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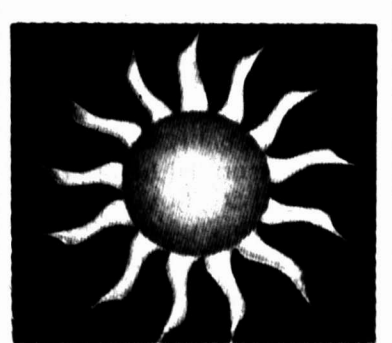


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PAMPA — City police are investigating a drive-by shooting that occurred at 12:25 a.m. Saturday when shots were fired at the home of Darlene Williams, 50, 1100 Prairie. Two bullets struck an auto, two hit the home's wall and one struck a house window, the police report said.

PAMPA — Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer an Adult CPR class from 6-10 p.m., March 13, a first aid course from 6-10 p.m., March 14 and an Infant and Child CPR class from 6-10 p.m., March 16. In addition, the public is cordially invited to attend an ARC Disaster Meeting at 7 p.m., March 14. For more information or to pre-register for any of the above classes, call the local Red Cross at 669-7121.

DALLAS (AP) — The mother of an invalid who was hospitalized after police said they found the man, 30, living in horrific squalor said she was overwhelmed with the demands of his care.

Police found 90-pound Demetrius Northern when they were searching for a car thief. Authorities said the house had scurrying rats, buzzing flies, and bags of trash and newspaper stacked 5 feet high.

- Rosa Ella Mae Bearden, 96, homemaker.
- J.W. 'Winfred' Buckingham, 92, member Texas Cattle Feeders Association.
- Mrs. Tom McLaughlin, 95, homemaker.
- Joyce Marie Terry, 66, homemaker, Jerry's Furniture employee.
- Harilee 'Chief' Whitehead, 69, former TV service shop owner.

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Lifestar crash kills former Pampan

Paramedic Terry Griffith served city for five years

(From staff and Associated Press reports)
The death of a former Pampa paramedic and three others aboard a Lifestar helicopter Friday has the Pampa emergency medical, hospital and law enforcement communities grieving today.

Terry Griffith, 35, lived and worked in Pampa for five years before joining Northwest Texas Hospital and the Lifestar team where he has been for the past six years.

Another of those killed, flight nurse Lauren Stone, 30, is a 1988 graduate of Shamrock High School and is the mother of three boys. She also leaves a twin sister. The aircraft carrying a 4-month-old Oklahoma girl with breathing problems

and three crew members crashed Friday near Dalhart shortly after taking off in fog at 6:05 a.m., killing everyone on board.

The baby was identified as Kathy Esparza and the pilot was Ed Sanneman, 33.

When the helicopter did not arrive at NWH, a search began and it was not found until 10:30 a.m. when a Texas Department of Transportation employee found it.

Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell, one of those who knew both Griffith and Stone, was subdued as she talked about the two.

"Terry was a super medic," she said. "He was always calm in a storm. He had exceptional ability and was one of those people that if you or your family was involved you'd be glad to see him come to your aid."

Members of the fire department, Rural Metro and police and sheriff's personnel would often interact with and get to know the Lifestar crews on scenes or at Pampa Regional Medical Center, Powell said.

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— Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell

It was only a short time ago that Powell was among those working a critical scene with flight nurse Stone who the chief described as "a wonderful person."

Carla Adams, general manager for Rural/Metro operations for Borger and Pampa said Griffith was "very well respected and well-liked" by his peers.

"We should all be glad there are people like Terry," she said.

The helicopter went down about three miles from the Texas-Oklahoma border in an area where cattle grazing the grasslands are the only break in the scenery.

The crash occurred close to the spot where an ambulance from a rural hospital

in Boise City, Okla., had transferred the baby girl into the care of the helicopter's crew.

After the baby was put aboard, the helicopter took off in fog around 6 a.m., and the crew was not heard from again, said Department of Public Safety Sgt. James R. Woodrum. When the fog lifted nearly five hours later, the wreckage was discovered less than a mile away. Debris was scattered over an area about 400 feet by 100 feet.

"It looks like it either exploded or started burning immediately on impact. It looks like they impacted on their nose (See LIFESTAR, Page 2)

Cooperation linchpin during suspect's arrest

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

PANHANDLE — A Tennessee man was in Carson County jail today pending extradition in connection with the shooting death of a bartender in Oklahoma.

Jessie Allen McKinney, 40, of Brush Creek, Tenn., was arrested at gunpoint outside a Conway motel March 2, following an early morning manhunt across western Oklahoma and the eastern Texas Panhandle.

Kelly Rushing, a field inspector for the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association, approached McKinney in a motel parking lot only hours after a man answering McKinney's description was accused of shooting down Jim Matthews, 57, in his Texola, Okla., road house near the Texas-Oklahoma state line.

McKinney was standing with the driver's door to his compact pickup open, Rushing said. McKinney's left hand was on the top of the door. His right arm was resting on top of the cab of the small truck.

As Rushing got out of his pickup, one of McKinney's hands dropped to his chest as he started to reach inside his jacket. McKinney froze as Rushing pushed a double-barrel shotgun in his face.

(See SUSPECT, Page 2)

Credit card scam warning issued

Scam artists are conning retired teachers in Pampa, according to Credit Card Assistant Rose Shank of Pampa Teachers Federal Credit Union.

In the latest scam, an individual will call and ask to "verify" a credit card number. The scam artist poses as a representative of a credit union credit card company. The scam artist says that the credit card number needs to be "verified" before an account can be activated.

"Our companies don't work that way," Shank said. She said that PFCU uses Town North Bank of Dallas to provide credit cards to its members. She said a new credit card is mailed to a customer unactivated, with a phone number to call to activate it.

She said new customers are required to call the activation number from their home phones, and provide some sort of identification, to get a credit card activated.

(See SCAM, Page 2)

Texas proud!



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)
Sammie Morris, Gray County Tax-Collector/Assessor, shows off new Texas license plates that are available. The new plates feature oil derricks, a cowboy and a space shuttle. It's 'pot luck' as to what plate is issued and there is not a be choice of plate type.

Man gets probation for car theft

A Pampa man is serving a five-year probation sentence after pleading guilty last week to theft charges.

Jeremy Leigh Reedy, 20, 321 E. Brown #109, pleaded guilty Thursday morning in 223rd District Court to accusations that he took a car from Bob Douthit Motors on Oct. 21, 1999, according to District Attorney John Mann.

Reedy said he and Donna Phillips, 19, 808 Reid,

took the car for a test drive late that afternoon. He told officers that they had planned to drive to a store on Hobart but instead drove to Clarendon.

Shortly before 6 p.m. that October day, a representative of Bob Douthit Motors reported the 1993 teal-colored Chevrolet Cavalier two-door missing. Judge Lee Waters sentenced Reedy to two years in a state jail facility, probated for five years and ordered Reedy to pay a \$1,500 fine.

Sunday snapshot



Name: Naomah Story
Birth Date & Place: July 7, 1914, Wheeler, Tex.

Family: One sister, three brothers.
Favorite Childhood Memory: Playing baseball with my cousins and friends.
When I Grew Up I Wanted To Be: A nurse.
My Best Friend was: Inez Carter.
People Remember Me As Being: Thoughtful of others.
My Favorite Toy: Doll.
My Favorite Game: Jacks.
My Favorite Radio Show: "Amos and Andy."
The First Movie I Ever Saw & The Cost: "Amos and Andy," cost 10 cents.

The First Phone I Ever Used Belonged To: My grandmother.
The Person That Most Influenced My Life: My mother.
The Historical Event That Most Affected My Life & Why: When the war ended and my uncles came home.
The Thing I Remember Most About The Depression Was: We had very little money. If you could get a job, you worked for \$1 a day.
The Biggest Honor I've Ever Received Is: My three children.
If I Could Change One Thing About My Past It Would Be: Get more education.
My Whole Family Enjoyed:

Rodeos.
The Person From My Childhood I Wish I Could Visit With Today Is: Inez Carter.
My First Job Was: Baby-sitting.
Year & Make of The First Vehicle I Drove: 1925 Model T Ford.
Cost of Gasoline When I First Drove: ten cents a gallon.
On My First Date I Went To: The movies.
My Favorite Hang Out Spot Was: My uncle's and cousin's.
The Fashion Trend Was: High top shoes with buttons.
My Favorite Saying Was: Pennies.

News notice

Due to differences in computers, resulting quality and the possibility of spreading computer viruses, *The Pampa News* will no longer accept any news releases or photos on computer disk.

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Daily Record

Services

Services today

BUCKINGHAM, J.W. "Winfred" — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Shamrock.

TERRY, Joyce Marie — 3 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Shamrock.

Services tomorrow

BEARDEN, Rosa Ella Mae — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

McLAUGHLIN, Mrs. Tom — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

WHITEHEAD, Harilee "Chief" — 4 p.m., Highland Baptist Church, Pampa.

Obituaries

ROSA ELLA MAE BEARDEN

Rosa Ella Mae Bearden, 96, of Pampa, died Friday, March 10, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday

in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Melvin Harris, pastor of Priest Park Church of God, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Bearden was born Nov. 24, 1903, at Troup, Texas. She married Albert Bryan Bearden on Nov. 20, 1920, at Troup; he died in 1961. She had been a Pampa resident since 1937 and was a charter member of Priest Park Church of God. She was a homemaker and a practical nurse for a number of years. She taught Sunday school for many years and was past president of Texas-Oklahoma Singing Convention.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Ruby Faye Bearden, in 1929; four brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Belton "B.B." and Dorothy Bearden of Pampa; two sisters, Dorothy Mansel of Amarillo and Juliette Newton of Okmulgee, Okla.; four brothers, Gordon Richardson of Fritch, Thurman Richardson of Panhandle, Newton Richardson of Canyon and Tony Richardson of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; two grandchildren, Gloria Willson of Pampa and Johnny Bearden of Dumas; four great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family will be at 1529 Coffee in Pampa.

J.W. WINFRED BUCKINGHAM

SHAMROCK — J.W. "Winfred" Buckingham, 92, died Friday, March 10, 2000. Services are to be at 2 p.m. today in the Church of Christ with Cottie Tarbet and Chris Ragle, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Buckingham was born in Wise County. He had been a Wheeler County resident since moving to Twitty in 1923. He married Julia Ellerbee in 1938 at Sayre, Okla. He belonged to Church of Christ and Texas Cattle Raisers Association.

Survivors include his wife, Julia; two sons, Billy Buckingham of Wheeler and Bob Buckingham of Twitty; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

MRS. TOM McLAUGHLIN

SAN AUGUSTINE — Mrs. Tom McLaughlin, 95, died Wednesday, March 8, 2000, at Lufkin. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa with the Rev. Jim Teeter, pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. McLaughlin was born May 12, 1904, at Deerfield, Mo. She married Tom McLaughlin, a Texaco retiree, in 1922 in Missouri; he died in 1970. She lived at Pampa and Lefors from 1927-70, at Hamlin for 10 years, at Midland for eight years and at San Augustine for the past year.

She belonged to St. Paul United Methodist Church of Pampa.

Survivors include two sons, Don McLaughlin of Hemphill and Tommy McLaughlin of Midland; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

JOYCE MARIE TERRY

SHAMROCK — Joyce Marie Terry, 66, died Friday, March 10, 2000. Services are to be at 3 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Joe Jernigan and the Rev. John Dorn officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mrs. Terry was born at Floydada. She married W.H. "Chubby" Terry in 1968; he died in 1992. She was a homemaker and worked for

Jerry's Furniture.

Survivors include five daughters, Pete Vinyard, Renny Davis and Terri Segura, all of Shamrock, Lynn Terry of Orange and Jackie Moore of Briscoe; three sons, John Terry of Claude, David Mitchell of Amarillo and Bud Mitchell of Vidor; a sister, Bobbie Cameron of Longview; her stepmother, Cebie Audrey of Longview; 24 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

HARILEE 'CHIEF' WHITEHEAD

Harilee "Chief" Whitehead, 69, of Pampa, died Thursday, March 9, 2000. Services will be at 4 p.m. Monday in Highland Baptist Church with Paul Nachtigall, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Whitehead was born Dec. 16, 1930, at Allen, Okla. He was a 1948 graduate of Wilson High School and held an associate's degree in electronics from Clarendon College. He married Betty J. Mitchell in 1976 at Pampa. He worked for Floyd Nunley Drilling Company and the U.S. Post Office. He moved to Eufaula, Okla., and opened B&H T.V. Service in 1980 and retired to Pampa in 1991. He belonged to Highland Baptist Church.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, participating in the Korean Conflict and serving with the 179th Tank Company, 45th Division from 1950-52.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Curtis Lee Whitehead.

Survivors include his wife, Betty, of the home; two daughters, Sharon Newrider of Duncan, Okla., and Tracy Venon of Anaheim, Calif.; five sons, Rickey Whitehead of Alanreed, Phillip Whitehead of White Deer, Russell Whitehead of Pampa, Keith Mitchell of Anaheim and Darrell Mitchell of Miami; 13 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Police report

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

Friday, March 10

Jason Aaron Moore, 26, 1005 Mary Ellen, charged on a warrant with no driver's license and failure to appear, unsafe safe and no driver's license.

Simple assault by contact was reported in the 100 block of W. Albert where a woman said hands had been used against her.

Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (wooden fire logs) and bodily injury was reported in the 1100 block of South Wells. Police reported the victim was bleeding from abrasions on the head and also had arm bruises.

A fight was reported at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Saturday, March 11

A drive-by shooting was reported. See briefs column, Page 1.

Sheriff's Office

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

Friday, March 10

Jimmy John Welch, 27, 113 N. Nelson, arrested on a warrant for assault.

Saturday, March 11

Debra Hernandez, no age listed, 106 S. Sumner, charged with DWI.

Jason Aaron Moore, 26, 1005 Mary Ellen, charged with unsafe speed and no driver's license. Also arrested on a warrant charging him with no driver's license and failure to appear.

Michael E. Lopez, 32, Borger, arrested by the DPS for DWI.

Bobbie Jo Taylor, 22, 5601 Belle, arrested by the DPS for DWI.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, March 10

8:10 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Baten Unit and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:09 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Russell and transported one to PRMC.

10:16 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart.

2:11 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Kentucky and transported one to PRMC.

3:09 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart and transported two to PRMC.

5:05 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of South Huff and transported one to PRMC.

6:05 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony by Aero Care.

catalog purchases.

A credit card number couldn't be used to make purchases at local businesses, though, most Pampa businesses require the actual credit card.

She said the scam artist was probably not in Pampa.

She said the scam artist had his number blocked so that a caller ID couldn't pick it up.

Shank wants everyone to know, "When in doubt, call us. And don't give out credit card numbers over the phone."

SCAM

She said at least five members of PTFCU had been contacted by the scam artist, and that all the members that were contacted were retired teachers.

"We don't know how they're getting our customer lists," Shank said.

She said a stolen credit card number can be used to make purchases over the phone or over the internet. She said the number can also be used to make

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LIFESTAR

and nobody knows why," Woodrum said.

Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board were expected to begin their investigation today.

"We don't know whether he hit power lines or had a mechanical failure," said NTSB spokesman Doug Wigington. "We are also looking to see if weather might be a possible cause."

Moody Chisholm, the hospital system's chief executive officer, said Friday of Sanneman, "I know he's a very conservative pilot who has hundreds of hours of flight time and hundreds of miles logged. He wouldn't have done anything to put his crew or the patient in jeopardy."

The transfer and the crash occurred near the community of Coldwater, Texas, which is less than 20 miles from Boise City. The helicopter was following the power lines along the roadway, a common route, officials said.

Kathy's mother, who was driving to the hospital, didn't learn of the crash until she arrived in Amarillo, Chisholm said. Parents typically do not ride in the helicopter.

The craft had no history of accident or safety problems, said John Clabes, a Federal Aviation Administration spokesman. It was leased to the hospital by TEMSCO Helicopters Inc. of Ketchikan, Alaska.

The crash was the second fatal medical helicopter accident in Texas within a year. Three crew

members died in July when a helicopter based at Hermann Hospital in Houston crashed outside the city.

Meanwhile, bouquets of flowers line the Northwest Texas Hospital hallway in which a framed portrait of a blue LifeStar medical helicopter is hanging.

"We have absolutely saved hundreds and hundreds of lives with this helicopter," Chisholm said.

"We are still in a lot of pain that we have lost this crew and patient. If we can get past this, it still is a service that is needed out here."

On the Net: Northwest Texas Hospital: <http://www.nwths.com>

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SUSPECT

The two men then spent a brief eternity eye-to-eye, looking for an indication of what was to happen next. But McKinney's arrest involved more than one man with a shotgun, Rushing said afterwards.

It involved the teamwork and cooperation of more than a dozen people from almost as many law enforcement agencies. In addition to the Beckham County, Okla., Sheriff's office and Oklahoma Highway Patrol, there were officers from Wheeler County, Gray County and Carson County. There was the Texas Department of Public Safety, and Texas Ranger Gary Henderson from Pampa. There were officers from Shamrock, McLean and Panhandle. Even a nightwatchman in Shamrock helped with the investigation.

At a time when reports of interagency squabbles across the nation and around the world fill the news, an informal network of law enforcement officers stretching for over a hundred miles in either direction along Interstate 40 from Shamrock came together as they have done in the past to quickly capture a suspected killer.

In the early morning hours of March 2, witnesses said bartender Matthews at the Hitchin' Post on Old Route 66 near Texola spoke to a man sitting at the bar. The man drew a revolver, witnesses said, and shot Matthews. They said the man then stood up, walked around behind the bar and calmly put a bullet in Matthews' head.

Wheeler County Constable Jerry Bob Jernigan, a linchpin in the network of law enforcement officers along I-40, got the call at home about 3:20 a.m. that Thursday morning. Beckham County Sheriff Terry Poff told him there had been a shooting at the Hitchin' Post.

Jernigan quickly dressed and drove to the roadhouse 14 miles east of Shamrock.

"I didn't know if someone from Shamrock had been shot," Jernigan said, "or if someone from Shamrock had done the shooting."

When Jernigan got to the Hitchin' Post, he found Poff and his deputies already beginning their investigation.

Matthews was treated and eventually taken to Presbyterian Hospital in Oklahoma City where he died over the weekend.

But in those first few critical minutes, it wasn't clear what had happened. Many of the witnesses that night were from Shamrock, people that Jernigan had known most of his life. They talked easily with him.

As the picture began to take shape, Poff and Jernigan started notifying other law enforcement agencies to the east in Oklahoma and to the west in the Texas Panhandle.

Among the people that Jernigan had Shamrock dispatch call was Kelly Rushing in Pampa.

Over the years, Jernigan said, he had worked with Rushing and Chumpy Cates, another TSCRA field inspector in Canadian, and had knew they could be counted on. As brand inspectors, they carry a special peace officer commission in Texas and Oklahoma, although they usually are concerned more with stolen cattle and ranch equipment.

Rushing drove south out of Pampa to Alanreed. After checking the motel and truck stop there, he began working his way west along I-40, searching rest areas and back roads for a small

pickup reported to have been driven by the assassin.

"You don't have to tell these guys what to do," Jernigan said of the officers that worked that night. "We've all known each other for years. We've all worked together."

As Rushing moved west, other officers from other agencies checked other areas along the interstate.

Initially, the description of the getaway vehicle was sketchy, but Jernigan, a veteran law enforcement officer, tracked down a man in Shamrock that had been at the Hitchin' Post earlier in the evening and remembered a red compact pickup with either dark gray or black trim. It had Tennessee license plates, but he could remember only the first few numbers.

As they developed this and other information, Poff and Jernigan keep updating their messages to the growing number of officers involved in the manhunt.

Rushing made a mental note of the latest information as he pulled off I-40 at Conway. It was then the adrenaline began pumping.

There in the parking lot of the Conway Inn on the southwest of I-40 was a red GMC Sonoma pickup with dark gray, almost black trim. It had Tennessee license plates. The first few numbers matched the ones Jernigan had come up with.

As Rushing backed off and waited for reinforcements, marked patrol cars and cruisers began to gather at the Love's

truck stop on the north side of the interstate.

Carson County Sheriff Gary Robertson and a deputy arrived from Panhandle, a few minutes to the north.

The man driving the compact pickup had checked into the motel about 5:30 a.m. Robertson and Rushing agreed that he would probably sleep late.

Robertson left to join the other officers at Love's. Rushing, alone in his unmarked pickup, sat in a vacant space between a gas station and the motel where he could watch the compact truck and its driver's motel room.

Sheriff Robertson had been gone only a few minutes when the collected force of officers at Love's heard Rushing's quiet drawl over their radios.

"He's moving," Rushing said. By the time they got there, Rushing had McKinney on the ground, standing over him with a shotgun.

The other officers cuffed McKinney and searched him. Inside his jacket, officers said, they found a revolver.

It had taken the veteran officers from a number of different agencies only a few hours to locate and arrest a man accused in a brutal shooting.

"I don't think we'll ever know all the people involved," Jernigan said as began listing the litany of deputies, troopers, police officers, dispatchers and others who played key roles in the capture.

"It was a team effort," Rushing said.

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IT'S A Boy! Cole Allan Davis arrived March 6, 2000, weighing 7 lbs. 10 3/4 oz., 19 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Eric & Amy Davis. Grandparents Rick & Teresa Davis, Chuck & Marti Houseman. Great Grandparents Jim & Donna Davis, Helen Robinson, Charles & Maxine Houseman & Ruby Sloss.

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and a slight chance of rain Monday when the high should reach 60.



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

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

VFW CHARITY BINGO

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

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at Warren Chisum's Office, 100 N. Price Road. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

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

HERITAGE ART CLUB

Heritage Art Club will hold an Art Show from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 18 and from 1-4 p.m. March 19 at Lovett Library. The public is cordially invited to attend.

TOP O' TEXAS QUEEN CLINIC

Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is sponsoring a "Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Queen Clinic" from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Saturday, March 25, at Pampa Community Building. Cost of the clinic is \$5 per person. This year's pageant will be discussed in detail and pageant clothes will be accepted for resale. For more information, call the rodeo office at 669-0434 or Sonja Daniel at 665-5501.

FPC BOOK DRIVE

Frank Phillips College Eta Iota Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa in cooperation with the National Education Association's "Read Across America" effort is sponsoring a

Children's Book Drive March 2-22

All children's books are welcome. Donated books will be given to the Hutchinson County Library. Books for pre-school children will be donated to Buttercup, Inc., a community childcare with three facilities in Hutchinson Co. The books will be accepted at FPC Library/Learning Resource Center or the Classroom Learning Complex. During spring break, donations may be dropped off at Berger Chamber of Commerce or at the library. For more information, call G.M. Morris at FPC at (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 750.

CATTLEWOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS

Top O' Texas CattleWomen will award one \$500 scholarship and two \$250 scholarships to high school seniors who are planning to major in an agricultural, nutritional or health-related field in college. These scholarships are available to students living in Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts or Wheeler Counties. Applications - now available at schools in these counties - must be received by April 28 and should be mailed to Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, TX 79096. The winners' schools will be notified in early May prior to graduation.

ARTS AND CRAFTS EXTRAVAGANZA

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church will hold an Arts and Crafts Extravaganza from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, April 1 in the school gymnasium, 2300 N. Hobart. Activities for the whole family are planned including a variety of crafts, tasty treats, face painting and fun. Admittance for the public is free of charge. Booth spaces are still available for a fee. The standard booth size is 8'x8' and the fee is \$25. Deadline to reserve a space is March 24. For more information or to reserve a booth, call St. Vincent's School at 665-5665.

BROWN BAG LECTURES

Dr. Jerry Lane, Clarendon College-Pampa Center, will present a series of topics during the noon hour every Thursday through March 23. Topics include: Couple Communication, Feb. 24; Time Management, March 2; Dealing with Anger in the Family, March 9; and Expressing and Communicating Feelings and Emotions, March 23. The public is cordially invited to bring a lunch and attend one or more of the sessions.

STARGAZING PARTY

The Amarillo Astronomy Club will meet for a Stargazing Party at 7 p.m. March 25 at Palo Duro Park Visitor Center. Refreshments will be provided.

FOL BOOK SALE

Friends of the Library annual Book Sale will be from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. March 30 at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. For more information, contact Louise Bailey, president, at 669-6578, or the library at 669-5780.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Influenza and pneumococcal vaccines are also available. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4:30 p.m., March 15, Golden Plains Women and Children's Clinic, Pampa; 1-4:30 p.m., March 22, Rural Health Clinic, McLean; and 12-4 p.m., March 27, City Hall first floor, Canadian.

TSTC TECHNOLOGY DAY

Texas State Technical College at Sweetwater will host Spring Junior/Senior Technology Day. Activities will include campus tours, personal tours, admission and financial aid assistance and much more. For more information, call (915) 235-7300 or toll-free 1-800-592-8784 before

March 10. Reservations are required.

ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

The Texas Agriculture Extension Service and "Progressive Farmer" magazine will sponsor the following four two-day seminars on estate planning and taxes: March 22-23, Best Western Lubbock Regency, Lubbock; March 29-30, Fort Worth Chapter TSCPA Training Facility, Fort Worth; April 13-14, The Brazos Center, Bryan; and April 20-21, Thompson Conference Center, Austin. The registration fee is \$100. To register or for more information, call Sharon Wehring-Foster at (409) 845-2226 or e-mail s-wehring@tam.u.edu.

TEACHERS

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

forestry.org; or write P.O. Box 1488, Lufkin, TX 75902.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETIES MEETING

Lea County Archaeological Society will host the 35th Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Federation of Archaeological Societies beginning with registration at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 1 at Sibley Environmental Center in Midland. The registration fee is \$10. Activities will include: an archaeological fair, flint knapping, pottery making, weaving, rock art painting and face painting. The public is cordially invited to attend and the fair is free to all comers. For more information, contact Louis Robertson at (915) 523-3025.

TEACHERS

Cultural Academic Student Exchange, a non-profit educational organization, is seeking host families for its foreign exchange student program. For more information, call (877) 846-5848.

THC AWARDS

Texas Historical Commission is accepting award nominations for individuals, groups or organizations who merit recognition for outstanding contributions to historic preservation. Awards are divided into a number of program areas and will be presented at the annual statewide historic preservation conference May 4-6 in San Antonio. Awards packets are available from THC History Programs Division, P.O. Box 12276, Austin, TX, 78711-2276. For more information, call (512) 463-5853.

Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club to meet

The Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at Pampa Country Club. Jim Craig, veteran humorist, will be the featured speaker. His theme will be "The Good Humor Man."

A former guest lecturer for the Small Business Administration, Craig has spoken in 41 states and Canada. He spent 27 years on the Adult Education Faculty of Drury College and holds a degree from Southwest Missouri State University where he is currently serving on the board of regents.

He received "Young Man of the Year Award" in Springfield, Mo., and was first chairman of Citizens Against Drug Abuse Commission of Southwest Missouri.

From the winding roads of the Ozarks to the glittering shores of Hawaii, Craig has left a trail of laughter and inspiration with audiences of every age and size. He has been selected on numerous occasions as the keynote speaker for state and national conventions. He has entertained for such well-known companies as Phillips Petroleum, B.F. Goodrich and Southwestern Bell.



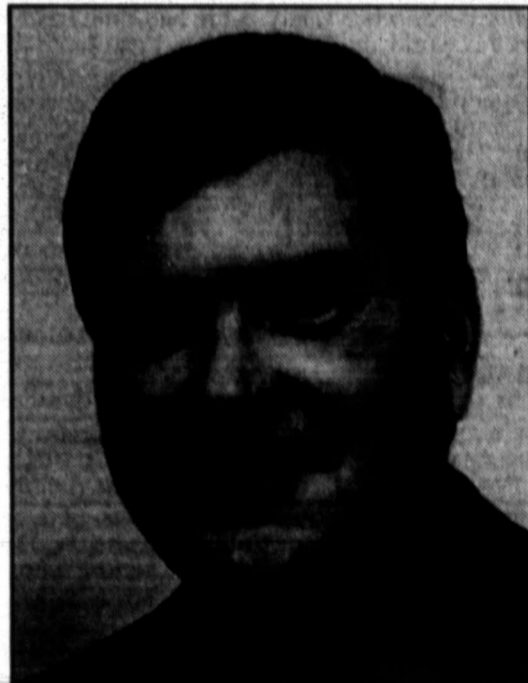
Jim Craig

Members may purchase tickets for \$10 at the service desk at Dunlaps Department Store in Coronado Center March 9-16. This dinner call will be a guest night for prospective members.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE VOTERS OF GRAY COUNTY

Dear Gray County Voter,

In 1974, the Texas Legislature enacted the "Professional Prosecutors Act" to promote "full-time" District Attorneys in Texas. The legislature enacted the law because they believe DA's should spend 100% of their time prosecuting criminals, not handling a private practice on the side. 100% of the cost of a full-time DA is paid for by the State of Texas general fund. No local taxes are used. **OUR DISTRICT IS CURRENTLY SERVED BY A PART-TIME DA!**



Richard J. (Rick) Roach "I WANT TO BE YOUR FULL-TIME DA"

Of the 155 elected felony prosecutors in Texas, 135 are full-time "professional prosecutors". All 135 full-time professional prosecutor's offices are being funded by the State of Texas.

BY ELECTING A FULL-TIME DA WE WILL GAIN STATE MONEY TO HELP OUR LOCAL ECONOMY!! WE LOSE THAT MONEY EVERY YEAR WE CONTINUE TO HAVE A PART-TIME DA!!

There are only 2 part-time DA's in the Texas Panhandle. Our current part-time DA is one of them. Our district has five (5) counties with 35,000 people. In 1999 alone grand juries in our District returned 183 felony indictments. Many cases are never brought before a grand jury or prosecuted by the current DA. **THERE IS NO WAY A PART-TIME DA CAN PROPERLY HANDLE THE WORKLOAD!!**

Here's a sample of what we can continue to expect from a part-time DA!!

- PART-TIME DA RECOMMENDS A **2 YEAR SENTENCE FOR POSSESSION OF 65 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA** BY TWO ARIZONA MEN. (The Pampa News, December 1, 1999)
- DRUG DEALER GOES FREE** WITHOUT PUNISHMENT BECAUSE PART-TIME DA INCORRECTLY CHARGES DEFENDANT WITH POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE INSTEAD OF COCAINE. (The Pampa News, September 30, 1998)
- PART-TIME DA RECOMMENDS **PROBATION FOR CONVICTED CHILD MOLESTER**. (The Amarillo Daily News, May 19, 1996)

If you want to make a statement against crime and a statement for "positive change" in the DA office, please take the time to vote for Republican **Richard J. (Rick) Roach** for "full-time" District Attorney in the March 14 Republican primary. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your consideration.

Richard J. (Rick) Roach

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Randy Stubblefield

For

Constable Pct. 1 & 3

The Most Qualified Candidate

Of the four candidates running for Constable Pct. 1 & 3, only Stubblefield, Dalton and Lewis are Licensed Peace Officers. Of these three on Randy Stubblefield -

- Holds a TCLOSE Advanced Peace Officers License
- Is a TCLOSE Certified Firearms Instructor
- Is a TCLOSE Certified Instructor - "Named Outstanding Instructor of the 73rd Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy"
- Has over 12 Years Law Enforcement Experience With Over 1100 Hours of Training

The office of constable is not a training office. You should not place someone with little or no experience into this position. The experience I have in investigating major crimes, serving warrants and looking after the county's tax dollars makes me the most qualified choice. I would appreciate your vote on March 14th in the Republican Primary.

Thank You
Randy Stubblefield

(TCLOSE is the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education)
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House tax bill favors the wealthy

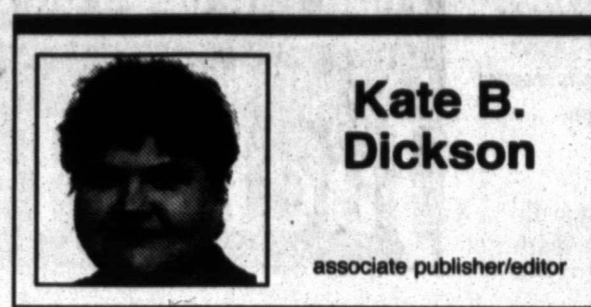
It looks like a much-needed minimum wage increase may get vetoed by President Bill Clinton — not because he doesn't support the increase but because of the tax breaks Republicans in the House have tied to the bill.

Clinton says he is not willing to approve "risky tax breaks" for those who least need them and jeopardize the future of Social Security and Medicare.

Naturally, both sides don't look at the situation the same. The Democrats claim the House tax bill favors the wealthy. Republicans contended it would properly offset the costs to business of raising the minimum wage, which many of the GOP view as a job-killer and hindrance to new investment or expansion.

The wage increase portion of the House bill passed last week is a \$1 increase in the minimum wage over the next two years combined with \$122 billion in business tax cuts. Negotiators will have to sort things out with the Senate's \$1 wage boost over three years and different tax cuts.

Right now a minimum wage earner working



Kate B. Dickson
 associate publisher/editor

full time makes \$10,712 a year. Try supporting a family on that. Heck, try supporting one person on that. Impossible.

Meanwhile, since 1980, average pay for corporate chief executive officers has risen some 750 percent, compared with only 68 percent for the average worker. About four million people make minimum wage.

When I was back in Arkansas over Christmas I spent some time with some dear friends ... even if they are Republicans. During a conversation I was asked who I was going to vote for for President.

Without hesitation I said I'd vote for the Democrat nominee.

The matriarch of the household got upset and told me in no uncertain terms that I am smarter than that.

Maybe in some local races, on city official, city council, county commission races and the like I can look at the individual candidate and put party aside. But generally I know many of those people, how they think and act. And the issues are in my own back yard.

But on the national front, party philosophy takes on a greater role than it does at the grass-roots level. And I am going to go with the Democrats. It's my genuine belief Democrats, as a whole, care more about the plight of their fellow man than do Republicans.

Look at the numbers. If Republicans were concerned about the poor working stiffs who only make \$5.15 an hour they wouldn't be in such a hurry to pass a tax cut giveaway that will primarily affect those making \$319,000 and more a year.



Inside the Beltway
 with
Rep. Mac Thornberry

Farmers, ranchers backbone of our area

This past week in Lubbock, the House Agriculture Committee was holding a hearing looking at federal farm policy. This is the first of 10 hearings the Agriculture Committee is planning to hold across the country between the months of March and May. The hearings are being held to give producers the opportunity to share their specific ideas on federal farm policy and how it can be changed or improved.

These are important hearings. I've been in farming and ranching all my life, but in Washington, I'm the exception, not the rule. Fewer and fewer members of Congress represent agricultural regions, much less have a personal background in agriculture. At the turn of the century, one-quarter of American families lived on farms. Now, it's less than two percent — which is one of the reasons why it is so important for people in Washington to hear your ideas.

Our farmers and ranchers deal with bad weather, bad prices and tons of government regulations, but still manage to turn out the safest and most abundant food supply in the world. We need to offer producers a safety net in bad times and a level playing field in the world market. We should eliminate practices that restrict market access and hurt our producers. Our ability to maintain and expand trade and ensure fair competition is crucial.

Farmers and ranchers are more than the backbone of our economy. They are also the backbone of the heritage and culture in our area.

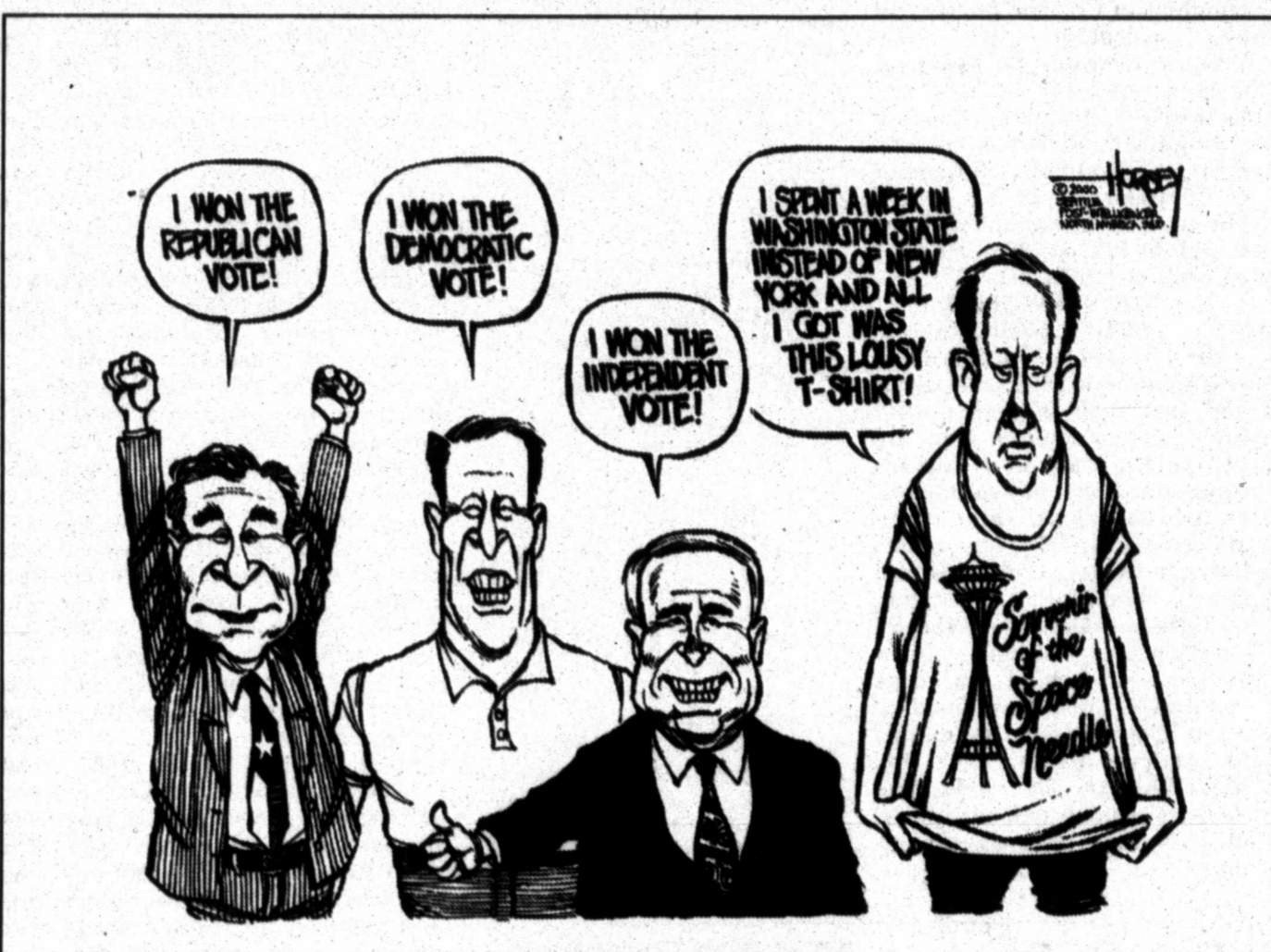
The work ethic and perseverance they demonstrate is something we cannot afford to lose.

From our files ...

- 40 years ago**
MARCH 13, 1960
 Pampa Toastmasters Club won second place in an area speech contest.
- Postmaster O.K. Gaylor said mail delivery service will be extended to include the 1500 block of Dogwood, 1700-1900 blocks of Fir, 1200 block of North Christy, 1100 and 1200 blocks of S. Finley and 2300-2500 blocks of Navajo.
- Forty-one Pampa High School students was initiated into the National Honor Society.
- 25 years ago**
MARCH 13, 1975
 Local and area producers reacted strongly in favor of the Federal Power Commissions recommendation to eliminate regulations on the price of natural gas.
- Harley Knutson president of the Optimist Club, presented Newt Secrest, a charter member, with a 21-year perfect attendance award at a recent banquet.
- MARCH 14, 1975**
 Pampa High School entries dominated the University Interscholastic League Choral Contest at the Amarillo Civic Center.
- 10 years ago**
MARCH 12, 1990
 A small percentage of registered voters in area counties took part in the "no excuse" absentee voting period.
- A swift but violent storm that flashed through Pampa early Sunday left a quarter of an inch of rain and damage to several residences that may have been caused by tornadic winds.
- The Class of 1990's list of graduating students was increased by three when Monte Harmon, Brandi Rabel and James Ketchum were issued certificates of graduation from Pampa Alternative Learning Center.

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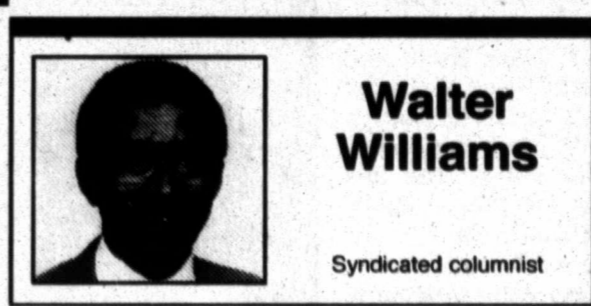
Political exploitation of ignorance

Ignorance gives politicians a free hand to exploit the politics of envy. Our education system creates a growing surplus of that ignorance. Politicians like Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., and John McCain, R-Ariz., who see high income earners as "winners in the lottery of life" carp that Republican tax cuts will be on the backs of the poor to benefit the rich.

You'd think a media person might query: "How much taxes do the rich pay, and how much do the poor pay?" But media people are also products of our education system.

"OK, Williams," you say, "how much taxes do the rich and poor pay?" Using preliminary 1997 data from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the Washington, D.C.-based Tax Foundation reports that the top 1 percent of income earners are people with adjusted gross incomes of \$250,000 and over. These people earned 17.4 percent of all reported income. So what's their "fair" share of federal income taxes? I don't know what's fair, but the fact is they paid 33.2 percent of all federal income taxes. By the way, earning \$250,000 is nice, but it's hardly what you'd call rich — it's not even yacht money.

What about the lowest 50 percent of income earners, people with adjusted gross incomes \$24,000 and below? Gephardt and McCain call these the "working class" people upon whom the backs George W. Bush's proposed tax cuts will rest. It turns out that the lowest 50



Walter Williams
 Syndicated columnist

percent of income earners earned 14 percent of all income and paid 4.3 percent of all federal income taxes, a trifling part of the cost of government.

The top 5 percent of earners (income over \$108,000) paid 52 percent of federal income taxes, the top 10 percent (income over \$79,000) paid 63 percent, and the top 25 percent of income earners (income over \$48,000) paid 82 percent. I'd like one of these Americans, who might be paying a mortgage, a car note and college tuition for one or two youngsters, to stand up and say, "I'm rich!"

After playing the envy game, presidential contenders call for health-care reform. That translates into more government control. Before we buy into their promises of better health care with greater government control, we ought to look around.

Politicians used to sing the praises of Britain's National Health Service (NHS). A

recent study by David Green and Laura Casper, "Delay, Denial and Dilution," written for the London-based Institute of Economic Affairs, concludes that the NHS delivers healthcare services that are just about the worst in the developed world. The head of the World Health Organization calculated that Britain has as many as 25,000 unnecessary cancer deaths a year because of underprovision of care. Twelve percent of specialists surveyed admitted refusing kidney dialysis to patients suffering from kidney failure because of limits on cash. Waiting lists for medical treatment have become so long that there are now "waiting lists" for the waiting list.

You say, "Williams, Canada's government health-care system is what we should have!" Canada's government system isn't that different from Britain's. For example, after a Canadian has been referred to a specialist, the waiting list for: gynecological surgery is 4 to 12 weeks, cataract removal is 12 to 18 weeks, tonsillectomy is 3 to 36 weeks and neuro-surgery is 5 to 30 weeks.

Toronto-area hospitals, concerned about lawsuits, ask patients to sign a legal release accepting that while delays in treatment may have jeopardized their health, they nevertheless hold the hospital blameless. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to figure out why Canadians flock to American hospitals and Americans don't flock to Canadian hospitals.

Istvan Serenyi is a hero of the Cold War

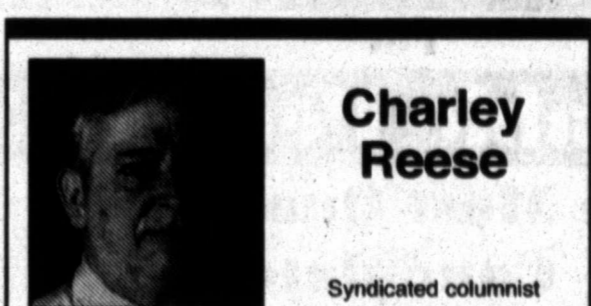
Had lunch recently with a man who once put a blindfold on the Statue of Liberty.

Istvan V. Serenyi is one of those forgotten heroes of the rapidly being-forgotten Cold War. He had good reason to hate communism. He was forced to live under it when the communists seized control of his native Hungary. One of the first things they did was send him to prison for his editorials against communism.

After the Hungarian Revolution in 1956, when brave Hungarians actually defeated the Soviet troops and the puppet government only to be crushed by Red Army reinforcements, Serenyi fled to Austria. There the only job the refugee could find was delivering Stars and Stripes, a newspaper produced for the U.S. armed forces. His route was 20 miles long, and he ran or walked it every day.

Serenyi, you see, had been one of Hungary's top athletes, a long-distance runner who had participated — as the youngest member of the team — in the 1936 Olympics. His friendship with American Army officers got him and his wife into the United States.

Here, he took up a new occupation as a lens grinder and is very proud that he worked on the lenses used in the American spy satellites. He developed such a great love for America and its freedom that he was outraged that Russian dictator Nikita Khrushchev would even be allowed in the country. So he devised a way to protest the visit.



Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

He carefully constructed a blindfold on an extendable frame and went to the uppermost part of the statue. He planned to blindfold the lady of liberty just as Khrushchev's ship entered New York harbor. Serenyi said that he had assumed that he would be alone in the top-most part of the statue, but when he climbed up he found three German tourists there.

Pressed for time, he had no choice but to tell them of his plan. These three young men, who were students from Berlin, became his enthusiastic assistants. Just as the Russian dictator's ship came into the harbor, people were surprised to see a black blindfold drop over the eyes of the lady of liberty.

On another occasion, Serenyi walked from New York to California, setting an AAU record, as a demonstration in support of what were then called the Captive Nations — nations under the rule of communism. For all of his life,

Serenyi used his spare time and athletic ability to demonstrate for freedom and used his speeches to remind Americans of their invaluable blessings.

Today, Serenyi is a walking advertisement for the athletic life. Sitting across from him, I figured him to be in his 60s. Though grayed and a bit stout, he remains a vigorous man and an animated conversationalist. He's in his 80s. He and his wife, now both retired, live in Vienna, Austria.

One day, historians will give us a good account of the Cold War, especially if they can gain access to the KGB archives. But it was a time when people saw clearly that two opposite systems were contending for the world. Thanks to nuclear weapons, the Cold War was fought mostly by proxy, by spying, by propaganda, by coups and counter coups, and by assassinations. Nevertheless, 100,000 Americans gave their lives for freedom during this period, and many thousands of East Europeans died or suffered torture and imprisonment in their fight for freedom.

An old friend once said to me that Americans would never understand communism "until someone butt-strokes 'em with an AK-47 and burns their houses down."

I think of that when I see people taken in by Fidel Castro's propaganda and see American businesses so eager to use the slave labor of communist countries like China.

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Bike Week death toll hits 12

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — At least 12 people have been killed in motorcycle accidents during Daytona Beach's Bike Week this year, making it the deadliest such gathering on record.

Some died in wrecks on rural roads on their way to the annual event, which began in 1937 and attracts 500,000 bikers from across the country. Others were killed in collisions after beer-filled nights of carousing.

"Bike Week gets bigger and bigger each year," said Florida Highway Patrol spokesman Lt. Chuck Williams. "Putting this much motorcycle traffic with the normal mix, the mathematical probabilities are against us. We just hope for the best."

The 10-day festival is set to end Sunday. With the busiest two days left, police said they will be out in force to try to slow bikers down.

Two motorcyclists died Friday, one of them while going the wrong way on an interstate highway ramp.

On Thursday, a motorcyclist swerved to avoid a dead bird and collided with another biker. Both were killed. On Wednesday, three people were killed, including a firefighter who was tossed off a motorcycle and run over by a car.

During last year's Bike Week, five motorcyclists died in accidents. The deadliest previous year was 1991, when nine bikers died.

People in the news ...

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — Whoopi Goldberg watched a clip of her Oscar-nominated performance in "The Color Purple" and shook her head.

"I will never be that good again. Everything was brand new," she said Thursday when she was honored at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival.

Goldberg laughed so hard she cried while watching a montage of clips from her films, including "Soapdish," "Clara's Heart" and "The Color Purple."

the Hamptons, on eastern Long Island, to Jerry Seinfeld for \$40 million and is moving to Long Island's North Shore overlooking the Sound.

President Clinton has called for \$10 million in aid for Long Island lobstermen, but lawmakers from Connecticut and New York are pushing for \$30 million.

DENVER (AP) — The publisher of John and Patsy Ramsey's book about the slaying of their daughter has placed copies under armed guard, pending its release.

"There were people calling posing as our employees, saying they had to have a copy shipped to them right away," said Rolf

Zettersten of Thomas Nelson, a Nashville, Tenn., publisher of Christian books.

"The printer wanted to get rid of it. They said they couldn't guarantee its security," he said.

Copies of "The Death of Innocence" are under guard in a trailer in Nashville.

The publisher had a scare when it received an empty envelope that was supposed to contain a Boulder fact-checker's copy of the book. Ramsey lawyer Bryan Morgan was convinced tabloids intercepted it, Zettersten said, but "Federal Express finally found it laying on the floor at their processing center in Denver."

Business briefs ...

Boeing may cut more workers

SEATTLE (AP) — The Boeing Co. told federal regulators it may cut another 5,000 workers this year as part of its continuing downsizing, and added that the strike by engineers and technical workers could slow aircraft deliveries through this summer, affecting the company's earnings.

A document filed by the company Wednesday with the Securities and Exchange Commission said Boeing should wind up with 180,000 to 190,000 employees at the end of the year, compared with an earlier target of 185,000 to 195,000 announced six months ago.

Most of the jobs will be trimmed through attrition and reorganization, the company said Thursday.

Gas prices — they could be worse

HONG KONG (AP) — Americans who worry about paying as much as \$1.80 per gallon for gasoline are lucky they don't fill up in Hong Kong.

Or Japan, or Britain, or France — just about any of the world's wealthy economies — where such prices would seem like an unbelievable bargain.

Unleaded fuel costs around \$5.40 per gallon in Hong Kong, and there is simply no concept here of a divine right to \$1-a-gallon a gas that many Americans cling to.

Gas prices — compare to inflation

HOUSTON (AP) — Despite wallet-shrinking prices at gas stations nationwide, history suggests the current record price per gallon is not unusually high when adjusted for inflation.

According to government figures and those of the American Petroleum Institute, a trade group, the last two years have brought the cheapest gasoline on record — after inflation. Gas in 1981 was priciest, at an equivalent of \$2.47 in today's dollars.

The meteoric rise from mid-80-cent range last winter to the mid \$1.40s today was brought on by worldwide production cuts and scant domestic gasoline inventories. It has sent prices back to levels consistent with the "good-old days" of the early 1970s, prior to the first price shock caused by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, or OPEC.

Many couples work different shifts

WASHINGTON (AP) — A poll commissioned by the AFL-CIO finds nearly half of working women — 46 percent — work a different shift than their significant other, sometimes by choice. The labor federation released on Thursday the Jan. 6-11 telephone survey of 765 working women over age 18.

The poll is part of the AFL-CIO's effort to keep tabs on the priorities of working Americans and mobilize them to vote in this fall's elections.

It found that working women share some concerns men have raised in other surveys, including improved health care and retirement security. But women also highly ranked better equal pay laws, improvements in child care and getting family and medical leave laws expanded to guarantee paid time off.

New game for Microsoft Corp.

REDMOND, Wash. (AP) — In a departure from its core software business, Microsoft Corp. announced Friday that it will manufacture and market a new video game console based on its Windows operating system.

Chairman Bill Gates announced the console, tentatively called "X-Box," during a keynote speech at the Game Developers Conference in San Jose, Calif. Gates will try to persuade the people who create games to take a chance on Microsoft as it tries to compete with video game giants Sega, Nintendo and Sony Corp.

The X-Box, which will be out in time for the holiday shopping season in 2001, will be based on the same technology that powers personal computers. It will have a PC-based microprocessor running at speeds of 600 MHz, a hard drive, DVD-ROM drive and at least 64 megabytes of memory — the equivalent of today's mid-range personal computers.

Use care with online tax sites

WASHINGTON (AP) — People entering the brave new Internet world with their most personal financial information — using online tax preparation services — should take care to ensure the sites respect the privacy of taxpayer information and can transmit returns securely, experts warn.

The Internal Revenue Service projects that 33.6 million taxpayers will file federal returns electronically by this year's April 17 deadline, up from 30 million last year. For the first time, many are preparing and filing their returns directly on the Internet, trusting that passwords and computer technology will safeguard their sensitive financial and personal information far from home.

Bank consolidation continues

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — The wave of consolidation that has swept Europe's banking industry reached Germany on Thursday as Deutsche Bank and Dresdner Bank announced plans to combine in a \$30 billion deal as they try to capture a bigger market share at home and abroad.

The planned merger creates a bank with \$1.2 trillion assets — rivaling in size the planned merger involving Japanese giants Dai-ichi Kangyo Bank, Fuji Bank and the Industrial Bank of Japan that will create a \$1.3 trillion giant.

It comes as many banks throughout Europe have already grabbed partners and staked out their territory.

Bell Atlantic to pay settlement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bell Atlantic has agreed to pay \$13 million to settle charges that it mishandled orders from competitors seeking to provide local phone service in New York — a violation of the terms under which the company was allowed to offer long-distance in that market.

The Federal Communications Commission announced Thursday a consent decree with the company — which also agreed to pay \$3 million to the U.S. Treasury.

Airline denies opening door at 12,000 feet to retrieve strap

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — American Airlines denied airline passengers' claims today that a flight engineer opened a door in the plane at 12,000 feet to pull in a loose strap.

When crew members on Flight 1558 from Miami to Newark realized that a restraining strap was left hanging out of the plane, the captain depressurized the cabin, leveled the plane and a flight attendant pulled the strap through the door seals, the airline said.

Passengers may have heard a rush of air and felt their ears pop when the cabin depressurized, but opening a door at that altitude would have been impossible, the airline said in a prepared statement.

"It would be similar to trying to open a door on a car traveling at 300 miles per hour," the airline said.

Passenger Cora Diaz, 39, told The Star-Ledger of Newark in today's editions that she was sitting at the back of the airplane and saw the flight engineer and two crew members unlock the door and push it. As the cabin pressure changed, crew members retrieved the strap, which ended in a metal buckle, she said.

"Everybody picked up their heads and said, 'What's going on? What's going on?'" said Diaz, 39.

Moments later, the pilot reassured passengers over the intercom that the procedure had been performed because of fears that the buckle, which food service workers had failed to remove from the door, would come loose and be sucked into the plane's engine, Diaz said.

Diaz said the pilot told passengers he slowed the plane and remained at 12,000 feet during the maneuver.

She said the flight was full, but it was unclear how many passengers or crew members were aboard.

Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Arlene Salac said the agency was reviewing the incident.

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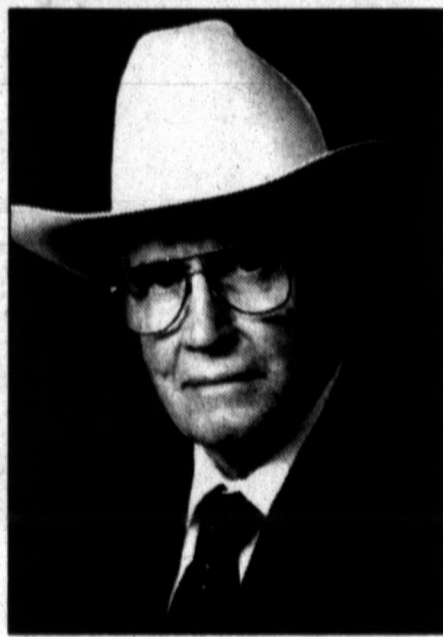
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Early Gray County pioneers John and Lena McKamy

Museum Mementos

Eloise Lane
White Deer Land Museum



(Photo courtesy of White Deer Land Museum)
Mary McKamy, former third grade teacher at Baker Elementary School.

John McKamy, born Feb. 24, 1884, and Lena Yeager, born Dec. 7, 1885, were married at Lebanon, Collin County, Texas, Oct. 18, 1911. In October 1912, they moved to Pampa and lived on a farm 4 1/2 miles northeast of Pampa. A map (ca 1928) shows John McKamy on Section 75 and east half of Section 74, Block 9, I.&G.N. Survey. The McKamy farm was across the road west of the L.H. Greene farm. Lena McKamy and Lula Greene were sisters.

John came to Pampa in a boxcar filled with mules, household goods and fence posts made from bois d'arc (pronounced "bow-dark") trees. Some of these fence posts are still standing on land that was farmed by John McKamy and L.H. Greene. Jim and Kathleen Greene now live on the McKamy farm.

In early days, it was the custom for men of the community to meet at Fairview Cemetery to dig



(Photo courtesy of White Deer Land Museum)

John McKamy home northeast of Pampa about 1916. Above: (left-right) Robert Greene, P.R. and Emma Westmoreland, John and Lena McKamy, L.H., Bill, Lula and Guss Greene, Robert Yeager holding Mary McKamy and Mrs. Robert Yeager.

graves for deceased persons. John was one of the men who helped to dig the grave for Rube Curtis who was killed in a shooting incident

at Hoover. It was in the dead of winter and the ground was frozen hard. Fairview Cemetery has a record for the burial of Curtis on

Dec. 31, 1918.

The McKamy family lived in town for a few years but returned to the farm. Lena, who was

known for her cooking, died July 25, 1954. Her wedding dress is on display at the White Deer Land Museum. John, who was known for his pastime of raising big mules, died on Jan. 1, 1977.

John and Lena had three children. Mary Elizabeth McKamy was born Oct. 2, 1913. Helen Maureen McKamy, who was born Feb. 2, 1915, died of pneumonia March 6, 1922. A third daughter died at birth on Feb. 10, 1920.

J.R. Mitchell, who was born May 15, 1923, came to live with the John McKamy family when he was 4-days-old and was raised by them. J.R. was the son of R.M. Mitchell and Ara Maggie Reaser, a cousin of Lena McKamy and Lula Greene.

After Mary McKamy graduated from Pampa High School in 1931, she received the bachelor of science degree from West Texas State University in Canyon and a master's degree from Colorado State Teachers College at Greeley. After she received her master's degree, she began teaching third grade at Baker Elementary School in Pampa.

Her home at 314 N. Wynne was filled with African violets. She was beginning her 34th year as teacher when she had a heart attack and was admitted to the hospital immediately. She died on Sept. 19, 1968.

Texas Dietetic Association launches statewide nutrition effort, offers 'diet puzzle'

AUSTIN — For Americans, nutrition means huge numbers. And that's huge as in billions. According to the Texas Dietetic Association, Americans spend \$33 billion a year on weight-loss products and services including diet foods and products. But when the dieting's all done, and the money's all spent, the weight usually returns.

"It's hard for anyone to comprehend \$33 billion," said Jan Daniel, a registered dietitian and member of the TDA. "And we

"Making the best food choices, eating the right portion sizes and getting enough physical activity are the pieces to the diet puzzle. One piece alone can't make the puzzle work, you have to put all three together to solve the problem," Daniel said.

shouldn't have to. Texans don't need to spend billions of dollars to lose weight. They simply need to put the right pieces of the diet

puzzle together."

That's why TDA is launching a state-wide public awareness campaign during National Nutrition Month in March called "Put the Pieces Together."

"Making the best food choices, eating the right portion sizes and getting enough physical activity are the pieces to the diet puzzle. One piece alone can't make the puzzle work, you have to put all three together to solve the problem," Daniel said.

For many Texans, deciding what foods to eat is often the most difficult piece of the puzzle because of the wide range of

food choices.

"The Food Guide Pyramid is our best guide for what to eat and how much," said Daniel. "That means eating mostly whole grains, meats, fruits, dairy and vegetables. Unfortunately consumption studies show that we are over-consuming the tip of the pyramid — the fats, sweets and oil. That's the group we need to eat the least."

"Fats, oils and sweets mean little nutrients and lots of calories," said Daniel. "On average, we consume 60 percent of our daily fat from this group. That's equal to four candy bars or 20 teaspoons of sugar each day."

The better solution is to eat a balance of the other food groups. These foods satisfy hunger more efficiently than sweets or fats while providing nutrients essential to daily life like zinc, iron, protein and vitamins.

After deciding what foods to eat, the key is to adjust the portion sizes.

"Look at your portions in terms of serving sizes," said

Daniel. "Serving sizes are guides that help you plan and judge your portion for your needs. If you can conceptualize the size of a serving, it helps you better adjust."

For instance, she recommends the following visualizations for some favorite foods:

—A serving of beef: A deck of cards.

—A serving of pasta: A computer mouse.

—A serving of fruit: A tennis ball.

—A serving of cheese: Three dice.

Physical activity, said Daniel, completes the puzzle. Studies show that only 20 percent of the U.S. population get enough exercise to affect health and weight. Other studies show that 24 percent of all Americans are completely sedentary.

A simple investment of 30 minutes a day most days of the week in a physical activity such as walking or riding a bike is all that is needed, Daniel said.

"Exercise makes you look bet-

ter, feel better and sleep better," she added. "Exercise gives you an opportunity to expend more calories than you take in."

Better yet, physical activity doesn't have to cost anything. A walk in the park is free, as is a neighborhood bike ride. No one charges you to take the stairs instead of the elevator. And you save money by doing your own yard work.

By following TDA's recommendations, you use common sense to solve the diet riddle. Instead of spending big bucks for small gains, you put your life in order through a workable approach to diet and physical activity.

"National Nutrition Month reminds us that it's the simple things that can best help us achieve good health," said Daniel. "By putting the pieces together, Texans can enjoy the foods they love, while achieving their health goals."

For more information on diet and nutrition, visit TDA's website at www.nutrition4texas.org

The family of Bo Nicholas greatly appreciate the outpouring of affection from friends and family at the time of his death. We also want to thank the E. R. and ICU staff at Pampa Regional Medical Center for the competent, loving care and attention given to us and our loved one while there.

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Heritage Art Club

(Community Camera photo)

Heritage Art Club will hold an Art Show from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 18 and from 1-4 p.m. March 19 at Lovett Library. The public is cordially invited to attend the event which will include paintings and crafts. Above, each painting an apron, are Bonnie

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Letters to the editor

Article explores 'lettuce spray' aspect of prayer

To the editor,
 Funny what you can find in a box in a closet. Just today, thinking I would locate a broken instrument that needed repair, I found instead a newsletter written in 1965 from the graduate school I was attending at that time. That school was Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, located in Louisville, Ky.

An article entitled "Lettuce Spray," written by the student editor, caught my eye. The editor, Richard Taylor, was someone I knew slightly ... or rather, I knew his father. His father was Noel Taylor, then the executive director of the Illinois (Southern) Baptist State Association, and someone who had visited my home church on numerous occasions.

Here is an excerpt of what Richard Taylor's article said. I think it speaks to the recent issue of "prayer at football games."

"I (recently) discovered that the usual rendering of 'let us pray' had become 'lettuce spray,' and the theological implications were staggering. Now, a spray of lettuce is a primarily decorative part of a salad. It serves little useful purpose beyond that of forming a base on which to place the jello, fruit, or whatever. Only when the lettuce is mixed in with the salad does it become an important ingredient.

"What kind of theology of prayer had brought about this state of affairs? Perhaps a few relevant points can be discovered.

"We Baptists — along with many others — seem to feel that in order to make an event 'religious' we must begin it with public prayer. Our attempt to make Christianity permeate every area of life has resulted in a growing number of occasions for (an) invocation; many of which may, at times, be inappropriate: football games, partisan political rallies, some classes. (NOTE: This newsletter was directed to students and staff at a religious school, so prayer was often said before class sessions began.) Prayer should arise out of the already-present religious nature of the event. It should not be used to consecrate a secular activity which remains secular.

"In our worship services and even at meal-times, we have used prayer as a means of keeping everything flowing smoothly. This (results in) 'lettuce spray,' for who of us has not learned that when in doubt, the easiest and most 'religious' thing to do is bow for prayer, intoning rapidly, 'Let us pray.'

"What solution may be proposed? In the first place, let us recognize that prayer is not necessary in every event. Consequently, let us not feel guilty if football games, political rallies, or even classes (at seminaries) do not ... have to begin with prayer. Secondly, if we must have a liturgy, let us have a good one. If spontaneity is desired, let there be true spontaneity, not the reformulation of worn-out phrases and hypocritical expressions of thanks. Finally, let us remove from prayer the 'mortar complex,' the belief that prayers are the things which cement our programs together.

"If 'let us pray' is an integral and meaningful part of our ... activities, then let us retain it. But if 'lettuce spray' is merely a decorative fringe, a way to stick our programs together, or a relic of a poor theology of prayer, then let us dispense with it and get

down to the business at hand."
 Lorelee Cooley
 Pampa

Thoughtless questions can cause much pain

To the editor,
 I have been asked many times "Whatever happened to the man that killed your family?" I could understand this question if we all lived in a big city. Our community is small and to be asked a question like that is very hurtful. Has our wonderful community forgotten about the heinous crime that took place on New Years Eve of 1993 that took my beautiful 40-year-old daughter and two of the most loving grandsons in the world? None of the three would ever say or do anything to hurt anyone.

Hank Skinner was convicted of beating my daughter, Twila Busby, with a tire tool until she was unrecognizable. He could not tell her goodbye to her face because he had beat her so bad. The casket could not be opened. Randy was asleep in his bunk bed and still had his ear phones on listening to music, he stabbed this 100-pound defenseless 20-year-old precious boy to death. My 23-year-old Scooter was fighting for his life as he was running out the front door. This man stabbed him in the back. Our lives will never be the same. The pain does not lessen. We ask our dear Lord to help us one day at a time. Mr. Skinner is trying to get a new trial.

Beverly Clark, Melvin Clark, Lisa Busby, LaDonna W. Alderson, Douglas Ward and Rusty Ward

AFS Host Family Recognition Week

To the editor,
 This week, March 12-18, is American Field Service (AFS) Host Family Recognition Week. It is the time when AFS, the world's oldest and most diverse exchange organization, recognizes families who have embraced the global concept by opening their homes to AFS high school exchange students the world over. In Pampa, Felix Stahli and Mitzi Pederson have been learning about American sports, traditions and culture while we are learning about theirs.

AFS honors Dr. Craig and Nancy Shaffer for hosting Felix of Switzerland and Chuck and Brenda Meyer for hosting Mitzi of Denmark. Thanks also go to the teachers, administrators and community for meeting and working with the students and participating in our effort to encourage more understanding worldwide. If you have not met them, we invite you to do so and to learn more about their country through their slide presentation. The AFS program involves 7,000 students annually in exchange programs from one to 11 months in length worldwide.

For further information on hosting or study and community service abroad, call the central regional office, 1-800-876-2377.

Darlene Birkes, AFS area rep
 Pampa

No time like present to become CCI family

To the editor,
 For several years I have been involved with international youth and am now representing the Center for Cultural Interchange, a non-profit international student exchange program. I have personally experienced the cultural challenges along with the wonderful rewards of hosting and supervising teenagers from all over the world. I have met so many generous and loving families this way and made lasting friendships both with families and students.

I know there are many families out there who have thought about hosting a student but they are waiting for the "right time." When? By nature, Americans are busy with full schedules. We keep saying "later" and the right time never comes, until now.

Many families feel "we aren't rich enough" or "we're too busy." The truth is, most host families are middle income. If you have leftovers at dinner, you can afford to host a student. Our host families are single, married, single parents, married without children and many are grandparents who miss having the joys of young people light up their lives. All are rich with love, as money cannot buy an exchange student. CCI students want to be part of their new family and contribute to our busy lifestyles. They have their own spending money and are fully insured.

We are looking for loving families. Host families are asked to provide a loving home life, room and board. A very small price to pay for the rewards of a lasting relationship with a new son or daughter not to mention the intercultural experience. Hopefully someday,

world peace will prevail because we accepted an international son or daughter into our home.

I'd be happy to hear from families who are proud of America's reputation of hospitality and generosity, who would consider hosting one of our international teenagers arriving in August. You can call me at (806) 358-2975 or call our toll-free number at 1-800-605-2341. Bringing an exchange student into your home is one of the first steps to improving worldwide relationships and understanding other cultures.

Juanita Morales-Euresti, area representative
 Center for Cultural Interchange

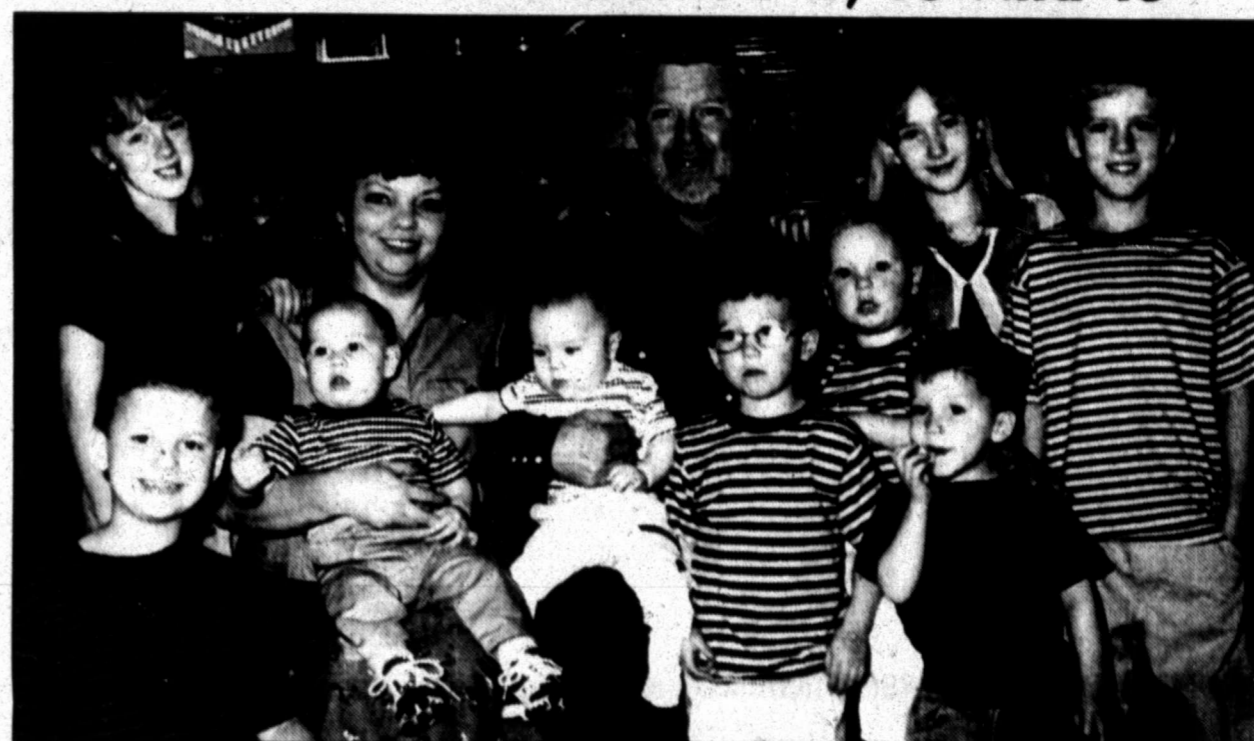
Governor lacks power to stop executions

To the editor:
 Why doesn't Gov. George W. Bush stop the execution of Texas death row prisoners as demanded by the Texas Bishops and by *The Pampa Daily News*?

The governor does not have this power. Texas limits the governor to clemency or a pardon only upon the recommendation of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles. He may grant one 30-day reprieve to an inmate to present new evidence or other legal argument. He may not ban executions. The bishops and the *News* failed to verify hearsay information regarding the authority of the Texas governor. Were the bishops speaking *ex cathedra*, or merely from a bully pulpit?

I strongly suggest that you now verify my information, and that you publish a correction if the *News* in fact published an opinion based on false information.
 Wm. J. Ragsdale
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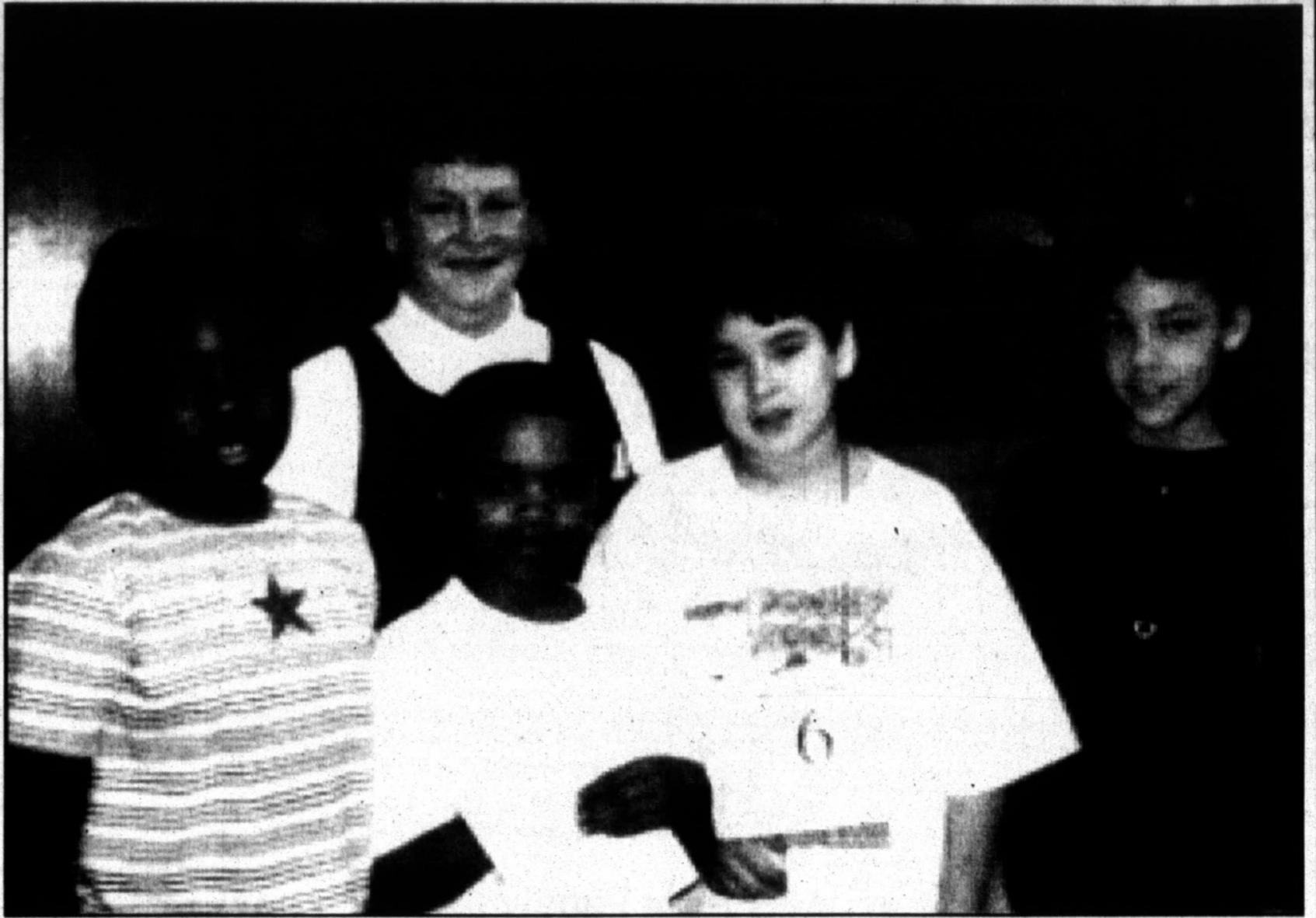
Images



(Special photos)

Images recently held a drawing to celebrate National Brighton Week 2000. Among those awarded prizes were: Gerise Young, top, Canadian coin purse; Cheryl Johnson, middle, watch; Beth Buzzard, bottom left, eyeglass case; and Lindsey Tidwell, bottom, right, picture frame.

Spelling bee



(Special photo)

Lamar Elementary School recently held a spelling bee. The winners were (above, left-right) Ashley Young, fourth grade alternate; Skyler Hunnicutt, fourth grade champion; Phillip Rodriguez, fifth grade champion; and Nikki Gardner, fifth grade alternate. Also pictured is Mrs. Susan Burgin, Lamar Spelling Bee coordinator. Hunnicutt and Rodriguez will advance to the Gray County Spelling Bee this month. Overall nine fourth graders and 10 fifth graders participated in the bee which was conducted by Sara Carmichael.

School district tries to combat truancy problem with intervention program

By MICHELLE MELENDEZ
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas — Sitting in a quiet library with nervous truants and their parents, Assistant District Attorney Lesa Pamplin locks eyes with the middle school student who cannot seem to get out of bed in time to catch the school bus.

Pamplin has seen everything during her years in the Tarrant County Courthouse, and she is in no mood for excuses.

"You've got an alarm clock. When it goes off, you have to put your feet on the floor and stand up," Pamplin tells Catisha McClary, 12.

Catisha's mother, Keisha Ray, sits next to her daughter, listening. Ray leaves her east Fort Worth home for work at 6 a.m. each day, and the alarm she sets does not rouse her daughter.

Catisha has six unexcused absences from Meadowbrook Middle School this semester and is experiencing firsthand the district's new tough love approach to truancy.

A warning from the district attorney's office, Ray believes, might get Catisha's attention. Her daughter is a straight-A student who wants to be a lawyer. Pamplin tells her that she needs to start disciplining herself now.

"The habits you form now will be the habits you have in the future," she said.

Ray said it was inconvenient to miss work to attend the meeting, conducted last week at Meadowbrook. But she appreciates that the district is concerned about her daughter's

■ It is too early to assess the success of the program, which includes group meetings as well as the private conferences. But the response has been so great that the group meetings last week were moved from the Scott D. Moore Juvenile Justice Center to Billingsley Field House near Farrington Field.

absences.

"I think it's excellent. The school should have zero tolerance," Ray said. "If she were a problem child, cutting school, I might have never found out."

Catisha and her mother were among about 200 who showed up last week for private conferences with the Fort Worth School Attendance Review Team, which was formed in January as part of the district's truancy intervention program.

It is too early to assess the success of the program, which includes group meetings as well as the private conferences. But the response has been so great that the group meetings last week were moved from the Scott D. Moore Juvenile Justice Center to Billingsley Field House near Farrington Field.

Truants are a problem for several reasons: They cost Fort Worth schools thousands of dollars in lost state funds, they make up the majority of juveniles in county detention, and they are at high risk of dropping out.

Nearly 9,000 of the district's 77,000 students had at least three unexcused absences during the 1998-99 academic year. District officials also learned last year that nearly 49 percent of students who were ninth-graders in 1993-94 had dropped out before their scheduled graduation.

Alarmed, state Rep. Lon Burnam and local justices of the peace, who enforce the state's compulsory attendance law, urged the district to intervene.

The district's response was a program modeled after successful efforts in Los Angeles, Minneapolis and San Jose, Calif., that couple law enforcement and social services. The Fort Worth pilot program is funded for one year; district officials will assess the results and decide whether it will continue.

Pamplin, 36, is the backbone of the program. She is as compassionate as she is tough, asking the students about their grades and their behavior while they are in class as often as she asks why they sometimes do not show up at school.

She was assigned to work full time with the district in December after working as a juvenile prosecutor and Arlington police officer. Her letters warning about the possible consequences of missing school — \$500-a-day fines and possible jail time — are often students' and parents' first hint that they have bought themselves real trouble.

The pilot program has three steps, beginning with a letter calling students and parents to a group meeting. About 600 of those letters have gone out each week since Jan. 18, said Cecelia Speer, the district's student affairs director.

Those who fail to attend that meeting or who continue to miss classes receive a second letter that orders them to a private session and warns of fines or jail time. In some schools, a police officer follows up with a last-chance visit to those who do not respond to either letter.

As a last resort, the district will take chronic truants, as well as those who do not respond to the letters, to court.

At the group meetings, Pamplin explains the law, introduces social service representatives and urges parents to get involved.

"I meet a lot of parents who have never set foot in their children's school," Pamplin told parents at a recent meeting. "You've got to know (about the absences). Don't sit here and tell me you didn't know. It's important. Take a day, a morning, to go see their teachers and principals."

At the hourlong meeting, one

wall of bleachers was filled with children and their parents clutching printouts listing unexcused absences. On the gym floor were 16 representatives of the school district and social service agencies, including the Boys & Girls Clubs, Lena Pope Home, Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Santa Fe Adolescent Services and Job Corps.

"Fort Worth ISD wants you to be successful students. But you have to be there every day," counseling director Vivian Smith told the youngsters in the crowd. "We want to know what's been keeping you from going to school."

The private conferences, which include school officials and social workers, are held at Eastern Hills, O.D. Wyatt and Trimble Tech high schools and the middle schools that feed into them.

Ray was one of the few parents who showed up for the private conferences at Meadowbrook. Some of the students were absent again, and many others attended without their parents. They did, however, bring plenty of excuses.

Police officer Tom Kimball makes the last-chance visits in an unmarked 1985 Chevrolet S-10 pickup, delivering pamphlets explaining the law and how to get help. He visits parents of truant students at Wyatt and Forest Oak Middle School, which have the district's highest truancy rates.

He is the lone Fort Worth police officer assigned to truant follow-up duty. And, although he has gone out only three times, Kimball does not believe that he will make a difference.

"Some of these kids are so incorrigible, I think their mothers should have strangled them when they were babies," he said. "In my opinion, the school district is trying to appease the state so it can continue receiving money."

But Kimball's supervisor, Lt. Wilson Daggs, said the home visits could expand to other schools if the program proves successful.

District officials are gathering statistics and will compare truancy rates for this semester with the same period last year. They are also collecting responses or questionnaires that ask why students are not in school.

For her part, Pamplin has a top 10 list of what she calls lame excuses. McClary's reason, over sleeping, is on the list. Other are "The school failed to notify me," No. 4; "I drop them off and they leave," No. 3; "I can't force him to attend," No. 2; and "We have no transportation," No. 1.

Only absences due to family emergencies and illness are excused.

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Family, farm endure together for 128 years

By TARA BURGHART
Associated Press Writer

FLATVILLE, Ill. (AP) — Wilma Buhr sits at her antique kitchen table, handling her scrapbooks and old photographs like jewels lifted from a treasure chest.

They are her history, and that of her father and his father and his father, a record of 128 years of life, back to the day a young German immigrant named Eibe Hinrichs decided to raise his family on a tract of land here in eastern Illinois.

Every family has a history, and many even have a record of it. But how many families today really live with their history? How many sleep each night in the same house their great-grandfather built, scrape the same dirt from their shoes, make their living in much the same way?

Wilma Buhr and her family live with their history, on land transformed from swamp to farm, in the modest, two-story white frame house that Hinrichs built.

The story of America is often one of change; up to now, though, the story of the Hinrichs family is one of continuity. Hinrichs and his descendants farmed the same land through two world wars, a Great Depression, the agricultural prosperity of the 1970s and the agricultural crisis of the late 1990s.

But change is happening, even here. Wilma Buhr is 60; her husband, Vernon, is 65. They have four daughters, but none is involved in farming. So Wilma Buhr could be the last of her family to live on and work this land.

"They say the family farm is going to fade away, but I hate to see it," she says softly. "So many people are selling the farms away from the home, but I would like to keep it all together if we could possibly do that."

Eibe Hinrichs was 29 and his fiancée, Gretje Albers, 25 when they left their homes in northern Germany in the spring of 1866 to settle in the United States and marry.

Arriving in New Orleans, they traveled up the Mississippi and arrived in Golden in western Illinois. Eibe worked as a section hand on the railroad; Gretje was a housemaid. They had two children by the spring of 1870, when they joined other German settlers on their way east to the St. Joseph area — about 15 miles east of Urbana.

The area had no school or church, and the land was dismal and swampy. But no matter; they had drained land in Germany with dikes and canals. So they dug ditches and drained swamps here, creating some of the most fertile farmland in Illinois.

On March 22, 1872, Eibe and Gretje Hinrichs purchased 60 acres of land for \$15 an acre southeast of a town called Flatville. Two months later, their second son, Arnd, was among the first babies baptized in the community, in a school doubling as a Lutheran church.

The Hinrichs prospered. Flatville, meanwhile, became a bit of Germany transplanted. So they attended a Lutheran church, socialized with German immigrant neighbors and sent children to German-language schools. When the children married, they chose spouses from

German families and moved to nearby farms.

In 1898, Arnd married Eke Saathoff and moved into the original farmhouse. And his parents moved into a small house next door.

Gretje died at age 78. Eibe lived to be 94.

By 1903 the couple, Arnd and Eke, expanded the original farmhouse to a two-story white frame home with shuttered windows and covered porch. They named their eldest son after his grandfather, Eibe, and gave the other nine children traditional German names like Klaas, Tena, Janna, Martin, and Mentka.

The farm kept everyone busy. The children helped butcher cattle and hogs. They all helped their mother with washing and baby-sitting and cooking. Oats were cut and bundled, then threshed by a machine pulled by a steam engine so big it required two dozen men to run it.

Years later, Wilma Buhr asked her father how the family managed. "He said, 'We all helped each other. Ty and the United States as a wife. 'When we take unto ourselves a wife, we swear to be loyal to her until death,'" he said.

Family tragedies followed medical problems that would be easily handled nowadays. A son died in 1929 from complications of tonsillitis; another died in 1940 of tuberculosis, leaving a 20-year-old widow.

But Arnd and Eke Hinrichs had a long marriage, celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary before she died at 81 and he at 88. The farm passed to a third generation when their oldest son, Eibe, bought the original farmhouse and land from two surviving brothers.

Born just before the start of the 20th century, this eldest son grew up in a way familiar to the German immigrant grandfather for whom he was named. He attended German school in the summer and six months of public school in the winter.

He hunted rabbits, quail and prairie chickens to sell for extra money. He and his siblings rode horses around the farm and into town.

When he married, in 1923, it was to a girl of German immigrant stock, Fanny Marie Kopmann. They had three children — Ernest, Helen and Wilma — over the next 16 years.

Before his grandfather — the original Eibe — died, in 1930, someone had the foresight to record four generations of Hinrichs on film.

Eibe, with a short tuft of a white beard, sits with his cane hooked around the arm of his rocking chair. His son Arnd stands behind his father with his son Eibe at his side. The younger Eibe's son, Ernest, sits on his great-grandfather's lap, a chubby baby in a white christening outfit.

All in the farmhouse yard, a freeze-frame of a disappearing way of life.

On the farms of Eibe's youth, the men grew a variety of crops and the women tended huge gardens. Horses pulled plows and wagons, and cattle, pigs, chickens and dairy cows provided meat, milk and butter.

By the time he died, in 1972, some crops such as oats had already disappeared, and soybeans were almost as important as corn. Those who kept live-

stock did so for a living, not to feed family. And horses were replaced by costly tractors and combines.

"He saw the changes coming," Buhr says. "He said, 'A lot of this is for the good.' But I think he'd be amazed at the prices we're still dealing with — and our expenses are a lot greater."

Born in 1939, Wilma Hinrichs grew up a tomboy, more interested in helping her dad in the fields than her mom in the kitchen. Eibe Hinrichs taught Wilma to drive at 9, when she was so short she had to peer through steering wheel spokes.

"I felt so proud my dad trusted me to do that," she remembers.

She milked cows by hand, made butter and drove a tractor in front of a hay baler. After graduating from high school, Wilma Hinrichs worked in Urbana, and she dated some boys. But she knew the right one would have to be a farmer.

In 1963, she married Vernon Buhr, a farm boy from nearby Royal, also with German roots. When her father retired a few years later, he asked the couple to take over the farm. "I thought it was a privilege," she says.

But it was also hard work. Buhr remembers baling hay and slaughtering cattle. She would pile her young daughters into a car to take lunches to men too busy to come in from the fields.

In 1972, Buhr asked the Illinois Department of Agriculture to certify the Hinrichs homestead as a centennial farm — one that had stayed in the same family's hands for at least 100 years. The metal sign noting the designation stands near a bend in the road.

Today, Buhr's kitchen counter is crowded with time-saving appliances, such as a coffee maker and food processor, that would amaze her ancestors. She drives a minivan and uses a car phone. An old outhouse now stores her grandchildren's toys.

The Buhrs farm an additional 240 acres beyond Eibe Hinrich's original 60. Where Hinrichs once raised oats, cattle, pigs and dairy cows, now corn and soybeans are the mainstays. Wilma Buhr buys her beef at the grocery store rather than slaughtering cattle, as she and her husband did when they were newly married. She is a devoted grandmother to three children with thoroughly contemporary names: Dalton, Katelyn, Lauren.

She is the curator of the family history, compiling scrapbooks, updating address lists for the

hundreds of descendants of Eibe Hinrichs. Before one recent harvest, Vernon Buhr touched up paint on the old barn, put together mostly with pegs, holes and notches, hardly any nails.

"I feel very privileged to be able to live here," Wilma Buhr said. "We try to keep it fixed up. We've redone the barn and redone the house. I've had members of the family tell me they appreciate that. We try to keep things the way it used to be."

"That's important to me; it's very important to me." Buhr's daughter Linda and her husband, Matt Smith, help at critical times like harvest. But low prices for corn and soybeans make Buhr wonder if any one of her children's generation will want to sacrifice the stability and benefits of jobs in town for the risky life on the farm.

Buhr would love to see Matt and Linda's 4-year-old son Dalton be the sixth generation to take over. She encourages the little boy's interest, keeping a pillow in the truck for him to sit on during trips to the grain elevator.

"We hope we can keep him interested."

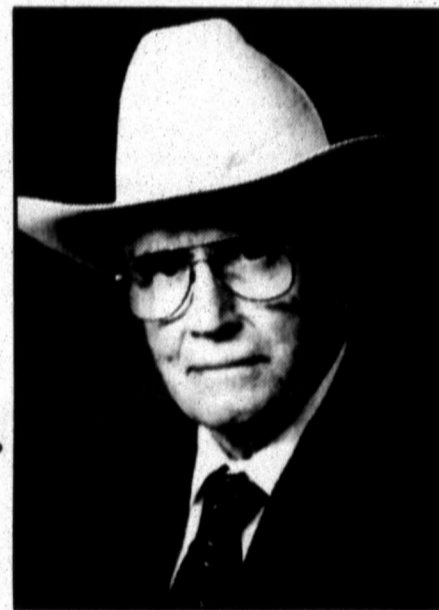
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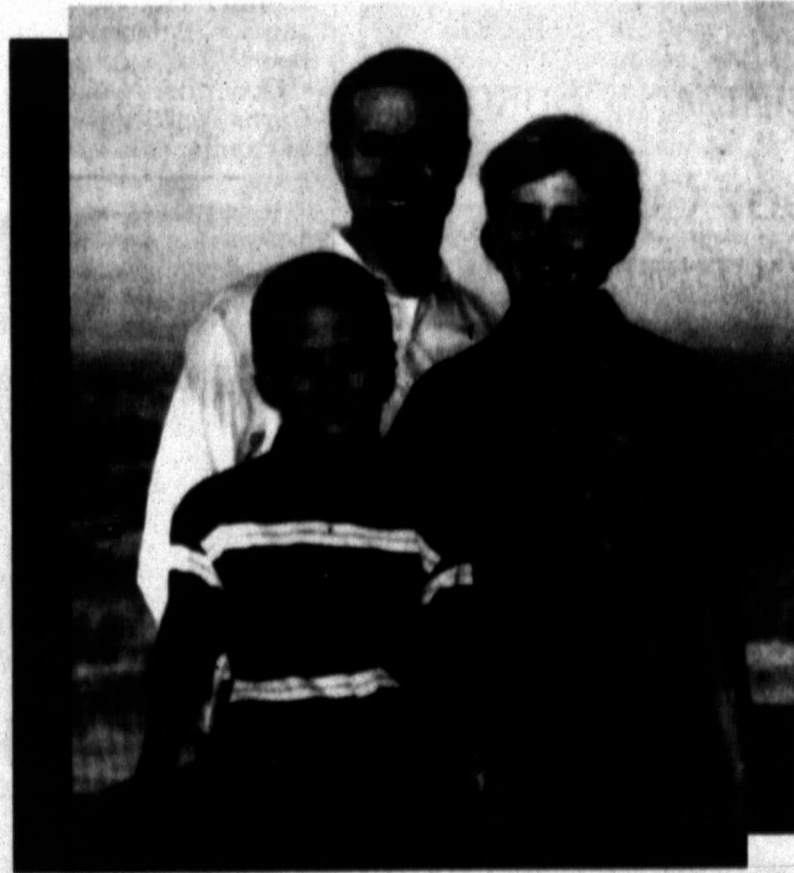
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Applications for Public Land Corps Program now available from FSA

FRITCH — Tri-City Youth and Lake Meredith National Recreation Area will cooperatively conduct a summer youth work program again this year under the authority of the Public Land Corps program through the National Park Service. Tri-City Youth will hire 20 youth enrollees between the ages of 16 and 21 and seven adult crew leaders. The eight-week program will run from June 5-July 28. Enrollees must be available to work during the entire eight weeks. Enrollees will be paid \$5.25 per hour and will work a 40-hour week.

Seven adult leaders will be hired to supervise the work crews and manage the program. One program leader will be hired at \$12 per hour and six group leaders at \$10 per hour. Leaders must be at least 21 years of age. The length of employment for leaders will be approximately nine weeks.

Work to be accomplished includes boundary fencing, boat ramp

Work to be accomplished includes boundary fencing, boat ramp rehabilitation, cement projects, tamarisk reduction, cottonwood tree protection, roadside brushing and maintenance, trail construction and repair, litter pick up, dock repair and much more.

rehabilitation, cement projects, tamarisk reduction, cottonwood tree protection, roadside brushing and maintenance, trail construction and repair, litter pick up, dock repair and much more. At least one weeklong field trip may be included. Enrollees will be required to provide their own 8-inch high leather work boots, jeans and work shirt. Hard hats and other safety equipment will be provided.

Youth may apply for positions from Monday, March 20-Friday, April 14. Applications may be picked up at Lake Meredith National Recreation Headquarters at 419 E. Broadway in Fritch. The park headquarters is open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. A resume may be submitted instead of the application as long as it contains the information requested on the application. Application deadline is April 14. Successful applicants will be notified by mail no later than May 15.

West Texas A&M University in Canyon gearing up for Buffapalooza, Premiere

CANYON — It's a carnival, an outlandish golf tournament, a sumo-wrestling, wall-climbing extravaganza for the entire family. Buffapalooza, a large-scale celebration of campus and community, is set for 1-5 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at West Texas A&M University. Carnival games and refreshments will be stationed at Buffapalooza headquarters, the Virgil Henson Activities Center, but fun-day activities will be evident all across the campus especially as teams take to the links for Campus Golf, haphazardly traversing the university with unusual golf clubs and tennis balls.

"We're inviting everyone in the panhandle to come to WT on March 25 to have a great time and see what makes our university so special," Salem Wieck, president of Student Government and chairperson for the Buffapalooza steering committee, said. "And because college students realize the importance of a budget, everything but Campus Golf is free."

Campus golfers will be asked to contribute

\$5 per person to the Maverick Boys and Girls Club of Canyon. Everything else is free and open to anyone who wants to learn a bit about the university or just have some fun, Wieck said.

Visitors will have the opportunity to try and rope a mechanical calf from atop a mechanical horse, take on a group of WTAMU athletes in a game of broom hockey and climb into the ring for a bit of Bouncy Boxing. An inflatable rock wall will be set up on Terrill Lawn for climbing enthusiasts, and wanna-be sumo wrestlers will get their chance to do some weighty grappling nearby.

"We hope families will pack up and come spend the day at WT," Wieck said. "We'll have members of the faculty and staff here to provide information about the school, and the residence halls will be open for viewing. But our theme for the day will be all about having fun. This is an afternoon for panhandle residents to play games, show off and win prizes."

Campus radio station KWTS, 91.1 FM, will

broadcast live from the VHAC, and some visitors will get a chance to participate as guest disk jockeys. Activity booths provided by WT's numerous departments and offices will add to the festivities, as will WT's Traveling Chemistry Show.

Coinciding with the conclusion of Buffapalooza, is Premiere, when the Office of Admissions rolls out the red carpet for high school juniors and seniors and their parents. Premiere, from 5-8 p.m., features walking tours of the campus and a multimedia presentation with answers to questions about campus life, academic programs, cost and financial assistance.

"We invite families who are planning to attend Premiere to come early and experience Buffapalooza," Wieck said. "We want all the people of the panhandle to visit and see all the fun things that go on at their university."

For more information about Buffapalooza, contact Wieck at (806) 651-2386. For more information about Premiere, contact the Office of Admissions at (806) 651-2020.

Miss Irish Rose pageant



Pampa Rotary Club will sponsor Sarah Elizabeth Fraser in the Miss Irish Rose parade and pageant March 17-18 at Shamrock. A sophomore honor student at Pampa High School, Fraser's honors, activities and accomplishments include: Concert Choir, Show Choir, D-Fy-It Advisory Board, PHS tennis manager, ballet, Trinity Fellowship Church youth praise band and church drama team. She is the daughter of Mike and Dottie Fraser and is the granddaughter of Lee and Gaye Nell Fraser and Dorothy Johnston.

(Special photo)

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TCH seeking nominations for humanities award

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AUSTIN — The Texas Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities, is pleased to solicit nominations for its first James F. Veninga Excellence in the Humanities Award. The award will be presented annually to an individual or organization whose time and talents enlarge the meaning of the humanities in Texan's lives and whose work reflects the spirit and programs of TCH. It honors James F. Veninga, TCH executive director emeritus, for his 23

years of extraordinary contributions to the TCH and to the public humanities in Texas and the U.S.

In announcing the award, TCH executive director Monte Youngs said, "Extraordinary individuals and organizations are working throughout Texas to ensure that the humanities are a part of our lives. Their public humanities programs give us the opportunity to examine how we think and what we value, to exchange ideas, and to consider the complexity of the human experi-

ence."

The James F. Veninga Excellence in the Humanities Award will be given to a Texas organization or individual who has demonstrated imaginative leadership in the public humanities — on a local, regional, or state level — and who has contributed extraordinary time, vision, creativity or support for programs increasing public understanding of cultural heritage, community values or humanity's creative achievements.

Examples could include someone who organized an extensive oral history project capturing local history; an organization that has executed a successful community discussion of contemporary social issues; a scholar noted for public service scholarship; or individuals who have promoted public awareness of the humanities through their work in museums, libraries or regional associations.

Nominations may be made by individuals or organizations on behalf of a nominee. Individuals nominated must be residents of the state of Texas; groups and organizations nominated must operate in the state. Current

directors and staff of the Texas Council for the Humanities are not eligible. The nomination should include a cover sheet with the nominee's name, address and telephone number; a maximum two-page summary detailing the specific accomplishments that qualify the nominee for the award; and up to three pieces of support material. A separate cover sheet for each nomination is required. Multiple nominations of the same individual or organization will not affect the selection decision.

Nominations should be addressed to Veninga Award, Texas Council for the Humanities, 3809-A South 2nd, Austin, TX 78704. Nominations must be received in the offices of the TCH postmarked no later than April 3, 2000.

For more than 25 years, TCH, in collaboration with a wide range of cultural organizations, has supported public humanities programs throughout Texas. For further information on the programs of the TCH, see www.publihumanities.org or call (512) 440-1991. For information on the Veninga Award, contact Judy Diaz at ext. 122 or Youngs at ext. 125.

API announces upcoming meeting

The Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will meet for social hour at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at

Pampa Country Club. The guest speaker will be Riley Kothmann of Celanese Chemical Plant.

The Mexican-style buffet will cost \$15 per person and all attendees are invited to bring their significant other. API memberships will be available at the door.

Door prizes will be donated by Curtis Well Service, W.B. Supply of Pampa.

TRUANCY

Pamplin and the team spend 90 percent of their time trying to help students with whatever is keeping them from school. The team sees truancy as a symptom of a greater problem — usually academic difficulty, drugs, pregnancy or poverty.

Justices of the peace have complained that hearings in their courts often are the first time school officials hear the reasons for the absences. Justice Manuel Valdez of Precinct 5 has said that he is reluctant to issue a fine or jail sentence when it appears that there are problems at home.

Pamplin said that is exactly what she and the team are determining before going to court.

Most parents have been receptive to the program, Pamplin and Kimball said. But not all parents appreciate the approach.

The first parent to attend Wednesday's series of private conferences at Meadowbrook walked into the meeting angry and quickly became belligerent.

"You don't threaten me," the mother repeatedly told Pamplin. "I don't take threats."

The mother said that she wrote notes to excuse her son and that it was not her problem if the school did not record them.

But her demeanor softened dramatically when his good son entered the room and Pamplin began praising him for his good grades.

After the parent left, Pamplin shook off the confrontation, and the other team members congratulated her for keeping her cool. But before long, she got another surprise.

One girl had answered her questions only by shaking or nodding her head, shrugging her shoulders or simply saying, "I dunno."

"What's wrong, honey? Is there something you want to tell me? It's written all over your face," Pamplin told her, before taking her aside.

The girl told Pamplin that she had not seen her mother since she was 3 and was being raised by an aunt who recently was told that she had terminal cancer and had six weeks to live. The girl was in tears, wondering where she would go when her aunt dies.

Pamplin arranged for her to speak with a counselor from the Lena Pope Home.

In the middle of that conversation, the girl's mother walked in. Pamplin quickly confronted the girl about her lie. The girl was the only student that day required to sign a promise to attend school. But she also received grief counseling to help deal with the inevitable loss of her elderly grandmother, who is ill.

Another boy received counseling to deal with his parent's recent divorce.

He explained that he has missed school because he is bouncing back and forth between his mother's home in Forest Hill and his father's house in the Meadowbrook neighborhood. He could only clench his jaw and nod yes when asked if he was sad about the breakup.

Then came Catisha, who sleeps through her alarm as well as a wake-up call from her father.

Her father, who stays home to take care of her 8-month-old sister, usually goes back to sleep after waking Catisha. Sometimes, so does Catisha.

"I'm at work by the time she misses the bus," Catisha's mother explained. "She has the responsibility for catching the bus. But she oversleeps. I think she's sneaking up at night and watching TV."

But Catisha says the district attorney got her attention.

"I think I should have gotten my butt up and gone to school," she said.

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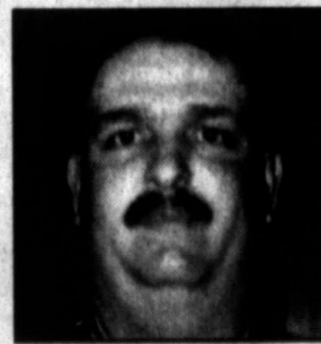
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Some parents create elaborate homemade parties for offspring

By NANCY CHURNIN
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — It's like producing a movie or a play. There are endless discussions about the theme, the scenes, how one moment should flow into another.

The preparations begin months, sometimes a year, before the actual presentation. Props are discussed and obtained laboriously, sometimes from stores, sometimes from friends, painstakingly assembled from bits of this and that.

Finally, the show begins — the show which, no matter how successful, will last for a few scant hours. The show which, after all, is nothing more — but nothing less — than a child's birthday party.

At a time when most overworked parents hang onto their last shred of sanity by going to a roller rink or bowling alley or pizza place where a hostess will do everything for you for X amount of dollars per head, there are still a handful of moms and dads out there tackling the homemade birthday party.

That's right, no clown with animal balloons. No face painting, no pony, no video games, no swimming.

Just an old-fashioned party with games.

"It's a dying art," says Kim Kelly of Plano. "But I love it."

At Emily Kelly's seventh birthday party on Feb. 19, the theme is "Over The Rainbow" as in "The Wizard of Oz," a favorite story for Kelly and her daughter.

As the party guests arrive, each gets a rainbow sticker to wear on her party dress. They take turns writing in Emily's memory book. Then they head to the driveway, where they are greeted by buckets of chalk in a rainbow of blues, pinks, yellows and greens alongside a silhouette for each guest to color.

Kelly made the silhouettes by tracing around her daughter's body earlier that morning. Emily's friends spend about 20 minutes filling in those silhouettes, until it's time to go into the yard for a treasure hunt.

It all seems simple, but Kelly says she and Emily have been fine-tuning the details since last fall. They have worked intensely on everything from the party-favor necklaces, which Emily crafted from long rolls of cellophane with bows separating the treats inside like beads on a string, to the lace hanging over chairs; the lace will be braided into friendship bracelets.

The guests feast on fruit on

shish-kebab skewers — in a rainbow of colors, naturally — while listening to the music from a "Wizard of Oz" CD. The decorations feature Dorothy, Tin Man, Scarecrow and Lion figurines, as well as a framed photo from the movie borrowed from Kelly's friend Judy. Judy is from Kansas, of course.

It may seem like a lot of work, but not to Emily.

"I love it," she says, after chalking a yellow necklace on her silhouette. "I love spending time with my mom. I love everything about it."

As for Mom, the labor is more than mitigated by the bonding experience. Kelly says she gets to know her daughter better by finding out what she likes and doesn't like. And she is gratified by the skills she has seen her daughter develop in the process.

"We started doing this with her when she was 3," she says. "We've done tea parties, slumber parties and makeover parties. I think it's built her confidence to create these parties. I always wanted her to feel as if she can do anything. And she does."

Costs at home vary

A benefit of the homemade party can be cost, or the cost can be a wash. Cynthia Krizman of Plano figures that with all her trips to fabric stores for camouflage fabric and mosquito netting for her son Brett's safari party, in addition to party favors of compasses and magnifying glasses, she spends as much as she would on a party out — about \$150.

And sometimes homemade parties can cost more. Kelly says she has spent as little as \$60 for a camp-out party for her son, including decorations and favors, but admits to spending hundreds on the elaborately themed rainbow party, in part because she did balloon arches as decorations.

Ultimately, money isn't the issue. It's the fun of putting it together that motivates Elaine Berry of Dallas, who made a treasure-hunt party for her daughter, Melissa, who turned 11 in November. To keep the cost under \$75, she buys fun Post-it notes to mix with fake gold coins, money and beads in a treasure chest of treats.

Professional party places may charge hundreds of dollars, not counting extras such as cakes and treat bags; at the decidedly high end, FAO Schwarz charges \$17,000 for a sleepover in its New York

store (the party isn't available in Dallas).

"It's a lot cheaper (to have a party at home)," says Berry.

But more than the savings, it comes down to having fun with her child, she says.

"My husband calls my children my playmates, and I guess they are."

For Lisa Williams of Plano, it's also a creative outlet. Over the years, for her three sons, Morgan, 11, Marshal, 8, and Matthew, 4, she has made puzzle parties, pirate parties and a surprise party in which guests were asked to wear black clothes and glasses — like the "Men in Black" agents. Upon arrival, guests were given a "top secret" file that instructed them to "abduct" her oldest child as if he were an alien.

"I get a thrill out of being able to see how well I can make a party a cohesive unit," Williams says. "I don't know why, but I do."

Consider kid's wish

Not all children want their parents so deeply involved in their celebrations. Berry's son, Adam, 8, generally opts for having his party outside the house.

But Cynthia Krizman's son, Brett, wouldn't have his party anywhere but home.

Krizman found that out the hard way. After years of celebrating Brett's birthdays at her Plano home, she begged him to have his eighth birthday at any party place he wanted. After all, she knew she was going to be nine months pregnant at the time.

"I wanted to do it somewhere else because I'm going to have a baby in 12 days," she says on Jan. 22, the night of the party.

Brett says, "But I like my house. I like to have my friends over."

"But he thinks this is more fun. And I enjoy it because Brett likes it so much and his friends enjoy it. The first time, I didn't know what his friends would think because they were so used to going to Planet Pizza or a roller rink. But they like this because it's different."

Like the other parents, Krizman went with a theme. Working from a party-in-a-box kit she had received as a Christmas present, she and Brett designed a safari party, playing music from "The Lion King." She bought nine yards of camouflage fabric and 10 yards of mosquito netting. She used the camouflage to recover Brett's tent and used smaller pieces of the cloth to wrap the binoculars, compasses and plastic insects for the goody bags. The mosquito netting was draped from the ceiling light fixture and enclosed the table where the kids ate cake and ice cream.

She bought packages of construction paper and took them to Kinko's to slice them into strips so that she and Brett could make interlocking loops of green, yellow and brown "jungle vines" to hang from the ceiling. She figures it took her about seven hours to prepare the safari party.

For her, the biggest challenge isn't the planning, it's getting several high-spirited, video-game-loving boys to sit down and listen to the rules for the games: seeing whose plastic frog could jump closest to the center of the circle

and sitting in a circle for a memory game in which each one had to say what he had seen on a safari, and remembering to say what the children before him had said.

"It takes awhile to get them to listen and pay attention," Krizman says.

But once they get started, they are hooked.

"Now remember, the closest frog to the center wins," says Krizman. "On your mark, get set, go FLIP!"

The five boys each take turns pushing down the tail of their plastic frogs, releasing them and watch-

ing them leap toward the black construction paper circle Krizman has put down inside a black construction paper ring.

"Mine was the closest," says Jonathan Boren, 7.

"OK," says Bill Krizman, Brett's dad. "Jonathan's won one heat."

"OK," says Cynthia Krizman. "Get your frogs. On your mark, get set, go!"

As a red frog sails onto the black dot, she whistles appreciatively.

"Alex, man, you can't do much better than that," she says to Alex Rainbolt, 8.

Speaking a few weeks later, after Brett's brother, Brian, was born on schedule on Feb. 3, Krizman says she is glad that she went ahead and made the party that Brett wanted.

"I didn't want him to feel because the baby was coming that I couldn't handle it," she says. "He thought it was awesome, which is what makes it all worthwhile. And besides, now, when I make the baby his parties, he'll have an experienced big brother to help out."

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Coloring contest



(Special photo)

Meredith Coutts was selected the first place winner of the Valentine Coloring Contest sponsored by the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce. Jo Ann and Ralph West, owners of Harvester Lanes, presented Coutts with the first place prize — a bowling party for her and nine of her friends.

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Producers may be eligible to apply for NAP benefits

COLLEGE STATION — Dry winter weather in the panhandle, South Plains and North Central areas of the state is causing major losses of grazing from small grain crops of wheat, oats, barley, rye and triticale. Grazing is severely damaged or lost on an estimated 2.5 to 3 million acres.

Losses of small grain forage production may be eligible for compensation from the Noninsured Crop Disaster Program offered by USDA's Farm Service Agency. Implementation of NAP and determinations of producer eligibility depend heavily on information reported by producers.

"Producers must understand that destroying small grain acreage, or making other use of it prior to inspection by FSA, could jeopardize their eligibility for a NAP payment for the grazing loss," said Wayland Shurley, state executive director of Texas FSA. "We want producers to benefit from the NAP program, but we need their help."

Producers who believe they qualify for NAP benefits for loss of small grain forage production in the fall and winter months must notify FSA no later than 15 days after the FCIC pull off date. FSA must have an opportunity to inspect acreage to verify damage to the small grain forage.

Federal crop insurance policies on wheat and oats provide protection against loss of grain production in these areas of the state. Crop insurance industry officials recently discussed the possibility of releasing small grain acreage that is no longer in dormancy, even though the established pull off dates were not yet reached. In some areas, the outlook for grain production is bleak. As a result, much of the acreage could be released in the next few weeks. Release of acreage by crop insurance companies means producers can make other use of the land.

Farmers need to remember, however, that release of their insured small grain crop by the crop insurance industry does not mean their forage acreage can be destroyed without affecting the potential eligibility for NAP benefits.

In areas where high winds cause potential erosion problems, producers who request and receive permission from the crop insurance companies to perform emergency tillage must also notify FSA prior to destroying crop acreage to avoid jeopardizing their eligibility for NAP assistance.

Producers needing more information about NAP should contact FSA at the local USDA Service Center.

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BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Junior guard Gary Alexander of Pampa has been named to the second-team All-District 3-4A boys basketball team this season.

It was the second year for the 5-9 Alexander to make the all-district team.

Hereford's Cody Hodges (6-1 senior) was named player of the year. Randy Dean, also of Hereford, was named coach of the year.

Named to the first team were Derrick Collins and Laroy Hardy of Caprock, Slade Hodges, Hereford; Kenneth Brown and Cornelius Jones of Palo Duro; Eron Haynes, Borger.

Joining Alexander on the second team were Chayse Rives and Cody Marsh of Hereford, J Fields, Caprock; Chris Washington and Esgar Garcia of Dumas, Kendrick Dickson, Borger.

GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills will have a 3-man scramble March 25 with a percentage of fees going to the public course's cart trail fund.

There will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start with a \$40 entry fee, which includes carts. There will be only one player with a 9-handicap or less and teams will be flighted according to total handicap.

A player must be 18 years old to enter and must have an established handicap.

Prizes will be awarded. Call 669-5866 to sign up.

AUTO RACING

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) — It seems the only person surprised by Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s early-season showing is Little E himself.

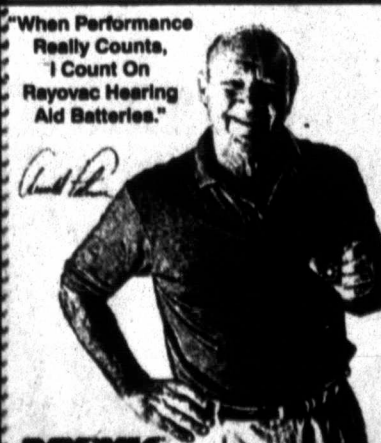
"Maybe I expected it to be a little tougher on all of us," he said Friday after another in a series of strong qualifying efforts.

Dale Jarrett, the defending Winston Cup champion, won the pole for today's Cracker Barrel 500 at Atlanta Motor Speedway, but it was the 25-year-old Earnhardt Jr. who created most of the excitement in the qualifying session — delayed 90 minutes by rain — by taking second.

"I thought for a while we might have it," said the son of seven-time series champion Dale Earnhardt. "But the outside of the front row isn't too bad. We're a little behind on our race setups, and qualifying I think has helped us finish better than our car actually has shown."

The youngster, making only his ninth Winston Cup start on Sunday, had a career-best start of third last week in Las Vegas and matched his career-best 10th-place race finish.

Ricky Rudd, who qualified on the front row for each of the first three races, was far off the pace in 34th on Friday. That left Little E, a two-time Busch Series champion, as the only driver who has qualified in the top 10 for every race so far this season.



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Klein Forest goes after 5A championship

AUSTIN (AP) — Jason Klotz and Klein Forest already cleared out one big-time recruit and Class 5A rival. Can they do it to another?

Klotz scored 17 points and Klein Forest (32-4) outplayed Brian Boddicker and defending state champion Duncanville in a 59-29 rout Friday night to send the Eagles into tonight's title game against Sugar Land Willowridge.

Klotz got the better of Boddicker, a high-school All-American and his future University of Texas teammate, with 8-of-11 shooting. Boddicker, who scored 52 points in two tournament games last year, was just 2-of-11 for 10 points while often matching up against Klotz under the basket.

"I hate to end my career like this," a tearful Boddicker said after the game.

His teammates also struggled. The Panthers were 11-of-59 shooting, including 0-of-21 on 3-pointers, to take the edge off the anticipated matchup of the two large-school powers and their standout players.

The 6-foot-10 Klotz will have to put together a similar performance to win the state title.

Sugar Land Willowridge (35-1) came into the tournament as the prohibitive favorite behind Oklahoma State signee Ivan McFarline. McFarline scored 20 points in Friday's 69-55 win over San Antonio Taft.

Sugar Land Willowridge is rated among the top 10 prep teams in the country, and Klotz believes his team

deserves similar honors. "I think we're near the top," he said.

Class 2A Peaster earned an encore appearance in the state championship game with a 65-45 victory over Hale Center. A.J. Hill, the hero of last year's state championship victory when he sent it into overtime with three foul shots in the final two seconds, scored 34 points for Peaster (32-4).

The Greyhounds will play Van Vleck (30-5), which beat Central Heights 56-54 behind 23 points from Vonchass Griggs, the two-time state high jump champion.

Today's other finals feature two-time defending champions Moulton (36-3) against Brookeland (38-1) in a rematch of the 1999 Class 1A

final, and Waco La Vega (32-4) against Gainesville (29-7) in the 3A final.

Dallas Madison (32-2) plays Denton Ryan (29-6) for the Class 4A championship.

Kids Club sets schedule

PAMPA — Pampa Kids & Youth Club has announced its schedule for the spring-summer baseball and softball leagues.

League Commissioner Dean Crockett says the leagues will be broken into T-Ball, coach-pitch, kid pitch and girls' softball. All leagues will be determined by the number of youngsters who sign up.

Sign-ups will be held on March 20 to March 24 and from March 27 to March 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Donut Stop, located at 1330 N. Hobart. Sign-up fee is \$20 per youngster and includes a jersey, award and insurance.

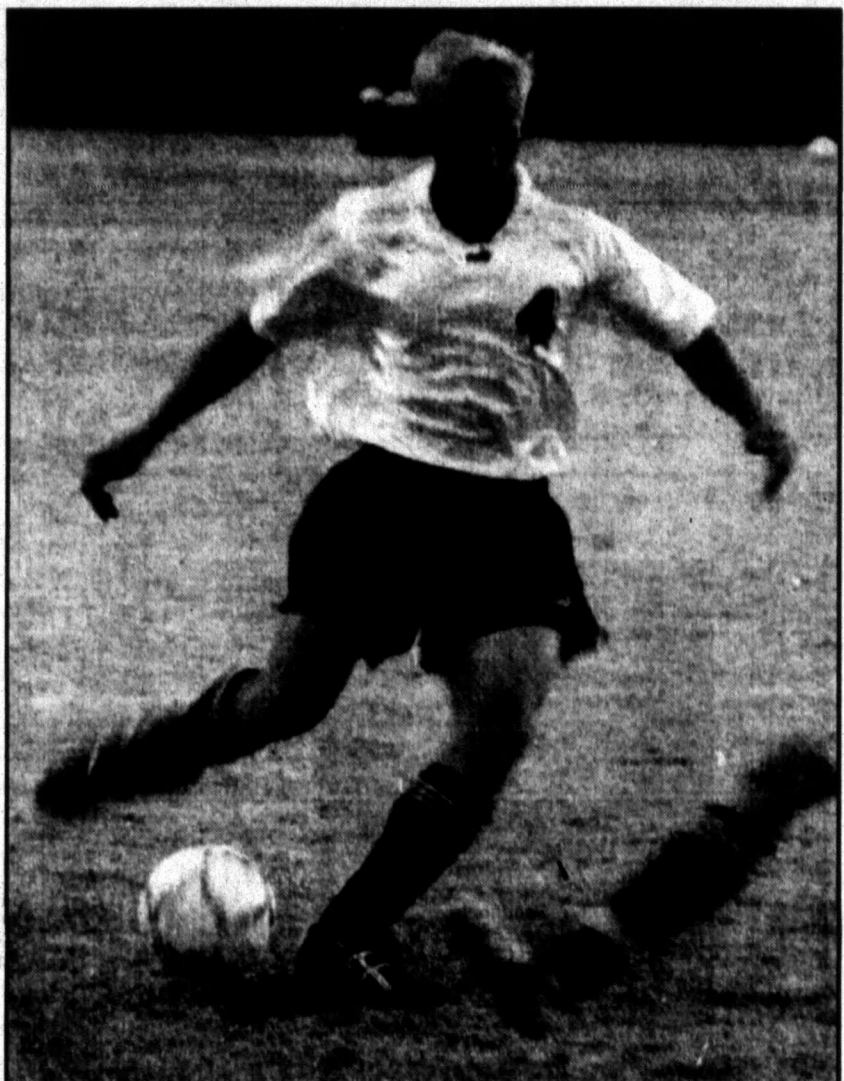
Scholarships are available upon request. Commissioner Crockett says all games will be played at

Hobart Street Park on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The club offers competitive, organized baseball, but at the same time allows all the youngsters equal playing time despite their level of ability.

"Winning baseball games is nice, but our number one purpose is to teach good sportsmanship, healthy morals, team spirit and learning to enjoy the game," Crockett said. "There will be no tryouts or draft. All the kids will be taken in a blind draw."

Anyone interested in helping coach or work on the playing fields should contact League Commissioner Dean Crockett at 665-3927.



(Photo by Lacy Plunk)

The Harvesters' Brad Gardner scored a goal against Palo Duro.

Pampa teams close regular season with soccer victories

PAMPA — The Pampa boys soccer won't be going to the playoffs this season, but they had a strong finish to close things out.

The Harvesters routed Palo Duro 10-0 Friday at Harvester Stadium with five players getting in on the scoring act. Jeremy Hall led the way with four goals while Jason Hall had 3, Ryan Chambers, Kyle McCullough and Brad Gardner one each.

"All the seniors started and played well and we were able to get our young guys into the game," said Pampa coach John True. "I was real happy for them, especially with all the injuries we've had."

True said sweeper Ryan Sells and goalie Jeremy Silva both had outstanding matches.

Earlier in the week, Pampa shut out Borger 1-0 with Jeremy Hall scoring the winning goal.

"We played very good defense. Jeremy Silva had a shutout at goalie and Tristan Brown, Ryan Sells, Ryan Chambers and Brad Gardner were outstanding on defense. Pampa won its last two

matches to finish the season with a 4-6 record in District 3-4A.

"These two wins were very good for our program. It gives us a good start on rebuilding for next year," True added.

Meanwhile, the Pampa girls turned up for the playoffs with a 7-1 rout of Palo Duro on Saturday.

Misty Northcutt came

through with three goals for the Lady Harvesters. Sarah Porter, Mary Alice Warner, Jessica Burns and Desiree Vigil had one each. Burns, Desiree Vigil and Stephanie Goldsmith each had an assist.

Goalie Samantha Ford had three saves for Pampa.

The Lady Harvesters closed out the regular season with an 8-2 record.

WT to have sprint triathlon

AMARILLO — The West Texas A&M University Sprint Triathlon is scheduled Saturday, April 15 at the Virgil Henson Activities Center on the WTAMU campus.

The Sprint Triathlon is sponsored by WTAMU Wellness Services. The triathlon includes a 400-meter swim, a 10-mile bike ride and a three-mile run.

Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. A mandatory race meeting begins at 9:30 a.m., and the triathlon begins at 10:30 a.m.

Participants can compete as

teams or as individuals. The individual competition will be divided into 10 age groups. Three people enter the team competition, with one member involved in each event. Men and women can participate on the same team.

Entry fees before March 31 are \$25 for individuals and \$40 per team.

WTAMU students pay \$15 per individual and \$25 per team.

Registration forms can be obtained by phoning Wellness Services at 806-651-2335.

Cowboys sign troubled DE Dimitrius Underwood

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys, no strangers to dealing with players fighting off-field demons, may have taken on their biggest challenge yet: Dimitrius Underwood.

In signing a two-year contract Friday, Underwood joined his third team in less than a year, continuing an NFL odyssey that has included a missing-persons episode, a suicide attempt and an attempted escape from a mental care center.

"After looking at everything, Dallas just looked like the right place for Dimitrius. It was a really good opportunity," said Robert Huebner, Underwood's agent.

The Cowboys seem to be an unlikely match considering owner Jerry Jones' stated desire to avoid players with troubled reputations. That was why he didn't draft Randy Moss two years ago.

But Jones is hopeful the team's player programs department can help Underwood revive his career. His hope is grounded in the case of Alonzo Spellman, who had a solid 1999 season in Dallas after mental problems knocked him out of the NFL for more than a year.

"We have the opportunity to give this young man a chance, and all of our research points to the conclusion that he is deserving of that chance," Jones said in a statement.

"From a big-picture perspec-

tive, we have made a long-term commitment — in terms of resources and personnel — to put the organization in a position to explore a situation such as this. We have a support system in place that is showing positive results. Of course, every situation is different, and there are always unique challenges involved."

Terms were not released, but it was likely for the minimum. That's what Spellman got and now he has the chance to cash in on his successful rehabilitation through free agency.

Spellman was older and more established as a player when his career was jeopardized. Underwood turns 22 in a few weeks and hasn't played football since 1997, his junior year at Michigan State.

Huebner was asked if the Cowboys' signing of Spellman was a factor.

"It is common knowledge that he succeeded there. That part is something we took into consideration," Huebner said.

The agent said he spoke to other teams on Underwood's behalf, but focused on the Cowboys.

Asked if Underwood can be ready by opening day, Huebner said, "That is our intent."

"Dimitrius is coming to Dallas with the expectation to fulfill an opportunity to play there."

The 6-foot-6, 280-pound

defensive end was hurt his senior year, but showed enough potential for Minnesota to draft him 29th overall last summer.

He left camp a day after signing a five-year, \$5.03 million contract and was missing for several days. His departure sacrificed a \$1.75 million signing bonus.

The Vikings put him on waivers because he said he wasn't interested in football; instead, he was torn between a desire to pursue the ministry and the need to support his children.

But when the Miami Dolphins claimed him on waivers, he decided to give it another go, only to hurt his shoulder in his first exhibition game.

Three weeks later, Underwood was found bleeding from the neck on a street in Lansing, Mich. Police said he used two steak knives to cut his throat at the home of his girlfriend and their young twins. He then spent two months in protective care.

In December, Underwood committed himself to a mental health center, then jumped a fence hours later and fled, police said. The Dolphins released him the next week.

Spellman went through several bizarre incidents, too, that were attributed to bipolar disorder. Doctors have said Underwood suffers manic depression.

Former Cowboys running back Calvin Hill, who oversees the players program department, said counselors work with players before they enter the organization, indicating Underwood already has met with them.

"We will utilize the support systems that we already have in place, and then make whatever adjustments are necessary to meet the specific needs of Dimitrius," said Hill, father of NBA star Grant Hill. "We have every expectation that Dimitrius will become a productive member of the Cowboys family."

Brookeland wins 1A title

AUSTIN (AP) — Brookeland gave Robert Tovar his points. They refused, however, to cough up another state championship.

Ramon Williams scored 28 points and Carl Johnson added 15 to carry Brookeland past two-time defending champion Moulton 63-53 Saturday for the Class 1A state championship.

The victory was a measure of revenge for Brookeland (39-1), which lost to Moulton in the 1999 state final.

The loss prevented Moulton from becoming just the sixth school in any class from winning three straight state titles. Tovar

scored 27 for Moulton (36-4) but it wasn't enough to cap a stellar high school career with his third straight title game most valuable player award.

Those honors went instead to Williams, who repeatedly slashed through the Moulton defense for layups and squashed Moulton's fourth quarter rally with 10 points in the final period.

The opening play of the game was a good indication of how it would end for Moulton when Tovar missed an alley-oop layup and the Bobkatz went on to hit just seven of 22 shots in the first half.

Player to serve 5-year sentence

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A former high school basketball player will continue serving a five-year jail sentence for breaking an opponent's nose during a game.

Judge Mark Luitjen has declined to reduce 18-year-old Tony Limon's sentence. The judge had until Friday — 30 days after punishment was imposed

— to modify the decision, but he took no action, a court spokeswoman said.

Limon's attorneys had not expected Luitjen to change his mind. They plan to apply later for "shock probation" requiring Limon to serve up to six months behind bars followed by probation.

Flashback

1954: Identical twins Ray and Roy Eller sparked the White Deer football team to a 20-0 victory over Price College of Amarillo.

Ray at halfback scored on a 12-yard run while Roy the quarterback had a 4-yard touchdown.

The other TD was by fullback Jack McCabe on a 7-yard run.

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Pampa junior varsity tennis team captures 3A & Under Tournament

PAMPA — The Pampa junior varsity took first place this past weekend in the Pampa 3A and Under Tennis Tournament.

Pampa JV competed against Canadian, Friona, Sunray, Plainview JV, Borger JV, Caprock JV, Dumas JV and Boys Ranch.

Pampa finished with 156 team points for first place. Second was Dumas with 118 points and third was Friona 86.

In boys' doubles, Pampa's two entries ended up playing each other in the finals for first and second. Freshmen Jay Gerber and David Thacker defeated sophomore Nathaniel Hill and junior Jeff Adkins 6-0, 6-0.

Pampa's two girls' doubles teams also ended up in the finals. Sophomore Ashley Jordan and Stacie Carter defeated freshman Abby Bradley and Helen Brooks 6-4, 6-3.

Sophomore Brittany Kindle took first in girls' singles and freshman Ashley Willis came in third.

In boys' singles, junior Matt Cook won first and sophomore Jared Spearman was third.

This is the third tournament this spring this team of six boys and six girls have won.

3A & Under Tournament Scores
(Pampa players in boldface)

Boys Singles
Matt Cook def. Dwayne Bentz, Caprock, 6-0, 6-0; def. Austin Stone, Plainview, 6-1, 6-1; def. Zubio Bhakta, Friona, 6-3, 7-6; def. T. Espinoza, Friona, 6-2, 6-2. Jared Spearman def. David Ash, Canadian, 6-4, 6-2; def. Andrew Ward, Dumas, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3; lost to J. Espinoza, Friona, 6-1, 1-6, 7-5; def. Zubio Bhakta, Friona, 7-5, 6-2.

Girls Singles

Asheley Willis def. Mystic Harris, Plainview, 6-1, 6-0; def. Tiffany Harris, Sunray, 6-3, 7-5; lost to Anna Resnik, Dumas, 6-2, 6-3; def. Alicia Schubert, Dumas, 6-4, 6-1.

Brittany Kindle def. Janis Argo, Canadian, 6-0, 6-0; def. Jessica Perez, Friona, 6-2, 6-2; def. Alicia Schubert, Dumas, 6-3, 6-0; def. Anna Resnik, Dumas, 6-2, 6-3.

Boys Doubles
Jay Gerber-David Thacker def. B'Ardenae-Powell, Borger, 6-1, 6-2; def. Nathu-Ruiz, Caprock, 6-0, 6-0; def. Heatwole-Heatwole, Canadian, 6-0, 6-2.
Gerber-Thacker def. Adkins-Hill, Pampa, 6-0, 6-0.
Jeff Adkins-Nathanael Hill def. Stanberry-Windimear, Friona, 6-1, 6-0; def. Minick-Culver, Canadian, 7-5, 6-2; def. Fagan-Patel, Plainview, 6-3, 6-2; lost to Gerber-Thacker, 6-0, 6-0.

Upsets give NCAA selection committee plenty to mull over

By The Associated Press

The NCAA tournament selection committee will have plenty of data to play with when it's time to set the brackets for the 64-team field.

Eight nationally ranked teams lost games in conference tournaments Friday. Sure, three of these defeats came against other ranked teams, but the outcomes were enough to set the committee members' heads spinning.

The biggest surprises came in the Big Ten, where unheralded Penn State upset No. 4 Ohio State 71-66, No. 22 Purdue lost 78-66 to Wisconsin and No. 25 Illinois defeated No. 18 Indiana 72-69.

"It's really easy for us to brush this off: 'Oh we lost in the (Big Ten) semifinals last year and still went to the Final Four.' That was then, this is now," Ohio State coach Jim O'Brien said.

"To think we're going to get a first seed is out of the question at this point. What we need to do is make sure it is not damaging when we play in the NCAA."

Not to be outdone was the Southeastern Conference, as South Carolina beat No. 8 Tennessee 75-68, Auburn surprised No. 11 Florida without Chris Porter and Arkansas defeated No. 16 Kentucky 86-72.

"Kentucky's gone. Florida's gone. Tennessee's gone," Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson said. "That tells you the league is strong from top to bottom. If they threw the ball up tomorrow to start the season, there might be nine teams tie for the title. It's gotten that close."

In other tournament games, it was No. 5 Michigan State, 75, Iowa 65; No. 6 Temple 54, Massachusetts 47; No. 10 LSU 71, Vanderbilt 60; No. 13 Texas 78, Colorado 35; No. 14 Tulsa 93, Texas Christian 71; No. 15 Oklahoma 84, Missouri 80 in overtime; No. 17 Oklahoma 77, No. 24 Kansas 58; No. 19 St. John's 58, No. 23 Miami 57; No. 20 Maryland 82, Florida State 61; and No. 21 Connecticut 70, Georgetown 55.

Meanwhile, in the only game that actually determined an NCAA bid, Lafayette defeated Navy 87-61 to win the Patriot League title behind tournament MVP Stefan Ciosici.

Penn St. 71, No. 4 Ohio St 66

Joe Crispin scored seven points in the final 2:20, and Penn State got its first victory in 10 tries this season against ranked teams.

With Scoonie Penn shooting just 3-of-16 and committing seven turnovers, the Buckeyes (22-6) suffered a loss that could

cost them a top seed in the NCAA tournament.

Jarrett Stephens had 21 points and 12 rebounds for Penn State (15-14), which moved into today's semifinals against Illinois. George Reese led Ohio State with 22, and Michael Redd had 19.

No. 5 Michigan State 75, Iowa 65
Mateen Cleaves and Charlie Bell scored 11 of Michigan State's last 18 points as the Spartans withstood a furious effort from Dean Oliver and Iowa in the Big Ten tournament.

Morris Peterson, the coaches' choice for Big Ten player of the year, led the Spartans (24-7) with 22 points. Michigan State plays Wisconsin in today's semifinals.

Oliver had a career-high 30 points for Iowa (14-16).

No. 6 Temple 54, Massachusetts 47

Kevin Lyde scored 15 points as Temple beat Massachusetts (17-15) in the Atlantic 10 semifinals.

Temple (25-5), seeking its first A-10 tournament title since 1990, were to meet St. Bonaventure today. The Owls have won 16 of 17 games.

No. 7 Iowa State 76, Baylor 64
Marcus Fizer scored a Big 12 tournament-record 38 points for the Cyclones against Baylor.

Fizer broke the tournament record of 33 points set by Oklahoma's Corey Brewer against Missouri in 1997.

Stevie Johnson had a tournament-record 16 rebounds for the Cyclones (27-4), who will face No. 17 Oklahoma State in the semifinals.

DeMarcus Minor had 27 points for Baylor (14-15).

South Carolina 75, No. 8 Tennessee 68

South Carolina got a career-high 20 points from Jamel Bradley in its upset of the Volunteers.

Tennessee (24-6), which shared the SEC title with three other schools, failed to score in the final 4:23 after C.J. Black hit a hook shot to put the Vols ahead 68-67.

South Carolina (15-16), the fifth-place team from the SEC Eastern Division, will play Auburn in the semifinals.

No. 10 LSU 71, Vanderbilt 60

Freshman Collis Temple III scored a season-high 20 points as LSU beat Vanderbilt in the SEC quarterfinals.

Temple was 6-for-7 from 3-point range for LSU (26-4), which will play Arkansas in the semifinals.

Atiba Prater led Vanderbilt (19-10) with 16 points.

Auburn 78, No. 11 Florida 70

Daymeon Fishback had 21 points and a career-high 14 rebounds, leading Auburn past Florida in the SEC quarterfinals.

Auburn (22-8) came through with an inspired performance after learning on its way to the Georgia Dome that Porter's college career was over for taking \$2,500 from an agent's middleman.

Mack McGadney, starting in place of Porter, had 15 points. Donnell Harvey led Florida (24-7) with 15 points.

No. 13 Texas 78, Colorado 35
Chris Mihm had 19 points and 15 rebounds, and Texas (23-7) held Colorado to 18 percent shooting in the Big 12 tournament to advance to the semifinals against Oklahoma.

Colorado (18-13) suffered the worst loss in the Big 12 tournament's four-year history, surpassing Nebraska's 91-59 loss to Kansas in 1998. It also was the fewest points by a losing team in tournament history. Oklahoma State fell 53-37 to Kansas last year.

No. 14 Tulsa 93, TCU 71
Reserve David Shelton scored 18 of his 24 points in the first half as Tulsa (29-3) beat TCU to advance to the Western Athletic Conference title game against Fresno State.

No. 15 Oklahoma 84, Missouri 80, OT
Kelley Newton hit a 3-pointer with 22.2 seconds left in overtime as No. 15 Oklahoma escaped with the win in a game that had 79 free throws, including 47 by the Sooners.

Missouri (18-12) gave Oklahoma (25-5) everything it could handle despite a 4-of-25 night on 3-point attempts.

Arkansas 86, No. 16 Kentucky 72
Joe Johnson scored 21 points as Arkansas (17-14) reached the SEC semifinals for the eighth time in nine years.

Kentucky (22-9) won the last three tournament titles and seven of the last eight, but won't be around for the semifinals for the first time since probation kept it out in 1991.

No. 17 Oklahoma St. 77, No. 24 Kansas 58
Desmond Mason had 22 points and 12 rebounds as Oklahoma State routed Kansas, the Jayhawks' first Big 12 tournament loss.

Fredrik Jonzen and Joe Adkins each had 15 points for Oklahoma State (24-5). Gooden had 17 points for Kansas (23-9), which won the first three Big 12 tournaments.

Spurs win in OT against Wizards

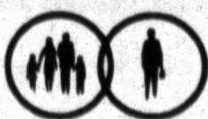
WASHINGTON (AP) — Down by two with five seconds to play, and Tim Duncan is on your team. Any questions about who's going to get the ball?

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Temple 54, Massachusetts 47

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Oklahoma 84, Missouri 80, OT
Oklahoma St. 77, Kansas 58
Texas 78, Colorado 35

Big East Conference Semifinals
Connecticut 70, Georgetown 55
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CS Northridge 78, Montana 65
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LSU 71, Vanderbilt 60
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	38	23	.623	—
New York	37	24	.607	1
Philadelphia	34	28	.567	3 1/2
Orlando	29	32	.476	9
Boston	26	35	.426	12
New Jersey	26	36	.419	12 1/2
Washington	20	43	.317	19

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	43	19	.694	—
Toronto	35	26	.574	7 1/2
Charlotte	34	28	.548	9
Detroit	30	30	.500	12
Milwaukee	29	33	.468	14
Cleveland	25	36	.410	17 1/2
Atlanta	23	37	.383	19
Chicago	13	48	.213	29 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	41	20	.672	—
San Antonio	40	22	.645	1 1/2
Minnesota	36	25	.590	5
Denver	26	36	.426	14 1/2
Dallas	24	37	.393	17
Houston	24	37	.393	17
Vancouver	18	44	.290	23 1/2

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
x-L.A. Lakers	51	11	.823	—
Portland	46	15	.754	4 1/2
Phoenix	39	22	.639	11 1/2
Seattle	38	25	.603	13 1/2
Sacramento	35	25	.580	14 1/2
Golden State	18	46	.282	34 1/2
L.A. Clippers	12	50	.194	39

x-clinched playoff berth

Thursday's Games
San Antonio 105, Atlanta 79
Indiana 127, Portland 119, OT
Minnesota 100, Dallas 79
Utah 101, Houston 82
L.A. Lakers 106, Golden State 92

Friday's Games
Boston 104, Chicago 74
New York 82, Philadelphia 77
San Antonio 108, Washington 99, OT
Indiana 95, Cleveland 92
New Jersey 108, Milwaukee 80
Miami 95, Denver 88
Detroit 111, Vancouver 97
Utah 99, Phoenix 96
Seattle 99, Golden State 85
Charlotte 118, L.A. Clippers 101
Sacramento 103, Toronto 88

Saturday's Games
Vancouver at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia at Boston, 12:30 p.m.
Miami at Indiana, 12:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.
Toronto at Seattle, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at New York, 8 p.m.
Portland at Washington, 8 p.m.
Orlando at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

No Elway-like finish for Dolphins Marino

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Dan Marino, the master of the two-minute drill, is ready to admit the clock has run out.

The future Hall of Famer will announce his retirement Monday, ending a 17-year career with the Miami Dolphins.

Marino, 38, badly wanted to go out like John Elway and retire as a Super Bowl champion. But after parting ways with the Dolphins, Marino reluctantly rejected an offer to play this year for the Minnesota Vikings.

Friends said Marino turned the deal down because of his bad knees, his loyalty to the Dolphins and his unwillingness to be separated from his wife and five children for an extended time.

"We can't pick and choose how we go out," former Miami quarterback Bob Griese said. "The way John Elway did it would be the ideal way, but lots of others go out on low notes."

"I know what he's going through, and it's tough to walk away. But after he does it, he'll feel better. Everybody will remember the good times."

Minnesota coach Dennis Green, in Tampa for a meeting of the NFL competition com-

mittee, said Marino called him Friday.

"He informed me that he plans to announce his retirement, and I wished him the best of luck," Green said. "I still think he has the ability to play, but he made the decision based on what he thought was right, and I respect him for that."

Marino, who hasn't spoken publicly in nearly three weeks, played golf Friday in a private charity event held by Greg Norman in Hobe Sound, Fla.

Receiver Lamar Thomas said the Dolphins will miss Marino. "We all look up to him," Thomas said. "I'm kind of shocked. I was hoping he'd play another year. It sent chills up my spine playing with him. He's such a competitor."

Marino's place in history will be the subject of endless debates. Some of his records could last for decades, including NFL career marks for touchdowns (420), yardage (61,361) and completions (4,967).

In 1984, his second season, the brash young quarterback threw for 5,084 yards and 48 touchdowns, league records that still stand. But that season ended in disappointment as Miami lost to San Francisco 38-16 in the Super Bowl.

In a TV commercial taped later, Marino took a soda from 49ers quarterback Joe Montana.

"Next time, I buy," Marino said. He spent the next 15 years trying unsuccessfully to return to the title game.

So where does he rank among quarterbacks?

"He should be No. 1, because he's got all the passing records," said Don Shula, his coach for 13 years. "Sure he would have loved to have gone out with a Super Bowl ring similar to Elway. That didn't happen. But you still look at a 17-year career, and he's done things no other quarterbacks have done."

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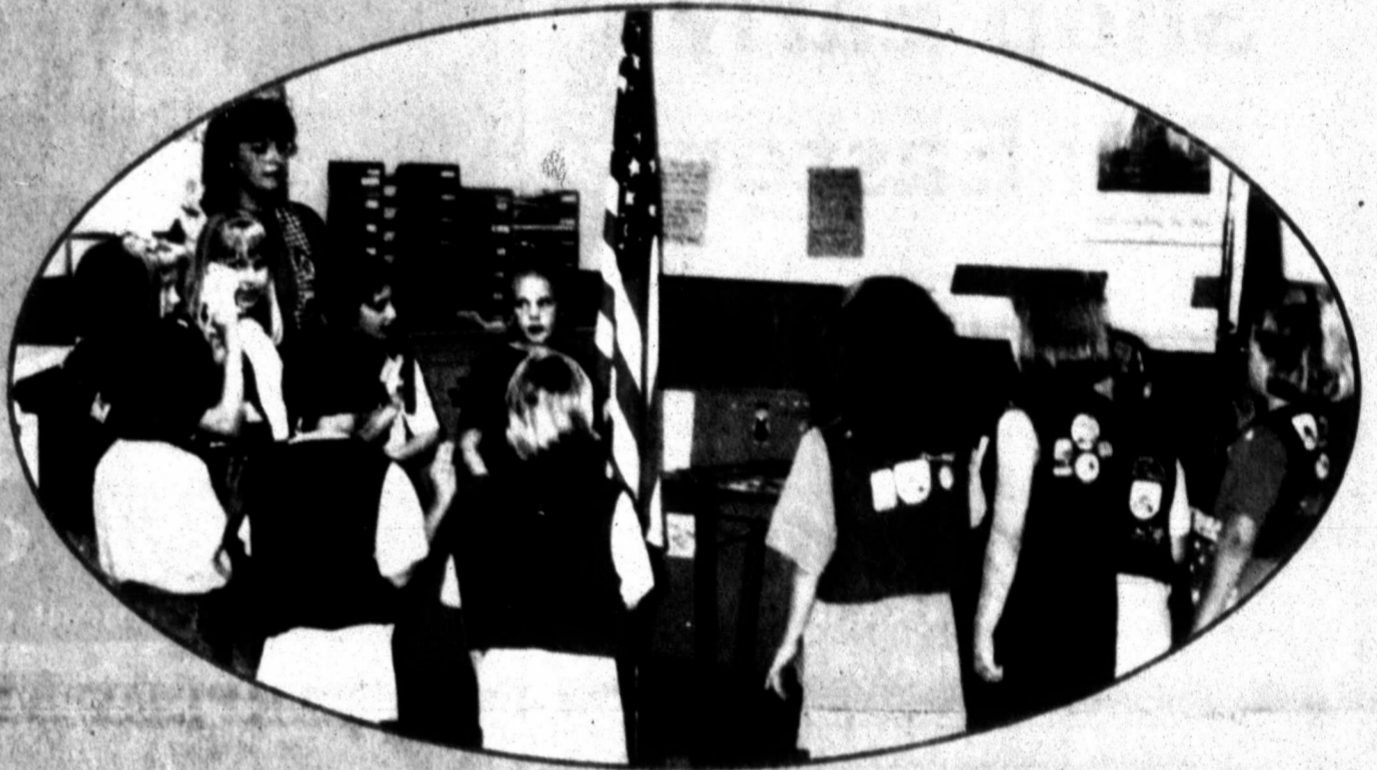
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Kicking off Girl Scout Week the Girl Scouts celebrate Girl Scout Sunday which is the 88th birthday of the Girl Scout program founded by Juliette Gordon Low.

The organization builds leaders one girl at a time. Girl Scouts is a United Way agency.



Members of the local Girl Scouts acquire business skills while working a booth at the Chautauqua festival held each September. The girls sell cotton candy to the festival-goers and the proceeds go to the local Girl Scouts.



A significant activity is when Girls Scouts receive their organization's pin at a special ceremony.



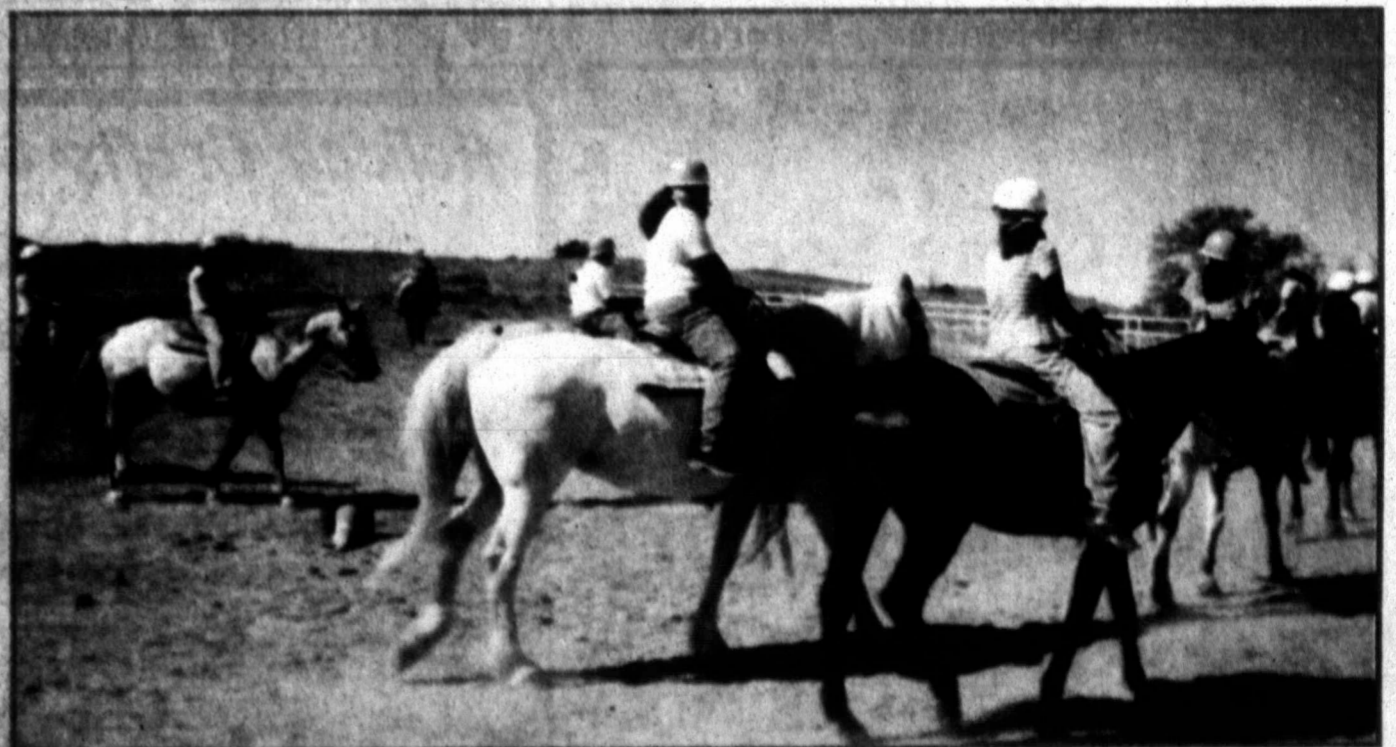
Pampa area Girl Scouts learn water safety as they prepare to canoe on an outing at Greenbelt Lake near Clarendon.

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Karen Lynne Babcock of Amarillo and Mark Alan Metzger of Stratford plan to wed April 29 at St. Stephen United Methodist Church in Amarillo.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Kenneth and Linda Babcock of Groom. She graduated from Groom High School and from West Texas A&M University, receiving a bachelor of business administration degree in management. She is currently employed as Local Government Services Program coordinator at Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in Amarillo.

The prospective groom is the son of the Rev. Kenneth T. and Sue Metzger of Abilene. He graduated from Memphis High School and from Angelo State University, receiving a bachelor of arts degree in government. In addition, he holds a master of divinity degree from Asbury Theological Seminary. He is currently pastor of First United Methodist Church in Stratford.

Club news

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild met Feb. 24 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. One guest was among those present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made: —Fourteen members participated in show and tell.

—Members returned applique blocks to Joyce Dutcher and miniature paper-pieced blocks to Laura Davis.

—Susan Carter distributed instructions for the Friendship Block Exchange which is still on schedule.

—Connie Parks will assume the duties of Quilt Show chairman. In her report, she reminded members Quiltfest 2000 will be the weekend of Saturday, Sept. 30 and Sunday, Oct. 1. Many members have volunteered to help with the show.

—The program was presented by Susie Edwards and Carol Willis who each gave a demonstration.

—The door prize was won by Liza Harrison. Carter received the

Sand's Fabric and Quilt Corner door prize.

—Davis distributed the first two chapters of the PPQG Millennium Mystery Quilt project. The remaining 10 chapters will be handed out over the next five guild meetings.

—Members should bring ready-to-stuff pillows, needles and thread to stuff and complete heart pillows for breast cancer patients at the next meeting. Polyester fiberfill will be provided but extra will be welcome. Contact Kathy Gist for the pillow pattern.

(See, CLUB, Page 18)

Menus

March 13-17

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Lefors Schools MONDAY-FRIDAY

Spring Break.

Senior Citizens MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, turnip greens, breaded tomatoes, beans French vanilla cake or cherry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or taco salad, tater tots, hominy, cauliflower with sauce, pinto beans, black forest cake or blueberry creme pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Fried cod fish or hamburger steak, potato wedges, broccoli spears with cheese, beans, Shamrock cake or tapioca cups,

slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls, garlic toast or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, bread sticks, graham crackers.

TUESDAY

Polish sausage, cheese grits, mixed greens, cake.

WEDNESDAY

Tater tot casserole, cabbage, blackeyed peas, pumpkin bars.

THURSDAY

Ham, okra and tomatoes, northern beans, pudding.

FRIDAY

Barbecue meatballs, baked beans, potato salad, pears.

Newsmakers



Nicholas D. Hillman

ABILENE — Nicholas D. Hillman, son of Karen Day Hillman of Abilene and Dee Hillman of Atkinson, Neb., recently graduated as an E2 Fireman Apprentice from basic military training at Naval Recruit Training Command at Great Lakes, Ill.

Hillman is currently in the Fireman Apprentice Training program and will receive full-pay and benefits while earning credit toward a college degree through Navy Campus.

After training, Hillman will be stationed at Naval Station Everett in Washington state and will be serving aboard the Naval Carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.

OTTAWA, Kan. — Ottawa

University recently announced its Dean's Honor Roll for the 1999 fall semester.

To be eligible for the honor roll, a student must maintain a 3.5 or better grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester

hours. Students named to the list include: **Summer Morris** of Pampa.

AMARILLO — The American Quarter Horse Association has announced **Elizabeth K.**

Kirkpatrick of Pampa recently enrolled in AQHA Horseback Riding Program. The program offers recognition for time spent riding or driving American Quarter Horses. (See, NEWSMAKERS, Page 18)

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I relied on District Attorney John Mann to prosecute the case. Not only did he prosecute and win a conviction, the drunk driver got the maximum penalty. Throughout the difficult trial, John and his staff were there beside me every step of the way with support, encouragement and answers to my questions about this complex legal system.

My beautiful daughter can never be returned to me. This leaves me with a sadness beyond words but I'm glad the District Attorney is John Mann. He fought hard and made sure one more drunk driver is off the road. He is a tough courtroom veteran. When the Criminal's rights are so highly protected, it is good we have John Mann fighting to protect the rights of the victim.

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Confederate Flag flap could have serious repercussions

Gray County Memories

Marie Bartholomew

There is a dark storm slowly making its way across the United States. It is an ugly storm that is once again opening old wounds and leaving a trail of unrest. All because of a piece of material called the Confederate Flag. I'm going to leave the right and wrong for others to write about. Both sides have valued points, and I understand both sides. For myself, I have never placed a deeper meaning to the Confederate flag, other than the fact it is part of America's past and part of my heritage.

If people read enough into something, they will find something offensive but to banish images which represent a historical time period, is to ignore a part of America's history. And that is what scares me the most, how much of our heritage, as well as the right to personal freedom, will be lost in the aftermath of this storm. If we sweep our past history, no matter

how right or wrong we seem to think it is, under the carpet, we are inviting ignorance into our future. Agreed, if indeed the flying of the Confederate Flag over a public building is anything other than pride in Southern heritage, it should be lowered. But to banish it from American history is wrong.

Eventually, this storm will pass. But the trail of destruction it will leave has begun. In Virginia, the state song "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia," was retired. In Maryland, the DMV recalled 78 Confederate battle-flag license plates that had been issued to an organization called Sons of the Confederate Veterans. There is talk of removing Confederate-related statues in front of libraries, a place of public learning. The list goes on.

The question is where will it stop and how much of our past will we lose?

I'm proud of my Southern heritage. I had ancestors who served on both sides of the Civil War. They fought for what they believed was right. They, as well as the Confederate Flag, are part of my heritage as well as part of American history. To banish these images would be to dishonor their lives. Somehow, there needs to be a compromise before we become a country without a history.

Marie Bartholomew is a genealogist who lives in California. She hosts the Gray County Web Page, part of the TexGenWeb Project. Comments are always welcome. You may reach her by writing her at: Marie Bartholomew, 16625 Valerio St., Van Nuys, CA 91406 or by e-mailing her at HYPERLINK mailto:mbarth@glendale.cc.ca.us mbarth@glendale.cc.ca.us.



Johnnie and Major Stewart

Stewart anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Stewart will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary at 6:30 p.m. March 18, 2000, in New Hope Baptist Church of Pampa.

CLUB

The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 23 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. For more information, call (806) 779-2115.

Heritage Art Club

The Heritage Art Club met March 6 at Lovett Library with Cona Mays and Pearlie McBroom assisting Lois Bryant and Bonnie Schaub as hostesses. Seventeen members and four guests, Winona White, Naomi Brown, Gail Harsbarger and Connie Falkner of Amarillo, were present. A program on fabric painting was presented.

The HAC Art Show is slated March 17 and 18. The show will be

open to the public. Sharon Price won the door prize.

The next meeting will be a "Sixth Street Excursion" on April 3.

CattleWomen

Top O' Texas CattleWomen met Feb. 14 at the Hughey House in Pampa.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Members discussed plans to participate in the "Quick and Easy Beef Dinners" campaign sponsored by Wheeler County Extension Service throughout March and April. The CattleWomen will give a food safety program in conjunction with the promotion.

—Plans were made for Ag Week, March 20-28.

—Sandra Christner passed out scholarship applications for distribution in area schools. For more information, call Christner at 826-3572.

—The Beef Ambassadors Contest will be concluded prior to May 1. The winner of the local contest will compete at the state level June 5 and 6 in San Antonio. The event is open to youth age 15-19 in the area. Participants must give a five to eight minute talk on beef or the beef industry. For more information, call Berkley Clements at 274-6073.

—Bob Rogers, wildlife biologist from Canadian, presented the program. He divided members into two groups and questioned each concerning wildlife in the panhandle. The team with the most correct answers won. Much discussion followed some of the answers.

The next meeting will be March 20. To join the local CattleWomen organization, call Dianne Buckingham at 256-3887.

Highland Hobby Club

Highland Hobby Club met March 6 at the home of hostess Mildred Salsman with President Gloria Norris presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

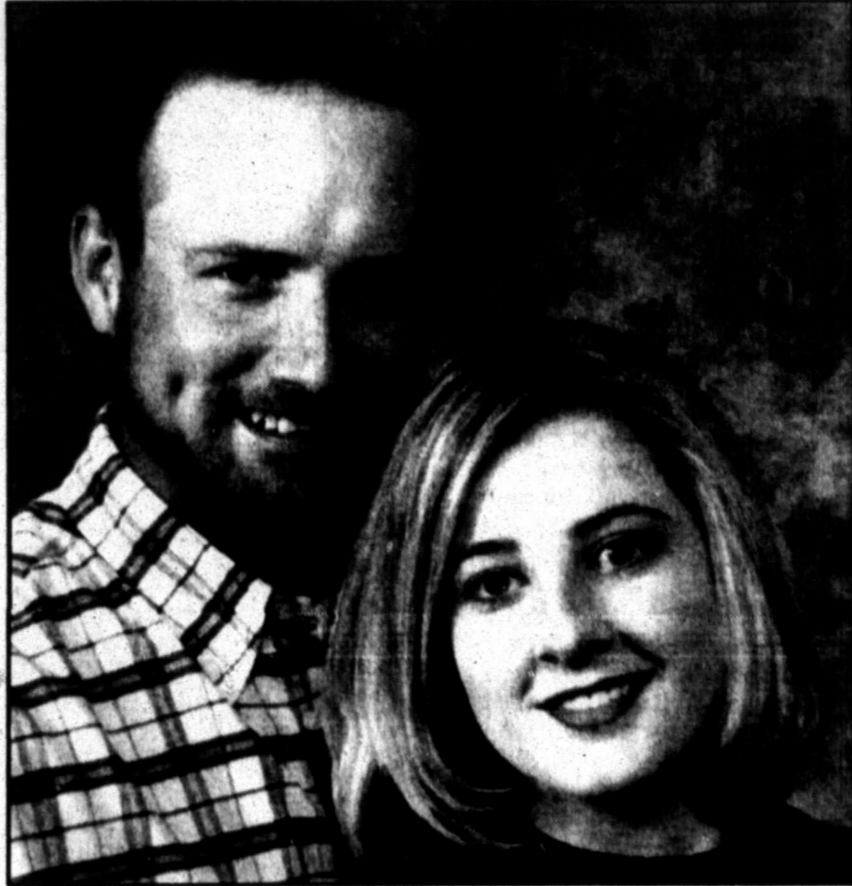
—Secretary-Treasurer Mairlyn Kirkwood read minutes and gave the financial report from the previous meeting.

—Project ideas for the next club year were discussed.

—Ferline Calvert is to make a bird bath to show to the club as a possible club-wide effort.

The next meeting will be in April with Shirley Stevens acting as hostess.

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Jana Leigh Ann Smith and Jayson E. Smith

Smith-Smith

Jana Leigh Ann Smith and Jayson E. Smith plan to wed April 22 in White Deer First Baptist Church at White Deer.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Geary and Patty Smith of White Deer. She graduated from White Deer High School in 1996 and is currently employed at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter in Amarillo.

The prospective groom is the son of Donna Smith of Edinburg and Jay and Patti Smith of Fritch. He graduated from White Deer High School in 1996 and is currently employed as a master electrician at Winget Pump Services LLC in Hereford.

The couple plan to make their home in Amarillo.

NEWSMAKERS

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Community Calendar section with a large title and multiple columns of text listing various community events, meetings, and activities.

EARLY VOTING will be from Feb. 28-March 10. LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY announces a children's program at 10 a.m. each Tuesday from Jan. 11-May 16. FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS meet the fourth Saturday of each month at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion, 6:30 p.m. RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION meets at 2 p.m. the third Monday of every month at the Senior Citizens Center. FIRST PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH hosts "Second Sunday Singing" from 2-4 p.m. WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM will celebrate its 30th anniversary in the Year 2000. PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL office will be open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM will be selling

leaves and rocks to go on the new bronze Heritage which is in the Holland Wing. The items may be purchased all year as memorials and tributes to families, family members and friends. TRALEE CRISIS CENTER support groups for victims of family violence — both women and children — meet every Thursday evening. TRALEE CRISIS CENTER Coordinating Council meets once a month. MEALS ON WHEELS Garage Sale, 900 N. Frost, will be every Monday throughout February and April. PAMPA YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER Water Aerobics class will be from 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL office will be open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. PALC volunteers work with people who need basic reading/writing skills as well as English as a second language.

GIRL SCOUTS are still taking orders for cookie sales. The cookies will arrive in Pampa Feb. 18 and will be delivered March 9. GRAY COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY HEADQUARTERS located in the Combs-Worley Building, 120 W. Kingsmill, Suite 202. MARCH 15 - FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH will host "Fun Day 2000" from 1-4 p.m. in the Family Life Center. 16 - PFAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS meeting will be held in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. 16 - TOP O' TEXAS KNIFE AND FORK CLUB will present Jim Craig at 7 p.m. at Pampa Country Club. 18 - COPPER KITCHEN will host a "Bridal Show"

from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Coronado Center. Kim Havrille Noritake's bridal consultant will attend. 21 - GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE luncheon will be held in M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. 25 - TOP O' TEXAS RODEO ASSOCIATION will have a Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Queen Clinic from 10 a.m.-12 noon in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. 25 - PAMPA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will sponsor its first annual "Boat, Recreation and Travel Show" from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium. 30 - FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY Book Sale will be from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. 30 - COPPER KITCHEN will host a "Bridal Show"

ENTERTAINMENT

Billboard music charts

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

Billboard Hot 100: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Say My Name," Destiny's Child. Columbia.
2. "Amazed," Lonestar. BNA.
3. "Maria Maria," Santana (feat. The Product G&B). Arista. (Gold)
4. "Breathe," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Nashville)
5. "Bye Bye Bye," 'N Sync. Jive.
6. "Show Me The Meaning Of Being Lonely," The Backstreet Boys. Jive.
7. "That's The Way It Is," Celine Dion. 550 Music.
8. "I Knew I Loved You," Savage Garden. Columbia. (Gold)
9. "Get It On Tonight," Montell Jordan. Def Soul.
10. "Smooth," Santana (feat. Rob Thomas). Arista. (Platinum) Copyright 2000, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Supernatural," Santana. Arista. (Platinum)
2. "BTNHResurrection," Bone Thugs-N-Harmony. Ruthless.
3. "Machina/The Machines Of God," The Smashing Pumpkins. Virgin.
4. "Dr. Dre — 2001," Dr. Dre.

- Aftermath. (Platinum)
5. "The Truth," Beanie Sigel. Roc-A-Fella/Def Jam.
 6. "Two Against Nature," Steely Dan. Giant.
 7. "Stiff Upper Lip," AC/DC. EastWest.
 8. "On How Life Is," Macy Gray. Epic. (Platinum)
 9. "Unleash The Dragon," Sisqo. Dragon. (Platinum)
 10. "Devil Without A Cause," Kid Rock. Lava. (Platinum)

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Hot Adult Contemporary

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

1. "I Knew I Loved You," Savage Garden. Columbia. (Gold)
2. "That's The Way It Is," Celine Dion. 550 Music.
3. "Amazed," Lonestar. BNA.
4. "Back At One," Brian McKnight. Motown.
5. "Show Me The Meaning Of Being Lonely," Backstreet Boys. Jive.
6. "Breathe," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
7. "I Do (Cherish You)," 98 Degrees. Universal.
8. "You'll Be In My Heart," Phil Collins. Walt Disney.
9. "I Want It That Way," Backstreet Boys. Jive.
10. "Music Of My Heart," 'N Sync & Gloria Estefan. Miramax. (Gold)

Hot Country Singles and Tracks

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

1. "How Do You Like Me Now?!" Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
2. "My Best Friend," Tim McGraw. Curb.
3. "The Best Day," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
4. "Back At One," Mark Will. Mercury.
5. "Smile," Lonestar. BNA.
6. "Lessons Learned," Tracy Lawrence. Atlantic.
7. "Love's The Only House," Martina McBride. RCA.
8. "Cowboy Take Me Away," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
9. "Because You Love Me," Jo Dee Messina. Curb.
10. "This Woman Needs," SheDaisy. Lyric Street.

6. "Voodoo," Godsmack. Republic.
7. "Only God Knows Why," Kid Rock. Top Dog.
8. "Higher," Creed. Wind-up.
9. "Learn To Fly," Foo Fighters. Roswell.
10. "Weapon And The Wound," Days Of The New. Outpost.

Modern Rock Tracks

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

1. "Otherside," Red Hot Chili Peppers. Warner Bros.
2. "Ex-Girlfriend," No Doubt. Interscope.
3. "Miserable," Lit. RCA.
4. "Letting The Cables Sleep," Bush. Trauma.
5. "All The Small Things," Blink 182. MCA.
6. "Stand Inside Your Love," The Smashing Pumpkins. Virgin.
7. "Never Let You Go," Third Eye Blind. Elektra.
8. "Everything You Want," Vertical Horizon. RCA.
9. "Re-Arranged," Limp Bizkit. Flip.
10. "Little Black Backpack," Stroke9. Cherry.

Soap stars to bring birth of their baby to television

By DAVID BAUDER
AP Television Writer

DARIEN, Conn. (AP) — Maura West and Scott DeFreitas could hardly be described as private people. They're both actors on "As the World Turns" and, in real life, DeFreitas proposed marriage on the scoreboard at Yankee Stadium.

Nothing compares to the ultimate act of exposure they'll experience in a few weeks, when they invite a camera crew to film the birth of their first baby for a TV audience.

The baby's debut will be featured on an episode of "A Baby Story," a daily series on The Learning Channel that is quietly catching on among young women, normally the target audience for the made-up daytime dramas that employ West and DeFreitas.

"We enjoy the show so much that we just want to be a part of it," said DeFreitas in an interview near the couple's suburban Connecticut home.

"A Baby Story" is part of TLC's effort to bring reality television — the kinder, gentler variety — to daytime TV and give viewers another option for a time period that's usually dominated by soap operas, talk shows and courtroom shows.

TLC began five years ago with "A Wedding Story." Each episode follows a couple as it plans and carries out their wedding, from the seating plans to the bouquet toss.

Two years ago it added "A Baby Story," which does the same thing for the birth process, following a couple from early pregnancy into the delivery room.

TLC has done so well it is expanding its daytime reality programming to 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. this fall. The cable network also airs "A Dating Story" and in the fall will premiere a show about makeovers.

"A Baby Story," which airs back-to-back, 30-minute episodes at 2 p.m. EST on weekdays, is the most successful of the bunch. An estimated 700,000 people watch each episode, three-quarters of them women. Fifty-four percent of the viewers are women aged 18-34, a demographic group prized by advertisers.

West, 27, has been a regular viewer since she became pregnant. She has one child by a previous marriage.

The couple has already filmed a segment for the show, describing how they became friends in the

She figures the filming might be beneficial during the birth — doctors, like everybody, tend to be on their toes when a camera is running — and might even help her. She wants to go as long as she can without pain medication.

with her first child. She began watching it regularly.

"It's sort of comforting to see people have babies over and over," she said. "It makes you think, if they can do it, why can't you?"

She was particularly interested in an episode where a couple delivered by Caesarean section, which she was scheduled for. Since Westley's son, Devlin, was born, she's given up watching "A Baby Story."

"I would find it too emotional," she said. "Every time I would be watching it, I would be crying. I guess I get enough emotion now that I've had the baby. It's just not the same."

Even though births are one of the most intensely personal episodes of a person's life, Gingold said producers have no shortage of volunteer couples. DeFreitas said he wanted his baby's birth documented, and didn't feel like holding a video camera.

"Being on the show is not even one-tenth of the importance of what's happening," DeFreitas said. "It's not like I had a burning desire to have this birth be on 'A Baby Story.' It's more the birth that really matters."

It's somewhat strange that a couple who works in one of the oldest television forms — the daytime drama — is lending tacit support to one of the newest at a time soaps are fading in popularity. "As the World Turns" airs at the same time as "A Baby Story" in New York and other markets.

Viewers can thus choose between their characters, Carly Tenney and Andy Dixon, or West and DeFreitas in a real-life drama. West and DeFreitas shrug this off. What's most important, West said, is the chance to teach people who may be apprehensive about the birth experience.

"A lot of women who know that when there is such a show will watch it when they're pregnant," she said. "I think it will be very helpful to people."

close quarters of filming a daytime drama. DeFreitas, 30, even pinpoints the day they fell in love — Oct. 16, 1998 — when they danced together at an industry function.

Despite appearances, West insists she's not outgoing and wonders how discreetly producers will show the birth.

"I don't even know if I'll watch it," she said, shooting a look at her husband. "Do you think I'll watch it? I'll probably watch it."

She figures the filming might be beneficial during the birth — doctors, like everybody, tend to be on their toes when a camera is running — and might even help her. She wants to go as long as she can without pain medication.

"If there's a camera there, it might stop me from saying, 'I'm giving up, give me an epidural,'" she said. "It might make me tougher. I might not wimp out if I know everyone is watching."

Their episode will be telecast sometime in the fall, assuming everything goes smoothly. If it doesn't go smoothly, it won't air at all.

The one requirement for all episodes of "A Baby Story" is that they have a happy ending, said Chuck Gingold, TLC's senior vice president. TLC's daytime schedule is meant to be enlightening and uplifting, not a downer.

Gwen Westley, a magazine editor from Manhattan, found "A Baby Story" while channel surfing one day when she was pregnant

Media convergence a theme at annual music, film festival

AUSTIN (AP) — South by Southwest began 14 years ago as a musical talent fair for independent record labels and artists hoping to be discovered. It has grown into a music, film and multimedia festival known as much for the hip factor as the hit factor.

"Everybody who works here is kind of an oddball in one way or another, so a lot of times we sort of bring a new perspective to the bands we pick, the movies we pick, the people who participate in our interactive show, the speakers," says co-founder Roland Swenson.

The festival's multimedia approach echoes larger changes in the entertainment industry, where traditional boundaries are blurring with mergers like that of America Online and Time Warner.

"In a lot of ways this year has been the most exciting one because of what we refer to around the office as the convergence factor," said Swenson.

So-called dot-coms, he said, will be a bigger presence this year. "They're very interested in finding content for all this fabulous technology that has developed and that's the business we're in — gathering together and creating a platform to expose new talent."

Austin, itself, which calls itself the "Live Music Capital of the World," has also recently adopted the nickname "Silicon Hill."

This year's South by Southwest, which starts Friday and runs through March 19, features more than 800 bands, 150 film screenings, multimedia trade shows and educational panels.

At the heart of the festival is the music. In past years, music-industry executives have descended on the Texas Hill Country hoping to find the next million-seller among the thousands of performers who play during the festival at local clubs.

Blond brothers Hanson were discovered by a young music lawyer in 1994.

Major labels no longer just look for talent, they bring it: Sony Music hip hop artists Cypress Hill, for example, will be on stage this year.

"Early on it was truly a way just to showcase unsigned bands, and I think because it's turned into such a big event, national labels use it as a way to showcase newly signed bands," said Jeff Carrol, operations manager at KLBX radio in Austin.

Travis Higdon, founder of Peek-A-Boo Records in Austin, said the festival has been good for local talent. Charging \$10 per band, it is the only festival his independent label can afford, he said.

"I think South by Southwest is sometimes alienating for the bands' local fans because they have to pay \$60 or \$80 to go see the show, but it's a good way to get the national press and media to see the artists," Higdon said.

The Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates the festival will draw 200,000 visitors this year.

Performers say South by Southwest has remained a good time, while gaining industry respectability.

"Sundance has turned into much more of a film business event, whereas South by Southwest still seems to be an event for artists," asserts Jim Felter, an independent filmmaker from Washington who will be showing "Rats," a documentary about trash in the nation's capital.

"This is one of the most fun things that happens all year round as far as I'm concerned," said Bob Perry, whose Englewood, N.J.-based Bob Perry Band will be playing as part of independent Croopduster Record's showcase.

"Outside of all of the great industry contacts, you get to play for so many people and hang out with really great bands."

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DEAR ABBY: I have kept the enclosed column of yours for many years. It is yellowed and frayed at the edges, but it carries a strong message that many people are unable or unwilling to hear. Would you please print it again?
 GERTRUDE IN VERO BEACH

DEAR GERTRUDE: Here it is. Many people identify with its message. Read on:

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 So long as my body is warm and there is a breath of life.

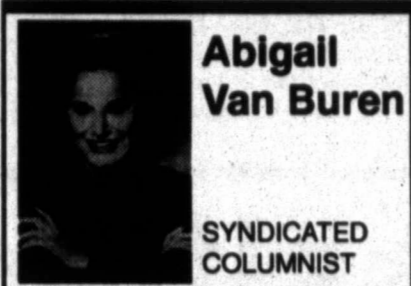
But listen, Doc, I've buried my spouse,
 My children are grown and on their own,
 My friends are all gone, and I want to go, too.

No mortal man should keep me here
 When the call from Him is unmistakably clear.

I deserve the right to slip quietly away.
 My work is done and I am tired.
 Your motives are noble, but now I pray,

You can read in my eyes what my lips can't say.
 Listen to my heart and you'll hear it cry,
 Pardon me, Doc, but may I die?

DEAR READERS: If people



Abigail Van Buren

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(of any age) are enjoying their lives and want to live, fine — keep them comfortable and happy as possible, but those who can no longer find any joy in life should not be forced to go on living.

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DEAR ABBY: My parents will be celebrating their 50th anniversary this month. I am interested in any ideas you might have to make the party unique. I have three small girls ages 7, 5 and 3 who might be able to do a small performance, etc. Any ideas?
 STUCK IN 2000

DEAR STUCK: Yes. The "girls" could sing, "Happy Anniversary to you" (three times in unison), take a bow, then smile sweetly, and leave the audience begging for more!

DEAR ABBY: A friend of mine got married a year and a half ago. She has a 9-year-old daughter and a 12-year-old stepdaughter from the marriage. Her stepdaughter does not live in their home. I believe they have visitation one day a weekend or every other weekend.
 When sending Christmas gifts or birthday party invitations to her biological daughter, should the same be done for her stepdaughter — even if some of her friends have not met her stepdaughter yet because of her infrequent visitation?
 INSULT-WARY
 IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEAR INSULT-WARY: Although the younger girl's friends have not yet met the new stepsister, it would be a kindness to include her. If she's uncomfortable about attending, she can always refuse.

you might gain much more from it than you imagine. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ** Quickly get to the bottom of a problem. A discussion with a trusted friend or loved one is key to this process. A partner has two attributes that prove to be helpful — caring and perspective. Work could be demanding. Others expect a lot from you! Tonight: Chill out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 **** Reach out for others. Take an opportunity to touch base with friends and those who are important to you professionally. You could be a social director while your interpersonal skills are so strong! Use them to your advantage right now. Start planning your summer vacation. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 **** Work demands your total attention. You are able to approach situations in a positive manner. Others respond to your efforts. Listen to a co-worker, who has valuable feedback. Work as a team with partners. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ***** Check out information. Office whisperings enhance your creativity. Others go out of their way to make another happy (including you). Be receptive to new ways of thinking. Sign up for a seminar or be willing to try something totally different. Tonight: Fulfill a request.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ***** You get a lot done very easily. Listen to a partner or associate. What he shares is important. Together, you formulate an excellent way of approaching a

problem. Trust your instincts. Follow through on what you know to be right. Tonight: Work as a team.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 **** Others are happy to go along with your ideas. Your communication shines, and you are particularly effective with your audience. Listen to feedback, especially from a child. A loved one contributes to the moment and the day's events. Tonight: So what if it is Monday?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 *** Get into work and start clearing away as much as possible. Your ability to read between the lines helps you with a family member. Express gentleness, not sassiness or whim. A moneymaking idea proves to be just that. Tonight: Off to the gym.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ***** Keep your ear to the ground, especially when a loved one speaks. A child has a lot to share, and you could be very pleased by how he receives your inquiries as well. Seize the moment. Work with creativity. Others prove to be highly responsive. Tonight: Just ask!

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Horoscope

MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 *** Build better relationships by getting to the bottom of issues within you. Your reactions could be more extreme than usual. You might be somewhat fragile. Remain in touch with what you want. You have what it takes to come to a money agreement. Tonight: Put your feet up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ***** Discussions reveal another point of view. Make calls and do research. Your empathy and understanding go a long way. Others respond to you with enthusiasm and vigor. Stay focused, and you'll get the results you want. Tonight: Where the gang is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ***** Your instincts help you earn money. choose wise investments and make important professional decisions. Relieve tension by taking an overview. Make it a point to not rely solely on information given. Do your own research as well. Tonight: Shop.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ***** Meetings and dealings with others occupy a lot of your time. Your vision of what is possible helps you stay focused. Caring goes out to a loved one at a distance. Seriously consider a trip;

problem. Trust your instincts. Follow through on what you know to be right. Tonight: Work as a team.

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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5 Plains grazers	2 Ascends
10 Mist over	3 1992 Wimbledon champ
12 Stun	4 Stocking problem
13 Inclined	5 Free of fur
14 Harry Hamlin series	6 "Believer"
15 Cart puller	7 Like seawater
16 Archaic	8 Arkansas range
18 Schedule B publisher	9 Informative
19 Clash	11 Ancient astronomer
21 Black	23 Lima residents
22 They're found among needles	25 Minuscule
24 Malcolm X's birthplace	
25 Challenge for Theseus	
29 Pieces	
30 Western contests	
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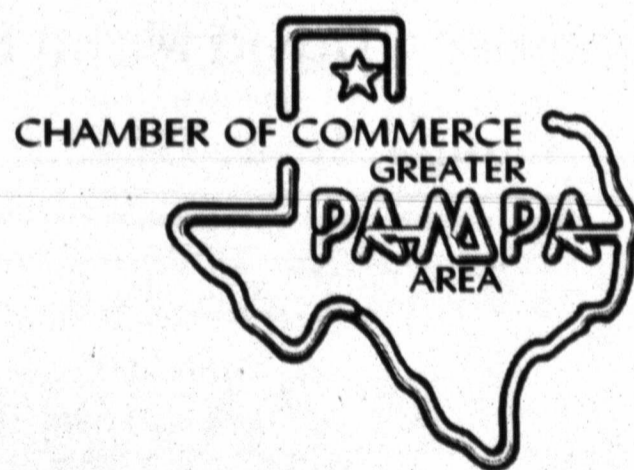
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Chairman's message ...

Dear Chamber members, citizens,

Every day is a precious gift. Nothing we have of a material nature can possibly match the value of waking up to a brand new day that is filled with hope, promise, and possibilities.

What we choose to paint on the blank canvas of a new day is up to us. How we choose to handle the happenings of a new day is up to us. What we choose to do with our Next Beginning is up to us.

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors pledge a continued effort to promote and support businesses in our area.

Realizing that a positive attitude is more than just words, we are committed to the work involved to make our community a place where "People want to live."

Several Committees such as the Retail Committee chaired by Bob Marx, the Tourism Committee Chaired by John Forister and Charles Henry, the Membership Committee chaired by June Beyer, the Planning Committee chaired by Chuck White and the Top of Texans (Gold Coats) chaired by Dr. Jerry Lane are busy seeking ways to promote and improve our economic base.

This year the Chamber is sponsoring a Quarterly Prayer Breakfast, a Boat, Travel and Recreation Show, a Dairy Festival, the Country Fair, a Christmas Business Expo, special lighting displays and many other activities to encourage excitement and expectation (with a little bit of sparkle) in Pampa, Texas.

I encourage you to take a part in the efforts made by the Chamber, the PEDC, the medical community, Pampa ISD, Clarendon College-Pampa Center, City and County Governments, our Churches, and many others to make our future brighter, safer, and more secure.

It is our Next Beginning - Let's make the most of it.

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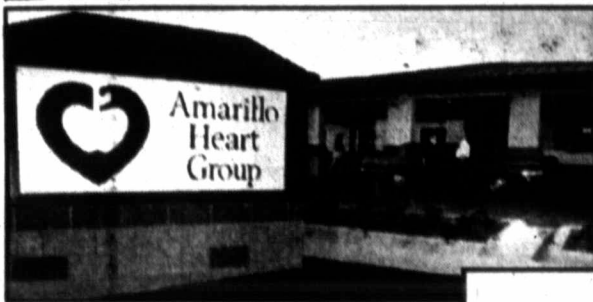
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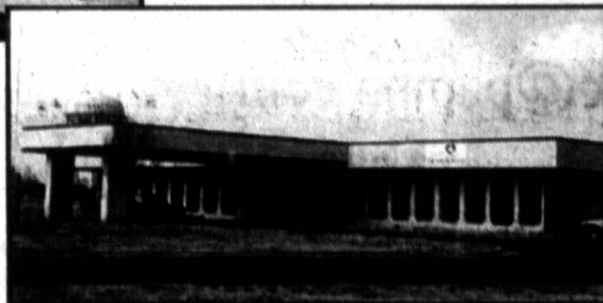
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1999 Year in Review ...

Dear Chamber members and citizens,

The year 1999 was a very memorable year for me as it was the year that I began working for the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce. It was very rewarding to see our members enthusiastically work together to accomplish common goals in an effort to positively impact Pampa's present and future. The determination within the Chamber to meet the current challenges as well as those that lie ahead has been fierce. Unity and support characterized the Chamber members working relationships throughout the year.

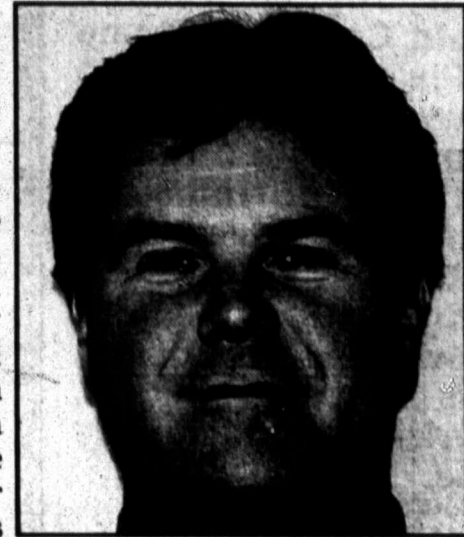
Chairman Bill Bridges set the tone for the year with his slogan of "Selling Pampa to Pampa." During the year, the corner was turned and a positive shift in attitudes took place as the year grew to a close. An often heard statement that stands out from last year is "Pampa is not just where I live; it is my home." I believe this reflects that Pampa is sold on Pampa.

The Chamber was very active in 1999 with the Retail, Tourism and Membership committees meeting each month to plan events, work on attracting more people to Pampa and continuing to develop our organization. The Retail Committee again had a very successful Pampa Partnership Golf Tournament in May. In addition, they were busy with special promotions throughout the year including a television commercial that ran during Christmas promoting Pampa businesses. Our tourism committee began working with the Panhandle Tourism Marketing Council on new ways to develop tourism in the panhandle. One promising plan is for buses to tour the panhandle stopping in Pampa and other towns to spend time learning about local history and for general sightseeing. This is an ideal way to bring more recognition to our area.

The Top O' Texans Gold Coats were out in force this past year welcoming new Chamber members, greeting guests at many different events and appearing in area parades. Established in 1965 and made up of 42 members, the Gold Coats provide Top O' Texas hospitality at functions year in and year out. Furthermore, a number of the Chamber Board of Directors have accepted invitations to become ex-officio gold Coats in 2000.

A review of 1999 would not be complete without mentioning some of the successful events of the year. Our banquet featuring speaker Janice Realston-Sons and naming Dick Stowers 1998 Citizen of the Year was a definite highlight.

The Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament as usual brought in golfers and their wives from around the nation. We are very fortunate to have this tournament and look forward hosting it for years to come. Our Country Fair, "Stars over Pampa - A Hollywood Night, Country Style," exceeded all expectations with the Top Ten Stars of Pampa along with the spotlights shining in the night sky being big hits. Our 1999 Christmas Parade was enjoyed by all who attended



Clay Rice

and participated. Many positive remarks were made about the businesses of Pampa that stayed open late that evening. We rounded out the year with a sensational ladies style show featuring fashions available from local merchants.

There were exciting things happening in Pampa in 1999 that hold tremendous promise for our future. We welcomed our first dairy and by the end of the year, Moody Dairy was milking 950 head of cattle. The Pampa Economic Development Corporation was working hard to attract additional dairies as well as related businesses. The new Clarendon College - Pampa Center facility was completed and planned to be ready for students and faculty to start classes by the spring semester of 2000. In addition, Pampa Regional Medical Center worked toward completion of a beautiful and functional new expansion, enhancing their presence as a top quality health care provider in the panhandle.

Yes, 1999 was a progressive year for Pampa and the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce. We now look forward to 2000 and the leadership of Chairman-Elect Paulette Hinkle Kirksey. I am sure that we will have much to review this time next year.

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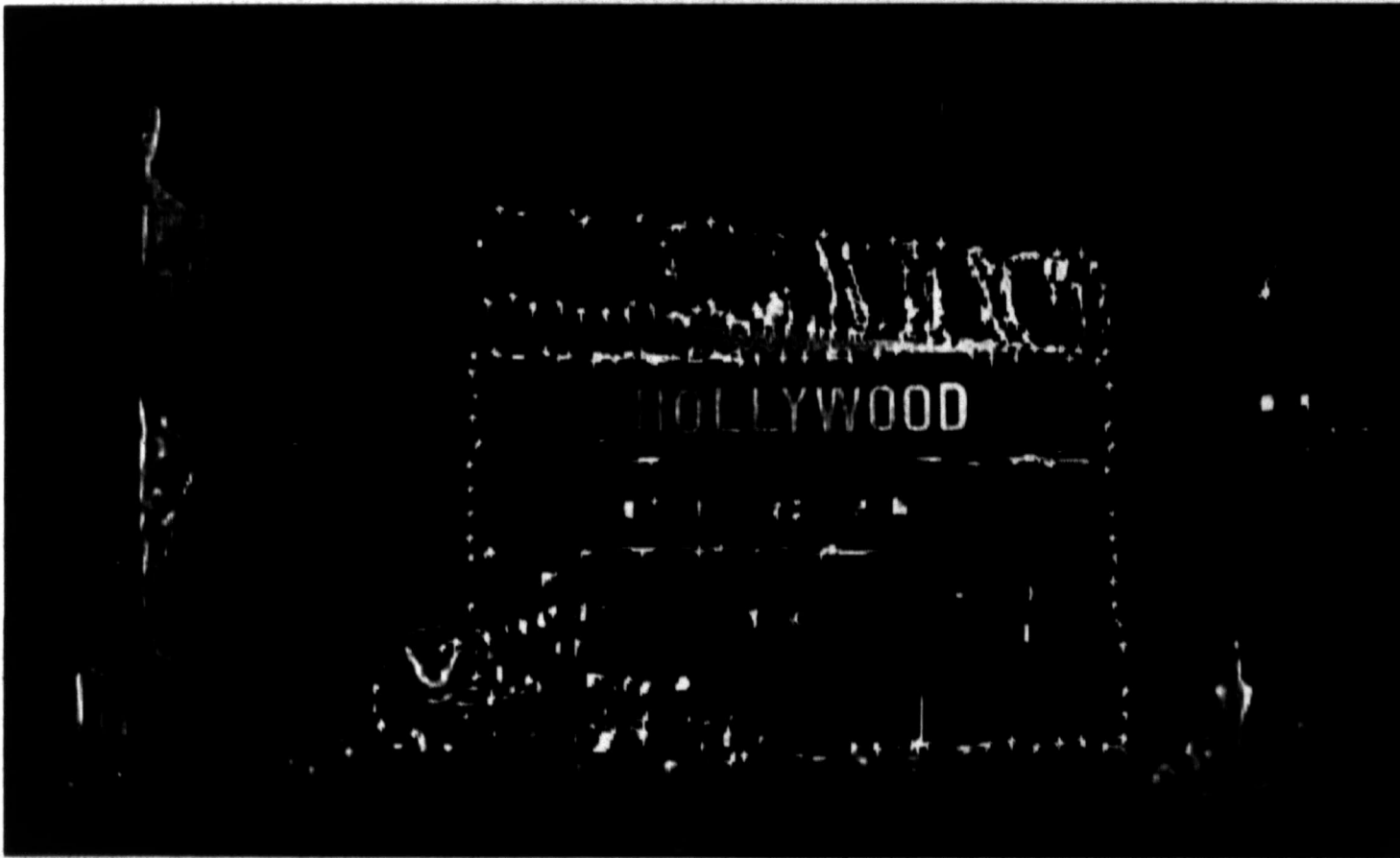
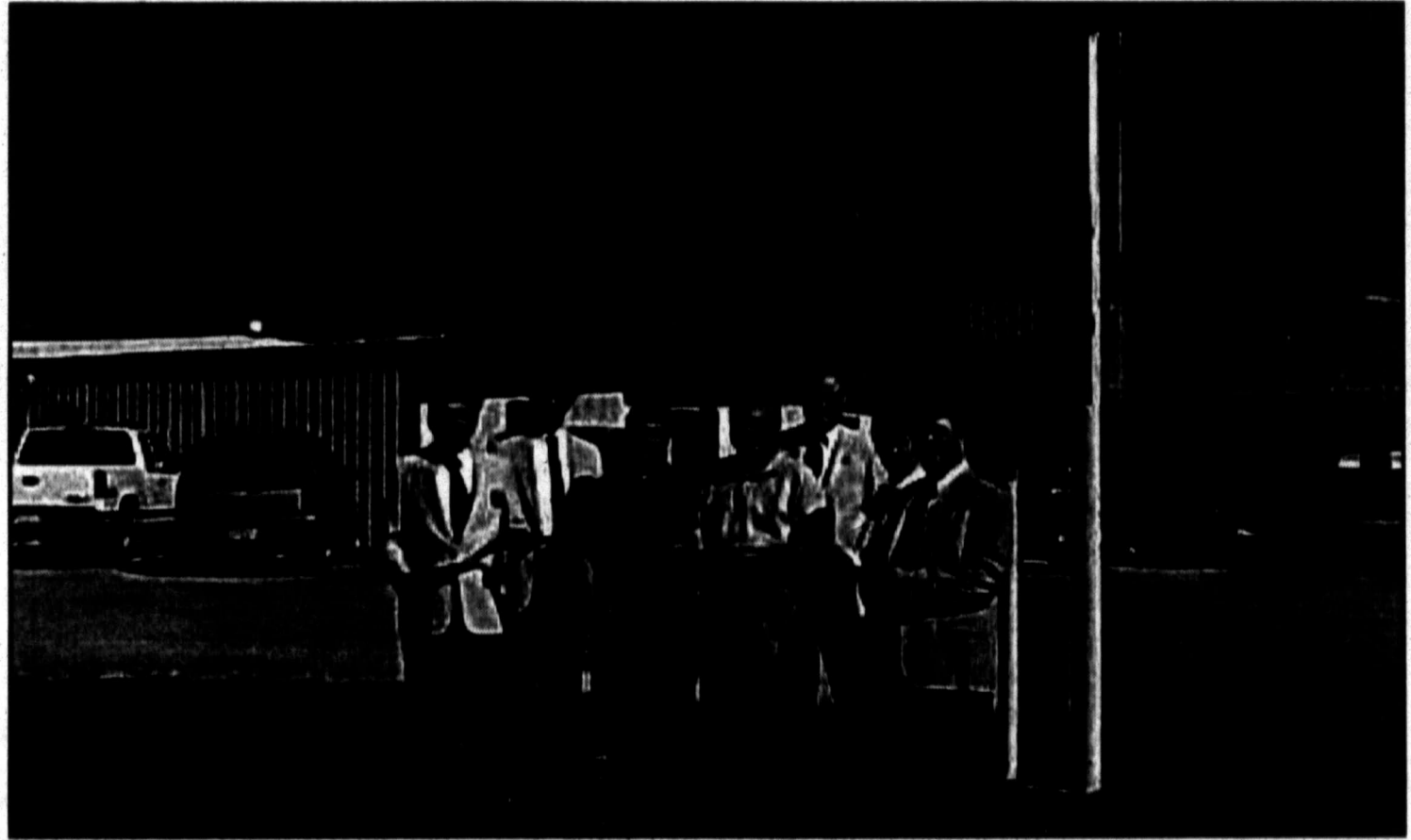
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The fifteenth annual Country Fair was held on October 16, 1999 at the M.K. Brown Auditorium with a good time had by all that attended. Pictured at left are the stage decorations during the live auction.

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Chamber's role and responsibility

The Greater Area Pampa Chamber of Commerce has the responsibility for the economic well-being of our community—to preserve our business growth and development.

The Pampa Chamber of Commerce is the business community at work as the central agency for the community development of business, industry, the professions and all civic interests performing can do alone—rendering a variety of services that benefit all citizens.

The first law of a chamber is

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes new members.

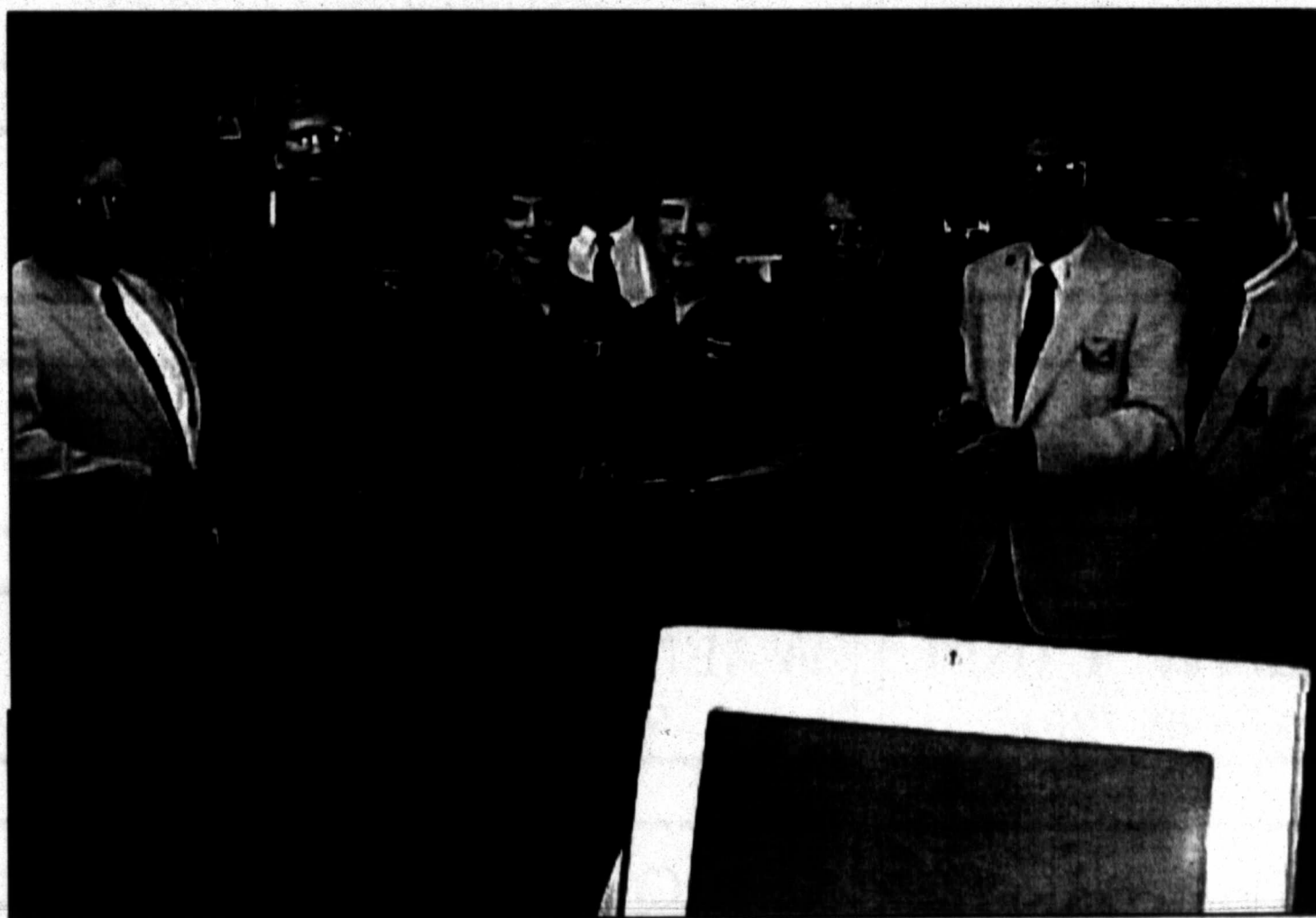
to be responsible to and reflect accurately the thinking of the community. It must provide a vehicle for the expression of community aims and aspirations. It is fundamental that The Greater Pampa Chamber of Commerce incorporate the spirit of its own community.

The objectives and method of operation of The Greater Pampa Chamber of Commerce must be tailored to meet the needs of the area it serves.

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce is a vehicle through which the business and professional people in our community are

organized to work together voluntarily to define and solve community issues and bring about needed improvements by giving full consideration to all areas of community-wide concern.

The members of The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Board cannot run the Chamber alone. The program of The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce is a job for the entire membership—voluntarily banded together into well-organized committees.



The Top O' Texans (Gold Coats) recently welcomed Furniture and More as a new member of the Chamber with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Pictured from left to right: Pat Montoya, John Fair, Pam Dunham (Manager), Clay Rice, Marilyn McClure, Jamie Hardman, (Account Manager), Bob Marx and Ken Rheams.

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The fifteenth annual Country Fair "Star Over Pampa" A Hollywood Night Country Style presented silent auction items for bid. Pictured are Jeff West, Riley Kothmann, Martha Kothmann and Darrel Franklin making their bids.

The Top Ten Stars of Pampa were selected by the citizens of Pampa who sent their nominations to the Chamber. Pictured from right to left: Bob Marx, David Fatheree, Chuck White, Bill Bridges, Mayor Bob Neslage, Paulette Kirksey, Curt Beck, Katrina Bigham and Wayne Stribling, not pictured are Dawson Orr, John Curry and Dick Stowers.



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The fifteenth annual Country Fair was held on October 16, 1999 at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. A kick off luncheon was held at the Country Club for all volunteers that helped with the Country Fair. Pictured from left to right: Mike Hargus, Chuck White and Curt Beck.



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The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Retail Committee selects a business each quarter of the year and recognizes them for their recognition by local or state agencies, having supported local projects or activities within Pampa and for their substantial donation for the betterment of the community by enhancing its image. The group recognized Frank's True Value the last quarter of 1999.



Budweiser

Big crowd attends '99 CofC banquet

Frigid temperatures didn't keep a sell-out crowd away from the 1999 Chamber banquet that featured some new awards to go with traditional ones.

• Roy C. Sparkman,
Citizen Emeritus

• Wanetta Hill,
Woman of the Year

• John Warner,
Man of the Year

John Curry,
Citizen of the Year.

• Rebecca Nolte and Lacy Plunk, Students of the Year.

It was the 71st annual meeting of the Chamber and members of the community filled the hall at M.K. Brown Civic Center.

It was a time for outgoing Chamber chairman Bill Bridges to reflect on the year past and for incoming Chairman Paulette Hinkle-Kirksey to look toward the future.

Award presenters had no shortage of material for those honored have amassed quite a record of community service.



1999 award winners above include (from left) Roy C. Sparkman, Citizen Emeritus; Wanetta Hill, Woman of the Year; John Warner, Man of the Year; and John Curry, Citizen of the Year. At right are Rebecca Nolte and Lacy Plunk, seniors at Pampa High School, were recognized as Students of the Year.



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Albertson's, 1233 North Hobart, 665-0896.

Alco Discount Store, 1207 North Hobart, 665-1833.

All It's Charm, 109 West Francis, 665-0534.

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Amarillo Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse, 1224 North Hobart, #109, 665-5660.

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Amber's Mexican Food Restaurant, 2014 North Hobart, 665-1173.

Annie's Tan-N, 831 West Kingsmill, 669-5940.

Armstrong Coffee Service, 116 South Ward, 669-3872.

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Baker Plumbing, Heating & Air C., 2711 Alcock, 665-4392.

Balfour Optical, 1508 North Hobart, 669-1998.

Bank of America, 100 N. Cuyler, P.O. Box 781, 665-8421.

Barber, Gene, 117 North Frost, 665-7171.

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Beaux Arts Dance Studio, 315 North Nelson, 669-6361.

Beck Electric, 1314 West Kentucky, 669-9532.

Curt Beck Engineering Consultant, 408 W. Kingsmill, Ste. 172A, P.O. Box 2442, 665-9281.

Bell Mart, 1020 E. Frederic, 669-7469.

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Best Kept Secrets, 1925 North Hobart, 665-4865.

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Briarwood Gospel Church, 1800 West Harvester, 665-7201.

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Celebration of Lights, P.O. Box 1012, 669-9813.

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Cellular One Connections, 1708 N. Hobart, 669-1551.

Centramedia, Inc., 112 East Francis, 665-0106.

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Chaney's Cafe, 716 Foster, 665-2454.

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Chez Tanz, 2137 N. Hobart, 669-6836.

Chicken Express, 2201 Perryton Parkway, 669-2442.

Church of Christ, Mary Ellen, 1342 Mary Ellen, 665-0031.

City of Pampa, 201 West Kingsmill, 669-5750.

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Cornelison, Lee F., P.O. Box 193, 665-4071.

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 First Baptist Church, 203 North West, P.O. Box 621, 669-1155.
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 Fleetwood Computers, 613 West Foster, 665-7448.
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 GPM Gas Corporation-Pampa, Highway 152 West, P.O. Box 1342, 665-2282.
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 Gymnastics of Pampa, Rt. 1, Box 8G, 669-2941.
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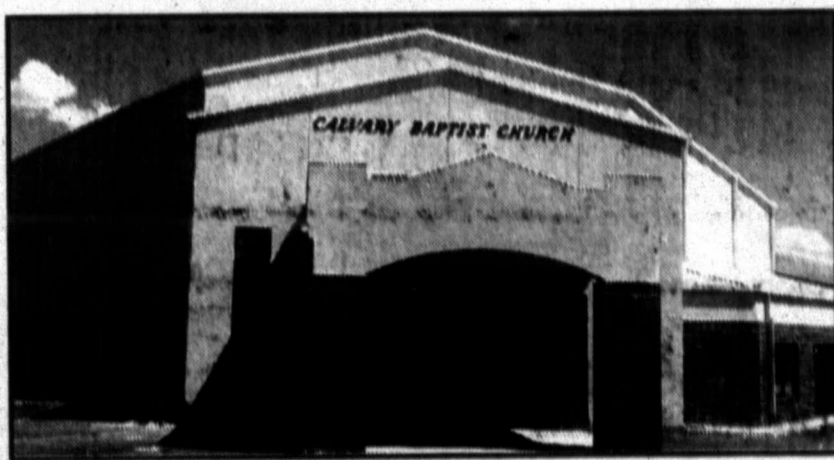


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