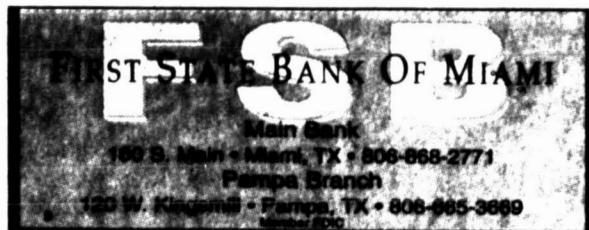


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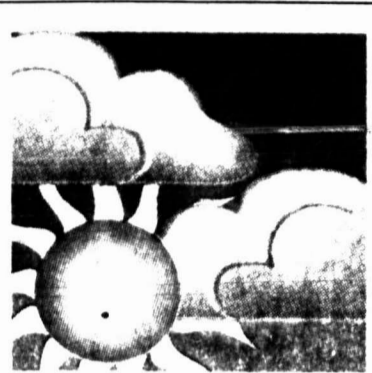
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Confusion prompts vote for new bids

The items in question are two bids for projects at Lake McClellan.

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

A misunderstanding has prompted a call by the Gray County Commissioners Court for some new bids after questions about legal and ethical problems arose.

The items in question are two bids for projects at Lake McClellan. One project was to run water to a new shower and restroom facility being built at the Lake and a second was to run sewer lines.

The call for bids specified separate bids for each of the projects and three companies submitted bids. B&B Solvent and Jack's Plumbing both entered bids for both projects. Carter Sand and Gravel entered a bid on just the sewer work.

B&B entered bids of \$42,962.75 for the water line work and \$47,428 for the sewer work. Carter Sand and Gravel bid \$28,650 on the sewer work and Jack's Plumbing bid \$23,980.10 for the water work and \$37,292.70 for the sewer work.

Before the commission could award a bid last week however, Jack Hamel, owner of Jack's plumbing spoke up from the audience. He told the commission that while he had bid the projects separately he bid them on the basis that he would do both jobs.

"I don't want one without the other. The reason the water is quite a bit cheaper is that the bid is ... together," said

Hamel.

County Judge Richard Peet said combining the water bid from B&B and the sewer bid from Carter Sand would be more than taking both bids from Jack's Plumbing.

Commissioner Joe Wheeley said the B&B might have bid differently if it had bid both jobs together.

After discussion between the commission, Christine Adam of the U.S. Forest Service and Hamel, the motion was made to reject all bids and go out for new ones. That failed when Peet, and Commissioners Gerald Wright and Commissioner Joe Wheeley voted against it.

"The way I look at it as separate bids and Jack said he doesn't want to look at it as separate bids so I think we're going to be forced to throw that one out and take the low bid even though it's higher," said

Wheeley. "I realize it's higher and I'm sorry for it."

Wheeley then moved to accept the B&B bid for the water and the Carter bid for the sewer work and Wright seconded. That motion failed when Peet, Commissioner Jim Greene and Hefley voted against it.

County Attorney Todd Alvey said he wasn't sure of the legalities of canceling the bids but felt it controverts the bid system.

"I can't say where that would be wrong, but I would hesitate to say that it would be acceptable," Alvey said.

After examining the bid package sent to prospective bidders it was determined a statement allows the county to reject "any or all bids."

In the end, Hefley made the motion to accept Carter Sand and Gravel's bid for (See BIDS, Page 2)

Officer's good memory leads to man's arrest

The good memory of a Pampa police officer led to an arrest Friday afternoon of a man who officers said had stolen lawn ornaments in his yard and drug paraphernalia in his home.

The incident started when Sgt. Tommy Pickering spoke to Bill Lambright who sells various items. Lambright told Pickering he had some things that had been stolen including a weather vane and lawn ornaments.

Pickering, remembering seeing some items matching the description in a yard at 708 N. Frost, advised Lambright to drive by and see if they looked like his property.

When Lambright identified the items, Sgt. Pickering sat in wait for the resident of the house to arrive.

According to Pickering, when the suspect, Jerry Lynn Rhoten, 44, arrived he tried to avoid detection by entering a neighbor's house. Pickering and other officers apprehended the suspect when he exited through the rear door of the neighbor's house.

Rhoten gave officers a consent to search and inside the house officers found drug paraphernalia.

Officer Anthony Wooley, who helped conduct the search, said police are checking to determine the ownership of some other items found in the home.

Rhoten, who Pickering said has had previous arrests on similar charges, was booked into Gray County Jail where he remained Saturday.



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)
Taking advantage of some sunshine after the rain last week are Susan Collingsworth, Braxton Maul, Brooklyn Jones, and Luis Chavez of the Bright Beginnings Day School.

Holiday project helps children buy for others

The true spirit of Christmas will come alive for about 100 children Saturday when they buy gifts for members of their families on the annual Children's Shopping Tour.

The cost to sponsor a child is \$65. Donations may be sent to the treasurer for the project, John W. Warner, Box 645, Pampa, Texas 79066-0645.

It all gets under way at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Optimist Club, according to Optimist member Jeff Skinner, the general chair of the project.

"The Altrusa Club will assign children to the chaperones in the Optimist gym," Skinner said. "We will have a brief orientation in the main club room and will then go to pick up the children and take them shopping." Julie Cook and Kerrick Horton co-chair the Altrusa coordination of chaperones and children.

"The children will purchase presents for family members, not themselves," Skinner explained. "For most of these children, it will be the first time they have ever had the opportunity to experience giving at Christmas."

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Local businesses such as Wal-Mart, Alco and Heard-Jones Health Mart are offering discounts to the children shoppers to help their money stretch further.

At the Saturday morning gathering the Junior Service League will furnish orange juice and donuts for the chaperones while the Red Cross will furnish coffee. Mollie Haley is heading up the Junior Service League assistance on the project while Stephanie Guess directs the Red Cross efforts.

Lt. Matt Branscum of the Salvation Army and (See PROJECT, Page 2)

Secret Society asks: Are you happier than you admit you are?

DALLAS (AP) — If you're happy and you know it — shhh! There's a secret for you in the Secret Society of Happy People. "If you're happy but don't admit it because other people don't want to hear it, then we're the society for you," says founder Pam Johnson.

The society, founded in August in the Dallas suburb of Irving, promotes the idea that it's OK to be happy, despite the lack of positive response from others.

That's especially true at Christmas, Ms. Johnson says, challenging advice columnist Ann Landers on the subject of family news letters enclosed with holiday cards.

"Spare us the details of the Ivy League schools your children are attending and the honors and awards they have received during the year ... Just let us know in a handwritten note that your family is well and doing something useful," said a recent letter signed "Your Cousins in Illinois."

Ann Landers responded, "Dear Cousins, Thank you for expressing sentiments that are sure to be shared (and appreciated) by millions of readers. Including me."

In a letter to Ms. Landers, Ms. Johnson demanded an apology "to the millions of people you made feel bad for wanting to share their happy news."

(See HAPPY, Page 5)



Name: Cara Kee
Occupation/Activities:

Fourth Grade teacher at Lamar Elem.

Birth date and place: 5-6 Canyon, TX

Family: husband Alan Kee

If I had a different job, I'd be a Broadway actress

The best advice I ever got was: it's more important to be compassionate than right

People who knew me in high school thought: I was creative and not afraid to be "goofy."

The best word or words to describe me: energized and fun

People will remember me as being: a good listener

My hobbies are: singing, reading, and walking

My favorite author is: Roald Dahl

The last book I read was: "Yolanda's" "Genius" and "Verdi"

My favorite possession is: my wedding ring, it was my Grandmother's

The biggest honor I've ever received is: Amarillo Independent School District Teacher of the Year, 1997-98

My favorite performer is: Peter Gabriel

I wish I knew how to: illustrate children's books

My trademark cliché or expression is: "Yee-Haw Part!"

My worst habit is: getting in

too big of a hurry

I would never: bungee jump!

The last good movie I saw was: Amistad

I stay home to watch: Frasier and M.A.S.H. reruns

My favorite junk food is: chocolate in any form

My favorite beverage: CLEAN ice water

My favorite restaurant is: anyplace with good Indian food!

My favorite pet: Lizzie & Jubble, my cats

I wish I could sing like: Patty Griffin or Dar Williams

I'm happiest when I'm: reading aloud to someone

I regret: anytime I speak before I think and hurt someone

I'm tired of: constant complainers

The biggest waste of time is: watching TV excessively

If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: buy a full day of massage therapy for all my friends and family

If I had three wishes they would be: be fluent in Spanish, have all my debts paid off, live to be a healthy 100 yr. old

If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: We need a health food restaurant like Fat-Rite's in Amarillo.

- Jewell LaNelle Donnell, 77, homemaker
- Ella Mae "Jackie" Hodge, 69, homemaker
- Margaret "Annie" Kimbrell, 91, homemaker

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

DONNELL, Jewell LaNelle — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.
HODGE, Ella Mae "Jackie" — 10 a.m., Southside Baptist Church, Borger.
KIMBRELL, Margaret "Annie" — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

JEWELL LaNELLE DONNELL
 BROWNSVILLE — Jewell LaNelle Donnell, 77, died Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Donnell was born Feb. 17, 1921, at Wichita Falls, Texas. She married W.T. "Buck" Donnell on Feb. 19, 1961, at Pampa. She had resided in Brownsville for the past 23 years and was a former longtime Pampa resident. She was a homemaker and a member of Portway Baptist Church in Brownsville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter R. and Katy Jewell Emmons; and by a daughter, Coenetta Kay Mecher.

Survivors include her husband, Buck, of the home; two sons, Jim McDaniel of Lincolnton, N.C., and DeWayne Mecher of Tulsa, Okla.; two sisters, Billie Harvey of Pampa and Edna Parks of San Antonio; a brother, Don Emmons of Pampa; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of Brownsville.

ELLA MAE 'JACKIE' HODGE
 BORGER — Ella Mae "Jackie" Hodge, 69, died Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Southside Baptist Church with the Rev. James Berry officiating. Burial will be in Garden of Love in Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mrs. Hodge was born in Hall County. She married Cecil Hodge in 1944 at Altus, Okla. She had been a resident of the area since 1946, moving from Crowell. She was a homemaker and belonged to Southside Baptist Church where she was Sunday school secretary for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Cecil; three daughters, Peggy Jean White of Fritch and Kathleen Berry and Pamela White, both of Borger; three sons, Cecil Kerry Hodge and Thomas Robert Hodge, both of Borger, and Lanise Dale Hodge of Gruver; a sister, Myrtle Gray of Tulia; a brother, Arthur Jones of Canadian; 18 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 1605 Takewell in Borger.

MARGARET 'ANNIE' KIMBRELL
 SKELLYTOWN — Margaret "Annie" Kimbrell, 91, died Friday, Dec. 4, 1998, at Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel in Pampa with Dr. Jim Prock, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Kimbrell was born March 4, 1907, at Leslie, Ark. She married Dester Kimbrell on Dec. 25, 1921; he died in April of 1974. She had been a Pampa resident for 38 years, moving to Skellytown six years ago. She attended Community Christian Center.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Leon Kimbrell and Cleo Kimbrell; a daughter, Leota Smith; and a brother, James O'Neal.

Survivors include three daughters, Clessie Ferris of Pampa, Marie Hassler of Skellytown and Evelyn Vanderpool of Albuquerque, N.M.; a son, Clifford Kimbrell of Groesbeck; 21 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society.

Police report

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

Thursday, Dec. 3
 A missing person/runaway was reported in the 900 block of West Kentucky.

Friday, Dec. 4
 A missing person/runaway was reported in the 1100 block of Willow.

Jerry Lynn Rhoten, 44, 708 Frost, theft over \$50 but under \$500 and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Saturday, Dec. 5
 Jackie G. Pierce, 31, 1105 N. Starkweather, failure to appear, failure to yield the right of way and no proof of insurance.

Andre Dion Cunningham, 28, Amarillo, public intoxication.

Gregory Lunn Battee, no age listed, Amarillo, driving while intoxicated.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, December 4
 Ronnie Blair Campbell, 52, 433 Hughes, violation of probation, aggravated assault on a police officer.

Kenneth Lloyd Dean, 38, 713 N. Wells, forgery-enhanced, speeding, no driver's license, theft under \$50.

Ambulance

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

Friday, December 4
 11:56 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Henry and transported a patient to Columbia Medical Center.

1:42 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Doyle and transported a patient to Columbia Medical Center.

2:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of North Hobart on a motor vehicle accident. No one was transported.

5:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

Saturday, December 5
 1:47 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to High 70 one-half mile south of 749 on a motor vehicle accident. No one was transported.

2:03 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Neel Road on a fire standby.

2:11 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Price Road and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

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

Friday, December 4
 2:48 p.m. - Three units and eight personnel responded to a motor vehicle accident in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Saturday, December 5
 1:59 p.m. - Three units and eight personnel responded to a smoke scare at 1041 Mill Road.

Correction

In a story Friday about a cocaine arrest in the Lefors school a quote attributed to "Alvey" was made by Dr. Tom Alvis Superintendent of Lefors School.

Names in the news...

NEW YORK (AP) — Linda Tripp is ready for her close-up.

Ms. Tripp, looking thinner and wearing her hair pulled back, was in New York on Friday to secure a television interview deal.

"I've had so much positive reinforcement in New York," Ms. Tripp said before meeting with her lawyer and publicist at a midtown eatery. "It's been incredible. I've been surprised and heartened."

Wearing a sequined black leather jacket and black slacks, she was approached by just one couple seeking an autograph. Most others passed by without recognizing the woman who secretly taped conversations in which Monica Lewinsky talked about her affair with President Clinton.

Ms. Tripp plans a prime-time interview to discuss her role, although a publicist said nothing has been finalized.

DEXTER LAKE, N.Y. (AP) — Shania Twain's music studio hit the wrong chord with state environmental officials, to the tune of a \$25,000 fine.

The country music singer and her music-producer husband, Robert "Mutt" Lange, reached a settlement with New York over a state-of-the-art recording complex built on their 3,000-acre estate in the Adirondacks.

A state agency accused the couple of failing to get the proper permits and damaging wetlands with the construction.

Twain and Lange agreed to restore the wetlands and pay their fine to an environmental project intended for wetland and shoreline protection, the Adirondack Daily Enterprise reported Friday.

Twain and Lange bought the property five years ago and now have it up for sale for \$9 million. Residents nearby say they're sorry to see them go. "The townspeople liked her (Twain) a great deal," John McFadden said. "It was kind of nice to have a celebrity in town."

NEW YORK (AP) — Sean "Puff Daddy" Combs is adding publisher to his growing list of titles.

The rapper, producer and hip-hop icon is investing millions to help revive the defunct "Notorious" magazine, said David Anthony, a co-publisher of the magazine.

The magazine shares the name of Combs' friend, the late rapper Notorious B.I.G. Four issues were published between November 1997 and July.

Anthony said the rapper's "vision is to create an entertainment empire in the 21st century." The amount of Combs' contribution was not disclosed, but Anthony said it "was in the multimillions."

A prototype featuring "the 25 most notorious people of '98," hits newsstands Monday. The target audience will be 20- to 40-year-olds who are affluent, urban and media-savvy.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. (AP) — Cyndi Lauper may feel girls just want to have fun, but she can be serious, too.

The singer, who had a hit with "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" in 1983, will be the graduation speaker at Housatonic Community-Technical College in June.

The school was looking a speaker who is high-profile and has a strong humanitarian streak, and Lauper fits the description, said Robert Thornton, the school's dean of outreach — and, as it happens, the brother of Lauper's husband, David Thornton.

Lauper is a longtime supporter of women's causes, children's organizations, AIDS awareness, and gay rights, he said.

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Hootie and the Blowfish provided a little Christmas cheer to about 2,000 Americans on this tiny Middle Eastern island.

Wearing Santa Claus hats, the band staged a two-hour concert for military men, women and their families at the U.S. 5th Fleet's base in Bahrain on Friday.

"We are here to bring a piece of America for those brave men and women who are sacrificing so much in the interest of their nation," lead singer Darius Rucker told them.

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BIDS

the sewer work and Jack's Plumbing's bid for the water work.

"To make it official I feel like we need it in the form of a motion," Hefley said.

"I agree," said Wheeley, "It will be up to him to turn it down but we accepted it."

That motion passed 4-1 with only Wright voting nay.

"I wasn't being frivolous, that saves us \$10,000 on the sewer work," Hefley said.

Hamel immediately told the Court and Adam that he was rejecting the job and the commission then voted to resubmit the proposal for bids on the water works. The new bids will be opened on Dec. 31.

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PROJECT

Renita Conner of Tralee Crisis Center are in charge of inviting children. Ann Franklin from the Kiwanis Club of Pampa heads up the recruiting of chaperones. Opti-Mrs., under the leadership of Lois Strate, will sponsor the wrapping party which will be conducted at the Optimist Club when the children finish shopping.

"It is fun to watch a child wrap his first Christmas present," exclaimed Strate, who has helped on the project for 10 years. "It brings back many good memories."

Children who finish their wrapping early will be entertained by the Energizer Class of the First United Methodist Church. Chris Owen is the president of the class. The children will sing Christmas carols, listen to stories about Christmas and hear a

devotional about the real reason for the Christmas season.

The shopping tour will conclude with a lunch furnished by the Pampa Optimist Youth Club under the direction of Optimist chair Kevin Davis and Optimist President James E. Davis. "We expect most of the children to be back at their homes around noon," Skinner said.

Additional sponsors of the project include the First Presbyterian Church, Aldersgate Sunday School class of the First United Methodist Church, First Christian Church, Rotary Club and several businesses and individuals.

First American Bank is conducting a project involving a picture with Santa Claus December 15 at the downtown bank from 9 a.m. until noon and at 2500 Perryton Parkway from 1:30 to 3 p.m. All donations received will go for the Children's Shopping Tour.

Police seize 7 tons of cocaine

CARTAGENA, Colombia (AP) — In one of the largest cocaine busts in Colombia, police said Friday they've seized more than 7 tons of cocaine in a maritime warehouse in the Caribbean port city of Cartagena.

It was the second recent major seizure in Cartagena and brought the amount of cocaine impounded so far this year across Colombia to 50 tons, officials said.

"This is one of the most important blows ever to drug trafficking in the country," National Police director Gen. Rosso Jose Serrano said at a news conference in Cartagena. "It's a message that we'll continue to fight drug trafficking without restriction."

Police first reported they had found 3 tons of cocaine. That figure was increased twice on Friday after further searching.

The cocaine, stored in metal drums marked as containing polyester resins, was discovered in the

false walls of six containers that were to be loaded onto a cargo ship destined for Cuba, police said.

President Andres Pastrana Colombian authorities were aided by a recent cooperation agreement with the United States aimed at strengthening narcotic detection in Cartagena.

"We exchanged information, but this was a purely national operation," Pastrana said.

Police arrested a man whose name appeared on documents as the cargo's owner. They were tipped off by an informant.

In July, authorities seized seven tons of cocaine disguised as a shipment of nylon. The cocaine was headed for the United States by way of Mexico. Police said that bust was the biggest seizure of pure cocaine ever in Colombia, which produces an estimated 700 tons annually.

The country produces more than 80 percent of the cocaine sold in the United States and a growing share of the heroin.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy today with a high of 50 and northeast winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, a low in the mid 30s. Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and a high of 45. Friday's high was 68; the Saturday morning low, 51.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Today, partly cloudy with a high in the mid 40s. Northeast wind 10-20 mph, decreasing in the afternoon. Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain or snow showers. Low in the upper 20s. High around 40. Low Rolling Plains — Today, windy and cooler. Highs mid 50s to lower 60s. Tonight, increasing clouds. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. Monday, a slight chance of rain. Highs in the 40s. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Today, windy and cooler. Highs lower to mid 60s. Tonight, increasing clouds. Lows 30-35. Monday, mostly cloudy. Highs around 50. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Today, windy and cooler. Highs mid to upper 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Monday, becoming mostly cloudy. Highs in the 50s. Far West Texas — Today, partly cloudy and cooler. Highs 50-55. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs 50-55. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Today, windy and cooler. Highs mainly 50s moun-

tains to mid 60s along the Rio Grande. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows mid 20s northern mountains to upper 30s along the Rio Grande. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs 40s mountains to 50s along the Rio Grande.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Today, decreasing cloudiness and cooler with a slight chance of morning showers and thunderstorms south central. Highs in the upper 60s hill country, 70s south central. Tonight, partly cloudy with patchy fog developing late. Lows in the 40s to around 50. Monday, partly cloudy with patchy morning fog. Highs in the 60s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Today, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs from the mid 70s at the coast to near 80 inland. Tonight, a chance of showers or thunderstorms early near the coast. Otherwise mostly cloudy. Lows from around 50 well inland to the upper 50s at the coast. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs around 70. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Today, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms, except a chance of showers or thunderstorms in the crossroads area. Decreasing cloudiness and turning cooler across the Rio Grande plains by the afternoon. Highs in the 70s. Tonight, mostly cloudy and cooler. Lows near 60 coast, 50s inland, and upper 40s Rio

Grande plains. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs upper 60s to mid 70s.

NORTH TEXAS — Today, partly cloudy west. A chance of showers and thunderstorms central and east. High near 60 northwest to around 70 southeast. Tonight and Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low mid 40s to near 50. High in the 60s. Tuesday, decreasing cloudiness. Low in the mid 30s west to upper 40s east. High in the 50s.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO — Today, partly cloudy and cold with brisk winds. A chance for snow showers northwest in the afternoon. Highs upper 20s to low 40s mountains and northwest with 40s and 50s elsewhere. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance for snow north. Partly cloudy south. Continued cold with lows from near 5 to the lower 20s mountains and north to mostly 20s south. Monday, continued cold. Chance for snow showers north, but diminishing during the day. Partly cloudy south. Highs mid 20s to 30s mountains and north with 40s to around 50 south.

OKLAHOMA — Today, partly cloudy and cooler. Highs upper 40s to upper 50s. Tonight, increasing cloudiness and cool. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s. Monday, cooler with a chance of light rain or snow northwest Oklahoma and light rain elsewhere. Highs upper 30s to upper 40s.

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Members of the Celanese United Way Committee present a record check for \$110,311 to Katrina Bigham and Bob Neslage of the Pampa United Way. Back row, from left, Darryl Hughes (chairman) Jeff Kirkpatrick, Amanda Soukup, Mark Bailey, Scot Houston, Chris Johnson, Anna Lewis, Russ Stephens. Front row from left, Brenda Hightower (loaned executive), Andrea Perez (co-chairperson), Tara Garcia, Caroline Lau, Grace Yang, Katrina Bigham and Bob Neslage.

Celanese plant breaks previous fund-raising record, presents check to Pampa United Way

The Celanese Pampa Plant United Way Campaign came to an official close recently with the presentation of a check for \$110,311.50 to Bob Neslage, drive chairman and Katrina Bigham, executive administrator of the Pampa United Way. The fund-raising act, which resulted in a new record for the Pampa Plant breaking the previous record by just over \$3,500. Both current and retired Celanese employees contributed to the record setting total. Celanese Ltd. matches employee retiree contributions dollar for dollar. The 1998 employee goal was set at \$45,000 with just over \$55,325 being pledged.

A twenty-member committee from a cross section of the plant organized creative ideas to contribute to the success of the campaign. Campaign members were Scot Houston, David Temer, Mark Bailey, Tara Garcia, Russ Stephens, Lisa Smith, Jeff Kirkpatrick, Caroline Lau, Ila Miller, Grace Yang, Brannon Stephens, Chris Johnson, Denny Whitley, Rich Smith, Ash Jani, Amanda Soukup, Anna Lewis, Andrea Perez-Campaign Co-Chair, and Darryl Hughes-Campaign Chairman.

Fund raising activities included a Plant United Way Kickoff Presentation on Aug. 31. The kickoff development time was four weeks and included a stage, actors, and skits to imitate

The Blues Brothers, Jeff Foxworthy, and a fictitious fifties group called Riley and the Tops. Riley Kothmann, plant manager for whom the group was named participated in the presentation.

The actual fund raising campaign was limited to the month of September. A fair share amount of \$143 per employee was set to challenge the plant to help the community. Total employee participation was 89 percent.

Employee incentives were offered to enhance the results of the campaign beginning with a Fair Share Sweepstakes. All

employees giving their fair share were eligible for a first place prize of \$500, second place prize of \$200, and two third place prizes of \$100, or four fourth place prizes of \$50. Winners were first place-Jody Black, second place-Scott Flathouse, third places-Al Brackey and Scott Kirchoff, fourth place s- Jorge Hernandez, Danny Hoggatt, Robert Morris, and Dan Long.

Also a Work Group Challenge was held for the work group in the plant who gave the highest average per employee. The Acetyl Derivatives Technical Group won the challenge with an average of \$237 per group member. Members were Bill Hightower, James Fruge, Ken Windhorst, Debbie Sitz, Jarrel Schoenrock, Kim Horan, Joe Downey, Tara Garcia, Russ Stephens, David Temer, Mark

Bailey, Lysette Garcia, Doug Cates, Steve Fueglein, Frank Diggs, Jeff Kindle, and Todd Wickens.

Prizes for the Work Group Challenge included a \$25 gift certificate and dinner with the plant manager Riley Kothmann, and his wife Martha in their home. Martha prepared an elegant candle light dinner on the evening of Oct. 29 complete with various appetizers, delicious entrees, and succulent desserts. According to the guests afterwards, the meal was for for royalty. Members of the plant united way committee served the tables of the guests.

The committee would like to thank both Riley and Martha for their gracious hospitality and support of the plant fund raising efforts.

The employees of Celanese once again proved their willingness to support the needs of the community through worthwhile endeavors such as the United Way and should be congratulated for their efforts.

Gem Theatre to present Christmas pageant

CLAUDE — The Gem Theatre in Claude will present the story of a husband and wife who faced with putting on an annual Christmas pageant despite much adversity including casting the horrible "Herdmans." Written by Barbara Robinson

and directed by Dr. Carale Manning-Hill, the play will be at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11 and 12. Tickets will be \$9 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$3 for children and \$5 for back row balcony seats. For more information, call (806) 944-5383 or (806) 226-2187.

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AIDS worldwide epidemic

Last Tuesday another World AIDS Day came and went. It left this chilling fact: Although powerful new medicines are helping rich countries win the battle against AIDS, the disease has reached epidemic proportions on continents where people can't afford the drugs.

Worldwide, about 33.4 million people are infected with HIV. And in Zimbabwe alone, 23 percent of the population is infected with HIV, the virus that leads to AIDS.

"In the case of HIV/AIDS, the difference in wealth becomes literally a matter of life and death," said Mary Robinson, the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Recently I spent part of the day in the company of a young man who has AIDS. He is one of the lucky ones who takes the mixture of drugs known as "The Cocktail." To look at him one wouldn't have a clue that he is sick. But those who knew him before I did tell me his illness showed before The Cocktail became available.



Kate B. Dickson

Associate publisher/editor

While the drugs are no cure. They are making it possible for many people to live normal, or near normal, lives. How long that will last, no one knows.

But in an ironic twist, many who are being helped are the same people who have spent their recent years preparing for death. Now, they find themselves with the prospect of continued life in front of them. Just what to do with the lives they thought they'd never have pose

other — but certainly more welcome — problems.

The first person I knew to have AIDS was an old childhood friend. I have a picture of the two of us when we were only 3 or 4. We were having a picnic in my front yard so we'd be entertained while our mothers sewed or played bridge.

When he became very ill his family never said what was wrong. Just that he was "sick." It was in the early days of AIDS deaths. But it became obvious what was wrong. He lost weight, developed the skin cancer common to AIDS sufferers and eventually became blind.

As he lay on his deathbed, his doctor told his mother to tell him that it was ok for him to "go." ... That he didn't have to stay here just for those who loved him.

And, shortly after that, he died.
 How many more like him will there be? The Lord only knows.

Opinion

PHS Career Day a success!

Our hats are off to all of those — faculty, staff and students — at Pampa High School — who helped make last week's Career Day a success.

It was quite an event that drew scores of volunteers to the campus to share with students what their particular jobs are like, how they chose it, how they prepared for it and so on. It was a dose of "real life" (from someone besides parents) and the students were eager to take it in.

The youngsters had their choice of hearing several speakers with vocations ranging from police officer to telephone company employee to graphic artist to teacher.

While it was great for the students to have a chance to interact with the volunteers, likewise it was the same for the adults to visit with them and see first hand some of our city's "good kids."

For the volunteers who have no children or grown children, it was an opportunity to see our high school up close and meet some of its educators along with the students. And for still others, who once walked those halls as students, it was a pleasant dose of homecoming.

Thanks again to everyone who participated. It was a good day!

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Nothin' but good times ahead?

It's still the economy that interests the American people most. Yes, they care about the drive in Congress to impeach the president. And yes, they are still trying to figure out whether Saddam Hussein won or lost in his latest go-round with the United States.

But by any reasonable analysis, the mood of America is a combination of people's confidence and concern about their jobs, businesses and investments. The confidence comes from what they see all about them: low unemployment, low inflation, low interest rates. The concern is the rumblings they hear from afar, the sound of financial troubles overseas.

They know that Japan is in a recession and that much of the rest of Asia is in a depression. They know that Russia is deep into economic collapse made worse by political chaos. And they know that their government has been pouring their hard-earned money, tax dollars, into all of those places, as well as others, such as Mexico and Brazil.

Their leaders argue that these "investments" are necessary, that they are part of a larger effort by the world's industrial powers to keep the world's economic storm clouds from becoming a cyclone — one that will eventually sweep through America's own economy.

Public opinion polls and independent reporting confirm that, so far, Americans support



Dan Rather

Syndicated columnist

these "investments. But they're jittery. And support thins as worry worsens.

"I'm really worried about Christmas, Mr. Rather," a woman who cleans homes in Connecticut says. "I have money, but I see all of these riots in Indonesia, and see our government spending all of this money in places like Iraq and Brazil, and ... well, I just don't know whether to spend a lot for Christmas this year or not."

In Norfolk, Va., a mechanic said, "I've got a good job now and I'm thinking of buying a house. But how long can our country keep on paying for all of the world's problems, all of that money going out, and it not have a bad effect? Whatever bad effect there's going to be, people like me will feel it first."

In Texas, your reporter talked with a water-well driller who used to work in the oil fields. "Anybody who thinks everything is OK should

cheek the oil business," he said. "A lot of people in my economic bracket, paycheck-to-paycheck people, have been laid off. And those who haven't been are afraid they are going to be."

The facts back him up. Texaco cut 1,000 jobs in November. Haliburton cut more than 8,000 in October. Crude oil prices have dropped 40 percent in the past year as Asia's troubles dried up demand.

In the farmlands of the Midwest and Great Plains, the drastically reduced demand for agricultural products is driving many farmers into selling out and crushing many small businesses that service them.

In the steel mills and factories where semi-conductors are made, job cuts and gloom have been caused by a glut of product, falling prices and foreign competitors dumping their surpluses onto the U.S. market.

But most Americans do have jobs, many of them well-paying. They continue spending, rolling up record credit-card debt. Wall Street stocks have resumed an upward rocket ride.

It's all confusing and concerning. Where does it go from here? Rank-and-file Americans are left to guess. Which is how they're spending a lot of their time these days.

The presidency and the Persian Gulf are important to them, but not nearly so important as their pocketbooks.

America's cup runneth over ...

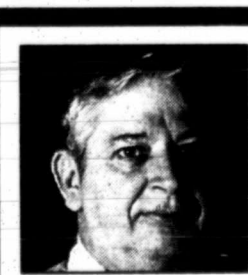
Unless you are an M.C. (member of Congress), you shouldn't waste any time worrying about who gets what leadership position. The outcome will have no real effect on the end product of Congress.

Some Americans seem to have made a religion out of politics and act as if secular salvation depended on the outcome of partisan and ideological skirmishes. Heck, folks, they are the ones who created the problems. They're not going to solve them.

Politics in America today is all about the four P's — position, power, perks and patronage. The majorities in both parties are not about to do anything that would jeopardize their position, power, perks and patronage. Consequently, they will reform nothing, because true reform would involve repealing bad laws and defunding bad programs. Either of those would rile at least some of the special-interest groups permanently camped on the Potomac and far outnumbering the elected officials.

The fact that Beltway journalists get obsessed with the minutiae of inside-the-Beltway partisan warfare and maneuvers doesn't mean the rest of us should. We have more important things to think about.

There are minorities in both parties actually concerned about good government as they see it — a few socialists on the Democratic side and a few libertarians on the Republican side. There's a populist or



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

two. But the fat majorities in both parties are true converts to the Western religion of big government and social engineering.

So regardless of who's in or who's out, the general drift of government will continue along the same path. It would take a political revolution on the part of the voters to effect change, and as I've said, it's more likely that I will climb Mount Everest. Whether or not one thinks they should be, the majority of Americans are content with their lot.

A recent letter to the editor sort of summed up American contentedness for me. A woman wrote that she didn't care if the entire National Basketball Association season were canceled because, as it turns out, the new fall shows on TV are so entertaining.

It doesn't seem to matter to most folks that American troops are bogged down in the Balkans indefinitely. The attitude seems to be that they are volunteers doing

what they get paid to do, so who cares.

It doesn't seem to matter that U.S. blundering and catering to China will probably force Japan to end its relationship with the United States and rearm.

It doesn't seem to matter that the United States is also driving Russia away from democratic reforms and at the same time alienating a key segment of the world.

It doesn't seem to matter that the global money lenders of the world have so strangled many countries with debts that they are hopelessly mired in poverty.

It doesn't seem to matter that an average of 350,000 crimes per day are committed in the government schools.

It doesn't seem to matter that what's left of American culture is so decadent it would bring a blush to the cheeks of Nero.

It doesn't seem to matter that an adulterous sociopath who is a national security risk is occupying the White House.

It doesn't seem to matter that much of what passes for higher education is a joke and that the politically correct police are busy snuffing out what remains of academic freedom on many campuses.

But, after all, the new TV shows are entertaining and there's still college football, hockey and the National Football League. And explosion and fornication films continue to roll out of Hollywood. Indeed the cup of America runneth over.

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Traffic was backed up on Hobart around 3 Friday afternoon when a Buick Century driven by Alice Colwell, 87, 1315 Hamilton, failed to yield right of way making a left from Harvester onto Hobart, police said. Her car was struck by a Pontiac Sunbird driven by Allen Haluael, 17, 1829 Christy, tearing off his front bumper and deploying both air bags. No injuries were reported.

Line-up for Sunday news shows

ABC's "This Week" — Topic: House prepares for impeachment votes. Guests: Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., and Bill McCollum, R-Fla.; and New York Gov. George Pataki.

CBS' "Face the Nation" — Topics: Clinton impeachment prospects and industry layoffs. Guests: Reps. Peter King, R-N.Y., Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., Robert Scott, D-Va., and Thomas Barrett, D-Wis.; and Labor Secretary Alexis Herman.

NBC's "Meet the Press" — Topic: Clinton impeachment prospects. Guests: Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.; Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, senior Democrat on the House Judiciary Committee; Sally Quinn of The Washington Post; Charles Peters of the Washington Monthly and William Safire of The New York Times.

CNN's "Late Edition" — Topic: Clinton impeachment prospects. Guests: Sens. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn.; House Judiciary Committee members Sheila Jackson-Lee, D-Texas, and Charles Canady, R-Fla.; former Attorney General Richard Thornburgh and former Independent Counsel Michael Zeldin.

"Fox News Sunday" — Topic: Clinton impeachment prospects. Guests: House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas; House Judiciary Committee members Zoe Lofgren, D-Calif., Charles Canady, R-Fla.; Marty Meehan, D-Mass.; and Asa Hutchinson, R-Ark.

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HAPPY

Happiness is about recognizing the happy moments of your life, not about competing with others. "Happy moments are good things that need to be shared more — not less," she said.

Ms. Landers' editor in Los Angeles, Katherine Searcy, said she would pass along Ms. Johnson's letter and request a reply from the columnist.

Ms. Johnson said Americans waste a lot of time discussing topics like: "My girlfriend/boyfriend is a jerk," "I don't like my job," "I need to lose 30 pounds," "If I only had more money," and "I need to buy something."

The society does not suggest that people should pretend they are content or ignore real problems, but urges people to stop grouching and answer the question: "Are you happier than you admit you are?"

According to Ms. Johnson, the society has about 60-plus secretly happy members and recruits mainly through its Internet site: www.sohp.com.

A member who signed herself "Beth," posted a personal testimonial to happiness.

"I work with people with disabilities who have suffered injuries from car accidents, falls, etc. They constantly inspire me by showing up at therapy in the morning with a smile on their face and a kind greeting for everyone — perhaps because they recognize how lucky they are to be alive!" she wrote.

"When things get crazy and busy, we forget about how lucky we are and how good our lives really are! Think about the many things and people in your life that bring happiness to you, and don't forget to tell loved ones how happy you are that they are in your life!" Beth wrote.

White supremacist gets prison term

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. (AP) — A member of an Illinois white supremacist group who prosecutors say stockpiled weapons in preparation for a race war was sentenced to five years and 10 months in prison.

Wallace S. Weicherding, 64, was found guilty in August of conspiracy to possess and make illegal firearms and destructive devices, and of possessing a machine gun. He was sentenced Friday.

The former prison guard was one of four men charged with plotting to start a race war through assassinations and bombings.

Prosecutors said Weicherding's handwritten "hit list" included civil rights attorney Morris Dees, movie director Steven Spielberg, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and the Anti-Defamation League in New York City.

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Letters to the editor

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To the editor,
Could you please publish my letter in your paper so that your readers might help me with

research about your state. In my eighth grade social studies class in Chicago, we are studying United States history. One of our assignments is to write a research paper about a particular state and how it relates to the history of the country. I have chosen Texas as

the subject of my research. I would like to learn about individuals from Texas, or events that involved Texas or occurred in the state that played an important part in U.S. history. I would very much appreciate if you could send me items that would be of interest. Post cards,

newspapers with unique features about Texas, clipping, articles, video tapes, old license plates, unique products from your region or other items that might help geography and history to come alive in my classroom. We are to present a report to the class and anything espe-

cially interesting would make my report the best in the class. Please help me learn about your state and spark the interest of my classmates. Besides, everyone enjoys getting mail!
Our school is on the northern side of Chicago, about six miles from the downtown area (The

Loop). We have about 100 students in the eighth grade and about 1,000 students in our building (K-8). Most of our students are either immigrants or children of recent immigrants. We have students from many parts of the world - Mexico, Bulgaria, Korea, Nigeria, India, Bosnia, Vietnam, Guatemala, the Philippines and many other places. Most of the students have not lived outside Chicago.

I was born in Vietnam, but we moved to Chicago when I was 11. I like to play basketball, soccer and watching the Bulls games. I chose Texas to write about because I want to learn more about Texas.

I look forward to receiving mail from you. Thank you for your interest in my education and your kindness.

Dung Phan
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Big Brother will target you!

To the editor,
Everywhere smokers and non-smokers alike are being choked to death by the second-hand smoke from the Bill of Rights being set on fire and left to burn. The document is worthless for smokers, the tobacco companies and the next target of the "health police." Beer, milk, firearms, airbags, peanuts and beef are a few of the concerns big law has their eyes on.

Over the years, the tobacco companies never paid out one dime in damages to smokers because juries concluded that individuals were responsible for their own actions and the harms of smoking have been known for centuries. When the state of Florida amended its Medicaid Third-Party Act in 1995, it stated that if you were a Medicaid recipient and were injured by a tobacco product, then the state had the right to retroactively step in and become an agent on your behalf and collect damages for that injury.

Since thousands upon thousands of individuals were involved in this action, how do you prove damages and for how much? General statistical analysis is used to determine harm and thus payment. If it can be said that 6 percent of smokers get lung cancer nationwide, for example, then this is the figure used for the number of people harmed and payment. Based on the "Old Rules of Law," the state would have to prove in all cases that smoking was the cause of all the injuries before damages could be awarded. Based on the "New Rules of Law," guilt by statistical association is all that is needed to declare harm and justification for damages.

The states that sued big tobacco and won in this settlement used the Florida Medicaid Third-Party Act of 1995 as the basis for doing so. The beauty of this, at least from the states' attorney generals point of view, is there is no way a target of attack can survive this perversion of law because real people and the actions of real life are meaningless.

The tobacco settlement is simply the theft of smokers money by the government. They know that smokers as a general rule don't complain that much and the tobacco companies are some of the most loathed people on earth. Most people will not be bothered by this act of government and they know it. Most if not all of the cost increase on tobacco because of this action will be passed on to the consumer, smokers, and big tobacco survives another day. Smokers are left with what amounts to a tax increase brought on by state action without the right to vote on it through their elected state representatives. Setting public policy through private negotiations is not what our founding fathers had in mind for this nation nor would they like laws that strip individuals and corporations of their ability to defend themselves in courts of law.

If you are employed in or have an interest in any business that might soon be one of the next targets of "The New Rules of Law," smokers have some advice for you. Be afraid, be very afraid.

Dave Pickrell, president and founder

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Pampa gymnasts



(Special photo)
Amy Youree (left) and Lacie Long of Gymnastics of Pampa are pictured at the North State Meet. Amy qualified for the Level 5 state meet Dec. 12-13 in Austin. Lacie just missed qualifying for the state meet in the 10-year-old division.

King named All-Region

PLAINVIEW — Three Wayland Baptist University players, including Pampa native Serenity King, have been selected to the NAI All-Region Volleyball Team.

King was named to the first team while teammates Terrie Walters and Kristee Turpin were second-team picks.

King, a junior, led the Lady Pioneers in both kills (4.2 per game) and digs (3.07 per game) for the 1998 season. King finished the season ranked 5th in the region in kills per game. King was also named all-conference, to three all-tournament teams on the season and was named Sooner Conference player of the week three times. After battling injuries her first two seasons at WBU, this is the first time King has earned regional honors.

"Serenity worked very hard in the off-season to become healthy and to improve," said Wayland head coach Brad Borden. "She's not very big, doesn't play flashy or make a lot of noise on the court, but she is an intense competitor, very intelligent, and athletic. She was our most steady player all year long and just had an outstanding season."

Serenity is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis King of Pampa.

Stars lose to Canucks, 4-1

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Markus Naslund scored three goals and Garth Snow stopped 36 shots as Vancouver snapped a six-game winless streak with a 4-1 victory over Dallas on Friday night.

Mark Messier had two assists and Donald Brashear added a goal as the Canucks won for the first time since Nov. 19 after going 0-5-1. The win was also Vancouver's first in nine straight meetings against opponents with plus-500 records this season.

The win was the 501st of Canucks coach Mike Keenan's 14-year NHL career, moving him alone into fifth place — one ahead of Montreal Canadiens great Toe Blake — on the all-time list. As well, Keenan was coaching his 975th game, tying him for sixth with Florida Panthers general manager Bryan Murray.

Naslund broke a 1-1 tie with 2:29 left in the second when he was set up in the right circle by Messier and put a shot up high that beat Dallas goalie Ed Belfour. Naslund then sealed the victory midway through the third, capitalizing on an errant pass by Dallas' Mike Modano. Modano broke his stick attempting to clear the puck from deep in his own end and the pass fluttered to the slot where Naslund snapped it home.

Jere Lehtinen scored for the Stars, who had a season-high five-game road unbeaten string come to an end (4-0-1). The loss was only the Stars' second in their last nine games (6-2-1).

Belfour, coming off consecutive shutouts, allowed his first goal in three games — a span of 1:52.24 — when Naslund opened the scoring with a power-play goal with 7:36 left in the second period.

Scoreboard

PRO FOOTBALL

National Football League
At A Glance
By The Associated Press
All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	8	4	0	.667	315	199
Miami	8	4	0	.667	231	188
New England	7	5	0	.583	262	236
Buffalo	7	5	0	.583	268	242
Indianapolis	2	10	0	.167	208	336

Central						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Jacksonville	9	3	0	.750	311	247
Pittsburgh	7	5	0	.583	224	218
Tennessee	6	6	0	.500	260	237
Baltimore	5	7	0	.417	205	247
Cincinnati	2	10	0	.167	197	321

West						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Denver	12	0	0	1.000	401	208
Oakland	7	5	0	.583	209	244
Seattle	6	6	0	.500	255	210
Kansas City	5	7	0	.417	238	259
San Diego	5	7	0	.417	181	247

NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	8	4	0	.667	325	217
Arizona	6	6	0	.500	251	308
N.Y. Giants	4	8	0	.333	196	257
Washington	3	9	0	.250	240	337
Philadelphia	3	10	0	.231	125	291

Central						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Minnesota	11	1	0	.917	394	220
Green Bay	8	4	0	.667	314	240
Detroit	5	7	0	.417	244	263
Tampa Bay	5	7	0	.417	223	250
Chicago	3	9	0	.250	197	275

x-Atlanta						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
San Francisco	9	3	0	.750	354	244
New Orleans	5	7	0	.417	216	265
St. Louis	3	10	0	.231	221	302
Carolina	2	10	0	.167	236	322

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Thursday's Game
Philadelphia 17, St. Louis 14 Sunday's Games

Buffalo at Cincinnati, 1:01 p.m.
Dallas at New Orleans, 1:01 p.m.
Detroit at Jacksonville, 1:01 p.m.
Indianapolis at Atlanta, 1:01 p.m.
New England at Pittsburgh, 1:01 p.m.
San Diego at Washington, 1:01 p.m.
San Francisco at Carolina, 1:01 p.m.
Seattle at New York Jets, 1:01 p.m.
New York Giants at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Miami at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Tennessee, 4:15 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's Game
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 13
Arizona at Philadelphia, 1:01 p.m.
Atlanta at New Orleans, 1:01 p.m.
Chicago at Green Bay, 1:01 p.m.
Cincinnati at Indianapolis, 1:01 p.m.
Denver at New York Giants, 1:01 p.m.
New England at St. Louis, 1:01 p.m.
Oakland at Buffalo, 1:01 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 1:01 p.m.
Tennessee at Jacksonville, 1:01 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 1:01 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Friday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with 2B Delino DeShields and OF B.J. Surhoff on three-year contracts. Named Tony DeMaco director of scouting and Bob Schaefer major league scout.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Signed RHP John Burke to a minor-league contract. Named Bud Black special assistant to the general manager, Mike Brown assistant director of player development-pitching coordinator, Chris Antonetti assistant to baseball operations and Chad McDonald area scout for North Carolina and South Carolina.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with OF Geronimo Berroa on a minor-league contract.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with RHP Mike Remlinger on a one-year contract. HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with INF Tim Lincecum on a two-year contract.

NEW YORK METS—Traded RHP Willie Blair to the Detroit Tigers for INF Joe Randa. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Signed RHP Greg Hansen.
International League
CHARLOTTE KNIGHTS—Named Tom Spencer manager.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
NFL—Fined Cleveland Browns president Carmen Policy \$10,000 for comments the league said violated their tampering rules.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Placed DT Bill Johnson on injured reserve. Claimed LB Jon Haskins off waivers from San Diego Chargers.
Canadian Football League
HAMILTON TIGER-CATS—Re-signed DL Joe Rumpho.

Arena Football League
HARTFORD—Signed FB-LB Doug Knight.
HOCKEY
COLLEGE
SOUTH CAROLINA—Named Lou Holtz football coach.

TULANE—Fired Sonya Hans on, volleyball coach.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Friday's College Basketball
Major Scores
By The Associated Press

Region I
Iona 84, Canisius 70
Marist 89, Siena 77
Niagara 73, St. Peter's 60
Rider 57, Manhattan 52
SOUTH
Elon 88, Mount Aloysius 69
Georgia 63, Furman 47
Md.-Eastern Shore 71, Hampton 63
North Carolina 63, Old Dominion 61
South Carolina 55, Coll. of Charleston 44

MIDWEST

No major team scores reported from the MIDWEST.
SOUTHWEST
No major team scores reported from the SOUTHWEST.

FAR WEST
Minnesota 77, Fresno St. 65
Nebraska 83, SW Texas 54
Southern Cal 79, UC Santa Barbara 73
TOURNAMENTS
Americas Classic
First Round
Colgate 67, Davidson 64
Nebraska 83, SW Texas 54
Blue & Gold Coca-Cola Classic
First Round
Marquette 68, Cornell 51
Tulsa 71, Vermont 62
Carrier Classic
First Round
Ill.-Chicago 57, Santa Clara 44
Ohio U. 61, Syracuse 55
Cyclone Challenge
First Round
Iowa St. 72, North Texas 45
W. Illinois 72, Princeton 71, OT
First Merchant Bank-CVC Classic
First Round
Ball St. 90, St. Joseph's, Ind. 57
Jacksonville 66, S. Carolina St. 63
Hawkeye Invitational
First Round
Detroit 49, Gonzaga 48
Iowa 82, South Alabama 58
Northwestern Mutual Classic
First Round
San Francisco 58, Holy Cross 42
Weber St. 72, Rice 66, 2OT
Phoenix Classic
Championship
Hartford 89, Cent. Connecticut St. 82
Third Place
Fordham 45, Yale 40
Pizza Hut Classic
First Round
Louisiana Tech 83, Texas-Pan American 80
SW Missouri St. 77, Texas Southern 47
PowerBar Invitational
Championship
CS Northridge 75, Coppin St. 59
Tom Roberson Classic
First Round
Jacksonville St. 83, West Georgia 81

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

DIVISION I
SEMIFINALS
Plainview (11-2) vs. Grapevine (9-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Jones Stadium, Lubbock
Bay City (11-1) vs. Alice (11-2), 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston

DIVISION II
Region I
Stephenville (13-1) beat WF Hirschi 42-21
Region II
Southlake Carroll (12-1) vs. Highland Park (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Region III
La Marque (12-0) beat Stabbee 21-12 (9-4), 8 p.m. Friday, Astrodome, Houston
Region IV
Smithson Valley (10-2) vs. New Braunfels Canyon (10-3), 4 p.m. Saturday, Alamodome, San Antonio

O's ink DeShields, Surhoff

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer

As George Steinbrenner spoke glowingly of Roger Clemens, Baltimore and Detroit tried to do some catching up with the World Series champions.

The Orioles plugged an infield hole by agreeing to a \$12.5 million, three-year contract with free agent second baseman Delino DeShields and re-signed outfielder B.J. Surhoff to a \$14 million, three-year deal.

The Tigers brought back Willie Blair, acquiring the right-hander in a trade that sent infielder Joe Randa to the New York Mets.

And in some lesser deals, Houston re-signed infielder Tim Bogar to a \$1.1 million, two-year contract; Atlanta signed pitcher Mike Remlinger to a \$1.1 million, one-year deal, and Toronto signed outfielder Geronimo Berroa to a minor league contract that guarantees him \$500,000.

Overshadowing all that was the Clemens chase.
The five-time Cy Young Award winner asked Toronto on Wednesday for a trade to a contender or closer to home, and the Blue Jays said they will comply within 7-to-10 days.

The New York Yankees, Houston Astros and Texas Rangers are thought to be the top contenders.

"I like him," Steinbrenner said. "I like everything he stands for. I like his work ethic, I like his competitiveness. I like his competitiveness. I like it all."

The Yankees tried to sign Clemens when he was a free agent after the 1996 season. Steinbrenner even went to Houston on a recruiting trip.

"I did my best to get him," Steinbrenner said. "I don't know whether he thinks he made a mistake. He certainly would have been on a world championship team. I just didn't get the job done."

Baltimore, trying to bounce back from its 79-83 record this year, continued its remake. The Orioles added Albert Belle, Charles Johnson and DeShields this week, retained Surhoff and lost Rafael Palmeiro.

"The ballclub is starting to take shape," new general manager Frank Wren said. "I feel great about what we've done behind the plate in Charles, we've added a big-time offensive guy in Albert Belle, we've added someone who has done everything for this franchise over the past three years, and we've added Delino."

DeShields, who made \$3 million this year, gets a \$500,000 signing bonus, \$3,666,667 next season and \$4,166,667 in each of the final two years.

Surhoff receives a \$4 million signing bonus and will get salaries of \$2.5 million in 1999, \$3 million in 2000 and \$3.5 million in 2001. Baltimore has a \$4.5 million option for 2002 with a \$1 million buyout, and the option would become guaranteed if he plays in 120 games or has 372 plate appearances in 2001.

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Employees of Meredith House dressed up for tenants recently. From left-right: Jana Gregory, Lynn Lundberg, Blint Landers, Angela Burk, Becky Jackson; Christine Henson, Glenda Terry, Terry Lester, Julie Hester, Lenor Helfer, Dee Sanchez, Lori McCann and Cinda Jennings.

Amarillo, panhandle region receive major benefits from state telecom bill

AUSTIN — Since passage by the Texas Legislature of the Public Utility Regulatory Act of 1995, \$4.2 million has been spent by Southwestern Bell for telephone technology improvements in the Amarillo region. The Amarillo region also has benefited from a separate state technology support created by the 1995 legislation, with area schools, libraries and other agencies receiving \$8.7 million in grants. More than \$138 million in grants have been awarded statewide. Southwestern Bell has contributed \$116 million to the grant program.

Recognized as HB 2128 or PURA '95, the act promised vast benefits to Texans, including equipment upgrades, enhanced calling features, fiber-optic installations, discounts for certain services, and toll-free dialing to the Internet. Among the primary beneficiaries are schools, libraries and hospitals.

According to Gary Stephens, Southwestern Bell's Amarillo area manager, benefits in the Panhandle have been numerous and arrives well ahead of schedule. "Topnotch telecommunications infrastructure is a major contributor to economic development efforts in our region,"

Stevens said. "Importantly, these upgrades accommodate the latest in advanced services, such as Caller ID, which foster a more open local service market," he added.

Four Southwestern Bell central switching offices in the Amarillo region have received the latest technological upgrades and fiber-optic installations, costing \$4.2 million. The offices are located in Amarillo, Hereford, Lefors and McLean.

David Cole, Texas president for Southwestern Bell, said, "The new technology, such as digital switching, allows for high-speed voice, data and Internet access to be developed PURA '95 has been an excellent vehicle to place the latest in technological changes across the state and especially in the Amarillo region. The Texas Legislature expected a lot from Southwestern Bell when it overwhelmingly passed this important measure. Southwestern Bell has responded enthusiastically, efficiently, and in record time."

Stevens observed, "Not only has the new technology arrived, it has

arrived well ahead of schedule. PURA '95 established a schedule for improvements to be completed by the year 2001. With the pace we're on, by the end of this year Southwestern Bell will have completed its commitments more than a year-ahead of schedule." More than \$320 million has been statewide on similar upgrades.

Grants of \$8,777,000 have been approved for about 62 school districts, libraries and other public institutes in the Amarillo region to improve communications networks and install new wiring and equipment, such as computers.

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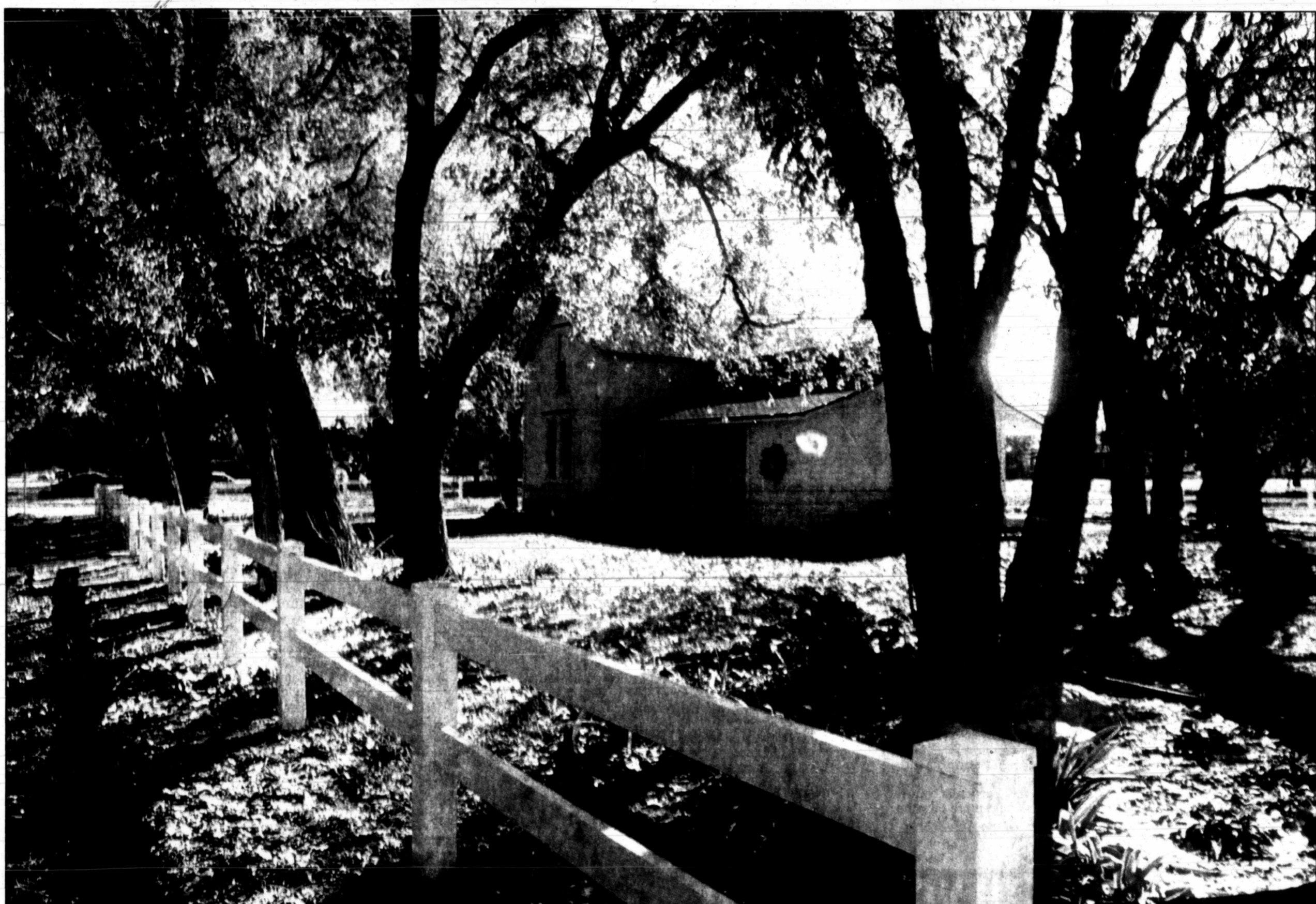
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LIFESTYLE

Yellow House on the Prairie



An open door and inviting warmth of a late fall afternoon belie the sophistication of Janie Hathoot's studio and gallery.



A three year long refurbishment of a pioneer home in the panhandle community of Lipscomb is complete and a Canadian woman has opened her art gallery and studio there. Open only since May, Janie Hathoot is already expanding in this community that is rapidly becoming an art colony.

LIPSCOMB — The golden leaves on the old cottonwood contrasted with the deep blue Texas Panhandle sky as Janie Hathoot stood surveying the old barn north of the tree. "We'll put a concrete floor in," she said. "This will be our pottery room."

The other half of the barn's ground level will become the West Gallery Room. The old feed trough will be covered with glass thick enough to support heavy bronze sculptures. Light from beneath will illuminate them. The loft above will be a classroom.

She plans to have skylights in the roof and glass replacing the planking at the east end of the building.

If this seems a bit ambitious for an old barn, consider the house next door.

Built in 1890 by William and Mary Parker, the house stood vacant for a number of years. It seemed its fortune was to shelter bags of feed from the panhandle weather.

In August, 1996, her husband, Joe Ben Hathoot, bought the old house for her.

For almost three years, Janie Hathoot worked on the house, repairing walls, installing insulation, rewiring and putting in airconditioning and heating.

"I rewired it and put in the airconditioning ducts myself," the petite Mrs. Hathoot said.

She hired painters to come paint the house a cheery yellow, but she redid the windows, the floors, even the hardware on the doors herself.

It took her a year just to restore the windows.

Long hours of tedious work led to a period retreat with the comforts of home.

"This is all the original floor," she said. "I just sanded it and sealed it."

The wooden floors are covered with hooked rugs made by Hathoot's mother, Lilly Pruitt.

The kitchen and the dining room have been made into one large room while the parlor serves as Hathoot's art gallery and studio. Off the studio is one of the three bedrooms, the only one with a private bath. The other bath, once a porch, is off the large room that serves as a classroom for the art classes that Hathoot schedules monthly.

On a shelf running around the large multi-purpose room, Hathoot has a number of antiques including a globe-shaped glass bank with an illustration of a baby inside it.

"That's the baby bank that my parents saved their money in to pay for me," Hathoot said. "Daddy would put silver dollars in it."

Upstairs are the other two bedrooms, known as the wildlife room and the girl's room. The former has a stained ceiling and muslin drapes hung from deer antlers over the window. Hathoot, whose artwork hangs throughout the house, is in the process of creating a bas relief of two wild turkeys on the wall.

The girl's room is done in white and



The spacious multi-purpose room downstairs, left, was originally the kitchen and dining room when the house was first built in 1890.

"We're on the migratory path," Hathoot said, "so we have a variety of birds."

Nor are birds the only wildlife in evidence.

"Our deer sleep over there," Hathoot said, motioning to a patch of long grass the other side of her white mulberry tree.

As she develops the retreat, she said, she plans on adding alpacas to the large grassy lot beyond her fenced yard.

On the other side of the house, the yellow leaves of the elms float on a breeze on this warm fall day as Melanie Yanke plants rose bushes.

"People call them Chinese elms," Yanke, a landscaper from Gruver, said, "but they're actually Siberian elms."

"I have a photograph of the house taken in 1890," Hathoot said, looking up at the towering elms. "These trees are about six feet tall."

The rose bushes seem small and few in comparison, but Hathoot said that they are trying a variety of roses to see which ones do well here in the top of Texas.

Many of them are crosses of old fashioned English roses and new longer blooming hybrids.

As Indian summer breezes carry the falling leaves of autumn, next summer the soft evening breezes will carry the honey scent of the Golden Celebration roses.

"I love roses," Hathoot said, looking back at the bright yellow house and the well groomed yard surrounding it.

pink with a double bed and quilts from Hathoot's mother-in-law, Viola Hathoot.

The artists that Hathoot brings in from other parts of the country stay at the house.

When the Parkers first moved here before the turn of the century, he was a Presbyterian minister and surveyor. He was also a brand inspector, and it was that job that earned William Parker a bullet in the back and left Mary Parker a widow with children to support.

She took in boarders to make ends meet and served as Lipscomb's postmistress.

Among her boarders were local school teachers. The cowboys would come into

town from surrounding ranches to court the single teachers.

"The house has always been the center of community activities," Hathoot said.

In May, when Hathoot opened her gallery, it again became one of the centers of community life. No sooner had she opened than she hosted two bird watching groups out of Amarillo. Now, she working with the Texas Wildlife Department to identify the trees that mark the bounds of her property to the west and south. Eventually there will be a trail through the tangle of hackberry, locust and elm, noting the individual species and the birds that can usually be found in them.



Mr. and Mrs. Milton T. Nichols

Nichols anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Milton T. Nichols celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 26, 1998, at Pamcel Hall. Children of the couple hosted the reception.

Milton T. Nichols and Edna Correne Mize were married Dec. 5, 1948, at Pampa. The couple have been lifelong Pampa residents.

Mr. Nichols worked for the U.S. Post Office, retiring Nov. 5, 1984, after 31 1/2 years of service.

Mrs. Nichols worked as a dental assistant for Dr. Weathersby in Pampa, as a nurse's aide at Highland General Hospital and as a house cleaner.

Children of the couple are Jan and Wayne Trusty, Rose and Chris Johnson and Peggy and Domingo Rodriguez, all of Pampa. They have 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Holidays perfect chance to mend, build relationships

DENTON — While celebration and expectation, family and friends are part of the holiday season, forgiveness often is forgotten in the rush. Family members see one another and remember old times — the good and the bad — and sometimes grudges replace giving. Instead, the holiday season can be a perfect opportunity to "mend fences" and build stronger relationships, according to family therapist Dr. Bill Anderson, associate professor of family sciences at Texas Woman's University.

"Our society has brainwashed us to think in terms of buy and spend, to expect more and to spend more and to equate money with happiness. Then we tie these ideas in with family — and it doesn't work," says Anderson. "Christmas and the holidays are a time of giving, regardless of religious orientation. It is a time to take stock of our relationships, particularly in our families — both the family of our origin and our immediate family — and to consider ways that we can give to one another. And we should forgive and ask for forgiveness."

Family, according to Anderson, is a place or an environment where people can have the best (closeness and friendship) or the worst (separation, anger and grudges). He says that families should ask themselves: how can I give to my children, spouse or parents? "What gets in the way of this process is the fact that we live together; family members know our weaknesses and we know theirs. When we live with people in the same house and share our lives, there is more possibility of hurt than with neighbors or co-workers." "We have to remember that love is reciprocal; therefore, the higher the expectations we have of our home life, the greater the chance we will be disappointed," he adds.

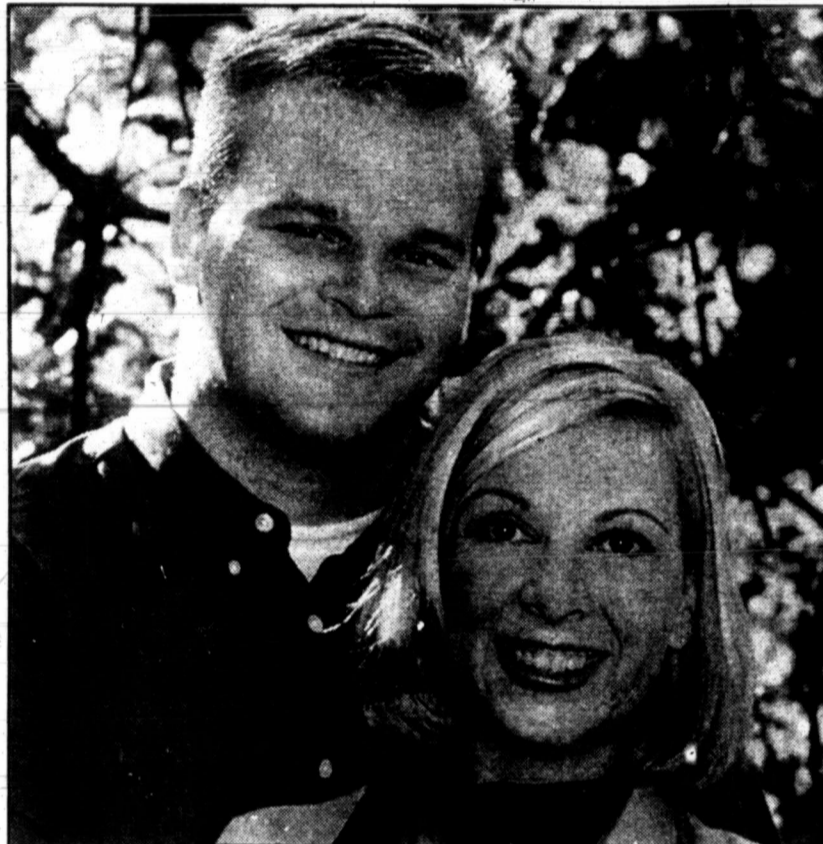
What steps can families take to forgive and grow, particularly during the holiday season? Anderson suggests focusing more on time

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Menus

Dec. 7-11

<p>Pampa Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Pancake-and-sausage-on-a-stick, syrup. Lunch: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, English peas, applesauce, hot rolls</p> <p>TUESDAY Breakfast: Scrambled egg, sausage patty, toast. Lunch: Spaghetti, meat sauce, green beans, pears, bread sticks.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy. Lunch: Sub sandwich, chicken noodle soup, lettuce and tomato, mixed fruit, Christmas gelatin.</p> <p>THURSDAY Breakfast: Cinnamon toasts. Lunch: Beef and cheese, nachos, pinto beans, peaches, cornbread.</p> <p>FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Hot dogs, chili, French fries, vegetarian beans, cookies.</p> <p>Lefors Schools MONDAY Breakfast: Muffins cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, fruit, garlic toast.</p> <p>TUESDAY Breakfast: Sausage, biscuits,</p>	<p>toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Burrito, chili, cheese, beans, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p>THURSDAY Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Turkey, dressing, green beans, rolls, fruit, milk.</p> <p>FRIDAY Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger and barbecue, cheese, salad, pickles, tator tots, fruit, milk.</p> <p>Senior Citizens MONDAY Chicken fried steak or chicken chow mein over rice, mashed potatoes, green beans, fried squash, northern beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, caramel cake or coconut pie, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>TUESDAY Meatloaf or chili rellenos with cheese sauce, potatoes, spinach, hominy, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, key lime cake or tapioca cups, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy</p>	<p>or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, succotash, beets, butter beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, cherry creme pie or bread pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>THURSDAY Beef enchiladas or chicken salad, cheese grits, California blend, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, strawberry shortcake or chocolate icebox pie, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>FRIDAY Fried cod fish or beef stew, potato wedges, broccoli, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, white chocolate swirl cake or egg custard pie, garlic breadsticks, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p>Meals on Wheels MONDAY Chicken chow mein, hominy, egg rolls, sugarless cake.</p> <p>TUESDAY Hamburgers, tator tots, pineapple.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Chili baked, pinto beans, cornbread, peanutbutter cookies.</p> <p>THURSDAY Sausage, gravy, hash-browns, green beans, pudding.</p> <p>FRIDAY Chopped sirloin, mushroom gravy, rice pilaf, English peas, pears.</p>
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Alison Thompson and John Kothmann

Thompson-Kothmann

Alison Thompson and John Kothmann of W. Monroe, La., plan to wed Jan. 23, 1999, in St. Patrick Cathedral in Fort Worth.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Ray and Sandy Thompson of Fort Worth. She received a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Texas Christian University where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. She is currently a candidate for a master of education degree from Southwest Texas State University.

The prospective groom is the son of Riley and Martha Kothmann of Pampa. He received a bachelor of science degree in industrial distribution from Texas A&M University and is currently employed with U.S. Filter, Corp.

The bride-elect's family hosted an engagement party in honor of the couple Oct. 24.

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Dawn Shannon and Shawn Boyd

Shannon-Boyd

Dawn Shannon of Pampa and Shawn Boyd of Amarillo were wed Dec. 4 in Trinity Fellowship Church in Pampa with the Rev. Lonny Robbins and the Rev. Tim Kettering, both of the church, officiating.

The maid of honor was Julie Friend of Pampa. The bridesmaids were Mandy Clark of Canyon, Carrie Prater, Megan Shannon and Amy Robbins, all of Pampa, Kim Montoya of Clovis, N.M., Kari Gifford of Borger and Carra Boyd of Amarillo. The flower girl was Ashley Kettering of Pampa.

The best man was Paxton Whatley of Pampa. The groomsmen were Jason Baskin, Brian Easley, Machael Lance, Michael Neagle and Jeremy Snead, all of Ama, Jeff Clark of Beaumont and Mark Roberts of Pampa. The ring bearer was Blake Chisum of Pampa.

The ushers were Jake Dunlap of Dallas and Josh Canklin, Grady Chapman, Cody Rodgers and Scott Dickerson, all of Ama. The candlelighters were Joel Shannon and Nicholas Robbins, both of Pampa. Registering guests was Tammy Mendoza of Pampa.

Music was provided by the Crystal String Quartet of Amarillo. A reception was held following the service in fellowship hall of the church with Robi Thompson, Kate Devoll, Cara East and Danette Hoover, all of Pampa, and Jeremy Lyman serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Beth Shannon of Pampa. She is currently enrolled in Exposito School of Hair Design. Following graduation this month, she will work as a nail technician at The Cut in Canyon.

The groom is the son of Preston and Rose Boyd of Amarillo. He is currently employed at Cutting Edge Cellular in Ama.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to San Antonio and intend to make their home in Canyon.

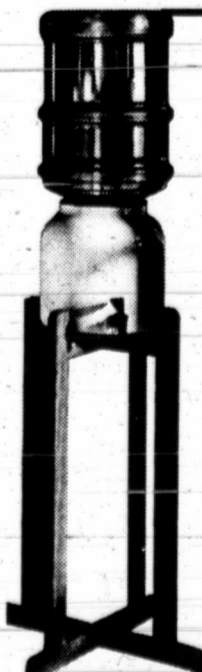
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 - 5 Bike
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 - 11 VCR
 - 12 Books
 - 13 Barbie
 - 14 Baseball set
 - 15 Dresser drawer
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 - 17 Game
 - 18 Curtane
 - 19 Kim

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sing-along, Star Theater, Barbie ice skates, Titanic. The board game, Twister, Gator Golf, Fraidy Cats Game, Pogo stick, stilts, Barbie Protective Pack, Barbie rollerblades, Barbie Skate bag, Titanic movie.

Note! I's OK if you don't get me all the stuff I want.
Brittany Tomaschik

Dear Santa,
I want a big ant for Christmas. I also want some bubble bath and nail kit.
Mom and I are going to make some cookies for you and leave a glass of milk to wash them down with.
Thank you,
Sierra Parker

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Titanic rose collector doll. and dress-up close. and the princess from a bugs Life. and a Sabrina psychic crystal ball. and an Lava Lamp. and the queen on a bugs life. and a bugs life movie. And ants movie. and the titanic movie. and the rugrats movie. and a new bike. and ice skates. totally twister. and spice girl dolls. and the game titanic.

I want a Lava Lamp. spice girl dolls, the sholder bag, a secret diary and an Electronic Organizer. Spice girls Electronic Organizer.
Love Lindsey Tomaschik

Dear Santa,
I want the K'Nex Lost Mines Rock Ripper. I'll tell you about it, it's got black panels, black gears, and a whole lot more.
Love, Jeremy Zellefrow

Club news

Club news is published strictly on a first come first serve basis due to limited space. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon the week of Thanksgiving and Christmas) though this deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

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FENCES

together and less on gifts. "Families today make choices: is it more important to watch TV or to turn it off and talk with a spouse or the children, for example. We can control some of the fast pace of life — talk or go for a walk together. We still have the same amount of time together as we had as families 50 years ago — we just have to make choices to spend more time together."

He fondly remembers one family's gift to each other several years ago — love letters to one another, instead of presents from the store. Anderson says, "During the holiday season, we should ask ourselves: what would I like to contribute this Christmas? What would my family members like from me?" Families should focus on people, not consumerism because "society's focus on consumerism has made us a lonely society."

So... how can we mend family "fences" — relationships and connections that have broken down because of unrealistic expectations or hurt feelings? Forgiveness is the key, plus communication. "Life is too short to get even with everyone," says Anderson. "Holding a grudge eats away at people and makes them unhappy. People live together, hurt each other and must forgive; otherwise, we end up isolated and unhappy."

Here are some tips to help mend those fences:

- Call, write, send a card, visit or make a gift. "All of these things have a strong impact on others; these are what people are lonely for," says Anderson.
- Forgive and ask for forgiveness.
- Look at the positive aspects of a relationship and focus on those.
- If you have seen someone you don't particularly like, make a list of what you don't like about them. Then make a list of their strengths and use those ideas to communicate with them. They will respond

positively to you when you recognize their strengths.

—Sometimes you must bundle your hurts and put them away and then look for the good in another person.

—Realize that "I am not perfect. I have weaknesses; therefore, maybe I can live with other people's limits and look for their good qualities."

—Remember: you can only fix yourself, not someone else.

—Also remember that commonalities are important. Look for ways to work, together and negotiate, if necessary. Look for similarities, not differences.

"Unresolved differences that you have with other family members are very painful, particularly at this time of the year," says Anderson. "Family systems are not fooled by silence or distance. They remember. There's a void that people still see, and cutting yourself off doesn't work because you and the other person have not resolved your problems. So celebrate your family during the holidays, forgive one another and spend time together."

PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild met Oct. 22 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Two guests, Joyce Dutcher and Becky Craddock, were in attendance. Five members presented completed projects including quilts, wallhangings and hand-dyed fabrics.

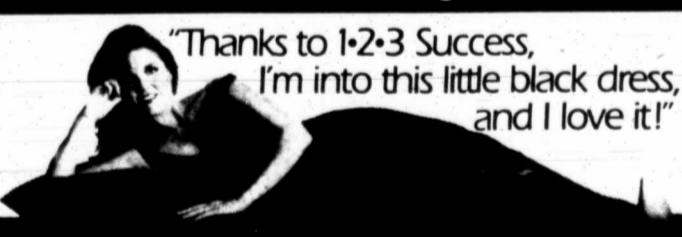
The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Connie Parks gave a financial report on Quiltfest '98. A committee was recently formed to gather information about quilt show categories and category definitions for the next quilt show.

—The guild Christmas party will be a potluck dinner Dec. 10 at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Members will be making Christmas quilt blocks for a drawing at the party. Quilt-related items will also be the focus of a gift exchange.

—Members submitted friendship blocks and were asked to complete the remaining blocks by the December meeting. The friendship circle is now complete and members were urged to establish a new circle in 1999.

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Keep safety in mind while trimming trees

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, fa la la la, la la la la.

It's time for holiday decorating, so make sure plugging in those Christmas lights makes the tree twinkle — instead of burning the house down.

Each year about 1,300 people are treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries related to holiday lights and trimmings.

And, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, Christmas trees are involved in about 500 fires annually, resulting in an average of \$20 million in property loss and damage each year.

Consumers can take steps to help avoid decorating disasters.

When purchasing an artificial tree, look for one labeled fire resistant. Although this label does not mean the tree won't catch fire, it does indicate the tree will resist burning and should extinguish quickly.

When purchasing a live tree, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, needles are hard to pull from branches and, when bent between your fingers, needles do not break. The end of the trunk should be sticky with resin and when bounced on the ground the tree should not lose many needles. Once the tree is home, keep it outside or in a cool spot until it can be decorated. Cut off the base one or two inches and place it in a stable holder.

When setting up the tree at home, place it at least three feet away from fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, heating vents or other sources of heat. Because heated rooms dry live trees rapidly, be sure to keep the stand filled with water. Place the tree out of the way of traffic and do not block doorways.

Whether they're indoors or out, use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Use weather-proof outdoor lights and cords for outdoors. Remember that even those labeled for outdoor use are not designed for prolonged exposure, so take them down as soon as the season is over.

Homemakers' News Joan Gray (Gray Co. Extension agent)



Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections. Discard damaged sets.

Almost everyone uses an extension cord or three when decorating. Just remember to use no more than three standard size sets of lights per extension cord.

Another thing to remember — never use electric lights on a metallic tree. The tree can become charged with electricity from faulty lights and anyone touching the branch could be electrocuted.

Outdoor lights should be fastened securely to trees, house walls or other firm supports to protect the lights from wind damage. Using only insulated staples to hold strings in place, not nails or tacks. Or run strings of lights through hooks that are available at hardware stores.

Turn off all lights when you go to bed or leave the house. The lights could short out and start a fire. Never leave light strings and other electrical decorations operating unattended.

Tree trimmers should even be careful when it comes to choosing decorations.

Use only non-combustible or flame-resistant materials to trim a tree. Choose tinsel or artificial icicles of plastic or non-leaded materials. Leaded materials are hazardous if ingested by children.

Never use lighted candles on a tree or near other evergreens. Always use non-flammable holders and place candles where they will not be knocked down.

In homes with small children, take special care to avoid decorations that are sharp or breakable, keep trimmings with small removable parts out of the reach

of children to avoid the child swallowing or inhaling small pieces, and avoid trimmings that resemble candy or food that may tempt a child to eat them.

Wear gloves to avoid eye and skin irritation while decorating with spun glass "angel hair." Follow container directions carefully to avoid lung irritation while decorating with artificial snow sprays.

Fireplaces also require caution during the holidays.

Use care with "fire salts" which produce colored flames when thrown on wood fires. Fire salts contain heavy metals that can cause intense gastrointestinal irritation and vomiting if eaten. Keep them away from children.

Never burn wrapping papers in a fireplace. A flash fire may result as wrappings ignite suddenly and burn intensely.

Do not burn trees in the fireplace. Evergreens burn rapidly and throw sparks which can set the roof on fire or cause a flue fire.

In addition to decorations, general safety rules should be followed. Make sure your home is equipped with working smoke detectors and fire extinguishers. Don't forget to install, test and maintain these devices in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Have a fire escape plan for your household. Every member should know at least two ways out of each room. Designate a well-lit place that is a safe distance from your home where everyone can meet in the event of a fire. Remember, never return to a burning building for any reason.

By following these safety tips, you are on your way toward a happier and safer holiday season.

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Restrictions on Cell Phones Bring Letters Pro and Con

DEAR ABBY: This is a response to your answer to Carol Rushing of Omaha, in which you said there should be a law restricting the use of cell phones while driving.

Your knee-jerk reaction harms all of our freedoms. Perhaps you will next suggest we pass laws that state:

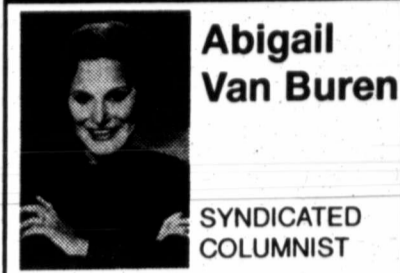
- No tuning the radio while driving.
- No looking at your passenger during conversation while driving.
- No adjusting the temperature while driving.
- No driving without eight hours of sleep.

I could go on and on. We'll always have tragic accidents no matter how many laws you try to pass. This potential loss of freedom is much more tragic.

The marketplace can address these issues without requiring more laws. For example, the radio and heat controls could be located on the steering wheel for ease of use while driving. And there's no reason the cell phone can't be integrated into the car to allow hands-free use. Remember the CB radio? Truck drivers have used them for more than 20 years while driving. You just have to give people the time to adjust to new technology, not attach restrictive laws with each new development.

TOM LYNCH
 CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

DEAR TOM: As someone who has seen drivers holding cell



Abigail Van Buren
 SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

phones in one hand and gesturing with the other while driving, I must disagree. A study in 1997 by the University of Toronto researchers Donald Redelmeier and Robert Tibshirani concluded that drivers talking on cell phones are four times as likely to have an accident as those who do not use cell phones while behind the wheel. The communications director of the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety was recently quoted as saying, "There's no question yes (cell phones) contribute to crashes." Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Your suggestion of a law requiring people to pull over to use car phones is a good one. I have read that statistically, talking on the phone while driving is as dangerous as drunk driving. Why isn't this publicized more? My husband commutes, and almost daily must act fast to dodge drivers who are talking on their cell phones while zooming along at 85 mph and darting in and out of freeway traffic. I think phoning and driving should

be as illegal as drinking and driving.

How about a campaign, Abby, with slogans and posters: "It was the last call he ever made," or, "There are no phones in coffins," or a picture of a mom in a hospital bed, with the words: "She can't come to the phone right now — she's in a coma." It could save as many lives as Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

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For Better or For Worse

CAN'T STAND IT, MOM. THE CHANGE IS STARTING TO MAKE MY LIFE MISERABLE.
 MY THERMOSTAT'S BROKEN, I'M GAINING WEIGHT, I CAN'T SLEEP.
 BUT WOMEN SURVIVED THIS BEFORE WE HAD MEDICATION! WHAT DID OUR ANCESTORS DO WHEN THEY REACHED MENOPAUSE?
 REJOICE, PROBABLY.
 MOST OF THEM DIDN'T LIVE THAT LONG!!

Zits

TALK ABOUT RUPE!
 REALLY!
 THOSE PEOPLE RUINED THE MOVIE FOR ME.
 ALL THEY DID WAS COMPLAIN! COMPLAIN! COMPLAIN!
 THERE WERE SCENES WHERE I COULD BARELY HEAR MYSELF TALKING!
 NEXT TIME I'LL COMPLAIN TO THE MANAGER.
 HE'S IN MY ALGEBRA CLASS.

Garfield

YOU ATE THE ENTIRE BOWL OF HARD CANDY?!
 RATTLE RATTLE RATTLE

Beetle Bailey

I LIKE LOOKING OUT THIS WINDOW
 IT'S A NICE VIEW FROM UP HERE
 OF COURSE, I CAN ONLY DO IT ON WEEKENDS
 AND IF IT WEREN'T FOR BEETLE, I COULDN'T DO IT AT ALL
 MOPS WALKER

Marvin

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU?
 I'M HAVING TROUBLE MAKING ENDS MEET
 I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WORRIED ABOUT FINANCIAL MATTERS
 I DON'T...
 THE TAPE ON MY DIAPER KEEPS COMING UNSTUCK!

B.C.

catacombs
 WHAT KITTIES USE TO GET RID OF HAIRBALLS

Haggar The Horrible

I KNOW WE'RE LOST, MEN, BUT WE'LL BE OKAY AS SOON AS OUR NAVIGATOR READS THE MAP
 LET'S SEE NOW — THE BLUE AREA INDICATES WATER AND THE BROWN AREA INDICATES LAND, RIGHT?

Peanuts

RATS! I KNEW THIS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN.
 WHAT'S WRONG?
 WE JUST RAN OUT OF SNOWFLAKES.

Blondie

WE'RE GOING TO THE LOGANS' FOR DINNER TONIGHT
 WHO ELSE DID THEY INVITE?
 JUST US. I HATE GOING THERE, LOGAN IS ALWAYS TRYING TO IMPRESS US!
 SEE WHAT I MEAN?!

Mallard Filmore

WHAT THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPORTERS INSIST WAS THE ONLY THING THE STARR INVESTIGATION WAS ABOUT...
 WHILE THE PRESIDENT INSISTS THAT IT'S EXACTLY WHAT HE DIDN'T HAVE.

Horoscope

MONDAY, DEC. 7, 1998
 BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 **** Flow with life's unpredictability; certain advantages immediately appear. Direct your fire toward creativity. Zero in on what you want. You always present a different point of view. Others trust your insights and respond, sometimes strongly. Tonight: Continue weekend friskiness.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 *** You get upset when work goes haywire. There have been a lot of problems lately. Instead of being at the mercy of circumstances, take charge and move toward greater independence. Not everyone has to agree with you, yet a partner offers powerful feedback. Tonight: Happy at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 **** Discuss a child or loved one's creative ideas. Inspiration remains high. News from a distance provokes thought and emotional reactions. Others help you see the other side of an issue, as they present opinions that differ from yours. Reach into your imagination. Tonight: Breeze through errands.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Handle finances with care and precision. The unexpected occurs with others. Recognize the need to be more independent. Evaluate choices carefully. Work demands organization if you are going to complete what lies ahead. Family supports a project. Play Santa. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Allow your spirit to emerge. High energy and creativity mark your work, decisions and interactions. You flourish, despite someone else's unpredictability. A relationship could be heating up. A phone call reveals yet another perspective. Tonight: Be your sunny self.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ** You'll sense that there is much activity behind the scenes. Your nerves are frayed as a result. Take a brisk walk or exercise break at lunch. You will gain another view once you relax, especially about someone whom you put on a pedestal. Tonight: Take a night just for yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 **** You might be resistant to making changes in your mode of operation. The unexpected serves you in that you loosen up and handle situations in a more creative way. Success lies in thinking differently and breaking old patterns. Tonight: Be where your friends are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 *** Take charge while you are in the limelight. Others turn to you for answers and ideas. Your sense of responsibility and dynamic approach bring you applause and respect. Consider what you need to do about a

parent or respected family member. Tonight: Out and about.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ***** Take an overview. Refuse to let someone push your buttons. Gossip runs rampant; you hear unexpected tidbits. Be cool; listen, but don't pass on any rumors. A friend pushes you in a certain direction. You know what you need to do. Tonight: Do something uplifting.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ***** A partner shares important information. Please note that his opinion liberally colors it! You don't need to disagree, but do stay in charge. No one can manage his finances better than you. Intuition serves you when dealing with a special person. Tonight: Stay away from crowds.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 **** Realize that others have the right to react, even if you don't want them to. The unexpected marks your actions. You might wonder which way is best for you. Push past barriers, and stay on top of new ideas. Commit to questioning and growing. Tonight: Join a friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 **** Work demands your complete attention. Be direct in your dealings. Refuse to worry about something you can't change. Concentrate on one item at a time; you center yourself and feel better as a result. Your ability to adapt helps your career. Tonight: Work as late as need be.

Crossword Puzzle

by THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Cohort of folks
 - 7 Pertness
 - 11 Colorful bird
 - 12 Tennis star Lendl
 - 13 Waxen
 - 14 Pitcher
 - 15 Bar at the bar
 - 16 Happen twice
 - 17 Editor's base
 - 18 Warning word
 - 19 Glow
 - 21 Kapital
 - 22 The masses
 - 25 Solo in space
 - 26 More than none
 - 27 Steered clear of
 - 29 Feathery wraps
 - 33 West Pointer
 - 34 Run out
 - 35 Fit
 - 36 Be generous
 - 37 Gossip bit
 - 38 Loved
 - 39 Refer to
 - 40 The

RAJAH RAWER
 EVADE APTNE
 BACON MALT A
 ILK NIP KTD
 DOI ENIS ICE
 SNIERS BEER
 CRYPTIC
 BOOR ARNOLD
 ELL ACE LOO
 GIL PEAL LUG
 OVINE CLING
 FINER LANGE
 FASTS EASED

- DOWN**
- 1 Nuzzled
 - 2 Clear
 - 3 Loses
 - 4 Hawaiian island
 - 5 Crooked
 - 6 Fresh
 - 7 Muscular power
 - 8 Green shade
 - 9 Feudal warrior
 - 10 Night sounds
 - 16 Kingdom
 - 18 Mope
 - 20 Surprise win
 - 22 Danish cheese
 - 23 Trying to lose
 - 24 Syria neighbor
 - 25 Frenzied
 - 28 "Beloved"
 - 30 Eye-popping posters
 - 31 Late bloomer
 - 32 Run-down
 - 34 Mine find
 - 36 Follower of Trygve

Yesterday's Answer

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Marmaduke

"Cut that out! Stop trying to hypnotize me out of my chair."

The Family Circus

"Daddy, it's good you stopped growing when you did."

STUMPED?
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ENTERTAINMENT

Black Sabbath is back

NEW YORK (AP) — Guitarist Tony Iommi sits in a midtown hotel room, reflecting on Black Sabbath's 30-year history. Next to him is singer Ozzy Osbourne. Years ago, both vowed never to share the same stage again.

Black Sabbath is the band that pioneered heavy metal music with its amplified dirges brimming with cryptic lyrics and bone-crushing riffs. During the early 1970s, the band's exploits became synonymous with the hard-rock lifestyle of all-night parties, groupies and exhausting tour schedules.

On the band's first American tour, Iommi and Osbourne knocked down a hotel wall in Virginia.

"We were angry guys," Osbourne explains. "And we just thought, 'Hey, let's just scare everybody.'"

Now Osbourne and Iommi are getting ready for Black Sabbath's North American tour to promote a new record that is appropriately titled, "Reunion" (Epic Records).

The tour is the first to feature the original lineup since Osbourne left the band in 1978. It is scheduled to begin in Phoenix on New Year's Eve. Other cities on the tour: Los Angeles, Seattle, Chicago, Boston and Detroit. "I always felt that the original Black Sabbath was unresolved," says Osbourne, his eyes hidden by tinted eyeglasses. "We just kind of flicked it away."

If a recent in-store signing for the new album is any indication, the reunion tour will attract as much attention as the band's first American tour nearly 30 years ago. The line of Black Sabbath fans stretched a block long

at a record store in Times Square.

"We got our success from the people," Osbourne says. "Everyone said we wouldn't last five minutes, said we couldn't play, couldn't sing, couldn't write songs. Lo and behold, 30 years later, we're more popular than ever."

"Reunion" features heavy metal classics, "Iron Man" and "Paranoid." The songs were performed by Iommi, Osbourne, bassist Geezer Butler and drummer Bill Ward before an adoring audience in the band's hometown of Birmingham, England. The live material is complemented by two new studio tracks, "Psycho Man" and "Selling My Soul."

The band's name was snatched from a 1963 horror film starring Boris Karloff.

"The whole image was built up based on the name, Black Sabbath," Iommi says. Black Sabbath has a host of aberrant admirers, from worshipful witches to professing pious groups and famous murderers.

Osbourne recalls a police photograph that showed his lyrics etched on a wall inside the apartment of serial killer David Berkowitz.

Then there was a man in California who erected a tombstone in his back yard as a tribute to Osbourne. He sent the singer a videotaped invitation to be buried in the shrine.

"The guy's a stalker," Osbourne says.

Mounting egos led to Osbourne's departure in 1978. While Iommi continued to record and tour as Black Sabbath, succeeding lineups never commanded the attention of the original.

"We've all been around long enough in dif-

ferent lineups, but when we get back in this one, there's no comparison," Iommi says.

Black Sabbath was among this year's nominees for induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. It was the band's second nomination.

When asked about Black Sabbath's musical legacy, Osbourne shrugs, "Don't ask me what that means because I'm clueless about that. There was no mystique about it. Jam, smoke a few joints, get a few bottles of beer. ..."

Since the breakup, Osbourne has enjoyed a controversial, prosperous solo career.

In 1992, he announced his retirement from music but returned to the road three years later with a Retirement Sucks tour.

A year later, he launched Ozzfest, heavy metal's answer to Lollapalooza.

"We all have to carry on somehow," Osbourne says. "We have to survive and feed the family, you know."

His solo career is on indefinite hold while he and his old chums decide how much longer to extend the reunion.

Osbourne would like to record a full-length album, but says the decision is not his to make.

"It's not my band," Osbourne says. "I just sing."

Iommi and Osbourne say they will be able to part on amiable terms when the reunion ends.

"Years ago, we had too many things surrounding us. We were young," Iommi says. "Now we've grown up and we can handle things."

Billboard music charts

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

Hot 100: Top 20

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "I'm Your Angel," R. Kelly & Celine Dion. Jive.
2. "Nobody's Supposed To Be Here," Deborah Cox. Arista. (Gold)
3. "Lately," Divine. Pendulum. (Platinum)
4. "Doo Wop (That Thing)," Lauryn Hill. Ruffhouse.
5. "From This Moment On," Shania Twain. Mercury (Nashville).
6. "Because Of You," 98 Degrees. Motown. (Gold)
7. "Love Like This," Faith Evans. Bad Boy. (Gold)
8. "Lullaby," Shawn Mullins. SMG.
9. "...Baby One More Time," Britney Spears. Jive.
10. "Have You Ever?," Brandy. Atlantic.
11. "The First Night," Monica. Arista. (Platinum)
12. "Iris," Goo Goo Dolls. Warner Sun.
13. "This Kiss," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Gold)
14. "Trippin'," Total (feat. Missy Elliott). Bad Boy.
15. "How Deep Is Your Love," Dru Hill (feat. Redman). Island. (Gold)
16. "Jumper," Third Eye Blind. Elektra.
17. "Save Tonight," Eagle-Eye Cherry. WORK.
18. "Hands," Jewel. Atlantic.
19. "One Week," Barenaked Ladies. Reprise.
20. "Thank U," Alanis Morissette. Maverick.

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(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Double Live," Garth Brooks. Capitol (Nashville).
2. "Garage Inc.," Metallica. Elektra.
3. "These Are Special Times," Celine Dion. 550 Music.
4. "Spirit," Jewel. Atlantic. (Platinum)
5. "Greatest Hits," 2Pac. Amaru.
6. "N Sync," N Sync. RCA. (Platinum)
7. "(NU) I's," Mariah Carey. Columbia.
8. "Vol. 2... Hard Knock Life," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella. (Platinum)
9. "Backstreet Boys," Backstreet Boys. Jive. (Platinum)
10. "Home For Christmas," N Sync. RCA.
11. "Tical 2000: Judgement Day," Method Man. Def Jam.
12. "Americana," The Offspring. Columbia.
13. "Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie," Alanis Morissette. Maverick.
14. "Come On Over," Shania Twain. Mercury. (Platinum)
15. "Live On Two Legs," Pearl Jam. Epic.
16. "RZA As Bobby Digital In Stereo," RZA. Gee Street.
17. Soundtrack: "Chef Aid: The South Park Album." American.
18. "My Love Is Your Love," Whitney Houston. Arista.
19. "Wide Open Spaces," Dixie Chicks. Monument. (Platinum)
20. "Never S-A-Y Never," Brandy. Atlantic. (Platinum)

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(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "I'm Your Angel," R. Kelly & Celine Dion. Jive.
2. "From This Moment On," Shania Twain. Mercury.
3. "I'll Never Break Your Heart," Backstreet Boys. Jive.
4. "True Colors," Phil Collins. Face Value.
5. "When You Believe," Whitney Houston. DreamWorks.
6. "This Kiss," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
7. "I'll Be," Edwin McCain. Atlantic.
8. "To Love You More," Celine Dion. 550 Music.
9. "You're Still The One," Shania Twain. Mercury.
10. "Truly Madly Deeply," Savage Garden. Columbia.

Mainstream Rock Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Turn The Page," Metallica. Elektra.
2. "Fly Away," Lenny Kravitz. Virgin.
3. "Kickin' My Heart Around," The Black Crowes. American.
4. "Psycho Man," Black Sabbath. Epic.
5. "Slide," Goo Goo Dolls. Warner Bros.
6. "Dragula," Rob Zombie. Geffen.
7. "Celebrity Skin," Hole. DGC.
8. "What's This Life For," Creed. Wind-up.
9. "Pretty Fly (For A White Guy)," The Offspring. Columbia.
10. "Still Rainin'," Jonny Lang. A&M.

Modern Rock Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Never There," Cake. Capricorn.
2. "Fly Away," Lenny Kravitz. Virgin.
3. "What It's Like," Everlast. Tommy Boy.
4. "Pretty Fly (For A White Guy)," The Offspring. Columbia.
5. "Slide," Goo Goo Dolls. Warner Bros.
6. "Got You (Where I Want You)," The Flys. Delicious.
7. "Celebrity Skin," Hole. DGC.
8. "Circles," Soul Coughing. Slash.
9. "Inside Out," Eve 6. RCA.
10. "Sweetest Thing," U2. Island.

Hot Country Singles and Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Let Me Let Go," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
2. "It Must Be Love," Ty Herndon. Epic.
3. "Husbands And Wives," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville.
4. "You're Easy On The Eyes," Terri Clark. Mercury.
5. "Someone You Used To Know," Collin Raye. Epic.
6. "We Really Shouldn't Be Doing This," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
7. "Wide Open Spaces," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
8. "Right On The Money," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
9. "You're Beginning To Get To Me," Clay Walker. Giant.
10. "A Little Past Little Rock," Lee Ann Womack. Decca.

Top Country Albums

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Double Live," Garth Brooks. Capitol.
2. "Come On Over," Shania Twain. Mercury. (Platinum)
3. "Wide Open Spaces," Dixie Chicks. Monument. (Platinum)
4. Soundtrack: "Touched By An Angel: The Album." 550 Music.
5. Soundtrack: "Hope Floats." Capitol. (Platinum)
6. "Faith," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
7. "Breath Of Heaven — A Christmas Collection," Vince Gill (w/ Patrick Williams and his Orchestra). MCA Nashville.
8. "For The Record: 41 Number One Hits," Alabama. RCA. (Platinum)
9. "High Mileage," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)
10. "White Christmas," Martina McBride. RCA.

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AGRICULTURE

The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT (BULL)

Outlook: Ever since last summer, the bull has resided in our wheat box. It remains there today, however I would not be surprised to see this market wage a two-sided battle over the coming weeks. The donations to Russia and others will no doubt continue, and this appears very bullish longer term. This is a whole new demand segment not previously dialed into most analysts supply/demand balance tables. However, the first shipments still need to be moved and digested before a new round will begin. They are supposed to start heading East this month. Technically, the market has stalled out and the crop condition ratings for the U.S. winter wheat are improving. At press time, 70 percent of the crop was rated good to excellent. If there are any reports of yield problems coming, there is a very slim chance we will hear about this until late winter or next spring. So look for a two-sided affair until about the New Year. After the New Year, I can envision a scenario where wheat supplies could fall to historically low levels. Buy the breaks!

Strategy: Hedgers: Continue to hold call options as a replacement for previous cash wheat sales. But calls for newer wheat sales on dips of 30 to 40 cents from the top.

Traders: If you still own December Minneapolis futures from 327 and below, you should be rolling these into the March. Use a stop of 352 on the March position. We also own March 280 Chicago wheat calls at 12 1/2 cents. Hold with no stop (this is a limited risk position).

CORN (BEAR)

Outlook: It is hard to envision what could get this corn market moving this month. There seems to be a sincere lack of interest,

and even at those times when good exports are announced, this market cannot hold the gains. It has been slow farmer selling which has supported the market recently, but with "free storage" (normally offered by elevators for a limited time after harvest) expiring I look for cash movement to pick up. The USDA raised their crop estimate in the November crop report by 70 million bushels to 9,814,000. No matter how you cut it, this is a big crop, the second largest on record. While the seasonal lows might be in, with burdensome ending stocks at 1.8 billion bushels, it would not be surprising to see prices test the pre-harvest lows. Longer term, today's huge hog numbers will no doubt be decreasing somewhat, and this important demand source will need to be replaced. Sell the technical rallies!

Strategy: Hedgers: I don't see much potential in storage now, even though prices are low. The recent rally looks like it could be a good short-term sale. We can always buy back later in the futures if it appears the fundamentals change.

Traders: We never reached our \$2.30 recommended level to short the December futures and this is canceled with no new suggestions for this week.

SOYBEANS (BULL/BEAR)
Outlook: In the last few weeks the market failed at the upper end of my previously published range estimate (\$5.99-\$5.65 in the January). The bullish news from the Crop Report (where the USDA chopped 100 to 200 million bushels off most analysts' estimates) was obviously discounted in price. Cash selling by farmers picked up on the rally, and without new demand, the market has faded. On this beak,

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however, I would look for cash selling to dry up. Most farmers will now try to wait until after the first of the year. If they need cash, I would think more corn more plentiful and a better sale anyway. Next, this market will focus on demand and on South American weather. Probably not much will happen until January or February (their hot period). Look for a two-sided trading range affair during the month of December.

Strategy: Hedgers: Selective hedgers who wanted to maintain ownership of cash sales are long the January futures from under \$5.60. Accept profits on rallies above \$5.95.

Traders: We remain long November of 1999 soybeans from under 570. The stop has been raised to \$5.60. Consider this a long-term trade. We missed our short sale in January from \$5.95, and this recommendation is now canceled.

CATTLE (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: The real problem for cattle these past few months had not been cattle, it has been hogs. A panic liquidation due to the over production squashed hog prices to historic lows. With this glut of pork hitting the market, the retailer can feature pork relentlessly and still have a healthy profit margin (unlike the hog producer). This cheap pork, which has been well received by

the consumer, no doubt cuts into beef demand. As we are going to press, the Government just announced a \$50 million pork purchase program, so hopefully this will help the entire meat complex. Meanwhile, supplies of cattle continue to shrink. I think the January semi-annual inventory will be quite bullish for the cattle markets. The month of December should see a nice gradual transition from long-term bear into a long term 1999 bull market.

Strategy: Feeders: If you took our advice from last week you sold all previously purchased 65 and 66 December put options (purchased for price protection) when the futures broke under 62. Use these option profits to help somewhat with your poor cash prices.

Cow/calf operators: Cattle feeders, you are buy-hedged in the January and March at 70 to 71 on a roll from the November. You should have accepted profits of about \$1.50 on your Novembers. Hold these new edges until you buy your replacement feeders.

Traders: Last week, we were stopped out of our January feeder cattle position (just). Now the market looks as if it is trying to forge a bottom, so buy them back on breaks under 7050. Risk a close under 6900 for a profit objective of 7600.

Convenience, desire dictate buying, eating habits, says official

Consumers, according to Harry Balzar, are a study in contrasts. While changes in individual consumer behavior affect the beef business in many ways, consumers really change very little overall, he told cattle feeders at the 1998 TCFA Annual Convention in Fort Worth.

That's because we all live in life stages, and even though some trends have been pervasive throughout all aspects of a consumers life—the desire for more convenience chief among them—where you are in life will largely dictate your buying and eating habits.

Balzar, vice president of the NPD Group's Consumer Consulting Service, gave cattle feeders an example of how this works. He has a diary from a housewife named Mrs. Barker who recorded her meals for a week in 1955. "She prepared all 21 of those meals in her home in 1955. She took 29 minutes to prepare each meal and coffee was her top beverage." To find out how she changed, she was surveyed again in 1997. "Out of 21 meals, only 11 were made at home. The only meal we could count on her eating at home was breakfast. She spends nine minutes preparing a meal and now soft drinks are her top beverage."

Then, to compare, they surveyed her daughter. "Out of 21 possible meals, she made 18 in her home. She spent 20 minutes preparing a meal and coffee was her top beverage. Her daughter looked more like her mother in 1955 than she looked like her mother today. As an individual, Mrs. Barker changed and you will change, too. But as you leave your life stage, somebody else will come in and take your place."

So, for the beef industry to position itself as a consumer's food of choice, an understanding of demographics and population changes is necessary. That's because, to meet consumer expectations, cattlemen need to know what is important to consumers at each life stage. Groups that have grown in numbers in the last 10 years are babies and children under five, school age children, preteens, older families and empty nesters. There are fewer young adults out on their own, which means there will be fewer moms and dads until the preteens and school age children move into that life stage.

"The groups that will be growing are older families and empty nesters," he said. "Think empty nesters will behave differently than families? Will they eat differently?" he asked. The answer is, like the woman surveyed in 1955 and again in 1997, they won't prepare many meals. "They still want to eat at home, but they don't want to cook. They want somebody else to prepare their meals."

Which brings up the main driver in consumer behavior today-time. "What really causes change is time," Balzar said, adding the main question consumers have of the food industry is, "Can you save me time? The number of meals made in the home last year was the lowest we've ever seen and the number of meals prepared in a restaurant is at an all-time high."

But only recently has the trend been weighted toward consumers eating those meals at the restaurant. "We've actually decreased going out to eat and actually sitting down to eat at the restaurant. It's only in the last couple of years with good economic conditions and fewer kids that we're going out to eat again. Growth of the restaurant industry has been supported entirely by takeout. And where has this takeout been going? Home."

Another trend that accompanies an older population is health. But it might surprise cattlemen to learn the direction the health trend is taking. "The number of people who say they are consumed about fat in food, cholesterol in food, sugar, preservatives, caffeine are declining. In fact, 1990 was probably the peak year as far as eating 'less harmful' foods in this country." The same holds true for total calories. "The number of people who say they're conscious of the number of calories in the meals they serve is the lowest ever at 26% of the population."

Now, he said, the health trend is to include what are perceived as healthy foods in the diet, rather than avoid foods that are perceived as unhealthy. Now, the question consumers are asking is, "What's in your food that's good for me?"

However, in the long run, Balzar told cattle feeders that if they want to bet where the long-term-changes in consumer eating patterns will be, it's in those things that save time. "Figure out ways to make it easy to prepare food in the home," he urged. "When you talk about consumer use of food, the person you're really talking to is mom. Mom is the primary meal preparer in this country and she always has been." But females are cooking less. Five years ago, 71% to 72% of females prepared at least one meal in the home. Today, it's 68%. "So what you've got to think about is how to make the woman's life easier."

And that doesn't mean coming with some exotic new food. Balzar said the top foods in 1990 eaten at home as the entree at lunch or dinner were ham, peanut butter and jelly, hot dogs, pizza, cheese sandwich, hamburgers, baked chicken, macaroni and cheese and bologna sandwiches. Today, he said, it's the same list, it's just reordered itself. "Anybody want to guess what we'll be eating 10 years from now. In 2008? It will be the same list. The difference will be how it's delivered to us, how it's packaged, how it's priced."

Company to market salmonella vaccine

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A St. Louis company has received federal approval to sell a vaccine that, when sprayed on baby chicks, controls dangerous salmonella bacteria in poultry.

Megan Animal Health Inc. said the vaccine stimulates immunity and prevents infection in the animals. Although infected chickens do not get sick, they pass the salmonella bacteria to humans. "We hope that the industry will see this as an inexpensive and effective vaccine to be used in all of its product lines," said Brian Clevinger, chief executive of Megan.

The U.S. Agriculture Department has approved the vaccine for use on broilers, the chickens bred for their meat.

The vaccine is based on research by Roy Curtiss III, a biology professor at Washington University in St. Louis who is a board member and acting science director of Megan. The vaccine could eliminate one-fourth or more of the estimated 4 million salmonella poisoning cases in humans each year, Curtiss said.

Curtiss developed his vaccine with live but weakened bacteria

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that will not cause an infection in chickens but will provoke their immune system to protect against salmonella.

Most animal vaccines use dead bacteria or viruses, but they do not provide long-lasting immunity.

Live vaccines offer the longest protection and are cheaper to produce, Clevinger said. They also can be applied by spraying the birds, a technique used for applying other vaccines to chickens. Dead vaccines must be injected into each bird, he said.

Although the broiler industry has reduced the risk of salmonella infection by cleaning up its operations, Clevinger said the disease has not been eliminated.

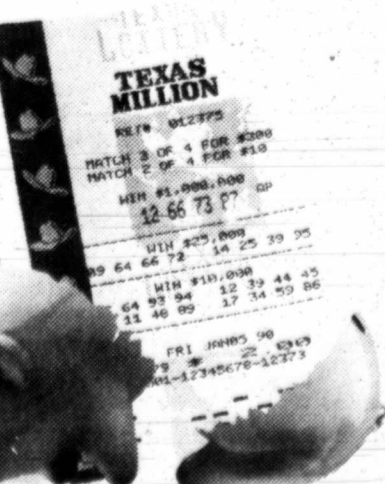
The vaccine, called Megan Vac 1, gives producers extra protection, he said.

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7 Chances To Cash In.

Panhandle has ranches on Angus list

Three Texas Panhandle ranches were among the top Angus producers in the state last year, according to the American Angus Association.

Ten producers who registered the most Angus beef cattle in the State of Texas recorded a total of 2,729 Angus with the American Angus Association during fiscal year 1998, which ended September 30, according to Richard L. Spader, association executive vice president.

Bradley 3 Ranch Limited of Memphis, Oak Ridge Ranch of Quanah and Howard Engle of Adrian are among the top 10 producers to register Angus cattle with the national breed association.

The 10 top recorders in Texas are, in order, William Clark, Houston, 695-head; Bradley 3 Ranch Limited, Memphis, 411; T D Cattle Company, Wheelock, 319; Double Creek Farms, Meridian, 307; Woodstone Ranch, New Ulm, 211; Creighton Ranch, Paris, 188; Wade Pennington and Sons, Grapeland, 158; Oak Ridge Ranch, Quanah, 150; R A Brown Ranch, Throckmorton, 149, and Howard Engle, Adrian, 141.

Angus breeders across the nation in 1998 registered 252,969 of Angus cattle compared to 239,476 in fiscal 1997. This is an increase of more than five percent from a year ago.

"Angus registrations for 1998 were the largest in 18 years," Spader said. "This increase, especially in a turbulent agricultural and economic market, indicates that demand for Angus genetics is stronger than it ever has been."

The American Angus Association, headquartered in St. Joseph, Missouri, is the largest beef registry association in the world in terms of both annual registrations and active members.

Spend Christmas in Pampa!

Community Calendar

FREEDOM MUSEUM USA, 600 North Hobart, Open Tuesday-Saturday, Noon to 4 p.m. Revolutionary War to Bosnia. All branches of service are represented.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM 112-116 South Cuyler. Visiting hours are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. History of the White Deer Land Co., early settlers, outstanding arrowhead collection history wall, art gallery. Elevator and handicap accessible. Contact 669-8041 for information or special tours.

AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 665-5938 or 669-3988.

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

VFW POST #1657, 105 S. Cuyler. Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Edgar D. Carson, 669-0853 or 669-1264.

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

THE ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP will have regularly scheduled meetings the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc. For more information contact Chrys Smith at 665-0356.

OUTREACH HEALTH SERVICES/WIC Program nutrition education classes. Open to the public. For more information call 665-1182.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP if interested call Connie at 669-9364.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS meet the 4th Saturday of each month at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion, 6:30 p.m. Pot luck supper. For more information contact Kevin Romines, 665-8547 or Jim Greene, 665-8067.

DECEMBER

5-6 SHEPHERDS HELPING HANDS Festival of Trees at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. Set-up of trees and booths will be on the 4th. For more information call 665-9750.

5-7 CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH will present "That Night" a Christmas spectacular pageant presentation of the life of Christ. Performances will be at 7 p.m. at 513 East Francis. For more information call 665-1631.

6-NARCOTIC ANONYMOUS will meet at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room or the Columbia Medical Center Office Bldg. For more information call 669-7546.

6-TWENTIETH CENTURY COTILLION STUDY CLUB "Holiday Home Tour" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person. For more information call Peggy David, 665-3500.

11-CLARENDON COLLEGE-PAMPA CENTER GROUNDBREAKING will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the new building site, 1600 West Kentucky. The public is encouraged to attend. Participating in the short program will be Dr. Raymond Hawkins, interim president of Clarendon College; Joe Kyle Reeve, Dean of CC-Pampa Center; and Don Lane, chairman of the Pampa Center Foundation. For more information call Darlene Birkes, 665-2913.

11-NARCOTIC ANONYMOUS will meet at 7 p.m. at the Highland Christian Church, 1615 North Banks. For more information call 669-6700.

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13-FIRST PENTECOSTAL SECOND SUNDAY "Singing" will be from 2 p.m. till 4 p.m. at 1700 Alcock and the public is invited. For more information contact Mina Towery, 665-8529.

17-LAKE McCLELLAN IMPROVEMENT, INC. meets at 7 p.m. in the Gray County Court House 2nd floor courtroom. For more information contact Steve Thornton, 665-8607.

Austin Elementary honor roll

Austin Elementary School recently released its honor roll for the second six weeks grading period of the 1998-99 school year.

SECOND GRADE

A-honor roll

Paegge Alvey, Amber Bradford, Tucker Brown, Dalton Burrows, Gage Carruth, Kenzie Carter, Olivia Chairez, Shannon Clay, Tabitha Courter, John Luke Covalt, Keisha Crowell, Eduardo Diaz, Kamie Doughty, Libby Dyson, Krista Ferguson, Cole Guyer, Jennifer Huffhines, Tannee Jean, Tyree Johnson.

Stormi Lancaster, Krysta Lane, Taylor Little, Shelby Needham, David John Peurifoy, April Silva, Chelsey Smith, Lauren Smith, Liz Smith, Matthew Smith, Corey Stone, Chandler Talley, Casey Trimble, Chelsea Wallin, Whitney Webster, Coleby West, Manda White, Zachary Winborne, Shelby Wisdom, Jeremy Zellefrow.

A-B honor roll

Jefret Arnold, Sky Balay, Rikki Beesley, Jeremy Busse, Dylan Cain, Shelby Clay, Keziah Clendenned, Colby Dennis, Brett Powell, Steven Ransom, Cheyenne Rush, Katelyn Wall, Jacob Wichert.

THIRD GRADE

A-honor roll

Layne Beesley, Claire Elizabeth Boyd, Colby Copeland, Tanner Dyson, Jesse Finney, Colden Fortenberry, Stephanie Hasskarl, Nichole Heeresema, Kenny Hightower, Kailee Intemenn, Anna Julian, Mitch Kelley, Kaili Kotara, Cameron Martin, Logan McDonald, Nicole Newhouse, Andy Parker, Stephanie Parker, Stephanie Polasek, Ashley Pricem, Tyler Rhoades, Lindsey Riley, Garnett Schafer, Krista Shults, Sarah Smith, Rusty Snider, Mark Stone, Marli Street, Jacey Wagner, Briana Wallum, Gregory Wariner, Joe Whitley, Kelli Willson.

A-B honor roll

Lacy Crain, Kathryn Cree, Jonathan Flores, Sara Jane Foster, Cory Johnson, Jacob Maciel, Jamie Pergeson, Drew Williams.

FOURTH GRADE

A-honor roll

Chelsea Adkins, Daniel Arnold, Michaela Arzola, Natasha Bailey, Breanna Bigham, Kirby Broaddus, Chris Campbell, Jaron Clark, Bridget Draig, Craig Crowell, Candice Dildy, Robbie Dixon, Brett Ferrell, Jareth Fortenberry, Tyler Hall, Ryan Hansen, Katie Holmes, Kecci Hutto, Alyssa Kelsey,

Morgan Ketchersid, Karlee Koop, Dock Mackie, Jack Mackie, Kyle McKee, Landon McNeely, Ethan North, Aaron Pepper, Sammie Pereira, Ashley Proctor, Britteni Rice, Desirae Rochelle, Devan Shults, Erika Silva, Christopher Stabel, Tanna Stowers, Erin Teague, Jenne Watson.

A-B honor roll

Michelle Adams, Kenzie Clendenned, Brady Eakin, Con Elledge, Courtney Ericson, Thomas Gilbert, Daniel Heare, Natalie Knowles, Michaela Scriggins, Kasey Tindol.

FIFTH GRADE

A-honor roll

Shalea Ausbrooks, Cooper Brazile, Spencer Defever, Audrey Dunn, D.J. Elliott, Taylor Fathree, Chase Guyer, Bryan Heeresema, Tyson Hickman, Clay Jones, Nikolas Julian, Sunil Kamnani, Whitney Karr, Eric Kingcade, Tyler Klein, Logan Langford, Aly Mackie, Junior Navarrete, Britany Nelson, Chase Phillips, Brody Smith, Christopher Smith, Lindzi Schaible, Blake Talley, Weston Teichmann, Kari Terrell, Myca Vinson, Whitney Wichert.

A-B honor roll

Katie Darling, Angela Hall, Dusty Joiner, Lindsay Rhoades, Elizabeth Thomas.

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SUNDAY SNAPSHOT

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Just Fill Out The Following Questions (you do not have to answer all the questions to be a Sunday Snapshot) And Bring It To The Pampa News Office. We Can Take Your Picture In The Office Or You Can Bring A Favorite Photo With You. It's That Easy ... And It's For All Ages!

- Name: _____
- Occupation/Activities: _____
- Birth Date & Place: _____
- Family: _____
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- When I grow up I want to be: _____
- My personal hero: _____
- The best advice I ever got was: _____
- People who knew me in High School thought: "or" _____
- My classmates think of me as: _____
- The best word or words to describe me: _____
- People will remember me as being: _____
- The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: _____
- My hobbies are: _____
- My favorite sports team is: _____
- My favorite author is: _____
- The last book I read was: _____
- My favorite possession is: _____
- The biggest honor I've ever received is: _____
- My favorite performer is: _____
- I wish I knew how to: _____
- My trademark cliché or expression is: _____
- My worst habit is: _____
- I would never: _____
- The last good movie I saw was: _____
- I stay home to watch: _____
- Nobody knows: _____
- I drive a: "or" _____
- Someday I want to drive a: _____
- My favorite junk food is: _____
- My favorite beverage: _____
- My favorite restaurant is: _____
- My favorite pet: _____
- For my last meal, I would choose: "or" _____
- My favorite meal is: _____
- I wish I could sing like: _____
- I'm happiest when I'm: _____
- I regret: _____
- I'm tired of: _____
- I have a phobia about: "or" _____
- My biggest fear is: _____
- The electrical device I couldn't live without is: _____
- My most embarrassing moment: _____
- The biggest waste of time is: _____
- If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: _____
- If I had three wishes they would be: _____
- If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: _____

Church pays ex-wife humiliated by sermon mentioning gay ex-spouse

SPARTA, N.J. (AP) — An Episcopal church has agreed to pay \$42,500 to a woman who accused a pastor of humiliating her and her family when he gave sermons urging tolerance of her gay ex-husband.

Karen Scott of Sparta sued St. Mary's Episcopal Church and its former pastor, the Rev. John Nieman, for his public chastising of parishioners who wanted Scott's former husband, the church's choirmaster, to be more discreet about his homosexuality.

Scott's ex-husband was hired by St. Mary's in 1982. The couple divorced in 1992 after the husband admitted he was actively homosexual, according to the lawsuit.

The former husband then invited his male companion to attend services at the church, distressing the Scotts' 15-year-old son, according to the complaint.

A former church rector persuaded the choirmaster to use "proper discretion" in church. After Nieman arrived in 1994, Scott's former husband again brought his companion to services.

During this time Nieman took to the pulpit before the congregation and, using the names of the people involved, criticized those in his flock who wanted the choirmaster to be discreet.

In settling the lawsuit, the church admitted no wrongdoing.

Part of deepwater platform sinks

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A huge, prefabricated section being installed at a Texaco Inc. offshore drilling platform broke loose and sank into the Gulf of Mexico, the company said today. No one was injured.

The accident occurred Thursday about 10:30 p.m. when one of the two deck modules for the platform under construction, called Petronius, was being lifted into place by a barge about 130 miles southeast of New Orleans, Texaco said.

After breaking loose from its mooring, the module struck the barge and another support barge and then sank in more than 1,750 feet of water.

It weighs 3,605 tons and contains the production equipment for the drilling platform and crew quarters, Texaco said. No damage estimate was immediately available but the total cost of the platform project is \$500 million.

Earlier in the day, the other module was successfully hoisted into place on the tower.

All 180 workers on the scene escaped injury, Texaco said.



The 21st annual "Hanging of the Greens" service will begin at 10 a.m. Today at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson, and Shirley Winborne, director of membership, welcomes all to attend. Some of those participating in the service are, from left, Shirley Winborne, Lisa Crossman, Jamie White, Sally Stringer, Vicki Hayes, Cindy Gindorf and the Rev. Barry A. Loving.



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1 Public Notice PRESOLICITATION NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR QUOTES (RFQ) This is a presolicitation notice for Gray County for the following project at Lake McClellan Recreation Area: Water System Reconstruction. Description of Work for Water System Reconstruction Project consists of reconstructing an existing water system for McClellan Campground at Lake McClellan Recreation Area. Work includes trenching and installation of approximately 2000 linear feet (lf) of polyethylene (pe) water pipe, including all required valves and valve boxes. Size of water line is 3", 2" and 3". Work also includes all water-testing as required by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC). Installation of 15 frost-proof hydrants, and connection to existing water lines. Estimated cost of water system reconstruction is between \$25,000 and \$50,000. Additional Information for Water System Reconstruction: The new water line will cross a major oil transmission line. New water line shall be placed a minimum of 2 feet below existing oil line. Notify Joe Murray of Pride Pipeline, 1-800-592-4597, a minimum of 2 days prior to excavation in that area. The successful offeror is responsible for providing all materials and labor except for the hydrants and the concrete pad surrounding the hydrant, which will be the responsibility of Gray County. The successful offeror will be required to install the hydrants and drain sump. Removal of the existing hydrants will be performed by Gray County. Existing water line will be encountered. Patching asphalt on the entrance road, removed during trenching, will be the responsibility of Gray County. An electrician from Gray County will be working concurrently with the successful offeror on installation of the electric line, which will be in the same trench as the water line. Contract time: 90 days from date that bid is accepted. Bids shall be received no later than 10:00 a.m. on December 31, 1998. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive objections based on failure to comply with formalities, and to allow correction of obvious or patent errors. If you have questions or wish to receive a copy of solicitation, please contact Judge Richard Peet at (806) 669-8007. B-92 Dec. 6, 13, 1998	1 Public Notice PUBLIC HEARING The Pampa City Commission will be conducting a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on December 8, 1998 in the City Commission Chambers, Third Floor of City Hall for the purpose of hearing from citizens relative to a proposed carport Ordinance. Phyllis Jeffers City Secretary Dec. 6, 1998 B-91	1 Public Notice MARY Kay Cosmetics and Skin-care. Facials, supplies, call Deb Stapleton. 665-2095. MARY KAY Cosmetics, facials, makeovers. Call Vijay Murgai at 669-6323, 118 N. Cuyler, Pampa. BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics sales, service, makeovers. Lynn Allison 1304 Christine, 669-3848	11 Financial NEED \$\$\$? Continental Credit, 1427 N. Hobart, 669-6095. Se Hablo Espanol. Phone applications welcome.	14h Gen. Serv. COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769. FOUNDATION Settling? Cracks in walls, ceilings, brick? Doors won't close? Childers Brothers, 1-800-299-9563. NAVARRO Masonry. Brick work, block, stucco, stone, and concrete. Fences-all types. 878-3000.	14t Radio/Tv RENT TO RENT We have tvs, VCRs, camcorders, to suit your needs. Rent by hour, day, week. We do service on most major brand of tvs & VCRs. Call for estimate. Johnson Home Entertainment, 2211 Perryton Pkwy. 665-0504.	21 Help Wanted NEED immediate Registered Medical Technologist, FT or PT. Call 806-273-6498 or send resume to P.O. Box 247 Borger, Tx. CNA'S or NA's needed to work 2-10 or 10-6. Contact Debbie Douglas at Pampa Nursing Center 669-2551. MAINTENANCE Person Needed. Must be able to read & work for a female boss. Exp. in plumbing, electrical, HVAC, painting, flooring, sheetrock work, wallpaper, roofing and appliance repair. Only honest, dependable, experienced & serious applicants need to apply. Older applicants welcomed. Send resume to Box 60, Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Tx. 79066. ACCEPTING applications for Director of Nursing. Apply in person - Pampa Nursing Center, 1321 W. Kentucky, Pampa, Tx.	21 Help Wanted NOTICE: All ads that contain phone numbers or give reference to a number with an area code of 809 or a prefix of 011 are international toll numbers and you will be charged international long distance rates. For more information and assistance regarding the investigation of work at home opportunities and job lists, The Pampa News urges its readers to contact the Better Business Bureau of South Texas, 609 S. International Blvd., Westlaco, Tx. 78596, (210) 968-3678. CERTIFIED MT/MLT-24 shift, every other weekend. 1600 Friday - 1600 Saturday. Please apply at: Human Resources Department, Golden Plains Community Hospital, 200 S. McGee, Borger, TX 79007. NEED exp. cook. Flexible hours. Apply in person, 1504 W. Kentucky, ask for Jovita. DOCTORS Office receptionist and general business duties. Send resumes and salary requirement to Box 61, c/o Pampa News P.O. Box 2198, Pampa.	21 Help Wanted PIZZA HUT Delivery now hiring all positions. Apply in person, 1500 N. Banks.	21 Help Wanted WE service all makes/models of sewing machines, vacuum cleaners. 214 N. Cuyler, 665-2383.	21 Help Wanted White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291 HOUSTON LUMBER 420 W. Foster 669-6881	69 Misc. WOLF TANNING BEDS TAN AT HOME BUY DIRECT and SAVE! Commercial/Home Units from \$199 Low Monthly Payments FREE Color Catalog CBU TODAY 1-800-711-0158 INTERNET ACCESS: The leading Internet Service provider in the Eastern Texas Panhandle. PAMPA CYBER NET 1319 N. HOBART PAMPA, TEXAS 806-665-8501 1/2 ct. diamond sol. engagement ring, appraised \$1695, will take \$800. 669-9660. ANTIQUE Clock Repair, auth. by Ridgeway & Howard Miller, Larry Norton, 669-7916 aft. 5. CABLE Descrambler, \$99. Shipped COD. Sale ends Thanksgiving. Call toll free 888-572-6310 LET us hang your Christmas Lights. Experienced. References. 665-0284 or 665-2236 GOING Out of Business. 30% off. Mary-Catherine Antiques & Gifts. 304 Main, Skellytown. 848-2159. Wed. - Sat. 10 - 5 THE Grandview-Hopkins School Board invites public input with regard to District renovations and new construction on the evening of December 8, 1998, beginning at 6 p.m. at the school cafeteria. ***FREE WOOD*** ***PALLET*** The holiday season & cold weather are here!! Wood pallets can be used for starter wood or craft projects. The pallets can be found behind The Pampa News Office at 403 W. Atchison, please come by and get all the pallets you want!!!
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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE - INSTITUTIONAL DIVISION has the following unit maintenance position available at the Neal Unit located in Amarillo, Texas:

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR III - BOILER/WATER/WASTEWATER SUPERVISOR, annual salary \$26,340 plus benefits. Minimum qualifications: Associate Degree in Engineering or related field with two (2) or more years full time wage earnings experience as a boiler operator and/or as a certified water/wastewater plant operator, high school diploma or GED certificate and three (3) years full-time wage earnings experience as a boiler operator, and/or certified water/wastewater plant operator in an institutional setting, such as a hospital, college, etc...Must have or be able to obtain a Class "C" water and wastewater license within a year, or a Level II Distribution and Collection Certifications as required.

Applicants must submit a State of Texas Application for Employment to TDCJ-ID Facilities Division Human Resources, ATTN: Terri Hall, PO Box 4011 Huntsville, TX, 77342 or One Financial Plaza, Suite 302, Huntsville, TX 77340 by 5:00 P.M. Friday, December 18, 1998. A complete job description and all application forms may be obtained at the above address or by calling the Facilities Division Human Resources Office at (409) 437-5585.

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FOR Sale new 3 pcs. Samsonite \$100, beveled mirror \$50, comforter \$10, humidifier \$20, exercise bike \$20, vaporizer \$10, ironing board \$10, bedside commode \$25, walker \$10, towel \$25, bookshelf \$10. Call 665-8516.

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LARGE 1 BDR, appliances, covered parking, laundry. \$275 mo. + elec. \$100 dep. 1334 N. Coffee, 663-7522, 883-2461.

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2 bedroom, HUD available. Washer/dryer hook-ups. garage. Fenced yard. \$275. 669-6995

CLEAN 2 bdr. duplex, w/d hookups, gar. Lease. Dep. \$200, \$325 mo., 1908 Beech. 665-7618

2 bdr. 1 ba. \$375 mo. \$150 dep. 700 N. Lefors 665-5218

3 bdr., cent. heat & air. References & deposit required, yearly lease. Call 669-9952.

3-1 cp Doll House, fence, lots of stor., clean, neat & ready. Linda C. Daniels C-21 669-2799, 669-0007

4 bdr., 2 ba. br., 2513 Evergreen, lrg. cov. patio. Home w/ everything! Century 21, Marie, 665-4180

BY Owner: 2 liv. areas, 4 bdr., 2 1/2 ba., lg. master bdr. with jacuzzi. 806-665-1934.

FSBO 3 bd, 2 full bath, dbl. gar., f. backyard. \$74,900, 1500 N. Zimmers, aptt. only. 665-4576/669-0037

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GREAT Starter Home! 1125 S. Wells 665-7004

Miami Bed & Breakfast For Sale Price Reduced! 806-868-4771

NEW 4-2-2, formal dine, appliances, H & A, excellent floor plan, tastefully decorated. Price T. Smith 665-5158

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103 Homes For Sale \$60 to qualify & move in before Christmas. 3 bdm. 1 3/4 bath. Brick Beauty. 806-467-8118.

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1412 Williston.....14,000.....Vacant lot

429 N. Dwight.....7,000.....1/1/1 no 783 SF/GCAD

705 E. Frederic.....9,000.....2/1 704 SF/GCAD

1207 S. Finley.....9,000.....3/1/1 875 SF/GCAD

632 S. Somerville.....12,500.....3/1/CP/opt. in rear 1232 SF/GCAD

333 Sunset Dr.....13,400.....2/1/1 none 999 SF/GCAD

813 E. Francis.....14,000.....3/1/50/1 1552 SF/GCAD

837 E. Kingmill.....13,950.....3/1/2 1288 SF/GCAD

414 N. Sumner.....15,000.....2/1/1 1064 SF/GCAD

306 Miami Street.....15,000.....3/1/50/1 Basement-Triplex

337 Finley.....16,000.....3/1/1 none 830 SF/GCAD

1041 S. Wells.....16,000.....3/1/1 none 830 SF/GCAD

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1022 E. Francis.....16,500.....2/1/1 180 SF/GCAD

613 Bradley.....17,000.....2/1/1 780 SF/GCAD

216 N. Houston.....17,500.....2/1/1 no 828 SF/GCAD

117 N. Sumner.....17,600.....2/1/1 887 SF/GCAD

305 Jeans.....17,500.....4/1/1 1128 SF/GCAD

1000 Block Dwight.....17,500.....2 vacant lots @ \$500.00 ea.

332 Anne.....17,900.....3/1/1 875 SF/GCAD

1024 Duncan.....18,000.....2/1/2 1017 SF/GCAD

512 Lefors.....19,000.....2/1/1 944 SF/GCAD

625 E. Browning.....19,000.....2/1/1 det. 1008 SF/GCAD

510 N. Zimmers.....20,500.....3/2/2 1120 SF/GCAD

1120 E. Kingmill.....22,500.....3/1/1 none 1000 SF/GCAD

504 E. Foster.....22,500.....4/2/1 1248 SF/GCAD

324 Henry.....22,900.....2/1/1 1036 SF/GCAD

216 N. Houston.....23,000.....2/1/1 840 SF/GCAD

1106 N. Frost.....23,900.....3/1/1 939 SF/GCAD

1129 Sirocco.....23,900.....3/1/1 939 SF/GCAD

2226 Hamilton.....24,500.....2/1/2 single 818 SF/GCAD

1132 Junder.....24,900.....4/1/1 none 1126 SF/GCAD

1104 Cinderella.....25,000.....3/2/1 no 1275 SF/GCAD

926 Mary Ellen.....25,500.....2/1/1 1 cp 1040 SF/GCAD

1306 Terraco.....26,500.....2/1/1 1036 SF/GCAD

800 N. Wells.....27,000.....3/2/1 none 2 eff. apartments

1808 N. Banks.....27,000.....3/1/1 cp 961 SF/GCAD

808 N. Gray.....27,5

Who's Who in American High Schools

The following students were featured in the 32nd Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1997-98.

Groom

Melissa Anthony, Dustin Babcock, Allison Eatmon, Jessica Kepley, Jeremy J. Lewis, Bobby C. Pool, Michael Stephens, Dara D. Whatley, Carrie Zumstein.

Lefors

Rebecca Gilbert, Kayla M. Monroe, Gwen S. Nolte, Jeremy L. Pierce, Amanda Sprouse.

McLean

Jennifer R. Barker, Donald Basham, Casandra Floyd, Brian Fuller, Rachel Galley, Lorin Hall, Bonnie K. Hauck, Chris Hauck, Lori Hefley, Terral Hembree, Destiny N. Kirkland, Shaley Stalls, Lacey Steel, Amy M. Westmoreland, Lauren Williams.

Mobeetie

Devin L. Diebel.

Pampa

Backy Aderholt, Shari D. Albus, Tracy Albus, Tyson Alexander, Jarod L. Allen, Shelby Allison, Maria J. Alvarado, Marsha Bailey, Aaron Baker, Joel Barker, Nichole Barnes, Kristen E. Bell, Maurey Bell, Sheila Berry, Rachel Bowers, Barry Brauchi, Clay R. Britton, Holly I. Brooks, April L. Brown, Matthew Brown, Amanda Browning, Jeremy Buck, Shanna M. Buck, Charles M. Burke, Beth Buzzard, James B. Carter, Eric R. Chavez, Britta Marie Christensen, Laramie Chronister, Tawnie N. Clem, Erin Cobb, Erich A. Crosswhite, Adam Davis, Angelica B. DeJesus, Deanna Dreher, Lisa Dwight, Meagan Dyer, Kelli Earl, Destin y N. Engel, Stephanie Ensey, Sarah Michelle Etchison, Vaughn Evans, Montana Farnum, Jennifer Fathree, R. Andrew Fernuik, Dean A. Fields, Lacrese S. Ford, Trey Ford, Vickie Fossett, Brian A. Frels, Jennifer Frogge, Kyle Gamblin, Michelle N. Gandy, Rae Lynne Gatlin, Suzanne Galtis, Mathew M. Gomez, Carlos A. Grissom, Anita C. Hacker, Amy Hahn.

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Justin Roark, Heather Robben, Andrea Rodriguez, Kendra Rozier,

Ramona Salazar, Linda Schwab, Thann E. Scoggin, Breland Scott, Lindsay Scribner, Molly Seabourn, Stacey K. Sehorn, Corey D. Sharp, Juan M. Silva, Bryant S. Smith, Jessica E. Smith, Cecilla Solis, Beth A. Stevenson, Mindee Stowers, Colby Street, Derek Taylor, Candi J. Terry, Justin S. Thomas, Jennifer Thornhill, Amanda Thorpe, Lindsay J. Tidwell, David S. Towles, Maria E. Vasquez, Jason A. Vickery, Jonathan Waggoner, Aubrea Ward, Adam Warren, Kellen Waters, Mandy Wells, Steve G. West, Jared C. White, Lisa J. White, Stephanie M. Winegeart, Will Wright, Christina A. Yokopenic, Dottie Youngblood, Kelsey Yowell.

Skellytown

Lucas Chaney, Brandon Crain, Renee Darce, Stephen L. Denham, Jasmine Evans, Thomas Harris, Tasha L. Hassler, Keith M. Larkin, Tiffany A. Lauer, Mickaela Maxey, James Pesch, Ashlee B. Potts, Ronny C. Putman, Jeanette Scott, Kala Tice, Aaron West, Eric E. Woody.

Wheeler

Courtney Gridley, Jennifer Haring, Kara Keelin, Whitney M. Simmons, Sally L. Smith, Valerie M. Watson.

White Deer

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Tharaldson offers free rooms this holiday season

FARGO, N.D. — With the holiday season fast approaching, many people are planning trips to visit friends and loved ones. For some, this will include a stop to see a family member or friend in a health care facility. To make these visits a little more pleasurable, Tharaldson hotels are again offering a complimentary room for travelers visiting people in health care facilities on Christmas Eve.

This marks the 11th year Tharaldson Property Management is sponsoring its Room in the Inn program. In 1988, 300 people took advantage of a free room while visiting friends and loved ones. Over the years, more than 3,400 families annually have benefited from this program. In

1997, over 1,585 rooms were donated and the number is expected to increase again this year.

"This program is our way of giving something back to the many communities that host Tharaldson hotels," said Linda Tharaldson, executive vice president of Tharaldson Property Management based in Fargo. "More importantly, it provides lodging for people who might not otherwise be able to visit friends and loved ones because of the cost."

Tharaldson started the program because of events in her own life — the illness of an infant son and the deaths of her father and brother, all of which occurred during the holiday season.

"We know how difficult it is for a family that

must spend the holidays in a hotel room due to an illness or like circumstance," she said. "For them, the holidays can be a sad time, and we want the Room in the Inn program to help alleviate their financial worries."

To benefit from Room in the Inn program, simply request it while making the reservation or at the time of check-in. It is available on Christmas Eve. Advance reservations are suggested.

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Grants range from \$10,000 for the Muleshoe ISD to \$493,000 for the Amarillo ISD and \$6.1 million for the Panhandle Information Network, involving 46 Panhandle school districts. Grants are received from the Texas Infrastructure Fund (TIF), created by PURA '95. To date, Southwestern Bell has contributed \$116 million to the fund, which will distribute \$1.5 billion over 10 years to enhance educational technology.

About 25 area public institutions have taken advantage of discount rates or Internet toll free calling afforded by PURA '95. These discounted or free rates are provided by Southwestern Bell to schools, libraries and not-for-profit hospitals for certain telecommunications services, such as Internet access. More than 635 such Texas institutions have bought services under the discounted rates, saving more than \$23 million. Cole said, "We're very pleased with new schools, libraries and non-profit hospitals in the Amarillo area worked with Southwestern Bell to gain the latest benefits possible from PURA '95. Part of this good news is that benefits aren't a one-shot deal. They're lasting."

A key goal of the bill was to spur local telephone competition in Texas. "The result has been above all expectations," Cole said. "To date, 216 companies are authorized to provide local telephone service, 150 companies have negotiated agreements to use Southwestern Bell networks to provide local service, and new competitors are serving more than 650,000 access lines across the state. The local market is wide open in Texas."

Provisions in federal legislation in telephone competition intended that once local competition existed in Texas, Southwestern Bell would be allowed to provide full long distance market service. So far, Southwestern Bell has not been given that permission. Economists have projected that more than 61,000 new jobs will be created in Texas within 10 years after the long-distance market is fully open, about 340 of those jobs in the Amarillo area.

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