

Daily Record

Obituaries

EVELYN C. EVANS
COLLEYVILLE — Evelyn C. Evans, 87, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Riverside Cemetery at Mangum, Okla. Burial will be under the direction of Forest Ridge Funeral Home in Hurst.

Mrs. Evans was born Feb. 2, 1913, in Eastview, Okla., to Bedford Forest and Josie Burnett. She was a retired school teacher, teaching at Carter, Cordell and Dill City, Okla., prior to moving to Texas where she taught at White Deer and Skellytown. She and her husband, Bill, moved to Hurst in 1978 where she was a substitute teacher.

She enjoyed playing the piano, singing, crocheting and needlework.

She belonged to Shady Oaks Baptist Church of Hurst.

Mrs. Hurst was preceded in death by her husband of 48 years, W.H. "Bill" Evans; a brother, Weldon Burnett; her parents; a grandson, Andrew Evans; and a great-grandson, Christopher Koran.

The family would like to thank Dr. Adel Zachary and Castlepeak Hospice for their care and compassion as well as Norma Young.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Billy and Janice Evans of Colleyville; a sister, Joy Warner of Sacramento, Calif.; her grandchildren, Pam Evans Koran of Colleyville and Sherri Evans Martin and husband Steve of Grand Prairie; her great-grandchildren, Matt and Sarah Koran of Colleyville and Tyler and Chelsea Martin of Grand Prairie; a niece, Linda Ellis of Yukon, Okla.; a nephew, Ron Warner and wife Donna of New Jersey; and many more nieces, nephews and friends.

The family requests memorials be to Alzheimer's Association, Tarrant County Chapter, P.O. Box 9709, Fort Worth, TX 76147.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. today at Forest Ridge Funeral Home in Hurst.

LORETTA J. FLETCHER

BORGER — Loretta J. Fletcher, 61, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2000, at Amarillo. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Central Baptist Church with the Rev. John Denton and the Rev. Chris Riley officiating. Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery under the direction of Brown Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Fletcher was born at Wirt, Okla. She was a Baptist and a longtime Borger area resident, working as secretary for Montgomery Ward and co-owning White Way Storage and Properties.

She married Charles Fletcher in 1980 at Stinnett.

She was preceded in death by a son, Timmy Ralston.

Survivors include her husband, Charles; three daughters, Kimberly Williams of Houston, Tracie Davis of Tulsa, Okla., and Christi Jackson of Durant, Okla.; a son, Jeffery Scott Davis of Borger; two sisters, Linda Cox of Borger and Jerri Glenna Barbour of Pampa; three brothers, Bennie A. Barbour of Borger, Paul David Barbour of Duncan, Okla., and Richard Keith Barbour of Bedford; and nine grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

CAROLYN VERN KIDD

SHAMROCK — Carolyn Vern Kidd, 54, a former Shamrock resident, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Shamrock Cemetery. Burial will be under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mrs. Kidd moved from Shamrock to Van Buren, Crawford County, Ark., in 1991. She was a homemaker and belonged to the Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include her husband, Finis Kidd; two daughters, Sherry VanZant of Van Buren and Michelle Franks of Walnut Ridge, Ark.; two sons, Jackie Kidd of Canadian and Tony Kidd of Shamrock; two brothers, Jimmy Harbour of Great Bend, Kan., and Johnnie Campbell of Sayre, Okla.; and eight grandchildren.

Services tomorrow

EVANS, Evelyn C. — Graveside services, 2:30 p.m., Riverside Cemetery, Mangum, Okla.
FLETCHER, Loretta J. — 11 a.m., Central Baptist Church, Borger.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of Pampa		Columbia/HCA 34 11/16 dn 11/16	
Wheat	2.23	Farson	37 15/16 dn 2 1/16
Milo	2.29	Halliburton	52 1/2 dn 1 1/4
Corn	2.74	KMI	37 dn 7/16
Soybeans	3.75	Kerr McGee	59 15/16 dn 9/16
		Limited	19 7/16 up 3/16
		McDonald's	31 7/16 up 3/16
		EXXON Mobil	83 5/16 dn 1/2
		New Atmos	23 dn 1/4
		NCE	40 11/16 up 1/8
		NOI	35 3/4 dn 1/2
		OKI	31 3/8 dn 3/16
		Penney's	15 3/4 dn 1/16
		Phillips	69 dn 3/4
		Pioneer Nat.	13 3/4 dn 3/16
		SLB	85 1/4 dn 1 5/16
		Tenneco	7 1/16 up 1/16
		Texas	53 3/8 dn 7/8
		Ultramar	24 11/16 dn 11/16
		Wal-Mart	49 15/16 dn 1/16
		Williams	46 3/8 dn 15/16
		New York Gold	277.55
		Silver	4.86
		West Texas Crude	32.47

Police report

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

Thursday, Aug. 17

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart. Someone dented the driver's door of a 1993 Mitsubishi sports utility vehicle. Damage was estimated at \$75.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported no arrests or incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Aug. 17

9:29 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West in Amarillo.

12:35 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

7:10 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Christy and transported one to PRMC.

11:30 P.M. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Frost and transported one to PRMC.

Fires

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

Thursday, Aug. 17

12:40 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 500 block of North Dwight on a medical assist.

12:42 - One unit and two firefighters responded to a small grass fire two miles west of Pampa on U.S. 60. The fire was caused by a short in an electrical line.

7:47 p.m. - Two units and five firefighters responded to a small grass fire in the 300 block of Miami. No cause of the fire was listed.

11:42 p.m. - One unit and four firefighters responded to the 700 block of North Frost on a medical assist.

will continue to increase as undergrowth dies out due to lack of moisture. Even if the area gets a significant rainfall, the dead vegetation still poses a risk when it dries out, he said.

"People will have to use good common sense and keep this cut down," he said.

Dunham said the Pampa Fire Department has responded to a number of grass fires this week, most of them small. "We're just now starting to see an increase."

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COUNTY

Peet also said Lockridge requested several years ago the commission raise his salary to the level of a sheriff deputy, and the request was granted.

Lewis was given an additional constable precinct when he assumed office, said Peet. Sparling also puts in hours patrolling the I-40 area in his precinct area.

Lockridge's salary currently exceeds the Justices of the Peace salaries in Gray County, said Peet. The three Justices of the Peace - Bob Muns, Mary Ann Carpenter and Kurt Curtman - all have an annual base salary of \$24,523.

Peet said if the pay of Sparling and Lewis is raised all constables' salaries would be above the annual Justices of the Peace salary of \$24,523.

Peet said he believes the Justices of the Peace spend more time performing their duties than do constables and consideration should be given to that factor.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley said, "There is no easy solution to the problem."

"I'd like to see the constable salaries equal," said Precinct 3 Commissioner Gerald Wright.

Precinct 4 Commissioner James Hefley suggested all minutes of county commission meetings relating to raising Lockridge's salary and Lewis' assuming the duties of two combined constable precincts be researched. He wants them available at the next meeting on Aug. 31. "We need to know exactly what the motions were when this action was taken," he said. The remainder of the commission concurred.

The commission also unanimously approved raising, by \$150 a month, the pay of the four precinct foremen in the road and bridge departments. The foremen also will receive the \$70 a month increase to be received by

The following is an annual salary schedule of constables in the Panhandle area and the benefits. Counties listed do not furnish a travel allowance, vehicle or uniform allowance unless designated. All counties pay the constables the same salary with exception of Gray and Hale counties. The information was obtained from the Texas Association of Counties 2000 Salary Survey.

Counties with population under 5,000
Donley \$16,487, county furnishes vehicle. Armstrong, Briscoe, Collingsworth, Hall, Hartley, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Oldham and Roberts counties do not have constables.

Counties with population 5,000-9,999
Dallam \$2,863
Floyd \$1
Hardeman \$8,820
Carson, Hansford, and Ochiltree do not have constables.

Counties with population 10,000-24,999
Gray County \$20,841, low; and \$25,617, high. Vehicle is furnished and constables receive a uniform allowance. Moore County does not have a constable.

Counties with population 25,000-49,999
Hale \$9,570, low; and \$25,540, high. Constables receive a \$750 travel allowance and are furnished a vehicle.

Hardin \$18,276
Constables receive a 6,600 travel allowance.
Hutchinson \$25,011

Counties with population 50,000-99,999
Potter \$294
Randall \$24,242

all county employees.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Jim Greene said the four men are often called out after working hours and on weekends. "They have to be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week," he said. "I feel they deserve it."

"Any time it rains or snows these men are called out whether it's during working hours or not," said Wheeley.

Hefley said, "They also go out on these fires in the county, too - just like the one yesterday evening." A grassfire burned several acres west of Pampa Wednesday evening. "That fire could have easily come into town with the amount of CRP grass out there," said Wheeley.

"I understand what the commission is saying," said Judge Peet. "I just feel the duties performed by the chief deputies and supervisory personnel in courthouse offices should be considered, too." He said he had hesitation because he felt these county employees are being excluded.

County Treasurer Scott Hahn told the commission all four road and bridge foremen were men and all chief deputies in courthouse offices are the women. "I think some people are going to think about that," he said.

Greene said, "I realize the chief deputies are sometimes called out after hours, but not every weekend like the road crew."

City Briefs

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40% OFF trees & shrubs, Watson's Garden Center, 516 S. Russell.

5 FAMILY Gar. Sale Sat. only 8 am, tools, childrens clothes kitchen items, furn., toys, lots of everything, 1109 E. Kingsmill.

ALMOST NEW patio furniture for sale. See at 2207 Chestnut, 669-3598.

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Weather focus

PAMPA - Partly cloudy today with a 20 percent chance of

BECKY WIECK from Etter will be in Pampa with Sweet corn Wed. & Sat. at 7:30 a.m. until sell out, weather permitting. MK Brown parking lot. 806-966-5221.

CANTALOUPE 50¢-\$1, at Foster Street Farmer's Market, Sat. 7-11 a.m.

CELEBRATIONS "OUR Secret" Aromatherapy candles, soft scent for when you need to relax. Also new "Delightful Scent," candle shaving for any container. We deliver. Coronado Center, 665-3100.

CHANEY'S CAFE, 716 W. Foster, Fri. 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., catfish, turkey & dressing, ch. fr. steak, bbq Polish.

CREATURE COMFORTS Summer Clearance, Teels \$50, Baby Snakes \$35. 115 N. West.

DANCE AT Moose Lodge to "Buddy Payne", Sat., Aug. 19th. Members & guests.

FIRESIDE COMFORT your home town hearth specialty shop. 725 W. Brown, Hwy. 60, 665-9333

HELP! VOLUNTEER drivers needed. Meals on Wheels. Call 669-1007.

I AM looking for full time work, dishwashing, custodian, will work any hrs. Roy 665-4075.

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POND PLANTS 50% Off, Watson's Garden Center, 516 S. Russell.

REV. BOB'S Appliances, 2000 W. Alcock. Lay-A-Way & Trade-Ins welcome. 665-6035, 665-1878

SENIOR CITIZEN'S Dance. Fri. 18th. "Buddy Payne", \$3.50 admission, 7-9:30 p.m.

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and I was afraid I wasn't going to get back out," Cavin said.

He climbed out and Matt, who is thinner than Cavin, went down to reassure her.

"He was with her until we got her out," Cavin said.

It was about 1:30 p.m. Monday when she fell. It was a little after six p.m. when they loaded her on a helicopter for a ride to the hospital in San Antonio.

"We actually got her out of the hole about 4:45 p.m.," he said.

But then they had to get her down the mountain

"It was scary, but I don't think I ever panicked," Peggie said.

"She never panicked," her husband concurred. "We just kept her laying still. I'd ask her questions, and she'd answer them."

Being a paramedic, she was able to make an initial inventory of injuries and tell her husband.

"I knew she had a head injury," Cavin said. "I looked at that as much as I could.

I wasn't real sure on the leg because she was wedged too tightly to get to it."

There weren't sure of any internal injuries.

"We opted to stay until we got some more help," Cavin said.

Two rescue teams, the Utopia Fire and Rescue Team and the Uvalde Fire and Rescue Team, came as did a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department rescue team.

"They came up with their rescue team and I rigged a haul system for them," Cavin said. "They sent two EMTs down in the hole to package her."

A paramedic up on top oversaw the operation.

"My head, I guess, is the major thing," Peggie said of her injuries.

"That was the first part that hit," Cavin said.

Fortunately, she suffered no concussion, but she did cut a nasty gash in the back of her head.

"She got 16 staples in her head," Cavin said. "She had a five-inch laceration."

There were a number of scrapes and

bruises, but no internal damage.

"We hauled her to the top and put her in a basket," Cavin said. "They evacuated her out. It was probably a mile and a half to the bottom of the hill where the ambulance was. Then they took her to the helicopter. It was AirLife out of San Antonio."

With that behind them, the couple are now planning to return this fall to the state park for the rescue competition among emergency crews.

"They already told us they'd better see us back in October," Cavin grinned.

"One of the guys that was down there with me," Peggie says, "is going to be a judge at the competition."

They are a part of PART, Panhandle Area Rescue Team, the reigning champions of the competition.

"I feel considerably better than I did," Peggie said, sitting on the couch in her Pampa home Thursday. "I'm taking it easy."

The couple is going to Floydada this weekend to teach a class.

Texas Forest Service issues fire risk alert

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HUNTSVILLE — The fire risk assessment office of the Texas Forest Service in Huntsville has issued a fire behavior alert for Central, North Central, Northeast and Southeast Texas.

The continued drop in the moisture content of live vegetation is moving wildfire intensity and difficulty of control up to another level, according to the risk assessment alert. Firefighters are advised to recognize the potential for extreme fire behavior and plan their control operations accordingly. Citizens also are advised to limit, as much as absolutely possible, activities that could lead to an accidental start of wildfire.

The bulk of the state is now in the extreme fire risk potential range, according to the August fire

risk assessment. As of Aug. 13, 179 of 254 Texas counties had drought indices indicating extreme fire danger. Another 64 counties were classified as having high fire danger risk. A total of 143 counties had bans on outdoor burning in place.

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According to Spencer, June 14 was the last date the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex received an inch of rain or better, and the story is close to the same for central and northeast Texas. Spencer noted that southeast Texas was in a rainfall deficit entering the summer and has yet to recover from it. Also, the state has been in a drought situation for the past two to three years, and there is little soil moisture available to compensate for this year's rainfall deficits.

"Everyone in the affected area needs to heed the deteriorating vegetation conditions caused by the extended dry weather," Spencer implored.

Careless debris burning, equipment use and improper disposal of smoking materials continue to cause wildfires, according to wildfire activity reports submitted to TFS. The state forestry and rural firefighting agency urges strict compliance with outdoor burning bans and voluntary post-

ponement of all outdoor burning in counties without bans.

TFS fire prevention personnel suggest several fire safety precautions to prevent additional wildfires from occurring. Watch out for sparks when using welding equipment outdoors. Remove vegetation from the work area or wet down the area prior to beginning welding operations. Also, watch out for rocks and metal when bush hogging or mowing.

Keep mufflers and spark arresters on agricultural equipment in proper working order. Avoid driving

or parking vehicles in grassy areas where tall, dry grass comes into contact with hot pollution control equipment under your vehicle. Make sure no metal hangs from your vehicle or trailer that could contact the road surface as you are driving down the highway. Properly dispose of smoking materials.

Additional information on fire safety, wildfire danger, county burn bans and other wildfire related subjects is available via the Internet on the Texas Interagency Coordination Center website, <http://tice.fws.gov>.

Ballroom Dancing to organize local chapter

AMARILLO — The United States Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association has plans to organize a chapter for recreational and competitive dancers in the Amarillo area. A local steering committee will be formed to guide the project and to enroll members.

USABDA, a non-profit, volunteer organization, is the governing body for amateur ballroom dancing in the United States and has chapters all over the country. The basic purpose of each chapter is to create opportunities for affordable ballroom dancing in each local community and to educate the public regarding the physical, mental and social benefits of ballroom dancing.

The local chapter will sponsor monthly social dances for members and the general public. Typically, each dance will consist of a one-hour

dance lesson, followed by three hours of general dancing as well as dance demonstrations. The program will include mixers and line dances. The chapter also will promote ballroom, dance training in local colleges and high schools, and will seek to increase the number of business establishments that offer dancing to the public.

Membership will be open to singles as well as couples.

A special welcome wig be extended to beginners. Arrangements will be made for special "low-cost" dance lessons for beginners and to help new dancers get started.

Those who are interested in helping form the chapter should call 1-800-447-9047 or write to: USABDA, P.O. Box 128, New Freedom, PA 17349.

Chautauqua



(Special photo)

Long lines form at the Calvary Baptist Church funnel cake booth during Chautauqua 1999. The funnel cakes will be featured again this year along with Frito pie and turkey legs. Frozen pickle pops will also be sold by the Calvary Baptist youth.

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PRENATAL AND POSTPARTUM EXERCISE PROGRAM

Did you know that women who exercise during and after their pregnancy generally have shorter labors, fewer complications and quicker recoveries?

Pampa Regional Medical Center Rehabilitation Team is providing a comprehensive educational and exercise program for mother, partner and child by a licensed therapist.

What are the benefits of exercise during pregnancy for mothers?

- * Promotes muscle tone, strength and endurance through exercises
- * Helps you to carry the weight you gain during pregnancy
- * Makes it easier to get back into shape after the baby is born
- * Improves mood and self image
- * Improves sleeping patterns
- * Decreases fewer pregnancy-related discomforts
- * Lowers weight gain and fat accumulation
- * Increases speed of recovery after delivery

What are the benefits of exercise during pregnancy for the baby?

- * Studies have shown that women who exercised strenuously during pregnancy had babies approximately 8 ounces lighter than fit mothers who stopped exercising during pregnancy.
- * Studies show that children of mothers who exercised during pregnancy tended to be leaner and scored significantly higher on intelligence and language skill, test, than children whose mothers did not exercise during pregnancy.
- * Recreational exercise may actually decrease the chances of both premature labor and the birth of a very small baby.
- * Continuing regular, vigorous exercise throughout pregnancy decreases fetal fat without decreasing overall growth.

Does exercise hurt the baby?

- * According to the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, there is **NO** evidence that shows that exercise during pregnancy has any harmful effects on the baby or increases the risk of a miscarriage or birth defects.
- * Exercise does not increase the chance of premature labor or membrane rupture.

The program is held for a total of twelve (12) sessions and will meet bi-weekly. PRMC will also be offering a postpartum exercise program that consists of four (4) sessions and will meet bi-weekly. Exercise sessions will begin September 11, 2000. For more information, Contact Pampa Regional Medical Center Rehabilitation team at (806) 663-5566 Monday - Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.



AUGUST 18 2000

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

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

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

ST. MARK CME CHURCH
St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

MACEDONIA CHURCH
Macedonia Church will host a monthly breakfast the third Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 441 Elm Street with the Rev. I.L. Patrick. Donations will be accepted and the public is invited.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS
The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

CPF
Cerebral Palsy Foundation is seeking families with children (birth to age 12) affected by cerebral palsy in an effort to establish a chapter in the area. CPF offers financial and emotional support as well as many free services. For more information, call 1-888-872-7966 toll-free.

GED TESTING
Clarendon College-Pampa Center conducts GED testing the fourth Monday and Tuesday of every month except for May and June. Test dates for these two months are May 22 and 23 and June 19 and 20. Those taking the full test must attend both days. Preregistration is required. For more information, call Jana Wesson-Martin at 665-8801.

MUSEUM OF THE PLAINS
Museum of the Plains is currently exhibiting "Panhandle-Wide Panoramic Photography" by Louise Daniel and Jim Jordan through Labor Day. The museum is located at 1200 N. Main in Perryton.

MASONIC LODGE #966
Pampa Masonic Lodge #966, 420 W. Kingsmill, will meet at 7:30 p.m., Aug. 19 to present Golden Trowel Awards to R.C. Grider and Haldane Suttle.

WEST AFRICAN ART
An "Authentic West Africa Fine Arts Display" will be at Fifth Seasons Inn, 140 east in Amarillo, from 12-8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 19. The show will include: wood carvings, masks, hand-crafted tables and chairs, brass statues, hand-crafted jewelry, hand bags, African drums, African spears and daggers, hand-crafted sandals and original paintings. The event is free and open to the public.

ACT I
ACT I Community Theatre will hold auditions for its first play of the season, "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940," at 7 p.m. Aug. 22 and 24 at the ACT I theatre located near the west entrance of Pampa Mall.

GREG LAIR BLOOD DRIVE
Greg Lair will sponsor a Coffee Memorial Blood Center Blood Drive Aug. 19 at the dealership in Amarillo. CMBC encourages everyone to participate and make the blood drive a success.

PIONEER EXES ANNUAL PICNIC
Pioneer Exes Annual Picnic is slated to begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26 at Senior Citizens Center in Lubbock (across from Lubbock High School.) A meal will be served at 3 p.m. Cost will be \$8 per person.

Send reservations and money to Elsie Roberts, 3515 46th St., Lubbock. The deadline to register is Aug. 22.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
The local Alzheimer's Support Group will conduct a four-part series this fall. The series will kick-off Sept. 7 with Dr. Bruce Harrow presenting an overview of the disease. Topics will include: Communication and Activities of Daily Living, Oct. 5; and Community Resources and Caregiving Planning, Nov. 2. The series will conclude Dec. 7 with a panel discussion. The group meets regularly at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson, 665-0356.

CCPC SCHOLARSHIPS
Clarendon College-Pampa Center is currently accepting applications for fall 2000 semester scholarships in the amount of \$500 through Aug. 21. Scholarships are also available to students attending CCPC ApTech Center, a certified machinists school. Students must complete the application form and provide three recommendations along with a copy of their last grade transcript. Applications may be obtained at the CCPC campus, 1601 W. Kentucky, or by calling (806) 665-8801. Completed applications should be mailed to: Pampa Center Foundation, c/o Clarendon College-Pampa Center, 1601 W. Kentucky, Pampa, TX 79065.

CMBC GOLF TOURNAMENT
The Second Annual Coffee Memorial Blood Center Golf Tournament fund-raiser is slated Friday, Aug. 25 at Arrowhead Course at Comanche Trail Golf Course. The four-person scramble will begin at 1:30 p.m. The entry fee is \$50 and will include green fees, cart, goody bag, beverage tickets and a dinner donated by Haffbrau Steaks. Only 32 teams may enter. The deadline for entry is Friday, Aug. 18. For more information call, Linda Guthrie at (806) 358-4563.

HAPPY CELEBRATION
The 34th Annual Happy Days Celebration will be Aug. 18-20 at Happy. The event will include: Craft shows, a parade, an Old Timers reunion and barbecue, Top of Texas Cloggers, a barbecue, Little Britches Rodeo, Washer Pitch, "Introduction to Bull Riders," and a team roping. For parade inquiries, call (806) 558-2231. For booth space information, call (806) 558-2121. Call (806) 995-4646 about the bull rider event and (806) 558-3381 about the team roping.

FIRST BAPTIST WOMEN'S RETREAT
First Baptist Church "Choices of the Heart" Women's Retreat is slated Sept. 29-Oct. 1 at New Beginnings Retreat Center in Channing with retreat leader Martha Baker. Total cost of the retreat is \$87 (two per room). Twenty-five dollars is due Aug. 25 to reserve a spot. The balance must be paid by Sept. 15. Fees refundable upon request by Sept. 21. To register or for more information, call 669-1155.

STAGE RIGHT THEATRE
Stage Right Theatre will present "Hamlet" in its third annual "Shakespeare in the Park" performance beginning with pre-show entertainment a 7:30 p.m. followed by the regular performance at 8 p.m. Aug. 9-12 in Sam Houston Park in Amarillo. For more information, call Karen Robertson, (806) 353-7888 or (806) 355-0914.

PALO DURO BENEFIT
Palo Duro Canyon State Park Endowment Fund will present Western singer and poet Red Steagall and friends Don Edwards and Andy Wilkinson in a benefit performance at 8 p.m. Sept. 9 in Palo Duro's Pioneer Amphitheater. Tickets - to be available at the door - are \$30 per person and may be purchased in advance at all First American Bank locations, at Palo Duro Canyon Visitor Center or by mail. For more information, call Larry Scruggs at (806) 488-2222, ext. 0.

NATURE HIKES
The following nature hikes are scheduled from 9-11:30 a.m. at Palo Duro Canyon State Park: Aug. 12 and 19, Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail, 2.5-mile hike; Aug. 26, Sunflower Trail, 2-mile walk. Participants should bring water and good walking shoes. The walks will include discussions on geology, history, wildlife and plants. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

FPC REGISTRATION
Frank Phillips College in Borger will hold on-campus registration from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Aug. 23-24, FPC Library. An extended fall class schedule is available on campus and will be mailed to residents of the top 10 counties of the Texas Panhandle on Monday, Aug. 14. For more information, call the Office of Admission and Records, (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 741.

CLARENDON COLLEGE
Clarendon College is accepting applications for its Licensed Vocational Nursing Program of the 2000-01 school year. Early applications are encouraged to insure prospective students get a place in the fall class. Students may attend nursing classes on either the Clarendon or the Shamrock campuses. For an application, contact CC (806) 874-3571. For more information, call Director Vickie Moore on the CC campus or 1-800-687-9737.

PALO DURO PIONEERS
Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer a "Palo Duro Pioneers" children's program from 2-3 p.m., July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 at the Interpretive Theater. Topics will vary weekly and may include plants, wildlife, geology and history. Parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

TFS APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM
Texas Folklife Resources is currently accepting applications for its Apprenticeship program. The Apprenticeships in the Folk Arts program encouraged the continuation of Texas traditional arts by providing master artists funds for training qualified apprentices. Texas traditional arts or folk arts are those art forms learned informally, often passed from generation to generation. Deadline for application is Sept. 1. All participants must be residents of Texas. For more information or for an application, contact Caroline Herring, program coordinator, at Texas Folklife Resources, 1317 South Congress, Austin, TX 78704; or call (512) 441-9255.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER
The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: Sept. 11, Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, and Aug. 14 and Sept. 5, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

DIALOGUE
The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1 p.m. this month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIPS
President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities is hosting three scholarship competitions for post-secondary students with disabilities for the 2000-01 academic year. Two competitions are open to candidates with disabilities seeking financial assistance for undergraduate study at a four-year college or university. The third competition is open to female candidates with disabilities seeking financial assistance for graduate study. For more information, visit the President's Committee website at www.pcep.gov and click the "Scholarships" link on the home page.

MSAA
A wide range of free, direct support services is available to local residents suffering from multiple sclerosis through Multiple Sclerosis Association of America. Services include general information, therapeutic equipment, educational literature, national lending library, no-cost MRIs, cool suits, wheelchairs and scooters, support groups and more. For more information, contact MSAA at 1-800-LEARN-MS or access www.msaa.com on the Internet.

FAN BOOKLET
The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, D.C., recently published the booklet, "Free & Low Cost Medical Care." The booklet includes information on how and where to get free and low-cost medical care under the Federal Hill-Burton program. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network - Free & Low Cost Medical Care Booklet, Dept. MCB-0725, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. The information is also available at www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.

AIYSE
American International Youth Student Exchange Program is seeking American high school students, ages 15-19, to participate in its foreign exchange program. Students will spend a semester or year with an European family or participate in a 4- to 6-week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened by AIYSEP school counselors and educators in local schools. To qualify, students must have evidence of maturity, superior character and knowledge of English and a foreign language. For more information, call 1-800-347-7575.

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

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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 822 E. Foster. 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.

MONTHLY GOSPEL SINGING
First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

ACT I
ACT I Community Theatre will hold auditions for its first play of the season, "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940," at 7 p.m. Aug. 22 and 24 at the ACT I theatre located near the west entrance of Pampa Mall.

FIRST ASSEMBLY
First Assembly of God Church will present the ministry of LaVerne and Edith Tripp at 7 p.m. Sept. 11. The Tripps host their own TV show and are frequent guests of TBN Television ministry. All are invited to attend and enjoy an evening of gospel music and ministry.

PPQC
Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 24 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. The program will be "Quilt Labels" and members may participate by bringing their own ideas, instructions and demonstrations on labels to share with the group. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (806) 779-2115.


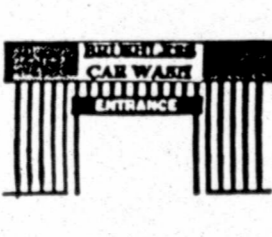
TEXANS CARING FOR TEXANS
Texans Caring for Texans will hold a Public Employee Recognition from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 24 at Amarillo College Business and Industry Center, 1314 S. Polk, Amarillo.

PAS DANCE
Pampa Area Singles will hold a dance from 8-11 p.m. Aug. 26 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Indian Summer will perform. Cost is \$6 per person. The event will be alcohol and smoke free. For more information, call 665-7059.

MUSEUM OF THE PLAINS PIONEER DAYS
Museum of the Plains, 1200 N. Main, Perryton, will host "Pioneer Day" Saturday, Aug. 26 directly following the Perryton Celebration. Frankie McWhother and The Over the Hill Gang will provide live entertainment beginning at 1 p.m. and two \$500 raffles from Duncan and Boyd Jewelers will be held. The celebration will include exhibits and fun as well as burgers and homemade ice cream.

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Convention ends; Gore hurls himself in campaign

LA CROSSE, Wis. (AP) — Al Gore hurred himself into the finals of the campaign for the White House, summoning the nation to join him "on a new journey to the best America" and dashing to the industrial Midwest to begin making his case.

Gore and his running mate, Sen. Joseph Lieberman, paused only briefly after accepting the nomination before flying all night to Wisconsin where they landed as the sun rose today. After a shower and a change of clothes, they planned to board a riverboat for a four-day tour through a series of important battleground states.

About 200 people greeted the bleary-eyed people aboard the campaign plane as it landed.

Just before taking off, Gore and Lieberman went to a star-studded Democratic National Committee gala in Los Angeles, where they raised \$5 million and Gore told activists there they were essential to this year's campaign.

"This is for real and our future really is on the line," he said.

Just after midnight, Gore broke away, telling the activists he was headed "toward Iowa and Illinois and the heartland of America."

Aides hoped the photo-friendly boat trip down the Mississippi River would generate heavy press attention and give Gore momentum out of his nominating convention.

Earlier, delegates who nominated him for president cheered and chanted his name, never louder than when the vice president declared:

"I stand here tonight as my own man."

The roar overrode the rest of the line, as he went on, "and I want you to know me for who I truly am."

In a 51-minute address aimed beyond the convention hall at the national television audience, Gore blended personal history and his campaign issues agenda. He offered a quick bow to President Clinton for the thriving economy and his other achievements, but said he is not asking for votes "on the basis of past performance."

"For all of our good times, I am not satisfied," he said, promising a better, fairer, more prosperous nation in a new Democratic administration.

Before all the balloons had popped, with the confetti and streamers hardly settled, Gore raced east-

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ward with Lieberman to hunt votes on the riverboat campaign voyage down the Mississippi River, from Wisconsin to Missouri.

His political ports of call there and in Illinois and Iowa were in territory crucial to his bid to beat his Republican opponent, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, in the election now 81 days away.

In his convention address, Gore called GOP proposals "old guard" and beholden to the powerful and the wealthy, but he never spoke Bush's name.

Even so, Bush's spokesman had an instant response. Ari Fleischer called Gore's address "more of the same old language of class warfare, partisanship and division."

Gore was almost conversational at times, not the shouting orator of other campaign days. "If you entrust me with the presidency, I know I won't always be the most exciting politician," he said. "But I pledge to you tonight: I will work for you every day and I will never let you down."

Gore broke no policy ground, repeating the agenda he has been shaping during a campaign that began not long after the 1998 elections.

The man who heard so many jokes about how boring he was that he started joking about it himself tried to turn that into an asset:

"I know my own imperfections. For example, I know that sometimes people say I'm too serious, that I talk too much substance and policy. Maybe I've done that tonight."

"But the presidency is more than a popularity contest. It's a day to day fight for the people."

Gore said "we've got to win this election, because every hardworking American family deserves to open the door to their dreams."

"From this city that marked both the end of America's journey westward and the beginning of

the New Frontier, let us set out on a new journey to the best America," Gore said.

Then, showered by red, white and blue balloons, and by glittering confetti, he and Lieberman embraced, and strolled the stage with thumbs-up waves. Their wives, then their children, then an array of Democratic leaders, Gore's vanquished primary rival Bill Bradley among them, joined the unity show.

Their first campaign day as the Democratic nominees was to span 20 hours of travel and vote-hunting before they called it a night in Dubuque, Iowa.

Later Friday morning they planned to board the riverboat Mark Twain for four days on and off the Mississippi, with rallies afloat and ashore on the way downstream to Hannibal.

Mark Miles, a delegate from St. Charles, Mo., said he was going to be there in his 34-foot party barge to welcome the ticket. "The uniqueness of this boat trip is attention-getting, since they usually do planes, trains and buses," he said, and that should play well elsewhere in the state. Bush leads in the most recent polls in Missouri, where Clinton won in 1992 and 1996.

Bob Tully, the Iowa Democratic chairman, said he'd meet the ticket in Dubuque. "It is a smart move on their part," he said. Iowa has gone Democratic in the past three presidential elections, but Gov. Tom Vilsack said Bush would win narrowly if the election were held now.

Wisconsin and Illinois also are battleground, swing states that voted twice for Clinton.

Bush was resuming his campaign Friday after a break at his ranch near Waco, Texas, during the Democratic convention — his first stop a rally in Bartlett, Tenn., Gore's home state. Vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney was campaigning with him

in the Memphis suburb.

For all the celebrations and victory vows of Los Angeles, there were upstream political currents facing Gore, in the public opinion polls that rate Bush the leader, 48 percent to 37 percent in a Voter.com-Battleground survey released Thursday.

And there was an extra burden with the disclosure in Washington that Kenneth Starr's successor as independent counsel had summoned a new grand jury to hear evidence against Clinton in connection with the Monica Lewinsky sex scandal. Robert Ray had said he would consider bringing charges against the president, impeached and acquitted while Starr was on his case, after Clinton leaves office on Jan. 20.

The new grand jury was empaneled July 11; word of it came to The Associated Press from legal sources Thursday, hours before Gore's acceptance speech.

"The timing of this leak reeks to high heaven," White House spokesman Jake Siewert said. Even the Bush campaign criticized it, saying the timing was wrong and inappropriate.

"It seems clearly calculated to have a political impact," Gore spokesman Doug Hattaway said.

Convention delegates and party leaders chorused praise of Gore's address, but some of them earlier had voiced their worries about his prospects.

"What's important is the poll taken this weekend," said Rep. Marty Meehan of Massachusetts. "If an 11-point lead can be cut in half, then the Democrats have a chance."

"The Republicans this time seem to have their act together," Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson told delegates from New Mexico, his home state. "I think we have to be extra strong, work extra hard."

The Bush campaign announced that it wants three debates with Gore this fall, and two between Cheney and Lieberman. Karen Hughes, Bush's communications director, said the campaign was open to negotiations on details, sponsors and formats.

"We've been ready to debate for months," said Chris Lehane, Gore's spokesman. "Their newfound readiness to debate shows this campaign is tightening."

Snubbed by GOP, NAACP chief cheered at Demo convention

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Denied a chance to address the Republican convention, NAACP president Kweisi Mfume stood on the Democrats' podium Thursday and praised Al Gore and Joseph Lieberman for having "listened and responded and stood with us" on issues such as hate crimes, health care and racial equality.

"We offered to give both major political parties our best thinking on matters of concern to the millions of Americans who believe as we do in fairness and equality and fair play," Kweisi said at the Democratic National Convention. "The Democratic Party said 'No problem.' The Republican Party said 'No thanks.'"

Before taking over the NAACP, Mfume was a Democratic congressman from Maryland and headed the Congressional Black Caucus.

Addressing himself to Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush, Mfume said: "Mr. Bush, wherever you might be, please know that although I've never been a cowboy, now I know what it's like to be ambushed and bushwhacked."

He praised Gore and Lieberman. "Both of them understand that ... we so desperately need men and women who will stand up and speak out for that which is right and to fight back against that which is wrong," Mfume said.

This month, the civil rights group president indefinitely suspended Dallas NAACP president Lee Alcorn for his Semitic comments about Lieberman. Speaking on Fort Worth gospel radio station KHVN Aug. 7, Alcorn said that Gore's selection of Lieberman, an Orthodox Jew, as a running mate was "suspicious."

Republican Party Chairman Jim Nicholson had advised Mfume that the GOP could not provide him with a speaking slot at the convention but hoped to find a "meaningful and appropriate" way for him to participate in the GOP convention at Philadelphia. Bush spoke at the NAACP's convention this summer as part of a GOP effort to reach out to black voters.

Texas Demos ready 'to go home and work'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Texas delegates returning from the Democratic National Convention say that while Al Gore probably won't win Texas, the state's Democrats can still help him attain the White House.

Neither Gore nor Texas Gov. George W. Bush is expected to spend much time or money campaigning in a state Bush is almost certain to capture in November.

But Texas Democrats say that doesn't mean they'll be idle during the campaign.

They say they'll discuss the Republican governor's record, which Democrats say is not the success story he's been pushing on the campaign trail.

"People are excited. We're ready to go back home and work and show people that things are a lot different in Texas than they think they are," said Texas Democratic Party Chairwoman Molly Beth Malcolm.

Malcolm's GOP counterpart, Susan Weddington, said Democrats are not being fair as they list negatives about Bush and the state, including pollution problems and the high number of uninsured children.

"The defense of Texas should be a nonpartisan issue, yet too many Texas Democrats are remaining silent while the Gore-Lieberman tag team pummels Texans," Weddington said.

Both sides claim they are telling the truth.

"The fact is we'll be showing what happened, the facts and the record. We'll let people make decisions after that," said state Senator Gonzalo Barrientos of Austin.

The "Texas Truth Squad," a group of Democrats who used their time at the convention to discuss Bush with delegates from other states, will continue its work once home.

Democratic officials urged the 231 delegates to do the same. Doug Peterson of Clear Lake said his grass-roots truth squad will have regular meetings when they return and plan to write letters to the editors of major newspapers around the country.

"We're in a unique position as Texas Democrats to tell Americans what we know about our governor," Peterson said.

Partisan crowd likes speech

LOS ANGELES (AP) — They liked the specifics. They thought they saw some passion. They even thought they'd seen the charisma gap narrow.

Hardly impartial — these are the most partisan of partisans, after all — these jurors were just about unanimous. Delegates to the Democratic National Convention took cheer from Al Gore's speech Thursday night accepting their party's presidential nomination.

"He loosened up. I'm on the way to the inaugural," exulted one. "He gave us spirit," said another.

If there was disagreement with their wonkish candidate's decision to deliver a speech top-heavy with policy pronouncement, it concerned his decision to ignore George W. Bush. After all, in Philadelphia two weeks ago, his Republican rival had said, over and over, "They had their chance. They have not led. We will."

"I would have liked him to be harder (on Bush) but he's got to be careful of not sounding too partisan," said Ronald Canestrari, a New York state assemblyman from the Albany area. "But ... he could have hit him more on the issues."

And Marty Meehan, a congressman from Massachusetts, said if it were up to him, "I would have been a little tougher on George W. Bush."

Not so, said Jeanne Shaheen,

the governor of New Hampshire. "We've got two and a half months of this campaign to go after Bush and go after his record."

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RELIGION

Minister's musings ...

The late Leonard Ravenhill in his book, "Tried & Transfigured" wrote these astounding paragraphs in relation to our understanding of the Bible.

"The River Ganges is reputed to be sacred. We ourselves have seen its yellow waters — sacred to some, a drink for not a few, a bath for millions, and a bathroom for others. A chemist once analyzed some of the 'sacred' waters, and the test showed the drop of water alive with bacteria. The shocked chemist called a Sadhu and had him peep through he microscope. He, too, saw the defiling germs. Then suddenly, while the chemist's back was turned, there was a crash. In anger the Sadhu had smashed the microscope. The view had been too revealing."

"This is why sinners shun the Bible — it is too revealing. This is why believers back away from some Bible truths — they are too demanding."

Ravenhill may have called some things to our attention that we would rather have left unsaid. What is it about the Bible that causes so much friction in both unbelievers and in believers? I'm not talking about doctrinal differences that sometimes divide the Body of Christ. I'm referring to that inner turmoil that the truth of God's Word will bring into our lives. I have had some folk tell me that they don't like to read the Bible because it makes them feel bad. No, my friend, it is not the Bible that makes one feel bad. It's the sin that biblical truth reveals that will make one

By Rev. Nathan Hopson

feel bad! The little Book of James, (you know that little book that some think should not have been canonized), has well said that we should be "doers of the word and not hearers only."

James 1:21-25
Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it — he will be blessed in what he does.

(NIV)
In this fast-paced age that we are living in it is so easy to be drawn away from biblical

truth. However, the Word of God is sure, it is truth, and it will convince both believer and unbeliever of needed changes in their lives. The writer of Hebrews so says:

Heb 4:12
For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thought and intents of the heart.

(KJV)
I love the Bible. I believe it is God inspired and is filled with the heart and mind of God. There is no doubt in my mind about the authenticity of the Word of God. I imagine if it were written without the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that man would have left a lot of things out of it. God really does show us the reality of our selfish and stubborn heart. The graphic pictures of certain ones failures and the love of God in trying to bring restoration to those broken lives. One of the great stories in the Bible describes the successes and the glaring failure of one man. Yet because David had a heart for God, and he was not too proud to humble himself before Him, he found a place of reconciliation. Later he was to write these wonderful words:

Psalm 119:11
Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee.
May we all hide His work in our hearts.

Religion briefs...

Plainsmen Quartet to perform

The New Plainsmen Quartet will perform at 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 19 at First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock. The New plainsmen Quartet, recently formed, is making its mark in the gospel music industry in the Southern Gospel tradition.

The quartet brings to the stage close harmonies, unique arrangements and great audience appeal. Members include Greg Avery, lead vocalist; James Sparks, tenor-emcee-songwriter; LaVoy Sims, baritone; and Billy Dotson, bass. The concert is open and free. A love offering will be taken.

Evangelist coming to Macedonia

Evangelist Mike Stevens of Shreveport, La., will be ministering at 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 20 at Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm Street.

Tripp's to perform Sept. 11

First Assembly of God Church will present the ministry of LaVerne and Edith Tripp at 7 p.m. Sept. 11. The Tripps host their own TV show and are frequent guests of TBN Television ministry. All are invited to attend and enjoy an evening of gospel music and ministry.

Iglesia Nueva Vida to host special program

Iglesia Nueva Vida, (New Life Church), located at 801 E. Campbell is hosting a special program on drugs, alcohol, crime and prison, on Sunday, August 20, at 10:00 a.m. All services are bilingual, and everyone is welcome. Guest speaker will be Johnny Gonzales, of Roswell, N.M.

Much of Johnny's first twenty-three years of life were spent "doing time" in juvenile halls, reformatories, jails and prisons. A \$100 a day drug habit, prison life, and mental institutions are all a part of Johnny's past.

In addition to his most important message for the youths and adults of our country, both in and out of prison, Johnny is Prison Coordinator for Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International Prison Ministry in Roswell.

If you're tired of cliché answers, come and hear the real ones from the guy who has lived the problem and now lives the answer.

Women's retreat on tap

New Beginnings Christian Retreat Center near Channing will be the site of Pampa First Baptist Church Women's Fall Retreat Sept. 29-Oct. 1. The "Choices of the Heart" retreat will host speaker Martha Baker of Tucson, Ariz.

During the past several years, Baker has spoken at retreats and conferences from New England to the West Coast. She has appeared as a guest on "Focus on the Family" and "Family Life Today." Her life experience gives her credibility from which to speak to the issues women face and often struggle with in our world today. She has a gift of making God's Word come alive as well as practical in our lifestyle and culture.

Cost of the retreat is \$87 (two per room) and will include all food, lodging and transportation.

Forms are available at the church office, 203 N. West, for all interested participants. Registration and fee deadline is Aug. 25. For more information, call the church at 669-1155 or Kathryn Green at 669-0148.

Divorce recovery seminar Sept. 8-9

AMARILLO — Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo will be sponsoring "Fresh Start Seminar," a divorce recovery seminar, Sept. 8-9. The seminar is open to everyone, regardless of religious affiliation.

"What we try to do," explained Mike Sanford, president of Fresh Start, "is to help the participants understand how divorce affects them and how they might achieve personal growth from the experience, rather than just endure it."

The seminar, which will be Friday evening and all day Saturday, includes both formal presentations and small group discussions. Topics to be presented include: "The Stages of Divorce and Recovery"; "Beginning Again"; and "Working Through Bitterness and Learning to Forgive."

In addition to these subjects, participants also may choose to attend the following electives; "Re-Entry Into the Single Life"; "Separation/Reconciliation"; "Single Sexuality"; and "Kids in the Middle" (panel discussion).

The Fresh Start speaker for the evening will be Jay Graham. The fee of \$35 prior to Sept. 9 and \$40 after this deadline. Cost of the seminar covers all printed material, snacks on Friday and lunch on Saturday. More information and brochures may be obtained by calling (806) 353-6615 or writing to: Paramount Terrace Christian Church, 4000 Mays, Amarillo, TX 79109.

Free worship center fire safety video available

MERRILL, Wis. — A video designed to promote fire safety at houses of worship is now available to all churches and synagogues.

The 13-minute video highlights the fire hazards found at many worship centers and provides solutions for the fight against arson, electrical fires, lightning strikes and other accidental causes. The video, created by Church Mutual Insurance Company, Merrill, Wis., also includes steps that should be taken to reduce damage if a fire occurs.

"Church Mutual's fire safety video is an excellent resource and teaching tool for all houses of worship to use in their fire safety efforts," said Bradley A. Buckles, director of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Fire Arms, the federal agency responsible for investigating church arson fires. "I recommend all worship centers request the video and show it to all clergy, employees and volunteers."

To request a copy of the free video, call Church Mutual at 1-800-554-2642, ext. 4205, send an e-mail to tgruling@churchmutual.com or mail your request to Corporate Communications, Church Mutual Insurance Co., 3000 Schuster Lane, Merrill, WI 54452.

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A different kind of fall ...

For the first time in 21 years I am not buying colored pencils, black and blue ink pens, and college-ruled notebook paper. Oh, I am buying back to school paraphernalia all right - a half-pint refrigerator, candy-colored desk lamp, pocket-sized wallet, over-priced jeans and sandals straight from the 70's.

It is costing me more than all the Big Chief tablets I ever bought for all three kids combined, but for the first time we only have college students at our house. One, thank goodness, has completed his degree and is now sending home his obligatory \$10 a week to help the family, and another alleges he will graduate this December.

It is the last child for whom the goodies are bought and it is with her we are spending the last few days of her child-in-the-

*From
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Back
Pew...*

By Cheryl Berzanskis



home existence. After Thursday - poof! - she will be ours in financial obligation only.

Three years ago about this time she jetted away from us for Italy and 10 months later returned a different child. It is wrong to say

she left a child for she did not, but it is more wrong to say she returned a child. She returned a determined envisionist, one who sees not only where she is but where she can go in the world. Living with her is like riding a silent train you don't know has left the station until you're halfway to your destination and discover the tickets aren't cheap.

As I purchase the adult child's version school supplies and mentally groan over my depleted checking account, I mourn a little for first-day-of-class trips to Alco, August reunions with other parking lot mothers and the Austin Elementary Halloween carnival and chili supper. Next week I'll dust off "101 Ways to Cook and Love Pinto Beans," buy my first Green Wave T-shirt and pray for the city of New Orleans because Laurie's there to stay.



(Special photo)

Youth from Central Baptist Church recently canoed the Brazos River. The group spent two nights camping on the river bank and traveled 20 miles downstream. Participants included: Jordan Smith, Willie Griffin, Joel Palmateer, Stephen Bledsoe, Abe Avila, Jordan Spearman, Kevin Turner, Tommy Abernathy, Mike Bledsoe, Kevin Hucks, Ron Shank, Rebecca Middlebrook, Drew Barker, Cory Bromwell, Chris Shaffer, Clayton Johnson, Sonia Avila and Ande Shank.

Something to write home about ...

ROME (AP) — They had just finished the best lunch of their young lives, but no one could remember exactly what they ate. Hey, when the pope's your host, who notices what's on the menu?

For three T-shirt-wearing pilgrims from Canada, Wednesday was something to shout home about: a two-hour lunch, with lots of singing, joking, even a little jock talk with Pope John Paul II in his summer residence in Castel Gandolfo in the hills outside Rome.

The pontiff is putting the Canadians and a dozen other youths up for the week at the Castel Gandolfo home. After he sent them and the others off with hugs and a couple of mischievous twirls of his cane, the Canadians hopped a train to Rome to share their experience with some of the 700,000 other young Catholics in the Italian

capital this week for the Vatican's World Youth Day events.

"I gave him a hockey jersey from the Toronto Maple Leafs with 'Pope John Paul II' on the back," said Roger Gudino, 26, from that team's town. "He said: '60 years ago I played hockey.'"

"He's really human," said Gudino in an interview with The Associated Press. "There's no way you'll feel uncomfortable."

Christopher Radziminski, who decided not to wear his Pink Floyd T-shirt for the luncheon but who kept on his not-exactly spanking clean running shoes for the occasion, made no bones about it: He was dazzled by the pope's energy at 80.

"He twirled the cane like Charlie Chaplin. He did it twice at the end," said Radziminski, 24, from Vancouver. "He's switching languages like

this," said Radziminski, snapping his fingers. "French, Spanish and Portuguese and Polish." Plus English and Italian.

"He's sharp as a stick, man." Canada is expected to be the site of a future World Youth Day, a tradition started by the pope and held every other year.

Italy, the current host, was represented at Castel Gandolfo by three young men from Pisa, including one who worried that maybe he should wash the orange and black stripes out of his hair before sitting down for a meal with the pope.

The Italian, identified only as Alessandro, need not have worried.

"Oh, I like your hair," Radziminski said the pope told Alessandro, who, like the others, were selected by organizers for the papal lodgings.

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Sources say grand jury to probe Clinton-Lewinsky scandal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Independent Counsel Robert Ray is signaling that the Monica Lewinsky scandal is far from over, assembling a new grand jury to investigate the president's conduct, legal sources say.

News that the grand jury was impaneled a month ago reverberated to the other side of the country Thursday, with Democratic Party loyalists at the convention in Los Angeles decrying the story as a politically motivated leak designed to hurt Vice President Al Gore.

"If Clinton was to drop dead, the Republicans would dig him up," complained Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y.

The timing of the news "hours before Al Gore is to give this speech" warrants a federal investigation, said Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr., D-Ill.

"You can bet your bottom dollar that the Republican Party was behind" the leak, said House Minority Whip David Bonior, D-Mich. "I think the American peo-

ple are going to reject this kind of behavior."

Gore spokesman Doug Hattaway said the judicial system was being "manipulated for political purposes."

With the convention in its final day, Clinton was 3,000 miles away at the White House, where spokesman Jake Siewert pointed to prosecutors as a likely source of the leak. Ray's office denied it.

The sources telling The Associated Press that a new grand jury was convened July 11 in the Clinton-Lewinsky matter are outside the Independent Counsel's office. The sources spoke only on condition of anonymity.

The setting up of a new Clinton-Lewinsky grand jury at the U.S. Courthouse in Washington, D.C., follows through on Ray's promise to weigh whether the president should be indicted after he steps down from office next January.

A year and a half after Clinton was impeached by the House

and acquitted by the Senate on a pair of 50-50 tie votes, a special panel of judges is renewing Ray's mandate for another year.

The judges issued a legalistic one-sentence order Wednesday declaring that "termination of the office ... is not currently appropriate."

The legal questions are whether Clinton committed perjury or obstructed justice when he denied an affair in sworn testimony in the Paula Jones case.

The judge in the Jones case has already ruled the president gave false testimony and fined him for civil contempt of court. The disciplinary committee of the Arkansas Supreme Court has also moved to revoke Clinton's law license.

Keith Ausbrook, senior counsel to Ray, declined comment about any grand jury activity, which is kept secret by law.

But in response to the judges' order, Ausbrook noted that "we've made public that the

Lewinsky investigation remains open and that the e-mail investigation remains open."

The e-mail probe focuses on whether the White House concealed thousands of electronic messages sought by investigators. Presidential aides deny wrongdoing.

In the e-mail probe, a conservative group, Judicial Watch, revealed that Ray's office is using a federal grand jury in Alexandria, Va.

Judicial Watch released the first page of a subpoena for records of a major witness in the investigation, Sheryl Hall, a former White House computer specialist who said some of her fellow workers had been threatened with jail if they revealed a problem with the e-mail archiving system.

The absence of archiving of incoming messages made it impossible for the White House to review thousands of e-mails to determine if they should be surrendered in various investigations — from

the Lewinsky scandal to Whitewater.

Judicial Watch has been critical of Ray's office for recently closing the books on two other Clinton-era controversies — the White House gathering of secret FBI files on Republicans and possible lying regarding Hillary Rodham Clinton's role in the firings of White House travel office employees. The prosecutor declined to bring criminal charges in either case and Judicial Watch says Ray should have waited until the White House reconstructs e-mail that was missing from the archives.

Seven other federal grand juries are sitting at the courthouse investigating a variety of matters, yet Ray has sought and obtained permission to form a separate grand jury focusing on Clinton-Lewinsky rather than using any of the other seven, the sources said.

Getting a separate grand jury for Clinton-Lewinsky is "a way

for Ray to be prepared to act quickly and to deal with this question efficiently when he turns to it," said John Barrett of the St. John's University School of Law.

The new grand jury is likely to get up to speed on the scandal by receiving evidence in the form of transcripts and summaries of previously gathered evidence.

"At this stage in this particular investigation it would be highly unlikely for a new grand jury to receive any new information that had not already been considered at length by Ken Starr, the United States Congress and the prior grand jury," said John Douglass, an expert in criminal law and criminal procedure at the University of Richmond.

Barrett and Douglass did extensive work before grand juries in the Iran-Contra investigation of Reagan and Bush administration higher-ups conducted by Independent Counsel Lawrence Walsh.

Man receives 20-year sentence for beating wife with hammer

LUBBOCK (AP) — A South Plains man who struck his ex-wife on the head six times with a claw hammer has received a 20-year prison sentence.

A Hale County jury on Thursday sentenced the maximum punishment for Timothy Huseman of Cotton Center. He must also pay a \$10,000 fine for the 1997 attack that left Dina Paetzold permanently injured.

Huseman, 44, will be eligible for parole after he has served half of his time, said Hale County District Attorney Terry McEachern. Huseman will get credit for the 2 1/2 years he has already served, McEachern said.

"I thought the jury was very conscientious," he told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in Friday's editions. "They listened to both sides."

Huseman's attorney, Van Williamson, did not return a telephone call Friday from The Associated Press.

This week's trial was Huseman's third for the same crime. His first trial was declared a mistrial when the judge learned

Paetzold had spoken with one of the jurors. A second trial was thrown out after an appeals court learned the judge allowed Huseman to change his plea from innocent to guilty and back to innocent again.

An eight-woman, four-man jury took 10 minutes on Wednesday to convict Huseman of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon for the attack on 35-year-old Paetzold, who still cares for her and Huseman's son and daughter.

Three days after the attack, Paetzold suffered a stroke due to the beating. Lingering effects of the attack are lost hearing in her left ear, along with vertigo and trouble counting and reading.

Paetzold testified that Huseman came to her Plainview apartment after they had exchanged property at their Cotton Center home, just three days after their divorce. She said she saw Huseman reach into his coat for the hammer seconds before he beat her on the head with it at her Plainview apartment.

Union negotiators continue talks with Verizon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Negotiators for 87,000 striking phone workers and employer Verizon Communications toiled into the morning Friday, with new momentum in their efforts to resolve a nearly two-week old strike in a dozen Eastern states.

Both sides cited meaningful progress in their bargaining sessions — enough to convince union representatives to stay at the table despite earlier threats to abandon the talks at midnight Thursday.

"I think that we're beginning to see more substantive bargaining tonight than we have in quite a while," Jeff Miller said of the Communications Workers of America, the larger of the two unions negotiating to replace contracts that expired Aug. 6. "We're going in the right direction."

Miller said the two sides were making good headway on resolving key union concerns. Those include mandatory overtime and the movement of work. The unions fear that Verizon — the product of a summer merger between Bell Atlantic and GTE — will shift work within its expanded region to areas where labor is cheaper.

Union officials and company management traded proposals back and forth during the early morning and planned to con-

tinue reviewing those revisions as they day went on.

"They told me they had significant changes on the major proposals. It makes no sense to leave if they have them," said Myles Calvey, negotiator for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

The IBEW represents about 14,700 workers in these negotiations.

Frustrated at the pace of progress, IBEW negotiators and one of CWA's bargaining tables had threatened earlier in the week to quit negotiations at midnight Thursday in the absence of an agreement or substantial progress.

Hours before the deadline, the company said it had "fine-tuned" its contract proposal.

"They had talked about wanting to see substantial progress, and I think we are seeing substantial progress," said Verizon spokesman Eric Rabe.

He also said the looming deadline may have given all parties greater incentive to wrap up the protracted talks.

"Sometimes it's helpful to have a deadline," Rabe said. "It gets people focused."

Union officials said that talks had intensified Thursday, enough to give them hope that an agreement might be in sight.

The strike of repair and customer service workers affects 25 million Verizon

consumers from Maine to Virginia. Regular phone service has not been impacted, but the strike has slowed directory assistance calls and repairs and indefinitely halted most new line requests.

As of Thursday, Verizon had a running tally of about 100,000 requests for repairs, about 20,000 more than a week ago and more than three times the usual number of requests. Storm damage has added to the repair load, officials said.

Verizon has taken out full-page ads in several newspapers explaining the dispute to customers. One ad, in Thursday's New York Times, said of the strike, "Nobody's winning. Not our company. Not our customers. Not the union. Not our employees, the very people we need to keep us competitive in the new economy."

The strike affects Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

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BASEBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Optimist Youth Club will be holding a 7 through 9 year-old Boys Baseball Tournament Aug. 25-27 at Optimist Park. It will be pitching machine only.

First and second place trophies will be awarded. It will be a double-elimination tournament.

There will be a \$100 entry fee per team. Entry deadline is Aug. 21.

For more information, call Jeff Skinner at 665-8120 (leave a message), Joe Skinner at 669-2769 or Mando Ramirez at 665-1248.

A copy of a birth certificate is required for each player. No player can turn 10 years old before July 31.

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) —

Houston Comets forward Sheryl Swoopes accomplished just about everything she set her mind to this season but she couldn't keep from crying Thursday as she accepted the WNBA trophy as the league's most valuable player.

Swoopes, a 1996 Olympic Gold Medalist, was the first WNBA player signed in 1997 but she immediately went on maternity leave and played sparingly her first season.

She started her pro career with defensive deficiencies but improved so much that on Tuesday she was named the league's defensive player of the year after winning the league's scoring title for the first time.

FOOTBALL

PROVO, Utah (AP) —

LaVell Edwards, who won a national championship and built one of the most prolific passing offenses in college football history, said Thursday he was retiring as coach at BYU after this season.

Under the direction of Edwards, who will be 70 in October, the Cougars won the 1984 national title with a 13-0 record, and he was named national coach of the year.

Edwards' teams won 20 conference titles and played in 22 bowl games. BYU also claimed a Heisman Trophy winner, Ty Detmer in 1990, and produced a string of other star quarterbacks including Steve Young and Jim McMahon.

Penn State coach Joe Paterno called Edwards "one of the giants of our profession. There isn't anyone I respect more in coaching than LaVell."

Athletic Director Val Hale said a search for a successor will begin "at some point where the timing is better."

"We're going to put the focus on this season," Hale said.

Edwards said he made the decision to retire in January and knew in spring practice this would be his last season.

He told his players of his decision during a team meeting Thursday morning.

"It was really silent in that room and I even felt a little teary-eyed," said defensive end and team captain Setema Gnali. "You could feel a happy kind of sadness. We're happy for him, but it's sad because everyone thinks of coach Edwards and BYU as the same thing."

Edwards' prolific quarterbacks grew into some of the biggest passers in NCAA history, including four Davey O'Brien Trophy winners.

The string started with Gary Scheide and Gifford Nielsen in the 1970s and continued with McMahon, Young, Detmer and others.

BYU quarterbacks under Edwards have passed for more than 100,000 yards, about 57 miles. The Cougars haven't been shut out for an NCAA-record 312 consecutive games.

BYU led the nation in passing seven times under Edwards, whose program also produced Outland Trophy winners in Jason Buck (1986) and Mo Elewonibi (1989).

Pampa's Palmer wins discus title at National meet

PAMPA — It was business as usual for Wendell Palmer at the National Masters track and field meet.

For the 14th time, the Pampa schoolteacher won the discus competition at Nationals, which was held earlier this month in Eugene, Ore. His throw of 159.6 was the best in the 65-69 age group.

Palmer also placed third in both the shot put and hammer.

Also this month, Palmer competed in the Texas Masters Championship in Dallas and won the weight pentathlon, beating out Bob Ward, former Dallas Cowboys' strength coach.

Palmer collected 4,837 points in the weight pentathlon while Ward finished with 3,878.

Palmer also won the discus and placed second in the hammer, shot, javelin and weight

throw. Next up, the 68-year-old Palmer will be getting ready for the National Weight Pentathlon, which will be held Sept. 16 in Pampa. Palmer is also the organizer for the national meet, which will be held at the PHS athletic complex.

"I made a lot of contacts when I was in Eugene," Palmer said. "People who come out and watch will get a real treat because we're expecting to have some good ladies and some good men entered, former olympic medalists and NCAA champions in their heyday."

Palmer is selling t-shirts and polo shorts promoting the National Weight Pentathlon. The t-shirts are \$12 each and the polo shorts are \$20 each. He can be contacted at 665-1238.



Wendell Palmer displays the awards he won at Nationals and the Texas Masters Championship. (Pampa News photo)

Woods, Dunlap share lead at PGA Championship

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The course is wet, the weather is humid and the pace of play is slow. On top of that, Tiger Woods is on his game.

All in all, this is not exactly a dream week for the rest of the field at the 82nd PGA Championship.

Woods shot a 6-under-par 66 to share the lead with Scott Dunlap after Thursday's lengthy opening day at Valhalla Golf Club.

Slow play forced a suspension of play as darkness fell on 18 players still on the course.

To make matters worse, the course was hit with more than 3 inches of rain overnight. The conditions forced PGA officials to delay the start of Friday's play by an hour.

That means that the second round probably will not be completed Friday and those still on the course will have to finish their rounds Saturday morning before the cut can be made and the third round can get under way.

Course workers were out early Friday, spreading wood chips over the wettest of the high-traffic areas. Mud had flowed across the walkways and carpaths and the huge mounds surrounding the 18th green had become as slippery as ski slopes.

As the first players teed off in the second round, helicopters hovered overhead.

The forecast was for gradually clearing skies and cooler temperatures after a week of high heat and humidity.

Woods, not scheduled to tee off in the second round until mid-afternoon, played with Jack Nicklaus and reigning Masters winner Vijay Singh. Woods had seven birdies, including four in a row and five in the span of six holes, Thursday to continue his onslaught in golf's premier event. "There is no stopping him," said Dunlap, who has won tournaments in Canada, South Africa, Argentina and Peru — but none on the PGA Tour.

Woods is seeking his fourth victory in the last five major championships. He could become the first player to win consecutive PGA titles since Denny Shute in 1936 and 1937. He could also become the first person to win three Grand Slam events in the same year since Ben Hogan in 1953.

Since shooting a 75 and a 72 in the first two rounds of the Masters, Woods has played 11 rounds at 44 under in the major championships.

Woods said he isn't driven by matching Hogan's feat.

"The funny thing about that is I really haven't thought about it," he said. "I haven't looked at it that way. I have looked at the fact that I am trying to win a PGA Championship and a major."

"Where the chips may fall after that, let them fall."

Woods missed several other birdie putts inside 15 feet. He nearly eagled the closing hole when his sand shot caught most of the hole, and settled for birdie when he hit

the 3-foot comebacker.

Nicklaus, playing his first competitive round with Woods, was amazed by what he saw.

"He shot the easiest 66 today, and he missed half a dozen opportunities," said Nicklaus, who labored in the heat for a 77. "Phenomenal control, phenomenal concentration. That was a real treat to watch."

Woods only used his driver on two holes, and those drives were measured at 331 and 328 yards.

Dunlap — set to tee off early in the afternoon in Friday's second round — enjoyed his moment in the spotlight. He has never finished higher than third in 108 tour events, and his best effort in the majors is a tie for 10th at last year's British Open.

Despite missing as many cuts (5) as he's made in major championships, Dunlap said there's always hope of an upset win.

"Hey, you never know when your first one is going to be," Dunlap said.

The 37-year-old Pittsburgh native had never shot lower in a major championship than the 68 he shot in the opening round of the British Open last month. He followed that with a 78 and missed the cut.

In his only previous PGA appearance, last year at Medinah, Dunlap tied for 68th, 21 shots behind Woods.

On Thursday he holed a wedge from 30 yards for eagle on the second hole and added five birdies.

Two shots back after 68s were Northern Ireland's Darren Clark and 1997 PGA champion Davis Love III.

J.P. Hayes, Fred Funk, Stephen Ames and Edward Fryatt — who only made it into the field as an alternate for the injured Steve Elkington — each shot 69.

Ernie Els, second in each of the year's first three majors, had a 74. So did Colin Montgomerie, seeking to win his first major in 38 tries.

Lansing sparks Red Sox rally against Rangers

By ADAM NAZIMOWITZ
Associated Press Writer

Mike Lansing wasn't in the lineup for the first time in 18 games since he was acquired from the Colorado Rockies on July 27. The Boston Red Sox second baseman still provided quite a finish.

Lansing's second two-run double in two innings capped Boston's three-run rally in the ninth and gave the Red Sox an 8-7 victory over the Texas Rangers on Thursday night.

"I love that situation," said Lansing, who had 15 singles and no extra-base hits with Boston before Thursday. "That's what you play for, to come in the bottom of the ninth, bases loaded, and have a chance to win the game."

For the third time in four games, the Red Sox won in their last at-bat. Ricó Brogna's grand slam in the ninth gave them a 7-3 win Monday night over Tampa Bay, and a three-run eighth beat the Devil Rays 4-3 Wednesday night.

"As long as you keep playing hard and maintain your mental stability and your work ethic, and believe in yourself and your teammates, you can win games," manager Jimy Williams said.

In other AL games, it was New York 6, Anaheim 1; Baltimore 5, Chicago 3; and Kansas City 8, Minnesota 4.

With Boston trailing 6-2, Lansing pinch hit for Brian Daubach in the eighth and doubled in two runs, then scored as Troy O'Leary's infield single to first was thrown wildly for an error by Rafael Palmeiro.

Texas made it 7-5 on Rusty Greer's third double of the game in the top of the ninth.

In the bottom half, John Wetteland (4-5) walked Scott Hatteberg, and Jose Offerman singled with one out.

Bernard Gilkey hit a routine grounder to shortstop, but Royce Clayton had trouble getting the ball out of his glove, and Gilkey reached on the error, loading the bases.

Wetteland hit Carl Everett, who struck out in his previous three at-bats, cutting the lead to 7-6 before Lansing lined a pitch off the left-field wall for Boston's 18th hit.

"The more chances you give Boston to win," Texas second baseman Luis Alicea said, "the more they will beat you. They are known for their comebacks."

Rich Garces (8-0) allowed one run in one inning on consecutive doubles by Frank Catalanotto and Greer as Boston remained four games behind the AL East-leading Yankees.

"Boston is in the playoff race for a reason," Texas starter Rick Helling said. "They find a way to win. We're finding ways to lose."

Boston's comeback began in the seventh with O'Leary's 10th homer of the season. But it was Lansing's night.

"We kept getting opportunities and guys just kept plugging away," Lansing said. "You don't play five innings, you've got to play nine."

Yankees 6, Angels 1

Denny Neagle scattered nine hits in 6 2-3 innings, and Glenallen Hill, David Justice and Luis Sojo homered as New York had a successful return home.

Neagle (3-3), who stopped his three-game losing streak, struck out three and walked one as he improved to 11-5 overall this season.

Derek Jeter reached base four times with a double and three walks, and Jorge Posada went 2-for-4 with a walk for the Yankees, who have won seven of 10.

Kent Mercker (0-2), making his second start since a cerebral hemorrhage on May 11, allowed two runs on three hits in five innings.

Troy Glaus, Mo Vaughn, Darin Erstad, Bengie Molina and Benji Gil all had two hits for Anaheim.

Scott Spiezo homered in the ninth off Jason Grimsley to account for Anaheim's only run.

Orioles 5, White Sox 3

Jeff Conine homered to back rookie left-hander John Parrish,

and host Baltimore took advantage of uncharacteristic wildness by James Baldwin.

Baldwin (13-5) tied an AL record by hitting four batters with pitches. The right-hander, who was unbeaten in six starts since July 8, had hit only two batters in 154 innings.

Jerry Hairston, who was hit twice, chased Baldwin with a two-run single in the sixth that put Baltimore up 5-1.

Parrish (2-1) allowed one run and two hits in 6 2-3 innings in his fifth major league start. He allowed eight walks, but none

of them proved costly. **Royals 8, Twins 4**

David McCarty drove in two runs and scored one a day after homering and driving in three at the Metrodome.

Dan Reichert (7-6) allowed four runs — three earned — and seven hits in seven-plus innings for his third straight victory, and Mike Sweeney homered and drove in three runs for Kansas City.

Mark Redman (11-6) gave up four runs and seven hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Major League Standings

American League					National League				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
East Division					East Division				
New York	66	51	.564	—	Atlanta	74	46	.617	—
Boston	62	55	.530	4	New York	72	49	.595	2 1/2
Toronto	62	60	.508	6 1/2	Florida	60	60	.500	14
Baltimore	53	67	.442	14 1/2	Montreal	51	66	.436	21 1/2
Tampa Bay	52	67	.437	15	Philadelphia	50	69	.420	23 1/2
Central Division					Central Division				
Chicago	72	49	.595	—	St. Louis	66	54	.550	—
Cleveland	61	56	.521	9	Cincinnati	59	60	.496	6 1/2
Detroit	58	61	.487	13	Chicago	54	65	.454	11 1/2
Kansas City	56	64	.467	16 1/2	Milwaukee	51	69	.425	15
Minnesota	55	68	.447	18	Pittsburgh	49	70	.412	16 1/2
West Division					Houston	48	73	.397	18 1/2
Seattle	69	52	.570	—	West Division				
Oakland	65	54	.546	3	San Francisco	68	51	.571	—
Anaheim	62	59	.512	6	Arizona	67	53	.558	1 1/2
Texas	55	64	.462	13	Los Angeles	61	58	.513	7
Wednesday's Games					Colorado	60	61	.496	9
Toronto 8, Anaheim 6					San Diego	57	64	.471	12
Boston 4, Tampa Bay 3					Wednesday's Games				
Texas 5, N.Y. Yankees 0					Arizona 5, Philadelphia 1				
Chicago White Sox 7, Baltimore 3					Atlanta 4, San Diego 1				
Kansas City 9, Minnesota 3					St. Louis 5, Chicago Cubs 1				
Detroit 12, Seattle 8					San Francisco 4, Montreal 1				
Oakland 7, Cleveland 6					Saturday's Games				
Thursday's Games									
Kansas City 8, Minnesota 4									
Baltimore 5, Chicago White Sox 3									
N.Y. Yankees 6, Anaheim 1									
Boston 8, Texas 7									
Only games scheduled									
Friday's Games									
Oakland (Hudson 13-4) at Detroit (Nomo 4-10), 7:05 p.m.									
Seattle (Abbott 8-4) at Cleveland (Colon 11-8), 7:05 p.m.									
Minnesota (Kinney 0-0) at Toronto (Loaiza 6-9), 7:05 p.m.									
Anaheim (Ortiz 4-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 10-6), 7:05 p.m.									
Texas (Rogers 11-10) at Boston (Ohka 1-2), 7:05 p.m.									
Kansas City (Stein 3-3) at Baltimore (Rapp 6-9), 7:35 p.m.									
Tampa Bay (Rekar 4-7) at Chicago White Sox (Garland 2-4), 8:05 p.m.									
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Anaheim (Turnbow 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 14-6), 1:05 p.m.									
Texas (Perisho 2-5) at Boston (P.Martinez 13-4), 1:15 p.m.									
Minnesota (Radke 8-13) at Toronto (Hamilton 0-0), 4:05 p.m.									
Oakland (Zito 1-1) at Detroit (Moehler 9-7), 5:05 p.m.									
Tampa Bay (Lopez 10-8) at Chicago White Sox (Sirota 10-10), 7:05 p.m.									
Kansas City (Suzuki 6-7) at Baltimore (Mercedes 8-4), 7:05 p.m.									
Sunday's Games									
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Texas at Boston, 8:05 p.m.									
Los Angeles 10, Florida 4									
Colorado 7, N.Y. Mets 5									
Milwaukee 5, Cincinnati 1									
Houston 11, Pittsburgh 10									
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N.Y. Mets 13, Colorado 2									
San Francisco 5, Montreal 4									
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Pittsburgh (Ritchie 5-6) at Cincinnati (Williamson 5-7), 7:35 p.m.									
Milwaukee (Haynes 10-10) at Houston (Miller 1-4), 8:05 p.m.									

Toddler Who Doesn't Swim Is In Danger Near Unfenced Pool

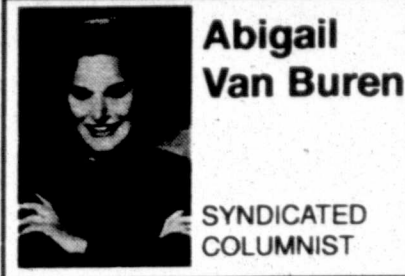
DEAR ABBY: I am a divorced mother with a 3 1/2-year-old son who visits his father on weekends. My son is taking swimming lessons, but as of now does not know how to swim. Six months ago, his father moved to a house with an unfenced swimming pool. My ex has promised for months to put up a fence, it hasn't happened. I've even offered to pay for it.

Also, my sister takes care of my son once in a while. She lives in a home with a swimming pool that is fenced — but she keeps the gate open! Her reason is that her two girls, ages 4 and 5, know how to swim.

I worry that my ex or my sister won't properly supervise my son, and he will fall unnoticed into their swimming pools. Have I a right to be concerned or am I overreacting?

CONCERNED MOM IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR CONCERNED MOM: You describe an accident waiting to happen. Your ex and sis-



Abigail Van Buren

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ter are ignorant about the safety of your child, so it is up to you to see that he is kept out of harm's way.

Do not allow him to visit either of them until you are confident he can swim. Even then, insist that your ex have the pool fenced, and your sister keep the gate closed and locked when your son is visiting — unless an adult is present at the pool. Until your son is older and more sure of himself, make certain he wears an inflated safety jacket whenever he is around any swimming pool, so he will be able to keep his head above

water should he fall in.

DEAR ABBY: After receiving sympathy cards after a death in the family, how are they displayed — or are they displayed at all?

BARBARA IN PHILADELPHIA

DEAR BARBARA: If it would be comforting to you to display the sympathy cards and letters of support you received, I see no reason why they couldn't be displayed on a shelf or tabletop. However, typically such cards and letters are placed in an album with the death announcement and, perhaps, some photos of the deceased, or in a keepsake box or decorative basket.

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Horoscope

SUNDAY, AUG. 20, 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)

***** You make an important decision involving a friend. A partner and you discuss long-term dreams and decisions. Don't sell out, but acknowledge what you want. Take in someone else's view of a major decision. Tonight: You treat and another smiles.

This week: Say hello to the roller-coaster ride this week. The good news is what goes down will come up. You smile on Thursday.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Your personality draws others to you. You know how to inspire others and lead them in a new direction. You discuss the long term in terms that mean something to others. A discussion helps a partner understand you better. Talk the day away if you need to. Tonight: Whatever puts a grin on your face.

This week: Make your intentions known on Monday, but watch the whirlwind that develops. Don't take confusion personally. Use creativity for problem-solving.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** You could be confused, but in a pleasant way. You might not want to see the big picture. Dream about the future with a loved one. Try to remember the difference between dreams and realities. Another sees you in a new light and opens up. Tonight: Take some time for yourself.

This week: What you hope for on Monday could change substantially over the week.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Join friends, even if a partner or loved one might be a bit disconcerted. Right now, you consider indulging this person an endless task. Limit how much you deal with the same issue. Reorganize

plans, even if it means doing a little more than you had anticipated. Tonight: Go with the good times.

This week: Zero in on Monday. Don't hesitate. You might be doing a lot of explaining during the remainder of the week.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Reach out for others and make a most appearance. A child or loved one reverses his plans, opinions or stance, leaving you groping. You might not be reading each other correctly. Work on understanding and better communication. Visit with an older relative. Tonight: In the limelight.

This week: Eyes turn to you. You spout wonderful ideas. Take charge and make them so.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Learn to understand others better. Think about what motivates you and why you do what you do. By getting more insight into what drives you, you learn to understand others. Detach and look at others with new eyes. Walk in another's footsteps. Tonight: Catch a movie.

This week: The sun moves into your sign on Tuesday, energizing you. Don't let another stop you. It's your time now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Another clearly doesn't hear your message. You could be baffled. Get down to basics. Consider different ways of communicating and of being more clear. You also might be deluding yourself about a loved one or child. Both of you need to get real. Tonight: Wind down with a dear friend.

This week: Make an associate a teammate, and you'll succeed. Pressure builds. Pull back and detach. As a result, you gain.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Others do see life differently than you do. Exchanging opinions always adds interest. Put a fortress around your checkbook. A family member works well, even though you view this person through rose-colored glasses. Still, be clear about your financial limits. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

This week: Others have stacked the deck. Don't worry about it. Your shuffle will

come very soon. Meanwhile, learn the rules.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** You're out of sorts, and you let others know. Though plans involving friends and a loved one could be wonderful, you say "Bah-humbug." Lighten up and take a break. Get into a favorite sport and work through stress. Avoid making decisions. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

This week: Dig into work on Monday. Demands and responsibilities bloom and bloom. Be a little less creative, for your own sake.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You could worry far more than you need to about loved ones and a friend. Allow your imagination to play a bigger role in making plans. Let the child in you out and allow less structure in your life. You could get nervous when loosening up and letting go. Do it anyway. Tonight: Keep the weekend spirit going.

This week: Brainstorm, and you'll find solutions. Don't get caught up in others' stuff this week. Stay clear.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You might not hear another at all. You have your own agenda and ideas. Others cannot seem to penetrate your natural defenses. Recognize the problems you might be causing yourself with your denial. Clear the fog and emphasize the importance of strong foundations. Tonight: Change plans if you must.

This week: Partnerships star in your week. Your concerns revolve around emotional and financial security.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** You make a decision involving your work and an authority figure. Realizing your limits remains instrumental in making your decision. Information you receive might not correlate with your ideas. Get down to basics if you're confused. Keep talking and find answers. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

This week: Communication flourishes on Monday. Others, however, still challenge you this week.

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Newsreader Connie Chung (1946), singer Robert Plant (1948), writer H.P. Lovecraft (1890)

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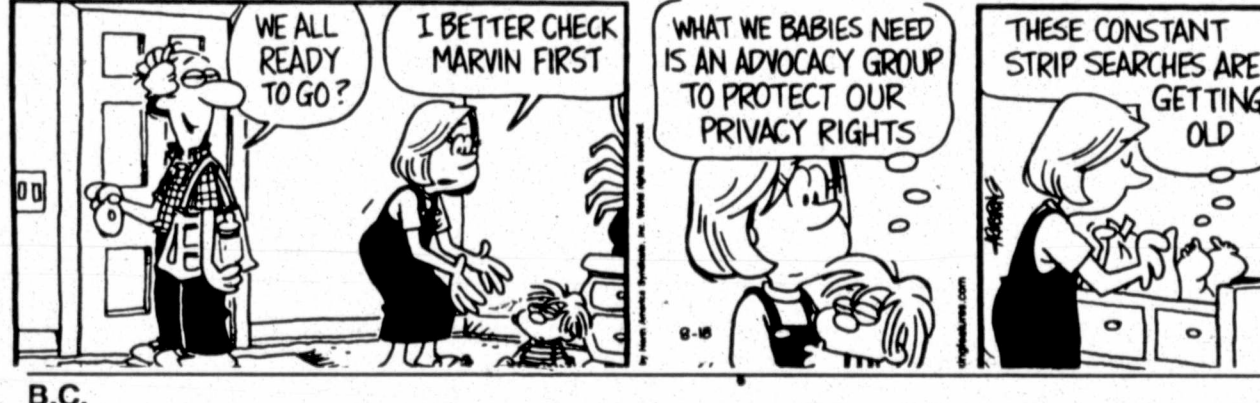
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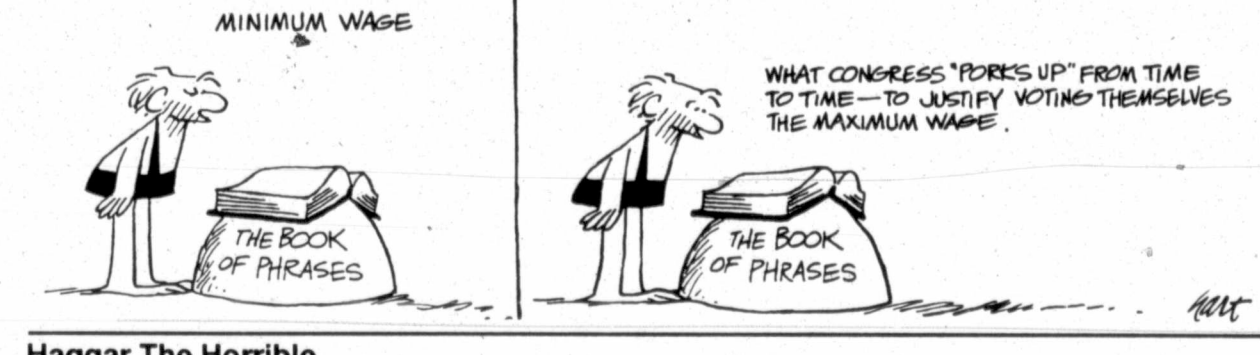
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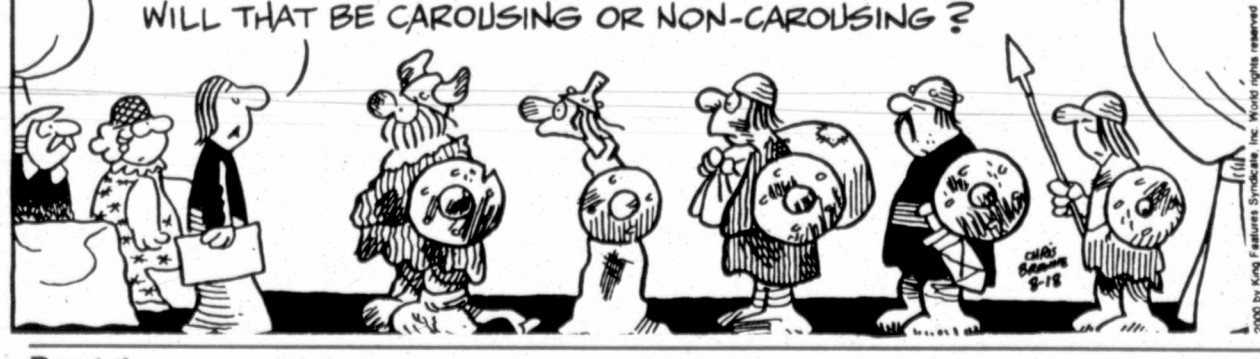
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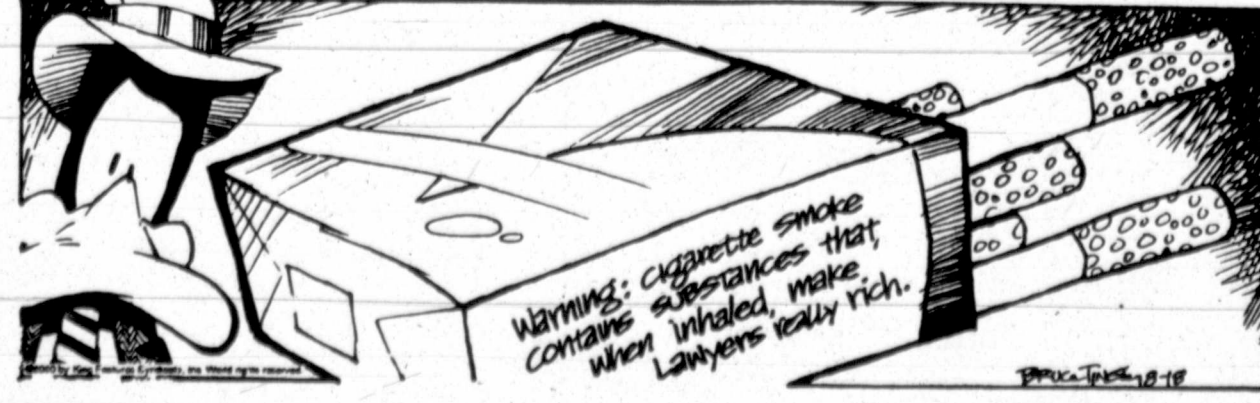
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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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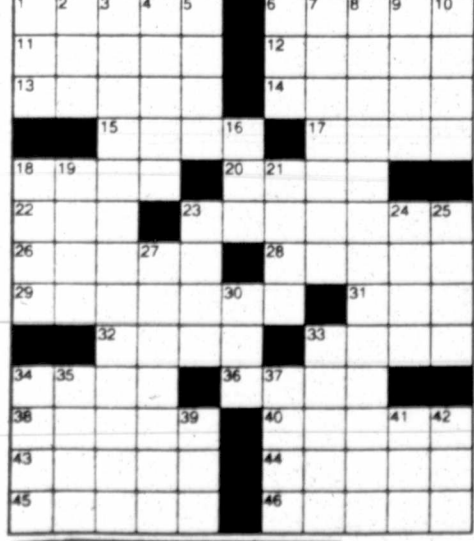
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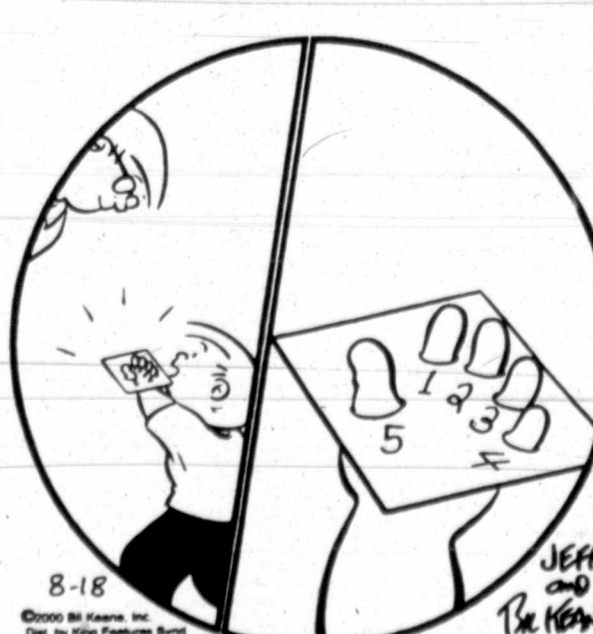
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"I decide how much chili pepper to add."

The Family Circus



"Look, Daddy! I made it myself — a digital calculator!"

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Tripp lawsuit switched from Reagan judge to Clinton judge, records show

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three federal judges appointed by President Clinton took a lawsuit filed by Linda Tripp away from a Reagan appointee, and randomly assigned the case by computer to one of themselves, court records show.

The three, Emmet Sullivan, Paul Friedman and Gladys Kessler, run the calendar committee that controls the docket at the U.S. District Courthouse. In a five-page order dated Aug. 11, they said the year-old Tripp suit never should have been directed to U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth.

The court sent a copy of the ruling to Tripp's lawyers Wednesday.

Sullivan is now overseeing the lawsuit. It ended up in his hands as a result of the calendar committee's decision to put the Tripp case through a computer process that randomly selects judges for cases.

Odds favored the case going to a Clinton appointee, notwithstanding the random nature of the computerized selection process, because nine of the 13 judges in the federal courthouse were appointed by Clinton. Three are Republican appointees and one was appointed by President Carter, a Democrat.

The decision to remove the case from Lamberth's control comes amid a judicial investigation into why the chief federal judge in the District of Columbia, Norma Holloway Johnson, bypassed the computer system and directed half a dozen criminal prosecutions of campaign fund-raisers and friends of Clinton and Vice President Al Gore to Clinton-appointed judges.

The Judicial Council, which oversees judges' conduct, took the rare step of hiring a former U.S. attorney to investigate the matter. That investigation is in its fourth month. The Associated Press first reported Johnson's decision to bypass the random assignment system last year.

Johnson directed several of the fund-raising prosecutions to Friedman, one of the three judges who took the Tripp case away from Lamberth.

Johnson has said politics played no role in the decision, saying she was simply directing complex cases to judges who had more time.

In taking the Tripp suit away from Lamberth, the three judges promoted the same random assignment policy that Johnson abandoned in the criminal prosecutions.

Randomly assigning cases "avoids public perception or appearance of favoritism in assignments, and reduces opportunities for judge-shopping," they wrote. The purpose of random assignments "is to ensure greater public confidence in the integrity of the judicial process," they added.

Getting Tripp's lawsuit out of Lamberth's court-

room was a victory for the Clinton administration and Pentagon spokesman Ken Bacon. Tripp, a Pentagon employee, is suing Bacon and the administration as a result of the release of information from her personnel records to The New Yorker magazine at the height of the Monica Lewinsky scandal.

Tripp's surreptitious tape recordings of the former White House intern confiding a sexual relationship with Clinton triggered the impeachment crisis.

Lamberth has been critical of the Clinton administration. He ruled in March that the president had committed a criminal violation of the Privacy Act by releasing his private correspondence with Kathleen Willey to cast doubt on her allegation that Clinton had made an unwelcome sexual advance.

"We believe the reassignment of Mrs. Tripp's case from Judge Lamberth to another judge is prejudicial and will result in unnecessary work and duplication by the new judge assigned to Mrs. Tripp's case," her attorneys argued.

Bacon's lawyer, William Murphy, declined comment.

Clinton himself called attention to the fact that Lamberth was handling several lawsuits filed by a conservative legal group and frequent Clinton critic, Judicial Watch, against his administration.

Lamberth "does seem to have somehow acquired a significant percentage of the cases involving the White House" and "that's an interesting story," Clinton told a news conference last spring.

In September, when Tripp's lawyers filed the lawsuit, they asked that the case be given to Lamberth on the grounds that it was related to a Judicial Watch suit involving hundreds of former appointees from Republican administrations whose FBI background files were collected by the Clinton White House.

Related cases ordinarily are assigned to the same judge to ensure the most efficient use of judicial resources.

The three Clinton judges said the two cases "are quite different," with the FBI files matter being a class action alleging a broad pattern of White House and FBI abuse and the Tripp case involving a single plaintiff and one incident.

Tripp's lawyers said they'll fight the ruling.

"There is overwhelming evidence demonstrating that the Clinton administration illegally leaked information from Mrs. Tripp's security file and subjected her to an unprecedented smear campaign because she blew the whistle on illegal conduct committed by President Clinton and others," Tripp's lawyers said in their statement.

Odds and ends ...

Suspects forget gas while robbing gas station

EAST PEORIA, Ill. (AP) — Two men suspected of robbing a gas station forgot one thing: the gas.

Police Detective Pete Fisher said Ricky Boice, 24, and Steven Gosnell, 42, were caught Wednesday morning after their getaway was foiled by an empty gas tank.

The brief robbery spree began at 6 a.m. at a drugstore. Police said the two men left with only a bottle of whiskey when the clerk said she didn't have access to the money.

Police said the men went to the gas station 15 minutes later and robbed it. The spree ended when their car ran out of gas just two blocks from the station, authorities said.

Instead of returning to the scene of the crime, police said, the men walked a half-mile to another station and bought gas to refill the tank. Police said they nabbed the suspects when they returned to the stranded getaway car.

Fisher said police recovered the whiskey and most of the stolen cash. He said the two were jailed on charges of robbery and aggravated robbery.

Musical get well card cheers accident victim

JACKSON, Mo. (AP) — Alissa Blechle got a musical get-well card when members of her band — all 120 of them — showed up for a concert in her yard.

Blechle played trombone for the Southeast Missouri State University Golden Eagles marching band for two years, but was forced to sit out the fall season after being badly injured in a motorcycle accident.

When band members found out Blechle would be released from the hospital, they decided to welcome her home.

As family members kept Blechle busy, the band snuck onto the lawn undetected, then played the school fight song and the theme from "Shaft." The band also played "Hey Baby," changing the words to "Hey Alissa" and sang the alma mater for Blechle.

Blechle's mother said her daughter looked up and said, "Hey, there's a bass drum in the yard," and a second later, "The band is in our front yard."

"I was totally surprised," Blechle said. "It was the first time I've ever been so happy and excited that I've cried."

Ex-undersheriff turns lemons into lemonade

BUTTE, Mont. (AP) — Sheriff's candidate Bob Butorovich parlayed a setback into what could be a catchy campaign slogan:

"I may not be able to shoot straight, but I am a straight shooter."

Butorovich, 67, was fired as undersheriff in Butte-Silverbow County after failing the department's annual target-shooting test six times in the last five weeks.

Butorovich, who served as sheriff of Butte-Silver Bow between 1981 and 1992, said he still plans to campaign for sheriff.

"I want the public to know this — I'm not running to be a police officer. The sheriff does not have to qualify," he said.

Every officer in the department, except for the sheriff, is required by law to pass the year-long test.

Couple plans 75-acre nudist colony

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho (AP) — Tom and Linda Janson could have lost their shirts investing in a nudist colony.

But the couple are breathing a little easier now. Authorities in Coeur D'Alene approved their plan for the Sun Meadow Resort on Wednesday.

The Jansons say they sank their life savings into the 75-acre development. They were worried county commissioners might try to strip their nudist colony plans on moral grounds.

The nudist colony will have more than 40 RV hookups, 10 rental cabins and a lodge.

Major power line in jeopardy as Montana fire erupts

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — A fire burning in the ranching country north of the Missouri River headwaters made a major run during the night, burning over ranches and threatening a major power line to the Pacific Northwest early Friday.

"The sky to the east is just glowing red for miles," said Mike Koehnke of Townsend, disaster and emergency services chief in Broadwater County.

Koehnke said the fire was very close to the power line feeding electricity from the Colstrip generating complex in southeastern Montana to Seattle, 750 miles to the west. A Montana Power Co. official said early Friday the 500,000-volt line had not been damaged.

The blaze was among 86 fires burning 1.1 million acres in 11 Western states, according to the National Interagency Fire Center in Idaho. Nationally, wildfires have burned about 5.1 million acres so far — more than twice the 10-year average.

"Every fire truck, every search and rescue, every law officer is on this," Koehnke said.

He estimated the fire, fed by heavy timber, advanced 5 miles in two hours late Thursday and was about 5 miles south of U.S. 12, a major east-west highway.

"It's a big fire," he said. "We don't think anybody's lives are in danger, but we feel really bad about the homes and people's property."

The fire started Tuesday afternoon, apparently from a spark from harvesting equipment working in a grainfield, and ran 12 miles to the south and east, blackening an estimated 35,000 acres by Thursday night and causing evacuations in outlying communities.

But southwest winds turned it to the north and an emergency evacuation was under way in a wide but sparsely populated area. Koehnke said emergency calls were out to the National Guard and state highway patrol for more help.

"There have been homes and structures burned. We don't know how many — haven't got a clue," he said.

Montana had the most burning acreage in the West, followed by Idaho with 25 significant fires on 408,826 acres.

Nearly 5,000 firefighters battled more than two dozen blazes in Idaho, where more than 400,000 acres have burned. Officials on Thursday halted public access to the Salmon River, affecting more than 90 river guides and hunting outfitters and thousands of tourists.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, visiting Boise on Thursday, said he has been asking governors throughout the West to allow college students on the fire lines to wait until mid-September before going back to school.

Rising costs could threaten laser project

WASHINGTON (AP) — Soaring development costs for the world's most powerful laser could threaten a Clinton administration plan to ensure the readiness of U.S. nuclear weapons in the absence of actual testing, lawmakers said Thursday.

Congressional investigators reported that the laser project at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory will cost more than \$2.8 billion, nearly triple the original price from five years ago.

The Energy Department has told Congress the project will now cost at least \$2.2 billion, which is 50 percent higher than its estimate only six months ago, according to a report by the General Accounting Office.

"These new findings significantly heighten congressional con-

Virginia man spends three days in outhouse

IVANHOE, Va. (AP) — For three days, Coolidge Winesett sat mired in the five-foot hole of a partially collapsed outhouse, alternately yelling for help and trying to cope with the stench.

"I tell you what, it was hard to get one breath down there," Winesett, 75, said Wednesday, a day after being rescued by a mail carrier who noticed that Winesett's deliveries were still in the box and went looking for him.

Jimmy Jackson, the mail carrier, found no sign of Winesett at his house or car. But Jackson spotted Winesett's crutch propped beside the outhouse.

"The closer I got, I heard a faint sound like somebody trying to holler," Jackson said.

Winesett, who is partially paralyzed from a stroke and lives alone, fell Saturday when the outhouse floor and part of a wall gave way.

"Down it went and took me with it," he said. "I thought it was an earthquake. Then I realized where I was at. ... I done a lot of hollering, but nobody couldn't hear me."

cerns about ... the viability of the stockpile stewardship program," said Rep. Floyd Spence, R-S.C., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.

The project is now expected to be completed in 2008, six years later than the original target date.

The laser, the most powerful and sophisticated ever built, has 192 laser beams focusing energy on a single target, allowing nuclear scientists to simulate in a laboratory conditions in a thermonuclear explosion.

Aided by super computers and other technology, nuclear weapons scientists will be able to assure the reliability of America's nuclear warheads without detonating nuclear devices. Nuclear bomb testing was halted in 1992 with assurances that data needed to assure weapon readiness eventually would be simulated in the laboratory.

Madelyn Creedon, deputy administrator of the DOE's nuclear weapons agency, said that the laser project will "go ahead as planned," but that its management team has been replaced and the DOE has established a separate office to oversee the program. She said the department would release firm cost figures next month.

"The DOE has the job of maintaining the (nuclear weapons) stockpile in the absence of nuclear testing ... and (the laser project) is an inter-

gral part of the program," she said in a conference call with reporters to discuss the GAO findings.

The report by GAO, the investigative arm of Congress, concluded that Lawrence Livermore has mismanaged the project, formally known as the National Ignition Facility. The report also said that technical problems, unexpected expenses and scheduling delays were withheld from outside reviewers and the department.

Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., chairman of the House Science Committee, which requested the report, said the cost escalation was "alarming." He added, "The fact that DOE's own independent reviews masked the cost overruns is even more disturbing."

The department learned only last summer that the laser program was having problems, but officials have insisted that there are major technical troubles.



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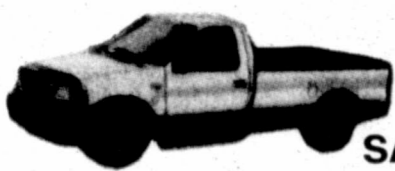


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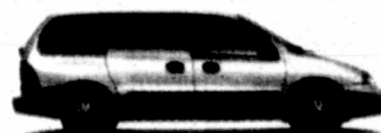
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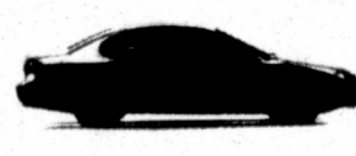
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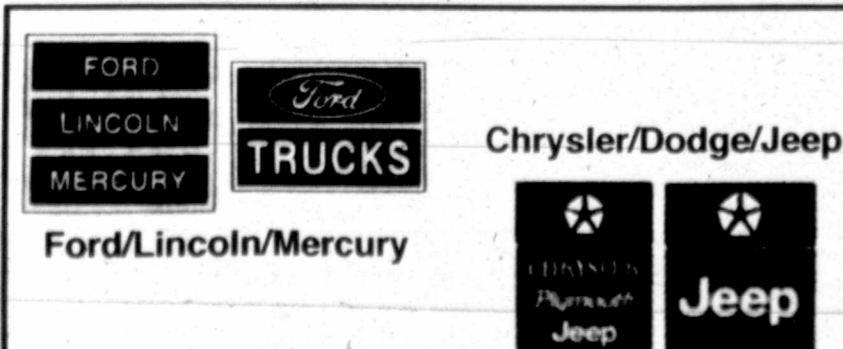
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