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PHS open house set for 7 p.m. Thursday

PAMPA — Open House at Pampa High School is slated at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 14. The meeting time for zero-hour, or coop, classes will be 6:45 p.m. In addition, a general meeting will be held following the open house in the library for anyone interested in forming a parent/teacher association.

Chevron, Phillips near agreement on merger

NEW YORK (AP) — Rumors that Chevron, the second largest U.S. oil company, is courting Phillips Petroleum at a reported price tag of \$18.4 billion sent the stocks of both companies higher. But analysts say the deal may be in jeopardy because Chevron's bid is believed to be too low. Nevertheless, investors bought shares of both companies after Britain's Sunday Times reported that the two companies were nearing an agreement on a merger.

Brandon Andrew Wolfe, 23, lifelong Pampa resident.
Doyle K. Mullanax, 78, retired oilfield worker.

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Teens held in series of school burglaries

By DAVID BOWSER
 Staff Writer

Two Pampa teen-agers were in Gray County jail today after being arrested in connection with a series of burglaries at the school.

Michael M. Brack, 18, 424 Doyle, and Michael Hinds, 18, 1138 S. Christy, were arrested by Pampa police Monday on warrants charging them with burglary. Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Kurt

Curfman set a \$7,000 bond on each teen in connection with the burglaries. Both Brack and Hinds were charged with burglary of a building.

Brack also had a previous capias pro fine charge on a drug paraphernalia charge in the amount of \$300. He will serve out the time in the county jail, according to a sheriff's department spokesman.

Processing was underway shortly before noon for Hinds to be released

through the probation office on pre-trial release. The spokesman said Brack will also be released on pre-trial release through the probation department after he serves his time on the capias pro fine charge.

Pampa Police Officer Colby Brown, the Pampa High School liaison officer, said there has been a series of burglaries at the school over the past six months.

"But it was never broken into," Brown said. "Keys were used."

The most recent burglary was over the weekend when someone entered the building between 5 p.m. Saturday and Monday through a locked outside door, then entered an office in the high school through a locked door and opened a cash box in the choir room. Brown said there was no sign of forced entry at any of the doors.

About \$2,500 in cash was taken from the box, officers said. Only the cash in the

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Rounding the barrel



(Special photo)

Stick horse riding will be among the events during the WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo at the Top O' Texas Rodeo arena, 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 30. The junior event is sponsored by Poley the Clown, right, and will be held in addition to the adult rodeo in the first High Plains Fall Classic Working Ranch Rodeo which is WRCA sanctioned. Advance tickets are available for rodeo activities, including a chuck wagon dinner, at the Top O' Texas Rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard, Wayne's Western Wear and The Hamburger Station.

County sets tax rate hearing

A public hearing concerning a proposed tax increase of Gray County properties will be held at 9 a.m. Friday.

The hearing will be conducted in the county courtroom on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse. The public is invited.

An increase from the current rate of .4599 per \$100 valuation to .49464 was discussed by the commissioners court on Wednesday. The commission approved a \$7.2

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million budget for 2001.

The vote to set this rate has been tentatively set for Sept. 20.

In a regular meeting of the Gray County Commission following the public hearing, commissioners will consider a contract for a cell phone for Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Bob Muns, a

base operator contract at Perry Lefors Field, a request from Southwestern Public Service for two transmission lines and a resolution for Flood Damage Prevention Court Order and application to participate in National Flood insurance.

Other items on the agenda include paying bills and salaries as approved by the county auditor as well as considering intra-budget transfer requests and the county treasurer's report.

Family searches for cat lost after wreck on Aug. 24

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 Staff Writer

Some consequences of wrecks are obvious — property damage, financial loss, injuries.

But an unusual consequence came as a result of a recent accident on U.S. 60 east of the city — a family pet has disappeared and her owner desperately wants her back. Or at least know what happened to her.

Roxanne Hicks of Canadian was traveling back to her home about 1:30 p.m., Aug. 24, after a business trip to Lubbock when the minivan she was driving slammed into a trailer hauling a back hoe.

The force of the collision ripped the passenger side of the van open. Hicks was flown to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo suffering from broken bones.

Douthit Wrecker Service hauled the mangled vehicle away from the scene.

Not until later did anyone think to ask about another

occupant in the minivan — a mixed breed cat named "Little Girl."

Norma Milburn of Canadian, Hicks' mother, said the two-year-old cat often accompanied her owner on trips.

"The kitty travels with her a lot," she said, adding that Hicks is now back at home recuperating from her injuries. Milburn said her daughter had not completely recovered from injuries she suffered in another wreck earlier this year.

She said the cat has not been seen since the accident. The family contacted Pampa Animal Control and talked to people at Caldwell Production Company where the wreck occurred, she said, and no one they talked to had seen the cat.

The family has also placed advertisements in the newspaper hoping to learn more about what happened to "Little Girl."

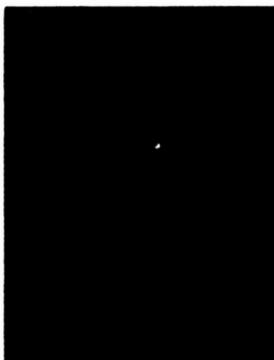
Anyone with information about "Little Girl" can call 806-323-8344 or 806-323-9307. A reward is being offered.



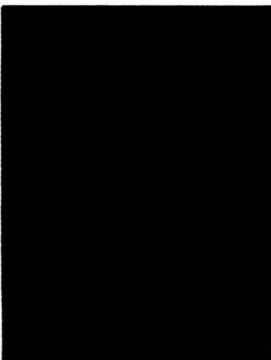
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"Little Girl," before she was lost during a car wreck east of Pampa on Aug. 24.

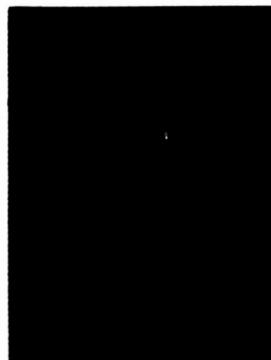
Quite frankly... Should people drive and talk on the cell phone?



"It's alright as long as it's me!"
 -- Sharon McKee



"Some people have enough coordination. Some people don't."
 -- Joe Wilson



"I think they need to pull off the road to talk."
 -- Jody Barker



"My kids tell me I don't do it very well."
 -- Amy Alexander



"When they're talking on the phone their attention is not up to par."
 -- Tammy Richardson



All Aboard!! The Chamber Of Commerce Invites You To A "Country Fair Night On The Orient Express", October 14, 2000!! For Ticket Information Call The Chamber Office At 669-3241!!

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

MORRIS, Marian Larson — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Del Rio Memorial Park, Del Rio.
MULLANAX, Doyle K. — 10 a.m., Morrison Funeral Home Chapel, Graham.

Obituaries

DOYLE K. MULLANAX

GRAHAM — Doyle K. Mullanax, 78, died Sunday, Sept. 10, 2000, at a hospital in Wichita Falls. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Morrison Funeral Home Chapel at Graham with Dick Stovall, minister of Eastside Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery under the direction of Morrison Funeral Home of Graham.

Mr. Mullanax was born Sept. 6, 1922, at Bunker to the late Rufus Newton and Eve Sims Mullanax. He married Faye Stroud on July 12, 1946, at Breckenridge; she died Feb. 6, 2000. He was a retired oilfield worker and belonged to Oak Street Baptist Church.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II, and was a charter member of Graham Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8567.

Survivors include two daughters, Kathy Wendler and Dina Kenny, both of Midland; two sons, Bob Mullanax of Newcastle and J.D. Mullanax of Graham; three sisters, Ethel Mathews and Adele Morrison, both of Pampa, and Eva Funderburg of Alvin; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Graham Senior Citizens Center, 1000 First St., Graham, TX 76450.

BRANDON ANDREW WOLFE

Brandon Andrew Wolfe, 23, of Pampa, died Sunday, Sept. 10, 2000. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Wolfe was born July 11, 1977, at Pampa and had been a lifelong Pampa resident. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Zachery Andrew Wolfe of Pampa; his parents, Lloyd and Betty Wolfe of Pampa; two brothers, Marcus Wolfe of Kansas and Christopher Wolfe of Coes Bay, Ore.; and a grandmother, Loreta Doan.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Sept. 8

A 1987 blue Plymouth Sundance driven by Adam Jeremy Fox, 17, 1908 Fir, was in collision with a 1991 black Ford Probe driven by Ruven Chavez, 16, 900 E. Gordon, shortly before noon Friday. Chavez was cited for not having a valid drivers license. Marcos Chavez was cited for allowing a minor to operate a motor vehicle. Officers said Fox was eastbound on Harvester when Chavez pulled out of a parking place, westbound on Harvester. Officers said the two cars collided when Fox turned left onto Charles as Chavez pulled away from the curb.

A 1998 blue Jeep Grand Cherokee, driven by Susan Stoddard Ratzlaff, 48, 801 N. West, was in collision with a parked 1988 white Chevrolet pickup in the 900 block of East Kentucky. Ratzlaff was cited for failure to maintain a single lane.

Saturday, Sept. 9

A 1973 Pontiac belonging to Roxy Roy Spencer, 43, 2007 Coffee, was involved in a hit and run about 8 p.m. Saturday. Witnesses said the car was westbound on Wilks when it hit a street sign at the intersection with Hobart. Spencer was cited for no valid inspection sticker, leaving the scene of an accident, defective brakes, no valid drivers license, no proof of insurance and no valid registration. Spencer said the vehicle had been stolen.

Monday, Sept. 11

A 1994 Chevrolet pickup driven by Thomas Christopher Long, 17, 2428 Fir, was in collision with a 1994 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Jerry Edward Salazar, 35, 2236 N. Dwight, about 11:35 a.m., Monday, at the intersection of Kingsmill and Somerville. Long was cited for failure to stop.

A 1994 Chevrolet van driven by Christopher Michael Owen, 15, 2525 Dogwood, was in collision with a 1994 Dodge van driven by Joseph John Mechelay, 38, 2317 Dogwood about 5 p.m., Monday, in the 300 block of East 23rd. Owen was cited for following too close.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Crime Stoppers.....	669-2222
Energas.....	1-888-Energas
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911
Police (non-emergency).....	669-5700
SPS.....	1-800-750-2520
Water.....	669-5830

Police report

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

Monday, Sept. 11

Criminal trespass was reported in the 500 block of Starkweather.

A burglary was reported in the 1300 block of East Francis.

A theft was reported in the 1000 block of South Dwight.

A burglary was reported in the 400 block of Rose.

A burglary was reported in the 900 block of Schneider.

Indecent exposure was reported in the 2300 block of West Alcock.

Sheriff's Office

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

Monday, Sept. 11

Michael Leon Hinds, 18, 1138 S. Christy, was arrested on charges of burglary.

Michael Malachi Brack, 19, 424 Doyle, was arrested on charges of burglary of a building.

Carl Wayne Dunn Jr., 18, 404 N. Somerville, was arrested on a Randall County warrant charging him with minor in possession.

Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Sept. 9

10:22 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of North Wells and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

8:11 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

8:25 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of North Wells. No one was transported.

11:28 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Kentucky Street. No one was transported.

11:37 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of South Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

Monday, Sept. 11

8:43 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of North Chestnut and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

10:18 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transfer to BSA - West, Amarillo.

11:20 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

8:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.

11:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of East Kingsmill 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.

Monday, Sept. 11

11:40 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Kingsmill and Somerville streets and washed down a small hazardous material spill at the scene.

5:03 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at 23rd and Duncan streets.

Tuesday, Sept. 12

1:21 a.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a mutual aid call from Groom for a grass fire 22 miles south of Pampa on Texas 70. One acre burned and the fire was out when firefighters arrived.

5:47 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a hot tub fire in the 500 block of North Christy. The fire was out on arrival. No injuries were reported.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of Pampa.

Wheat.....	2.44	Columbia/HCA.....	35 7/16 up 1/16
Milo.....	2.70	Enron.....	85 11/16 dn 85/256
Corn.....	3.32	Halliburton.....	53 7/8 dn 91/256
Soybeans.....	4.41	KMI.....	40 1/8 dn 1/2
		Kerr McGee.....	64 1/4 dn 5/16
		Limited.....	22 13/16 dn 1/16
		McDonald's.....	28 3/16 dn 3/16
		Exxon Mobil.....	85 11/16 up 181/256
		New Atmos.....	20 7/16 up 7/16
		XCEL.....	26 13/16 up 43/256
		NOI.....	35 3/8 dn 5/16
		OKI.....	36 5/16 up 9/16
		Ponney's.....	14 3/8 dn 1/8
		Phillips.....	63 1/4 dn 1/8
		Powder Nat.....	14 1/2 up 1/16
		SI.B.....	83 13/16 dn 1/16
		Tenneco.....	6 1/2 up 3/16
		Texas.....	54 dn 190/256
		Ultranat.....	27 1/8 dn 1/8
		Wal Mart.....	53 3/16 dn 1/16
		Williams.....	47 1/4 up 53/256

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of computation.

Occidental.....	23 7/16	NC.....	
Fidelity Mageln.....	138.33		
Puritan.....	19.00		

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

BP Amoco.....	56 3/4	dn 3/16	
Cabot.....	34 15/16	dn 7/8	
Cabot O&G.....	20 3/4	up 1/16	
Chevron.....	88 1/2	dn 13/16	
Coca Cola.....	53 1/8	up 1/8	
New York Gold.....	273.15		
Silver.....	4.86		
West Texas Crude.....	35.30		

Three critical after blast in glue factory

TYLER (AP) — Three people remained hospitalized in critical condition Tuesday after an explosion at an East Texas glue manufacturing plant.

Investigators said a spillover of the toxin vinyl acetate Monday probably caused the blast, injuring seven people at National Casein Co. near Winona, where a similar explosion occurred three years ago.

Fire Marshal Jim Seaton called the explosion, which created 12-foot flames, the worst industrial accident he has seen during his 13 years in Smith County.

Plant Manager David Bryan

Kenney, Vice President of Production Nigel Martin and employee Reginald Phillips were in critical condition at the Parkland Memorial Hospital burn unit in Dallas, said Eric Wesley, a hospital spokesman. They suffered burns, authorities said.

Bryan Cooper, another employee, was upgraded to good condition, Wesley said.

Employees O.C. McFarland and Charles Young were taken to Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler. Young was released, and McFarland was in good condition Tuesday, hospital officials

said.

Kevin Hobbs, the truck driver, was released from the University of Texas Health Center in Tyler Monday, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Young, who was working near the explosion, suffered minor burns and hurt his leg while running from the blaze.

"I was walking inside the door and it (the blast) knocked me out of the building," Young told the Tyler Morning Telegraph. "I just took off and tried to run. It knocked me out and I hurt my leg. I tried to get away as fast as I could."

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box was taken. Checks in the cash box were left untouched.

The money was raised by the Pampa High School Choir for their annual choir trip.

"The money has not been recovered," Brown said.

Using grant money, Brown recently purchased and installed a video camera surveillance system at the high school.

"Eventually," he said, "I hope to be able to cover the high

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school and parking lots."

It was the surveillance system that provided the break in the burglary case, he said.

Brack and Hinds were arrested Monday on warrants in connection with a burglary last Thursday. They were being questioned today concerning previous burglaries and the one over the weekend.

"The characteristics and techniques used in the different burglaries exhibit similarities," said Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris.

Authorities said a set of mas-

ter keys were apparently used to enter Pampa High School and the locked offices inside.

"There's no telling how many times they've been in the building," Brown said.

He said there had been a several complaints about small amounts of money missing from desk drawers.

Brown said a tool box that had been reported stolen from the school has been recovered.

Brown said several hundred dollars in damage had been done to various filing cabinets and equipment in the building.

Miami woman pleads guilty in fake robbery

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

MIAMI — A 26-year-old Miami woman pleaded guilty this week in 31st District Court here in return for a deferred sentence.

Misty Renee Wilson, 26, of Miami, was sentenced by Judge Steven Emmert here Monday to five years probation and ordered to pay a \$2,500 fine and perform 160 hours of community service after she pleaded guilty to engaging in organized criminal activity.

Wilson was accused of working with others to fake a robbery at the Taylor Mart Store in Miami where she had previously worked.

Authorities said, acting on a tip, they were able to stop Wilson and a 16-year-old boy with her as they left the store in Miami with about \$1,500 in cash and checks on the evening of July 1.

Officers said that Roberts County Deputy Dana Miller was tipped to the plan prior to its imple-

mentation. He enlisted the aid of Texas Ranger Gary Henderson, Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers' Association Field Inspector Kelly Rushing and Gray County Sheriff Don Copeland.

On the night the robbery was to be faked, officers watched as a blue Cougar with two occupants pulled in and stopped behind the Taylor Mart. Gray County Deputy David Russell watched from across the alley and radioed officers as the car began to pull away.

Ranger Henderson moved in from behind the Cougar. Rushing came in from the south. Miller moved in from the west, boxing in the Cougar and its two occupants at the intersection of Birge and Wichita.

The driver of the car, Wilson, and a 16-year-old boy in the car were arrested. Tammy Hornsby, 39, also of Miami, was later arrested at her home.

The boy was turned over to juvenile authorities. Authorities said today that the case against Hornsby is still pending.

Officers search residence; woman questioned

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

A 26-year-old Pampa woman was being questioned today after Pampa police, a Gray County constable and narcotics agents announced their presence.

A Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force agent led the team into the white frame home through the front door at 10:32 a.m. today as Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris moved to the back door to prevent anyone in the house from

escaping.

Within seconds, the team of law enforcement officers had taken control of the house.

"We try to secure a place within two minutes," said Deputy Chief Terry Young, part of the team that served the search warrant.

Earlier in the day, narcotics agents had been able to obtain the search warrant based on information from an anonymous source. Officers said that the raid was the result of several months of work and surveillance.

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Ford recalls escapes for wheel problems

DETROIT (AP) — Troubles with new models has forced Ford Motor Co. to recall about 23,500 vehicles — including the third production problem with the Ford Escape sport utility vehicle.

Ford said Tuesday it was recalling 1,582 Escapes built without four-wheel drive or antilock brakes. An inspection of some vehicles before they were sold found that two had been built with wheel hubs used on the four-wheel-drive version. That mistake could cause the wheel to come loose.

Ford spokesman Mike Vaughn said only a handful of Escapes with the problem were sold to customers. Ford notified customers with the vehicles last month.

The Escape, which went into production a few months ago, already has had two other production problems. Ford had to call back some Escapes to fix steering wheels that could come off, and another problem with the cruise control that could cause the throttle to stick.

Those problems were caught before any of the affected vehicles reached customers, Vaughn said.

"When you launch a new product or new system sometimes product issues develop," Vaughn said. "We do our best to work out the kinks, but sometimes issues arise. The main thing is to fix them quickly and keep the numbers that reach customers low."

A floral thanks



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Gray County Judge Richard Peet recently presented County Auditor Elaine Morris with a plant for her efforts in settling the medical insurance problems with West Texas Rural Counties Association. Peet said the insurance situation was not under Morris' duties, but she worked to obtain 584 checks for medical providers from WTRCA which paid employees' delinquent insurance claims.

City Briefs

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Sunny today with a high in the mid- to upper 80s and northeast winds at 15 to 25 mph. Lake wind advisories will be in effect. Winds will diminish and become easterly in the afternoon.

Mostly cloudy tonight with a low in the low 60s and southeast winds at 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a high in the upper 80s and south winds at 5 to 15 mph. Partly cloudy Wednesday night with a low near 65. Thursday, partly cloudy and warmer with a high in the low 90s. High Monday was 100 and the overnight low, 62.

STATEWIDE — Rainfall continued early today to be elusive for North Texas, which has now endured 73 full days without measurable precipitation.

A cool front stalled out north of the Dallas-Fort Worth area, producing scattered showers Monday night near the Red River. But forecasters said a chance still existed for the region's longest dry spell ever to end.

Late afternoon thunderstorms developed near a dry line located in West Texas. Further development occurred along an outflow boundary as the system moved into the western areas of North Texas.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 60s in the Permian Basin and 70s in the far west to 80s along the Rio Grande and elsewhere.

It was 57 degrees at Dalhart; 74 at Conroe and Houston; 81 at Midland and San Angelo; and 86 at Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio.

Winds were mostly southeast-

erly at about 5 to 10 mph. Shallow fog developed in Southeast Texas.

The risk of thunderstorms ranged from slight in the northwest to a chance elsewhere, but more numerous in the east, the National Weather Service said.

Showers and thunderstorms should develop in Southeast Texas with an incoming sea breeze. Rain chances also existed for the middle and upper Texas coast as a tropical wave moves westward to the state. More storms could develop from the eastern Permian Basin through the Concho Valley and south into the Big Bend.

Daytime highs were expected in the 90s to near 105 along the Rio Grande. Lows overnight should range from the 50s in the Panhandle and southwestern mountains to 70s in the Big Bend valleys and lower 80s elsewhere.

Calendar of events

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, conducts prayer services at 7:30 a.m., 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. daily for the citizens of Pampa - the churches, the schools, etc. All are cordially invited to come and pray. For more information, call 665-4926.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule - seven days a week - two meetings a day - noon till 1 p.m. no smoking, and Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-9702 for information.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Women's Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

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.

PAMPA BOOK CLUB

Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13 in the conference room of Lovett Memorial Library. The group will discuss books for the coming year. Visitors are welcome.

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.

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.

PPOG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 21 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. The meeting will serve as a workshop for members to sew hanging sleeves on quilts to be entered in the upcoming quilt show. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome.

SCIENCE SPECTRUM

During the month of September, The Science Spectrum and OMNIMAX Theatre, 2579 S. Loop 289, Lubbock, will present the following three films "Michael Jordan to the Max," "Dolphins" and "Mysteries of Egypt." "Dolphins," narrated by Pierce Brosnan and featuring the music of Sting, will close Sept. 14 and "Mysteries of Egypt," with actors Omar Sharif and Kate Maberly, will begin Sept. 15. For more information on ticket prices or show times, call (806) 745-2525.

HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL

First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, is currently accepting aluminum cans for recycling. Proceeds will benefit Heifer Project International, an Arkansas-based service organization which provides livestock (chickens, pigs, sheep, cattle) along with training and support services to families and communities worldwide. For a limited time, donations will be matched 3-1 by a private foundation. HPI is a non-denominational not-for-profit agency. For more information, call the church office at 665-1031. Office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Friday and before 10:45 a.m. Sunday. For more information about HPI, call 1-800-422-0474 or visit <http://www.heifer.org> on the Internet.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

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-1:30 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.

LIFE AFTER LOSS

American Cancer Society and Crown of Texas Hospice will sponsor a four-week "Life After Loss" seminar for those who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Aug. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at Crown of Texas Hospice,

10000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo. To register or for more information, call (806) 353-4306.

MISS TEEN ALL-AMERICAN

Miss Teen All-American pageant officials are seeking applicants for the Miss Texas Teen All-American 2000 pageant to be held Dec. 2-3 at Dallas-Fort Worth Lakes Hilton in Grapevine. Contestants will compete in the following categories: Personal Interview, Evening Gown and Swimsuit. To qualify, a young woman must be 13-19 years of age as of Aug. 1, 2000; must never have been married; and must be a U.S. resident. To apply, send a recent photo along with name, address, telephone number, date of birth and short bio either by fax, 1-304-242-8341, or mail: Dept. D - Miss Texas Teen All-American, 603 Schrader Ave., Wheeling, WV 26003-9619.

FAMILY CHRONICLE

Family Chronicle magazine is seeking genealogy success stories. The publication plans to collect a "1,000 brickwall solutions" for inclusion in a special publication of the same name. Stories can range from 50 to 800 words. Submissions should be mailed to: "Brickwall Solutions" Family Chronicle, Box 1201, Lewiston, NY 14092.

FREE BOOKLET

The Free Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., is offering a new booklet, "The 100 Most Popular Government Giveaway Programs," to consumers nationwide. To obtain a copy of the booklet, send \$5 to cover cost of printing, postage and handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, 100 Government Giveaways, Dept. 100GG-0816, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, D.C. 20090-6071. For more information, call (202) 595-1031 or visit www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the Internet.

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American International Youth Student Exchange Program is seeking host families for 25 high school students from France, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Denmark and other foreign countries for the upcoming school year. The students, age 15-18, will arrive late in August and return home in June. The students are screened and have spend-

ing money and medical insurance. Host families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes. For more information, call 1-800-347-7575.

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COAF WEBSITE

The Children of Alcoholics Foundation, an education-prevention arm of Phoenix House, recently launched a website (www.coaf.org) for children of substance abusers of all ages. The website is designed to help educators, physicians, social workers and other professionals. The site includes sections for teens and adults who have grown up with an alcoholic or drug addicted parent as well as information for teachers, social workers and others.

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.

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AL-ANON

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

VFW CHARITY BINGO

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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 at a work session.

Pantex to hold 'Walk the Talk' Safety Fair

More than 20 companies and agencies from the Amarillo area will join 13 Pantex organizations to present the annual Pantex Safety Fair from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13.

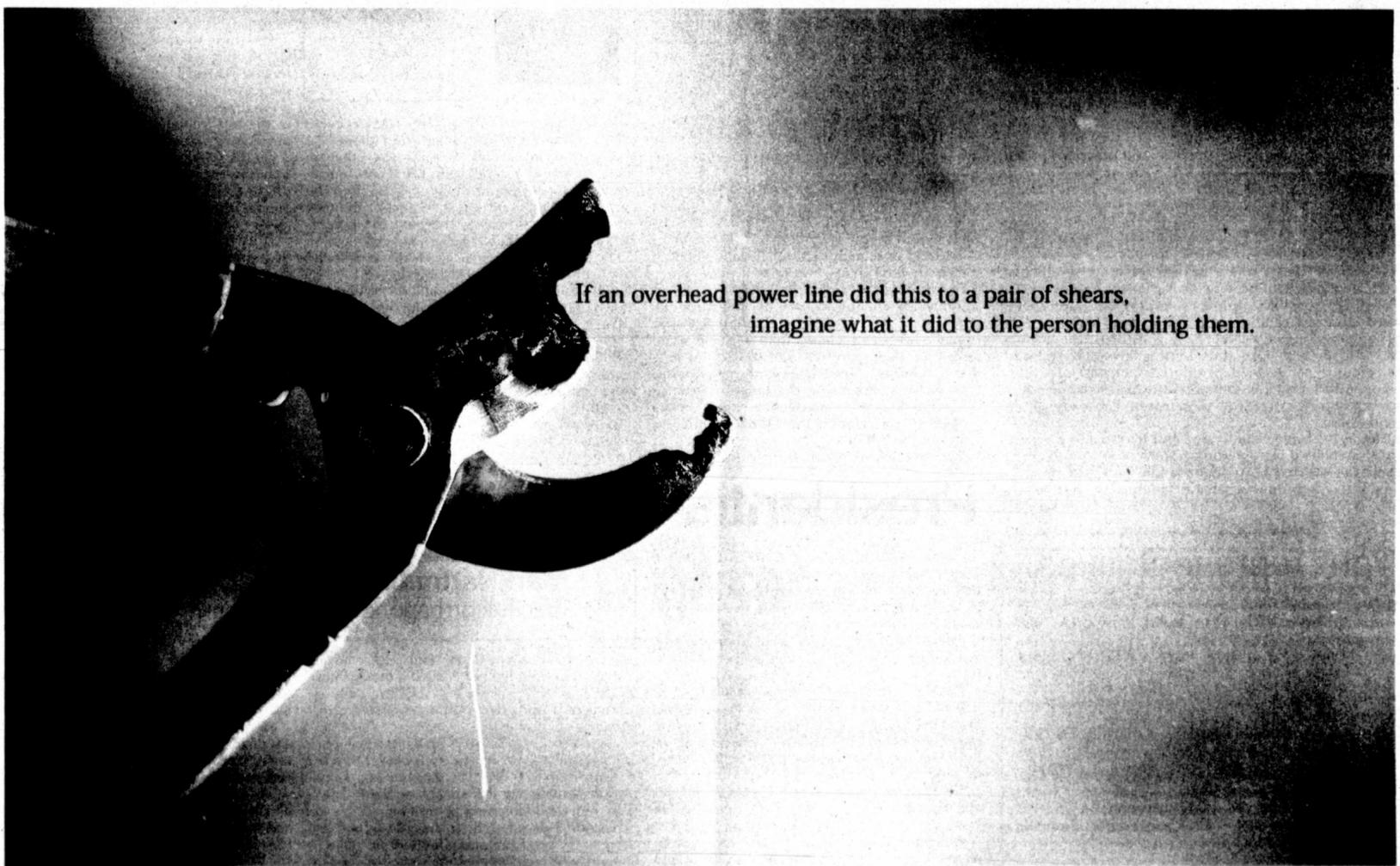
The Safety Fair is designed to increase employees' safety awareness. Workers are given two hours to attend the fair. Lunch and refreshments are provided.

The theme of this year's event is "Walk the Talk for Safety!" Activities and information will cover diverse areas such as fire safety, water safety, pet owner safety, blood pressure screening, weather safety, driving safety, lightning awareness and hunting safety.

"We constantly emphasize that safety is our top priority," said Pantex General Manager Ben Pellegrini. "It is a core value for Mason & Hanger and Day & Zimmermann. We are very happy to sponsor

this safety fair which emphasizes safety on the job and at home."

Companies and agencies from the Amarillo area currently scheduled to participate in the fair are: Amarillo Fire Department, Amarillo Animal Control, Catholic Family Services, KFDA TV, Human Society, Texas DPS, YMCA, Clenney Chiropractic, Lake Meredith Recreation, Amarillo Parks and Recreation, BSA Health System, Children's Trust Fund, Coalition of Health Services, NWTW Lifestar, Texas DOT, Texas Parks and Wildlife, National Weather Service, High Plains Dermatology, American Heart Association, Care Van Program, KAMR TV, Sharnowsky Family Chiropractic, Red Cross, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Amarillo PD/SAFE, Kids, and West Texas A&M Student Nursing Organization.



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Opinion

ADA has become a real nightmare

■ A law sometimes has the opposite effect of what was intended.

The Americans with Disabilities Act passed its 10th anniversary recently, and given the hosannas of praise showered on it by Democrats and Republicans alike, one would think the law has been an unmitigated success.

Actually, in important ways it has been a highly litigated disappointment — albeit one draped in such good intentions that those who criticize it risk wide-ranging opprobrium.

"The ADA is about ensuring that people with disabilities have equal access to businesses, public transportation and other public facilities," wrote former Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., and Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, in a newspaper column recently.

Never one to miss an opportunity for political gain, President Clinton marked the ADA anniversary with yet another in his series of "stroke of the pen, law of the land" executive orders — this time directing the federal bureaucracy to hire 100,000 disabled workers in the next five years.

Yet all the praise, all the good intentions, all the media and political support for this decade-old legislation cannot hide troubles with the basic law, and what it has become:

—The ADA was an unconstitutional expansion of federal power that intrudes on the rights of businesses to set their own policies. Some type of law was justified with regard to government facilities. But in a free society, companies and individuals come to their own agreements about accommodating different types of workers and customers.

—It granted wide and ill-defined power to federal bureaucrats and judges, who subsequently expanded the law to apply to groups of people — drug addicts, people infected with HIV, the obese — that Congress never intended to protect. It initially was sold to the public as a way to help people in wheelchairs, the blind, the deaf and other who needed help. But the law now covers 1 in 5 Americans. The main disabilities now protected are back problems, heart disease, arthritis and the use of hearing aids.

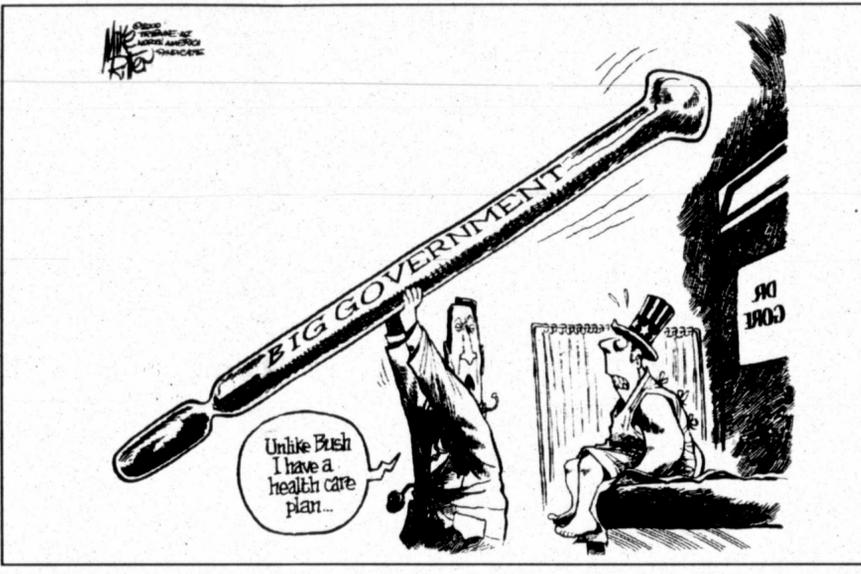
—The law's vagueness — calling for "reasonable accommodations" — has opened the door to endless litigation, and much litigation-related profiteering.

—Some argue that the law has been counterproductive. Ohio attorney Julie Hofius, who uses a wheelchair, wrote for the Cato Institute that employers are now less apt to hire qualified disabled candidates because they fear that "the vague language of the ADA makes it difficult for them to comply with its provisions, thus inviting lawsuits." A declining percentage of disabled people (29 percent) now have full-time or part-time jobs compared to 33 percent in 1986.

Congress should not let the ADA-inspired absurdities continue unabated.

The law is certainly here to stay, but it's time to pass provisions that make it less onerous — such as giving a company 90 days to correct a problem before going to court, or tightening the definition of what disabilities the law covers.

—Odessa American



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 12, the 256th day of 2000. There are 110 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 12, 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy addressed the issue of his Roman Catholic faith, telling a Protestant group in Houston, "I do not speak for my church on public matters, and the church does not speak for me."

On this date: In 1609, English explorer Henry Hudson sailed into the river that now bears his name.

In 1880, author and journalist H.L. Mencken was born in Baltimore.

In 1938, Adolf Hitler demanded self-determination for the Sudeten Germans in Czechoslovakia.

In 1943, German paratroopers took Benito Mussolini from the hotel where he was being held by the Italian government.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. Army troops entered Germany for the first time, near Trier.

In 1977, South African biko student leader Steven Biko died while in police custody, triggering an international outcry.

In 1986, Joseph Cicippio, the acting comptroller at the American University in Beirut, was kidnapped; he was released in December 1991.

In 1988, Hurricane Gilbert slammed into Jamaica with torrential rains and winds of 145 mph, killing 45 people and causing damage estimated at up to \$1 billion.

In 1992, the space shuttle Endeavour blasted off, carrying Mark Lee and Jan Davis, the first married couple in space; Mae Jemison, the first black woman in space; and Mamoru Mohri, the first Japanese national to fly on a U.S. spaceship.

There are two sides to tort reform

Tort reform, which pops up in the various state legislatures and occasionally is mentioned in Congress, is a bone with bad dogs on both sides of the fight.

Conservatives often assume that trial lawyers are bad guys; well, insurance adjusters don't win many prizes as decent human beings either. Nor do American manufacturers. Tort reform is not a morality contest; it's a business matter that involves money.

In fact, blanket condemnations are not the way to solve any problem. There are honorable lawyers, there are just causes, and there are honorable insurance companies and manufacturers.

Therefore, any tort reform needs only to address the abuses in the system. Making it more difficult for specious and junk suits to be filed would be a good reform. Granting manufacturers and malpractitioners any kind of immunity would be a bad reform.

We have sadly reached the point of immorality in the corporate boardrooms, where some calculate that it would be cheaper to pay a few death claims than to repair some defect in their product. Of course, "a few death claims" translates into destroyed human lives. Repairing the defect translates into a bookkeeping transaction, a few bucks less profit on sales in the millions and revenues in the billions.

Such people, so greedy for the dollar and so



Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

contemptuous of human life, deserve no mercy. The sooner jurors bankrupt them, the better. It is important to remember that in these cases, the lone individual or family would have no chance for justice against the corporate giants without the effort of the trial lawyers. In these cases, they are the heroes. Well-compensated, but heroes nevertheless.

The contingency fee — a practice where the law firm takes its cut of the verdict or the settlement, often a third to a half — can be justified when the firm has to front the expenses for a long legal battle. It becomes unethical when the lawyer knows the liability is beyond question (such as in a plane crash) and all that remains to be done is to negotiate the settlement. In such cases, the ethical lawyer will charge the client an hourly fee.

In the above paragraph, I use the word "ethical" as defined by me, not necessarily as defined by the bar association. The lawyers

union seems to think that anything a lawyer does, short of rape, robbery and murder, is ethical. But again, no one's union or group or association ever looks very closely at the mote in its members' eyes. It might have something to do with dues and fees.

The thing to do if tort reform comes to your state is to examine the issue closely and listen to both sides. Don't assume one side is 100 percent right and the other side is 100 percent wrong. And don't forget that some of the ills of the tort system are the fault of judges and jurors, not necessarily the lawyers.

On the whole, I would listen carefully to the trial lawyers. After all, they don't get paid unless their client does. Those who want to shut people out of the courts are seeking to make money at the expense of the people they injure.

True, we are far too litigious a society, but taking one's claim to court and having it decided by a jury is a basic American right. One should be extremely careful about curbing it in any way. That's one baby you definitely don't want to toss out with the bath water.

I think one helpful reform would be to eliminate the class action lawsuit, which is the form in which much of the current abuse is taking place. Individuals are injured. Classes of people are not. This is also the type of lawsuit in which most frequently the lawyers take the lion's share of the loot.

Presidential portraits barnstorm nation

George Washington got tired of all the people who wanted to paint his portrait and threatened to quit posing. A supporter of Abraham Lincoln sent an artist with instructions to improve the candidate's looks, for campaign purposes.

After 41 chief executives in a little more than 200 years, there are as many stories as there are portraits.

The National Portrait Gallery is sending a collection of presidential images — all 41 presidents from Washington to Bill Clinton — on a three-year, coast-to-coast tour. The first stop will be the George Bush Presidential Library at College Station, Texas, beginning Oct. 6.

The Washington art museum is closed for renovation for the next three years and the portraits are being carefully crated for shipment.

President Clinton is the only chief executive represented in the show by a photograph and Fred Voss, the gallery's historian, said he hopes it eventually will obtain a painted portrait.

Centuries ago, Oliver Cromwell, a British head of state, is said to have insisted on being painted "warts and all."

That's not the rule followed by most of the artists who painted America's chief executives.

For example, Richard Nixon's famous five o'clock shadow doesn't appear in his small portrait by Norman Rockwell.

Although Lyndon Johnson called his image by Peter Hurd the ugliest thing he ever saw, Voss said the president didn't explain why he thought so. Hurd's Johnson will be going on the tour. To some it looks flattering.

Washington is shown in a portrait done many

Carl Hartman
 AP Special correspondent

years after his death by Rembrandt Peale, who had painted him from life but wanted a heroic image for the ages.

Many of Washington's portrayals tended to idealize the nation's hero.

Voss said the head of Washington by French sculptor Jean Houdon may come closest to what he actually looked like. The gallery has a cast of Houdon's work, but it is not among the 61 paintings, prints and sculptures on the tour.

Houdon worked from a "life mask," usually obtained by molding plaster around the subject's face while he breathed through straws pushed up his nostrils. Casts could be made from the plaster after it was removed and hardened.

That flattering but unpleasant experience may have colored Washington's attitude toward artists.

But he also grew irritated by the sheer number of people who wanted to paint him, and said in a letter to a friend, "I have resolved to sit no more for any of them."

By Andrew Jackson's time 30 years later, portraits were being used in campaign literature. "Jackson had an artist friend — Ralph E.W. Earle — living in the White House with him," Voss said.

A Republican stalwart sent artist John Henry Brown to do a portrait after Lincoln won the GOP nomination in 1860. Brown's instructions were to make the candidate appear as good-looking as

possible, even if nature had left him little to work with.

Pictures in the exhibit show Lincoln with the usual dignified chin hair — not the gaunt frontier face that prompted 11-year-old Grace Bedell to write him just before Election Day: "I have got 4 brother's and part of them will vote for you any way and if you let your whiskers grow I will try to get the rest of them to vote for you ... All the ladies like whiskers."

Lincoln replied, saying people might think it an affectation. But when his train passed through her town, Lincoln sought out Grace, gave her a kiss and said he would take her advice.

"Portrait of a Nation" will be at the Bush library and museum Oct. 6, 2000 through Jan. 15, 2001; Harry S. Truman Library, Independence, Mo., Feb. 16, 2001-May 20, 2001; Gerald R. Ford Museum, Grand Rapids, Mich., June 22, 2001-Sept. 23, 2001; Ronald Reagan Museum, Simi Valley, Calif., Oct. 26, 2001-Jan. 21, 2002; Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22, 2002-May 19, 2002; North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh, N. C., June 21, 2002-Sept. 15, 2002; Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Va., Oct. 18, 2002-Jan. 12, 2003.

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Anyone considering bathroom renovations should call the people at Bath Fitter who can provide a free in-home estimate for a fast, economical alternative to the expense and disruption normally associated with replacing a bathtub.

Pohlmeier and his staff may be reached at 1-888-465-4978 for additional information or a free in-home estimate.

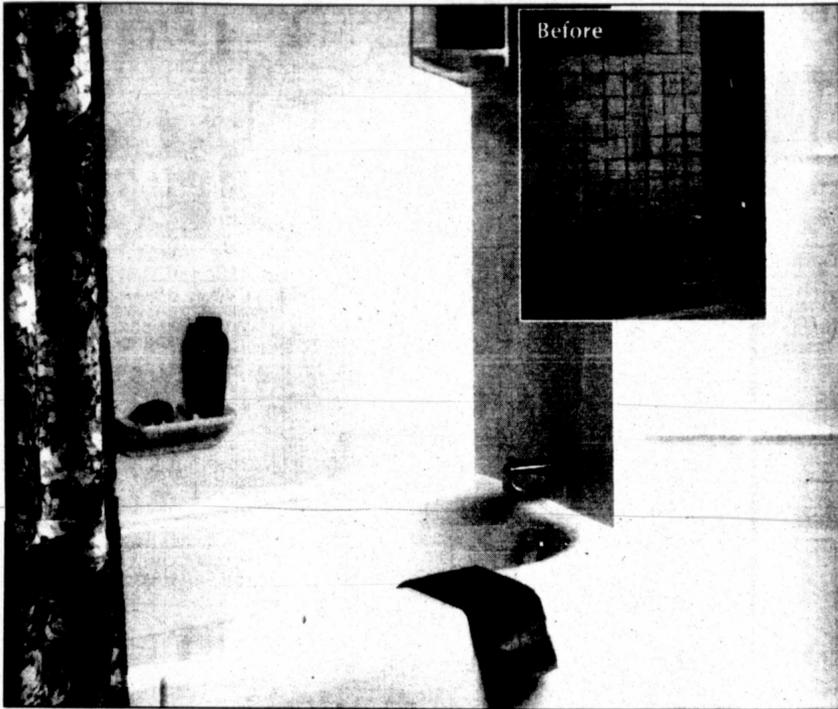
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Pep Talks Encourage Teen To Find Victory in Defeat

DEAR ABBY: I read with distress the letter from "Depressed Teen in the Desert," the 14-year-old who lost a martial arts tournament. As a youth coach for many years, I am convinced there is entirely too much emphasis placed on winning as a measure of success in sports today.

True success is overcoming adversity and performing to the best of your ability. There will always be someone who is better than you. That doesn't mean you won't win, but most likely, you won't win every match. In sports, success should be measured in progress and effort.

"Depressed Teen" may have come up short on the scoreboard, but he is not a failure. A failure is someone who gives up, or gives less than his or her best effort.

COACH IN WASHINGTON

DEAR COACH: I hope the young person who wrote takes your letter to heart. Adults recognize that success is a process, a road that is constantly under construction. Young adults often are hard on themselves when they don't succeed right away. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Please remind "Depressed Teen" that Babe Ruth — who held the record for home runs — also held the record for striking out. Also, at one time, both Scottie Pippen and Michael Jordan were considered not good



Abigail Van Buren

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enough to play on their school's teams. Abraham Lincoln, one of our greatest presidents, lost more elections than he won.

The one consistent factor with all of these guys is that they kept trying. Nobody considers them "losers."

At age 14, "Teen's" body hasn't come close to the peak of what he will be able to do if he doesn't give up now. The fact that he even made it to the tournament puts him way ahead of most spectators.

A loser? No, sir — no way! Please give him this message.

T.J., THE TEACHER

DEAR T.J.: Well said! Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm 15 and also a martial artist. I have been training for more than three years and have my black belt. After every class, we recite the "Tenets of the Martial Arts." The first is perseverance. Perseverance is vital; it's the key to achieving. If I didn't believe that, I would have given up long ago. Everybody fails before they ever

win. (I know I have.) "Teen" should be proud he made it to the state championships (what an honor!). Although he lost, he must get back up and keep trying. It's the only way to succeed. I hope this martial artist doesn't sacrifice his talents because of one loss.

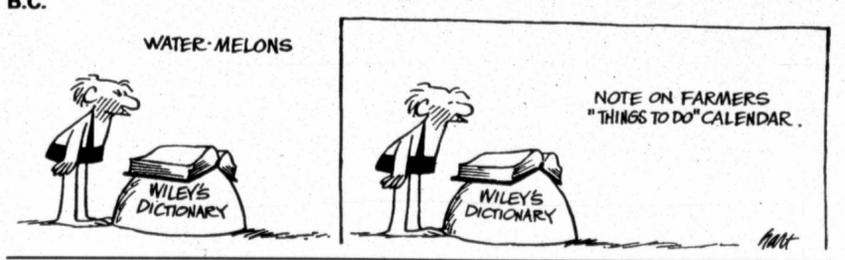
PERSEVERANCE ALWAYS WINS

DEAR "PERSEY": I'm sure "Depressed Teen" will be grateful for your pep talk. You're very wise. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: May I offer a comment to "Depressed Teen in the Desert"? At age 14, there are many more martial arts tournaments ahead of you. Remember that Thomas Edison tried many times to create the electric light. His last attempt is the one people remember!

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Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Maintain your present low profile. Right now, others are extremely emotional and not necessarily grounded. You could also find yourself overreacting. Spend time alone or doing solitary work. Problems you avoid will not need to be handled later. Give someone space to react. Stop making judgments. Tonight: Play ostrich.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** What you want could be tossed into your lap from out of left field. Be ready to grab it and run. Others' behavior could shock you, yet it opens many doors. Gather with friends, schedule meetings and zero in on a long-term objective. Nothing is written in stone. Wait until later to seal a business agreement. Tonight: Where your friends are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** You're in the pressure cooker, but you might not be sure which way you would like to go. Your sense of humor comes out with a loved one or a friend. Stay mellow. Know your objectives with a boss and your work. You might need to give him space and time to come around. Tonight: In the limelight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Take off ASAP. Do not put a project on the back burner. Check out

information from behind the scenes. You could be surprised at what another spills out. Listen carefully, but take nothing as being written in stone. Your creativity and imagination merge. You find solutions when others can't. Tonight: Flip through a travel brochure.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Others make unusual demands, which could have financial ramifications. Think twice about a decision, as others are unstable. One-on-one relating brings interesting opportunities. You don't need to say no. Hold off making decisions until tomorrow. Tonight: Togetherness blooms.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Others seek you out. Popularity grows, but frustrations could grow as well. Realize your limits when dealing with others. You could be stunned by what you hear. Give someone time to settle down before making a major decision. You might not have all the answers — let others know that. Tonight: Say yes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Work-related pressure builds. You might not be exactly sure what you would like to do about an emotional situation. The best bet is to do nothing for now. Examine your long-term goals. You might need more time to yourself to make the types of decisions you want. Don't stand on ceremony. Tonight: Mellow out at the gym.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** You gain with a present influence. Use your creativity with convoluted problems. Use your sense of humor to ease another's concerns. Relationships in general are up for grabs. Don't minimize

another's role in a decision. Work as a team. You bring others together with your diplomatic skills. Tonight: Dance away stress.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Juggling different forces tends to make you nervous. Family and your domestic life need to be primary concerns. Another likely doesn't see eye to eye with you. Pull back and question yourself. Explore other options and different mannerisms. Creativity surges. Tonight: Mosey on home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Keep communication open. You could receive a jolt. What might be more important is how you deal with what comes up. Your sense of humor comes out when others become uptight. You find solutions because of your openness and willingness to explore. Pressure builds. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Hold on to your current financial status. Events might point you in another financial direction, and this could be most uncomfortable. Realize what you need to do to make a situation tenable. An associate or partner clearly has a different point of view than you. You don't need to quarrel. Tonight: Pay bills first.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Others challenge you. Your personality helps others calm down. You gain a different perspective because you relax and work with another. Understand what is going on with an associate. Use your diplomatic skills to take the edge off a hard situation. Another appreciates your efforts. Tonight: It's your call.

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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SPORTS

Notebook FOOTBALL

GRUVER — Canadian opened the football season with a 31-26 win over Gruver last Friday night.

Coleman Bartlett contributed three touchdowns for the Wildcats, who finished with 316 yards in total offense. Bartlett threw a 22-yard touchdowns pass to Nathan Reyes, and scored twice on runs of 5 and 37 yards.

Others who scored touchdowns for the Wildcats were Lance Gray and Elipido Franco, both on three-yard runs.

Anthony Villalobos scored twice for the Greyhounds. He also threw a TD pass to Cory Schneider. Bradley Duncan added another Gruver TD on a 60-yard run.

Canadian's defense held Gruver to 163 yards.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Paul Rigdon pitched 6 2/3 solid innings and Richie Sexson homered as the Milwaukee Brewers handed the New York Mets their eighth loss in 10 games, 8-2 Monday night.

Rigdon (3-3) allowed two runs and five hits.

Charlie Hayes homered for the Brewers.

Sexson led the second with a homer off Rick Reed (9-5).

Matt Franco, who made a throwing error at third base in the top of the second, atoned in the bottom with a homer.

Rigdon and Lou Collier hit consecutive one-out singles in the third and scored on Mark Loretta's double, making it 3-1.

Benny Agbayani's homer cut it to 3-2. The Mets then loaded the bases on Derek Bell's single and two walks, but Franco grounded out to shortstop to end the threat.

Pampa girls fall to Hereford in 3-4A volleyball

HEREFORD — The Pampa Lady Harvesters will try and get back above the .500 level again in District 4-4A, meeting Dumas at 6 tonight on the Demonettes court. Pampa is 1-1 in district play after falling to Hereford 14-16, 0-15 Saturday.

"We played very well the first match, but we just weren't able to sustain it," said Pampa coach Carmen Pennick. "I was proud of the way the girls played, we just need to be more tenacious."

Ashleigh Patton led the Lady Harvesters with 5 kills and 5.5 blocks. Danielle Martinez, Jennifer Lindsey and Destiny Engel had 4 kills each. Engel also had 5 blocks.

Morgan White, Alexis Amador, Lindsey and Engel had 4 digs each. Charity Nachtigall had 10 setting assists and Lindsey added 6.

Pampa girls claim Liberal, Kan. title

LIBERAL, Kan. — The Pampa Lady Harvester distance runners made outstanding strides Saturday at the Arkalon Campground Course in Liberal. Winning the meet championship for the third consecutive year, the Lady Harvesters convincingly defeated teams from Dumas, Liberal and Garden City.

Junior Rebecca Fatheree claimed the individual championship with sophomore Vanessa Orr taking the second spot overall. Sophomore T'Andra Holmes and freshman Kori Dunn rounded out the Harvesters top 10 finishers by placing fourth and sixth. Newcomer Sarah Porter took the 13th spot to complete the scoring for the Harvesters. Finishing sixth on the team, freshman Misty Ivey placed 20th individually.

Coach Mark Elms was pleased with the team's accomplishment.

"This has become a good race for our team, three championships in a row is exciting for the girls. This course is what cross country is meant to be: grassy meadows, winding trails, a 200-yard stretch of deep sand, and even a few fallen tree limbs here and there," Elms said.

For the Pampa boys, junior Chad Platt improved his perfor-

mance over the first meet at Borger when he garnered a 13th-place finish, closely followed by teammate John Schlewitz in 14th place.

Senior Javier Solis in his first meet of the year placed 26th for the Harvesters. Coach Elms praised both boys and girls runners.

"These young athletes average more than 30 miles a week in team practice, and several put in additional miles on their own. It takes great dedication and self-discipline to be a distance runner," Elms said. "I'm pleased that four more young ladies joined the team this past week and will soon be competing in meets. I encourage some of our young male athletes at Pampa High School to come out and join our three individual runners and represent their school."

The Harvesters compete next Saturday in Dumas.

Pampa results at the Liberal meet are as follows:

Girls (2 miles) — 1. Rebecca Fatheree, 13:17; 2. Vanessa Orr 13:39; 4. T'Andra Holmes, 14:16; 6. Kori Dunn 15:12; 13. Sarah Porter, 15:44; 20. Misty Ivey, 16:48.

Boys (3 miles) — 13. Chad Platt, 20:10; 14. John Schlewitz, 20:25; 26. Javier Solis, 23:49.

PHS tennis team routs another district opponent

HEREFORD — The Pampa varsity tennis team is making district competition look easy.

Pampa took its second district win Saturday in Hereford, defeating the Herd 18-1.

Last week, Pampa had opened the district season with an 18-1 win over Palo Duro.

Pampa players of the week against Hereford were the girls doubles teams, consisting of Ashley Stucki-Brittany Kindle, Ashley Jordan-Michelle Lee, and Tara Jordan-Abby Bradley. Stacie Carter and Helen Brooks changed out in mixed doubles.

"We have no senior girls this year," said Pampa coach Carolyn Quarles. "I'm watching these young players mature and step up as players every match."

Pampa plays Dumas today in Dumas.

"Dumas was last year's co-champion, and always a fun rival for the Harvesters," Quarles said.

Pampa 18 Hereford 1

Boys Singles

Michael Cornelison (P) def. Clay Cosby 6-1, 6-0.

Bryce Jordan (P) def. Justin Kerr 6-0, 6-0.

A.J. Smith (P) def. Seth Laing 6-0, 6-0.

Jared Spearman (P) def.



Casey Weiss (left), Amarillo, accepts the runnerup trophy from former Pampa Country Club pro Hart Warren and current club pro Mickey Piersall. Weiss won a playoff for second place in this year's Top O' Texas Tournament's championship flight.

Robert Stengel 6-1, 6-0.

Danny Thacker (P), won by default.

Jay Gerber (P), won by default.

Girls Singles

Ivory Isaacson (H) def. Brittany Kindle 6-4, 6-4.

Ashley Stucki (P) def. Rebecca Fry 6-1, 6-1.

Michelle Lee (P) def. Danielle Pesina, 6-3, 6-1.

Stacie Carter (P) def.

Dana Estrada, 6-0, 6-1.

Ashlei Jordan (P) def. Carla Smith, 6-1, 6-0.

Tara Jordan (P) def. Whitnee GoForth 6-3, 6-0.

Boys Doubles

Cornelison-Jordan (P) def. Kerr-Laing 6-0, 6-0.

Smith-Spearman (P), won by default.

Gerber-Cook (P), won by

default.

Girls Doubles

Kindle-Stucki (P) def. Fry-Estrada, 6-2, 6-1.

Jordan-Lee (P) def. Pesina-Smith 6-3, 6-1.

T. Jordan-Bradley (P) def. Artho-GoForth 6-2, 6-1.

Mixed

Spearman-Carter (P) def.

Issacson-Cosby 6-2, 6-4.

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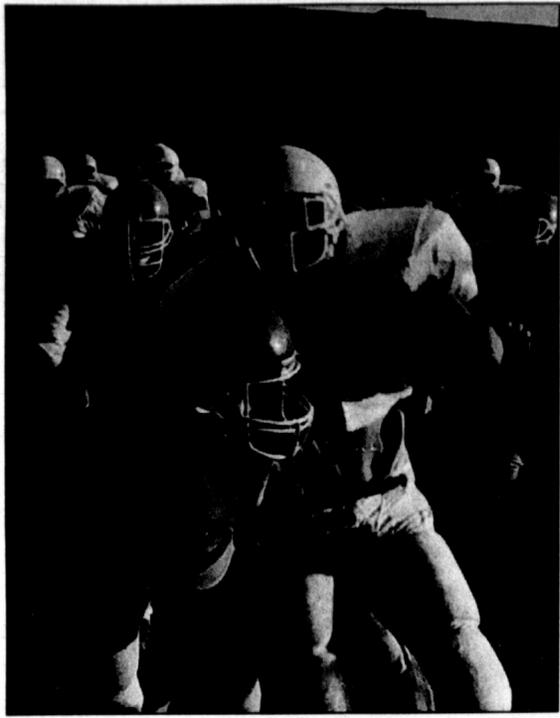


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Pampa quarterback Billy Stowers is driven out of bounds by a Caprock defender in a 9th grade B game last week. Pampa lost 2-0 in a defensive struggle.

Oakland closes within one game of Seattle in AL West Division race

By The Associated Press

One month ago, the Oakland Athletics were seven games behind Seattle, the AL West leader. By beating Tampa Bay 5-1, Oakland moved within one game of the Mariners with less than three weeks left in the season. A's starter Kevin Appier followed shutouts by Tim Hudson and Barry Zito by pitching eight solid innings Monday night. "I learned a lot from watching the others and incorporated that into my game," Appier said. "This gives you a lot of confidence when you hit your spots."

Oakland moved within 1 1/2 games of wild card leader Cleveland. But the A's drew just 9,109, their lowest home crowd since May 18. Appier (13-11) came within one inning of pitching Oakland's fourth consecutive complete game, which hasn't been done since 1982. He gave up one run and five hits with five strikeouts. "You always want to finish a game, but I understand the decision," Appier said. "I was ready to go, though."

In other games, it was Kansas City 6, Seattle 3; Boston 4, New York 0; Chicago 10, Detroit 3; and Baltimore 3, Anaheim 1. At Oakland, Ben Griever drove in the go-ahead run in a four-run eighth with a single against Doug Creek (4-3).

Matt Stairs added a two-run double off Esteban Yan and scored on a single by Eric Chavez. **Royals 6, Mariners 3** Johnny Damon went 5-for-5 with a homer, two doubles and two RBIs as the Mariners' lead was cut to its smallest margin since Aug. 4. Seattle is 9-19 since taking a seven-game lead on Aug. 11. "Obviously, we've got to get more mentally focused," Seattle center fielder Mike Cameron said. "We're not discouraged, but we've got to find a way to get over the hump."

Brian Meadows (5-2) and Jose Santiago combined on a seven-hitter for the visiting Royals, who went ahead on Mike Sweeney's two-run homer in the first off John Halama (11-9).

Mariners reliever Kevin Hodges was ejected in the seventh after throwing a pair of pitches close to Sweeney. "I don't know if we're pressing, but all these games are important," Mariners catcher Dan Wilson said.

Red Sox 4, Yankees 0 Rolando Arjona pitched shutout ball into the eighth inning, and Jose Offerman and Manny Alexander homered at New York. The Yankees swept a three-game set during the weekend in Boston. Not since July 8-9, 1959, had these long-time rivals played at Fenway Park and Yankee Stadium on consecutive days.

Arjona (5-2) gave up five hits in 7 1-3 innings, struck out seven and did not allow a runner past second base. Orlando Hernandez (11-11) dropped to 3-8 at home as Boston stopped New York's four-game winning streak. The Red Sox trail the Yankees by eight games in the AL East, but closed within three games of Cleveland in the wild card race.

White Sox 10, Tigers 3 Frank Thomas hit a grand slam and drove in five runs at Comiskey Park, increasing his RBIs total to a career-high 139. Chicago, which has won four of five, increased its AL Central lead to eight games over idle Cleveland. Detroit lost its sixth straight game.

Mike Sirotka (14-10) won his fourth straight decision and matched his career high in wins, set in 1998. He gave up three runs and six hits in seven innings. Bob Howry finished for his seventh save. Brian Moehler (12-8) allowed four runs and nine hits in five-plus innings, losing for the first time in eight starts since Texas beat him on July 28.

Orioles 3, Angels 1 Sidney Ponson (8-11) stopped his three-game losing streak by scattering eight hits at Anaheim in his fifth complete game of the season. Jeff Conine hit a solo homer off Scott Schoeneweis (7-8), who gave up three runs and six hits in 6 1-3 innings, leaving with muscle spasms in his back.

Groom rips Amherst

GROOM — Groom rolled to a 58-13 win over Amherst Friday night in six-man football action.

Quarterback Grant Weinheimer sparked the Tiger offense by throwing four touchdown passes. Weinheimer completed 10 of 14 pass attempts for 128 yards and had two scoring strikes to Clay Ritter and one each to Dewayne Gray and brother Hugh Weinheimer.

Groom running back Garrett Britten ran for 102 yards on 11 tries and scored two touchdowns. Gray also had a rushing touchdown.

Groom's defense limited Amherst to 105 yards and forced three turnovers, including a 16-yard interception return by Cody Bivens for a touchdown.

Bizarre exit

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — The U.S. basketball teams made a bizarre, pre-dawn exit Tuesday (Monday night EDT) from their besieged hotel complex, but only after getting final clearance from a young protester with a mohawk.

With massive protests taking place outside their hotel, which also was the site of the World Economic Forum, the men's and women's teams were virtual prisoners inside. A decision was made late Monday night to get out of Melbourne and head to Sydney, and the teams got onto buses by 6:45 a.m.

About 100 protesters sat in the street and blocked the main exit near the front entrance of the Crown Casino and Hotel. The protesters decided by voice vote that they would not move aside to let the team leave.

The buses then turned around and headed toward a different exit, where another group of demonstrators had gathered.

Not believing that the buses held Olympic athletes, the protesters initially refused to move. After the police asked them to come inside the concrete barricades and have a look for themselves, a 21-year-old with a punk rock haircut volunteered to do the job.

"I looked in the first bus and it didn't look like a basketball team, but then I looked inside the second bus," said the mohawk man, Yanni Cotis of Adelaide. "We had a quick discussion about whether to let them go through and decided to let them leave."

Players and team personnel were half-amused and half-shocked that their safe passage was in the hands of someone looking like a distant cousin of Billy Idol.

"Something I learned long ago was to expect the unexpected," U.S. coach Rudy Tomjanovich said, "and this was one of those cases. It was good we got out and got our freedom."

The players' family members had left a few hours earlier, before most of the protesters arrived at the hotel.

The teams had planned to stay in Melbourne until later this week, but the protests that virtually shut down the hotel forced a hasty change in plans.

The men's team had to cancel practice Monday because of the protests, while the women's team made it out of the hotel on foot before being forced to return by boat.

USA Basketball officials had been warned months ago that they could become circumstantial victims of the protests, but decided to stick with their accommodations.

Now, they're moving on to Sydney with some strange stories to tell.

BASEBALL					
National League					
At A Glance					
All Times EDT					
East Division					
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Atlanta	55	587	—		
New York	81	62	566	3	
Florida	68	74	479	15 1/2	
Montreal	60	82	423	23 1/2	
Philadelphia	59	84	413	25	
Central Division					
W	L	Pct.	GB		
St. Louis	83	61	576	—	
Cincinnati	74	70	514	9	
Milwaukee	63	80	441	19 1/2	
Houston	63	81	438	20	
Pittsburgh	61	82	427	21 1/2	
Chicago	59	84	413	23 1/2	
West Division					
W	L	Pct.	GB		
San Francisco	85	58	594	—	
Arizona	76	66	535	8 1/2	
Los Angeles	75	69	521	10 1/2	
Colorado	73	70	510	12	
San Diego	71	74	490	15	
Sunday's Games					
Montreal 4, Atlanta 0					
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 4					
N.Y. Mets 3, Philadelphia 0					
Monday's Games					
Houston 7, Chicago Cubs 6					
Milwaukee 4, St. Louis 3, 10 innings					
Los Angeles 12, Colorado 1					
San Francisco 10, San Diego 2					
Florida 4, Arizona 3, 12 innings					
Tuesday's Games					
Philadelphia 5, Montreal 2, 1st game					
Montreal 7, Philadelphia 6, 2nd game					
Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 6					
Milwaukee 8, N.Y. Mets 2					
St. Louis 8, Pittsburgh 4					
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Los Angeles 6, Arizona 3					
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Tuesday's Games					
Montreal (Armas 4-8) at Philadelphia (Telemeaco 1-0), 7:05 p.m.					
St. Louis (Kile 17-9) at Pittsburgh (Serafini 2-3), 7:05 p.m.					
Chicago Cubs (Wood 6-7) at Cincinnati (Fernandez 2-2), 7:05 p.m.					
Milwaukee (Snyder 3-8) at N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 8-5), 7:10 p.m.					
Florida (Sanchez 8-10) at Atlanta (Milwood 9-10), 7:40 p.m.					
San Francisco (Estes 14-4) at Houston (Elarton 16-5), 8:05 p.m.					
Los Angeles (Prokopenko 0-0) at Arizona (Schilling 10-11), 9:35 p.m.					
Colorado (Yoshi 5-14) at San Diego (Clement 12-14), 10:05 p.m.					
Wednesday's Games					
Milwaukee (D'Amico 11-5) at N.Y. Mets (Hampton 13-9), 1:10 p.m.					
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Tampa Bay	61	83	424	23	
Central Division					
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Chicago	86	57	601	—	
Cleveland	76	63	547	8	
Detroit	70	73	490	16	
Kansas City	68	76	472	18 1/2	
Minnesota	62	81	434	24	
West Division					
W	L	Pct.	GB		
Seattle	78	66	542	—	
Oakland	76	66	535	1	
Anaheim	72	72	500	6	
Texas	64	79	448	13 1/2	
Sunday's Games					
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, p.p.d., rain					
Toronto 6, Detroit 2					
N.Y. Yankees 6, Boston 2					
Kansas City 13, Texas 8					
Oakland 11, Tampa Bay 0					
Seattle 8, Minnesota 1					
Monday's Games					
Anaheim 2, Baltimore 1					
Boston 4, N.Y. Yankees 1					
Chicago White Sox 10, Detroit 3					
Baltimore 3, Anaheim 1					
Oakland 5, Tampa Bay 1					
Kansas City 6, Seattle 3					
Only games scheduled					
Tuesday's Games					
Baltimore (Parish 2-3 and Spurgeon 1-0) at Texas (Helling 14-11 and Rogers 11-13), 2:05 p.m.					
Boston (R Martinez 9-6) at Cleveland (Finley 12-10), 7:05 p.m.					
Toronto (Hamilton 2-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Neagle 6-4), 7:05 p.m.					
Detroit (Mlicki 4-11) at Chicago White Sox (Wells 5-7), 8:05 p.m.					
Kansas City (Reichert 8-6) at Seattle (Garcia 6-4), 10:05 p.m.					
Minnesota (Radke 11-14) at Oakland (Mulder 8-10), 10:05 p.m.					
Tampa Bay (Rekar 6-9) at Anaheim (Belcher 3-2), 10:05 p.m.					
Wednesday's Games					
Minnesota (Milton 12-10) at Oakland (Heredia 14-10), 3:35 p.m.					
Boston (Ohka 3-4) at Cleveland (Colon 12-8), 7:05 p.m.					
Toronto (Loaiza 9-10) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 12-6), 7:05 p.m.					
Baltimore (Rapp 7-11) at Texas (Glynn 5-3), 8:05 p.m.					
Detroit (Weaver 9-13) at Chicago White Sox (Parque 11-6), 8:05 p.m.					
Kansas City (Abbott 9-6) at Seattle (Stein 6-4), 10:05 p.m.					
Tampa Bay (Lidle 2-5) at Anaheim (Ortiz 5-5), 10:05 p.m.					
STRIKEOUTS—PMartinez, Boston, 259; Mussina, Baltimore, 186; Colon, Cleveland, 174; Clemens, New York, 165; CFirley, Cleveland, 164; Burba, Cleveland, 161; Nomo, Detroit, 159.					
SAVES—TBJones, Detroit, 38; MRivera, New York, 33; Sasaki, Seattle, 32; Koch, Toronto, 32; DLowe, Boston, 32; Wetteland, Texas, 32; Foulke, Chicago, 29; RIMHernandez, Tampa Bay, 29.					
FOOTBALL					
National Football League					
At A Glance					
All Times EDT					
AMERICAN CONFERENCE					
East					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	0	01.000	43	31
N.Y. Jets	2	0	01.000	40	35
Indianapolis	1	1	0.500	58	52
Miami	1	1	0.500	30	13
New England	0	2	0.000	35	41
Central					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	01.000	55	36
Cleveland	1	1	0.500	31	34
Jacksonville	1	1	0.500	63	46
Tennessee	1	1	0.500	30	30
Cincinnati	0	1	0.000	7	24
Pittsburgh	0	1	0.000	0	16
West					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Oakland	2	0	01.000	47	37
Denver	1	1	0.500	78	55
Kansas City	0	2	0.000	28	44
San Diego	0	2	0.000	33	47
Seattle	0	2	0.000	34	60
NATIONAL CONFERENCE					
East					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	2	0	01.000	54	34
Arizona	1	0	01.000	48	32
Philadelphia	1	1	0.500	59	47
Washington	1	1	0.500	30	32
Dallas	0	2	0.000	45	73
Central					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Detroit	2	0	01.000	43	34
Minnesota	2	0	01.000	43	34
Tampa Bay	2	0	01.000	62	16
Chicago	0	2	0.000	27	71
Green Bay	0	2	0.000	34	47
West					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
St. Louis	2	0	01.000	78	70
Atlanta	1	1	0.500	50	70
Carolina	1	1	0.500	55	42
New Orleans	1	1	0.500	38	41
San Francisco	0	2	0.000	50	74
Sunday's Games					
Oakland 38, Indianapolis 31					
Buffalo 27, Green Bay 18					
Cleveland 24, Cincinnati 7					
N.Y. Giants 33, Philadelphia 18					
Tampa Bay 41, Chicago 0					
Minnesota 13, Miami 7					
Baltimore 39, Jacksonville 36					
Denver 42, Atlanta 14					
St. Louis 37, Seattle 34					
Carolina 38, San Francisco 22					
Detroit 15, Washington 10					
New Orleans 28, San Diego 27					
Arizona 32, Dallas 31					
Open: Pittsburgh					
Monday's Games					
N.Y. Jets 20, New England 19					
Sunday, Sept. 17					
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.					
Atlanta at Carolina, 1 p.m.					
San Francisco at St. Louis, 1 p.m.					
Philadelphia at Green Bay, 1 p.m.					
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.					
Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.					
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 1 p.m.					
Denver at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.					
San Diego at Kansas City, 4:05 p.m.					
N.Y. Giants at Chicago, 4:15 p.m.					
New Orleans at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.					
Minnesota at New England, 4:15 p.m.					
Baltimore at Miami, 8:20 p.m.					
Open: Indianapolis, Arizona, Tennessee					
Monday, Sept. 18					
Dallas at Washington, 9 p.m.					
HORSE RACING					
AQHA POL					
AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — The national quarterhorse poll conducted by the American Quarter Horse Association. Rankings through Sept. 10, based on votes of industry and media representatives on a 10-9-8-7-6-5 basis, with first-place votes in parentheses, records, and total points. (A-Age S-Sex, C-Colt, G-Gelding, S-Station, F-Filly, M-Mare):					
1 TailorFit (13)	A-SS1-1-2-3Pvs	5-53-2-1-0188	1		
2 AdelHut/Dasher(3)	3-64-2-1-0166	2			
3 Separatist(3)	3-65-4-0-0157	3			
4 Afransom(1)	4-63-3-0-0120	4			
5 VictoryDefined	4-66-6-0-0111	6			
6 GoneKoolMan	3-65-4-0-0102	5			
7 SignificantSpeed	3-65-3-0-0171	7			
8 EyessaSpecial(1)	2-64-3-0-0057	—			
9 Deeths	4-64-1-2-046	9			
10 CoronaCash	5-64-2-1-022	8			
Others receiving votes: Sign Of Lanty 16, Mstrawlytoyoyu 14, War Colors 12, Big On Charm 9, Fashionanattitude 7, Copper Buff 6, Dash For Popa 5, Chicks First Policy 3, Celeb 3, Jakes Jockmo 3, Itta Bitty Boy 3, Heza Rambin Man 3, Cash To The Front 2, On Reflection 2, Sambaso Dancer 1, Breakin' Snowman 1, Dashing Knud 1, SV Blue Tomado 1, First Down Hero 1, Eye On Paydirt 1.					

Giants rally by Astros for 10th-inning win

HOUSTON (AP) — The San Francisco Giants have plenty of big hitters in the lineup. Bill Mueller usually isn't one of them. He delivered Monday night, though, lifting a triple into right center field in the 10th inning to drive in Ramon Martinez with the winning run in an 8-7 victory over the Houston Astros.

Barry Bonds had tied the score in the ninth by hitting a two-run shot, his 45th home run of the season. "I'm just happy to contribute," Mueller said. "Usually I'm just

trying to get on base and let Jeff (Kent) and Barry, and J.T. (Snow) get the big hits. They've done it for us all year.

"It's nice for me to get the big hit tonight. I thought it would find a gap and it would be able to get the run home. He threw me a fastball a little bit inside and I just hit it in the gap."

Mueller, batting .278 with nine homers and 50 RBIs on the season, went 2-for-4 with two runs scored Monday.

"We got the dramatic home run in the ninth and Billy gets the big

triple in the 10th," Giants manager Dusty Baker said. "He's been playing great for us lately."

Bonds' homer came off the Astros' closer-for-the-moment, Octavio Dotel, who has blown four saves and now is second on the team in home runs allowed with 25. A starter at the beginning of the year, Dotel has given up four home runs in his four blown saves.

"It's all or nothing with him," manager Larry Dierker said. "That's the sign of a young closer."

The General's gone, but he still calls the shots at Indiana

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — The General's iron hand is still on the Indiana basketball team.

At the urging of Bob Knight, junior guard Dane Fife decided Monday to leave the Hoosiers. He said he does not think there is any reason to stay, now that his coach has been fired.

Assistant coach Mike Davis, Knight's top recruiter the past two seasons and the key link to the team for many players, also said his future in Bloomington rests with Knight.

Record summer gives Amtrak hope for self-sufficiency

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amtrak registered the most successful summer in its 29-year history, carrying more than 6.1 million riders from June through August.

The railway reported Tuesday that it broke a 21-year-old monthly record in August with 2,097,471 riders and set an all-time monthly mark in ticket revenue with \$108.4 million.

Those numbers followed a July in which Amtrak registered 10-year highs in riders and revenue. With one month left in the fiscal year, Amtrak expects to break the all-time yearly record of 22.2 million passengers, set in 1990.

Amtrak officials attributed the numbers to higher gas prices, monumental air travel problems, successful marketing and a new service guarantee program that promises unhappy riders a reimbursement coupon good for future travel, no questions asked.

"Through these record-breaking numbers, we see that Americans are responding to our guarantee of guest satisfaction, better service and competitive fares," said Amtrak President George Warrington.

But the service guarantee program is producing more complaints than Amtrak had anticipated.

Amtrak had expected 0.1 percent of its riders to register dissatisfaction with their travel experience. In August, 0.5 percent of riders did.

Of the nearly 2.1 million riders in August, 10,689 called the railway's toll-free number to register a service complaint. Amtrak responded with \$934,430 in coupons. The average coupon was for \$87.

Amtrak has consumed more than \$22 billion in government subsidies since Congress formed it 1971 from a collection of failing passenger railroads. It reports monthly revenues but not expenses.

The railroad registered record revenue in fiscal year 1999 but still lost \$476 million. Even with record-breaking numbers, Amtrak will lose money again this year.

But Amtrak officials said they have the company on track to be self-sufficient by 2003, the deadline imposed by Congress.

Amtrak said its revenue for June, July and August was \$317.7 million, up 16.5 percent from last year's figure.

Ridership and revenue were up across the country in August compared to a year earlier.

Ridership and revenue were up 11 percent and 22 percent, respectively, in the Northeast Corridor between Boston and Washington; 7 percent and 13 percent, respectively, in California, Oregon and Washington; and 2 percent and 12 percent in long-distance train routes.

The Chicago-to-Los Angeles Texas Eagle route increased riders by 56 percent and revenue by 45 percent. The Capitols route in California and Nevada increased riders by 52 percent and revenue by 36 percent.

Pakistani photos to be subject of lecture

CANYON — Dr. Syed Tariq Anwar, professor of marketing and international business at West Texas A&M University, will present a lecture concerning his recent visit to his native Pakistan and a resultant display of photography at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14 at Cornette Library.

During his visit in May to northern Pakistan, Anwar took more than 2,000 photographs of the remote Karakoram Highway and the Hunza Valley, home to some of the highest mountain peaks (Himalayas, Hindu Kush and Karakoram) and most ancient cultures in the world.

Forty-two of Anwar's photographs of the region and its people were placed on display Aug. 24 at Cornette Library. The exhibit "Karakoram Highway & Hunza Valley" will remain on display until Dec. 5. Additionally, 150 more of Anwar's photographs may be viewed on a computer at the exhibit. The computer has been programmed to display the photos, one at

a time, on a continuous revolving loop.

"Visitors to this area of Pakistan find an amazing array of landscape and natural beauty," said Anwar, who moved from Pakistan to the United States in 1980 and joined the WTAMU faculty in 1987. "It is an area associated with Alexander the Great as far back as 356 BC, Marco Polo and 'The Great Game,' a long-running rivalry between Britain and Russia in Central Asia."

Anwar, who also traveled to the Karakoram Highway and Hunza Valley in 1999, spent 11 days there in May in an attempt to capture the landscape, rich history and culture of the region on film so that he might share them with the WTAMU community and people from the surrounding area.

"The Karakoram Highway only opened to the public in 1985. It is an extension of the Silk Road, which at one time connected Xian, China to Western Europe," Anwar said. "This area is

home to the second-highest peak in the world, K-2, which is 28,251 feet, as well as the sixth-highest — Nanga Parbat at 26,300 feet. The Karakoram Highway is considered one of the wonders of the world, and the Hunza Valley is known as Shangrila because of its spectacular beauty, glaciers and cultural traditions. I wanted to give our students, and anyone else who is interested, the opportunity to see some of these incredible, not-often-seen sights."

Anwar began his foray into amateur photography in 1982. His main interests are travel, ancient trade routes and cultures, and landscape photography.

For more information about the exhibit or the lecture, which is free and open to the public, contact Isabel Davis, reference librarian at Cornette Library, at (806) 651-2214. Or contact Anwar at (806) 651-2491 or sanwar@mail.wtamu.edu.

Pipeline Group to host contractor awareness meeting

The Pipeline Group of Midland, Texas, will hold its annual "Public Education - Contractor Awareness Program" at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 26 in the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Memorial Civic Auditorium here in Pampa. The program will be sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damages to underground pipelines and utilities. A free dinner will be catered by Dyer's Bar-B-Que for anyone involved in excavation related activities in Armstrong, Carson, Donley, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Roberts and Wheeler Counties.

Following the dinner, a brief safety program will be presented which stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of one-call systems and the importance of working with pipeline and utility companies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities. The new Texas law requiring notification to a one-call system before excavating will be discussed. Sponsors will provide promotional materials, including notification information for their companies, safety related brochures and other safety reminders.

Each year many lives are injured or lost, plus millions of dollars in repairs and lost products are incurred due to "third party" incidents — someone digging into a pipeline. Thousands of communications, some life-threatening, may be disrupted when expensive fiber-optic cables are damaged or severed. These types of excavation can be financially devastating to the responsible party. This safety program is an attempt to help those who do excavation work to avoid such situations.

For more information, call 1-800-982-8752 or visit www.pipeline-group.com on the Internet.

Sponsors for the program include: BP, Celanese LTD, Colorado Interstate Gas Co., Diamond Shamrock Refining and Marketing Co., El Paso Natural Gas Co., Equilon Pipeline Co. LP, Koch Pipeline Co. LP, MidCoast Gas Service, Inc., Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America, Northern Natural Gas Co./Transwestern Pipeline Co., ONEOK WestTex, Phillips Pipe Line Co., Sun Pipe Line Co., Transok LLC, TXU Fuel Co./TXU Lone Star Pipeline, Williams/Mid-America Pipeline Co.

PPW to hold bi-monthly program

AMARILLO — Panhandle Professional Writers will hold its bi-monthly program Saturday, Sept. 16, at Amarillo Senior Citizen's Center. The program will feature Karen Stolz of Austin, author of "World of Pies."

Stolz's first novel is a coming of age story set in a small Texas town in the 1960s. The book, a Literary Guild and Doubleday Book Club selection, will be published in condensed form in "Good Housekeeping" this October. Stolz received the 1999 Fiction Fellowship from Austin Writers' League/Texas Commission on the Arts and is a Violet Crown Book Award finalist.

Any writer, published or unpublished, aspiring, new or advanced, is welcome to attend. Registration will be at 9:30 a.m. Admission will be \$5 for non-members only. PPW members will get in free. Dues are \$20 per year.



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1 Public Notice

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Guardianship for the Person and Estate of ALVIN LEE HEATON, an Incapacitated Person, were issued on September 6, 2000, in Docket No. 00-71, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to: JANE R. WARD. The residence of the Guardian is in Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas. The post office address is: Jane R. Ward 2024 La Quinta Ingleside, Tx. 78362. All persons having claims against this estate which are currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 6th day of September, 2000

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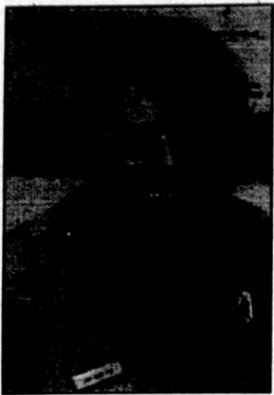
White Deer Land Museum to host Alibates lecture, tour

By DARLENE BIRKES
For The News

A slide program on the Alibates Ruins excavations and a bus tour to the national monument are planned by the Gray County Historical Commission and White Deer Land Museum (WDLM) to recognize Texas Archeology Awareness Month. Both are available to the public.

The slide program is slated for this Sunday, Sept. 17 at 2 p.m. at the White Deer Land Museum. Jim Rancier, archeologist and chief of resource management at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area and Alibates Monument, will show slides of the excavations done in the early 1930s at the site used by native Americans about 10,000 BC. to obtain flint for their weapons, tools and trade bartering. He will also show slides of the rock art and new panels discovered after the 1998 wildfire at the Monument.

Rancier is a graduate of the University of New Mexico with studies in anthropology and history. He has worked on various projects with the Universities of New Mexico, Denver, Tulsa and the Smithsonian Institute (partially funded by National Geographic Society grants). He has worked with several national park services and in the Navajo Area office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Arizona.



Jim Rancier

Most recently, he was in the National Park Service in Arizona serving 11 parks as historic structures preservation specialist. He came to Alibates Monument in 1998.

The follow-up bus tour planned for Saturday, Sept. 30 requires reservations made through the Museum, 669-8041. The tour bus will leave at 10 a.m. from the WDLM with will return by 3 p.m. Cost is \$10 and visitors should bring a sack lunch. Beverages will be furnished. If time allows, a visit will be made to the Lake Meredith Aquatic and Wildlife Museum in Fritch.

NGSP seeking contestants for sorghum yield contest

LUBBOCK — The 2000 National Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Contest is under way, and farmers who are 30 or more days from harvest still have time to enter the contest, says James Vorderstrasse, NGSP Yield and Management Contest chairman and producer from Hebron, Neb.

Sorghum growers from across the United States compete each year to determine how their sorghum yields stack up on the county, state and national levels. Winners of the contest, which includes five divisions, are determined by the amount a contestant's yield exceeds the five-year average yield in that contestant's county as determined by USDA's

National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The contestant's score is the difference between their yield and the county five-year average. Winners are determined by high scores in each division. The contest's five divisions are non-irrigated conventional tillage, irrigated conventional tillage, non-irrigated no-till, non-irrigated mulch-till, and irrigated ridge-till.

Based on scores, state and national winners are named in first, second and third places in each division. State first-place winners go on to compete for national honors.

Producers may enter as many contest plots as they wish. A \$35 non-refundable entry fee must accompany each entry/contest plot. Contestants must be members of NGSP; however, dues may accompany the entry.

State and national winners of this year's contest who are present will be honored at NGSP's annual conference, February 18-20, at Nashville, Tenn.

Producers who are interested in entering may contact NGSP at (806) 749-3478 or ngsp@sorghumgrowers.com. Entry forms also are available at NGSP's website. That address is www.sorghumgrowers.com.

WT to sponsor Opportunity Fair

CANYON — West Texas A&M University students provide a much needed volunteer work force. Agencies and organizations in need of volunteers will line up for the 2000 Sixth Annual Volunteer Opportunity Fair from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13 in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Commons.

"The Volunteer Opportunity Fair is a great way for students to give back to the community and to provide an avenue for agencies to present their information to WTAMU students," Kay Hagar, senior director for student development and university judicial officer, said.

According to Hagar, volunteer work is an asset on resumes and applications for students applying for future employment.

Representatives from Boy Scouts of America, Kids Inc., Make a Wish Foundation, Ronald McDonald House of Amarillo and several others will be on campus. For more information, contact the Division of Student Services at (806) 651-2050.

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Lubbock Komen Race for the Cure seeking participants

LUBBOCK — Registration forms for the Lubbock Komen Race for the Cure slated Sept. 23 at Texas Tech University campus are available at all area United Supermarkets and Ford dealers.

The race will begin at Red Raider Avenue and Drive of Champions at Sixth and Boston

and has two parts — a 1-mile run/fitness walk and a 5K sanctioned co-ed race open to athletes of all ages and abilities.

Lubbock is one of over 107 cities this year to host the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race for the Cure. The foundation sponsors the event to promote

positive awareness, education and early detection of breast cancer.

Proceeds from the fund-raiser will benefit breast cancer research as well as breast health initiatives on a local level. Seventy-five percent of the proceeds remain in the Lubbock area, helping to support breast health education and breast

cancer screening and treatment programs for the medically underserved. These programs are funded based upon a special needs assessment survey performed by the Lubbock affiliate.

For more information, call (806) 765-5281 or visit www.komen-lubbock.org on the Internet.

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