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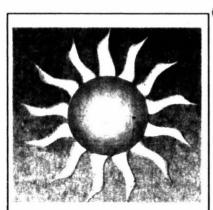
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High today mid 50s Low tonight 24 For weather details see Page 2.

VICTORIA (AP) — It probably sounded like a heck of deal to some prom-bound students in this South Texas town: A local hotel offered a package deal to share dinner, a limousine and a bechoom on prom night.

The Ramada Inn had advertised the \$199 Prom Night Package in Friday's edition of The Victoria Advocate, sparking dozens of calls to both the newspaper and the hotel. But the inn pulled the promotion later that day amid the protests.

Rosie Arguellez, the hotel's sales coordinator, said Ramada Inn was trying to address the problem of underage drinking and driving when it offered the special.

But the offer hit the equally sensitive topic of teen-age sex, which some parents and community leaders say is a promnight problem.

'We weren't trying to promote sex," Arguellez told the newspaper. "The original intention was to keep it a safe prom night. Drug-free and alcohol-free ... We're trying to keep them off the street."

The plan was to use the hotel's limousine to shuttle six students to the prom at a time while others ate dinner in the ballroom, she said. Security officers in the dining room would be on hand in to make sure students did not try to drink, and there would be no alcohol in the car, Arguellez

. R. Floyd Moss, 88, retired employee Petroleum Company.

· Delma L. 'Terry' Thorne, 82, former bookkeeper, homemaker.

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Zach Cain reads a book he wrote and illustrated during a recent reception at the mid-

Pupils form 'company' to write, produce books

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY **Managing Editor**

Starting your own business isn't an easy task. That's what a group of middle school students found out recently while operating the "Kids Book Publishing Company."

Part of a project to get students to produce original written and art works, seventh grade art teacher Barbara Bigham said she was very proud of the class at the candle-lit gala the students organized to celebrate the finished books.

Students were awarded certificates for a job well done and were then asked to read from their books to the parents in attendance

Subject matter ranged from humorous stories about pet to modern day fairytales.

"When we first talked about doing this, I talked to the kids about the two sides of their brain the academic side and the creative side," said Bigham. "I gave them five minutes to write a synopsis of their stories so they wouldn't have the chance to second-guess themselves.

Students were given the opportunity to become editors, art directors and CEO's in the company.

The hard-back books were bound by hand, and all 25 works were completed within a 15 day period written in a company contract. How did they do all that work so

sub-contract work and have typists, trate books.

She added that the students were so professional that she didn't have to be a teacher during the project.

"I got to be an employee, like everyone else," she said.



Sam Conners was one of 25 seventh grade students who participated in the Kids Book Publishing Company, a project spearheaded by art teacher Well, the kids were allowed to Barbara Bigham to allow students to write and illus-

dancing.

Troll.'

Amarillo Rattlers.

and Pat Sargent.

School starting two days later than first agreed Christmas break shortened

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY **Managing Editor**

officials elected to make changes to the proposed school calendar allowing two days later on Mon., Aug. 16, despite teacher requests to keep the calendar start date on Thurs., Aug. 12.

In exchange for the the additional two days of summer freedom, Pampa ISD board members had to cut into the proposed

Christmas break. Students and staff can now anticipate being in school Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 20 and 21, instead of being released on Fri., Dec. 17 as proposed in the first calendar.

Dr. Jay Johnson made the motion to start the school year later, he said, because he feels a lot of people believe starting school anytime

"We extended into January Christmas holiday Education vice president. break period) this vear because of Y2K."

Asst, Superintendent, Teacher Association.

"From 🥆 a 🛮 teacher's In a 4-2 vote school board standpoint, last year we asked for school to start on a Thursday and now students to come to school you're considering not doing it."

 Susan Alexander Pampa Classroom Teacher Association president

before Aug. 15, is too early. "I heard more comments about starting school early ... a lot of families feel like it infringes on their rights, and I don't blame them," said Johnson, Pampa ISD Board of

"From a teacher's standpoint, last year we asked for school to start on a Thursday and now you're considering not doing it, " said Susan Alexander, elementary teacher and —Jane Steele president of the Pampa Classroom

> When asked for a general opinion (See SCHOOL, Page 2)

County burning ban, PEDC report on court's agenda

Commissioners Court meets Monday morning for its regular

Besides the usual bill paying will be a discussion of a burn ban for the County. The state has declared the county as one of the counties being in danger of wildfire and have urged extreme caution.

Other counties in the panhandle have already discussed a ban on open fires.

PEDC board members Lewis

County Meers and Richard Stowers will also address the court to give an update on recent developments at the agency including the search for a new director.

The Pampa Industrial Board is scheduled to ask the county for a waiver of tax penalties and interest and the county will consider declaring some county property as surplus.

The meeting begins at 9 a.m. in the second floor courtroom at the County Courthouse. The public is encouraged to attend.

Juvenile board to meet

The Gray County Juvenile Board will meet this Monday March, 8.

Among the items the board will be considering will be:

Approve and execute a con-

tract with Genesis House.

 Approve a parental placement agreement with the Children's Home.

The last good movie I saw

I stay home to watch:

Someday I want to drive a:

My favorite junk food is:

My favorite beverage: Dr.

was: Hope Floats.

Pizza, chicken nuggets.

Simpsons

Corvette.

 Approve and execute a contract with Texas Management Center in Sweetwater

Approve an external audit.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. in the courtroom on the second floor of the County Courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

Sunday Snapshot

My hobbies are: Reading and

My favorite sports team is:

My favorite author is: Dave

The last book I read was:

"The Girl Who Tricked the



Name: Olivia Chairez

Occupation/Activities: Second grader, read books and

Birth date and place: April 6, 1991, Pampa Family: Ivan, Tamara and

Brandon When I grow up I want to be: Artist, dancer, model. My personal hero: My

The best advice I ever got was: Don't talk to strangers.

My classmates think of me as: A sweet girl. The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Selena,

Brandy, Shania Twain.

Michael

brother "Bubba" The biggest honor I've ever received is: A diligence award. My favorite performer is:

Backstreet Boys. I wish I knew how to: Be a gymnast.

I would never: Talk back to

My favorite possession is: My Pepper. My favorite restaurant is:

Joe's Crab Shack. My favorite pet: Weenie dog.

My favorite meal is: Chicken

I wish I could sing like: Shania Twain. I'm tired of: Waking up early Playgrounds.

Spiders and rats. The electrical device I could-

I have a phobia about:

n't live without is: Curling Iron. The biggest waste of time is: Crying over nothing. If I won the lottery, the most

extravagant thing I would do is: Not old enough to play the lot-If I had three wishes they

would be: My own room, to meet the Backstreet Boys, take my family to Hawaii.

If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: To have two Super

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PRESCOTT, Billie Maureen Webb — 10:30. a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

THORNE, Delma L. "Terry" — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

R. FLOYD MOSS

BORGER - R. Floyd Moss, 88, died Friday, March 12, 1999. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Brown Funeral Directors Chapel of the Fountains with the Rev. Gregg Simmons, pastor of First Baptist Church of Borger, officiating. Burial will be at 1 p.m. in Dozier Cemetery at Dozier.

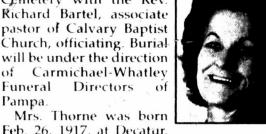
Mr. Moss was a native of Wheeler County and graduated from Shamrock High School. He was a longtime Borger resident. He was payroll and warehouse clerk for Phillips Petroleum Company, working at the Philblack Plant for several years prior to retiring in 1975. He probation violation. belonged to First Baptist Church of Borger.

He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran, serving for four years.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Mattie Moss of Lancaster; a niece; and five nephews.

DELMA L. 'TERRY' THORNE Delma L. "Terry" Thorne, 82, of Pampa, died Friday, March 12, 1999, at Borger. Graveside

services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Richard Bartel, associate pastor of Calvary Baptist will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors



Feb. 26, 1917, at Decatur.

She married Alfred S. Thorne on May 13, 1955, at Miami, Fla.; he died in 1992. She had been a longtime Pampa resident and was a bookkeeper and homemaker. She is survived by several nephews including

Eldon Eugene Gilbert of Bakersfield, Calif.; and several nieces including Marie Pratt of Jennings, Okla., Evelyn Lockhart of Tulsa, Okla., and Sharron Arnold of Elk City, Okla.

Fires

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

Friday, March 12

10:04 a.m. - Two units and four personnel Somerville and Gray in the 900 block.

12:16 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to a dumpster fire at 2111 Dogwood.

Police report

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

Friday, March 12 David Troy Emmons, 33, 904 S. Sumner, arrested on two warrants for failure to prove liability

A theft of a jacket and keys was reported in the 300 block of Canadian.

insurance and failure to display a valid drivers

Saturday, March 13 Maurilio Lopez, 22, 545 E. Denver, was charged

with evading arrest and reckless driving.

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, March 12 Josue Vargas, 19, 853 S. Sumner, charged with robbery, failure to i.d. and on two warrants - theft of property, disorderly conduct.

Thomas Joseph Carpenter, 33, 210 Tuke, DWI

Accidents

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

Friday, March 12

Energas reported a hit and run accident in the alley behind the 900 block of Somerville in which a gas meter was damaged.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday. Friday, March 12

8:12 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Kingsmill and Ballard on a motor vehicle accident. No one was injured.

4:54 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2300 block of Christine on a medical and took one patient to Columbia Medical Center. 2:33 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local

nursing center and took one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

5:54 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to a local nursing center.

7:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded the 600 block of North Christy and took one to Columbia

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	

Customs, federal agencies issue warnings to Spring Breakers

By MADELINE BARO **Associated Press Writer**

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Attention Spring Breakers: Be careful when you cross the border, and leave your switchblades and steroids in Mexico.

safety and prudence to those who cross back and forth between Mexico and the United States. During Spring Break, about 150,000 more tourists of the above after a night of heavy drinking, Ms. visit the area, which translates into about 20,000 people crossing the bridge every day.

come back, and stay out of trouble," said U.S. Customs Chief Inspector Ernest Tijerina. "We want them to be informed.

Awareness that college students on Spring Break can face real danger has increased in the 10 years abducted in Matamoros, Mexico. Mark Kilroy van- and broadcasting continuously on AM radio that ished early March 14, 1989, while returning from a it's illegal to re-enter the U.S. with certain items. night of bar-hopping with three friends.

Kilroy's remains were found among those of 15 others a month later, all victims of a drug-smuggling cult that performed ritual sacrifices in a bid to protect their illegal activities.

Spring Break with a beefed-up police presence. One hundred additional officers join city police, tourist police, and mounted police in patrolling the main ments with Customs agents while asserting what tourist area of the city just across the river from Brownsville

tourist thoroughfares day and night, said Matamoros spokeswoman Virginia Castillo. In airports don't need the probable cause or, warrants 1989, when Kilroy disappeared, that was not the

"There wasn't this much security," she said. officer or interfere with his work. 'There was no control on the sale of alcohol.'

down especially hard on alcohol sales since Ianuary. Stores may not sell alcohol after 10 p.m. Dance clubs are allowed to serve alcohol on their premises until they close at 2 a.m. Monday through Thursday and at 3 a.m. on the weekends.

Tourists also are being given pamphlets noting Officials on both sides of the border are preaching that certain activities are not allowed in public, such as walking around naked, having sex and urinating. Spring Breakers have been known to do all

Tijerina said he's noticed the crackdown on pub-"We want these kids to go over, have a good time, lic drunkenness and other inappropriate behavior in Mexico since the Kilroy killing. He said sometimes college kids feel free to break the law because they're part of a large group, in a different country and "have money in their pocket."

Meanwhile, U.S. Customs officials in Brownsville since a University of Texas college student was announced Friday they are handing out pamphlets

On the list: steroids, switchblades and illegal drugs such as Rohypnol, known as the date rape drug. Punishment for being caught with any of those items could range from a fine to incarceration.

Also, although 18-year-olds can buy alcohol This year, the city of Matamoros is preparing for legally in Mexico, they can't cross the border with it and can be prosecuted for trying to use a fake ID.

Tijerina said students sometimes get into arguthey believe to be their civil rights.

Customs, however, has been given broad author-Twenty patrols will be keeping an eye on main ity by Congress and courts. The Supreme Court has ruled that Customs officers at border crossings and that police need to search a person or his property. And it's a criminal offense to threaten a federal

"These kids don't know that," Tijerina said. "Or

Matamoros' new administration has cracked they think they know the law.'

Quiet Day services on March 17

Masterman, deacon of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Amarillo will be the speaker in Pampa for Quiet Day on March 17.

She will speak at St. Matthew's at the 10 a.m. service and again at 11 a.m. She will speak at noon and First Presbyterian and again at St. Matthew's at 1

by Bishop Sam B. Hulsey, former rector of Pampa's Saints' Parish in Fort Worth.

As part of special Lent services, the Rev. Patsy St. Matthew's, serves on the Spiritual Development Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas. She also has assisted in the training of aspirants to the diaconate.

She is a former member of the diocesan executive council, commission on ministry, and communication commission. She began her assignment at St. Deacon Masterman, who was ordained in 1985 Andrew's in 1993, after serving five years at All

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SCHOOL

secondary teachers last year told school board officials that starting school on a Thursday gives teachers the chance to finish with the introductions and paper work; the majority of teachers said students are better prepared to get to work when they come back over the weekend.

"There are school districts where teachers have to go back on July 26 ... I think starting school on the 12th is reasonable ... we're accountable for those extra days the state requires of us and I don't think the general public realizes that," said Alexander.

Lamar teacher Susan Parish was in agreement. "Thursday and Friday gives us preparation to get into a solid start, and from the elementary perspective, having those two days before is a major consideration.

"There's a strong comment for leaving it the way it is," said John Curry, board president.

"I've had complaints from business professionals

who say it is hard to find daycare during the holidays," said Sue Fatheree, who voted in favor of starting school later.

Board Secretary Pat Kennedy expressed concern over the duration of the Christmas break being "too long" in the first calendar proposal, which allowed students out for two weeks and two days, from Dec. 17 to Jan. 5.

"We extended into January this year because of Y2K," said Assistant Superintendent Jane Steele.

Further discussion on the likelihood of students being absent during the Mon. and Tues. of Christmas week made it look like the board might opt to stay with the original calendar.

But about an hour after the discussion began, an official motion was made by Johnson to extend the start date and to compensate this by having school in session two days longer at the Christmas break.

Kennedy, Fatheree and member Joe Martinez voted for the motion, while Curry and member Lee Porter voted against it.

Four-time drunken driver allegedly crashes into MADD official's car

WAREHAM, Mass. (AP) — Donald Podzka has hurling beer cans into the woods immediately again faces DWI charges — this time after allegedly plowing into a car operated by the state execu-

tive director of MADD Podzka, 48, was driving with a suspended license when his car hit Barbara Harrington's as she headed home from a Mothers Against Drunk Driving meeting Tuesday night, police said. No injuries were reported.

 Podzka's blood-alcohol level was more than twice the legal limit, the Boston Herald reported. Podzka was immediately arrested, and police said they confiscated four cans of beer — two of released without bail.

them open — from an area near his car. A witness told police he saw Podzka frantically returned calls seeking comment.

been convicted of drunken driving four times. He after the crash, said state police Sgt. Ron Sieberg. Podzka was convicted of drunken driving four times between 1981 and 1989, according to police

Ms. Harrington was not in her office Friday.

"Like all crashes involving repeat offenders, the crash involving MADD Massachusetts' executive director is another call to action for cracking down on people with a record of drinking alcohol and then getting behind the wheel," said Karolyn Nunnallee, national president of the Irving, Texas,-

Podzka pleaded not guilty Wednesday and was

Neither Podzka, nor his ławyer, Nancy Golden,

Grand jury doesn't indict teacher

Texas accused of choking one student and swinging two others by their arms has been cleared by a grand

Deena Murdoch, 52, had been charged with three felony counts of injury to a child stemming from allegations leveled against her while she worked in a Carrollton elementary school. A Denton County grand jury declined to indict her.

"The grand jury were people that listened and "in his neck and had several visible bruises. heard," Ms. Murdoch said. "They were wise enough to know the truth."

Ms. "Murdoch said she did not harm any of the fourth-graders and that the children made up the allegations because they were angry with her.

Prosecutors presented their case to a grand jury on Thursday, Denton County assistant district attorney Kevin Henry said.

'We thought we had a good case," Henry said. Carrollton police had in December accused Ms.

DALLAS (AP) — A substitute teacher in North Murdoch of grabbing a fourth-grade boy by the neck for about six seconds when he went to his desk after a round of charades and attempted to look at a card with his grade. That alleged incident occurred on Nov. 18, police said.

The 9-year-old boy's parents took him to Trinity Medical Center in Carrollton that night after he complained that a substitute teacher had hurt his neck. Doctors found he had sustained soft-tissue damage

Two girls, ages 9 and 10, suffered cuts and bruises after being grabbed by the arm and swung around, police had also said. The girls told police that after the boy was accosted, they got up for another round of charades.

Ms. Murdoch, a grandmother of three, said the hardest thing about the past three months has been that she has not taught since her arrest. She did not work, partially on her attorney's advice and because schools would not use her, she said.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Sunny and warmer today with a high in the mid 50s and west winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight's low is expected to be 24. Monday, still warmer with a high near 70 and west winds at 10-20 mph. Friday's high was 34; the Saturday morning low 24. A trace of snow had fallen by Saturday morning with a moisture total of .15 inches.

REGIONAL FORECAST SOUTH TEXAS Country and South Central Texas — Today, partly cloudy and warmer. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Sunday night, clear and cold. Lows in the 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Today, partly cloudy. Continued cool. Highs in the 50s. Sunday night, clear and cold. Lows 30 to 35, 40s coast. Monday, sunny. Highs in the 60s. sunny. Highs in the 60s. Sunday partly cloudy. Guadalupe 50s to lower 60s

the upper 60s to lower 70s. WEST TEXAS — Panhandle cloudy.

 Today, mostly sunny with a Southern Rolling Plains —Today, sunny. High mid 50s to lower 60s. Sunday night, clear. Low mid 20s to lower 30s. Monday, mostmid 70s.Valley/Edwards Plateau — 30s. Monday, mostly sunny. High upper 60s to mid 70s. Far West Texas — Today, sunny.

night, mostly clear. Lows in the Mountains/Big Bend Area upper 30s to mid 40s. Monday, Today, sunny. Highs mid 50s to clear to partly cloudy. Highs in mid 60s. Sunday night, clear. Lows 35-50. Monday, partly

NORTH TEXAS — Tday, high in the lower 60s. Northwest partly cloudy west. Decreasing wind 5-15 mph. Monday, mostly cloudiness, windy and cool cenclear with a low 35 to 40. High in tral and east. High 43 to 52 the lower 70s. Extreme Sunday night, clear. Low in the Panhandle/Low mid 30s west to upper 20s east. Monday, mostly sunny. High in the 60s east to 70s west.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO — Today and ly sunny. High mid 60s to lower Sunday night, fair skies. Lows 70s. Permian Basin/Upper teens to the upper 20s moun-Trans Pecos — Today, sunny. tains and north, 20s to mid 30s High in the 60s. Sunday night, south. Warmer Sunday with clear. Low in the 30s. Monday, highs upper 40s to lower 60s mostly sunny. High upper 60s mountains, mid 60s and lower Concho 70s elsewhere. Monday, mostly clear and warmer. Highs from Today, sunny. High 55-65. 50 to the mid 60s mountains Sunday night, clear. Low in the and north, upper 60s to near 80 elsewhere.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the upper Coastal Bend and the Rio High near 70. Sunday night, mid 20s to lower 30s. Monday, Grande Plains — Today, mostly clear. Low near 40. Monday, mostly clear. High in the mid

City briefs

OCB 2302 Alcock - Mon., Thurs. & Sat. Karaoke. Tue. pool tournament 8 p.m. Adv.

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Members of the "Pride of Pampa" Band participated in UIL Solo and Ensemble contest recently. The contest was held at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Those students making first divisions on solos were: Clayton Johnson, alto saxophone; Brad Stucker, alto saxophone; Sarah Teague, bassoon; James Carter, trumpet.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill

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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & #1 Huff, Sec. 9,M-1,H&GN, elev. 3530', PBTD 3486' — TREML Lower Morrow) Strat 2471 gr, spud 5-25-98, drlg. Land Exploration Co., #1 compl 9-10-97, tested 1-30-99, potential 270 MCF, TD 13910', PBTD 11290' — Plug-Back

HUTCHINSON (HANSFORD Lower Morrow) Crescendo HUTCHINSON (PANHAN- Resources, L.P., #2074 Virgil LE) J.M. Huber Corp., #108 Mathews 'A', Sec. Herring 'A', E. Almaguie Survey, 74,R,GB&CNG, elev. 3114 gr, elev. 3144 kb, spud 1-23-99, drlg. spud 6-18-98, drlg. compl 7-6-98,

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Granite Wash) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #1059 Earp, Sec. 59,1,H&GN, elev. 2724 kb, spud 12-8-98, drlg. compl 12-17-98, tested 1-7-99, potential 510 MCF, TD 15334', PBTD 10660' — Plug-

Plugged Wells HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Bobcat Operating, #1 Canadian Wildcats, David Landers Survey, spud 12-5-75, plugged 2-3-99, TD 7133' (gas) Form 1 in Malouf Abraham

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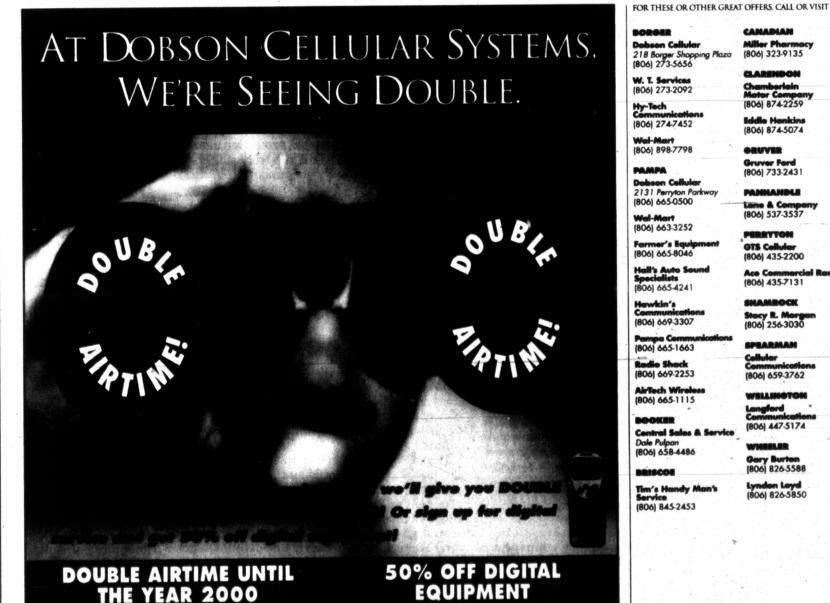
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Opinion

Smaller counties given some relief

Small Gray County and other Texas oil and gas producers got a helping hand last week now that they are eligible for \$45 million in tax relief.

That, coupled with news Friday the OPEC oil ministry representatives agreed to cut production by 2 million barrels a day, should give the ailing industry a shot in the arm.

Evidence of that has already been seen in rising gasoline prices at the pump.

Gov. George W. Bush signed the emergency tax tegislation last week saying the tax-saving action is essential to saving jobs that otherwise would be lost because of low oil prices.

The bill, sponsored in part by State Rep. Warren Chisum of Pampa, gained final approval when the house voted 128-8.

The law exempts small oil producers from the state's 4.6 percent severance tax when crude oil prices fall below \$15 a barrel for three consecutive months. Wells producing 15 barrels or less daily are exempt, potentially covering 83 percent of Texas wells and about 38 percent of produc-

Natural gas producers are exempt for a 7.5 percent tax when prices fall below \$1.80 per thousand cubic feet. That trigger is not expected to be met.

The new law took effect immediately ... and not a moment too soon to give a break to Pampa and other Texas areas depending upon a healthy oil and gas industry for a large share of its liveli-

From our files ...

40 years ago

Thursday, March 12, 1959

A safe-cracking, described by Sheriff Rufe Jordan as the 'Biggest mess I've ever seen," netted an undetermined amount of money from a safe at Pampa Lumber Co. sometime early this morning.

Friday, March 13, 1959

A total of 12,408 names beginning with Mrs. Opal F. Aaron and ending with Eddie Zuniga - appear in the alphabetical section of the 1958 issue of the Pampa City Directory being distributed in Pampa this week.

Monday, March 16, 1959

The tubes of a television set at the Harvester Bowl, 1401 S. Hobart, "blew up" and began to smolder Sunday Morning, Pampa firemen reported. There was some light smoke damage, firemen said.

25 years ago

Tuesday, March 12, 1974

Pampa Police arrested a 22-year-old man early this morning in the act of burglarizing the Pampa Medical and Surgical Clinic 1701 N. Hobart.

Wednesday, March 13, 1974

County and City officers yesterday arrested five county youths, two of them juveniles, and confiscated a quantity of suspected marijuana.

Thursday, March 14, 1974

Robert A. Charpie, president of Cabot Corp. speaking at a joint meeting of the Pampa Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce in Coronado Inn Wednesday afternoon, appealed to Cabot Machinery Division employees to resist an attempt now being made to unionize the Pampa opera-

10 years ago

Sunday March 12, 1989

Interviews are under way two "hearing ear" dogs to be placed in the Pampa area, announced representative of the Panhandle;e Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA).

Monday, March 13, 1989

Pampa police are continuing to search for a 32-year-old Arizona man they believe is responsible for the attack on a 79-year-old woman late last week.

Wednesday, March 15, 1989

At least four grocery stores in Pampa had to pull produce off their shelves because of the threat of contamination from alleged terrorists who claim to have placed a small amount of cyanide in a shipment of Chilean grapes that ended up in Philadelphia.

Jones: Poster child for NSC

Country singer George Jones can become a National Safety Council poster child for not driving and talking on the phone at the same time. This after he took out part of a concrete bridge railing when he hit it with his sport utility vehi-

As of this writing, the singer was recuperating in Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville where he'd been taken off the critical list and was sitting in a chair.

He wasn't wearing a seat belt but, even so, I can't figure out how his liver suffered such a gash as was reported. From all his years of boozing, one would think his liver would be bottle remained intact. hard enough to withstand just about any

say. But, hey, I am one of those who can find hůmor just about anywhere.

When he had the wreck about a week ago, the first thing everyone wanted to know it seemed



Kate B. Dickson

associate publisher/editor

was if the Possum was drunk or not. Fortunately his current stretch of staying off the

I must admit that I, too, have been guilty of DWTOTP — driving while talking on the phone. I know. That wasn't very a very nice thing to And, plenty of you are, too, I bet. Or guilty of turning around the yell at your kids, or reaching down to pick up a tape or any number of other

things that take ones eyes from the road. But not long ago, I saw one that took the cake.

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I was about to turn off the highway onto Price road to head home when I looked to my left and here was some guy and girl watching television as they drove along in a pickup!"

Then there's all this high-tech stuff I see on the cars shows. Computers, do your e-mail, fix the movies for your kids in the back.

Though I am writing about this I have no clue what the answer is. People aren't going to stop using the technology that is pushed in front of them. And, contrary to what the plan may have been, many of these gadgets aren't saving us a nickel's worth of time - it only means there is more for us to do. And that means we are going to be doing more of "it" in our vehicles.

Following that stream of consciousness thought(s), more of us are going to wind up like George, only it may be another driver and not a bridge we hit.

Now, let me tell you about that new sound system in my car. It has so many buttons on it ...

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, March 14, the 73rd day of 1999. There are 292 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 14, 1743, the first recorded town meeting in America was held, at Faneuil Hall in Boston.

On this date:

In 1794, Eli Whitney received a patent for his cotton gin, an invention that revolutionized America's cotton industry.

In 1879, physicist Albert Einstein was born in Ulm, Germany.

In 1883, German political philosopher Karl Marx died in London.

In 1900, Congress ratified the Gold Standard Act.

In 1923, President Harding became the first chief executive to file an income tax report.

Ex-cons aren't allowed to vote

Americans detest criminals, but once lawbreakers have paid their debt, they get a second chance. After completing his sentence, an ex-convict is at liberty to travel about, sign a contract, petition the government, buy a beer, acquire property, get married, have children, stand on a soap box and call Bill Clinton a lying skirt-chaser — just like any other adult. But in 14 states, he can't do something the rest of us take as a sacred birthright. He can't vote. That disturbs black leaders, with good rea-

son. The NAACP and Jesse Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH Coalition can't help noticing that the people most affected by these restrictions are black men. Nationally, 13 percent of them are disenfranchised. In two states, nearly one of every three black men is not allowed to cast a ballot. Before long, according to a recent report by the Washington-based Sentencing Project, some states could be denying the franchise to 40 percent of adult African American males.

Skeptics will say that's their own fault: Anyone who commits a serious crime deserves to lose the rights of a citizen. But many of the violations that lead to disenfranchisement are not that serious. Many first-time offenders who get off without serving time nonetheless forfeit their right to vote. One Mississippian suffered that penalty for passing a bad check for \$150.

Even for serious crimes, it's not our policy to strip felons of all their rights — much less do it for life. Prison inmates, despite other limitations on their liberty, are assured the freedom to practice their religion, the protection against double jeopardy, the right not to be subjected to cruel and unusual punishment and so on.



Steve Chapman

voting rights is the exception, not the rule. As such, it needs a justification, which no one has bothered to produce. Taking away the franchise is hardly a deterrent to someone willing to risk spending years behind bars. Unlike the federal ban on gun possession by former offenders, it doesn't prevent crime: Nobody ever held up a liquor store with a voter registration card. And it would be hard to make the case that upstanding folks would be afraid to go to the polls if they thought they might brush shoulders with an alumnus of the state penitentiary.

What the permanent revocation of voting rights does accomplish is exactly the opposite of what we want to do: It tells ex-offenders not to bother reintegrating themselves into society as responsible, contributing members of the political community. It leaves them permanently estranged from one of the rituals that we treat as an emblem of good citizenship. It deprives them of a stake in the social order that we want them to uphold. It inflicts repeated humiliation on those who have worked hard to atone for their mistakes and become decent people. Add to this that it falls mainly on a class of people — black men — who have Upon release, they enjoy almost all the privi- traditionally had good reason to feel excluded, leges entrusted to everyone else. The loss of and you are inviting dangerous alienation.

Of course, not all ex-convicts try to go straight. Many of them are beyond rehabilitation. Still, it's hard to see any great value in shutting them out of the ballot box. Sure, it guarantees that criminals won't form their own political party, but that's a remote danger to begin with. The vast majority of career criminals wouldn't take the trouble to vote anyway. The only people who suffer are the offenders who have matured and acquired a wholesome interest in public concerns.

For these, critics may note, there is already a 'way to regain the franchise: getting a pardon from the governor. Virginia, for one, hands out a couple of hundred every year — which may sound like a lot until you consider that it has 200,000 ex-convicts. But the process can be cumbersome, and most offenders don't realize it's available.

There is also no guarantee of success. Illinois allows ex-offenders to vote, but Chicago Alderman Walter Burnett Jr., who went to prison for taking part in an armed robbery at age 17, needed a pardon after the legislature passed a law barring convicted felons from holding municipal office. Despite a sterling reputation, he was turned down the first time he asked for it and had to wait four years for Gov. Jim Edgar to change his mind. Getting the pardon, he recalls, "was very hard."

Some states that deprive felons of the vote for life are finally reconsidering a policy that simply doesn't stand up to scrutiny. Unless we want to ship them all off to a penal colony, the rest of us have to live alongside millions of people who have broken the law, served their sentences and been released back into society. Letting them vote would increase the chances that they would become the sort of people we would want next door.

Americans hold equality in contempt

About 15 years ago, during a dinner conversation with Nobel Laureate economist/philosopher Friedrich A. Hayek, I asked him, "If you were allowed to enact one law that would promote and preserve liberty in our country, what would that law be?'

Havek answered that the law he'd enact would read: Congress shall enact no law that does not apply equally to all Americans. Havek conceded that he'd allow for a couple of exceptions like allowances for minors and the feeble-

Hayek's suggestion for full equality before the law was both simple and profound, and it would do untold wonders in producing the liberties envisioned by our Founders. But I'm betting that most Americans, despite our pretenses, would greet Hayek's suggestion with contempt after we realized what such a law would mean.

Full equality before the law would mean Congress wouldn't be able play favorites with different Americans in exchange for our votes and campaign contributions. "Williams," you say, "you've just insulted every American; we all treasure equality before the law." Let's see if

During the 1980s, many savings and loans banks made huge losses because of chicanery, stupidity and unwise investments. Congress bailed them out. In 1987, when the stock market crashed, I incurred large losses because of my the post office a monopoly in first-class mail unwise, perhaps stupid investment decisions. delivery. It should grant me a monopoly in Equal treatment before the law would require teaching economics.



Walter Williams

Syndicated columnist

that if Congress bails out one American who makes unwise or stupid investments, it should bail any American who makes unwise or stupid

Congress makes payments to farmers who don't grow wheat or raise pigs. Most Americans don't grow wheat or raise pigs. Under an equal treatment regime, we'd all receive payments for not growing corn and raising pigs

Through the IRS, Congress takes my money and gives it to other people. An equal treatment law would require Congress to take other people's money and give it to me. Congress takes young people's money and gives it to old people in the forms of Social Security and Medicare. Equality before the law would require Congress to take old people's money and give if to young people. Congress grants

Under an equal-treatment regime, we'd have to scrap the Internal Revenue Code. After all, what justification is there for treating one American differently because he has children, or is buying a home, or receives his income from capital gains instead of wages? Equal treatment would require Congress to figure out the cost of the constitutionally authorized functions of the federal government, divide it by adult population and send us each a bill for our

You say, "What about the ability-to-pay principle of taxation?" That's just a politics-of-envy concept that would be revealed as utter nonsense if applied to anything else. Would you apply the ability-to-pay principle to, say, gasoline or food prices, where different prices are charged to different people depending on their

Most of our national problems, both large and small, would disappear if there were equality before the law. Congressmen wouldn't be able to play favorites. Most federal programs would not exist. That would mean instead of a federal 1999 budget of \$1.7 trillion, it would be more along the order of \$400 billion. There wouldn't be runaway government.

The problem with Hayek's suggestion is that any congressman who suggested that all Americans be treated equally would be run out of town on a rail, because being treated equally by government is a principle that most Americans hold in contempt.

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Pampa High School counselor Lesley Gershmel told the current and future leaders at Community Partners about the progress made in getting a grant to help fund a mentoring program that has helped keep some people off of drugs.

awmakers hit deadline to file bills

By RENAE MERLE **Associated Press Writer**

came as no surprise to lawmakers. Still, their staffs bustled about the Capitol Friday trying to beat

It was the last day to introduce a bill unless it has limited regional effect, is declared an emergency or lawmakers get the permission of their colleagues.

including legislation that would enable the state to provide additional protections for people living in nursing homes," said Rep. Elliott Naishtat, D-Austin, who will have filed about 80 bills overall this session.

"Most of the bills I'm filing today weren't drafted in their final form by the drafting arm of the Legislature — the Legislative Council- until this week,"

Naishtat said. Not that he's criticizing, he said. "They had so many bills to bills past the deadline.

At the Legislative Council, the funding bill and I am not sure hectic pace driven by the approaching deadline had given Bivins said. way to relative calm Friday, said

Steve Collins, general counsel.

A sense of "hopelessness" had set in, he said, "as far as getting additional bills done on the last

The council had asked lawmakers to submit requests for bills by Feb. 22 if they wanted them done by the deadline, said Collins. But p.m. he said requests continued to pour in and things were frantic up until Thursday.

'We've never failed to provide a member with something to introduce by the deadline if they wanted it by the deadline," said Collins, who has worked in the office for more than 22 years.

If you have news tip, a feature idea or an idea for a photo, let The Pampa News staff know. We appreciate our readers for giving us this assistance.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The deadline lawmaker's ideas but few bills this year — a record for the tion must be approved by the specifics, Collins said. Those bills serve as place holders until more complete legislation can be draft- and Senate members have signed by the governor. ed, he said.

Under the Texas Constitution, bills may be introduced in the first 60 of the Legislature's 140that, introducing a bill requires an you wait much longer," he said. "I'm filing about 20 bills today, emergency designation, a four-

> "You will occasionally see bills that are filed after the deadline, but it's taken very seriously — a four-fifths vote is not easy to get," said Naishtat.

Or perhaps it is.

Senate of suspending the rules" to allow late introduction of bills, said Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo. "It's not been a big issue in the

Bivins said he may file some

"I am working on a school when it's going to be filed or if,"

Yet some lawmakers went to extraordinary lengths to meet the deadline.

Calling from his car just outside Austin mid-afternoon Friday, Sen. Jeff Wentworth said he was returning from his home in San Antonio to make sure that his last five bills were submitted by 6

He had gone home Thursday

Some bills, including those for a parent-teacher conference. being drafted Friday, amounted The quick return will mean that bill in the House or Senate doesto "shell" measures containing a Wentworth will have filed 100 n't make it law. First the legisla-Republican.

> allowed bills to be filed past the deadline, it's not always the best

day-long regular sessions. After more difficult to get bills passed if passed.

By late Friday, lawmakers had passed the 5,500 mark with 1,793 bills filed in the Senate and 3,740 in the House. That was expected to rise by the end of the day.

That would be in line with previous sessions. In 1991, a total of 4,524 bills were introduced; in "There is a long tradition of the 1993 there were 4,380; in 1995 the total was 4,957; and in 1997, 5,561.

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Of course, simply introducing a designated committee, pass Wentworth said while House through each chamber and be

The odds of all that happening are pretty long. Typically, between 21 percent to 25 percent "Logistically it gets more and of the bills introduced are finally



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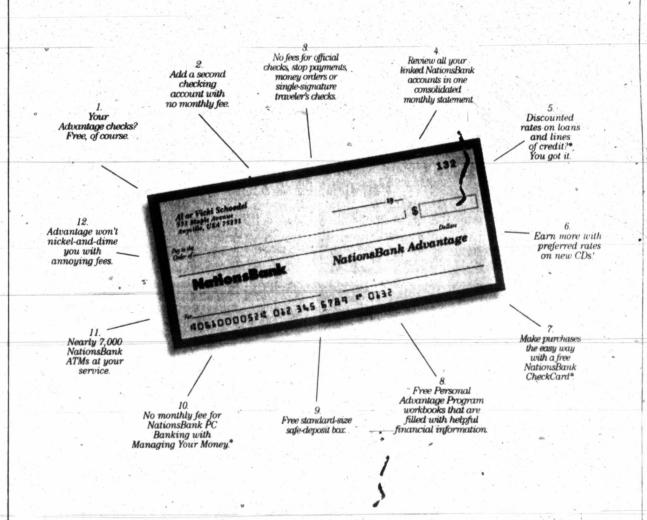
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(From left) The Rev. Delbert White, of Fellowship Baptist Church, Mayor Robert Neslage, and Randy Tucker, associate pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, recently signed a proclamation stating that March 21 is declared "Blue and White Sunday." This day is observed to honor all of Pampa's Police and Fire Departments and Gray County Sheriff's Departments.

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4-H Sew Fine Club





The Sew Fine 4-H Club recently held its monthly meeting at the Gray County Annex. BeautiControl consultant Lynn Allison, top, shared information with club members about skin care, color analysis and make-up application. With the help of Lori Stephens (top, sitting), Allison demonstrated the correct way to cleanse skin. She also demonstrated color analysis using Lori Stephens (sitting, bottom) as a model. Allison discussed skin care, color analysis and make-up application.

Some shoes are made for walking

necessarily the shoe you should 800 miles. Teams forming are curchoose if you walk instead of run rently forming. for exercise and fun, says Gray County Family and Consumer Science Extension agent, Joan

Gray is coordinating "Walk Across Texas" teams and activities in the county, as part of a statewide fitness for health program schedule to begin later this month by the Texas Agricultural Extension

Thirteen counties in the Texas For example, a good walking shoe anhandle will have teams walk-Panhandle will have teams walking and biking for the eight-week

What works for running isn't "Texas-size" trek to cover some

"Consulting your physician or podiatry specialist before beginning any walking or running program is important," Gray said.

Eight out of ten Americans will suffer from a foot problem at some point in their lives, often brought

on by improper shoe selection. "Just knowing the difference between walking and running shoes is important," the agent said.

"When selecting shoes for walk-

ing, know your correct shoe size. Try them on at the end of the day or workout. It's also important to know your foot type and gait characteristics," she said. fo

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"Walking is just more fun with the correct walking shoe," said Michael W. Kendall, DPM, Ph.D., of Amarillo.

Several things should be considered when making this determination. The ideal shoe would include a flexible forefoot, firm and supportive arch and rounded heel. A shoe designed specifically for walking ensures the foot will roll smoothly from the instant the heel strikes the ground until push off.

"Oddly, this range of motion is greater than running. It is the reason running shoes just don't work for serious walking," the specialist explained. In addition, a mesh material in the upper shoe enhances breathability and light-

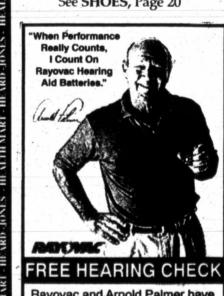
"Some shoes in the manufacturer's line should provide added stability inside the mid-heel for the individual who rolls the foot inward excessively with each step (which leads to foot, knee and hip problems)," Kendall added.

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Letters to the editor

State education: One step forward, two steps back

Leave it up to politicians to take one step forward and then, in their inimitable fashion, propose two steps backward. Since the Texas Legislature convened in January, one of the "fast-track" pieces of legislation that has generated considerable attention is the ending of "social" promotions in public education. That pitifully misguided policy allows for the passing of failing students in public school based on the idea it is better for the student's "selfesteem" to pass through the school system with his or her peers regardless of whether they had mastered the minimum requirements of each grade. It took several years an did irreparable damage to many school kids, but finally this absurd "social engineering" is being brought to a long overdue conclusion. Hurrah for

That being said, now Rep. Rene Oliverira, D.-Brownsville, is proposing one more bit of social engineering by wanting to mandate that all students passing through the Texas school system be required to take at least two years of Spanish. Spanish is just one of many languages offered through the public school system and is an elective - no more, no less. If he really has the educational interests of the students at heart, he would be promoting "Latin" as the elective of choice as it is the root for many, many words in science, chemistry, medicine and even in the legal field. By having a good foundation in Latin, students will be better prepared to enter college and succeed in attaining their goals in

Also, if he had taken the time to listen to the grammar of many graduating seniors, he would know one semester in English grammar would be of great benefit as well. Add to that another class in public speaking which we all, young and older, could use, and he would be making some positive suggestions. Grammar, public speaking, Latin, these are courses that will prepare students to further their educations and are not simply avenues for more failed "social engineering."

Raul Yzaguirre, president of the National Council of La Raza, Claude Benaiteau, a teacher for 20 years in the Austin area, and Bertha Pena, principal of Lopez High School in Brownsville, have all voiced opposition to Rep. Olivera's proposal.

If you believe our schools should concentrate on education and

leave the social engineering to other agencies, please write Sen. Tell Bivins, Representatives Warren Chisum and John Smithee, and let them know you support the best education our tax dollars can provide for all our Texas school children without a social agenda impending progress.

John L. Tripplehorn

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I recently spent a few days in the Columbia Medical Center here in Pampa and received great care from some very special people. I would like to thank them all. I might leave some names out but you know who you are and I regret that I can't remember your names,

Knife & Fork Club to meet this month

Bert L. Wells, veteran professional speaker long noted for his popular following in the Pacific Northwest, will be the keynote speaker at the next meeting of the Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 23 at the Pampa Country Club, according to Shirley Winborne, secretary. Wells' will speak on "May You Never Reach Your Goal!"

Wells, a published recording artist and songwriter, has spoke at hundreds of local and region-

al clubs and civic functions. He has appeared with Walter Brennan, Tex Ritter, Ronald Reagan, Gene Autry and more. A former speech professor at Eastern Oregon State College, he specializes in informative, persuasive and

after-dinner speaking As a radio and television personality, Wells has hosted a daily half-hour radio show and has both commercials and scripts to his credit. Several of Oregon's governors and U.S. senators have sought him out for introductions.

Wells is married with three children.

Club officers have assured members Wells' speech is inspiring as well as humorous.

The March 23 meeting will mark the last dinner call for the 1998-99 season. It is also guest night, so members may invite prospective guests. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from 10-6 p.m. March 15-22 at the service desk at Dunlaps Department Store in Coronado Center.

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like the jolly woman who kept the room clean and the people in the lobby and the lab (thank you all).

A big thanks to June Spangler RN, HN, Christina Valdez CNA, Dorothy Clark LVN, Mary Rider CNA, Jana LaRue LVN, Dale Boudreault RN, Bret Threadgill CNA, K. Gibby RN, Lelet Haesle RN, Angie Peoples RN, Laquita Balfour LVN, Dr. Kendall, Dr. Grabato, and Dr. da Silva. A special thanks to our Sunday School at First Baptist class for remembering me in their prayers.

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Random act of kindness much appreciated ...

On Feb. 25, there were angels on the highway between Pampa and Amarillo. Amy Taylor and Angie Walker, two students on their way to school in Amarillo, appeared just in time to help strangers in a time

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sexton, residents of Pampa, were on the way to NWTH in Amarillo when their car broke down about one mile outside of White Deer. These two remarkable young women not only helped our parents take care of the car, but they also drove them to the hospital, made sure they were checked in, and visited later that

As children of Mr. and Mrs. Sexton, we are eternally grateful to Amy and Angie for that "random act of kindness" that day. They are truly an example to all ... young and old alike. Charlene Clayton, Gracie Weems, Chuck Sexton, Jane Mouhot

Prison ministry is grateful for efforts of volunteers

To the editor,

The Prison Ministry of Pampa for Valentines Day gave out 325 loaves of sweet bread to the security officers at both the Rufe Jordan and Bill Baten J.S.F. units. This was our way of thanking the officers for what they do for us.

We give a big thank you to the men of the biscuit ministry of Disciples of Christ Christian Church and the ladies of the various churches in the Pampa area for their baking of the bread. Without these gracious men and women, this could not have been possible.

Also the volunteer that wrapped the breads also went out to the prison at 5:30 a.m. to see that the officers on the midnight watch had bread to take home with them. Then we had other volunteers for the other two shifts.

We surely thank the warden for allowing us to do this. We are very appreciative for their kindness.

Again as coordinator for the Pampa Prison Ministry this would not have been possible had it not been for the help we received for all the wonderful people of the Pampa area.

Bob Andersen Pampa coordinator

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SPORTS

Notebook

GENERAL

PAMPA — Baseball and softball programs for youngsters 5 to 15 years of age are now available at the Pampa Kids-Youth Club.

Signups will be held at the MPAC building (between the high school and baseball fields) from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

on March 20 and March 27. For more information, call Sonny or Tinde Haskins at 669-7762 or 669-6732.

The season begins May 4 and lasts through June 29.

To keep costs down, the club is accepting donated baseball and softball equipment or charitable contribu-

Call Larry Lenderman at 669-2035 or Rusty Gallagher at 669-7179.

Coaches and other volunteers will not have to pay fees or club dues.

PAMPA — Baseball and softball coaches and managers are urged to attend Monday night's meeting of the Pampa Optimist Youth Club to view a video.

The video will show ways of organizing practices and will show drills which will keep players interested while learning fundamentals.

The meeting starts at 6:30 and will be held at the Optimist Building.

HOCKEY

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Stars easily passed another test as they cruise toward what they hope will be a lengthy playoff run.

Joe Nieuwendyk scored two third-period goals and Ed Belfour made 27 saves for his 44th career shutout as the Stars halted Anaheim's eightgame unbeaten streak with a 4-0 victory over the Mighty Ducks on Friday night.

"We look forward to playing teams like this," said Stars leading scorer Mike Modano, who notched his 29th goal. "We like to be able to shut down teams like that.'

The victory, coupled with Calgary's loss to Carolina, clinched a playoff berth for the Stars.

Dallas has much loftier aspirations, however; the Stars will enter the post-season as the favorite to win the

Stanley Cup. "People know it isn't going to be easy against us, Nieuwendyk said. "Right now we're just trying to finetune our game.'

The Stars played yet another game without the injured Brett Hull and Darryl Sydor, two of their top five scorers. Once again, it didn't matter.

Belfour boosted his record to 30-10-8 with his fourth shutout of the season and he was assisted by strong wo after McKenzie slashed and crosschecked Belfour with 4:25 to play. In addition to the doubleminor, McKenzie also received a 10-minute misconduct.

Modano and Tony Hrkac scored second-period goals, and Nieuwendyk put the game away with his pair of third-period scores for the Stars, 12-1-2 in their last 15 games.

The Stars moved to 30 games over .500 (42-12-10) for the first time in the franchise's 32-year history and improved to an NHL-best 94 points.

Anaheim had been one of the league's hottest teams, going 7-0-1 in its previous eight games before running into the Stars.

"I thought we played well in the first period but we couldn't get anything on the board," said Anaheim coach Craig Hartsburg. "That's why Dallas has 94 points, because they keep persisting. They're a great team and you've got to match that. We keep talking about learning and this is a good team to learn from."

After the scoreless first period, Modano gave the Stars the lead with his team-high 29th goal. Jamie Langenbrunner flipped a backhand pass as Modano skated up the slot and Modano knocked the puck past Anaheim goalie Guy Hebert at 5:09 of the second period.

Wellington reaches state championship game

AUSTIN (AP) - George Shrubs scored 18 points, including a 3-pointer in the final minute Wellington 'outlasted Grapeland 64-61 Friday in the Class 2A semifinals of the boys' state high school basketball tournament.

Wellington (29-5) advances to Saturday's final to play the winner of Friday's other semifinal between Peaster (26-7) and Royal

Shrubs' 3-pointer with 25.6 seconds left tied the game at 57-57. Wellington then used a 4-0 spurt on baskets by Larry Valles and Jason Wischkaemper to go up 61-

Tarlus McDaniel scored to pull Grapeland within 61-59 before another Shrubs' basket pushed the lead back to four.

Wellington could have iced the game from the foul line but went 0 for 5 from the line in the final minute of overtime before Nakia

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WHEELER - Canadian won

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Team totals: 1. Canadian 150; 2. Wheeler 108; 3. Memphis 102; 4. Shamrock 66; 5.

High jump: 1. L. Hill, Shamrock, 5-3; 2. C. Rieken, Memphis, 4-8; 3. R. Verden, Wheeler,

Longon, Hedley, 26-4 1/2; 3. Stiles, Wheeler, 26-3 1/2.

Long jump: 1. Bivins, Canadian, 14-2; 2. Conn, Canadian, 13-7; 3. Hudgins, Wheeler,

Discus: 1. Bradstreet, Wheeler, 77-11; 2. Longon, Hedley, 36-1; 3. Llewelleyn, Hedley,

3200: 1. Herron, Allison, 13:40; 2: Santos, Memphis, 14:13; 3. Montgomery, Wheeler,

400 relay: 1. Memphis, 53.00; 2. Canadian,

800: 1. Hill, Shamrock, 2:36.91; 2. Marion, Wheeler, 2:37.44; 3. Tubb, Canadian, 2:53.13.

100 hurdles: 1. Verden, Wheeler, 16.50; 2.

400: Marion, Wheeler, 1:07.50.

Hedley 53: 6. Allison 10.

Canadian, 41-10 1/2.

Shamrock, 44.06.

45.81; 3. Shamrock, 45.94.

Robertson, Shamrock, 9-0.

800 relay: 1. Canadian, 1:57.13; 2. Shamrock,

300 hurdles: 1. Lee, Canadian, 48.97; 2. Verden, Wheeler, 52.15; 3. Hudgins, Wheeler,

1600: 1. Santos. Memphis, 6:32.88: 2. Risley

Boys
Team totals: 1. Canadian 169, 2. Wheeler

Pole Vault: 1. Brown, Wheeler, 9-6; 2.

High jump: 1. Ridgway, Canadian, 6-2; 2.

Lanrent, Canadian, 5-10; 3. Masters,

Shot put: 1. Montgomery, Wheeler, 43-2; 2. Ridgeway, Canadian, 42-0; 3. Dickinson,

3200: 1. Guerra, Wheeler, 12:08; 2. Cloud,

400 relay: 1. Memphis, 45.54; 2. Canadian

800: 1. Jones, Wheeler, 2:10.54; 2. Bailey,

Shamrock, 2:12:25; 3. Rodriguez, Canadian.

110 hurdles: 1. Billenwilms, Canadian, 15.66;

2. Ellison, Canadian, 15.71; 3. Salinas Memphis, 16.88,

100: 1. Milburn, Shamrock, 11.31; 2. Carr, Canadian, 11:41; 3. Pangram, Shamrock,

400: 1. Masters, Wheeler, 53.39; 2. Monroe

Hedley, 54.28; 3. Timmons, Canadian, 54.44

200: 1. Milburn, Shamrock, 23.59; 2. Finsterwald, Wheeler, 23.81; 3. Collins,

1600: 1. Bailey, Shamrock, 5:11.65; 2. Guerra, Wheeler, 5:15.84; 3. Cloyd, Memphis,

1600 relay: 1. Shamrock, 3:40.84; 2. Wheeler,

300 hurdles: 1. Ellison, Canadian, 41.97; 2.

Memphis, 12:48; 3. Jackson, Canadian,

Canadian, 17.69; 3. Rickens,

rumble.

Shot put: 1. Green, Allison, 30-0 1/2; 2.

Hedley 36; 6. Allison 20. Triple jump: 1. Hardin, Canadian, 32-8; 2. Bivins, Canadian, 29-3 1/2; 3. R. Montgomery

boys' and girls' divisions.

Results are as follows:

High school basketball

gin with 6.2 seconds left. Kenneth Barrett, who had 21 points, had a final chance to tie for Grapeland but his 3-pointer rebounds and 11 steals. bounced off the side of the rim as

the buzzer sounded. Grapeland (28-9) had its chances to win the game in the final minute of regulation. Trying to run out the clock with a 57-54 lead, Barrett was stripped by Valles at midcourt, who then missed his layup.

Grapeland quickly threw the ball back down court to Tarlus McDaniel who was open under the basket. But McDaniel, who scored a game-high 23 points, missed the dunk, setting up Shrubs' game-tying 3-pointer.

Wischkaemper scored 17 points and Nash 10 for Wellington. Kendrick Barrett

to send the game into overtime, Nash made one for the final mar-scored 10 and had 13 rebounds for Grapeland.

Nash and Valles, both 5-foot-9 guards, combined for

AUSTIN (AP) — Quinton Ross

scored 23 points and Dallas Kimball earned its third trip to the Class 5A boys' basketball final in four years with an 89-66 into the final eight minutes. victory Friday over San Antonio John Jav. Dallas Kimball (34-4) which

won state titles in 1990, 1996 and 1997, advances to Saturday's title game against Duncanville (34-3), which beat Beaumont Central 79-63 in Friday's other semifinal.

Dallas Kimball won its only regular season meeting with Duncanville 57-48 in the second game of the season.

Dallas Kimball and John Jay University signee, was 10 of 16 as

(31-7) played at a frenetic pace Kimball shot 51 percent as a for most of three quarters before team. The 89 points was a season Kimball started to pull away. The high for Kimball. teams combined for 15 3-pointers. John Jay's Chris Owens hit four 3-pointers and Maurice, point range and Owens finished Felton had five, with all of his with 20. But outside of those two, coming in the second half.

five times before an Eric Potts 3pointer sparked a 13-0 run at the end of the third quarter that turned a 42-39 John Jay lead into a 52-42 Kimball advantage going

Kimball kept up the pressure in the fourth, never allowing John Jay to close within eight points the rest of the way. Brandon Ward, who has signed to play football at Florida State, had nine of his 15 points in the fourth

Kimball scored 37 points off 20 John Jay turnovers and won the rebounding battle 44-26.

Ross, a Southern Methodist

Felton led John Jay with 23

points on 5-of-9 shooting from 3-John Jay was just 6 of 26 while The teams exchanged leads being outscored 49-27 in the second half.

> **WELLINGTON 64, GRAPELAND 61, OT GRAPELAND (28-9)**

Bridges 0-4 0-0 0, C. McDaniel 0-1 0-0 0, Kendrick Barrett 5-12 0-2 10, Kenneth Barrett 10-23 0-0 21, T. McDaniel 10-25 2-2 23, Cleveland 1-1 0-0 2, Shepherd 2-5 1-2 5. Totals 28-71 3-6 61. WELLINGTON (29-5)

Turrentine 2-4 0-1 4, Nash 2-9 5-6 10, Wischkaemper 8-14 1-2 17, Valles 4-11 0-2 9, G. Shrubs 7-18 0-2 18, Lanny Shrubs 1-2 1-2 3, Lenny Shrubs 1-2 1-2 3, Falcon 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-60 8-17 64.

3-Point goals—Grapeland 2-16 (Bridges 0-3, Kenneth Barrett 1-7, T. McDaniel 1-6), Wellington 6-18 (Turrentine 0-1, Nash 1-1, Wischkaemper 0-4, Valles 1-3, G. Shrubs 4-9). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Grapeland 35 (Kendrick Barrett 13), Wellington 49 (Nash 10). Assists—Grapeland 10 (Kendrick Ba Wellington 16 (Valles 6).

League champs



The Sonics were the league champions in the Optimist boys' 5th-6th grade basketball division this season. Team members are (front row, from left) Keaton Hutto, Tyler Klein, Dylan Henley and Dax Fallon; (back row, from left) coach David Smith, Broady Smith, Russ Bradley, Seth Foster, Jarrett Kotara and coach Dick Henley.

sends Arizona home in Midwest Region

By The Associated Press

Once again, a highly seeded Arizona team was knocked out in the first round of the NCAA tournament

Rvan Humphrey's tip-in with 21 seconds left lifted Oklahoma over the fourth-seeded Wildcats 61-60 Friday at the Midwest Regional in Milwaukee.

It was Arizona's fourth opening-round loss this decade to a the winning basket. big underdog.

No. 5 seed in 1995.

"I want to make one thing clear: This group of seniors is 11-3 in the NCAA tournament," coach Lute Olson said. "They can't do anything about what happened eight years ago or four years ago."

There was confusion about

After Eric Martin missed a 3-

The Wildcats won the nation- pointer for al title in 1997, but lost in the Oklahoma (21-10), Eduardo the rim and should have been opening round as a No. 3 seed Najera followed with a lavup in 1992, No. 2 seed in 1993 and attempt. While Najera says his shot was good, Humphrey that's just something that hapadmits he got a hand on it, and it was Humphrey who got credit for the basket in the official play-by-play.

> "It was coming out and I it," Humphrey said. "As long as that matters."

Arizona's Jason Terry thought fell in the lane at the buzzer.

13th-seeded Humphrey touched the ball on called for offensive goaltending.

> "He did touch the ball, but pens," Terry said. "It was definitely goaltending, but it wasn't called, so I guess not."

Arizona (22-7) had a final chance, but Terry missed a fallmight have had a fingertip on away 10-footer with three seconds left. Richard Jefferson then we won, that's the only thing missed a tip-in, got the rebound and missed another shot as he

Purdue takes strange path to beat the Longhorns

BOSTON (AP) — Purdue took beat a strange path to the second Longhorns. lose five of six games and win its and he kicked the ball out," one of its low scorers.

just 3.3 points per game, broke a tie on a jumper from the right of the game by Stephens, who corner with 4.8 seconds left and took three shots and scored four toward the ceiling as time ran the Boilermakers beat Texas 58-54 points in 22 minutes. Friday night.

figured out what was wrong with us and did something about it," Purdue coach Gene Keady said.

The Boilermakers (20-12) advanced to Sunday's game against second-seeded Miami, Fla., which beat 15th-seeded Lafayette 75-54. Texas (19-13) suffered just its fifth loss in its last 21

The 10th-seeded Boilermakers overcame 21 points and 14 rebounds by 7-foot Chris Mihm, who had his 16th double-double

the

round of the NCAA tournament. "Their guard drove. I came out first-round game on a shot by Mihm said. "I actually got a piece of the ball. It was a good, clutch Cameron Stephens, averaging shot and sometimes it goes."

It was only the second basket

Tony gave him a great pass, "It feels great that we sort of said Jaraan Cornell, who led Purdue with 18 points, including four in a row that turned a 51-50 deficit into a 54-51 lead with 36 seconds to play. "His form looked good so I thought he had a great shot at hitting it."

After Stephens connected, Texas' Gabe Muoneke, who had 12 points, threw the inbounds pass off teammate Kris Clack, and Mayfield finished the scoring with two free throws with 4.1. seconds to play.

"We just mishandled the ball,"

seventh-seeded we threw it in, they would have tournament field expanded to 64 to play when Wagner's bad pass fouled us.

> The Longhorns' last slim chance ended on another inbounds pass by Muoneke that failed to reach a teammate. Brian Cardinal, who had 14 points, intercepted that after Mayfield's free throws and threw the ball

"We knew coming into the game that their inside players (Mihm and Muoneke) were great," Cardinal said. "If we could control them and contain them, we'd have a chance of win-

"They made it tough," Mihm said. "I was able to score, but it was difficult."

The game was close throughout as neither team led by more than four points in the last 27 minutes. And there were four lead changes in the last six min-

teams in 1985. And Purdue, despite having the lowest seed in its NCAA tournament history, reached the second round for the sixth straight season.

The Boilermakers, the only team in the tournament with a losing conference record, were one of seven teams chosen from ning shot, sending Texas home the strong Big Ten.

Stephens, a 6-foot-8 sophomore forward, had a 49.4 field goal percentage for the season, second best of the eight Purdue players averaging at least 14 minutes per

With Purdue leading 44-40, Mihm scored seven of Texas' next nine points as the Longhorns went ahead 49-48 with 5:39 left. Then Cardinal hit two free throws before Ivan Wagner's twisting layup with 1:21 remaining restored the Longhorns' onepoint lead, 51-50.

The Boilermakers took the lead in 21 games. But after Stephens said Texas coach Rick Barnes, took a pass from Tony Mayfield, whose team made three bad Mihm had a hand in the shot that passes in the last 38 seconds. "If NCAA appearances since the got the ball back with 38 seconds to go and then the shot that passes in the last 38 seconds." NCAA appearances since the got the ball back with 38 seconds. "If NCAA appearances since the got the ball back with 38 seconds." If NCAA appearances since the got the ball back with 38 seconds." If NCAA appearances since the got the ball back with 38 seconds.

went out of bounds off Clack's hand. Two free throws by Cornell

made it 54-51 with 36 seconds remaining, but Texas tied the game on a 3-pointer by William Clay with 25 seconds to go.

Then Stephens sank the winand giving Purdue another chance to make its poor regularseason finish a distant memory.

"We only have one goal in mind," Purdue guard Alan Eldridge said. "We understand that it's going to take everybody to do it and I think that showed

up here tonight." Purdue 58, Texas 54 PURDUE (20-12)
Cornell 5-14 6-6 18, Cardinal 5-10 2-3 14,
Gr.McQuay 4-8 0-0 8, Eldridge 0-6 0-0 0, Mayfield
3-8 2-3 8, Kerkhof 0-0 0-0 0, Stephens 2-3 0-0 4,
Rgbinson 1-1 1-2 3, Cunningham 1-6 0-0 2,

Allison 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 21-56 12-16 58. TEXAS (19-13) Clack 2-9 0-0 5, Muoneke 5-11 1-1 12, Mihm 6-9

9-11 21, Wagner 3-6 0-0 7, Vazquez 0-2 0-0 0, McColpin 0-1 0-0 0, Carter 0-1 0-0 0, Clay 3-7 1-2 9. Totals 19-46 11-14 54. Halftime score—Purdue 30, Texas 29, 3-Point

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Tanja Horsager, a foreign exchange student from Denmark, is escorted by Michael and Charlene Martinez during Pampa soccer seniors' recognition day. Horsager is a first-year letter winner and starter for the Lady Harvesters. She is the second-leading scorer with three goals and two assists. Also pictured is PHS girls' coach Lori Patulea Both the PHS boys' and girls' teams are in the area round of the playoffs Tuesday, starting at 12 noon at the Ratlaff Soccer Complex in Odessa. Pampa girls play El Paso Parkland and the Pampa boys meet El Paso Bowie.

Ligtenberg hurt; Wetteland back in latest spring training news

By The Associated Press

First Andres Galarraga, now knot. Kerry Ligtenberg.

Ligtenberg, who came from the Independent League to become the er's role after Mark Wohlers experi-Atlanta Braves' closer last season, has a partially torn ligament in his right elbow and could be sidelined for the entire season.

in 4-6 weeks. However, he could need surgery that would end his

'The uncertainty of whether it's going to heal or not is what's bothering me," Ligtenberg said. "I don't Fla., John Wetteland made his first like the fact that I'm going to be appearance of the spring, throwing resting and trying to make it better when there's no way we can really tell if it gets better until I go out on Jays. the mound again.'

The Braves began the spring by losing Galarraga, their clean-up hitter and most feared right-handed bat, because of a cancerous tumor in his back.

Ligtenberg, diagnosed with a partially torn medial collateral ligament, appeared in two games this spring, giving up five runs Wednesday in his first save situation, a 10-7 loss to Houston. He said he felt pain while throwing to

the first hitter he faced. "I felt some stiffness and was real sore right after the inning and the next day," Ligtenberg said. "I was hoping it wasn't as bad as it was. I can't pinpoint exactly when it happened or if it was one pitch. ... It

vear in 1998, taking over the closenced control problems and was sent to the minors.

Wohlers has shown some signs of regaining command. He relieved Dr. Joe Chandler said Friday that Tom Glavine with the bases loaded on a flyout in a 6-4 split-squad loss to the Los Angeles Dodgers at Kissimmee, Fla.

> The Texas Rangers got their closer back Friday. At Port Charlotte, a scoreless inning in the Rangers' 6-1 victory against the Toronto Blue

> Sidelined until now by a strain in the back of his right ankle, Wetteland allowed a leadoff single to Darrin Fletcher. Wetteland struck out Alex Gonzalez with a changeup to end his outing.

'My ankle didn't hurt, and I wasn't thinking about it," Wetteland said. "The hardest part is freeing yourself up to do what you are supposed to do, and that's your job. That was achieved.'

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Albert Belle ended his era of good feeling with the Baltimore media, saying he will no longer speak to reporters. Belle made the decision in the wake of coverage of his tirade in the Orioles clubhouse

was right after the inning that I The brooding slugger threw two noticed my whole forearm was in a. bats — shattering one — his glove and batting helmet into his locker Ligtenberg had a breakthrough after a questionable third-strike call in the middle of an exhibition game against the New York Mets.

Asked in the clubhouse Friday for comment on the incident, Belle said, "I'm done. I'm done with you

A reporter then said, "Forever?" under a best-case scenario, Friday, then struck out Gary and Belle nodded. Asked why, Ligtenberg could resume throwing Sheffield and retired Rick Wilkins Belle turned around and stared at the ground.

> At Bradenton, Fla., Jose Guillen finally arrived in the Pittsburgh Pirates' spring training camp, 11 days late because U.S. government officials questioned the validity of his marriage license.

'I don't know everything that happened, why there was a problem with the paperwork but I did everything I was supposed to do,"

In other games: Marlins (ss) 20, Astros 14

At Kissimmee, Fla., Ramon Castro homered twice and drove in four runs. Shane Reynolds was tagged for eight runs - seven

earned — and 11 hits in 3 2-3 innings, and Scott Elarton was pounded for nine runs and eight hits in two innings Royals (ss) 7, Marlins (ss) 5 At Haines City, Fla., Shane Halter offset an error with three

singles and four RBIs. Devil Rays 5, Reds 2 At St. Petersburg, Fla., Aaron Ledesma drove in three runs and

Paul Sorrento homered.

Subway trims Cabot in City Men's League basketball

PAMPA — Subway defeated 38-37. Cabot DMC 66-63 in a City Men's League basketball game this week.

Shawn Young had 26 points and Leo Ramirez added 24 to lead Subway in scoring.

Others scoring for Subway were Johnny Salazar with 5 points, Rene Granillo 4, and Andrew Ramirez 2. Shawn Young had six 3-point goals and Leo Ramirez had four.

Lance Cross was high scorer Women's Open for Cabot with 29 points. Kevin Team **Burrows followed with 16 points** and John East chipped in 12.

Ken Dyson and Steve Lumley with 3 points each.

Cabot led at the half by one, White Deer

League Standings Men's Open

Won Lost M.O.B. Pampa Phy. Therapy First State Bank Pampa Machine 5 Cabot DMC C & H Supply Subway L & M Carpet Cabot

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Curley's-Subway Also scoring for Cabot were McLean Feedyards Celanese Babb Portable Bld.

Standings as of March 11

The Men's League playoff schedule for Monday at the middle school gyms is listed below: Division 2: Fifth-place game, Cabot vs. Penguin Rampage, 7

p.m. girls' gym. Division 1: Third-place game, F.S.B. vs. Pampa Machine, 7 p.m. Division 2: Third-place game,

Subway vs. L & M Carpet, girls' Division 2: Championship

game, Cabot DMC vs. C & H Supply, 8 p.m. boys' gym. Division 1: Championship game: M.O.B. vs. Pampa P.T., 9

p.m. boys' gym. All awards will be presented after the games.

NCAA Tournament Glance

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All Times EST EAST REGIONAL First Round Friday, March 12 At Charlotte Collic Charlotte, N.C. Tennesse 62, Delaware 52
Southwest Missouri State 43, Wisconsin 32
Duke 99, Florida A&M 58
Tulsa 62, College of Charleston 53 Cincinnati 72, George Mason 48 Temple 61, Kent 54 Miami 75, Lafayette 54 Purdue 58, Texas 54 Duke (33-1) vs. Tulsa (23-9), 12:10 p.m. Tennessee (21-8) vs. Southwest Missouri State (21-10), 30 minutes after first game

Cincinnati (275) vs. Temple (22-10), 2:20 p.m. Miami (23-6) vs. Rurdue (20-12), 30 min-utes after first game At Continental Airlines Alpina East Rutherford, N.J. Regional Semifin Friday, March 19

Duke-Tulsa winner vs. Tennessee Southwest Missouri State winner mi-Purdue winner vs. Cincinnati Temple winner Regional Char Sunday, March 21 Semifinal winners

First Round Thursday, March 11 At The RCA Dome Indianapolis Oklahoma State 69, Syracuse 61 Auburn 80, Winthrop 41 Ohio State 72, Murray St At Orlando Arena Orlando, Fla. Maryland 82, Valparaiso 60 Creighton 62, Louisville 58 St. John's 69, Samford 43 Indiana 108, George Wa Second Round Saturday, March 13 At The RCA Dome

SOUTH REGIONAL

Auburn (28-3) vs. Oklahoma State (23-10), Ohio State (24-8) vs. Detroit (25-5), 30 minutes after first game At Orlando Arena Orlando, Fla.

St. John's (26-8) vs. Indiana (23-10), 12:10 Maryland (27-5) vs. Creighton (22-8), 30 Thursday, March 18 At Thompson-Boling Arens

Auburn-Oklahoma State winner vs. Ohio Maryland-Creighton winner vs. St. John's-Indiana winner

MIDWEST REGIONAL First Round Friday, March 12 At The Bradley Center North Carolina Charlotte 81, Rhode Island

Oklahoma 61, Arizona 60 Michigan State 76, Mount St. Mary's, Md Mississippi 72, Villanova 70 At The Super New Orleans

Utah 80, Arkansas State 58 Miami, Ohio 59, Washington 58 nday, March 14 At The Bradley Center
Milwaukee
Oklahoma (21-10) vs. North Carolina
Charlotte (23-10), 2:15 p.m.
Michigan State (30-4) vs. Mississippi (2012), 30 minutes after first game

Utah (28-4) vs. Miami, Ohio (23-7), 2:30 Kentucky (26-8) vs. Kansas (23-9), 30 minutes after first game At Trans World Dome

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Utah-Miami, Ohio winner vs. Kentucky

WEST REGIONAL

nday, March 21

Thursday, March 11 At McNichols Arena Arkansas 94, Siena 80 New Mexico 61, Missouri 59 Connecticut 91, Texas-San Antonio 66 At Key Arena

Gonzaga 75, Minnesota 63 Stanford 69, Alcorn State 57 Florida 75, Pennsylvania 61 Weber State 76, North Carolina 74 Second Round

Saturday, March 13 At McNichols Arens Connecticut (29-2) vs. New Mexico (25-8), Arkansas (23-10) vs. lowa (19-9), 30 min-At Key Arena

Stanford (26-6) vs. Gonzaga (26-6), 4:30 Weber State (25-7) vs. Florida (21-8), 30 minutes after first game At America West Arena Regional Semifinals Thursday, March 18

cut-New Mexico winner Stanford-Gonzaga winner vs Regional Chample

THE FINAL FOUR Saturday, March 27

Rangers send 3 to minor league

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — The Texas Rangers sent three players to minor league camp on Friday, leaving them 50 players in major league including Rafael Palmeiro and Mike Sims, both of whom are injured.

Sent to minor league camp were first baseman Carlo Pena, the Rangers' first-round draft pick a year ago; catcher Joey Goodwin; and third baseman Mike Lamb.

Palmeiro, the Rangers' first baseman, is out four to six weeks following arthroscopic surgery on his right knee.

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from general abdominal surgery, including laparoscopic surgery, to thyroid, hernia and breast surgery. Dr. Shoop treats patients with esophageal reflux disease, cancer, including breast cancer, and diseases of the small bowel, colon, gallbladder, pancreas, liver, and spleen.



Dr. Rodney Worthen, Adult and Pediatric Urology

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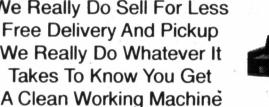
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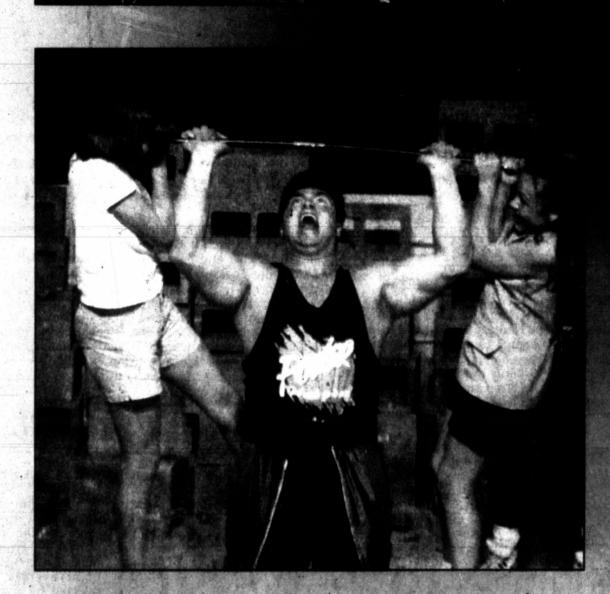
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Mr. and Mrs. Billy Washington

Washington anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Washington will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary March 18, 1999. A reception will be hosted by children of

Billy Washington and Emily Lancaster were married March 18, 1949, at the home of the bride in Pampa. The couple belong to The Bible Church of Pampa.

Children of the couple are Sherry and Deon Watson, Terry Washington and Tommy and Tracy Washington, all of Pampa. They have four grandchildren.

Menus

March 15-19

Pampa Schools MONDAY Spring break. **Lefors Schools MONDAY**

Spring break Meals on Wheels **MONDAY** Ham and cheese links,

cheese grits, mixed greens. **TUESDAY** Hamburger, tator

pineapple. WEDNESDAY Chicken pot pie, pickled

beets, corn, jello. **THURSDAY** Ham, okra and tomatoes,

northern beans, pudding.

FRIDAY Spaghetti, meat sauce, green beans, bread sticks, graham

Senior Citizens

late cake or butterscotch pie, rolls or cornbread.

hot rolls or cornbread. **TUESDAY**

Lasagna rollups or meatloaf, cheese potatoes, succotash, winter blend, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, strawberry swirl cake or chocolate pie, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans, squash casserole, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, carrot

cake or coconut creme pie, hot rolls or cornbread. **THURSDAY**

Chicken strips or sausage and kraut, mashed potatoes, corn cobettes, turnip greens, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, wild cherry vanilla cake or pudding cups, hot rolls or cornbread.

Chicken fried steak or Fried cod fish or spaghetti chicken enchiladas, mashed and meat sauce, potato potatoes, hominy, spinach, wedges, broccoli casserole, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or beans, slaw, tossed or jello iello salad, German choco- salad, brownies or tapioca, hot

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Jessica Walker and Chris Phillips

Walker-Phillips

Jessica Walker and Chris Phillips, both of Pampa, were wed Feb. 20 at River Road Baptist Church in Amarillo with Michael Carter offici-

The maid of honor was Shanna Walker of Amarillo. The flower girl was Karissa Noack of Canyon.

The best man was Jack Hilton of Pampa. The ring bearer was Joshua Powell of Alamogordo, N.M.

The ushers were Brett Pettit of Amarillo and Andy Hilton of Pampa. The candlelighters were Jessica and Amy Powell of Alamogordo.

Music was provided by vocalist Joe Martinez of Pampa and by the groom who sang "Cross My Heart."

A reception was held following the service at the church. The bride is the daughter of Peggy and Gary Walker of Amarillo. She is currently employed at Pizza Hut Delivery in Pampa. The groom is the son of Becky Hilton of Pampa. He is currently

employed at Engine Parts in Pampa. The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Amarillo and intend to

make their home in Pampa.



Mr. and Mrs. Dusty Rhoades

Rhoades anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Dusty Rhoades will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary from 2-4 p.m. March 20, 1999, at Pamcel Hall. Dusty Rhoades and Norma Strasbaugh were married March 23,

1949, in the home of Paul and Betty Wheet at Alva, Okla. Mr. Rhoades is retired from rodeo and ranching. Mrs. Rhoades has worked in the medical field in Pampa for 40

Children of the couple are Brenda and Walt Miller, Patsy and Joe Morris and Jerry and Suzy Rhoades, all of Pampa. They have eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Club news

Club news is published strictly on antee publication. Thank you. 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 guar-

Heritage Art Club

Heritage Art Club met March 1 at Pampa Community Building with Lois Bryant, Iona Mays and Bonnie Schaub serving as hostesses. Eighteen members were present.

Plans for the Art Show were discussed. The show will be held March 27-28 at Pampa Community Building. The public is invited to attend and refreshments will be served. Show hours will be from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and from 12-4 p.m. Sunday.

The next meeting will be April 5. Members will meet for brunch in Shamrock.

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were Stacey King of Dallas and Amanda Soukup and Alissha lefferis. both of Pampa. The best man was Seth Stribling, brother of the groom. The

groomsmen were Wesley Stribling of Canyon, Shane Stribling of Wheeler and Jason Orr of Hollis, Okla., all cousins of the groom. The ushers were Cory Oliphant and Justin Molitor, brother of the

Molitor-Stribling

Shanna Molitor and Scotty Stribling, both of Pampa, were wed Feb.

The matron of honor was Kerri Lake of Pampa. The bridesmaids

12 in Central Baptist Church of Pampa with Dr. Derrell Monday, pas-

bride, both of Canyon. Registering guests was Michelle Cochran of Pampa.

Shanna Molitor and Scotty Stribling

tor of the church, officiating.

Music was provided by Audra Shelton of Shawnee, Okla., Rick

Smith of Pampa and organist Myrna Orr.

A reception was held following the service in Fellowship Hall of the church with Vickie Wheeler, aunt of the bride of Eufaula, Okla., Tena Martin, cousin of the bride of Canyon, and Brandee Stribling of Canyon and Natasha Stribling of Wheeler, both cousins of the groom, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Randy and Connie Molitor of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1992 and from West Texas A&M University in 1996. She is currently a fourth grade teacher at Lamar Elementary School.

The groom is the son of Wayne and Carol Stribling of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1995 and is currently pursuing a degree in instrumentation at Amarillo College. He is presently employed at Wayne's Western Wear.

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



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Mr. and Mrs. Don Fletcher

Fletcher anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fletcher will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary March 10, 1999.

Don Fletcher and Betty McGrew were married March 10, 1949, at Huntsville. The couple have been Pampa residents since 1965 and are members of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Mr. Fletcher is retired from Sun Oil Company. He later became coowner of Pup Co and Production Consultants.

Mrs. Fletcher is a retired schoolteacher with Pampa ISD. Children of the couple are Reagan of New York City, N.Y., Debbie and Niki of Albuquerque, Alan of Elk City, Okla., and Jeff of Lubbock. They have 10 grandchildren.

Newsmakers

The United Achievement Academy recently Britta Marie announced Christensen, Kelsey Yowell and Zane Powers, all of Pampa, were named All-American

The USAA established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to students who excel in the academic disciplines. All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor or other qualified sponsor are accepted. The scholars are also eligible for other awards given by USAA.

Christensen, Yowell and Powers, all students at Pampa High, were nominated for the award by PHS counselor, Starla Kindle. The scholars will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook published nationally.

Christensen is the daughter of John and Rebecca Sampson of Pampa and is the granddaughter of Dr. W. Oren and Ann Swearingen of College Station and Wanda Sue Sampson of Tucson, Ariz.

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Top-O-Texas Chapter National Association of Retired Federal Employees met March 2 in the Conference Room of the NTS Building, 829 Price Rd.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—District 12 convention will be held March 25 at the Senior Citizens Center in Amarillo. The local chapter will be represented by five delegates.

—Dean Caldwell, District 12 representative, urged members to push legislators to co-sponsor -H.R. 110 and S. 57 to allow federal employees and retirees to purchase longterm care insurance at group Windfall Elimination Provision repeal bill, H.R. 742; H.R. 82 to exclude the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund from the budget; and H.R. 142 to avoid a repeat of the shutdown of

the federal government. NARFE has a membership of nearly half a million federal workers, retirees, spouses and survivors. The organization has 50 state federations as well as federations in the District of Columbia, the Philippines and Puerto Rico -1,740 chapters in all.

The next meeting will be at 3 p.m. April 6 in the Conference Room of the NTS Building.

20th Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met March 9 at the home of Mary Wilson with President Nancy Coffee presiding.

Committee reports were given on education/homelife, community activities, arts and literature, national and international affairs and Texas topics.

Adelaide Colwell announced the Friends of the Library book sale will be held the weekend after Easter.

Chloe Worley presented the program on Enid Justin whose father founded Justin Boot Co.

The next meeting will be March 23 at the home of Maxine Freeman.

PFCE Club

PFCE Club met March 5 at Gray County Annex. Six members, one agent and two guests were present at the Family and Community Education meeting.

During the meeting the following announcements were made: Spring District Meeting will be

March 30 in Borger.

Memphis.

sometime in May.

Joan Gray, Extension agent, pre-

sented the program on "Walk Across Texas" fitness campaign. The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. April 9 at the annex.

Pampa Art Club

the Nona Payne Room of Pampa Community Building with Kathy Gist serving as hostess.

Plans were made for Guest Day Tea and Art Exhibit slated April 22 in the M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building.

The next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. March 16 at the home of Sophie Vance.

Altrusa

Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa met March 9 at Pampa Country Club with President Mayda King presiding. Two guests, Joan Grey and Cameron present. McDonald, were Glyndene Shelton and Geneva Tidwell served as greeters.

The following business was conducted and announcements made: —District 9 Conference will be

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April 30-May 2 at Denton. Spring Fling will be April 8 in Deadline for registration is April 1. Brenda Tucker is a candidate

-Spring Luncheon is slated for director of District Board of Directors. -Members were urged to volunteer as tutors with Lamar TASS

readiness program. -Bi-City Meeting March 29 in Borger will serve as a make-up

meeting. -Clubwide orientation will be

Pampa Art Club met March 2 in at 7 p.m. March 30 at the home of Mary McDaniel, 1816 Dogwood. —Nancy Coffee and Tish Warner

were granted leaves of absence. —The club voted to send a \$50 honorarium to Scott and White for the National Bone Marrow Donor

Program in honor of Gov. Debbie

The new slate of officers for the 1999-2000 club year are: Kadda Schale, president; Karen Bridges, president-elect; Tucker, vice president; Cinda Jennings, recording secretary; Anne Stobbe, corresponding secretary; Terry Gamblin, treasurer; Kerick Horton and Julie

Mitchell, two-year director. Marian Jameson presented the

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Victims of Sexual Harassment Have Recourse to Leagal Rights

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your response to "Intimidated in Toronto," advising the young woman that she does not have to put up with sexual harassment at work. As the nation's largest nonprofit working women's organization, "9to5" hears from thousands of women of all ages who have also been harassed and felt alone and confused. However, it's extremely important to let your readers know that harassing behavior is not only improper — it's illegal.

Although it is estimated that one

in four women have been sexually harassed, far fewer file a complaint - because they don't know what their rights are or how to enforce them. It would be an invaluable service for you to let your readers know that quitting the job is not the only option available. Victims of harassment have legal recourse. As you correctly pointed out, it is quite likely that other female employees have been subjected to the same behavior. It is also quite likely that his harassment will continue until someone says, "Enough is enough!" and takes action to impose consequences through legal channels.

If any of your readers is being sexually harassed, please let him or her know that "9to5" has a toll-free Job Survival Hotline, 1-800-522-0925, with trained counselors who provide free information on workplace issues. Thank you once again for shedding light on this important subject.

MEG LEWIS-SIDIME.



PUBLIC AFFAIRS COORDINATOR. 9TO5, MILWAUKEE

COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to the letter from the 16-year-old girl whose boss is hugging, kissing and touching her in places he shouldn't be.

I am a law enforcement officer and would like to inform "Intimidated" that the actions of her boss are against the law. In the state of Washington, from the information given, an appropriate charge would be "sexual misconduct with a minor in the second degree." The kind of touching she describes, the age difference of the two parties involved, and the fact that her boss is abusing a supervisory position he holds over

her are all elements of this crime. I am sure Canadian law has a similar Sexual crimes can be very debili-

tating to the victims, as is evidenced in the letter of the girl who wrote to you. I would urge her to quit that job immediately and get her parents and the police involved. Sexual

with a friend who might be testy. Pull back

and get an overview. Understanding helps

you see eye to eye. Sign up for that course,

trip or seminar. Tonight: Rent a movie and

* ★ ★ ★ ★ Think before you leap forward.

You're overly inclined to take a risk. An

tims. Not only would she be helping herself, but many other past, present and future victims. TONY BRITTON,

criminals usually have many vic-

EVERETT, WASH.

DEAR TONY: I have received a bushel of mail in response to the letter from the sexually harassed teen-age girl in Toronto. Several were from law enforcement personnel such as yourself, and an astonishing number came from women who had also been sexually harassed by their employers as inexperienced teen-agers.

One pointed out that unless affect the way she lives the rest of her life, because victims blame themselves, which leads to making bad choices and fail-ure later in life.

Oregon wrote: "While reporting the abuse does the obvious and stops the abuse, it also begins the healing process from 'victim' to 'survivor.' It is important for victims to understand that a sex offender offends by power and control. By reporting such

helpful to reassure the girl and let her know that none of this was her fault.

when he hears from you. Permit greater understanding through open communication. Do not settle. Listen to your intuition about a difficult work-related matter. You might not always have the right answers, but be open to others. Tonight: Bring extra work home.

*** Deal with finances, real estate

and long-term security. Your ability to build stability is unparalleled. Recognize limits, especially creatively. Reach out for others who can help you make what you want happen. Talks pave the way. Be sure you are comfortable with your decisions. Tonight: Return calls.

*** Your efforts do not go unnoticed.

Refuse to get frustrated. Investigate monetary options, even if you feel stilted. You can have much more of what you want if you listen to a family member or advisor. You don't have to say "yes" to every thing, however. Tonight: Pay bills.

** Assume a low profile. You might not be sure of yourself, yet you need to make strong decisions. Take time assessing a money situation. You might be overly focused on its positive aspects. Let another play devil's advocate. You need to see both sides. Tonight: Talk to a key friend.

Singer Sly Stone (1944), singer/actor Dee

the girl takes control of the situation and reports it, it could

A crime victim specialist in

offenses to the police, you are taking back that control." Counseling would also be

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

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MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1999

Horoscope

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

long-awaited goal. Avoid secrets and sub-

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You'll noticeably move toward a

terfuge of any type. Listen to your financial intuition before making decisions. You might not feel as at ease as you act this afternoon. Take a walk to gather your thoughts. Tonight: Get a journal to write TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You are overly sensitive and

could take another's observations person-

ally, when he means well. Bosses still have inflated standards. Think before you take action here, though recognize where your needs differ. You will get what you want because of your steady approach. Tonight: Shop for a new computer. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** Tour ability to take an overview

opens doors for others. Sometimes you

settle and take the easy way. Right now, the correct way is also easy. Take on more

responsibility at work. You know what you want, go for it. Don't let feelings of insecurity eat at you. Tonight: Follow through on a work project. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ A partner means well and does everything in his power to bolster your image. Think before taking a strong stand ★★★★ Initiate talks. Another nearly coo

invitation helps you learn something new. Be more creative; brainstorming with others will help. An associate might see a

money situation or career matter far more negatively than you do. Tonight: Stand your ground VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) * ★ ★ ★ ★ Dig into work and handle a key

relationship. A boss or co-worker is only too happy to pitch in; this is the end result

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

of the manifestation of your more nurturing side. Dealing with others hinders you and makes it hard to see the forest for the trees. Avoid a personal commitment just yet. Tonight: With a partner. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Your lively spirit comes out

with others. Buckling down to work proves somewhat difficult, as you feel extremely social. Prioritize work, with an eye to easing your way in right now. Putting your nose to the grindstone is far easier for you in the afternoon. Tonight: Working late. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Establish priorities and add to your status. Listen to others; accept feedback You might not always have all the answers. but co-workers contribute valuable information. An associate means well, even if he's testy. Allow others to play a larger role in your work and decisions. Tonight: Have

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

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Crossword Puzzle

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"There's Tim and his half-brother." "He looks just like a whole kid."

ENTERTAINMENT

Will Bryant Gumbel return to morning television?

By DAVID BAUDER AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Two years ago this week, CBS won an intense three-network bidding war for the services of former "Today" host Bryant Gumbel by agreeing to pay him nearly \$5 million a year.

Now he's virtually an invisible man. His newsmagazine canceled, Gumbel hasn't appeared on the air for CBS since he was host of a news special in December. It's not clear when he'll appear on-screen again. CBS says it is discussing future projects with Gumbel, but won't disclose more.

To some at the network, the comeback path appears clear: a return to morning television as host of CBS's perpetually struggling "This Morning," where Gumbel would compete against the morning institution where he reigned for 15 years.

Gumbel's agent, Ed Hookstratten, said CBS officials have talked with Gumbel about being host of the morning show, but the idea is a long way from reality. Gumbel sent word through a spokeswoman that he the precedent of news stars returning to didn't want to talk publicly about the possi-

"He enjoyed his 15 years on 'Today," Hookstratten said. "He's been away from it for a few years. He may be amenable to it, I don't know. But it hasn't gotten to the point of 'Hey, Bryant, will you do it?"

Bringing Gumbel to "This Morning" would allow CBS to take a serious run at ABC's "Good Morning America" for second place in morning TV, an increasingly lucrative time of day for networks. "Today" is so far ahead that it's not a realistic target at this point.

"This Morning" very briefly surged past "Good Morning America" in the ratings at the end of last year, but has settled back into third place since Diane Sawyer and Charles Gibson were installed as hosts of the ABC

YNDES

CBS is talking about a range of changes to doubt Gumbel would want the job.

"This Morning," now anchored by Mark McEwen and Jane Robelot, CBS News to change its unique format that turns over running a charity golf tournament. President Andrew Heyward said. "We are much of its first hour to its affiliates for local pleased with its progress but are not satis- news. fied," he said.

AUSTIN — An Amarillo-based band fea-

will follow Joe Ely and Jimmie Vaughn

Wednesday night, March 17, at the pre-

miere party for Ron Howard's new movie

Amarillo, includes Matt Martindale of

Other band members are Kelly Turner,

lead guitar; Jim Whisenhunt, steel guitar;

Paul Baker, bass guitar, and Joe Ammons

Pampa on vocals and acoustic guitar.

Cooder Graw, formerly Coup de Grace, music.

premiere in Austin next week.

"Ed TV" in Austin.

on drums.

"Bryant and I are colleagues and friends years ago to stave off a mutiny by affiliates and we talk all the time," Heyward said. "Of angry at low ratings. Persuading these local course, the morning show is part of this. But stations to give the time back, or perhaps

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demands. All of this is a work in progress." "Good Morning America" may actually pave the way for Gumbel's return. Luring Sawyer and Gibson to be hosts established morning television, making it easier for CBS to approach Gumbel about this job. Sawyer worked for CBS's morning show in the early

"I think it would be slightly strange for those of us who worked with him every day to be competing against him," said Jeff Zucker, executive producer of "Today." "On the other hand, I would certainly welcome it because more competition is always great and Bryant is certainly terrific at this. It would be strange but kind of fun."

It's far more complicated than adjusting a chair for him on the morning show set.

CBS is considering an expensive real estate deal to build a street-front studio for "This Morning" off New York's Central Park, imitating the successful "Today" window at Rockefeller Plaza. Without it, many at CBS

The network gave away that time a few CBS contract.

Local band to perform for movie premiere in Austin

tion to performing, he composes his own

sionally for over 15 years. Baker also is a

15 year veteran musician.

and Travis Tritt.

Turner has been playing guitar profes-

Whisenhunt is a veteran of both the

The group began playing at The Golden

Light Cafe on Sixth Street in Amarillo in

November, 1997. A demo tape recorded at

Nashville and Texas music scenes.

Prior to joining the band, Martindale. The Golden Light the following February by Southwest Music Festival.

there have been no offers, no negotiations, no accept time in the second hour, would take delicate negotiations.

A key man in these discussions is Steve Friedman, executive at CBS's affiliate in New York City. Friedman's also a former executive producer of "Today" when Gumbel worked there. A decision on what to do about "This Morning" is expected before an important meeting of CBS affiliates in June.

Few people claim any insider knowledge about what Gumbel will do.

"I think he's got a big decision to make," Zucker said. "Bryant's not going to be pushed into it no matter how much the media speculates or people talk about it. He'll do what's best for him, as he should. At the end of the day, he's also a very loyal company man and he'll do what he's asked to do."

Two years after he was in huge demand, Gumbel, 50, is in a peculiar sort of limbo: making millions to bide his time. The talent that helped him rise from local sports reporting to the rarified air of network star is in

His status as highly-paid benchwarmer is a natural flashpoint for resentment, especially since he works for a network run by Mel Karmazin, an aggressive cost-cutter.

There appear to be few other options for Gumbel at CBS. The network has already renewed its three prime-time newsmagazines for next season, and he has worked for none of them. There's no room for Gumbel's "Public Eye," which received lukewarm ratings and reviews before being canceled. Dan Rather isn't going anywhere, and Gumbel has said he isn't interested in anchoring the evening news.

Gumbel has been working with Dunbar Productions, his syndication company set up as part of his deal with CBS, although none of its projects has been revealed. He continues as host of "Real Sports" on HBO. And much of his time the past month has been spent

If he says no to the morning show, the next step will likely be negotiations to buy out his

group decided to release it on Compact

Rodeo in Amarillo, Stubb's Barbecue in

Lubbock, the Nat Ballroom in Amarillo,

cert in Amarillo and played New Year's

Eve at Texas A&M in College Station and

opened for Ray Wylie Hubbard in

CD and are scheduled to play again

Thursday night in Austin during the South

The group is working on their second

Since then, they've played Midnight

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Disc. By July, the CDs has sold out.

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

Hot Adult Contemporary

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

1. "Angel," Sarah McLachlan. Warner Sunset.

2. "Written In The Stars," Elton John & LeAnn Rimes. Curb.

3. "Faith Of The Heart," Rod Stewart. Universal. 4. "I'm Your Angel," R. Kelly & Celine Dion. Jive.

5. "True Colors," Phil Collins. Face Value. 6. "From This Moment On," Shania Twain. Mercury.

7. "(God Must Have Spent) A Little More Time on You," 'N Sync. RCA.

8. "Hands," Jewel. Atlantic.

9. "Love Of My Life," Jim Brickman (feat. Micael W. Smith). Windham Hill. 10. "I'll Never Break Your Heart," Backstreet Boys. Jive.

Mainstream Rock Tracks

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

1. "Heavy," Collective Soul. Atlantic.

2. "One," Creed. Wind-up. 3. "What It's Like," Everlast. Tommy Boy.

4. "Whiskey In The Jar," Metallica. Elektra.

5. "Mas Tequila," Sammy Hagar. MCA. 6. "Free Girl Now," Tom Petty And The Heartbreakers. Warner Bros.

7. "Fly Away," Lenny Kravitz. Virgin.

- 8. "Whatever," Godsmack. Republic. 9. "Turn The Page," Metallica. Elektra.
- 10. "Dragula," Rob Zombie. Geffen.

Modern Rock Tracks

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

1. "Every Morning," Sugar Ray. Lava.
2. "What It's Like," Everlast, Tommy Boy. 3. "One," Creed. Wind-up.

4. "Why Don't You Get A Job?," The Offspring. Columbia.

5. "Heavy," Collective Soul. Atlantic. 6. "Blue Monday," Orgy. Elementree.

7. "Praise You," Fatboy Slim. Skint.

8. "Malibu," Hole. DGC. 9. "My Own Worst Enemy," Lit. RCA.

10. "Freak Of The Week," Marvelous 3. HiFi. lot Country Singles and Tracks

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

1. "You Were Mine," Dixie Chicks. Monument.

2. "How Forever Feels," Kenny Chesney. BNA.

3. "Busy Man," Billy Ray Cyrus. Mercury.

4. "I Don't Want To Miss A Thing," Mark Chesnutt. Decca.5. "Meanwhile," George Strait. MCA Nashville. 6. "No Place That Far," Sara Evans. RCA.

7. "Powerful Thing," Trisha Yearwood. MCA Nashville.

8. "I'll Think Of A Reason Later," Lee Ann Womack. Decca. 9. "I Can't Get Over You," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville.

10. "Unbelievable," Diamond Rio. Arista Nashville.

Celebrity flashbacks

album.

By The Associated Press

Entertainment highlights during the week of March 14-

65 years ago: Walt Disney accepted an Oscar for "The Three Little Pigs." The film won for best cartoon. 60 years ago: Principal film-

ing was finished on the film, "The Wizard of Oz."

40 years ago: With six years left on her contract, Diane Varsi told 20th Century Fox that she was quitting the movie business. She described acting as "destructive" and said it was making her miserable.

25 years ago: Jefferson Airplane officially became Jefferson Starship.

10 years ago: Comic Relief III, which featured the talents of Billy Crystal, Whoopi Goldberg and Robin Williams, collected \$3.6 million in pledges to help the homeless. The amount was nearly \$1 million more than the

turing Pampa talent will play for a movie and in the Hill Country of Texas. In addi-

The band, formed in September, 1997, in King, Buckwheat Zydeco, Elvin Bishop

And the songwriting-production team of Stock, Aitken and Waterman had three singles in the top four places on the British chart: Jason Donovan's "Too Many Broken Hearts," Bananarama's "Help" and Donna Summer's "This Time I Know It's for Real."

previous year's donations.

Five years ago: Whitney Houston was celebrated as entertainer of the year at the eighth annual Soul Train Music Awards. Toni Braxton took top

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Ammons has played drums for B.B. Fieldhouse, they've given a Christmas con-

years after hanging up his gui- or you would have no balance. tar, the artist formerly known ... You gotta have a little hate in as Cat Stevens surfaced to pro- you." mote an album he helped Chase. record for victims of the conflict in Bosnia. Stevens, also known as Yusuf Islam, wrote two songs on the charity album but sang pick up a guitar again. I don't only one — "The Little Ones." feel like it. I'm much more of a

Spoken 10 years ago: "If you have a sense of per- known as Cat Stevens.

honors for best single and best spective at all, which is a sense of humor, you've got to have a One year ago: More than 20 dark side. You can't be all light Comedian Chevy

> Spoken one year ago: "I personally don't want to poet." - Yusuf Islam, the singer-musician



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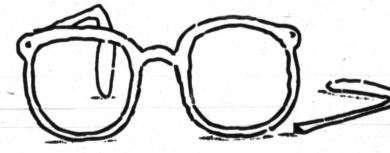
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AGRICULTURE

The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: Last week we discussed the phenomena of weakening grain prices in the futures week. market approaching the "first CORN (BEAR) deliver day" for the March con- Outlook: I've discussed the tracts. History has shown this is bearish fundamentals for corn one of the dates the wheat and naseum over the past three futures (and cash wheat) statistically will bottom, not always but changed. The US ending stocks often. This year, this pattern at 1.786 are burdensome. The looks as if it might just work. livestock numbers, which repre-Actually, it looked to me as if the market's response to Cargill's recent action was quite good. You see, Cargill delivered about the futures market, yet the mar- and while I will leave the bear in action indicates the futures are a reasons for a potentially more better sale to them than the two-sided trade as we approach export market. Theoretically the important March plantings large deliveries should have report. It has been dry in South the market absorbed this supply very well. The old adage goes news that counts, rather the reaction to the news". A bullish reaction to bearish news is bullish. I believe this market is in its transition phase out of a bear market. In the coming months, the unexpected (weather or export) news will more likely be bullish than bearish. While this short sale recommendation you Traders: Look to buy a "test of market may chop around for should be out with profits. Stand the lows" at or under 481 basis awhile, look at breaks in price as

buying opportunities Strategy: It is too early to hedge new crop. For those who wish to maintain ownership of previousthe purchase of call options, such as the July 270 Chicago

I lost 65 Lbs.

Mary Olarra

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in 5 months"

"I lost 195 Lbs.

size 56 to 33"

around the bit and this creates a difficult trading environment. Remain on the sidelines this

months and they have not sent the number one usage, are declining. Fundamentally and historically corn remains overpriced in relation to soybeans. 10 million bushels of wheat to Yet, this market is not expensive ket did not trade lower. This the box there are a number of weakened the market, however Africa, one of the top three corn producers, and the funds have been covering shorts lately. Also, something like; "it's not the new commercial oriented buying has been seen on breaks latelv. Look for a trading range until we receive significant new news.

> Hedgers: We have recommendtime. Stand aside in the futures. Traders: If you took our previous July). aside at this time.

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the lows" after a major bottom is occur in a number of ways. tors (a large carryover of 400 they can meet somewhere in the induced rally, look to more likely be bullish than bearish. Strategy:

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Wheat **Producers** pick officers

Tulia wheat producer and President, Tommy Womack, was nominated and unanimously elected to the office of Secretary/Treasurer of the National Association of Wheat Growers for the upcoming year. The election of officers took place during the National Association's annual convention held this year in Nashville, Tennessee. Other NAWG officers are Oklahoman Terry Detrick, Vice President, and Oregonian Iim Stonebrink, President.

Womack has served the Texas Wheat Producers Association as President for the past two years along with a number of other roles of responsibility and distinction at the local, state an national level.

Group saves farm from developers

By JAMES HANNAH Associated Press Writer

YELLOW SPRINGS, Ohio (AP) - A 1960s brand of counterculture still thrives in this southwestern Ohio village, where organic food, tie-dyed shirts and men in ponytails are part of the mainstream.

So when local residents found out a sprawling farm north of town was being auctioned off, possibly to developers, they rose to the occasion with rallies, fundraisers and a 13-hour benefit. In the end, with the generosity of a pair of married lawyers, they gathered \$3.27 million to buy all

"The great fear was that developers were going to come in and destroy the ambiance, the place and basically the life that people have here now," said Karen Gundersen, 33, pausing as she shopped at a gourmet food store. "The whole town rallied around.

It was really exciting."
A village of 4,000 people 20 miles east of Dayton, Yellow Springs is home to Antioch with a combination of their own College and saw hippies and war and the town's money and a protesters walk its streets in the 1960s and '70s.

Today, shops selling pottery, art and health food line the main Neuhardt coalition found itself street, drawing tourists for a little '60s nostalgia. Incense burns inside the Second Chance Hemp Co. clothing store, where album covers of the Doors, Grand Funk Railroad, Led Zeppelin and other vintage rock groups hang on the

"We're unique, and we want to keep it that way," said Maria Thornton-Bunkley, 30, as she tended to customers at the Organic Grocer. "I get all misty just talking about it.

Residents saw a threat to their identity when they learned in January that Whitehall Farm just north of the village would be auctioned off to settle an estate.

The village immediately earing fund-raising events, rallies and even protests to try to scare away developers.

At Antioch College, 20-yearold Sarah Alden organized a 13hour benefit concert. It featured 14 bands from as far away as \$7,000. Merchants also donated future."

food, pottery, jewelry, T-shirts and other clothing for sales to raise money.

"I can't understand how people can put these generic, pre-fab houses that mean nothing" on farmland, Alden said. "I don't want everything to look the

After three weeks of work, residents had raised about \$600,000, sending the village to the Feb. 22 auction with nearly \$1 million. An estimated 800 people crowded into a motel ballroom in nearby Springfield for the bidding. Village Manager David

Heckler popped open his notebook computer to track bids he and others made. Gloom set in when he got down to his group's last \$497, and he began to look for help.

"We wanted to identify the strongest horse, get on that horse and ride," said Heckler.

David and Sharen Neuhardt, attorneys who wanted a piece of the farm because they own adjoining property, agreed to buy the whole farm for conservation bank loan.

As the auction built to a frenzied pitch, the Yellow Springspitted against a group of 25 other bidders.

With the two groups tied at \$3.26 million, the anti-development coalition upped its bid to \$3.275 million. When the other bidders couldn't answer, preservationists in the back of the room counted down from 10 and then erupted into cheers.

We think Yellow Springs is a very special community," said Mrs. Neuhardt. "Someone needs to stand up and say what makes sense for the use of this land."

In exchange for accepting \$1 million from the village, the Neuhardts agreed to give their new property a legal status that will keep it from being develmarked \$400,000 from a special oped by themselves or future green-space fund to try to buy owners. They plan to resell about the farm. And then residents 60 percent of the farm to farmers went into activist mode, organiz- and lease some of the remaining property for farm and other nondevelopment use.

Villagers celebrated with a

parade and party.
"I would love to say that it's a blast from the past, but I don't think so," said Gundersen. "I Tennessee and raised nearly think it's moving toward the

After lawmaker complains, Capitol restaurant serves more pork

WASHINGTON (AP) - It was almost like taking a vegetarian to a steakhouse. Missouri Rep. Ike Skelton took a hog farmer from home to a pork-free restaurant: the dining room at the U.S. House.

The farmer, Phil Howerton of Chilhowee, Mo., opened his lunch menu to find no bacon, no ham, no tenderloin. It was late last year, when the price of a pound of pork had sunk from \$4.55 the previous year to 8

"Even though I was with a congressman, I thought, well, this would be a nice joke," Howerton said. "I thought it would be cute to say something.

Skelton took him seriously, calling over a manager to complain and

following up with a couple of phone calls. The result? The chef went hog wild.

"The famous Capitol Bean Soup, prepared with ham hocks, will of course remain the signature soup," James Rodgers, the House's food services director, wrote Skelton in a Feb. 10 letter. "A shredded barbecue pork sandwich, a popular special in the past, is now on the daily menu."

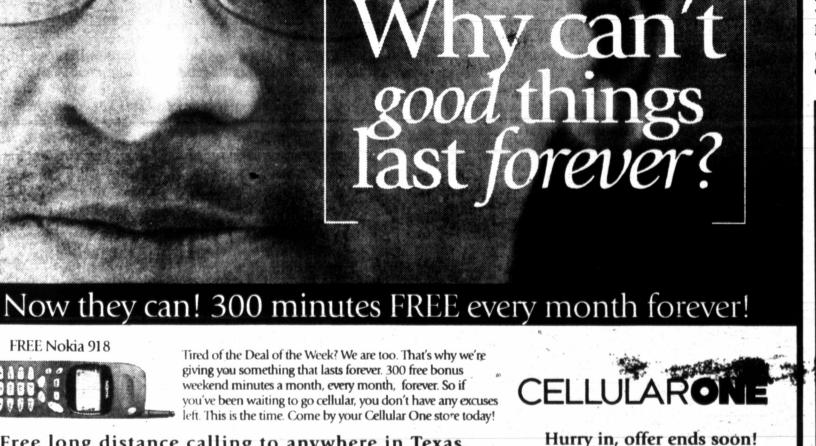
Also, there's now bacon in the Cobb Salad and a bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwich, along with chef's specials featuring pork chops, roasted pork loin and other pork selections.

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Loralee Cooley will be performing Saturday, Mar. 20 at 7:30 p.m. She will share an evening of historical and fictional stories about women of the Texas Panhandle with "Storyspinning."

Pampa's Cooley to spin stories for Claude audience

On Saturday, Mar. 20, at 7:30 p.m., Loralee Cooley duced it to students at Childress, Texas Elementary with "Storyspinning" from Pampa, will share an School, with enthusiastic response!) evening of historical and fictional stories about women of the Texas Panhandle.

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> This will be held at the GEM Theatre in Claude, Texas, located in the Armstrong County Museum complex at 120 Trice, in Claude. The facility is handicap-accessible.

> This will be the third March that Loralee Cooley, an approved member of the Texas Commission of the Arts' "Touring Artist Roster," has been featured at the GEM, telling Western tales.

> A special event of the evening will be the retelling of the popular "My Molly," a 40-minute first-person story of Molly Goodnight, the wife of Charles Goodnight for over 50 years This was first presented in March, 1998, and was written by Montie Hubbard Goodin of Goodnight, Texas, who is the daughter of Cleo Hubbard, the Goodnights' foster son. Cowboy singer/yodeler Don Minkley of Claude will provide selected traditional western songs during the "My Molly" presentation.

Other story material scheduled to be told includes a delightful "western version" of the Hans Christian Anderson story, "The Princess and the Pea." This tale is called "The Cowboy and the Black-Eyed Pea," and was written by author Tony Cooley's first public telling (she recently intro- artist fees.

Cooley will be presenting a "rough draft" of some family history she has been provided by Nancy Alexander Coffee of Pampa. This material tells of Coffee's great-grandmother, Mary Jane Mathes Alexander, who came to Mobeetie, Texas with her husband and five children, when he was the first Presbyterian minister in the Texas panhandle. Widowed within months, Mary Jane

Alexander chose to stay, homestead near Canadian, and lived out the rest of her days here. Nancy Coffee, who grew up in Canadian, he family documents that tell of her great-grandmother's challenges in starting a new home alone, raising five children, and becoming a community leader.

For information of the performance at the GEM Theatre in Claude, on Saturday, Mar. 20, call Carale Manning-Hill at 944-5383. Reservations can be made by phone, or tickets will be available at the

Loralee Cooley is becoming a well-known artist as a storyteller throughout the Texas panhandle, having done residencies and performances recently in Hereford, Dalhart, Childress, Miami, McLean, Lefors, Follett, Amarillo and Canyon. She is scheduled to work at the Imagination Station in Stratford Johnston of San Marino, California, who has Texas in April. The Pampa Fine Arts Association received family roots. Johnston has given Loralee Cooley a "Touring Artist" grant from Texas Commission her permission to tell this tale, an this will be on the Arts to assist Panhandle sponsors with her

Mexico's energy minister to reveal oil cuts by April

Tellez declined Friday to reveal for other countries may be of the global agreement. how much Mexico was willing longer, he said. to cut its oil exports under an meeting.

However, Tellez said he expects the export price of ministry officials were in average somewhat above dlrs 10 meetings with representatives of agreement," he said. per barrel for the rest of 1999, based on the agreement that removes another 2 million barrels a day from global output.

Mexico's oil basket price averaged dlrs 8.22 per barrel in February.

Details of the agreement reached Friday in Amsterdam among officials of Saudi Arabia, Iran, Venezuela, Algeria, and Mexico will be released before the cuts take effect April 1, Tellez said at a news conference.

"We'll announce it when the federal government thinks it is appropriate," Tellez said.

The individual country commitments for members of the Organization of Petroleum **Exporting Countries are expect**ed to be ratified at OPEC's meeting on March 23 and announced at that time.

Tellez said Mexico will comply with the export reduction agreement until the end of December

million barrels a day.

He said top Mexican energy ment.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — 1999, when Mexico's fiscal year Venezuela's oil ministry, which Mexican Energy Minister Luis closes. However, the timelines contributed to the development

Tellez said he'd also held tele-Tellez added that the total phone conversations with his agreement reached among major reductions agreed to by produc- counterparts in Saudi Arabia, producers in an Amsterdam ers could be from 2 million to 2.5 Algeria, Iran, and Norway before the Amsterdam agree-

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He had his own cable TV show, a popular cookbook and a Manhattan restaurant that sported his

Now the restaurant is shuttered, the show is history and 36-year-old Ruggerio is awaiting sentencing after admitting to wildly inflating restaurant credit card receipts.

Ruggerio's guilty plea Thursday to a charge of second-degree attempted grand larceny avoids prison time but carries five years of probation and 506 hours of community service. He must also

Prosecutors accused Ruggerio and two restaurant employees of inflating the tips on 26 credit card payment slips last May and June before submitting them for payment to Paymentech Merchant Services Inc. of Dallas, his credit card

Paymentech put money matching the credit card totals into the restaurant's bank account, and

The requests for payment carried gratuities ranging from \$5,000 to \$30,000. The \$30,000 tip was added to a \$1,000 dining bill — a 3,000 percent tip,

Instead of billing the exorbitant tips to customers, Paymentech notified authorities.

'This is between him and Paymentech," said Charles Carnesi, Ruggerio's lawyer.

The restaurant's bookkeeper, Desmond Brusch, has also pleaded guilty to attempted grand larceny. A hearing for its maitre d'hotel, William Bart, is scheduled for March 23.

Ruggerio, of Amity Harbor, N.Y., said as he left court that his restaurant is closed and he no longer

has his TV show. 'Ruggerio to Go" premiered on the Food Network last October, and he operated a restaurant on 57th Street named David Ruggerio. In 1997, he was host of a PBS series on Little Italy and pub-

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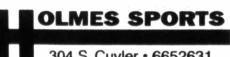
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Yowell is the daughter of Paul and Joan Yowell of Pampa and is the granddaughter of Dorothy Yowell of Phoenix, Ariz., and Betty Hamel of Hays, Kan.

Powers is the son of Tim and Ianice Powers of Pampa and is the grandson of Nell Warren of Pampa and Sue Powers of Dothan, Ala.

DENTON — The University of North Texas recently announced its Dean's List for the 1998 fall semester.

To be eligible for the honor, a student must maintain a 3.50 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the listed include Jamie D'lynn Davis. Davis is currently pursuing a degree in management from the UNT College of Business Administration. She will graduate in May 2000.

Davis is the granddaughter of Jack and Bernice Hodges of Pampa.

AMARILLO — Marine Corporal Miguel Venzor, son of Henry and Rita Venzor of Pampa, was recently the 1998-99 school year. awarded the Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal while assigned with 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Marine Division in Amarillo.

Venzor received the medal for honest and faithful service while actively participating in the Reserve Program for a three-year period.

The 1994 Borger High School graduate of Borger joined the Marine Corps in July 1995.

WEATHERFORD, Okla. University recently announced 92 SWOSU students slated to par-March 17 on campus.



Edith Osborne

Students will have their works on display at the fair and will be available to discuss their projects. Osborne will be doing a poster presentation on "New Reactions of **Tertiary Nitro Compounds: Anions** that Function as both Electron Transfer Agents and Hydrogen Atom Donors."

Osborne is currently secretary of the SWOSU Chemistry Club for

WACO — Alexandra Long of Pampa will be competing in the 1999 Miss Texas National Pre-Teen Program March 19-21 in Waco.

The Miss National Pre-Teen Program is in its 19th year and was the first competition of its kind founded to reward girls ages 9-12, the first to include academics as a judging criteria and the first to offer

ships to girls of this age. The next titleholder will receive a and sponsorship along with airfare Edith Osborne of Pampa is among to the National Program to be held in November at Orlando, Fla. ticipate in the sixth annual Student Candidates will be judged on acad-Research/Scholarly Activity Fair emics/achievements, interview, formal presentation and personality.



Alexandra Long

Miss National Pre-Teen is teamed up with "Youth Power" to encourage youth to stay drug free. State candidates can also participate in the Holiday Gift Program to benefit needy children and the "Just Chill" program to learn anger management skills projection.

Long is being sponsored by Gazzana and Associates, B&B Pharmacy, H.M. Hall Heating and Plumbing and J.A. Johnson, DDS. Inc., and family.

LIBERAL, Kan. — Members of this year's sophomore livestock judging team at Seward County Community College recently finished out their judging careers at SCCC upon attending the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

The team competed against 36 schools from across the nation, opportunities for college scholar- according to Kevin Williams, SCCC ag instructor. Team results are as follows: 15th high team overall, Southwestern Oklahoma State cash award, crown, sash, trophy ninth high team placings, 12th high team reasons, sixth high team sheep division and 10th high team cattle division.

Nonnie James of Pampa was 18th high individual in placings and 18th high in the sheep division.

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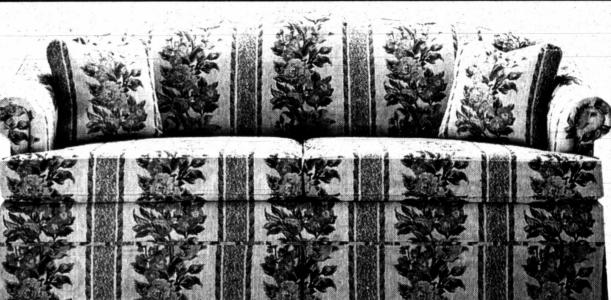
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"Because walking is gaining popularity, there are almost as many walking shoes as there are running nary" destination. shoes," Gray said. Most major brands have at least

one designed for walking.

The average individual walks more than 115,000 the Walk Across Texas program as one way to make some of those miles walked a lot more fun.

ers for biking. The trek is simple to do. Gray Co. teams are forming now. The 800-mile walk is almost the distance to South Padre Island from Pampa. South Padre was selected as an "imagi-

The miles do not have to be walked as a group, and participants never have to leave their neighborhood. Miles may be covered within the proin miles in a lifetime. Gray suggests participating in gram's eight-week period and can be added during work breaks, lunch or anytime.

To sign-up or for more information, contact Gray The program will involve teams featuring indiat the Gray Co. Extension office located in the Gray vidual groups of eight walkers and up to four rid- Co. Annex Building, Hwy 60 East, 669-8033.



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