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## School board hears about curriculum broadening plans

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY  
Staff Writer

A curriculum coordinator said today that changes at Pampa schools would better prepare students.

Pampa Board of Education members were briefed Thursday night about the broadening curriculum plans being implemented in high schools at both the

state and local level.

JoAnn Jones, secondary curriculum coordinator, said today that these changes in curriculum stem from the state legislature's desire to make Texas students both more competitive and better prepared for the real world.

There are nine different curriculum plans from which high school students can choose during the last four years of their

education. By the year 2000, there will only be six. In the next decade, these programs will phase out to three basic plans that students can pursue which will include minimum, recommended and distinguished achievement programs.

Jones updated the board on some of the changes being made locally regarding the distinguished achievement program.

Beginning with the class of 2000, Jones said, the advanced and advanced honors graduation programs now used will be replaced with the single distinguished achievement program.

The state established four general categories from which students can choose a combination of measures to qualify for the honor. Requirements included in this list are: the completion of the

recommended program, four AP scores of at least a three, a commended scholar level PSAT score, college course credit with a grade of at least a B and an in-depth research project or licensure to be completed over a year with the aid of a mentor.

"This is designed for the self-motivated student who has an interest and wants to pursue it in-depth," Jones said.

The distinguished achievement program will differ from the current advanced and advanced honors programs because less students will pursue it, she said. Jones emphasized the recommended program is a demanding preparatory curriculum plan that will qualify students interested in post-secondary education.

"I primarily want the public to know that the recommended program is a rigorous program for all students who want to go on to work, school or the service," said Jones.

Jones and a Pampa High School committee regularly review state curriculum guidelines.

"We want to encourage the students to take advantage of as many different avenues within these state guidelines," she said.

### School board hears employee grievance

The Pampa Independent School District board of trustees denied suggested remedies for a grievance presented them Thursday night.

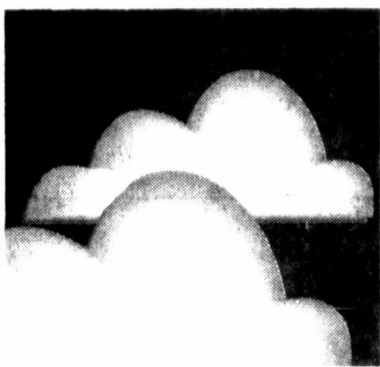
The board went into executive session for an hour to consider an employee grievance appeal. In action during their regular meeting, the board denied a suggested remedy.

The board took action on the following items at their regular meeting Thursday night.

- Consideration of the District Financial Audit for 1996-97
- Consideration of Health Benefits Administrator audit proposal
- Consideration of Bid for middle and high school band instruments at a recommended proposal of \$14,890
- Consideration of 1997-98 budget amendment
- Consideration to adopt TASB policy update 57 and Policy EL.

The board also heard an elementary construction report.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is Jan. 15 at Pampa High School.



Low tonight 20.  
High Saturday 30.  
For weather details, see Page 2.

**PAMPA** -- Saturday is the deadline for the Veterans of Foreign Wars non-perishable food drive.

The food is for the VFW's annual Christmas basket program.

Food can be dropped off at the between noon and 4 p.m. Saturday at the Freedom Museum.

For more information call Don Emmons at 669-3760.

**PAMPA** -- The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys will meet for a pot luck supper at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, at Clyde Carruth Pavillion.

For more information call 665-0190.

**PAMPA** -- The Pampa Chess Club will meet at the Grand Coronado Hotel at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday for a speed chess tournament.

For more information call 669-0227.

**PAMPA** -- Members of the New Life Assembly of God Church will distribute toys and coats to needy families from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday at the church, 1435 N. Sumner.

**LEFORS** -- The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic Jan. 7, at Lefors Civic Center. The total cost is \$70. All exams are done by appointment only. Call 359-4673 or 800-377-4673 for more information.

- Virginia Dell Butler Beard, 71, former Canyon resident.
- Harold T. Beckham, 75, a Pampa resident.
- Nellie Marie Bybee, 90, of Higgins.
- Hogan C. Hoganson, 91, the father of a Pampa resident.
- June Carol Myatt Kelp, 67, of White Deer.
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South African Sharon Spring admires one of her sister's Kachina dolls during a visit to Gray County this month. Spring said she has found the weather in the Texas Panhandle interesting.

## South African enjoys stay in Pampa

It wasn't international problems on the mind of Sharon Spring this month in Pampa. It was the weather.

Despite the snow flakes flying outside her office in downtown Pampa, Spring said she doesn't miss South Africa. Winters there are rainy but not too cold.

"I've never seen snow on the ground before," she said.

Spring explained that she had only seen snow on mountain tops.

"I'm enjoying the weather," Spring said. "It's not that horrible damp cold that we get in Capetown."

Still, she said she plans on getting some thermal long johns.

"I don't care what people think of me," Spring said. "Beauty goes out the window when you're freezing."

Although it's summer in Capetown, Spring said she's enjoyed her stay in Pampa. She is in the Texas Panhandle visiting her sister who is a legal assistant here.

Spring has lived in Capetown, South Africa, the last six years.

"I love traveling around," she laughs. "I hate being stuck in one place."

Spring has rarely been stuck in one place.

"I'm not originally from anywhere," she said. "I'm a gypsy of great note."

She's traveled widely through Africa.

"I was born in East London, South Africa," Spring said. "Mom and Dad were on their way to Rhodesia at the time and stopped long enough to have me. They came from England."

Spring did settle down long enough to make a career in the South African insurance world.

"For 10 years, I worked for General Accident," she said. "That was my contribution to society."

She opened a branch for the company on the south coast of South Africa.

"I was the first woman manager for GA," she said. "It's really very much a man's field in South Africa."

After a career in insurance, she decided to travel around.

"I just wandered around looking at people having fun," Spring said.

She toured various towns in South Africa.

See SOUTH AFRICAN, Page 2

## M.K. Brown matches funds for new emergency sirens

The M.K. Brown Foundation fulfilled a promise today.

They gave the Gray County Community Awareness and Emergency Response Committee and the Local Emergency Planning Committee a check for \$100,000.

The money is a matching donation that was pledged for the siren fund if the local community raised \$100,000 from other sources. This puts the fund slightly over the \$200,000 goal the LEPC had set to purchase the new computerized sirens, said Ken Hall of the LEPC.

When the new sirens are installed some of the old sirens

will be donated to Gray County to be used at Lake McClellan and the Walnut Creek and Cole Additions. Three sirens will also be donated to McLean and two to Lefors, according to Hall.

Bid specifications are being developed and the LEPC expects to have the new sirens installed by April of next year, Hall said.

"There have been many hours of work that have gone into the project by the LEPC," Hall said.

"There aren't sufficient words to express my appreciation to the M.K. Brown Foundation and the members of the LEPC who gave their time and hard work in making this a success."



(Pampa News Photo by Jeff West)

From left Ken Hall, LEPC; Bill W. Walters and David Holt, M.K. Brown Foundation and Police Chief Charles Morris.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**BEARD**, Virginia Dell Butler — 11 a.m., Primrose Funeral Services Primrose Chapel, Norman, Okla.

**KELP**, June Carol Myatt — Memorial graveside services, 10 a.m., White Deer Cemetery, White Deer.

**LEFEBVRE**, Ona Rae Hall — 2 p.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.

**LENZ**, Terri Ann Williams — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

**LISMAN**, Jack R. — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

**WHATLEY**, Troy — 10 a.m., N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel, Amarillo.

## Obituaries

**VIRGINIA DELL BUTLER BEARD**  
NORMAN, Okla. — Virginia Dell Butler Beard, 71, died Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1997. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Primrose Chapel at Norman. Arrangements are under the direction of Primrose Funeral Service of Norman.

Mrs. Beard was born March 20, 1926, at Norman, to Walter and Zona Butler. She had been a Norman resident since 1982, moving from Canyon. She was a bookkeeper and insurance clerk. She was a member of First Christian Church, Moose Lodge, Rebekahs, and Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas E. Beard, Jr.

Survivors include a daughter, Donna "Susie" Lorene Beard of Dallas; a son, Terry Beard of Norman; and a brother, Loren Butler of Norman.

**HAROLD T. BECKHAM**  
Harold T. Beckham, 75, of Pampa, died Thursday, Dec. 18, 1997. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

**NELLIE MARIE BYBEE**  
HIGGINS — Nellie Marie Bybee, 90, died Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997, at Canadian. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Church of Christ with Gordon Lawson, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Higgins Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Bybee was born July 2, 1907, at Stroud, Okla., to James and Lucy Fox. After her family moved to Ellis County, she attended Valley View School. She married Lucien Bybee on Jan. 2, 1928, in Lipscomb County; he died Aug. 8, 1980. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. She belonged to several quilting clubs in the Higgins area and was a Pink Lady at Newman Memorial Hospital at Shattuck, Okla. She also volunteered at Hemphill County Hospital in Canadian.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Paul Fox.

Survivors include a son, Harvey Bybee of Higgins; three sisters, Iva Henderson and Mabel Goodness, both of Beaver, Okla., and Pauline Holland of Amarillo; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Tipson Home or to a favorite charity.

**HOGAN C. HOGANSON**  
ESTHERVILLE, Iowa — Hogan C. Hoganson, 91, died Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1997, at Good Samaritan Center in Estherville. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in United Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Willey officiating. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery under the direction of Henry-Olson-Fuhrman Funeral Homes, Inc., of Estherville.

Mr. Hoganson was born Oct. 26, 1906, at Estherville, to Henry Hoganson and Axelia Hoganson, and had been a lifelong resident of the community. He attended Emmet County Schools. He married Ruby M. Crim on May 23, 1934, at Estherville; she died in 1984. He farmed southeast of Estherville, retiring in 1971. The couple moved to Estherville in 1980. He had been a resident of Good Samaritan Center for the past two years.

He was a member of United Methodist Church of Estherville and Emmet County Farm Bureau. He enjoyed fishing and golf.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Doris; and a brother, Carol Hoganson.

Survivors include a daughter, Diane Lampkin of Sioux Falls, S.D.; two sons, Dean Hoganson of Des Moines, Iowa, and Harlan Hoganson of Pampa; a brother, Arnold Hoganson of Estherville; and seven grandchildren.

**JUNE CAROL MYATT KELP**  
June Carol Myatt Kelp, 67, died Thursday, Dec. 18, 1997. Memorial graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in White Deer Cemetery at White Deer with the Rev. Lonny Robins, pastor of Trinity Fellowship Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Kelp was born at Vernon. She was a 1948 Pampa High School graduate. She married Frank Kelp in 1949 at Pampa. She was founder of K&K Inc., in White Deer and co-owned the company for the past 33 years. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include her husband, Frank; a daughter, Kathy Dowd of White Deer; two sons, Kent Kelp of White Deer and Kevin Kelp of Austin; her father, Cecil Myatt of Canadian; four sisters, Jenny Ralls and Norma Healy, both of Universal City, and Mary Myatt and Betty Bohlander, both of Pampa; a brother, Ed Myatt of Pampa; and five grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to White Deer Cemetery Association or White Deer EMS.

The body will not be available for viewing.

**TELISA DIANE REYNOLDS KOETTING**  
LELIA LAKE — Telisa Diane Reynolds Koetting, 34, a former Groom resident, died Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997, at Amarillo. Services were to be at 3 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church in Clarendon with Dr. James Bell, pastor, and the Rev. Sherman Eastland, of Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Groom Cemetery at Groom under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mrs. Koetting was born at Amarillo. She graduated from Groom High School in 1982 and attended Clarendon College. She married Neil Koetting in 1983 at Groom. She was a homemaker and had worked at Harlan's Flowers in Clarendon and Koetting Automotive in Lelia Lake. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Clarendon.

Survivors include her husband, Neil; a daughter, Shandy Koetting, of the home; a son, Seth Koetting, of the home; her mother and stepfather, Pat and Bob Pool of Groom; a brother, Dusty Reynolds of Lubbock; three stepbrothers, Gary Pool of Nashville, Tenn., and Larry Pool and Bobby Pool, both of Groom; and her grandparents, John Coe of Amarillo, Gertrude Coe of Groom and Mildred Reynolds also of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church.

**TERRI ANN WILLIAMS LENZ**  
Terri Ann Williams Lenz, 35, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with Tim Walker, minister, and Larry Brown, associate minister of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Ms. Lenz was born Feb. 11, 1962, at Chickasha, Okla., and graduated from high school at Laverne, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1989, moving from Laverne. She received a heart and lung transplant at Presbyterian University Hospital in Pittsburgh in 1984 and was the first such recipient in the state of Oklahoma. She was one of the longest survivors of the procedure.

She was a homemaker and a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Tasha Lenz and Brandi Lenz, both of the home; a son, Jess Lenz, of the home; her parents, Sammy and Carolyn Williams of Pampa; and a sister, Kelly Smith of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Life Gift Organ Donation Center, 6001 B Spur 328, Lubbock, TX 79424 or to Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

**JACK R. LISMAN**  
Jack R. Lisman, 73, of Pampa, died Thursday, Dec. 18, 1997. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Lyndon Glaesman, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery with graveside rites courtesy of McLean Masonic Lodge #889 AF&AM.

Mr. Lisman was born at Sherman. He graduated from McLean High School. He married Mary Lee Boyd in 1995 at McLean. He had been a Pampa resident since 1980. He was a plant operator for Gulf Oil Company for 39 years prior to retiring.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, American Legion, Masonic Lodge #889 AF&AM.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda Kay Mireles, in 1996.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; a son, Ross Lisman of Westerville, Ohio; two brothers, Philip Lisman of Borger and Maxie Lisman of Panhandle; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2795.

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Thursday, December 18**  
A fight was reported at the Pampa Middle School. Two juveniles were arrested.

## Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accident during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Thursday, December 18**  
Renee Lynn Anthony, 21, Groom, was cited for improper passing on the right when her Silverado pickup struck the Ford Escort driven by Melva Lavon Hammon, 35, of 529 N. Somerville, who was turning into a driveway in the 600 block of E. Foster.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriffs Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Thursday, December 18**  
Deanda Jeannetta, 59, 1016 Neel Road, was arrested on sale of alcoholic beverages to a minor.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Thursday, December 18**  
8:22 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a malfunctioning alarm in the 1100 block of Cuyler.  
8:50 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to a downed power line in the 800 block of S. Sumner.

## Ambulance

The Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Thursday, December 18**  
8:17 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of N. Russell and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.  
10:09 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Price and Highway 60 and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.  
1:46 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to a local nursing facility.  
6:04 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

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## SOUTH AFRICAN

"I met lots of interesting people...and lots of idiots," she said.

This was during the time South Africa was changing from an apartheid society to a post apartheid society. As with many societal changes, it wasn't smooth, and, Spring said, it is still rocky.

"It was very interesting to see how the rural Africans were reacting to the changes," she said. "As kids we grew up out of town. Being grown up, I'd always lived in big towns and cities. Moving back and watching how rural Africans were trying to adapt and living on the bread line was interesting. The new government was telling us everything was great like the white government told us everything was great before, and we believed it. When the truth came out, we couldn't believe how we could have been so stupid to swallow their lies, but we had."

The country faces many issues, but one of the most devastating is a deterioration of the health care infrastructure.

"The only health those rural Africans had were the sisters and the clinics," Spring said. "They had a mobile clinic that used to go around to locations and inject the babies and tell the mothers how to feed them and take care of them."

"That is no longer the case." "They did away with those," Spring said. "When they cut back on the nurses and doctors, they totally did away with those mobile clinics. That was the only access they had."

Most women had to travel all day to get their babies to a hospital, Spring said. They traveled by buses that are crammed or they'd walk for miles and miles and miles.

"A lot of organizations are buying ambulances, and doctors and nurses are giving their time to go out and help," Spring said.

"The government health programs have stopped. Private organizations are going in and trying to fill the gap, but they can't," Spring said. "The saddest thing are the AIDS babies. It really is."

"It's not acknowledged in South Africa, she said. "It's brushed under the carpet," Spring said. "Here in America you're very much more aware of AIDS, but the Africans don't believe there is such a

thing as AIDS. They say it's a disease invented by the white man to scare them into not having children.

Consequently, disease control is impossible. "When a woman has a baby and it's diagnosed HIV, they just dump it at the hospital. You walk in a room and their are cots just lined up, one after another, with babies of various ages.

Cuts in medical care have left the care of the babies in the hands of a few nurses and nurse aides. Basic health care is about all that is available.

"They feed them their bottles and change their nappies," Spring said.

Smiling, she explained that a nappy is a diaper. A pacifier is a dummy.

"They put a dummy in their mouth and put a nappy on them to keep them quiet," she added.

Rural residents are streaming into towns, she said, and they have horrendous unemployment, terrific crime and thousands of street kids.

Capetown is not like the rest of South Africa," Spring insisted.

"If you travel across South Africa, you're in Africa," Spring said. "If you go to Capetown, you could be in Greece. You could be anywhere in Europe. It could be the south of France."

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.		
Wheat	3.01	
Milo	4.25	
Corn	4.84	
Soybeans	6.56	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:		
Occidental	28 15/16	up 1/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
Magellan	96.91	
Puritan	19.27	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.		
Amoco	91 1/8	up 1/16
Arco	80 7/16	up 1/2
Cabot	25 7/16	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	22 7/8	up 1/16
Chevron	84	up 3/16
Coca-Cola	56 7/16	up 1/16
Columbia/HCA	30 1/2	up 7/16
Enron	36 3/4	up 1/16
Halliburton	58 3/16	up 3/16
Ingersoll Rand	37 1/2	dn 5/8
KNE	45 1/8	NC
Kerr McGee	67 7/16	dn 1/8
Limited	24	dn 1/4
Mapco	33 1/8	up 1/8
McDonald's	45 9/16	up 13/16
Mobil	74 1/4	up 3/4
New Atmos.	25	up 1/8
New Cent. Ent.	42 3/8	NC
Penney's	61 15/16	up 1/16
Phillips	49 3/8	up 1/8
Pioneer Nat. Res.	35 15/16	dn 1/16
SLB	90 1/16	up 13/16
Tenneco	43 1/4	dn 1/16
Texaco	57 1/8	up 7/8
Ultramar	30 15/16	up 1/16
Wal-Mart	37 1/16	up 7/16
New York Gold	312.40	
Silver	9.00	4.89
West Texas Crude	20.43	

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Partly sunny today with a high early in the day of 53 degrees. Temperatures will drop during the afternoon with gusty north winds. There is a 30 percent chance of snow after midnight. The low tonight will be in the 20s. Saturday will be cloudy and cold with light snow. There is a 60 percent chance of snow through Saturday night with a low of around 20 degrees.

The overnight low in Pampa was 34 degrees. The high Thursday was 68.

### REGIONAL FORECASTS

**WEST TEXAS** — South Plains/Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, cloudy with a chance of rain. Rain changing to snow or sleet near daybreak. Lows 25-35. Winter storm watch Saturday. Saturday, snow or sleet. Temperatures remaining steady. Saturday night, continued chance of snow. Lows from near 20 to the mid 20s. Extended forecast, Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs 35-40. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows upper teens to mid 20s. Highs in the 40s. Tuesday, cloudy with a chance of rain or snow. Lows near 30. Highs in the 40s.

### SOUTH TEXAS

Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows near 60, 50s in the hill country. Saturday, showers or thunderstorms, some producing locally heavy rainfall. Highs in the upper 60s, upper 50s Hill Country. Saturday night, cloudy and cool with showers or thunderstorms continuing.

**NORTH TEXAS** — Tonight, cloudy. Rain and a few thunderstorms forming southwest and west and spreading into central areas before sunrise. Saturday, rain and isolated thunderstorms. Saturday night, rain and a few thunderstorms.

**BORDER STATES**

**NEW MEXICO** — Winter storm watch tonight and Saturday all mountains and adjacent highlands with a winter storm watch for the northeast and east central plains Saturday. Tonight, snow chances increasing across the mountains and north with snow becoming likely in the mountains by morning. Lows teens and 20s mountains and north with mostly 30s lower elevations south. Saturday, cold with snow likely mountains and north, diminishing northwest by afternoon. Highs 20s to 30s

mountains. Saturday night, cold with a chance of snow showers, mainly mountains and east. Lows near zero to the teens mountains and north. Sunday, variable cloudiness with a chance of mountain snow showers. Highs upper 20s and 30s mountains and north with 40s to low 50s southern lowlands. Sunday night and Monday, cloudy and cold with a chance for more snow. Lows single digits to 20 mountains and north, 20s to lower 30s lower elevations south. Highs 20s and 30s mountains and north, mid 30s to near 50 southern lowlands.

**OKLAHOMA** — Tonight, cloudy. Rain likely developing western north Texas. Possibly mixed with snow and sleet northwest Oklahoma. Lows upper 20s to upper 30s. Saturday, occasional snow northwest Oklahoma. Rain gradually mixing with or changing to snow and sleet by late in the day across much of western and northern Oklahoma. Highs mid 30s to lower 40s. Saturday night, rain southeast. Snow or mixed precipitation changing to snow elsewhere. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s. Sunday, precipitation ending followed by decreasing clouds.

## City briefs

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**NEW SHIPMENT** of poinsettias arriving today at Watson's Feed & Garden, 665-4189. We deliver. Adv.

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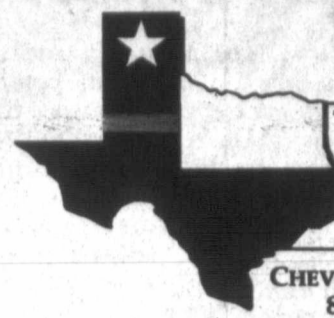
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Members of the Department of Public Safety Officer's Association gave \$1,000 checks to the Gray County and Pampa Police D.A.R.E. programs. From left are Sgt. Don Cameron of the DPS, Gray County Sheriff Don Copeland, Lt. Jim Scott of the Gray County Sheriff's Office, Corporal Donny Brown of the Pampa Police Department and Dean Powell District 5B Department of Public Safety Officers Association Representative.

## Southwestern Bell seeking rate increase on local phone calls

AUSTIN (AP) — Southwestern Bell wants to raise the cost of local phone service for many of its customers, though some would see no changes and callers in two small communities would get a rate cut and a refund.

SWB's rate plan, filed Thursday with the Texas Public Utility Commission, faces approval from the PUC before it could take effect. It would increase local phone rates by \$40 million a year in Texas.

PUC officials said it could take about two months to review the plan.

Bell charges residential customers between \$8.15 and \$11.05 a month for local phone service based on the number of residential and business lines a caller can reach without paying long distance charges. Customers who can reach more numbers with local calls pay more than those who have local access to fewer lines.

Business customers pay between \$19.15 and \$28.25 a month for local service.

The highest rates are charged in Houston and would be charged in Dallas if the PUC approved the changes.

Bell said the number of local phone lines has grown across the state, prompting the need to increase rates.

"Many of our local calling areas have seen tremendous growth in business and residential telephone lines," SWB Texas President David Cole said. "It's important that we align local calling areas in the right rate groups to make sure everyone is treated equally."

In all, rates would go up in 50 of Bell's 300 calling areas. That would affect about 2.5 million customers.

Bell has a total of some 9 mil-

lion phone lines in Texas — about 78 percent of all lines in the state.

"This is what happens when monopolies are let loose and there is no competition," said Janee Briesemeister, of Consumers Union.

Ms. Briesemeister said telephone companies for some time have argued that it is more cost efficient to serve densely populated areas. Now, she added, Bell is using the excuse of more lines in an area to increase rates.

Bell's rate plan calls for cuts for customers around Roby in West Texas and around Poteet, south of San Antonio. Monthly rates would fall 65 cents for Roby-area residential customers and 45 cents for residential customers around Poteet.

Business customers would see monthly drops of \$1.05 around Poteet and \$1.50 around Roby.

All customers in those areas would split a \$50,000 refund because they previously were overcharged for local service, Bell said.

**6 days until Christmas**

## Commissioner wants board to prove accusations

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses says that two State Board of Education members who claim there has been improper management of the \$16 billion Permanent School Fund should produce their evidence to the entire board.

Moses made the comment Thursday during a meeting with the San Antonio Express-News Editorial Board.

Republican board members David Bradley of Beaumont and Dr. Robert Offutt of San Antonio have criticized other board mem-

bers for accepting campaign contribution from money management firms recommended by the Texas Education Agency staff in September.

The have also claimed the firms the staff members have recommended may be unqualified and have substantial litigation history.

"As of today, I have yet to be presented with any written materials," Moses said. "If there is a problem with the use of external fund managers, then let's put it on the table."

The commissioner said he was

willing to work with board members, but said they needed to work out their concerns through discussions with the board and the TEA staff.

"I want to work with them," he said. "I am concerned about the stewardship of the fund, and I am concerned about the integrity of those funds."

Interest from the Permanent School Fund is used to buy textbooks for the entire state. It was created with a \$13.9 billion state endowment to lessen taxpayers' financial burden.

Until 1995, the TEA oversaw

the fund and was sole manager.

The issue is a discussion item on the agenda for the board's next meeting in January.

While the board is working out their concerns on the fund, no contracts with new firms have been signed, Moses said.

Republican Monte Hasie of Lubbock admits he accepted contributions for his failed state Senate campaign last year from three firms managing the Permanent School Fund. The donations amounted to \$22,000 before the board took up the money manager issue.

Rene Nunez of El Paso, a finance committee member, also admitted to accepting contributions from one of the outside investment managers but adds that he legally reported the contribution.

Hasie, a stockbroker, said he saw nothing wrong with voting on the firms and had a lawyer determine the donations were legal.

"It may be legal in Texas, but it doesn't pass the smell test," Bradley said.

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This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers:  
*The Galveston County Daily News* on Karla Faye Tucker execution:

In rejecting an appeal from Karla Faye Tucker, the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday cleared the way for the nation's second execution of a woman since capital punishment resumed in 1976.

Tucker would be the first woman executed in Texas since 1863.

Gov. George W. Bush will be under tremendous pressure to commute her sentence, but if he does so, he should not do it on the basis on gender.

Tucker, 38, is one of seven women on death row in Texas. She and a male accomplice were convicted of breaking into a man's apartment in June 1983 and killing him and his girlfriend with a pickax. She hit each of them more than 20 times and left the weapon imbedded in the woman's chest.

Her accomplice was sentenced to death, but he died in prison before the sentence could be carried out.

The Supreme Court issued its ruling with out comment. Prosecutors said they would ask for an execution date in late January or early February.

Texas has executed 143 prisoners, more than any other state, since reinstating the death penalty in 1982, and with those numbers in mind, it is fair to ask whether the state has gotten carried away with its executions.

But that is not the issue here. Her supporters will argue that Tucker is a changed woman, a model prisoner who has found religion. They will say she poses no threat of future violence.

But is that reason enough to set aside her sentence? Would it be reason enough if Tucker were a man?

Those are questions we think the governor should ask himself as he ponders his decision.

The Courier (Conroe) on Darla Faye Tucker execution:

For Gov. George W. Bush, it's probably one power he'd rather not have, at least for the moment.

Bush will get to determine whether he will be the governor who permits the first execution of a woman in Texas since 1863.

Karla Faye Tucker is one of seven condemned women in Texas. Tucker, 38, has been on death row since her conviction for the June 13, 1983, slaying of Jerry Lynn Dean, 27, at Dean's Houston apartment during a burglary. Dean's companion, Deborah Thornton, 32, also was killed.

Gov. Bush must decide whether to commute her sentence to life in prison.

If only the heinousness of the crime was to be considered, Tucker's case would be easily decided in favor of the death penalty.

But several complications arise. First, she is a woman, and society recoils at the thought of executing a woman, much as it does at the thought of a woman in hand to hand combat.

Secondly, she apparently has undergone a remarkable transformation in jail, attributed to her religious conversion. She describes herself as a born-again Christian and has married a minister. Her supporters include Virginia-based televangelist Pat Robertson and even the victim's own sister.

But if the death penalty is to be applied at all, then those objections should be swept aside, and Tucker should receive the punishment already meted out to her by the state.

As a woman, she should receive no special consideration. She gave her male and female victims no consideration.

As a born-again Christian, Tucker may very well have undergone a dramatic change in prison. That's all well and good, and her story deserves to be told. It, however, cannot erase the enormity of her crime. The death sentence is not based on what Tucker has become; it's based on what she did. The question is whether she is to be held accountable for her actions.

The power to commute a death sentence should be reserved for cases in which there is a real question as to the guilt of the condemned person. In Tucker's case, there are no such questions. Her sentence should stand.



Prisons and free enterprise

Listening to advocates of prison reform, I had been convinced that turning state prisons over to private profit-seekers leads to even more dreadful conditions than have existed under state control.

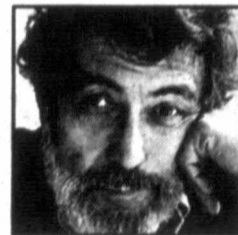
That may indeed be the case in some areas, but a recent National Public Radio story from Florida indicates there can be substantial benefits — in getting away from state rules and prohibitions.

Like those state rules reported by Sally Watt from radio station WUSF in Tampa, Fla. She quoted state senator Charlie Crist, who does not believe in coddling prisoners. With great satisfaction, he noted that two years ago he and his colleagues had done away — in the state, prisons — “with all kinds of recreational amenities for these criminals.” Among the departed amenities were “basketballs and volleyballs and weights.”

In addition, to make the prisoners more fully realize they were not out for a day at the beach, packages from home are no longer permitted. And as in other states, chain gangs have been resurrected in the Florida prisons. The prisoners are resentful, and there are increasing disciplinary problems, intensified by the absence of air conditioning in Florida's uncomfortable summers.

Meanwhile, Wackenhut Corrections, a private security firm operating the Morehaven Correctional Institution, under contract with the state, is able to run Morehaven without adhering to prison regulations passed by the Florida Legislature.

Accordingly, Sally Watt reports, at Morehaven, 750 men — their crimes ranging from drug dealing and grand theft to manslaughter — “live in a modern, air-conditioned, medium-security prison. ... There are computer, woodworking and landscaping



**Nat Hentoff**  
Nat Hentoff is an authority on the Bill of Rights.

classes as well as substance abuse courses.”

One inmate, John Zymos, describes a day in his incarcerated life that would enrage many state legislators and editorial writers around the country: “I went to horticulture class this morning, and this afternoon I work in the kitchen.” By 3 p.m., “I go back to the dorm and relax, read a book, or just go to sleep. Around five we eat, and from six to 7:45 we play basketball, ping-pong, softball or work out on the weights.”

Zymos, a convicted drug dealer, has learned how to grow landscape shrubbery that will be planted along the Florida highways.

The Wackenhut officials in charge of Morehaven underscore what many prison officials — but few state legislators — know: “It's easier to keep inmates out of trouble if you keep them busy.”

Another inmate, Albert Rodriguez, says the environment is calmer than in state prison, where he has also served time: “You have your fights. You have your arguments. But you don't have no knifings and guys trying to rape you.”

John Zymos adds: “We're in a safe environment. You can feel it. You're constantly being supervised. You're never left alone for a long period of time.”

Wackenhut has not been operating the prison long enough for any reliable statistics to

be gathered. But Lawrence Sherman, a professor of criminology at the University of Maryland, says studies indicate that prisoners with access to recreation and education have lower recidivism rates than inmates who have been stripped of everything positive to look forward to.

And according to Wackenhut, treating the prisoners as if they were humans saves money because, with diminishing unrest, fewer guards are needed.

Reporter Sally Watt points out that next year Wackenhut's contract with the state will expire, and some legislators may try to bring these private prison operators into compliance with state regulations. This would mean that Morehaven Correctional Institution will revert to what has become the standard American prison, where the inmates serve dead time as they become more dangerous than when they came in.

Wackenhut would like to expand its correctional business by taking over a whole region of the Florida prison system — 21 facilities. They applied last year and were turned down in the legislature by only one vote. The company is going to try again, but if the legislature decides to make restrictive state prison regulations also apply to private prisons, there would be no point in Wackenhut expanding in Florida. Meanwhile, if Wackenhut tries to operate reasonably humane prisons in other states, the odds are against them. Even though treating convicts as if they might be worth something some day saves money and cuts down on recidivism, the Zeitgeist — in Congress and in state legislatures is to punish prisoners as harshly and regularly as possible. The continuing result is to ensure the eventual release of a constant stream of post-graduate criminals.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Dec. 19, the 353rd day of 1997. There are 12 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 19, 1843, Charles Dickens' classic Yuletide tale, “A Christmas Carol,” was first published in England.

On this date:

In 1732, Benjamin Franklin began publishing *Poor Richard's Almanac*.

In 1776, Thomas Paine published his first “American Crisis” essay, writing: “These are the times that try men's souls.”

In 1777, Gen. George

Washington led his army of about 11,000 men to Valley Forge, Pa., to camp for the winter.

In 1907, 239 workers died in a coal mine explosion in Jacobs Creek, Pa.

In 1932, the British Broadcasting Corp. began transmitting overseas with its “Empire Service” to Australia.

In 1957, the musical play *The Music Man*, starring Robert Preston, with book and songs by Meredith Willson, opened on Broadway.

In 1972, Apollo 17 splashed down in the Pacific, ending the Apollo program of manned lunar landings.

Pols turn another good idea bad

A noble experiment designed to ensure honesty in government is dying before our eyes, and it is sad to see.


I speak of the independent counsel mechanism, created in 1978 as part of the Ethics in Government Act. Forged in the fires of the Watergate experience, it was specifically crafted to assure “fair, impartial and thorough” investigations of criminal allegations against senior officials; to inspire public confidence in government; to insulate probes of public officials from politics; and to preserve, by virtue of the independent counsel's credibility, the reputations of the wrongly accused.

Obviously, not a single one of these aims has been achieved — further proof that a politician-proof investigative device has yet to be invented and probably never will be.

The first six independent counsel probes (two against top Carter aides, four against Reagan officials), cost \$4.5 million and were disposed of with a fair degree of dispatch.

Then came Lawrence Walsh and his seven-year, \$47.4 million Iran-contra investigation (11 convictions, two overturned), and Republicans began to boil. They killed the independent counsel law, then re-enacted it after Bill Clinton was elected. By the end of his first term, four probes were underway. One was terminated only by the death in a plane crash of Commerce Secretary Ron Brown. The other three are continuing.

One independent counsel, Donald Smaltz, was appointed in September 1994, to investi-



**Joseph Spear**  
Joseph Spear is a nationally syndicated columnist.

gate whether Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy had accepted gifts and favors from people he was charged with regulating. In late August, after three years and an expenditure of nearly \$9 million (now almost \$12 million), Smaltz indicted Espy for accepting \$35,458 worth of football tickets, plane and limousine rides, luggage and crystal bowls.

Another special counsel, David Barrett, was named in May 1995, to determine whether ex-Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros lied to the FBI about the amount of money he paid to a former mistress. So far, nearly \$4 million has been lavished on this great constitutional issue.

And then, of course, there is the interminable Kenneth Starr probe into a 1978 Arkansas land deal involving Bill and Hillary Clinton and a gaggle of backwater hustlers who might have leaped off the pages of a William Faulkner novel, except that they are too outlandish for fiction. And what have we gotten for our \$30 million investment in the Starr follies? A dozen convictions of mostly minor characters, includ-

ing an inveterate con artist and an ailing and emotionally disturbed man, and the imprisonment, for more than a year now, of a woman whom Starr cannot seem to intimidate into doing his bidding.

Now we are a year into Clinton's second term, the partisans haven't stopped shrieking for more more more, and Attorney General Janet Reno has apparently decided to take a hard line. I ask, who of good and impartial mind can blame her?

Any special counsel she asks for will spend a zillion dollars and will probably still be mucking around well into the next president's term. It is a safe bet, furthermore, that such a probe would soon devolve into a partisan donnybrook.

The three-judge panel that would name the prosecutor is headed by David Sentelle, once a political hack in North Carolina and a protégé of Sen. Jesse Helms. It was Sentelle, you'll recall, who lunched with Helms and his equally hot-headed colleague, Sen. Lauch Faircloth, in August 1994, and then fired a respectable, Reno-appointed Republican investigator and named the frankly partisan Starr to head up the Whitewater inquiry.

Reno would have to be temporarily demented to ask Sentelle to name a special counsel to probe Democratic fund raising.

Put another way: The right-wing fringe of the Republican Party has cut its own throat. Unfortunately, they severed the independent counsel's jugular in the process.

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**Employee of the month**



(Special photo)

Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency administrator, Suzie Wilkinson, right, congratulates Pam Dalton, Employee of the Month for December. Dalton has worked for Shepard's Crook for the past eight years, rising to her present rank of office manager. She oversees the agency's purchasing and billing and sits on the Advisory Board of Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc. She is president of both the board of Helping Hands and of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society.

**Travis Elementary honor roll**

William B. Travis Elementary School has announced its honor roll for the second six weeks grading period of the 1997-98 school year.

**First Grade  
A Honor Roll**

Tyler Alexander, Jonathan Cook, Kaci Hill, Monica Kohler, Krysta Lane, Scott Langford, Courtney Linn, Deustin Mathis, Alla Miranda.

Micahel West, Shawna Salazar, Victoria Srygley, Michael Alexander, Jonathan Anguiano, Anthony Arreola, Nicki Cole, Brittney Cottrell, Ashley Hernandez, Taylor Hugg.

Taylor Jordan, Leda Juengerman, Katie Kidwell, Rachel Lee, Cassi Denton, Kamy Miller, Jessica Miner, Alyson Orr, Nathan Stillwagon, Holly Winegeart, Kyle Ellis, Whitney Brummett, Kelby Imel and Olivia Schlaegel.

**AB Honor Roll**

Dillon Pierce, Jackey Nunamaker, Kaylee Wills, Tonya Kiper, Kameron Graves, Ryan Baggerman, Dustin Neef, Dayla Newman.

**Second Grade  
A Honor Roll**

Megan Barnett, Chelsea Cain, Ryan Carnagey, Ally Garner, K'Lyn Holmes, Shealyn McGahen, Kayla Mendoza, Rachal Nunn, Brieawna Richards, Valerie Rushing.

Vivek Sant, Alyson Brooks, Mistie Cano, Courtney Elliott, Kristen Hagerman, Ryne Malone, Landon Moreland, Amy Silva, JaCee Villarreal, Adam Anguiano. Chris Bledsoe, Garrett Eggleston, Michael Fernuik, Josh Humphrey, Rachel Bartel, Jordan Bynum, Meagan Crawford, Kristen Dunn, Krishna Henderson, Andy Adkins, Russell Carter.

Jimmy Craig, Julie Crossman, Stephanie Jasso, Morgan Reagan, Brody Russell, Chris Russell.

**AB Honor Roll**

Brendon Carpenter, Johnny Ellen, Kyle Hargus, Dakota Gilleland, Dylan Roberts, James Irvin, Jad McGuire, Ashley Owen, Emily Woodruff, Tyler Dodson, Ashton Coffman, Kalyann Jones.

**Third Grade  
A Honor Roll**

Cory Baker, Andrea Burkhalter,

Kerri Carter, Meredith Coutts, Gavin Eggleston, Courtney Meyer, Kristen Roye, Lauren Bowen, Jacklyn Cargill, Russell Dougless, Amber Fisher, Richard Leal, Alexandra Long.

Ryan Olson, Maegan Patterson, Tanner Ray, Andrew VanHouten, Roper Barr, Ben Gibson, Bradley Johnson, Alisha Jones, Whitney Morris, Jake Russell, Brittany Taylor, Amber Williams, Whytnee Shattuck.

**AB Honor Roll**

Lyndsee Fikes, Carla Hefner, Eliza Mungia, Brandon Crook, Garrett Jonas, Jade Skinner, Logan Howard, Tyler Hucks, Kelsie Wyatt, Erica Arreola, Levi Cave, Ryan Goldsmith, Kelly Presson, Lori Presson, Brittany Reagan, Lisa Rodriguez, Yvette Silva.

**Fourth Grade  
A Honor Roll**

Krissie Alexander, Hannah Brooks, Morgan Meharg, Heather Will, Amy Youree, Braydon Barker, Nicole Fernuik, Amber Hollon, Jordan Hugg, Taren Johnson, Lacie Long, Chadd Malone, Lexton Rabel, Cheryl Alexander, Brooke Colton, Brian Haddock, Ashlee Lucas, Miranda Ashley Orr, Reid Schindler, Shannon Smith, Miranda Woodruff, Sarah Langford, Amber Qualls, Felicia Urban, Cortnee White, Logan Baker, Zach Edens.

**AB Honor Roll**

Wendy Clark, Keenan Davis, Kaysha Lee, Seth Peerson, Tamara Woodward, Daniel Gatlin, Marissa Hudson, Destinee Manhart, Cama Niccum, Aaron Anguiano, Jake Craig, Jessica Palmateer, Loria Simmons, Chris Kidd.

**Fifth Grade  
A Honor Roll**

Ruth Anne Schlewitz, Jacob Potter, Levi Nunn, Missy Brown, Jennifer Jackson, Chris Moody, Drew Morrison, Jacob Stillwagon, Danielle Tucker, Cody Hukill.

**AB Honor Roll**

Heather Dawson, Justin Lane, Erin Winegeart, Megan Coffey, Kara Kidd, Whitney Parker, Cameron Seger, Suzanne Parks, Austin Morgan, Nathan Carnagey.

**New rules governing new immigrant sponsorship to take effect today**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Starting today, U.S. residents who want to bring foreign relatives here must agree to shoulder financial responsibility for repaying public benefits the new immigrants receive, and they must prove their income is at least 25 percent above the federal poverty level.

U.S. sponsors of immigrants must sign a binding contract agreeing to pay if the newcomers obtain public benefits for which they are not eligible, under the changes in immigration policy taking effect today. The new regulations implement the 1996 immigration law.

Critics complain the new rules will prevent thousands of lower-income Americans from reuniting with their families. They also contend the requirement that sponsors pay for public benefits amounts to an open-ended financial liability that only the well-heeled can assume.

"I think they can scratch out the 'Give me your poor' part on the bottom of the Statue of Liberty," Carl Shusterman, a Los Angeles immigration lawyer, said Thursday. But supporters of the tougher measures say it is only fair that immigrants not become public burdens.

The new regulations affect U.S. citizens and legal immigrants seeking to sponsor spouses, parents, siblings and children, including children adopted from other countries. That family-based visa category normally encompasses about 565,000 applicants a year.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service earlier estimated the income requirements could disqualify up to 29 percent of sponsors. But now the INS says it cannot estimate the impact because sponsors will be allowed to recruit others to share the financial obligation. In addition, the agency is letting sponsors count the income produced by all wage earners in a household toward fulfilling income requirement.

Current poverty levels mean a would-be sponsor in a four-person household must earn at least \$20,062 to bring in relatives.

The law "is likely to reduce legal immigration to some extent," INS Commissioner Doris Meissner said in an interview this week. "That's the real issue: How will people cope with the change? Will they be able to get pooled resources in a way that allows the sponsorships to continue?" "We'll have to see how it

actually works out in practice," she said.

Sponsors always had to complete a sponsorship affidavit agreeing the newcomer would not be supported by public money. But lawmakers, irritated that such agreements were not enforced, toughened the rules last year and banned newcomers from tapping into most public benefits for five years after their arrival.

Under the law, new noncitizens are ineligible for food stamps, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, and government agencies can seek reimbursement from sponsors if they obtain such benefits.

"We want immigrants to come to work and produce, not to live off the taxpayers," Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, chair-

man of the House immigration subcommittee, said Thursday. "Twenty-one percent of immigrant households receive some form of welfare. This is contrary to century-old law that says we won't admit any immigrants who are likely to go on welfare."

Critics suggest the changes gave Smith and his allies a way to achieve reductions in legal immigration that Congress rejected last year.

Opponents also worry that the sponsorship agreement amounts to an open-ended burden, ending only when the newcomer has 10 years of qualified employment here, leaves the country, becomes a citizen or dies. They note that the law does not take into account changed circumstances, including illness, injury and divorce.

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# RELIGION

## Woman says feeding pigeons stems from vow to God

By JENNIFER BOWLES  
Associated Press Writer

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — The day Jacqueline Hagopian saw a car kill a pigeon as it swooped down to snatch a piece of bread, she made a vow to God to always take care of her feathered friends. "I never forget as long as I live," she said recently in her Armenian-accented English. "I tried to move it, but the car was

coming. Because this piece of bread, that car hit that pigeon and killed it in front of my eyes, and I couldn't do anything.

"I told God, I promise you, I'm going to take care of them as long as I live and I'm going to keep my promise," she said.

Her sacred promise collides with temporal law. And now she has a date in court to persuade a judge to support her crusade.

Since her vow in 1972, the 57-

year-old Hagopian, a one-time seamstress who lives on disability checks, has fed hundreds of pigeons every day. She gives them bird seed and fresh water in front of her single-story wood clapboard home and other places around the city.

While she sees it as an act of love, some of her neighbors see it as an annoyance. Flocks of birds defecate on their newly cleaned cars and their freshly washed

clothes hung outside to dry.

More to the point, feeding birds on public streets violates a 1964 city ordinance that makes it a misdemeanor. If convicted, Hagopian could be fined up to \$1,000 and put in jail for up to six months, although prosecutors have said they won't seek jail time.

A 1992 case against Hagopian was dropped because it was her first offense, prosecutors said.

## Religion briefs...

### Copy of Fatima statue on three-month tour

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Roman Catholic authorities expect thousands of the faithful to view a statue of the Virgin Mary during a three-month visit to more than 40 churches in northern New Jersey. The wooden image, depicting Mary with a crown, is a copy of a statue erected in Fatima, Portugal, after three children in 1917 reported seeing an apparition of the woman revered as the mother of Jesus.

Some 30,000 people of Portuguese ancestry live in the Newark area, and about half of northern New Jersey is Catholic, so processions and special services are being planned from December through February.

The statue will spend from one to three days at 44 churches. The statue, one of five consecrated replicas that travel around the world, is on loan from the bishop of Fatima.

### Alabama pastors criticize Lyons about money

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Pastors and deacons of Alabama churches that burned two years ago say the Rev. Henry J. Lyons, president of the National Baptist Convention U.S.A. Inc., betrayed their trust.

A year ago, Lyons accepted a check for \$225,000 from the Anti-Defamation League and the National Urban League. Two weeks later the St. Petersburg minister wrote the Anti-Defamation League, saying six Alabama churches had been given \$35,000 each to help rebuild.

Most of the money was never distributed. After The Tampa Tribune reported the status of the funds two months ago, Lyons returned most of the money to the Anti-Defamation League.

Lyons said the letter was mailed by mistake and that all the money wasn't given out because Lyons decided that some of the churches really didn't need the help.

Four of the six churches still need to build or complete improvements, the Tribune reported.

Investigators with the Alabama Attorney General's Office have questioned the pastors, asking whether they received any money from Lyons, who remains under investigation by federal and Florida officials examining his financial dealings.

While the investigations continue, the tiny congregations of the unfinished churches struggle to raise more money. Any insurance money was spent long ago. Donations that poured in while the burnings received national focus have long since dried up.

### Moyers says journalists should know importance of religion

CLINTON, S.C. (AP) — The media fail to see the importance of religion in society, Emmy Award-winning journalist Bill Moyers says.

"No beat is more important or more neglected today than religion," the PBS broadcaster told students at Presbyterian College recently.

Moyers, who is also a Baptist minister, spoke as part of the college's Russell Program, which studies the influences of media on society.

He said journalists are constantly asked to explain things they do not understand. "Everything is connected. You have to think critically by analogy, but not cynically," he said.

Moyers emphasized the importance of a liberal arts education, saying most journalists have not been exposed to different religions.

"Discussion in this country is too narrow," he said. "America is the meeting place for all the religions of the world."

## Baptists decry legalized gambling

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Delegates to South Carolina's Southern Baptist convention have voted to encourage pastors to teach congregations about the "destructive force" of legalized gambling. The resolution also encourages citizens to express their views to lawmakers.

It specifically addresses video poker and proposals to use its proceeds for public education.

Democratic gubernatorial challenger Jim Hodges, the House minority leader, advocates a fee increase for video poker as a way to finance an ambitious statewide college scholarship program. Republican Gov. David Beasley, a Southern Baptist, opposes the idea.

Carey Crantford, spokesman for the state Coin Operators Association, said he would rely on people to make up their own minds about the video poker industry, which was legalized in South Carolina about eight years ago.

## Emory U. sidesteps gay marriages

ATLANTA (AP) — Methodist-affiliated Emory University will allow gay couples to say marriage or commitment vows in its chapels, but the new policy sidesteps a conflict with the United Methodist Church by effectively excluding most of the school's homosexual community.

As approved by the board of trustees, it requires that all such vows be taken before a religious leader from one of the 24 groups on campus, according to Emory chaplain Susan Henry-Crowe. Of those groups, she said, only the Reformed Jewish synagogue and the United Church of Christ now perform such ceremonies.

The action is in keeping with the university's equal-opportunity policy and its atmosphere of religious freedom and tolerance without trampling on the beliefs of the church, Ms. Henry-Crowe, a Methodist minister, said.

"These guidelines apply to heterosexual couples too," she said.

Emory has been a center of controversy since the dean of Emory's Oxford College, 30 miles southeast of Atlanta, denied permission for a gay ceremony in May.

University President William M. Chace said the dean violated Emory's nondiscrimination policy. North Georgia United Methodists disagreed and took the matter to the trustees.



(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

Families and youths were among the volunteers at the Trinity Fellowship Church food donation project Thursday evening. Shelley, Leon (left, back), Corbin, Grant (from left, center) and Camber Biehler (front) gather around to take out groceries as a family.

## Pampa church reaches out to less fortunate

Trinity Fellowship of Pampa is representative of the many churches and community organizations that are giving out food and other items to Pampa's needy families this holiday season.

Trinity reached out to approximately 160 families who were given groceries — including chicken with bread and the fixings to match, for the Christmas holiday.

Families from the church delivered the food to the recipients Thursday evening.

"This year we have targeted the elderly, single mom's and families without jobs," said Carolyn Stroudan outreach coordinator.

Stroud said that this project is just as much for the givers as for the receivers of the food.

"We do this so our families will see the needs in the community," she said.

This is the fifth year that the church has provided groceries to needy families in the community. The outreach center had an entire room full of sacked groceries. The church also provided a dinner for the volunteers who dropped off the bundled foods.

"This was a church project. We wanted to involve our church family in the reaching out to families in the Pampa community," Pastor Lonny Robbins said.

## Fargo temple hires rabbi

By JOHN MacDONALD  
Associated Press Writer

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Not everyone could understand Rabbi T. Gershon Blackmore's desire to come here. Some questioned it.

After 19 years as a rabbi, the 44-year-old Blackmore probably could have headed any congregation he wanted — much bigger than this one, in a less isolated area of the country.

Blackmore had long ago set his sights on Fargo and recently became the first permanent rabbi in North Dakota in 10 years.

"I've kind of had my eye on this place for a long time and, by golly, it came up. It was hard to resist," he said.

Unable to afford or attract a permanent rabbi, the Fargo Jewish community, like others across the state, has relied for a decade solely on student rabbis from Minnesota seminaries.

Blackmore, who is married

with two children, sees Fargo as a final destination, not a stepping-stone to something bigger.

"There was very much a sense from the congregation that they did not want someone to come in for just a couple years. They'd seen enough of that," he said. "And I wanted a place where I could welcome your kids into Sunday school, do their bar mitzvahs and eventually their weddings."

Members of the congregation, which launched a search for a new rabbi about a year ago, were surprised someone with Blackmore's experience was interested in heading a congregation with just 82 families.

Fargo's Temple Beth El has gone through a string of rabbis since its inception in 1942. Most were young and stayed only a few years before moving to larger congregations. For the past decade, the house the congregation had built for a rabbi has been a rental property instead.

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### The pace of life

Rank of 31 countries for overall pace of life and for three measures: minutes downtown pedestrians take to walk 60 feet; minutes it takes a postal clerk to complete a stamp-purchase transaction; and accuracy in minutes of public clocks

Country	overall pace	walking 60 feet	postal service	public clock
Switzerland	1	3	2	1
Ireland	2	1	3	11
Germany	3	5	1	8
Japan	4	7	4	6
Italy	5	10	12	2
England	6	4	9	13
Sweden	7	13	5	7
Austria	8	23	8	3
Netherlands	9	2	14	25
Hong Kong	10	14	6	14
France	11	8	18	10
Poland	12	12	15	8
Costa Rica	13	16	10	15
Taiwan	14	18	7	21
Singapore	15	25	11	4
United States	16	6	23	20
Canada	17	11	21	22
South Korea	18	20	20	16
Hungary	19	19	19	18
Czech Republic	20	21	17	23
Greece	21	14	13	29
Kenya	22	9	30	24
China	23	24	25	12
Bulgaria	24	27	22	17
Romania	25	30	29	5
Jordan	26	28	27	19
Syria	27	29	28	27
El Salvador	28	22	16	31
Brazil	29	31	24	28
Indonesia	30	26	26	30
Mexico	31	17	31	26

Source: American Demographics, NEA Group

The pace of life can be measured in different ways, but certainly the Swiss - whose public clocks are, on average, only inaccurate by about one minute - are among the fastest paced people in the world.

# Molly and Polly:

## Cloned lambs may produce hemophilia drug in milk, scientists say ...

By PAUL RECER  
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Using a technique pioneered with their famous cloned sheep, Dolly, Scottish scientists now have cloned two lambs with a human gene that will cause them to produce in their milk a substance able to treat human hemophilia. Dr. Ian Wilmut and his team at the Roslin Institute in Scotland reported today in the journal *Science* that the lambs, Molly and Polly, were born in July and will be tested next spring to see if their milk produces useful quantities of factor IX, a protein that helps blood clot.

It is hoped that the factor IX could be extracted from the milk and used to treat patients with hemophilia, an inherited bleeding disorder in which the blood lacks the ability to clot, Wilmut said.

Experts said the creation of Molly and Polly was the logical next step following last year's cloning of Dolly, the first mammal cloned from an adult cell. The new work could prove that cloning is an efficient way to create herds of cows or flocks of sheep that act as drug-making factories.

Wilmut said Molly and Polly were produced with the same technique, called nuclear transfer, used to make Dolly. But the original cell used to clone the lambs came from a sheep fetus instead of from an adult animal.

In nuclear transfer, scientists remove the nucleus from an egg and replace it with the nucleus from another cell. The egg is then placed into the uterus of a surrogate mother that gives birth to an offspring that has only the genes of the original cell.

In Dolly, the original cell came from an adult ewe's udder.

For Molly and Polly, Wilmut said his team took the original cell from a 26-day-

old sheep fetus. Into this cell the researchers inserted a human gene for factor IX, linked to a sheep gene that increases milk production. They also put into the cell a marker, a gene that causes resistance

for the human factor IX. He said the lambs will mature by October and will be mated so they will produce lambs in February 1999.

"By then, we should have a good idea of the milk volume and the yield of the useful protein from these animals," said Wilmut.

The selective breeding of Molly and Polly and their offspring could lead to an entire flock of sheep, all of which produce human factor IX in their milk, he said.

The lambs are the first animals cloned to produce human drugs in their milk, but other techniques have been used to create drug-making animals. Several companies are now testing cystic fibrosis and heart attack drugs that come from the milk of genetically engineered sheep or goats.

These animals, however, were produced by injecting genes into a fertilized egg and then implanting the egg in a surrogate mother, a technique less efficient than the Roslin Institute's cloning. Only about 2 percent of such eggs grow to live animals and only a small percentage of the survivors actually contain the target genes.

Bruce Altmock, a researcher at Amgen Inc., a leading U.S. pharmaceutical gene research lab, said producing Molly and Polly is a significant development, but that the Roslin researchers have yet to prove the lambs will produce useful levels of drug in their milk.

Dr. Robert Foote, an animal gene researcher at Cornell University, said the Roslin scientists may have developed a shortcut to making animals that produce drugs. Others have done it with more expensive, less efficient techniques, he said, "but this is the first time it has been accomplished with cloning techniques."

He, too, said time will tell how efficiently Molly and Polly can produce the drug.

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to an antibiotic.

The manipulated cell then was nurtured so it replicated to thousands of cells.

Wilmut said the team then added an antibiotic to identify those cells that included the antibiotic-resistant gene. These cells were separated from the rest.

A total of 425 of these gene-modified cells were then placed into eggs that had had their nucleus removed. These eggs were cultured for five to six days, growing to an early embryo stage.

Wilmut said 62 embryos were then implanted into surrogate mother sheep.

From these, six lambs were born. Three contained both the human gene and the marker gene. One of these lambs died, leaving only Molly and Polly.

"The new lambs are identical to each other and identical to the original fetus except for the new gene that we introduced," said Wilmut.

Wilmut said the lambs will be allowed to grow normally and then given shots in the spring to induce lactation. This will enable the researchers to test their milk

## Jesus' birthplace site of jealous bickering

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (AP) - In this traditional season of peace on earth and goodwill toward mankind, a somewhat lesser standard of harmony prevails at the spot revered by Christians as the birthplace of Jesus.

It goes something like this: Stay off my turf, and I'll stay off yours - maybe.

The Church of the Nativity, built over the cave-like grotto where Mary is believed to have given

birth, is shared by three main Christian groups: Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Armenian Orthodox. Several smaller groups, including Copts and Syrian Orthodox, also are allowed to conduct certain rites there.

Over the years, the rival sects have sometimes come to fisticuffs over care and upkeep of the church, which is visited each year by thousands of Christian pilgrims. The lamplit, wax-scented basilica is

the scene of a midnight Mass on Christmas Eve that is televised on a giant screen in the square outside and seen by viewers the world over.

The annual cleanup day falls a few days after Dec. 25, when Western sects observe Christmas, and prior to mid-January, when Eastern ones do. And as always, the church's keepers are hoping to stave off a specter of Christmas past: soap-suds flying while angry black-robed priests face off with brooms and mop handles.

The cleaning is mainly a territorial exercise, said Daniel Rossing, formerly of Israel's ministry of religious affairs, who served for 14 years as a mediator in Nativity disputes.

"It's not so much about making the church spic-and-span - it's about asserting control over certain areas," he said.

During Rossing's tenure, which ended in 1988, peaceful holidays were glad tidings indeed. In the 1980s, scuffles broke out several times over one sect trying to clean an area claimed by another. In other years, only elaborate behind-the-scenes maneuvering prevented a confrontation, he said.

Even though a truce has held in recent years, the jealous turf-guarding means trouble could flare again at any time, said Father Jerome Murphy-O'Connor, a prominent Roman Catholic biblical scholar.

"All it takes is one aggressive personality, or one little misunderstanding, and it's all set off again," he said. "It's such an illogical system - if they don't defend their rights all the time, they lose them."



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**Tobacco companies financed sympathetic researchers, newly released records show**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tobacco industry lawyers scoured the nation for sympathetic scientists and channeled hundreds of thousands of dollars to them under the guise of the supposedly independent Council for Tobacco Research, newly released documents show.

The disclosures were among more than 20,000 pages of industry documents that a congressional committee put on the Internet Thursday, ending the tobacco industry's decades-long battle to keep the papers secret.

Cigarette makers have argued the documents were protected under law because they represent attorney-client discussions. But a Minnesota judge ruled Tuesday that the papers are not protected because they contain evidence of an industry "conspiracy of silence and suppression of scientific research."

Separately, Rep. Tom Bliley, R-Va., made the pages public two days later as part of Congress' consideration of the proposed \$368 billion tobacco settlement between the states and the industry.

The new papers provide "pieces of the tapestry," said anti-tobacco researcher Richard Daynard of the Northeastern University Tobacco Liability Project. "It's by no means the whole picture, but there are tantalizing clues that the lawyers were running this conspiracy that began in 1953 ... to generate misleading research, suppress accurate research and confuse the public."

Documents uncovered during the government's tobacco investigation in 1994 have shown that tobacco companies knew years before the surgeon general did that smoking was deadly and addictive. Cigarette makers argued that the links were speculative and that they were furiously hunting scientific proof.

But the new papers add evidence that attorneys, not scientists, were in charge of looking for a way out, Daynard said.

It should "come as no surprise that the tobacco companies needed and sought advice of lawyers, given the adversarial environment of the last four decades," the industry said in a statement Thursday.

Companies insisted the papers still were protected, and declined to comment on specific pages. Instead, they urged Congress to end "continued controversy and confrontation" and adopt the tobacco deal.

The papers show how lawyers reviewed which scientific studies were funded as "special projects"

of the supposedly industry-independent Council for Tobacco Research. The meetings continued as late as 1990, when the Kansas City firm of Shook, Hardy & Bacon pushed \$100,000 for a scientist to study "characteristics of children" and how they decide whether to smoke.

Memos praised scientists who were considered helpful to the industry. "He has presented a statement to Congress ... and proved himself to be an excellent courtroom witness," wrote Shook, Hardy attorney William Shinn in a memo recommending a \$100,000 scientific grant for one researcher. A prominent researcher at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston had "a productive year," said a 1980 memo awarding her \$123,000 and praising her for suggesting other researchers to fund.

Some tobacco executives questioned the policies. "It is timely to re-examine the special projects," Lorillard Tobacco's general counsel, Arthur Stevens, said during a meeting in 1981. The meeting's minutes quote him as "concerned with degree to which we make advocacy primary and science becomes secondary."

But "lawyers cannot testify. We need people who can," said a meeting participant identified only as Janet Brown.

The documents mark the largest cache of industry papers ever released at once. They come from the files of the Liggett Corp., which turned state's evidence last year to settle several lawsuits. But Liggett's competitors had fought to keep them sealed.

The papers are at issue not just in Minnesota's lawsuit against the tobacco industry but in Congress' consideration of the proposed \$368 billion tobacco deal, which aims to settle 40 such lawsuits.

Bliley subpoenaed the documents two weeks ago, arguing it was vital for Congress to see what the industry knew about smoking's dangers before considering the deal — because one provision would protect cigarette makers from future litigation.

Many of the papers are benign, such things as copies of congressional testimony.

But others attracted immediate attention, like a 1967 public relations proposal to use "youth heroes" such as the Monkees, the Supremes and sports figures John Unitas and Carl Yazstremski in commercials about smoking issues. R.J. Reynolds told the industry meeting that it would not participate, but the memo said the PR firm would prepare examples of the ads for future industry consideration.

**Law school applicants to remain secret**

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas may withhold the names of white and "non-preferred minority" law school applicants who were on waiting lists but weren't admitted in 1995 and 1996, the Texas 3rd Court of Appeals has ruled.

The decision, released Thursday, could mean the end of an Austin attorney's plan to file additional reverse discrimination lawsuits against the school's former admissions policies.

Steven Smith filed the lawsuit that led to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision that ended racial preferences at Texas colleges and universities. The white students in that case, challenging the school's 1992 admission policy, continue to wait for a Texas court to decide how they should be compensated.

The plaintiffs in that case, including lead plaintiff Cheryl Hopwood, claimed the school admitted black and Hispanic applicants who had lower test scores than white and "non-preferred" minority applicants in an effort to promote racial diversity.

The school now says it uses race-neutral policies but continues to struggle to recruit and retain blacks and Hispanics.

Smith in September asked for a list of white and "non-preferred minority" law school applicants who were placed on waiting lists in 1995 and 1996 but did not get in. He said he would use the list to find plaintiffs to sue against the admission policies used in those years, which also considered race.

Smith made the request under

the state's Public Information Act, which makes most records created or held by government agency subject to public disclosure.

The school, citing one of many exceptions to the law, argued that the information could become part of a lawsuit and thus was not subject to release.

Attorney General Dan Morales, whose office has authority over government agencies' public information claims, agreed, saying it was reasonable to anticipate litigation because Smith said he intended to file additional lawsuits.

But state District Judge Jeanne Meurer said the lists should be made public. She said there was not enough information to invoke the litigation exception to the Public Information Act.

**Union Pacific allegedly practiced discrimination**

EL PASO (AP) — Union Pacific Railroad discriminates against minorities in the hiring and promotion of minorities at El Paso, a group of railroad employees say.

Richard Sambrano, a conciliation specialist with the Justice Department, said Thursday he is helping the railroad and its workers resolve their differences. "The workers would like for Union Pacific to

develop strategies whereby the El Paso work force better reflects the composition of the community," Sambrano told the El Paso Times.

Ricardo Trevizo, former director of the League of United Latin American Citizens in El Paso, said only 5 percent to 8 percent of Union Pacific's highest-paid positions in El Paso are filled by Hispanics, blacks and other minorities.

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# Loving Parents Cherished No Matter What Their Age

**DEAR READERS:** Yesterday I printed the negative responses I received when I asked readers about their experiences as children of older parents. Today I'm printing the positive. Read on:



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BARBARA SHOOP, HOLLYWOOD, FLA.

**DEAR ABBY:** My dad was 46 when I was born. He was the most patient, loving father in the world. He'd show up at school when I was younger, take movies of me playing sports and running. We hiked the Grand Canyon, fished, played softball together all my life. He was always there for me, as well as for my daughter. I sent him a dozen roses for his 81st birthday last April and told him how much I loved him. He passed away 2 1/2 weeks later. So, Abby, tell those people in Texas to go for it!

BONNIE ARVONITIS, VISTA, CALIF.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a child born to my mother when she was 40. I lost her when she was 70. My parents filled each holiday with so much enthusiasm, all our friends wanted to share them with us. And they did. When I think of all the unwanted children born to younger parents, I know that when one chooses to have a family at 40, it's because children are wanted. My father died at the age of 59. I was 21, and yes, I would like to have had him longer. But again, the years I had with him were treasured — and 59 is very young, especially now that I am 59!

haired parents, especially as a teenager. But what teenagers aren't embarrassed by their parents at some time or another, regardless of age?

Mama is now 75. I am 30 with a family of my own. We are very close. Mama has some health problems, but she's active and independent. I will never regret that she gave me life. My advice to "To Be or Not to Be" BE!

MAMA'S BABY IN FLORIDA

**DEAR MARY-LOVE AND DEAR READERS:** To sum it up, in the words of Julie Petrus, of Pflugerville, Texas: "The question is not whether you're too old to have children — it's what kind of parent are you going to be when you do have children?" Thank you for the outpouring of heartfelt letters on this subject. I regret that space limitations prevent my printing more of them.

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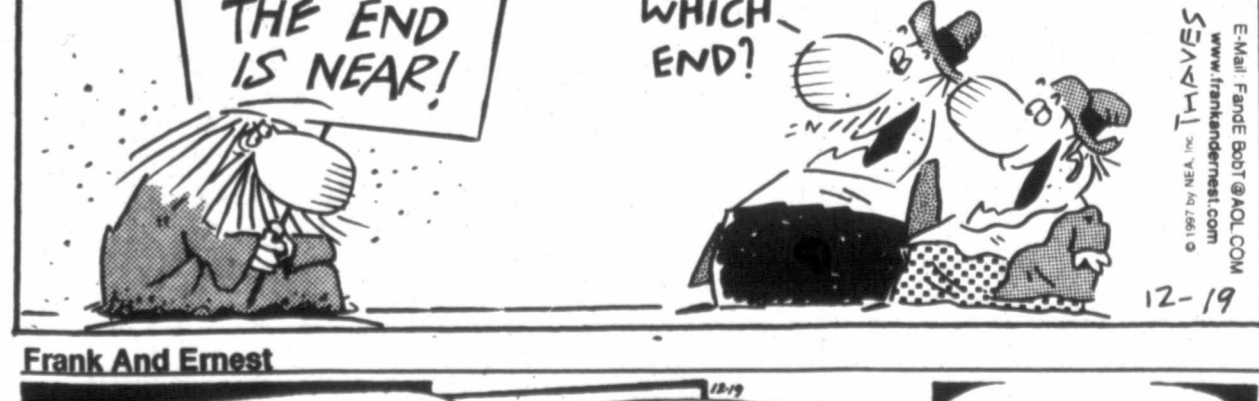
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## Horoscope

Sunday, Dec. 21, 1997

This could be a gratifying year for you, in that some of your heart's desires might be fulfilled. In any area where transitions take place, the changes will be broad and beneficial.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Conditions look favorable today for your partnership arrangements. Your business alliances could have long-reaching effects. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$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.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Developments that have political over-

tones should work out to your benefit today without you having to exert much effort to shape their destiny.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Two of your long-range plans could start generating positive signals today. These trends will give you ample reasons to feel optimistic.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** You are still on a favorable roll where commercial interests are concerned, so keep an eye out for opportunities. You may want to create some yourself.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You and your mate could achieve objectives that are significant to the union today. You both need to strive for harmony and purpose.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Treat business associates as friends instead of commercial contacts today. You will be very pleased as to the type of benefits your warmth will generate.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** An involvement from which a friend has benefited might be revised in a manner that will enable you to be a partici-

pant. This is a definite plus!

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Today looks extremely encouraging for you to achieve personal goals. In fact, you might reap returns from more than one venue.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You are likely to be luckier if you work closely with another today than if you try to operate independently. Establish a desirable alliance.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Focus your efforts today on things that are financially meaningful to you. You are in a good growth cycle, but it will be up to you to capitalize on it.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** If you're involved in some type of team endeavor today, you're the person they need to arouse enthusiasm and instill the will to win.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Even though the instrument might not be visible to you today, important benefits will come from a new source. Wait until you see who its sponsor is!

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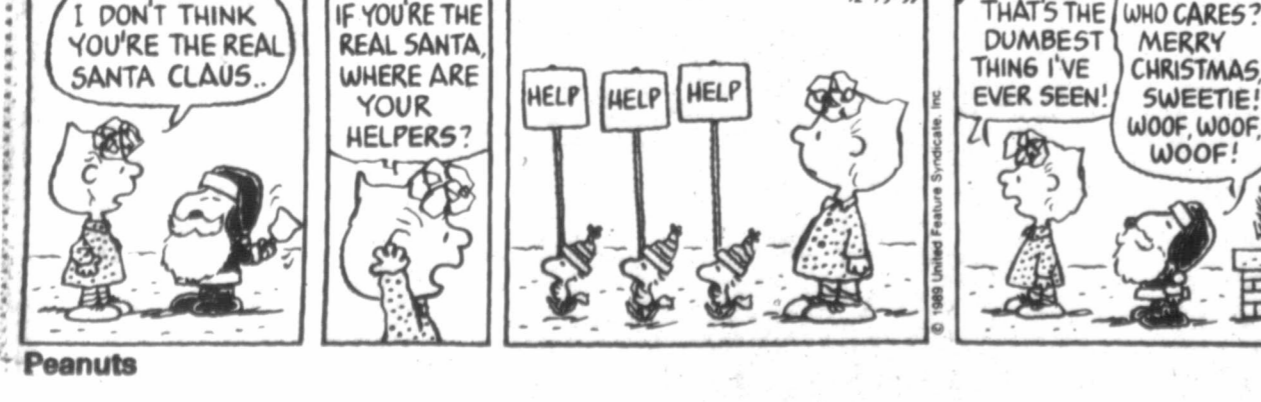
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# SPORTS

## Notebook

### FOOTBALL

**PAMPA** — Nathan Hicks, a senior member of the Rogers, Tex. football team, has some close ties to the Pampa area. His mother, Connie Finney-Hicks, is a Lefors native. Nathan's grandparents, Monrow and Pat Finney, live in Pampa.

Rogers defeated Alto, 42-33, last weekend to advance to the Class 2A state championship game for the first time in school history. Rogers will meet Stanton in this weekend's title game.

David Hicks, Nathan's dad, is one of the assistant coaches for Rogers. Mrs. Hicks is a 5th-grade teacher.

Rogers has a 14-1 record while Stanton is 15-0. The two teams are tentatively scheduled to meet at 6 Saturday night in Texas Stadium.

"We were hoping that White Deer would get far enough in the playoffs to play Rogers. That would have been something," said Monrow Finney.

### BASKETBALL

**AUSTIN, Texas (AP)** — Jody Conradt, who has won more games than any other coach in women's basketball, joined Bob Knight of Indiana as the only active college coaches with 700 victories when the Lady Longhorns beat Northwestern.

Conradt, with a record of 700-202, became the eighth coach — men's or women's — to reach the 700-victory milestone when Texas defeated the Wildcats 89-86 Thursday night.

"Relief was about the only emotion I could feel when that buzzer went off," she said.

"When this game was going on, I thought it was the ugliest game I'd ever seen in my life, but when it was all over, I thought it was just about the most beautiful."

### BASEBALL

**ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)** — The Texas Rangers are bringing back infielder Domingo Cedeno.

Cedeno and the Rangers agreed to a \$500,000, one-year deal on Thursday. He earned \$285,000 last year.

The 29-year-old utilityman — who started 53 games at second base, 30 at shortstop and three at third base for Texas last season — hit .282 with four home runs and 36 RBIs in 113 games.

The switch-hitter had a career average of .258 with 10 homers and 87 RBIs in 315 games.

### HOCKEY

**CALGARY, Alberta (AP)** — With Ed Belfour and stifling team defense, the surging Dallas Stars haven't missed a step without injured scoring stars Mike Modano and Joe Nieuwendyk.

"They proved tonight why they're the best team in the league," Calgary goalie Rick Tabaracci said after the Stars' 2-1 victory over the Flames on Thursday night. "Their lineup is going to give 100 percent."

Belfour made 23 saves to help the Stars up their league-leading point total to 50 at 23-9-4. Belfour improved to 19-6-4 and dropped his goals-against average to 1.83.

"We wanted to play good defense and shut down their top line of (German) Titov and Theo (Fleury) because they're a talented line and you can't give them any space," Belfour said.

The Flames outshot the Stars 15-5 in the first period.

"We expected them to come out working hard in the first period and they did that," Belfour said. "We were probably lucky to be ahead."

The Dallas goalie faced only nine shots in the final two periods.

Dallas' Tony Hrkac opened the scoring at 4:44 of the first period, and the Stars made it 2-0 on Jari Lehtinen's power-play goal at 5:57 of the second. Titov had a power-play goal for Calgary at 13:26 of the second.



(Pampa News photo)

Lucas Jaramillo (kicking the ball) was the team captain and leading scorer for the Pampa boys' soccer team last season. He returns for his final year.

## Pampa soccer team getting set to open new season

By L.D. STRATE  
Sports Editor

**PAMPA** — A year ago the Pampa High boys' soccer team finished second behind Amarillo Caprock in the District 5 race. This season, the Harvesters are looking to install themselves in that first-place spot.

"We've been practicing for about two weeks now. The kids are working hard and we're working them harder than ever. We've got eight seniors and each one of them is going to be a key to how successful we become," said Pampa head coach Warren Cottle.

Cottle had six returning starters, including captain Lucas Jaramillo, the team's leading scorer with 19 goals a year ago. Jaramillo will be joined by Brian Sprinkle, Joel Bolz, Bryan Johnson, Nick Smiles and Jason Vance. Smiles, who played in only four matches last season because of an ankle injury, will

definitely give the team an extra boost, Cottle said.

Pampa's starting lineup, however, is far from settled. "There's a big jump between our seniors and sophomores. There's a lot of holes left open," he said.

Cottle said new assistant coach Scott Lewis will be a tremendous help to the team.

"He brings a ton of experience to the program," Cottle added. "He's really good at working with the players and they all like him."

The Harvesters open the season Jan. 3 against the Pampa Alumni with the match starting at 2 p.m. at Harvester Stadium. "This game is a big kickoff to our year. The alumni has been a real test for us," Cottle said.

Pampa's first regular-season match is Jan. 6 against Tascosa in Amarillo. The Pampa-Canyon matches on Feb. 14 and March 7 have been changed. The home and

away dates were switched because of the Top O' Texas Relays being held in Pampa. The changes were not noted on earlier schedules released to the public.

The updated varsity boys' schedule is as follows:

**Jan.**  
3 - Varsity vs. Alumni, 2 p.m. at Harvester Stadium; 6 - Tascosa, 4:15 p.m. at Tascosa; 10 - Lubbock Monterey, 12 noon home; 13 - Amarillo High, 4:15 p.m. at Amarillo; 16-17 — Odessa Tournament; 20 - Lubbock High, 4:15 p.m. home; 24 - Lubbock Coronado, 12 noon in Lubbock; 27 - Palo Duro, 4:15 p.m. home; 31 - Randall, 12 noon home.

**Feb.**  
3 - Amarillo Caprock, 4:15 p.m. at Caprock; 7 - Borger, 2 p.m. at Borger; 14 - Canyon, 12 noon home; 17 - Randall, 4:15 p.m. at Randall; 21 - Caprock, 2 p.m. home; 24 - Borger 4:15 home.

**March**  
7 - Canyon, 12 noon at Canyon.

## Buffs sign 3 Juco football players

**CANYON**—West Texas A & M University Head Football Coach Stan McGarvey announced this afternoon the signing of three junior college transfers, all offensive linemen from Cisco Junior College, on the initial signing day for mid-year transfers.

Chris Brown (Jr., Offensive Lineman, 6-2, 315, Clarendon), Brandon Crump (Jr., Offensive Lineman, 6-3, 285, Groom) and Rhaun McGregor (Jr., Offensive Lineman, 6-3, 310, Somerville) have all signed letter-of-intent to play for the Buffaloes on Thursday night and enroll in WTAMU classes this spring. The three-

some averages 6-2 in height and 303 pounds.

"All three players are good, solid offensive linemen," WTAMU Head Coach Stan McGarvey said. "They are big guys and will definitely help fill an area we need to improve upon in 1998, Brandon and

Chris are both excited about being Buffaloes and playing close to home, while Rhaun is a fellow Texan that we believe can really help us."

McGarvey turned around a 1-9 football program from 1996 to a 7-4 squad in his first session as head coach at WTAMU. The Buffs defeated Abilene Christian, Eastern

New Mexico, Tarleton State and Midwestern State in the South, and nearly pulled off an upset of Angelo State, which was ranked fifth in the nation at the time.

## Cook to Mets

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Dennis Cook, a 35-year-old left-hander who made 59 relief appearances for the Florida Marlins last season, was traded to the New York Mets for minor-league outfielder Fletcher Bates and left-hander Scott Comer. Cook was 1-2 with a 3.90 ERA last season.

## PD Dons coming to town tonight

**PAMPA** — No matter what happens against a strong Palo Duro team tonight, the Pampa Harvesters can go into the new year knowing they won the one that counted the most.

Pampa downed Borger, 58-54, Tuesday night in a District 1-4A opener between the two teams.

"Our guys played real well. I couldn't have asked for more. They were considered the underdog and they went out and got the job done," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale. "Borger has some talented people."

Pampa is tied with Hereford and Randall for the early district lead. That situation will change tonight as all the district teams, with the exception of Pampa, are in district action.

Palo Duro is even more talented than Borger. They've loaded," Hale said.

Tonight's action begins with the Pampa-Palo Duro girls' game at 6 tonight in McNeely Fieldhouse.

BRISCOE — The Smith broth-

### HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

ers combined for 45 points as Fort Elliott defeated Amarillo Christian, 87-42, Thursday night.

Curt Smith paced all scorers with 24 points while Tanner Smith added 21.

Shaun Mendoza had 14 points and Ricky Ynfante chipped in 11 for Amarillo Christian.

The Broncos improved their record to 7-5.

Fort Elliott also won the girls' game, 84-13.

High scorer for Fort Elliott was Amanda Shields with 19 points. Carissa Dukes followed with 14 points.

Tiffany Houchins had 5 points and Amber Hensen 4 to lead Amarillo Christian.

Fort Elliott's record is now 7-4.

The Fort Elliott Tournament is scheduled Jan. 1-3. Teams entered include Miami, Higgins, West Texas Christian, Samnorwood, Shamrock, Booker, McLean, Claude boys and Fort Elliott.

## Denison, Texas City each have three APSE first-teamers

**DALLAS (AP)** — Texas City, which won a state title last weekend, and Denison, which will be playing in its third straight final this weekend, each placed three players on the Texas Associated Press Sports Editors Class 4A all-state team released Thursday.

Linebacker Everick Rawls, defensive lineman Jermain Anderson and defensive back Joe Grant all made the first-team off the Texas City squad that defeated Corsicana 37-34 in last Saturday's Division I final. Rawls also was voted the defensive player of the year.

Texas City coach Rusty Dowling described Rawls and Anderson as "the kind of guys you have to have to win state championships." He added that Grant, who also starts at receiver, "has probably been involved in as many or more big plays than anybody we have."

Denison, which faces La Marque in the Division II championship Saturday, was represented by offensive lineman Chad Carlat, running back Chris Robertson and defensive lineman Aaron Hunt.

"They're all very deserving kids," said Denison coach Bob Brown, whose 15-0 team finished the regular season ranked No. 1 in the AP poll. "They all stepped up their performance every year and every week in our program. I think all three are legitimate Division I recruits."

La Marque had no first-teamers, while Corsicana's lone honoree was offensive lineman Billy Yates. Yates was the only player

### White honored

Pampa junior linebacker Jared White has been named to the Class 4A All-State honorable mention list by The Associated Press Sports Editors.

For the second year in a row, the 200-pound White led the Harvesters in total tackles. He had 108 tackles this season, including 32 solo stops.

White also had 9 quarterback sacks, 9 hurries and 1 blocked pass.

on last year's first-team offense to make it back. Jacksonville linebacker Kevin Aldridge was the only returning player on the first-team defense.

Three teams each placed two players on the first team, notably Waco Midway, which was ousted by Texas City in the semifinals. Midway's honorees were quarterback Brandon Johnson and his favorite target, receiver Kevin Brown. Johnson also was voted offensive player of the year.

West-Orange Stark was represented by offensive lineman Rusty Bernard and defensive lineman Charles Sias.

Andrews had first-teamers in running back Shaud Williams and defensive back Waylon Mayfield.

The eighth annual APSE team was chosen by sportswriters around the state, based on players' regular-season performance.

## Mavericks continue skid

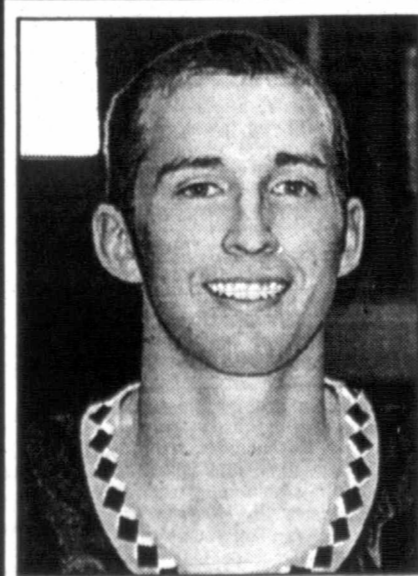
**DALLAS (AP)** — Once the Phoenix Suns started taking advantage of mismatches inside against Dallas, they rolled to an easy victory.

Cliff Robinson scored 17 points and Antonio McDyess had 14 points and 14 rebounds as the Suns dealt the Mavericks their seventh straight defeat, 89-75, Thursday night.

The Mavericks are still without 7-foot-6 center Shawn Bradley, the league's top shot-blocker who's out with a torn left calf muscle until at least Jan. 1. The Suns finally began to exploit their height advantage in the third quarter and went on to snap a three-game losing streak.

"Bradley would have made a big difference," McDyess said. "We were able to take advantage of their smaller players."

## PLAYER OF THE WEEK



**TYSON ALEXANDER**

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 Dallas over NY Giants  
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 Washington over Philadelphia  
 Kansas City over New Orleans  
 Minnesota over Indianapolis  
 Cincinnati over Baltimore  
 Tampa Bay over Chicago  
 Jacksonville over Oakland  
 Denver over San Diego  
 Detroit over NY Jets  
 Arizona over Atlanta  
 San Francisco over Seattle  
 Miami over New England

**National Football League**  
**At A Glance**

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
New England	9	6	0	.600	355	277
Miami	9	6	0	.600	327	313
N.Y. Jets	9	6	0	.600	338	274
Buffalo	6	9	0	.400	234	336
Indianapolis	3	12	0	.200	285	382
Central						
y-Pittsburgh	11	4	0	.733	388	291
y-Jacksonville	10	5	0	.667	374	309
Tennessee	7	8	0	.467	317	304
Baltimore	6	8	1	.433	312	329
Cincinnati	6	9	0	.400	339	391
West						
x-Kansas City	12	3	0	.800	350	219
y-Denver	11	4	0	.733	434	284
Seattle	7	8	0	.467	327	353
Oakland	4	11	0	.267	315	399
San Diego	4	11	0	.267	263	387
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
x-N.Y. Giants	9	5	1	.633	287	258
Washington	7	7	1	.500	292	257
Philadelphia	6	8	1	.433	285	337
Dallas	6	8	0	.400	297	294
Arizona	3	12	0	.200	254	353
Central						
x-Green Bay	12	3	0	.800	391	261
y-Tampa Bay	9	6	0	.600	288	248
Detroit	8	7	0	.533	366	296
Minnesota	8	7	0	.533	315	331

Chicago 4 11 0 267 248 390

West  
 x-San Francisco 132 9.867 308 227  
 Carolina 7 8 0 .467 247 284  
 Atlanta 7 8 0 .467 294 332  
 New Orleans 6 9 0 .400 224 302  
 St. Louis 4 11 0 .267 269 341

x-won division title  
 y-clinched playoff berth  
**Saturday's Games**  
 Buffalo at Green Bay, 12:30 p.m.  
 St. Louis at Carolina, 4 p.m.  
**Sunday's Games**  
 Baltimore at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.  
 Chicago at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.  
 Indianapolis at Minnesota, 1 p.m.  
 New Orleans at Kansas City, 1 p.m.  
 New York Giants at Dallas, 1 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Washington, 1 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh at Tennessee, 1 p.m.  
 Atlanta at Arizona, 4 p.m.  
 Jacksonville at Oakland, 4 p.m.  
 New York Jets at Detroit, 4 p.m.  
 San Diego at Denver, 4 p.m.  
 San Francisco at Seattle, 8 p.m.  
**Monday's Game**  
 New England at Miami, 9 p.m.

**BOWLING**  
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**Harvester Women's League**

Team	Won	Lost
DBR H20 Vending	46	18
Schiffman Machine	39	25
O'Brien Enterprises	38	26
Davis Milt Mart	35	28
H&H Sporting	32	32
Graham Furniture	30	24
Peggy's Place	27	37

**Week's High Scores**  
 High game: Ann O'Brien 210; High series: Ann O'Brien 562; High handicap game: Ann O'Brien 228; High handicap series: Peggy Rodriguez 624.

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**  
**College Bowl Games**  
**All Times EST**  
**Saturday, Dec. 20**  
**Las Vegas Bowl**

At Las Vegas  
 Air Force (10-2) vs. Oregon (6-5), 6 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Thursday, Dec. 25**  
**Blue-Gray Classic**  
 At Montgomery, Ala.  
 Blue vs. Gray, Noon (ABC)  
**Alphas Bowl**  
 At Honolulu  
 Michigan State (7-4) vs. Washington (7-4), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)  
**Friday, Dec. 26**  
**Motor City Bowl**  
 At Pontiac, Mich.  
 Marshall (10-2) vs. Mississippi (7-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Saturday, Dec. 27**  
**Heritage Bowl**  
 At Atlanta  
 South Carolina State (9-2) vs. Southern University (10-1), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)  
**insight.com Bowl**  
 At Tucson, Ariz.  
 Arizona (6-5) vs. New Mexico (9-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Sunday, Dec. 28**  
**Independence Bowl**  
 At Shreveport, La.  
 LSU (8-3) vs. Notre Dame (7-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Monday, Dec. 29**  
**Humanitarian Bowl**  
 At Boise, Idaho  
 Utah State (6-5) vs. Cincinnati (7-4), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Carquest Bowl**  
 At Miami  
 Georgia Tech (6-5) vs. West Virginia (7-4), 7:30 p.m. (TBS)  
**Holiday Bowl**  
 At San Diego  
 Missouri (7-4) vs. Colorado State (10-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Tuesday, Dec. 30**  
**Alamo Bowl**  
 At San Antonio  
 Oklahoma State (8-3) vs. Purdue (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Wednesday, Dec. 31**  
**Sun Bowl**  
 At El Paso, Texas  
 Arizona State (8-3) vs. Iowa (7-4), 2 p.m. (CBS)  
**Liberty Bowl**

At Memphis, Tenn.  
 Pittsburgh (6-5) vs. Southern Mississippi (6-3), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Fiesta Bowl**  
 At Tempe, Ariz.  
 Kansas State (10-1) vs. Syracuse (9-3), 7 p.m. (CBS)  
**Thursday, Jan. 1**  
**Outback Bowl**  
 At Tampa, Fla.  
 Wisconsin (8-4) vs. Georgia (9-2), 11 a.m. (ESPN)  
**Gator Bowl**  
 At Jacksonville, Fla.  
 North Carolina (10-1) vs. Virginia Tech (7-4), 12:30 p.m. (NBC)  
**Cotton Bowl**  
 At Dallas  
 Texas A&M (9-3) vs. UCLA (9-2), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)  
**Rose Bowl**  
 At Pasadena, Calif.  
 Michigan (11-0) vs. Washington State (10-1), 5 p.m. (ABC)  
**Sugar Bowl**  
 At New Orleans  
 Florida State (10-1) vs. Ohio State (10-2), 8 p.m. (ABC)  
**Friday, Jan. 2**  
**Peach Bowl**  
 At Atlanta  
 Clemson (7-4) vs. Auburn (9-3), 3 p.m. (ESPN)  
**Orange Bowl**  
 At Miami  
 Nebraska (12-0) vs. Tennessee (11-1), 8 p.m. (CBS)

**ROBYN BEASLEY**, 5-9, sr., outside hitter, Amarillo  
 Erin Dobryanski, 5-10, sr., outside hitter, Alvin  
**Second Team**  
 Handi Kintzer, 5-6, sr., setter, Amarillo  
 Anastasia Kenon, 5-9, so., outside hitter, San Antonio  
 Antonio Clark  
 Brittany Bruns, 5-10, sr., middle blocker, Houston  
 Cypress Falls  
 Robyn Burkhardt, 6-2, sr., middle blocker, San Antonio  
 East Central  
 Courtney Burg, 5-9, jr., outside hitter, Houston  
 Cypress Falls  
 Lindsay Hayes, 5-11, sr., setter, Sugar Land  
 Clements Honorable Mention  
 Catherine Weir, Abilene Cooper, Jenny Kolkhorst, Houston Cypress Falls; Chelsie Butler, San Marcos; Stacy Mark, Crowley; Lindsay Westendorf, Baytown Sterling; Melissa Watkins, Abilene Cooper; Niki Green, Midland; Katrina Jordan, Odessa Permian; Jamie Salter, San Angelo Central; Kristina Taylor, Longview; Tiffany White, Denton Ryan. Class 4A  
**First Team**  
 Julie Rampley, 5-9, sr., middle blocker, Hereford  
 Caste Betzen, 5-9, sr., outside hitter, Hereford  
 Tara Hatfield, 6-0, sr., setter, Austin  
 Julie Boatwright, 5-10, sr., setter, Austin  
 McCallum  
 Jessica Cavett, 5-7, sr., outside hitter, Brownwood  
 Carl Teague, 6-0, sr., middle blocker, Dickinson  
**Second Team**  
 Lizzie Pincoffs, 5-10, sr., middle blocker, Austin  
 McCallum  
 Mary Ellen Angel, 5-10, sr., middle hitter, Magnolia  
 Leigh Leman, 5-9, sr., setter, Magnolia  
 Natalie Spann, 5-8, sr., setter, Cleburne  
 Lori Marquez, 5-10, sr., middle blocker, Pecos  
 Jennifer Elliott, 6-0, sr., middle blocker, Hays  
**Honorable Mention**  
 Wendie Bulard, Cleburne; Tiffany Weidner, New Braunfels Canyon; Abby Weinstein, Austin  
 McCallum; Melissa McGehee, Kerville Thy; Melissa Martis, Whitehouse; Lauren Thorman, Denton; Holly Fields, Andrews; Hillary Lee, San Angelo Lake View; Jill Addison, Lamesa; Ali Bane, Andrews; Carolyn Slovick, Coppell; Shana Willis, Port Lavaca Calhoun.  
**Class 3A**  
**First Team**  
 Stacy Schmidt, 5-11, sr., outside hitter, Bellville  
 Jennifer Worth, 5-10, sr., middle blocker, Seminole  
 Karen Gasch, 5-11, sr., middle blocker, Midland  
 Greenwood  
 Shlich O'Donnell, 5-4, sr., setter, Midland  
 Greenwood  
 Abby Zwalh, 5-7, jr., outside hitter, Bellville  
 Celia Garcia, 5-5, sr., outside hitter, Alpine  
**Second Team**  
 Mandy Chast, 5-11, jr., middle blocker, Midland  
 Greenwood  
 Rosalinda Boria, 5-3, sr., setter, Seminole  
 Andrienne Reyes, 5-4, sr., setter, Alpine  
 Aleshia Lincoln, 6-2, sr., middle hitter, Queen City  
 Penny Sammons, 5-8, sr., middle hitter, Tatum  
 Kara McCromy, 5-8, sr., outside hitter, Groesbeck Honorable Mention  
 Tracie Jasso, Monahan; Jennifer Daniel, Amarillo River Road; Laurie Adams, Amarillo River Road; Wendy Wheeler, Van; Amanda Hinton, Queen City; Catherine Westoff, Edna; Trisha Ratliff, Alpine; Melissa McKinney, Talf; Stacey Clifton, George West; Leslie Zapalac, Sealy; Jill Reinhardt, Yoakum; Jill Peterson, Edna.  
**Class 2A**  
**First Team**  
 Lisa Gorzell, 5-10, sr., outside hitter, Poth  
 Jennie Felix, 5-11, sr., middle hitter, Poth  
 Lisa Sierra, 5-6, jr., setter, Poth  
 Cheryl Towley, 5-9, sr., outside hitter, Jarrell  
 Terri Guajardo, 5-8, jr., outside hitter, Freer  
 Earlanda Williams, 5-11, sr., outside hitter, Flatonia  
**Second Team**  
 Teresa Olsen, 5-10, sr., outside hitter, Lago  
 Vista  
 Brandie Allgood, 5-9, sr., setter, Holiday  
 Jennifer Torner, 5-9, sr., outside hitter, Brazos  
 Mendi Matus, 5-11, jr., middle hitter, Holiday  
 Sommer Heller, 5-5, sr., setter, Nocona  
 Yolanda Grant, 5-11, sr., outside hitter, Flatonia  
**Honorable Mention**  
 Felicia Taylor, Pattonville Prainland; Amanda Hajovsky, Ganado; Erin Noble, Nocona; Melanie Kempf, Blanco; Shelly Billstein, Industrial; Megan Hatfield, Pattonville Prainland; Ande Coerver, Weimar; Amy Kramer, Ganado.

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# Tears for a clown: Comic Chris Farley found dead in apartment

CHICAGO (AP) — Growing up in Wisconsin, Chris Farley idolized comic John Belushi.

Farley even managed to trace nearly the same career footsteps, joining Chicago's Second City improvisational troupe, then the cast of NBC's *Saturday Night Live* before he went on to star in such movies as *Tommy Boy* and *Black Sheep* and *Beverly Hills Ninja*.

Inspired by Belushi, the blubbery comedian's specialty was sweaty, tightly wound characters who erupted in vein-popping frenzies. Like his comic idol who died young, Farley lived large, overeating and by many accounts abusing drugs and alcohol.

Farley was found dead on the floor of his apartment Thursday, clad in pajama bottoms. He was 33.

The cause of death was not known, although police said there was no sign of foul play. An autopsy was planned for today.

No drugs were found in an initial sweep of the apartment, police Sgt. Robert Delaney said. Although, an unidentified

spokesman for the Cook County medical examiner's office said Farley was found with a blood-tinged fluid coming from his nose and a white, frothy fluid spilling from his mouth, indicating his death might have been drug-related, the Chicago Tribune reported today.

Farley's brother John found the body in the 60th-floor apartment of the John Hancock Building along the stretch of Michigan Avenue called the Magnificent Mile.

Friends and colleagues said they had been concerned about the 290-pound, size-54 comic.

In an *Us* magazine article this year titled "Chris Farley: On the Edge of Disaster," Farley's manager, Marc Gurvitz, said he was worried, even though he felt Farley's long battle with booze and drugs was under control.

"He's got a big career and a great life ahead of him," Gurvitz told the magazine. "But will he go the route of John Candy if he's not careful? Of course he will." Candy, another comedian, died of

a heart attack in 1994 at age 43.

Charna Halpern, a close friend and director of the Improv Olympic theater school in Chicago where Farley studied during the 1980s, said she knew Farley used drugs and alcohol.

"Was it a problem, was it recreational? I don't know. He loved to drink," she said. "I don't think he felt in control."

On "SNL," Farley's characters were clearly inspired by Belushi, an original cast member who became a star on the long-running TV series and died of a drug overdose in 1982, also at age 33. Farley left the show in 1995.

In a recent interview with *Steppin' Out* magazine, "SNL" alumnus David Spade, who co-starred with Farley in *Tommy Boy* and *Black Sheep*, talked about his concerns.

"The fact that he cut out drugs and alcohol is the biggest thing," Spade said. "But he's my friend, and I'm just concerned. ... He needs to watch his weight, he drinks too much coffee, he smokes."

Last year, Farley completed the comedy movie "Almost Heroes" with Matthew Perry of the NBC hit "Friends." The two play hapless explorers trying to compete with Lewis and Clark in the movie scheduled for release in 1998 by Warner Bros.

As the "SNL" character Matt Foley, the motivational speaker, Farley ended his speeches by smashing through the furniture in a froth, his blond hair matted and his garish plaid sports jacket bursting at the seams.

In another recurring "SNL" skit, Farley downed beers and bratwurst as a fan of Chicago's football team, "Da Bears." He also played a flabby, bare-chested Chippendale's dancer, his giggling gut spilling over his waistband.

"I loved that Chippendale's routine," said fan Tonia Leofanti, 22, of Chicago. "He was the first guy to really make me laugh. I hope he will be remembered for his comedy."

In 1995, Farley played for laughs on Capitol Hill, doing his impersonation of House Speaker

Newt Gingrich on the floor of Congress with Gingrich looking on.

"He brought us the same laughter and happiness as he did to his millions of fans," Gingrich said in a statement of condolence.

Farley, who played a lovable but witless, bumbling slob in the movies *Tommy Boy*, *Beverly Hills Ninja* and *Black Sheep*, saw his brand of outra-

geousness as a mixed blessing.

"Although I love this kind of comedy, sometimes I feel trapped by always having to be the most outrageous guy in the room," Farley said in 1996. "I'm working on trying not to be that guy in my private life."

Former "SNL" comic Chris Rock said Farley was one of his best friends and "one of the funniest guys I've ever known."

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## New Korean leader vows to change things for the better

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — It took Kim Dae-jung four tries and 26 years to win South Korea's presidency and along the way he was jailed, exiled and targeted for assassination. Now comes the hard part.

Kim — a veteran opposition leader once persecuted by military dictators — must convince the world financial community he is committed to putting South Korea's ailing economy back on track.

The president-elect tried to do just that in today's acceptance speech, pledging to stick to a strict economic reform plan and pay back a record loan South Korea negotiated earlier this month with the International Monetary Fund.

"Although a tough road lies ahead of us, it is a path we must take," said the president-elect, the first opposition leader to win the presidency since South Korea's independence in 1948.

The Korean won weakened today against the dollar and stocks bounced up and down as election news mixed with news about brokerage house Shinsegi Investment Co. going under, another in a year of corporate bankruptcies.

The U.S. stock market reacted nervously Thursday to Kim's election victory. "Stocks took a dive when the results came in," said Edward Yardeni, chief economist at Deutsche Morgan Grenfell in New York.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell nearly 147 points, later recovering about a fourth of its loss, on what analysts said was fear that pro-labor Kim would resist fully implementing reforms called for in the IMF's bailout plan.

Two weeks ago, Kim promised voters he would force the IMF to renegotiate the most punitive terms of its \$57 billion bailout plan. But Kim reversed his pledge after the nation's stock market and currency plummeted. Kim repeatedly attempted to ease investor fears today.

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