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Men want cross to advertise Christ

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Steve Thomas is telling his story to as many people as will listen, because he believes it is of great importance that everyone be reminded of God each day, in some way. His way is a visual reminder seen by thousands of people who drive the Interstate 40 highway south of Amarillo toward the Oklahoma line.

Thomas said as a child he knew he was to be a structural engineer, as early as the fifth grade, and he did one day earn that status. He said he just imagined himself in construction management, and today he is an engineer in construction and petrochemical industry. He has built the world's largest mobile drilling oil and gas rig, with a mast 165 feet tall.

"It all started many years ago in my life - about 20 years ago I began to be aware of all the evil throughout the world. One day I was driving along the highway from Amarillo and I could see a large sign on a building advertising a type of adult entertainment, unsuitable to most people, and I got to thinking how many millions who would see that would be seriously influenced by that kind of advertising, whether they believed in that sort of lifestyle, or not."

He said the thought continued to emerge in his mind, and he began to wonder why couldn't there be an advertising sign that noticeable for Jesus that would be just as effective.

"I asked the Lord to show me a way to do this," Thomas said.

According to Thomas' interpretation, people who are involved in our daily life's routines seldom think about the natural beauty of things surrounding us, like the trees, green grass, flowers, birds and animals, and loving families. Those things are taken for granted, and expected to be, and we seldom give thanks for our little blessings, he said.

"I knew I had been carrying on in this world exactly the same way, and I had not given Jesus much advertising, myself," he said. "So, I had to keep asking Him to show me a way to help others see their failings also."

One day he learned of another person's attempt to build a giant cross, and he said he took that as his sign for what he should try to do.

During the same period of time, there were others in the Panhandle area and in Texas who were having the same thoughts or visions of Christ in ways that were unexplained. Each was searching for answers



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Fighting blowing dirt caused by strong wind gusts of 40 to 50 miles per hour on Thursday, workmen from Pampa and Amarillo finish setting the last of three heavy redwood crosses atop a mound of dirt focusing toward the giant 190-foot steel cross situated near Interstate 40 at Groom. Overseeing the finishing work is Steve Thomas of Pampa, designing engineer (shown in center, using the leveling bar). Others working to help hold the cross before they pour a concrete base are Jim Bichsel and Jack Hilton of Pampa, and A.C. George from Amarillo. D. Martinez, not pictured, is operations director for the religious project.

to their own questions of how to deliver their messages to others.

One of the men, D. Martinez of Pampa, said he had a vision come to him in a dream, of a huge cross standing above him. He said he knew in his heart he was meant to help build a cross, but he didn't know how nor why, until he met Thomas. The two of them shared their goals to build a cross, as did the others as they came into each others' lives. Martinez assists Thomas as his operations director, and together they are making tapes telling the story of the ideas to erect a cross for all to see, and the story of why this is an important project for so many.

As time passed, nothing was done to the satisfaction of the men, until soon, in one way or another, all of them eventually became acquainted. Although Thomas had started his work on designing the structure of a cross, things were not successful.

"Stumbling blocks kept falling in my path," he said.

His designs and measurements were not coming out just right; he discovered there were restrictions on whether his structure could be as high as he wanted, due to restrictions set by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and other laws would prevent him from placing his cross just anywhere. But he was deter-

mined to find exactly the right location and the right formula for his creation.

Believing in messages taken from the Bible, and based on his studying, he began to reflect on what he calls the "holy numbers" from the Bible; therefore, he finished his designs using those number signs. He said he designed the cross in three parts.

The standing steel cross is 190 feet tall, which equals 19 stories high; the arms of the cross are 11 stories in width and the cross section is 12 feet by 12 feet. The foundation is one large slab of reinforced one-and-quarter foot section diameter rebar.

"We poured 70 trucks of concrete in one day, which were hauled from three different cities, with seven inch diameter pins fastened in the base. The same force required to lift a space shuttle from Cape

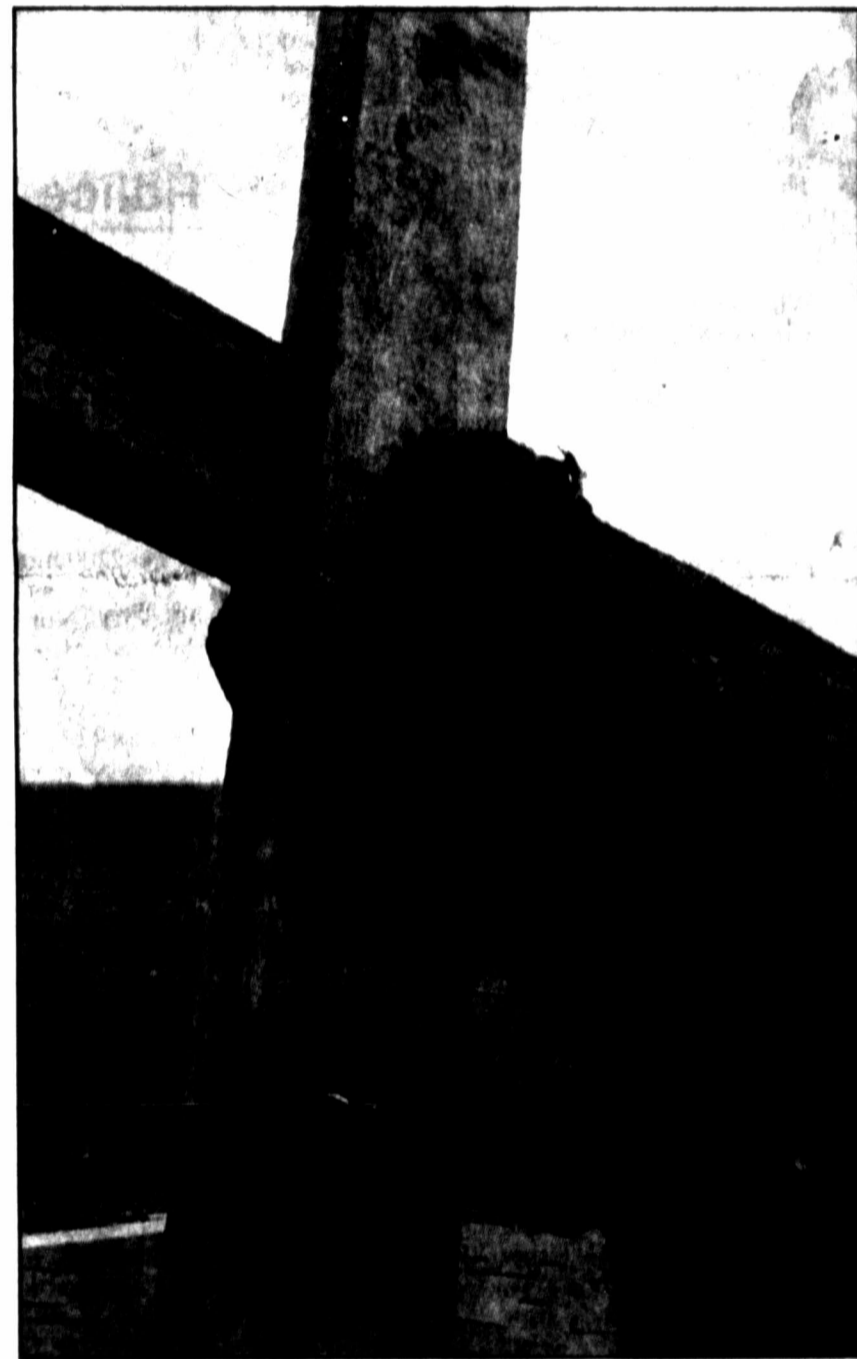
Kennedy is what is necessary to just shear one of those pins," Thomas said.

The finished cross was dedicated in the fall of 1995. Since then, thousands of visitors have come into the area to see it and other artists' creations as they are erected nearby.

Presently, base stations are being built which have bronze statues, designed and sculpted by Mickey Wells and cast at Southwest Foundry in Amarillo.

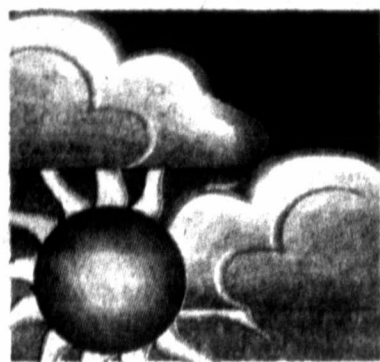
The bronze statues are of Jesus portrayed in different scenes of the crucifixion. As progress on this project moves forward, according to blueprints, there will be 14 sections jutting out from the cross, with walls containing the Ten Commandments surrounding it, and there will be a total of 28 bronze statues when all the work is complete.

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(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Bearing the weight of the heavy redwood cross and wearing the crown of thorns on his head, the bronze statue shows the expression of pain and strife in the face of Jesus as he carries his burden up to Mt. Calvary before being nailed to the cross.



High today in low 60s.
Low tonight near 40. See
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details.

PAMPA — The summer hours of operation for the city landfill will begin on April 1. The landfill will be open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., including the noon hour.

Even though the landfill is open till 6 p.m., it will stop accepting waste at 5:30 to allow the workers time to cover the day's trash as mandated by state regulation.

These hours will be in effect through Sept. 30.

NORTHGLENN, Colo. (AP) — Organizers of a child beauty pageant that counted JonBenet Ramsey as a winner last year dedicated this year's contest to the slain 6-year-old girl on Saturday.

The charity pageant, sponsored by local organizers of America's Royale Miss, was an attempt to help young contestants cope with JonBenet's death in December.

"It's to begin the healing process for the children of our organization and the families involved," organizer Suzie Doland said.

Proceeds will go to the Children's Hospital in Denver.

Last year, JonBenet won the Tiny Miss title in the America's Royale Miss pageant. Saturday's event was the first by the organization since her death.

On Dec. 26, JonBenet was found strangled in the basement of her family's Boulder home. No suspects have been named and no arrests have been made.

VATICAN CITY (AP) — In a dazzling Easter vigil service, Pope John Paul II Saturday night recalled the suffering of people in Zaire and Albania.

Carrying a candle through the darkness, John Paul led a procession in St. Peter's Basilica while about 20,000 worshippers slowly lit their own candles.

At the words "Lumen Christ" - "Light of Christ" in Latin - the basilica suddenly filled with light in one of the most dramatic services held there each year.

Later, John Paul baptized 10 people from symbolically chosen lands.

They included two young women from Albania and two young men from Zaire. In his address, John Paul said the two countries were "living dramatic hours in their history."

Albania has been gripped by increasingly violent unrest since January, when thousands of citizens lost money in failed investment schemes.

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Entries being taken for Trade Days

Entries are still being accepted for the upcoming Fourth Annual Top O' Texas Trade Days activities scheduled for May 3-4 at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion and Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena at Recreation Park in Pampa.

Activities include an arts and crafts fair and flea market, a Cowboy Chili Cook-Off, a Brisket Cook-Off and amateur team penning. The Trades Days is sponsored by the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

The fair and flea market will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Indoor and outdoor space may be rented on a first come, first served basis by contacting the Top O' Texas Rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard, phone (806) 669-3241.

Indoor space is limited, with a cost of \$25 per space. Outdoor space is \$15 per space.

No food or drink vendors are allowed, and no livestock will be permitted. Vendors are required to furnish their own equipment and tables.

Vendors may begin setting up

their booths after 4 p.m. Friday, May 2. Security will be provided Friday and Saturday nights.

The Fourth Annual Cowboy Chili Cook-Off will be held on Saturday, May 3, at the pavilion. Entry fee is \$10 per cook. Judging will take place at 12 noon on Saturday. Prizes are \$300 first place, \$200 second place and \$100 third place.

Cooks must furnish their own equipment and ingredients, and all chili must be prepared on the premises. Samples will be available to the public, after the judging is completed, for 50 cents per cup.

The Chili Cook-Off is sponsored by North Country Coors, Dorman Tire, Subway Sandwiches, Bouland and Leverich, and Signal Fuels.

The first Brisket Cook-Off will be held on Sunday, May 4, also at the pavilion. Entry fee is \$10 per team, and judging will take place at 12 noon on Sunday. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded the top three places.

Cooks must furnish their own equipment, and briskets must be

cooked on the premises. Samples will be available following the judging.

The Brisket Cook-Off is sponsored by Bill Benda and McDonald's Restaurants of Pampa and Perryton.

The amateur team penning, also a new event added to the Trade Days activities, will begin at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 4, at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. Books will open at 9 a.m. Sunday and close at the start of each class.

Classes and their entry fees are as follows: Novice, \$60 per team; Mixed, \$60 per team; and Youth, \$21 per team. Each rider is limited to three rides.

Sponsors of the team penning events are North Country Coors and the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

Registration information can be obtained by contacting Jane Jacobs at (806) 669-3241 any Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Event and activity fees should accompany the completed registration forms mailed to: Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, P.O. Box 1942, Pampa, TX 79065.

Iran denies harboring bombing mastermind

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran Saturday denied it was harboring the alleged mastermind of a bombing in Saudi Arabia that killed 19 U.S. servicemen, saying such reports were aimed at sabotaging Saudi-Iranian relations.

A newspaper report Saturday said that American and Canadian intelligence officials believe a Saudi Shiite who planned the June 25 bombing near Dhahran is being protected by the Iranians - a sign Iran might have had a role in the attack.

U.S. and Canadian intelligence also believe Syria gave tacit approval to the bombing of the American air base, *Newsday* reported, quoting unidentified sources.

Both Iran and Syria have denied any connection to the bombing.

Mahmoud Mohammadi, an Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman, said Saturday that

the allegation "is an indication that the United States is anxious about improved relations between Iran and Saudi Arabia."

There have been recent indications of a thaw between Shiite Iran and Saudi Arabia, which adheres to Islam's Sunni sect. Relations between the two countries have been tense since Iran's 1979 revolution brought a radical clerical government to power.

If the United States concludes Iran and Syria were involved, it could jeopardize any chance of progress in Middle East peace discussions involving Syria and lead to military retaliation by the United States against Iran, U.S. officials told *Newsday*.

The alleged mastermind was identified in a Canadian court document filed Thursday as Ahmed Ibrahim Ahmad Mughassil.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

CRINKLAW, Winifred - Memorial services, 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Pampa.
PRICE, Billie Block - 10:30 a.m., Coker Funeral Home Chapel, Jacksboro.

Obituaries

WINIFRED CRINKLAW

Winifred Crinklaw, 82, of Pampa, died Saturday, March 29, 1997. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Darrell Evans, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Crinklaw was born Jan. 17, 1915, at Long Pine, Neb. She was a graduate of Cottey College. She married James Gordon Crinklaw on Dec. 20, 1936, at Lusk, Wyo.; he died in 1994. She had been a Pampa resident since 1949. She taught school in Wyoming prior to moving to Pampa, where she was the children's librarian at Lovett Memorial Library for 29 years.



She also worked with the Girl Scouts for many years. She was a member of First Christian Church, PEO, Order of the Eastern Star and Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Jo C. Fitch, in September 1996.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, James G. and Karen Crinklaw Jr. of Flower Mound; two grandsons, Brent Crinklaw and his wife Michelle of Lewisville and Grant Crinklaw of Flower Mound; four sisters-in-law, Marjorie Oesterle of Peoria, Ariz., Ruth Stenger of Laramie, Wyo., Louise Tarantola of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Evelyn Merrill of Rapid City, S.D.; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to Friends of the Library, Hospice of the Panhandle or Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

WILLIAM CLAUD 'DUB' MORRIS JR.

William Claud "Dub" Morris Jr., 83, died Saturday, March 29, 1997. Services are pending with Price-Jackson Funeral Home in Quanah. Local arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Morris was born March 23, 1914, in Quanah. He moved to Pampa in 1984 from Quanah. He was a trackman for Santa Fe Railroad for 30 years, retiring in 1972.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, William Roy Morris, in 1996; Herman Morris, in 1967; and Robbins Morris, in 1981.

Survivors include three daughters, Mary Watson of Eastland, Claudine Conner of Hewitt and Fern Rains of Pampa; three sisters, Eula Moats and Trudie Mahaffee, both of Holliday, and Beulah Brossart of Archer City; six brothers, Clarence Morris of Quanah, Dudley Morris of Amarillo, Jesse Morris of Holliday, Jay Morris of Pampa, Gene Morris of Abilene and Orville Morris of Dallas; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and special friend, Susie Cross of Pampa.

ESTHER L. PLANK

CANYON - Esther L. Plank, 84, a former Pampa resident, died Saturday, March 29, 1997, at Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospital of Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Richard Bales, pastor, and the Rev. Kevin Deckard, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Dreamland Cemetery under the direction of Brook Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Plank was born Aug. 9, 1912, at Rogers, Ark., to Edward and Laura Plank. She grew up on a farm and ranch operation in Lipscomb County. She received her early education in a one-room school on Second Creek and graduated from Pampa High School in 1930 after her family moved to Pampa in 1929. She later attended Texas Women's College at Fort Worth for one year and West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, receiving a bachelor's of arts degree from the college and a master's degree from Colorado State College at Greeley, Colo. She taught school at Deal, White Deer, Odessa and Santa Monica, Calif. She assisted in the war effort in California, working for the U.S. Navy. At the end of the war, she was commissioned to go to Japan to help organize a public school system, for which she earned a U.S. Presidential Citation in addition to a Commendation from the government of Japan.

After returning to the States, she became a district school supervisor for the state of New Jersey and earned a doctorate in education from Columbia University in New York City. She became the Head Start program coordinator for all the states west of the Mississippi and was a professor in the education department at Arizona University, the University of Houston, Southwest Missouri State University. She retired from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. She assisted many towards obtaining scholarships. She was a longtime member of First United Methodist Church of Canyon and worked with the senior citizens of her church and the community. She was a volunteer for the Randall County Republican Party, receiving Outstanding Volunteer award. She was a member of Daughters of the American Revolution, Delta Kappa Gamma, Panhandle Plains Historical Society and Commission, AAUW and Canyon Garden Club.

Survivors include a sister, Betty Driess of Houston, a brother, W. Jay Plank of Hillsborough, Calif., 16 nieces and nephews, and numerous relatives and friends.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church in Canyon, 1818 4th Ave., or John Plank Memorial Scholarship Fund at WTAMU.

Obituaries

BILLIE BLOCK PRICE

BRYSON - Billie Block Price, 54, a former long-time Skellytown resident, died Thursday, March 27, 1997. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Coker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Jimmy McNeil officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa under the direction of Coker Funeral Home of Jacksboro.

Mrs. Price was born Oct. 7, 1942, at Pampa, to William and Cora Price. She had been a Bryson resident since 1980, and had been a former long-time Skellytown resident. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Graham.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1982; her mother in 1995; a sister, Kathryn Day, in 1975; and a brother, John Tom Price, in 1992.

Survivors include two sisters, Louise Bates of Bryson and Beth Langley of Nokomas, Fla.; a sister-in-law, Frances Price of Odessa; and a brother-in-law, Vernon Day of Tennessee.

WANDA SUE PRUITT

DALHART - Wanda Sue Pruitt, 58, died Wednesday, March 26, 1997. Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday in Cornerstone Church with James C. Loper, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were at 3 p.m. in Old Mobeetie Cemetery at Old Mobeetie under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Ms. Pruitt was born at Wheeler and moved to Borger in 1960. She had been a Dalhart resident since 1994, moving from Borger. She was a home health care nurse's aide and was affiliated with Cornerstone Church.

Survivors include four daughters, Barbara Sue Mendoza of Houston, Robin Annette Lee of Costa Mesa, Calif., Ellen LaDon Davis of Borger and Cindy Karen Shewchuk of Hereford; three sons, Donald Wayne Kelsey and Kevin Alan Kelsey, both of Chicago, Ill., and Keith Edward Pruitt of Amarillo; three sisters, Wilma Lou Pederson/Aasa of Yukon, Okla., Joan Ann Ward of Amarillo and Dortha Green of Caddo, Okla.; five brothers, Sam Pruitt of Hereford, Willis Pruitt of Canadian, Jerry Pruitt of Plainview and Joel Pruitt and Jimmy Pruitt, both of Amarillo; and 19 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Cornerstone Church's building fund.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, March 28

Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Pitts. Approximately \$20 damage was done to the front screen door.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2200 block of North Hobart.

A 16-year-old female reported a simple assault in the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1900 block of North Faulkner. Approximately \$200 damage was done to the windshield of a 1987 Ford Bronco.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 900 block of Cinderella. Approximately \$541 worth of stereo and electronic equipment was stolen.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Sandlewood. Approximately \$191 worth of stereo and electronic equipment was stolen.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, March 28

Arrests

Daniel Anthony Gutierrez, 30, 1015 Dogwood, was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault. He was released on bond.

Charles K. Johnson Jr., 34, Borger, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest. He remains in custody.

Joe Steven Floetwood, 32, Borger, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense. He remains in custody.

Michelle Annette Cole, 31, Amarillo, was arrested on charges of possession of controlled substance, methamphetamine, possession of marijuana and possession of LSD. She remains in custody.

Calendar of events

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

AL-ANON

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

TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING

Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler, is offering group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Kleinpeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Preschool story hour will be held at Lovett Memorial Library 10 to 11 a.m. each Tuesday. Children ages three to five are welcome.

VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Warren Chisum's Office, 100 N. Price Road. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

Police hunt for men in pregnant woman's death

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - Police are looking for two men who were racing and cut in front of another vehicle, causing it to hit a curb and roll over, fatally injuring the pregnant woman who was driving it.

Harvest Nicole Alexander, 20, was pronounced dead from head injuries Thursday. She died less than two hours after doctors delivered a son, Hayden Bailey Alexander, prematurely.

The baby, who weighed less than 2 pounds, was listed in critical condition at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth early Saturday.

The accident occurred Wednesday night as a red Honda and a silver 1995 or 1996 Mitsubishi Eclipse with tinted windows were racing. Ms. Alexander was ejected from her pickup truck after it hit a curb and rolled over.

The drivers didn't stop. Ms. Alexander was only two blocks from home at the time of the accident. She was returning from a family dinner at her grandmother's home, her mother said.

"We still have not found the drivers, but we've had several witnesses come in and tell us the vehicle descriptions," said Sgt. Bill Stallworth, head of the accident investigation division.

A teenage boy was driving the Mitsubishi, witnesses said. "Hopefully, we can get a photo of the driver and put him in a line-up for these witnesses," he said.

Scott Cook, 19, said he had been dating Ms. Alexander about 10 months. He's the father of her child, and they had been planning a future together, he said. "We had thought about and

talked about getting married, but when we found out about the baby, we both decided we didn't want to jump into anything just because of the baby," he said.

Cook said he likely will share custody of Hayden with Leona Adams, Ms. Alexander's mother.

"Not only was the baby a big part of mine and Harvest's lives, but it was also a big part of her mother's life," he said. "We'll be raising him together. That's how it's going to be."

He added: "I've just started saving everything about Harvest for Hayden. I want to let him know what a wonderful mother he had. He won't ever forget her, I promise you that."

Funeral services for Ms. Alexander are set for Monday afternoon at Moore Funeral Home in Arlington.

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Cross

A gift from an anonymous grant of approximately \$300,000 is helping to pay for the bronze work and the engraved wall when it is ready to install. Thursday, three wood crosses were set in place on a mound of dirt facing the giant cross. The three crosses represent the cross for Christ and the two sinners on Mt. Calvary.

Thomas said he had to justify the holy numbers that kept coming into his mind, and when he did so, everything began happening smoothly. The

holy numbers are 3 - 4 - 7 - 12 and 40, he said. The property is owned by Chris Britten, who gave the right to build the structure on his land in the small city of Groom.

"The Bible tells us that the bride of Christ is the church. Well, that makes Jesus the groom, so there's something symbolic about the little town, and why I was led to place the cross in this spot," he explains.

Being as near to the interstate highway as it is, Thomas said estimates given to him by Texas Department of Transportation indicate there are at least 10 million people driving along that strip who will view the cross.

Each individual who sees the cross image from a distance of at least 10 miles will retain it in his mind's subconscious vision for at least 10 minutes - even with his eyes closed, Thomas said.

Thomas and Martinez believe: "This most certainly will project the advertising of Jesus."

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, March 28

10:17 a.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to a grass fire on Gray 4.

1:07 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to Columbia Medical Center on a false alarm.

SATURDAY, March 29

8:15 a.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to a grass fire 15 miles south on U.S. 70.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following call for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, March 28

2 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 700 block of North Somerville on a welfare check. No patient was transported.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Today, generally sunny early, then increasing cloudiness. High in low 60s with northeasterly winds 5-10 mph switching to southerly later in the day.

Tonight, cloudy with a low in the mid 40s. Monday, cloudy with a high in the mid 60s and a chance for showers and thunderstorms.

Saturday morning's low was 50; Saturday's high was 73.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Today, sunny early, then increasing cloudiness. Highs in low to mid 60s. Tonight, mostly cloudy with lows in mid 30s to around 40.

Monday, mostly cloudy with slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs from around 60 to mid 60s. South Plains: Today, partly cloudy and

cooler. Highs around 60. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 35-45. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 60-70.

North Texas - Today, partly cloudy west. Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or thunderstorms central and east. Highs 63 west to 70 southeast. Tonight, partly cloudy northeast. Cloudy with a chance of rain west, central and southeast. Lows 42 northeast to 50 south.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Today, mostly cloudy, windy and cooler with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in upper 60s. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows near 50.

Upper Coast: Today, cloudy, windy and cooler with showers or thunderstorms likely. Highs in mid 70s. Tonight, cloudy with a

chance of rain. Lows near 50 inland to near 60 coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Today, cloudy, windy and cooler with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 70 coast to low 70s inland. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in low 50s coast to mid 50s inland.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Today, mostly sunny north and partly cloudy south. Cooler south. Highs 50s to mid 60s mountains and north with mostly 60s lower elevations south. Tonight, mostly fair skies north. Partly cloudy south with a slight chance of showers. Lows 20s to upper 30s mountains and north with 30s to near 40 lower elevations south.

Oklahoma - Today, mostly sunny. Highs mid 60s to low 70s. Tonight, clear and cool. Lows 30 to 40.

City briefs

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NEED AUTO glass replacement or repair?

Call Suntrol 3M Auto Tint and Auto Glass. Window Tint starting from \$69.95. Insurance claims, VISA, Mastercard accepted. 703 W. Brown, 665-0615. Adv.

"ALWAYS PASTY" Cline, "Alt's Tour '97" will be presented Saturday, April 5, 7:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Adults \$10, students \$5. Tickets available at St. Matthew's Day School, First Bank Southwest, Malcolm Hinkle, Inc., Banks in Miami, Panhandle, White Deer. Adv.

HIGH PLAINS Angus Bull Sale 6 miles south of Canadian, March 31st. Lunch served 11:30 am. Sale starts 1:00 pm. 50 Angus bulls, 35 Angus heifers. George Cook and Mark Meek. 806-375-2343. Adv.

LAWN CARE. Call Family Lawn Care, 665-3257. Adv.

GET A Start on your summer time tan at the Mane Attraction. Swedish Beauty, California Tan and Radical Tan products. New line of tanning accessories. Call Now 669-0527. Adv.

PAMPA POOL & Spa has relocated to 1700 W. Kentucky (1st building west of Church of Christ). 665-6064. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Sunday 11-2 p.m. Smoked brisket, fried chicken, baked ham, cheese raviolis with meat sauce. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

PET GROOMING. 20% discount first 10 appointments this week. Creature Comforts, 669-PETS. Adv.

1990 F150 Ford-extended cab, power, air, automatic, high mileage, good condition, \$5500. 665-4578. Adv.

CELEBRATE EASTER

at the Grand Coronado Inn Coffee Shop. Enjoy brisket, ham, baked chicken, special desserts and egg decorations, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Adults \$6.95, Seniors \$5.95, includes tea or coffee. Adv.

GARY AND Sheila Winton announce the arrival of their son, Daniel Ryan, born on Saturday, March 22, 1977 at 9:52 A.M. 7 lbs. 10 oz. and 21 in. Brother of Kayli and Andrew. I Samuel 1:27 and 28. Adv.

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Clinton asks for harmony in radio talk

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, asking the nation to join his prayers for a beaten Chicago boy, called on Americans this Easter weekend to reject racial hatred and remember that Christ died to redeem all people — black and white.

"In this season of renewal, we must renew our pledge to make America one nation under God," the president said Saturday in a radio address that centered around the attack last week on 13-year-old Lenard Clark. Three white teenagers are accused of beating the black boy into unconsciousness.

Even as he denounced the crime as a "savage, senseless assault driven by nothing but hate," Clinton looked ahead to both Easter and next month's Passover holiday in asking the nation to pray for Clark.

"The holidays of this season teach us that hope can spring forth from darkest of times," Clinton said. "Those of us who are Christians celebrate a risen God who died a painful, very human death to redeem the souls of all humanity without regard to race or station."

In another nod to recent headlines, Clinton referred to the mass suicide of cult members outside San Diego and regretted that "some Americans feel isolated from all of the rest of us in other ways ... with truly tragic consequences."

Republican House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who was leading a congressional delegation across Asia, issued his own Easter greeting from Beijing. It doubled as a call to Chinese communists to do better on human rights and religious tolerance.

"We use this time to recognize freedom is based on rights that come from God," Gingrich said. "In the spirit that is at the heart of Easter, America also reaches out a hand of encouragement to the Chinese government. ... It must learn to trust in the goodness of its own people."

Rounding up the eggs



Dozens and dozens of youngsters rush about as they hunt for all the hidden eggs in Central Park in Pampa late Saturday morning in the 31st annual citywide Easter egg hunt sponsored by KGRO-KOMX Radio Station. In addition to the eggs, the children had a chance to win coin money, Easter baskets and other prizes

(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

Defendant pleads innocent in Cosby killing

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The tall, slender teen accused of shooting Ennis Cosby in the head while he changed a flat tire said little as lawyers entered an innocent plea for him in court.

Michael Markhasev, 18, who came to this country from the Ukraine about eight years ago, said only "Yes, sir," Friday when asked by the judge if he understood his right to a speedy preliminary hearing.

Markhasev stood in a corner of a glass-shielded area of the courtroom with two sheriff's deputies close by.

Outside court, his defense team expressed condolences to the Cosby family.

"We want to make it clear we want to conduct these proceedings with dignity and restraint,"

Charles Lindner said.

He called the case "very difficult and delicate," but said the legal team, which has handled eight death penalty cases, would give Markhasev the best defense possible.

Asked whether they might seek to move the case out of Los Angeles due to its notoriety, Lindner said, "To what planet? Is there anybody in the western world not familiar with the Cosby family?"

Cosby, 27, son of entertainer Bill Cosby, was a doctoral candidate in special education at Columbia University in New York. He was killed on Jan. 16 while changing a flat on his luxury convertible on a road just off a highway in Sepulveda Pass.

Markhasev is charged with

murder, but prosecutors also allege a special circumstance of murder during attempted robbery, which could allow the death penalty.

Media lawyer Kelli Sager argued in vain to allow cameras to photograph Markhasev, noting that police released a picture when he was arrested. But Municipal Judge Jacob Adajian refused.

"For reasons that I cannot go into at this time, counsel for both sides do not want pictures taken (of the defendant)."

Neither Markhasev's relatives nor members of the Cosby family attended the brief hearing. Markhasev agreed to delay further proceedings until April 18, at which time a preliminary hearing date will be set.

McVeigh trial to begin Monday

DENVER (AP) — A federal appeals court rejected claims that prospective jurors can't give Oklahoma City bombing suspect Timothy McVeigh a fair trial, clearing the way for jury selection to begin Monday.

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Friday rejected three defense petitions as inappropriate and premature.

McVeigh's lawyer, Stephen Jones, just hours earlier had sought a delay, claiming jurors had been irreparably poisoned by his client's purported confessions in stories by *The Dallas Morning News* and *Playboy* magazine.

Jones has said that the News story came from a document fabricated by the defense to fool a potential witness and that the *Playboy* account was based on an outdated defense timeline.

A trial delay was necessary "to allow the effects of the prejudicial pretrial publicity ... to subside

and diminish," Jones said. But the appeals court said delays are granted only in extraordinary cases, and that there was no evidence that impartial jurors could not be found.

Jones on Wednesday asked for a delay while he challenged a judge's decision to allow bombing victims to watch the trial, even though they may testify later. Jones claimed that watching the proceedings would unfairly influence their potential testimony.

A day earlier, Jones accused prosecutors of covering up evidence that the bombing was carried out by white supremacists working with foreign terrorists. Prosecutors ridiculed that assertion as "a bad Hollywood script."

The appeals court said Jones' allegations are more appropriate as the basis for an appeal if McVeigh is convicted.

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Four Pampans serving on Clarendon College Foundation board

CLARENDON — Four Pampans have been selected to serve on the Clarendon College Foundation Board of Directors, according to Foundation President Walt Knorpp.

Serving on the board are Dorothy Stowers, Duane Harp, Nancy Paronto and Betty Hallerberg.

Stowers will serve as vice chairman and director. She is active in Girl Scouts, 20th Century Club and First United Methodist Church activities. She and her husband, Richard (Dick), have three children: Linda

Jasurda, Richard Stowers Jr. and Frank Stowers.

Harp, senior vice president at FirstBank Southwest of Pampa, served as the Foundation's president in 1996 and remains on the board as a director.

Harp is involved in a number of local organizations, including the Clarendon College Pampa Center Foundation Board and the Southside Senior Citizens Board. He currently serves as president-elect and board member of the Pampa Rotary Club and as an elder and Sunday school teacher for the First Presbyterian Church.

He and his wife, Anita, are the parents of two boys: Matt and Joe Bob.

Paronto also will serve the Foundation as a director. She currently serves as the director of Volunteer Services at Columbia Medical Center in Pampa. A mother of three, Paronto also is a member of the Texas Association of Directors of Volunteer Services.

Hallerberg is a member of the Clarendon College Pampa Center Foundation Board, P.E.O. and the First Presbyterian Church, where she serves as an elder. She and her husband, William (Bill), are the parents of two: Eric and Alex.

Founded in 1990, the Clarendon College Foundation is dedicated to promoting the interest of education at Clarendon College by assisting and extending financial support, as needed.

Since its founding, the Foundation has assisted in the building of two new campus buildings — the Courson Ranch & Feedlot Operations Building and the Bairfield Activity Center, a new recreational center for both students and area residents.

Numerous scholarships also have been supported by the efforts of the Foundation.

Local churches: No cult connection to 'Heaven's Gates' play

The mass suicide of 39 Higher Source computer web-heads known as Heaven's Gate has many local church leaders fearing people might erroneously connect the California Cult to the presentation of *Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames*.

Heaven's Gate and Hell's Flames is being sponsored by the Trinity Fellowship Church, Bible Church of Pampa, Hi-Land Christian Church, Hi-Land Pentecostal Church, Highland Baptist Church, Hobart Baptist Church, Calvary

Assembly of God Church, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and the Cornerstone Church of White Deer and is no way connected to the cult group claiming divine ascension.

Lonny Robbins, pastor of the Trinity Fellowship Church, said, "The churches that are sponsoring this program teach the traditional Judeo-Christian ethics and ideas."

The presentation, which will run today through Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the M.K. Brown

Memorial Auditorium, uses all local people and depicts the importance of Christ in lives of modern man by using everyday dramas to point out the choices we make and how they affect eternal judgment.

According to the Web page set up by the cultists, members who died in the mass suicide believe they would be returned to their prehuman state, which looks

amazingly like stereotypical aliens: bald bulging head, big baby eyes, tiny ears and silver skin.

Local church leaders say that in no way will the presentation lead anyone to believe they are condoning suicide or the far out beliefs of the cult.

"Christ's glory and the important roles he plays in our lives is what we want to present. Nothing else," said Robbins.

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Opinion

Estate tax measure deserves support

The O'Malley family decides it has to sell the Los Angeles Dodgers; Lamar Hunt restructures the ownership of his Kansas City Chiefs, hoping his children will still be able to own it after he's gone; Joe Robbie, who had the gumption and resources to build his own stadium rather than go to the taxpayers, had to sell the Miami Dolphins.

A principal factor in these wrenching decisions is the federal estate tax - the "inheritance tax" levied at the death of the last parent on the accumulated estate. Uncle Sam steps to the front of the line and says, "I'll take 55 percent (or less on estates of \$600,000 to \$3 million.) The heirs can have what's left."

For the O'Malley family, the estimated bite would have been \$150 million, which would have almost certainly have required sale of the team under relatively distressed circumstances. Thus the decision to sell now.

These high profile cases are eye-catching and serve to raise a point, but the impact of federal estate tax ultimately is more destructive to business owning families of much more modest circumstances. With estate tax rates starting at 37 percent and climbing to 55 percent, nearly three-fourths of family businesses are not successfully passed on to a second generation. A mere 13 percent survive to a third generation.

With such an impact, you might think estate and gift taxes constituted a big chunk of the federal budget. In fact, they bring in about one percent of federal revenue, and one study estimates that 65 cents of each estate tax dollar is spent to collect the tax!

Even if the government suffered a net loss by repealing estate and gift taxes, the country would benefit. One reason people work and save is to try to pass something on to their children. This constructive and generous instinct to strengthen inter-generational bonds is stymied by the estate tax. The wealthy can't escape entirely, but they do find legal ways to reduce their liability; those hit hardest are middle income families, especially minorities.

A group of 115 members of the U.S. House and both major parties are co-sponsors of a bill introduced recently to repeal all federal estate and gift taxes.

It may be impossible in this session of Congress to enact thoroughgoing, major tax reform, but this modest reform can be accomplished.

This legislation is modest in fiscal impact, of great potential benefit in terms of family preservation and job creation - and deserving of support.

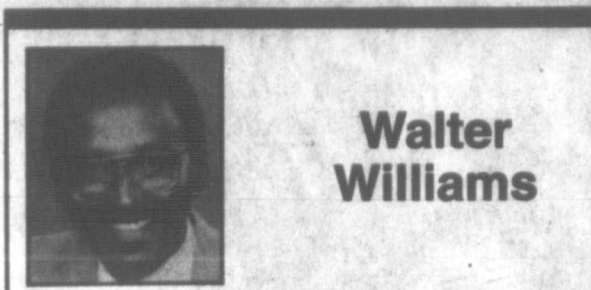
Proof of Washington's rot

The nation's response to the scandal-a-day revelations about money funneled into Clinton's reelection and the Democratic Party's fundraising is entirely misfocused. Campaign finance reform measures such as full disclosure and dollar limits do not address the political rot and cancer underlying the scandals.

Let's begin by asking why a person or corporation would fork over thousands of dollars for a politician's political campaign. I doubt whether they do it so that Clinton or a member of Congress will guarantee them the rights to free speech, freedom of religious expression or the right to peaceably assemble.

I also doubt they spend the money so Congress and Clinton will give them national defense. They don't make big-money contributions for any constitutional guarantee. After all, every American gets constitutional guarantees without spending a dime in political contributions.

What has far greater explanatory value for political contributions is the expectation that Congress or the White House will grant the contributor a right or privilege that other Americans don't get. It might be changes in the tax code that benefit one class of Americans at the expense of another, business or farm subsidies, the favorable location of an airport, or restrictions on imports that compete with a corporation's product. In other words, big campaign contributors want a



Walter Williams

special privilege - mostly a monopoly privilege - given to them but denied to other Americans.

What do we need? First, we have to recognize that politicians are selling favors. Campaign finance reform measures such as full disclosure and spending limits do not alter the fact that politicians sell favors - it just focuses on the method of payment. If politicians are in the business of selling favors, we can bet the rent money that people will find some way to purchase them.

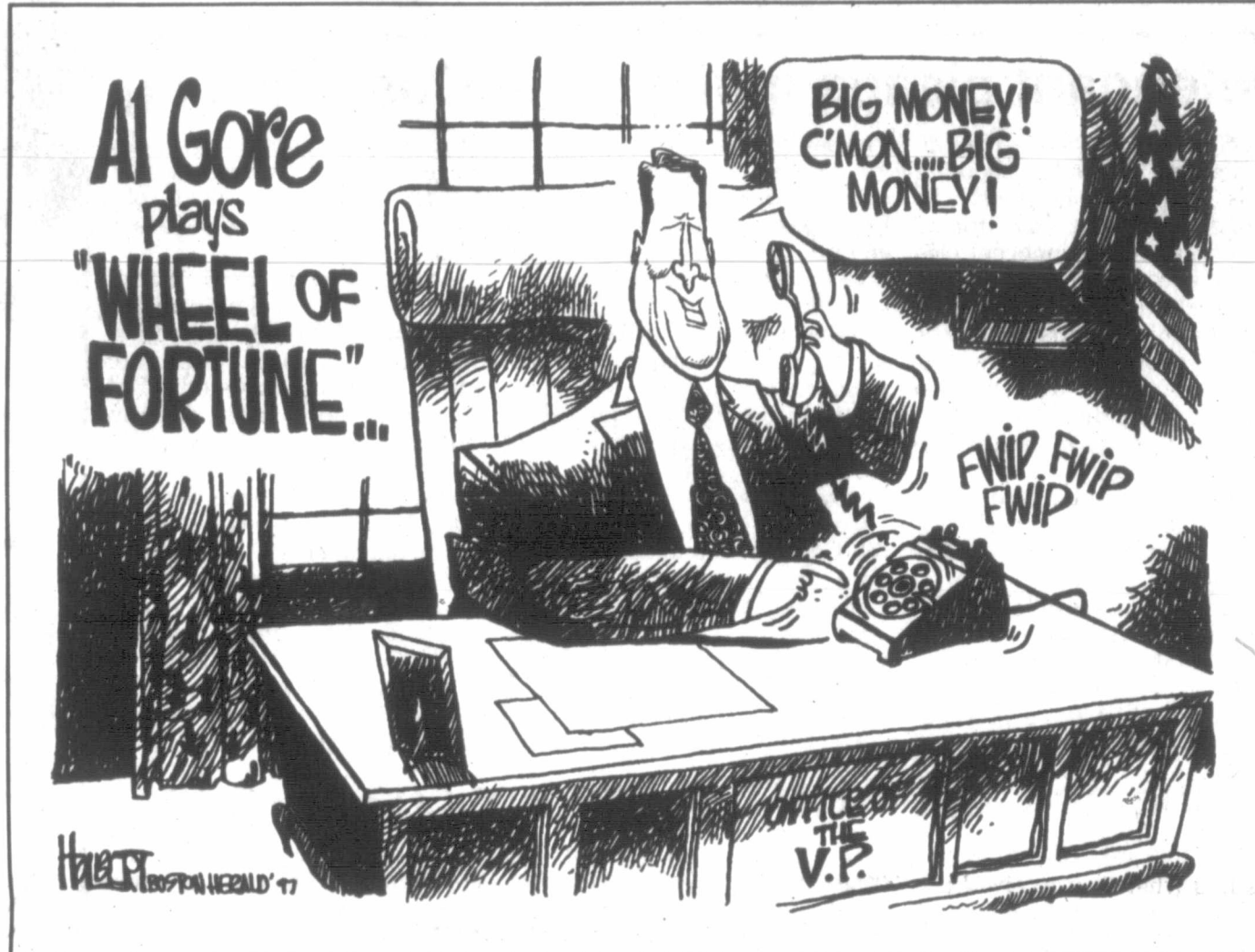
The solution lies in our finding a way to take the White House and Congress out of the privilege granting business. That's a tall order because most Americans think privilege granting is a perfectly legitimate government function, though they may occasionally disagree with who's getting what favor.

If you share my value of equality before the law,

we should demand that if Congress enacts a privilege for one American, that privilege should be available to all Americans. For example, if Congress makes payments to one American for not raising pigs, that law should apply to all Americans who are not raising pigs. If Congress enables peanut growers to charge higher prices by limiting who can be in the peanut business, it ought to give me a similar right to monopoly income by limiting the number of economists.

Some might argue that certain monopolistic laws are vital to national interests and enrichment of the few at the expense of the many is a secondary effect. No problem. For example, if sugar-import restrictions are vital to the national interest, Congress could simply pass a law taxing away the higher wages and profits resulting from the restrictions - call it a national interest tax.

The bottom line is that as long as Americans permit politicians to give special favors and privileges, there are going to be people willing to buy them. We must reform Washington, and true reform is a no-brainer. The Framers put their hope and faith in the Constitution because they knew politicians were untrustworthy. That's what you and I must do - demand obedience to both the letter and spirit of the Constitution. But in order to do that, we must know what's in the document. Unfortunately, most Americans don't.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Easter Sunday, March 30, the 89th day of 1997. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On March 30, 1981, President Reagan was shot and seriously injured outside a Washington, D.C., hotel by John W. Hinckley Jr. Also wounded were White House news secretary James Brady, a Secret Service agent and a District of Columbia police officer.

On this date:
In 1822, Florida became a United States territory.

In 1842, Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson, Ga., first used ether as an anesthetic during a minor operation.

In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2 million, a deal roundly ridiculed as "Seward's Folly."

In 1870, the 15th Amendment to the Constitution, giving black men the right to vote, was declared in effect.

In 1870, Texas was readmitted to the Union.

In 1945, the Soviet Union invaded Austria during World War II.

In 1964, John Glenn withdrew from the Ohio race for U.S. Senate because of injuries suffered in a fall.

Policy hinges on 'investments'

Charley Reese

If the U.S. government had conducted World War II the way it is conducting the so-called war on drugs, half of us would be speaking German and the other half, Japanese.

The latest episode in this farce occurred when President Clinton, that pillar of integrity and decisiveness, certified Mexico as a fully cooperative partner in the war on drugs.

This absurd action took place within days of Mexico's top antidrug fighter being arrested for being on the payroll of drug lords. That was quickly followed by Mexico's refusal to allow American drug enforcement agents to carry firearms while in Mexico.

That's cooperation? In Mexico corruption is as common as tortillas. Anybody who believes that the present Mexican government is making a serious effort to eliminate drugs probably also believes the same government is trying to stop its citizens from crossing our borders illegally. The truth is, Mexico doesn't cooperate with the United States in either immigration or drug matters. Mexico's ruling party has always had a strong leftist tilt and a strong anti-America bias.

To further compound the absurdity, Clinton continued to decertify Colombia. Now, there are drug gangs in Colombia, but the list of honest Colombians who have been killed fighting drugs is far longer than any such list you could make in

Mexico. If you based certification on the number of nationals killed trying to do something about drugs, Colombia would win hands down over Mexico.

But, of course, we don't expect consistency or truthfulness from Clinton. What about Congress? There, those fearless Republicans said they would decertify Mexico. Well, that was last week. Now those fearless Republicans are saying, "Well, let's put things off for three months," and even more fearless Republicans in the Senate are saying, "Oh, my gosh, if we do this, Mexico might not like it. Oh, heavens, oh mercy, we can't do that."

What a joke the Republicans are. Here they have a chance to do the right thing: decertify Mexico, which by any rational standard deserves decertification. They have a chance, by doing the right thing, to embarrass their political opponents, who never miss an opportunity to embarrass them.

So what do the Republicans do? Cave in. Surrender. Run for the hills. Protect the corrupt Mexican government. Betray the honest law enforcement people in all countries who risk their lives trying to do the right thing. Abandon the wel-

fare of the American people out of fear of offending foreigners. God, what a useless bunch of wind-bags the Republicans are.

Then the real motive for the Clinton administration's relationship with the undemocratic government of Mexico comes out. A Treasury official runs over to Congress and what does he say? Does he say, "We have to do something about the American kids dying in drug wars? About the lives of American kids ruined by cocaine and heroin?"

Oh, no, grow up. This Treasury nabob tells Congress that if it decertifies Mexico it might frighten investors.

There you have it. It's not about drugs. It's not about trade. It's darned sure not about the health, safety and welfare of the American people. It's about investors and investment.

It would make more sense if Colombia decertified the United States as an unreliable, corrupt and hypocritical partner in the war on drugs. After all, if we believe a former FBI agent, more than 20 recent users of illegal drugs are on the White House payroll. The mayor of Washington, D.C., is a convicted drug user. Clinton himself is not unfamiliar with that branch of pharmacology.

What a message the U.S. government sends to America's youth: Value investment over honor and truth. Don't be courageous. Make money. Hypocrisy pays.

Visiting pro-American Grenada ...

R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada - Pecking away on my keyboard here in the sun and the balmy breezes, I am not thinking what the tourists on the beach are thinking.

Thoughts of paradise and mermaids are not on my mind. I am thinking politics, history, genuine human idiosyncrasy.

Fourteen years ago on this island, the stage was being set for one of the final acts of the Cold War. It was not a vastly momentous act, but it was an act of moment, nonetheless. In fact, it was a small-scale demonstration of how the Soviets manipulated events from about 1946 onward to their historic bankruptcy. And who would have thought that one of the mightiest military powers on Earth would be defeated more by economics than by a bad day on the battlefield?

In the 1970s, this island was governed by a right-wing strongman who had led his little country out of colonial rule by controlling the labor unions and the requisite flowery oratory. In time, he was deposed by the usual third-rate Marxist seer with a graduate student's grasp of politics and the world, the late Maurice Bishop. Bishop was exploited by the Soviets. Yet, he was not just another progressive messiah capable of embarrassing the West at the United Nations. Bishop was the possessor of a piece of real estate that could serve tremendous strategic uses for Moscow. The island is not far from very deep waters that might provide excellent cover for Soviet submarines with missiles aimed at the United States (during World War II, the Nazis had the same idea, though without the missiles.) Moreover, Grenada, given a proper airport, could be an unsinkable aircraft carrier right there in the Caribbean.

Documents now in the hands of our intelligence

services make clear that the Soviets and their surrogates were active on the island before Bishop's coup. With Bishop's takeover, they went right to work building an airport capable of landing the most modern war planes. Their anti-American propaganda was broadcast throughout the Caribbean. Grenada became a genuine East Bloc satellite, albeit a lazy and very inefficient one. Soon, plans were afoot for building facilities for super-submarines.

Yet, all did not go the way the Soviets and the Cubans would have had it. Bishop was too much the dreamer. Thus, a coup was instigated against him, much like the coups that kept overthrowing the Soviets' Afghan puppets in pursuit of the perfect Soviet puppet. Bishop and his allies were butchered, and in came a truly Stalinist regime. Unfortunately for Moscow, the Old Cowboy was now resident at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. Ronald Reagan and his colleagues believed the Soviets could be stopped, and in October 1983, they sent in the 82nd Airborne along with other American units.

Grenadians had been terrorized by the Cubans. Bishop's fate made them still more fearful. The American invasion was viewed by the locals as "The Rescue" and still is. When I first visited the island a year after "The Rescue," grim-faced locals upon inquiring as to my nationality would say gently, "America - No. 1." This triumphant admiration for America remains. Here in St. George's, in a glass case in the national museum, is a black-and-white photograph showing two recumbent civilians surrounded by American soldiers. A typewritten note

explains: "Head of the Libyan People's Bureau and counterpart being placed at their lowest by U.S. forces." Over the years, I have met scores of Grenadians who feared that with Bishop's death a typical Stalinist purge was about to sweep the island. They thank Reagan for their lives.

Their lives have markedly improved. The roads, though bad, are better. The tourist trade, though modest by Caribbean standards, has picked up. Agriculture prospers. Medical services are improved. Most importantly, the average Grenadian no longer fears for his life. When I first came here, and for years thereafter, the island was subdued. A sense of menace and fear was palpable. Ever since the 1970s, Grenadians had feared the billy-club of tyrants and the corruption of a one-party state.

Now, there is democracy and the rule of law, all of which was vouchsafed by Ronald Reagan in one of the final dust-ups of the Cold War. Once again, America won and the Soviets lost.

Yet, not all Americans recognize these obvious facts. Some years ago, a Public Broadcasting Service show, *Frontline*, explained "The Rescue" as another of America's foreign policy disasters. The locals were enraged with us. Reagan had again risked nuclear holocaust. Bring back the enlightened days of - of whom? According to the left-wing American's view of the world, the United States never did have a wise and sensible foreign policy throughout the Cold War. It rather makes me wonder why present-day Grenada does not gaily fly the hammer and cycle. As I say down here, surrounded by all the pro-American Grenadians, I am thinking about politics, history and human stupidity. Or at least the stupidity of the American left.

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Letters to the editor

Survey help appreciated

To the editor:

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board would like to thank the many people that made our community-wide survey possible. The survey was a massive undertaking and would have been overwhelming for our volunteer board of seven if it hadn't been for the following people:

- (1) Sherrell Wheeler and the students in her Business Information Processing class who entered all of the survey responses. They devoted close to 350 hours to the project.
- (2) Principal John Kendall, who made it possible for us to survey 386 junior and senior high school students.
- (3) St. Vincent de Paul's youth group and their director, Pam Zemanek, who stuffed 9,600 envelopes for the water bill mail outs.
- (4) Cindy Aler and her daughters, Kathy and Libby, who helped hand-deliver surveys to retirement communities.
- (5) The Pampa News and Chip Chandler for the invaluable coverage the survey received through numerous photos and reminders run in the paper.
- (6) KGRO and Mike Earle for the public service announcements that increased public awareness of the survey.
- (7) The 716 citizens who took the time to respond to the survey and give our board a clear sense of direction for future planning for parks and recreation.
- (8) The 386 students who took the survey seriously and gave us information about what Pampa's young people think and want.
- (9) William McCarley, our board secretary, who spent untold volunteer hours developing and implementing the computer program that allowed us to make sense of the survey results.
- (10) Rey Cardenas, our former board chairman, for his support and assistance in getting this project off the ground.

(11) The city commissioners, mayor, city manager and director of community services for encouraging our efforts and being interested in what citizens have to say about parks and recreation.

(12) Last, but certainly not least, Reed Kirkpatrick, park superintendent, and Shane Stokes, recreation superintendent. These two men along with their staffs do an excellent job of providing our community with attractive parks and well-organized recreation programs.

Many respondents expressed an interest in seeing the final results of the survey. Hopefully, most citizens saw *The Pampa News* article that appeared February 26. If not, a copy of the results is on file at the Lovett Memorial Library. They're also available on Internet at the city's web site (www.pan-tex.net/city). Thank you again to everyone who contributed to this effort.

Gary Henderson, Chairman
 Judy Elliott, Vice Chairman
 William McCarley, Secretary
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Use correct math figures

To the editor:

The story of my Introductory Statistics class at San Antonio College and their discovery of an error in the Texas Lottery CASH 5 game advertising was carried across the state on Feb. 17 and 18, 1997, and nationally in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* on March 7, 1997.

Print and television advertising by the Texas Lottery Commission claimed that if one matches 5 of 5 numbers in a drawing, that they would win on average \$75,000. In fact, for the first 154 drawings (through 01/27/97) the **Prize Amount per Winner** (total amount distributed to 5 of 5 winners divided by 717, the number of winners) was \$59,384.91, while the **Prize Amount per Drawing** (sum of the 154 prize amounts divided by 154) was \$76,943.79. The \$59,384.91 is clearly more relevant to the winners, as it is what they received on

average (in the long run this amount should get closer to \$58,000).

Without admitting error, the Commission agreed to promptly pull print ads that used the \$75,000 figure (in my area a majority of stores still have the advertising in place).

Much worse than making an honest mistake, however, is the slant the Commission chose to put on the story. Their statement through spokesman Steve Levine that "the students just came up with a different way of finding their figures than we did: we're not saying their way is right" insults the students and should insult all educated people everywhere. In one local television story the Commission was quoted as saying "we didn't make a mistake." Thus far it can only seem to my students that, if you're big enough, you can get away with saying 2+2=6. There is a point where an honest mistake can become a lie, and I believe the Commission has crossed that line.

As a public agency, the Lottery Commission should be held to the highest standards of truth in advertising - they shouldn't need to exaggerate to entice people to play.

The best way for the Commission to "support education" is to acknowledge to this group of students that the method used to arrive at the Commission's \$75,000 figure is inappropriate. In future, a statistician should review all marketing materials for mathematical correctness.

I urge all readers who agree to contact their state legislators.

Gerald Busald
 Professor of Mathematics
 San Antonio College

Thanks for 'lake' repair

To the editor:

T-Shirts and More would like to also say thanks to the City of Pampa and the work crew from the Jordan Unit who repaired the "lake" in front of our business and others.

I am sure our customers will benefit from the improved streets and improved drainage. Let's face it, when you don't have to wade in ankle deep water to shop, you have a tendency to "shop," and of course every dollar spent in Pampa benefits both the merchant and the City of Pampa.

We found everyone to be both courteous and efficient. We thank the city for the improved situation and we welcome the public to do the same.

You're right, Susan, the fishing was bad but the ice skating was magnificent.

Miles and Rita Cook
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Letters to editor policy

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Popular mayor and term limits collide in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Some might say having a popular mayor and a law limiting his time in office was a foregone collision.

Term limits approved in 1991 have supporters of Mayor Bob Lanier saying he should get to run for a fourth term - even though by law he can't.

And a Houston lawmaker has taken a bill to Austin to allow just that.

It's got the mayor going from bemusing to podium-pounding over the rising speculation that he will seek another term if the limit is extended from six years to eight years.

"I haven't tried to stop it, but I'm not trying to make it happen," says Lanier, who says he wrongly has been tagged with being involved in the legislative lobbying effort.

Lanier, 72, says he likely won't run again but does not want to rule out a re-election bid.

"I don't want to appear to be a clear lame duck," the lame duck mayor says.

The term limits debate has some voters angry over what they perceive as an end run to circumvent the 1991 vote. Others say term limits was a bad idea from the beginning.

A House committee recently approved legislation sponsored by Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, that would let Lanier and three city council members seek their fourth two-year terms this fall.

It also would force a November referendum asking voters to change the limits from three two-year terms to two four-year terms beginning with the 1999 municipal elections.

"The one problem with term limits is when you have a chief executive or even a city council person who is overwhelmingly popular, they don't allow for the continuation of that leadership,"

Wilson says. A group of prominent business leaders calling themselves The Friends of Houston backs the bill. They say Lanier needs another term to continue plans for a downtown baseball stadium and neighborhood revitalization projects.

The legislation still must go before the full House. A potential uphill fight in the Senate and skepticism from Gov. George W. Bush also loom.

Another bill calls for a November vote to change Houston's terms to a two four-year-term cap. But it would not allow Lanier and others to seek a fourth two-year term.

Clymer Wright, a businessman who has considered a mayoral run, led the 1991 drive for term limits and says he'll fight plans to change them.

"There's some people obviously who think they need Mayor Lanier and only Mayor Lanier in office," he said.

Voters spoke in 1991 when they set the three two-year terms and then again in 1994 when they rejected changing it to two four-year terms, he said.

"Why do we keep having this turmoil about term limits? Because the politicians can't stand it," Wright said.

Richard Murray, a political science professor at the University of Houston, said Lanier - a former Texas Transportation Commission chairman - enjoys powerful support.

"I think he would be a favorite for re-election," Murray said.

"But I think there will be a larger anti-Lanier vote because of people who think this is violating a larger principle... the principle of voter-imposed term limits and opposition to the state Legislature injecting itself into a local issue."



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Twisters hit Tennessee, Kentucky; dozens hurt, two killed

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — A dozen tornadoes raked Tennessee early Saturday, pitching parked cars 300 feet and injuring nearly four dozen people.

Metal utility poles designed to withstand 160 mph winds were bent and snapped. Trees that were not broken or uprooted were covered with bits of shredded debris.

No deaths were reported. "That's a real miracle when you look at the damage," said Todd Womack, spokesman for Erlanger Medical Center.

Furious thunder and hail, followed by deafening wind, sent Kelly and Trudy Smith into the basement with their 10-year-old son Shannon. Minutes later, a pine tree crashed through the roof upstairs.

"I was glad I recognized the sound and we could run for cover," Smith said. "You know

it's coming and you can't do nothing. You just dive down and pray to God it doesn't take you. We're just lucky to be alive."

The same broad weather system produced a half-dozen tornadoes in Kentucky late Friday, killing two people. Violent thunderstorms also caused scattered damage Friday in Indiana.

All but five units of the Hickory Trace Townhomes in Chattanooga were leveled, and even those standing will have to be pulled down, developer Coleman Hockman said after touring the site.

The second floors of the townhomes were gone and most facades were ripped away. Yellow paint marked buildings where rescuers and dogs had searched for possible victims pinned underneath debris.

"It will take us a couple of days to account for everybody," said Fire Chief Jim Coppinger. "It's

not the best of circumstances with the debris, people leaving on their own and it being Easter weekend and people out of town."

Two of the injured were in critical condition, Womack said. At least 44 people were treated for cuts and bruises.

Power was out most of the day for about 20,000 customers.

Some of the worst damage was at the 180-unit Hickory Villa Apartments in Chattanooga, where about half of the units were demolished. Vehicles parked at the complex were

picked up and dropped 300 feet away - on the other side of 45-foot-tall buildings.

The Tennessee Emergency Management Agency said 12 tornadoes touched down shortly after midnight. Property damage was reported in 10 counties.

In Kentucky, at least five twisters were reported in six rural counties, the National Weather Service said. The storms injured 26 people, damaged or destroyed nearly 150 homes and downed power lines, state officials said. Two people were killed.

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Because He is the Son of God, it is decreed that Jesus be seated at the

right hand of God to reign until all His enemies are subdued (Psa. 2:7, 110:1.) Paul affirms that Jesus is now seated at the right hand of God (Col. 3:1.) In his sermon on Pentecost, Peter said, "Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins He would set one upon his throne, he foreseeing this spake of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was He left unto Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption." (Acts 2:30-32.) The prophet was David and the prophecy in Psalms 16:8 was speaking of the resurrection of Christ.

There are those who tell us that Jesus will begin His reign when He comes again. But the scriptures inform us that He began His reign after His resurrection from the dead. And His reign will continue until He comes again. At that time Jesus will deliver the kingdom to God (I Cor. 15:20-28.)

While there is no Bible authority for the celebration known as "Easter", it is important that we always remember the resurrection of our Lord. This should be done every day and not just one day a year.

- Billy T. Jones

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WORLDSCOPE

(10 points for each question answered correctly)



1) The Scholastic Assessment Test, or SAT, has been criticized for being biased against (CHOOSE ONE: girls, boys) in the math portion of the test.

2) President Clinton and Russian President ..?.. have "agreed to disagree" about NATO expansion into Eastern Europe, proposed for this July.

3) Palestinian protesters have rioted against Israel's construction of 5,000 housing units in ..?.., which both groups claim as their capital.

4) The (CHOOSE ONE: R.J. Reynolds, Liggett) tobacco company has agreed to work with 22 state attorneys general in their lawsuits against the other major tobacco companies doing business in the U.S.

5) U.S. Vice President Al Gore visited the Asian nation of ..?.. recently to talk trade, human rights, and other subjects considered crucial to relations between the two countries.

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1) Comedian ..?.. was the host at the 69th Academy Awards.

2) Singer ..?.. is suing a Maui eatery that named itself after one of his best-known songs, "Cheeseburger in Paradise."

3) By winning the women's title at the World Figure Skating Championships in Lausanne, Switzerland, 14-year-old ..?.. became the youngest world champion in history.

4) Wake Forest center Tim Duncan and guard Kate Starbird of ..?.. were the winners of college basketball's Naismith Player of the Year awards.
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Officials admit boo-boo in \$100 bills

WASHINGTON (AP) - It's funny money, but the Treasury Department sure isn't laughing. At least \$4.6 million worth of new \$100 bills were printed with mistakes involving two of the sophisticated security features intended to make them harder to counterfeit.

The misprinted bills remain legal tender, however, and Treasury officials say they do not plan to recall them.

"The currency is still good, but if people are uncomfortable, they can bring the bill to their local bank for exchange," said Howard Schloss, a Treasury Department spokesman.

On each of the misprinted bills, a watermark appears on the left side of Benjamin Franklin's portrait and a polymer security thread on the right side of it. The two features should be swapped.

At least 46,000 misprinted bills have been discovered. Government officials do not know how many more are in circulation, although they insist it is a small fraction of the \$890 million in new bills. One problem in detecting the misprints, officials say, is that roughly two-thirds of all U.S. currency circulates overseas.

While the misprinted \$100 bills are worth no more than their face value right now, they could become collectors' items.

Joe Gallo, a coin dealer in Alexandria, Va., who has been in the business for 33 years, said a misprint could be worth as much as \$250 - or much less if it turns out many of them got into circulation.

Money misprint

A batch of new \$100 bills have misplaced features. Normally, the watermark is on the right and the thread is on the left. The misprint:

Watermark: Also depicts Benjamin Franklin but smaller than the main portrait.

Security thread: A polymer thread embedded in the paper indicates each bill's denomination. It glows red when held up to ultraviolet light and cannot be duplicated by photocopies or computer scanners.



Source: Department of the Treasury

AP/Trace Tso

Several dealers said they doubt the bills will be worth more than face value because, unlike more apparent mistakes - such as mismatched serial numbers - security features are numerous and less obvious.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Treasury agency that prints currency, first discovered the error in November. At that time, it alerted the Secret Service, the government agency that catches counterfeiters, and the Federal Reserve, whose 12 regional banks actually put the money in circulation.

Officials said they delayed notifying the public because they believed they would be able to catch the misprints before any of them got into circulation.

The Treasury Department said the error occurred when the paper company Crane Paper of Massachusetts put a guide notch on the wrong side of some

shipments of the paper.

When the government printers inserted the blank paper into printing presses, they put it in the wrong way and the bills were printed incorrectly.

Crane has been the sole supplier of the paper used to print U.S. currency for the past 100 years. Its president, Lansing Crane, urged people not to jump to conclusions "before there has been a thorough review of the facts, which we assume will take place."

The newly designed \$100 bill, which features an oversized portrait of Franklin, was first put into circulation a year ago this week.

Part of the government's embarrassment over the misprints stems from the way the new currency was introduced with an elaborate public relations campaign to educate the public on ways to spot the new security features.

WTAMU to hold Summer Job Fair for students

CANYON - West Texas A&M University students can gain some help in looking for a summer job. Employers will come to them Monday, April 7, for the Summer Job Fair sponsored by Student Job Placement Center (SJPC), Career Services and Students In Free Enterprise.

The job fair will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Commons Area.

"The job fair is a win/win situation for the students and employers," Sammie Singleton, office manager of SJPC, said. "Not only do the students get interviews and make contacts with several different employers at the same time, but employers can also get the word out to prospective employees."

Employers such as Hastings, Kelly Temporary Services and the Discovery Center will be on campus to distribute information about their business and any

summer jobs they have available.

"Most of the representatives we have coming generally want to hire students," Singleton said.

Students can prepare for the job fair by assembling a brief resume, having an idea of what their summer schedule will be, explaining any specific skills they may have and selling themselves

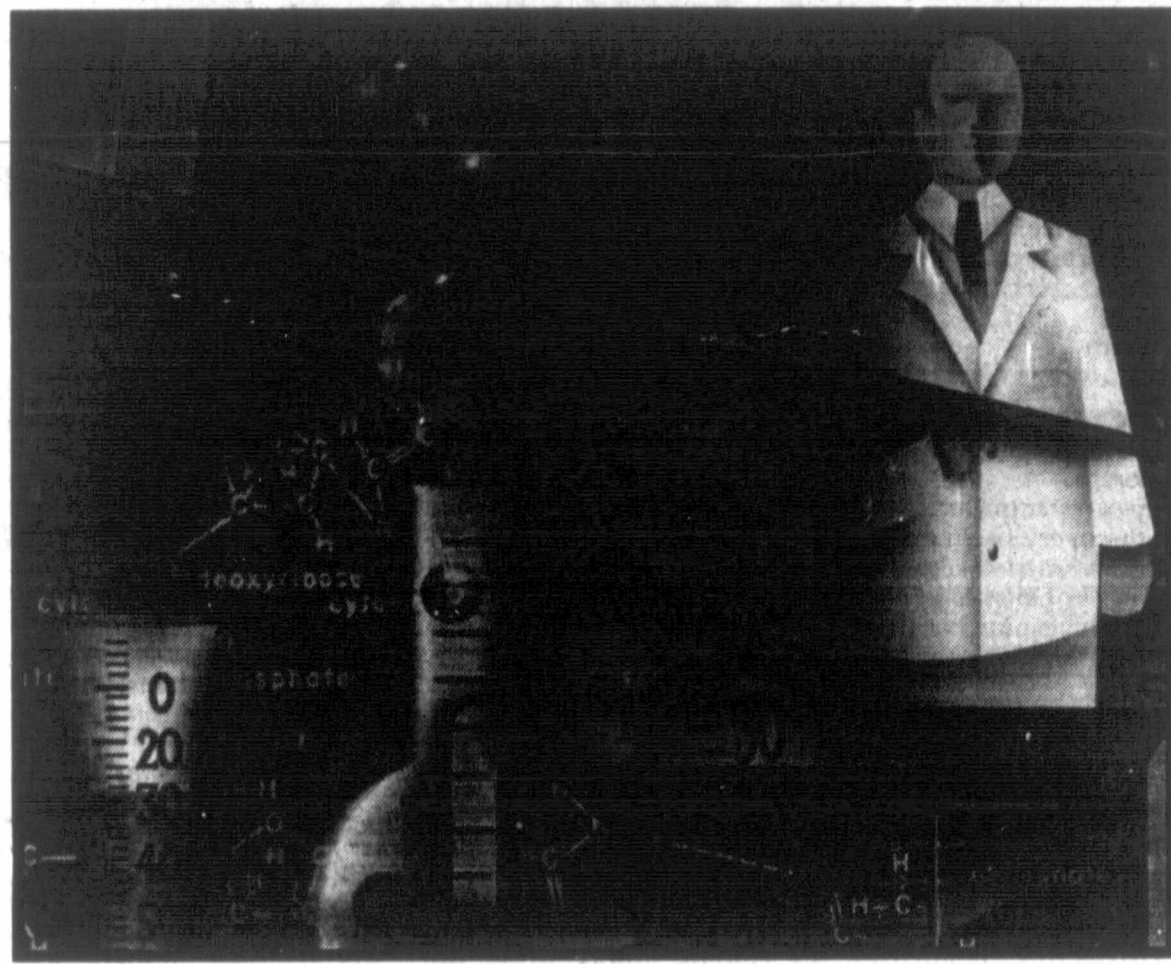
to the employers, Singleton said.

"We are looking at a nice variety of employment - retail, outdoor and recreational," Singleton said. "This will help both the students and the employers, and it will save time for both."

At the fair students may be interviewed on the spot or set a date for a future interview.

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Woman says cult claimed Jesus as member

DALLAS (AP) - Terri Doskocil's husband was watching the Super Bowl in 1994 when she went to a hotel to hear Heaven's Gate members explain their mission.

Among the speakers was a pleasant woman who identified herself as "Check."

Mrs. Doskocil said she recognized Check recently on home-video footage of the cult members explaining their decision to kill themselves. The bodies of 39 members - presumably but not certainly including Check - were found Wednesday in a mansion near San Diego, Calif.

"I said, 'Oh, my gosh, they've taken this to the extreme,'" Mrs. Doskocil, a homemaker in the Dallas suburb of Pantego, recalled Saturday. "I just feel like they were misled into thinking their souls were alien."

Mrs. Doskocil, 41, described herself as a mainstream Methodist with a keen interest in the otherworldly, including UFOs, the biblical Book of Revelation and what she foresees as the coming cleansing of the world.

She heard Heaven's Gate mentioned on the television news the night before the 1994 meetings.

"They said to come if you were interested in apocalyptic-type information. And I was, so I decided to go," she recalled in a telephone interview.

That January weekend, Mrs. Doskocil attended meetings that lasted about two hours each on Friday and Sunday at the Harvey Hotel in suburban Addison.

At the first event, four Heaven's Gate members sat at long tables at the front of a ballroom filled with about 100 people.

The four were all thin, pale, short-haired and in plain clothing. They were very sure of what they were saying, said Mrs. Doskocil, who brought her 13-year-old son along. "They were very laid-back, very soft-spoken people."

"They used a lot of comparison stories, like calling the Earth a garden which grew, and an experiment, so to speak, that was not going well," as evidenced by natural disasters, wars and famines.

Despite the speakers' obvious sincerity, Mrs. Doskocil said, their

statements were not believable.

"Your soul is of God - it's not alien. It did not make sense to me," she said. "We were under the impression that they were strange, just strange."

When she came back on Super Bowl Sunday, she brought a videocamera and her father, who audiotaped the event. This one was attended by about 20 people in a smaller conference room.

"They knew the time was coming that if they wanted to survive, they had to get back to their spacecraft. They said there were certain times in history they could approach people and give them a conscious decision (to leave) instead of arriving through death at the Kingdom Level Above Human."

The speakers said this was not their first time to be on Earth.

"They said they came 2,000 years ago in their own form and people were afraid of them," she said. "And this time they inhabited human bodies and were spreading the word that way first."

"They said Jesus was one of them - and he was not the first."

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Palestinians demand Israel stop building settlements

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Hardening their position, the Palestinians said Saturday there was no point in holding talks with Israel or consider U.S. peace initiatives until Israel stops building settlements on Arab land.

The announcement was made after a Palestinian Cabinet meeting and capped a day of West Bank riots in which one Palestinian was killed and another critically wounded by Israeli army gunfire.

The death was the first in 10 days of stone throwing protests, and officials were concerned that it could trigger further violence on Sunday, when Palestinians were to mark Land Day, an annual day of protests against Israeli land confiscations.

Some 1,000 people rallied Saturday evening outside the home of the dead Palestinian, a 20-year-old engineering student from the West Bank town of Beit Sahour. "Your blood will not be wasted, and the answer will be in Tel Aviv," some chanted, suggesting more bombings would follow last week's Tel Aviv suicide bombing.

Saturday's protests — including one in which demonstrators burned Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in effigy — came a day after President Clinton's Mideast envoy, Dennis Ross, ended a two-day trip to try and rescue the faltering peace process.

Ross said negotiations could only move forward once calm was restored, an apparent criticism of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Ross did not publicly address Israel's construction of a Jewish neighborhood in disputed east Jerusalem, which Palestinians have denounced as a violation of the peace accords. Palestinians also claim that sector of Jerusalem as a future capital.

Netanyahu has said he would only resume peace talks after Arafat systematically cracks down on Islamic militants and prevents violence against Israel. Israel has accused Arafat of orchestrating the recent riots, which were triggered by the construction of the Jerusalem neighborhood.

On Saturday evening, Arafat convened his Cabinet and the PLO Executive Committee in Gaza City to discuss a response to Netanyahu's demands and Ross' initiative.

In a statement after the meeting, Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo said: "Any initiative, including the American one, will not succeed unless it deals with the reasons for the eruption of violence, mainly the policy of confiscation of Palestinian land and the expansion of Jewish settlements in Jerusalem and the West Bank."

"The Palestinian leadership feels it's not useful to hold any meeting between the Palestinian and Israeli representatives as long as the policy of expansion of settlements, confiscation of land and violating the agreement is continuing," Abed Rabbo told reporters.

The Palestinians have never before said so clearly that there would be no talks unless settlement activity stops.

Israel army radio said Ross had proposed to Israel and the Palestinians that they set up an emergency team to restore confi-

dence and prevent a future breakdown in communications.

Saturday's death, confirmed by Palestinian hospital officials, was the first since the riots began. The slain Palestinian, Abdullah Khalil Abdullah, 20, was an engineering student at Bir Zeit University.



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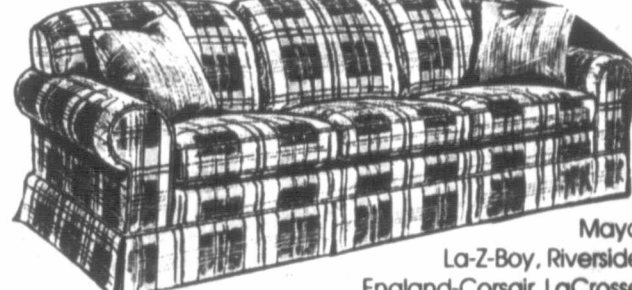
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SPORTS

Notebook

GOLF

PAMPA — Results in the Seniors Individual Tournament last week at Hidden Hill are as follows:

Flight A
Low Net: C. Pettit, first place, 65; C. Johnson, second place, 70; R. Ridgway, third place, 70; B. Harwood, fourth place, 71; B. Tarpley, fifth place, 71; D. Haynes, sixth place, 72; H. Musgrave, seventh place, 73; H. Harvey, eighth place, 73. **Low Gross:** E. Wilson and L. Morris.

Flight B
Low net: R. Courtney, first place, 77; T. Bennett, second place, 81; C.C. Lewis, third place, 83; D. Abernathy, fourth place, 86; J. Osborn, fifth place, 86; B. Briley, sixth place, 87. **Low gross:** C. Terrell 83; R. Porter 84.

There were 49 players entered.

TRACK

AMARILLO — Pampa sophomore Curtis Johnson cleared 20-2 1/4 to take fifth in the long jump Thursday at the Amarillo Relays.

Stephen Villagomez of Amarillo High won the long jump at 21-2 1/2.

SOCCER

PAMPA — The banquet for the Pampa High School boys soccer team will be held Thursday, starting at 7 p.m. at Pamcel Hall.

Tickets are \$7.50 each and catering is by Dyer's Bar-B-Que.

Family and friends are welcome to attend. Sunday dress is appropriate.

Tickets may be purchased Monday and Tuesday at the PHS Athletic Office from 2 to 4 p.m.

Anyone unable to come at these times may purchase tickets by calling Connie Molitor at 665-6721.

DALLAS (AP) — An own goal by Eric Dade in the 38th minute gave the New England Revolution a 1-0 win over the Dallas Burn in their Major League Soccer season opener before 11,063 at the Cotton Bowl on Saturday.

The goal evolved from a hard 18-yard shot by the Revolution's Ted Chronopoulos. The kick deflected off charging goalkeeper Mark Dodd, caromed off Dade and into the open net.

Walter Zenga, the goalkeeper for Italy in the 1990 World Cup, saved Jason Kreis' free kick in 81st and Gerrell Elliott's shot off the rebound was blocked Zenga, a former Internazionale of Milan star who is now 37, finished with three saves. Dodd had eight.

BASEBALL

CANYON — West Texas State University blasted Ouachita Baptist, 30-1, Friday in college baseball action.

Third baseman Tim Durbule led a 29-hit attack for the Buffs with five hits and six RBI.

Winning pitcher was Jason Patrick, who improved his record to 5-0.

HOCKEY

DALLAS (AP) — For the fourth time this season, the Dallas Stars are recalling rookie Roman Turek from Michigan's International Hockey League team.

The Stars had assigned the goaltender to Michigan in January.

Stars general manager Bob Gainey said Saturday that Turek, 26, is 3-1-0 in five games with Dallas. For the 1996-97 season, Turek has a 2.22 goals-against average and a .926 save percentage.

Turek returned to action for the Michigan K-Wings earlier this month after missing 14 games with a groin pull.

PHS girls take early lead in district golf

PAMPA — The Pampa High girls golf team has taken the early lead in the District 1-4A Tournament.

Pampa shot 369 Thursday to take a six-stroke lead over Hereford in the first round at Palo Duro Creek.

Pampa's Shelby Allison shot a 90 for third place in the medalist standings.

In the boys' division, Pampa placed fifth with a 343 after the first round. T.J. Davis led the Harvesters with an 83.

The second of the four district rounds for both boys and girls will begin at 11 a.m. (shotgun start) Monday at Pampa Country Club.

District 1-4A Tournament Girls

Team standings: 1. Pampa 369; 2. Hereford 375; 3. Borger 401; 4. Randall 409; 5. Pampa JV 424; 6. (tie) Dumas 455; Hereford JV 455; 8. Borger JV 459; 9. Canyon 464; 10. Caprock 495; 11. Randall JV 510.

Medalist standings: 1. Jacque Beznar, Hereford, 85; 2. (tie) Kacey Henderson, Randall, 90;

Shelbie Allison, Pampa, 90. **Pampa varsity results:** Shelby Allison 90; Alison Piersall 92; Melissa Gindorf 93; Christina Gage 94; Patti Montoya 101.

Pampa junior varsity results: Molly Sehorn 99; Lori Walling 104; Stacey Sehorn 110; Maggie Cowan 111; Cortnie Allison 119.

Boys

Team standings: 1. (tie) Borger 337; Hereford 337; Randall 337; 4. Canyon JV 342; 5. Pampa 343; 6. Borger JV 344; 7. Caprock 350; 8. (tie) Pampa JV 356; Canyon 356; Randall JV 356; 11. Hereford JV 358; 12. Dumas 417; 13. Caprock JV 433; 14. Dumas JV 492.

Medalist: 1. Keith Riley, Hereford, 79; 2. Jeremy Dockery, Caprock, 80; 3. (tie) Aaron Smith, Borger, 81; Cary Howard, Randall, 81.

Pampa varsity: T.J. Davis 83; Barry Brauchi 85; Brian Brauchi 86; Mike Smith 89; Nathan Banner 92.

Pampa junior varsity: Jordan Fruge 83; Jody Richardson 89; Grady Locknane 90; Greg Costilow 94; Wade Bruce 101.

Relay team



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa's 800-meter girls relay team has won two first-place medals in five meets so far this spring. Team members are (from left) Kisha Evans, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Lavonne Evans and Audrey Wilbon. The relay team has finished second twice.

'Cats stun North Carolina to reach title game

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — First, Arizona stunned No. 1 Kansas. Then, the Wildcats conquered Dean Smith's mighty North Carolina Tar Heels. And now, Arizona is only one more improbable victory away from its first NCAA title.

Miles Simon, rejected by Smith four years ago, scored 24 points and Mike Bibby shook off a horrible start to hit four 3-pointers down the stretch as Arizona defeated North Carolina 66-58 Saturday night.

The Wildcats (24-9), winning a game for the first time in three Final Four appearances, will play in Monday's championship game against the winner of the Kentucky-Minnesota semifinal played later Saturday.

North Carolina (28-7), which won its previous 16 games, shot 31 percent and committed 17

turnovers. The Tar Heels, who have reached the Final Four 11 times in Smith's 36 years, won't get a chance to bring their coach his third title in the same season in which he broke Adolph Rupp's record for coaching victories.

Arizona, which stunned Kansas in the Southeast Regional semifinals, was the only team that wasn't a top seed in its region to reach the Final Four.

Bibby finished with 20 points, including six 3-pointers, for Arizona, which shot 33 percent.

Vince Carter had 21 points, but only five on 2-for-7 shooting in the second half, as North Carolina ended its season the same way it began — with a loss to Arizona. The Wildcats defeated the Tar Heels 83-72 in the Tipoff Classic on Nov. 22. The Wildcats led only 47-42

with 9:50 to play before Bibby and Simon scored all their team's points during a 14-4 run that made it a 15-point game.

Simon, who still has the rejection letter he received from Smith hanging on his bulletin board, began the stretch with a 3-pointer.

Bibby, a freshman who missed 10 of his first 13 shots, then hit a 3-pointer to make it 53-42. After two baskets by Serge Zwikker sandwiched Simon's 15-footer, Bibby hit two more 3-pointers for a 61-46 lead.

North Carolina scored the next seven points, but the cool Bibby made another 3-pointer to put Arizona up 64-55.

The game still wasn't wrapped up, though, as the Wildcats missed the front ends of three consecutive 1-and-1 free throws while Carter made a dunk and

Ed Cota hit a 3-pointer to bring the Tar Heels to within six points.

But Carter, Shammond Williams and Cota missed 3-pointers, and Donnell Harris made two clinching free throws with 27.8 seconds left.

Arizona's players looked much more excited before the game than their Carolina counterparts. When introduced, Bennett Davison ran onto the court, held both index fingers aloft and pointed at Arizona's cheering session, while Simon did a little shimmy dance as he left the bench.

But it was North Carolina that provided the excitement once the game began. Antawn Jamison scored three straight baskets to start a 12-0 run that gave the Tar Heels a 15-4 lead.

Led by Simon's 10 points, the

Wildcats outscored North Carolina 22-9 over the next 10 minutes to go ahead 26-24. Carter scored all nine UNC points during the span, including a spectacular jam on an alley-oop pass from Cota while being fouled by Davison.

While Arizona turned the ball over on its next four possessions, the Tar Heels scored seven points to go up 31-26.

The Wildcats responded, however, scoring the final eight points of the half as North Carolina went 0-for-3 and committed four turnovers down the stretch.

Arizona held a 34-31 halftime lead despite shooting 34 percent and committing 12 turnovers thanks mostly to Simon, who had 15 points on 6-for-8 shooting. North Carolina also shot 34 percent and had 10 giveaways.

Elms is new head coach of Pampa girls basketball team

PAMPA — Mark Elms, who led the Pampa girls' cross country team to a state championship last fall, has taken on another head-coaching duty.

Elms was hired Monday night as the new PHS head girls' basketball coach. He served as an assistant this past season under Mike Jones, who moves onto Brownwood to become the head women's coach at Howard Payne University.

Elms, who is in his 12th year as a teacher-coach in Pampa, is looking forward to the new challenge.

"I'm excited, and hopefully the girls are as excited as I am. They've been working hard in the off-season," he said.

Elms said he would continue to coach the cross country program.

"I wanted to make sure that was an okay thing before I took the girls' basketball position. I didn't want to give it (cross country) up," he added. "That's something I really enjoy."

After the Lady Harvesters won the state cross country championship, they were honored by the



Mark Elms

Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame during the organization's annual induction and awards ceremony in Amarillo. It was the first-ever cross country state title in school history.

Elms is also a math teacher at Pampa High School.

This marks the first time Elms will be a head girls' basketball coach. He has been a head coach and assistant coach of boys' programs in the past. Elms said he would name an assistant at a later date.

Elms is a native of Keyes, Okla.

Krieg inks two-year deal with Oilers

HOUSTON (AP) — Free agent quarterback Dave Krieg agreed Saturday to a two-year contract with the Houston Oilers.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed for Krieg, who will back up Steve McNair, said Oilers spokesman Dave Pearson.

"McNair will be starter and we signed Krieg to be the backup," Pearson said.

The need arose after the Oilers traded Chris Chandler, last year's starter, to Atlanta.

Krieg, 38, was picked up last year as a 16-year veteran by the

Chicago Bears as a free agent. He completed 226 of 377 passes for 2,278 yards, including 14 touchdowns and 12 interceptions.

Krieg, who left the Seattle Seahawks in 1992, has quarterbacked six playoff teams. He went to Seattle earlier this month to meet with coach Dennis Erickson about returning to the Seahawks.

But Warren Moon's decision to play his 20th season of pro football in Seattle prompted Krieg to continue his search.

Starbird paces NEA All-Star squad

NEW YORK (NEA) — She wears her "I Am A Nerd" T-shirt proudly.

Katherine Evelyn Starbird, a Stanford senior with a 3.3 grade point average, is majoring in computer science.

On the basketball floor, she's known simply as "Kate." It doesn't take a high IQ to figure out why the 6-foot-2 shooting star has been named by Newspaper Enterprise Association to lead its 1997 All-America women's college basketball team.

Starbird, a forward who has been playing more at shooting guard, sparked Stanford (30-1) to the PAC 10 title and a No. 1

NCAA Tournament seed.

"You have to come out to guard her because she's such a good shooter - if you don't, she's going to kill you," says ESPN sports producer Brad Edwards. "If you do come out on her, she takes you inside."

The result: Starbird averaged 21.7 points per game during the regular season, hitting from the field at a rate of 52 percent.

Joining her on the NEA All-America women's team: KARA WOLTERS, a 6-foot-7 senior center at Connecticut.

CHAMIQUE HOLDSCLAW, a 6-foot-2 sophomore forward at Tennessee.

TICHA PENICHEIRO, a 5-foot-11 senior guard at Old Dominion.

MARION JONES, a 5-foot-10 junior guard at North Carolina.

NEA's selections were syndicated to over 600 U.S. daily newspapers.

The choice of Newspaper Enterprise Association for coach of the year is Sylvia Hatchell, who guided North Carolina (27-2) to the ACC crown.

"North Carolina is the first team ever to be a No.1 seed in the NCAA Tournament after having a losing record the previous year," notes Edwards.

Cowboys ahead of Packers in retail sales

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The Super Bowl champion Green Bay Packers surged from fifth to second place among National Football League teams in national retail sales of team merchandise.

The Dallas Cowboys, known for years as America's Team, continued to hold first place, accounting for more sales of caps, jerseys, shorts, pennants and the like during the current fiscal year.

NFL Properties, the league's licensing arm, operates on a fiscal year of April 1 through March 31.

Chris Widmaier, director of corporate communications for the 30-team NFL, said the Cowboys have maintained their hold on the No. 1 spot despite a strong run by the Packers, who ranked fifth in that category a year ago and 20th after the 1992 season.

But another strong season on the field could vault the Packers to the top spot in retail sales next year, Widmaier said.

"The Packers have had a tremendous surge in sales, not only through Green Bay, Milwaukee and all of Wisconsin, but nationally as well," he said.

"To be No. 2 overall would mean every single person in Wisconsin would have to buy eight to 10 pieces (of merchandise)."

"That may be the case, but more than likely it means they're selling around the country. I don't think there's any question about that."

Packers President Bob Harlan said he was told by league officials that the Packers have gone from accounting for 5.9 percent of all NFL merchandise sales in fiscal 1995 to 13.3 percent in fiscal 1996 through the end of January.

Pampa Soccer Association Standings

League Standings Week 1							Team Seven						
U-12 Boys	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP	U-12 Girls	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Team							Team						
Culligan	0	0	0	0	0	0	Edward Jones	0	0	0	0	0	0
Massage Therapy	0	0	0	0	0	0	Dos Caballeros	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medicine Shoppe	0	0	0	0	0	0	Curtis Well Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wills Shaw	0	0	0	0	0	0	U-10 Girls						
Team Five	0	0	0	0	0	0	Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
U-10 Boys							Dean's Pharmacy	1	0	0	3	1	1
Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP	Albracht Chiropractic	1	0	0	5	3	1
Donut Stop	0	0	0	0	0	0	4-R Industrial	0	1	0	3	5	1
Minco Oil & Gas	0	0	0	0	0	0	First Bank Southwest	0	1	0	1	3	1
Fatherese Insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	Note: U8 & U-8 recreation only, no standings kept.						
Boatmen First	0	0	0	0	0	0	U-12 Girls						
The Operating Co.	0	0	0	0	0	0	*Curtis Well Service 1, Perryton 0						
NetLevs	0	0	0	0	0	0	*friendly game, does not count in standings.						
							More results will be published in Monday's Pampa News.						

Scoreboard

Soccer

Major League Soccer At A Glance
By The Associated Press
All Times EST

Eastern Conference	W	L	OW	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0
New England	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0
NY-NJ	0	1	0	0	0	0

Western Conference	W	L	OW	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	1	0	1	3	0	0
Colorado	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dallas	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	0	0	0	0	0	0

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for shootout win and zero points for loss.

Baseball

Exhibition Baseball At A Glance
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AMERICAN LEAGUE

W	L	Pct.	
New York	19	10	.655
Baltimore	17	11	.607
Oakland	16	13	.552
Texas	16	14	.533
Toronto	15	14	.517
Seattle	16	15	.516
Milwaukee	12	15	.444
Kansas City	13	17	.433
Cleveland	13	18	.419
Chicago	12	18	.400
Detroit	11	17	.393
Minnesota	12	20	.375
Boston	10	17	.370
Anaheim	7	21	.250

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W	L	Pct.	
Florida	25	5	.833
St. Louis	19	11	.633
San Diego	18	11	.621
Philadelphia	17	11	.607
San Francisco	17	13	.567
Los Angeles	14	11	.560
Chicago	16	14	.533
Cincinnati	16	14	.533
Houston	14	13	.519
Colorado	14	16	.467
Pittsburgh	12	16	.429
Montreal	10	14	.417
New York	9	13	.409
Atlanta	9	17	.346

Chicago Cubs vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Miami vs. Florida at Homestead, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Hickory, at Hickory, N.C., 1:05 p.m.
New York Yankees at Atlanta, 1:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Detroit at Richmond, Va., 2:00 p.m.
Oakland vs. San Diego at Las Vegas, 3:05 p.m.
Houston at Texas, 3:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Milwaukee at El Paso, Texas, 3:05 p.m.
Cleveland at San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 4:05 p.m.
Seattle vs. Lancaster at Lancaster, Calif., 6:05 p.m.
Boston vs. New York Mets at Las Vegas, 9:05 p.m.
Boston vs. New York Mets at Las Vegas, 3:05 p.m.
Cleveland at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Los Angeles at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Anaheim at Detroit, 3 p.m.
Buffalo at Chicago, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Vancouver, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Monday's Games
Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.

Basketball

National Basketball Association At A Glance
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EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Miami	53	17	.757	—
x-New York	50	21	.704	3 1/2
Orlando	40	30	.571	13
Washington	35	35	.500	18
New Jersey	23	47	.329	30
Philadelphia	19	50	.275	33 1/2
Boston	13	59	.181	41

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Chicago	49	9	.871	—
x-Detroit	41	21	.700	12
x-Atlanta	40	22	.690	12 1/2
Charlotte	45	26	.634	16 1/2
Cleveland	36	34	.514	25
Indiana	34	36	.486	27
Milwaukee	28	42	.400	33
Toronto	25	47	.347	37

WESTERN CONFERENCE Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Utah	53	17	.757	—
x-Houston	47	23	.671	6
Minnesota	34	37	.479	19 1/2
Dallas	22	47	.319	30 1/2
Denver	19	50	.275	33 1/2
San Antonio	18	52	.257	35
Vancouver	12	62	.162	43

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Seattle	50	21	.704	—
x-L.A. Lakers	48	23	.676	2
x-Portland	43	30	.589	6
Phoenix	32	39	.451	16
L.A. Clippers	31	39	.443	18 1/2
Sacramento	29	42	.408	21
Golden State	25	45	.357	24 1/2

Hockey

National Hockey League At A Glance
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EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
x-Philadelphia	42	21	11	95	251	193
x-New Jersey	40	21	13	93	210	169
x-Florida	33	25	17	83	203	182
N.Y. Rangers	35	31	9	79	239	210
Washington	30	37	8	68	191	211
Tampa Bay	29	38	7	65	201	231
N.Y. Islanders	27	36	11	65	211	220

Northeast Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
x-Buffalo	38	25	11	87	219	187
Pittsburgh	34	33	7	75	256	253
Montreal	28	33	14	70	232	258
Hartford	28	36	10	66	199	231
Ottawa	25	34	15	65	203	219
Boston	24	42	9	57	215	272

WESTERN CONFERENCE Central Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
x-Dallas	44	23	6	94	228	174
Detroit	36	23	15	87	237	180
Phoenix	35	34	9	76	214	223
St. Louis	32	34	9	73	218	227
Chicago	30	33	12	72	201	194
Toronto	27	41	7	61	213	255

Pacific Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
x-Colorado	46	20	9	101	257	184
Edmonton	34	34	7	75	233	225
Anaheim	32	33	11	75	225	219
Calgary	32	35	8	72	201	210
Vancouver	31	39	5	67	231	253
Los Angeles	28	39	10	62	195	244
San Jose	25	43	7	57	188	248

x-clinched playoff berth
Friday's Games
Detroit 2, Buffalo 1, OT
Anaheim 4, Chicago 3
San Jose 4, Edmonton 3
Saturday's Games
Boston at N.Y. Islanders, 1 p.m.
Hartford 2, N.Y. Rangers 1
Los Angeles at Pittsburgh, 1:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 4:30 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Colorado, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

NASCAR finally returns to Texas

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — NASCAR's popularity recently has been zooming as fast as its stock cars down a straightaway even while holding some of its biggest events in remote places fans need detailed maps to find.

Big markets — such as Texas and several surrounding states — have been ignored, although auto racing insiders insist plenty of fans from those areas have made cross-country treks to be trackside for many events.

The 16-year wait for action closer to home ends April 5-6 with the return of big-time racing to Texas. That weekend, the Texas Motor Speedway will host the Busch series Coca-Cola 300 and the Winston Cup Interstate Batteries 500.

The \$110 million superspeedway is big enough to handle fans new and old. The 150,061-seat grandstand makes the track the second-largest sports venue in the United States, behind only the famed Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

People already are flocking to TMS. The Interstate Batteries race is a sellout with more than 200,000

people expected in the grandstands and infield. The Coca-Cola race will draw a Busch-record crowd around 80,000. Officials estimate 60,000 ticket-buyers have never been to a NASCAR race.

"That just shows the sport is going to be super big-time popular down here," driver Rusty Wallace said. "It doesn't surprise me because if you wanted to see a Winston Cup race you had to come out to the East Coast or go clear to California or up to Michigan. There was a huge void in the United States that we weren't covering. We needed a track in Texas really badly."

Car sponsors — many of whom have headquarters in the Dallas-Fort Worth area — and other big businesses also are helping fuel the track's immediate popularity.

"This is going to be a big one that everybody is going to want to win," driver Jeff Gordon said of the Interstate Batteries race. "This is going to compare with the Brickyard inaugural race, with the Daytona 500."

NASCAR's last stop in the Lone Star State was in 1981 at the Texas

World Speedway in College Station. The track is still used for smaller events.

TMS owner Bruton Smith was looking for a neglected market when he first envisioned this superspeedway. He considered Las Vegas and St. Louis before picking Fort Worth.

Smith also like a site in Dallas, but a squabble with city council sent him an hour's drive west to Fort Worth.

The Dallas politicians decided to support Billy Meyer, owner of the Texas Motorplex drag strip in nearby Ennis, in his bid to lure NASCAR to the area instead of Smith, a Charlotte businessman who owned several other tracks.

Meyer, though, didn't have the money or the pull to get it done. Smith had both.

In addition to NASCAR, the Indy Racing League and Craftsman Truck series will race at TMS this summer.

Hopes are high for a second Winston Cup date, possibly by next season, making Texas a major stop on the racing circuit right away.

King, Robbins pace Dinah Shore tourney

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Betsy King, who shot her way into the LPGA's Hall of Fame two years ago then almost seemed to disappear, crafted a 5-under-par 67 Saturday to tie Kelly Robbins for the Nabisco Dinah Shore lead.

King, who hasn't won since

she took her 30th career title in 1995, went to 11-under through three rounds of the Dinah Shore, the women's first major championship of the year.

King, the Dinah Shore champion in 1987 and 1990, drew even with Robbins with her second consecutive 5-under-par round

at Mission Hills Country Club. Robbins, the second-round leader with a one-shot edge on King, refused to wilt under the pressure, shooting a 68.

Amy Fruwirth, a fifth-year pro still looking for her first win, was two shots behind the co-leaders after shooting 68.

Ducks Unlimited gives out honors

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Conservation leaders from across North America received 1997 Wetlands Conservation Achievement Awards recently from Ducks Unlimited, Inc., the world's largest non-profit private wetlands, waterfowl, and wildlife conservation organization.

The annual awards were presented by Ducks Unlimited at the 62nd North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference in Washington, D.C. The awards recognize the achievements of individuals and organizations in conserving and restoring wetland resources essential to waterfowl and more than 900 species of other wildlife.

The award winners are: Dr. David K. Weaver, grants administrator for the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund; W. John Schmidt, executive director of the California Wildlife Conservation Board; Dr. C. Davison Ankney, professor of zoology at the University of Western Ontario; Charles C. Heinsz, Jr., a Shelby, Miss. Farmer; and Philip Bourjaily, of Iowa City, Iowa, contributing editor for *Field and Stream* magazine.

Headed for state



Six fishermen will represent the Top of Texas Bassmasters at the State Tournament April 1-5 at Lake Sam Rayburn. From left to right are Steve Staffacher, Floyd Lott and Joe Millican, all of Pampa; Roger Watson of Amarillo and Gary Carter of Pampa. Not pictured is Lynn Odom of Elk City, Okla. Those placing among the top six at the state meet advance to the Central Division Tournament at Red River, La. in June, 1997.

Haskins is AP coach of the year

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Clem Haskins' hard work and dedication helped get Minnesota to its first-ever appearance in the Final Four and earned him The Associated Press basketball coach of the year award.

Haskins, whose Golden Gophers play Kentucky in the national semifinals Saturday, finished 16-2 for its first Big Ten title since 1982 and 31-3 overall.

PUBLIC NOTICE

JCAHO will be visiting Olsten Health Service at 6300 I40 West, Suite 202 Amarillo, TX. 79106 on May 8- 22, 1997. If you have any information you would like to share in a JCAHO public information interview, please notify: Survey Operations and Support Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations One Renaissance Blvd. Oakbrook, Ill. 60181

Elkington takes lead at Players Championship

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Just when it looked like Steve Elkington would make the Players Championship a runaway, Scott Hoch shot the round of the tournament to trail by just two strokes after Saturday's third round.

Elkington started the day with three consecutive birdies and led by as many as five strokes but Hoch's 65 — two strokes better than anyone else shot on a gusty, overcast day — and two closing bogeys by Elkington made it tight.

No one else was within five strokes of Elkington, whose 68 put him at 13-under-par 203 to Hoch's 205.

"I basically did what I needed to do," Elkington said. "It shortened who can win a little bit. If I play good, I've probably got to beat one or two guys. If I don't, I bring more in."

Billy Andrade and Tom Purtzer were at 208, Kirk Triplett was at 209 and PGA winner Mark Brooks was at 210 along with Tommy Tolles and Larry Mize.

Hoch was the only player able to

apply any pressure to Elkington on Saturday, making seven birdies and no bogeys.

"I got no clue where that came from," said Hoch, who has never finished higher than 13th in 13 Players Championships, missing the cut seven times.

"I really played well," he said. "I felt very at ease. I tried a new putter this week and got a lesson from the best teacher — my father."

Hoch needed only 25 putts in the third round and used a mere 81 putts so far this week. He made six birdies in the first 12 holes and saved his great round with a scrambling par on No. 18.

"Anytime I had a chance to make bogey I was fortunate enough to make a good chip shot or a putt," he said.

He drove way right on No. 18, played a 6-iron from 203 yards short of the green and pitched up and made a 6-foot putt to save par.

"I thought I might have let it slip away a little bit on 18," Hoch said. "That was a good par to get."

Hoch's 65 came on a day when only 23 of the 76 players broke par

and the course average was a 73.

Elkington, who played with methodical precision until hitting uncharacteristic poor iron shots on Nos. 17 and 18, had his third round in the 60s in the tournament.

Continuing his brilliant iron play, six of Elkington's seven birdie putts were within 10 feet and three of those were 2-footers.

"I'm just playing my game," Elkington said. "I'm staying away from trouble very well. I'm not finding it easy, I'm just hitting it real good."

There must be something about being a dad that agrees with Elkington. When his first child, Annie, was born in March of 1995 he pulled out of the Players Championship to be with his wife.

He then was rewarded with his biggest year, finishing fifth in the Masters, sixth in the British Open and winning the PGA Championship.

Since his son Samuel was born Feb. 25 of this year, Elkington has won at Doral and played near-perfect golf at TPC.

Pampa girls take second in JV division at Borger meet

BORGER — Pampa's junior varsity girls track team placed fourth with 80 points in JV competition Thursday in the Borger Invitational.

"Our JV squad did real well considering most of the teams we competed against were Class 5A schools. We had many personal bests," said Pampa coach Larry Dearen.

Amarillo High junior varsity won the JV division.

Pampa junior varsity results are as follows:

Shot: Solis, sixth place.
Discus: Solis, fifth place.
Long jump: Ward, first place.
Triple jump: Ward, second place.

100: Fields, fifth place.
100 hurdles: Bourne, sixth place.
400: Maul, first place.
800: Hansen, fifth place.
200: Buzzard, fifth place.
1600: Hansen, fifth place.
400 relay: Pampa, third place.
800 relay: Pampa, third place.
1600 relay: Pampa, third place.

Rangers' Clark sustains finger injury

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers first baseman Will Clark sustained a small fracture in the third finger of his left hand when he tripped over a bullpen mound and may not start Tuesday's season opener against Milwaukee.

Clark experienced stiffness and a sprained left wrist after the inci-

dent in the first inning of Friday's 6-5 loss to the Triple-A Oklahoma City 89ers.

Texas manager Johnny Oates said Saturday that Clark will be re-evaluated over the next couple of days.

The fracture was discovered when the team doctor took X-rays Saturday.

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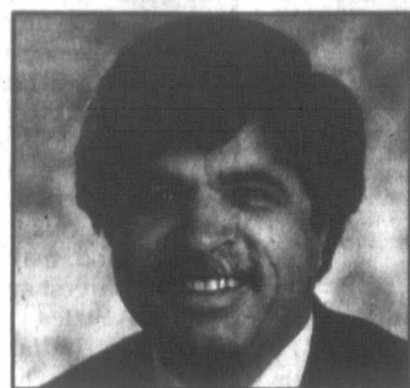
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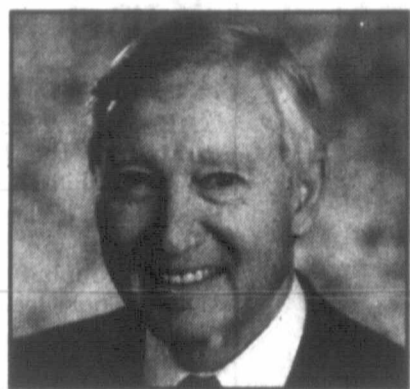
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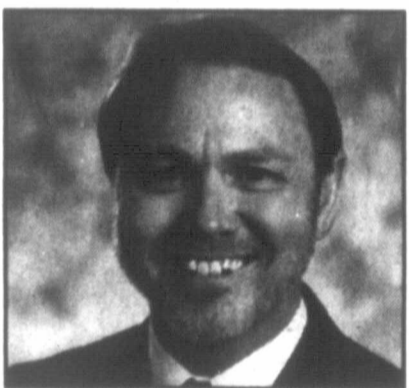
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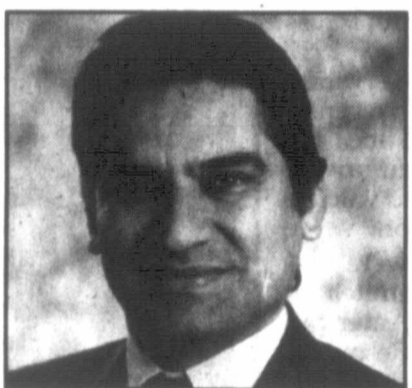
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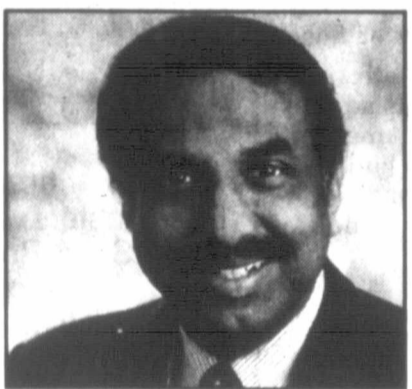
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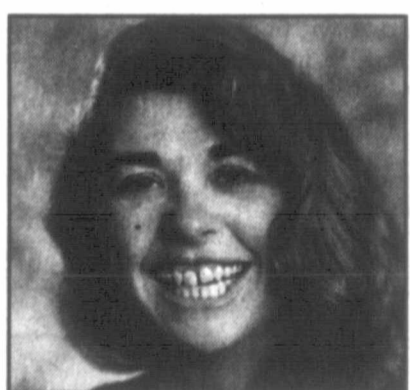
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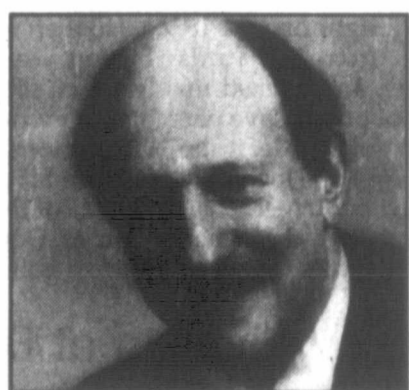
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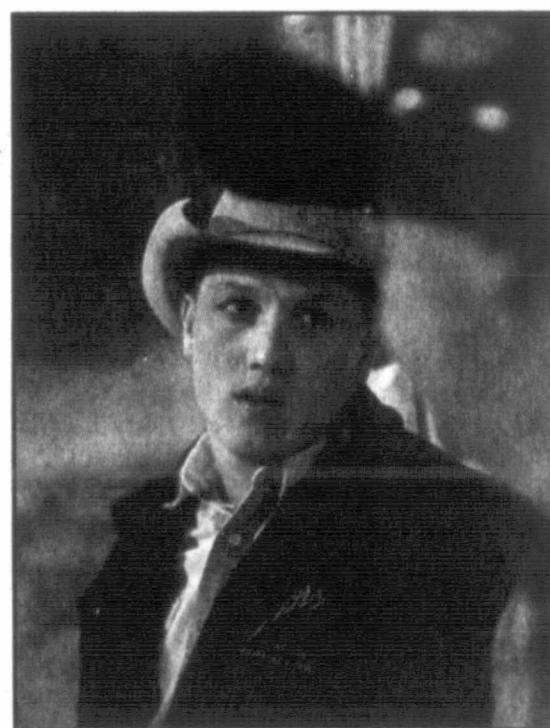
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LIFESTYLE



Eight seconds to glory

A bareback bronc rider from Canadian ranks second in the world



Bareback bronc rider Denny McLanahan checks his draw, top left photo, and visits with Houston Rodeo officials, above. Behind the chutes, left, he adjusts his rigging before taking to the arena in the Astrodome for eight long seconds.

A smoky haze hangs in the air of the Astrodome from the opening fireworks display as the 28-year-old cowboy from Canadian bursts from the chute on the back of a bareback bronc.

This is what Denny McLanahan does for a living.

He leans back on a horse named Sliver, digging his spurs into its withers and grasping tightly at the rawhide rigging.

Eight seconds later, he picks his gray hat up out of the arena dirt and gazes up at the over-sized television screen,

one of two hanging above the crowd, at the instant replay of the third go-round in the Houston Rodeo. Within hours he will be in his Dodge van headed north on Interstate 45, away from the rain of the Gulf Coast and toward the cold arctic winds blowing across the Texas Panhandle.

McLanahan is headed home to his wife, Holly, and baby daughter, Mady, only to be headed down the road again within days to the next bronc, the next rodeo.

"I've wanted to do this since I was

eight years old," he said.

He grew up in Canadian helping his dad, Billy McLanahan, with John McMordie's ranching operations and feedyard.

McLanahan started out riding the bucking Shetland ponies that Hext Rodeo Company of Canadian provided at local rodeos. He graduated to bareback broncs and bulls at junior rodeos.

McLanahan finished school in 1990, and headed on down the road, having turned pro the year before.

He started out riding bulls and bareback in high school and college rodeos. He's concentrated on bareback broncs since college.

Now he travels the country entering more than 100 rodeos a year.

Finishing sixth in the world in bareback bronc riding last year, McLanahan carefully chooses the rodeos he enters, and money is the determining factor.

The money he earned in Houston pushed him up to second in the Crown Royal World Championship

Bareback bronc standings.

"That's how I make my living," he said.

But it's more than a living. It's a dream come true.

"Ever since I was eight years old, I've wanted to make my living rodeoing," he said. "I was my goal. I really enjoy getting to rodeo a lot."

McLanahan has qualified for the National Finals Rodeo the last five years, but not without some problems.

He's had his share of scrapes and bruises, broken arms and broken legs.



Stacey Elizabeth Collum and Dustin Shane Weatherly
Collum-Weatherly

Stacey Elizabeth Collum and Dustin Shane Weatherly, both of Weatherford, Okla., plan to wed May 24, 1997, in First Presbyterian Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Jack Collum and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hahn, all of Pampa. She is a 1992 Pampa High School graduate and is currently pursuing a degree in accounting with a minor in finance from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. She is set to graduate in May and plans to enter graduate school this fall to seek a master's degree in business administration. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity and the Accounting and Finance Club. She is presently employed at AT&T Wireless Services.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Les Weatherly of Pampa. He is a 1992 Pampa High School graduate and is currently pursuing a degree in industrial technology, specializing in environmental technology at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He is set to graduate in May. He is a member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and is presently employed with Dr. Charles Page, CPA.



Johnna Kay Brown Summers and Dean Wallace Birkes
Summers-Birkes

Johnna Kay Brown Summers and Dean Wallace Birkes, both of Pampa, were wed March 8, 1997, in First United Methodist Church of Pampa with John Glover, music minister of First Baptist Church, officiating.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her four-year-old daughter, Lexi. A recording of *Me and You* by Kevin Chesney played during the processional.

A reception was held following the service at the bride's home. Serving the guests were Kristy Engle of Denver City and D'Lee Fletcher of Odessa, both nieces of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of the late Johnnie and Barbara Brown of Plains. She received a bachelor's degree in journalism in 1987 from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She is currently employed as an English teacher at Pampa High School.

The groom is the son of Wallace and Darlene Birkes of Pampa. He received a bachelor's degree in theatre arts in 1991 from West Texas A&M University in Canyon and a master's of art degree in speech/theatre arts in 1993 from Oklahoma State University. He is currently employed as a theatre arts and speech teacher at Pampa Middle School.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to New Orleans and intend to make their home in Pampa.

Lifestyles policies

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements, or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, prior to Sunday insertion.
3. Engagement, wedding, and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.
4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.
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7. Information that appears on engagement, wedding and anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Texas 79066-2198.

4-H Futures & Features

- Dates**
- 31 - Livestock Judging practice, 5 p.m., Gray County Annex
 - 1 - E.T. 4-H Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Gray County Annex
 - 2 - Special Interest Small Pets Project, 7:30 p.m., Gray County Annex
 - 4 - District Meat I.D. Contest, Canyon
 - District Consumer Decision Making Winners

Gray County 4-H members competed in the District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Amarillo on Saturday, March 22. The senior team of Nonnie James, Stephanie McClellan, D.J. Basham and Jessi Fish took first place honors in their division and earned the opportunity to compete in Texas 4-H Roundup in June. Also, recognized as individuals were James as second high point individual and McClellan as third place high point individual.

In the intermediate division, Josh Gibson earned second place high point individual honors.

The junior team of Brianna Roberts, Emily Elliott, Rachael Stubbs and Courtney Crawford

earned second place team honors in the contest.

Other 4-Hers doing an outstanding job of representing Gray County in the contest were: Juniors - Savannah Smith, Ryan Lewis and Amanda Jefferies; and seniors - Sean O'Neal, Alan Parker and Lori Stephens.

Fashion Design Contest
The 4-H Fashion Design Contest entries are due in the Extension office on April 1. For more information, contact the Extension office.

Livestock Judging
All 4-Hers interested in learning how to evaluate beef, sheep and swine are invited to attend the first practice on Monday, March 31. We will meet at the Annex at 5 p.m.

If you have a conflict that day, please call the Extension office to find out practice times. We will be participating in the Clarendon Contest and District Contests in April.



Mr. and Mrs. Kint Philpott
Philpott anniversary

Kint and Helen Philpott will be celebrating their 66th wedding anniversary on April 4, 1997.

The couple were married April 4, 1931, in Oklahoma. They are members of First United Methodist Church in Miami and have been Pampa or Miami, Texas, residents for most of their lives.

Children of the couple are Don and Barbara Philpott of Miami and Marvin and Shirley Philpott of Delaware, Ohio. They have six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

TAFCE members win in art competition

Gray County Family and Community Education Club members were recognized for their talents at the District TAFCE Cultural Arts Competition on March 21 in Amarillo.

Earning first place honors and the opportunity to compete at the state level was: Polly Benton, Progressive FCE Club, in Fabric Painting and Craft Painting.

Placing second with their entries in their respective categories were: Mildred Thrasher, Progressive FCE Club - Fabric Creations; Boots Barnett, PAM and Pampa Manor FCE Clubs - Handstitchery and Large Machine Quilted Quilts; and Polly Benton, Progressive FCE Club - Miscellaneous Creations.

Also representing Gray County with entries were Betty Lash and Pam Lash of the Evening Stars FCE Club.



Connie Jeanine Rutledge and Aaron Patrick Wilbanks
Rutledge-Wilbanks

Connie Jeanine Rutledge and Aaron Patrick Wilbanks, both of Yukon, Okla., plan to wed May 24, 1997, on board Royal Caribbean Cruise Liner *Grandeur of the Seas* while in port in Miami, Fla.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Robert and Judy Rutledge of White Deer. She is a 1991 Pampa High School graduate and is a 1996 graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy. She is currently employed at Eckerd in Midwest City.

The prospective groom is the son of Bob and Cathy Wilbanks of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Carol Wilbanks of Choctaw, Okla. He is a 1986 graduate of Yukon High School and is a 1997 graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy. He is currently employed at Walgreens in Oklahoma City.

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Menus

March 31 - April 4

Pampa Schools

MONDAY
Breakfast: Rice, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Pizza, macaroni salad, blackeyed peas, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Waffle sticks, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, green beans, applesauce, hot rolls, choice of milk.

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Cheese toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Chef salad, baked potato, pineapple, hot roll, choice of milk.

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Tacos, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans, fresh fruit, cornbread, choice of milk.

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Hot dogs, French fries, tossed salad, chocolate cake, choice of milk.

Lefors School

MONDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice and milk.
Lunch: Frito pie, cheese, beans, salad, fruit, cornbread and milk.

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Ham, toast, eggs, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, rolls, whipped potatoes, spinach, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Muffins, toast, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch: Pizza, corn, fruit and milk.

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, toast, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch: BBQ Weiners, rolls, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch: Hamburger, BBQ,

cheese, HB salad, tator tots, cheese, fruit and milk.

Senior Citizens

MONDAY
Chicken fried steak or bacon wrapped beef patties, mashed potatoes, broccoli, squash, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, coconut cake or rice pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY
Roast pork and stuffing or chicken with plum sauce, mashed potatoes, turnips, spinach, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, chocolate upside down cake or tapioca, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY
Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, carrots, broccoli, butter beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, peach cobbler or custard pie, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY
Cashew chicken with rice or chili rellenos with cheese sauce, twice baked potatoes, brussel sprouts, Mexican corn, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, angel food cake or chocolate pudding cups, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY
Fish or chicken enchiladas, potato wedges, turnip greens, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, dump cake, hot rolls, cornbread or garlic bread sticks.

Meals on Wheels

MONDAY
Pork Frittlers, scalloped potatoes, tomatoes and marshmallow treats.

TUESDAY
Swiss steak, potato casserole, peas & carrots and podding.

WEDNESDAY
Mexican Casserole, pinto beans, Spanish rice and jello.

THURSDAY
Turkey spaghetti, pickled beets, broccoli and peaches.

FRIDAY
Ravioli, green beans, corn and applesauce.

How to have a happy and safe Easter

Easter is a time that brings out the child in all of us. Easter egg hunts can be fun for all if a few simple guidelines are followed. Take care from the time of selection, and these eggs will make your holiday more festive.

◆ While in the store and before purchasing, check eggs to insure that they are clean and that shells are free from cracks. Open the egg carton carefully and inspect its contents. Dirt on the eggs or cracks in the shell increase the chance of micro-organisms such as Salmonella entering the egg.

◆ Put the eggs (preferably in the original carton) into your refrigerator as quickly as possible. Keep them refrigerated until ready for preparation.

◆ Wash hands thoroughly before handling the eggs every step of the way — throughout cooking, cooling, dyeing and hiding.

◆ For a good, safe hard cooked egg, place eggs in a single layer in

Homemakers' News Donna Brauchi



a saucepan. Add enough tap water to come at least one inch above the eggs. Cover and bring to a rapid boil. Turn off heat or maintain a gentle simmer. If necessary, remove pan from burner to prevent further vigorous boiling. High temperatures will turn the eggs a greenish color. Let eggs remain in the water, covered, for 15 to 20 minutes, depending on size. Immediately run cold water over eggs or put them in ice water until completely cooled.

◆ Place eggs in the refrigerator until you plan to decorate them.

Do not color or hide cracked eggs. Use water 10 to 15 degrees warmer than the eggs for the dye bath. After decorating, return them to the refrigerator until time for the hunt.

◆ Remember that boiled eggs are still perishable and should not be held at room temperature for more than two hours. Let the egg seekers gather them as soon as possible after they are hidden.

◆ After children collect the eggs, all eggs used in the hunt that are not consumed should be discarded immediately. The eggs not used

in the hunt should remain in the refrigerator until they are to be eaten.

◆ Eggs will eventually spoil even at refrigeration temperatures. Consume hard cooked eggs within one week after they are prepared.

◆ If you want to use decorated eggs in a table arrangement and if they will be out of refrigeration for many hours or several days, cook extra eggs for eating and discard the eggs that have been left out as a decoration.

◆ Eggs gathered at a public hunt should not be eaten if they are out of refrigeration for more than two to six hours. Because temperature and humidity conditions are variable, a time limit cannot be suggested for all regions. However, if weather is damp and/or hot, the shorter time is suggested.

For more information on food safety, contact your Gray County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Stunning simplicity in fashion is the 'in' thing this spring

NEW YORK (AP) — Spring evenings are for making simple, sensational fashion statements.

So say the American designers who presented their collections recently at the semiannual shows under the aegis of Seventh on Sixth at various venues around the city.

Dressed-down does not mean a lack of very dressed-up, elegant clothes for the season. It means there are fewer over-the-top accessories, embroideries and embellishments than in past seasons. For spring, designers are letting the fabric, the drape and the shape do the talking and create the talking.

From the simplest bolts of jersey, lace, chiffon, organza, crepe de Chine and charmeuse have come cocktail dresses and full-length gowns that are sleek, modern and effortlessly chic.

There's no need for adornment on the simple color block offerings from Calvin Klein; the lace numbers from Oscar de la Renta, batiks from Ralph Lauren, jersey and net from Donna Karan, and, the like. Just step into some party shoes and dance on out the door.

The shapes for spring couldn't be more basic.

The strapless dress has never

been so important or looked so fresh as when finished off with an asymmetrical fishtail hemline — just the right note for those who don't know whether to wear long or short at the next party.

Body-skimming slip and halter dresses, especially those somewhat inspired by the cowl-neck gown chosen by Carolyn Bessette-Kennedy for her wedding to JFK, Jr., were other shapes favored by designers.

Full-length sheaths that emphasize a curvaceous figure are dazzling in solid sequins, stretch chiffon and lace, and jersey; just right for the Oscars or the most glamorous gala occasions.

Designers are equally as restrained when it comes to color. All shades of nude, black, a variety of chocolates, from palest mocha to deepest bittersweet; navy, white and blush dominate. An occasional lipstick red bright-

ens the scene, but on the whole the neutral tones set the pace and prove flattering.

So dominant are the nude tones that designers Michael Kors and

the team of Badgley Mischka worked almost exclusively in the color range and the effect in malleable metal mail or tiny crystal beading is stunning.

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Symphony to perform in Palo Duro

AMARILLO — The Amarillo Symphony will present a new program called the Palo Duro Canyon Pops on Friday, April 25, and Saturday, April 26.

The Palo Duro Canyon Pops will feature popular American music performed in the spectacular setting of the TEXAS Pioneer Amphitheater in Palo Duro Canyon State Park, Jack Fishman, executive director of the Amarillo Symphony, said.

The Amarillo Symphony has performed in the Canyon twice this decade — both performances featuring Samuel Jones' Palo Duro Canyon Symphony. This new concert will feature a wide variety of American popular music from four different eras.

The Jazz segment will feature a Big Band Medley arranged as a 1940's radio program. KGNC's James Hunt will provide the narration Big Band hits.

The second half of the Pops concert will begin with American Folk and Country and Western music. Baritone Timothy Tucker will sing two songs arranged by Aaron Copeland from his *Old American Songs*. This will be followed by a rousing rendition of *Orange Blossom Special* that features the "fiddle" section of the orchestra.

The final portion of the performance will feature popular music from the 60's and 70's. This includes a tribute to Henry

Mancini, a Beach Boys Medley, Elvis Presley's *Can't Help Falling In Love* and music from the movie *Star Wars* by John Williams.

Tickets may be ordered by calling the Amarillo Symphony offices at (806) 376-8782. Reservations for the Sutphen's BBQ must also be made in advance by calling the Symphony office. Tickets for the concert are \$20 each and dinner costs \$10 per person and will be served from 6-7 p.m. The concert will begin at 8 p.m.

In case of inclement weather the concert will be moved to the Civic Center Auditorium. The decision to move the location will be made on the day of the performance after 4 p.m. Updated information will be available by calling the Symphony's Globe-News Intouch line at 376-1000, ext. 1230.

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By Don Taylor



Words of wisdom XVIII

I was four year's old when I learned my ABC's. Later, I learned that the alphabet is a wonderful organizational tool. It would be hard to find words in the dictionary or names in the phone book without it.

I believe it will work for organizing words of wisdom, as well. Here are some wise words in alphabetical order.


Wisdom from A to Z

- Achievement - I feel the greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more. — Jonas Salk
- Brevity - The fewer the words, the better the prayer. — Martin Luther
- Common sense - Common sense is very uncommon. — Horace Greely
- Difficulty - No man who is occupied in doing a very difficult thing, and doing it very well, ever loses his self-respect. — George Bernard Shaw
- Education - Education is a progressive discovery of our ignorance. — Will Durant
- Family - A happy family is but an earlier heaven. — John Bowring
- Generosity - If there be any truer measure of a man than by what he does, it must be by what he gives. — Robert South
- Habit - Each year, one vicious habit rooted out, in time ought to make the worst man good. — Benjamin Franklin
- Improvement - Where we cannot invent, we may at least improve. — Charles Caleb Colton
- Joy - Joys divided are increased. — Josiah Holland
- Kindness - Is a language the dumb can speak and the deaf can hear and understand. — Christian Nestell Bovee
- Life - Let us live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry. — Mark Twain
- Modesty - There's a lot to be said for the fellow who doesn't say it himself. — Maurice Switzer
- Necessity - It is surprising what a man can do when he has to, and how little most men will do if they don't have to. — Walter Linn
- Opportunity - The commonest form, one of the most neglected, and the safest opportunity for the average man to seize, is hard work. — Arthur Brisbane
- Prayer - Pray as if everything depended on God, and work as if everything depended on man. — Francis Cardinal Spellman
- Quiet - The good and the wise lead quiet lives. — Euripides
- Reputation - What people say behind your back is your standing in the community. — Ed Howe
- Simplicity - Simplicity is making the journey of life with just baggage enough. — Charles Dudley Warner
- Tact - Tact: The ability to describe others as they see themselves. — Abraham Lincoln
- Unity - One country, one constitution, one destiny. — Daniel Webster
- Virtue - Public virtue cannot exist in a nation without private, and public virtue is the only foundation of republics. — John Adams
- Words - A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed. — Henrik Ibsen
- X-Words - Sometimes, when you need them most, there are not enough X-words. — Don Taylor
- Zeal - Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal. The winner is he who gives himself to his work, body and soul. — Charles Buxton

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Local food service managers participate in training program

Six food service managers in Gray County recently completed the Food Protection Management Training Program to stay up-to-date on food safety and sanitation.

The program, sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the National Restaurant Association, the Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association and the Texas Department of Health, seeks to help reduce the incidents of foodborne illness by providing the latest information on food safety to food service establishments.

Those who completed the fifteen hour training program were: Ginger Alexander, Community Day Care Center; Milton Cooke, The Subway; Sharon Mack; Marcala Martin, Gray County Jail; Denise Moon, Columbia Medical Center; and Mary Ann Richards, Top of Texas Ice Company.

Following completion of the training program, participants took the ServSafe certification exam. If a participant passes the exam, he or she will receive certification from the National Restaurant Association. Those who choose to do so will receive a decal to display in their window to let customers know they are certified in food safety. Managers who are trained and certified are encouraged to train their employees in food safety, further reducing the risk of sickness from contaminated food.

Training materials for the course are provided by the SERVSAFE Program from the Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association.

For more information on the Food Protection Management Training Program, call the Gray county office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Chamber Communique

Welcome to new Pampa Chamber of Commerce member JayMax Advertising. Owner Michael McGinnis has opened this new local service at 225 N. Sumner.

The Celebration of Lights has moved its operations to the Omega Oil Company warehouse on Price Road. Workers meet from 6:30-8:45 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. Volunteers are welcome to come and help with the many projects underway.

Doug and Christy Pritchett, owners of Circle C Book and Saddle, have moved to 2125 N. Hobart. They carry Purina Feed.

The Chamber suffered a "computer crash" recently and lost all the Community Calendar information from April through December, 1997. If you have sent in or called in information, please call 669-3241 to make sure your event is listed.

The Chamber wishes everyone a safe and happy Easter!



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ENTERTAINMENT

Celebrities flock to support Tibet

By KATHLEEN SAMPEY
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Divine inspiration on the Lollapalooza tour?

That's where Smashing Pumpkins frontman Billy Corgan says he had an epiphany to lend his whiny pipes to the cause of a free Tibet.

"I met a lot of monks on Lollapalooza in '94 from Tibet and got to know some of them," Corgan explains.

The man who penned the lyric "the killer in me is the killer in you" isn't alone: Everywhere you turn in the entertainment world these days, celebrities are imploring the Chinese to stop oppressing Tibet — from Michael Stipe to Sharon Stone to Steven Seagal.

It was bound to happen after Richard Gere got up at the Academy Awards before an estimated 1 billion television viewers worldwide to tell of the social injustices against Tibet. Ever since Gere wondered in his unscripted moment in 1993 if something "miraculous and movielike could happen here," people have been jumping on the Buddhism bandwagon.

To wit: Two feature films about Tibet are near completion — Martin Scorsese's *Kundun*, about the Dalai Lama's life until age 24, when he was forced to flee Tibet, and *Seven Years in Tibet*, in which Brad Pitt plays an Austrian prisoner of war in India during the 1940s who manages to escape to Tibet, where he lives for seven years before the Chinese invasion.

And thousands of people gathered in San Francisco last year for the Tibetan Freedom Concert, featuring musicians such as Bjork, Yoko Ono and her son, Sean Lennon, in an

'For me, Tibet provides an example of a people under great duress who have never resorted to violence. I think that's a lesson every nation in the world could learn from.'

— Michael Stipe

event organized by the Beastie Boys' Adam Yauch.

Does all the attention from celebrities, some not particularly known for Buddhist-like self-denial, bother those who spend their lives earnestly devoted to Tibetan freedom?

"The Tibet situation day by day is worse," says Thubten Norbu, director of the Tibetan Cultural Center in Bloomington, Ind., and the older brother of the Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism.

"The world should say something about that," Norbu says. "I don't think it's self-serving on the part of entertainers. Many people are because it gets the word out about Tibet."

The cause has captured the imagination of celebrities because of the 1980s tradition of helping underdogs, says Robert Thurman, father of Uma, a religion professor and Asia expert at Columbia University.

"There's been this thing 'We are the world, we are the children,'" says Thurman, who also is a Tibet activist.

Corgan and a group of performers that included R.E.M.'s Stipe, Patti Smith, Natalie

Merchant and poet Allen Ginsberg all performed recently at Carnegie Hall to raise money for Tibet House, which is dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Tibetan language and culture — something China has been eradicating ever since it annexed the neighboring country in 1959.

The evening's reverent, dirgeful tone was set early on by the haunting, guttural sounds of the Drepung Loseling Monks who lined up onstage for some Tibetan mountain-throat singing.

Corgan contributed an acoustic song called "Death," and Merchant sang in Latin about Jesus and the Virgin Mary. Stipe offered a cover of Eddie Vedder's "Long Road," from the soundtrack of *Dead Man Walking*.

Stipe, who also works on behalf of East Timor in its struggle against Indonesian oppression, notes that, "For me, Tibet provides an example of a people under great duress who have never resorted to violence. I think that's a lesson every nation in the world could learn from."

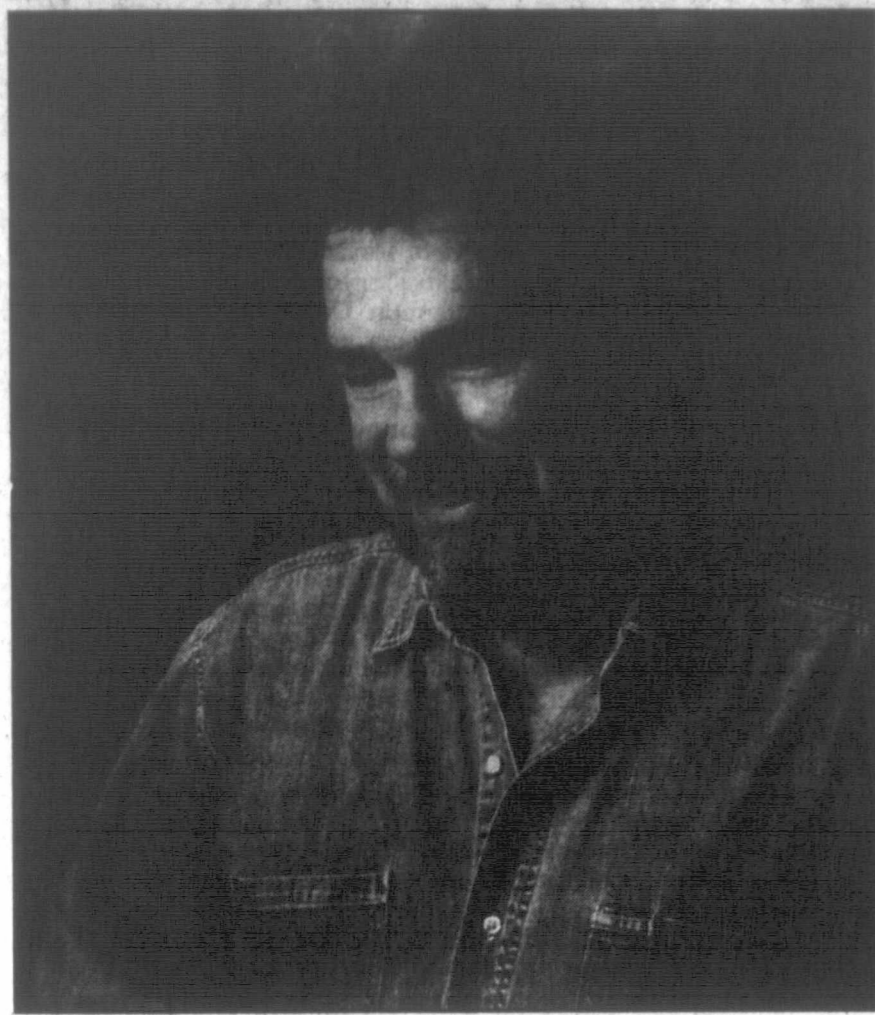
Smith says she's been praying for Tibet since she was a New Jersey 12-year-old doing a school report on the subject.

"It's not just about Tibet," she says. "Whether it's AIDS or Bosnia or Somalia or Tibet, people need to lend their support and get involved. Human rights is very universal. It shouldn't be called a fad."

Members of the film industry, more than musicians, love causes such as Tibetan freedom because it's distant from our shores and therefore safe, says Steven Alford, a professor at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Alford wonders, for instance, if we'll ever see Hollywood stars do a benefit for East Los Angeles.

He doubts it.



Gene Watson

Gene Watson to perform at special K BUY94 show

AMARILLO — K BUY94 Radio in Amarillo will have country music legend Gene Watson as its headliner for the 1997 Listener Appreciation Show and Dance.

The show will be Saturday, April 5, at the Rex Baxter Building on the Tri-State Fair Grounds. Local Artist Ed Montana along with Texas Express will also play starting at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Texas Express has Country Music Hall of Fame DJ inductee Dugg Collins as one of their members.

Watson, known as a "singer's singer," has a new album out on Step One Records (SOR), *The Good Ole Days*. The first single released from the album, "The Good Ole Days," is getting strong airplay across the country. Watson has had many top 20 Country hits including "Farewell Party," "Fourteen Carat Mind," "Paper Rosie," "Speak Softly" and "One Sided Conversation," just to name a few.

Collins from Texas Express, who will play with Ed Montana at the concert, was just elected into the Country Music Hall of Fame for his DJ work in the Amarillo market. Collins has just been hired by K BUY94 to start doing afternoon drive airshift

beginning on April 7. Jack Murphy, operations manager for K BUY94, said "We are elated to have Dugg back on the air in Amarillo playing the Country Classics he loves."

The Listener Appreciation Show and Dance will also serve as a fund raising effort for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA).

Cammie Boone local MDA director said, "This is the second year in a row we have used K BUY94 to help the early MDA fund raising effort. Last year we raised over \$1,000 at the show. We expect to do even better with a raffle at this year's show that includes a trip to New Mexico, a recliner and many other great prizes."

Tickets to the show are available through local merchants. The tickets are free for the asking with a limit of two per person. Everyone will need a ticket to get into the show and they will not be available at the door, only at the local merchant.

The last chance to get tickets will be Saturday, April 5, from 1 p.m. till 4 p.m. at Furniture and Moore in Sunset Center. Watson will be at Furniture and Moore signing autographs during K BUY94 live broadcast.

Achingly polite Joaquin shuffling into stardom

By MARK KENNEDY
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Even through the fog of a nasty late-winter flu, Joaquin Phoenix remains achingly polite.

"Thanks," he says softly when offered a ragged, perforated sheet of Bounty from the kitchen.

The 22-year-old actor, who is unavoidably known as brother of the late actor River Phoenix, blows his streaming nose.

"Sorry," he apologizes. For a performer who has carved out an offbeat movie career playing angry, alienated teens, his off-screen persona is marked more by floor-gazing and foot-shuffling.

"I'm just a private person," he admits exhaling a haze of chain-smoked Marlboros. "Sorry."

Joaquin was a TV adolescent-for-hire before bursting onto Hollywood screens in 1989 as Dianne Wiest's sullen teenage son with a penchant for porno in *Parenthood*.

His next big role came in the form of the memorably menacing Jimmy — the socially inept slacker with a dangerous crush on Nicole Kidman in Gus Van Sant's 1995 black comedy *To Die For*.

Between those roles, tragedy brought his private world crashing down on Oct. 31, 1993.

As his famous brother, River, lay convulsing from a drug overdose outside a hot Los Angeles club on Sunset Strip called the Viper Room, Joaquin was several yards away pleading for help on a pay telephone.

"You must get here, please, you must get here," the anguished Joaquin said, somehow remembering to say "please" and "thank you" to the 911 emergency dispatcher. "I'm thinking he had Valium, or something."

The surviving brother's grief is still raw.

"It's a slow process. I remember thinking as a kid, 'God, what would I do if I lost my dad or

mom?' I figured I'd go insane or kill myself," he says.

Joaquin took a multiyear hiatus. He admits that the script for *To Die For* sat unread for many months.

Cajoled, he finally picked it up. "It was one of those strange experiences where, as I'm reading it, I know what Jimmy's going to say before I read it. The feelings just sort of pop out at me."

Joaquin's brother, River, starred in the critically acclaimed *My Own Private Idaho* in 1991 and sister Rain acted in *Even Cowgirls Get the Blues* three years later.

Since *To Die For* launched him into the ranks of the up-and-comers, Joaquin has managed to translate his on-screen intensity and brooding looks into more adult roles.

This month, Phoenix leads some of Hollywood's hottest young stars in director Pat O'Connor's touching Eisenhower-era drama, *Inventing the Abbotts*.

He joins Billy Crudup as two working-class brothers snared in a complex relationship with three wealthy Midwest sisters, played by Jennifer Connelly, Joanna Going and Liv Ullmann.

"Some things just touch you, for whatever reason, and this felt so honest to me," he says of the screenplay. "It wasn't trying to be anything that it wasn't."

Phoenix and Ullmann make a memorable on-screen couple.

"I was in awe," he says of his co-star. "Every once in a while you find an actor that, with one word, can sum up eight different emotions. She absolutely nailed that."

Born in Puerto Rico, he spent much of his childhood on the move, living in Oregon, Mexico, South America and Florida with his talented siblings — River, Rain, Liberty and Summer — while his parents struggled with odd jobs.

"When you grow up with a large family," he says, "you have friends right there."

Brooke Shields enjoying her success with 'Susan'

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

tennis tournaments where she cheers on fiancé Andre Agassi.

Brooke Shields is reaching the end of her first season in the successful sitcom *Suddenly Susan* hoping for another five years.

Ms. Shields has proved a talented comedian, although *Suddenly Susan* also benefited from the cushiest time slot in television, sandwiched on Thursday night between *Seinfeld* and *ER*, winners both.

Born with a rare beauty, Ms. Shields began modeling at age 2. She achieved notoriety in 1978 when she played a 12-year-old New Orleans prostitute in Louis Malle's *Pretty Baby*. Then she caused a commotion in 1980's *The Blue Lagoon*, in which she seemed to be swimming in the nude (she wasn't — a body double was used).

Her subsequent films have been undistinguished, but she has earned a fortune from endorsements and TV commercials.

And she's become a front-row regular at the international

1. Did you follow sports before you met Andre Agassi?

Ms. Shields: Not much at all. I was usually too busy working to turn on the television, and I had no great interest in sports, anyway. But that has changed.

2. What were your favorite sports as a player?

Ms. Shields: I wasn't really too involved in sports; I was more interested in dancing. But I did like to play soccer.

3. Do you ever look sloppy?

Ms. Shields: All the time. My favorite clothes are sweat suits. I like to hike and climb, and it's such a relief not to have to get all dressed up.

4. If you could change anything about your looks, what would it be?

Ms. Shields: I can't think of anything I would change. What I would like to change is the way people look at me.

5. If you could choose any place in the world for a honeymoon, where would that be?

Ms. Shields: Some place with privacy. But I doubt if that's attainable.

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By The Associated Press

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7. *Wallace and Gromit: A Grand Day Out*, (BBC-Fox)
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'TEXAS' cast and staff preparing for musical drama's 32nd season

CANYON - An explosion of colorful singers, dancers and actors will take the stage June 11 through Aug. 23, in Palo Duro Canyon State Park near Amarillo/

The professional cast will make the 32nd season of the TEXAS musical drama come alive for the expected 100,000 audience members that will attend the 1997 season. The outdoor drama has attracted nearly three million people from across the world since 1966.

For most audience members, it's a toss up as to what makes the unique Texas entertainment venue the most exciting for them. Could it be they like TEXAS best because the musical takes place in the nation's second largest canyon - the Palo Duro? Or is it an appreciation for the drama's script, written by Pulitzer Prize winning author Paul Green?

Or is it the artistic and musical overtures performed by the cast and directed by Neil Hess? For those high-tech enthusiasts, it could be the state-of-the-art lighting, sound, special effects and pyrotechnics the show employs.

Perhaps it's a combination of them all that has garnered the recognition of TEXAS as the best-attended outdoor drama in the United States. TEXAS was selected as one of the Top 100 Attractions in North America by the American Bus Association and was chosen as the program cover for the first-ever White House Conference on Travel and Tourism last year.

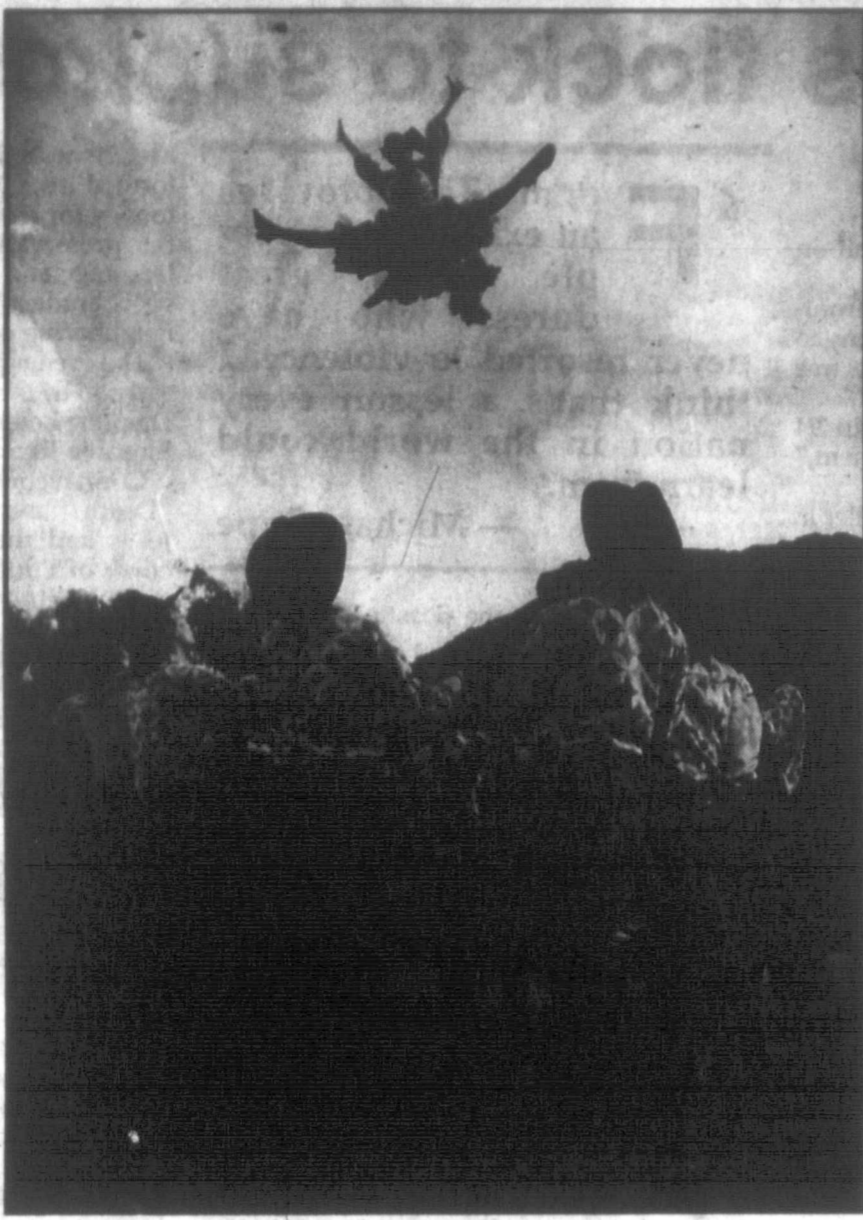
Each summer evening except Sundays the crowds come from every state and nearly 100 countries to be entertained by the 1880s story of Texas Panhandle history, the Pioneer Amphitheatre, built specifically for the musical drama, seats close to 1700 spectators.

A special triangle, a replica of a ranch dinner bell, is given each evening to the audience member who has traveled the farthest to attend the show. Since 1966, the triangle has never been given to a person living in the United States.

Special guests to TEXAS also receive triangles. Gov. George Bush, who attended the official play of Texas with his wife and daughters in 1996, was a recipient of the triangle.

Guests are greeted with Texas hospitality upon arrival at the Pioneer Amphitheatre. A barbecue dinner is served each evening from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for an additional charge. On the patio, pre-show entertainment in the form of cowboy music prepares visitors for the evening ahead.

When the drama begins at 8:30 p.m., a lone cowboy appears atop a 600 foot cliff that serves as the backdrop for the outdoor stage. With a bugle playing, the cowboy rides his horse along the edge of the rim and fades into the dusky sky, just as an explosion of song and dance erupts on stage.



(Wyman Meizer photo)

A professional cast unravels a romantic story of Texas Panhandle history through song, dance and drama at 'TEXAS' in the Palo Duro Canyon.

For the next two and one half hours, the professional cast of singers, dancers and actors bring to life a story written by Paul Green in 1962.

Upon visiting the Palo Duro Canyon the Pulitzer Prize winning author was inspired to write a story of the traumas and triumphs Panhandle settlers experienced in the 1880's. He cleverly included the Palo Duro Canyon as a major focus, and incorporated special lighting and sound techniques to make the story even more dramatic.

Today, TEXAS employs the very latest in lighting, sound and pyrotechnics professionals to keep the entertainment fresh for audience members who return year after year.

The script doesn't change, but costuming, sets, and theatre accommodations are updated annually. Last year, TEXAS hired a new pyrotechnics company to completely redesign the spectacular fireworks finale which is now cued to music. Special effects are improved each year. The lightning bolt and thunderstorm seem so real that audience members often reach for umbrellas.

TEXAS is produced by the non-profit Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation. Membership from 2,000 patrons from across the

nation help to support the production. Last year, members and friends of the foundation donated 1,724 new stadium chairs for the amphitheatre. This year, the ticket box will be computerized.

"We constantly strive to improve the facilities and the production of TEXAS to keep it fresh for first time and repeat audience members," said Patty A. Bryant, president and general manager of TEXAS.

"Statistics regarding outdoor dramas reveal that the shows that failed to make changes and additions through the years are no longer playing. Through the addition of the latest sound, lighting and pyrotechnics equipment, and modernizations like the stadium seats and box office computerization, we strive to provide a venue that's competitive in today's tough entertainment market, yet leave the essence of the TEXAS script and its natural setting in Palo Duro Canyon unaltered," she said.

Tickets to TEXAS are \$3.50 to \$14 on weekdays, and \$4 to \$16 on Friday and Saturday. Reservations are encouraged. For more information, call 806-655-2181, or write TEXAS, Box 268, Canyon, Texas 79015.

The optional barbecue dinner is served from 6 to 8 p.m. for \$6.50.

TPMHA to offer 'Back in Control' class for parents of adolescents

AMARILLO - Back in Control, a parenting class for parents of the adolescent, is being offered by the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services on Saturday, April 5, from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Creative Care Early Childhood Center at 10th and Lipscomb, Amarillo.

The Back in Control curriculum is written by Gregory Bodenhamer, a former probation officer. He is a nationally renowned expert on parenting difficult children. Instructors for the class are Gene Ann Grant, BBA, and Stan Waddell, M.A.M.F.C., LPC.

"Back in Control is for anyone who works, teaches, or lives with an adolescent," states Gene Ann Grant, Family and Community Education Director. "This seven hour class teaches professionals ways to get 'back in control' of the household or classroom.

"It covers a wide range of problems - whether a teen is simply ignoring household rules, or perhaps lying, or stealing - to more harmful problems, such as drug or alcohol abuse or unsafe sexual activities. It shows parents how to defuse conflict that ranges from blatant verbal

challenges to physical violence, without resorting to harsh disciplinary measures, expensive counseling, or hospital-based programs," continued Grant.

Cost of the class is \$5 and the book is \$10. Child care is available for children 0-12 by reservation only. Pre-registration is required. All classes are open to the public. Call 806-354-2191 to register.

The Mission of the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services is to provide an accessible array of quality psychosocial services to children and their families with an emphasis on family preservation. This non-profit agency serves children and adolescent ages 2-17 who have some form of a behavioral, emotional or mental disorder.

Services are provided based upon referrals from parents/legal guardians, juvenile probation departments, school districts, community agencies, physicians and other social service agencies.

A large array of programs are provided. These programs include individual, family, and group counseling, in-home counseling services, Case Management, Psychiatric/nursing services, parent support groups, parenting classes, crisis

intervention services, crisis stabilization, Day Treatment, Positive Steps Program and some respite care.

The agency has a Speakers Bureau. The staff is available to speak to non-profit agencies on behavior, emotional, mental disorders, play therapy, learning disabilities, special education issues, Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders, and other related subjects.

Funding is from the Texas Legislature, client fees, private insurance, Medicaid, Grants and through contracts with other child-serving agencies. The agency gratefully accepts donations to help defer the expenses of families unable to pay for services as no one is denied services for lack of ability to pay.

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Services began in February 1992. The offices in Amarillo serve Amarillo and Canyon. Regional offices are in Borger, Hereford and Pampa.

Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority serves 21 counties of the Texas Panhandle and has offices in Amarillo, Borger, Clarendon, Dumas, Hereford, Pampa and Perryton.

For additional information, call Gene Ann Grant, 806-354-2191.

98-year-old man gives credit to square dancing

By CARL WARREN
Marshall News-Messenger

Square dancing has even taken him to Mexico.

Hughes and his wife were two of more than 200 square dancers who descended upon Marshall last weekend for the East Texas Square Dancers Association's annual festival at the Marshall Civic Center.

"I've been dancing most of my life but I really got into square dancing in a very big way in 1946. That's when I found out how much fun it is. Oh you can just have so much fun doing this," said Hughes.

"Some of the nicest people I have ever met are square dancers," his wife added. "You can't find any better friend than square dancing friends."

Hughes said square dancers, in most cases, are husband-wife teams. Occasionally, he said he

runs into teams who are not married.

"My wife has always been my partner, but she doesn't dance much anymore," he said. "I find that I am even slowing down some now. But I still love it just because it is so much fun."

During Hughes' square dancing career, he has served as association president twice and once as secretary.

Hughes said although the bulk of the people who participate in square dancing are middle-aged and up, it's entertainment that can be enjoyed by people of all ages.

"The young people don't seem to have time to learn and participate in square dancing," he said. "I think the teenagers would even enjoy it if they would just give it a try."

WTAMU's music and dance students to present 'Showcase of Music' April 4

CANYON - Students in the West Texas A&M University Department of Music and Dance will showcase their talent in instrumental, voice, classical, jazz, patriotic and instrumental music at WTAMU's 16th Annual Showcase of Music beginning at 8 p.m. Friday, April 4, at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium.

The annual program netted more than \$17,000 for student scholarships last year and more than \$117,000 since the program's inception.

The two-hour performance, co-sponsored by the Amarillo Globe News, includes soloists, chamber ensembles and a 100-member

choral and instrumental group.

"This is definitely the most exciting concert the department produces each year," Dr. Harry Haines, head of the Department of Music and Dance, said. "The groups have prepared some of their finest work for this performance."

Groups slated to perform include the Symphonic Band, the Double Reed Ensemble, the Double Bass Ensemble, the Percussion Ensemble, the Piano Duet, a French horn Choir, the Music Therapy Club, the Clarinet Choir, the Collegiate Chorus, the WT Chorale, the Jazz Band, the Lone Star Ballet, the Trumpet Choir and the Flute Choir.

A traditional preconcert show will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium lobby.

Admission to the concert is \$5 for adults and \$1 for students. Tickets are available in Canyon from the WTAMU music office located in Room 102 of the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus, and in Amarillo from Tolzien Music Company and C&D Music. Tickets will also be available at the door; all seat are general admission.

For more information, contact the Department of Music and Dance at 806/656-2840.

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Parents Begin to See Through Son's Long-Distance Deception

DEAR ABBY: We need advice about our 21-year-old son. We are a military family stationed overseas. Our son started college in the United States in June 1994. We give him \$400 per month to help with his expenses, plus additional money for emergencies.

He phoned us a few days ago asking for more money for his tuition. No problem. But when we telephoned the school to get an address, we discovered that he is no longer a student! In fact, he dropped out in August 1994, after excessive absenteeism.

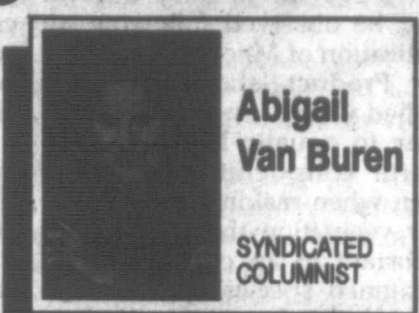
He never remembers us on Christmas or holidays, nor does he ever mention the gifts and money we send him. We have found that almost everything he tells us is a lie. When we confront him, he cries and says he's sorry.

We've always tried to support him and his decisions, but I'm getting tired of his behavior. He never finishes anything.

We urged him to go to college after high school, but he joined the Army instead. After one year, he dropped out. We don't know why, and when we asked, we were given an unbelievable story.

My husband and I both work hard, and we're not wealthy. Our other two children are on their own and self-supporting. My husband wants to continue to send this son money. I want to stop, hoping he will grow up.

Abby, we need unbiased advice.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

MILITARY MOM IN ASIA

DEAR MILITARY MOM: Your son sounds like an accomplished "con" man. However, he is an adult now. You do him no favors by continuing to support him and caving in to his lies. Write him a letter telling him what you know about his deception. Send him a final check, and tell him to get a job if he doesn't already have one.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to respond to the many letters I have read in your column from women who complain about how some men treat them.

I dated a woman for quite a while, and from the very moment we met, it was obvious to me that she would not be treated as anything but the lady she considered herself to be.

She projected it in many ways: She spoke in a ladylike manner, she

walked like a lady and dressed in a very feminine manner — not to say at all that she was lacking in passion or cool to the touch. Quite the opposite!

I responded in kind, and it was a pleasure to be with her. When we were together, I became the gentleman I wanted to be, and vice versa! Any ladies out there?

WARREN

DEAR WARREN: Many ladies out there! They don't always come well-dressed, well-spoken or traditionally "feminine" in manner. I have encountered many plain-spoken, trouser-clad, less-than-graceful women who have great depth, high moral standards and sensitive, caring souls. It is not simply a matter of how she dresses and speaks, but rather it's how she thinks.

When you treat women with respect, it is usually reciprocated.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Monday, March 31, 1997

In the year ahead, instead of gambling on persons or things about which you know little, bet on yourself. There is a chance you will have several important projects rolling simultaneously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you experience being overpowered or outmaneuvered in your commercial dealings today, don't take your anger out on innocent bystanders. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A lack of

mental discipline today could cause you to underestimate the value of essential elements of your projects. This may create rather difficult complications.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Keep your social contacts and business contacts separate today. Avoid speculative arrangements with friends; you might end up blaming them if things go wrong.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It could prove self-defeating today if you take on more objectives than usual. It is best to pursue only one or two targets, but with total dedication.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not let associates coerce you today to put anything on paper or make verbal commitments you feel uneasy about. What you do could be taken out of context.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone you've been counting on might not come through for you today. His or her personal responsibilities might take precedence over your requirements.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Forgo attempting to match wits with adversaries today, because your thinking might not be up to

par. Wait until your reasoning powers are more acute.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be careful today if you're required to handle complex assignments. Implications that you might overlook could make your tasks more difficult.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There are indications that your original social plans might be canceled today. Be prepared with a backup agenda that could fill in.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be careful not to bring persons who are dead weights into an arrangement you and several cohorts are aiming for a specific objective.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) General conditions look rather nifty for you today. The only thing that could cause you trouble would be to proceed without a proper game plan. Think ahead.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be prudent in the management of your resources at this time or you might not have the financial means to make ends meet later.

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"What I like best about Easter Sunday is the candy, and Jesus not bein' dead anymore."



"Can't you think of a better place to sleep than in front of the bathroom door?"

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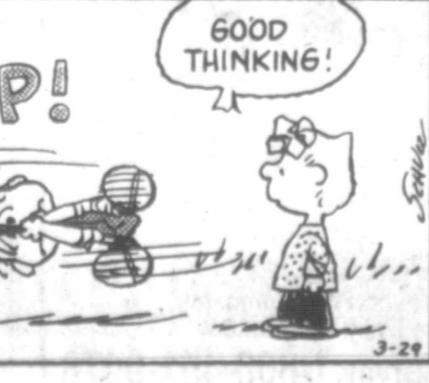
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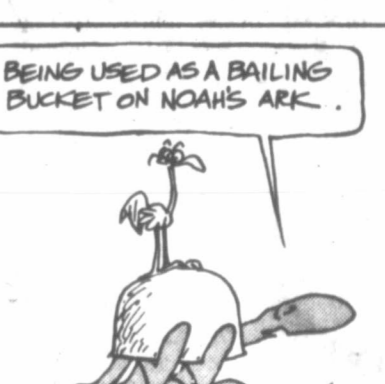
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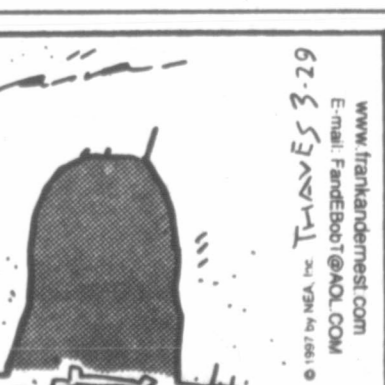
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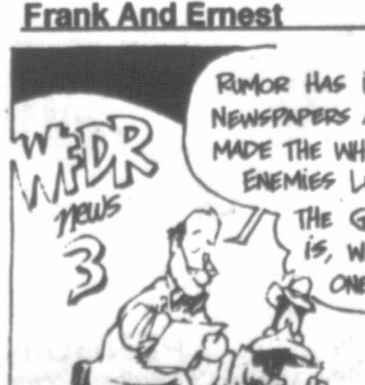
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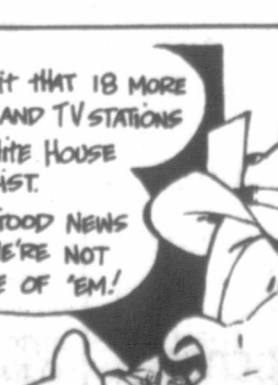
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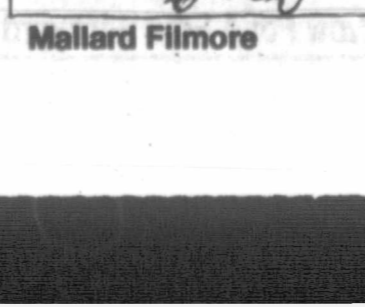
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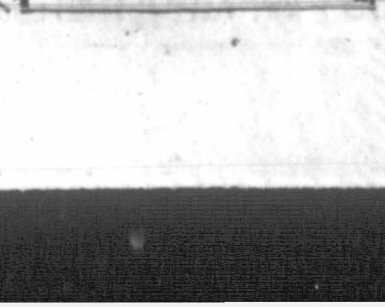
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The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: The technical "key reversals" we discussed last week have been negated [with the exception of the Kansas City; however, at press time it's close to falling too]. This places the technical trend back up.

Yet, before we get too bullish, we should remember this time of year has been associated with wheat market tops in the past. Generally, the trend turns down from late March into winter wheat harvest.

Actually, there are divergent forces at work this year. The winter crop is rated in pretty good condition right now, but the market remains aware spring wheat planting could be adversely affected by wet conditions and possible flooding. At current prices, we advise taking a more neutral stance.

Strategy: **Hedgers:** Winter wheat farmers have been advised to hedge up to 50 percent in the July KC at an average price of about 380. Use put options if you are not comfortable with futures. Look to add .5 percent on the first close under 365 only.

Traders: We remain long September Minneapolis futures (new crop spring wheat) at \$3.50 or lower with a "legged on spread" short July Chicago at about 370. Hold.

CORN - (BEAR)

Outlook: Soybeans have certainly been supporting corn. The fundamentals for corn do not appear as robust as the market is saying. China is now a major corn exporter. This is totally opposite to last year's bull when they were major importers.

The biggest upside potential this year will come from weather. However, at this point, with the crop not even planted yet, it is hard to use weather as an excuse for the market moving much higher. Mind you, I am not recommending shorting this market until there is a sign it really wants to go down. At this point, the trend still appears up. Yet, the time to be alert for some form of topping action is now.

Strategy: **Hedgers:** New crop hedgers are up to 40 percent sold in December futures at an approximate average of \$2.75 (or by using the money December

puts for less than 20 cents). Do not expand hedges yet.

Traders: Look to sell July corn short on a two consecutive day close under \$2.95. Risk to \$3.06 for an objective below \$2.70.

CATTLE - (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: A more neutral stance is now advised. The reports show there are huge numbers of cattle in the feedlots, and they are supposed to be coming to market soon. However, to offset this we still believe the beef demand is excellent and death loss this past winter has reduced the numbers somewhat.

It also appears the cow slaughter numbers are starting to lessen, so overall beef supply probably isn't as burdensome as feared. Look for a two-sided trading range type market in the coming weeks.

Strategy: **Feeders:** We continue to suggest that puts be used for downside protection in April and this protection can now be expanded to the at the June put options. The objective is leave our upside as open as possible while still building a floor under our downside.

Cow/calf operators: The feeder futures market still appears oversold due to the corn rally, and actually has now started to rally on up corn days. This is a bullish sign and as such no new hedges are recommended at this time.

Traders: We remain long October feeder cattle at 74 or less. Risk to a close under 7150. This will be a longer term trade. Leave the upside objective open at this time.

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George Kleinman is president of Commodity Resource Corporation (CRC), a licensed brokerage firm which specializes in marketing strategies using agricultural futures and options. CRC welcomes questions — they can be reached at 1-800-233-4445.

Cotton producer workshop set in Lubbock

LUBBOCK — Nematode detection and control will be a featured topic at the Producer Information Workshop, scheduled from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. April 11 in Lubbock.

In 1996, American cotton producers lost more than 763,000 bales to nematodes, a loss valued at over \$290 million. These microscopic organisms feed on the roots of cotton plants, robbing them of nutrition they need to mature properly. In West Texas, it's estimated that 9.5 percent of the area's crop is lost each year to nematodes.

The symptoms of nematode infestation can include stunted plants, yellowed leaves, wilting and stress. But because the soil-borne pests are difficult to diagnose, these symptoms are often mistakenly attributed to other problems.

Dr. Terry Wheeler, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station nematologist, will be a keynote speaker at the cotton workshop. As a member of the National Cotton Council's Nematode Survey and Education Program, Wheeler has worked to develop guidelines

for nematode control. At the workshop, she will focus on soil sampling for nematodes — the only way to accurately identify infestation, and appropriate control measures.

The afternoon workshop will be held in conjunction with the Texas Cotton Ginners Show, at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Other topics will include the boll weevil economic impact study, preventing sticky cotton, and record keeping for pesticide use. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be offered.

TNRCC head: Now is time for new water policy

FORT WORTH — Now is the time to implement new water policy, ranchers were told at the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Convention in Fort Worth last week.

Dan Pearson, executive director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, emphasized that the policy needs to be flexible and include a variety of water-saving methods. "Weather modification, brush control, drought plans and regional water plans are all necessary. We need to keep our minds open and be flexible."

"There is no cookie-cutter solu-

tion of what will work in Texas," he said.

He warned that agricultural producers must be involved in the water-policy development process, or the industry will be the "first loser" when the state prioritizes water-users' needs.

He said TNRCC supports SB 1, the Senate water-policy bill.

Pearson said the bill recognizes the connection between surface water and ground-water availability. The bill also gives the state oversight responsibility for water management.

However, A. Wayne Wyatt, manager of the High Plains

Underground Water Conservation District, expressed concern over this proposed state oversight role. He said the bill creates disincentives for local water conservation districts, and could eventually lead to complete state control over water policy.

Wyatt also emphasized that brush is a major expense for ranchers, said Pearson. Therefore, some of this responsibility should be assumed by the public. "If the public wants drainage from the property, it should help pay for the brush clearing."

Wheat crop looks good, but farmers are cautious

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Spots of bluish tint are beginning to show on some of the green fields of winter wheat in western Kansas — a sign of moisture stress.

Nineteen percent of the state's wheat was rated excellent, 68 percent good, 11 percent fair and 2 percent poor in a Kansas Agricultural Statistics report this week.

Despite dry conditions in western Kansas, the state's overall crop is in good shape after a mild winter, said Michael Doane, interim executive vice president of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers. But a lot can happen before combines begin harvesting the crop in two months.

"Now the trend is dry, and

that's not a good feeling," Doane said. "But that's not the end of the world either, unless it just stays that way."

The mild, dry March has not caused major damage yet to the 2,600 acres of winter wheat planted by Vance Ehmke near Healy, Kan. But another few weeks without significant rain could be a problem.

Milo-Pro 4L exemption made for sorghum

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture has been granted approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to issue a Section 18 specific emergency exemption allowing the use of Milo-Pro 4L (propazine) to control weeds in grain sorghum.

Without the use of Milo-Pro 4L, the potential crop loss to Texas farmers could be more than \$59 million.

This exemption was granted Feb. 28 and expires Aug. 1, 1997. Milo-Pro 4L, manufactured by Griffin Corporation, must be applied following all applicable directions, restrictions and precautions on the label as well as the following restrictions.

• Milo-Pro 4L may be applied by ground or air at a rate of 1.2 pounds a.i. (2.4 pts. of product) per acre. One application per crop growing season may be made.

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acres of sorghum may be treated in Texas.

• A 24-hour re-entry interval must be observed following an application of Milo-Pro 4L.

• Product should not be applied where run-off is likely to occur to aquatic habitats. Also, careful consideration must be taken when making applications near vegetation that is critically important to an endangered or threatened species. Milo-Pro 4L should not be applied when weather conditions favor drift or run-off from areas scheduled for treatment.

• Several Texas counties proposed for treatment contain endangered species habitat. To protect these endangered species, propazine may only be applied in these counties after ascertaining, by contact with the appropriate U.S. Fish and Wildlife office, that sorghum is not grown in the vicinity, within two miles, of endangered species habitat.

If any endangered plant or

insect species are within two miles of sorghum planned for treatment, no ground application can be made within one-quarter mile and no aerial application within one mile of any endangered plant or insect species.

• Milo-Pro 4L should not be applied to sand and loamy sand oil textures in pre-plant and pre-emergence.

• All applicators must have a copy of the EPA approval notice in their possession prior to any applications.

• Applications made under this specific emergency exemption must be made only by certified applicators, by licensed applicators or by persons under the direct supervision of licensed applicators.

While this emergency specific exemption covers most Texas sorghum growing counties, growers should contact their district Texas Agricultural Extension Office or TDA at (512) 463-7407 if they have questions.

Mid-South Ruminant Conference scheduled

DALLAS — Getting cows started off right is the key feature for veterinarians and dairy industry consultants at the Mid-South Ruminant Conference set for May 1-2 at the Holiday Inn South at Dallas-Fort Worth Airport.

"The most critical time of a cow's productive life is the two weeks before and the two weeks after calving," said Dr. Ellen Jordan, Extension dairy specialist based in Dallas. "This period sets the stage for the cow's performance throughout her entire lactation."

"We've scheduled sessions on the applied side of nutrition, as well as one entire afternoon on how nutrition and reproduction interact," said Jordan.

"We have a stellar list of speakers, including Dr. James Nocek of Spruce Haven Research Center in Union Spring, New York, and Dr. Ric Grummer of the University of Wisconsin. Dr. Nocek's focus will be on postpartum nutrition

management and Dr. Grummer's on dry cow management." Nocek said.

"We have one international speaker on the program, Dr. Germ Hof of the Netherlands, who will discuss monitoring protein utilization. Another session of particular interest should be the opening presentation in which USDA's Woody Barton discusses the criteria for choosing a forage testing lab and how to distinguish a good one from a not so good one."

The conference, sponsored jointly by the Texas Animal Nutrition Council and the Texas Agricultural Extension service, is designed for dairy consultants in the Mid-South, which includes Texas and its adjoining states.

Advance registration for the conference is \$65 (by April 19) and \$75 thereafter. Send registration checks, made payable to the Texas Animal Nutrition Council, to Dr. Ellen Jordan, Texas A&M at Dallas, 17360 Coit Road, Dallas, TX 75252. For more information, phone 972-952-9210.

Dairy farmers concerned by tougher test standards

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — The nation's dairy farmers, already struggling from low milk prices, are facing another test: tougher federal standards for milk.

The Agriculture Department has imposed stricter standards for somatic cell count, a test meant to ensure the health of cows and the quality of their milk.

"The timing was just awful," said Jerry Chase, general manager of Dakota Dairy Specialties Inc., a milk processor. "We would have liked to have seen ... (USDA) hold off into the summer, when the cows are under less stress (because of particularly bitter winter). They just wouldn't do it."

"We recommended that the USDA not make the change until June or July," said North Dakota Dairy Commissioner Robert Dykshorn. "In fact, I literally begged for that, but they wouldn't."

The somatic cell count is a test that milk from every dairy farm undergoes monthly to measure the number of dead white blood cells in milk. Although white blood cells pose no health risks to humans, a high concentration can affect the shelf life and quality of dairy products, especially cheese.

Equally important, the test can indicate health problems in dairy cows. As in humans, a cow's white blood cell count increases if the animal is fighting off a virus or is under other stress.

Elsewhere across the country, dairy farmers are battling to stabilize milk prices.

In Maryland, state Agriculture Secretary Lewis R. Riley said affil-

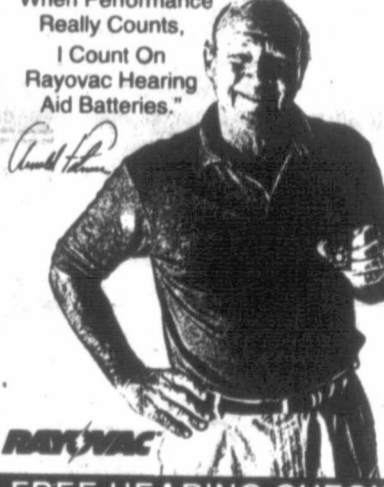
iation with the new Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact or a proposed Southern compact could help stem the decline in the state's dairy farms.

Riley said he doesn't foresee Maryland ever adopting minimum milk prices, as proposed in legislation rejected by the House of Delegates last week. The bill would have given the state agriculture secretary authority to set minimum milk prices, as agencies in Pennsylvania and Virginia have done for years.

In Jim Falls, Wis., a dozen farmers protesting dairy prices blocked a weight scale used by trucks dropping off milk at a cooperative.

Dairy farmer Jan Morrell said the protest was to draw attention to raw-milk pricing policy that she and others blame for the recent nose dive in the price farmers are being paid for their milk.

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Newsmakers

DENTON - Emil Rapstine, son of Doug and Jennifer Rapstine of White Deer, was selected for induction into two freshman honor societies, Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma.

The induction ceremony is set for Monday, March 31, at the University of North Texas at Denton, where Rapstine is majoring in communication design. He is a 1996 graduate of White Deer High School.

Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma are national honor societies for college freshmen. The interdisciplinary organizations were founded to recognize outstanding freshmen students at leading universities throughout the United States. Membership is by invitation only extended to those who achieve a 3.5 grade point average or higher during their freshman year.

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Deena Bridges of Pampa, daughter of Max and Sharon Bridges of Pampa, has been named a United States National Award Winner in honor roll.

This award is a prestigious honor for a select few. In fact, the Academy recognized fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Bridges, who attends Pampa High School, was nominated for the award by Karla Howell, school counselor.

Bridges will appear in the nationwide publication United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy criteria for

USAA winners is based upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselor and other qualified sponsors and upon the standards of selection set forth by the organization itself including academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability.

BILOXI, Miss. - Air Force Airman Armilla A. Shipman, 1994 McLean High School graduate and daughter of Catherine R. Bybee of McLean, has graduated from the information management apprentice course at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi.

Course graduates learned administrative support and office management for functional staff elements. The course included typing, administrative communications, telephone etiquette and management of publications, forms and records.

Newspaper uses blank space to protest censorship

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - When a high school principal allegedly instructed reporters for the student newspaper not to write a story, the reporters complied.

Instead, the newspaper was distributed with a glaring blank space on the front page to protest the alleged censorship.

The staff of *The Carroll*, the

newspaper at Corpus Christi Carroll High, had planned to write about disciplinary action taken against divers and swimmers accused of unspecified misbehavior at a state meet in February.

But Editor Luvh Rakhe, 18, said Thursday that Principal Diana Jernigan vetoed the story before it was written.

Rakhe said that when he and two student reporters told the principal of their plans and requested interviews, she instructed them not to write the story.

Rakhe said most of the newspaper's staff agreed that the paper should speak out. The front page carried enough blank space for the story and a photo.

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Notice of Proposed "No Further Action"
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The Texas Department of Transportation will be accepting applications for one regular full time position in the engineering office located at 2611 Frederic, Pampa, Texas.

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This starting salary will be \$1612 to \$2027 a month. A completed application is required and applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 9, 1997. Interested applicants should apply at the nearest Texas Department of Transportation Human Resource Office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mailed applications should be postmarked the day before the job vacancy closes and sent to 5715 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, TX 79110. Attention Human Resources. If more information is needed or if an applicant needs an accommodation in order to apply for this job, you may call Barbara Franks at (806) 356-3233. TXDOT IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER.

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From sheriff to novelist ...

By ROY BRAGG
San Antonio Express-News

UTOPIA, Texas (AP) — Aubrey Smith traded jailhouse keys for computer keys three years ago and hasn't looked back.

Smith, former Uvalde County sheriff and a lifelong law officer, now writes books and screenplays instead of offense reports and traffic citations. He's had two books, *The Alamo Murders* and *The Rio County Murders*, published, and has three more written. He also pounded out a screenplay that should be winding its way through the innards of the Hollywood deal-making machine right about now.

Smith spends his days barefoot, roaming the rooms of a beautiful ranch house on the banks of the Sabinal River. When he's tired, he sleeps. When he's motivated, he writes 1,000 words. When he wants to unwind, he's got brush to clear out back.

Pretty sweat deal, eh? Smith, 54, has found that the pen is not only mightier than the sword, but wielding a pen is a much more agreeable lifestyle than toting a piece.

"All in all, I wish everybody could find the contentment and peace we've got here," he said of his life with Polly Smith, his wife of 38 years.

Smith, born in nearby Sabinal, always wanted to be a cop. He got a job as a Uvalde County deputy sheriff at age 21, the minimum age for a law officer.

That segued to a job working undercover for the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission

in San Antonio from 1967 until 1981. After a quick gig working hotel security, he and Polly returned to Uvalde County.

"We left Uvalde looking for fame and fortune," Smith quipped. "We didn't find it."

He joined the Sheriff's Department in 1981 as a deputy, and was appointed sheriff in 1986, a job he won by election in 1988.

"I was amazed at the mystique that goes the office of sheriff," he said. He found out quickly that the mystique was just that. "It's not a law enforcement, ride-the-range job anymore. A sheriff is an administrator."

Add debilitating tissue disorder to the 16-hour work days of small town law enforcement and you get Smith, who decided to bail out at the end of his four-year term.

While he was sheriff, Polly Smith had opened an inn called "Utopia on the River," which sits a few hundred yards from their home.

It was at the inn that Smith began entertaining guests with impromptu storytelling sessions, relating war stories from his 25 years behind a badge. An inn employee suggested he write some of them down.

"Then it just sort of evolved," Smith says. "I never consciously wanted to do it, but I always did well in school when I was asked to write."

Four of his books are murder mysteries and the other is an epic western. The screenplay, also a mystery, could earn Smith serious coin if it's ever produced.

Telecommuters can escape the urban jungle

By EDUARDO MONTES
Associated Press Writer

ALPINE, Texas (AP) — Folks who spend their mornings inching along a freeway and staring interminably at a sea of taillights may want to stop right here, before getting a taste of Rick Bohart's day.

A typical commute for Bohart, an efficiency consultant, involves a leisurely stroll across a brushy field with a view of mountain peaks tinged red by the rising sun and blue skies free of any hint of pollution.

His work on a given day may take him hundreds of miles away, at least electronically. But any time he needs a break he can always step out of his cramped office, where his computer is wedged between a water pump and a washing machine, and enjoy the clean air and solitude.

"I can walk out of my front door and I can't see another house in any direction," said Bohart. "All I've got is nature and the stars at night."

This is telecommuting at its best. Bohart is what is known as a "portable professional," a person who can pick up and go and take his career with him because his job is flexible enough to let him work from even remote areas. Like others in the same category, he uses a computer and remote technology to help him function.

Already sprinkled throughout the country, the number of portable professionals is expected to rise, even as the ranks of other telecommuters swell, thanks to technological advances and changing business strategies.

There were 7.1 million U.S. households with telecommuters last year, up from 6.5 million the year before, according to Link Resources Corp., a New York marketing research firm. Some industry projections say the numbers could nearly double in just a few years.

"We're seeing telecommuting taking off over all sorts of industries," said Nathan Nuttall of Sherwood Research Inc., another market research firm in Massachusetts.

"Companies are starting to recognize that they can't afford to pass over good talent just because they can't drag an employee to their office."

"I can walk out of my front door and I can't see another house in any direction," said Rick Bohart. "All I've got is nature and the stars at night."

Telecommuting analysts and consultants say there are a host of factors driving the trend.

They include not just improvements in computer and telecommunications technology, but corporate efforts to keep employees happy by letting them work at home. Companies also are cutting costs by assigning some projects to outside professionals rather than hiring them full time.

Lifestyles play another role. High-level professionals and talented specialists are resisting relocations, or are only willing to come into an office on a limited basis.

Others are using increased telecommuting opportunities to escape stressful urban lives and resettle in much quieter rural communities.

The technology which "is only now reaching many rural areas does make it possible for many people to move their careers to the beautiful country," said Norman Crampton, author of "The 100 Best Small Towns in America."

Eric O'Keefe, a magazine editor and writer in Alpine, found that communication advances, including such things as e-mail and the Internet, have simplified his work.

"When I write a story for *The New York Times*, I typically query them in the AM. ... By 11 p.m. that night I'm reading my copy on the Internet. That could not have happened five years ago," said O'Keefe, who nevertheless, recently took a new job that will require a move.

In Bohart's case, he spent nearly 15 years working as a programmer and networking consultant in Austin, including a stint with the Lower Colorado River Authority, before he began to look for literally greener pastures.

He had become tired of the corporate structure and since his wife, Laurie, wanted to pursue a full-time career as an artist and open a gallery, the couple concentrated on areas with the right artistic atmosphere.

They found Alpine (population 6,000), a mountain community some 200 miles south-east of El Paso, where real cowboys from surrounding ranches often mingle on main street with aspiring painters and writers and tourists.

"It had the look and feel of a burgeoning art community," Bohart said. "I'd say, that was probably the number one thing. I have the luxury that I can pretty much live anywhere I want."

"I certainly could have made more money in Austin. On the other hand, I can see where over a period of time I'm going to build the same (business) relationships over the Internet."

Bohart uses computer modeling to help businesses find ways to use their time and resources more efficiently. He gets his jobs through consulting firms that match up companies with outside specialists.

Within the industry, Bohart is something of an anomaly — most telecommuters work for medium to large-sized companies — and seems likely to remain so.

Despite telecommuting's increased popularity, there isn't any indication that remote employees will soon become the norm.

"Obviously, the vast majority of people out there are not telecommuting," said Nuttall, the research director at Sherwood Research. "I think the number will grow, but I don't think it's going to grow by some huge percent."


The day when companies have true "virtual employees" is coming, however.

"In the next decade, I think you'll see that happen because people will be able to operate with seamless data conferencing so that you think they're in the next office," said Gerry Purdy, editor of the *Mobile Letter*, a newsletter dealing with mobile telecommunications technology.

"We will still have to see people meeting, but the norm is going to change. In the past it was, 'We're going to have a meeting, fly everybody to New York.' That norm will shift, but we won't have complete elimination."

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