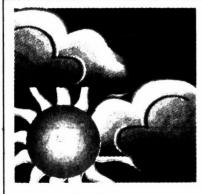


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PISD van, big rig wreck at Kingsmill

Middle-schoolers escape with only minor injuries

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

A Pampa Middle School eighth grade basketball trip to Canyon came to an abrupt end Thursday afternoon when the school van they were riding in crashed with a grain truck on U.S. 60 at Kingsmill.

The 14-member team, riding in a Chevrolet Beauville van driven by Coach Sam Haynes, had left for Canyon shortly after school ended. The accident occurred at approximately 3:45 p.m., according to Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper David O'Brien.

O'Brien said that a tractor-trailer rig driven by Donald Fry, 64, of Amarillo was west bound on U.S. 60, and making a right turn from the outside lane into the parking lot of a grain elevator when the westbound school van rammed into the side of the truck. The grain truck, owned by Soliz Trucking of Canyon, was empty at the time of the wreck, the trooper said.

Fry was cited by Trooper O'Brien for turning when unsafe. Trooper Larry Ratzlaff, license and weight, also cited Fry for not having the truck's log book current.

Deputies from the Gray County Sheriff's Office were the first emergency workers to arrive on the scene, followed by DPS traffic and license and weight officers. Rural Metro Ambulance also responded. Pampa Independent School District officials also arrived at the site of the wreck.

Ambulance personnel examined all of the students and the drivers (See WRECK, Page 2)



Officers chase, nab wanted man He had 13 warrants An early-morning foot chase

in southwest Pampa led to the arrest of a local man wanted on 13 outstanding warrants, including a felony drug warrant. Leonard Anthony Scott, 36, 1105 Neel Rd., awaited arraignment in Gray County Jail at press time today, jail officials said. Scott was arrested for evading arrest and on a felony warrant for possession of a controlled substance, a misdemeanor warrant for possession of marijuana, plus 11 municial court warrants for various offenses including failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, expired motor vehicle inspection, driving without a license, and expired registration, according to a police press release. At approximately 4 a.m. today, Police Officer Andy Alaniz spotted Scott in a vehicle parked at a convenience store in the 1000 block of West Wilks. Aware that Scott had both outstanding felony and misdemeanor warrants, Alaniz alerted fellow police officers Fred Courtney, Heather Ratzlaff and Cade Logue, as well as Deputy Cary Rushing of the Gray County Sheriff's Office, for back up. While the other officers were en route, according to the release, Alaniz approached Scott and told him he was under arrest. The man fled south on Faulkner with Alaniz chasing him on foot, police said.



Austin Morgan, 13. above, uses a cellular phone to tell his mother Tammy Morgan that he and other members of the Pampa Middle School eighth grade basketball team had been involved in a wreck near Kingsmill on U.S. 60, west of Pampa, Thursday afternoon. Morgan is standing beside the wrecked Pampa Independent School District van and the tractor-trailer grain truck involved in the collision. Morgan was one of 14 members of the basketball team riding in the van, pictured below. driven by Coach Sam Haynes. (Pampa News photos by Dee Dee Laramore)

PAMPA — Students and parents may review results of the PSAT tests conducted in October during two meetings Monday, Dec. 11 in the high school library. The first meeting will be at 11 a.m. for high school freshmen and sophomores. Another meeting is slated at 3:45 p.m. for juniors. \$2,500 bond set

on beating charge

Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman set bond at \$2,500 for a Pampa man arrested for beating his 37-year-old wife at a parking lot party Wednesday night.

Aaron Eugene Young, 31, 314 Wynne, was arrested by Pampa police Thursday in the 1400 block of East Browning and charged with assault causing bodily injury to a family member. Young was in Gray County Jail at press time today, but officials said they believed he was in the process of making bond.

According to reports, a woman said she had been attacked by her husband at a party in a parking lot in the 600 block of South Gray about 11 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 6. When police arrived, the suspect was gone. The woman, Tammie Young, 37, of 314 N. Wynne, suffered a swollen left hand, a knot to the back of her head, and cuts on her nose and ear.

• Wesley Lafayette Bruce, 87, former owner-operator of Bruce and Son Moving and Storage.

• Mary Ann Carver, 58, homemaker.

• Shirley 'Billie' Dumas, 73, homemaker

• Alma Green, 89, former Panhandle resident.

• Jerry Dale Jones, 50, Pampa native. • Phil Londagin, 53, sports

director at KGRO. • Betty McDowell, 70, homemaker.

(See OFFICERS, Page 2)

That's according to the monthly report

Besides the building permits there were

33 plumbing permits issued, four mechani-

issued by the city's building inspections

projects was \$22,700.

office.

Lawmaker for agri district bill

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

DUMAS Come January, David Swinford will leave his home and business here for Austin and the state legislature. Swinford, R-Dumas, is chairman of the Texas House Agriculture Committee and his focus will be on a core of legislation dealing mostly with agriculture.

I'm doing my best to dodge 15 or 20 bills that people have brought me," he says. "I'm going, to concentrate on the major issues."

He says he expects to concentrate on five or six bills.

Swinford says among the legislation he plans to try to pass in because the general public is not the next session is the Agriculture involved.

District Bill. It is designed to enable farmers and ranchers develop valueadded entities to increase agricultural income and add jobs to the communities in rural Texas.

According to the Texas Department of Agriculture, every one percent increase in valueadded processing means a billion dollars to the state's economy.

Swinford says that the way the legislation will be set up is that a group of people with a certain project can go to their county commissioners and ask for an election to establish that project. Only those producers involved directly in the project are allowed to vote, not the general public

Using an ethanol plant as an example, Swinford says that a group of corn farmers can go to their county commissioners court in the county in which the plant is to be built and ask them to call for an election among the members of the district. The project has to be specific.

If the members of the district vote for it, Swinford says, they become a governmental entity, much like a water district.

Swinford says there is a provision in the bill that nothing will come off the tax rolls. They don't, however, pay taxes on the facility that they build.

Although they'll have to secure their own financing initially, after they are up and running, the dis-

(See LAWMAKER, Page 2)

Grant hearing Monday

A public hearing regarding a \$7,971 U.S. Department of Justice grant to the Pampa Police Department is set for 12 noon, Monday, Dec. 11, in the Commission Chamber of City Hall.

Deputy Chief Terry Young said the hearing is a requirement of the Department of Justice for giving the block grant funds to the local police department.

The funds will be used, he said, to purchase special equipment for the department's tactical team.

"We want to equip the tactical team to be better prepared to handle extreme circumstances," Young explained.

"We try to get equipment to provide officers with greater protection when they serve warrants in dangerous situations," Chief Charlie Morris added. "We try to do all we can to eliminate the risk when there's dangerous suspects."

Local police plan to use the funds to obtain night vision (See GRANT, Page 2)

United Foods atop city permit list together, the permit fees totaled \$9,270. Lead by the new United Foods Supermarket at a construction cost of \$2.8 There were 84 inspections last month in million, 10 city building permits issued last Pampa with the majority, 37, being plumbing inspections, according to the building month reflected a combined value of over \$2.9 million dollars. During the same inspectors office. In Nov. 1999, there were month last year the total value of building 153 inspections done.

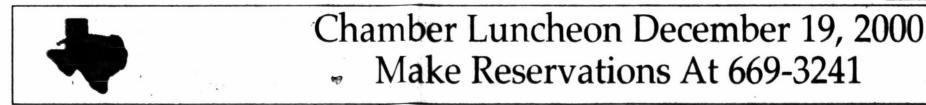
The number and type of other inspections last month were: eight building, 10 electrical, six mechanical, and 23 miscellaneous. In Nov. 1999, there were 106 inspections made.

During the calendar year to date, there cal permits and 11 electrical permits. All have been 1,154 inspections. On the permit

side, there have been 124 building permits reflecting construction costs of \$4.28 million. Other permit totals for the first 11 months of this year include 469 plumbing, 69 mechanical and 119 electrical.

Also to date this year, all types of permit fees total \$33,086.

The breakdown on types of building permits issued during November is: one commercial, four accessory buildings, two alterations and additions to dwellings, one commercial alteration and two driveways/sidewalks.





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Services tomorrow

BRUCE, Wesley Lafayette — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa. CARVER, Mary Ann — Graveside services, 10

a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

GRUBEN, Winnye Beatrice — Memorial services, 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Spur.

LONDAGIN, Phil – 10 a.m., San Jacinto Baptist Church, Amarillo. Graveside services, 1 p.m., Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Borger.

McDOWELL, Betty — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

WESLEY LAFAYETTE BRUCE

Wesley Lafayette Bruce, 87, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pas-

tor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church of Pampa, and the Rev. Lakan Mariano, pastor of College Hills Baptist Church of San Angelo, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Bruce was born Jan. 27, 1913, at Alva, Okla. He

married Lena Ozell Lester on Sept. 2, 1930, at Sayre, Okla.; she died in 1995. He had been a resident of Amarillo and Pampa since 1939 and owned-operated Bruce and Son Moving and Storage for approximately 60 years.

He was a member of First Assembly of God Church in both Pampa and Amarillo and attended Trinity Fellowship Church and Briarwood Full Gospel Church with his family.

Survivors include a daughter, June Thurman of Pampa; a son, Wallace L. Bruce of Pampa; a the direction of N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral brother, Ira Bruce of Amarillo; six grandchildren; Directors of Amarillo. 20 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Briarwood Full Gospel Church, 1800 W. Harvester, Pampa; or to Trinity Fellowship Church, 1200 S. Sumner, Pampa.

MARY ANN CARVER

Mary Ann Carver, 58, of Pampa, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Sterling Edwards, youth minister of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under Bulldogs and West Texas A&M University and the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Carver was born April 3, 1942, at Woodward, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1959 and belonged to Trinity Fellowship and belonged to Faith Baptist Church. Church.

Church in Panhandle.

Survivors include two daughters, Billie Williams of Canadian and Shirley Wagner of Amarillo; five grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Abraham Memorial Home, 803 Birch, Canadian, TX 79014. **JERRY DALE JONES**

Jerry Dale Jones, 50, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2000. Mr. Jones was cremated and consequently the body will not be available for viewing. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Trinity Fellowship Church with Lonny Robbins, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Jones was born Jan. 29, 1950, at Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School in 1968. He married Barbara McKean on Oct. 6, 1967, at Pampa.

He was a member of Trinity Fellowship Church.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Jones, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jeff and Jodie Jones of Pampa and Kelly and Krista Jones of Amarillo; his father and stepmother, Roy and Katherine Jones of Pampa; his mother, Helen Gabriel of Pampa; a brother, David Bowers of Pampa; and five grandchildren, Kalynn, Brian and Blake Jones, all of Pampa, and Hayden and Cooper Jones, both of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

PHIL LONDAGIN

Phil 53, died Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in San Jacinto Baptist Church with the Rev. Kurtis Spidel, pastor of Faith Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services will be at p.m. in Westlawn

Memorial Park Cemetery in Borger. Burial will be under

Mr. Londagin was born at Wewoka, Okla., and grew up in Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School. After graduation from PHS, he moved to Borger and remained there for many years. He married Linda Dawson in 1968 at Spring Creek; she died in 1987. He later married Randi Zint in 1995 at Amarillo.

Since 1968, he worked as a sports broadcaster in Amarillo, Borger and Pampa and was sports director at KGRO Radio in Pampa. He broadcast for Amarillo Dilla's, Pampa Harvesters, Borger was much involved in Amarillo Sports Network. In addition, from 1991-94, he owned Fan Fair

Sports in Westgate Mall in Amarillo.

He had been an Amarillo resident since 1988

Survivors include his wife, Randi, of the home;

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WRECK

of the two vehicles at the scene, but none required transport to the hospital. The students suffered bumps and bruises, banged knees and one player received a cut to the mouth. The mother of one of the students reported her son was stiff and sore early today.

School officials canceled the basketball game and arranged for another bus to pick up the team members and take them back to the middle school.

Using cellular phones, many of the students

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OFFICERS

Alaniz kept the other officers informed of the pursuit's progress which had now moved to an alley between the 1000 blocks of South Faulkner

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equipment for the tactical team.

LAWMAKER

points out, it can't make a profit.

production.

Young said in past years the block grant funds helped purchase in-car video equipment, records archiving software, records management software, and computer-aided dispatch equipment.

"By researching and applying for grants and funds like this, we have saved the community and the city a lot," Morris said. "It would have been

trict can issue tax-free revenue bonds based on its

Because it is a governmental entity, Swinford

"What will happen is these same people may form

a co-op, and their co-op's business will be run in this

plant," Swinford says. "The plant will charge them

what it takes to make their revenue bond payment.

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The plant itself will be revenue neutral." In a co-op, he says, all the profits are passed back down to the individuals involved.

In the meantime, Swinford says, they've created. 30 jobs. The money also stays in the town. He says; such a business would also generate other businesses such as trucking firms to haul in corn and haul out ethanol.

Under the proposed legislation, it doesn't cost the government anything, and the county still has the property on its tax roles.

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PHS THEATRE presents "And Then They Came For Me Remembering the World of Anne Franke," Dec. 7-9th, 7 p.m. PHS auditorium, \$4 reserved seating

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dent from the scene. Several parents were following the bus to Canyon in their personal vehicles. One parent was in front of the van, but turned around and returned after learning about the wreck. Student passengers in the van included Aaron

notified their parents immediately after the acci-

Ledbetter, 13; Wesley Brogdin, 13; Austin Morgan, 13; Shawn Carey, 14; Brandon Johnston, 14; Cody Hukill, 13; Michael Pergeson, 14; Clayton Hall, 13; Seth Foster, 14; Q.B. Cobb, 13; Mark Williams, 14; Heth Miller, 13; Tyler Doughty, 13; and Britten East, 14.

and Sumner streets. The backup units formed a perimeter around the 1000 block area.

According to police reports, when Scott climbed over a fence at 1021 S. Sumner, he was met by officers. Scott then laid on the ground and was placed under arrest, the report stated.

years before we could have equipped our vehicles with video recorders. They've become an important part of our work. We use them as evidence and for training."

A local block grant advisory board met. Wednesday and gave full approval for the depart-; ment's proposed use of the funds, Young said.

The board consists of local representatives from law enforcement, courts, school system, prosecutor's office, and a local non-profit organization; involved in crime or drug-use prevention.

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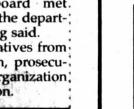
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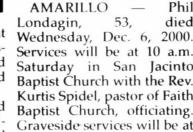
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1982, at Pampa; he died Aug. 20, 1994.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Judy Sims; and by a brother, Francis Matthew.

Survivors include a brother, Richard Matthew of Hooker, Okla.; a half-brother, Mike Matthew of Sacramento, Calif.; and a half-sister, Debra Albarnaz of San Antonio.

The family requests memorials be to Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106

SHIRLEY 'BILLIE' DUMAS

Shirley "Billie" Dumas, 73, of Pampa, died Friday, Dec. 8, 2000, at Odessa. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. John Glover, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating burial will be under the dial in of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Dumas was born Nov. 2, 1927, at White Deer and had been a Pampa resident most of her life. She married J.B. Dumas in 1951; he died April 12, 1987.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Tommy Chambliss, in 1975.

Survivors include a daughter, Gloria Holt of New Braunfels; a son, Gary Dumas of Odessa; three sisters, Penny McCormick of Pampa, Carlene Walker of Arlington and Dolly Grant of Amarillo; a brother, Vaughn Chambliss of Florida; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Diabetes Association, Potter/Randall Chapter, P.O. Box 50433, Amarillo, TX 79159.

ALMA GREEN

CANADIAN - Alma Green, '89, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Buffalo Cemetery, near Sweetwater, Okla., with Johnny McClellan of Custer City, Okla., officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Born in Beckham County, Okla., Mrs. Green went to school at Rankin. She married Emery B. Green in 1927 in Beckham County; he died in 1975

She had been a Canadian resident since 1994, moving from Panhandle. She was a Rebekah Lodge member and attended First Baptist

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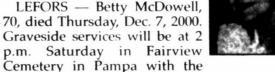
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She married Tommy Carver, Sr., on Feb. 23, a stepson; Josh Zint of Amarillo; his parents, Bob and Maxine Londagin of Borger; and a brother, Rick Londagin of Stinnett.

The family will be at 334 W. Hastings in Amarillo and requests memori-

als be to American Heart Association or Potter/Randall Chapter of American Diabetes Association.

BETTY McDOWELL LEFORS — Betty McDowell, 70, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000.



Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lefors, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmiciael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. McDowell was born Dec. 18, 1929, at Durham, Okla. She married Floyd McDowell on Sept. 16, 1946, at Pampa. She had been a Lefors resident since 1956, moving to the community from Pampa.

She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by a son, Larry McDowell, in 1966.

Survivors include her husband, Floyd, of the home; a daughter, Patricia McBee of Lefors; a son, Danny McDowell of Pampa; two sisters, Sarah Wallace of Dallas and Eulala "Vera" Anderson of Nezperce, Idaho; six grandchildren, Daron McBee and Billy D. McBee, both of Lefors, Danny L. McDowell of Amarillo, Randy McDowell of Canyon and Katy Odell and Becky Carpenter, both of Pampa; seven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Dec. 7

9 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to SCCI in Amarillo.,

3:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded east on Highway 60 and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

3:58 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Kingsmill on Highway 60; no trasnport.

5:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Malone; no transport.

Friday, Dec. 8

2:53 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Dwight; no transport.

Fires

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

Thursday, Dec. 7

10:27 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters installed a smoke alarm in the 2000 block of Duncan

5:08 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist call in the 900 block of Malone.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, mostly cloudy with highs near 45. North to northeast winds 10 to cold weather. 15 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light rain. Rain may change to light freezing rain or light snow late. Lows in the lower 30s. East to southeastwinds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday, becoming partly sunny with highs 55 to 60. South to southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday night, partly cloudy with lows near 35. Yesterday's high 61; the overnight low 32.

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ing rain or snow could start the Texas, along with the Coastal weekend for West Texans in Plains. With the latest cold front's what forecasters say will herald several days of increasingly

on Friday ranged from the 30s to 50. It was 32 degrees at Amarillo and 47 at Galveston. Other readings were 33 at Daytime highs should range Conroe and 45 at both Spur from near 40 in the Panhandle and Odessa.

Winds were mostly northerly and southerly at 5 to 15 mph in the north and west, with gusts in the Panhandle, and light and variable conditions elsewhere. Patchy fog shrouded some Patchy fog could return to locations in the southeast and northern and southeastern

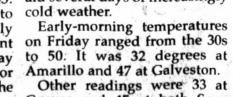
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approach, a slight chance of rain was forecast through the weekend, with precipitation possibly turning to light freezing rain or light snow late at night in the Panhandle.

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overnight Lows were expected from the upper 20s to the mid-40s, with low 50s along the coast.

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Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors call 665-2331

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

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

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

THE FELLOWSHIP **OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS**

The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim many free services. For more information, call 1-Greene at 665-8067.

PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

will met at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building.

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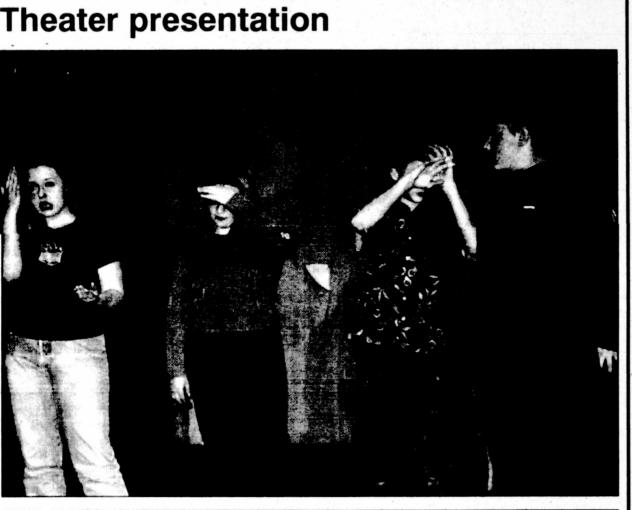
Pampa Shrine Club holds a covered dish meeting at 7 p.m. every third Friday of each month at the Sportsman's Club on South Barnes.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this fall beginning Sept. 5. The free program is open to children 18 months to 5 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

CPF

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



PAS DANCE

Due to the Thanksgiving holidays, Pampa Area Singles will not schedule a dance for November. The next dance will be Dec. 30. For more information, call 665-7059.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Shepherd's Helping Hands is sponsoring "Breakfast with Santa" at 9:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. Dec. 2 in the parish hall of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 727 W. Browning. Cost is \$8 per child and covers breakfast, a picture with Santa and a goodie bag. Space is limited and reservations are encouraged. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call Cora at Shepherd's 800-687-2056, ext. 777. Helping Hands, 665-9750.

RUSHING WIND

Rushing Wind Emmaus will sponsor "Christmas at Waka" at 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 9 at Waka Christian Center. Potluck dinner will be served followed by a praise and worship service in the chapel. Families and friends are welcome and a nursery will be provided. The Waka Christian Center Board will meet prior to the event at 4:30 p.m.

DISCOVERY CENTER SANTA BUFFET

The Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo will host "Breakfast with Santa" from 8-11:30 a.m. Dec. 9 at the center located at 1200 Streit Drive, Amarillo. The event will include a breakfast buffet, a special holiday Planetarium show and pictures with Santa for \$3. Cost of admission for child mem- The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil bers is \$5, for non child members, \$7, and for adults eating breakfast, \$5. For more information, call (806) 355-9548, ext. 11.

TRAIN SHOW

Amarillo Model Railroad Association will hold its annual Magic of Christmas Past Train Show beginning Nov. 24 in Western Plaza. Show hours are, 12 noon-8 p.m., Nov. 24-26 and Dec. 25-31 as well as 5-8 p.m., every Friday in December. The association will raffle off a 4' x 8' HO-scale model railroad at 4 p.m. Christmas Eve. Admission is \$1 for adults and nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is avail-50-cents for children. Raffle tickets are \$1 a chance able through the Texas Department of Health for or six for \$5.

GED TESTING

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

RED CROSS CLASSES

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer the following courses this month: First Aid, 3-7 p.m., Dec. 5, ARC office, 108 N. Russell; CPR class, 5-9 p.m., Dec. 12 at the ARC office. To register or for more information, call 669-7121.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, will hold its first annual community Thanksgiving Dinner from 12 noon-2 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 23. All are invited to attend.

MIP CLASSES Clarendon College will offer ABC Computer Class from 1-4 p.m., Dec. 14 and from 8:30 a.m.-12 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Dec. 15. Minor in Possession classes are sched- ties for the 2000-01 academic year. Two competiuled from 7:30-10:30 p.m., Dec. 11-12 in Clarendon. For tions are open to candidates with disabilities seekmore information, call Clarendon College-Pampa ing financial assistance for undergraduate study at Center or Eddie Hankins, (806) 874-5074. ADOPT-A-SEA TURTLE

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.

FPC EXTENDED EDUCATION CLASSES Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer the following extended education classes: PC Upgrade class, Dec. 4-14; Concealed Handgun Course, Dec. 12-13. For more information, (806) 274-5311 or 1-

EXTENSION BAZAAR

Moonlight Extension Education Club will holds its 22nd Annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 9 at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe. Booth space will be available until Dec. 4. To request an application, contact Linda Huckaby, 902 W. 8th, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

FRESHSTART

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold FreshStart, a free two-week smoking cessation support series sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, from 6-7 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays, Nov. 6-14. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235. HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Dec. 6 and 27, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; Dec. 15, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa; Dec. 26, Family Care Center, 1010 S. Main, Shamrock and Parkview Hospital, 901 S. Sweetwater, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost selfexam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more informa-tion, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

DIALOGUE

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1:30 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.

FIFTH ARMY TOUR

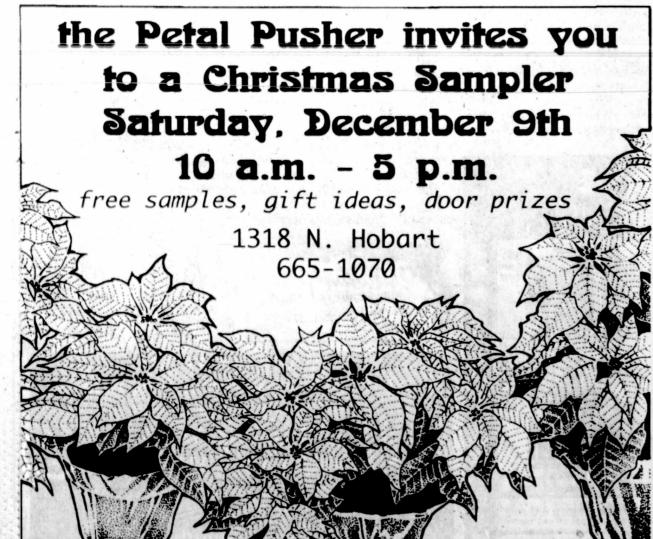
World War II veterans of the United States 5th Army will tour battlefield sites in Italy in June 2001. For more information, contact: Sy Canton, executive director, 5th Army Association, 465 Shore Rd., Ste 7P, Long Beach, NY 11561 or call (516) 432-3022

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIPS President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities is hosting three scholarship competitions for post-secondary students with disabili-



(Special photos)

Chris Johnson, top, Kasey Presson, April Anderson and Rhianna Anglin are cast members in the production, "And Then They Came for Me," which is being presented by Pampa High School's Advanced Theater class at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Bottom: Anderson's character, Mutti, comforts Young Eva, portrayed by Rhianna Anglin.



Adopt a sea turtle for some one you love this holiday season. For a tax-deductible \$25, the Sea Turtle Survival League, an educational, outreach program of the nonprofit Caribbean Conservation Corp., will send participants a personalized color sea turtle adoption certificate, a sea turtle fact sheet, color- A wide range of free, direct support services is availful decal and magnet and a subscription to the organization's quarterly newsletter, all in a special folder. For more information, call 1-800-678-7853 or visit www.cccturtle.org. on the Internet.

CHILDREN'S HOPE INTERNATIONAL Trinity Fellowship Church, Family Life Center, will sponsor a Children's Hope International meeting from 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 26 at the church, 5000 Hollywood Rd., Amarillo. The meeting will provide information on adoption programs in China, Russia, India, Vietnam and Guatemala. Brenda Barker, Southeastern Regional director for Children's Hope International and mother of seven internationally adopted children, will be the presenter. For more information, call (615) 309-8109, 399-0032 (615)e-mail brendabarker@earchlink.net.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

a four-part series this fall. The series will kick-off tion Sept. 7 with Dr. Bruce Harrow presenting an www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.

a four-year college or university. The third competition is open to female candidates with disabilities seeking financial assistance for graduate study. For more information, visit the President's Committee website at www.pcepd.gov and click the "Scholarships" link on the home page.

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

FAN BOOKLET

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, D.C., recently published the booklet, "Free & Low Cost Medical Care." The booklet includes informa-tion on how and where to get free and low-cost medical care under the Federal Hill-Burton program. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network - Free & Low Cost Medical Care Booklet, Dept. MCB-0725, P.O. Box The local Alzheimer's Support Group will conduct 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. The informaalso available is



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All eyes on Florida Legislature, Supreme **Court for decisions**

By DAVID ESPO AP Political Writer

Florida's Legislature marched toward a special session, its Supreme Court deliberated and George W. Bush and Al Gore watched anxiously from afar on Friday as the nation's presidential election adventure neared a climax. A defeat for the vice president in the state's high court, said one Democratic senator bluntly, and "this battle's over.

"We're hopeful that we'll finally see finality in this election," Bush told reporters as he met with aides who would work in his White House. "It's time to get on with America's business."

"I think this is the definitive day," said Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., as judges in two trial courts as well as the state Supreme Court pondered their cases 31 days after Election Day.

In a last-minute legal maneuver, Bush's lawyers filed an unusual clarification with the Supreme Court, telling the seven justices they don't have authority to grant Gore the manual recounts he seeks.

"This Court does not have authority to grant such relief under Florida law or federal law," the Bush petition said, reversing comments Bush attorney Barry Richard made Thursday in oral arguments that the high court had "limited" jurisdiction.

In the trial courts below, Circuit Court Judges Nikki Clark and Terry Lewis relayed word they would rule at midday on lawsuits filed by Democratic voters seeking to throw out thousands of absentee ballots in Martin and Seminole counties.

"They're in the process of editing those rulings right now," said Doug Smith, a spokesman for the judges.

Bush is the certified winner by 537 votes in Florida, and Gore has been attempting to overturn that in the courts, and win the manual recounting of thousands of ballots he says could reverse his rival's lead. The winner of the state's 25 electoral votes stands to take office in January as the nation's 43rd president.

Torricelli offered his brutally simple prediction on CBS, saying, "If Al Gore cannot persuade the Florida Supreme Court ... then this battle's over.'

Also on CBS, Gore adviser Ron Klain said the vice president's team viewed the state Supreme Court as "the final arbiter of Florida law" and he acknowledged the obvious in saying a loss there "would be a setback for us, and a major one."

Klain, also on CBS, said he's been party to no talk of a concession by Gore. And with Florida Democrats battling to give Gore advantage in two lower court cases, Klain would not commit Gore to bowing out if he loses in the state Supreme Court. "We think we'll win," he said.

Across the street from the Supreme Court building in the state Capitol, members of the Republican-controlled Legislature were gathering for a special session, ready by all accounts to appoint a slate of electors loyal to Bush. The Legislature's heavily outnumbered Democrats charged the Bush campaign was pulling the strings from Texas, but conceded they were powerless to prevail.

The speaker of the Florida House, Tom Feeney, acknowledged he has received advice from Bush intermediaries but denied the campaign was calling the shots. Such allegations from Democrats were 'out of touch" with reality, he said.

But the Bush campaign said its lawyers "provided legal interpretations when asked by legislators, and no one could be surprised by that. Nor would anyone be surprised if such contacts occurred between Democratic legislators and Gore lawyers," said a spokesman, Tucker Eskew.

Depending on the outcome of Gore's appeal, the legislation conlated by GOP leaders could set u a contest between two riv Florida slates when the Electoral College votes are cast on Dec. 18 and then counted in Congress on Jan. 6. That, in turn, could ratchet up the controversy even further in the contest to pick a president. In Thursday's high court hearing, Gore lawyer David Boies implored the court to grant the selective manual recounts that could yet revive the vice president's hopes of winning the White House. The Florida high court offered no hint of when it would rule, although the seven justices moved with unusual speed a little more than two weeks ago in an earlier recount-related case. This time, if anything, the time pressure is even greater, since Dec. 12 is the deadline for appointment of the state's 25 presidential electors. Two other judges in the state capital of Tallahassee weighed Democratic requests to throw out thousands of absentee votes, a move that also could tip the balance to Gore. Republicans made clear that they were ready to appeal any unfavorable ruling, possibly returning to a federal appeals court in Atlanta. "We have always had to prepare for every contingency. ... We are prepared to file appeals and briefs," Bush attorney Barry Richard said late Thursday on CNN.



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Members of the Pampa Middle School's eighth grade basketball team pick up their duffel bags and prepare to board another school bus after the van they were riding in was involved in a collision Thursday afternoon at Kingsmill, west of Pampa. Only minor injuries were reported at the scene. The team's game with Canyon Middle School was called off, school officials said. See Page 1 for more about the incident.

VP candidate Cheney residency question goes to Supreme Court

By ALAN CLENDENNING Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The question of whether Dick Cheney is a Wyoming resident, and thus qualified to serve as George W. Bush's vice president, is heading to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bush is Texas' governor.

Cheney, a former Wyoming congressman, lived in Dallas while he was chairman of arguments. Then Patrick Higginbotham, a Halliburton Co. until he changed his voting Republican appointee like the other two registration to Teton County, Wyo., on July judges, returned to the bench and announced

The Texans' lawsuit cites the 12th an hourlong hearing in which a lawyer for Amendment, which bars electors from giving the Texans claimed Cheney had lived in Texas their votes to two residents of their own state. since he bought a house and moved to Dallas in 1993.

The three judges took a short recess after

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Even so, there were other court cases pending in a controversy that has spawned dozens of them.

Both absentee ballot cases were filed by Democrats claiming that the ballots are invalid because detachable ballot applications were not properly filled out and elections officials allowed information to be added improperly.

Either of those two cases had the potential to transform a controversy that had Gore struggling for survival and Bush working conspicuously on his transition to power.

The main focus on Thursday was in state Supreme Court, where Boies pressed Gore's case to open up roughly 13,000 ballots in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties to a manual recount, and where Richard argued the justices would be exceeding their legal authority if they did so.

Both men were barraged with questions.

"We're now here on December the 7th, with December the 12th, you know, fast approaching," Justice Harry Lee Anstead told Boies in the final question of the session. "How can we resolve an issue like that at this late date?"

"There's never been a rule that says you have to recount all the ing tax." Hardest hit would be the find out, you are going to have to ballots in an election contest," Boies replied, returning one final 10 million households without live with it, whether you like it or would increase prices ending in 3 time to his point that only a small fraction of more than 1 million checking accounts — mainly poor-ballots need be reviewed. checking accounts — mainly poor-er people, Lombra said. not," Lombra said about his study released Monday.

Besides, he said, the Bush campaign never asked for a recount.

court to have Cheney declared a Texas resi- mate. dent, lawyers for three Texans said they would file a final appeal with the high court by Monday.

After losing a bid before a federal appeals 21. Four days later, he became Bush's running the decision.

Court of Appeals said Thursday that Cheney times an inhabitant of Wyoming," is a Wyoming resident. The ruling came after Higginbotham said.

"It is clear beyond a reasonable question to A three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit us that Secretary Cheney was at all relevant

Deliverymen receive \$3 million wage settlement

NEW YORK (AP) Deliverymen for a supermarket Food Emporium stores, of violat- were all working like slaves." chain in Manhattan who claimed ing minimum wage and overtime will receive \$3 million in back wages. pay after reaching a settlement, the state Attorney General said.

settlement reached settlement. The Thursday ends a lawsuit filed earlier this year by Attorney because it will teach Food General Eliot Spitzer and the Emporium a lesson that this denied any wrongdoing, saying deliverymen. The lawsuit shouldn't happen anymore,"

"This settlement is important 69 hours.

- Pacific Tea Co., which owns the told the New York Times. "We the delivery workers. The lawsuit claimed those mak-

they were earning just \$2 an hour laws and sought six years in back ing deliveries for one Food Emporium store earned less than Some deliverymen stand to half the \$5.15 per hour federal Emporium. The suit charges all of receive about \$30,000 from the minimum wage - about \$60 to \$120 for work weeks averaging

Food Emporium executives the wage responsibility lies with accused the Great Atlantic and deliveryman Mamadou Camara outside contractors that employ

A lawsuit is still pending against two Manhattan retailers,

and two delivery contractors that provide workers to Food them with widespread minimum wage violations.

State law allows employers to pay workers in some low-level jobs as little as \$4.25 an hour but requires time and a half for work beyond 40 hours a week.

Economist: Keeping penny makes 'cents'

Abe — the penny should stay.

That's the conclusion of an economist who says getting rid of the penny would be a burden to poorer people as prices such as 99 cents are rounded up.

Penn State University professor Raymond Lombra, a former senior staff economist at the Federal Reserve Board, said eliminating zinc with copper coating. the penny would create a "round-

His most conservative estimate

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Honest, pay an extra \$600 million per year lated 5,000 sales of one to three of vending machines and arcade in rounded-up costs in a penniless society.

Lombra said that Americans for Common Cents, a pro-penny would be rounded up to the neargroup backed by zinc companies, est nickel in the absence of penasked for the study and paid for nies, the study said. When just one his research assistant. Pennies item was purchased, the price was

"I told (the group), 'Whatever I

Lombra analyzed the books of a was that U.S. consumers would convenience store chain and simu-

items each — batteries, gum and games. chewing tobacco, for example. In three-fifths of the sales, the sale consider the clerks who count

were once mostly copper but since the early 1980s have been mostly because many items are priced in us to deal with pennies. There is amounts ending in 9, such as 99 cents.

Lombra assumed that stores or 4 and decrease those ending in 1 or 2.

On the flip side, the nonprofit Coin Coalition is pushing for prices in multiples of five like it has collected 15.5 billion pennies those in Australia and at U.S. military bases.

The coalition, which argued for this year's new dollar coin, is backed by retailers and operators

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And before you pity the penny, them. The 3,200-store Walgreen Co. drugstore chain said its clerks spend 2 seconds per transaction handling pennies.

no question that we would like to get rid of them," said Robert E. Kahng, the assistant treasurer at suburban Chicago-based Walgreen.

That's just what a lot of people are doing, apparently.

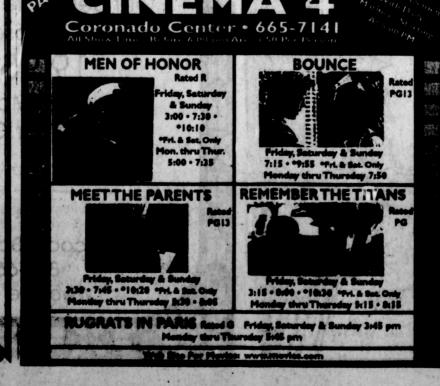
Seattle-based Coinstar Inc. said this year in its 8,000 U.S. machines, which charge 8.9 cents per dollar to convert coins to cash.

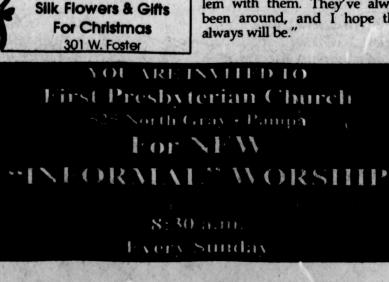
The penny remains welcome at the Gas Lite General Store in Copper Harbor, Mich.

"Dealing with pennies is part of retailing," Gas Lite co-owner Tish Booth said. "I've never had a problem with them. They've always been around, and I hope they

In honor of Mike Porter, the family invites you to his "80th" Birthday Come 8 Go Reception this Sunday, December 10, 2000 from

1:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Parlor at 203 N. West St. in Pampa. In lieu of gifts, you may make a donation to the Freedom Museum USA. It would be greatly appreciated.





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RELIGION

Minister's musing

Have you ever watched a skilled artist draw a picture? When the first lines are drawn the final object seems so far away, even non-existent. Even as several more lines take their proper place, nothing seems prop-er at all. Early in a drawing the beautiful result is only clear in the mind of the artist. To those watching the image it is fuzzy at best. Only as the artist nears the completion of His creation does everything begin to fall into place for us non-talented bystanders.

ture in several different stages for a sermon I was preaching. In the first of seven pictures there is simply one lonely pine tree. In #2 you can see the addition of the front of some kind of building. In #3 a walkway and a creek begin to take shape. In #4 a couple of rolling hills fill the background. In #5 the rest of the building begins to take shape, maybe a barn or a rustic house. In #6 another tree appears to fill even more of the page. Then in #7 the building gets its steeple and crosses in the windows. The final product is a beautiful picture of a country church in the mountains of Colorado with its very own trout stream and mountains for decorations. The whole picture was real to Jerry before the first stroke was made.

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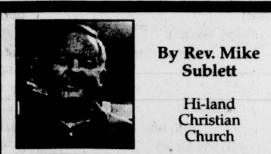
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"Christmas at present Calvary" at 6 p.m. Dec. 10 in the church's worship center, 900 E. 23rd. Performing during this special musical presentation will be Calvary's preschool choir, children's choirs, adult choir and the **15-piece Calvary Christmas** Orchestra. The program is free and open to the public. Above: (top, left-right) Kirby Broaddus, Whitney Karr, Shalea Ausbrooks, Russel Bradley, Ricky McCoy, Rachel Bartel; (middle, I-r) Melinda Bell, Shealyn McGahen, Trevor Collins, Drew Williams; (front, I-r) Ashley Wheeler, Desiray Vance, Kenzie Clendennen, Alyssa Kelsey, Courtney Meyer, Mistee Morelan, Andrea Burkhalter, Sara

Calvary Baptist Church will



My brother-in-law, Jerry Ferrell, is a gifted artist and I recently asked him to draw a pic-prophecies, the first from the Garden of Eden ophecies, the first from the Garden of Eden itself, paint a masterpiece of God's answer to the human sin problem. In Gen 3:15 the picture of the coming Messiah was so faint that it only lived in the mind of the God Himself. But then comes Gen 18:18; 49: 10; Num 24:17 and Deut 18:15 and the field of the picture begins to narrow to the families of Abraham, Jacob and Judah and we learn to look for a prophet.

Then we jump to David's time (1,000 BC) and we discover that the coming one will be betrayed by a friend, that the betrayer will be replaced, that the Messiah will be hated without cause, falsely accused, mocked and insulted, will have his hands and feet pierced, be given gall and vinegar, not have

TION! (Ps 41:9; 109:7; 69:4; 27:12; 22:16; 22:6-8; 69:21; 22:18; 34:19-20; 16:9-10)

But still the masterpiece is missing too much to see clearly the image of the Creator / Artist. So we leap to the time of the prophets of Israel (725-500 BC) and find revealed before our eyes that the coming one will escape to Egypt, inherit David's throne, be born in Bethlehem, be born of a virgin, live in Galilee, be rejected by the Jews, be silent when accused, be struck and spit on, suffer for others, that he will pray for his enemies, die with sinners, be buried with the rich, enter Jerusalem in triumph, be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver and be pierced. (Hos 11: 1; Isa 9:7; Mic 5:2; Isa 7:14; 9:1-2; 53:3, 7; 50:6; 53:4-5, 12, 9; Zech 9:9; 11: 14-13; 12: 10)

You and I now live so far past those days when the image was obscure, faint and fuzzy. We now look at those lines in scripture and see JESUS with clarity, boldness and surety. May we all remember as this Christmas time draws near that Jesus was the one promised from the Garden of Eden. He, and no other, is the fulfillment of every single one of those "lines" in scripture. May we worship Him and adore Him as the one and only Savior, God Himself incarnate. No a single bone broken, that his garments will greater masterpiece was ever painted than be divided and the best news-RESURREC- by God in the book we call the Bible.



Foy's Toys Giveaway Dec. 16

PAMPA - On Saturday, Dec. 16, Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ will host its third annual Foy's Toys Giveaway to benefit unfortunate children in Pampa and the surrounding area. The giveaway will get under way at 9 a.m. in the youth building across from the church and will end at 4 p.m. or when all the toys have been handed out. The clothing room, which is usually only open the first and third Tuesday of each month, will also be available for anyone needing winter clothes. For more information, contact the church office at 665-0031

Dramatic musical Dec. 16-18 in Perryton

Full Gospel Community Worship Center in Perryton will present "Four Tickets to Christmas" at 7 p.m. nightly, Dec. 16-18 in Perryton High School Auditorium. The Broadway-style dramatic musical is about the true meaning of Christmas. The performance is open and free to the public. For tickets or for more information, call the church office at (806) 435-2506.

Second Waco church severs ties with SBC Congregational vote was 91-1

WACO, Texas (AP) - A second Waco Baptist church has severed ties with the Southern Baptist Convention, which critics say has been losing support because of its increasing conservatism and fundamentalist views.

Lake Shore Baptist Church split from the denomination Wednesday night by a 91-1 congregational vote.

The Rev. Brett Younger, Lake Shore Baptist's pastor, said church members have contemplated splitting with the SBC for several years.

The church hasn't supported the convention financially since 1993. Lake Shore Baptist's only alignment with SBC is through its church constitution.

'That was our last official connection," Younger told the Waco Tribune-Herald in Friday's editions. "I guess we were dealing with how best to be Baptist.

Seventh and James Baptist Church of Waco voted to split from the SBC almost two months ago.

Both churches echo an increasing controversy among Texas Baptists, some of whom identify themselves as more moderate. Others are aligned with the more conservative SBC.

The friction has been triggered by recent changes to the SBC's Baptist Faith and Message. Among other things, the doctrine states that women cannot be ordained as pastors and that wives should 'submit graciously" to their husbands. The doctrine has also condemned homosexuality.

Also alienating more moderate members is the recently deleted premise that Jesus Christ is the ultimate interpreter of scripture.

"I think that the difference is the SBC is trying to take the Bible lit-erally and that's different from taking the Bible seriously," Younger said. "If you take the Bible seriously, it will lead you to the same openness that Jesus had."

But William Merrell of the SBC's executive committee defended the



Osbin, Kristen Roye, Shelly Cook, Stephnie Dinges; and (inside stable) Ryan Bradley.

Town removes, then restores, nativity scene

BROKEN BOW, Neb. (AP) — A nativity scene is back on public land after four attorneys volunteered to defend the city against possible American Civil Liberties Union action.

The ACLU raised the issue after a resident complained about the another sponsor and meeting place. display. Mayor Vaughn Lyne met the city council and had the nativthe money to be spending for legal services.

But the Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, which owns the mayor and city council agreed when free legal help was offered.

Attorney Jim Duncan, who practices in Broken Bow, said the city is on solid ground because it doesn't own the display or limit access Nuns apologize for slave legacy to public space. A posted sign on the square explains that other points of view are welcome.

Church to defy ban and ordain lesbian pastor

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — A local congregation has voted 176-0 to defy the policy of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and ordain an openly lesbian minister next April. Anita Hill, who has worked for St. Paul-Reformation Lutheran

Church since 1983, heads its ministry for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered Lutherans, who make up about a fifth of the congregation's membership.

"Full participation is not possible so long as the ELCA excludes calling and ordaining qualified gay and lesbian candidates in com-mitted relationships," said the Rev. Paul Tidemann, the pastor.

Last month the ELCA's national council rejected a bid from the St. Paul regional body to allow exceptions to the homosexual clergy ban.

Church ends affiliation with Boy Scouts

TAUNTON, Mass. (AP) — The Union Congregational Church, affiliated with the United Church of Christ, has voted to cancel the charter of its Boy Scout troop as of January, forcing the scouts to find

A local elementary school also severed official ties, but is letting ity scene moved to a Lutheran church, saying, "We just don't have the scouts continue to meet in the building. In both cases, the issue is the organization's ban on openly gay leaders.

The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Boy Scouts' right to set its nativity scene, asked the city to return it to the city square, and the own standards for leaders. In response, numerous school boards, city councils, corporations and charities have cut support.

BARDSTOWN, Ky. (AP) - Three orders of nuns gathered to formally apologize for the use of slave labor by their predecessors in the early 1800s.

Black worshippers responded with forgiveness at the service in St. Joseph Church, which slaves helped build in 1819.

Nearly 400 people sang gospel songs and recited prayers of repen-tance. The event was sponsored by three predominantly white orders with Kentucky roots: the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Sisters of Loretto and Dominicans of St. Catharine.

"I cannot tell you what this service has done for me," said Martha Hickman, whose husband's forebears were slaves. "It has strengthened my heart. My deceased ancestors are crying tears of joy in heaven today, and I'm sure yours are, too."

The service was part of an effort by Catholic institutions worldwide this year to repent for the mistreatment of others.

SBC's theology

"We are not politically correct," he said. "There are some denominations that feel they ought to change what the Bible says."

Many Texas Baptist churches have been moving in the same direction as Lake Shore Baptist.

In October, the Baptist General Convention of Texas met in Corpus-Christi and agreed to cut \$4.3 million from the funds it annually contributes to SBC-member seminaries.

Younger said he talked to seven other pastors whose congregations had withdrawn from the SBC before Lake Shore did.

"I think that more churches will sever their ties with the SBC," said Younger. "And I think those churches will be healthier because of it. They'll get to rethink their heritage."

Is your church planning a special service or services during the Christmas Season? If so, share that information with other readers of The Pampa News.

Remeber: The church news deadline is every Wednesday at noon.

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Wife Seeks Encouraging Word From Man Who Won't Praise

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DEAR ABBY: I have been mar ried for 17 years. My husband never tells me I look pretty. I know some women reading your column will think, "Who cares what somebody else thinks of you?" He tells my daughter she looks pretty - and the girls in his office - so I know he knows how to give a compliment.

Abby, I am not overweight. I wear makeup and get my hair cut every six weeks. I am not homely. I shower twice a day.

A year ago I told my husband how I felt. Now the only time he says anything complimentary to me is when we are in bed. Too late! I need to hear encouraging words. Every woman needs to hear that she's attractive.

If you print this, maybe it will alert some nice husband out there who has been withholding to say, "Honey, you look pretty today." It'll sure go a long way with his wife. DESPERATE FOR

A COMPLIMENT

DEAR DESPERATE: You hit the nail on the head when you

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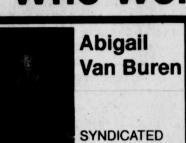
BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) * * * * Speak your mind, and expect a strong response. You're unusually creative and dynamic. Others recognize this trait in you. A disagreement becomes fertile ground for a new understanding and mutuality. Express your loving feelings. Tonight: Out and about. This week: Deal with co-workers as if

they are family. You can be unusually vulnerable at this time of year. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

* * * Deal head-on with a higher-up and his needs. Do not compromise what you know is right here. Understand that another might not be as clear or direct as you are. Confusion surrounds funds but is the basis for new clarity. Speak about financial facts. Tonight: Your treat. This week: Your warm and friendly style melts away another's resistance. Build security. Think long term.



described your husband's behavior as "withholding." The

next step is to discover why he

would deliberately withhold

something from you that you told him you needed. And while

you're at it, ask yourself why it

took 16 years to tell your hus-

band what you wanted from

I suspect there are problems

in your marriage that you

haven't mentioned in your let-

ter. Perhaps when they're

resolved, you'll receive the

strokes you crave.

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COLUMNIST

hung a wreath on their door with a motion sensor that plays Christmas music whenever someone comes to the door. Unfortunately, it is also activated by the wind, so that it plays endlessly, over and over, day and night on breezy days. There should be a unique hell for

DEAR ABBY: Our neighbors

people who invent those little electronic noise-making gizmos; they certainly make it difficult for folks in this world!

Please, Abby, ask your readers to keep such items inside their homes for their own enjoyment. Then maybe the rest of us can have a 'silent night."

BAH HUMBUG IN COLUMBUS, OHIO

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DEAR HUMBUG: Your suggestion seems reasonable to me. a silent night is a necessity before a constructive work day. And most of us have to work even during the Christmas sea-son. Ho! Ho!

terns. Tonight: Could be heavenly. you the results you want.

*** Emphasize what you can get done. Work through stress by indulging in a preferred hobby or pastime. You might not be absolutely sure about your Give yourself time to sort through your emotions. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

This week: Though you have great work intentions on Monday, by Tuesday you're easily distracted, which is odd for

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

* * * * Express your playfulness. Do not be surprised, however, if another misreads you. A friend might not be on the same wavelength as you. You might be juggling a friendship with a love relationship. Be careful with someone who might be very fragile. Tonight: Be a kid again

This week: Your mind pops out one idea after another. Co-workers seek you out as

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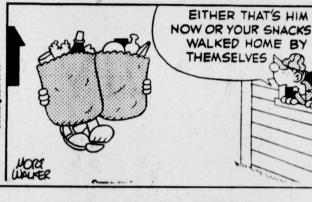
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*** This week: You bloom as the week begins. Your charisma speaks, and you could become extravagant. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Aim high. Above all, don't let a minor setback with a friend or loved one get to you. Understand that once in a while, a misunderstanding is likely. You

build intensity and caring in a relationship by working through an occasional hassle. Tonight: Where the good times This week: Head into work early on Monday. Midweek, a lot goes on behind feelings involving a loved one right now.

the scenes. On Thursday, you have reason to smile. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** All eyes turn to you. You make strong decisions that can make a big difference to your family and loved ones. Tension surrounds your decisions. You feel like something is off kilter. Be loving to those close to you. Tonight: Invite others over.

This week: Think in terms of responsibility. You succeed way beyond your expectations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

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* * * * How another views a changing situation might have very little to do with what is going on. Walking in someone else's footsteps will open doors. Don't hedge anymore. Tell another exactly how a resource. You gain in stature. you feel. Tonight: Say yes to an invita- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

and another. Somehow, you might not be altogether in sync with plans. Express your feelings, and you'll reverse pat-This week: Others knock on your door and seek you out. You deal best with

finances. Intense conversation brings CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

you. On Thursday, focus.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Your presence naturally makes someone imagine and think of possibilities. For a while, you could be

out of sync. Confusion surrounds communication. You might feel insecure. Go right past any limits, and wonderful events will occur. Another does adore you. Tonight: Go for what you want. This week: Work hard on Monday. You could be difficult to stop. You find great ways of making and spending money. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

* * * Put that special person on a pedestal. Let him know how very much you care about him. Confusion or a misunderstanding stems from insecurity. Reveal more of your feelings, and a relationship will finally bloom. Schedule, time for some extra ZZZs. Tonight: A quiet night for two.

This week: Once you get going, you won't have a moment to stop. You are the kingpin. You make a difference all week SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** You might not be sure about another. This causes much tension. What could be peaceful turns out to be a major squabble. Think about a long-term decision involving that special person in your life. Express caring. Tonight: Play follow-the-leader. You follow.

This week: Another pushes you with great financial insights, but you do your own research. You like being the controlling factor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** * Others call the shots. You might not agree with what you hear, so re-evaluate decisions that surround you

Marmaduke

Family dominates your plans. You might not be sure about what you want to say to another. Juggle needs, with an eye to another's expectations. What starts out as a squabble could be the basis of a better understanding. Tonight: Order in.

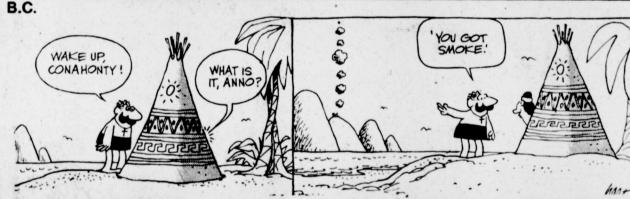
This week: Distractions are plenty this week. You justify playing (as opposed to working) by the fact that if you aren't happy, nothing works.

BORN TODAY

Actress Susan Dey (1952), actor Dan Blocker (1928), journalist Chet Huntley (1911)

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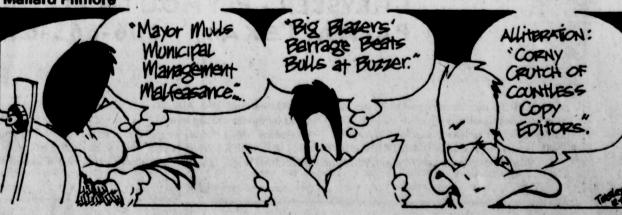






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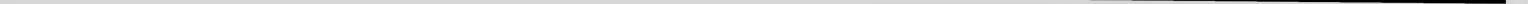
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"What if it's not a yes or no question?



Nation looks to Florida Legislature and Supreme Court

By The Associated Press

Florida's Legislature is convening, its Supreme Court deliberating — and George W. Bush and Al Gore are watching and wondering as the nation's presidential election adventure nears a climax. The Florida high court offered no hint of when it would rule, although the seven justices moved with unusual speed a little more than two weeks ago in an earlier recount-related case. At the same time, two other judges in the state capital of Tallahassee weighed Democratic requests to throw out thousands of absentee votes, a move that could tip the balance to Gore. Republicans made clear that they were ready to appeal any unfavorable ruling, possibly returning to a federal appeals court in Atlanta.

Russian commission recommends clemency for U.S. prisoner

MOSCOW (AP) - Russia's presidential pardons commission recommended on Friday that President Vladimir Putin free U.S. prisoner Edmond Pope, who was convicted of spying earlier in the week and sentenced to 20 years in prison. "Pope is a

lot, and he should be let go," commission head Anatoly Interfax news agency. Pristavkin maximum-security prison. He from huge pumps had said Thursday that Putin and his family have begged for a FOLSOM, Calif. (AP) had said Thursday' that Putin and his family have begged for a

sick man who has gone through a tee's recommendations. Pope, 54, cancer he suffered has returned. was convicted of espionage Wednesday despite his claims of At brink of blackouts, Pristavkin said, according to the innocence and sentenced to a California taps power

usually abides by the commit- pardon, saying they fear the bone California's strained electric grid

Space station, shuttle crews to finally meet

By JUAN A. LOZANO **Associated Press Writer**

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - After more than a month in space, the inhabitants of the international space station are finally getting their first visitors Friday.

The visit, from the crew of space shuttle Endeavour, comes after astronauts Joe Tanner and Carlos Noriega tightened a new solar wing on space station Alpha Thursday. That operation unexpectedly required only the first 1 1/2 hours of a five-hour spacewalk.

Since the space shuttle docked at the space station last Saturday, the two crews have only communicated via radio. Because of the difference in air pressure between the craft, the hatches between them needed to be sealed until three spacewalks were completed.

Station commander Bill Shepherd and his Russian crewmates, Yuri Gidzenko and Sergei Krikalev, began their four-month mission aboard Alpha on Nov. 2.

After greeting each other, the crews will transfer needed supplies to the station and remove to take home such things as malfunctioning laptop computers and used water bags.

The crews also plan to fire the shuttle's engines to study the stability and other features of the station's new solar wings.

But it won't be all work.

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"The rest of the time will be spent with the crews spending some time together to swap stories of the last few days, have a meal together," said Jeff Hanley, lead space station flight director.

The crews will be together about 25 hours until Endeavour pulls away on Saturday in preparation for a Monday return to Earth.

During their third spacewalk on Thursday, Tanner and Noriega used a hook and their gloved hands to relocate two tension cables on a slack solar wing.

"Our goal was to get it on the first try. I was overjoyed to reach that goal," Tanner said.

The \$600 million electricity-generating wings -240 feet from tip to tip - were installed Sunday by Endeavour astronauts.

The right wing was extended Sunday in one quick release, causing its tension cables to pop off their pulleys and reels. The left wing was unfolded Monday more slowly, and was properly taut.

On the Net: NASA: http://spaceflight.nasa.gov for emergency power and was hurt in West Bank shoot-able to avert blackouts, but ing attack authorities worry an expected cold snap could push energy demands beyond the system's to critical levels. The unprecedented emergency followed hours of increasing stress on California's electricity grid, which has been strapped by cold weather, power plants idled for maintenance and repairs, and dwindling imports. The alert allows operators to obtain emergency power and ask certain customers to curtail usage and warns of the possibility of blackouts.

Forest Service steps up firefighting efforts

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP)-With a pot of new money from. Congress after a record season of wildfires, the U.S. Forest Service is hiring extra firefighters and boosting prescribed burns and thinning operations to prevent future blazes. The \$1.8 billion to funding has been enough to being home for the holidays," half a century, wildfires last year said tests performed this week burned 6.8 million acres, com- found that the shunt wasn't pared to a 10-year average of working as efficiently as it about 3 million acres.

tapped enormous water pumps Israeli woman killed, two

JERUSALEM (AP) — An Israeli woman was killed and two Israelis wounded, one seriously, capacity. State officials declared a in a shooting attack Friday near Stage Three alert Thursday an Israeli settlement in the West because as utilities struggled to Bank, the military said. The meet evening demands, the attack came a day after a state's electricity reserves dipped Palestinian leader called for renewed confrontations. In a move that might add to the tension here, Israeli police banned Palestinians residents of the West Bank and Gaza Strip from Jerusalem prayers to mark the second Friday of Ramadan, the Muslim holy month. Only Muslims with Israeli identity cards were allowed to pray at the Al Aqsa mosque.

Billy Graham recovering from medical procedure

ROCHESTER, Minn. (AP) -The Rev. Billy Graham is recovering at the Mayo Clinic after a shunt that drains fluid from his brain was adjusted. The procedure was performed Wednesday during follow-up tests and procedures this week following Graham's three-month stay at the clinic in the summer, said A. help cover the tab for last year's Larry Ross, a Graham wildfires as well as prepare for spokesman. "The doctors anticinext year marks the first time in pate he'll be out in a few days recent years that federal wildfire and he's looking forward to make a difference, said Mike Ross said Thursday. The shunt Edrington, a Forest Service relieves fluid pressure on his regional director. In what was brain, a condition called normal called the worst fire season in pressure hydrocephalus. Ross should. Graham is 82.



Austin Elementary honor roll

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the second six-weeks grading period of the 2000-01 school year. SECOND GRADE

A Honor Roll

Payton Alvey, Olin Boyd, Karina Cabrales, Trent Carter, Brandon Chairez, Travis Chester, Haley Copeland, Rejoice Duggan, Katie Dunham, Dylan Ellis, Garrett Ericson, Chase Ferguson, Holly Gage, Lynsie Guyer, Kaitlin Winegeart. Dwight Hamlin, Paige Hargus,

Susanne Kane, Eric Lewis, Mary McKay, Ashlyn McNeely, Samantha Pearson, Kelly Stoffle, Lauren Sutherland.

Caitlyn Tanner, Rebecca Taylor, Carlyn Teichmann, Emilie Troxell, Samantha Turley, Whitney Wade, Caitlin Walker, Chris Walker, Kelsey Wallum, Kayla Ware, Kelsey Watson, Shelbie Watson, Hannah White, Ellen Whiteley, Ashley Williams, Leah Wilson,

AB Honor Roll

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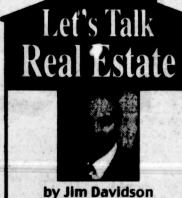
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AB Honor Roll Molly Darling, Thomas Fuston, Alex Housden, Gavin Jimenez, Sadie O'Brien, Dane Pereira, Tyler Rabel, Jacob Rios, Ryan Stoffle. THIRD GRADE

A Honor Roll

Michael Adams, Ethan Addy, Erin Buck, Michael Clark, Rylan Clark, Cheyanne Collins, Damon Dennis, Samantha Finney, Savannah Hoover, Emily Jean,



Realtor NETTING INFORMATION One factor that home sellers and the agents use to set asking prices is the prices at which "comparables" were ecently sold in their area. A "comp," as it is called, is a house of similar style size, and amenities in the immediate (or near) neighborhood. This information can now be easily accessed by checking out a number of sites on the Internet. Aside from providing prices at which homes have sold within four to six weeks after the deals closed, these sites may also include details taken from property-tax records. This tion includes lot size, square tage of the house, the number of knowns and bathrooms, as well as sessed value and current tax bill.

For help in setting a price for your home, or to determine whether one you're considering buying is fairly priced, contact CENTURY 21 - PAMPA REALTY INC. We are an independent, locally owned agency serving the people of the Pampa area and Gray County, and we are always available to discuss your real estate needs. Our is 312 N. Gray Street and you us at 669-0007. We are availrs 24 hours a day



Michelle Burke, Ryan Conner, Garrett Fatheree, Haylea Harper, Christian Hinkle, Zachery Organ, Tye Powell.

FOURTH GRADE **A Honor Roll**

Kathy Aler, Paege Alvey, Gage Carruth, Kendra Clarkson, Shannon Clay, Tabbitla Courter, Lauren Couts, John Luke Covalt, Keisha Crowell, Kamie Doughty, Kelby Doughty, Libby Dyson, Cole Guyer, Christa Holt, Tanner Jean, Brittany Klein.

Courtney Linn, Taylor Little, Will McKay, Shelby Needham, April Silva, Matthew Smith, Chandler Talley, Hilary Thomas, Lindsey Tomaschik, Casey Trimble, Chelsea Wallin, Coleby West, Madison Wilson, Zachary Winborne, Jeremy Zellefrow.

AB Honor Roll Victoria Tucker Brown, Campbell, Olivia Chairez, Krista Ferguson, Eric Freelan, Mikah Howard, Nicholas Riley, Jack Ware, Whitney Webster, Abby West.

FIFTH GRADE A Honor Roll

Layce Beesley, Chaire Boyd, Colby Copeland, Jimmy Craig, Colden Fortenberry, Nicole Heersema, Kailee Internann, Mitch Kelley, Haili Kotara, Logan McDonald, Shealyn McGahen, Lindsey Riley, Texi Schaeffer, Garnett Schafer, Sarah Smith, Mark Stone, Briana Wallum, Joe Whiteley, Kelli Willson.

AB Honor Roll Cory Anderson, Stephanie Hasskarl, Kenny Hightower, Monica Schepp, Krista Shults, Brittany Tomaschik, Gregory

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SPORTS

Notebook SOCCER

PAMPA — Pampa High School Soccer Booster Club will meet at 7 Tuesday night in the Ready Room at Val Hall. All interested persons are urged to attend.

BASKETBALL

SAMNORWOOD - Fort Elliott girls opened the Samnorwood Tournament with a 59-21 win Thursday over McLean.

Tamera Hartline had 16 points and Ashley Estes 11 to lead the Fort Elliott scoring attack.

For McLean, Randi Riley had 6 points and Nikki Hefley 5. In the boys division, Fort

Elliott won over Lefors 59-14. Aaron Hartline and Richard Rowe each had 14 points for Fort Elliott. Rickey Vaughn and Andrew Johnson each had 6 for Lefors.

DUMAS - Pampa defeated Clovis Gattis 48-43 in the first round of the Dumas Freshmen Girls Basketball Tournament Thursday.

Jennie Waggoner had 23 points to lead Pampa in scoring. Denise Solis and Stacey Johnson had 8 each while Abbi Covalt had 6, Tara Jordan 2 and K'Lei Ratzlaff 1.

AUTO RACING

NEW YORK (AP) -NASCAR president Mike Helton isn't likely to forget what transformed stock car racing from a regional obsession in the South to a major national sport in the last decade.

Now, the goal is to maintain the kind of success that resulted in multimillion-dollar sponsorship that has turned sleek race cars into traveling billboards. Street & Smith Sports Business Journal has rated NASCAR tops among sports leagues in several dvertiser-friendly categories,

"That we were able to be

rated that way in 1999 and come back and repeat that in

2000 is certainly an honor,"

Helton said Thursday. "The

difficulty comes in keeping

"That's why we have to

never sit back and get overcon-

fident that we're always going

to be as successful as we are

today. We want to make it bet-

ter now so we can be prepared

Part of that has to do with

history. In 1947, Bill France Sr.

regulated stock car racing by

founding NASCAR as an

alternative to race promoters

who ran away with the

receipts even as the cars were

Those lessons and others

from the pioneer of the sport

were well absorbed, and some

of them still stand today as

examples of sound manage-

said. "Buy there has to be a cer-

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"It isn't fair to say this is the

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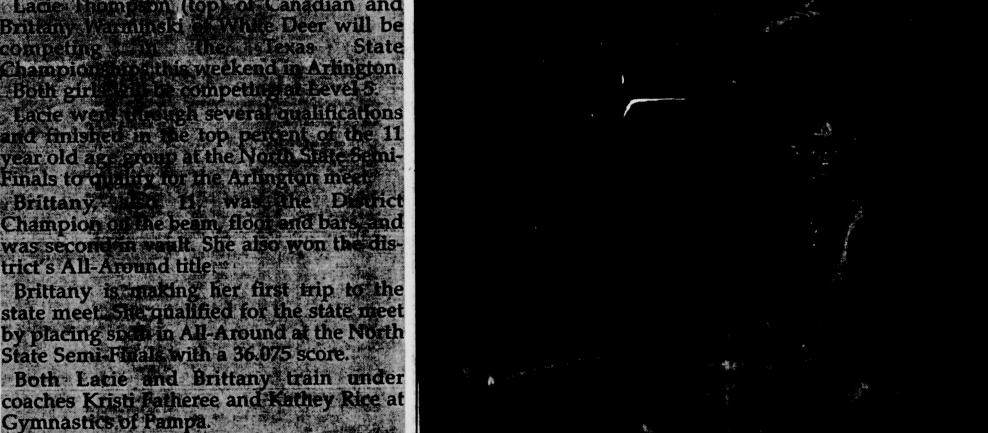
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way we used to do it so this is the way it's supposed to work from now on. You want to understand how you got to where you are and apply the differences that might make it work today for the future."

Helton, who moved last month to the presidency of NASCAR when Bill France Jr. became board chairman, spoke about Bill France Sr.'s vision for success."

It was built on competition, something Helton says was at its best this year. The first 10 of 34 races produced 10 different winners, a record-tying 14 dif-ferent drivers wound up in Victory Lane, there were four first-time winners and 47 drivers led a lap.

Three-time champion Jeff Gordon, who will watch from the head table at the Waldorf Astoria when Bobby Labonte accepts the Winston Cup trophy for the first time Friday night, says Helton makes a strong case.

"There's so much competition now that you just don't know what to expect anymore," said Gordon.

Players make big decision prior to winter meetings

those who went.

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trict's All-Around title

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Thursday.

headed by Alex Rodriguez, The Braves offered arbitra-Manny Ramirez and Mike tion to pitcher Andy Ashby, Hampton, were offered salary whose \$22.5 million, three-year teams, and 11 other free agents not been finalized. re-signed with their former night EST deadline.

Seventy-seven parted ways "This is a business, and when when the deadline passed, your employer doesn't want May 1.

Grace's 13-year tenure with Diamondback." the Chicago Cubs ended, setways, as did John Wetteland chise." and the Texas Rangers.

re-signed knuckleballer Tim introduce younger players." Wakefield to a \$6.5 million,

or reject. In the meantime, they this year. can continue to negotiate with their former teams through Jan.

tion were Rodriguez by Seattle; rotation behind Juan Gonzalez by Detroit; Hampton and Bobby J. Jones by the New York Mets; Kevin Appier by Oakland; Darren Dreifort by Los Angeles; and Ramirez, Sandy Alomar and David Segui by Cleveland.

the Chicago White Sox; Tom

and David Cone were among Bonilla, John Burkett, Wally Joyner, Scott Kamieniecki and On the eve of the start of the Terry Mulholland by Atlanta; winter meetings, a lot of play- Mark Wohlers by Cincinnati; ers made big decisions Shawon Dunston and Scott Radinsky by St. Louis; and Twenty-eight free agents, Dave Magadan by San Diego. The Braves offered arbitra-

arbitration by their former contract with Los Angeles has Grace's deal with the clubs before Thursday's mid- Diamondbacks could be

announced as soon as Friday.

becoming ineligible to re-sign you back, you have to find with their previous clubs until work elsewhere," the first baseman said. "Now, I'm a

Cubs president and general ting up a deal with Arizona. manager Andy MacPhail said it Andres Galarraga and the was tough call "because Mark in the middle of our lineup Atlanta Braves also parted meant so much to the fran- once again. He's going to be out

Pitcher Frank Castillo found most basic level, Mark expects a new home with Boston, to play three or four more out on signing Mussina, wantagreeing to a \$4.5 million, two- years," MacPhail said. "Sooner ed to bolster their rotation and year contract. The Red Sox also or later, we're going to have to

Cone, coming off a 4-14 seatwo-year contract and agreed to son, could have stayed with the a minor league deal with Pete World Series champions for Schourek that would pay him about \$500,000 guaranteed, \$1 million if he makes the team. with a chance to earn more in Free agents offered arbitra- performance bonuses, a sharp tion have until Dec. 19 to accept cut from his \$12 million salary

the World Series four times. But Among those offered arbitra- he would have been fifth in the Anaheim pitcher Tim Belcher (a Clemens, Andy Orlando Hernandez and newly signed Mike Mussina.

'It seemed best for both sides to go their separate ways," said Cone's agent, Steve Fehr. "I know David once said he want- Yankees right-hander Dwight Others offered were Mark ed to remain a Yankee for the Gooden (a minor league con-Petkovsek by Anaheim; Tom rest of his career, but sometimes tract that pays him \$500,000 if Gordon by Boston; Charles circumstances change in ways he makes the team); and Johnson and Harold Baines by you cannot quite foresee." Milwaukee outfielder James

Lampkin by Seattle; Mike seasons with the Padres and tract that pays him \$300,000 if Munoz and Ruben Sierra by won eight NL batting titles, he makes the team).

NEW YORK (AP) — Tony Texas; Alex Gonzalez and Craig agreed to a \$2 million, one-year Gwynn stayed. Mark Grace Grebeck by Toronto; Bobby contract that gives him the chance to earn \$3.7 million more in performance bonuses. "I wanted an opportunity to play my whole career here," Gwynn said. "When you think about all the options that you have, that was foremost in my mind. I'm glad that it worked out.' Ultimately, the thing that kept me here was the fact that I'm happy here. I really like it here. I'm really comfortable here."

Gwynn has a career .338 average, 3,108 hits and eight NL batting titles.

'It's good to have this behind us," Padres general manager Kevin Tower said. "From a baseball standpoint, if Tony's as healthy as he says he is right now, our ballclub will be a much better ballclub with him there every day unless he says "When you boil it down to its he can't," he said.

The Red Sox, having missed hoped they did it in adding Castillo. The 32-year-old righthander went 10-5 with a 3.59 ERA for Toronto last season.

In addition to the Red Sox moves and Gwynn's return to San Diego, eight players resigned before the deadline: San Francisco pitcher Mark Gardner (\$2 million), Seattle He had been with the outfielder Jay Buhner (\$1.85 Yankees since 1995, winning million), Chicago White Sox pitcher Cal Eldred (\$1 million), Roger minor league contract that pays Pettitte, him \$750,000 if he makes the team); San Diego infielder Ed Sprague (a minor league contract that pays him \$575,000 if he makes the team); Yankees infielder Luis Sojo (\$500,000); Gwynn, who has spent 19 Mouton (a minor league con-

PHS cagers claim tournament wins

tipped off the Lady Bulldog at 6:30. Classic Thursday with a 55-50 win over Wichita Falls High.

Ashley Derington was high scorer for Pampa with 15 the game open in the third points while teammate quarter to defeat Vernon 73-Chasity Nachtigall was next 55 in first-round action with 10.

Vanity Washington had 14 Invitational. points while Kendra McCoy and Lindsey Ralston had 10 (38-34) at halftime and each for the losers.

most of the first half and were manding lead. behind at halftime by six (27-21). Pampa took a two-point points and Victor Brooks had lead (40-38) going into the 12 to lead Pampa's attack. fourth quarter and stayed in front the rest of the way.

Others who scored for Other Harvesters who Pampa were Morgan White 9, scored were Adam Rogers Charity Nachtigall 6, Morgan with 10, Kirk George 8, Jon White 4, Stephanie Cameron East 6, Tanner Hucks 4, Kyle 3, Jennifer Lindsey 2, Ashlei Francis 4, Max Simon 4, Jeff Jordan 2, Randa Morris 2, and Lofton 2 and Sedrick Drew 2. Cali Covalt 2.

ALTUS, Okla. - Pampa scheduled to play again today

VERNON — Pampa broke Thursday in the Vernon

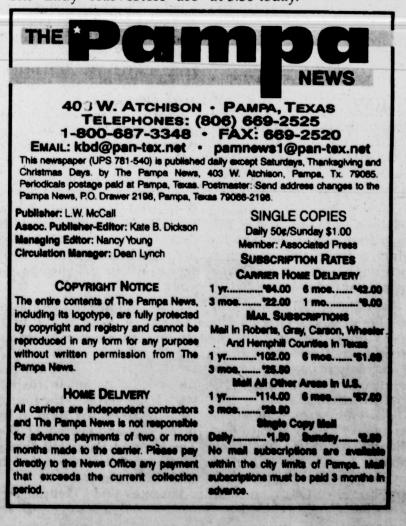
The Harvesters led by four outscored Vernon 17-6 in the The Lady Harvesters trailed third quarter to take a com-

Gary Alexander scored 21

Zach Lamp had 10 points for Vernon.

Pampa (7-4) plays Sherman

The Lady Harvesters are at 5:30 today.



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Pampa Special Olympians compete in Winter Games

the Special Olympics Texas competing at the area level. 2000 Winter Games in San compete in the second largest to walk through as they Special Olympics. Special Olympics Texas com- boarded the Harvester Bus, petition of the year.

The Hustlers athletes partic- the ipated in Bowling. Bringing Workshop. home the gold first place medals were --- Howard were ---Hendricks, Robert Lovato and of were Cordell Schneider and and walk along the Cindy Cooper)

Special Olympians from Amee Street. These athletes Riverwalk. Funding for the Pampa recently competed in advanced to Winter Games by trip were provided by-Sonic The group had a wonderful Association of Retarded Antonio The Hustlers joined send off for their trip. Family Citizens, Pampa Sheltered over 2,500 athletes from members and friends made a Workshop Advisory Board, across the Lone Star State to Good Luck line for all athletes TDCJ Torch Run and Area 16

Pampa

The Pampa police department gave the group an escort privately funded non-profit Eblin(this was Howard's first out of town and waiting at organization providing yeartrip to state), Mindy Hervey Harvester Bowling alley for long sports training and comand Mark McMinn. Second another send off was JoAnn petition to over 23, 064 adults place silver medal winners West, owner, and several of and children with mental Dicky Don her employees and members retardation in the Lone Star the Pampa Fire State. Jennifer Roden. Bronze medal Department. This great send- To find out more about winner was Linda Lou Pierce. off was just the beginning of a Special Olympics teams or to Bringing home a 4 th place wonderful trip the group had. volunteer in Pampa, call ribbon was Shawn King, 5 th Before the group got busy Cindy Cooper at 665-2137 or place winners were Gary Carr, with all the bowling, they had 665-5477. JoAnn Morehart and Taisey time to go sightseeing in Phillips. Sixth place winners Fredricksburg, see the Alamo (This article was submitted by

Drive In, Gray County

Sponsors on the trip were -driven by Gary Epperson, at - Judy Haynes, John Hervey, Sheltered Imogene McMinn, Troy Owens and Cindy Cooper.

Special Olympics Texas is a

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Pampa Special Olympians on the San Antonio trip were: (back row, from left)

BASEBALL

Free Agent Signings NEW YORK (AP) — The 25 free agents who have signed, with name, position, former club if different, and contract. The contract information was obtained by The Associated Press from player and management sources. For players with minor league contracts, letter agreements for major league contracts are in parenthe AMERICAN LEAGUE ANAHEIM - (1) - Re-signed Gary Disarcina, ANAMENT (1) - He-agned Cary Disarchik, ss, to a minor league contract. CLEVELAND (1) - Signed Ellis Burks, of, San Francisco, to a \$20 million, three-year contract. CHICAGO (2) - Re-signed Jose Valentin, ss, to a \$15.5 million, three-year contract; re-signed Cal Eldred, rhp, to a \$1 million, one-year

NEW YORK (5) - Re-signed Paul O'Neill, of, NEW YORK (5) - He-signed hau Orien, of, to a \$6.5 million, one-year contract; signed Joe Oliver, Seattle, c, to a \$1.25 million, one-year contract; signed Milte Museina, rhp, Baltimore, to an \$88.5 million, six-year contract; re-signed Luis Sojo, inf, to a \$500,000, one-year contract; re-signed Dwight Gooden, rhp, to a minor leacue contract. league contract. SEATTLE (2) — Signed Jeff Nelson, rhp, New York Yankees, to a \$10.65 million, three-year contract; re-signed Jay Buhner, of, to a \$1.85

million, one-year contract. TAMPA BAY (1) — Re-signed Ozzie Guillen, inf, to a minor league contract. TORONTO (1) — Re-signed Mickey Morandini, inf, to a minor league contract.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

NATIONAL LEAGUE ARIZONA (1) — Re-signed Armando Reynoso, rhp, to a \$6.5 million, two-year contract. CHICAGO (1) — Signed Julian Tavarez, rhp, Colorado, to a \$5 million, two-year contract. COLORADO (2) — Re-signed Todd Hollahdsworth, of, to a \$5.5 million, two-year contract; signed Denny Neagle, ftp, New York Yankees, to a \$51.5 million, five-year contract. HOUSTON (1) — Signed Jose Vizcaino, inf, New York Yankees, to a \$1.5 million, two-year contract.

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contract. LOS ANGELES (1) — Signed Andy Ashby, rhp, Atlanta, to a \$22.5 million, three-year contract. NEW YORK (3) — Re-signed John Franco, lhp, to a \$10.5 million, three-year contract; re-signed Turk Wendeli, rhp, to a \$9,399,999.99, three-year contract; re-signed Turk Wendeli, rhp, to a \$9,399,999.99, three-year contract; re-signed Rick Reed, rhp, to a \$21.75 million, three-year contract. PHILADELPHIA (2) — Signed Jose Mesa, rhp, Seattle, to a \$6.8 million, two-year contract; signed Rheal Cormier, rhp, Boston, to an \$8.75

million, three-year contract. SAN DIEGO (1) — Re-signed Tony Gwynn, of, to a \$2 million, one-year contract.

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Sunday, Dec. 31 Silicon Valley Class At San Jose, Calif. Payout: \$1.2 million Fresno State (7-4) vs. Air Force (8-3), 7 p.m. (FOXSN) At Shreveport, La. Payout: \$1.1 million Texas A&M (7-4) vs. Mississippi State (7-4), 8

Monday, Jan. 1 Outback Bowi Payout: \$2 million Ohio State (8-3) vs. South Carolina (7-4), 11 a.m. (ESPN) Cotton Bowl Payout: \$2.5 million At Dalles

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Golden State 125, L.A. Lakers 122, OT Orlando 103, Denver 93 Phoenix 104, Milwaukee hoenix 104, I Minnesota 105, Washington 88 New York 86, San Antonio 83 Vew York Bo, San Antonio 83 Utah 98, Vancouver 87 Friday's Games Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Atlanta at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Phoenix at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Dallas, 8 p.m. Philadelphia at Portland, 10 p.m. Philadelphia at Portland, 10 p.m. Houston at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m. Seattle at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Toronto at Golden State, 10:30 p.m. Saturday's Games Charlotte at Indiana, 7 p.m. Atlanta at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m. Derver at New York, 7:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Chicago at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. Washington at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m. Golden State at Utah, 9 p.m. Detroit at Portland, 10 p.m. Philadelphia at Vancouver, 10 p.m. Houston at Seattle, 10 p.m. Sunday's Gemes Phoenix at Toronto, 3:30 p.m. Denver at Boston, 6 p.m. Dalles at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m. Miami at Sacramento, 9 p.m. Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m. HOCKEY Western Profi ional Hockey League By The As am Divi 32 Austin 15 86 86 117 80 85 Monroe

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Judy Haynes, Taisey Phillips, Gary Carr, Robert Lovato, Howard Eblin, Mark McMinn, Shawn King and Imogene McMinn; (front row, from left) Cordell Schneider, Linda Lou Pierce, Amee Street, Dicky Don Hendricks, Jennifer Roden, Joann Morehart and Mindy Hervey.

Will age decide Heisman winner?

came along, age was never a can't be 28." factor in determining who These two quarterbacks led yards and three TDs in a 30-7 won the Heisman Trophy. On their teams to a national win over Florida on Nov. 18. Saturday night, it just might championship game in the Heupel closed out his season be the difference between Orange Bowl on Jan. 3 - a last Saturday by overcoming winning and losing college matchup that is likely to fea- three interceptions and throwfootball's most prized individual award.

This year's Heisman race is too close to call between the going to come out," Bowden game. 28-year-old Weinke and said. "You've got one who has Internet and newspaper Oklahoma's Josh Heupel. But taken his team to an undefeat- Heisman polls indicate the if some of the 922 Heisman voters leave Weinke's name off their ballot because of his age, 'Heupel, would have an other who has played superla- Heupel was ahead of Weinke even stronger chance to win the trophy given by the his age." Downtown Athletic Club. Perfect

doesn't win because age was a factor," Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said. "That shouldn't be a factor."

But because it's there, age has become an issue. Some argue Weinke has an unfair advantage because of his maturity and his experience as a pro baseball player, and won't even consider him a candidate. Others argue that Weinke should be admired for having the "audacity," as Bowden calls it, to come back and think he could excel after playing minor league baseball for six years,

no matter who wins and for other Heisman finalists, but what reason, this Heisman are considered long shots race might end up as one of the closest in history.

The tightest Heisman voting was Bo Jackson's 45-point win over Chuck Long in 1985; the second tightest was Ernie Davis of Syracuse beating Bob touchdowns; Ferguson of Ohio State by 52 points in 1961.

Says Weinke, who won the Davey O'Brien Award on Thursday night to go with his vote for me, OK," he said,

NEW YORK (AP) - Before "but there is nothing on the their final impressions two Florida State's Chris Weinke Heisman ballot that says you

against the runner-up.

ed season and has done every- race is too close to call. In the thing you've got to do to get most there. Then you've got the HeismanWatch.com tive football and is unique in by three points based on bal-

yards and 20 touchdowns in leading No. 1 Oklahoma (12-0) to the brink of its first national title since 1985.

Weinke led the nation with 4,167 yards passing and threw Stoops are pulling for their 33 TD passes with 11 interceptions. He returned to Florida State in '97 and is trying to bring a second straight national title to the third-ranked Seminoles (11-1).

"Both candidates are deserving," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said. "They're both excellent players and very valuable to the team."

Purdue quarterback Drew Brees and TCU running back Ballots were due Friday, but LaDainian Tomlinson are the based on several Heisman survevs.

> Brees led the Boilermakers (8-3) to a Rose Bowl berth against Washington by throwing for 3,393 yards and 24 Tomlinson topped the nation in rushing with 2,158 yards — the fourthbest single-season total in I-A history - and scored 22 TDs. The Horned Frogs (10-1) play Weinke and Heupel left, 496 yards and three TDs.

weeks apart. Weinke finished his season by passing for 353 ture a Heisman winner ing for two TDs and running for another as OU beat Kansas "I have no idea how it's State 27-24 in the Big 12 title

recent poll, lots from 48 Heisman voters. Perfect season honors go to Twenty-eight Heisman voters "It would be a travesty if he Heupel, who threw for 3,392 asked by the Rocky Mountain News gave Heupel the edge, but surveys by the Tallahassee Democrat and Tampa Tribune had Weinke with a slight lead. Naturally, Bowden and own players.

> "To me, Chris' age should be in favor instead of against him," Bowden said. "But I'm sure to some, it's going to make a difference"

Stoops on Heupel: "What he's done in the big games against ranked teams, that's shown that he's a winner. He's brought us to this point."

Heupel left Snow Junior College in Utah to come to Oklahoma, where he threw for 3,400 yards and 30 TDs in '99 Stoops' first season. This year, the 6-foot-2, 210-pound lefty had his best run in Oklahoma's toughest stretch he was 66-of-108 for 949 yards, four TDs and just one interception in wins over a No. 11 Texas, a No. 2 Kansas State and a No. 1 Nebraska.

Weinke, 6-5 and 229 pounds, might have had his best game in the 27-24 loss to Miami on Oct. 7. Playing with a hard Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Southern Mississippi in the plastic covering to protect a Award: "If they don't want to Mobile Alabama Bowl. sprained left foot, he threw for

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Palffy leads LA Kings to 4-2 win over Stars

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Ziggy Palify had a goal and an assist and Stephane Fiset stopped 29 shots in his second start of the season as the Los Angeles Kings defeated the Dallas Stars 5-2 Thursday night.

veriod assist added to his NHLleading total of 42 points.

Fiset recorded the Kings' second victory in their last seven eason as the Los Angeles Kings lefeated the Dallas Stars 5-2 hursday night. Palffy's 19th goal and second-against Minnesota.

Dallas backup Marty Turco made 20 saves as the Stars lost in Los Angeles for just the third time since the 1994-95 season.

The Kings led 4-0 after two periods on goals by Palffy, Stu Grimson, Luc Robitaille and Bryan Smolinski.

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At brink of blackouts, California taps power from huge pumps

FOLSOM, Calif. (AP) - California's strained electric grid tapped enormous water pumps for emergency power and was able to avert blackouts, but authorities worry an expected cold snap could push energy demands beyond the system's capacity

State officials declared a Stage Three alert Thursday because as utilities struggled to meet evening demands, the state's electricity reserves dipped to critical levels

The unprecedented emergency followed hours of increasing stress on California's electricity grid, which has been strapped by cold weather, power plants idled for maintenance and repairs, and dwindling imports. The alert allows operators to obtain emergency power and ask certain customers to curtail usage and warns of the possibility of blackouts.

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United States, said coming days won't get on?" easier.

"The Northwest is also expecting cold weather, and a lot of power we use is from there and won't be coming down here," said Jim McIntosh, director of scheduling for the ISO. "Monday is going to be a really big challenge."

demand peaks, the ISO could order rotatng blackouts in which blocks of up to 100,000 customers would be without power for up to an hour. In the winter state. months, that's especially dangerous, because the peak is about 6 p.m., said Jim Detmers, managing director of operations at ISO.

"It's dark, it's foggy. The last thing I want to have happen is to have a school

power grid for much of the western didn't do enough here to keep the lights alert. One megawatt powers 1,000 homes.

Though power demands usually lessen over the weekend when commercial customers don't need it, Detmers said a large transmission line and a power plant will both be down for repairs this weekend, making those days critical.

The power grid managers were able to If enough power can't be found when avoid blackouts Thursday by tapping electricity intended for the pumps that push water from Northern California to the central and southern regions of the

> By temporarily halting the two-story pumps that suck water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta east of San Francisco, authorities obtained an additional 500 megawatts.

Demand on the grid reached 31,600 bus go through an intersection where the megawatts Thursday evening, nearly the lights have just gone dark," he said. maximum available. Reserves dipped "What do I tell those parents? That we below 1,000 megawatts, prompting the tion in California," the governor said.

"If we're short by 500 megawatts, that's 500,000 people affected (by blackouts). If we're short 1,000 megawatts, that's a million people," said ISO spokeswoman Stephanie McCorkle.

Hundreds of companies cut their electricity usage, and others awaited notification to do likewise. Computer chip maker Intel said it was prepared to turn off 50 percent of the lights at its 6,500-employee Folsom campus if necessary.

"If that's not enough, we'll take the lights down 100 percent and work in the dark," said Bill Mueller, Intel's director of communications.

Gov. Gray Davis said the problems stemmed in part from flaws in California's newly deregulated electricity system, including huge increases in the cost of wholesale power.

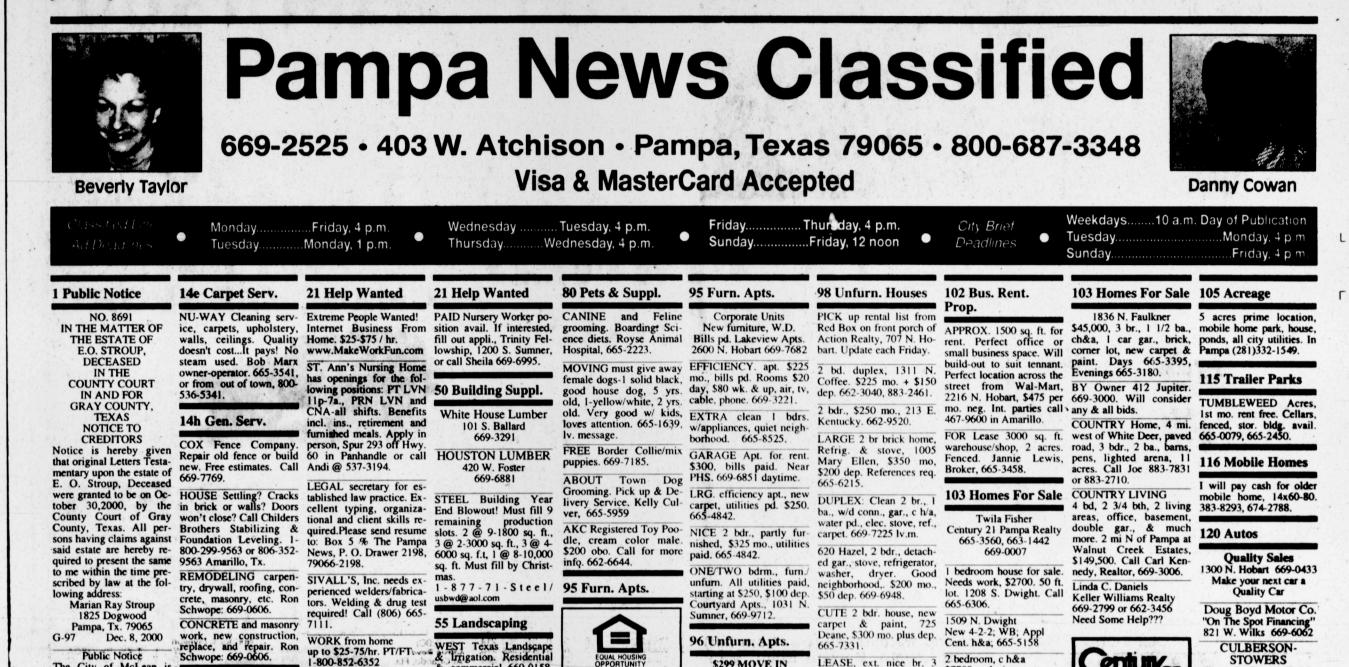
"We're simply not ready for deregula-

"California is riding point on this deregulation experiment," Davis added. "The problem is, I can't control the process. There are too many players."

Under a 1996 law, California's investor-owned monopoly utilities were required to sell off their power-generating assets, such as dams and power plants, and purchase electricity on the open market.

The goal was to lower prices to consumers through a competitive market, but skyrocketing energy costs sent market prices sharply higher.

San Diego Gas and Electric Co., with 1.2 million customers in San Diego and southern Orange County, was the first to complete its transition. It passed on the costs of wholesale electricity to its customers, resulting in a doubling and tripling of customers' bills. The outcry prompted state and federal investigations.



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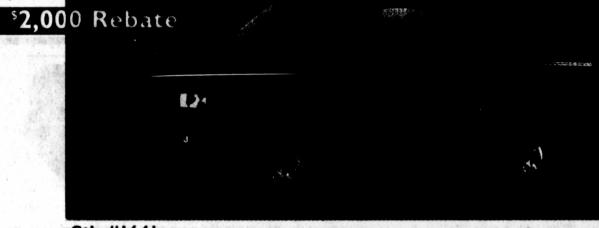
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