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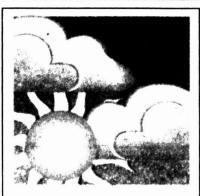
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## Pampa Cyber Net

Internet Power for the New Miller

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High today mid 90s Low tonight 70 For weather details see Page 2.

**PAMPA** — U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry will be in Pampa tomorrow at 5 p.m. at Lovett Library to host a town meeting on retirement security. The forum is part of a series of town meetings he is holding this year in all 38 counties of the 13th Congressional District. While the meetings are expected to cover a wide range of topics, one of the issues on which he plans to focus is retirement security.

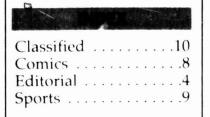
**HOUSTON** (AP) — Two transplant patients at separate hospitals here have shared the same liver in what doctors say is an important way to extend the use of donated organs.

Surgeons split the donor liver and transplanted the halves in two operations. The doctors performed the first transplant at Hermann Hospital on Tuesday morning, then transported the second iced half to nearby Methodist Hospital, where another patient received it in the evening.

Patty Fleischman, a devoutly religious Bellville woman, received the second half.

"It's amazing what they can do now," the 56-year-old woman told the Hou The donor liver came from a 21year-old male who had been shot in the head Monday, Seu said. He was brain dead when his liver was removed Tuesday morning. The organ was then split in half in a complex procedure that requires tying off more than 400 blood vessels.

· Kenneth Harold Hunt, 71, bookkeeper, farmer, rancher. · Neva 'Tudy' Roling, 79, hairdresser, deli owner.





## Top O' Texas Rodeo ... Volunteers scurry to get everything ready

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

Buck Arrington looked at the thunderstorm as he and other volunteers prepared the arena for next week. From under the brim of his sweat-stained gray cowboy hat, he could see the dark blue rain streaming to the ground in the distance.

He hoped that some of the moisture would fall on his family's place, the Rocking Chair Ranch, continuing a year of rain and lush green pastures instead of evaporating into the summer heat like last year.

most ranchers, Arrington is willing to take any rain he can get, except for July 11 though 17. That's when Pampa hosts the Top O' Texas Rodeo and associated Kid Pony Show.

William M. "Buck" Arrington is the president of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association this year. While he would appreciate a good rain, he'd rather it waited until the rodeo was over.

A year's worth of planning and work will culminate when the chutes swing open beginning at 4 p.m. Sunday and the first pint-sized contestant in the Kid Pony Show comes barreling out on a stick horse. Monday and Tuesday performances will begin at 7 p.m.

"I get a kick out of watching these kids," Buck said. "They really have a fun time."

Arrington's been involved as in the rodeo dates to the Kid rodeo queen pageant.



The newly painted sign over the bucking chutes welcomes participants and guests to the Top O' Texas Rodeo and Kid Pony Show reflected in Buck Arrington's sun glasses.

Pony Show when he was 6 or 7

"It was a lot of fun," he said. "That's one reason Im doing this now.

The 53rd annual Top O' Texas Rodeo will follow later in the week beginning at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Preceding the nightly perfornances of the rodeo, sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, there will be mutton busting for boys and girls 7 and under, another Top O' Texas tradition.

Starting at 5:30 p.m. a Top O' Texas Rodeo board Thursday, there will be free barmember for a dozen or so years, becue for ticket holders at the but before that, his involvement rodeo arena. Friday night is the



(Pampa News photos by David Bowser) Scott Hahn, Buck Arrington and Rodney McCulloch gather at the Top O' Texas Rodeo

begin at 10 a.m. with a parade. Each rodeo performance will be

But Buck Arrington knows family's ranching operation.

about traditions. His great grandfather, G.W. it going," Buck said.

Saturday's celebration will Frontier Battalion of the Texas Rangers more than a century ago. Cap Arrington staved on to followed by a dance, another become one of the first sheriffs in the area and establish the

arena as they have most of the summer to prepared for next week's rodeo.

"I'm just going to try to keep

Texas Panhandle with the ly ranching operation and the ready for one.

Top O' Texas Rodeo.

Buck Arrington said the board and numerous volunteers and sponsors put together a lot of work and money to make sure the 53rd edition of the professional rodeo s a success.

He just hopes there's a nice 'Cap' Arrington, came to the That applies to both the fami-shower on July 18. He'll be

## Investigators probe blast at 6666 Ranch Toddler hurt, mom killed

**By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor** 

Robin Pennington, 34, was killed in an explosion early Tuesday morning which ripped through her ranch home on the 6666 Ranch 12 miles north of Panhandle

Her 2-year-old daughter, Sage, was injured in the blast.

A cowboy on the 6666s for several years, Shane Pennington, husband of Robin and father of Sage, had gone to the ranch bunkhouse to report the smell of gas in the home when the explosion occurred at 5:20 a.m. Tuesday morning, according to reports.

The early morning explosion leveled the house where the young family made their home. The entire contents of the home were also destroyed in the blast.

Investigators from the state fire marshal's office in Austin arrived at the ranch location Tuesday afternoon to investigate the cause of the blast as did investigators of the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agency in Oklahoma Čity, Okla. Texas Railroad Commission and representatives of the of the Conoco Plant in Pampa were also assisting in the investigation.

(See **BLAST**, Page 2)

Today's Horseshoe clue

The Wednesday clue in the Golden Horseshoe Treasure Hunt in

The contest is being held in conjunction with Top O' Texas

Rodeo to be held July 15, 16 and 17. Clues will be given each day

will be listed the next day along with the kind of store for the cur-

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Jane

preparation for the Top O' Texas Rodeo was at Rheams Diamond

Shop. The Thursday clue can be found at a bank.

that will help locate the horseshoe.

The lucky person who finds

the horseshoe will receive a box

seat to all three performances of

the 53rd Annual Top O' Texas

Rodeo. Value of the box seat is

\$1150. The winner will also be

able to ride in the rodeo parade

The clues will be placed in

selected stores in Pampa and can

only be obtained by going into

that store. The kind of store will

be listed daily in The Pampa

News. The name of that store

on Saturday, July 17

rent day's clue.

## Laura Johnson in Miss Texas pageant

By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor

Pampa's own Laura Johnson is in Fort Worth this week competing in the Miss Texas Pageant for the second consecutive year.

Competing under the title of Miss Amarillo Area, Laura arrived in Fort Worth over the

weekend for the pageant. On Monday night she participated in the interview portion of the pageant. Her mother, Linda Johnson, said Laura felt very positive about the interview. Each contestant is interviewed by seven judges during the 12-minute session.

liminary swim suit competition. On Thursday she will present her talent which is a vocal presentation of "Unforgettable"

Friday night she will be a contestant in the evening gown preliminary event. The new Miss Texas will be named Saturday night.

Laura, a 21-year-old student at Texas Tech, participated in the pageant as Miss Lake Meredith last year and was ranked 14th in the statewide pageant.

Laura's father. Dr. Jav Johnson and sister. Anna. are already in Fort Worth for the pageant. Her mother, Linda, and grandmother. Evelyn the week in preparation for the Tonight she will be in the pre- Johnson, were leaving this preliminary events.



Laura Johnson

afternoon to be on hand for the events tonight.

The contestants have been busy with rehearsals and other scheduled activities throughout

## Driver in fatal accident indicted by grand jury

accident which also hurt two others has been indicted on two counts of intoxicated assault.

His was among indictments returned by a new grand jury vesterday in the 223rd District Court of Judge Lee Waters.

Sober's bond was set \$15,000 on each count. He has already been indicted on charges of intoxicated manslaughter in the death of Stacev Kave Sehorn. The bond for that charge was set at \$25,000. He remains in Gray County Jail.

Other indictments include Johnny Dale Aufleger. 23, 528 Naida, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance with a \$5,000 bond.

Scott Lee Baker, 36, 330 N. Wells, was indicted on charges of possession of marijuana with intent to deliver with a \$7,500 bond.

Kenneth Ray Black, 44, 408 N. Sumner, was indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated subsequent offense with a \$5,000 fine.

Jennifer Jo Bowers, 22, 330 N. Wells, was indicted

Justin David Sober, 22, the driver in a May 30 tatal on charges of possession of marijuana with intent to deliver with a \$4,000 bond.

> Kevin Lynn Boyd, 36, 320 Anne, was indicted on charges of burglary of a habitation with a \$15,000

Troy Dowill Britt. 36. Letors, was indicted on a charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle with a \$1,500 bond. lames Michael Brown, 26, 2129 N. Dwight, was

indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated subsequent offense with a \$2,500 fine. Michelle Annette Cole, 34, 408 N. Frost, was

indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance with a \$2,500 bond. Tommy Joe Cox. 23, 1216 F. Kingsmill, was indict-

ed on charges of credit card abuse with a \$1.500 bond Debbie Fondren Darby, 40, 1130 S. Hobart, was indicted on charges of tampering with a govern-

ment record with a \$1,500 bond. (See GRAND JURY, Page 2)

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Jacobs at the rodeo office, 669-0434.

## **Daily Record**

### Services tomorrow

BARKER, James Vernon Sr. — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, McLean.

**HUNT**, Kenneth Harold — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Llano Cemetery, Amarillo.

ROLING, Neva "Tudy" — Rosary, 5 p.m., Wright & Salmon Mortuary, Peoria, Ill.

### **Obituaries**

#### KENNETH HAROLD HUNT

AMARILLO - Kenneth Harold Hunt, 71, died Monday, July 5, 1999. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Llano Cemetery with Ben Mereness, minister of Southwest Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of

Mr. Hunt was born at Goldston. He married Earlene Myers in 1948 at Groom; she died in 1984. He had been an Amarillo resident since 1969. He was a bookkeeper for Wheeler-Evans Grain Elevators in Groom prior to farming and ranching at Claude. He was later branch manager of Mountain States Investment Corporation.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia Franklin of Amarillo; a son, Herb Hunt of Amarillo; his mother, Nola Hunt of Amarillo; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 4231 Camp Lane and requests memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101, or to High Plains Children's Home, 11461 S. Western, Amarillo, TX 79118.

#### **NEVA 'TUDY' ROLING**

PEORIA, Ill. - Neva "Tudy" Roling, 79, mother of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, July 6, 1999. Rosary services will be at 5 p.m. Thursday in Wright & Salmon Mortuary. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Peoria with the Rev. Patrick Henehan officiating. Entombment will be in Resurrection Mausoleum.

Mrs. Roling was born Dec. 28, 1919, at Quincy, Ill., to Grover and Luella Steele Reichert. She married Donald W. Roling, Sr. on Aug. 29, 1938, at Quincy; he died Jan. 19, 1992, at Peoria. She was a self-employed hairdresser and worked at Pleasure Island Bowl. She later owned-operated Roling Butcher Shop & Deli. She last worked at Knights of Columbus Spalding Council Kitchen.

She belonged to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and Christian Family Movement. She was an active bowler.

She was preceded in death by two brothers and

Survivors include two daughters, Constance Cinadr of Lenexa, Kan., and Suellyn Warren of Pampa; three sons, Donald W. "Bill" Roling, Robert C. Roling and Ronald T. Roling, all of Peoria; a brother, Chuck, of Peoria; 15 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Thursday in Wright & Salmon Mortuary.

The family requests memorials be to Peoria Notre Dame Endowment Fund or to St. Vincent de Paul School Endowment Fund.

#### **Emergency numbers**

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	
Energas	665-5777
Fire	
Police (emergency)	
Police (non-emergency)	

#### Police report

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

Tuesday, July 6 Jeramie Don White, 23, Wheeler, was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Varnon.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 1900 block of North Faulkner.

#### Sheriff's Office

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

Tuesday, July 6

Spencer Boyd, 46, 445 Graham, started serving a sentence for possession of marijuana.

Jason Williams, 26, 1040 Huff, was arrested on charges of participation in a riot, hindering apprehension, evading arrest and resisting arrest. Ira Don Hicks, 28, 816 N. Dwight, was arrested

Carlos B. Regalo, 52, 1029 S. Wells, was arrested on charges of failure to appear.

Jennifer Winegeart, 20, 112 N. Nelson, was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, bond surrender/possession of marijuana and a traffic warrant.

Deanna Atwood, 50, Lefors, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

#### **Ambulance**

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

Tuesday, July 6 7:46 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500

block of North Nelson; no transport. 10:26 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Noon - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of North Nelson and transported one to

3:13 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway and transported one to PRMC.

Wednesday, July 7

12:46 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of North Nelson on an assault; one patient transported to PRMC.

#### **Stocks**

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	Phillips 51 9/16	dn 7/16
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	Tenneco24 1/2	up 3/16
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# have Pampa connection

plane crashed shortly after takeoff en route to have been trying to return to the airport. Amarillo, Texas.

Roxanne Lincycomb, 40, and her sister-in-law Nora Lincycomb, 47, were cousins by marriage to investigating the crash. Pampa Street Superintendent Kimberly Linevcomb.

They were pronounced dead at the scene early Tuesday. Investigators believe low clouds and fog may have played a role in the crash.

The women apparently had been visiting relatives in Colorado for the Fourth of July weekend. it crashed. Their 1966 Cessna 182 went down about 7:45 am., about five miles east of La Veta. A rancher southern Colorado about 150 miles south of who found the wreckage said he heard the plane Denver.

Two women were killed when their 33-year-old circle several times, suggesting the pilot may

The National Transportation and Safety Board but also for ringing. and the Federal Aviation Administration are

Safety board investigator Norm Wiemeyer said billing their customers from the he is trying to determine if there was anything moment they press the "send" mechanically wrong with the plane. He also button on a mobile phone to the planned to check the background of the pilot -or both victims, if both were pilots.

It was not clear who was flying the plane when

La Veta is a small ranching community in

## Study: Kids pumping iron should avoid heavy weights

mproved, Faigenbaum said.

The study involved 43 children ages 5 through 11 who trained twice weekly for eight weeks in a supervised YMCA after-school program.

pumping iron might damage the bones and stunt running, jumping, throwing, catching, skipping the growth of children so young, Faigenbaum said. But research shows children benefit from lifting weights, he said.

The American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Sports Medicine and the National Strength and Conditioning Association all support appropriately designed and supervised tesistance training, researchers said.

Faigenbaum said after-school programs, community centers, YMCAs and school physical education teachers ought to include such instruction in their programs. He said weight lifting could help America's increasingly overweight and out-ofshape children get ready for sports that demand fit-

"A growing body of evidence suggests that strength training can help to decrease injuries in youth sports," Faigenbaum said.

An expert who was not involved in the study dis-

The children's muscular endurance "also agreed with many of Faigenbaum's conclusions, saying children under age 8 "have better things to do" than lift weights. He said he doubts that small youngsters will avoid injuries.

"I think at that age, they should be in programs Until about a decade ago, it was feared that designed to help develop their movement skills ... and so on," said the expert, Robert Malina, director of the Institute for the Study of Youth Sports at Michigan State University.

The study's 32 boys and 11 girls were randomly divided into three groups. In one, the children did 11 strength-training exercises using heavy weights (80 percent of their maximum ability on one try) for five to six repetitions. In another group, the youngsters did the same exercises with moderate weights (68 percent of their maximum) for 13 to 15 repetitions. In a third control group, no exercise was prescribed.

At the end of the eight weeks, the moderate lifters were 16 percent stronger in the upper body, compared with 5 percent for the heavy lifters and 4 percent for the control group.

In leg strength, moderate lifters had improved 41 percent, compared with 31 percent for heavy lifters and 13 percent for the control group.

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### BLAST .

A Northwest Texas Hospital spokeswoman said 2-year-old Sage Pennington remained in the NWTH Intensive Care Unit this morning in serious condition. According to reports, she is expected to recover from her injuries.

Sage was blown from the home in the blast along with her mother. Lifestar Helicopter airlifted the child from the scene of the explosion to the Amarillo medical facility. Her mother was pronounced dead at the scene.

Coordinating the investigation efforts is Carson County Sheriff Gary Robertson, who assumed the sheriff duties less than a week ago.

#### at Canadian.

### **GRAND JURY**

was indicted on charges of criminal mischief with a

indicted on charges of theft over \$50 under \$500,

enhanced with a \$2,500 bond. Dennis Ray Hayes, 51, 1104 S. Sumner, was indict-

with a \$5,000 bond. Tonja Hinson Howe, 33, 1112 E. Browning, was

indicted on charges of tampering with a government record with a \$1,500 bond. Esperanza Lara, no birthdate given, Amarillo, was

\$20,000 with a bond of \$1,500.

cle with a \$1,500 **bo**nd. George Russell Luster, 34, 1044 S. Hobart, was indicted on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle with a \$1,500 bond.

Ranch officials closed the gate at the entrance to the ranch Tuesday. The gate was posted with a no trespassing sign.

Funeral arrangements for Robin Pennington are pending with Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors of Panhandle. Burial will be in her home town of Houston, Mississippi.

The 6666 Ranch located near Panhandle in Carson County encompasses over 100,000 acres. Another ranch owned by the 6666s in King and Dickens counties near Guthrie has over 200,000

Shane Pennington is a native of Canadian where his parents, Arthur and Annelle Pennington, still make their home. His twin brother, Shea, also lives

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#### with a bond of \$4,000. Charity Michelle DeWitt, 24, no address given,

\$3,000 bond.

Teresa Lynn Dinsmore, 44, 535 S. Somerville, was

ed on charges of theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000

indicted on charges of theft over \$1,500 and under Chad Michael Richards, 20, McLean, was indicted on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehi-

Sara Mae Mitchell, 42, 740 Brunow, was indicted on charges of theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000

Robert James Nelson, 18, 2608 Rosewood, was indicted on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle with a \$1,500 bond.

Edmundo Perez, 25, Woodward, was indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated subsequent offense with a \$5,000 bond.

Terry Wayne Rapstine, 36, 1004 Oklahoma, was indicted on charges of forgery with a \$1,500 bond. Jerry Lynn Rhoten, 45, 716 N. Frost, was indicted

on charges of burglary of a building with a \$5,000 Shanna Eve Tambunga, 36, Deer Park, Texas, was

indicted on charges of forgery by making with a Jerry Raydell Thompson, 22, 603 Tignor, was indicted on charges of theft over \$1,500 under

\$20,000 with a bond of \$3,000. Eric Scott Westgate, 23, El Cajon Calif., was indicted on charges of possession of marijuana with a

### Making time count ...



Six-year-old Lane Walker of Canadian plays with his space age toys while his parents volunteer to serve old timers barbecue Saturday during Canadian's Fourth of July celebration.

## Two airplane crash victims Cellular's little surprise

wake-up call: Cell phone users cations industry analyst and a to keep it under a minute because aren't just charged for yakking,

Most of the nation's big wireless calling companies begin moment they hit "end."

That means the cents are piling up even before the call connects.

While "send-to-end" billing policies are spelled out in the contracts signed by the nation's 76 million cell phone users, even some experts and careful shoppers never imagined that the traditional rules about telephones might not ring true in the wireless

"I had no idea, and I would

Weather focus

**PAMPA** — Partly sunny today

with a high in the mid 90s and

south winds at 5-10 mph.

low of 70 and southeast winds at

and south winds at 10-15 mph.

overnight low, 68.

Yesterday's high was 92; the

PANHANDLE — Tonight,

partly cloudy with a less than 20

percent chance of evening show-

mostly sunny with a high in the

lower 90s. South wind 10-20

of thunderstorms. Low 60 to 65.

**STATEWIDE** — A persistent

NEW YORK (AP) — For those consider myself as astute on my who thought a phone call began telephone charges as anybody," with "Hello," here's a wireless said Rex Mitchell, a telecommuniate the second hand on my watch al phone company U S West.

"Occasionally, when I'm out of town, I will make a call and look former executive with the region- I'm paying long-distance or roaming charges," said Mitchell.

## City Briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

HALF PRICE Sale- bedding Center, 125 N. Somerville.

duced 20%-50% off.

HI-WAY PACKAGE Liquor Store is going out of business.

**LADIES -COME** by Eyecare plants, trees, shrubs, roses & Plus and see our beautiful collecgeraniums! Watson's Garden tion of Christian Dior. 1916 N. Hobart, 669-2824.

TRALEE RESALE Shop, 308 S. Cuyler- Bargain Tables, shorts, Liquor, wine & etc.-prices retops, jeans. Discounts on other items! New items added daily.

ing rainfall and maintaining seafall. Precipitation was greater in sonal summer temperatures. Early-morning lows ranged

degrees at New Braunfels and 78 Tonight, partly cloudy with a at Galveston. Winds were calm at most sta-5-10 mph. Tomorrow, partly tions during the predawn hours

sunny with a high in the mid 90s and had also subsided along the Humidities coast. Texas remained high. On Tuesday, highs hovered

just below the century mark. It was 98 degrees at Denton, Mineral Wells, Wichita Falls and ers and thunderstorms. Low in Dallas-Fort Worth International the lower 60s. South to south- Airport. It was warmest temperature recorded so far this year in west wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, North Texas. Galveston had 87. A few showers and thundermph. Thursday night, partly storms brought some isolated

cloudy with a 20 percent chance rainfall to North Texas. coast and the Hill Country had

Today, parts of the upper Texas high-pressure system kept its cloudy skies, with some areas grip on the state today, suppress-receiving extremely light rain-

South Texas. A few showers and thunderstorms developed along from the 60s to 80s. It was 71 a frontal boundary across the southern Panhandle. Temperatures were in the 60s and 70s with a mostly southerly wind at 5 to 15 mph.

Dew points were generally in

South Texas' rainfall was triggered by an upper-level disturbance that was moving into the Hill Country. It was powered by sea breezes and their abundant humidity.

Highs through Thursday may only get to around 90 degrees in much of South Texas and the mid-90s elsewhere, along with near 105 in the Big Bend. Lows should be in the 60s and 70s.

Scattered showers and thunderstorms were expected in parts of North and West Texas and along the coast.

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### **PFAA Summer Arts Program**

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(Community Camera photo by Kellie Mullican)

Pampa Fine Arts Association recently conducted week-long classes as part of its Summer Arts Program. PFAA expanded the program this summer to include youth classes in Miami and adult classes in Pampa. Youth classes were recently Wellborn's recorder class in Miami.

taught in Pampa and, for a second year in a row, youth classes will be taught in McLean this week. above: Keely Adams concentrates to play a piece of music she's learned this week in Kimberly

### Museum Show and Tell, lecture series

BORGER — The first speakers in a two-part has made and the techniques she used. Some of will be Emily Nipp and Thunda Wigley from R&R Quilt and More in Amarillo.

Nipp began quilting 10 years ago, following Annual Report. the birth of her fifth child. Always an avid seamfashioned way — by hand, but soon realized that in order to make enough quilts to be able to pass speed up the process.

a trunk show-lecture on the various quilts she quilt.

series, hosted by the Hutchinson-County her techniques include invisible machine Museum, will be held beginning at 2 p.m. appliqueing and machine quilting methods Sunday, July 11. The series is part of the 18th called stippling, free motion and echo. She also Annual Quilt Show at the museum. The speakers designs her own patterns. She was commissioned to make the quilt that appeared on the cover of the 1996 Southwestern Public Service

Emily's quilts have exhibited and won awards stress and crafter, when the "quilting bug" bit in several shows. She is a quilt show judge and her, all of her other craft projects ended up in lecturer. She is also a member of "Who's Who in garage sales. She learned to make quilts the old- American Quilting," published by the American Quilter's Society.

Wigley is a returning speaker from last year. them on to her children, she was going to have to She will be sharing about the in-store quilting club called "Thimbleberries." Her presentation That learning process has evolved to the point will "Show and Tell" about the club's quilts and of passing that knowledge on to others. Nipp fabric patterns. Techniques will include easy teaches students the art of piecing, appliqueing speed piecing and utilizing bold and graphic faband quilting by machine. She will be presenting ric display to make a statement and show off the

#### **Predator Management Training slated in Stinnett**

Courthouse basement, 136 and Main St., in Stinnett. The training session will include identifying causes of predation, alternative methods of predator control and M-44 sodium application. cyanide Individuals who want to use

M-44 to control coyotes, feral dogs and foxes preying on livestock should attend the course. To continue using M-44 sodi-

um cyanide, all M-44 applicators certified prior to April 18, 1988, must take this course to be recertified. Proper certification to use M-44 also requires possession of a private applicator certificate or license, a non-

Department of Agriculture will or a commercial applicator covered at the training session. Predator license to purchase restricted- For more information, contact Management Training Program use and state-limited-use pesti- Tom Benton, Hutchinson Co. at 1 p.m. Monday, July 12 in the cides. Information on obtaining Extension agent, at (806) 878-4026.

AUSTIN — The Texas commercial applicator license "these types of licenses will be

#### TDH to offer immunization clinics

CANYON - The Texas Department of Health will offer immunization clinics to protect against the following childhood diseases: polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough, measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae type B) and varicella (chicken pox).

TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

Immunization clinics scheduled in the area are: Pampa – 9 a.m.-5 p.m., July 7 and 21, Family Health Center of Pampa, 600 W. Kentucky

Canadian – 11 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., July 26, City Hall,

first floor, 6 Main Street

• Groom – 2-4 p.m., July 29, Groom Rural Clinic.

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Sgt. Alan Olsen of Pampa (left), visits State Representative Warren Chisum and Major Ronnie Shell, Lubbock, during National Guard training late last month at Ft. Hood.

### Calendar of events

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every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at Furrs Cafeteria

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM

The White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) visiting hours are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. There will be history of the White Deer Land Co., and the early area settlers and outstanding arrowhead collection and art gallery. Elevator.

**RED CROSS** 

The Red Cross is offering free blood sugar and blood pressure testing every Friday from 10 a.m. - noon at Red Cross Office, 108 N. Russell. **EMMAUS REUNION** 

meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information call 669-3426 or 669-9226. HIGH PLAINS EPILEPSY

Emmaus Reunion Group

ASSOCIATION Plains Epilepsy Association of Amarillo, funded in part by Pampa United Way, will have a licensed social work8, at Pampa Community the Amarillo office at 1-800-806-Building, 200 N. Ballard. The 7236.

er in Pampa from 9:30-12 noon program assists people with The Toastmasters will meet the second Tuesday of each epilepsy and their families. To month beginning Tuesday, June make an appointment, contact



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\*\*For more information, please call #371-8844\*\*

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12:22 p.m. "Can you pick up the dry cleaning?"

5:14 p.m. "I'll get the kids, you get dinner."

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### **Opinion**

## Lawmakers aided open government

■ Big strides for the public's right to know were made in

This turned out to be a very good year for open government in Texas, but it was touch-and-go as time ran out for the leg-

Two significant bills were passed that put big smiles on the faces of those who fight for open records and open meetings. SB 1851, the omnibus open records bill produced by the interim committee on public information, survived several attempts to amend it into ineffectiveness by groups such as the Texas Municipal League and the University of Texas Board of Regents. However, rumors of massive amendments in the final days of the session didn't materialize.

As a result, supporters are hailing the legislation offered by Sen Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, as the biggest improvement to the Public Information Act since its inception in 1974.

Proponents of accountability also have to cheer the passage of HB 156 by Rep. Steve Wolens, D-Dallas. This bill eliminated an onerous loophole in which staff members of elected officials or state agencies could meet privately in "briefing sessions" to discuss public business, circumventing the state Open Meetings Act. Information from these meetings was then passed along to the agencies or elected officials without

the public's knowledge. The practice has been used by the Odessa City Council and other government entities for years. A prime example was the effort to bring a new Wal-Mart to west Odessa. Because of the staff briefings loophole, council members were made aware of the proposal by Wal-Mart months before property owners in

the area were informed. However, the legislative session also was noteworthy for several anti-open government bills that didn't pass

For instance, Rep. Miguel Wise, D-Weslaco, offered a series of bills involving legal proceedings. One would have closed certain criminal trials and juvenile court hearings when a young victim — a child under 16 — is testifying. A transcript of the hearing would have been made available "as soon as

The purpose of the legislation was to protect the privacy of young crime victims, and the target, no doubt, was the news media. But opponents argued, correctly, that the "soon as practical" reference would have invited abuse.

In any case, most newspapers use extreme discretion when minors are involved in criminal proceedings.

Wise also offered legislation that would make confidential the name and any information that would reveal the identity of a person suspected or accused of a felony. The information would have been released only after an indictment is returned. Because there often is quite a delay between the time of arrest and arraignment and the time a case is taken to a grand jury, the public could have been kept in the dark about accused murderers or suspected child molesters living in their neigh-

Also failing in attempts to close some areas of governmental function was Rep. Suzanna Hupp, R-Lampasas. She offered a bill that would have deleted a provision that states the Texas Department of Public Safety shall provide records on persons licensed to carry concealed weapons upon written request.

Hupp also proposed a constitutional amendment, that would have established rights of privacy. Had the measure passed, it could have adversely affected many of the hardearned open government laws.

In the final analysis, dozens of bills in the 76th Legislature could have had an impact — good or bad — on governmental accountability. Those who believe in the public's right to know should celebrate that the more important pieces of legislation passed and some of those bills that could have opened the door for backroom dealings died a natural death.

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## A surprise defeat for steel folly

The relationship between major American industries and national politicians is much like the relationship between a newborn and her parents: A few shrieks, and they come running to furnish whatever is needed to restore silence. But recently the U.S. Senate changed its approach by announcing that once its offspring is adult and able-bodied, she should be expected to take care of herself.

The Senate vote was the equivalent of dumping a bucket of ice water over the heads of steel management and labor, which have come to expect non-stop indulgence. The industry claims it is in crisis, but listen to its definition of a crisis: A year (1998) in which it shipped more steel than it has in

Never mind all that. Due in part to economic troubles in much of the rest of the world, foreign sales were up, prices were down, and workers were being laid off — developments not to the liking of those who make steel. They demanded instant action from the federal government.

on Strong." Washington's first response was to give in The Clinton administration accused foreign steel makers of not playing fair and pressured Russia and Brazil into reducing their sales here. The International Trade Commission slapped fat duties on Japanese steel. And in March, the House of Representatives passed a measure placing strict limits on how much foreign steel American com-

But senators apparently took the low prices as a chance to have some metal implanted in their backbones. When the House bill reached their side of the Capitol, they listened to the complaints



Steve Chapman

Syndicated columnist

about foreign "dumping," saw the commercials lamenting the plight of unemployed steelworkers, and heard predictions that the domestic industry 19 of the last 20 years and made profits exceeding is in danger of extinction. But when they were invited to take the familiar role of savior, they

Two weeks ago, we thought this bill might pass with a veto-proof majority," a senior administration official told The New York Times. Instead, protectionists could scare up only 42

stant action from the federal government, votes for even letting the bill come to the floor.

When the steel industry wants something, How to explain it? Maybe it was the sheer ecopoliticians generally start singing the Patty nomic folly of imposing a quota on foreign steel. Loveless tune: "I Feel an Old Weakness Coming Among the U.S. populace can be found 160,000 workers who produce steel and some 8 million offered politicians a no-lose deal: If you help us, who produce various goods that use steel. For every worker helped by the bill, 50 would be hurt. Not only that, but consumers numbering in the hundreds of millions would also bear a burden about \$1.5 billion a year in higher prices

As a way of helping steelworkers, this is spectacularly inefficient. Economists Gary Clyde Hufbauer and Erika Wada of the Institute for International Economics in Washington estimate that only 1,700 steelworker jobs would be saved, at a cost of more than \$800,000 per job.

The jobs saved, though, would not be saved for the majority rules

long. Protectionists blame foreigners for the disappearance of 10,000 steel-making jobs last year, somehow failing to notice that shrinking employment is a regular feature of the industry in good times as well as bad. Since 1980, total employment has dropped by about a quarter of a million jobs. It fell even during the eight years the Reagan and Bush administrations tried to prop up the industry with "voluntary" limits on imports. Using import barriers to save steel jobs, we have learned, is like bailing out a sinking boat with a sieve.

The "problem" is that the industry is getting more productive. Twenty years ago, it took 10 man-hours to make a ton of steel; today, it takes less than four. So a lot of workers simply aren't needed anymore, and no amount of xenophobia will alter that reality.

Luckily, there are other places where they are needed, as evidenced by the 2.5 million new jobs created in the United States, on net, last year. The House's steel quota bill was an exercise in nostalgia, and the economy of the 1990s has been too good for most people to shed tears for the way things used to be.

Steel interests once got their way because they we'll reward you with votes and campaign contributions — and the millions of people who are hurt will never even notice. But the success of the United States as an open economy means that other industries now mobilize against protectionism — notably agriculture, which knows that foreign markets could be closed in retaliation for our steel protectionism.

Free trade may be painful for the few, but it's a great boon to the many. The novel achievement of our democracy in this case is that for the moment,

#### Today in history

By The Associated Press

189th day of 1999. There are 176 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 8, 1776, Col. John Nixon was first published. gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence, to a crowd at Independence Square in Philadelphia.

On this date: In 1663, King Charles II of England New York Theafer. granted a charter to Rhode Island. In 1839, American oilman John D. Rockefeller was born in Richford,

In 1853, an expedition led by France.

Commodore Matthew Perry arrived Today is Thursday, July 8, the in Yedo Bay, Japan, on a mission to New York City to make way for the seek diplomatic and trade relations with the Japanese.

In 1889, "The Wall Street Journal"

In 1891, Warren G. Harding married Florence K. DeWolfe in Marion, Ohio

In 1907, Florenz Ziegfeld staged his first "Follies," on the roof of the

In 1919, President Wilson received a tumultuous welcome in New York City after his return from the Versailles Peace Conference in

new permanent headquarters of the United Nations.

was named commander-in-chief of United Nations forces in Korea.

In 1975, President Ford announced he would seek the Republican nomination for the presidency in 1976.

Ten years ago: Carlos Saul Menem was inaugurated as president of Argentina in the country's first transfer of power from one democratically elected civilian leader to another in

six decades. Five years ago: Kim Il Sung, North Dow Corning Corp.

In 1947, demolition work began in Korea's communist leader since 1948, died at age 82. O.J. Simpson was ordered to stand trial on charges of murdering his ex-wife, Nicole, In 1950, Gen. Douglas MacArthur and her friend, Ronald Goldman. Leaders of the Group of Seven nations opened their 20th annual economic summit, in Naples, Italy. The space shuttle "Columbia" blasted off on a two-week mission.

One year ago: A federal bankruptcy judge tentatively approved a settlement under which an estimated 170,000 women who said silicone breast implants had made them sick would get \$3.2 billion dollars from

## Kosovo keeping NATO spinners busy

If you are the proud parents of a new baby, congratulations. The bad news is, however, that your child can grow up and then be forced to serve in Kosovo. Our foreign-policy wizards have buried U.S. forces in the Balkans for probably 25 or even

There may be some benefit for the American people in Clinton's war, but I can't find it. Of course, what used to be called the merchants of death (now euphemistically referred to as defense contractors) will make some money on the destruction, and some corporations will make some money on the reconstruction. Maybe that's all there was to it — just a scheme to pack two sets of corporate wallets.

Trouble is, the money going into both sets of corporate wallets is coming out of the wallets of people get the body bags, the family separations and the bills. Thank God there have been only two body bags — so far.

But the North Atlantic Treaty Organization so disgraced itself in this evil caper that I had the bizarre urge to cheer when the Russian paratroopers entered Pristina ahead of the NATO troops. I especially enjoyed the embarrassment of



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

look at commercial television to find out what its \$40 billion-a-year intelligence community didn't

It's not exactly reassuring that the president of the so-called world's last superpower has to turn on CNN to find out that, indeed, Russian troops the American people, who will not profit from were in Kosovo and NATO wasn't. And, of either the destruction or the reconstruction. In course, reality is putting the lie to the NATO prowars of this kind, the deal is that the American paganda. As video shows, there are an awful lot of Albanians, including young men, who never left Kosovo nor hid in the mountains. Strange for a country that was supposed to have been ethnically cleansed and for a people who were supposed to have been victims of genocide.

No doubt some atrocities were committed by paramilitaries, but I would caution you not to jump the gun as the media are doing. A mass the Clinton administration, which first denied it, grave, especially one with numbered grave markthen said it didn't believe it, and finally had to 'ers, is not necessarily evidence of a war crime. It

is customary to bury bodies after a battle. You will find numerous mass graves in the United States at most of the War Between the States battle sites. And uncorroborated testimony of alleged survivors is not proof. It is an allegation.

I've seen two guys telling their sad tale of faking death and surviving a mass execution in front of a brick wall, but as they talked, I noticed there were no visible signs of bullets having struck the wall — which would be the case if 20 people were stood in front of it and shot with military weapons at close range. We will hear a lot of tales against the Serbs and none about what the Kosovo Liberation Army may have done. They also kill Albanians who don't support their cause as well as Serbs.

But NATO spinners will be trying to rationalize the attack against Yugoslavia despite the undisputed fact that prior to the bombings, there had been no ethnic cleansing, no refugee camps and relatively light casualties (2,000 in two years, including both Serb and Albanian) in Yugoslavia's war against the KLA.

Finally, video also shows that 78 days of bombing did less-than-decisive damage to the Yugoslavian army, which seems to have plenty of armor and armored personnel carriers, trucks, anti-aircraft weapons and personnel.

NATO has earned the title of the alliance that

"shagged" us.

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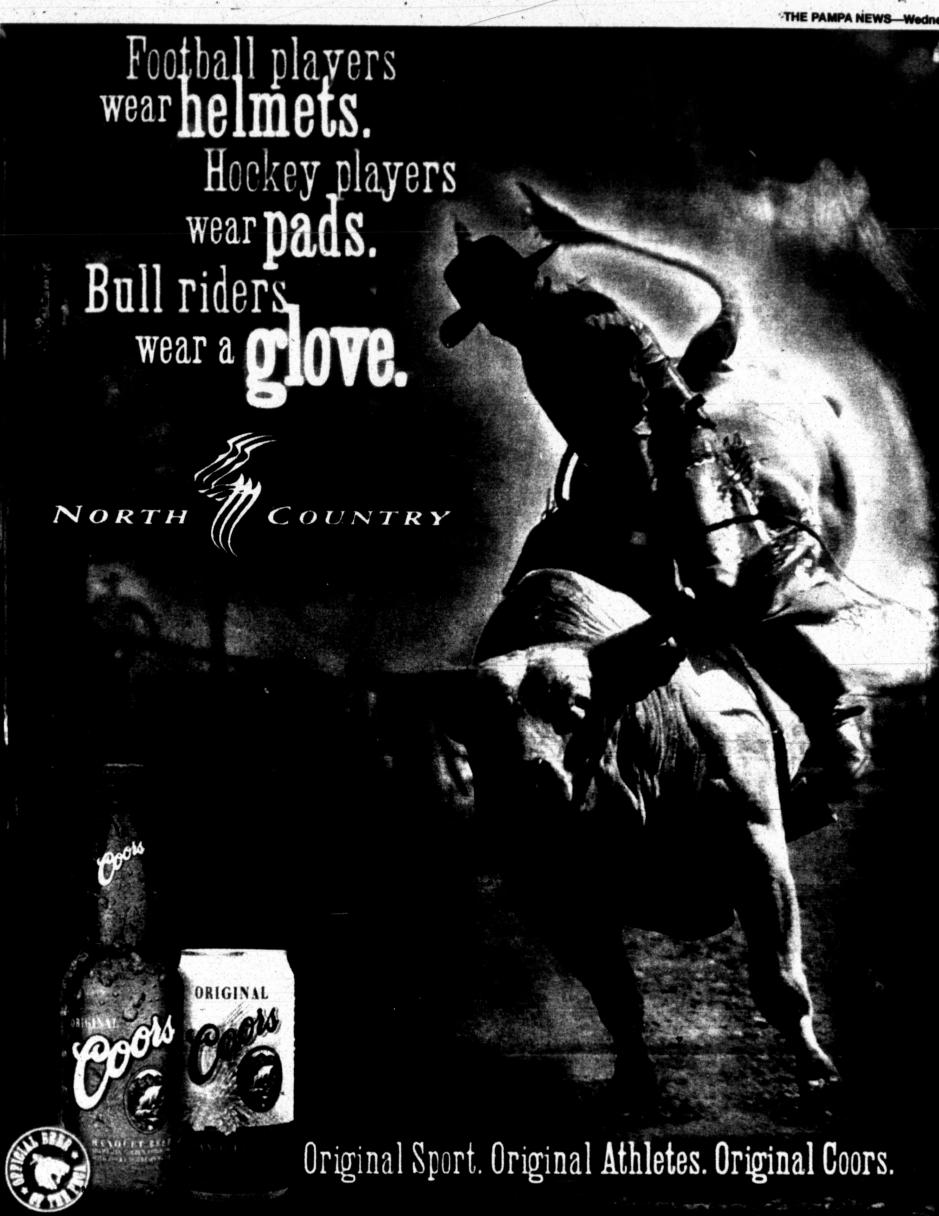
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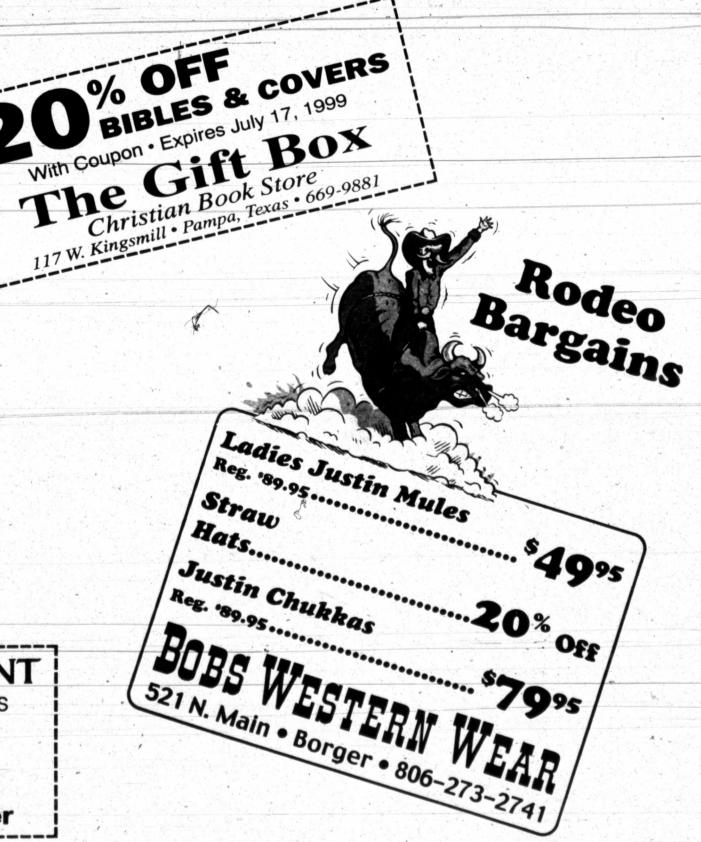
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DEAR ABBY: My husband was downsized from a large company 16 months ago. He collected unemployment for six months, then began a business that he runs from our

I have been the sole support of our family during this period. Recently he began taking a class near his former office. His class began in the morning and ended at 2 p.m. When he returned home one evening, I asked him how his day had gone. He stated that he had gone to lunch with a lady from his old office. (She happened to call him last week for someone's phone number and mentioned that "no one ever takes her to lunch.") My husband generously offered because he was going to be in the area the next week. He never mentioned it during the week prior to what I call "his.

His class needed to work through lunch, so he called her to tell her. She offered to wait for him and have a late lunch when his class was over. He called her on my cell phone before the end of class to say he'd pick her up. This was at 1:30 p.m. He picked her up at his former office, and they drove to an expensive restaurant because "he didn't want to run into any former coworkers from his old company."

As he told me this story, I started to get angry because he had told me the previous day that we could not go out to eat because money was tight. When he saw I was getting angry, he jokingly said he had just made up the story to see

Horoscope

my reaction. I decided to check it out by looking for a receipt from the restaurant that he originally stated he had gone to. I found it in his wallet and saw that his first story had been the correct one.

Looking back, I now realize that he cleaned his car - something he never does — in preparation for this date, borrowed my cell phone to confirm the date, and was unusually concerned about his appearance before going to this class that day. He thinks I'm out of line for being upset that he took this divorced friend" to lunch. He says I'm jeal-

I feel used and disrespected since he kept the date a secret, picked her up for the lunch and then lied about it. What do you think?

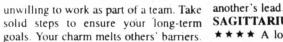
DEAR WIFE: I think your marriage could use a clean-up job. I smell a rat — and I think it's your husband.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to

other families having difficulties with the "name game."

A HAPPY 'MIL' IN BONSALL, CALIF.

laws are called.



THURSDAY, JULY 8, 1999 Tonight: Start the weekend early! BY JACQUELINE BIGAR LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \* \* \* \* Maintain a high profile. Don't let a partner cause a problem. Sometimes The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll you simply need to ignore what is hap-

5-Dynamic; 4-Positive: pening. Know on which side your bread 3 Average; 2-So-so, 1-Difficult is buttered Stay focused on work. A hunch pays off with a boss or when mak-ARIES (March 21-April 19) ing an important appearance. Take the \* \* \* Strong new beginnings are poslead. Tonight: In the limelight! sible, financially. Decisions made now VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) take on some unique qualities; neverthe-\* \* \* Take an overview. Know exact-

less, they can work. Don't expect everyly what you should expect. Stay abreast one to agree with you. Diversity of opinof changes. Your ability to root out a ions gives you a new perspective. problem helps you shine at work. You Tonight: Where your friends are. might need to give another more space, TAURUS (April 20-May 20) now. Establish strong limits within a \* \* \* A professional shake-up seems friendship. Tonight: Make plans to take par for the course. Don't test another's limits; instead, work with what is. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\* Redefine your commitment to a partnership. You might feel that another has overstepped a boundary. Recognize what is important to you. Decide what you would really like. Add more enjoyment to a relationship with a child or loved one. Both of you will appreciate the excitement. Tonight: Chat over din-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\* You could find that another is BORN TODAY uptight, as he puts the kibosh on what you think are really great plans. Allowspontaneity to play a larger role in your life. Take an overview; detach from petty in the very near future. How about tomorrow, for instance? Tonight: Follow

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\* \* A lot of information comes to Be the "personality kid" on your block! the surface. Another might be quite hard on you. Pace yourself; unexpected communication requires that a schedule be revamped. A partner pitches in and does his share. Together, you make quite a

> ble. Maintain a conservative stance. A child or loved one seems to be in a dour mood. Right now, you can change anyone or anything. Be with those you enjoy. Tonight: Playfulness works. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

> ★★★ Another demands more of you. "Enough!" Listen to what is happening with others, but opt to go in your own direction. Your personality melts barriers

> say. Communication is tense. Be creative, open-minded and flexible. Doors open. You experience an unexpected insight, though your feelings might be hurt first. A flirtation could develop into more. Tonight: Kick up your heels!

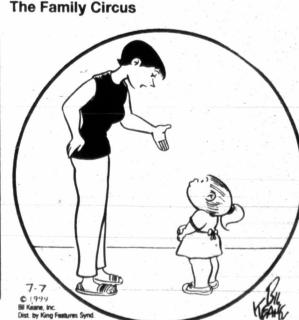
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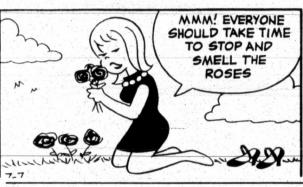
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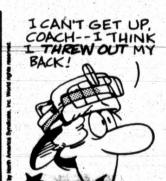
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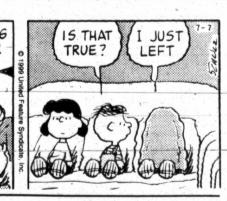
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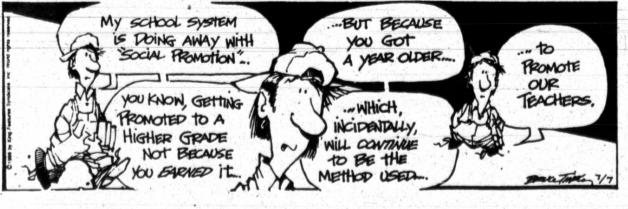




**Blondie** 



Mallard Filmore



share with you our son-in-law's clever and distinctive names for me **Abigail** and my husband. Zits He calls us "MIL" (or "Millie") for Van Buren mother-in-law, and "FIL" for father-JEREMY, WE NEED in-law. This nicely solves the multiple "Moms" and "Dads" problem when both families gather for par-SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

On another note: His parents were already grandparents with their own special names before he and our daughter gave birth to a

When our grandson was close to 2, and we despaired of ever having a grandparent name, he began caning me "Mum" — his version of our daughter's "Mom" name for me. Perhaps this will be of help to

DEAR HAPPY 'MIL': You have an innovative son-in-law.

His nicknames for you and your husband are refreshing when one considers what some in-

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

team. Tonight: Working late. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Finances could go off the deep end if you take a money risk. Don't gam-

Your response may be a resounding, and allows greater flexibility in the work arena. Show your effectiveness. Tonight Home, to prepare for the weekend! PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\* Listen carefully to what others

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#### an important meeting happen. A key associate could be a bit rebellious or Crossword Puzzle

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Sometimes you might feel that, because

of your stability, others run over you like

a freight train. You might just need to

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## SPORTS

# Tennis -

The Pampa Open Tennis Tournament, originally set for July 10 and 11, has been rescheduled for July 31-Aug. 1.

The tournament dates were changed due to tennis court construction

Those who were already signed up to participate in the tournament will be automatically entered in the rescheduled event.

For information, contact Carolyn Quarles at 655-9401.

### Softball

Pampa's 11-12-year-old softball all-star team will face Spearman this evening in the second round of the area tournament at 8 p.m. at the Optimist Club softball field.

Spearman advanced after defeating Stinnett 23-18 in a seven-inning contest Tuesday evening.

In the bottom bracket of the double-elimination tournament, Dumas defeated Fritch 25-15 Tuesday night and Canadian and Stinnett will face off at 6 p.m. tonight.

Pampa's 9-10-year-old allstar team was narrowly defeated by Dumas 11-10 Tuesday night at the Optimist softball field.

Pampa's offense was led by Cassy Tice, who notched two doubles and a triple. Britteni Rice and Nicole Clark each connected for two singles. Stephanie McVay and Kenzi Nickell both singled.

Pampa will face Borger tonight at 7 p.m.

### Baseball

Pampa's 13-15-year-old Babe Ruth all-star team will travel to the North Randall County Baseball Complex Thursday evening to begin the district tournament against North Randall County at 6

The baseball complex is located on South Loop 335, and will host every tournament contest. The tournament will last until Saturday.

The winner will advance to the state tournament.

J&J Motor Company won the 7-8 vear-old Rookie League Tournament with three consecutive victories.

The team defeated Franks 16-4, Thompson Parts 15-5, and the Medicine Shoppe 17-

The tournament victory boosts J&J Motor Co.'s record to 26-0-1 in the past two sea-

### Hockey

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - Afinancially troubled minor league hockey is only six months gone, but already another is stepping into the void.

The City Council unanimously approved a one-year contract on Tuesday with Team Tucson Hockey for use of Tucson Convention Center. The team, an addition to the Phoenix-based Western Professional Hockey League, could be playing by October 2000, officials said.

Rick Kozuback, WPHL president, said the intervening year will be spent developing a marketing strategy to draw fans to the 35 homes games the yet-to-be-named team will play in Tucson.

The Tucson Gila Monsters folded in December shortly after the start of their second season, in part for want of

"This is a big market if it's tapped in the right way,"

Kozuback said. He said the new team must generate at least \$2 million in revenue to succeed.

The league now has teams in Arizona, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and-

## Notebook Ranger offense struggles against A's

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Jimmy Haynes didn't have a lot of confidence in his split-finger fastball, using it as a changeup in high school.

After meeting with Oakland pitching coach Rick Peterson in early June, Haynes started working on it again.

On Tuesday night, he used it to near perfection.

Haynes and three relievers combined on a four-hitter, John Jaha hit a two-run homer, and the Athletics sent the Texas Rangers to a fourth straight loss,

"It was just a so-so pitch in high school," Haynes said. "I didn't really have a changeup

then, so that's what I used it for." Haynes threw the pitch exactly twice, both out of the strike zone to Boston's Mo Vaughn in 1997, before putting it on the shelf.

Since Haynes started using it again, he's 2-0 with a 2.51 ERA in seen.' four starts.

strike zone and he has command combined shutout. of all his pitches," A's manager Art Howe said. "He's fun to watch.

"It was another outstanding effort on his part."

Haynes (6-6) allowed three hits in seven innings to beat Texas for the fifth consecutive He walked two and struck out

"He always seems to pitch

well against us," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "This was one of the best I've seen. We only hit one ball hard." Haynes has six career wins

has beaten most often. "He shut us down," Rangers shortstop Royce Clayton said. "He kept us off-balance and spotted his pitches. This was one

against the Rangers, the team he

"He's aggressive, he's in the and Billy Taylor completed the

"I just wanted to use the pitches effectively," Havnes said. "I'm staying focused and concentrating on keeping them

Jaha's 19th home run of the season, on a 1-0 pitch from starter Ryan Glynn, snapped a scoreless tie in the fourth. Ben Grieve walked ahead of Jaha's

"I pretty much just flipped the bat out, stayed back on it and got some power," said Jaha, who has 10 homers in 18 games.

Glynn (2-3) allowed four runs on three hits and six walks in 4 1-3 innings, striking out five.

"I just got overanxious out there," said Glynn, who walked **24** in 37 2-3 innings. "I have to itch better than that. I got the ball up to Jaha and I wasn't surof the best performances I've prised by the outcome."

Rangers outfielder Juan Tim Worrell, Buddy Groom Gonzalez, who said he did not

want to play in the All-Star game unless fans elected him to start, was booed all night by the crowd of 8,221.

He went 1-for-4 and was thrown out at third trying to stretch a double.

Glynn walked the bases loaded in the third, but escaped unscathed when Gonzalez threw out Ramon Hernandez at the plate after catching Miguel Tejada's fly ball to right field. The Rangers' best chance to

score came in the second when Gonzalez led off with a double, but was thrown out by A's right fielder Matt Stairs trying for a triple.

Rafael Palmeiro then walked and stole second, and Lee Stevens had a two-out infield single. Haynes struck out Roberto Kelly to end the inning.

"That was huge," Howe said of Stairs' throw, "They probably score there and get the momentum. We turned it back around."

Tejada hit an RBI triple and scored on Grieve's single to give Oakland a 4-0 lead in the fifth.

Notes: Texas' Todd Zeile extended his hitting streak to 15 games with a single in the ninth. Rangers left-hander Eric Gunderson is scheduled for surgery-Thursday on a small tear in his left shoulder. ... Texas rookie outfielder Ruben Mateo was sent to a rehab assignment in Oklahoma. ... Rangers pitching coach Dick Bosman (fractured right hip) was released from UCI Medical Center in Orange, Calif., and returned to his home in Texas. ... Oakland first-base coach Thad Bosley missed his second straight game due to illness. Hitting coach Dave Hudgens took over his duties. ... Haynes is the only A's pitcher to go at least seven innings in four consecutive starts. ... Glynn was making his

J&J Moter Company won first place in the Rookie League this season with a 13-0-1 record. Team members are: front row (I-r); Justin Ditirro, Christian Hinkle, Ryan Jimenez, Justin Fuentes, Rylan Clark, Justin Miller and Cade Wilson; second row (I-r); Justin Carpenter, Tucker Brown, Hayden Skinner, John Luke Covalt, Heath Skinner, Daniel Smith and Dylan Cain; back row (I-r); Coach Loney Wilson, Coach Monte Covalt and Coach Jeff Skinner.

## Sosa, McGwire lead NL All-Stars

By RONALD BLUM **AP Sports Writer** 

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Big Mac and Sammy, the stars of last season, will be starting together in the All-Star game for the first

record 70 home runs last year, was elected Tuesday for his seventh start and 11th appearance. Sammy Sosa, who leads with 32 this season, will be making his first start and third appearance when the All-Stars come out at Boston's Fenway Park next week.

"I have to say thank you to all the people who voted for me. I feel pretty proud of myself,"

said Sosa. Sosa, who has had luck at Fenway, blasted his first career home run came at Fenway against Roger Clemens on June 21, 1989.

The second-year Arizona Diamondbacks were the only team to place two players in the starting lineup for next Tuesday night's game: Matt Williams won at third base and Jay Bell overtook Houston's Craig Biggio in the final week to win at second.

"I'm extremely, extremely surprised," Bell said. "Craig has been the fair-haired second baseman in the National League. He's deserved it. He's been a great player over the

"For me to be elected over

him is a great honor and truly unexpected.

Mike Piazza of the New York Mets will start at catcher for the sixth straight season and make his seventh appearance overall.

"I never get tired of going Mark McGwire, who hit a there," Piazza said. "As long as I am elected or selected, I will feel honored to go.

"It is probably the most fun you can have as a player, hanging out with the rest of the Ćincinnati's Barry Larkin held

off the Mets' Rey Ordonez at shortstop, and Colorado's Larry Walker and San Diego's Tony Gwynn were elected to join Sosa in the outfield. Gwynn, elected to his 15th

All-Star game and 11th starting spot, won't play because of a calf injury that has put him on the disabled list for the second time this season.

But he will make the trip to

"I really wanted a chance to play in Fenway, but being on the average number of home DL, I can't," he said. "It's not.

Sosa, one of the few bright spots in the Chicago Cubs' dismal season, was the NL's leading vote-getter with 2,315,204, finishing third overall in the vot-

Seattle outfielder Ken Griffey Jr. (2,918,055) led all players for the fourth straight year and fifth time overall and was followed by Cleveland second baseman Roberto Alomar (2,793,891).

McGwire, second in the NL with 27 homers, received the second-highest NL vote total, leading first basemen with

He wishes the All-Star break was longer than three days.

"All the other sports have four to five days off," he said, "and I've never understood why baseball doesn't give the guys that play in the All-Star Game and extra day off just to get back to the cities they're going to play their games in." Bell, who trailed Biggio

697,326 to 658,407 in totals announced last week, finished with 1,203,902, about 32,000 ahead of his Houston rival, who wound up at 1,171,574.

Before this week, none of the votes cast on the Internet had been included in the weekly totals, and Bell benefited from Arizona's promotional push. Fans were allowed to vote up to 22 times on the Internet — the games for each team during the balloting.

Sosa gained nearly 1 million votes in the final week of count-

I'm happy for him and hope he goes up there and plays well," Biggio said.

Larkin, who led Ordonez by fewer than 10,000 votes last week, won by a wide margin, 858,203 to 799,858. Larkin will be making his 10th All-Star

appearance, his fourth as a starter.

Walker will be making his fourth appearance, his third straight as a starter.

Williams, a five-time All-Star, returns to the game for the first time since 1996 and will make his fourth start. For Bell, it's his second appearance and first

"There's some satisfaction for me because I got to see firsthand what they went through last year," Diamondbacks manager Buck Showalter said.

Bell, Gwynn, McGwire, Piazza and Williams get \$50,000 bonuses, and Walker gets \$25,000.

Griffey, who earned a \$100,000 bonus for getting elected and leading the AL voting, gets an additional \$25,000 for getting the most votes in the majors.

AL starters were announced Monday.

In addition to Griffey and Alomar, the lineup includes Cleveland's Jim Thome at first, and Manny Ramirez and Kenny Lofton in the outfield.

They will be joined by Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez, Boston shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, Baltimore third baseman Cal Ripken and Tampa Bay designated hitter Jose Canseco.

Pitchers and reserves for both leagues will be picked today.

## World Cup fans pack stadiums

sixth consecutive start on the

By BARRY WILNER **AP Sports Writer** 

CLAREMONT, Calif. (AP) -When the United States and China trot onto the Rose Bowl field Saturday for the Women's World Cup final, it will conclude an unprecedented chapter in American sports history. Call it

Soccermania '99. The stadium will be filled organizers put another 3,000-5,000 seats on sale Tuesday, meaning a crowd between 88,000 and 90,000 can be expected. Young girls with red-whiteand-blue painted faces will be in the stands. American flags will

wave everywhere. Only the Olympics would seem capable of such a scene, and the 1996 Atlanta Games came close.

The Olympics is about the patriotic USA," Tiffeny Milbrett said. "It's people going to games because it's the Olympics. If we have success, they will also come; I think that showed in the numbers, when we had 25,000 for an early Olympic game and then sold out the final. But it was

not just a soccer crowd. "But 79,000 at the opener says they knew about our soccer and they wanted to come and watch occer, watch women's soccer."

Some perceived the '96 Olympics as a watershed for women's sports in this country. The soccer team shared the spotlight with the U.S. basketball, softball and gymnastics teams that also won gold medals.

This time, the Americans and Chinese and Brazilians are selling soccer — and selling out major league stadiums.

"This event has done better than anyone could have expected," Milbrett said. "I'm shocked at how massive it has been.

"We knew it would be huge and we felt it would be OK if we have maybe 40,000 fans at the games. But we never thought of anything like sellouts at every game.

It's more than the crowds at games that has turned this tournament into a phenomenon. It's the affability of the players. And their accessibility. Not to mention their soccer ability.

In some ways, they're reaching rock star status. Young fans chant their names, squeal in their presence and even chase their bus. Homemade signs paying tribute to each of the players appear not just at the games, but at practices, where hundreds of fans routinely turn out.

"Yeah," laughed Venturini, "we see those signs saying 'I Love Tisha' or whoever, and everyone gives each other grief about it. Then there's a sign for somebody else, a sign

about each of us." Brandi Chastain knew the excitement would come if only her team was given the opportunity to spark it.

'We've been excited by the tournament and overwhelmed by the response," Chastain said. "I knew there was a special package we had to offer, and now we are getting a chance to present it."

PHOENIX (AP) — Another out nine and walked two in tough Jose was too much for the quiet bats of the Arizona Diamondbacks.

One night after they were beaten 1-0 by Jose Jimenez of St. Louis, Houston's Jose Lima shut the Diamondbacks down for seven strong innings Tuesday night in a 3-1 victory for the

Once again, the Diamondbacks wasted a good pitching effort, this time by Omar Daal. In five of its last seven games, Arizona has scored either one run or none.

"It's frustrating when your offense is struggling," Daal said. "You don't want to make too many mistakes.

Lima (12-4), on the other hand, was elated to get his first victory since June 12.

It's about time, man," he said, dancing and singing to his favorite merengue music in the clubhouse. "It's about time."

Richard Hidalgo drove in all of Houston's runs with a two-run homer and a sacrifice fly.

Lima had gone 0-2 in his last four starts, and had moved up his start by one day because of the sore pitching wrist that was bothering Mike Hampton.

"I'm very happy," Lima said.
"Three days rest and I go out there and pitch like that. I think it was the best game I've pitched all

Lima allowed four hits, struck

seven innings. Reliever Jay Powell got two outs in the eighth with Tony Womack at second, then Billy Wagner came in to end the inning and strike out the side in the ninth for his

21st save in 22 opportunities. "Lima is a good pitcher," Arizona manager Buck Showalter said. "But somewhere along the line you have to beat guys like him, too.'

Jay Bell, elected earlier in the day for his first All-Star start, hit his 23rd home run for Arizona.

Daal (7-5) lost for the first time since May 16. He had no-decisions in four of his previous five

Houston scored in the first inning when Craig Biggio led off with a bunt single, Jeff Bagwell singled and Carl Everett was hit by a pitch to load the bases with one out. Biggio scored on Hidalgo's sacrifice fly.

Everett singled with one out in the sixth, then Hidalgo hit Daal's 3-2 pitch into the left field seats, his 14th homer of the season, and Houston led 3-0.

"He's an up-and-coming star," Astros interim manager Mike Galante said of Hidalgo, who turned 24 last week. "He's got the pop in his bat. He's an excellent outfielder. He hasn't been hitting well lately, but a lot of us

haven't been hitting well lately." The Diamondbacks know all about hitting woes.

Arizona ran its string of scoreless innings to 15 before Bell's leadoff homer in the sixth cut the lead to 3-1. But that was it for the Diamondbacks, who have gone into a collective slump after a hot start.

"Normally, when a team struggles offensively, it's quite a few guys - not all of them," Bell said. "I guess you can look at it positively and say we're a closeknit unit.

"We either do good together or do bad together, but we have no desire to struggle like we

Daal gave up three runs on six hits through seven innings. He struck out seven and didn't walk

Notes: With Hampton bothered by a sore pitching wrist, 22year-old right-hander Wade Miller, called up from Triple-A New Orleans on Monday, will make his major league debut as Houston's starter tonight. ... Randy Knorr, called up from New Orleans earlier in the day, started at catcher for the Astros in place of Tony Eusebio, who has a bruised right eye. ... The Diamondbacks are 4-12 since June 20. ... Bell made a lunging stop of Everett's one-bouncer behind second base with two outs in the fifth, then threw to shortstop Andy Fox for a force-

### Italian earns a stage victory in Tour de France competition

BLOIS, France (AP) — In a more.' stage featuring a Tour de France speed record, Italy's Mario Cipollini surged past Germany's Erik Zabel in a photo finish today to win the fourth leg of cycling's showcase

Helped by a tail wind, cool weather and wide, flat roads, the record speed was an average 31.47 mph. The previous record was 30.885 mph.

In third place was Australia's Stuart O'Grady. Fourth was Tom Steels of Belgium, the winner of the last two stages.

Still holding the overall leader's yellow jersey was Estonia's Jaan Kirsipuu, who came in fifth today.

The Tour de France is still unable to shake itself of the drug scandal that overshadowed last summer's race. Young fans along the route

during Tuesday's third stage were well aware of the scandal but most didn't think drugs would ever be fully eradicated from the sport. Spanish student Jose Luiz

Catala was enjoying a folk concert in Nantes, in Brittany, before the riders came through.

"I think all the players are doped," said the 17-year-old Catala. "You know why?

His friend, Joan Albert Lairon, sporting red-and-yellow paint on his cheeks, agreed.

"Doping is fair if they all do comes when only some do. excel. That's why it's wrong.

"It's only a bit dangerous no more than smoking cigarettes," he added.

Meanwhile, the race goes on. On Monday, there was a dramatic crash during an ocean crossing. But the next day the third stage unfolded on dry ground and in classic style.

of Brittany, with black-andwhite Breton flags fluttering along the route, the stage began with an early breakaway and ended in a furious, shoulder-toshoulder sprint.

For the second straight day, Steels won the stage, timing his attack perfectly and surging through his rivals across the finish line, arms outstretched.

Jaan Kirsipuu of Estonia kept the leader's yellow jersey and Steels moved into second place overall, followed by Spain's Abraham Olano and American Lance Armstrong.

George Hincapie, is in sixth.

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But this week, in the early, flat it," he said. "The problem stages, it is the sprinters who

> Tuesday's 122-mile route stretched through picturesque northern countryside from the city of Nantes, which straddles the Loire River, to the town of Laval.

Two riders, Frederic Guesdon and Massimo Giunti, broke away early and maintained their lead for 76 miles, but were Rolling into the countryside caught by the pack late in the race, making way for the sprinting specialists.

The pack maintained a swift pace - an average of 27 mph for the day — and the final sprint came at a blistering 42 mph.

Steels, with a winning time of 4 hours, 29 minutes, 27 seconds, was followed by Germany's Erik Zabel, Stuart O'Grady of Australia, Nicola Minali of Italy and, in fifth place, Hincapie. Armstrong finished 24th.

Cycling's governing body announced Tuesday that 16 cyclists have been certified to Armstrong's teammate on a race with a hematocrit level that strong U.S. Postal Service team, exceeds the 50 percent limit.

The hematocrit level mea-

## Opinions divided over possible Cards-Mets opener in Japan

By RONALD BLUM

**AP Sports Writer** 

NEW YORK (AP) — Talk about long road trips: The New York Mets and the St. Louis Cardinals are the leading candidates for a possible seasonopening series in Tokyo next

Officials of the commissioner's office and the players' association were in Tokyo last week to discuss the unprecedented trip and hope to finalize details

"In concept, we certainly would support the exposure of major league baseball internationally," Cardinals president Mark Lamping said Tuesday. "I guess what they're trying to do is evaluate all aspects of the trip. Until such times as those details are made available to the teams, it's difficult to come to a position

Cardinals are the No. 1 choices for the two-game series, several officials with knowledge of the talks told The Associated Press on the condition they not be identified.

"I'm absolutely against it," said the Cardinals' Mark McGwire, who would be the game's top attraction. "Major league baseball belongs in the United States. The Japanese have Japanese baseball, so there's no reason for us to go over there. I have nothing against the way they play baseball. It's not the travel. As a player, I just don't like it. The

game belongs here." If the Mets and-or Cardinals decline, there are two or three additional teams on baseball's short list.

"It will be a nice long road trip, that's for sure," Mets closer John Franco said. "It should be While nothing has been deternice though. I've been there.

David Howard, the Mets' senior vice president of business and legal affairs, declined comment.

Mets manager Valentine has a Japanese connection, having managed the Seibu Lions to a second-place finish in the Pacific League in

"We are always open to international opportunities," New York general manager Steve Phillips said. "We have been aggressive in terms of getting international players and in terms of marketing.

"Certainly it is in line with what we are trying to do. As far as the specifics, I can't com-

Lamping said he had heard that the Cardinals and Mets were at the top of the list for the games but said he had not spoken yet with any of the officials who were in Japan for the meet-

The 2000 season is set to start on Sunday night, April 2, or Monday, April 3. The games at the Tokyo Dome probably would be the previous Tuesday and Wednesday, or on Wednesday and Thursday, and the teams involved wouldn't resume regular-season games until the following Tuesday or Wednesday to give them time

Tokyo is 7,392 miles from West Palm Beach, Fla., the nearest major airport from the Mets and Cardinals' spring training camps, and 14 time zones away.

"I think if it is done properly and we are given an appropriate amount of rest both before we go and after we get back, it would be good for the game," Mets pitcher Al Leiter said. "It would give baseball great exposure and it would be a great experience for the guys who haven't been there before."

For some, the mileage is too much.

We do enough traveling as it is," said Cardinals pitcher Lance Painter, who went to

Taiwan as a minor leaguer. The Mets and Cardinals aren't set to open against each other, according to the draft schedule prepared by the National League, so there would have to be some switching to fit in the games.

In addition to the regular-season games, there also might be two or three exhibition games against Japanese clubs during the trip.

Lamping said that if the Cardinals are asked, he would have to talk to others in the organization before deciding whether St. Louis wanted to make the trip.

"Obviously, we would certainly need to solicit the opinion of our players and staff," he

Regular-season major league games have never been played outside North America.

In 1997, the New York Mets and San Diego Padres met in the first regular-season games outside the United States and Canada, playing three times at Monterrey, Mexico.

In the first season opener outside the United States and Canada, the Padres played the Colorado Rockies this year at Monterrey.

The Seattle Mariners, whose majority owner is Hiroshi Yamauchi, chairman of the Nintendo Co. Ltd. of Kyoto, Japan, proposed starting the 1995 season in Japan, but that idea was scuttled by the 1994-95 strike.

The Mariners were the first choice for next year's opener, but declined.





## TDH: Safety precautions at the pool saves lives

the warm weather months is the cool waters of a swimming pool, whether in a public park, at a hotel or motel, at an apartment complex or in a back yard. But along with the fun and sun comes the potential for injuries and death.

Heeding safety precautions and attending to pool or hot tub maintenance can be a lifesaver, according to the Texas Department of Health.

"It takes constant vigilance and care to operate a safe, sanitary pool," said Jim Soper, chief of TDH's Recreational Sanitation Branch. "Several layers of protection are needed around any pool, including such things as proper fencing and self-closing gates with a latch, pool or door alarms, covers and most importantly, adults who are watching the children."

In 1997, TDH's Injury Prevention and Control and the Bureau of Vital Statistics had reports of 344 submersion incidents in natural bodies of water and 207 submersion incidents in pools. These included 282 deaths in natural bodies of water and 64 deaths in pools. Children under age 7 had more than half the submersion injuries (126 or 61 percent) and a third of the submersion deaths in swimming pools.

public swimming pools and spas, including those in public recreation areas as well as hotels, motels, apartments, condominiums, mobile home parks, clubs, school and property owners associations. Rules were adopted by the Texas Board of Health in May, effective October 1999, that cover everything from design, required equipment, water supply and disinfectants to operation and management, entrapment dangers, enclosures, dressing and sanitary facilities, lifeguards and food and beverage containers.

These rules are the minimum standards for public

AUSTIN - One of the hottest destinations during pools and spas in the state," Soper said. "Local juris- from drowning or being injured are to stop unautho- supervision. And teach children to keep pool water dictions may adopt more stringent ones."

rized access to the pool, hot tub or spa," Branton said, All the rules are available on the TDH Website at "and to constantly watch children while they are in or

In 1997, TDH's Injury Prevention and Control and the Bureau of Vital Statistics had reports of 344 submersion incidents in natural bodies of water and 207 submersion incidents in pools.

www.tdh.state.tx.us/beh/gs.htm.

Soper stressed that all pools and spas need to be inspected by a trained, qualified person and upgraded as necessary to help prevent entrapment — serious situations where swimmers may be caught by the

"Pools open to the general public will need to provide lifeguards and certified first aid personnel plus have a person who is certified and responsible for operation," Soper said. "Those not open to the general public such as motels or apartments are advised to have someone certified or with a minimum of six hours of pool operation training." Soper also noted that pools and spas will need to be checked to see that TDH sets rules covering minimum standards for all electrical circuits are protected by safety devices known as ground fault interrupters to prevent accident electrocutions.

> Inspection and maintenance is vital for both public and residential pools. "We recommend that people get with a swimming pool professional to see if their home pool or spa meets current industry standards," said Charles Branton, director of the TDH Product Safety Division. This program works to ensure that consumer products are manufactured, packaged and labeled to protect the public's health and safety."

"The most important steps in preventing children lessons. Don't use flotation devices as a substitute for

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Swimming pools - public and private - are generally safer for recreation than are natural bodies of water, Soper said. "In particular, no one, especially children, should jump or dive into natural bodies of water without knowing the depth. Children should be taught to check the depth and to look for any rocks, tree limbs or other objects that may cause injuries."

"But no matter the site," Soper said, "everyone needs to be alert to potential dangers while enjoying

Among safety recommendations, whether at a public pool or one at home, are:

Be sure all children are supervised in any swimming pool, hot tub or spa no matter how shallow the water. In large groups, appoint a designated watcher.

 Be sure the pool is completely fenced and has a self-closing, self-latching gate with latches out of the reach of children. Keep tables and chairs away from the pool fence to prevent children from climbing into the pool area.

 Check to see that rescue equipment such as a pole, rope or life preserver is near a pool.

 Teach children to swim but do not consider young children drown-proof just because they have had

out of their mouths.

 Teach children to steer upward after making a shallow diving entry. And don't let children jump or dive into the shallow end of the pool. Be sure the water is at least 6 feet deep and preferably deeper when diving from the pool deck.

Do not let children play with any pool drain or sit

on a drain in a wading pool or hot tub. Pin up long hair, cover it with a cap and keep it

away from drains. Drinking alcohol around a pool, hot tub or spa

could lead to drowning. Learn CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation).

Seconds count in a water emergency. Around family pools:

 Be sure all doors and windows leading to the pool area are closed securely to prevent young children from getting to the pool.

 Never use a pool with the pool cover partially in place where children can be trapped. Remove it com-

Remove steps to above ground pools when not in

 Know where the cut-off switch for the pump is so you can turn it off in an emergency.

 Have a professional check your pool, spa or hot tub regularly to make sure it is in good, safe, working condition. Be sure drain covers are in place and not cracked or missing.

"Remember, a child can drown in the time it takes to answer a phone and in as little as 2 inches of water," Soper said. "Our rules are intended to make public pools as safe and healthy as possible. But nothing can substitute for close supervision and attention at pool



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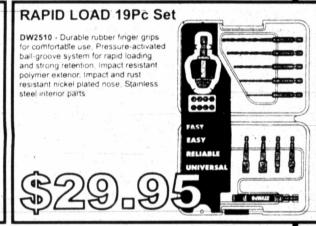


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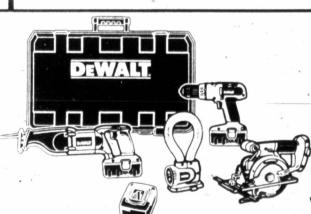






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## Texas round-up

First Texas death row inmate convicted Herald. on DNA evidence set to die tonight

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - Twice-convicted burglar Tyrone Fuller acknowledged he was present when a 26-year-old woman was raped and murdered at her northeast Texas home but persuaded authorities he was not involved in the 1988

Samples of body fluids and hair collected from the murder scene proved otherwise and Fuller became the first person on Texas death row condemned on the basis of the then-new technique of

Fuller, 35, was set to die this evening. He would be the 16th Texas death row inmate to receive favorite of top GOP local leaders lethal injection this year.

"When this first started, we thought Fuller was going to be a lesser player and we thought we'd make a deal with him," said Tom Wells, the former Lamar County district attorney who prosecuted Fuller. "When the DNA results came back, all of a sudden he jumped from being somebody involved into the lead player.'

Fuller, who answered to the nickname "Evil." was on parole when Andrea Lea Duke was beaten, stabbed and raped during a burglary at her Paris

home Jan. 20, 1988. Bleeding profusely from some of her 44 wounds

and unable to scream because one of the knife slashes had cut her vocal chords, the 26-year-old medical technologist crawled from her duplex to the front steps of her neighbor's home. Her body was found there the next morning.

The execution would be the second of three set for this month in Texas.

Judge questions Cisneros effort to suppress lover's tapes

WASHINGTON (AP) - The federal judge presiding over the conspiracy case against Henry Cisneros says he tentatively has decided that recordings secretly made by the former Housing secretary's one-time paramour don't violate federal wiretapping statutes.

U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin's comments came Tuesday in the eighth day of a pivotal pretrial hearing on the admissibility of tape recordings made by Linda Jones as her relationship with Cisneros soured. The hearing is expected to continue through this week.

The tapes are central to Independent Counsel David Barrett's case that Cisneros, while under consideration for a post in the Clinton Cabinet, conspired with Ms. Jones and two aides to under-state to the FBI "hush money" payments to her exceeding \$250,000.

During his Cabinet background check, Cisneros acknowledged providing financial support to Ms. Jones after publicity over their extramarital affair destroyed her marriage and career as a political fund-raiser. But prosecutors contend he falsely told the FBI he never paid her more than \$10,000 annu-

The 18-count indictment against Cisneros alleges he paid her more than \$264,000 between 1990 and 1993. He has pleaded innocent.

Use of the tapes at Cisneros' September trial would allow prosecutors - with Cisneros' own words — to bolster the testimony of a star witness with a problematic track record for the govern-

Ms. Jones has acknowledged a lengthy history of lies to federal agents investigating Cisneros and currently is serving a 3 1/2-year prison sentence after herself running afoul of Barrett's office, in part for misrepresenting the tapes as unaltered originals.

Waco charter school CEO resigns.

WACO, Texas (AP) — The chief executive officer and superintendent of the troubled Emma L. Harrison Charter School has resigned, but she'll maintain her role in the East Waco Community Center that runs the school.

Ida Pinkard announced she's stepping down at a news conference Tuesday night in the school cafeteria. She remains executive director of the center and a member of its board.

Her decision came two days before members of the State Board of Education start deliberating whether to revoke Harrison's charter. The state board is expected to take a preliminary vote Thursday and make a final decision Friday.

Mrs. Pinkard did not speak during the news conference, but a community center board member blamed the resignation on the Waco Tribune-

The Tribune-Herald first reported the charter school's financial problems in February, which led to an audit by the Texas Education Agency and subsequent sanctions and investigations. The newspaper, which has published more than 70 related articles, had no response Tuesday night to Ms. Gooden's comments:

TEA auditors determined the school, which opened less than a year ago, owes between \$300,000 and \$400,000 to employees, businesses and government entities.

**Bush visits Colorado as** 

DENVER (AP) — Texas Gov. George W. Bush celebrated his 53rd birthday in Colorado by adding to his record-setting campaign fund and telling supporters "prosperity alone is simple materialism.

About 200 people attended a \$1,000-a-plate fund-raising dinner of mashed potatoes, hot dogs and hamburgers at a luxury hotel downtown Tuesday night.

'My vision of America includes everybody," Bush said. "The worth of America has never been proven by cities of gold, but by citizens of character: men and women who work hard, dream big, love their family, serve their neighbor."

He also said he would keep his word and his promises. "I've done in office what I said I would

In one of several jabs at Fresident Clinton, Bush said, "I don't run polls to tell me what to think." He told both the airport rally and the party donors, who included Coors Brewing Co. executive Peter Coors and Colorado Rockies co-owner Jerry McMorris, he would restore dignity to the White

He also repeatedly spoke about the need to improve the American educational system, saying, We cannot give up on one child anywhere in

Bush departed from the text of his speech when talking about "kids who turn school yards into battlefields" to add: "You know that better than any state." Fifteen people died in a massacre at Columbine High School south of Denver on April

Bush, who has already collected \$36.3 million in contributions and has a big lead in national polls, flew to Salt Lake City after the fund-raiser to meet with Western governors. He had already won the endorsement of top Colorado Republicans, including Fort Worth, Texas-born Gov. Bill Owens.

#### National DNA database could speed serial killer investigations

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — It took 21 months for police to name a suspect in the murder of Thomas Maier's son: Rafael Resendez-Ramirez, the rail-riding fugitive suspected of going on to kill seven other people.

Maier wonders whether that time could have been cut had authorities been able to use a national index of DNA samples.

Though many states have used genetic evidence derived from DNA samples as a crime-fighting tool since early this decade, an FBI computer index of DNA went online only nine months ago. Kentucky still is not a participant.

As a result, Maier said, DNA samples collected from the scene of his son Christopher's slaying in August 1997 proved largely useless in the search for the killer. The fact that Resendez-Ramirez is believed to have murdered again only underscores the importance of a national database, he said.

"We've stated from the day he (Christopher) died that we were afraid (his killer) would repeat this," Maier said. "It's sad that we've had to find him through such a means of all these other tragic

deaths that he's generated."

Christopher Maier and his girlfriend, students at the University of Kentucky, were attacked late at night as they passed railroad tracks on their way to a party. The girlfriend was raped and left for dead.

During the investigation of his son's death, Maier was frustrated to learn that there was no national DNA index.

In the end, it was another FBI database - one that matched the killing to similar crimes in Texas - that led to Resendez-Ramirez - whose real name is Angel Leoncio Reyes Recendis - being charged with Maier's murder and labeled a serial