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Style show coming Aug. 5 PAMPA

International, Inc., of Pampa will hold its eighth annual style show at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 5 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The theme is "A Taste of Fashion" and guests will be treated to various recipes prepared by. local club members. A major fund-raiser, proceeds benefit community service projects such as Adult Vocational Award, PHS Career Clinic and Salvation Army Angel Tree and projects at Lamar Elementary School, Tralee Crisis Center, Adult Sheltered Workshop, Senior Citizens Center and Schneider House. Models will show fashions from stores including: Bealls, Dunlaps, Images, V.J.'s Fashions, Wayne's Western Wear, Kid's Stuff, Alco and Wal-Mart. Tickets will be available at the door or may be purchased in advance from any Altrusa member.

Golden Horseshoe's hiding place found

It took a while but the Golden Horseshoe has been found!

Visitors to Pampa found it in the coach's stand at Pampa High School's soccer field, said Jane Jacobs, Top O' Texas

Rodeo secretary. The finders were Jeremy Taylor of Fort Worth and Farah, Yancie and Chaney McCuistion of Ordway, Colo. Jacobs said the finders are

relatives of "Hamburger Ed." The winners get a box with six seats for each night of the rodeo and also will ride in Saturday's parade.

· Emmett Allen, 87, musician, farmer.

· Lorene Gladys Bryan, 83, homemaker. • Goldie Denman, 80, former

retail store employee. · Liddie Luevilla Gantz. 92. homemaker.

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Dispute persists over evidence testing

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

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> District Attorney John Mann

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"Be careful what you wish for, you may get it," District Attorney John Mann said

Mann referred to requests for additional testing of evidence in the capital murder case of Henry "Hank" Skinner by his defense attorneys, supporters, and an investigative journalism team from Northwestern University of Chicago, Ill., whose work has led to the release of at least seven persons wrongfully convicted

of crimin Lacts. Skinner was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death by a Fort

Twila Jean Busby, 40, and her two mentally-impaired sons, Elwin Caler, 22, and Randy Busby, 20.

A writ of habeas corpus filed in U.S. District Court in Amarillo asks for DNA testing of evidence gathered in the murder that was obtained but never tested, including bloody fingernail clippings taken from Twila Busby's hands, hairs that were found in her hands and on her body, and a rape kit.

Mann told The Pampa News a week ago that he would voluntarily test any evidence if Professor David Protess of Northwestern University would personally come to Pampa and review the file Worth jury in 1995 for the New Year's Eve with him. Protess declined Mann's offer

would send some of his students and would confer with Mann over the phone.

Now, Skinner's attorneys say they are concerned because Mann has told several news agencies that he would have the evidence tested and the results ready in a

couple of months. "I've gotten a letter from (Skinner defense attorney) Doug Robinson. They don't want this tested," Mann said today.

In the letter, Robinson said, "We hereby inform you that, as counsel for Mr. Skinner, we object to any unilateral testing of the evidence in the Skinner case in the manner you have reportedly announced. If credible testing is to be con-

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Work on back cases nets teen burglary arrests

By DEE DEE LARAMORE

A Pampa police officer working on back cases while recovering from an injured ankle uncovered a burglary ring leading to at least

Travis Ray Lester Jr., 18, 329 Roberta, and Steven Lee Stamps, 19, 600 Dwight, remained in Grav County Jail early today on felony charges of organized criminal activity and burglary of a habitation. Justice of the Peace Bob Muns set bond for Lester at \$7,500 and at \$10,000 for Stamps. Stamps has also been arrested and charged for eight counts of burglary of a motor vehicle.

The arrests resulted from an investigation by Officer David Conner of the Pampa Police Department who was working on unsolved cases while recovering from an ankle injury, said Assistant Police Chief Terry Young.

"On June 11, we started getting calls about motor vehicle burglaries all in the 300-to-700 blocks of Nelson, Wells, Dwight, Christy and Sumner," Conner said. "They took car stereo systems, CDs, and sunglasses, that's pretty much all, but it was a total of over \$8,000 in car burglaries.'

Conner said a Crimestoppers tip gave a name of a suspect who reportedly had stolen property in his house.

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Tax holiday Aug. 4-6

Pampa and other Texas families have an opportunity to stretch their clothing budgets during the second annual Sales Tax Holiday, Aug. 4-6, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander said.

"On the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August, no state or local sales tax will be charged on most clothing and footwear priced under \$100," Comptroller Rylander said. The timing of the Sales Tax Holiday is intended to help parents

outfit their children for the new school year. However, the tax break is not limited to children's school clothes. Highlights include: -Most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 is exempt from

sales taxes. Consumers may purchase as many tax-exempt items as

—Clothing and footwear used primarily for athletics or protective wear, such as golf cleats or football pads, are not tax exempt. However, athletic clothes that are commonly used as street wear such as tennis shoes, baseball caps and jogging suits are eligible for the tax exemption.

-Not included in the Sales Tax Holiday are accessories such as jewelry and watches, and items that are carried rather than worn including handbags, briefcases, wallets and backpacks.



Darrel Gibson this month celebrated 40 years of working on John Deere agricultural equipment at Hansford Implement Company in Pampa. He said there have been drastic changes in the technology during those four decades.

Hand tools to computers Lots of changes in 40 years

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

There is the suspicion around Hansford Implement Company that if Darrel Gibson ever cut himself, he'd bleed John Deere green.

Gibson, born in Memphis, Texas, in 1942, was raised around McLean and Alanreed. He's been working on John Deere farm equipment at Hansford Implement in Pampa for 40 years. "I started work here on July 5, 1960," Gibson

said. "That was 40 years ago."

It doesn't seem that long ago, he said, shaking

"We used to be up on North Hobart," Gibson

said, standing behind the John Deere dealership on U.S. 60 east of Pampa, watching four of his grandchildren climb on a new John Deere combine. "We moved out here in 1980."

Gibson termed the changes in agricultural equipment in the past 40 years drastic.

'There's so much more electronics and computers," he said. "It used to be just a transmission and motor and a few hydraulics.'

Working on everything from the small green John Deere lawn tractors to the behemoth fourwheel drive tractors and combines requires much more technical knowledge today than when he started, Gibson said.

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They'll be action galore when the Top O' Texas Rodeo starts its three-day run tonight at Recreation Park. Starting at 5:30 p.m. will be a free barbeque for ticket holders. The popular Pick Up Race starts at 6 p.m. and at 7:30 the PRCA rodeo starts. After the rodeo, Cooder Graw will play for the dance in Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

Comment time set for minnow habitat proposal

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is taking public comments concerning habitat of a two-inch long minnow in the Canadian River

Three public meetings are planned this summer concerning the Arkansas River Shiner's habitat in the Texas Panhandle, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas.

The Arkansas River Shiner was declared a threatened species in 1998. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposed critical habitat for the minnow in the June 30, 2000, Federal Register. Initially, the Fish and Wildlife Service decided that designation of critical habitat was

not prudent. The proposal was made in response to a court settlement in Center for Biological Diversity v. Bruce Babbitt lawsuit directing the federal agency to submit for publication in the Federal Register a proposal to withdraw the existing not prudent critical habitat determination together with a new proposed critical habitat determination for the Arkansas River Basin population of the Arkansas River shiner by

June 23, 2000, and to invite public comment for 60 days. They are proposing as critical habitat a total of about 1,160 miles of rivers and 300 feet of their adjacent riparian zones. Proposed critical habitat includes portions of the Arkansas River in Kansas, the Cimarron River in Kansas and Oklahoma, the Beaver/North Canadian River in Oklahoma, and the Canadian/South Canadian

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Daily Record

Obituaries

EMMETT ALLEN

McLEAN - Emmett Allen, 87, died Wednesday, July 12, 2000, in Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 15, 2000, in the Alanreed Cemetery with George Watson officiating. Burial arrangements are under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Mr. Allen was born Oct. 10, 1912, at Wellington to Emmett Allen and Grace Tibbets Allen. He married Myrtle Bruns Sept. 30, 1932, at Wellington.

He lived in the Texas-Panhandle area most of his life. Mr. Allen was a talented musician and had his own band, Sunset Ramblers.

He was a farmer. He was also an auto mechanic with a shop located on old Route 66. He was a former member of the Alanreed Cemetery Board and was a member of the Church of Christ.

Mr. Allen was inducted into the Route 66 Hall of Fame at the Devil's Rope Museum in McLean

He was preceded in death by his wife, Myrtle, an infant son, one brother and one sister.

Survivors include two sons, Don Allen of Sherman and Mickey Allen of Huntington Beach, Calif.; two daughters, Betty Collie of Lake Texhoma and Gloria Jones of Cleburne; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice of Amarillo, Box 950, Amarillo, Tx

LORENE GLADYS BRYAN

SWEETWATER — Lorene Bryan, 83, died Wednesday, July 12, 2000. Services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 14, at the Sweetwater Assembly of God Church with J. M. Ashley officiating. Interment will follow in the Mulberry Cemetery under the direction of the Martin Funeral Home of Sayre, Okla.

Mrs. Bryan was born June 16, 1917, at Wellington to Marvin and Laura (Gould) Smulcer. She went to western Oklahoma with her family when she was six years of age. She attended Meridian School.

She married Hollis Albert Bryan Nov. 10, 1934, at Sweetwater. They farmed in the Sweetwater area all of their married life. Mrs. Bryan was not only a homemaker and farmer's wife, but also a helpmate.

Mrs. Bryan was a member of the Sweetwater Assembly of God Church where she taught Sunday School for many years and was also involved with Bible School. She was also a member of the Sunny Point Home Demonstration Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Leonard; two sisters, two brothers and a block of Dogwood and transported one to PRMC.

Survivors include her husband, H. Albert of Sweetwater; a son, Arnel Bryan of Pampa; a daughter, Patricia Blanscet of Reydon; one sister, Lucille Bryan of Mustang, Okla.; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. **GOLDIE DENMAN**

AMARILLO — Goldie Denman, 80, formerly of Borger, died Wednesday, July 12, 2000. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Sherman Eastland, chaplain at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Denman was born March 20, 1920, at Joplin, Mo. She married E.R. Denman on Sept. 22, 1938, at Joplin; he died in 1975. She moved from Miami, Okla., to Borger in 1940. She worked at M.E. Moses Variety Store in Borger from 1952-77, retiring after 25 years of service. She had been an Amarillo resident for the past

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Borger and Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Roy and Mary Denman of Pampa; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

LIDDIE LUEVILLA GANTZ Liddie Luevilla Gantz, 92, a longtime Pampa resident, died Tuesday, July 11, 2000, at Las Cruces, N.M. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Barry A. Loving officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Gantz was born April 24, 1908, at Wilson, Okla., to John Henry and Annabelle Jones. She married Herman T. Gantz on Nov. 26, 1930; he died in 1974. She was a longtime Pampa resident prior to moving to Las Cruces. She was an active member of First Christian Church of Pampa and, after moving to Las Cruces, joined Mesilla Valley Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by three sisters. Survivors include two daughters and sons-inlaw, Mary and Don Moen and Dot and Jim Dougherty, all of Las Cruces; two sons and daughters-in-law, Dale and Joe Ann Gantz of Las Cruces and David and Robin Gantz of Pampa; nine grandchildren and spouses, John and Frances Moen, Sidney and Reba Gantz and Carey and Bobby Murphey, all of Las Cruces, Kent and Gloria Gantz of Odessa, Kevin and Cindy Gantz of Ball Ground, Ga., Matthew and Veronica Gantz of Canton, Ga., Mary and Mark Epperson of Amarillo, James and Gayla Moen of Lubbock and Haldane and Deda Moen of Abilene; 23 great-grandchildren; and five greatgreat-grandchildren.

The family will be at 2132 Mary Ellen in Pampa and requests memorials be to First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson, Pampa, TX 79065; or to University Terrace Good Samaritan Village, 3025 Terrace Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88011.

Services tomorrow

BRYAN, Lorene — 10:30 a.m., Sweetwater Assembly of God Church, Sweetwater, Okla. **DENMAN**, Goldie — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Police report

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

Wednesday, July 12

Roy Huff, 36, 1004 Oklahoma, was arrested in the 1300 block of Garland for public intoxication. Travis Ray Lester, 18, 329 Roberta, was arrested on charges of engaging in organized criminal activity and burglary of a habitation.

Steven Lee Stamps, 19, 600 N. Dwight, was arrested on charges of engaging in organized

criminal activity and burglary of a habitation. Jorge Ruiz, 43, 608 N. Wynne, was arrested at the residence on charges of criminal trespass and

retaliation. Theft over \$500 and under \$1,500 was reported in the 400 block of East 17th. A guitar valued at \$800 and a guitar tuner valued at \$20 was reportedly stolen on June 8, 2000.

A forgery was reported to have occurred at Wal-Mart, 2225 N. Hobart, on June 24, 2000.

A blue and white ice chest valued at \$10 and a red battery booster valued at \$68 was reported stolen in the 700 block of North Somerville sometime between 8 p.m., July 11, and 3:30 a.m., July 12.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of Elm Street. A 1984 Buick reportedly received an estimated \$400 damage.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 600 block of North Wynne.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, July 12

Jerry Lynn Rhoten, 46, 618 N. Gray, was arrested on a violation of probation.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Wednesday, July 12

9:38 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transport to Northwest Texas Hospital.

2:19 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 4:24 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to eight miles east of town on Highway 152; no transport. 5:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to 19th and

Hobart; no transport. 9:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of South Faulkner and transported one to

11:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Williston and transported one to

Fires

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

Wednesday, July 12

5:30 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a report of a grass fire at Recreation Park on U.S. 60 East. The fire was the barbecue pit to cook the meat for the Top O' Texas Rodeo's barbecue tonight.

5:51 p.m. - One unit and four firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at the intersection of 19th and Hobart streets.

11:55 p.m. - One unit and one firefighter conducted a follow-up investigation of a small fire that had occurred earlier in the day in the 500 block of Elm.

Accidents

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

Wednesday, July 12

2:45 p.m. - A 1988 Chrysler driven by Anona Farquhar Quick, 72, 1100 Cinderella, and a 1997 Chevrolet sport utility vehicle driven by Mary Bichel Urbanczyk, 42, of White Deer collided at the intersection of Hobart and 25th. Quick was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign. No injuries were reported at the scene.

Stocks

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Corn 2.87	IRI10 5/8 up 1/1	
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Don't forget to attend the TOT Rodeo!

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DISPUTE

ducted, it should be pursuant to court supervision, especially if there is any chance that the testing will result in the destruction of any of the material."

"They want me to work it out with the judge," Mann said. "There wasn't anything to work out." Mann said the evidence in question is now being gathered and prepared for testing.

"They fear I'll destroy the evidence if it doesn't come out like I want," he said, adding that the testing process will not destroy the evidence.

'It's the cry of a frantic child," he said. "They've got to remember that I was on that side

for 15 years," Mann, a former defense lawyer, said. "I know all the tricks." Defense Attorney Steven Losch, speaking from

his office in Longview today, said they are asking for a "judicially supervised" test of the evidence.

He said he first asked for the evidence to be tested in a writ of habeas corpus filed with then-District Judge Kent Sims in 1998. Judge Sims never ruled on the motion, he said. He then filed an appeal with the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals

which, he said, was never ruled on.

Records in the District Clerk's office here indicate the writ of habeas corpus filed on March 26, 1998, was denied by the Texas Court of Appeals, as "an abuse of writ.

Losch said Skinner's defense team wants the evidence testing to be judicially supervised because "it

protects the integrity of the test results."
"I'm afraid if Mann doesn't like the results, the evidence will be destroyed," he added. "He is the most untrustworthy prosecutor I've ever run into.

"Right now he owns the evidence. If he wants to, he can destroy it because it is not a court exhibit, it was never introduced as evidence," the defense attorney said. "I think it would be a very unwise thing to do.

"If the results are favorable (to the prosecution), then there is a question about the integrity of the tests," he said. "Unfortunately, there is nothing we

Losch said his federal writ of habeas corpus remains in U.S. Federal Court in Amarillo under

Judge Mary Lou Robinson. "We're still waiting on the magistrate. I have no idea when they'll rule," he said.

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GIBSON

While there are still a lot of nuts and bolts involved, there are now also computers with which to contend.

"Diagnosis is a lot more technical anymore," he said. A lot of the computers are on board the machines

these days. "It's getting to where you plug it into a laptop

computer," Gibson said. While relying on a natural skill and talent, Gibson also spends a lot of time in school. He praised the training schools that John Deere holds on an on-going basis.

"We generally go in the winter time to keep up on stuff," he said.

The summer, particularly June and early July with the wheat harvest and planting under way, are the busiest time of the year for Gibson.

But there was a break this year at Hansford Implement during the busiest time of year. A chocolate cake with white frosting was served along with punch to note the first 40 years of Darrel Gibson's chosen career. Some two dozen people, employees and customers, gathered to wish Gibson well at the east Pampa dealership.

While there was talk of the past, most of the conversation drifted to today's equipment and needs

for tomorrow's customers.

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ARRESTS

"I got permission to search the house, but didn't find anything," Conner said.

The suspect came to the Pampa Police Department and when questioned gave a partial confession to the car burglaries and implicated another man, the police officer said.

When the second suspect was questioned, Conner said, "he gave a confession that implicated himself and (the other suspect) to eight of the car

In the course of the investigation, Conner said he learned that a 15-year-old girl was involved with the two suspects as well as a third man.

"The girl convinced the three subjects to burglarize '324 N. Wells," Conner said, adding that a Pentax 35mm camera, a Samsung VCR, and a box of photographs of tractors was taken in the burglary.
"I don't know why they took the pictures," he

After presenting the evidence to Assistant District Attorney Matt Martindale, Conner said organized criminal activity charges were filed against Stamps and Lester.

Conner said more burglary charges, as well as numerous forgery charges, are expected to be filed in connection with the case and at least two more arrests are possible.

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MINNOW

River in New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will hold a public meeting for comments from 3 p.m to 5:30 p.m.., Aug. 7, at Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West, in Amarillo. There will also be a meeting on Aug. 9, in Oklahoma City, and on Aug. 11, in Pratt, Kan.

The agency must publish a final determination on the proposed critical habitat by March 14, 2001, provided they determine they do not need to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to comply with NEPA.

Comments on the proposed rule and draft environmental assessment can be mailed to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,

Oklahoma Ecological Services Office, 222 S. Houston, Suite A, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74127-8909.

The Fish and Wildlife Service describe the Arkansas River shiner as a small, robust minnow with a dorsally flattened head and rounded snout. The dorsal coloration tends to be light tan, with silvery sides gradually grading to white on the belly.

Adults can grow to a maximum length of 2 inches. First described based on fish collection in 1926 from the Cimarron River northwest of Kenton, Okla., historically, the Arkansas River shiner was widespread and abundant throughout the western portion of the Arkansas River basin in Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. This species has disappeared from more than 80 percent of its historical range and is now almost entirely restricted to about 508 miles of the Canadian River in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. An extremely small population may still persist in the Cimarron River in Oklahoma and Kansas. A remnant popu-

lation also may persist in the Beaver/North Canadian River of Oklahoma. In 1999, six Arkansas River shiner were collected from the Arkansas River in Wichita, Kan. The decline of the species is thought to be the result of

changing stream flows, dams and pumping of The designation may affect a number of activities which the federal government has found to destroy or adversely modify critical habitat, including fencing to exclude livestock and limiting recreation use.

Air rage incident interrupts flight

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — An America West flight traveling from Phoenix to Austin was forced to make an unscheduled landing in Tucson today because of an unruly passenger.

The passenger happened to be an America West pilot.

A witness told Phoenix television station KSAZ that Brantly G. Meyers was yelling "get away from me" over and over. Meyers, 51, lives in Prescott Valley and has been a pilot with America West for 13 years.

"He was apparently yelling and screaming. He was very strange, speaking in ways that didn't make a lot of sense," Detective Sgt. Phillip Young of the Tucson Airport Authority told the Arizona Daily Star. Meyers resisted verbally, but

not physically when he was arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct, Young said.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy oday with a high in the upper 90s and south winds at 10-20 with a low of 70-75. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high of continue unimpeded. 100. Yesterday's high was 87; the overnight low 68.

STATEWIDE — A heat advisory is effective through Friday for North and Central Texas, where multiple high temperatures have reached above 100 In Dallas, readings were

degrees, set in 1980. Waco also reached 100

degrees on Wednesday as a high-pressure system stalled mph. Tonight, partly cloudy over the state, allowing skies to weekend. clear and daytime warming to

> to 80s, with the exception of rain-cooled temperatures reaching the 60s in the west. Winds generally were

expected above the century High Plains of Northwest once again near 100. mark for the second straight Texas.

day. Thursday's record is 107 The National Weather Service said high temperatures and humidity prompted issuance of a dangerous heat advisory that could be extended into the

A slight chance of thunderstorms was expected over all Early-morning readings on but south and southeast parts of Thursday ranged from the 70s

Daytime highs were expected from 97 northeast to 103 in central areas.

Showers and thunderstorms southerly at less than 10 mph. were forecast to continue in Scattered showers and thun-scattered areas through Friday, derstorms developed across the mainly in the north, with highs

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OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

LAS PAMPA WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY

Las Pampa Water Garden and Koi Society meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Austin Elementary School. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Lance DeFever.

NOEP PROGRAM

The Nurse Oncology Education Program and Amarillo College will present "Growing Up With Cancer: A Family Focus" from 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., July 14 in AC's West Campus Lecture Hall, Amarillo. The conference will be worth 7.7 Type I contact hours for nurses and 0.6 CEUs for social workers. Early registration is \$45. Students must provide a copy of student ID and pay a \$10 (postmarked on or before July 7) registration fee. On-site exams are by appointment only. For more informa-and late registration will cost \$60. For more infor-tion, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673. mation, call 1-800-515-6770 or write: The Nurse Oncology Education Program, Growing Up With Cancer, 7600 Burnet Rd., Suite 440, Austin, TX religious poems with a \$1,000 grand prize. Deadline

PARADE OF PONDS

Ogallala Water Gardeners in Amarillo will hold its third annual "Parade of Ponds" Water Garden Tour from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, July 15 in Amarillo. An additional night tour will be from 9-11:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 with children under 12 (accompanied by an adult) free. Tickets and a map/brochure will be available on the day of the tour from any of the homes. Advanced tickets may be purchased at the following locations: Amarillo Botanical Gardens, Coulter Gardens Nursery, Pitter Patter Pets, Panhandle Greenhouses and Rolling Hills Aquatic Gardens. For more information, visit the club's website at www.amaonline.com/owg

GEM THEATRE

The Gem Theatre in Claude will present the Community Heritage Players at 7:30 p.m. July 16 and 17. The group is under the direction of Dr. Carale Manning-Hill. The entertainment will feature an old-fashioned melodrama. The cast will include Wayne Blodgett, Terresa Collins, Jeromy Collins, Terrill Conrad, Michael Green, Dixie Hunsaker, Kym Klarich, Carl Lansbury and Janet Westbrook. After intermission, Deanna Campbell will present a medley of musical favorites. Tickets are available at the door or in advance by calling (806) 226-5409.

BROWN BAG BOOK SALE

Friends of the Amarillo Public Library will hold a Brown Bag Book Sale from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. July 13-15 in the basement of Central Library, 4th and Buchanan, Amarillo. All items will be 1/2 price July 13 and brown bag specials will be offered July 14 (\$2 a bag) and 15 (\$1 a bag). Funds will support Amarillo Public Library. For more information, call (806) 378-4226.

BUSINESS LUNCHEON

The Contract Procurement Center in Amarillo has announced a Business Luncheon for small, minority and women entrepreneurs will be held from 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. July 18 at Luby's Cafeteria, 4530 Canyon Drive in Amarillo. Alvin D. Kabetzke, CPPB with Texas Department of Transportation, Amarillo District 4 Office, will be the guest speaker. For reservations or for more information, call Edmond Esparza at (806) 372-3381.

TIMELESS TREASURES QUILT GUILD Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild will meet at 10

a.m. Saturday, July 29 at Methodist Family PDF-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. The

Enrichment Center, 6th and Quinn, Guymon, Okla. Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from Participants should bring a salad or sandwiches to share for lunch. Nancy Barrett will present two days of quilting workshops including a six-hour class on double wedding ring pattern. Cost of the class is Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. \$25. Cost for the Saturday morning trunk show and appliqué workshop will be \$15. For more information, call Cheryl Ashpaugh at (580) 338-3677. Barrett will also give a special presentation at 7 p.m. Thursday free of charge.

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> **NATURE HIKES** Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer several nature hikes throughout the month of June. The following hikes are scheduled: June 3, "Wildflower Tour," at Paseo Del Rio trail head; June 10, "Botany Basics," and June 24 nature hike, both at Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail; and June 17, Sunflower Trail hike, Sunflower Trail. Each hike will begin at 9 a.m. Participants are urged to bring water, a hat, bug spray and good walking shoes. For more information, call the park at (806) 488-2227,

> > HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: July 28, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost selfexam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All

BARDS OF BURBANK

Bards of Burbank is holding a poetry contest for for entry is Aug. 4. To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, PMB250, 2219 W. Olive Ave., Burbank, CA 91506; or enter on-line at www.friendlypoets.com.

BOY SCOUTS The Golden Spread Council of Boy Scouts of America is open to boys between the ages of 6 and 18 and includes a 27-county area in the Texas Panhandle. The BSA program includes Club Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing, a new program for 14-to 20-year-old boys and girls. For more information, call (806) 358-6500.

CASE

Cultural Academic Student Exchange is seeking families of all types — retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples — to host a high school exchange student. For more information, call 877-846-5848.

TEACHERS CONSERVATION INSTITUTE Registration is currently under way for Texas Forestry Association's week-long Teacher's Conservation Institute summer workshop to be held June 25-30, July 9-14 and July 16-21. Teachers will receive a first-hand look at forestry in East Texas by touring forest product mills, a Tree Farm, a logging operation, a nursery and a seed orchard. They will also be trained in Project Learning Tree and Project WILD. The first session is currently full but spaces are still available for the other two sessions. Registration is \$75 and includes all food, lodging and materials for a week. For a free brochure or for more information, call TFA at (409) 632-TREE; e-mail ccalhoun@texasforestry.org; or write P.O. Box 1488, Lufkin, TX 75902.

'TEXAS' ANNIVERSARY TICKETS Tickets for the 35th anniversary season of the out-

door musical drama "TEXAS" (June 7-Aug. 19, 2000) are now available for purchase on-line at www.texasmusicaldrama.com. For more information, call (806) 655-2181.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C., recently published at 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Prescription Drug Booklet #:

U.S.N. ARMED GUARD VETERANS

were a special branch of the WWII Naval Service call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945. who manned guns and communications on Liberty Ships, tankers, troopships and other small crafts. Contact: U.S.N. Armed Guard WWII Veterans, Charles A. Lloyd Chairman, 115 Wall Creek Drive, Rolesville, N.C. 27571 919-570-0909. Ex-guards should include a list of ships served aboard along with dates on and off for computer data file to help locate other shipmates. The U.S.N. Armed Guard 19th National Reunion will be May 21-24, 2000, at Drawbridge Estate Hotel in Fort Mitchell, Ky., 1-800-354-9793-9866.

AMERICA'S HOMECOMING QUEEN

America's Homecoming Queen, Inc., a non-profit organization promoting education, educational travel and non-violence in schools will celebrate its 20th anniversary in 2000 for 1981-00 high school homecoming queens. For more information, call, email or write: (901) 794-8680; Telee@pacbell.net; 6135 Mt. Moriah, Suite 111, Memphis TN, 38115. T.O.P.S. #149

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

T.O.P.S. #41

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

Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657,

105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the information, call 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

information is also available at www.instituteproject is invited to attend any work session. PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

U.S.N. ARMED GUARD VETERANS

The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday
U.S.N. Armed Guard World War II veterans are at 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior seeking former gun crew members. The guards Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE

FOR THE MENTALLY ILL A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. This week we are discussing the negative symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

SUMMER STORY HOURS Lovett Memorial Library Summer Story Hours will be at 10 a.m. Monday and Tuesday in the library auditorium through July 25. Shanla Brookshire, children's librarian, is in charge of the free program. No registration is required. Groups interested in participating in the program may contact Brookshire to arrange dates and times. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

ALTRUSA STYLE SHOW Pampa chapter of Altrusa Club International is hosting it's eighth annual Style Show at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 5, in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 per person. Tickets can be bought from any Altrusa member or at the door. Proceeds go to help fund local charitable organizations supported by the Altrusa Club.

PPQG Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m., July 27, at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. Freddie Seaman of Perryton will present a trunk show on "Wearable Art." Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. FPC

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Opinion

Elian's eviction and U.S. politics

■ The end of the Elian drama isn't that pleasing.

The sight of 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez being whisked back to Havana, after the U.S. Supreme Court turned aside an appeal that would have blocked his departure, is just one of the many poignant scenes that Americans will remember about this 7-month-long ordeal.

Many Americans expressed relief or indifference at the boy's return, no doubt a reflection of the length of this drama. The Clinton administration showed smug satisfaction at the outcome, given that it pulled out the stops to secure Elian's return to Cuba. South Florida's Cuban-American community, resigned to the boy's fate, was calm but angry.

It's hard to imagine any sense of joy at seeing a young boy returned to a totalitarian land — even if one believes that such a return was, ultimately, the right policy to pursue.

Elian, who barely survived a desperate raft trip from Cuba that his mother and her companions did not survive, became a touchstone for many different outlooks within the United States.

He was an icon for South Florida's Cuban-American community, which was desperate to keep him from being returned to live in the communist police state most of them experienced first-hand.

He was an inconvenience for the Clinton administration, which was so eager to improve relations with Fidel Castro and placate the old-time leftists within its own ranks that it wanted to quickly settle the matter.

He was a source of contention for the political right. Whereas liberals supported Elian's return to Cuba with near unanimous gusto, conservatives and libertarians debated the issue hotly, pitting arguments about living in freedom against questions of family rights.

It was a tragic situation that could only result in an imperfect final decision. The most troubling image of the Elian saga took place in April when armed federal agents busted into the house of Elian's Miami relatives, pushing them to the ground, waving automatic weapons in their faces, smashing religious objects and other personal property

That unnecessary raid, justified by dubious reasoning after a court had ruled in the Miami relatives' favor, was typical of how the Clinton administration used the force of the federal government to deny Elian his day in court. There's a good chance the case would have ended with Elian's return to Cuba anyway, but there was no justification for using heavyhanded and dangerous tactics to hasten that day. Or for the government's campaign of demonizing the Cuban-American community for protesting its orders.

Unfortunately, when a case arose that required the judgment of Solomon, the judge was the Clinton administration, which is far more adept at politically motivated reasoning than at fair-minded and deliberative decision-making.

The hope is that, just as the Eastern Bloc crumbled with hardly any warning, Castro's regime may also fall. Maybe, when Elian is old enough to want to learn about what happened during these eventful months, he can board a plane and visit his relatives in Miami, rather than sneak onto a rickety raft and take a perilous voyage northward.

-Odessa American

Building,



I've got the first dollar I ever made

When I first heard the phrase "He's got the first dollar he ever made," I took it literally. As I was a small child, I always wondered how anyone could still have the first dollar they ever made and just how one would know it was the first dollar they had made.

As I got older I learned that the phrase meant someone was tight, frugal, thrifty or conservative. Many times it was not a complimentary phrase. I knew it would never be applied to me— or so I thought.

Several months ago my brother and I were going through many belongings of our late Mother. We found many clippings and other possessions of ours she had kept through the

As we would come across various memorabilia, flickers of recognition darted across our faces. While we didn't find anything of great

One of my finds was the first dollar I had

Mother had told me for years that she still had it, but I could never find it. Carefully encased in glass was a \$5 check payable to me and dated July 5, 1949. Drawn on the Amarillo National Bank, the check was signed by George Templeton and D. L. Judd. It was from a movie company.

As my children were looking at the first earnings I ever received, they found the memo amusing. It read "For professional services rendered' on June 28, 1949. I quickly pointed out to them I was only five years old at the time of my first work day.



Nancy Young

Managing editor

The check was from a movie studio. A movie, The Sundowners", which is not to be confused with the famous movie with the same name, was filmed in Stinnett and Palo Duro Canyon.

It was a western which starred Chill Wills, Robert Preston, Robert Sterling, Jack Elam, and Don Haggerty. This was the first movie in which John Barrymore, Jr., appeared. It was also my first, and last. The movie was my "15 attended the Amarillo premiere of the movie a few months later my father dropped his cigarette lighter and quickly retrieved it. When he glanced back at the screen, my scene was over.)

My aunt, who is five years older than me, and I speedily rode our horses around a corner, and down the street. We rode up to a hitching rail, tied our horses and ran into a building.

Now, the filming of the scene was much longer. We had to make that ride about 10 times before the director was pleased with it. As a which earned me a movie role. When I grew older, I learned differently.

The Hollywood people were using the cattle and horses in the movie from the ranch where

my grandfather was foreman. Seeing a cute little Shetland Pony at the ranch, the movie people wanted to have it in the movie. Well, if they wanted the horse, they had to take me, too, since it was mine. It was a cinch none of the adults could ride Tony. It was as simple as that, or so I was to learn a few years later.

Seeing my excitement at finding the check, my sister-in-law decided to go one step further. After months of searching endlessly, she located a company which had a video of the 1949 movie. She and my brother recently presented

"That's all there is to it," was the comment of my youngest daughter when she watched the movie. Her five year old daughter said, "That's not my NaNa.

It was fun watching the movie. It was really a little better quality than I thought it might be. It monetary value, so many of our finds are irre- minutes of fame", although my part was less was a very young Chill Wills for you western placeable because of the sentimental attacht han 15 seconds on the screen. (When we buffs, but his voice was quite recognizable. Jack Elam also was much younger and thinner. But that was over 50 years ago.

I also found my book of autographs of the movie crew as well as a professional picture made with the cast and crew.

The memory which stands in my mind most vividly over 50 years later is John Barrymore, Jr. trying to get atop his horse on the right side. I was frightened for him just what my grandfather might do to him. We quickly learned he had never been on a horse before that time, so small child I thought it was my horsemanship he had a few lessons from the expert-Granddad.

While I never actually got any money for my experience, it's good to say, "I still have the first

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 13, the 195th day of 2000. There are 171 days

Today's Highlight in History:

nomination at his party's convention in Los Angeles. On this date:

not legislate against infanticide.

said sorry, not surprised.

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Territory. In 1793, French revolutionary

In 1863, deadly rioting against the hit the New York City area. Civil War military draft erupted in New York City. In 1878, the Treaty of Berlin amend-

death in his bath by Charlotte Corday.

ed the terms of the Treaty of San Stefano, which had ended the Russo-Turkish War of 1877-78. In 1967, race-related rioting that

claimed 27 lives broke out in Newark,

In 1974, the Senate Watergate Committee proposed sweeping raise money for Africa's starving peoreforms in an effort to prevent anoth- ple.

In 1978, Lee Jacocca was fired as president of Ford Motor Co. by chairman Henry Ford II.

In 1979, a 45-hour siege by Palestinian guerrillas began at the Egyptian Embassy in Ankara, Turkey.

In 1985, Live Aid, an international rock concert in London, Philadelphia,

Ten years ago: Soviet President papers went on strike.

In 1977, a blackout lasting 25 hours Mikhail S. Gorbachev closed the Communist Party's 28th congress by saying he would welcome Western aid without political strings.

Five years ago: President Clinton denounced a military base-closing list for the damage it would do to California and Texas, but then approved the package while promising to save jobs in those states. Just six days after space shuttle Atlantis Moscow and Sydney, took place to returned, the shuttle Discovery blasted off on a nine-day mission. About 2,500 workers at Detroit's daily news-

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On July 13, 1960, John F. Kennedy won the Democratic presidential

In 1787, Congress enacted an ordinance governing the Northwest

writer Jean Paul Marat was stabbed to er Watergate scandal. Cuban-Americans stand up for liberty

Well, it's no surprise that the Supreme Court

After all, the same court had earlier seen a

threat in a student leading a prayer in a foot-

ball stadium. Not a good week for children as

far as the Supreme Court went. Not a good

versities — including Harvard and Princeton

American history test. The people who did the

study said that 99 percent of the students could

identify Beavis and Butt-head, two sick TV

characters, but only 23 percent identified

James Madison as the principal framer of the

Now these young men and women have had

16 or 17 years of formal education. And still,

they're ignorant as toads about the history of

their own country. Are your children in public

schools? Why? It appears to be largely a con-

So, if ignorance of their own country is so

widespread, it's no surprise that so many

scored a D or an F on a 34-question

week for morality or the Constitution, either.

sent Elian Gonzalez back to a communist dic-

tatorship and also ruled that Nebraska could

Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

I'm sorry to see Elian being taken back to Cuba, but I'm even sorrier to see so many Americans seem to think Fidel Castro is no Americans ignorant of or indifferent about the worse than a grouchy cigar salesman. I'm quite communist dictatorship in Cuba. Remember, I sure that most Americans don't realize that, prior to Castro, Cuba had the highest standard A recent news story reported that 80 percent of living in Latin America. Now, it's close to of the seniors from the top 55 colleges and uni-

And I just love all these news analysts claiming the Cuban-American community in Florida has lost its political clout. That just shows you how stupid someone who claims to be an analyst can be. In the first place, the fight for Elian was in the courts, and no Cuban-American ever claimed to have clout in the courts. Cuban-Americans have all along been willing to accept the decisions of the courts. This was a

legal battle, not a political battle. So, if you think they have lost their political clout, then come to Florida, alienate them and Americans could profit from by studying it. see if you can win a statewide election or an election in Dade County. The only clout they've ever had is that they are intelligent, hard-working, willing to put their money

where their mouths are, and they vote. In other words, unlike so many of their critics, they do their duty as American citizens. They do know history, and they do not have defective memo-

They do all of this, by the way, because, unlike so many of their critics, Cuban-Americans do indeed dearly love this country, and they've proved it in every way a human being can. The only thing they wanted for Elian was the liberty his mother died trying to

The child will be treated with psychiatric drugs, if he hasn't already been, to erase his memory so that his communist mentors can start reprogramming him with a clean slate. Not even 6-year-olds, if they speak favorably of freedom, are tolerated in Castro's prisonland. For as long as Elian remains in a communist Cuba, he will never have the freedom to express his thoughts without fear. I will pray that he not become like his father — a willing servant of tyranny.

In this tragic episode, only the Cuban-Americans in Miami emerge as heroes. They stood up for liberty and yet respected the law. They have set an example that other

As for those who mock and despise the Cuban-Americans, hey, the enemies of liberty always hate the lovers of liberty, just as cowards always resent the brave.

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SENIOR SCENES

Senior snapshot

Name: Evelyn Phillips. Birth Date & Place: Jan. 4, 1923, McPherson, Kan., to Kate and Glenn Young

Family: Three children, Fern, Galen, Don, and Jay Phillips.

Favorite Childhood Memory: In 1927, we moved from Kansas to Texas on freight car, animals and all, settling in White Deer. I remember driving cattle out to

When I Grew Up I Wanted To Be: Get married and have a family.

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My Best Friend was: Margie Smith and Hazel Cummings. My Favorite Toy: Dolls — Shirley Temple if I had one. My Favorite Game: Capture (one team would try to catch

the other one.) My Favorite Radio Show: Fibber Magee and Molly. The First Movie I Ever Saw & The Cost: A silent movie.

don't remember the name. It cost maybe a quarter. The First Phone I Ever Used Belonged To: I didn't have a

phone until my daughter graduated in 1965. The Person That Most Influenced My Life: My dad. The Historical Event That Most Affected My Life & Why: World War II while I was in school at Oklahoma City -

Draughon's Business College. The Thing I Remember Most About The Depression Was: Having to choose how to spend your nickel.

The Biggest Honor I've Ever Received Is: My years as a 4-H leader, three of my children were Gold Star award-win-

If I Could Change One Thing About My Past It Would Be: Not to get old — really I wouldn't change anything.

My Whole Family Enjoyed: Sightseeing, camping out in Colorado, fishing, traveling. The Person From My Childhood I Wish I Could Visit

With Today Is: I could name a whole bunch of them cousins and friends. My First Job Was: Operator at the telephone office in

Year & Make of The First Vehicle I Drove: 1936 Chevy. Cost of Gasoline When I First Drove: Twenty-five cents a

On My First Date I Went To: To town (White Deer) and

back, roller skating, I think. My Favorite Hang Out Spot Was: Main Street in Pampa. The Fashion Trend Was: Women starting to wear slacks. My Favorite Saying Was: "Ah, shoot."

My Favorite Song Was: "Springtime in the Rockies,"

Another Memory I Want To Share Is: After we married, we moved back to the farm. We lived on \$13 a month. We had our own milk, eggs and meat.

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Tava Porter RN, **Director of Nursing**

is new with Pampa Nursing Center. She has 18 years of long care experience, also experience in CCU, ICU and Medical Surgical Hospital.

Tava lives on a farm with her husband. She has 5 grown children and 2 grand children. She is also attending Wayland Baptist for her Bachelors Degree in Business.

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Helping one another

Companion program beneficial for seniors

HAYS, Kan. (AP) — Paying the bills. Balancing the checkbook. Shopping for groceries. Going to the doctor. They all sound like routine chores, but they can be overwhelming for seniors with health problems.

For those struggling to accomplish life's daily tasks, the senior companion program in a nine-county area of west-cen-

The program was one of the first in the nation when it began at Fort Hays State University 26 years ago. Funded by a federal grant, the project connects poor, elderly Kansans who can still get around with those who often need help just to leave

It provides a friend for elderly people who need one, plus a small stipend and other fringe benefits for the companions.

"The whole focus of the program is to get older people on limited incomes involved in providing services to other frail elderly folk to help them stay independent," said Jolene Niernberger, the program's director.

About 150 volunteers have served more than 500 seniors already this year, Niernberger said.

Among the volunteers are Harold and Annabelle Woodford, who have been involved with the program for several years. They have been forced to cut back lately because she has can-

Harold Woodford is a companion to Art, an 86-year-old man who is partially blind and had a knee replaced last year. He and Art go out for coffee and to the grocery store. He also takes him to the doctor, to get his hair cut, and for physical therapy.

"We just generally have a good time, We enjoy one another," Woodford said. Annabelle Woodford added: "I'd be hard-pressed to say who

has benefited the most in that. Unfortunately, my condition has limited him.' He squeezes all that in between taking his wife for

chemotherapy and her own doctors' visits. "She's been my best friend for over 51 years," he said.

Harold Woodford, 74, has been helping out with cooking, even making macaroni and cheese from scratch, too, since his wife has been ill. "Have you ever burned water? I have," he joked, leaning in

a rocking chair in their ranch-style Hays home. The companion program also helps them pay medical bills,

since not all treatments are covered by Medicare. Annabelle Woodford, a white scarf around her head, trying

not to doze because of the medication she's taking, said she still finds energy to be a companion now and then. For some, she helps balance checkbooks and pay bills, espe-

cially widows whose husbands always handled the finances. To others, she just reads the newspaper or a book. "They're able in their own way. They like to be self-suffi-

cient," she said. At the urging of Sen. Larry Salmans, the state added \$25,000 the program for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

'I see it as something that could help across the state, what's really just a good neighbor helping another neighbor," said Salmans, R-Hanston. "It's going on in a lot of small communities already, but this is a way to organize it and get people together.'

Niernberger hopes that money can help the program expand beyond the nine counties where it already operates.

It provides a friend for elderly people who need one, plus a small stipend and other fringe benefits for the companions.

"My hope is at some point, companions could be available throughout the state," she said. "They're not there to be aides or nurses. But we can do some simple things on a daily basis."

Annabelle Woodford, 71, used to volunteer at nursing homes anyway, but a year ago officially became a senior com-

Pauline Rosebaugh, meanwhile, has been a companion for 18 years, and her mother was a companion before her.

On a day of her supposed vacation from volunteering, Rosebaugh stopped to sing the praises of the program. But that was only after she brought one woman home from the hospital and before she ran to the grocery store for another.

Rosebaugh, 78, often brings prayer books to encourage people on her visits. Sometimes she just sits with them, reading or watching television.

Big hugs mean a lot," she said. "They love that attention. We're ones that can love them.'

Rosebaugh said she gets lonely on weekends, wondering how everyone is getting along.

The volunteers said all their efforts pay off in the end. "The nice thing to me is the old folks have people that make them feel needed," said Annabelle Woodford. "They have a way of working themselves into your heart."



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49 years, nine governors later **DHS** secretary leaving position

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) Nine governors and nearly a half-century after she started working in state government, Mary Luce was about to retire.

Luce had a farewell lunch of poached salmon with Gov. Angus King on June 30, the day she was supposed to finish up as senior administrative secretary to the Human Services commis-

A few days later, Luce was back at her desk in the brick office building across the street from the State House, just to fill in. Well, what's another few days when you've been on the job for 49 years?

Besides, the 66-year-old Luce said, "I've always been happy in my job. I like the contact with people and helping people."

Luce is not the only state employee with such a long record of service, although cases like hers are rare.

State officials say there are a couple of others with at least 49 years on the payroll, and a Transportation Department employee was once cited for his 50 years of state duty.

Luce may be the only one who's had the kind of job in which she deals with powerful lawmakers and Cabinet officials one minute, and with Maine's most desperate and needy residents the next.

Luce fields phone calls from people with complaints about welfare payments, health care and issues regarding child custody and care for the elderly.

Services Human Commissioner Kevin Concannon said Luce has been a kind of gatekeeper who made sure that everything possible was done to address a caller's needs before the phone was passed to him.

"She knows when somebody hasn't been treated right," said Concannon. "She knows when to say, 'You need to look at this."

Luce has fielded calls, for example, from families of elderly married couples who faced separation because one had to enter a nursing home while the other remained behind in a boarding home.

After the commissioner's office intervened, nursing homes agreed to accept payments at the boarding home rate to keep the couple under one roof, said Luce.

"I feel that I have helped a lot of people in my years here. I feel good about that," she said.

After graduating from the former Williams High School in Oakland, Luce went to work for the state in 1951 as a clerkstenographer in what was then the Department of Labor and Industry. Later she transferred to the Department of Health and Welfare, now Human Services.

During the last 20 years, she has been senior administrative secretary for a succession of Human Services commissioners. Luce recalled meeting only a couple of governors over the years — King, and Joseph Brennan, who served from 1979-

Even though she never met former Gov. James Longley, she remembers him well.

"He used to put little notes on letters to constituents (saying), 'Why don't you get a job?'" said

She also recalls with sadness the government shutdown stemming from a budget crisis in 1991. While Luce was kept on the job, she said it was disheartening to see so many others lose theirs. State employee morale sagged, but Luce believes it has been restored since then.

She has also watched as state grown. government has Correspondence with clients used to be handled by one person in the commissioner's office, she said. Now, an Office of Constituent Affairs handles it.

About the only things that havn't changed over the decades are the daily coffee breaks Luce has taken at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., for at least 30 years.

'Time passes quickly," said Luce, who is single and lives with a grandnephew. "After 49 years, it's going to be a big tran-

And how will she keep busy? "I can always do volunteer work."

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Recruiting retirees is big business for Mississippi

OXFORD, Miss. (AP) — When she was young, Shirley Perry was a Cold War spy. Now retired, she wants to write about those cloakand-dagger days. A small town in Mississippi offers the perfect inspiration.

Agency decades ago, moved to Oxford last September. The draw?

A town rich with battlefield history — from Civil War to Civil Rights. And with literary history that includes William Faulkner, native son and Nobel Prize winner. And home to ment program—though he's quick to point 15,000 people and the University of

Perry spends her days jotting memories on a legal pad, participating in theater plays and getting the autographs of visiting authors. "There's so much here to see and learn," she

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Mississippi is attracting many of the nation's out the need to build the factory infrastructure. retirees. Lower crime rates and low costs make it a real challenge to Florida, says Barbara McDonald, marketing and advertising manager for the state's Department of Economic and Community Development.

Currently, Florida is the state most favored by retirees. Mississippi is not even among the top 10. According to U.S. Census data from is 65 or older, compared to 18.3 percent of younger and have accumulated money. Florida's population.

But McDonald lauds Mississippi's one big advantage — four seasons.

"In Mississippi, the leaves change colors and we have a little snow every now and then,"

she says. "The seasons are important to a lot of people coming from up north." McDonald heads the Hometown Mississippi

department of Economic and Community house in Oxford. Development. Last year, the program initiated the weekend getaway. Using national advertisements and pam-

phlets, state officials tout Mississippi as a Mississippi's Gulf Coast. retirement haven. McDonald said this year's getaway is already fully-booked with 150 people choosing to pay the \$175 fee that does not include transportation.

ment as jazz bands and an Elvis impersonator. tions.

The retirees are surveyed at the end of the most of the time it has.

"They think it's really rural and all cotton fields," she says. But "they find that we do says McDonald, because retirees want to live have a lot of culture and the friendliest people in a mixed-age community. anywhere.

tion. And Steve House, executive director of the South. the American Association of Retirement Communities, based in Bowling Green, Ky., "You want to feel part of a genuine communicalls it the country's most progressive retire- ty, not an artificial one."

Research values the typical retiree household from \$250,000 to \$300,000. "Many people think of Perry, who left the Central Intelligence retirees as old, poor people who are sick," says House. "Many retirees these days are younger and have accumulated money."

> out that popular vacation spots - Florida, Arizona — attract more retirees.

> Similar programs dot the South, including Alabama.

Retirees who do choose Mississippi are helping the state's economy - with an estimated 1,600 new households. McDonald calls this the economic equivalent of 3.7 factory jobs, with-

House's group, based at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Ky., grew out of a program funded by federal grants. It aims to show community leaders the economic benefits of attracting retirees.

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Retiree spending offers Florida a \$75.8 billion wallop, according to the state's Department of Elder Affairs. Its data also show that retirees pay another \$1.3 billion in real estate taxes.

Perry lauds Mississippi's tax structure because unearned income is not taxed. She said the cost of living in the state enabled her Retirement program, a part of the state's to buy a \$175,000 four-bedroom, two-bath

> The weather attracted Marjorie Fritz. Fritz, 61, lived in Florida for a decade after the death of her husband. Then she moved to

Originally from Massachusetts, Fritz considered Florida too warm. But Gulfport's mild weather allows her to play 18 holes of golf each day. She calls this "a beautiful retirement Participants are treated to such entertain- area," and close enough to Florida for vaca-

The Gulf Coast, a longtime favorite of snowweekend to see if their perception of birds, will soon feature a \$1.8 billion-develop-Mississippi has changed, and McDonald says ment partly devoted to retirees, a master-plan community built over the next decade.

Even this is new for Mississippi — mostly,

Perry, who has lived in Europe and Canada, Since the retirement program began, officials was certain that she did not want a retirement report more than 160,000 requests for informa- community. Yet she was uncertain about life in

"You need the diversity of ages," she says.

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of the Harvard School of Public Health.

CHICAGO (AP) — A study of more than The study, published in today's Journal of women.

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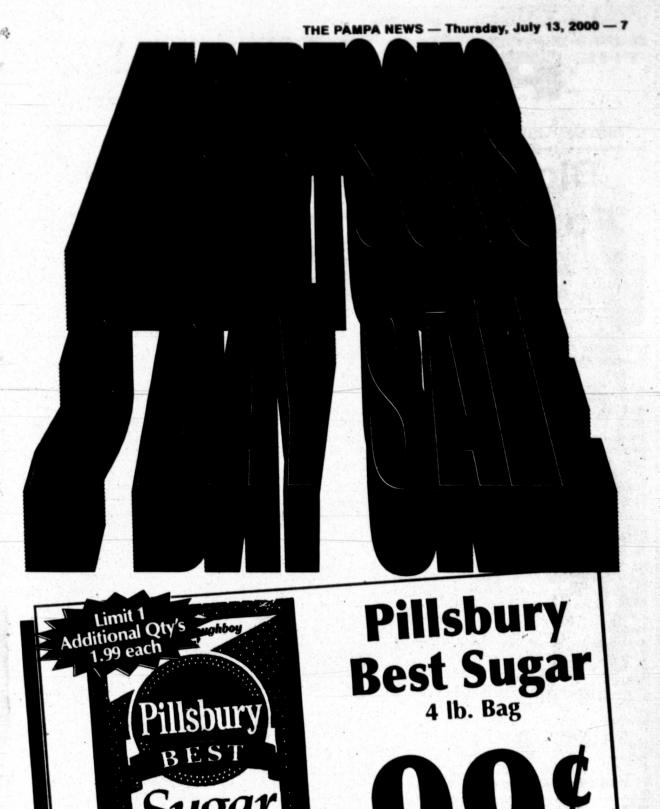
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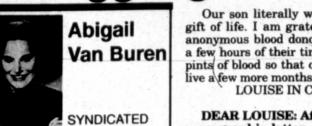
I am a coward when it comes to needles. Because of this, I ask that someone hold my hand when I donate blood. I receive a few snickers from onlookers, but I couldn't allow another mommy who may be facing the same problem to experience the anguish of not having

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

* * Be an observer in life rather than

*** Aim high, knowing full well what you want. Schedule a meeting to bring different people together who have the same interests. This could involve a personal interest. Seek out friends. Make weekend plans. Be sensitive to a child.

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information plops in your lap if you lie decision soon. You need all the facts you can get. Ask questions. Do some heavy thinking. Tonight: Don't push yourself. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Tonight: Where the gang is!

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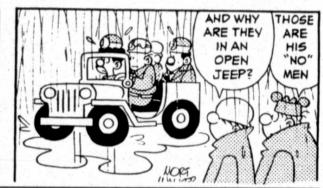
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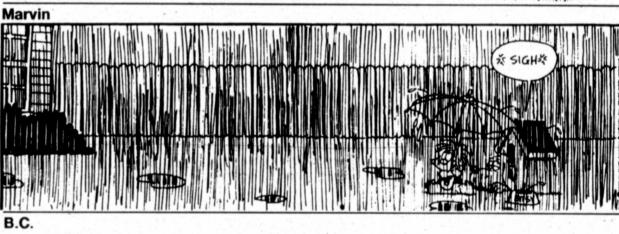


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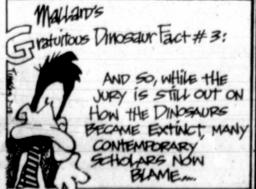


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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

* * * * Others turn to you. They count on your ability to organize and integrate. Take your natural place, and steer in the direction you feel is appropriate. Know that someone is always going to give you flak. Worry less and stay true to yourself. Tonight: Out on the town. TAURUS (April 20-May 20

**** You plunge into weekend mode early. Your mind wanders. Reach out for others. Start making plans for the next few days. Confirm an important meeting, especially the time. Tonight: Split ASAP

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** * Keep discussions on a one-

on-one level. You cannot afford confusion, especially because your finances might boomerang. Nurture another's willingness and receptiveness toward you. A relationship intensifies as a result. Get down to basics. Tonight: Be with your favorite person.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Defer to others. They hold the cards. Sometimes you learn more if with co-workers and bosses. Tonight: you allow others to state their case. You

ing. Popularity soars if you stay quiet for now. Options open up then. Tonight: Play the weekend in. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

* * * * Your even pace and willing attitude at work help others relate to you. On some level, you can be an awesome figure. Be sensitive to your needs. You might want to start that diet or exercise plan. New resolutions involving your health and diet could work. Tonight: Dot

your I's and cross your T's before you

leave work. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

* * * * * Creativity comes forth. Your choice lies in where you direct your energy. The underlying theme focuses on liking whatever you are doing. Brainstorm a participant. Powerful and significant at work and test different ideas. Express your jovial nature. Others work with you back. You will be making an important easily. Tonight: Flirt the night

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

* * * Handle a personal matter before you attempt to focus on work. Because your mind drifts, you have a difficult time accomplishing what you need. Your sense of humor comes out when dealing with family. Use care with an authority figure, or that person could become contrary. Tonight: Be a couch potato. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

* * * * * While you can often be taciturn, suddenly you become a chatty Cathy, sharing with others. Return calls, but know that others could be surprised at your diffuse manner. Catch up on news

need to mull over what is happening. Avoid being cantankerous or challeng- ly. You don't need to agree with another

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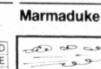
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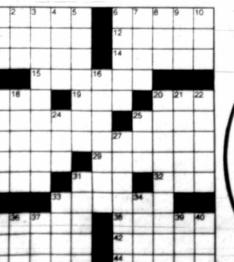
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around the country. Hank Haney of McKinney is ranked No. 1 in Texas and No. 4 in the nation.

The magazine published the list in its August issue. Besides announcing the top instructors nationwide, Golf Digest also includes the ranking of the most accomplished teachers state by state.

PAMPA — Don Ashford, 80, of Groom, shot a 79 Wednesday at Clarendon Country Club. Witnesses were Joe McCutchen and Iohnson Slick Howardwick.

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BASEBALL

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OZARK, Mo. (AP) - The Ozark Mountain Ducks got solid pitching Wednesday night to beat the Texas-Louisiana League All-Stars 3-2 in the league's sixth annual all-star game.

Ducks starter Wollscheid opened with two perfect innings, striking out the last four batters he faced. Jeff Motes had two hits and one RBI and was named

The Ducks got all three runs in the second on a hit by Motes off Al Kermode that scored Sergio Cairo from first

Ricky Van Asselberg followed with a double to score Motes and Jason Thompson singled to drive in Van Asselberg.

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Comets streak past Monarchs

HOUSTON (AP) — Seizing opportunity when Sacramento's Yolanda Griffith suffered an injury, the Houston Comets rallied with a 13-0 run in the last five-plus minutes, assisted by Sheryl Swoopes.

Swoopes led all scoring with 25 points in Houston's 77-62 victory Wednesday night. Griffith, who scored 22 points, had been aggressive in the first half but was ineffective over the last 5:32 after hurting her right foot.

"Yolanda's a great player," said Swoopes, who scored 15 points in the second half. "It's unfortunate. You don't want people to go out with injury. But I think any time they are out, for whatever reason, you want to try to capitalize on that."

The Comets outscored Sacramento 13-0 over the final 5:05 to grab their 10th consecutive victory.

"It's hard to believe," Comets coach Van Chancellor said. "(If) you coached through that game and you played through that game, in your mind you thought that was about a threeto five-point game.

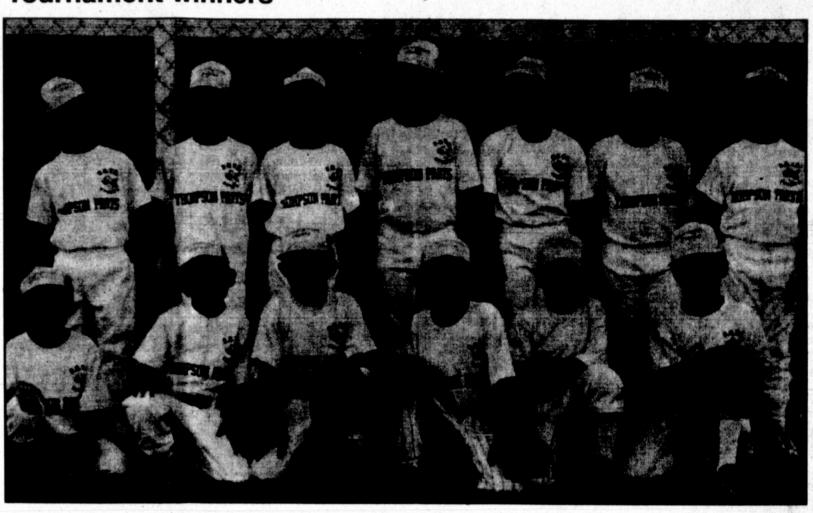
"But I got ready to walk down there to speak to (Monarchs coach Sonny Allen) after the game, I looked up at the scoreboard, and it's 77-62," Chancellor said. "That's hard to believe. It didn't feel that way. But I was really pleased with our defense. Sacramento's really hard to guard. Really hard."

Swoopes was 11-of-20 from the floor, snatched nine rebounds and had five assists and one blocked shot as the three-time WNBA champion Comets improved to leaguebest 19-2 mark. Griffith also had nine rebounds and 22 points -14 in the first half — for the 13-7 Monarchs.

Both teams struggled to maintain a lead in the first half until the Monarchs began a 14-2 run to take a 29-20 advantage, their biggest of the game.

But Houston answered back with a 15-2 run to take a 35-31 lead at halftime.

Tournament winners



Thompson Parts finished the end-of-season tournament for the Pampa Optimist Youth Club with a record of 5-1. winning the pitching machine tournament in a three-game, six-hour finale. They fell into the loser's bracket against Medicine Shoppe. The next day, Thompson's beat Frank's Foods to advance into the finals. They followed with a pair of wins against Medicine Shoppe in hard-fought games in the finals. Thompson ended the season with a 20-2 record. Team members are (front row, from left) Evan McElwain, Mikey Feagin, Brandon Gannaway, Mitchell Killgo, Ricki Grajeda and Robert Douglas; (back row, from left) Ryan Freudenrich, Kelby Rocker, Luke Watson, Joe Solis, Cody Davis, Sam Newman and Mitch Simon. Not pictured are head coach Mike Killgo, assistant coaches Tom McElwain, Randy Watson and Bill Simon.







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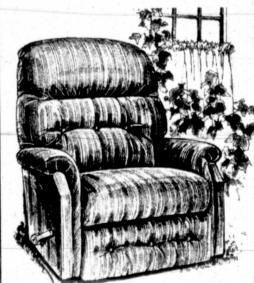
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Mills wins singles title at Pampa Tennis Open

Boys Open Singles Division at the Pampa Tennis Open last weekend at the high school courts.

Mills, Pampa, defeated Jared Spearman, also of Pampa, 6-4, 6-4 in the finals.

Pampa Open Results Girls 12 Singles

Semifinals: Lindsey . Short, Spearman, def. Lacie Long, Pampa, 6-1, 6-0; Jordan Short, Spearman, def. Ashley Lucas, Pampa, 6-0, 6-0; Finals: Short vs. Short (to be played in Spearman); Consolation: Makayla Carter, Pampa, def. Megan Clark, Pampa, 9-8 (7-4).

Girls 14 Singles Semifinals: Lindsey Short, Spearman, def. Cori Simpson, 6-2, 6-3; Callee Bailey def. Shellie Smith, Pampa, 6-1, 6-0; Finals: Bradley def. Short, 6-1, 6-4; Consolation: Jordan Short def. Natalie McVay.

Girls 16 Singles

Semifinals: Ashley Ellis, Amarillo, def. Whitney Firman, 6-2, 6-2; Anna Resnik, Dumas, def. Abby Bradley, Pampa, 6-3, 6-4; Finals: Ellis def. Resnik, 6-1, 6-4: Consolation: Brin Burgen, Vernon, def. Julie Thompson, 8-4. Girls Open Singles

Semifinals: Jennifer Massey, Amarillo, def. Ashley Ellis, 6-3, 6-3; Mandy Hermisillo, Amarillo, def. Brittany Kindle, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3; Finals: Massey def. Hermisillo, 4-6, 6-2, 6-0; Consolation: Emily Waters, Pampa, def. Ashley Jordan, Pampa, 6-1, 6-3.

Boys 12 Singles Semifinals: Chris Ritchie, Amarillo, def. Jarrod Russell, Amarillo, 6-4, 6-3; Reid Schindler, Pampa, def. Tanner George, Amarillo, 6-2, 6-4; Finals: Ritchie def. Schindler, 6-1, 1-6, 6-4; Consolation: Julian George, Pampa, def. Reagan Baine, Dumas, 8-5.

Tyler DuBose, San Antonio def. Hermissillo-Gonzales, Amarillo, Heath Holt, Amarillo, 6-1, 6-2; Finals: DuBose def. Roberts, 6-2, 6-4; Consolation: Britton White, Pampa, def. Brandon Davis, Amarillo, 8-3.

Boys 16 Singles

Semifinals: Curt Phillips, Groom, def. Justin Bonner, Dumas, 6-3, 6-1; Adam Cherry, Spearman, def. Zach Hucks, Pampa, 6-3, 6-0; Finals: Phillips 6-4; Cherry-Griffin, Spearman, def. Cherry, 6-3, 1-6, 6-3; Consolation: Jorge Aleman, 6-3, 6-4; Finals: Cherry-Griffin, Amarillo, def. J.J. Roberts, Spearman def. Aleman-Guzman, Dumas, 8-4.

Boys 18 - Open Singles Semifinals: Ryan Mills, Pampa,

def. Paul Mendez, Amarillo, 6-2, 6-4; Jared Spearman, Pampa, def. Alex Lucero, 6-1, 6-2; Consolation: Daniel Mejia def. Matthew Groom, Hernandez, 6-2, 7-5; Finals: Ryan

Girls 14 Doubles Semifinals: Natalie McVay-Shellie Smith, Pampa, def. Clark-Long, Pampa, 6-1, 6-1; Short-Short, Canadian, def. Langford-Neef, Pampa, 6-1, 7-5; Finals: Short-Short def. McVay-Smith, 6-1, 6-3; Consolation: Langford-Neef def. Lucas-Long, Pampa (by

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Semifinals: Brooks-Bradley, Pampa, def. Burgen-Fraser, Amarillo, 6-2, 7-5; Bradley-Freeman, Amarillo, def. Neef-Resnik, Pampa-Borger (by default); Finals: Bradley-Brooks def. Bradley-Firman, 6-2, 6-2; Consolation: Burgen-Fraser def. Neef-Resnik (by default).

Girls Open Doubles T.S. Roberts, Dumas, def. Justin Massey, Amarillo, def. Carter- def. McVay-Vincent 8-1.

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> **Boys 12 Doubles** (round-robin)

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Boys Open Doubles Semifinals: Russ DuBose-Matt Rains, Pampa, def. Kessler-Minum, Canyon, 6-3, 6-3; Ryan Mills-Jared Spearman, Pampa, def. Nanu-Gonzalez, Amarillo, Mills def. Jared Spearman, 6-4, 6- 6-7, 7-5, 6-2; Finals: DuBose-Rains def. Mills-Spearman, 6-2, 5-7, 6-3; Consolation: Phillips-Phillips def. Hernandez-Mendoza, Amarillo, 6-3, 6-0.

> **Mixed Open Doubles** Semifinals: Russ DuBose-Emily Waters, Pampa, def. Emily Curtis-Ryan Mills, Pampa, 8-4; Ashley Ellis-Sam Nanu, Amarillo, def. Mandy Hermisillo-John Gonzalez, Amarillo, 8-3; Finals: Waters-DuBose def. Ellis-Nanu, 6-7, 6-4, 6-4; Consolation: Matt Rains-Ashlei Jordan, Pampa, def. Shauta Guzman-Alex Lucero, Amarillo, 8-3.

Mixed 14s Doubles

Semifinals: Britton White-Abby Bradley, Pampa, def. Tyler DuBose-Liz West, Pampa, 8-4; Semifinals: Stacie Carter- Tara Jordan-Zach Hucks, Michelle Lee, Pampa, def. E. Pampa, def. Lauren Acker-Waters-Ashlei Jordan, Pampa, 4- Caleb Coffman, 6-2, 7-6 (8-6); 6, 6-4, 6-1; Guzman-Massey, Finals: White-Bradley def. Amarillo, def. Kindle-West, Jordan-Hucks, 6-3, 2-6; 6-2; By The Associated Press Pampa, 6-3, 6-1; Finals: Guzman- Consolation: Acker-Coffman

_ance Armstrong: Unstoppable Texan

CARPENTRAS, France (AP) Lourdes-Hautacam, pion.

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- Lance Armstrong's rivals earned him the yellow jersey rest day wondering how to stop Monday, seems to have knocked Armstrong's main challenger. the American defending cham- the confidence out of his main

> "Armstrong is on another planet," 1998 Tour winner Marco Pantani said. "He pushed me to

which low him."

Germany's-Jan Ullrich is seen

Ullrich's strategy is to stay within striking distance of Armstrong and attack in the 19th Andy Ashby. stage, a time trial that starts in the German town of Fribourg.

"Armstrong is very strong, but hope to do something in the time trial in Fribourg on routes that I know well," the 1997 Tour winner said.

But top sprinter Erik Zabel doesn't seem to have too much hope for his teammate.

For our team, it has been a really good Tour de France," he said. "Ullrich is doing well to be second, and we are happy. We are four minutes behind, but Armstrong is a great champion

and is really impressive." Armstrong of Austin, Texas preserved his energy until the 10th stage, when a stunning climb to Lourdes-Hautacam saw him storm past tour rivals Ullrich, Pantani and Alex Zulle

to take the yellow jersey. The only spark of hope for his rivals that day was the lack of support from U.S. Postal riders on the final climb.

"Armstrong's team looks less commanding and unified that last year," said Frenchman Christophe Moreau, who started Thursday in third place, 5:10 Pct. .591 .558 .511 .500 .453 Pct. .586 .494 .442 .420 .407 .345 GB 14 1/2 15 1/2 Pct. .580 .541 .529 .512 GB 3 1/2

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Yanks, Braves boost mound staffs

The New York Yankees and the Atlanta Braves knew they had to improve their pitching staffs if they wanted a rematch of the 1999 World Series.

On Wednesday, both teams spent the Tour de France's first emblematic of first place on by the U.S Postal team as made moves to accomplish that The Yankees acquired Denny

Neagle, and the Braves picked up New York traded minor league

third baseman Drew Henson, outfielder Jackson Melian, righthander Brian Reith and left-hander Ed Yarnall to Cincinnati for the left-handed Neagle and minor league outfielder Mike

"We've made the decision to go for it," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said. "Denny Neagle is the guy we wanted. We feel he was the best pitcher available on the market."

"I know there's been players throughout their careers that don't necessarily like to play in New York, whether they say the fans or the media can be tough on them," Neagle said. "You've got to have fun with it. That's right up my alley, to go there with some of the most crazy, wildest fans in baseball."

Neagle, 31, a free agent after this season, is 14-2 with a 3.14 ERA since last August.

Atlanta, trying to improve a once-dominant pitching staff, traded for right-hander Ashby, sending former top prospect Bruce Chen and minor league pitcher Jimmy Osting Philadelphia.

The Reds have gone back to rebuilding only a few months

after winning 96 games, trading Wade said the team was close to for Ken Griffey Jr. and becoming trading Ashby to the Yankees, but a favorite to win the NL Central.

general manager Jim Bowden that was unacceptable, he said. said. "The White Sox took a lot of end, that's how you win."

record and a 4.10 EKA in nine years. His ERA ballooned to 5.68 just three earned runs in his last 15 innings.

'Ashby's ability and experience are very appealing to us, and we believe he's shown signs of returning to his form of old," Atlanta general manager John

Schuerholz said. Phillies general manager Ed on the 60-day disabled list.

made the deal with Atlanta after "I know this deal's going to be the Yankees-Reds trade. A third unpopular for the present," Reds team made an offer for Ashby Ashby, a two-time All-Star, is in

grief when they made a similar the final year of a \$15 million, trade a few years ago. But in the three-year contract. He is making \$5.9 million this year.

Ashby, 33, has a 76-81 career Chen, 23, one of the Braves' top prospects for several years, has never established himself as a this season, but he has allowed major league starter. He was 4-0 with a 2.50 ERA in 22 appearances for Atlanta this season,

mostly in long relief. Frank could help the Yankees replace Shane Spencer. The outfielder will miss the rest of the season because of a torn ligament in his right knee and was placed

Irwin favored to repeat in Sr. Players Championship

DEARBORN, Mich. (AP) -Hale Irwin feels like he's wearing a target on his back at the Senior Players Championship.

Still, he feels players who are aiming at him will be making a mistake.

"If they're gunning for me, the golf course will eat them up," Irwin said Wednesday after tuning up with a 1-under-par 71 at the TPC of Michigan. "The ones who concentrate on the golf course will do best."

The 6,966-yard course, built on the edge of some wetlands near the world headquarters of sponsoring Ford Motor Co., was designed by Jack Nicklaus and completed in 1991.

"I've worn the bull's-eye on

my back before, and I'm happy to wear it," Irwin said. "It all comes down to experience." He has plenty of that.

Irwin won the U.S. Senior Open two weeks ago and is the defending champion in the Senior Players Championship. He leads the senior money list by \$10,474 over Bruce Fleisher heading into the fourth and final major on the senior circuit.

But the deciding factor might be how well the 78 golfers in the field play the water left by Nicklaus and the wind provided You have to be hitting the ball

well on this golf course," Larry Nelson said. "I think that's why Hale just sort of blew out the field last year." Irwin finished at 21-under-par

267 last year, beating Graham Marsh by seven strokes. If he repeats, he will pocket \$315,000 of the \$2.1 million in prize

"I don't deny that I played extremely well last year," Irwin

said. "When I needed a shot, I made it and converted it."

But the greens were softened by rain in 1999. This year, the greens are much more firm. "It's playing a little faster than I recall it," Irwin said. "I

don't think the scores will be as low as last year." Irwin, who took last week off,

said he might need a day or two to get his stroke back. Even as good as Hale has played the last four or five

years, he hasn't won every week," Nelson said. "It just seems like he has sometimes." As with most courses designed by Nicklaus, there is

some wiggle room off the tees at the TPC of Michigan. The money shot is frequently the sec-

ond stroke, an iron into hard, fast greens that sometimes have three or four levels.

"How do they shoot that far under par?" Tom Watson wondered after carding a 3-over 75 during his first round on the course. "I know Hale won by seven or eight shots, but how did he shoot that far under? This golf course isn't that easy."

Nelson, despite some driving and putting woes, can't be overlooked in this championship. He has won twice this season and played well enough to rank third on the money list.

"I've got three drivers and two putters in my bag right now," Nelson said.

A win this weekend would be Irwin's fourth this season and give him half of a grand slam in events considered majors by the seniors. Tom Kite won the Tradition and Doug Tewell the PGA Seniors Championship. Kite and Tewell are both rookies among the seniors.

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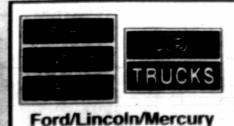


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