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HOUSTON (AP) — Immigration officials say they didn't know Rafael Resendez-Ramirez was wanted for questioning about three murders in Texas and one in Kentucky when they took him into custody early this month in the El Paso area and then let him go.

"He was processed as one of the approximately 1.5 million illegal immigrants captured by the Border Patrol in the Southwest every year," Immigration and Naturalization Service spokesman Russ Bergeron said Friday. "At the time he was in the custody of the Border Patrol, they didn't have any information on his criminal record or of any outstanding warrants. He was simply treated like any other illegal immigrant and repatriated."

It appears he did not remain in Mexico long.

Two days after his June 2 release, authorities believe he killed a 73-year-old woman in Fayette County, west of Houston. The following day, they believe he killed a 26-year-old Houston school-teacher at her home. His fingerprints then were found June 15 in Gorham, Ill., at the scene of the murder of an 80-year-old man and his 52-year-old daughter.

Charged in the Illinois slayings and wanted for questioning in the other six, Resendez-Ramirez this week earned a spot on the FBI's 10 Most Wanted list.

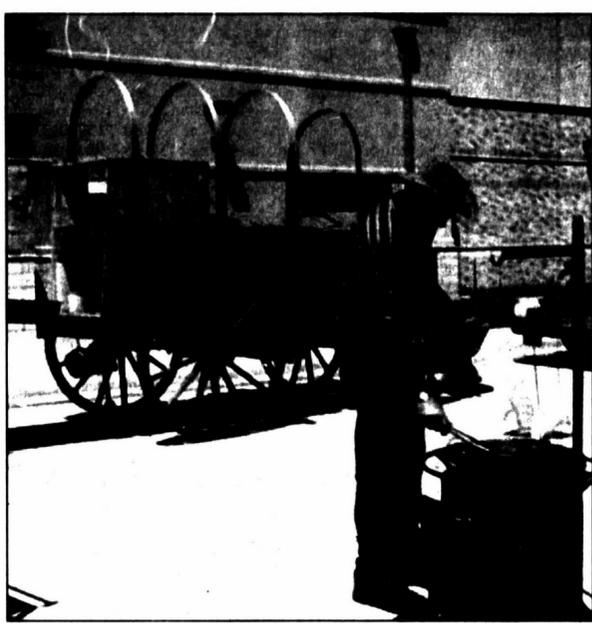
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Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there.



Children at Wilson Elementary are treated to some chuck wagon cooking Friday thanks in part to Gerald Rasco on the grill.
(Pampa News photos by Jeff West)



Chancey Burrows, who is going to be in third grade, is served a chuck wagon lunch Friday at Wilson Elementary by "Hamburger Ed" Robinson and PISD employee Debbie Keller.

Another dairy shows interest in Gray County

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

Another dairy has expressed an interest in possibly moving into the Pampa area and expanding its operation.

PEDC Executive Director Bill Ready said he showed a family that runs a dairy in the Sulphur Springs area around Gray County not long ago.

Ready wouldn't disclose the name of the dairy but said it is a small operation seeking to expand to 4,000-5,000 head eventually.

He said the dairy is "landlocked" where it is and couldn't expand enough there, partially because of urban expansion of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex.

Ready said he has been told that at one time Hopkins County, home of Sulphur Springs, had over 250 dairies but about half have moved away.

The husband, wife and two children all made the trip to the panhandle, Ready said, and they looked at Pampa schools and shopping while here. They also made trips to Wonderland Park in Amarillo and Palo Duro Canyon as well as other stops to get a feel for the area.

While making no commitments, the dairy owner did say he liked the area citing available and affordable land, the schools and the city. He has provided the PEDC with a financial plan and financial statements and plans to visit the area again in the next couple of weeks, according to Ready.

(See DAIRY, Page 2)

Theft of \$12,000 gets man jail time

CANADIAN — A Canadian man has started serving a sentence for the theft of \$12,000 from his girlfriend's grandmother.

Brandon Lee Flowers, 20, pled guilty last week to going with two juvenile girls, including his girlfriend, and Josh Moran, 19, also of Canadian, and stealing the money from the grandmother's safe Feb. 24, 1998.

According to court records, the group then left Canadian going to Perryton.

The victim apparently noticed something amiss and alerted police.

The car containing group was stopped by law enforcement officials in Ochiltree County, the reports say.

During a search, Flowers was found to have a small amount of marijuana on him and officers also recovered the money.

He was convicted in Ochiltree County on the marijuana charge and was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail. After his release, charges were brought in Canadian where he entered the guilty plea on the theft charges and was sentenced to 180 days in Hemphill County Jail, but given credit for 90 days for his time in Ochiltree County Jail, records show.

Earlier, Moran was handled through pre-trial diversion for his lesser involvement and the two juveniles were handled through the juvenile system.

Workforce commission makes filing task easier

It's now easier for people in smaller communities like Pampa to file for unemployment without having to drive to a Texas Workforce facility.

The Texas Workforce Commission has finished consolidating the entire process into seven phone centers. Now anyone in the panhandle can call 1-800-939-6631 and register for unemployment according to TWC spokesperson Laura Thomas. People who use TDD devices for the hearing impaired can call 1-800-735-2989.

Thomas said that those who are reporting in or seeing what jobs are available can also use a different 800 number given to them when they register.

Chautauqua plans unveiled

Free stage entertainment, contests, exhibits, arts and crafts will again be the funfare at Pampa's Labor Day Chautauqua September 6 at Central Park in Pampa.

There are openings for craft booths, art displays, stage participants, and exhibits. Sales and food booths charging a fee must pay a \$20 deposit postmarked by July 6 to Pampa Fine Arts Assoc., Box 818, Pampa, 79066-0818.

For additional information, contact the Pampa Fine Arts office Monday-Friday, 9 A.M. to 11:30 A.M., 806-665-0343, or leave a message on the recorder.

The family-oriented arts festival was organized 18 years ago by Pampa Fine Arts to provide a time when the community and area can come together to visit and learn in the tradition to visit and learn in the tradition of the first Chautauqua held before the turn of the century.

To encourage education in the arts, PFA especially encourages artists and craftsmen to demonstrate during the day.

A 5K and fun run begin the day along with a pancake breakfast from 7 A.M. The free stage entertainment begins at 9 A.M. and continues to 4 P.M. Booths should be erected by 9 A.M. to avoid interference with the stage. Sun shades or tents are advised, and there can be no nailing to trees.

Chairman of this year's event is Charlene Morriss. Sandra Boales is arts and crafts chairman; Gina Kane, children's games; Suzie Wilkinson, exhibits and displays; Loralee Cooley, Miranda and Mark Bailey are stage co-chairmen. Morriss is in charge of the food booths, limited to non-profit organizations. Returning organizations are entitled to return with their food item this year. Morriss can be contacted at 665-4866.

Sunday snapshot



Name: Karla M. Neys
Occupation/Activities: works at Furr's.
Birth date and place: 11-28-77, Borger.

Family: Husband Michael.
If I had a different job, I'd be a: Security Guard.

My personal hero: Jesus.

The best advice I ever got was: To never give up on life.

People who knew me in High School thought: I was shy, but loving.

The best word or words to describe me: Sweet & caring person.

People will remember me as being: King & loving.

The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: The Lord, Jesus, my Husband, and the unexpected guest.

My hobbies are: Going to the lake and tanning.

My favorite sports team is: Dallas Cowboys.

My favorite author is: Stephen King.

The last book I read was: Tom Sawyer.

My favorite possession is: My wedding rings.

The biggest honor I've ever received is: My Diploma.

My favorite performer is: Chicago.

I wish I knew how to: Make money without working.

My trademark cliché or expression is: "So?"

My worst habit is: Biting my fingernails.

I would never: Hurt anyone.

The last good movie I saw was: "I Still Know What You Did Last Summer."

I stay home to watch: "Rosanne."

Nobody knows: If I told you, then everyone would know.

Someday I want to drive a: BMW.

My favorite junk food is: Pizza.

My favorite beverage: Dr. Pepper.

My favorite restaurant is: China Star.

My favorite pet: My dog Sam.

My favorite meal is: Spaghetti and meatballs.

I wish I could sing like: Mariah Carey.

I'm happiest when I'm: With my husband, the one I love.

I regret: Not listening to my parents' advice while I was growing up.

I'm tired of: Working to make a living.

I have a phobia about: Snakes and spiders.

The electrical device I couldn't live without is: My curling iron.

My most embarrassing moment: Getting a Pinto Bean stuck inside my ear when I was 10.

The biggest waste of time is: Doing laundry.

If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: Buy the biggest house in Pampa.

If I had three wishes they would be: To be a billionaire, not to pay taxes at the end of the year, to have peace on earth.

If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: To have an Amusement Park here.

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Obituaries

RILLA CALLAHAN CASTLE

SHAMROCK — Rilla Callahan Castle, 81, died Friday, June 25, 1999. Graveside services were Saturday in Shamrock Cemetery with Joe G. Jernigan, pastor of Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, officiating.

Mrs. Castle was born May 6, 1918, at Vendor, Ark. She had spent most of her life in California, moving to Texas 2 1/2 years ago. She married Ernest Callahan in Stroud, Okla.; he died in 1976. She later married Houston Castle; he died in 1993. She was a Baptist.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; and one sister.

Survivors include a daughter, Dolores Stafford of Shamrock; a son, Leroy Callahan of San Angelo; two sisters, Reba Losey of Bakersfield, Calif., and Sylvia Schultz of Paradise, Calif.; two brothers, Bud Maxville of Colorado and Clo Maxville of Paradise; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

MARY MINARD SLAYMAKER

Mary Minard Slaymaker, 62, of Pampa, died Saturday, June 26, 1999, at Borger. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Slaymaker was born Oct. 8, 1936, at Newton, Kan. She married Marvin Slaymaker on May 24, 1952, at Potwin, Kan. She had been a Pampa resident since 1973. She belonged to First Christian Church, Pampa Fine Arts and Friends of the Library.

Survivors include her husband, Marvin, of the home; three daughters, Sherry Richardson and Geri Shaw, both of Pampa, and Julie Slaymaker of El Reno, Okla.; two sons, Kerry Slaymaker of Enid, Okla., and Nick Slaymaker of Norman, Okla.; a sister, Patricia Campbell of Salina, Kan.; and nine grandchildren.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department made the following arrest and call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, June 25

The theft of a wallet containing credit cards, identification and \$25 was reported in the 100 block of West 30th.

Saturday, June 26

Michael Keith Norton, 33, Amarillo, possession of a controlled substance.

Ambulance

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

Friday, June 25

12:03 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

2:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTH.

6:48 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Jordan Unit and transported one to PRMC.

10 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTH.

Saturday, June 26

1:24 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West in Amarillo.

Court report

Kevin Kyle Doan, dismiss charge of leaving scene of accident because restitution has been made.

Dusty Quisenberry pleaded no contest to assault causing bodily injury and sentenced 1 yr. probation, pay court costs, fines and serve 40 hours community service.

Jonny Mack Stover, Jr. found guilty of driving while intoxicated and to pay court costs, fines and sentenced 30 days and serve 45 hours community service.

Mark Allen Haynes dismiss charge of violation of magistrate's order and found guilty of assault causing injury and sentenced to 200 days with credit for days served, and pay court costs, fines.

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DAIRY

The Roden Dairy, one of the two dairies already in the process of expanding here is waiting for the public comment period to end, which is due shortly, and then barring any last minute problems, a permit from the TNRCC could come as early as two

or three weeks after that. Moody Dairy is also waiting for permits to milk the size herd they want but already has a permit to milk 749 cows here.

PEDC officials are also in the process of promoting the area as a dairy area to other dairies who have expressed an interest in moving, including at least one from Europe.

Pampa News, area papers capture state TPA awards

Jeff West, staff writer for *The Pampa News*, earned first place honors in column writing at the statewide contest sponsored by the Texas Press Association. The awards were announced last weekend at the state convention in Galveston.

He won for his columns, "Life is Transitory" appearing in *The Pampa News* on Sept. 22, 1998, and "A Special Friendship Ends" which appeared Dec. 29, 1998.

West has been with *The Pampa News* as a staff writer since November, 1997. Prior to going to work for local newspaper he was in the radio business. He has also done free-lance work for several area newspapers.

Several area newspapers also took honors at the TPA convention. The Canyon News received fourth place in the semiweekly division for community service.

The Hereford Brand was named fourth statewide in overall sweepstakes by accumulating first place in advertising, second place in photography and third place in feature story in the division of daily newspapers with less than 7,000 circulation.

Perryton Herald was named first place in the editorial category and fourth in the advertising category in the semiweekly division of 4,000 or less category.

In the division for weekly newspapers with a circulation of 1,201 to 2,000, *The Canadian Record* took fourth place in the overall sweepstakes competition. The Canadian-based newspaper also took first place in photography and second in editorials. In the same division, *The Irish Star-News* in Shamrock took first place in advertising while the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman in Spearman was in third place in that category.

The Clarendon Enterprise and The Eagle Press in Fritch were named second and third place in the overall sweepstakes category of weekly newspapers with 1,200 circulation or less.

Clarendon's newspaper took first in news writing, editorials and feature stories. The newspaper also took third in advertising.

Fritch's newspaper took first places in advertising and photography, second place in column writing, and third place in page design.

Names in the news ...

LEWISTON, Maine (AP) — Horror writer **Stephen King** is continuing to recover from surgery, hospital officials said.

King endured nearly 10 hours of surgery to repair his right hip socket on Wednesday. Minor surgery scheduled for Friday was postponed to next week to give the author more time to recover, a hospital spokeswoman said.

King remained in serious but stable condition on Friday.

He was hit by a minivan last Saturday and suffered multiple broken bones in his right leg and hip, along with a collapsed lung and a head gash. He is expected to recover fully, though his doctors anticipate months of rehabilitation.

Police have said the driver who hit King will not face charges.

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Gov. **Jesse Ventura** has told his critics to "shut up" about his busy travel schedule and frequent media appearances.

"For all those naysayers out there that say, 'Oh, the governor shouldn't be standing in front of the cameras, the governor shouldn't be bringing attention to himself' ... y'all can shut up," he said Friday during his radio show.

The governor said he is able to use all the attention focused on him to highlight important issues.

Ventura said other politicians should come in for the same criticism. He referred to **Vice President Al Gore** and **Texas Gov. George Bush** "cavorting around the whole country" and first lady **Hillary Clinton** traveling to New York while considering a run for the Senate.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country singer **Tanya Tucker** has given birth to her second daughter.

Layla LaCosta Laseter arrived at 5:48 p.m. Friday at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

This was Tucker's first child with fiance **Jerry Laseter**, a songwriter. Her other children, ages 10 and 7, are by Los Angeles actor **Ben Reed**.

A statement from her publicist said the 40-year-old singer will take time off to care for her children and plan her wedding. She will resume touring this fall.

Tucker's signature song is "Delta Dawn," which began her recording career at the age of 13.

NEW YORK (AP) — Likenesses of entertainment greats such as **Frank Sinatra** and **Stevie Wonder** are protecting Radio City Music Hall's landmark neon marquee while renovations to the famed theater continue.

The marquee — one of the building's best-known features since its 1932 opening — was dismantled Friday as part of Radio City's extensive refurbishing. The venue's reopening is set for October.

While work on the marquee is under way, the midtown Manhattan fixture is now covered by scaffolding wrap — huge wooden walls painted with some of the performers who've played Radio City.

Along with Sinatra and Wonder, the wrap includes portraits of **Tony Bennett**, **Tina Turner** and **the Rockettes**.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Award-winning country music singer **Vern Gosdin** is recovering from his second stroke.

The 64-year-old singer, whose hits include "Chiseled in Stone," "Set 'em Up Joe" and "I Can Tell by the Way You Dance," suffered the stroke on Wednesday while driving home. He remained hospitalized Friday, but his manager, Lacey Lynne, said the singer was "doing great."

Gosdin suffered paralysis on his left side after his first stroke in 1995. No further paralysis resulted from the recent stroke, and doctors expect Gosdin to return home in up to three days, Lynne said.

Business highlights

Consumer spending sparks growth

WASHINGTON (AP) — Torrid consumer spending helped the nation's economy grow at a brisk annual rate of 4.3 percent at the beginning of the year. Economists believe growth has slowed in the current quarter but probably not enough to dissuade the Federal Reserve from raising interest rates as a precaution against inflation.

The 4.3 percent increase from January through March in the gross domestic product — the nation's output of goods and services — was slightly better than the 4.1 percent rate estimated a month ago, the Commerce Department said Friday.

Clinton wants Medicare drug benefit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is testing political support for a new Medicare drug benefit that would pay roughly half the cost of prescriptions — up to perhaps \$3,000 to \$5,000 a year — in return for higher premiums from beneficiaries.

Prescription drugs are the "greatest growing need" of senior citizens, President Clinton said Friday at Georgetown University.

"It is a huge issue out there for seniors," the president said, announcing that next week he will unveil his long-anticipated plan to offer retirees government assistance paying for prescriptions.

Groups worry about doctor's union

NEW YORK (AP) — Consumer groups, employers and regulators are warning that a drive by doctors to form unions won't deliver on promises for better health care. Even worse, they say, powerful doctor unions could bring higher costs.

Union supporters say doctors need more negotiating clout to win back control of patient care from health maintenance organizations, which they accuse of unfairly restricting treatment to save money.

That argument helped convince the American Medical Association on Thursday to support forming doctor unions, a move that reversed a long-held position.

Windows to feature game blocker

SEATTLE (AP) — Parents will be able to restrict the kinds of games their children play by enabling a feature to be included in a new version of Microsoft Corp.'s Windows operating system due out next year.

The software company is working with game manufacturers to embed code information on ratings in their new games, which the Windows Game Manager would check, said Kevin Bachus, product manager for Microsoft's multimedia group. Game ratings are currently printed on game packaging.

Campbells Soup to reorganize

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP) — Campbell Soup Co. plans to reorganize its global businesses and also expects fourth-quarter earnings to fall about 8 to 10 cents a share short of analysts' expectations.

The company said Friday it will combine its U.S. soup and sauce operations with its Canadian business to form the Campbell North America Soup and Sauce Division.

As part of the reorganization, Campbell said Mark Leckie, who had been president of the U.S. Grocery division resigned.

IBM to cut 1,100 jobs by foreign move

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — IBM plans to cut 1,100 jobs as the company moves some of its disk drive manufacturing operations to foreign countries to cut costs and streamline production.

IBM spokesman Dave Berman said Friday the nation's leading information technology company — with about 290,000 employees worldwide — will manufacture the computer storage devices in Mexico, Hungary and Japan.

Supermarket scanner 25 years old

TROY, Ohio (AP) — It was only a pack of chewing gum. But its sale 25 years ago marked the debut of the checkout scanner and a fadeout of the days when cashiers' fingers had to fly over register keys to keep store lines moving.

On June 26, 1974, that 10-pack of Wrigley's gum was moved across an NCR Corp. scanner in the Marsh Supermarket in this city of about 20,000, starting a revolution in retailing and other industries.

Rules for genetically altered seeds

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — European Union environment ministers agreed to tighten rules on trading and selling new genetically modified seeds in the 15-nation EU, but rejected a French moratorium on sales.

The European Parliament must now approve the measure, which calls for stricter labeling and monitoring of such foods. Officials said it may take many months, even up to a year, for the EU assembly to vote on the proposal.

Brazil wants to open market wider

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) — Brazil's most influential group of businessmen has urged Europe to counter the growing economic and political clout of the United States by opening its market to South American goods in a trans-Atlantic free trade zone.

The creation of such a zone between the European Union and Mercosur — a customs union comprised of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay as full members and Bolivia and Chile as associates — will be the top issue of the June 28-29 summit of EU leaders and their Latin American and Caribbean counterparts in Rio de Janeiro.

Quiet end to week on stock market

Stock prices ended the quietest session of 1999 with mixed results Friday as optimism about second-quarter earnings gave way to nagging concerns about interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average ended just 17.73 higher at 10,552.56, finishing the week 303 points, or 2.8 percent, lower.

Long-term bonds rose for the first time in six sessions. The dollar fell against other major currencies.

In commodities trading, weather concerns helped send futures prices lower for coffee, orange juice and corn. Wheat rose and livestock prices were mixed.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Mostly sunny and hot today with a high in the

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sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and a high of 90. Friday's high was 84; the overnight low 65.

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TOP TEN PERSONAL INJURY VERDICT OF 1998

March 10, 1998. A seriously injured Texas Panhandle woman represented by Amarillo Attorney Jack Hazlewood and his Dallas Co-Counsel, awarded 8.2 Million Jury Verdict in Products Liability lawsuit against major automobile manufacturer Case No. 93-10141, 116th District Court, Dallas County. Results obtained depend on the facts of each case.

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American Petroleum Institute announces scholarship recipients

The Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute recently awarded \$12,000 in scholarships to area high school graduates and college students for 1999. The scholarships were bestowed upon children of cur-

rent API members on the basis of academic achievement and need. Recipients are must enroll as full-time college students in the fall and maintain good academic standing throughout the school year.

The 1999 recipients are: Brad Allen and Cullen Allen, sons of John and Carla Allen of Pampa, Texas Tech University; Katherine Cook, daughter of Rebecca and Dale Greenhouse and Johnnie and Brenda Cook of Pampa,

West Texas A&M University; Deanna Dreher, daughter of Dean and Agnes Dreher of

Guymon, Okla., Southwestern Oklahoma State University; Randall Ellis, son of Terry Ellis

and David and Helena McKnight of Pampa, WTAMU. (See, API, Page 10)

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The stuff children make ...

I'm not big on having a bunch of clutter around the house. It may be partly nature but I'm sure a lot of it has to do with the fact I have moved quite a bit. The less stuff, the less stuff to move and unpack.

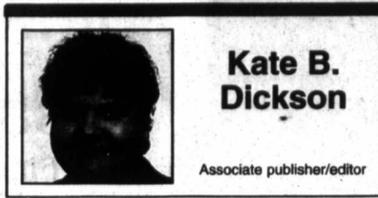
Also, being single helps. More people generate more stuff. It's inevitable. And the longer one is in one place the more stuff that accumulates.

Last weekend I visited in Louisiana to see my nephew and his wife and their three little girls as well as some other family members who had gathered.

John and Angela have a lot of stuff. Everything from his and hers computers to way too many Beanie Babies. Or at least that's what I think not being a Beanie Baby aficionado and all.

While in the kitchen and looking at the large island I was checking out the stuff. There was lots of it there — especially the kind of things 5 and 3-year-old girls generate at day care and Bible School.

There were these two tissue roll deals with



Kate B. Dickson
Associate publisher/editor

objects attached. It looked like something one would throw away quickly. Trying to be helpful I asked if they needed to be canned.

Angela smiled and said, "No, not right now. The girls made it in Bible School."

I sort of understood that such homemade items brought home to mom and dad must have a certain lifespan no matter what.

"What about this?" I asked, picking up the small foam cup of dirt containing a seed that never grew.

"No, I have some seeds that I am going to plant in that for her since hers died," Angela said.

I gave up and went back into the den to talk with my older brother, Dick, who had also made the trip down from his Arkansas home.

I noted the Bible School "crafts." He looked down at his hand and rubbed a small scar on his left hand between his thumb and first finger.

"People don't believe what we made in Bible School at the Methodist Church in Joiner," he said of our little (300+ population) hometown in Eastern Arkansas. Then he rubbed the scar again.

"What?"

He smiled a little then said, "Guns."

It took a minute for that to register with me. "Guns?"

Then he explained that's how he got the scar — using a hand saw to cut out his wooden gun. Needless to say, that's a sign of how things have changed.

No longer can little boys think of play guns as simple toys and not something that represents the reality of killing other children.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
 Today is Sunday, June 27, the 178th day of 1999. There are 187 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On June 27, 1950, President Truman ordered the Air Force and Navy into the Korean conflict following a call from the UN Security Council for member states to help South Korea repel an invasion from the North.

On this date:
 In 1844, Mormon leader Joseph Smith and his brother, Hyrum, were killed by a mob in Carthage, Ill.

In 1847, New York and Boston were linked by telegraph wires.

In 1893, the New York stock market crashed.

In 1942, the FBI announced the capture of eight Nazi saboteurs who had been put ashore from a submarine on New York's Long Island.

In 1944, American forces completed their capture of the French port of Cherbourg from the Germans.

In 1957, more than 500 people were killed when Hurricane "Audrey" slammed through coastal Louisiana and Texas.

Opinion

Flag desecration amendment would curtail freedom

Here we go again.

While we certainly pay high respect and homage to our United States flag, we also respect the rights for which it stands.

And though many of us see flag burning as reprehensible, what's worse would be to live in a country where our freedom to desecrate the flag, if we so choose, is curtailed.

Last week, members of the House of Representatives, for the third time in four years, wasted time in debating then passing a measure to amend the constitution to prohibit flag desecration.

The matter is now headed for the Senate, where defeat is considered likely. If it did pass, three-fourths of the states would have to ratify the amendment.

In actuality, flag desecration is rare and most likely such an amendment would only provoke more incidents.

It is not worth limiting, for the first time, our First Amendment rights of freedom of speech and expression.

To support the right to desecrate the flag is not unpatriotic — it is simply a recognition of all the wonderful freedoms our country provides us.

From our files ...

40 years ago
 Sunday, June 28, 1959

Miss Helen Gould, who has been named as junior librarian at Lovett Memorial Library, arrived in Pampa Saturday and will begin work Tuesday.

Tuesday, June 30, 1959

The Pampa Chamber of Commerce Monday chose Sheriff R.H. Rufe Jordan as the most representative of Gray County law enforcement officers and presented him a plaque for outstanding service.

Wednesday, July 1, 1959

The Pampa School Board has awarded a contract for construction of tennis courts on the Pampa High School grounds, Superintendent Kinard reported.

25 years ago
 Thursday, June 27, 1974

Pampa city officials today were awaiting advisory word from local casualty insurance agents on the matter of whether the City of Pampa should enroll in a federally-subsidized flood insurance program.

Friday, June 28, 1974

Pampa High School Concert Choir, under the direction of John Woickowski, has received an official invitation to participate in Vienna, Austria, Music Festival of 1975.

Sunday, June 30, 1974

The hiring of a new Physical Education teacher for McLean schools and re-instating of 7th and 8th grade classes at Alanreed were approved during Friday's meeting of the Gray County School Board.

10 years ago
 Wednesday, June 28, 1989

Eck Spahich, a former resident of Communist Yugoslavia, will present a first-person account of living conditions behind the Iron Curtain to members and guests of the Pampa Kiwanis Club at noon Friday in the basement of First Methodist United Church.

Sunday, July 2, 1989

Realtors J.J. Roach, Debbie Middleton and Mary Etta Smith receive their bonus checks after being named the top three producers for the first six months of 1989 at Quentin Williams Realtors.

Sunday, July 2, 1989

Gray County commissioners are to meet in special session Thursday to continue the decision-making process on proposals they received Friday for a feasibility study on building new county jail.

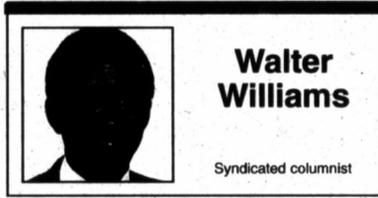
Federal appeals court reins in EPA

Last month, a federal court of appeals held that the Environmental Protection Agency has been acting in an unconstitutional manner.

In a case brought by the American Trucking Association against the EPA, joined in an important amicus curie brief by C. Boyden Gray, chairman of the Washington-based Citizens for a Sound Economy, the court suspended EPA's 1997 air quality regulations. Part of EPA's 1997 edict required states to regulate microscopic particles, or soot, down to 2.5 microns. That's 28 times smaller than the width of a human hair.

The EPA is required to articulate the "intelligible principle" that shapes its definition of unacceptable levels of smog and soot when writing new rules. However, the court said in mandating its 1997 air-quality standards, the EPA arbitrarily was "picking numbers out of thin air" and that its standards were "arbitrary and capricious." EPA's new rules would have cost Americans at least \$46 billion, destroyed business and not saved a single life.

Repudiation of EPA's wacko science was important, but more important was the Court's finding that the section of the 1990 Clean Air Act upon which the EPA relied in issuing its controversial regulations amounted to "an unconstitutional delegation of legislative power." The court held that the EPA's actions violated the "nondelegation" doctrine that prohibits Congress from entrusting legislative power to government agencies without legal



Walter Williams
Syndicated columnist

standards to guide the use of the delegated power.

In other words, the EPA was making laws rather than enforcing them. But other government agencies are guilty of the same thing, so the court's decision could have far-reaching implications. The decision also sends a message to Congress that it should do its job of legislating, rather than passing it off to politically unaccountable agencies and courts.

With their typical economics misunderstanding, the news media described the court's decision as a major victory for a broad range of industry groups from trucking companies to electric utilities, who fought the tougher air quality rules as too expensive and ill-conceived. We can label it a business victory for the trucking and utility industries only if the rest of us don't benefit from lower-cost trucking and electricity.

The decision is really a victory for Americans who expect environmental regulations to be

based on non-bogus science, and expect Congress and federal agencies to behave constitutionally. But I'm afraid there is a large percentage of Americans who want just the opposite as a means to accomplish their agenda to control the lives of others.

The past year hasn't been a good one for the EPA — they've faced another stunning rebuke. Last July, U.S. District Court Judge William L. Osteen found reason to nullify the EPA's 1992 report that claimed second-hand smoke to be a class A human carcinogen and cause of lung cancer. He found that the EPA knowingly, willfully and aggressively put out false and misleading information.

In fact, if a graduate student or a professor wrote a report similar to the EPA, he would face repudiation by his colleagues, charges of academic dishonesty and summary dismissal from the university.

But I don't know whether Americans want the EPA and Congress to be honest. You say, "What do you mean, Williams?" There are numerous laws, restrictions and regulations based upon the EPA's fraudulent report on secondhand tobacco smoke. How many Americans do you think would say, "Hey, now that we know that EPA 1992 report was a fraud, let's repeal all those laws and regulations based upon it?" I'm guessing most would say, "I don't like the smell of cigarettes and if it takes government fraud and duping the public to get rid of it, so be it."

Vaccines may be cause of illness

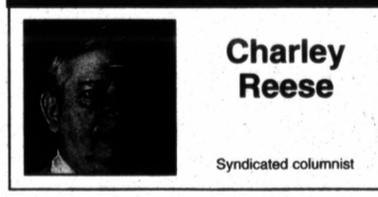
There is a growing trend to make more vaccinations mandatory. This is quite profitable for the pharmaceuticals which make the vaccines, but it is not a good idea.

In the first place, health treatment should always be a personal decision of the patient or, in the case of children, the parents. Vaccines are not risk-free. Some people die from them; others suffer bad, but not immediately fatal, side effects.

There has been, according to a news letter published by Physicians for Civil Defense, an as-yet unexplained rise in diabetes, asthma, autism and attention deficit disorder. At least in some quarters people are beginning to think there may be a link to vaccines or to certain kinds of vaccines.

A health official from Missouri told Congress in written testimony that there had been a significant increase in the number of children entering school with developmental disorders. "There is only one common thread we can identify with all these children: they are the children who received the first trial hepatitis B injections as newborns in the early 1990s."

Now is the time to make a distinction between a personal physician and a government bureaucracy. Bureaucracies are just that, and they are run by bureaucrats regardless of their mission. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health are government bureaucracies.



Charley Reese
Syndicated columnist

The pertinent characteristic of a bureaucrat, even one with a medical degree, is that his focus is on programs and budgets, not on individuals. Like a good soldier, a bureaucrat's tendency is to defend the program, to minimize or dismiss critics or dissenters. In the case of grant-making, bureaucrats tend to find their own prejudices and deny funds to people, no matter how well qualified, who have different ideas. That is probably why federal medical research, despite billions spent, has not found a cure for corns or colds, much less for cancer or AIDS.

Once the government decides to mandate vaccinations, the bureaucrats will justify it; but you should ask yourself why, if the vaccines are so safe, did the manufacturers ask Congress to grant them immunity from liability suits. In other words — as our government has evolved — if you listen to the "official sources," you will get the official party line. Honest two-way communication with government has become

almost an impossibility.

Establishment medicine like the American Medical Association and the American Academy of Pediatricians strongly supports mandatory vaccination, but you should remember the powerful influence pharmaceutical companies have in these organizations. Both are very much politicized.

For example, while the official line is "The most common side effect of hepatitis B vaccination is soreness where the shot is given," Physicians for Civil Defense found that to be false. Getting the data, they found injection-site pain occurred in 605 cases, but prolonged screaming occurred in 631 cases. Altogether, more than 4,600 cases involved a first listed side effect indicating central nervous system involvement. About 24 percent of the reports and 85 percent of the deaths involved children 2 years old and younger.

Your best bet for sound advice is from a personal physician, preferably one with whom you and your family have a longtime relationship. Thanks to government interference, it's become increasingly difficult for people to find physicians able to establish that kind of relationship. Medicine, like corporate hog farms, has become an industry of mass production. And physicians haven't had much say in the matter.

One source of information you may wish to check out is the National Vaccine Information Center (www.909shot.com).

Top O' Texas Rodeo on tap July 11-17

It's almost Top O' Texas Rodeo time in Pampa again and entries are now being accepted for the rodeo events which will take place July 11-17.

The Kid Pony Show entry forms are now available at the rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard for youths up to age 15.

The Kid Pony Show performances are Sunday, July 11 at 4 p.m. and Monday and Tuesday, July 12 and 13 at 7 p.m. nightly. "We are excited that the boys and girls from the Cal Farley Center will be participating in the Kid Pony Show this year," a rodeo spokesman said. Donations for their entry fees are now being accepted in the rodeo office.

"These children are very appreciative of the opportunity to come to Pampa and participate in our Kid Pony Show," the spokesman said. Kid Pony Show entries close at 5 p.m. July 9. No entries will be accepted after that time.

Entries are also being accepted for the Mutton Busting event to be held during the 53rd Annual PRCA Rodeo. This event will be nightly Thursday through Saturday and is open to boys and girls ages 7 and under and limited to six contestants each night. There is no fee for entering this event but participants must be entered in the Kid Pony Show to be eligible and they must furnish their own helmet. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Plans are also under way for the Celebrity Pick Up Race scheduled for 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 15. This exciting event is sponsored by CN Ranch - Carla & Randy Norris.

Double Mugging is another exciting event where local cowboys try their skills. Sponsored by Signal Fuels, this event allows local cowboys and cowgirls the opportunity to test their skills at a rodeo event. Entry forms are now available at the rodeo office for both of these events. Be sure to come out to see the local folks in these events.

The 53rd Annual Top O' Texas Rodeo performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 15, 16, and 17. Beutler and Gaylord Rodeo Company will produce this year's show with outstanding NFR stock again. They have world champion stock that provide many challenging thrills to some of the worlds best cowboys. Charlie Throckmorton of Kennedale will announce the fast action again this year.

On Thursday, July 15 starting at 5:30 p.m., there will be free barbecue for ticket holders. Sponsors of this year's barbecue are Mundy Companies, Bowers Ranch, Albertsons, and Taylor Petroleum.

While eating barbecue, spectators can watch the ever popular Celebrity Pick Up Race. This event always provides lots of entertainment. Entries are now being taken for this event which pairs a cowboy and a "city slicker" for lots of fun and excitement.

Friday night, July 16 is Family Night so bring the entire family for loads of fun. At 5 p.m., the horsemanship competition of the Queen pageant will be held in the arena. Beautiful young ladies will be displaying their talents during this event. Discounted ticket prices are also available on Friday night for senior citizens and children.

New policy will send more livers to sickest patients

WASHINGTON (AP) — More donated livers will be directed to the sickest transplant patients under a new policy approved today by the nation's transplant network.

The United Network for Organ Sharing is also poised to release data about individual transplant centers for the first time, including the survival rates of their patients.

In both cases, the changes represent a retreat for the network after more than a year of defending its current system under pressure from the Department of Health and Human Services.

HHS issued rules last year ordering the network to create a new system that would get more organs to the sickest patients. But the network has insisted on its system, which relies heavily on geography.

The HHS rules also called for the network to release more data, but transplant centers have balked, saying it was unfair to release potentially embarrassing or misleading data about individual hospitals and doctors.

when an adult ticket is purchased for Friday's performance.

Saturday, July 17 is loaded with fun for everyone when the rodeo parade kicks off at 10 a.m. Starting at the M.K. Brown Auditorium lot and winding its way through downtown Pampa, this parade is one of the largest in the Texas Panhandle and always provides lots of interesting and unusual sights. Entries are now being taken for anyone interested in participating in the parade.

Once again, the Wrangler Bullfight will be presented each night. This is one of the most exciting events of the rodeo and it is sponsored by Wayne's Western Wear and Bowers Ranch.

Some of the top PRCA bullfighters are coming to compete this year. Former World Champions Greg Rumohr and Rob Smets will challenge newcomer Dustin Brewer to be his very best. The 1998 Barrelman for the Wrangler Bullfight Finals, Jim Bob Feller, will be assisting these bullfighters and helping to protect them. Come early because the bullfights now start the rodeo instead of being the last event.

Special entertainment each night will be provided by the Tommy Lucia Revue. Tommy Lucia and his trained animals have provided laughter and entertainment to crowds from Canada to Latin America for over 30 years.

When Whiplash, the Cowboy Monkey, rides into the arena astride his Border Collie mount, the audience will be assured of an incredibly unique performance. This is a must-see performance.

The Top O' Texas Rodeo is a Dodge Ram Tough Rodeo thanks to Robert Knowles Dodge. Coors and the North Country Coors Distributorship are also helping sponsor the rodeo performances.

The rodeo dance sponsored by Taylor Petroleum and Bowers Ranch will be held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Slide Bar will be playing and tickets may be purchased at the door for \$7 each.

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is proud to be holding the Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Pageant in conjunction with this year's rodeo. Major pageant sponsors include Ace Transportation, JLB Ranch, Clark Carr & Sons Memorial, Carla & Randy Norris, Pampa Chamber

of Commerce Tourism Committee, Nortex Operating - authorized agent of Cellular One, Bob Clements, Inc., and Uniglobe Complete Travel.

This year's queens have worked untiringly representing Pampa and the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association at many functions. The Luncheon and Style Show will be Thursday, July 15 at 11:30 a.m. at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. Tickets are on sale at the rodeo office and the public is encouraged to attend. The new queens will be crowned during the Saturday night rodeo performance and the public is encouraged to join us as we say "farewell" to our current queens and "welcome" to our new representatives.

Tickets and entry forms are now available at the rodeo office for all events. For more information, contact the rodeo office at (806) 669-0434 or write P.O. Box 659, Pampa, TX 79066-0659.

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With gratitude to those who have prayed & rendered other expressions of love in this time of the passing of our loved one Stella B. Shepherd with special thanks to the Care Unit Staff of Pampa Nursing Center & BSA Hospice of the Panhandle

Butch Shepherd family, brothers & sisters

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for all the food, flowers, cards, memorials & prayers, during the loss of our loved one.

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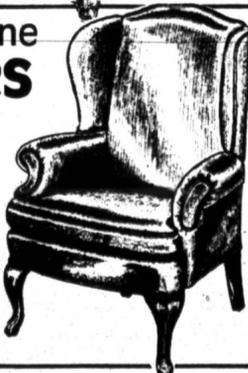
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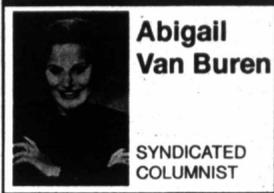
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Claims for Health Insurance Frustrate Everyone Involved

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to "Frustrated Doc, Utica, N.Y." who's looking for some explanation as to why insurance companies employ people to handle claims in subjects about which they are not knowledgeable. As a fellow physician and medical director for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, our state's oldest and largest health plan, I believe I can offer some insight.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

For starters, customer service representatives for health insurance companies do not make medical policy decisions; however, as the first point of contact for health-care consumers, they often answer questions about plan benefits. In addition, customer service representatives navigate what is often a complex health-care system. For this, they should be commended.

To address "Frustrated Doc's" concerns about who makes policy decisions for a health plan, let me briefly explain the process: At Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, as is the case at many health plans across the country, decisions about what is covered or not covered are made by a panel of physicians and health-care experts. Decisions are based on solid, reliable, peer-reviewed, published medical research results.

Health plans are committed to paying for treatments that have been rigorously proven for their safety, efficacy and reliability. New treatments that have been tested only on a few patients at one academic institution shouldn't be covered

until much more study is done. Fen/phen is a classic example of well-intentioned, but poorly researched medical therapy that, when unleashed prematurely, can have profoundly devastating effects.

If patients are not satisfied with decisions regarding specific treatments, I would encourage them to appeal the decisions through their health plans. Customer service representatives can provide information about the appeals process.

JAMES WOODBURN, M.D., MEDICAL DIRECTOR, BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF MINNESOTA

DEAR DR. WOODBURN: Thank you for taking the time to address the concerns of "Frustrated Doc in Utica." Although I heard from many claims administrators, nurses and patients, you are the only insurance executive who responded to the question. Please read on for a slightly different perspective:

DEAR ABBY: May I comment on the letter from "Frustrated Doc"? As a pharmacist, I see the medical pro-

fession developing a new dimension — generating reports and filling out insurance forms. Often attention is diverted to completion of a form. Believe me, there is nothing uniform in claims submission. Imagine 31 ways of submitting a claim for a prescription. (Or suturing a finger and completing a claims report.)

On Dec. 31, 1998, PCS (a prescription card) canceled all prescription coverage for federal employees for one day. I could fill a thick book with similar experiences.

Perhaps the next time your readers have a prescription filled, they will understand why the pharmacist has his attention centered on an insurance claim, or the reason you see six to 10 people in a doctor's office struggling with claims.

Members of the medical profession would be happy to spend their time working with patients and skip the insurance claims — but we have families to feed.

If you can get this message to one insurance company or HMO, my time will have been justified in writing this.

ARTHUR BOHLMANN, R.P.H., HOOKER, OKLA.

DEAR ARTHUR: You have presented a compelling argument for standardized claim forms throughout the health-care industry. If they existed, what is now a tedious effort could be simplified — saving many hours of duplicated effort, as well as the equivalent cost in dollars.

others. You might not have the control that you desire; others seem to be bent on making decisions. However, if you understand the power of suggestion, you can work around this! Tonight: Enjoy your popularity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 *** Pace yourself, though you could be elated by an opportunity. What you have been working long and hard for now becomes a reality. You have a lot of ground to cover, but you also want to celebrate. Don't let today's full moon wear you down. Tonight: Get into a game of racquetball.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ***** So many choices — you don't know what to do next! Maintain high visibility and allow your imagination to speak. A relationship drifts into a new realm. Travel remains a strong possibility. Opt for situations which provide growth. Tonight: A relationship heats up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 *** Build on stronger foundations, now that a partner brings you toward them. Financial benefits are possible; nevertheless, make sure all agreements are written in stone. Remember, the person with whom you're cooing now can turn as icy as an arctic wind. Tonight: Head home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ***** News and people knock on your door. You might be wide-eyed by what is going on. Is this a trend, or simply a momentary surge? It could be both, as you enter a new relationship cycle. Another sees you as a wonderful partner. Tonight: Visiting, with a touch of flirtation here and there.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Sometimes you might not be sure about what to do. You sense that good times are coming, professionally; as a result, you're sorely tempted to spend before you see the extra cash. Use caution right now, while excess leads to trouble. Tonight: Hold on to your wallet!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ***** The full moon beams you into the limelight. Your personality and strong leadership mix as you deal with emotional people left and right. Creativity and a strong sense of dedication get you far. Someone very important could enter your life in the next few months. Tonight: Enjoy your life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ** Assume a low profile, while unexpected developments take you in a completely different direction. You are exhausted and might easily misread the situation. Build on existing foundations. Security increases because of your positive attitude. Tonight: You need downtime!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ***** Listen carefully to feedback from a friend. You could be overwhelmed by all the activity, calls and opportunities that converge on you all at once. Popularity soars, yet at the same time, responsibilities weigh. They seem to come hand in hand. Tonight: Out and about!

BORN TODAY
 Actress Kathy Bates (1948), actress Danielle Brisbois (1969), actor/director Mel Brooks (1928)

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Horoscope

MONDAY, JUNE 28, 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)

*** Cruise into work, knowing what you want and expect. Listen to a friend who has great financial savvy. An opportunity might be too good to believe. Though you are under a lot of pressure, you make the right choices at the right times. Tonight: Make a must appearance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Jupiter enters your sign today, heralding a new lucky cycle. You can have what you want. Do you know what that is? Aim high, remain optimistic. You can turn the tide of recent years. Break patterns. There are no restrictions unless you impose them on yourself! Tonight: Dream about what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Listen to your intuition, knowing what your limits are. Your sense of what is right and necessary is right on. Discussions about money give an associate the opportunity to share some of his great ideas. Two heads definitely work better than one! Tonight: Trust your judgment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Reinvent yourself. Network, break outdated patterns, reach out for

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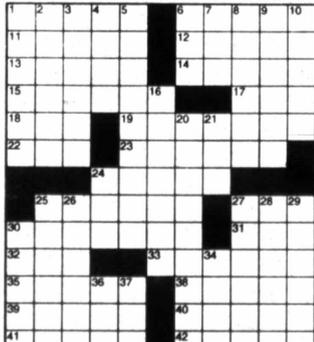
By THOMAS JOSEPH

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Letters to the editor

I thank God for men like the apostle Paul ...

To the editor,
As Christians, how many of us have read all of Paul's great writings and teachings and still not know the man himself? This past year and a half I have really gotten back into reading the Bible and have really been fascinated with all of the apostles and envied their position so close to Jesus Christ. But, I have always wondered why God chose someone like Paul to spread His Good News after such a checkered past persecuting the Christians of his day.

I recently read a novel about Paul called "The Apostle, the Life of Paul" and finally really met the man behind his teachings. I found that Paul was born into a very wealthy family and his parents were Pharisees. He was taught the very strict rules of the Pharisees and had aspired to become a Suddacee. He was taught in a local synagogue until he was 14-years-old and then sent to Jerusalem for further study. After Paul converted to Christianity, his family disowned him and he was poor for most of the rest of his life. There is evidence that in his later years that he had reconciled with at least some of his family and received some financial support.

When Paul talks about his conversion on the Damascus Road, he never really talks about the extent that he persecuted the church. Paul was responsible for taking Christians before the tribunal of the Jewish leaders and many were flogged, imprisoned and many may have been put to death with Paul's blessings. He was the type of man that once he believed in a cause, he went at it with everything he had. He would not except any less from anyone else. That is how headstrong he was and devoted to what he believed in.

We have all heard the story of how he was behind the stoning of Stephen, but I didn't realize that Paul and Stephen had several debates prior to the trial. So they knew each other very well. Even though Paul did not take direct action during the stoning, he was behind getting Stephen to trial and helped stir the crowd into stoning Stephen. That is probably the most famous example of Paul's vengeance recorded and the one he was most ashamed of.

After reading the book, I realized that God chose Paul for the same reasons he was such a devoted Pharisee. He was strong minded, very forceful, strong willed and headstrong. God needed someone like him to further his good news to the Gentile world and other Jews. You would have had to been like Paul in order to go through everything he did in the name of Jesus Christ. He was flogged several times, shipwrecked at least three times that we know of, snake bitten and the list goes on. He probably faced more opposition than any of the original apostles. I'm not trying to take anything away from them, because they were all chosen by God to further His teachings and we know that all of them suffered beyond measure for their beliefs. But, this letter is focusing on Paul and what he did to establish our Gentile church.

After reading this novel, I can now read Paul's letters to the churches that he established, such as Phillipi, Corinth, Ephesus, etc., with a clear sense of what the true message he was trying to get through to them. I learned how much he loved those churches and the people in them. When they did wrong or allowed themselves to be led astray, he mourned for them. I think we, as Christians, should read all of the letters that he either wrote or dictated to the churches and take them to heart. In this society today, we are focusing too much on material things and not on what is important. We, like Paul, are expected to further the good news of Jesus Christ and like Paul, not be ashamed of the gospel. We worry too much about other peoples' walks with Christ and don't even see the walk we are doing. Like Jesus taught, we have to take the plank out of our own eye before we can take the speck out of our brother's eye.

I'm a firm believer that the end times are on us and that we should see the signs and start doing what Jesus commanded us to do. So let's shake the dust off our Bibles and shout from the rooftops what Jesus has done in our lives and tell everyone that they can have the same blessings as we have. As you can see, I'm writing this from prison and I know that if I had turned to Jesus years ago, I would not be here now. But, I also know that if I hadn't come to prison, I probably would not have truly gotten to know Christ like I have this past year and a half. So I'm a prime example of how God can turn something negative into something positive. I just hope that I can be strong like Paul and stand up for what I believe in and set an example to others of what Jesus Christ can do when we put our trust and faith in Him. I thank God for men like Paul and look forward to meeting him one day in heaven, for now I am a fisher of men.

Michael Wisdom
Rufe Jordan Unit
Pampa

Gazebo more important to city officials than children's safety

To the editor,
Well, it looks like our great city officials are once again showing exactly what they feel are important issues. I am referring to the stupid gazebo they (the parks and recreation board) have decided to spend \$6,000 on. So let's just make sure I have all my facts:

March 14, 1999, 18-month-old Ethan Anderson falls into a creek approximately 100 feet from the super playground. On March 15, 1999 at 11:55 a.m. Ethan dies. March 18 Ethan is buried. For the next three months our city officials try to figure out how to make the park safer. The decision the city decides on is some benches that frankly I feel will do nothing. Why benches? Because they are the cheapest choice. Yet, less than a month later, front page, first article in the paper on June 20, Father's Day I read about a \$6,000 gazebo and how they are so worried about how to decide on some stupid trees and who is going to water the flowers.

What and insult to Ethan and my family. Ethan is worth a few hundred dollars. The safety of our children at the super playground is a closed issue to the city, but, hey, \$6,000 for a stupid gazebo makes perfect sense. Thank you, you are so compassionate and caring. You have made our loss so much easier by slapping us in the face. Are these commissioners and people on our Parks and Recreation Board elected? I sure hope so, so I can vote that they all go have their heads examined. I have a suggestion about that gazebo. Why not put the gazebo between the benches and the creek at the super playground? Now that would make it safer, right? Do I sound angry? I hope so.

I would like to address those of you that don't suffer from an extreme lack of concern. Those who have called, signed the petition and the four business and citizens circulating my petition, please voice your opinions to the city. Take the time to call the city, write a letter to the editor, show our city that a gazebo for \$6,000 is not what we want. We want a fence to protect our kids at the not-so-Super Playground. All of you have been so helpful, God bless each of you

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and thank you. Ethan would be smiling at you all, blowing you a kiss and he says thank you. I apologize for my anger but I won't apologize for how I feel.

In closing to Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Hildebrandt, I have a response. I'll volunteer to water your precious plants and flowers when you volunteer to put the first piece of fence up at the super playground.

Melodie Lane
Pampa
(Editor's Note: The writer was Ethan Anderson's aunt.)

Elderly couple not satisfied with county attorney

To the editor,
I am writing this letter in regard to the Pampa Police Department and County Attorney Todd Alvey. My mother was assaulted on June 20, and as a result of this assault was transported to the hospital by the EMS.

A complaint and charges were filed and signed, but nothing seems to be done about this. After speaking with Mr. Alvey, he stated that he doesn't know if any action will be taken.

In my opinion, Mr. Alvey isn't doing the job that he was elected to do. With all the trouble in the Justin Sober case, he would seem to want to perform his job completely. If Mr. Alvey was doing his job, Stacey Kaye Sehorn would be alive today. Maybe he should be charged with a crime. The same officer who made the report, arrested three people for being pedestrians in the street. Are the citizens of Pampa prying the police and the county attorney to arrest and charge people for walking in the street?

My mother and father are 64-years-old. They can't and will not fight with the assailant.

Mark Hernandez
alamat@hotmail.com

Many show disrespect during Memorial Day celebration

To the editor,
Several things lately have me writing today. A person in my position needs to let someone know what's bothering them. What position you ask? I am a widowed father of two boys, 7 and almost 11, who was laid off on November and cannot find a job that is not minimum wage and evenings. I am also a veteran of the Air Force, who has been in trouble lately.

Recently the three of us gladly participated in the Memorial Day ceremony at the Veterans Monument. I was listening to the mayor and the beautiful music and the prayers but you know what was on my mind ... All the disrespectful people who drove by without even slowing down. Approximately 20 Cub Scouts and leaders were displaying Old Glory and only or two stopped, a couple more slowed but too many just sped by. They didn't care.

I also wrote our superintendent about the care Old Glory was receiving at our schools. They still don't CARE.

We are becoming a society that is forgetful of what this great nation was founded upon. We care only for the almighty dollar and where it comes from. Our local judiciary are more concerned with the amount of fines they can bring in for minor offenses that the drugs including alcohol that are slowly destroying the fiber of this area. Gangs and organized crime within the county have the police and sheriff scared to go into certain parts of town. Who is to blame? Look within yourself and see if you are.

My boys and I will survive. I have several who care and we are struggling but still here. I care about my boys, my country and its new generation. As we come in the next few weeks to celebrate the nation's birthday ... CARE.

Billy Jay Hagerman
Pampa
bjhsd@netjava.com

Newspaper website helps others keep up with Pampa

To the editor,
I just wanted to write a note and tell you that one of the best sites on the Internet I have found is the site for the Pampa News. After having lived in Pampa and working at Pampa Regional Medical Center for 11 years, I recently moved to South Carolina. Since mov-

ing, I have been able to keep up with the happenings around Pampa through this wonderful site. It is truly enjoyable to be able to read about the events and sports coverage, especially since my family, Brenda and Christopher, are still in Pampa.

Chris is playing in the Optimist Baseball program for GloValve Service (1999 11/12 League Champions — Go GloValve!!). Many thanks to John Warner and L.D. Strate for their outstanding sports reports and to the Optimist Club for providing this excellent program.

My memories about the hospital, community activities, coaching, umpiring, photography work with the Optimist Club, Pampa High School, and the Pampa Soccer Association and the many friendships developed over the years are kept alive through your wonderful site.

Thank you, Pampa News for dedicating the time and resources to make this site possible.

Garry Moody
GarryinSC@aol.com

Who wants to walk down street that's a junkyard?

To the editor,
Comanche drive street was once a clean and well kept street. Now it's become a dumping ground for a assortment of used junk, pick-up trucks, parking places for 18-wheelers, campers, boats, watercrafts, welding machines and you put a name on it and we got it. Also something called art or craft in a yard of metal birds.

Sidewalks shouldn't be blocked by vehicles for people wanting to walk in your neighborhood. On second thought, who wants to walk through a junkyard?

J.C. Beyer
Pampa

Community center needs new pool tables, equipment

To the editor,
I'm a student from PMS and me and my friends go to the Pampa Youth and Community Center and we would like to play games that work good. One pool table has duct tape on the table and the other pool table is broken. They are in need of pool sticks that have a tip on them. Also the air hockey table does not give air out very good and there are not any basketballs for us to play with. I am wondering if something can be done.

Samuel Gamble
Pampa Middle School student

A paradox exists concerning military, NATO situation

To the editor,
In the debate over the situation in the Balkans, there seems to be something that is being overlooked — or at least not being discussed. After World War II, a decision was made to maintain a NATO military presence in Europe. That presence — still in existence today — includes United States forces. Indeed, the U.S. contingent is in excess of 100,000 troops. The question, then, of who should be involved in any military action in Europe should be an easy one to answer. So, too, should the question of who would be tasked with any long-term occupation of Kosovo be somewhat of a no-brainer.

(See, LETTERS, Page 15)

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SPORTS

Notebook

BASEBALL

PAMPA — Duncan, Fraser & Bridges downed Celanese 7-2 in the Major Bambino Tournament last week at Optimist Park.

Winning pitcher was Braydon Barker, who allowed just four hits in six innings on the mound. He struck out four and walked three.

DFB's leading hitters were Dak Fallon three singles and Eric McClure a double.

Dylan Henley had a double and single and Jake Craig two singles to lead Celanese.

GOLF

PAMPA — A seniors scramble was held at Hidden Hills Public Golf Course.

Results are as follows:

First place: Whitey White, Richard Abbott, Walden Haynes and C.C. Lewis, 62.

Second place: Bob Young, Doug Reeves, Johnny Reynolds and Dale Hawkins, 62.

Third place: Carl Johnson, Glen Downs, Bill Abernathy and James Gray, 62. Downs had an eagle 2 on No. 10.

Closest to the hole: Howard Wells, No. 12.

BASKETBALL

CHRISTIANSTED, St. Croix (AP) — A roar of approval was heard from Virgin Islanders after San Antonio Spurs forward and St. Croix native Tim Duncan walked away with the MVP trophy at the NBA Finals.

People jumped into the air, slapped hands and literally danced for joy.

"This is Tim Duncan country," said Archie Washington, a U.S. Navy sailor taking some rest on St. Croix on Friday night. "We just happened to be in the right place at the right time."

An overflow crowd of about 250 watched the Spurs' victory over the New York Knicks on a big-screen TV under a rented tent, cheering on the favorite son of this U.S. Caribbean territory.

Before the playoffs MVP was announced, more than a few impartial judges said Duncan, not Karl Malone of the Utah Jazz, should have been the MVP for the regular season.

"Duncan has been carrying the Spurs on his back. He makes it look so easy," said one fan, called Jah Man. "Who would be first on the list for the NBA's dream team? Duncan, he's made the NBA's first team."

Duncan's success on the court will help St. Croix and its 50,000 people gain some positive exposure, local attorney and former college hoopster Marise James said. This U.S. territory of some 110,000 people is suffering from a stagnant economy and a floundering government.

"I think he's great for St. Croix. We need something to unify us," James said. "Everybody talks about him. It's probably the one good thing that has happened recently."

Local historian and popular radio personality Mario Moorehead summed it up, "It's a proud day in the Virgin Islands."

Gov. Charles Turnbull predicted victory at the start of the series, saying, "He's a superstar and a role model. We have to support our home boy."

The list of Virgin Islanders who have made it in professional sports includes line-backer Renaldo Turnbull, outfielder Midre Cummings, defensive lineman Andre Wadsworth and boxing champ Julian Jackson, but Duncan is by far the most recognized, at home and abroad.

Spurs wrap up NBA title in thrilling finale

NEW YORK (AP) — David Robinson and Tim Duncan embraced when it was over, savoring the thrilling ride propelled by the old-school guy and the young man with little flash but plenty of talent.

And quite a future. The Spurs are no longer soft, weak, overrated or unappreciated. They are NBA champions for the first time, a team whose talent — and yes, toughness — caught up with their composure in a thrilling finale to a season that once seemed as though it might never happen.

"I've been privileged to play with two of the great players in this league," said Mario Elie, who earned his third championship ring Friday night when the Spurs beat the New York Knicks 78-77. "David was an MVP, and Tim obviously was the MVP this year. You guys that didn't vote for him should be ashamed of yourselves."

Duncan, who finished second to Utah's Karl Malone in the MVP voting this season, was second to no one in the finals. He scored 31 points and was named MVP of the finals, winning his first NBA title in his second season.

"It's a blessing to do what we did this year, and there's no guarantees I'll ever be back," said Duncan, talented enough to win the title and just hayseed enough to record the postgame celebration with a mimi-cam.

Robinson, the other part of the Twin Towers, should have been the one rolling tape. It took him 10 years to win his championship.

"That one big goal that I had, achieving that goal, has been met," said Robinson, whose best accomplishment this season was checking his ego at the door and staying out of Duncan's way.

The Knicks — those incomparable, no-quit Knicks — didn't get

out of the way in Game 5 until Latrell Sprewell missed one last awkward shot after catching the ball too far under the basket. The most thrilling game of a series that suffered from post-Michael Jordan TV ratings came down to the last shot, the way so many of Jordan's games did.

"We fought hard," Sprewell said. "We didn't want them to win on our court, but they played well. They deserved it. They were the best team this year."

Sprewell scored an incendiary 35 points that included a vicious dunk that nearly brought the house down at Madison Square Garden. On the game's final play, Charlie Ward's inbounds pass found Sprewell too far under the basket. Sprewell missed, and the Spurs stormed the court with their wives, children and girlfriends to celebrate.

"It's a journey that goes to show

that hard work and persistence truly pays off," said Robinson, criticized during his career for not being able to lead his team to a title.

Before Sprewell's miss, the Knicks inexplicably failed to foul when the Spurs got the ball with about 30 seconds left. Instead, they let San Antonio run a play. Avery Johnson missed a long jumper that just avoided the shot clock, and Larry Johnson got the rebound in the corner with 2.1 seconds left.

"As disappointed as I am in the result, I am very, very proud of our guys," said Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy, who indicated he will be back next season after nearly getting fired late in the regular season.

The Spurs' first title and the first for a former ABA team. All those labels that had been attached to them — soft, above all — no longer apply.

Avery Johnson, the journeyman

who heard too many times that he'd never be a success in the NBA, calmly hit a corner jumper that put the Spurs ahead 78-77 with 47 seconds left. He described the Spurs as "a tough — you heard me everybody — tough basketball team."

Duncan averaged 27.4 points and 14 rebounds and didn't have to be slick like Allen Iverson or strong like Shaquille O'Neal to get a championship ring.

"I don't think there are words to describe Tim Duncan," Spurs forward Sean Elliott said. "He's not flashy, he's not in your face, he doesn't have to intimidate people. He just goes out and plays the game with a lot of style, a lot of class."

With an efficient, unflappable run of success in these playoffs, the Spurs ran off a 15-2 record that tied the second-best playoff run in NBA history.

Coach search begins

PAMPA — Pampa High officials hope to present a candidate for the Harvester boys' basketball coaching position at the next PISD school board meeting on July 15.

"If everything goes okay, that's the time frame we've set. We'll make our recommendations to the school board then, but it's not something that's set in stone. If we feel like the amount of time is not adequate, it will be extended beyond that," said PHS athletic director Dennis Cavalier.

The coaching job became vacant when veteran coach Robert Hale submitted his resignation Wednesday morning.

Cavalier, PHS principal John Kendall and PISD personnel director Jack Bailey will be reviewing the applications until the tentative date of July 9. After that, the three officials will be interviewing the applicants.

Hale resigned after 13 seasons as Harvester head coach to accept a similar post at Class 4A Weatherford. Hale begins his new duties in August.

Hale had been a head coach for 12 years before coming to Pampa, but experience would be only one of the criteria considered in the interviewing process, according to Cavalier.

"We don't have any particular guidelines, except we want the new coach to be a good fit in the school system," Cavalier said. "Certainly we would value someone with head coaching experience."

Hale had already compiled a 182-110 record when he took over the PHS position. Hale's Harvesters logged a 289-123 record and won eight district titles in a row, including the state championship in 1996. Pampa under Hale had also reached the state semifinals in 1991 and 1992.

Jimenez hurls 1-0 no-hitter

PHOENIX (AP) — In this era of home run hysteria and double-digit slugfests, how about a genuine pitching duel to match the best the game has known?

How about a struggling rookie outpitching one of the game's great power hurlers at his best? How about the first no-hitter by a St. Louis pitcher in 16 years?

Jose Jimenez, who began the night tied for the NL lead in most earned runs allowed at 60 and with a 6.69 earned run average, became the first rookie to throw a no-hitter in eight seasons Friday night in a 1-0 thriller against Randy Johnson and the NL's top hitting team, the Arizona Diamondbacks.

"Jose was the man tonight," St. Louis catcher Alberto Castillo said.

Jimenez (4-7) struck out eight, walked two and hit a batter.

"It's unbelievable," said Jimenez, who threw a no-hitter in the minors last season. "I can't explain it. I just want to fly tonight."

10-12 champs



First Bank Southwest is this year's Optimist 10-12 year old girls' softball champions. The team had a 9-1 record. Team members are (front row, from left) Ashlee Ferguson, Nicole Clark, Ashlee Lucas, Jennie Rogers, Alexa Silva and Lacie Long; (back row, from left) coach Layne Clark, Atlanta Son, Kacey Maddox, Monica Eakin, Teryn Garner, Patricia Jones, Christin Jones and coach Terry Garner. Not pictured is coach Stephen Rogers. It was First Bank's second straight City Championship.

Pampa's Everson is third in Tall Tower Open

GOLF

AMARILLO — Using borrowed clubs, Pampan Phil Everson shot a 72 to grab third place in the opening round of the Tall Tower Open on Friday.

Doug Burke of Perryton is the first-round leader with a 70. John Shinkle of Amarillo is one stroke back at 71.

Everson, who will be a junior at North Texas State, had to borrow a set of golf clubs from Pampa friends. Everson's personal clubs ended up on another flight when his plane touched down on at Amarillo International Airport on Friday morning. He still managed an even-par 72 to stand alone in third place.

Everson had 16 pars during his round. A bogey on No. 15 prevented him from breaking par.

Everson is the defending champion of the Top of Texas Tournament which is held in Pampa every year.

The top 25 players after two rounds in the Tall Tower Open will be placed in the championship flight, while the next 24 golfers will make up the president's flight. The Tall Tower is a qualifier for the prestigious GWD Tournament of Champions in August. Wayne Harkrider of the 49 Tall Tower players is the only one eligible for the tournament of champions because of his victory three weeks ago in the Ron Clark-Miller Lite

Tournament

The Tall Tower Open continued Saturday and concludes Sunday afternoon. The tournament is being played at the Ross Rogers course.

HARRISON, N.Y. (AP)

For a man close to losing his temper because he was playing so poorly, Jeff Maggert was a picture of composure as he explained the 5-under-par 66 that gave him a share of the lead midway through the Buick Classic.

Or, rather, Maggert had no explanation for how his bogey-prone game turned so positive so quickly during Friday's second round.

"I wish I knew what the difference was," he said.

No matter, Maggert's two-round total of 6-under 136 tied him with Chris Perry for the lead. Duffy Waldorf and Stephen Ames, the first-round leader, were a stroke back at 137.

Like so many of the golfers at the Westchester Country Club this week, Maggert arrived still talking about last week's U.S. Open at Pinehurst. Maggert spoke of how frustrating the weekend was, as he shot 73-74 on Saturday and Sunday and finished in a tie for seventh.

"I felt like I really had a shot to have a chance to win the tournament," he said.

Then he felt he missed too many opportunities at the Buick Classic on Thursday, when he shot a 1-under 70, and he made two bogeys early Friday to fall to 1-over. Rather than worrying about the lead, Maggert was in danger of missing the cut.

"My attitude, I have to admit, hasn't been the greatest the last weekend and yesterday," he said. "I was getting very frustrated with myself on the golf course and losing some patience."

It seemed to promise to get even worse on the par-4 15th hole — his sixth hole of the day — when Maggert drove into trees and just tried to punch the ball out somewhere near the green.

Instead, it rolled to a stop 4 feet from the cup, Maggert made the putt and was off on a birdie binge highlighted by four straight between Nos. 18 and 3.

Maggert's success here is no surprise. He has finished in the top 10 in each of the last four Buick Classics and made \$342,000.

"I'd like to win here before I'm done with my tour days," Maggert said. "Who knows? Maybe this is the year."

In fact, the appearance of Maggert's name on the leader board Friday coincided with the emergence of many familiar faces.

Lee Janzen, the 1994 winner in a

duel with Ernie Els, shot 67 Friday and was at 4-under 138.

Els, who was No. 1 to Maggert's No. 2 in Els' wire-to-wire victories here in 1996 and 1997, had a 1-under 70 Friday for a 3-under 139 total.

Fred Couples, Fred Funk, Jay Haas, Steve Pate, Justin Leonard, Paul Azinger, Bob Tway and Tom Lehman were also among the 33 golfers within five shots of the lead midway through the tournament.

Unlike Maggert, Perry had no doubt from the beginning that Friday would be his day. He saved par from the sand on the par-3 first hole and made a 7-footer on the par-4 second to avoid a three-putt.

He made birdie from 7 feet on the seventh hole and on the ninth hit his second-shot 4-wood to within 30 feet and made the putt for an eagle. He sandwiched birdies on No. 14 and No. 18 around a bogey on the 15th hole.

Perry, the son of former major league picture Jim Perry and nephew of Hall of Famer Gaylord Perry, won his first PGA event (the '98 B.C. Open) after 14 years on and off the tour. He said his victory elevated him to the "A" category used by tournament organizers to determine pairings. That, in turn, made him realize that even the very best players sometimes make bad shots.

"They are all great. But you know what?, everybody misses shots," he said.

Anglers like Cypress trees

By MIKE LEGGETT
Austin American-Statesman

CARTHAGE, Texas — Killis LaGrone allowed the boat to drift lazily with the wind, right to the cypress tree's overhanging limbs. Soft green leaves brushed against him as he flipped a black lizard up against the thick cypress trunk. The small slip sinker was just heavy enough to pull the lizard down into the maze of roots, invisible in the black water, where it was inhaled by a waiting largemouth.

LaGrone leaned hard on the now severely bent rod and snatched a two-pound bass almost right out of the water. The whole thing — from cast to catch — took just a few seconds.

"Not bad," the power company biologist said. The old family friend and I were fishing a 200-acre club lake near the East Texas town where we both grew up and went to school and where LaGrone now lives with his family. "I catch a lot of fish around this particular cypress tree."

Of course, serious bass anglers don't need to be told to fish around trees in the water. Largemouth bass are notorious skulkers, using any kind of cover and especially sunken brush as hiding places from which to ambush careless baitfish.

If the prey turns out to be a plastic worm or a spinner bait just masquerading as a careless bait fish, then an angler has done his job.

Cypress trees grow almost

everywhere in Texas, though they stand out in the swampy, shallow and dark lakes of East Texas and on over into the southeastern part of the country. They stand watch over lakes and streams in Central Texas, too, providing remarkable shade, beautiful landscapes and classic fishing situations on a number of lakes.

Whether lining the banks of Lake Austin or growing partly submerged in Caddo Lake, cypress tree are prime fishing locations. It doesn't take a genius to figure out what to do either.

"First of all, the roots under the water are as big as the canopy above the ground," said Jody Jackson, a former Central Texas fishing guide who now lives in East Texas and oversees the state's KidFish Program. "If the tree is growing on the bank, then the roots form a half-moon kind of shape under the water."

"The thing you want to fish is the roots, not so much the trunk of the tree," he said. "That's what the fish are oriented to, the root system, so you want to be sure to fish your bait all the way back to the boat and not just concentrate on the trunk or the shoreline."

Jackson said his experience is that largemouth bass often will lie in the slight depression that occurs just behind a cypress knee, that part of the intricate root system that grows back up above the water line. Cypress knees once were prized by lamp-makers for use as the bases of table lamps.

"Bass will hold up right behind the knee itself," Jackson said. "There's a little hole there that keeps them from being seen. And you know there are knees and depressions under the water that you can't even see, so you want to fish every bit of it."

Try to imagine looking at a cotton ball through the lens of a microscope. That's kind of the image that the root system of a cypress tree might give if held up to the sunlight. There is a network of roots and bumps that snakes its way across the bottom, dropping away from the main trunk of the tree.

"Lots of times, the fish may be way out there in five to six feet of water," Jackson said. "If there's a creek channel close by, they'll usually be hanging right on the edge of that. So you want to fish every little bit of the root system until you find the fish. Once you establish a pattern, you should be able to move from tree to tree and find fish on different trees, but in the same kinds of places."

Any kind of lure works around cypress trees, from topwater plugs to spinner baits to slow-moving worms and lizards. "I prefer a jig most of the time," Jackson said. "With a jig and trailer, you can stay in contact with the bottom and know every time the lure drops off into one of those crevices. Then you can fish it all the way out to the edge of the roots."

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Davenport advances at Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Third-seeded Lindsay Davenport, twice a Wimbledon quarterfinalist, reached the fourth round today, beating Italian Laura Golarsa 6-3, 6-2. Golarsa, playing in her 13th and final Wimbledon as she winds down her career, had five break points in the first set and failed to convert any as the former No. 1-ranked American moved on.

Another American, Alexandra Stevenson, also reached the fourth round in her Wimbledon debut and only her second appearance in a Grand Slam. The 18-year-old ousted No. 11-seeded Julie Halard-Decugis 6-3, 6-3.

Those early matches followed a Friday of drama — provided by Jim Courier and 17-year-old Mirjana Lucic — and laughs with John McEnroe and Steffi Graf teaming in mixed doubles.

Courier won his second consecutive five-setter Friday, a marathon that sent him to the hospital with dehydration. Lucic pulled off the biggest victory of her Grand Slam career, upsetting fourth-seeded Monica Seles.

McEnroe and Graf, meanwhile, were winning and grinning in their debut as a mixed doubles team.

On the first point, Graf smacked her service return into the net, and McEnroe slammed his racket to the grass in feigned disgust. The stadium shook with laughter.

On the second point, McEnroe hit his service return into the net, so Graf also threw her racket down. Another gleeful roar from the crowd.

But Mac and Steffi also played for keeps, beating Jeff Coetzee of South Africa and Eva Melicharova of the Czech Republic 6-2, 6-4.

"I couldn't have picked a better partner," said McEnroe, who delighted a near-capacity crowd with his flashback in the flesh.

Courier outlasted Sjeng Schalken 7-6 (7-2), 3-6, 3-6, 7-5, 13-11 in 4 1/2 hours, then spent more than two hours at a hospital to receive fluids intravenously.

"That's Jim's strongest quality — his heart," Pete Sampras said. "He's going to lay it on the line and fight as hard as he can. Today was the perfect example."

When Lucic completed her victory over Seles, 7-6 (7-4), 7-6 (7-4), she jumped up and down in celebration. It was a powerful, emotional performance by the young Croat, who has had the look of a potential Grand Slam champion since her pro debut in 1997.

Other winners included Britons Greg Rusedski and Tim Henman, who next faces Courier, and the top-ranked Sampras. Third-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov retired in the third set of his match against Cedric Pioline, citing a hamstring injury.

Graf, seeded No. 2 in singles, beat Corina Morariu 6-1, 6-3. That set up an intriguing fourth-round matchup between Graf and Belgian Kim Clijsters, a 16-year-old qualifier competing in her first Grand Slam tournament. Clijsters upset No. 12 Amanda Coetzer 6-2, 6-4.

Two other teen-agers, No. 6 Venus Williams and No. 17 Anna Kournikova, won their matches and will meet in the fourth round Monday.

Then there was the oldies act on Court 1. McEnroe, 40, wanted to show he can still play Grand Slam-caliber doubles, and he asked Graf to be his partner. She jumped at the chance to team with her idol.

"I've always admired the way he played very much," said Graf, 30. "That's the one player I always watched growing up."

McEnroe, in turn, recently described Graf as a "tennis goddess." She is bidding for her eighth Wimbledon singles title, while McEnroe won three singles championships and five doubles titles at the All England Club.

The opportunity to play with Graf coaxed McEnroe back onto the grass for the first time since 1992, the year he retired from the men's tour.

"I just felt like if I stepped on the court in a major, I wanted to have a chance to win the tournament," he said. "We do have a chance, I believe, to win it. At least there's an outside remote possibility."

McEnroe's look is a bit different — the hair has gone gray, and the wooden racket went out with the trash long ago. But his unique back-to-the-net service motion remains deceptive, and his touch on volleys still ranks with the best in the sport.

Also familiar were the facial expressions. Almost every time McEnroe lost a point, he frowned and shook his head in disbelief. He was clearly the team captain, doing most of the talking between points and on changeovers.

"He's mumbling a few things," Graf said with a smile. "Nothing extremely special."

At 4-4 in the second set, Melicharova sliced a drop shot into a vacant part of the court. "Yours!" McEnroe hollered to his teammate, and Graf scrambled forward to slam a running, crosscourt forehand for a winner. McEnroe led the applause, bouncing his racket off the palm of his hand.

The celebrity duo won that game, and McEnroe then served out the match, helped by a 107-mph ace.

He and Graf kissed each other on the cheek, and she walked off the court with a Grand Slam-size grin.

As the crowd roared, McEnroe gestured appreciatively to Graf, then tapped his head with his finger, as if to say, "Aren't I smart?"

Yes, he does know how to pick a playing partner. For that matter, so does Graf.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL

Spurs 78, Knicks 77

At New York

SAN ANTONIO (78)

Elliott 0-4 2-2 2, Duncan 12-22 7-9 31, Robinson 5-14 5-8 15, Elie 2-6 4-4 10, A.Johnson 4-10 0-0 8, Jackson 4-9 0-0 11, Rose 0-1 1-2 1, Kerr 0-1 0-0 0, Daniels 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 27-57 19-25 78.

NEW YORK (77)

L.Johnson 3-10 1-2 7, Sprewell 13-27 8-10 35, Camby 3-6 1-1 7, Houston 8-17 0-1 16, Ward 2-4 0-0 4, Thomas 2-4 2-2 8, Dudley 0-0 0-0 0, Childs 1-4 0-0 2, H.Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 32-72 12-18 77.

San Antonio 20 20 19 19 — 78

New York 23 16 20 19 — 77

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 5-13 (Jackson 3-6, Elie 2-3, Duncan 0-1, A.Johnson 0-1, Elliott 0-2), New York 1-9 (Sprewell 1-1, Childs 0-1, Ward 0-1, L.Johnson 0-3, Houston 0-3). Fouled out—None.

Rebounds—San Antonio 45 (Robinson 12), New York 45 (Sprewell 10). Assists—San Antonio 19 (A.Johnson 9), New York 18 (Houston 8). Total fouls—San Antonio 17, New York 23. Technicals—San Antonio illegal Defense. A—19,763 (19,763).

San Antonio Spurs NBA Playoff History

By The Associated Press

1977 — Lost to Boston 2-0.

1978 — Lost to Washington 4-2.

1979 — Best Philadelphia 4-3; Lost to Washington 4-3.

1980 — Lost to Houston 2-1.

1981 — Lost to Houston 4-3.

1982 — Best Seattle 4-1; Lost to L.A. Lakers 4-0.

1983 — Best Denver 4-1; Lost to L.A. Lakers 4-2.

1984 — Didn't make playoffs.

1985 — Lost to Denver 3-2.

1986 — Lost to L.A. Lakers 3-0.

1987 — Didn't make playoffs.

1988 — Lost to L.A. Lakers 3-0.

1989 — Didn't make playoffs.

1990 — Best Denver 3-0; Lost to Portland 4-3.

1991 — Lost to Golden State 3-1.

1992 — Lost to Phoenix 3-1.

1993 — Best Portland 3-1; Lost to Phoenix 4-2.

1994 — Lost to Utah 3-1.

1995 — Best Denver 3-0; Best L.A. Lakers 4-2; Lost to Houston 4-2.

1996 — Best Phoenix 3-1; Lost to Utah 4-2.

1997 — Didn't make playoffs.

1998 — Best Phoenix 3-1; Lost to Utah 4-1.

1999 — Best Minnesota 3-1; Best L.A. Lakers 4-0; Best Portland 4-0; Best New York 4-1. NBA Champions.

Baseball

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EDT

East Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	44	29	.606	—
New York	42	31	.576	2
Philadelphia	38	33	.535	5
Montreal	28	41	.406	14
Florida	24	49	.329	20

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	42	30	.583	—
Cincinnati	39	31	.557	2
Pittsburgh	36	35	.507	5 1/2
Chicago	35	35	.500	6
St. Louis	36	37	.483	6 1/2
Milwaukee	33	39	.458	9

West Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	42	32	.568	—
San Francisco	40	34	.541	2
Colorado	34	35	.483	5 1/2
Los Angeles	33	38	.465	7 1/2
San Diego	32	38	.457	8

Thursday's Games

Philadelphia 7, Pittsburgh 5

New York 3, Florida 2

Atlanta 3, Montreal 2, 11 innings

Chicago 12, Colorado 10

Cincinnati 3, Houston 0

Arizona 8, St. Louis 7

San Diego 2, Los Angeles 1

Only games scheduled

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 3, Chicago 2

Montreal 4, Florida 3

Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 3

Cincinnati 10, Houston 7

New York 10, Atlanta 2

St. Louis 1, Arizona 0

San Diego 10, Colorado 1

Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 2

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati (Paris 4-1) at Houston (Bergman 4-4), 1:15 p.m.

Philadelphia (Person 0-1) at Chicago (Trachsel 2-9), 4:05 p.m.

Los Angeles (C.Perez 2-8) at San Francisco (Brock 5-6), 4:05 p.m.

Florida (Demeter 3-3) at Montreal (Smith 1-1), 7:05 p.m.

New York (Dotel 0-0) at Atlanta (Glavine 5-7), 7:10 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Ritchie 6-5) at Milwaukee (Normo 5-1), 8:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Bottenfield 11-3) at Arizona (Anderson 1-1), 10:05 p.m.

Colorado (Brownson 0-1) at San Diego (Clemens 3-7), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

New York (Yoshi 6-5) at Atlanta (Maddux 6-5), 1:10 p.m.

Florida (Springer 2-9) at Montreal (Thurman 3-4), 1:35 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Cordova 2-3) at Milwaukee (Karl 6-6), 2:05 p.m.

Philadelphia (Wolf 3-0) at Chicago (Mullholland 3-3), 2:20 p.m.

Cincinnati (Hamisch 6-6) at Houston (Lima 11-3), 2:35 p.m.

Colorado (Kile 4-4) at San Diego (Hitchcock 5-4), 4:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Mercker 2-3) at Arizona (Reynoso 5-1), 8:05 p.m.

Los Angeles (Park 4-4) at San Francisco (Gardner 1-6), 8:05 p.m.

Transactions

Friday's Sports Transactions

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Optioned RHP Rocky Coppinger to Rochester of the International League. Recalled RHP Gabe Molina from Rochester.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Activated 3B Travis Fryman from the 15-day disabled list. Assigned OF Jacob Cruz to Buffalo of the International League.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Recalled INF Jed Hansen and LHP Tim Lincecum from Omaha of the PCL. Optioned INF Steve Scarsone to Omaha. Placed RHP Jose Santiago on the 15-day disabled list.

MINNESOTA TWINS—Activated RHP Hector Carrasco from the 60-day disabled list.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Recalled RHP Paul Abbott from Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League. Optioned RHP Aaron Scheffer to Tacoma.

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Signed RHP Chris Chavez and SS Gabriel Romero.

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Ben Christensen.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Placed C-3B Michael Barrett on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled 1B Brad Fuller from Ottawa of the International League.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Activated 1B Wally Joyner from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned RHP Carlos Almanzar to Las Vegas.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Named Jeanie Busc executive vice president of business operations.

NEW JERSEY NETS—Named Don Casey coach.

ORLANDO MAGIC—Waived G-F Gerald

WILKINS

SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Announced F Vin Baker has opted to become a free agent.

Women's National Basketball Association

LOS ANGELES SPARKS—Fired Rhonda Windham, general manager. Announced Johnny Busc, president, will assume general manager duties on an interim basis.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS—Named Rod Woodhouse pro personnel assistant.

ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed DE Patrick Kerney to a five-year contract and TE Reggie Kelly, S Eric Thigpen, C Todd McClure and WR Ronde Barber.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Claimed FB Nicky Sussler off waivers from the Dallas Cowboys.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed QB Michael Bishop.

NEW YORK JETS—Signed OT Ryan Young.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed LB James Willis. Released DB Tod McBride and CB Mike McCoey.

HOCKEY

NHL Expansion Draft List

BOSTON (AP) — Players selected by the Atlanta Thrashers in the NHL expansion draft Friday, with position and team claimed from:

Kelly Buchberger, f, Edmonton

Petr Buzek, d, Dallas

Brett Clark, d, Montreal

Sylvain Cloutier, f, Chicago

Phil Crowe, f, Ottawa

Kevin Dean, f, New Jersey

Peter Ferraro, f, Boston

Maxim Galarov, d, Pittsburgh

John Gasperov, f, Florida

David Harlock, d, N.Y. Islanders

Jody Hull, f, Philadelphia

Matt Johnson, f, Los Angeles

Tommi Kallio, f, Colorado

Trevor Kidd, g, Carolina

Norm Marcic, g, Detroit

Jamie Pushor, d, Anaheim

Corey Schwab, g, Tampa Bay

Darryl Sherman, d, Buffalo

Steve Staios, f, Vancouver

Mike Stapleton, f, Phoenix

Chris Tamer, d, N.Y. Rangers

Mark Tronzi, d, Washington

Newsmakers



Andy Fernuik

Pampa High School Choir student **Andy Fernuik** recently received a full scholarship to Brigham Young University.

His honors, activities and accomplishments include: Concert Choir for three years; Show Choir for two years; Texas All-State Choir for two years; Texas All-State Choir first chair for two years; PHS musicals "Once Upon a Mattress" and "Oklahoma!"; UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest first division ratings for three years; National Honor Society; D-fy-it; World History Award; World Geography Award; Spanish I award; Superintendent Scholar; Advanced Placement Scholar; UIL Science Team; Outstanding Show Choir Member award; Hugh Sanders Outstanding Senior Choir Member award; Principal's Leadership award; UIL Scholar award; Presidential Education award; Radio Shack Tandy Scholar; Who's Who Among American High School Students; United States Achievement Academy; honor graduate; Eagle Scout.

In addition, Fernuik painted a mural in the office at PHS and designed the cover for the PHS Course Description Book.

He belongs to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints where he is choir director and youth leader at the local and regional levels.

He plans to pursue a degree in vocal music.



Thann Scoggin



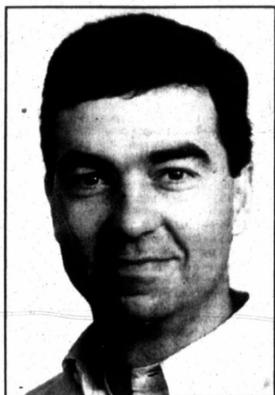
Kelley Bilyeu

Pampa High School choir student **Thann Scoggin** was recently awarded the \$10,000 University of North Texas Board of Regents Scholarship as well as a voice scholarship to UNT where he was accepted to the College of Music as a vocal performance major.

His honors, activities and accomplishments include: All-City Elementary Chorus; Amarillo Boy Choir charter member; PHS Mixed Choir; Outstanding Mixed Choir Member award; Concert Choir for three years; Show Choir; Texas All-State Choir for three years; Texas All-State Choir first chair for two years; PHS musicals "Crazy for You," "Once Upon a Mattress" and "Oklahoma!"; first



Jason Jones



Lynn D. Reed

division ratings in UIL solos and ensembles; Greater Southwest Music Festival "Outstanding" vocal solo awards for four years; Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest Outstanding Performer; National Honor Society; Latin I and II awards; German II award; Chemistry I award; English IV award; Who's Who in Vocal Music; American Choral Directors' Association Outstanding Senior Choir Member awards; Nona S. Payne Foundation Scholarship; Pampa Teachers' Federal Credit Union Scholarship; Student Body Boy with the Most Promising Future; and PHS valedictorian.

In addition, Scoggin is a soloist



Monty Joe Dukes

and parish choir member at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. He has studied voice with Jerry Perales of Amarillo for four years.

BROWNWOOD — **Jason Jones**, a former Pampa resident and son of Mike and Jayne Jones of Early, received top honors during spring commencement ceremonies at Howard Payne University. Jones was one of three graduates who completed their undergraduate studies with a 4.0 grade point average. He received a bachelor of science degree in exercise and sport science.

Top O' Texas CattleWomen recently announced **Monty Joe Dukes** of Allison and **Shelly Deger** of Shamrock were among its 1999 scholarship recipients.

Dukes, of Allison High School, was awarded \$500. He plans to pursue a degree in agribusiness and ag mechanics at Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Sayre, Okla. He was valedictorian of his graduating class and holds awards in various activities including academic achievement, sports, club and community service.

Deger, of Shamrock High School, was awarded \$250. She plans to study nursing and music at McMurry University at Abilene. She holds several awards for participation in a variety of school, band, sports, club and community organizations and activities.

The scholarship winners were selected on the basis of academic excellence, school activities, community service and an essay on "Nutritional Benefits of Beef in a Healthy Diet."

CLAUDE — **Amanda Boothe** of



Amanda Boothe

Claude is currently participating in the 1999 National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine which began June 25 and will last through July 4 in Washington, D.C. Boothe is among a select group of outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America and around the world who have met the qualifications required to participate in the forum. She was selected because of her outstanding academic achievements and her interest in the profession of medicine.

Boothe has observed Dr. Keith Bjork on several surgeries.

The students will visit some of America's most prominent and technologically-advanced medical institutions. Intensive day-long concentrations at these and other institutions will allow students to examine state-of-the-art diagnostic tools and future medical specialties in detail. Participants will also have the opportunity to study and learn from some of America's most distinguished medical leaders. Topics to be discussed include breakthroughs in genetic research, cancer research, AIDS, sports medicine, neonatal and pediatric research, computers in the world of medicine, public health, clinical decision-making and bioethics.

Boothe's honors, activities and accomplishments include: 4-H Council; 4-H Gold Star recipient; National Youth Leadership Forum — Farm Bureau; First Baptist Youth Council; Who's Who Among American High School Students; National Medical Forum; varsity and junior varsity cheerleader; varsity and junior varsity basketball; first place Rifle Team; first place Shoot Off; third place High Individual Rifle State Champ; first

place Junior Olympic Running Target Champion; second place Junior Olympic Running Target Champion; student council; freshman class secretary; sophomore class secretary; sophomore class favorite; junior class president; junior class homecoming representative; Vacation Bible School teacher; first runner-up 1997-98 Miss Armstrong County; Miss Armstrong County 1998-99; Miss Congeniality-Miss Irish Rose, 1999; Observe Orthopedic Surgery program; 1999 "C" Award in World Geography; Accounting I and UIL Accounting; 1997, 1998 and 1999 Superintendent's Team; fourth place in 1999 State 4-H Method Demonstration.

She is the daughter of David and Susan Boothe of Claude and is the granddaughter of Jean Burch of White Deer and Carl and Linda Johnson of Pampa.

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced **Kelley Bilyeu** of Pampa was named an All-American Collegiate Scholar and an United States National Collegiate Award-winner in Education.

The award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain and is bestowed upon fewer than 10 percent of American college students.

The USAA established the AAC Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. AAC Scholars must earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school official or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards by the USAA.

Bilyeu, who attends West Texas A&M University, was nominated for both honors by Dr. Mary Parker, a professor at the college.

She is the wife of John Bilyeu and is the daughter of Rickey and Sharron Brown of Pampa and is the granddaughter of Hal and Dora Mae Brown and Delora Mackie and the late John Mackie, all of Pampa.

WILMINGTON, Del. — **Lynn D. Reed** of Pampa was recently promoted to managing director for ECOSYL Products, Inc.

Reed, previously a livestock specialist with Farmland Industries, Inc., joined the organization, then Zeneca, in 1996 as a regional manager and maintained that position with ECOSYL following a management buyout of the Zeneca inoculant business three years ago. (See, NEWSMAKERS, Page 14)

STAR WARS

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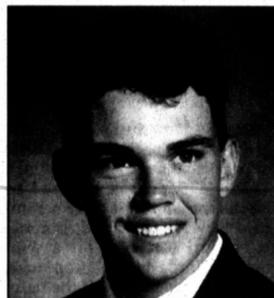
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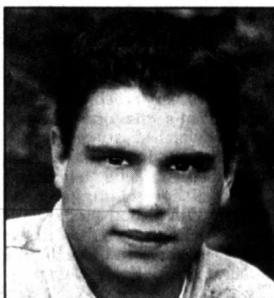
Molly Painter



Heather Robben



Cara Swart



Brian Williamson



Kelsey Yowell

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API

Misty Ferrell, daughter of Jerry and Deborah Ferrell of Pampa,

Ozark Christian College; Amanda Freeman, daughter of Tonya Homen and Johnny Freeman, both of White Deer, Texas Tech; Kyle Gamblin, son of Kris and Terry Gamblin of Pampa, University of Texas at Arlington; Valerie Holt, daughter of Randy and Cindy Holt of Pampa, Amarillo College.

Ryan Lehman, son of Lyle and Cindy Lehman of Norman, Okla., University of Oklahoma; Max Kerr, son of Mike and Julie Kerr of Amarillo, Texas Tech; Dustin Laycock, son of Dennis and Kim Laycock of Pampa, Texas A&M University; Levi Lunsford, son of Joe and Billie Lunsford of Miami, Texas Tech; Molly Painter, daughter of Keith and Maggie Painter of White Deer, WTAMU; Heather Robben, daughter of Bill and Paula Robben of Pampa, AC.

Cara Swart, daughter of Ron

and Kay Swart of Miami, WTAMU; Brian Williamson, son of Jacky and Nancy Williamson of Perryton, Texas Tech; and Kelsey Yowell and Sarah Yowell, daughters of Joan and Paul Yowell of Pampa, WTAMU.

API Panhandle Chapter has over 300 members from throughout the panhandle and is a non-profit organization consisting of professionals engaged in all aspects of exploration, production and marketing of oil and gas. The organization has awarded over \$180,000 in past years to students who are relatives of API members. Scholarship funds were raised through the annual golf tournament.

Monthly meetings are held in Pampa and are open to individuals involved in the oil and gas industry. A shrimp boil membership drive is slated in September.

CINEMA

1st Run
Tarzan (G)
 2 Shows Nightly 7:10 & 9:20
 Daily Matinee 1:50

1st Run
The General's Daughter (R)
 2 Shows Nightly 7:05 & 9:20
 Daily Matinee 1:45

2nd Week
Austin Powers II
The Spy Who Shagged Me (PG-13)
 2 Shows Nightly 7:10 & 9:05
 Daily Matinee 1:50

4th Week
Star Wars
The Phantom Menace (PG)
 2 Shows Nightly 7:00 & 9:30
 Daily Matinee 1:40

LIFESTYLE

Dance, Dance, Dance



By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor



Calee Gibson relaxes after performing her dance routine.

Madeline Graves loves to dance. Dance has been an important part of her life since she was three years old. She enjoys sharing her love of dancing with her students.

Future dancers and gymnasts as young as 3 and 4 years old are studying dance and gymnastics under the direction of the experienced and talented teacher in Pampa, and have been for the past 33 years.

Madeline began studying dance at the age of 3 beginning at the Isabel McKenna School of Dance in Galveston. The talented young dancer was rewarded for her resilience and dedication by being selected as assistant dance instructor to McKenna during her high school years.

After graduation from high school she attended Texas Christian University in Fort Worth where she majored in ballet-theatre. While at TCU she was lead dancer in "Shore Leave", an original ballet written by TCU's Ballet Master, the late David Preston. During her college years she was also in Little Theater and was a member of Fallis Players, which toured North Central Texas presenting children's plays. She also was a featured dancer in the Fort Worth Opera Association productions of "Faust", "La Traaviata" and "Lucia de Lamma Moor". She was also a finalist in the Miss Fort Worth Pageant with dancing as her talent.

Upon receiving a Bachelor of Fine Arts and minor in education from TCU, she worked with a friend who had a dance studio.

Her brother, A. J. Carubbi, had relocated to Pampa to open a law practice. He was so impressed with Pampa he talked his sister and her husband along with their parents into moving to the bustling small community.

Before the opening of her studio in Pampa in 1966, she worked at the local radio station as well as selling clothes at a local store.

A member of Texas Association Teachers of Dance, she is also a member and president of Dance Master of America Chapter #35 and is on the board of Dance Masters of America. Madeline has taught for several organizations in the fields of ballet, tap and jazz. She has taught for Dance Caravan U.S.A., Oklahoma Dance Masters and Dance Master of America Chapter #35.

During her 33 years as owner and instructor of her private studio, she has produced 15 Miss Dance winners and several recipients of National Dance Scholarships. Several of her former students are dancing professionally, and at least two former students are now operating their own dance studios.

Her students compete in contests year round. Six of her students have qualified for the National Championships in trampoline and tumbling and will compete in California in July. Three of her students will be competing

in the National Finals for Dance Masters of America in July in California.

Numerous dancers attended a gymnastic camp as well as a dance camp during the past two weeks.

Madeline teaches ballet, modern dance, tap and jazz along with the gymnastics to approximately 125 students. She says that 3 and 4 year olds are ready to begin learning, and they learn to follow directions before they begin school. Dance and gymnastics help them to learn in fun ways, she says. She said the majority of dance students become excellent students in the school setting.

Her students range in age from 3 to 18. She taught an adult class for three years several years ago, but now she just can't seem to find the time to teach them anymore.

The very attractive woman has been to almost all of the 50 states with her students. She periodically takes some of her students to New York where they study with professional dancers for short periods of time. While in the Big Apple, the girls always attend at least two Broadway shows.

Not only do the dancers compete regularly in competitions, but so do the gymnasts. She has two traveling gymnastic teams.

It's been a busy time of year for the girls as recital was held recently and the camps are just ending. The girls who qualified for the national competition are also practicing in preparation for the competition in July. In earlier years the studio was open only during the school year, but now it is year round.

Her daughter, Shauna Graves-Munsell, has joined her as the assistant director. She was 6 months old when her mother began her studio, and began classes under the tutelage of Madeline when she was 2 and one-half years old.

An experienced dance teacher and choreographer, Shauna was a two-time competitor in the Miss Texas Pageant.

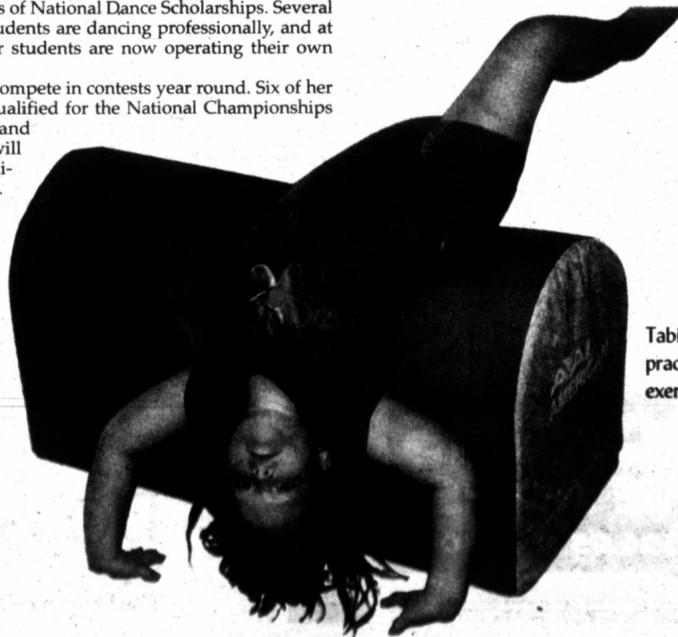
Whether it is an arabesque, bourre, grand jete', plie' or pirouette in ballet — a shuffle ball change or a toe-toe-heel-heel in tap — a split leap, a randolph or a full twist in gymnastics and trampoline, the young Pampa girls are an extremely talented group of young ladies.

Madeline strives for her students to have fun while they learn and to have kindness. "Not only do I want my students to learn dance and gymnastics, I want to instill in them to help each other and to be kind to one another," she said.

Proficient at the art which she teaches, she seems to be accomplishing all her goals as she continues working with the youth of the Pampa area.



Above: Musetta Carver does some stretching exercises before starting her routine. Below: Musetta (left) - Dancer of the Year and Staci Caly - Gymnast of the Year.



Tabitha Mead practices tumbling exercises.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Alexander

Alexander anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Alexander of Lefors celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 13, 1999, in First Baptist Church of Lefors. Children of the couple hosted the reception.

Ralph Alexander and Maudie Trout were married June 6, 1974, in First Baptist Church of Lefors. The couple have been Lefors residents for the past 50 years and belong to First Baptist Church.

Children of the couple are James and Heidi Taylor of Canyon, Sheila White and John and Darla Ferguson, all of Amarillo, and Don and Beverly Alexander and Jim and Linda Bruton, all of Pampa. They have 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Schale

Schale anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Schale celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on June 21, 1999.

Michael Phillip Schale of Pampa and Kadda Jean Hill of Amarillo were married June 21, 1974, at Paramount Terrace Christian Church of Amarillo.

Children of the couple are Landon Schale of Lubbock and Darby Schale of Pampa.

Menus

June 28-July 2

Pampa Schools
MONDAY
 Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy
 Lunch: Ravioli, green beans, corn, mixed fruit, hot rolls.
TUESDAY
 Breakfast: Sausage patty, toast.
 Lunch: Sliced turkey, whipped potatoes, sliced carrots, pears, hot rolls.
WEDNESDAY
 Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast.
 Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, applesauce, cornbread.
THURSDAY
 Breakfast: Waffle sticks, syrup.
 Lunch: Corn dogs, French fries, tossed salad, peaches.
FRIDAY
 Breakfast: Cereal, toast.
 Lunch: Ribecue on a bun, potato wedges, pinto beans, sliced apples.

Meals on Wheels
MONDAY
 Polish sausage, scalloped potatoes, tomatoes, pumpkin bars.
TUESDAY
 Swiss steak, potato casserole, peas and carrots, peach cobbler.
WEDNESDAY
 Baked ham, mixed green, sweet potatoes, jello.
THURSDAY
 Chicken spaghetti, pickled beets, broccoli, pudding.
FRIDAY
 Ravioli, green beans, corn, graham crackers.
Senior Citizens
MONDAY
 Chicken fried steak or stir fry chicken over rice, mashed potatoes, beets, spinach, northern beans, white chocolate swirl cake or vanilla pudding cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY
 Sweet and sour pork or taco salad, cheese potatoes, green beans, creme corn, pinto beans, pineapple cake or chocolate sundae cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, jalapeno cornbread, hot rolls or cornbread.
WEDNESDAY
 Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, squash casserole, turnip greens, beans, hurricane oatmeal cake or cherry cheesecake, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
THURSDAY
 Chicken strips or Swiss steak, boiled potatoes, English peas, beans, dump cake or butterscotch pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
FRIDAY
 Fried cod fish or spaghetti with meat sauce, potato wedges, broccoli, beans, red, white and blue cake or tapioca, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.



Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Richardson

Richardson anniversary

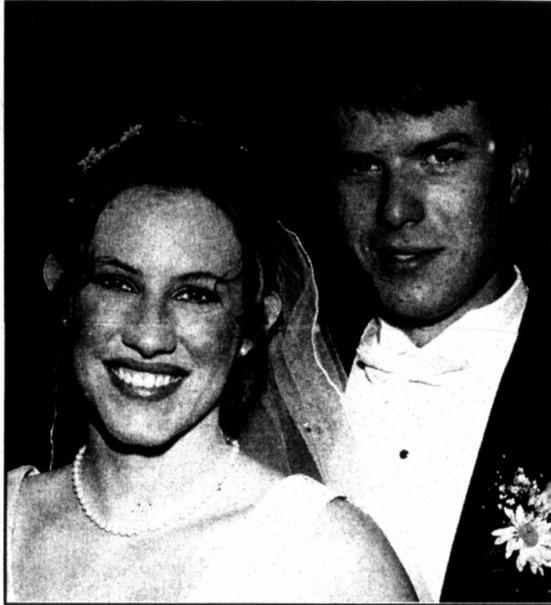
Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Richardson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 26, 1999, in the parlor of First Baptist Church. Helen Burns, Colleen Hamilton, Brenda Condo, Mary Nelson, Ruth Riehart, Katherine Taylor, Lois Shelhamer and Julia Sparkman, all of Pampa, and Jo Goss of Dallas hosted the reception.

Lonnie Richardson and Selena Louise Hawkins were married June 27, 1949, at First Baptist Church in Harlingen. The couple have been Pampa residents for the past 47 years and have belonged to First Baptist Church of Pampa for 47 years. They are also members of Bible Study Fellowship, Pampa Fine Arts, Pampa Community Concert Association and First Baptist Church Choir.

Mr. Richardson worked for Celanese prior to retiring in 1985 after 38 years of service. He is a member of Celanese Retirees Club and is a former member and president of Rotary Club. He has been a deacon at First Baptist Church and served on the Pampa School Board for six years.

Mrs. Richardson taught school prior to retiring in 1985 after 25 years of service. She is a member of 20th Century Club, serving as president for a year. She has sang with the Amarillo Symphony Chorus and has performed for many civic groups.

Children of the couple are Cheryl Kirk of Floydada, Steve Richardson of Frisco, and Lynn Schisler and Susan Richardson, both of Amarillo. They have nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Shannon Marie Poland and William Wesley Lang

Poland-Lang

Shannon Marie Poland of White Deer and William Wesley Lang of Pampa were wed May 29 in First Baptist Church in White Deer with the Rev. John Collis, of the church, officiating.

The matron of honor was Beth Ann Mize, sister of the bride of Canyon. The bridesmaids were Layci Diggs of Amarillo and Courtney Lang, sister of the groom of Pampa. The flower girl was Brooke Mize, niece of the bride of Canyon.

The best man was Jeff Henderson of Pampa. The groomsmen were Dustin Chase of Pampa and Chris Mize of Canyon. The ring bearer was Timothy Poland, brother of the bride of White Deer.

The ushers were Joe Mize of White Deer and Ken McEntire of Amarillo. The candlelighters were Tacy and Cody Bennett, cousins of the bride of Duncan, Okla.

Registering guests was Lenzi Diggs of White Deer. Music was provided by musician Sheila Terry and sound system coordinator Edie Hastings, both of White Deer.

A reception was held following the service in the parlor of the church with Tammy Bennett of Duncan, Beth Ann Mize of Canyon and Layci Diggs of Amarillo serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Yale and Becky Poland of White Deer. She is currently attending West Texas A&M University and is presently employed in the Athletic Department at WTAMU.

The groom is the son of Mark and Karen Lang of Pampa. He is currently employed for APEX Surveying and Mapping of Amarillo.

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

Books: A rich diet of food for thought

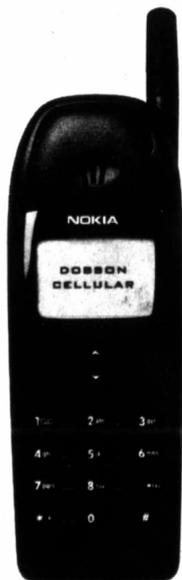
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Angela Kay Wood and Jay Frank Snow

Wood-Snow

Angela Kay Wood and Jay Frank Snow, both of Dallas, were wed May 29 at Rosalie House, an historic Victorian tour home dating back to the late 1800s in Eureka Springs, Ark., with the Rev. Terry Ballinger officiating.

The service was held in the gardens of Rosalie House and a reception followed in the patio area of the home which included ivy-covered limestone walls and sounds of a waterfall. The wedding party included Mr. and Mrs. L.G. Clifton of Pampa.

The bride is the daughter of Frank and Beverly Wood of Tulsa, Okla., and is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Pruitt, the late George F. Wood and the late Ima Wood, all of Tulsa. She holds a degree from the University of Oklahoma and is currently an account supervisor with Temerlin McClain Advertising and Public Relations.

The groom is the son of Frank and Sue Snow of Pampa and is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown, the late T.F. Snow and Mr. and Mrs. George Cox, all of Pampa. He holds a bachelor's of business administration degree and a master's of business administration degree from Tarleton State University. He is currently a senior auditor with Texas Utilities.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to New Orleans and intend to make their home in Dallas.



Kathy Duckworth and Jeff Miller

Duckworth-Miller

Kathy Duckworth and Jeff Miller, both of Lefors, were wed May 29 in First Baptist Church of Lefors with Cole Goldsmith, cousin of the bride of Pampa, officiating.

The maid of honor was Heather Maples of Lefors. The bridal attendants were Michelle Burrows of Lefors, Jeanne Swires of Pampa and Lindsay Duckworth, daughter of the bride.

The best man was Bill Miller of Leavenworth, Kan. The groomsmen were Russell Pope of Osawatomie, Kan., and Andy Swires of Pampa.

The ushers were Chris Teakell of Pampa and Chad Musick of Eudora, Kan.

Registering guests was Amy Salazar of Lewisville.

Music and entertainment was provided by organist Carole Watson of Lefors, soloist Jeanne Swires of Pampa and Roy and Carrie Lott of Lefors.

A reception was held following the service in fellowship hall of the church with Carol Pope of Osawatomie, Sheri Harris and Cori Harris, both of Ottawa, Kan., and Tonya Lock and Shelly Murray, both of Lefors, serving the guests. A dinner and dance was held later in Knights of Columbus Hall in Pampa with Tim Thomas, Debbie Thomas, Edetta Grange and Vesta Thomas, all of Pampa, serving the guests.

The bride's family is Robert and Virginia Maples of Lefors. She graduated from Lefors High School and is currently employed as treasurer-manager of Lefors Federal Credit Union.

The groom is the son of Bill and Connie Miller of Leavenworth. He graduated from Caney High School, Frank Phillips College and Amarillo College. He is currently employed as an RN in the ICU unit at Pampa Medical Center.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to the Smokey Mountains at Sevierville, Tenn., and intend to make their home in Lefors.



Mr. and Mrs. Gene Barber

Barber anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Barber will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary from 2-5 p.m. today at their home in Pampa. Children of the couple will host the reception.

Gene Barber and Erma Lee Kennedy were married June 24, 1949, at First Christian Church of Pampa.

Mr. Barber graduated from Texas A&M University and is president of Merriman and Barber Consulting Engineers. He is a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran, serving during World War II.

Mrs. Barber graduated from Texas Women's University and worked as an interior designer in Pampa. She belongs to Pampa Art Club and is a homemaker.

The couple grew up in Pampa. They lived in New Orleans and Houston for four years prior to returning to Pampa in 1956.

Children of the couple are Ronnie Barber of Enid, Okla., Todd and Connie Carlisle of Weatherford, Gary and Jeanette Hawkins of Nevada, Mo., and Scott Carlson of Fort Worth. They have one great-grandchild.



Carol L. Pierce and David M. Bookout

Pierce-Bookout

Carol L. Pierce and David M. Bookout, both of Pampa, were wed May 29 in First Christian Church of Pampa with the Rev. Dr. Darrell W. Evans, of the church, officiating.

The maids of honor were Stacy Selvidge, sister of the bride, Rachel Hicks and Eve Barnes, all of Pampa. The flower girls were Lynda Kai Selvidge, niece of the bride, Norita Flores, daughter of the bride, and Karly Bookout, daughter of the groom, all of Pampa.

The best man was Paul Keener of Pampa. The groomsmen were Jerry Pierce, brother of the bride of Coffeenville, Okla., and Randy Newman, cousin of the groom of Pampa. The ring bearer was Lance Bookout, son of the groom of Pampa.

The ushers were Misty Calfy, Brittney Pierce, Trey Jean Selvidge and Sara Cannon, all nieces of the bride of Pampa.

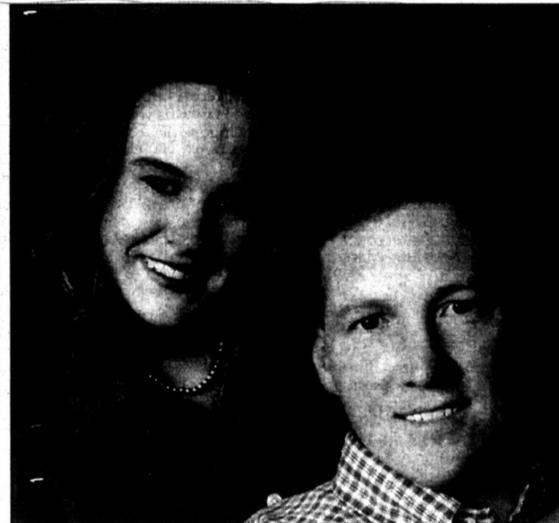
Registering guests was Nicole Barnes of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service in the parlor of the church with Linda West and Velda Jo serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Lynda Butler Culberson of Pampa. She is currently employed at Classic Lube-N-Wash.

The groom is currently employed at Building Maintenance Company.

The couple intend to make their home in Pampa.



Jamille Mann and Brian Hammer

Mann-Hammer

Jamille Mann and Brian Hammer, both of Amarillo, plan to wed Aug. 21 in Dumas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of John and Doris Mann of Pampa. She graduated from West Texas A&M University in 1999 with a marketing degree. She is currently employed as office manager of the Amarillo Dillas Baseball Team.

The prospective groom is the son of Ronnie and Brenda Hammer of Dumas. He attended South Plains Junior College in Levelland and is currently employed as a service consultant at Westgate Chevrolet.

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Lisa Ann Burke and Donald Paul Yandell

Burke-Yandell

Lisa Ann Burke of Arlington and Donald Paul Yandell were wed June 5 at Fort Worth Botanical Garden in Fort Worth with Don Snavely of Sterling, Ill., officiating.

The matron of honor was Robin Douglas, sister of the bride of Fort Worth. The flower girl was Payton Douglas, niece of the bride.

The best man was Don L. Yandell, father of the groom of Cleburne. Music was provided by harpist Helena Yabbon.

A reception was held at the groom's father's ranch south of Fort Worth.

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Alicia Burke of Pampa. She is a 1989 Pampa High School graduate and is pursuing a nursing degree at Mountain View College. She is currently employed as a field office manager for Champagne-Webber.

The groom is the son of Kathleen Yandell of Fort Worth and Don L. and Karen Yandell of Cleburne. He graduated from Western Hills High School in 1986 and from Tarrant County Junior College. He is currently employed as an aircraft mechanic for American Airlines.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to San Francisco, Calif., and intend to make their home in Arlington.



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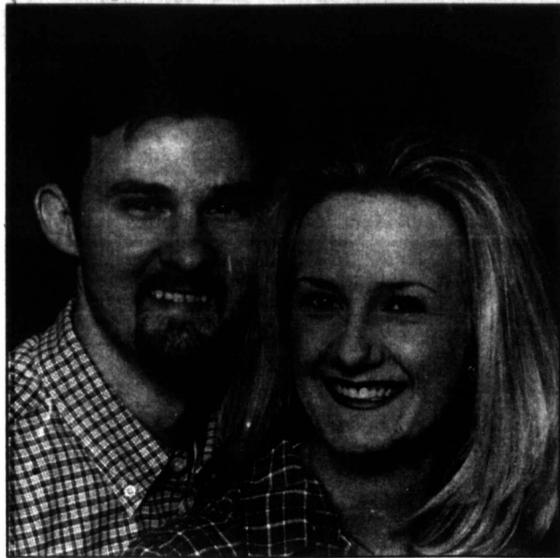
If they are looking for a poster couple for the maternity ward, we must be high in the running. Since this is the case, and since we had such a good experience all five times, we felt other expecting couples might be interested to know how terrific the maternity ward is at your local hospital. Someone could attribute one, two, or maybe even three good deliveries to luck, but not five. Surely, when the doctors and nursing staff do such a terrific job all five times, it must be the real thing. Certainly we think so, and we feel very fortunate this is the case.



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Our sincere thanks to Dr. Harrel, Dr. Julian, Dr. Kendall, Stacey Ladd, Judy Shook, Tammye Baileys, Dana Lewis, Teresa Trammell, Ellen Batman, Angela Looten, Denise Jost, Lisa Kenner and the rest of the Maternity Ward staff, and congratulations on running what surely must be the best maternity ward of any hospital in the Texas Panhandle.

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Carey McCarty and Brian Rankin

McCarty-Rankin

Carey McCarty and Brian Rankin of Lubbock were wed June 12 in Lubbock Oakwood Methodist Church. A reception was held in honor of the couple at the church following the service.

The bride is the daughter of Mike McCarty of Bethany, Okla., and Jo Ann Temple of Lubbock. She is a photographer at Family Photo in Lubbock.

The groom is the son of Jake and Frances Rankin of Amarillo, is the grandson of Glen and Berta Hillman of White Deer and is the great-grandson of Carries West of Sayre, Okla. He is a purchasing agent for Barretts Automotive in Lubbock.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to San Antonio.



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson

Wilson anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary with a renewing of vows and a reception beginning at 2:30 p.m. today in Highland Baptist Church in Pampa. Children and family of the couple will host the reception.

Joe Wilson and Cheryl Ann Winegeart were married June 29, 1974, at Highland Baptist Church. The couple have been lifelong Pampa residents and belong to Highland Baptist Church.

Children of the couple are Holly Wilson and Luke Wilson, both of Pampa.

Newsmakers

As managing director, he will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of the U.S. business including marketing, sales and distributor relations. He will maintain his office in Pampa as well as oversee the U.S. headquarters located in Wilmington.

Reed is a Texas Tech University graduate and a Texas native.

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — William Mitchell, 1989 Pampa High School graduate and son of Jack and Wanda Mitchell of Pampa, was recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force upon graduating from Officer Training School at Maxwell AFB in Montgomery.

The lieutenant will attend space and missile officer training at Vandenberg AFB at Lompoc, Calif. He holds a degree from Texas A&M University, graduating in 1993.

OKMULGEE, Okla. — Oklahoma State University recently announced Kevin Crawford and Jerry Dyson, both of Pampa, are among 1,436 students enrolled for the summer semester at OSU. Both Crawford and Dyson are enrolled in general studies.

FORT WORTH — The University of North Texas Health Science Center recently announced students named to the President's List for the 1999 spring semester.

To be eligible for the honor, a student must

maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include: Jonathan Jackson, son of Terry and Pat Jackson.

Jackson's name, along with other 4.0 honorees, will be submitted for publication in the National Dean's List which recognizes outstanding academic achievement of students throughout the United States.

LIBERAL, Kan. — National Carriers, Inc., an owner-operator company based in Liberal, has announced Laverne Bentley of Shamrock recently completed seven years of safe driving. Driving an average of 2,500-3,000 miles per week, National Carriers drive over 100,000 miles per year and service all of the United States and Canada.

NORFOLK, Va. — Navy Airman Ethar Robertson, a 1997 graduate of Shamrock High School in Shamrock, recently conducted a four-day port visit to Jebel Ali in the United Arab Emirates while stationed aboard the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, home-based in Yokosuka, Japan.

During the port visit, Robertson had the opportunity to tour the surrounding country and to shop at many of the local stores. Robertson joined the Navy in August 1997.

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University recently awarded more than 1,400 degrees at the close of its 1999 spring semester.

Students receiving diplomas included: Landon Michael Schale, bachelor of science,

and D'Lynn Kathleen Monday, BS, both of Pampa.

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University recently announced its President's and Dean's Lists for the 1999 spring semester.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the honor roll include: Phillips Brooks Gentry, IV, D'Lynn Kathleen Monday and Brian Steven Phelps, all of Pampa.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.5-3.9 GPA while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the honor roll include: Julia Kim McDonald, Kimberlea Mae McKandles, John Bradley Newman, Landon Michael Schale, Amanda Rose Thacker, Suzanne Gattis, Megan Beth Hill, Laura Jaye Johnson, and Tiffany Lyn McCullough, all of Pampa.

ABILENE — Hardin-Simmons University recently announced its President's and Dean's Lists for the 1999 spring semester.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include Shaylee Richardson.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.75 GPA while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include Sean Cook.

4-H Futures & Features

- Dates**
- 28 — Gold Star interviews, 6 p.m., Annex; Horse Project, 6:30 p.m., Rodeo Arena, Pampa
 - 29 — Steer Validation, 7 p.m., Jerry O'Neal's
 - July 1 — Exploring Summer 4-H, 10 a.m., McLean City Park
 - 5 — Office closed for County holiday
 - 7-9 — Camp Creative

Steer Validation
Anyone who is planning to show a steer this year needs to be making plans to have your steer validated on Tuesday, June 29.

The location is not determined at this point. Each steer must be ear-tagged with an individual number, tattooed with the county number, and nose printed. Each parent and 4-Her must be present to sign validation forms. Do not miss this day. It is very important.

Gold Star Interviews
The 4-H Gold Star Award is the highest award presented to a 4-H member on the county level. We can select two 4-Hers for this award each year. The requirements are:
—You must be an active 4-H member and be enrolled for at least three years;

—You must submit 4-H recordbook and participate in an interview;
—You must be 15 or older as of Jan. 1, 1999.

Interviews will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, June 28 at the Gray County Annex. Interviewers will ask about your 4-H experiences and future plans. If anyone is planning to interview, please schedule a time with the Annex.

Turkeys to Houston
Anyone interested in turkeys? We have information on how to order show turkeys. If interested, call Danny Nusser at 669-8033.

Calendar of events

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

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

AL-ANON
Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky.

VFW CHARITY BINGO
The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS
The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at Warren Chisum's Office,

100 N. Price Road. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at Clarendon College. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

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

RACE FOR A CURE
The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation's Race for a Cure will be held at 8 a.m. Oct. 2 at the Don and Sybil Harrington

Cancer Center in the Harrington Regional Medical Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., in Amarillo. Walkers and runners participating in the 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk will benefit breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment.

FPC REGISTRATION

Frank Phillips College in Borger will hold registration for both the second semester of the summer session and the fall semester from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. July 1 and 2 on the second floor of the Library Building. In-class instruction and distance learning courses via the World Wide Web, Channel 63 in Borger and Panhandle Information Network are available. For more information, call the Office of Admissions and Records at (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 741 or 742. A listing of class offerings is available on the college's website, <http://www.fpc.cc.tx.us/Offerings/>.

CANADIAN SINGLES

The Singles will be sponsoring dance classes beginning at 7 p.m. July 17 with Wanda and Joe Archer serving as instructors. The classes will be open to both couples and singles.

AUSTIN ARTISTS HARVEST

Artists Harvest 32nd Annual Exhibit and Sale will be Oct. 23-24 at Palmer Auditorium in Austin. All artists who are Texas residents may apply. The exhibitors will be chosen by a jury of three independent arts professionals. Slides of the artist's work are required. To obtain an application, send a SASE to Austin Artists Harvest, Inc., P.O. Box 80546, Austin, TX 78708-0546. For more information, call Jo Ann Starr, executive director, at (512) 473-3866. Entries must be post marked by July 10. Applications also may be downloaded from the website: <http://artalive.home.texas.net/>; e-mail: artalive@texas.net

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Summer II Class Schedule

General Registration Until July 5

*Clarendon-July 5 - August 12

Human A&P II	BIOL 2402	MW	5:00-9:00	PM
Writing Fundamentals	ENGL 0306		TBA	
World Literature II	ENGL 2333	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
US & TX Government	GOVT 2302	TTh	1:00-5:00	PM
Fine Arts Apprec.	HUMA 1315	TTh	8:00-12:00	AM
Developmental Math	MATH 0306		TBA	
Music Literature II	MUSI 1309	TTh	1:00-5:00	PM
Reading Fundamentals	READ 0306		TBA	
Maternal & Neonatal	VNSG 1230	Daily	9:00-3:00	AM
Pediatric	VNSG 1234	MT	9:00-3:00	AM
Clinical VII	VNSG 2161	W-F	6:45-3:30	AM
Clinical VI	VNSG 2263	W-F	6:45-3:30	AM

*Pampa-July 5-August 12

Eng Comp/ Rhetoric I	ENGL 1301	MW	8:00-12:00	AM
Eng Comp/ Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	TTh	8:00-12:00	AM
Eng Comp/ Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	TTh	6:00-9:50	PM
World Literature II	ENGL 2333	TTh	6:00-9:50	PM
US & TX Government	GOVT 2302	TTh	1:00-4:50	PM
US History to 1865	HIST 1301	MW	6:00-9:50	PM
US History to Present	HIST 1302	MW	8:00-11:50	AM
Beginning Algebra	MATH 0307		TBA	
College Algebra	MATH 1314	TTh	8:00-11:50	AM
General Psychology	PSYC 2301	TTh	6:00-9:50	PM
Child Psychology	PSYC 2308	MW	6:00-9:50	PM
Interpersonal Speech	SPCH 1318	TTh	6:00-9:50	PM

*Childress-July 5-August 12

Human A&P II	BIOL 2402	MW	5:00-9:00	PM
Microeconomics	ECON 2302	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
Writing Fundamentals	ENGL 0306	MT	5:00-6:00	PM
Eng Comp/ Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
US & TX Government	GOVT 2302	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Developmental Math	MATH 0306	MT	5:00-6:00	PM
Plane Trigonometry	MATH 1316	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Business Calculus	MATH 1325	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
Child Psychology	PSYC 2308	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
Reading Fundamentals	READ 0306	MT	5:00-6:00	PM

*Shamrock-July 5-August 12

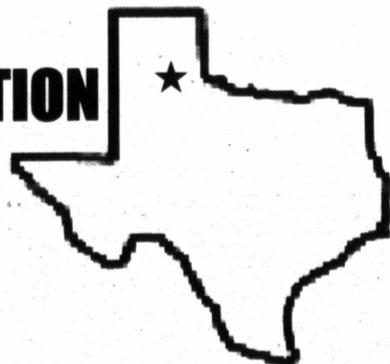
Maternal & Neonatal	VNSG 1230	MT	9:00-3:00	AM
Pediatric	VNSG 1234	MT	9:00-3:00	AM
Clinical VII	VNSG 2161	W-F	6:45-3:30	PM
Clinical VI	VNSG 2263	W-F	6:45-3:30	AM

*Wellington-July 5-August 12

Accounting II	ACCT 2302	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
Botany	BIOL 1411	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Computer Apps I	COSC 1301	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Writing Fundamentals	ENGL 0306	MT	5:00-6:00	PM
Eng Comp/ Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
US & TX Constitution	GOVT 2301	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
US History to Present	HIST 1302	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
Fine Arts Apprec.	HUMA 1315	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Developmental Math	MATH 0306	MT	5:00-6:00	PM
General Psychology	PSYC 2301	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Child Psychology	PSYC 2308	MW	6:00-10:00	PM
Reading Fundamentals	READ 0306	MT	5:00-6:00	PM
Intro to Sociology	SOCI 1301	TTh	6:00-10:00	PM
Family in Society	SOCI 2301	MW	6:00-10:00	PM

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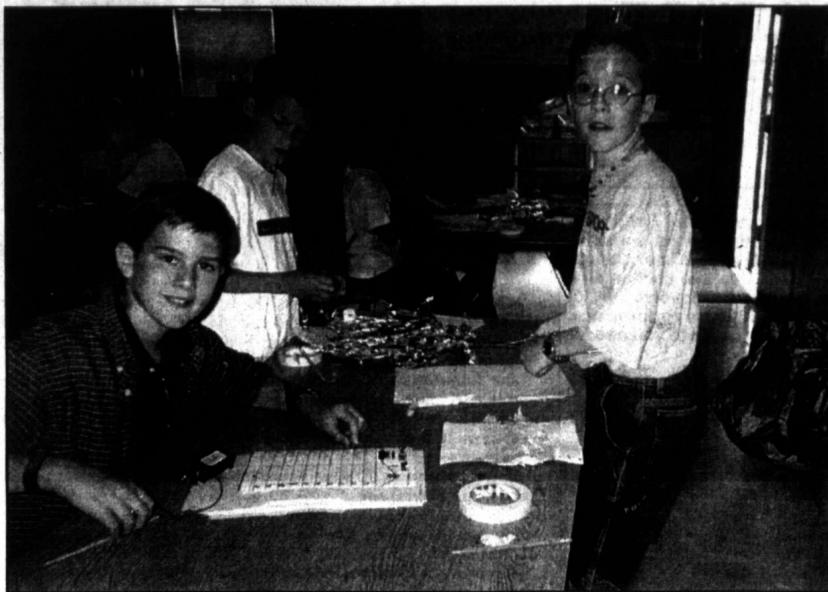
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Electrical Wonders



(Community Camera photos)

Some students recently participated in the Summer Enrichment 1999 Superintendent Working on a circuit quiz board test were (left-right) Christopher Smith, Blake Talley and Logan Langford. Right: Jose Venegas, Whitney Witchert and Jennifer Lambright.

Community Calendar

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

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

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-7501.

CLEAN AIR AL-ATEEN will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, contact 669-7501.

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

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

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

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

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

MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS will meet the second Tuesday of each month at the Family Life Center at First Christian Church at 18th and Nelson from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. There will be a light meal and then play cards and get acquainted. Under aged school children can be taken to the First Christian Church Mother's Day out by calling 665-8689. For more information please call 665-1188.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER in-house support group for victims of family violence. Meetings on Tuesdays 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. and one on Thursdays 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. For more information call 669-1131. All calls are kept confidential.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM will present an exhibit June 1-Sept. 1 on the Red River War to commemorate the war's 125th anniversary. The museum is open to the public from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 112-116 S. Cuyler. For more information, call 669-8041.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL will meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 North Russell. For more information call Sharon King, 665-2818.

THE LAS PAMPAS KOI AND WATERGARDEN SOCIETY cordially invites anyone interested in the hobby of waterglass or ponds to join us on the second Monday of every month. For more information call Sharon Andrews, 665-6138.

PANHANDLE COMMUNITY SERVICE would like to help you "Own Your Own Home". For more information call Claire-Ann Edwards 665-0081 or Linda C. Daniels 669-2799 pr 662-5756.

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL office will be open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday. For more information call 665-2331.

JUNE

29 - LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY Tuesday Summer Story Hours. Children of all ages are welcome to come for stories and activities. The programs are free and no registration is required. For more information, call 669-5780.

13, 20, 27 - NARCOTIC ANONYMOUS will meet at 7 p.m. in the

Conference Room in Columbia Medical Center Office Building. For more information, call 669-7546.

28 - GRAY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY will hold its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Matthew Episcopal Parish Hall. For more information, call Dale Roth, 665-0280.

28 - AMERICAN PARKINSON'S DISEASE ASSOCIATION Support Group meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room of Columbia Medical Center. For more information, call Eva Mayes, 665-2503.

29-30 - GIRL SCOUT SUMMER FUN in the park for Pampa girls ages 5-12 from 1-8 p.m. at the Lion's Park on Reid and Campbell Streets. Cost is \$10 for non-Girl Scouts and \$3 for current Girl Scouts. Financial assistance is available. Registration will be at the park. For more information, call Paula Goff, 669-6862.

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1 - BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA Round Table meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray. For more information, contact Doug Cooper, 669-2959.

4 - CITY OF PAMPA "July 4th Fireworks" at Recreation Park starting at dark. For more information, call 669-5750.

4, 11, 18, 25 - NARCOTIC ANONYMOUS will meet at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room in Columbia Medical Center Office Building. For more information, call 669-7546.

8 - GRAY COUNTY TAFCE CLUB Patchworks will meet at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Mary Chesher, 665-3865.

8 - BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA District monthly meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray. For more information, contact Doug Cooper, 669-2959.

8 - GRAY COUNTY TAFCE CLUB Progressive will meet at 2 p.m. For more information, contact Christine Griffin, 665-8062.

9 - GRAY COUNTY TAFCE CLUB Pam will meet at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Virginia Horton, 665-8045.

11-17 - TOP O' TEXAS RODEO QUEEN PAGEANT to be held all week. For more information, call the Rodeo office, 669-0434.

11-14 - TOP O' TEXAS RODEO ASSOCIATION Kid Pony Show will be held at 7:30 p.m. nightly at the Rodeo Arena at Recreation Park. For more information, call 669-0434.

15 - PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION Board Meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. For more information, contact Lee Crow, 665-0343.

15, 16, 17 - TOP O' TEXAS PRCA RODEO will be at 7:30 p.m. nightly at the Rodeo Arena at Recreation Park. For more information, call 669-0434.

15 - GRAY COUNTY TAFCE CLUB Evening Stars regular meeting will be at 7 p.m. For more information, call Pam Lash, 669-1868.

19 - PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION meeting at 2 p.m. at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. For more information, contact Carolyn Smith, 665-5158.

20 - THE GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE monthly luncheon in the M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. John Horst with the City of Pampa will be the keynote speaker. Williams Energy will sponsor and Pizza Hut will cater. For reservations, call on or before 9 a.m. on the 20th, 669-3241.

26 - AMERICAN PARKINSON'S DISEASE ASSOCIATION Support Group meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. in the second floor con-

ference room of Columbia Medical Center. For more information, call Eva Mayes, 665-2503.

26 - GRAY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY will hold its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Matthew Episcopal Parish Hall. For more information, call Dale Roth, 665-0280.

31 - DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION Summer Street Party and Flea Market will be from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Come and have fun with 3-on-3 basketball, volleyball, various bands and much more. For more information, call Ken Rheams, 665-2831; ReDonn Woods, 669-2525, ext. 316; or Ronnie Holmes, 665-2631.

Meredith House



(Special photo)

June birthday girls Corene McKay, right, and Elsie Wariner sat with their birthday crowns at a party recently.

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LETTERS

There are not many who have voiced serious dissent over the U.S. forces stationed in Europe. If asked the reason for their presence, the well-read American's response would likely be along the lines of ensuring that another Hitler is not allowed to come into power in the region. Okay, so there is a mission and a force to carry it out. Why, then, is it so difficult to bring the two together?

There is no doubt that the Kosovo problem could be easily solved by simply utilizing the above mentioned forces. Such a solution, however, would probably not be in the best interests of the people trying to capitalize on this war, (or whatever the current term for it is). The idea that whatever needs to be done could be done without expanding the military runs contradictory with that of the enemies of the current administration — those who feel

that the military has sustained far too many reductions over the past six years. The paradox here is that many of those who would take advantage of the chance to expand the armed forces are forced, through partisan politics, to condemn the bombing campaign and vote against any reso-

lution involving ground troops. But those who feel that wars are necessary to bolster economies need not concern themselves. The NATO bombing campaign will ensure that organizations involved in the production of bombs, planes, helicopters, and any other technol-

ogy required to sustain this type of warfare will certainly be kept busy replenishing depleted stocks. The idea, therefore, that this country needs more troops that its citizens will not allow to fight is sort of ridiculous. William Chaplar Pampa

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AGRICULTURE

The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

Cattle raisers, guests get close up livelihood look

FORT WORTH — More than 350 cattle raisers and guests attending the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Summer Meeting, June 13-15, in College Station, had the chance to look "Under the Hide" of their livelihood.

The animal science department at Texas A&M University hosted a special Beef 401 class using photographs and videos to let producers follow four 700- to 850- pound steers through feeding and harvest to see which calf made the most money from start to finish and why.

Cow-calf producers also heard encouraging words from economist Ernie Davis, who predicted that delayed recovery in the cattle market due to problems with pork, heavier slaughter weights and discounts on by products, will result in strengthened feeder prices by 2000-2001.

"I just want to remind you anytime that recovery is pushed back 12 to 18 months, that when we do get a better market, we get a better bounce," Davis explained. "We are probably going to see record prices for these 5-to 6-weight calves and 7-to 8-weight feeder cattle, just because we're gonna be short on supplies."

Weather-wise, Bob Rose of the Lower Colorado River Authority, told producers even there was rain in much of Texas in the spring and early summer, "We're still not totally out of the drought yet. It's going to take a long period of wet weather to bring us out of it." He was particularly concerned about Far West Texas and the lower P Grande Valley, which so far haven't been blessed with the same rains as other parts of the state.

However, his precipitation outlook is more optimistic than earlier predictions. "We are currently in an unprecedented period without hurricanes crossing the Texas coast," explained Rose, citing Dr. William Gray of Colorado State University, who has predicted a 40 percent chance that a major hurricane will make landfall on the Gulf Coast, anywhere from Florida to Brownsville.

Combined with the fact we haven't had a hurricane anywhere in Texas in more than nine years and other related factors, Rose foresees a lot of activity in the gulf through July, August and particularly September, that could bring more moisture inland and help keep temperatures down as well.

Cattle Raisers also debated key issues in committee meetings and passed a resolution supporting increased research on Johne's disease to develop more accurate testing procedures, treatment and control of the disease.

TSCRA also decided to support a voluntary animal identification program that is practical, cost-efficient, protects the rancher from undue liability and is managed by TSCRA. A resolution on country-of-origin labeling was tabled to give producers more time to gather information.

The fall meeting of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association will be held in San Angelo, Texas, Oct. 10-12. For more information on the association's educational programs and business meetings, call 1-800-242-7820.

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George Kleinman is president of Commodity Resource Corporation (CRC), a licensed brokerage firm which specializes in marketing strategies using agricultural futures and options. CRC welcomes questions — they can be reached at 1-800-233-4445.

WHEAT (BEAR)

Outlook: The market has been slightly supported by harvest delays, but these are merely delays and the crop will get harvested. The crop condition ratings imply a very good crop and one that is improving. For this reason, the bear stays in the box for the next week or so, but remember this bear is getting old. Traditionally, in years like this year, years of good crops, the seasonal tendency is for wheat prices to drift lower into harvest. The futures generally will anticipate and bottom when the winter wheat harvest is about half completed nationally. If one were to put a date on this, I would use July 4th, although years past when the seasonal works (most) one could add or subtract a week or two from this date. The main point here is, in mind, while the odds do favor lower prices in the short run, the odds do favor lower prices in the short run, the odds also favor this market establishing a major bottom fairly soon.

Strategy: Hedgers: We remain 25% sold from above \$3 basis the July Chicago futures. Cover these futures as you sell your cash wheat. For the remaining 75%, I would look to sell cash at harvest and simultaneously purchase call options for December. In this way you can maintain ownership of cheap wheat, but free up cash to pay bills. You limit your downside (something storage cannot do) yet maintain full upside potential. The cost of the 300 December calls is currently about 12 cents, or less than the cost of storage and interest.

Traders: Spread traders: Buy Minneapolis September and Sell Chicago September at no greater than 70 cents Mpls. over. Look

for a 25-cent profit, risk no more than 10 cents.

CORN (BEAR)

Outlook: With US corn stocks at the highest levels in 12 years, and the crop condition ratings the second best in 10 years, it is really hard to turn into a corn bull. Not that all is bearish, mind you, demand this year is the third best ever and prices remain historically cheap as we enter the prime weather scale period. The real key over the coming weeks is temperatures, this market is headed lower into harvest. I do not wish to bet on a perfect crop at this early stage since some of the weather gurus are predicting a ridge of hot will enter the Midwest in the coming week. On the other hand, until we have evidence of this, there is no reason to remove the bear from the box.

Strategy: Hedgers: Look to sell 33% of new crop production using the December futures on rallies above 245. It is recommended to have the order sitting in the market, even if it looks ambitious, since there could be a weather rally at any time in the coming weeks.

Traders: If you took our previous recommendation you were able to short the July from 225 and enjoy a 10 cent profit on the break under 215 (\$500 gross/contract). We are now on the sidelines.

SOYBEANS (BULL/BEAR)

Outlook: I still feel it is too early to push this market much lower right now. Not only are soybean futures prices the lowest in years, they are cheap in relation to other markets. At this writing, new crop beans are a 2.06 ratio to corn. This is very low historically. When they were at this level last March we sug-

gested buying soybeans and shorting corn at a 1:2 ratio and it worked nicely into early May (the soybeans gained 5 to 10 and the corn lost 5 to 10). It may be time to look at this relationship again. While the November futures could potentially work down to the contract lows reached earlier this month, I would rather be a buyer than a seller down there. This is not to say the market couldn't be lower at harvest, it's just not the right time today in my opinion.

Strategy: Hedgers: No new recommendations at this time.

Traders: Traders are out. Look to buy the first close in November above 480 1/2 (this shows upside momentum, and is down 4 cents from our previous recommendation). If filled risk a close under 470.

CATTLE (BULL)

Outlook: Very strong boxed beef prices, which bears cannot understand, imply very good demand for beef. This demand was despite less than perfect barbecue weather across much of the country in previous weeks, and this will get better. It also came despite weak hog and poultry prices and a negative attitude at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. As I have said in the past, this market continues to climb a 'wall of worry'. Despite very large placements

of cattle in the feed lots, the cash prices consistently remain above futures and both cash and futures have rallied yet again since my last report to you. Pessimism has kept feed lots very current as feeders move their cattle to market as fast as possible. So the glut never comes. The bull spreads continue to work, which is also a good sign. Watch them for signs of a top.

Strategy: Hedgers: Feeders own at the money put options through August. Puts protect your downside but never limit your upside potential, and are a good way to hedge in bull markets. Sell them as you market your cattle.

Cow/calf operators: Cattle feeders remain buy-hedged. If you took our previous recommendation you are now in the August from under 75, with an effective price \$3 to \$4 lower including rollovers. Hold until you buy your replacement feeders.

Traders: If you took our recommendation you were able to take profits in our long August futures position from 6195 when it rallied above 6450 last week. This is a gross profit of over \$1000 per contract. Look to repurchase August on breaks under 6360, risking 125 points for and ultimate profit objective of 6600.

Record-setting droughts causing trouble in the South

By JAMES PILCHER
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — From browning grass on golf courses in Augusta to hungry cows in Tennessee and withering crops in North Carolina, the second-driest spring in a century has left much of the South parched.

Georgia has been the hardest hit by the drought, with some parts of the state 11 inches below average rainfall for the year. Farmers say they have already lost millions and many communities have enacted water restrictions.

"Everybody wants a nice yard, but the system just can't handle it," said Max Hicks, director of the Augusta Utilities Department, which has imposed a mandatory outdoor watering ban. "We want to make sure there's enough water for inside use before we start worrying about sprinkler systems and green grass."

North Carolina's Piedmont region endured the driest May on record. In eastern Tennessee, where rainfall is nearly 4 inches below normal for the year, cattle farmers are being forced to sell off stock because grass is dying and the cows don't have enough to eat.

"I saw stands of grass this spring where 20 to 50 percent ... was killed by dry weather last year," said Gary Bates, a University of Tennessee forage specialist. "If this dry spell continues, pastures dry up and farmers have to feed baled hay to their cows in the summer, we could really run into a hay shortage and problems this winter."

The dry spell is a continuation of what many farmers and meteorologists dubbed the "Drought of the Century," which began last summer and caused \$700 million in crop damage in Georgia alone.

The dry weather continued through the winter,

when farmers and homeowners alike count on heavy rains to build up water levels.

La Nina, a phenomenon that cools waters in the Pacific Ocean, is causing the drying pattern. Its cousin, El Nino, caused by warm Pacific waters, brought record rains and floods earlier in the decade.

Since La Nina has pushed the jet stream to the northwest, most of storms have hit the Midwest and Plains states, while the South continues to thirst for rain.

"All we've gotten down here is a couple of glancing blows and not the strong fronts we need for heavy rain," said Andy Pace, a meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Peachtree City.

Another effect of La Nina is that it makes it more likely for tropical systems and hurricanes to develop off the East Coast. That would bring the needed rain, but could also bring high winds and damage that no one wants.

"It could be a bad thing, or it could be a good thing," Pace said. "The best-case scenario would be if we had a weak tropical depression hit with winds of 30 mph."

Florida has received enough rain recently to lift a statewide fireworks ban in time for the July 4 weekend, and the wildfires that plagued the state last year have been limited to just 64,000 acres this year. And in normally arid west Texas, residents are praying for the rain to stop after massive flooding.

But in central Georgia's Hudson County, cotton farmer Terrell Hudson says he is burning 7,000 gallons of diesel fuel a week to keep his irrigation pumps running — just to wet the ground enough for planting.

"We've got cotton fields around here that are just dust," Hudson said. "We've got three ponds that we've filled up and drained twice. I've never done that this soon before."

Cattle on feed for slaughter number down

AUSTIN — Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.53 million head on June 1, down 4 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was up 4 percent from

the May 1 level. Producers placed 620 thousand head in commercial feedlots during May, down 16 percent from a year ago but up 41 percent from the April, 1999 total. Texas commercial feeders marketed 505,000 head during May, unchanged from a year ago. Monthly marketings were down 10 percent from the April 1999

total. On June 1, there were 2.09 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 83 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 2 percent from last year, but up 5 percent from the May total.

May placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 499,000 head, up 38 percent from the April total. Marketings were down 12 percent from last month, at 400,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 9.98 million head on June 1. The inventory was up 3 percent from the 9.70 million head on June 1, 1998.



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Veterinary hospital offers ER care to myriad of pets

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — An emergency medical technician guides a patient to a scale and shouts, "Two-thousand-one-hundred-and-thirty-five pounds!"

Part hospital, part barn, the large animal clinic of Ohio State University Veterinary Hospital is a place where everything's bigger — the needles, the gurneys, the medical challenges.

For horses, cows, bulls, goats, llamas and alpacas, the clinic is the 24-hour ER for pets and farm animals.

Brought in during the middle of the night for surgery, the patient that tipped the scales at more than a ton is a muscular brown horse with a blocked small colon.

Hope Hedrick, an equine technician in the clinic's intensive care unit, says the horse, muzzled and hooked up to IVs and monitors, will survive, but she has seen too many others that haven't.

"That's the worst part of this job," she says. "When there's nothing more you can do and you have to deal with the owner's emotions."

About 20,000 patients a year pass through the emergency room, which is the clinical teaching center for Ohio State's veterinary college — one of 31 in the nation and the only one in Ohio, said hospital administrator Dr. Richard Bednarski.

Most of the emergency cases involve the everyday accidents that happen to pets — being hit by a car or ingesting toxins like rat poison.

Dr. Debra Bishop recalls a dog which lapped up its owner's insulin — 4,000 units. It had to be monitored closely for days.

In the ICU, cages filled with sedated animals line the walls. In one, a tiny white poodle is hooked up to tubes and monitors.

"He has esophageal disease," Bishop says as she scans the monitors. "He's getting a blood transfusion."

Most of the patients are here for secondary care. They've been seen by local veterinarians who referred them for the specialized treatment offered

by the hospital. The small animal clinic is open until midnight.

The tough cases help educate the students. A white mixed-breed dog named Lucy lies on the floor next to an exam table. She breathes heavily and coughs frequently. Her stomach is swollen with liquid.

Students in blue scrubs stoop to lift the 13-year-old dog to the table. Bishop stops them with a shake of her head and does the exam on the floor. Lucy's tail wags weakly as Bishop kneels on the linoleum beside her.

Bishop feels Lucy's stomach and listens to her breathing. A student in a white lab coat crouches beside the doctor, stroking Lucy.

Bishop is as focused on the students as she is on the animal. "What do you think we should do about this patient?" Bishop asks.

Chest X-rays, they answer. Bishop nods approval and stands as another dog enters the room. Corky was hit by a car last week and is having problems walking. A lab technician clips X-rays to a screen and the students gather around Bishop as she examines the films.

"Do you see anything?" she asks. The students study it silently. "Is that a fracture?"

Bishop traces her finger along a vertebra near the tail. They discuss whether Corky has a fracture or was just wiggling when the picture was taken.

Back in the large animal clinic, technician Hedrick makes her rounds, nuzzling horses and checking machines. Her face lights up as she recounts helping to deliver a foal.

She called the doctor when the mare began acting strange, but it was already too late. When the vet arrived 15 minutes later, the foal was emerging. This mare delivered in 30 minutes; it usually takes several hours.

"She was a long-legged filly when she came out! I worked a lot of overtime that night, but it was worth it."

Administration tests support for Medicare drug coverage

By ALICE ANN LOVE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is testing political support for a new Medicare drug benefit that would pay roughly half the cost of prescriptions — up to perhaps \$3,000 to \$5,000 a year — in return for higher premiums from beneficiaries.

Prescription drugs are the "greatest growing need" of senior citizens, President Clinton said at a speech Friday at Georgetown University.

"It is a huge issue out there for seniors," the president said, announcing that next week he will unveil his long-anticipated plan to offer retirees government assistance paying for prescriptions.

The drug proposal still is being written, White House press secretary Joe Lockhart said, and final details will not be disclosed until Clinton presents it Tuesday.

Administration officials have said the drug benefit would be made available as an option for all 39 million elderly and disabled Medicare beneficiaries, offering less expensive coverage than many seniors currently have access to in the private sector.

It is unclear how Clinton plans to answer politically sensitive questions such as how much the new benefit would cost taxpayers or how it would be paid for.

White House officials have been bouncing ideas off wary congressional Democrats this week. Among the proposals to find money in the already cash-strapped program: Tying Medicare premiums to retirees' incomes so that wealthier retirees pay more for coverage of doctors' office visits and other outpatient medical care. Currently, those premiums — \$45.50 a month in 1999 — are the same for everyone.

At one meeting, Clinton's Chief of Staff John Podesta heard complaints about that proposal from House Democrats who are worried about proposing any sort of premium hikes as they head into the 2000 elections.

Democrats, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said they believe the White House would drop the idea altogether or make it apply only to beneficiaries with very high incomes.

"Increasingly, people are just real nervous about

it. It causes more political and administrative problems than it's worth," said Patricia Smith, a senior health lobbyist for the AARP, the nation's largest organization of older adults.

The influential AARP supports the concept of adding prescription benefits to Medicare and the idea also has proved exceedingly popular in public opinion polls.

Recognizing that strong popular sentiment, Republicans are approaching the issue cautiously, preparing alternatives in addition to lining up an attack on Clinton's plan.

Sen. William Roth, R-Del., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, issued a statement Friday saying his panel will design its own prescription drug benefit for consideration in the fall.

Republican leaders have praised one plan proposed in March by an advisory commission. It would provide government-subsidized drug benefits only for those living near the poverty level.

Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., an author of the commission proposal, wrote to Republican colleagues on Thursday pointing out that about two-thirds of Medicare beneficiaries already have some type of drug coverage.

That includes retirement benefits from former employers, supplemental insurance policies retirees buy on their own, government poverty programs and extra benefits offered by managed care health plans that participate in Medicare.

Among questions Thomas said Republicans should raise about Clinton's plan: "Would the benefit be available to retired millionaires who do not need assistance from another government entitlement?"

One White House proposal floated on Capitol Hill this week would have the government pay half of prescription costs for Medicare beneficiaries up to an annual limit of several thousand dollars, roughly between \$3,000 and \$5,000 a year.

To obtain that benefit, recipients would have to pay an additional monthly premium. It would be higher than \$20 a month but less than the average \$90 charged for drug coverage under a Medigap policy.

Medigap policies cap drug benefits at \$3,000 a year and also require senior citizens to pay a \$250 deductible before drug coverage kicks in.

Assembly votes against change that could have led to gay ordination

By STEPHEN F. HOLDER
Associated Press Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The nation's largest Presbyterian church Friday rejected an effort that could have led to the ordination of non-celibate gays and lesbians, ending a movement that had been gaining momentum in the church.

The assembly's commissioners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) voted 389 to 198, or 61 percent to 31 percent, against allowing a regional vote on whether to amend its constitution.

The vote ends for now an attempt to strike a constitutional clause that requires clergy to live within standards that include "fidelity within the covenant of marriage between a man and a woman, or chastity in singleness."

That clause prohibits single non-celibate heterosexuals, gays and lesbians from being ministers. But because the church does not recognize homosexual marriages, gays and must remain celibate if they wish to be ministers.

The issue has been a focus of controversy for months among the 2.6-million member church. On Tuesday, the Church Orders and Ministry committee voted 24-14 to recommend striking the

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clause. To go into effect, the measure needed approval of the majority of 173 presbyteries, or regional governing bodies, that comprise the church's ordained ministers and elders nationwide.

But the assembly Friday voted against allowing the constitutional question to move forward. David White, a youth advisory delegate from St. Augustine, Fla., broke down in tears as he urged fellow church members to vote for the measure.

"We've got to deal with it. We can't keep pushing it off, pushing it off. We can't discriminate no matter what," said White.

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30 cities contend for All-America City awards

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Officials and boosters from 30 cities put on baseball uniforms, crawfish hats, tuxedos and other gear Friday in last-ditch bids for the All-America City awards to be announced this weekend.

The 50th annual awards sponsored by the National Civic League and Allstate Insurance Co. honor 10 communities that showcase grassroots community involvement and problem-solving.

"There are about 2,000 people here milling about. They are very high-energy. They are very passionate about their communities," spokesman Craig Keller said.

Groups started arriving Thursday and boarded a string of trolleys that evening for a disco-dancing bonanza on the steps of the Philadelphia Art Museum, which were made famous in the movie "Rocky."

Delegates from 30 cities, narrowed down from 93 applicants, suited up Friday for final presentations to an All-America City jury that will continue through midday Saturday. Judges also quiz the delegations on everything from education to their local economies.

The 10 winners were to be announced in a cere-

mony Saturday night. Finalists include three Texas cities: Bryan, Taylor and Pearland.

Officials from Stockton, Calif., donned baseball uniforms for their presentation. More than 80 delegates from Shreveport, La., a finalist for a second-straight year, wore crawfish hats and matching T-shirts and brought \$2 bills stamped with crawfish.

The Boys Choir of Tallahassee, Fla., which began as a project to help youths in poor neighborhoods and grew to a seasoned chorus performing in locations from the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts to the Bahamas, donned black tuxedos for an on-pitch pitch for Florida's capital.

Hoping for strength in numbers, 13 counties and 43 municipalities in the tri-cities area of northeast Tennessee and southwest Virginia joined this year to compete as a region and became one of the 30 finalists. Kingsport, Tenn., was a finalist in 1995 and 1996; Johnson City, Tenn., had previously submitted an individual entry; and Bristol, Va., is a rookie entrant.

Lancaster was the only Pennsylvania community among the finalists.

City finalists ...

Here is a list of the 30 finalists in the All-America City Award, to be presented to 10 cities Saturday night; and the 1998 winners. A 20-member screening committee of public and civic affairs experts chose the 1999 finalists from 93 applications based on communities' grass-roots community involvement and problem-solving in uncommon challenges.

1999 finalists
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Fresno, Calif.
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Union City, Calif.
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Hickory, N.C.
Morganton, N.C.
Rocky Mount, N.C.
Lancaster, Pa.
Memphis, Tenn.
Tri-Cities (Bristol, Va.; Johnson City and Kingsport, Tenn.)
Bryan, Texas
Taylor, Texas
Pearland, Texas
Greater Green Bay, Wis.

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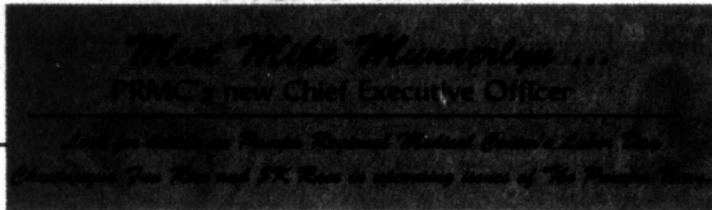



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So she put her home in Brownwood, TX up for sale, packed herself and her cat, and made her way up to the top of Texas.

"I think we have such opportunities to grow this hospital," said Gregg.

A member of the medical profession since 1972, Nan Gregg started out in LVN school and went

on to become an RN. She later received a bachelor's in nursing administration.

Her experience in professional nursing has been varied, she said, ranging from staff manager, and director positions in small, general hospitals, a nursing home to most recently, CNO of a 178-bed acute care facility responsible for a department of nursing with a 250 staff.

During Gregg's involvement with these varied experiences, some of the programs that were successfully developed and implemented included:

- a Teddy Bear Program to introduce youngsters to the Emergency Room
- Call-back programs in clinical areas to assess patient satisfaction
- the Express Admissions Department expediting the admission process to two hours or less for non-emergent patients, increasing patient satisfaction and contributing to decreased length of stay
- Programs to promote staff recruitment and retention
- and the creation of an education department.

As the CNO of Pampa Regional Medical Center, Gregg said she will direct nursing care, and coordinate the pharmacy and labs programs — which rely on team effort, she added.

At this point, said Gregg, she wants to step back and see how things are running.

"I don't want to try to fix what's not broken," she added.

Some of her future goals for PRMC, she said, are to work with the hospital medical staff and

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Nan Gregg



Nan Gregg, left, visits with (center) Linda Stokes, RN, and (right) Quality Resource Management Director Cindy Bledsoe, RN, during a welcoming reception in Gregg's honor.

Roberson named president of volunteer auxiliary group

If you just so happen to find yourself asking a kind gentlemen a question at the hospital's front desk on a Monday afternoon between 12 and 4 p.m. — chances are you are talking to Perry Roberson.

A seven-year volunteer for the hospital, Roberson was voted in as the new president of the PRMC volunteer auxiliary in April. He is taking the position from Virgil James, who has led the group for the last two years.

A self-admitted "transplant," Roberson moved to Pampa in 1991 after retiring from a 40-year career as an engineer, designer and sales engineer.

Perry, and his wife Elizabeth, moved to Gray County from Newton, Kansas, he said, to be closer to their daughter, Anne Martin — who works in PRMC's medical records department.

The Roberson's move to Pampa was not their first time in Texas. "We had experience in Lubbock in 1974," said Perry. "We liked it there, but we like it even better here."

Roberson said he decided to get involved with Pampa's hospital in 1992 because "it makes a person feel like they're doing something for somebody when they don't have to ... and it's a satisfying experience."

The auxiliary, according to Roberson, is responsible for a number of activities at the hospital.

Volunteers operate the gift shop and popcorn machine while also working for departments like the pharmacy, medical records, the laboratory and the front desk.

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Perry Roberson

Decision made on hospital CEO

PRMC has named Mike Munnerlyn as the new Chief Executive Officer of the hospital, according to Chairman of the Hospital Board of Trustees Jane Steele.

Currently CEO of a hospital in Texarkana, Munnerlyn has also overseen another hospital in Tyler. A native Texan, he has been the CEO of several acute care and rehab hospitals and brings 15 years of successful hospital administrative experience with him to Pampa.

"I feel Mike's experience and leadership will serve the patients, community, employees and medical staff well as we move into the millennium," said Chris Holden, Sr. Vice-President of Operations of Triad Hospitals.

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ER entrance changes again

"We're going to have an unusual ER entrance for the next 30-40 days," said Terry Barnes, PRMC public relations and marketing director.

The temporary emergency room entrance to PRMC has been moved north of where its old location was as part of the continuing construction at the hospital.

A doorbell has also been put in place at the new entrance for incoming patients 24-hours a day who need assistance, according to Barnes.

Upon entering, patients can be assured they are using the correct entrance even though it travels down a long corridor passing through the administration wing, said hospital officials.

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Medical tech retires after 42 years of service

Joy Bivins was recently honored at a retirement reception celebrating her 42 years of continuous service to the hospital.

Working under five hospital names, Bivins found herself, at one point or another, an employee of Highland General, Coronado Community Hospital, Coronado Hospital, Columbia Medical Center of Pampa and Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Bivins spent her entire 42 years of service as a medical technologist in the hospital lab. She became chief tech in 1980 and was later named lab

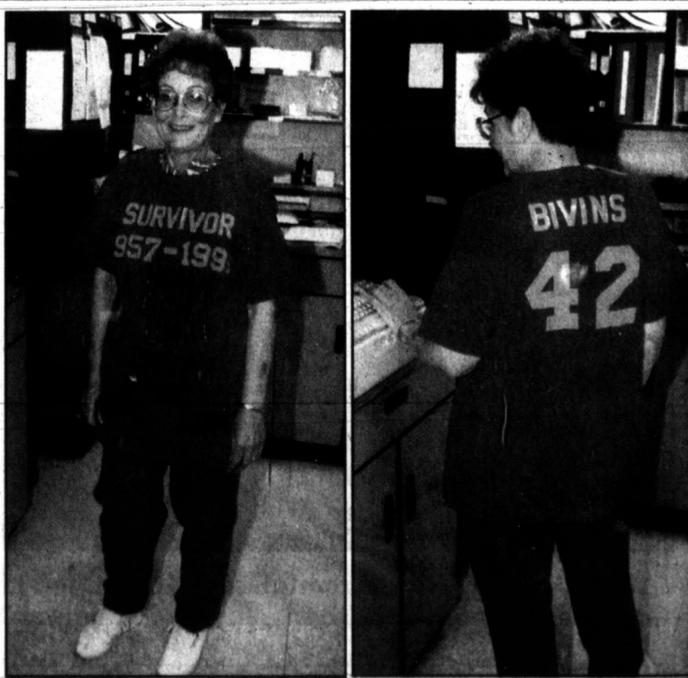
director in 1989. "Her biggest mistake was going for a ride with her parents in their new car," said Medical Director of Laboratory Services Dr. Joe Lowry.

"They decided to try it our by driving to Pampa. Her mother said she should look at the hospital while they were here," explained Lowry. "When she went inside, the administrator was called and she was hired before she could even get out the door."

"We will never find another like her and we will miss her very much," he added.

Bivins began her Pampa career at Highland General Hospital in May of 1957. She married Len Bivins the following year in 1958. They have three children, Teresa, Chanda and Reeves; and six grandchildren.

Joy Bivins, right, models a special shirt made in honor of her 42-year career at Pampa's hospital.



Gregg continued

- community, to attract more physicians to the area, and to help with educational programs that would "grow our nurses locally" by developing education for Pampa employees.

"There are a lot of opportunities here," said Gregg. "We want to offer the community all the areas of services that they need."

Gregg is a member of the American Nurses Association, the Emergency Nurses Association, the Texas Organization of Nurse Executives and the Texas Hospital Association and some of her professional accomplishments include:

- Recognition as the "CNO of the Year" in 1993 by HealthTrust Corporation for eliminating the need for contract nurses through aggressive recruitment and retention efforts while consistently maintaining the region's lowest nursing manhours

- Recognition by Columbia/HCA for outstanding contributions in the area of productivity improvement in 1996.

Nan has been in town a little over a month as the hospital's new CNO and COO.

"Pampa has been a very, very friendly community to come into and I look forward to making this my home," she said.



New CNO/COO Nan Gregg is staying busy getting to know the PRMC's staff and its current operations. One of her goals is to create a local nursing educational program for Pampa residents.

CEO continued

Munnerlyn received his BBA in accounting from Stephen F. Austin University and his MBA from the University of Houston. He and his wife, Wendy, have one son, Ryan, age 11.

"We look forward to working with Mike as we build our hospital's future," said Steele.

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In addition, the auxiliary was responsible for putting recliners in patients rooms the last year, he said.

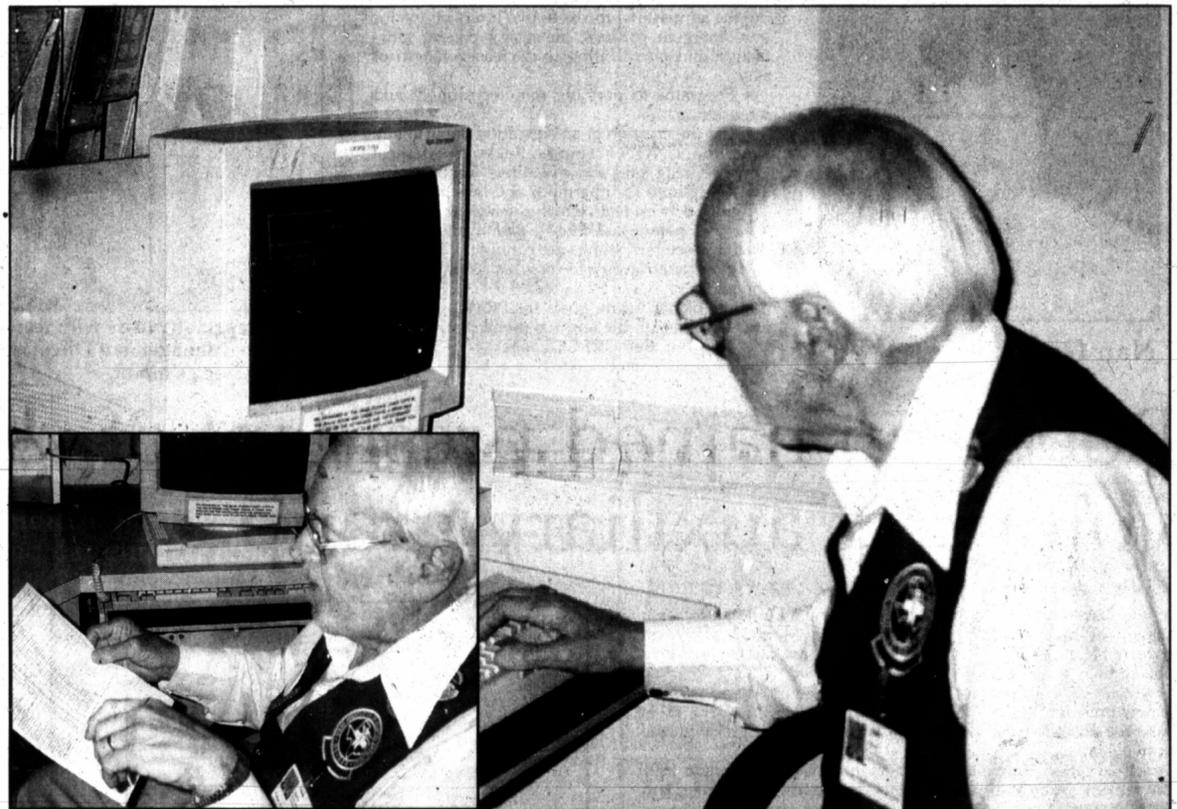
"One volunteer visits extended care patients on Sundays," said Roberson. "It helps to have someone visit like that."

While the group consists primarily of retirees and is full of "people who used to complain they had nothing to do," mused Roberson, the hospital also has many volunteer youths during summer vacation.

As president, Roberson will oversee monthly auxiliary board meetings at the hospital beginning in September. The board is comprised of volunteers who represent the different hospital departments where volunteers work.

"Board meetings give the hospital administration a chance to tell us what's going on so that we can pass it on to the other volunteers," said Roberson.

"We're lucky it's here," Roberson said of the hospital.



Volunteer Auxiliary President Perry Roberson makes a printout of the day's patients while working at the hospital's front desk.

ER entrance continued

A green canopy has been set up above the door to help patients avoid any confusion about the temporary entrance into the emergency room. And any other non-emergency ER traffic can proceed to the unit through the lobby, said Barnes.

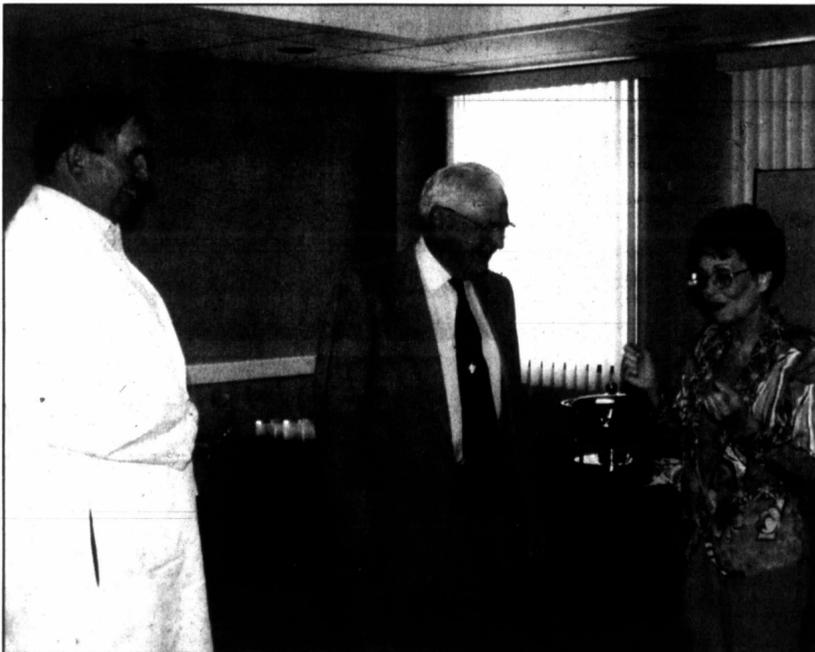
This temporary entrance is expected to be in use until the close of the next phase of construction through late July and August if everything goes on schedule.

Hospital construction and renovations, projected to be complete in the fall, will result in the expansion of the hospital's outpatient emergency services and the women's health services.

In addition, a new inpatient rehabilitation unit, a medical/surgical short stay unit and a cardiac rehabilitation area will be added to the hospital.

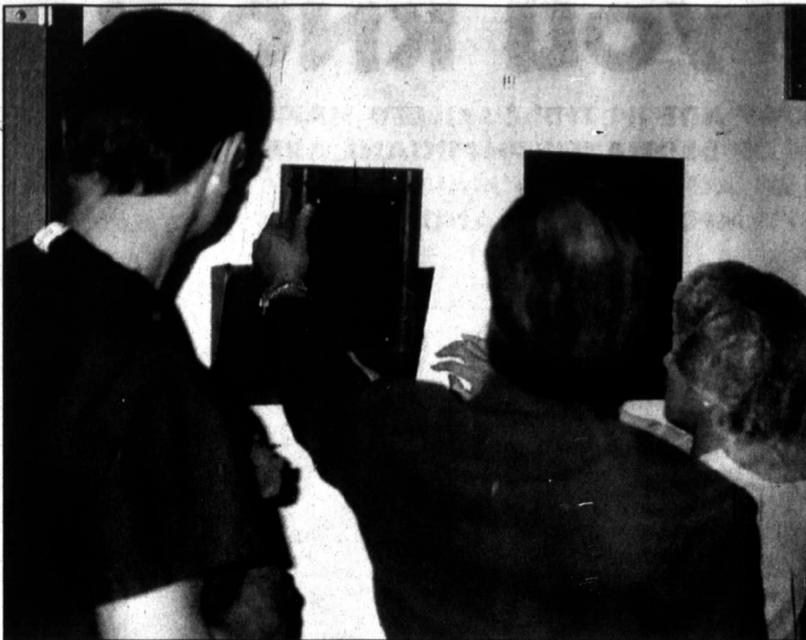
"We hope that our patients and guests will be patient with any inconvenience the construction may cause," said Barnes.

Joy Bivins retires ...

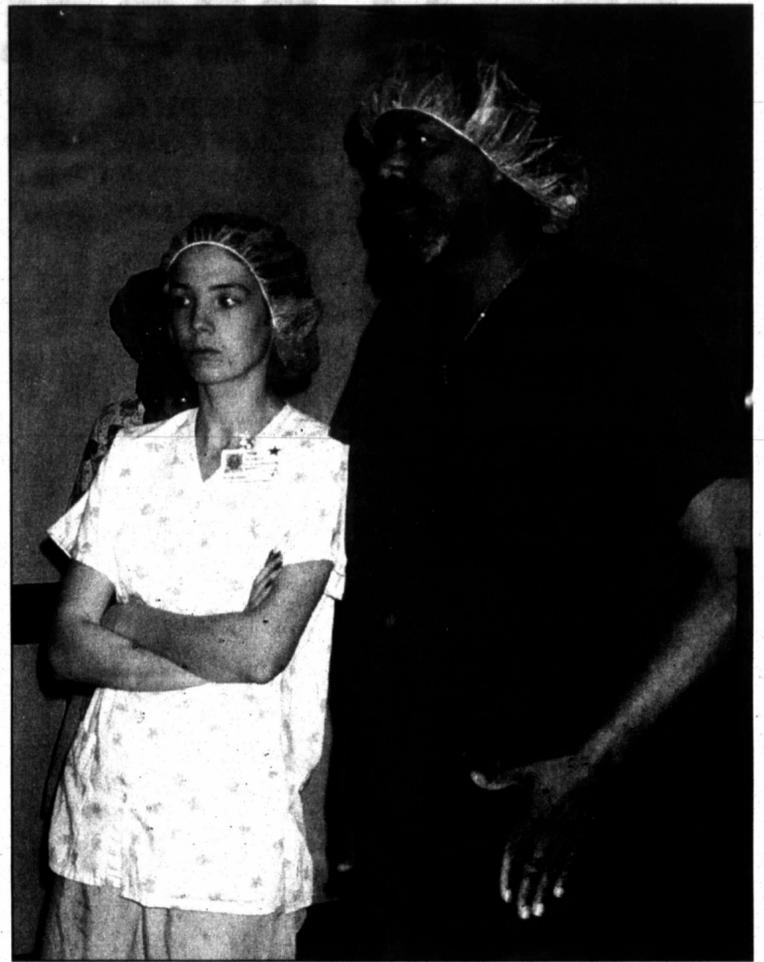


(Above left) Joy Bivins reminisces with Dr. Joe Lowry (left) and (center) Dr. Joe Donaldson. (Above right) CNO/COO Nan Gregg, along with Len Bivins, Joy, and daughter Teresa Davis, who continues to work at PRMC's medical laboratory.

Longtime Pampa doctor remembered



(above) Hospital physicians, staff and administrators gathered in late March to commemorate the life of longtime Pampa physician Dr. Alfredo Juan. (right) Starla Hamilton, RN, and Columbus Morgan, scrub tech, look on at a special ceremony that was held to dedicate a plaque in Juan's honor on Doctor's Day.



National Hospital Week luncheon a success



Over 250 enjoyed a picnic of brisket and baked potatoes under a tent north of the hospital to celebrate National Hospital Week.

Those attending included physicians and their staffs, Board of Trustees, employees and volunteers.

(Below) Debbie Dixon holds a cookie with the new hospital name printed on it in delicious icing.



(Above, left) Patricia Silva, admission clerk and Pre-Admission nurse, Norma Slagle, RN, enjoy lunch together. (right) Esther McAdoo, a hospital volunteer, takes time to stop and smile.



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