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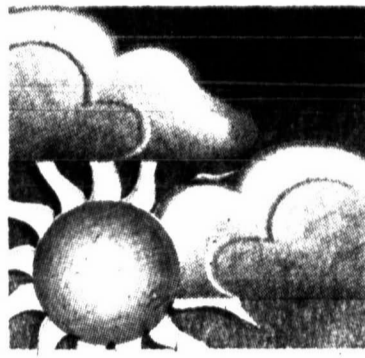
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**PAMPA** — The Pampa Arts Club will hosts its annual free Guest Day Tea and Art Exhibit Thursday, April 22, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. in the M.K. Brown Room at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The public is invited.

**PAMPA** — The Pampa Red Cross is offering Standard First Aid this Saturday starting at 9 a.m. The cost is \$30 but does include both Adult CPR and Standard First Aid. Anyone interested in learning how to save a life can reserve a spot by calling 669-7121.

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 2-3-10-22-34-41.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$7 million.

**AMARILLO** — An organizational meeting of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) will be Sunday, April 18, from 2-5 p.m. at the Amarillo Public Library's central branch at 413 E. Fourth. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish if they can.

- Danhe Bailey, 75, homemaker.
- Clifford E. 'Boog' Burk, 73, retired farmer, ranch foreman.
- Alice Hilbern, 64, homemaker.

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## Public invited to open house



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Paint brush in hand, Christie D. Adam with the U.S. Forest Service works on the sign at the welcome pull in near the entrance to Lake McClellan. The sign was built and erected earlier this week by prison work crews helping with improvements to the lake and its recreational facilities.

## Lake McClellan to show off improvements Saturday

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

Gray County officials plan to show off new improvements at Lake McClellan Saturday.

The open house, lake as the case may be, is slated for 10 a.m., Saturday at the lake, about 20 miles south of Pampa, east off Texas Highway 70.

"We like to show off the improvements we've made in this particular area," said Gray County Commissioner Gerald Wright.

Crews were putting on the finishing touches this week in preparation for Saturday's ceremonies.

"Right now, the guys are doing some touch ups," Wright said. "They're building a new picket fence for a storage area."

They were also finishing some road construction work this week.

"This portion of the project of the project is to be completed this week," Wright said. "We just wanted to have an opportunity to show the people what improvements we had made, and let everyone know we had more RV hookups

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— Commissioner Gerald Wright

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There are two new bath houses with restrooms, Wright said. The old RV park has been completely renovated with new water lines and additional electrical lines. There are new picnic tables, fire rings and grills. There are new RV hook up pedestals.

"We also created another, a second, RV park," Wright said. "We built a new RV park close to the new bath houses and restrooms."

(See LAKE, Page 2)

## City rethinks how to slash current budget

By KATE B. DICKSON  
Associate Publisher

fortable" with.

Mayor Bob Neslage echoed Andrews but Commissioner Bob Dixon objected saying, "I thought we decided two-percent cuts were a directive."

A plan for city departments to make two-percent-across-the-board cuts in budgeted spending this year has been put on hold because city commissioners want to talk more about it.

With the cuts itemized for commissioners, the agenda called for a vote but Commissioner Jeff Andrews questioned the wisdom of the action and his motion to table a decision was approved.

Budget cuts amounting to about \$160,000 are needed, according to City Finance Director John Horst, to offset a drop in sales tax returns.

Andrews took the position that some departments may be able to absorb more cuts than others. To make the cuts a hard and fast number for all departments, he said, is something he's "not com-

Andrews says his interpretation of the commission decision was that the group would "look" at two-percent cuts but weren't tied to that amount.

Commissioner Faustina Curry, who seconded Andrews' motion, said the city could have saved about \$2,900 by not holding a scheduled volunteer appreciation dinner. She wondered aloud if the dinner can still be canceled.

Also, she questioned a planned advertising cut by the city's golf course as part of the course's two-percent cut plan.

"Reducing the advertising budget when we need to get people to use the course ... doesn't something like this really hurt us in the long run?" Curry said.

## Winds reaching 61 mph damage signs, roofs, autos

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY  
Managing Editor

Ruffled tresses aside, Wednesday's wind storm let panhandle residents know it was here.

Almost \$1,000 in wind-related damage was reported early this morning by the City of Pampa though street officials said they were still assessing damages from yesterday's storm.

"So far we've replaced seven stop signs, one yield sign, and four street markers, said the street department's Kimberly Lincycumb.

"We're running the whole city for street sign damage," she said. But it wasn't just Texans experiencing the strong force of the panhandle's wind.

Trooper John Nelson from the Department of Public Safety reported two area wind-related vehicle accidents, one involving two Missouri residents.

Nelson said he worked an 18-wheeler rollover accident 3 miles east of Alanreed Wednesday night where a couple from Missouri suffered injuries and were sent to Amarillo's Northwest Texas Hospital. No injuries were reported, however, in a second 18-wheeler rollover outside of Shamrock.

Locally, wind gusts reached as high as 60 miles per hour, according to Celanese's Mike Earhart.

"The highest I saw it get was 61," Earhart said this morning of the plant's wind readings.

(See WINDS, Page 2)

## Quick end put to escape

Officials aren't exactly sure what caused a jail trusty to escape from a work detail in downtown Pampa yesterday but his few minutes at large could cost him an extra 365 days behind bars.

"I guess he just wanted to go home," said Sheriff Don Copeland.

Keith Elliot Young, 18, 118 W. Albert, who is back in the in Gray County Jail today awaiting trial on a misdemeanor probation violation, had earned the right to work outside the jail, said Copeland.

Just before 4 yesterday afternoon he jumped out of a county truck near Cuyler and the railroad tracks. Young was wearing a bright orange jail uniform at the time, said Gray County Sheriff Lt. Jim Scott, and it was raining.

A call went out for all available (See ESCAPE, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Several Celanese employees including Site Director Riley Kothmann met with city officials and the public to discuss their risk management plan which is required by the EPA. Kothmann invited concerned citizens to contact Celanese with any questions about safety.

## June 20 risk plan deadline

Local companies that need to file risk management plans (RMP) are running out of time to get them done.

Emergency Management Coordinator Ken Hall reminds companies that are required to file RMPs that the deadline is June 20. The law requires the EPA to have them by June 21.

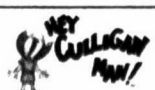
Companies required to file RMPs are those that store or manufacture certain amounts of the EPA's 140 listed chemicals. Hall said those companies are the ones that are required to fill out "Sara Title Tier II" forms.

Several area companies have already worked on their RMPs including Celanese, which this week held a citywide meeting to present their plan to the public and answer any questions.

Any companies that have questions about the RMPs should contact Hall at 669-5820.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**BAILEY, Danhe** — 2 p.m., Lamb Funeral Home Chapel, McLean.  
**HILBERN, Alice** — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

## Obituaries

**DANHE BAILEY**  
**AMARILLO** — Danhe Bailey, 75, a former McLean resident, died Tuesday, April 13, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Lamb Funeral Home Chapel in McLean with the Rev. James Martindale officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean.

Mrs. Bailey was a homemaker and had been an Amarillo resident for the past 39 years. She belonged to the Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Vickie Bowles of Amarillo; four brothers, Bob Brooks of Amarillo, Thural Brooks of Dumas, James Brooks of Euleess and J.S. Brooks of Oregon; a sister, Claudene Thomas of Euleess; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

**CLIFFORD E. 'BOOG' BURK**  
**CLIFFORD E.** "Boog" Burk, 73, of Pampa, died Wednesday, April 14, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel with Dr. Derrell Monday, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Claude Cemetery at Claude under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Burk was born Jan. 23, 1926, in Wise County, Texas. He married Martha Anne Kitzler on Nov. 20, 1949, at Clovis, N.M. He farmed at Claude and moved to the Pampa area in 1956 to work as foreman on the Bob Price Ranch where he raised his family. He later worked as a heavy equipment operator, moving to Pampa in 1975.

He was a Baptist and a U.S. Army veteran, serving in the 78th Infantry during World War II. He received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

Survivors include his wife, Martha, of the home; four daughters and three sons-in-law, Lalla Mae and Dr. Steve Davis of Opp, Ala., Bettie Lou Crouch of Canadian, Suz Anne and Johnny Kurten of Coupland and Mary Beth and Lynn Holland, Jr., of Shamrock; a sister, Joyce Lewis of Gatesville; a brother, Samuel Burk of Malakoff; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will be at 430 Rider and will receive visitors from 6-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

**ALICE HILBERN**  
**ALICE** Hilbern, 64, of Pampa, died Wednesday, April 14, 1999. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with Tom Russell, minister of Central Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Hilbern was born Nov. 6, 1934, at Reydon, Okla. She had been a lifelong Pampa resident. She married Alvin Hilbern on Dec. 3, 1982, at Tucumcari, N.M. She was a homemaker.

She belonged to Central Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Alvin, of the home; a daughter, Debra Dinges of Pampa; two sons, Richard Cates of Pomona, Calif., and Carlton Cates of Pampa; her mother, Eva Posey of Pampa; two stepdaughters, Tammy Lee Stanwich and Christy Howell, both of Oklahoma City, Okla.; two stepsons, Tommy Tedford and Leroy Hilbern, Jr., both of Oklahoma City; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Antebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.33
Milo	3.14
Corn	3.51
Soybeans	4.09

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.

Occidental	19 11/16	up 9/16
Magellan	133 24	up 2 1/8
Puritan	20 7/8	up 1/8

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amvox	42 7/16	up 3/8
Arco	78 15/16	up 2 5/8
Cabot	26 1/8	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	14 1/8	dn 1/16
Chevron	93 1/2	up 2 3/8

Coca-Cola	64 1/16	up 5/8
Columbia/HCA	22 3/8	up 1/16
Enron	68 11/16	up 1 5/16
Halliburton	36 1/4	up 1 1/4
IRI	4	up 1/16
KNE	20 1/4	up 7/16
Kerr-McGee	35 1/4	up 13/16
Limited	42 3/8	up 1/8
McDonald's	44 3/4	dn 7/16
Mobil	94 7/8	up 2 1/8
New Atmos	26 3/8	up 1/8
NCE	34 1/16	up 1/16
Penney's	42 5/16	up 3/16
Phillips	49	up 15/16
Pioneer Nat. Res.	8 7/16	dn 1/16
SLB	57 3/8	up 13/16
Tenneco	29 5/8	dn 1/16
Texasco	87	up 1
Ultramar	20 9/16	up 3/16
Wal-Mart	95	dn 3 5/8
Williams	43 1/4	dn 1 1/16
New York Gold	282 10	dn 1
Silver	4 87	
West Texas Crude	16 22	

## Police report

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

**Wednesday, April 14**  
 Journey Starr Mundell, 27, 720 E. Frederic, was arrested on charges of failure to appear/municipal court.

## Sheriff's Office

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

**Wednesday, April 14**  
 Kevin Howe, 29, Lefors, was arrested on charges of non-support.

## Accidents

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

**Wednesday, April 14**  
 No charges were listed when a 1992 Buick driven by Mary Nees Lewis, 82, 2721 Seminole, who was driving west in the 1200 block of 18th, and a 1997 Dodge Caravan driven by Matthew David Branscum, 25, 2104 Lynn, who was driving east on 18th, collided when the Buick attempted a left turn. No injuries were reported.

Justin Ray Leos, 16, 1128 Juniper, was cited for backing without safety when he pulled out of a private drive in the 200 block of Finch and hit a legally parked 1991 Toyota owned by Kelly Sue Barton, Miami. No injuries were reported.

## Ambulance

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

**Wednesday, April 14**  
 7:22 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of South Dwight and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

8:41 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of West Somerville and transported one to PRMC.

9:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Cook and Frost; no one was transported.

10:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 3000 block of Perryton Parkway; no one was transported.

10:50 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 3000 block of Perryton Parkway and transported one to PRMC.

11:05 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 3000 block of Perryton Parkway and transported one to PRMC.

11:12 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

11:39 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and delivered one patient from the roof of the facility to the emergency department.

11:51 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Somerville and transported one to PRMC.

2:40 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Bradley and transported one to PRMC.

5:23 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

8:48 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to PRMC.

**Thursday, April 15**

12:31 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to a local nursing facility.

## Fires

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

**Wednesday, April 14**  
 11:38 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on a medical assist.

1:43 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a structure fire in the 100 block of North Somerville.

1:55 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the 1300 block of West Somerville on a medical assist.

4:18 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2300 block of Cherokee on a downed power line.



**Getting ready for Saturday's open house at Lake McCellan, John Mark Baggerman from Gray County's precinct 3 uses a backhoe to scoop up excess gravel used on a parking lot at the lake and carry it off to other road surfaces around the lake. Every where at the lake this week, employees with the Forest Service and Gray County were busy putting the finishing touches around the lake in preparation for Saturday's open house. See related story on Page 1.**

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## LAKE

The new construction and improvements are the result of a challenge cost-share agreement Gray County Commissioners signed with the U.S. Forest Service. Lake McCellan is part of the National Black Kettle Grasslands operated by the U.S. Forest Service.

"We asked our congressmen and senators to help us out with this project a couple of years ago," Wright said, "and Congress allocated \$650,000 to McCellan for improvements."

Gray County has been working with the Forest Service on improvements at the lake in southern Gray County. The Forest Service reimburses the

county for supplies and out-of-pocket expense. "The county donates the use of our equipment," Wright said. "That's our part of the challenge cost share agreement. The county doesn't put any actual cash into it."

In addition to improving the recreational aspects of the lake, Wright said the work has helped the local economy.

"One of the good things about this project is that we not only got the lake improved, but a good portion of that money was spent in Gray County with our local contractors and suppliers," he said. "It really gave a boost to our local economy, spending the money here in Gray County, and we did whenever possible."

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## WINDS

In addition, unusually high wind gusts made things difficult for those in the local business sector. "It peeled our roof off like an orange," said Pampa Wal-Mart's James Schafer.

A section of the store's roof from the edge of the building's northern garden center wall to just above the pharmacy area was ripped up by winds at 7 last night.

"We tried to do a few things ... I was up there myself ... but there was too much flying debris," said Schafer.

After 10 minutes on the roof, he contacted property maintenance officials to dispatch local roofing

crews to do some patchwork, he said. The entire roof is being replaced as a result of the incident.

"We have no sign left," said Kathryn Phillips, manager of the Pampa Bealls store. "The wind did quite a number."

Except for the letter 'a,' the Bealls sign above the storm was blown into pieces that can be seen on the ground.

Phillips said she made a call into store's home office, but she is guessing it will be some time before something is done.

"There are 14 or 15 stores above Lubbock," she said. "I'm sure we're not the only one with damage."

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## ESCAPE

Officers and several units from the Pampa Police Department, Gray County Sheriff's Department and the Department of Public Safety responded. About three minutes later, Scott said he and Kelly Rushing, a Texas and SW

Oklahoma Brand Inspector, were searching around Foster near the fire station when a citizen stopped them and asked if they were looking for someone. Scott said the citizen pointed to a dumpster and said, "He's in there."

Elliott, who has been arrested four times, was handcuffed and transported back to the jail, Scott

## Conviction reversed, remanded

AUSTIN (AP) — An appeals court today reversed the conviction of a girl who prosecutors say killed a toddler when she was 11, ruling her statements to police may have been obtained illegally.

Lacresha Murray, now 14, was originally charged with capital murder, making her the youngest person in Texas to face such a charge. After two trials, she was eventually convicted of injury to a

child and sentenced to 25 years for the beating death of 2-year-old Jayla Belton.

The 3rd District Court of Appeals, however, remanded the case back to juvenile court.

Her lawyers had argued that Lacresha was unlawfully tried twice for the same crime and that a statement she gave police was the result of an illegal interrogation.

## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
 Partly sunny and windy today with north winds at 20-30 mph before diminishing later this afternoon when the high should be near 50. Tonight, partly cloudy with a high in the upper 20s and north-northwest winds at 5-15 mph. Tomorrow, partly cloudy with a high of 50 and northwest winds at 10-15 mph.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
**WEST TEXAS** — Panhandle — Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the mid 20s. North to northwest wind 5-15 mph. Friday, partly cloudy and continued cool. High in the upper 40s. Northwest wind 10-15 mph. Extreme Southern

**NEW MEXICO** — Snow advisory for northern Taos and Colfax counties today. Tonight, variably cloudy east with low clouds forming overnight. A few snow showers northern mountains. Fair skies west and south. Lows teens and 20s mountains and north, mainly 30s southern lowlands. Friday, continued unseasonably cool. Low clouds east Friday morning, otherwise variably to partly cloudy north and east with a few snow showers northern mountains. Partly cloudy to mostly sunny elsewhere. High mid 40s to near 60 mountains and north, mid 60s to lower 70s south. Lows teens to lower 30s mountains and north, upper 30s to lower 40s elsewhere.

**SOUTH TEXAS** — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Wind advisory in effect. Tonight, clear and cool. Lows in the upper 30s Hill Country to upper 40s south central and west. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the lower 60s Hill Country to near 70 south central and west. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, clear and cool. Lows in the 40s, 50s coast. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the 60s. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Wind advisory today for portions of the Coastal Bend. Tonight, mostly clear and colder. Lows from the lower 60s at the coast to near 50 inland north. Friday, mostly sunny and continued unseasonably cool. High from the mid 60s to the lower 70s.

**BORDER STATES**  
 Oklahoma — Wind advisory in effect today. Freeze warning tonight for northwest Oklahoma. Tonight, mostly clear to partly cloudy. Lows from the upper 20s northwest to the upper 30s southeast. Friday, becoming mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers far north. Partly to mostly sunny elsewhere. Highs from the lower 50s northwest to Ind south, except mostly clear western north Texas. Lows in the 30s.

# New DNA tests lead to freedom for men who served 12 years

ADA, Okla. (AP) — Two inmates who served 12 years in prison on a murder conviction were freed today after a judge dismissed charges against them. Recent DNA tests from the crime scene did not match either man.

Dennis Fritz and Ron Williamson have said all along that they had nothing to do with the killing of a woman in 1982.

Fritz had been serving a life sentence and Williamson was sentenced to death, though a federal appeals court ruled in 1997 that he should get a new trial because of inadequate defense at his first trial.

District Judge Tom Landrith ordered a new trial for Fritz but then immediately dismissed the murder charges against both men in the slaying of Debra Carter.

"We can never replace the 12 years the defendants have been incarcerated, nor can we forget Debra Carter. All we can do is go forward," Landrith said.

District Attorney Bill Peterson said there was a moral, ethical and legal obligation to dismiss the case. "I believe it is incumbent based on the evidence that this case should be dismissed against them," he said.

As Landrith gave the order releasing both men, Fritz stood quietly while Williamson replied "Thank

you, judge." There was little emotion in the packed courtroom.

Williamson suffers from manic depression and has been hospitalized for treatment.

Ms. Carter's death in her apartment was attributed to asphyxiation from a washcloth stuffed down her throat and a ligature, possibly an electric blanket cord, pulled around her neck. She also was sexually assaulted.

The charges were dismissed after Mary Long, a criminologist with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, testified that hair and semen samples submitted for DNA testing did not match either man.

"This case should have never been prosecuted," Fritz told The Ada Evening News this week. "The evidence they had against me was insufficient and if the police had done an adequate investigation of all the suspects, this may have never happened."

The dismissal was set in motion four years ago, when Fritz contacted the Innocence Project, an organization that reviews hundreds of cases of people who claim they have been falsely convicted, usually of rape or murder, and helps arrange for DNA tests that were unavailable until recent years.

O.J. Simpson attorney Barry Scheck, who co-founded the Innocence Project, became his lawyer.



**Pampa Art Club**



(Community Camera photo)

Martha Kothmann and Mimi Gross are two of the members of the Pampa Art Club involved in the group's annual "Guest Day Tea and Art Exhibit" today, April 22, from 10 to 6 p.m. in the M.K. Brown Room at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The public is invited to review the art and enjoy refreshments. There is no admission charge.

**Employee of the Month**

Name: Karan Swan  
Rank: Assistant Mailroom Supervisor.

Q: How long have you been in law enforcement or how long have you been at this unit?  
A: Five and a half years.

Q: What is the very best part of your job?  
A: The people I work with are the greatest.

Q: Do you have any future goals concerning your job here at the Jordan Unit?  
A: I'd like to work in all departments, learning other areas of the business.

Q: What are your hobbies, organizations you support, groups your family and you enjoy?  
A: Wood crafts, painting; active at Briarwood Church, treasurer of Womens Ministry;



**Karan Swan**

doing whatever our daughter is live here.  
Q: Are you married?  
A: Yes, Joe.  
Q: Any children, and how many?  
A: One daughter Sara, 10 here, lived here all my life, still

**Calendar of events**

**PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL**  
Pampa Area Literary Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

**THE PLACE**  
Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

**ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP**  
If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

**EMMAUS REUNION**  
Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call 669-9426.

**PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD**  
The Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will have their regular meeting Apr. 22, 6:30 p.m. at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. For more information, please call 669-0568 or 665-4718.

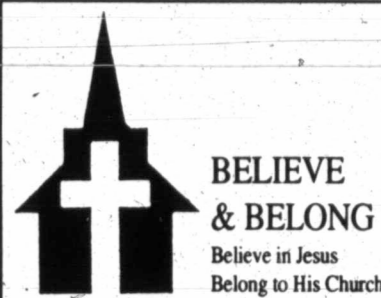
**FLAT BROKE FUN NITE**  
The Women's Fellowship Ministry of First Baptist Church is sponsoring Flat Broke Fun Nite on Apr. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at 203 N. West Street. The menu will include beans, cornbread, salad and dessert. The cost for the meal will be 25 cents. Debbie Skinner of Mirror Ministries in Amarillo will present a program entitled

"Exercising Your Praise and Encouragement Muscles".  
**PAMPA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**  
In The Natural Way of Prayer Being Free to Express What You Feel Deep Within we will explore how prayer fits into an overall wellness program. This film offers a unique look at prayer and how each individual's prayers are different. It is enlightening.

Join us on Thursday, Apr. 15 in the Cafeteria of the Pampa Regional Medical Center (formerly called Columbia Medical Center of Pampa).

The program begins at 7 p.m. and adjourns by 8 p.m. for refreshments and a time to get better acquainted. If you need a ride call Betty Whitson (after 5 p.m.) at 669-2198 or Linda Norris at 665-2654.

In case of bad weather call, Pampa Regional Medical Center at 665-3721 to see if the program has been canceled.



**REVIVAL**

You are invited to attend the Believe and Belong Revival at the

**Central Baptist Church**

April 18-21

Preacher - D. L. Lowrie  
Singer - Tom White

Regular Sunday Services With A Men's Breakfast At 8 a.m.

Monday - Wednesday Services:  
11:45 Noon Meal & Study  
7:00 p.m. Evening Services

**Frank Phillips to host Appreciation Luncheon**

**BORGER** — Frank Phillips April 21 (Secretaries' Day) in the College Plainsmen Partners will host the Third Annual Appreciation Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, to treat their staff to a day of

appreciation and everyone is welcome! Tickets are \$15 per person for the first ticket and \$10 per person for each additional ticket. For reservations, please contact Lesly Annen at 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 767.

All funds will benefit the Frank Phillips College Plainsmen Partners Fix-Up project, and people can come anytime between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to enjoy the festivities. Prizes will be drawn at 1 p.m. Winners do not have to be present to win.

A variety of live entertainers will perform at the event including, Mrs. Amarillo Area Karmin Pool, Eddie Courtney, Crista Carnes and a group of talented FPC students.

**More images ...**



Otis and Cathy Henson submitted this entry in the Family and Friends category of the recent photography contest. Mark Patterson and son Luis are captured here racin' motorcars.

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**Women's Center to host monthly meeting**

**AMARILLO** — The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will present "Women In Touch," a monthly support group for women living with breast cancer, from 5:30-7 p.m. April 19 at the cancer center amphitheatre, 1500 Wallace Blvd.

The April program will feature Sandy Soltero of DuPont Pharmaceuticals. The presentation will be "Advances in Diagnosis: Miraluma Breast Cancer." For more information, call

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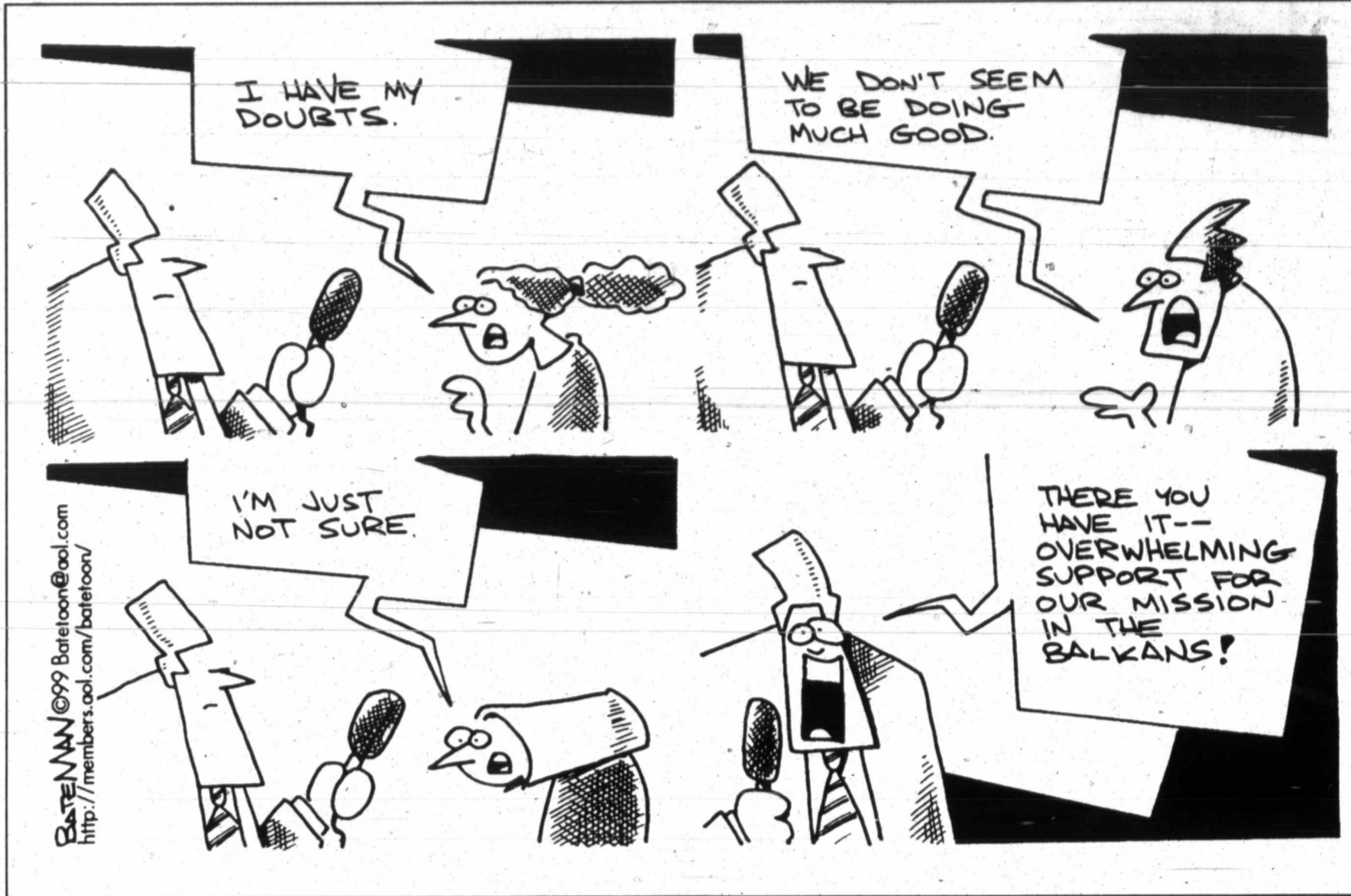
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# Now what's a W-2 form?

## Opinion

### House Bill 156 threatens Texans' right to know

The Associated Press

House Bill 156, which is moving through the legislative process, affects every Texan who believes that government should be conducted in the open. It opens the door on so-called staff briefings involving issues that should be discussed openly.

If you have ever observed a meeting in which an elected board routinely approved complex issues in rapid order, without discussion, you should appreciate this bill. County commissioners courts, city councils, school boards and other such public meetings often seem like assembly lines. Residents, taxpayers or other interested parties who observe these meetings often come out shaking their heads and wondering, "What happened?"

The answer is: staff briefings. These are onerous sessions in which city employees or outside interests are brought in to discuss behind closed doors such things as options for drainage programs, trunked radio systems, and a myriad of other items that should be discussed openly.

Current law allows these staff briefings and many government officials defend them vigorously because they don't want wide debate by the public that funds such actions.

Under current rules, elected officials are not allowed to vote, or indicate how they feel about the information they receive during staff briefings.

In reality, that doesn't happen. Over the years, elected officials from nearly every government entity have told the Longview News-Journal about violations of the law.

It's a fundamental premise of the Texas Open Meetings Act that all meetings of governmental bodies are open to the public unless an exception is specified by the Act or permitted by the Texas Constitution.

That's why HB156 is important. It amends the definition of "meeting" to include an informal "gathering," which is any meeting of a quorum of members of a governmental body and a third party to discuss public business or public policy over which the governmental body has supervision or control.

The bill would require governmental bodies to hold such staff briefings in public, so that the public would have a sense of how a government body arrived at a decision.

That's healthy, and that's the way that government business should be conducted.

While some government officials will fight this measure tooth and nail through the Texas Municipal League, it is needed to ensure the public right to know. It won't detract from the exemptions to the Texas Open Meeting Act, such as closed sessions to discuss pending litigation, land transactions, personnel matters, and other such items. But it will require that public business meaning the business that should be of interest to you because you pay for it be done openly and not behind closed doors.

If you believe in the principle of open government you should encourage your state representatives to support HB 156.

Today's the day.  
 April 15.  
 Fun, fun, fun ... for some of us more than others.

Tax day takes on a different meaning for a math-fearing individual, like myself, who graduated from college without taking a lick of math, and graduated from high school without a math course higher than Algebra II.


To complicate matters, tax time also takes on a new twist when one is married to someone who makes fun of people who didn't take math classes higher than Algebra II, and keeps the tests (all of them) that he made A's on in Calculus II, III, IV, and whatever math class comes after that.

Needless to say, I don't do our taxes. Instead, I take on the "worrier/cheerleader/ignorance is bliss" role when it comes to tax season.

Allow me to explain. Just because I don't do the taxes, and just because I don't sit at the kitchen table for seven hours straight with a feverish look of distress on my face doesn't mean I don't worry about taxes.

Oh, no. I worry plenty. In our house, I normally do the pre-tax worrying. It involves a little ritual that never comes to fruition, which begins on Jan. 1, right about the time I say, "Honey, let's do our taxes now so we don't have to do them at the last minute."

Notice the "let's" part of the sentence? As in Let us.



**Random Revelations**  
**Miranda G. Bailey**  
 Pampa News staff writer

Most of the rest of the mathematically inept would probably agree that worrying about tax season is enough to constitute one as an equal contributor in the "getting the taxes done" process.

My husband would not agree. So, in addition to worrying, I cheer him on. (I learned this from my mom.) Instead of leaving the room, or watching TV while the taxes are being done in the kitchen by one who clearly knows how to correctly use an advanced operations, graphing calculator, I take it upon myself to periodically get up and serve refreshing beverages.

"Need something to drink, honey?" It also helps to clean the house, give sweet kisses on the cheek and ask in an endearing, high-pitched voice, "How's everything going?" from time to time.

(Tax tip to my fellow mathematically challenged friends: I've found that by avoiding the comment, "How much do we owe?" until the

taxes are completely finished helps tremendously ... It seems that question has the same effect on the nerves as a whiny, snot-nosed, child yelping, "Are we there yet?" over and over again.)

Worrying and cheering your tax-preparing-loved-one really should be enough to make you an equal partner in the tax process. But for those of you who have spouses that take a little bit more persuasion, as mine does, you might want to throw in a speck of the "ignorance is bliss" routine.

Phrases like, "What's a W-2 form again?" and "Now what's the difference between gross and net?" also helps the math-knowing spouse remember why he or she has to be the one sitting in the kitchen for seven years, I mean hours.

I'm not guaranteeing there won't be some tension every April 14. (That is when you do your taxes, right?) Because the very nature of the tax season lends itself to petty fights and pent up bitterness.

But these techniques have proved tried and true in getting me through what could be an extremely awkward situation in my marriage each year.

In any case, it's April 15, and by now you should be licking your wounds and preparing for the Memorial Day family gathering, full of in-laws and potential extended-family material which will make for terribly, wonderful, vicious comments during the fight following the affair.

## Today in history

**By The Associated Press**  
 Today is Thursday, April 15, the 105th day of 1999. There are 260 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
 In the early hours of April 15, 1912, the British luxury liner Titanic sank in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland, less than three hours after striking an iceberg. About 1,500 people died.

**On this date:**  
 In 1817, the first American school for the deaf opened in Hartford, Conn.

In 1850, the city of San Francisco was incorporated.

In 1861, three days after the

Confederate attack on Fort Sumter, President Lincoln declared a state of insurrection and called out Union troops.

In 1865, President Lincoln died, several hours after he was shot at Ford's Theater in Washington by John Wilkes Booth. Andrew Johnson became the nation's 17th president.

In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops liberated the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen.

In 1947, Jackie Robinson, baseball's first black major league player, made his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on opening day.

In 1959, Cuban leader Fidel Castro arrived in Washington to begin a goodwill tour of the United States.

In 1986, the United States launched an air raid against Libya in response to the bombing of a discotheque in Berlin on April 5; Libya says 37 people, mostly civilians, were killed.

In 1980, existentialist philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre died in Paris at the age of 74.

In 1990, actress Greta Garbo died in New York at age 84.

of former Communist Party leader Hu Yaobang; the protests culminated in the Tiananmen Square massacre. Ninety-five people died in a crush of soccer fans at Hillsborough Stadium in Sheffield, England.

Five years ago: Ministers from 109 countries signed a 26,000-page world trade agreement known as the "Uruguay Round" accords in Marrakesh, Morocco.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor Michael Ansara is 77. Country singer Roy Clark is 66. Bluesman Frank Frost is 63. Actress Claudia Cardinale is 60. Rock singer-guitarist Dave Edmunds is 55.

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# Media has a problem with the media

If you think news is slanted, take heart. So, too, do a majority of journalists in a survey.


A Pew Research Center survey of 552 "national" journalists found that 69 percent believe the distinction between news and commentary has eroded; 40 percent say news is full of factual errors and sloppy reporting; 45 percent say news drives controversies by emphasizing them; and two-thirds say journalism has moved too far toward "infotainment."

That's interesting, because as a rule, journalists are about dead even with lawyers when it comes to being self-righteous and perfect.

Though I wasn't surveyed, I agree. A straight news story — just the facts, ma'am, and all of the facts attributed to identified sources — is about as rare as a virgin in a newsroom.

Being a member of the commentary racket, I say without hesitation that if we opinion writers had a strong union, we'd be filing grievances against news reporters practically every day for encroaching on our turf.

What's bad for the future of the industry is that people don't care much what we opinion writers say, but they are enraged by bad reporting. They absolutely hate going to a public meeting and not being able to recognize it from the next day's news account. They despise watching something on CPSPAN and then seeing how news reporters distort it. A slanted news story is like a lie — the whole



**Charley Reese**  
 Syndicated columnist

paper is tainted, for if readers can see error or deception in one story where they happen to know the truth, then it is a safe assumption that a similar pattern may be present in all stories.

Thomas Jefferson said — in much more elegant language — that if the press voluntarily whores for government, party or favored causes, the effect is the same as if the government compelled it to whore. The people are deprived of the truth.

You can certainly see the failures of journalism in the coverage of the NATO attack on the Serbs. The American press, especially television, is like a parrot repeating the official spin without question. Some of the TV airheads are so routinely loose with facts, they don't even notice when they contradict themselves within the span of a few seconds.

there were 87,000 refugees at that time, and a few seconds later, in her babbling leading up to an inane question, spoke of "hundreds of thousands of refugees." Another spoke of the Serbs "killing every Albanian in sight," while the only semi-official death estimate I've seen is 800. NATO has already killed more people than that.

The problem, of course, with these TV news shows is that they have more air time than they do facts to report. Instead of saying "that's all we know," they just start babbling and having bull sessions with various Rolodex talking heads who also don't have any facts.

Print reporters used to love the device "sources say" to inject their own opinion in a news story, but I've noticed the new fad is "critics say." If I had ever tried to drop that kind of horse manure into a news story back in the dark ages, the city editor would have cursed me, ridiculed me, possibly thrown a gluepot at me and, on a second offense, probably fired me. Today, of course, editors — like schoolteachers — must baby their charges.

It's a serious problem, because neither laws nor Constitution will preserve a free press if the people come to despise and hate it. Like the character in "Saving Private Ryan," the press must earn its freedom by deserving it. That some in the business recognize the problem is a hopeful sign.



# Officer was on front line of dragging-death probe

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

It was a hot muggy evening when fellow deputy picked up Larry Pulliam on his way to work.

There had been another homicide, the deputy told Pulliam. It was the second weekend in a row that there had been a capital murder in Pulliam's quiet East Texas hometown.

The two deputies went to the office where their boss, Sheriff Billy Rowles, and the Chief of the Jasper Police Department were holding a meeting for all the local law enforcement officers.

James Byrd Jr., a black man, had been dragged to death in the early hours of that morning, June 7. One of the few leads law enforcement officers had was the description of a gray Ford pickup truck that might have been involved in the grisly murder.

Pulliam leaned over to a police officer sitting next to him, an officer with whom Pulliam had grown up and gone to school.

"Doesn't Shawn Berry drive a pickup like that?" Pulliam whispered.

With the nodded assent of the officer next to him, Pulliam gave the name to the Sheriff.

"That was when the ball got to rolling because that was the first name they had to put with it," said Pulliam, who has since joined the Department of Public Safety and was assigned to Pampa in February as a Highway Patrolman.

A few minutes after the meeting broke up that summer night in Jasper, Pulliam was at the wheel of his patrol car. Five blocks away from the office where the meeting had been held, Pulliam pulled over a gray pickup truck for a traffic violation. Shawn Allen Berry, 23, was driving.

Pulliam had made the first arrest of one of three men that would eventually be charged with dragging death of James Byrd. From there the other two suspects were developed and Pulliam spent the rest of the night waiting.

"We set up on their house," Pulliam said.

The young officer assisted with the arrests of John William "Bill" King, 23, and Lawrence Russell Brewer, 31, the other two men who were eventually charged in the killing.

Officials believe Byrd was kidnapped as he was taken out to a wooded area, beaten and chained to Berry's truck. Berry gave deputies a detailed confession that implicated the other two shortly after Byrd's mangled, headless body was found.

King was convicted earlier this year on capital murder charges and sentenced to death. Brewer has yet to go to trial.

Berry and King were from Jasper. The third member of the trio, Brewer, was from out of state. He had met King in prison. The three young men were living together in an apartment in Jasper, a town of little more than 7,000, at the time of the killing.

"I looked in my high school yearbook," Pulliam said, "but there wasn't a picture of Shawn. There was a picture of Bill King. He was a freshman when

## Pulliam has since joined the Department of Public Safety and is assigned to Pampa as a Highway Patrolman.

I was a senior."

Pulliam had graduated from high school in Jasper in 1991. From school he went to work in construction, spending three years working in the oil patch and at refineries in East Texas.

But his grandfather, who had retired from Texaco, had taken a job as jailer for Jasper County. His tales started the younger Pulliam thinking about a career in law enforcement.

In 1994, Pulliam went through the East Texas Police Academy taught by Kilgore College. By June, 1995, he had his first job in law enforcement. He was hired as a deputy sheriff for Jasper County.

By the summer of 1998, Pulliam had decided to move on and up in his chosen career. With the urging of Sheriff Rowles, a 27-year-veteran of the Department of Public Safety, Pulliam applied for and was accepted by the DPS. He entered the DPS academy only a few weeks after the death of James Byrd.

"I started the Department of Public Safety Academy July 20, 1998," Pulliam said. "I drove to Austin that Sunday, July 19, and the first day of school was July 20."

After graduating from the DPS Academy, Pulliam was assigned to Pampa.

"I came here Feb. 7," Pulliam said.

While Pulliam down plays any part he had in the investigation of one of the state's most sensational murders, he said the investigation and arrests were nothing compared to what happened to the town.

Almost immediately, the small quiet county seat of Jasper County was the scene of protests by a number of groups with varying philosophies. The picturesque court house became the backdrop for staged events involving the Klu Klux Klan, the Black Panthers, various Muslim groups and others.

"It was intense," he said.

Pulliam said he was assigned to work the crowds. If a heckler started to get out of hand, Pulliam would go stand by him.

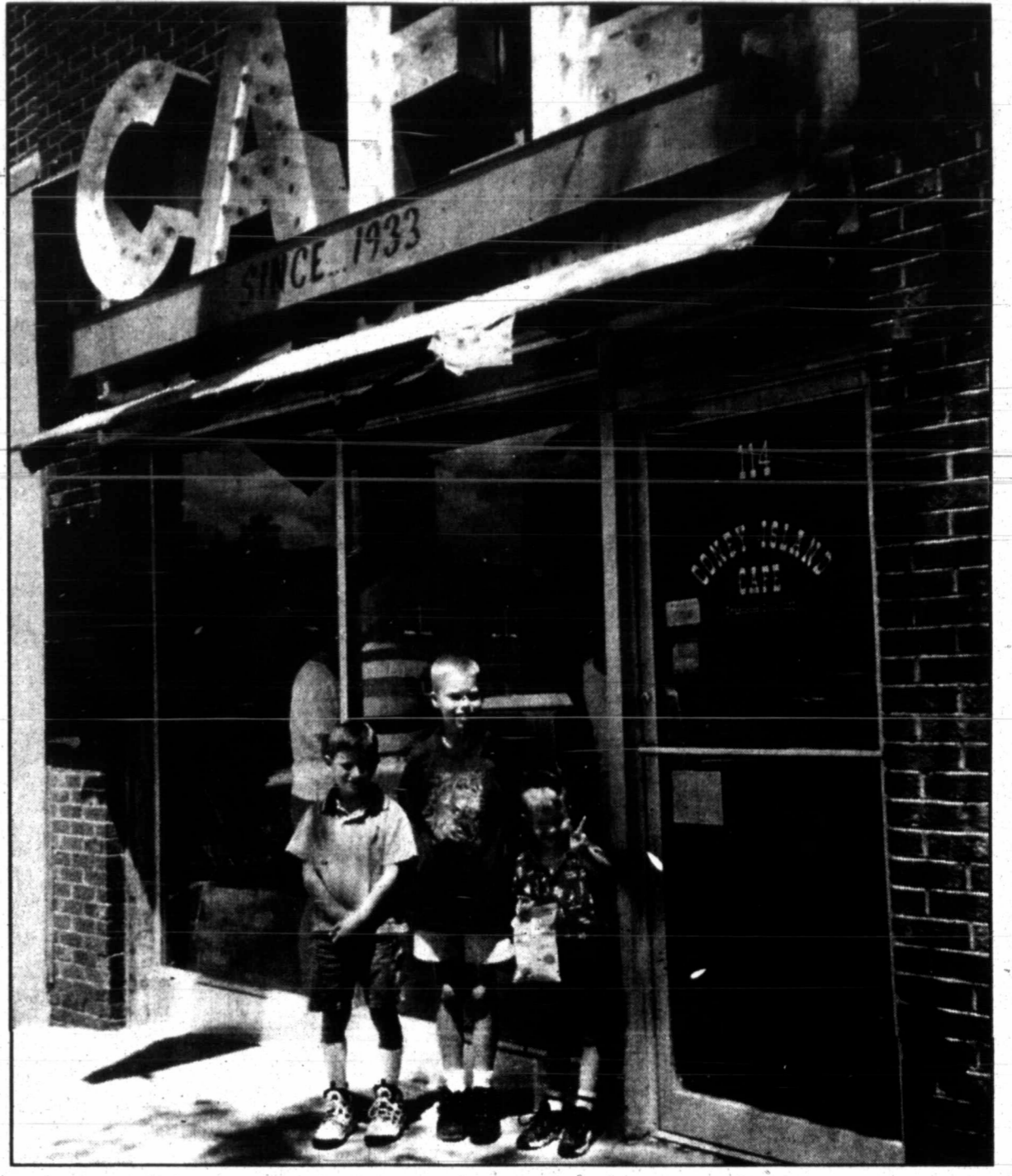
"It'd make them real nervous," he said.

Usually it took no more than an intimidating glare to quiet things down.

"I introduced myself to one boy I had never seen before," Pulliam said. "He was cheering on the Klan. He was from a small town in Alabama. He and his family had come all the way over from Alabama to support the Klan."

In many respects, Jasper seems an eternity away. Pulliam said he doesn't miss the humidity of the East Texas swamps or the Texas-sized mosquitoes that live there, but he also admitted that he hasn't really adjusted to the wind of the Texas Panhandle yet, either.

## More Images ...



Orenda Donelson of Pampa submitted this Family and Friends photo of grandchildren Richard Leal of Pampa and Stephen and Christopher Kelley of Fort Worth paying a visit to Coney Island.

## Happy 50th Nana

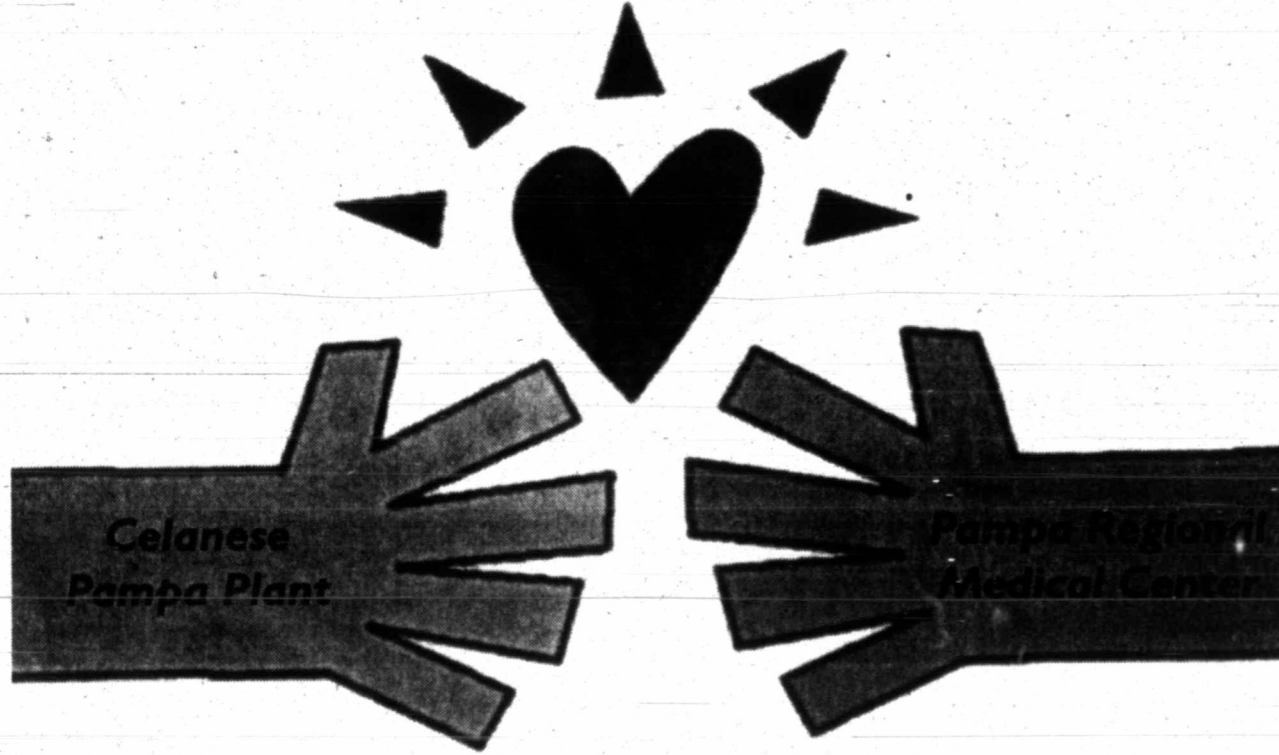
From Chelsie, Dillon, Tommy & Ashlynn

Although he's only at the beginning of his career, Pulliam said there is nothing else he would consider doing.

"I'll retire with this department," he said. "I don't know what branch, but I know it will be this department."

In the meantime, he'll be in Gray County learning his duties, watching traffic, working wrecks and looking for bad guys.

"I'll be here a while," he said.



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## Snaps Through the Year

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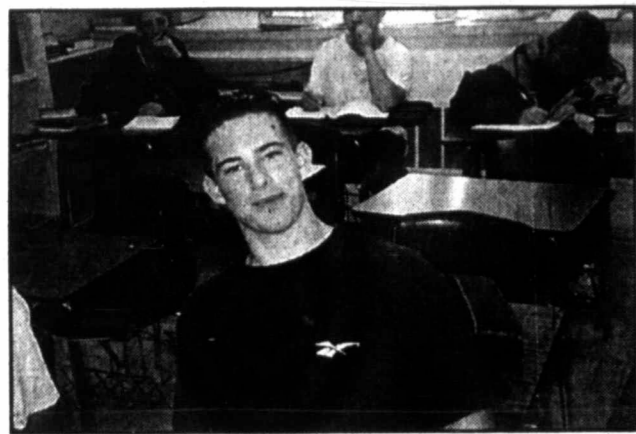
Bubba replied, "At the end of Eucalyptus Drive." The operator asked, "Can you spell that for me?"

There was a long pause and finally Bubba said, "How 'bout if I drag her over to Oak Street and you pick her up there?"

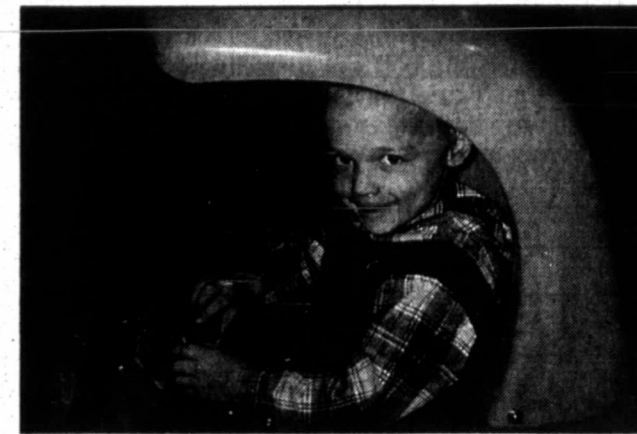


The Journalism class; Neva' Illin' - Always chillin'.

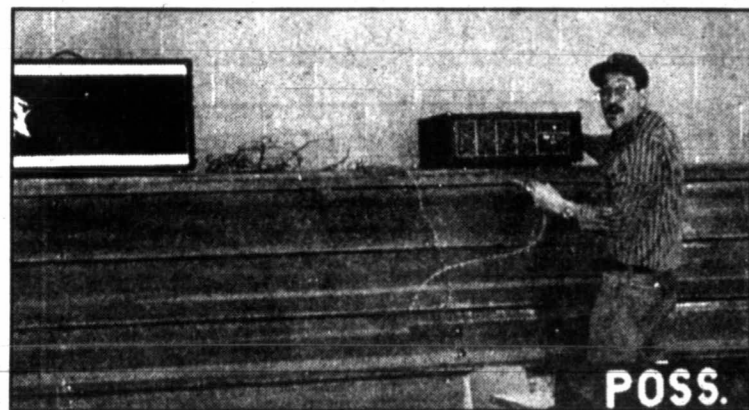
A policeman had a perfect spot to watch for speeders, but wasn't getting many. Then, he discovered the problem—a 10-year old boy was standing up the road with a hand painted sign which read "RADAR TRAP AHEAD." The officer then found a young accomplice down the road with a sign reading "TIPS" and a bucket full of change.



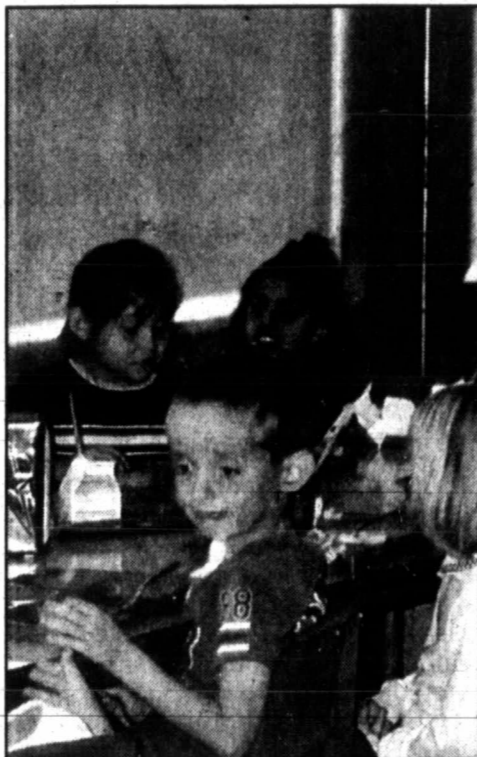
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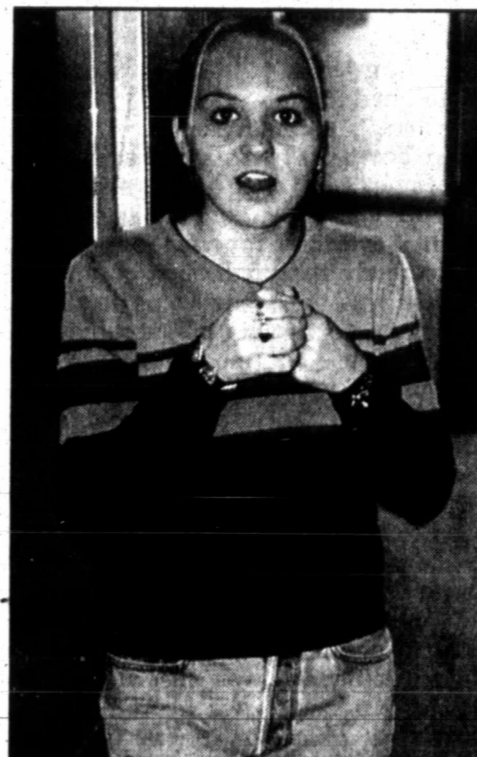
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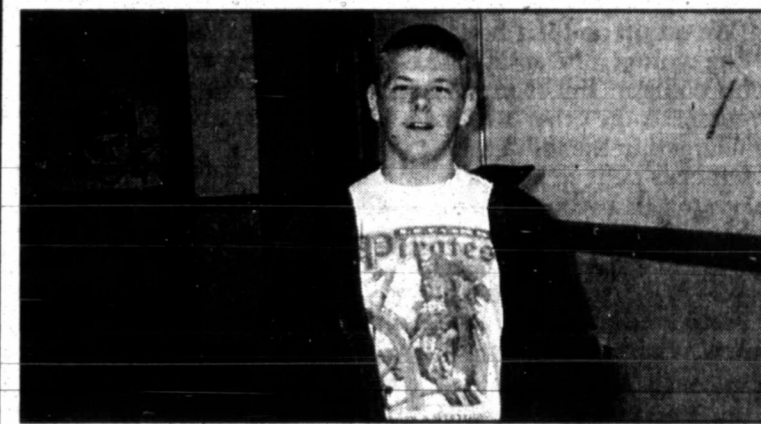
I was gonna bring it back...I promise!



I don't think that was beef stew.



Class????? When did they pass this rule?



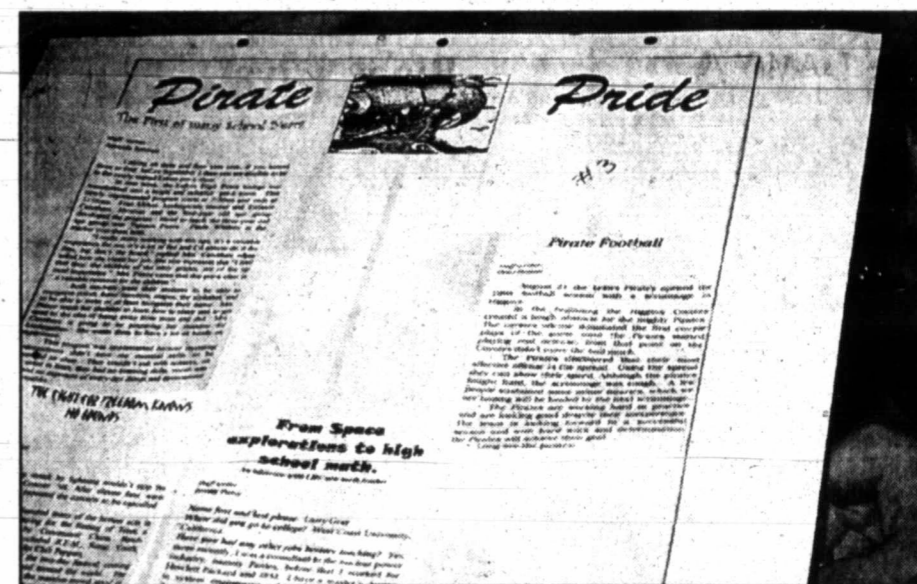
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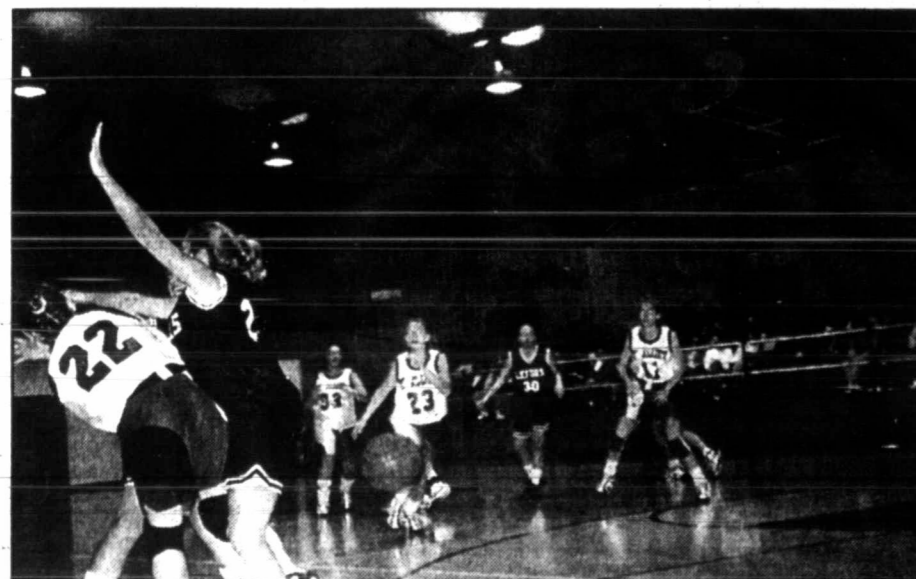
Pirate mural in the Pirate Hall of Honor.



Pirate ship mural in the Pirate's Hall of Honor.



The prelims of the first issue of Pirate Pride.

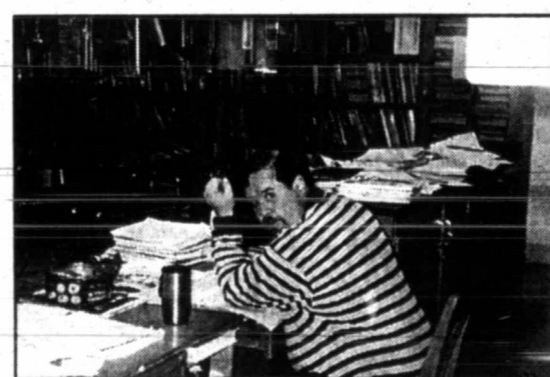


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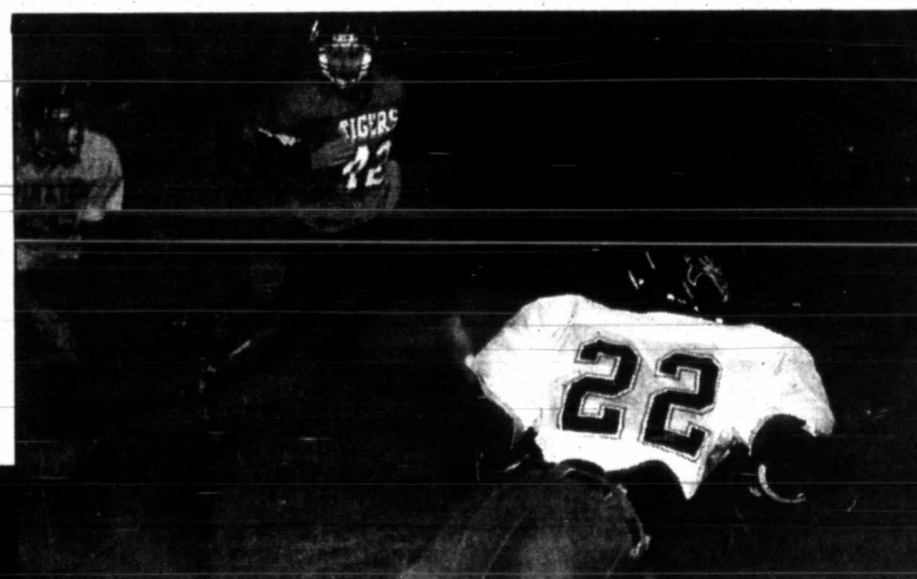
**ABSTAINER, n.** A weak person who yields to the temptation of denying himself a pleasure.

**AFFECTIONATE, adj.** Addicted to being a nuisance. The most affectionate creature in the world is a wet dog.

I've fallen and I can't get up!!!



I didn't do it, can't prove anything.



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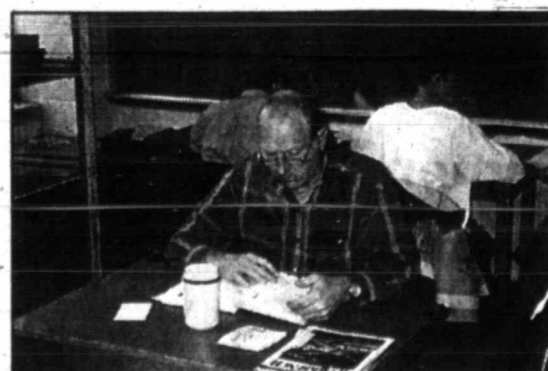
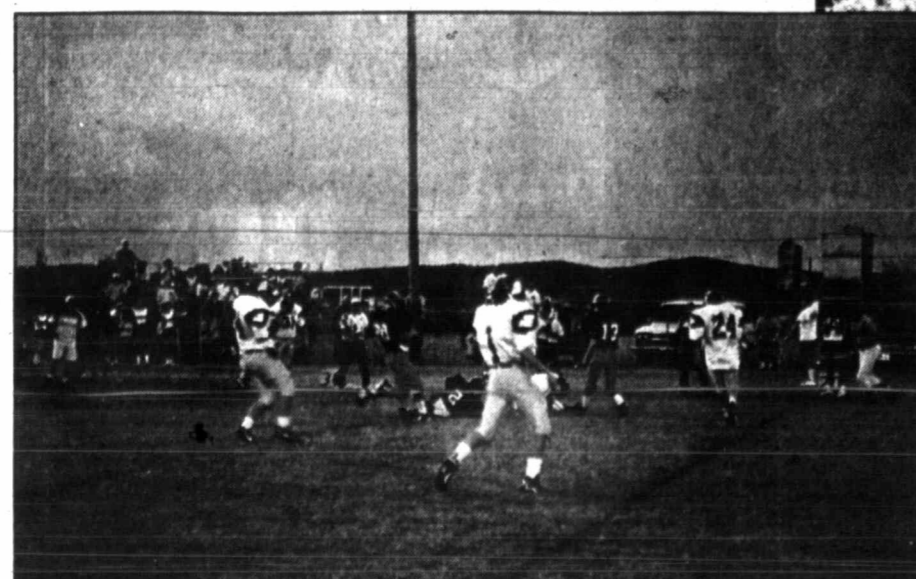
**DEBAUCHEE, n.** One who has so earnestly pursued pleasure that he has had the misfortune to overtake it.

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That's what I thought, punk!



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The oldest student in the shop class.



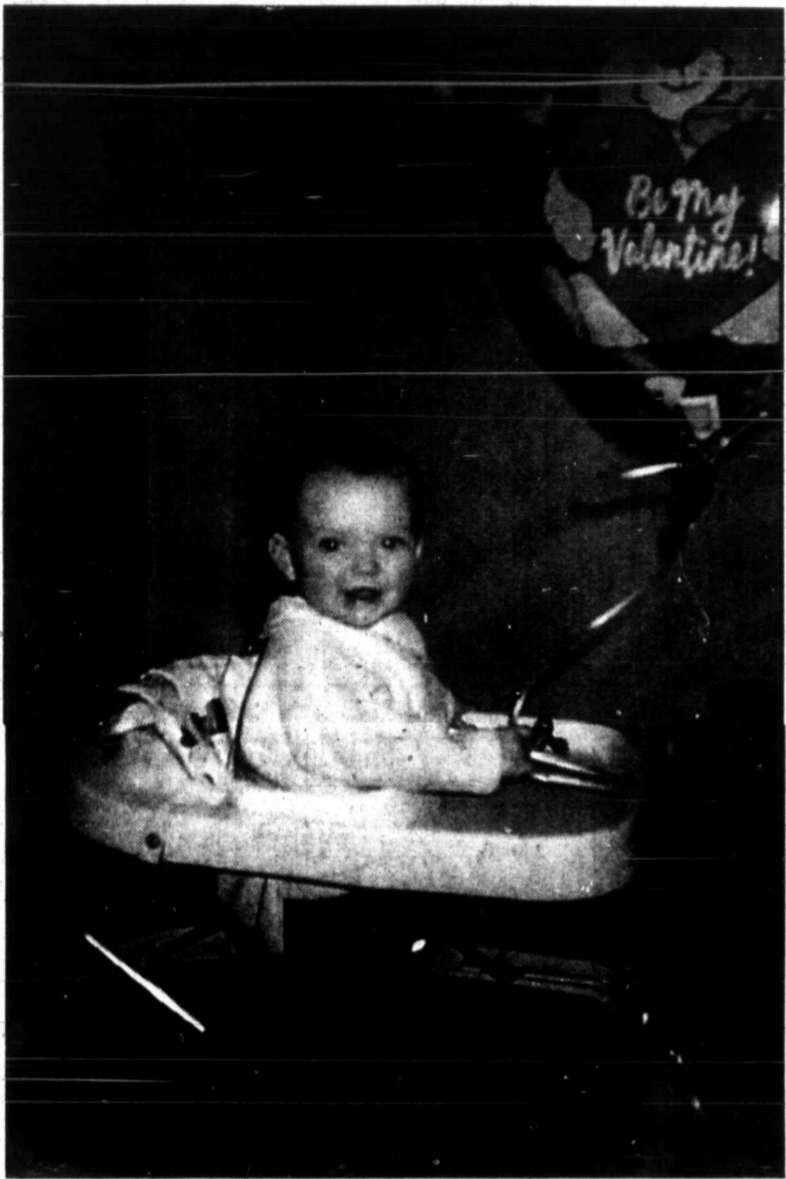


# Turkey to hold Bob Wills Celebration

Bob Wills Celebration will be held April 22-26 at Turkey, Texas. On Thursday, April 22 there will be an autograph party/jam session with the former Texas Playboys. This will be from 7-11 p.m. and it is \$5 per person in the old high school gym. Friday, April 23 there will be a dance from 9 p.m.-midnight at the Bob Wills Center, former Texas Playboys will be featured. Cost is \$10 per person. Saturday, April 24 a pancake breakfast will be at 7 a.m. This will be all you can eat at the Bob Wills Center Cafeteria. Also on Saturday, there will be a parade at 10 a.m. in downtown main street, a BBQ at 11 a.m. at the Bob Wills Center, Old Fiddlers Contest at 12 noon at the Auditorium Center and Gym, cost \$5.

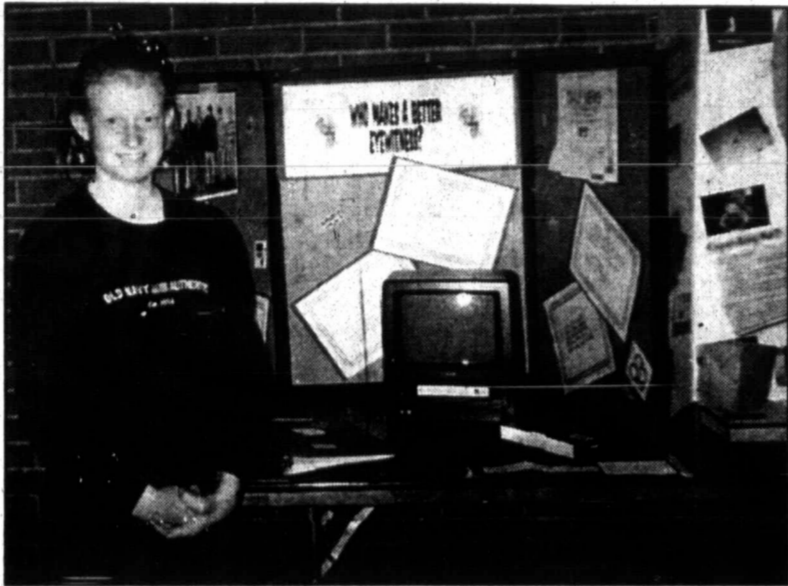
There will be a program for free at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the old football field east of Bob Wills Center. The program consists of all the former Texas Playboys present. This will be one of the largest groups ever assembled in one place. Master of Ceremonies will be Dr. Charles Townsend, Grammy Award-winning author. Saturday night there will be a dance at 7 p.m. featuring Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys for \$10 per person. At 11 p.m. at the Bob Willis Cafeteria, there will be a midnight breakfast. Sunday, April 26, Bob Wills Community Worship Service at 8:30 a.m. at the old football field. Also, the Bob Wills Museum at the Bob Wills Center is open Monday-Friday year round. Visit the monument at the West end of Main Street. Bob Wills Foundation Souvenirs will be available at the Bob Wills Center. There are tapes, records, caps and T-shirts. Arts and Crafts booths will be open on Saturday, many artesianis will exhibit their wares. Bob Wills Concession is east of Bob Wills Center and includes barbecue and soft drinks.

## More images ...



Otis and Cathy Henson submitted this entry in the Family and Friends category of the recent photography contest. Mayson Emily Patterson celebrates her first Valentine's Day.

## Science Fair



(Special photo) Whitney Wichert, of Austin Elementary School, recently placed first at Regional for Behavioral and Social Sciences.

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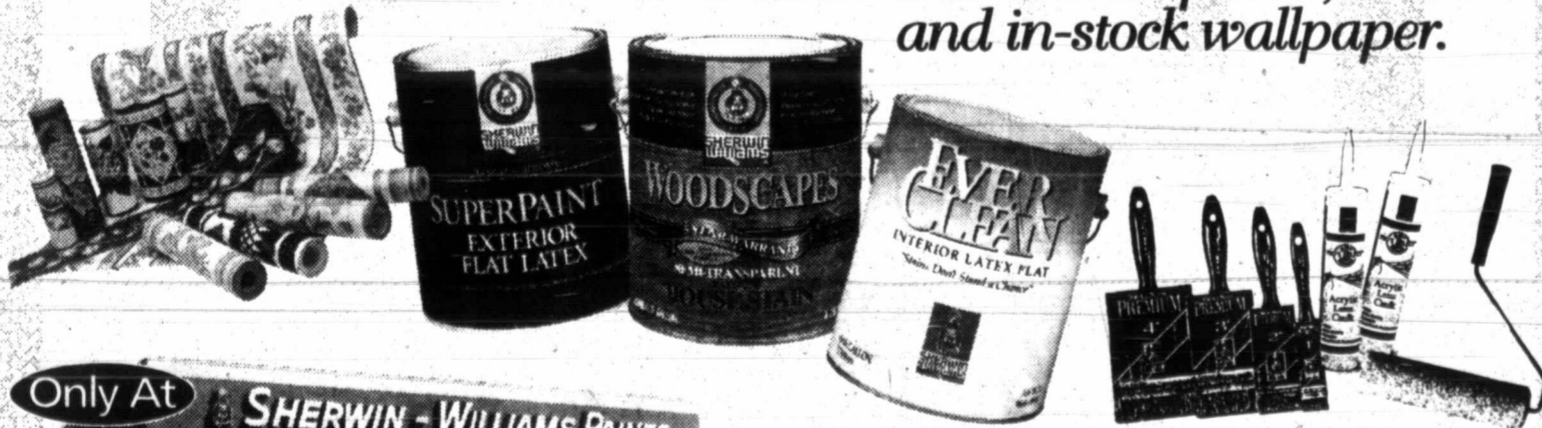
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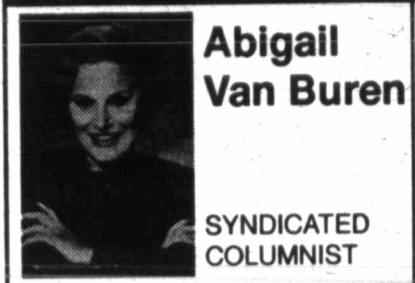
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# Women Serious About Marriage May Have to Play Hard to Get

DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to "Wants to Be Loved in Pennsylvania," whose fiance refused to set a date because he said she "loved him too much." There is one strong, practical, inescapable truth. Almost no single man, including her fiance, thinks that marriage is a good idea. He associates it with getting old, becoming settled and being tied down. Almost all fiances need a strong jolt to upset their satisfied complacency and to make them realize how important and necessary their woman is to them.



**Abigail Van Buren**  
 SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

She should make herself unavailable to him. No ultimatums, no blame-placing, no arguments. Just a clear announcement that he obviously has different future goals than she, and that she is immediately separating toward hers. And stick to it! If it's meant to be, he will quickly realize that she is essential to his happiness, and he'll discover (as have millions of other married men) how happy and fulfilling the dreaded marital life really is.

DEAR ABBY: You have printed stories in your column about the kindness of strangers. Well, I have a story to tell:

In 1978, my sister and I were traveling together. We visited the London Bridge in Lake Havasu, Ariz. We had some car trouble near Parker, Ariz., and had to be towed to a motel.

After the car was fixed the next day, we toured the Joshua Tree National Monument. At about 2 p.m. we decided we were hungry, so we stopped at a restaurant, only to discover when we entered that they were closed until 4:30 p.m. We asked one of the men sitting at the

counter where we could find a restaurant that would be open, since we were traveling and were very hungry. He jumped up and said, "Come on in!"

Abby, the cook was stretched out on the floor napping, but the man got him up to prepare a meal for us. We had pot roast, creamed potatoes, vegetables, biscuits and honey and fresh coffee. We felt like royalty being served in a "closed" restaurant. It was one of the highlights of our trip.

As we were leaving, we took a snapshot of that little restaurant to remind us in years to come how kind they were to total strangers. It was called the Stardust.

RUTH RANSHAW,  
 HARRISBURG, PA.

P.S. At the time, I was 62 and my sister was 73.

**DEAR RUTH: We are bombarded daily with bad news, so it's refreshing to hear stories about acts of kindness. It reaffirms the basic goodness of people.**

**With a customer service policy like the Stardust's, I hope they're still in business and thriving. Thank you for writing.**

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## Horoscope

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1999  
 BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Remain loving and in the moment. Others might be confused about their plans. New beginnings are possible financially. Stop being edgy, and allow more trust into your life. Tempers flare, especially concerning boundaries. Tonight: Your treat.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You could be overly serious; others do their best to elevate your mood. You might feel the weight of the world on you. Another might lose if he can't get you to change your position. Open up to new possibilities. Don't slam doors! Tonight: Do whatever is relaxing.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★ It is clear you don't have all the answers, although you would like to have a few! Instead of pushing so hard, lighten up. You will find that struggling isn't worth it. News from a distance is important, though not complete. Brainstorm with others and let your mind open up. Tonight: Take a deep breath.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Your creativity and loved ones need a "time out." Listen to your inner sense when making a decision about a partner and money. Consider different options. You might need financial advice. Feedback is important, but ultimately you

have to make your own decisions. Tonight: With friends.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Others demand a lot from you. Can you make the grade? As you strive to hit the mark, you could find yourself feeling irritable. A family member could also be in a sore mood. A partner might be confused by his choices. Consider yours. Tonight: A late-night appearance.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You might not agree about plans; in fact, news may force you to regroup. You might not be able to do as much as you would like. Confusion runs rampant at work. Avoid picking up the mood and becoming scattered. Tonight: Relax with a good movie.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Money pressure has you fried. You might not understand where another is coming from. Be realistic about the demands you make on yourself. How you view where you're heading could change. Take a hard look at what you are doing. Tonight: Talk to a trusted partner.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You could be more quarrelsome and touchy than you realize. You want action, and you want it now! However, a partner might not be willing to change in the way you want him to. Listen to what is offered. Sometimes you can be a bit demanding. Tonight: Let another decide.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ Have you been stifling your temper? Make sure you know what you want before you start a revolution. Be realistic about what you expect. You could be way too tired and pressured to make a sound decision. Experiment, and be willing to take a leap of faith. Tonight: Head home.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Don't let a feeling of restriction get to you. You might not immediately lock onto the perfect answer. Trust your ability to sort through ideas and to eventually arrive at the proper decision. Check in with another about a financial matter. Feedback is important. Tonight: Join friends.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You could find others stubborn, rigid and irate. Before you trigger even more trouble, pull back and smile. You know what you need; stay directed. Put that extra effort into work rather than fretting up a storm. If unsure, don't proceed. Tonight: Take a night off — you need it!

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Your sense of humor helps you move past an immediate hassle. Another claims up; don't take this personally. Be detached, optimistic and communicative. Question what you need to do in order to break past another's restrictions. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

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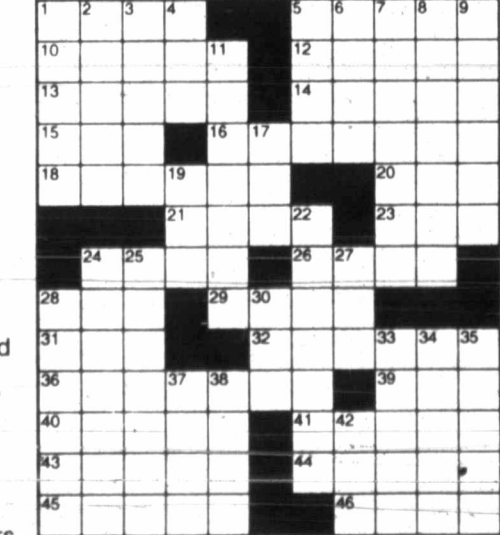
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"Don't be so sensitive. We know I'm kidding myself when I say I'm your master."

## The Family Circus



"It serves you right for buying them a new computer game at tax time."

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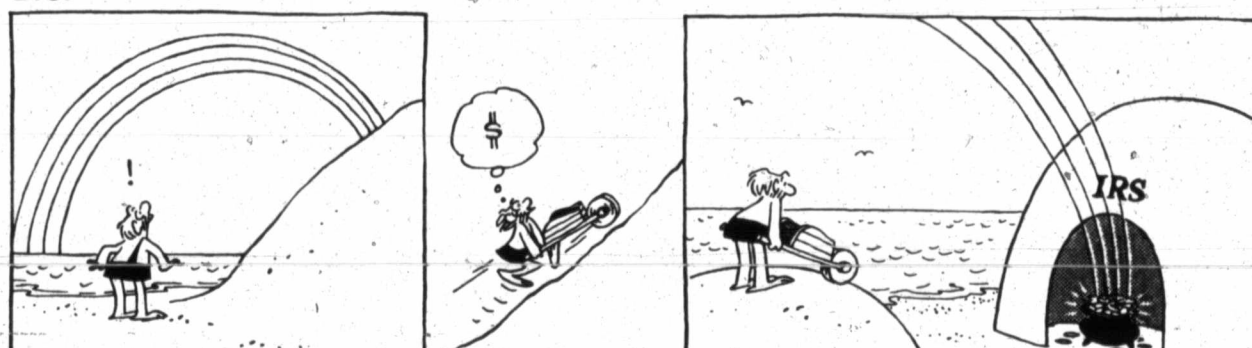
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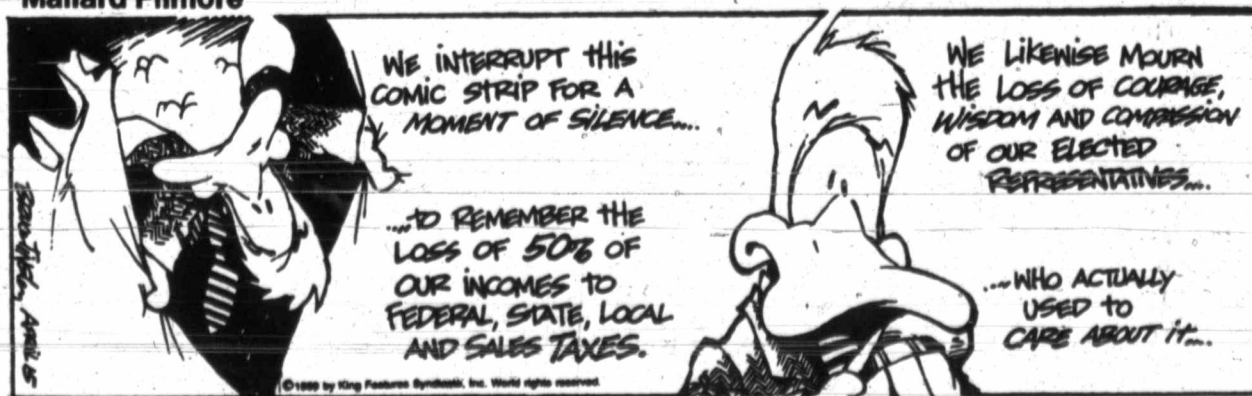
## Peanuts



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# SPORTS

## Notebook TRACK

**DUMAS** — Pampa High sophomore Reece Hartman had a 6-2 in the high jump to place second at the North Plains Relays last weekend. Tascosa's Nick Talley cleared 6-8 to take first in the event.

Pampa tied with Caprock for seventh place in the team totals. Dumas placed first while Palo Duro was second and Tascosa third.

## BOXING

**ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)** — A lawmaker turned over evidence of what he says is possible criminal conduct in the judging of the disputed bout between Evander Holyfield and Lennox Lewis.

State Sen. Roy Goodman said he gave his evidence to Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau. Goodman said testimony on March 18 before the Senate Investigations Committee, which Goodman chairs, has been forwarded to Morgenthau's investigators.

## OLYMPICS

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — The Utah Sports Authority's executive committee has agreed to delay the transfer of a sports park and speedskating oval to Olympic organizers who are slashing budgets in the wake of the bribery scandal.

The Utah Winter Sports Park near Park City, the site for ski jumping, bobsled and luge events, and the Oquirrh Skating Oval had been scheduled for transfer to the Salt Lake Organizing Committee today.

But if the governor signs off on the 90-day delay, as expected, the deal will not close until mid-July.

In the meantime, the SLOC board's management committee will consider \$84 million in budget cuts proposed by management, including \$5 million for the operation of the sports park and the speedskating oval at Kearns.

The proposed cuts "created a cloud of uncertainty. It may or may not become a problem," said Randy Dryer, chairman of the sports authority.

The sports authority built the facilities with taxpayer money. SLOC has agreed to turn them over to the state, along with \$99 million, after the games. The purchase price — \$59 million and a \$40 million legacy — was set by the Legislature.

Athletes and the U.S. Olympic Committee were peeved by the revelation in a closed-door meeting last week that a third of SLOC's budget for operating the venues — or about \$5 million — could be sliced out.

Athletes had counted on the venues to train for the 2002 Winter Games, and a cut of that size likely would mean closure of the Utah Winter Sports Park for some time. The oval is already closed until 2000 so a roof can be built.

USOC Vice President Sandy Baldwin said Tuesday she doesn't believe the SLOC needs to make such big budget cuts, nor that athletic venues should suffer.

New SLOC President Mitt Romney is fearful that scandal-weary corporate sponsors will boycott the games, putting in jeopardy the remaining \$300 million needed to finance the \$1.45 billion budget. He wants the \$84 million in cuts as a hedge against a shortfall.

The marketing company selling sponsorships has not had much luck since investigations this winter showed Salt Lake's bidders for the games wooed International Olympic Committee members with \$1.2 million in cash, scholarships, vacations, medical care and shopping sprees.

## Lady Harvesters favored in 3-4A dist. track meet

**PAMPA** — Pampa's Lady Harvesters will be the overwhelming favorite at the District 3-4A track meet, which will be held this weekend at Randy Matson Field.

The Lady Harvesters have been superior in the sprints and shorter relays, and have had the numbers in the middle distance and distance events to go unbeaten in all five of their meets this season.

The district meet begins at 9 a.m. Friday with the field events. The 3200 kicks off the running events at 11 a.m.

On Saturday, the field events begin at 10 a.m., followed by the finals at 2 p.m.

Pampa won going away last weekend at the Amarillo Relays, scoring 123 points and placing third or better in nine events. The Lady Harvesters were the defending champions of the Amarillo Relays.

"Our girls ran real well, particularly in the relay events," said Pampa head coach Mike Lopez.

Both of Pampa's 400 and 800-meter relay teams have the area's best times, 48.4 and 1:44.4, respectively.

Lacresse Ford, a 12.2 in the 100, Lavonne Evans, 24.8 in the 200, and Jenny Fatheree, 2:17.1 in the 800 have the area's best times.

Evans, a junior, won the 200 at the Amarillo Relays with a time of 25.4, but her 24.8 in the prelims equaled her best of the season. Ford's 12.54 in the 100 was good enough for first place.

High finishes in the distance events for sisters Jenny and

Rebecca Fatheree helped put Pampa solidly in front.

Jenny Fatheree, a senior, is always a big point-getter even when she doesn't win. Fatheree took second in the 800 and third in the 1600. Rebecca, a freshman, claimed second in the 3200.

"Rebecca ran real well and I thought Ashleigh Patton had a good meet," Lopez said. "She had a personal best in the triple jump (35-9 3/4 and second place)."

Senior sprinter Curtis Johnson is Pampa's best hope to advance to regionals in the boys' division.

Johnson has the area's best time (21.0) in the 200 this season. Johnson has lost the event only once this year and that was because of a pulled muscle. Johnson's 21.0 came in the Amarillo Relays in which he set a new Division One record.

Johnson has the fourth best time (10.8) in the 100 and is ranked ninth in the long jump at 21-4.

The 1600-meter relay team, anchored by Johnson, has the area's fifth best time at 3:27.9. Other team members are Kelby McClellan, Orlando Madrid and Armando Tarango.

Pampa sophomore Reece Hartman could make it out of district in the high jump. Hartman placed second in the high jump at the North Plains Relays last weekend in Dumas.

Palo Duro and Dumas are expected to battle for the district boys' title.

## Doubles team



The Pampa doubles team of junior Matt Rains (left) and sophomore Bryce Jordan tuned up for the District 3-4A Tennis Tournament by placing second at the Eagle Invitational in Abilene last weekend. The district tournament will be held Friday at Hereford.

## 8th grade girls win at Dumas

**DUMAS** — Pampa 8th grade girls tuned up for the district meet by winning the Dumas Track meet last weekend.

Pampa scored 147 points to win at Dumas. Borger was second with 138 points and Hereford was third with 120.

The middle school district track meet will be held Friday in Borger. The meet begins at 4 p.m. with the field events.

Pampa results are as follows: Shot: Sara Blankenship, third place, 28-1.

Discus: Apryl Deleon, 87-9; Leslie McWilliams, sixth place, 87-9.

High jump: Erika Hill, first place, 4-8; Kayla Conner, fourth place, 4-6.

Long jump: Teryn Stowers, second place, 14-7; Abby Cavalier, fourth place, 13-9 1/2.

Triple jump: Teryn Stowers, first place, 30-1; Casey Fisher, fourth place, 28-6; Abby Cavalier, fifth place, 27-9.

2400: Megan Craig, third place, 10:40.00; Valerie Velez, fifth place, 11:02.48; Beth Platt, sixth place, 11:10.52.

400 relay: Pampa, third place (Stowers, Cavalier, Gibson and Terrell), 57:12.

800: T'Andra Holmes, first place, 2:45.78; Andrea Lee, second place, 2:54.64.

100 hurdles: Mary Alice Warner, fifth place, 17:95.

100: Teryn Stowers, fourth place, 13:63; Casey Fisher, sixth place, 13:90.

800 relay: Pampa, third place (Stowers, Cavalier, Gibson and Goldsmith), 2:06:86.

300 hurdles: Stefani Goldsmith, fourth place, 55:25.

400: Erika Hill, fifth place, 1:14.36. 200: Cassie Gibson, second place, 31:24; Lindsey Terrell, sixth place, 32:63.

1600: T'Andra Holmes, first place, 6:11.51; Andrea Lee, second place, 6:26.60.

1600 relay: Pampa, fifth place (Holmes, Craig, Lee and Hill), 4:52.92.

100 hurdles: Stephani Goldsmith, sixth place, 18:31.

Pampa had 94 points to place third in the 7th grade division. Borger won with 214 points and Canyon was second with 129.

Pampa results are as follows: High jump: Keisha Childress, second place, 4-8.

Long jump: Katlin Passini, fifth place, 13-5.

Triple jump: Tisha Platt, fifth place, 24-3 1/2.

2400: Tara Jordan, first place, 10:01.55; Abbi Covalt, third place, 10:32.06.

400 relay: Pampa, fourth place (Jennings, Green, Brown and Perry), 1:00.71.

800: Kori Dunn, first place, 2:47.53. 100: Nikki Green, third place, 13.90.

800 relay: Pampas, fourth place (Perry, Jones, Reidle and Green), 2:08.38.

300 hurdles: Tatum Brown, fifth place, 1:00.2.

1600: Tara Jordan, first place, 6:27.81; Kori Dunn, third place, 6:40.49.

1600 relay: Pampa, second place (Covalt, Dunn, Perry and Jordan), 4:50.04.

## Pampa boys take 4th

**HEREFORD** — Pampa 7th graders placed fourth out of 10 teams at the Hereford Middle School Boys' Track Meet last weekend.

Pampa results are as follows: 400 relay: Pampa, second place (Mac Smith, Andrew Curtis, Derek Lewis and Jesse Tarango), 51.02.

100: Jesse Tarango, fifth place, 12.34.

Triple jump: Mac Smith, second place, 31-10.

800 relay: Pampa, sixth place (Max Vinson, Britten White, Derek Lewis and Danny Meza), 1:58.

400: Jesse Tarango, first place, 60.74; Andrew Curtis, sixth place, 64.10.

300 hurdles: Collin Bowers, sixth place, 54.76.

200: Mac Smith, third place, 26.81; Andrew Curtis, fourth place, 27.02; Derek Lewis, fifth place, 27.11.

1600: Cody Locknane, fourth place, 6:00.94.



Lisa Kirkpatrick had one of Pampa's 10 hits in a 13-3 win over Randall in high school softball action last weekend. The Lady Harvesters can clinch a share of the District 3-4A championship with a win over Frenship on Saturday.

## Rangers down Mariners

**SEATTLE (AP)** — Texas pitcher Jeff Zimmerman called his first major league victory "bittersweet."

"I came in with runners on first and third, and my job is to keep them from scoring," Zimmerman said.

The young right-hander came into Wednesday night's game with the score tied 3-3 and runners on the corners. Zimmerman fell behind in the count 3-0 before giving up a sacrifice fly to deep left field by Jay Buhner that allowed David Segui to score from third.

Zimmerman pitched 2 2-3 innings of perfect baseball in relief of starter John Burkett, but he couldn't forget about Buhner's at bat.

"That first guy was the most important one," Zimmerman said. "I fell behind. I should have immediately challenged him."

The Rangers eventually took the lead on a RBI single by Tom Goodwin in the seventh, then added four runs in the ninth to beat Seattle 9-6.

Lee Stevens led the Rangers' 17-hit attack with three hits, including a two-run homer in the ninth.

"It was nice to get a few insurance runs," Stevens said of his second homer of the season. "I was down two strikes. I was just trying to hit it hard into play."

The Rangers overcame a poor start by John Burkett, who gave up four runs and eight hits in 4 1-3 innings. Zimmerman (1-0) went on to get his first decision and John Wetteland, the Rangers' fifth pitcher, got four outs for his third save, despite allowing RBI doubles to David Segui and Ken Griffey Jr. in the ninth.

Zimmerman pitched well for the

second day in a row.

"He did a good job yesterday, and today he was awesome," said Roberto Kelly. "We're going to score some runs, so if our pitchers can hold it together and we play good defense, it will all take care of itself."

Kelly and Stevens each had three hits for the Rangers, who have won the first two games of the three-game series. Goodwin had two hits, scored two runs and stole a pair of bases.

Burkett has struggled against the Mariners. In eight starts, he has a 1-4 record with a 6.30 ERA.

Rangers manager Johnny Oates felt Burkett pitched fairly well, but would like to see his starters go a little further into the game.

"We're capable of pitching even better than we did tonight," Oates said. "It's only a matter of time before we get it all worked out."

Seattle tied a team record with eight doubles.

"We've scored runs the last couple of nights," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said. "You score 12 runs in two games and get beat by what? Fourteen? You should be able to win those games."

## Braves romp

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Chipper Jones, Javy Lopez and Gerald Williams homered to lead the Atlanta Braves over the Philadelphia Phillies 10-4 Wednesday night for their third consecutive win.

Ryan Klesko went 4-for-4 to tie his career high for hits and had two RBIs as the Braves beat the Phillies for the ninth time in their last 11 meetings.

Jones, in a 7-for-34 slump with just one RBI in the season's first eight games, drove in two runs with the homer and double.

Brian Jordan drove in a pair of runs and is 9-for-20 with eight RBIs against the Phillies this season.

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# Brand becomes first Duke player to take early jump to NBA

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Duke's first underclassman to head to the NBA apparently couldn't pass up what his coach called a sure thing.

"Elton Brand is not just an (NBA) lottery pick, he's a high lottery pick," Mike Krzyzewski said Wednesday during a news conference in which the 6-foot-8, 270-pound center said he would skip his final two years of college eligibility to turn pro. "It was inevitable it was going to happen in our program."

Brand, who helped lead the Blue Devils to a 37-2 record and NCAA runner-up finish this past season, showed little emotion at his news conference held in Cameron Indoor Stadium attended by his mother, Daisy, and a half-dozen teammates.

Krzyzewski, still recovering from hip surgery at home, joined in by telephone.

"(The NBA) has been a lifelong dream of mine, and this just makes me one step closer to accomplishing it," said Brand, who received an ovation from about 50 fans as he entered Cameron. "I am going to miss my teammates and my friends I've made, and the staff, but coach felt it was the right decision and the right time."

Brand is the fourth player to come out early for the NBA draft, joining Ron Artest (St. John's), Steve Francis (Maryland) and Albert White (Missouri). Underclassmen have until May 15 to declare.

Brand admitted being Duke's

first player to quit school for the NBA weighed on him some, but said Krzyzewski's support made his decision easier.

"It was a different situation for the Grant Hills and the Christian Laettner," Brand said. "(Going pro) wasn't as much of an option as it is now."

Brand will likely be picked in the top five of the June 30 NBA draft and become an instant millionaire. Krzyzewski called Brand's decision to leave the Blue Devils a "no-brainer."

"We talked to Elton when he first came to Duke that at the end of his time here he would have decisions to make. Going to Duke provides you with great decisions to make, and because of how well he has done, the decision-making process has been moved up," Krzyzewski said. "I'm 100 percent in support of it."

The consensus national college player of the year averaged 17.8 points and 9.8 rebounds this past season and was the main cog in the middle for the talented Blue Devils. But he fell short of his goal of leading the Blue Devils to the national title 2 1/2 weeks ago in a 77-74 loss to Connecticut.

Brand was the first sophomore to win the John R. Wooden Award, presented by the Los Angeles Athletic Club to college basketball's top player. Brand also was honored this season by The Associated Press, the Atlanta Tipoff Club and the United States Basketball Writers Association as national player of the year.

# Yankees take full advantage of Orioles' shoddy defense

NEW YORK (AP) — Another ugly game, another New York Yankees win.

Chuck Knoblauch had five hits, including a leadoff homer, and the New York Yankees took advantage of shoddy play by Baltimore to win their seventh straight, beating the Orioles 14-7 Wednesday night to take sole possession of the AL East lead for the first time this year.

An ugly relief performance by Hideki Irabu almost cost the Yankees their ninth straight home win against Baltimore. Irabu gave up five runs in one-third of an inning in his first appearance at Yankee Stadium this season.

Irabu, dropped from the rotation after failing to cover first base twice in one week during spring training and called a "fat ... toad" by owner George Steinbrenner, was booed loudly as he left the field following Harold Baines'

three-run homer that made it 8-7.

After his homer off Scott Erickson (0-2), Knoblauch added singles in the second, fourth, fifth and seventh innings to tie his career high in hits and raise his average from .174 to .321. His RBI single in the seventh put the Yankees up 9-7.

One out later, Paul O'Neill hit a three-run homer off Jesse Orosco, his first hit in 17 at-bats against the left-hander. O'Neill finished 3-for-4 with four RBIs and three runs scored as the Yankees won their 12th straight regular season home game.

New York added two in the eighth when Mike Fetters barked in Tino Martinez and Joe Girardi hit an RBI double.

David Cone (2-0) allowed two runs — one earned — and four hits in six innings to hand the Orioles their sixth loss in seven games.

# Diamondbacks down Dodgers

PHOENIX (AP) — Jay Bell hit his major league-leading fifth home run — all against the Dodgers — and Omar Daal pitched seven strong innings Wednesday night as the Arizona Diamondbacks rallied to beat Los Angeles Dodgers 6-2.

Steve Finley also homered for the Diamondbacks, who have won three of four following a 1-4 start.

Daal (1-0) scattered three hits in seven innings, struck

out five and walked six — one intentionally.

Bell tied the game at 2 in the sixth when he homered off the right-field foul pole — his fourth in 11 plate appearances.

The Diamondbacks chased Carlos Perez (0-2) in the seventh when they scored four runs with two outs, getting five hits and an error.

Tony Batista doubled but was thrown out when Finley's sacrifice attempt failed.

# Scoreboard

SOFTBALL		1999 Spring Softball League Standings		Non-Conf.	
Division	W	L			
Men's Open					
Division One					
BDC-KS Supply	2	0			
MOB	1	1			
Celanese One	1	1			
Play's Cafe	1	1			
Emly's Cafe	1	1			
Giles	0	2			
Division Two					
Ferguson Ball Bonds	2	0			
7H Cattle Co.	1	1			
Southeast Collision	1	1			
Parker Boots	1	1			
Panther Pizza	1	1			
Team Celanese	0	2			
Division Three					
Pampa Bulls	2	0			
Taylor Mart	1	1			
Hi-Way Package	1	1			
Triple R	1	1			
Dr. DaSilva's	1	1			
West Texas Landscape	0	2			
Mixed Open					
Division 1-2					
Division One					
Pampa Cyber Net	2	0			
Subway	1	1			
Carier Sand & Gravel	0	1			
Division Two					
Smith Tool	2	0			
Mannatch	1	1			
Webb Insurance	1	1			
Pampa Machine	1	1			
B & J Pump Supply	0	1			
B & J	0	1			
Big Country Tire	0	1			
Division Three					
Eagle Radiator	2	0			
Hobbs Earth Moving	2	0			
Potter Trucking	1	1			
Thomas Automotive	1	1			
Central Baptist B	0	1			
First Christian Church	0	1			
Trinity Fellowship	0	2			
Men's Church	1	1			
Division 1-2					
Division One					
Brianwood Church	1	0			
Bible Church	1	0			
St. Vincent's	1	1			
Cross Roads	0	1			
M.E.H. Church of Christ	1	0			
Division Two					
Trinity Fellowship	2	0			
Central Baptist A	1	0			
Central Baptist B	0	1			
First Christian Church	0	1			
First Baptist Church	0	1			
Women's Open					
Barritt Club	2	0			
Pampa Cyber Net	2	0			
Century 21	1	0			
Southwest Tile & Carpet	1	0			
Rick's Body Shop	0	1			
Pampa Regional Medical Center	0	1			
Outreach Health Services	0	2			
Russell Electric	0	2			
Standings as of April 9					

BASEBALL		National League		At A Glance	
By The Associated Press					
All Times EDT					
East Division					
New York	7	2	.778		
Atlanta	6	3	.667		
Philadelphia	4	5	.444		
Florida	2	6	.250		
Central Division					
Houston	5	3	.625		
St. Louis	5	3	.625		
Pittsburgh	4	4	.500		
Chicago	3	5	.375		
Cincinnati	3	5	.375		
Milwaukee	3	5	.375		
West Division					
San Francisco	6	3	.667		
Los Angeles	4	4	.500		
San Diego	4	5	.444		
Arizona	4	5	.444		
Colorado	2	5	.286		
Tuesday's Games					
Milwaukee @ Montreal 4					
St. Louis @ Pittsburgh 2					
Arizona @ Los Angeles 16					
Houston 7, San Francisco 3					
Only games scheduled					
Wednesday's Games					
Chicago 5, Cincinnati 4					
Montreal 15, Milwaukee 1					
New York 4, Florida 1					
St. Louis 9, Pittsburgh 5					
Atlanta 10, Philadelphia 4					
San Diego @ Colorado, p.p.d., snow					
Houston 6, Los Angeles 2					
Arizona 6, San Francisco 3					
Thursday's Games					
Milwaukee (Karl 0-0) @ Montreal (Thurman 0-1), 1:35 p.m.					
St. Louis (Oliver 0-1) @ Pittsburgh (Peters 0-0), 1:35 p.m.					
Cincinnati (Tomko 0-0) @ Chicago (Sanders 0-1), 2:20 p.m.					
Houston (Bergman 0-0) @ San Francisco (Brook 1-0), 4:05 p.m.					
San Diego (Clement 0-1) @ Colorado (Bohonon 1-0), 5:05 p.m.					
Atlanta (Gleive 0-2) @ Philadelphia					

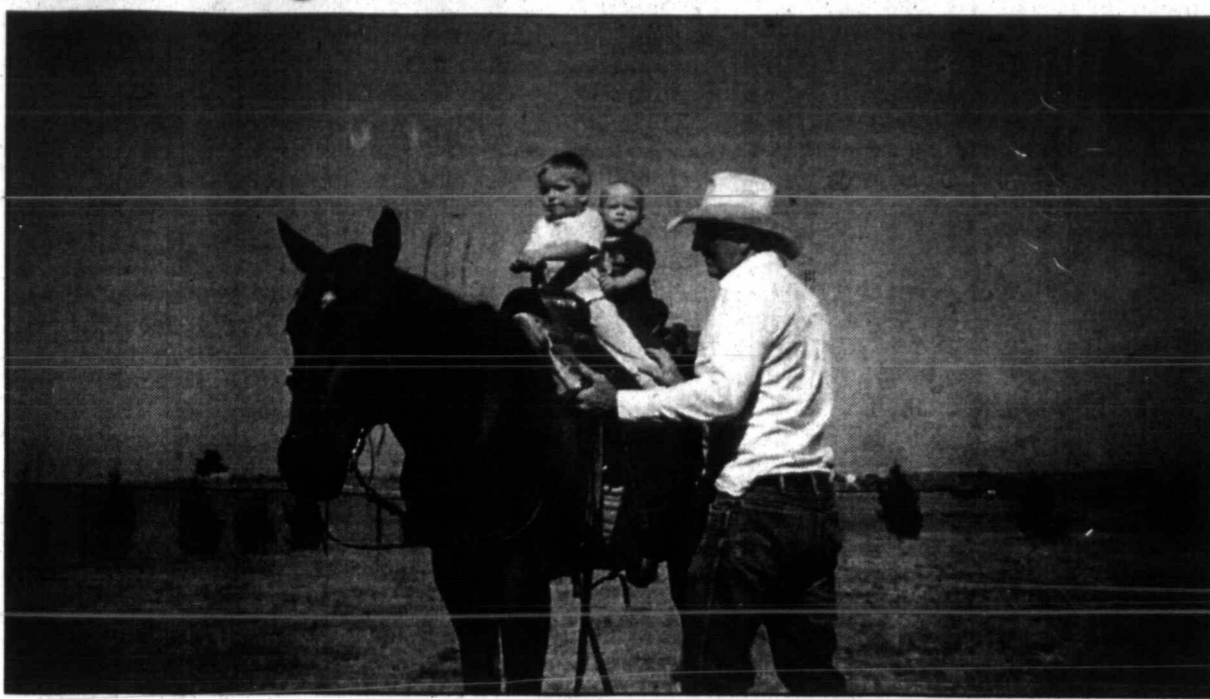
BASEBALL		American League		At A Glance	
By The Associated Press					
All Times EDT					
East Division					
New York	7	1	.875		
Boston	6	1	.857		
Toronto	4	4	.500		
Tampa Bay	4	5	.444		
Baltimore	2	6	.250		
Central Division					
Cleveland	7	1	.875		
Kansas City	3	5	.375		
Minnesota	3	5	.375		
Chicago	2	5	.286		
Detroit	2	6	.250		
West Division					
Texas	5	4	.556		
Anaheim	4	5	.444		
Oakland	4	5	.444		
Seattle	4	5	.444		
Tuesday's Games					
Boston 6, Chicago 0					
Tampa Bay 8, Toronto 5					
New York 6, Baltimore 3					
Texas 15, Seattle 6					
Oakland 3, Anaheim 2					
Only games scheduled					
Wednesday's Games					
Detroit 7, Minnesota 1					
Cleveland 11, Kansas City 4					
Toronto 7, Tampa Bay 6, 11 innings					
New York 14, Baltimore 7					
Oakland 6, Anaheim 5					
Texas 9, Seattle 6					
Only games scheduled					
Thursday's Games					
Anaheim (Oliver 1-0) @ Oakland (Heredia 1-0), 4:05 p.m.					
Chicago (Snyder 0-1) @ Boston (P.Martinez 2-0), 6:05 p.m.					
Texas (Helling 0-2) @ Seattle (Fassero 0-2), 8:35 p.m.					
Minnesota (Sampson 0-0) @ Detroit (Moehler 1-1), 7:05 p.m.					
Kansas City (Barber 1-0) @ Cleveland (Nagy 1-0), 7:05 p.m.					
Philadelphia (Santana 0-1) @ Toronto (Carpenter 0-1), 7:05 p.m.					
Baltimore (Mussina 2-0) @ New York (Clemens 1-0), 7:35 p.m.					
Tampa Bay (Alvarez 0-1) @ Boston (Henderson 2-0), 7:05 p.m.					
Baltimore (Ponson 0-1) @ Toronto (Hentgen 0-1), 7:05 p.m.					
Minnesota (Radke 1-1) @ Cleveland (Gooden 0-0), 7:05 p.m.					
New York (Thomson 0-2) @ Detroit (Hernandez 2-0), 7:05 p.m.					
Chicago (Siroka 0-1) @ Kansas City (Pittsley 1-0), 8:05 p.m.					
Seattle (Moyer 1-1) @ Anaheim (Belcher 0-1), 10:05 p.m.					
Texas (Sele 2-0) @ Oakland (Candiotti 0-2), 10:35 p.m.					
TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS					
By The Associated Press					
NATIONAL LEAGUE					
BATTING—Casey, Cincinnati, .517; Gwynn, San Diego, .433; Lieberthal, Philadelphia, .414; Klesko, Atlanta, .407; McEwing, St. Louis, .400; Everett, Houston, .400; Vina, Milwaukee, .400; Bjordan, Atlanta, .400; RUNS—Henderson, New York, 11; Bonds, San Francisco, 10; Kendall, Pittsburgh, 9; BJordan, Atlanta, 9; Tatis, St. Louis, 8; VGuerrero, Montreal, 8; Aurilia, San Francisco, 8; Alfonzo, New York, 8; LGonzalez, Arizona, 8; JBell, Arizona, 8; RBi—Bonds, San Francisco, 11; VGuerrero, Montreal, 10; Mondesi, Los Angeles, 10; Ventura, New York, 10; GHill, Chicago, 10; JBell, Arizona, 10; WJiger, Montreal, 9; BJordan, Atlanta, 9.					
HITS—Casey, Cincinnati, 15; Aurilia, San Francisco, 15; Vina, Milwaukee, 14; MaWilliams, Arizona, 14; Kendall, Pittsburgh, 13; Alfonzo, New York, 13; Karros, Los Angeles, 13; Ventura, New York, 13; JBell, Philadelphia, 13; Gwynn, San Diego, 13.					
DOUBLES—Alfonzo, New York, 5; Olerud, New York, 5; 9 are tied with 4.					
TRIPLES—KYoung, Pittsburgh, 2; 19 are tied with 1.					
HOME RUNS—JBell, Arizona, 5; Rolen, Philadelphia, 4; Mondesi, Los Angeles, 4; LGonzalez, Arizona, 4; GHill, Chicago, 4; Bonds, San Francisco, 4; McGwire, St. Louis, 4.					
STOLEN BASES—EYoung, Los Angeles, 6; Tatis, St. Louis, 3; Everett, Houston, 3; DeBel, Houston, 3; Bagwell, Houston, 3; Biggio, Houston, 3; Javier, San Francisco, 3; Onix, Atlanta, 3.					
PITCHING (2 Decisions)—Schmidt, Pittsburgh, 2-0, 1.000, 1.38; Lieber, Chicago, 2-0, 1.000, 2.25; BJJones, New York, 2-0,					

BASEBALL		American League		At A Glance	
By The Associated Press					
All Times EDT					
West Division					
1.000, .64; Reynolds, Houston, 2-0, 1.000, 2.08; Bortnick, St. Louis, 2-0, 1.000, 1.59; MIBatista, Montreal, 2-0, 1.000, 1.10; Schilling, Philadelphia, 2-0, 1.000, 3.86.					
STRIKEOUTS—RJohnson, Arizona, 24; Smoltz, Atlanta, 16; Lieber, Chicago, 15; Ortiz, San Francisco, 14; Reynolds, Houston, 14; Astacio, Colorado, 14; Lima, Houston, 13; Bortnick, St. Louis, 13.					
SAVES—Wagner, Houston, 4; Brantley, Philadelphia, 4; Nen, San Francisco, 3; Shaw, Los Angeles, 3; JFranco, New York, 3; Acevedo, St. Louis, 2; Beck, Chicago, 2.					
AMERICAN LEAGUE					
BATTING—Thomas, Chicago, 591; Stocker, Tampa Bay, 500; CDavis, New York, 480; Stanley, Boston, 474; Offerman, Boston, 469; Jeter, New York, 467; Vizquel, Cleveland, 455.					
RUNS—Jeter, New York, 16; RAlomar, Cleveland, 11; Knoblauch, New York, 10; Vizquel, Cleveland, 10; WClark, Baltimore, 10; 8 are tied with 9.					
RBI—M Ramirez, Cleveland, 14; O'Neill, New York, 12; Rodriguez, Texas, 11; DMartinez, Tampa Bay, 10; Baines, Baltimore, 10; Greer, Texas, 9; CDelgado, Toronto, 9; Salmon, Anaheim, 9; Stevens, Texas, 9; CDavis, New York, 9.					
HITS—ASGonzalez, Toronto, 16; Offerman, Boston, 15; Velarde, Anaheim, 15; 8 are tied with 14.					
DOUBLES—Glaus, Anaheim, 8; Cordero, Cleveland, 8; Lofton, Cleveland, 6; Offerman, Boston, 6; O'Neill, New York, 6; 6 are tied with 5.					
TRIPLES—Jeter, New York, 3; Offerman, Boston, 3; Cairo, Tampa Bay, 2; Lofton, Cleveland, 2; 16 are tied with 1.					
HOME RUN					



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## Pulitzer prize winner to lead WT workshop

CANYON — Bill Dedman, a 1989 Pulitzer Prize winner will present "Power Reporting" Saturday, May 1 at the Hastings Electronic Learning Center on the West Texas A&M University campus. The first session from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. will be for students, and the later session from 1-5 p.m. is designed for media professionals.

Dedman won the Pulitzer in investigative reporting for "The Color of Money," a series of articles in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution on racial discrimination by lenders. From 1994-97, he was director of computer-assisted reporting for The Associated Press.

The WTAMU sessions will focus on how reporters can use computers more effectively. The hands-on workshop will include instruction in using the Intranet, spreadsheets and databases in reporting.

According to Dedman, computer-assisted reporting is no longer confined to in-depth projects. Daily reporters at small news organizations are using the World Wide Web, CD-Roms, e-mail, spreadsheets and databases to break news and cover breaking news.

Based in Chicago, Dedman reports for The New York Times, teaches as an adjunct instructor at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University and consults with news organizations on the management of computer-assisted reporting. He has taught in small and large newsrooms including those of MSNBC, NBC Nightly News, WABC Radio and "20/20."

His own Power Reporting website is used by journalists as a starting point for research.

Cost of the session is \$30 per person for members of the professional media and the general public. WTAMU students can attend free. Other students must pay \$10 per person.

Participants must preregister, and the deadline for registration is Wednesday, April 28. For more information or to register for the conference, contact Billy Smith, WTAMU instructor of journalism at (806) 651-2414.

The conference is sponsored in part by the Amarillo Globe-News and the Panhandle Press Association.

## Cattle marketing seminar in offing

DIMMITT — The Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Castro Co. will be offering a one-day Fed Cattle Marketing Simulation seminar from at 9 a.m.-4 p.m. May 10 in the Assembly Room, basement level, of Castro County Courthouse.

This national award-winning workshop involves the simulation of the fed cattle market. Participants play the role of the feedlot marketing manager and meat packing plant cattle buyer. A large portion of the game involves interactions among the teams in the trading of cattle.

"The game is fairly fast paced," said seminar leader Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist at Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. "It compresses one week's worth of real time trading into five-to-eight minute trading sessions."

"Participants enter whatever they do, whether it is selling cattle or trading in live cattle futures contracts," he said. The computer summarizes this information then takes the combined actions by all players in the fed cattle arena to drive the boxed beef and feeder cattle markets.

The actions by individual players will determine the profitability of each team whether representing a feedlot or a packing plant.

The exercise helps participants see how their decisions can directly impact aggregate market movements. The computer program keeps track of the financial performance of all teams (or firms), the economist explained.

"We use the simulator to give participants a different way of observing most aspects of the fed cattle market," said Rebel Royall, Castro Co. Extension agent. "It's a great way to learn about cattle marketing in an entertaining and educational setting."

Registration for the course is \$25. Couples are encouraged to attend and will be charged only one registration fee. To preregister by May 6 or for more information, call Royall at the Castro Co. Extension Office in Dimmitt, (806) 647-4115.

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crops of vegetables, melons, and grain. About the same time, Anglo ranchers with large herds of cattle pushed into the Panhandle to exploit the "free Grass" and became the first people to practice agriculture extensively in the region.

By the mid-1800s, fenced ranches occupied virtually all of the region and some ranchers began to experiment with farming in order to provide grain for livestock and other feed for periods of drought. Some also planted vegetable gardens and fruit trees and raised corn and other grains to supplement monotonous diets of beef and wild game.

Drought and hard winters during the late 1880s and depression in the early 1890s adversely affected Panhandle ranches, but farmers began settling in the area. By the early 1900s, most large ranches began aggressively

marketing their lands. As a result, thousands of farmers seeking cheap lands moved into the Panhandle region.

Ranchers and farmers experimented with diversification as early as the 1880s and 1890s but not until the Twentieth Century did they seriously begin relying on more than one way to make a profit. Most importantly, land brochures in the early 1900s urged new settlers to diversify their operations with "the cow, the plow, the sow, and the hen."

The outbreak of World War I in Europe in 1914 created a demand for foodstuff like beef and wheat. So, the region's ranchers and farmers prospered. The mechanization of farming which began in the early 1900s, further encouraged the expansion of farming during the 1920s.

In the early 1930s, the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl defeated many farmers and ranchers but those who survived prospered greatly during World War II. After the war, agriculture in the Panhandle continued to

expand. Drought in the early 1950s again hindered farming and ranching in the region and fewer acres were in cultivation by the 1960s. But agriculture production increased because of widespread use of irrigation, increased mechanization, and specific innovations.

The 1960s also witnessed the establishment of many cattle feedlots in the Panhandle, and these have continued to increase in number and importance. The feedlot industry resulted chiefly from the combined efforts of farming and ranching. Simply put, Panhandle farmers produce an abundance of grain and hay — readily available feed to fatten beef cattle produced in the region.

The exhibit will include photographs, documents, and artifacts pertaining to agricultural pursuits in the Panhandle. Several pieces of old farm equipment will be on display, as well as scale models of a Case steam tractor and threshing machine like those used in the region during the early 1900s.

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