

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 Pavillion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

CCPC

Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer the following continuing education courses: "Bible as Literature," instructor Linda Haynes, 6-7 p.m., March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2 and 9; and "Microsoft Access '97," instructor Tex Buckhaults, 1-3 p.m., April 3, 10, 17 and 24. Cost for each course is \$25. For more information, call 665-8801.

WORTH THE WAIT

Worth the Wait will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, April 17 in Pampa Middle School Library. Last year's survey results will be discussed as well as a proposed new survey tool to be administered to students in May. The meeting is open to the general public, most especially parents of sixth-12th grade students. The information will be presented in both English and Spanish. For more information, contact Worth the Wait at 669-6222.

'BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY'S'

The Canadian Arts Alliance is bringing the classic movie "Breakfast at Tiffany's" to the Palace Theatre in Canadian at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20. Tickets — \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12 — will be available at the door. The 1961 movie, based on a novel by Truman Capote, was directed by Blake Edwards and stars Audrey Hepburn and George Peppard.

PAS DANCE

Pampa Area Singles will hold a potluck dinner and dance April 22 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the dance will be from 8-11 p.m. Entertainment will be Mike Porter. Cost is \$5 per person. The event will be alcohol and smoke free. For more information, call 665-7059.

PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. April 27 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. The program will be a demonstration on making chenille. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome.

PSC 'WALK FOR LIFE'

Pregnancy Support Center will hold its annual "Walk For Life" beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 6 at the Pampa High School track. For more information, call 669-2229.

GARDENFEST 2000

Potter-Randall County Master Gardeners, a volunteer network affiliated with the Extension Service's Texas Master Gardener Program, will hold its annual fund-raiser "Gardening with the Masters Gardenfest 2000" from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. May 6 at Texas A&M Research Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West. The event is being sponsored by PRMG in association with Amarillo Botanical Gardens. For more information, call Linda at (806) 355-6608 or Teresa at (806) 359-3036.

BSA HOSPICE PROGRAM

BSA Hospice will offer a class for anyone interested in becoming a BSA Hospice volunteer from 1:30-4:30 p.m. every Monday and Thursday, March 20-April 13 at Amarillo BSA Hospice Building, 600 N. Tyler. The training is free and CEUs will be awarded by Amarillo College. To register, call Deborah Andrews, LSW, (806) 212-8715.

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. throughout April. 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.

WOMEN IN TOUCH

The Women's Center at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will present "Women in Touch," a monthly support group for women living with breast cancer. The group will meet from 5:30-7 p.m. April 17 at the cancer center amphitheatre, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo. For more information,

call Gerry Kelly at the cancer center, (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or 1-800-274-4673.

STRAIGHT TALK FOR MEN

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will host "Straight Talk for Men" from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings throughout the month of April. The program is a wellness series for men living with prostate cancer. For more information or to register, call (806) 359-4673 or 1-800-274-4673. Wives and friends are welcome.

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.pcepd.gov and click the "Scholarships" link on the home page.

AMERICAN YOUTH ABROAD

American Youth Abroad offers study abroad opportunities to high school students in the U.S. AYA is a not-for-profit program sponsored by American Institute of Foreign Study Foundation. To receive the AYA 2000 Brochure, call Andrea Baskinger at 1-800-322-4678, ext. 5164 or e-mail abaskinger@aifs.com. The deadline is April 15.

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.

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call

669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41

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

AL-ANON

Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and

Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. No. 1-75-6037422-9.

Kentucky

VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License

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.

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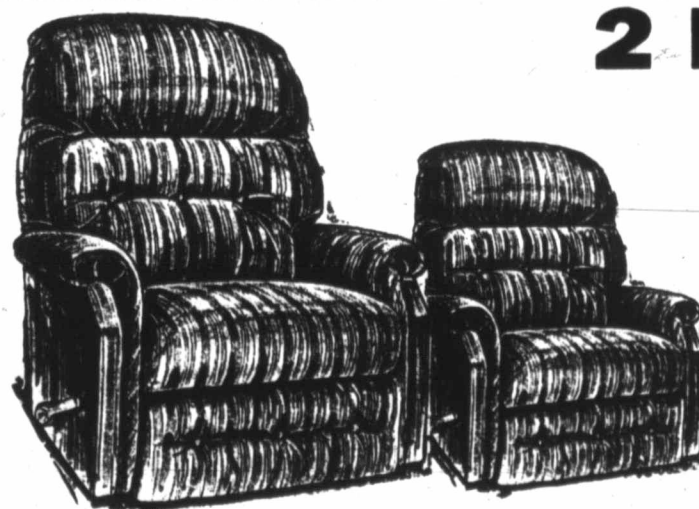
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At Barrett Baptist Church
This Sunday Morning 10:45 a.m.
As Our Choir Presents Our
Easter Cantata
"Sing of My Redeemer"
Director, Jack Davis

Revival April 23rd - 28th

Come Worship With Us On
Easter Sunday Morning
Beginning Our Revival
Pampa Native
James Greer - Preacher
Ray Batson - Music Leader

- Noon Luncheon and Bible Study 12:00 To 1:00
- Tuesday & Wednesday Special Service "Dealing with Grief" 9:00 - 10:30
- Revival Services 7:00 p.m.

Everyone Invited!!!

Let's Talk Real Estate

by Jim Davidson
Realtor

INCLUDED IN THE SALE
To avoid any last-minute misunderstanding, a purchase agreement should include an inventory of what the buyer and seller both agree will be included in the sale. Strictly speaking, the buyer is purchasing "real property," which includes the house and any item permanently affixed to it. On the other hand, items such as carpeting and certain appliances are deemed "personal property." And, since they are not permanent parts of the home, they are not necessarily part of the sale. This does not mean, though items into the sale that they do not intend to take with them. Buyers, however, should not take any non-permanent items for granted.

There is more to know about a real estate transaction than most people realize. That's why it is very important to have someone knowledgeable, competent, and diligent to assist you. At CENTURY 21 - PAMPA REALTY INC., it is our mission to provide each individual with outstanding service and exceptional opportunities in real estate through a commitment to professional and ethical performance. To successfully reach your estate goals, contact us here at 312 N. Gray Street (669-0007).

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RELIGION

Minister's musing ...

A couple of months ago, Hillary Rodham Clinton officially announced her candidacy for Senator from New York. In her speech, she stated, "Politics is the art of making possible what appears to be impossible ... We can do what seems impossible if we have the vision, the passion and the will to do it together."

She is the first spouse of a U.S. President to run for public office. Remarkable. And a remarkable statement. She has boiled down the essence of teamwork into 32 words. I think we could substitute the word "teamwork" for "politics" here and have a fine statement also.

Teamwork is what is needed in the Christian world today. Thankfully we see this in increasing measure on the international scene. Great strides have been made in the last few years. On the domestic front, it seems to be lacking. I guess I mean to say that on the domestic, home church, right here in our town front — this needs work! No, I guess I really mean to say is that in our, (owww this hurts, eeeehh!) in our churches this needs to be emphasized and worked on. There, I finally got it out. Whew! I'm going to get a few letters over this one.

I remember one year here in Pampa we had over 20 pastoral changes in 12 months. One denomination (we have a church of this faith group here in Pampa) has an average pastoral stay of two years! Two years! What can a church accomplish in two years? Barely time to say "howdy" before the pastor moves on to the next church. Well, this is something that is hurting us here in our town. I have

By The Rev. Dave Schlewitz
Chaplain of Jordan Unit TDCJ-ID

lived here for almost seven years. My family and I love Pampa. There are some of the greatest people here in this town. I really mean it. Thankfully I am in a position where if we choose to we can stay here for many years.

I would like to encourage our pastors, church boards, committees, to work together. I would like to urge our congregations and pastoral staffs to become teams and to work together. That is a key word Ms. Clinton used here in her speech. If we have a vision, passion and "the will to do it together" [emphasis mine] much more can be accomplished, maybe those things we view as impossible right now? This is so biblical and proper. If you read the Bible, I am sure you realize this.

One thing about prison chaplaincy is the perspective is so unique. I think all correctional chaplains would agree. We are somewhat removed from the traditional pastoral setting while still involved to the hilt in pastoral care. We are in a "field" that is removed from the traditional setting. Like a mission field, this setting has a unique language, unique culture and values, unique unreached

people group. Like a foreign field one needs a "passport" to come into this geographic area. One must have particular training and awareness to work here. It is not so difficult, but it is different, very different.

One "luxury" we cannot afford here in the chaplaincy departments of our prisons is "non-togetherness." This is because we are about trying to do the impossible every day.

And we do have a passion for our work and a vision for what we are trying to accomplish. We invite local area churches and religious volunteers to partner with us in trying to complete the specific vision that we have. We do not have time to play. We are in the midst of a crisis that is right before us each day. Our volunteers know this. And we hold them accountable. The "luxury" the free world has of division and divisiveness is not present. We are "together" and pursuing a vision. Our passion is great for our work and ministry. But we know that only together can we accomplish this goal.

So I share this with you today. This column is called "Ministers Musings" and so I try to present is as if I was sitting and kind of musing. Ms. Clinton's statement just struck me so clearly. I see such a contrast in our religious volunteer group inside the prison and then outside in our church free world. I almost wish I could bring each pastor, church board and committee into the prison for a few weeks. In America, we are facing the impossible. If we can develop the caring passion, the no-holds-barred vision and be together in our ministry, we can do the impossible, we can be a team.

Religion briefs...



Stevens

Guest speaker coming to Macedonia

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, will present guest speaker Mike D. Stevens at 7 p.m. nightly April 19-21. Stevens has held crusades in North America, South America, Taiwan, Philippines, Great Britain and eight European countries including the Commonwealth of Independent States. The focus of the ministry is revival. The manifestation of the Holy Spirit through signs and wonders is common in his crusades. Stevens is the author of "Contending For Revival."

Fish Fry Saturday at Macedonia

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, will hold a fish fry beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 15. The menu will be catfish filets, salad, French fries and iced tea. The Rev. I.L. Patrick and the congregation of the church invites the public to attend. Donations will be accepted. For more information or to make a call-in order, phone 665-4926.

Church garage sale Saturday

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, will hold a garage sale beginning at 8 a.m. April 15 at Howard Compressor, 2501 Milliron, located one block off the Borger highway on Price Road.

Easter cantata at Barrett Baptist

Barrett Baptist Church Choir will present its Easter cantata "Sing of my Redeemer" at 10:45 a.m. Sunday, April 16. The choir is under the direction of Jack Davis. In addition, Barrett Baptist will host a revival with Pampa native James Greer and music leader Ray Batson April 23-28. The following activities and services are planned: Noon luncheon, 12-1 p.m., Sunday; "Dealing with Grief," 9-10:30 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday; revival services, 7 p.m. nightly. The public is cordially invited to attend these special events.

UMW to host dinner

United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church of Pampa will host "Poor Man's Dinner" from 5-7 p.m. on Tax Day, April 17 in Lively Hall. Proceeds from donations will go towards the church's New Playground Equipment Fund. Immediately following the dinner, Dr. Jim Jackson will be preaching at the Festival of Faith 2000 First United Methodist is hosting April 16-18.

What if this were my baby?

Consider this moral conundrum:

In a hospital a young woman, addled with illicit drugs, was giving birth to a tiny, premature, baby - a child also drug-addicted and, physicians feared, mentally handicapped. Upstairs in the same shiny, clean, high-tech facility, a 53-year old man was waiting for a new heart. His wife and teenage sons visited his bedside daily, his professionally-trained co-workers dropped by regularly, and his doctors watched diligently for a heart to transplant.

It is estimated bringing the baby into the world, a child whom experts agree will need a host of professional services, will cost a quarter-million dollars. The heart-transplant patient's financial needs are about the same.

Who gets the money for care? A woman whose concern for her own health is minimal and interest in her child's well being is even more shakey? Or a professional, educated man who is a father, a husband, a taxpayer and someone loved by many people?

Does your gut revolt as mine does at such a choice? I've banged the pro-life drum for more than 20 years, but my utilitarian side

From the Back Pew...

By Cheryl Berzanskis

says let the natural consequences of lifestyle choices - in this case, drug use and abuse - play themselves out. My utilitarian inclination is to say skip the baby-oriented heroics, for the infant is doomed to drugs and crime and failure. My heart cheers for the middle-aged man who's sustained a marriage, family life and career and whose only weakness is his ticker and that's not his fault. I want to sign up for the box dinner held to raise money for his heart transplant.

Yet if I am to be consistent with my earlier position which defends all life as equally pre-

cient, I can't dismiss the woman nor her baby with his limited chances for middle-class success. For me to be consistent, she and her child are to be treated with the same respect and standard of care as the guy for whom I'm cheering because there is no difference in their inherent value, only a difference in their social manifestations.

Yet these scenarios present themselves daily as a morality play between competing virtues of mercy and responsibility. In a nation which does not hold medical care to be a right but an economic privilege, the collective conscience twinges when asked to flat deny coverage to those who've led their lives in ways which result in traumatic injury or poor health. Concurrently, an indignant belief that one's problems are one's own fault so the chips should fall where they may is probably a more common attitude.

As we struggle with provision of health care for the less fortunate among us, I think we would be wise to ask ourselves, "What if this were me? What if this were my baby?" I think we should fear an absence of mercy and the presence of blind justice in our world.

First United Methodist hosts Festival of Faith

First United Methodist Church of Pampa, 201 E. Foster, will host "Festival of Faith 2000" at 7 p.m. April 16-18 in the church sanctuary with Dr. Jim Jackson of Houston leading the congregation.

Dr. Jackson has served as the senior pastor of Chapelwood United Methodist Church of Houston since 1994. He received his doctorate of ministry from the San Francisco Theological Seminary in San Anselmo, Calif.

A noted evangelist, Dr. Jackson preaches frequently at revivals, camp meetings and religious emphasis weeks. He is also a published author, known for his commentary, "Good News by a Man Named Mark," which has sold 350,000 copies.

Tim Ramsey will be leading the music during the event. Ramsey comes from Perryton where he is the parts man for All County Supply Implement Co. He led the music at the church's 1998 revival and is



Dr. Jim Jackson

remembered for his inspiring message in song.

A reception and fellowship time is scheduled following Tuesday's service. A nursery will be provided for all services. First United Methodist Church invites the public to attend this special event all three nights and receive the many spiritual blessings, which are sure to come from this wonderful spiritual program.

Free gospel concert in Borger Tuesday

The Florida Boys and The Weatherfords will appear in concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18 in Borger High School Auditorium in Borger. Admission to the concert is free.

The Weatherfords began their career and ministry under the direction of the group's founder, Earl Weatherford, in 1944. Within a few short years they began to develop a distinctive sound which would separate them from the typical quartets of that era. By the mid 50's, the Weatherfords had won a place in the ears, minds and hearts of Gospel Music lovers everywhere as the industry's foremost singers of close harmony and blend. Their classic album entitled "In The Garden," released in 1959, still stands as one of Gospel Music's most beloved recordings of all time. During the 50's and 60's, the Weatherfords' recordings and stage performances were used as a text book by those whose desire it was to strive for a smooth blend, correct diction, and close harmony.

As a result of Earl Weatherford's death in 1991, the group's road and stage managerial duties have been passed on to Steve

Weatherford, the group's lead singer and son of Earl and Lily Fern. Under the leadership of Steve and Lily Fern, based out of Paoli, Okla., The Weatherfords, with Mark and Kelly McLaughlin, are still enjoying great success and are loved by a vast number of Gospel Music followers.

Before Earl Weatherford's passing away, Earl and Lily Fern were presented, by the Great Plains Music Singing Association, the Lifetime Achievement Award. They were also both presented The Living Legend Award by the Grand Ole Gospel Reunion in 1991. Awards presented to Lily Weatherford are: Female Entertainer of the Year 1993, Female Entertainer of the Year 1994, and the present group was presented Favorite Mixed Group 1993, all from the Great Plains Gospel Music Association. In March of 1998, Lily Fern received the Living Legacy Award from the Women's International Center in San Diego, Calif. Many important and influential women have received this honor, but she is the first in any kind of Christian ministry to be honored by this organization. In May of 1998, she was presented with an honorary doctorate in music.

Cross ministry sets events

Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ Ministry will be hosting holy week services April 17-23. Scheduled events include:

- Holy Thursday, 7:30-8:30 p.m., April 20, Trinity Fellowship
 - Good Friday, April 21
 - 12 noon, Rosary of Sorrowful Mysteries
 - 2 p.m., "The Seven Last Words," Amarillo Diocese Bishop John Yanta presiding
 - 3 p.m., The Stations of the Cross
 - 4 p.m., Rea Noah Singing Ministry, Geary, Okla.
 - 5 p.m., Eddie Hastings Music, White Deer
 - 5:30 p.m., Home Grown Kids - Sing and Sign Language, Elk City, Okla.
 - 6 p.m., Loretta Hall, Sign Language, Elk City
 - 6:30, Steve and Diane Dampier, Praise and Worship Team, McLean
- Music throughout the day will include One Voice of Panhandle, Groom Youth of St. Mary's and Dolly Cowen of Panhandle. Gene Harris of Church of God of Pampa and Bob Kelly of Methodist Church of White Deer will also be ministering.
- Easter Sunrise Service, 6 a.m., April 23, Dee Martinez, Cross Ministry, Pampa; Sharyn Morrow, music, Clarendon.

THE PROMISE
Sunday, April 16
7:30 PM
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Wife Wants to Cut Off Chapters From Husband's Endless Tales

DEAR ABBY: A friend of mine complains that her husband, who's in his 80s, talks far too much in social settings. She says his ramblings and storytelling threaten to ruin their social life...



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

In your letter, was the husband always this way? Could it be that he's become forgetful, or has had some small stroke?

It's unrealistic to believe this man will carry his wife's list with him at all times and consult it before opening his mouth. Besides, true friends will reflect upon his positive traits and the friendship he has bestowed upon them in the past if his stories are repetitive or boring.

Whether the marriage will withstand her criticism depends upon the extent of his tolerance for her criticism. But he's a little old to trade her in.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing on behalf of a widowed friend. I noticed that she is no longer wearing her wedding rings. When I asked her why, she said she was told that it is not proper for a widow or widower to continue to wear wedding rings.

DEAR PATRICIA: No. Widowed people may continue to wear their wedding rings as long as they wish. However, when they are ready to entertain the idea of dating again, they either remove the wedding ring(s) or switch them to the right hand.

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To fix this, she's preparing a written list of subjects — family, job, etc. — that he's absolutely forbidden to discuss when they're socializing.

Some who know about this think it's a good idea and the only way for her to avoid more embarrassment and discomfort. Others feel it's an insult to her husband, and the real risk is not the couple's social standing, but her own marriage.

Who's right? CURIOUS IN KENTUCKY

DEAR CURIOUS: I wish you had given me more information

Horoscope

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 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) Allow others to show their true colors. In fact, it could be most interesting if you don't charge in and convince others to do it your way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take time for yourself. Get a project around the house done. Slow down and relax. Your energy has been very high lately.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You could be more out of sorts than you realize. Because you are doing something you love, you don't notice. Interpersonal dealings are undeniable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Listen to someone whose opinion generally means a lot to you. You might feel feisty or like you need to express your side.

This week: Get in touch with your

resourcefulness, and you'll meet the week's challenges.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Confirm what you hear, especially if you are meeting someone. You have a lot on your mind, keeping track of others. News could be overwhelming.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Indulge. Listen to a friend. You quickly get a lot done. New beginnings are possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Be ready to skip over a problem. Caring develops when you speak your mind. Though you could feel at risk, you find new closeness if you remain open.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Take some time for yourself. A project that's on the back burner could be fun to complete today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Aim for what you want. Gather with friends and make the most of the moment. Share some of your ideas.

BORN TODAY Basketball player Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (1947), actor Jon Cryer (1965), actor Lukas Haas (1976)

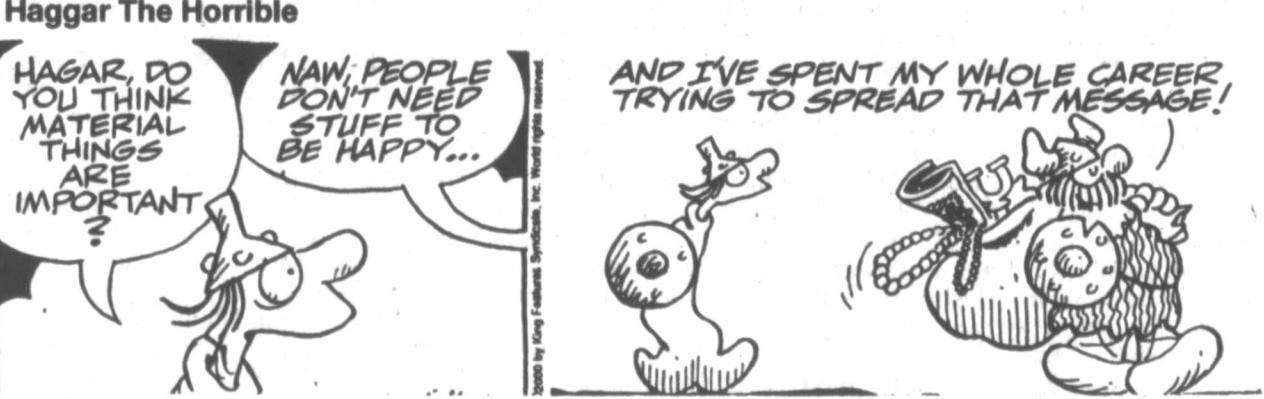
friend or loved one responds. Get into a favorite game or pastime. Another clearly has a crush on you. Allow feelings to flow. Tonight: Have a good time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Take time with an older relative or friend who appreciates your attention. Be willing to indulge, but follow through on your limits.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Think in terms of travel and perhaps an in-law or someone at a distance. Your efforts speak more about who you are than anything else could.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Reach out for another. Have discussions on a one-on-one basis. Others respond to your ideas.

For Better or For Worse



Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

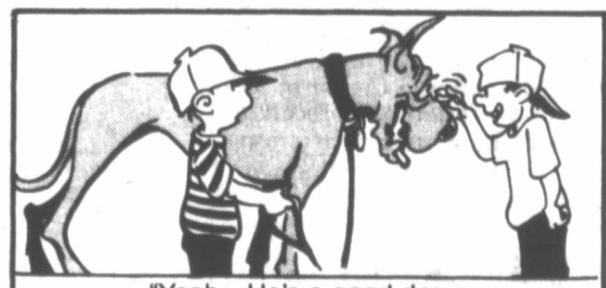
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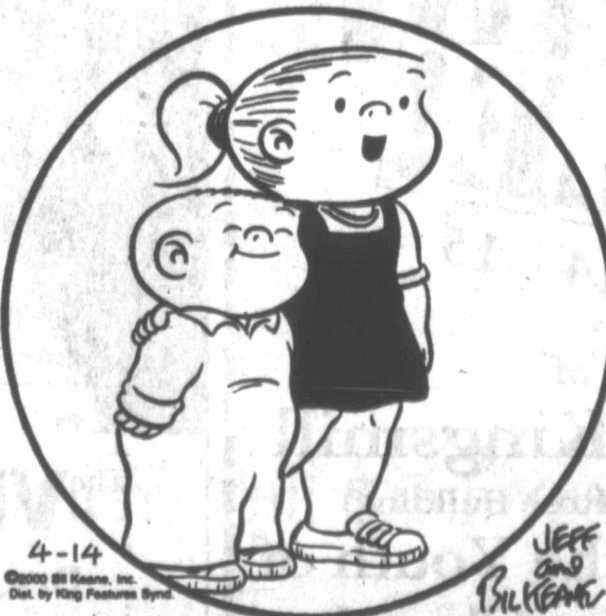
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Marmaduke



The Family Circus



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SPORTS

Notebook

BOWLING

PAMPA — Harvester Lanes will start summer league bowling in May and June.

Bowlers who sign up for summer leagues have the opportunity to win cash or merchandise in weekly drawings. Grand prize is a 27-inch color television.

Interested persons can come to Harvester Lanes to pick up a signup sheet. Call 665-3422 if more details is needed.

Starting times for the various leagues are as follows:

- Generation Gap: (advanced-youth) 7 p.m. May 22.
- Ladies No-Tap Singles: 10 a.m. May 2.
- Mixed Scratch League: 7 p.m. May 9.
- Ladies Trio: 7 p.m. May 17.
- Lottery League (mixed): 7 p.m. May 25.
- Pizza & Pop (mixed): 7 p.m. May 12.
- Youth League: 10 a.m. June 10.
- Pee Wee League (youth): 10 a.m. June 10.
- Church League (mixed) 6 p.m. June 10.

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets are finally playing well, far too late to salvage a dismal season.

After being assured of missing the playoffs for only the second time in 15 seasons, Houston has strung together nine wins in 12 games, including five in a row.

"We are learning to make plays down the stretch. We are playing our best basketball of the season," Steve Francis said after the Rockets beat the Dallas Mavericks 111-102 Thursday night to claim the longest current winning streak in the league.

"We are taking teams out left and right," the rookie point guard added. "Early in the season we didn't execute down the stretch. Now we know what it takes to win games late."

Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich agrees.

"I really don't want this season to end," Tomjanovich said. "This streak says a lot about our guys. They are soaring right now."

The game was marred by a fourth-quarter fight between Houston's Walt Williams and Dallas' Shawn Bradley.

Both Bradley and Williams, who led Houston with 21 points, face suspensions from the league for a brawl that resulted in both players' ejections and a delay of about 15 minutes.

With 4:02 left in the game, Williams fouled Bradley as the two went up for a rebound, and Bradley threw an elbow. Williams retaliated by punching Bradley in the mouth.

Bradley was surprised the incident escalated.

"I hit him with an elbow and he hit me with a punch," Bradley said. "After I went to the locker room, I wanted to talk to Walt. I apologized for the elbow and said it never should have happened. I was surprised that he punched me, but it's all over with now and we can move on."

Flashback

1974: Don Ed Howard scored two touchdowns and rushed for 68 yards as Miami beat Goodwell, Okla. 30-13 in a high school football game.

The game's leading rusher was Miami's Kirk Flowers, who gained 153 yards and scored a touchdown.

Harvesters rally past Bulldogs, 6-5

Pampa pads district lead

By JERRY HEASLEY
For The News

PAMPA — In one of the most exciting games in recent memory, Pampa bested arch rival Borger 6-5 in a District 3-4A showdown Thursday at Harvester Field.

The game boiled down to two big-play innings, one offensively and one defensively, both executed by Pampa.

Credit Kaleb Snelgrooves with the offensive play of the day.

With the Harvesters down 5-3 the bases were loaded with two outs and it was crunch time in the bottom of the fourth. The right-handed hitting second baseman lined a ball deep into center. The fielder went back and appeared to have a line on the ball. Then, he dropped his shoulders and turned around to run as the ball sailed over his head and bounced off the wall.

With two outs, the runners were moving and all three scored. Snelgrooves cruised into second with a stand-up double to the roars of the large crowd.

Credit Greg Lindsey with the defensive stopper in a fine pitching performance in relief of Brent Coffee, who exited the game in the third inning with the Green Team down 5-1.

Lindsey, who is normally associated with hitting home runs, used a combination of off-speed curve balls and sidearm fastballs to baffle Borger hitters.

In the fifth inning, Lindsey was forced to get four outs. Time had been called during a pitch when a Borger fan threw a foul ball he had retrieved back onto the field of play.



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Harvester catcher Justin Barnes puts the tag on a Borger runner in the sixth inning Thursday at Harvester Field.

Russell Robben made shoe-string catch in center field for the apparent out, but batter Brad Winters was given a second chance to hit. The Harvesters shrugged off their back luck and Lindsey got Winters for the second out on a hard-hit ground ball to shortstop Jesse Francis.

Lindsey's major crisis came in the top of the sixth.

With nobody out, Borger landed men on second and third via a walk and a hit. It looked like the 'Dogs would surely score one run to tie the game.

They would have except for the outstanding infield composure of third sacker Travis Lancaster. With the game on the line, Lancaster showed he

had ice water in his veins when he snagged a tricky grounder by Derek Cox and rifled a perfect throw to catcher Justin Barnes, who put the tag on a sliding Shaloka McGuinness in a close play.

Lindsey struck out the next two batters in the sixth. The final seventh inning was uneventful, save for the exit of Ryan Newell, Borger's starting pitcher.

The Harvesters remain undefeated in district play with a 5-0 record. Borger falls to 2-3.

The Harvesters have a very composed look, which has a lot to do with head coach Dennis Doughty. His players are loose enough to play good baseball and not worry about

making mistakes. They just go out and execute his game plan and do when the game is on the line.

The team has many leaders. They are very mature.

For example, Snelgrooves, the hero with the stick, left no doubt that he would catch a flyball into short right field. When Randy Tice in right yelled, "I got it," Snelgrooves

boomed out, "No, you don't, I got it!" Everybody in the park could hear him and it avoided a collision and sent a Bulldog back to the dugout.

Cody Shepard, Snelgrooves and Francis had two hits each to lead Pampa hitters. Casey Owens and Barnes had one hit each.

Pampa hosts Amarillo Caprock at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Softball tryouts are tonight

PAMPA — Pampa Optimist 13-15 girls' fastpitch softball tryouts are scheduled Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

All players new to the league must try out. Tryouts will be held at Optimist Park.

For further information, call

Sherri Tice at 665-3505 or Jimmie Clark at 669-7782.

Note: Tryouts are for players who signed up April 4-6. Every player will be assigned to a team. One manager is still needed to complete coaching staffs in this division.

Red Cross golf scramble scheduled for April 29

Golf

PAMPA — A golf scramble benefiting the Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross is set for Saturday, April 29, at Hidden Hills Municipal Golf Course, north of Pampa.

The four-person scramble begins with a shot-gun start at 9 a.m. Only one player per team can have a handicap of nine or less with a team total of 45 minimum, according to David Teichmann, Hidden Hills golf pro. Number of flights will be based on the number of entries. Breakfast and lunch are provided to the players. An entry fee of \$40 per player includes carts and green fees.

To register, contact Teichmann at 669-5866.

In addition to breakfast and lunch, each registered player will be included in a drawing for two Southwest Airline tickets to any place served by the airline.

"It will be a lot of fun for a worthy cause," said Charlie Morris, local Red Cross board member.

Gray County chapter provides numerous services to area communities including First Aid and CPR classes and assistance to local victims of fire and natural disasters.

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Japan's Seiji Ebihara was surprised to get an invitation to play at the PGA Seniors' Championships.

He didn't expect to shoot under par, and he certainly didn't envision being atop the leaderboard after the first day.

Ebihara shot a 4-under-par 68 in Thursday's suspended first round of the PGA Seniors' Championship.

Fifty-two players were unable to complete the round because of darkness after the threat of lightning interrupted play twice for a total of 2 hours, 57 minutes.

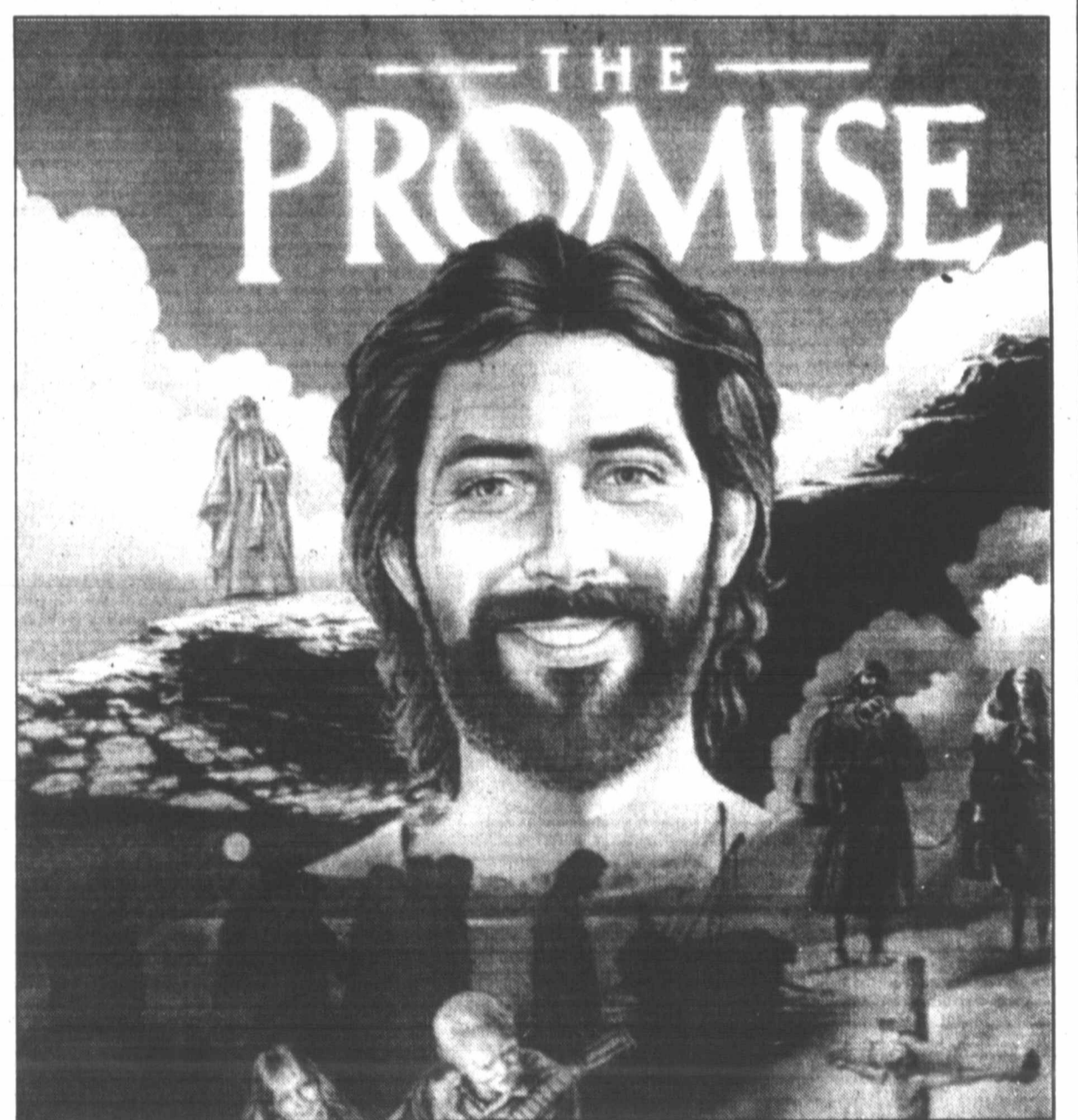
It had little effect on Ebihara, a 51-year-old regular on the Japan's Senior PGA Tour.

Playing in only his third event in the United States, Ebihara had three birdies and a bogey on each nine. One bogey came at the par-4 8th when he missed the green with his second shot, his first stroke after the initial rain delay.



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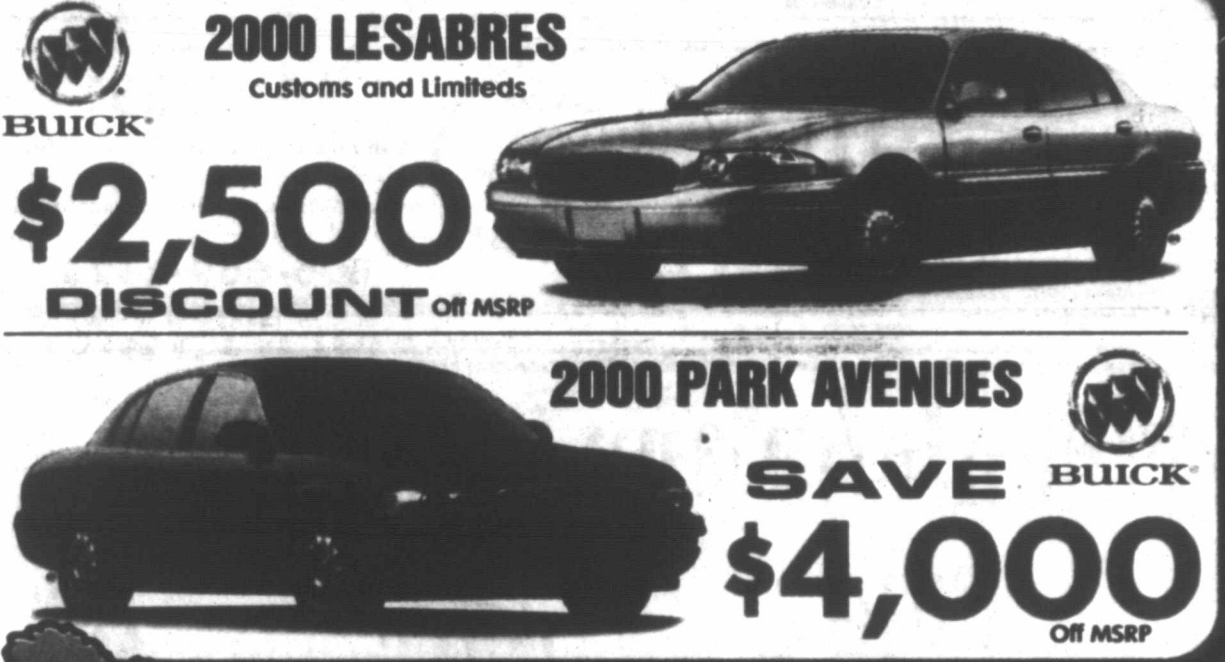
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