% OFF

## NEW Reductions Being Taken!

- Men's Knit and Woven Tops: 30% to 40% OFF
- Children's Long Sleeve Tops: 30% to 50% OFF
- Large Selection Women's Outerwear: 40% to 50% OFF
- Hiker Boots: 30% to 40% OFF
- Men's Flannel Shirts: 7" Reg. 14.99
- Select Group Women's Windsuits: 40% to 50% OFF
- Men's Fashion Sweaters: 40% to 50% OFF
- Missy & Juniors' Related Separates: 40% to 60% OFF
- Winter Sleepwear, Robes & Loungers: 40% to 50% OFF
- Assorted Gloves and Knitwear: 40% OFF

# ANTHONY'S

Family Apparel & Shoes

CORONADO CENTER  
DAILY 9:30-8:00, SUNDAY 12-6:00

## DIABETIC SEMINAR

### "Diabetes; In Control"

Attention: RN's, LVN's, other Healthcare Workers & Diabetics

Guest Speakers: **Dan C. Powell MD**  
Board Certified Family Practice  
**Terry Miller MSFT**  
LPC Intern, MFT Intern

Date: **February 7, 7:30 p.m.**  
Registration begins at 7:00 p.m.

Where: **Columbia Medical Center of Pampa**  
Conference Room

Cost: **No Charge**

Reservations: **Seating is limited**  
please call Norma Slagle  
(806) 663-5509 to reserve seating

"This offering has been approved by the American Nurses Association for "2.4" contact hours. TNA is accredited as an approver of continuing education for nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission on Accreditation. This approval meets Type I criteria for mandatory continued education requirements toward relicensure as established by the Board of Nurse examiners for the State of Texas."

**COLUMBIA**  
Medical Center of Pampa

## Mom Pleads With Her Village To Help Raise Smoke-Free Son

DEAR ABBY: I need your help. Please print this for the people in Edgewater, Fla., to see.

### PLEASE DO NOT HELP OUR SON TO SMOKE

Our son is 14 years old, but he looks 18. I have caught him smoking several times. He keeps promising to quit, but I know he is still smoking because I can smell it on his clothes and in his hair. He has lost many privileges since you have been buying him cigarettes.

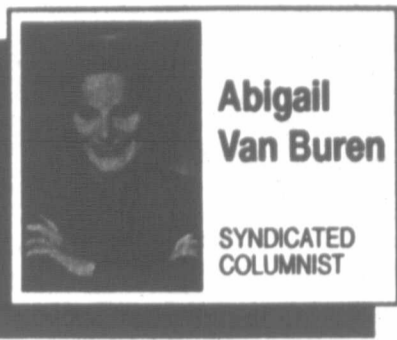
He is not wise enough at 14 to make this decision, and I need your help in this very important matter.

If he asks you to buy a pack of cigarettes for him, just say, "No, it's illegal!"

If the kids get enough "nos," it might help them to stop. Abby, they are our future leaders. Let's not let them mess up. I read that one out of three people who are addicted to smoking will get cancer.

Thanks for listening. I am signing my name, but please sign me as a CONCERNED MOTHER, EDGEWATER, FLA.

DEAR CONCERNED MOTHER: I am printing your letter because you represent many mothers (and fathers) who do not want their teen-agers to smoke. I hope this helps, although my mail tells me that nicotine addiction is harder to overcome than alcohol. People who buy cigarettes for underage smokers



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

are doing them no favor.

DEAR ABBY: I want to give recognition to a wonderful person. She is my ex-husband's new wife.

I had conflicts with his girlfriends in the past. Our son lives with him, and it's been difficult for me to deal with another woman telling my son what to do, etc. However, Erica (10 years younger than I am) opened up and told me some background about herself and her family. She shared some frustration and asked for my advice about dealing with my son and similar problems she had with in-laws.

Maybe her discussing these things with me is not proper. I don't know, as I am not well-versed in proper etiquette for extended families. However, Erica embraced me as being an equal part of the family. She is so warm to me and I admire her so much.

I care a great deal for my ex, and

we make great friends but a miserable couple. We have put the best interests of our son above everything else, and Erica is mature enough not to be threatened.

I think that she is lucky to have my ex, as he is a wonderful man, but now I also think he is lucky to have her. My son is lucky to have such an open-hearted stepmom.

More divorced couples should think about how the kids feel so torn, like they have to choose between parents. I am so grateful that my son hasn't been put in that position. I want to thank all step-parents who are like Erica. Thanks so very much, Erica.

DANA WHITESIDE, CINCINNATI

DEAR ABBY: The expression "Indian giver" refers to the early U.S. government giving land to the Indians through signed treaties, then breaking the treaties. It happened over and over again, from one end of the country to the other until nobody could trust the government treaties.

The expression "Indian giver" does not insult American Indians, but points to the early U.S. government's and settlers' wrongdoing. I hope you'll print this for "Proud Shoshone" as a step toward righting some wrongs.

PATRICIA S., EUGENE, ORE.

c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Positive changes will happen soon, but you may not be aware of these developments yet. However, you will learn about everything at the proper time.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** An ally you made recently could prove her worth to you today. This person's actions will help you to appreciate the value of a true friend.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You may find several new career opportunities today, even if the outlook has been dismal for a long time. Take advantage of this good fortune.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** A current project could be organized more efficiently. If you make the necessary changes, you will finally achieve the results you desire.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Your financial prospects look promising at this time, but you must continue to work hard. Do not rest on your laurels.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Partnership arrangements should prove to be mutual-

ly advantageous at this time, especially if you team up with colleagues who take their responsibilities seriously.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** An excellent career opportunity could be just over the horizon. A sudden shift might enable you to improve your financial situation.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** If you want to achieve your goals today, you may have to be bolder than usual. Do not hesitate to take a chance if you know the odds are in your favor.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** A situation that has caused you to worry looks as if it will be concluded to your satisfaction. It might even pave the way for something you haven't anticipated.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** A condition you didn't anticipate might eclipse your present expectations. Do not worry, because the new program could be better than the one it replaces.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Dawn could be breaking on a new financial horizon for you today. You might discover a source that was previously untapped.

## Horoscope

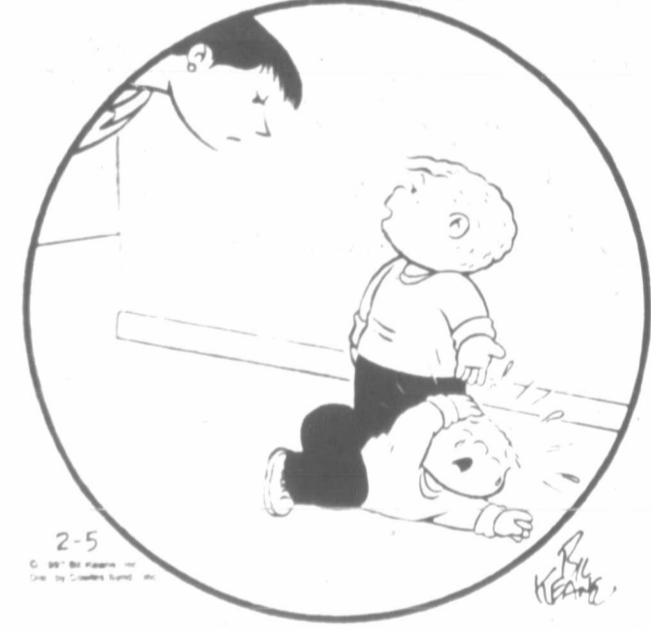


Your Birthday

Thursday, Feb. 6, 1997

The year ahead could be one of exceptional promise, especially in situations in which you can assert your authority. Your creativity will enable you to accomplish many things.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Something promising might be in store for you at this time. Others will be involved, but you will be in the driver's seat. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it: The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker.



"I tried to jump over him 'cause I was bein' a checker."



"You had your dog food with garlic again!"

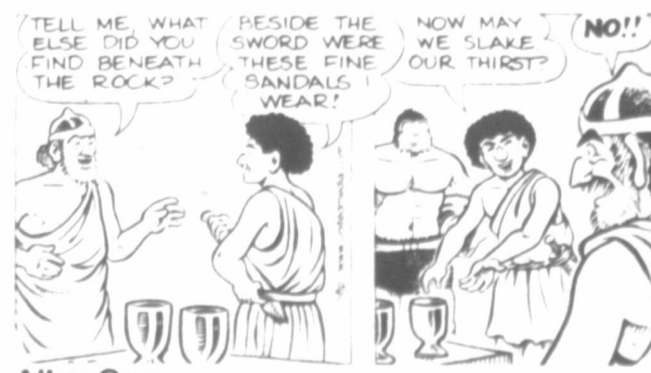
### The Family Circus



### Marmaduke



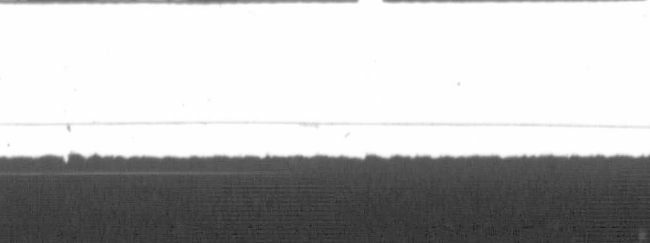
### Grizzwells



### Alley Oop



### Peanuts



### For Better or For Worse



### Arto & Janis



### Garfield



### Walnut Cove



### Marvin



### B.C.



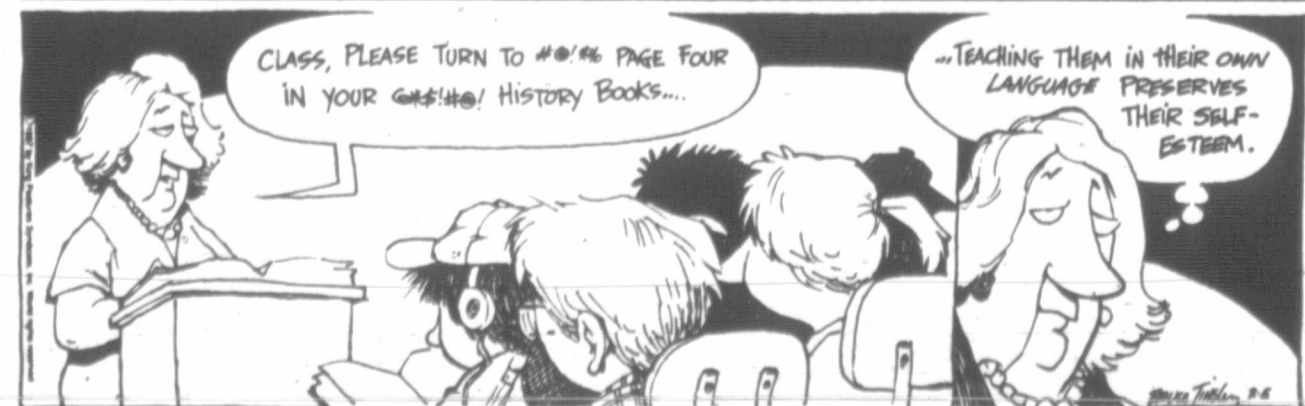
### Ek & Meek



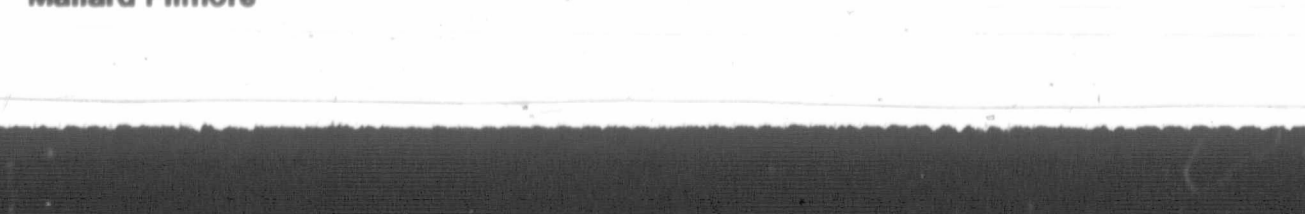
### The Born Loser



### Frank And Ernest



### Mallard Filmore













# DUNLAPS

Coronado Center - 669-7417

Dunlap's will be closed Thursday morning until 11 o'clock to prepare for this gigantic sale.



**OPEN Thursday**  
11 am 'til 8 pm **DOORS OPEN 11 AM!!**

## CLEAN SWEEP SALE

SAVE 30% to 75% ON SELECTED SEASONAL MERCHANDISE!

**Famous Labels Sportswear**  
30% to 60% OFF

- Susan Bristol
- On the Verge
- Cambridge
- Hill Country
- Alfred Dunner
- Graff
- Woolrich
- Eagles Eye

orig. \$19 to \$250

**LADIES Flannel Nite Shirt in a Bag**  
**\$9.99**  
reg. \$24.00

**LADIES ROBES**  
**50% OFF**  
reg. \$42 - \$69

**MEN'S SWEATERS**  
**\$19.99**

**Select Group Melrose Guess Jeans**  
**\$41.99**  
reg. \$68.00

**Long Sleeve Tops by Pepe**  
**30% OFF**

**Printed Dish Towels**  
**3 for \$2.00**  
reg. 3 for \$5.00

**Embellished Vests**  
**\$9.99**

**Welcome Mats**  
**\$4.99 - \$6.99**

**Incredible Buy on... Samsonite® Luggage**  
**\$29.99 - \$69.99**

Samsonite® Refurbished Luggage

**Selected group Handcrafted Quilts**  
**\$29.99**

**special group Shams**  
**\$5.99**

**Sport Treds by Sporto**  
Reg. \$45 **\$19.99**

- Vylon water-proof
- Flannel lining
- Fully insulated

**Ladies' Fashion Coats**  
**50% off**  
Reg. \$90 to \$165  
Short and long styles in assorted colors and fabrics

**Great Selection Ladies' Sweaters**  
**50% off**  
Reg. \$30 - \$125  
Choose from Cardigans or slip-ons in many styles. Tailored or embellished. All from famous makers.

**Men's Famous Designer Sportswear**  
**30% to 50% OFF**

- Tommy Hilfiger
- Woolrich
- Nautica
- Pendleton
- Timberland
- Columbia