

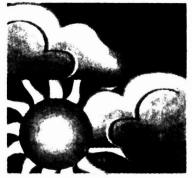
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#### Mayor Neslage files for re-election in May Mayor Bob Neslage has tiled for re-election as mayor

# One injured, one busted in shooting

#### **By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer**

A Pampa man remained in Gray County jail today in lieu of \$10,000 bond after being charged with aggravated assault in connection with a weekend shooting.

George Thomas Reames, 58, 314 N. Wynne, was charged with aggravated assault in connection with a shooting at his home shortly after midnight Saturday. Gary Fletcher, 55, whose address was also listed by authorities as 314 N. Wynne, was released after being treated tor a gunshot wound at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Officers said today that they were called to the house on North Wynne about 12:30 a.m. Sunday after gun shots were reported at the residence Gray County Deputy Heath found Fletcher.

Cates and Pampa Police Officer Shawn Waters knocked at the

door and spoke to Reames while Gray County Deputies Cary Rushing and Chris Didway along with Pampa Police Officers Brett Watson, Stormy McCullar and Lt. Charles Love surrounded the house.

Authorities said Reames at that point was taken into custody to allay concerns for the officers' safety.

Inside the home, officers said they tound Fletcher with a bullet wound

Authorities said Eletcher suftered injuries to his arm, chest and back. Emergency medical personal treated Fletcher, then took him to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

While authorities said the case was still under investigation this morning, they said it appears that an argument broke out between Fletcher and a woman in the bedroom where officers

Reames reportedly went into (See SHOOTING, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser

Stephen Orin Stokes, 37, 1107 S. Hobart, stands by his maroon Chevrolet Beretta after it was in a collision with a tractor-trailer rig shortly before 10 a.m. today. Officers said Stokes was apparently pulling out of his drive when the car was in collision with a Kenworth semi driven by Oliver Willard Chapman, 25, of Spring Creek, Nev. Chapman told officers he was in the left hand lane when the accident happened. The northbound tractor-trailer belongs to Clark Transportation of Antlers, Okla. Officers said there were no injuries.

# Groom mayor hits lottery jackpot - twice!

What happened?

#### **BV NANCY YOUNG** Managing Editor

tery ticket Friday. This was the sold Homer the winning ticket agreed. He said Homer was on teacher at Groom High Monday

second time for the Groom resi- last year at the same store. I his way to Amarillo when he morning. He hasn't had time to

of Pampa, according to City Secretary Phyllis Jetters. Ward 1 Commissioner Jeff McCormick has also filed for re-election. Bob Dixon's term is also expiring. All three terms are two-year terms. Candidates may tile in the City Secretary's office, Room 205, City Hall until March 21

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the

Winning numbers drawn: 9-

Estimated jackpot \$36 million.

Number matching six of six:

Lotto Texas drawing Saturday

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GROOM Joe Homer just might be the luckiest guy in the world. He certainly is in Groom these days.

Homer, who is mayor of the small Carson County communi ty on 1-40, won \$10,000 on a Rake in the Cash scratch-off lot-

Cookies to go ...

dent to win a large amount on a scratch-off ticket. He also won-\$5,000 a little over a year ago in a Texas Round-Up scratch-ott.

Howard "Hop" Britten, comanager of the Groom Stop and chased the ticket early Friday Shop Jexaco, sold Homer the atternoon, he jokingly told him winning ticket. In fact, this was lit was about time he won anoththe second big ticket because he – er big–one, and said. Homer

"I'm real good at handing out these winning tickets, but I don't seem to get them when I buy tickets," said Britten.

Britten said when Homer pur-

bought the tickets, and didn't get to the Lottery Commission scratch them off until he returned to Groom that evening.

Homer said he couldn't believe he'd won Friday afternoon

"My wife didn't believe me at first, either," he said.

"We're having a lot of tunwith it," said Britten. "When Joe cashes it in in Amarillo, we'll put up banners and have a picture of him as a winner."

Britten said Homer promised the convenience store co-manager and his wife Jan to take them "out on the town."

A tarmer and school bus driver, Homer was substitute teaching for the agriculture

in Amarillo to get his money. Homer was quick to say he is

going to let his wife, Barbara, spend the money. "Uncle Sam gets his money first. Then, we're going to do some remodeling around the house and pay some bills," said the tather of tour grown sons.

Britten is hoping the Stop and Shop is on a roll. Maybe, just maybe, he said the next big winner to come from the small convenience store will be the \$45 million Lotto on Wednesday night. It the store should sell the big winning ticket, it would be worth \$450,000 to them.

And that ain't peanuts!

## Grand jury indicts Lipscomb Co. jail escapee, others

LIPSCOMB County grand jurors have indicted a man who escaped from the county jail last December on charges of escape and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

In the February meeting of the grand jury, members issued the two indictments naming lvor Hovd Debusk, 21, of Lucas, Kan., in connection with a Dec. 12 escape from Lipscomb County Jail and the thett of a 1984 Chevrolet Blazer belonging to the Lipscomb County Sheritt's Department.

Debusk was later apprehended and returned to Lipscomb. County Jail where he had been incarcerated on burglary charges

According to Lipscomb County authorities, Debusk had been made a trustee and was doing janitorial work at the county courthouse when he escaped. The Blazer had been parked nearby.

Bond was set at \$7,500 on the escape charge and \$2,500 on the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

Two women were indicted by grand jurors on charges arising

Lipscomb from an extensive investigation by the Lipscomb County Sheriff's Office and the Panhandle Regional Drug Task Force

Stephanie Liza Torrez, 21, of Amarillo, and Juanita Flia Bewley, 37, of Darrouzett, were each indicted on felony possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. Bond was set at \$25,000 for each.

respective charges of possession of a controlled substance analogue, which the district attornev said, refers to a statute that specifically applies to the substance known as PCP or "angel dust." Bond on these charges was set at \$2, 500 each.

In addition, Torrez was indicted tor burglary of a building on May 22,2000. Her bond on that

Other indictments handed up by the grand jury include the tollowing:

• Mark Anthony Madera, 22. Amarillo for burglary of a building on May 22, 2000. Bond was set at \$5,000.

• Donna Potter Trubenbach, 58, Amarillo, possession of a

(See ESCAPEE, Page 2)

## Wednesday Lotto Texas game: Estimated jackpot: \$45 mil-Cora Nell Castleberry, 87 Betty Lou Donberger, 61, Fred Sterling Vanderburg,

80. rancher.

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## PAMPA'S CINEMA 4 **MOVIE HOTLINE** 665-7141



City commissioners to consider police purchases Police vehicles and weapons purchases top the agenda for Pampa City Commissioners meeting at 6 p.m., luesday, in department after numerous failthe third floor City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

Commissioners will consider authorizing the purchase of replacement duty weapons for Pampa Police Department officers at an estimated cost of

Cookie sales end March 24.

\$12,600. Police Chief Charlie for the purchase of two Ford Morris has requested the city - Crown Victoria Interceptors at a buy name-brand guns for the combined cost of \$63,983.85. ures of the officers' present weapons. He is also asking commissioner to consider declaring 30 current Smith and Wesson ers to authorize a budget Sigma duty weapons as surplus amendment to the PEDC's property.

Members of Pampa Girl Scout Troop 417 (and friends) cart in cases of Girl Scout Cookies for

this year's annual fundraise?. From left, Daisy Perez, Christopher Perez, Esparanza Perez,

and Britney Poulin. To order cookies or for more information, call 669-6862 or 665-2751.

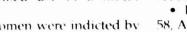
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(Special photo)

Susan Tripplehorn, executive director of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation (PEDC), is asking commission-2000-2001 budget to include a (See CITY, Page 2)

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The two were also indicted on

charge was set at \$5,000.

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## **Daily Record**

## Services tomorrow

WISDOM, Jo Dean - Memorial services, 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

## Obituaries

**CORA NELL CASTLEBERRY** 

CLARENDON - Cora Nell Castleberry, 87, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 2001, in Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in **Robertson Funeral Directors Chapel of Memories** with Bright Newhouse, minister of Hedley Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mrs. Castleberry was born in Callahan County and moved to Clarendon 60 years ago from Alanreed. She married Olin Aaron Castleberry in 1943 at McLean; he died in 1972. She worked in the cafeteria at Clarendon College prior to retiring and was a homemaker.

She was a member of Clarendon Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Dorothy Brinson of Hedley and Sue Martin of Iowa Park; a son, Olin Castleberry Jr., of Amarillo; a sister, Velma Castleberry of Amarillo; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

#### **BETTY LOU DONBERGER**

AMARILLO - Betty Lou Donberger, 61, of Amarillo, died Thursday, Feb. 22, 2001. Mass was to be celebrated at 10 a.m. today in St. Hyacinth's Catholic Church with the Rev. Pat Carruthers officiating. Burial will be in Channing Cemetery at Channing under the direction of N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Born and raised in Moriarty, N.M., Mrs. Donberger moved to Amarillo in 1955, where she trained and raised paint and quarter horses. She married Michael Donberger in 1976 and was a member of St. Hyacinth's Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Michael; three daughters, Cindy Reed and Ivy Taylor, both of Amarillo, and Debbie Schaeffer of Texhoma, Okla.; a son, Marvin Green of Amarillo; a stepdaughter, Carrie Donberger of Austin; two sisters, Barbara Climer of Amarillo and Anne Smith of McLean; two brothers, Rob Stone of Rush Springs and Kenny Davis of Carrizozo, N.M.; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 5200 N. Soncy in Amarillo and requests memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice.

#### JUSTIN EARL FOLK

CANADIAN - Justin Earl Folk, 21, died Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2001, in Reydon, Okla. Services were at 10:30 a.m. today in Church of Christ with Mike Heatwole officiating. Burial was to be in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors.

Mr. Folk was born June 14, 1979, at Hollis,

## **Obituaries (cont.)**

FRED STERLING VANDERBURG ODESSA - Fred Sterling Vanderburg, 80, went to be with his Lord and Savior Saturday,

Feb. 24, 2001, at Odessa. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in First Christian Church of Odessa with Dr. David Mindel, Dr. Glenn Wilkerson and the Rev. Rusty Rice officiating. Additional services are scheduled at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church of Pampa with

the Rev. Rice and Dr. Wilkerson officiating Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa. Arrangements are under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home of Odessa and Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Vanderburg was born July 12, 1920, on a farm south of Pampa, to pioneers Ernest and Ethel Vanderburg. As a young boy, he attended Hopkins Country School #1, riding horseback to school. A 1937 graduate of Pampa High School, he participated in state track meets, declamation and was voted Most Popular Boy. He remained an avid fan of Pampa Harvester sports and could recount, play-by-play, the games in which the Harvesters defeated the Amarillo Sandies.

In September 1938, he attended Texas Tech University.

Mr. Vanderburg was a farmer and rancher south of Pampa for many years. During that time, he served his community and county in several capacities, acting as a Hopkins School Board trustee from 1947-54, Gray County Commissioner beginning in 1948 and director of Highland General Hospital Board.

His passionate interest in the conservation of water in the panhandle led him to serve as president of the underground water district #3 and district director of Water, Inc., eventually leading to an appointment to former Gov. Preston Smith's committee of 500 designed to carry out long-range water plans for the State of Texas. Mr. Vanderburg was honored for his service of over 16 years for the betterment and conservation of the farm and water programs of the High Plains.

A lifelong interest and love for young people led Mr. Vanderburg to support the junior livestock programs where he initiated the first Buyer's Breakfast in the panhandle. He was especially interested in the spiritual lives of young people and taught the high school boys Sunday school class at First Baptist Church of Pampa for many years.

In April 1981, Mr. Vanderburg married Jessie Lee Wilkerson of Odessa and, in 1990, they moved from Pampa to Odessa where he was cofounder of Flo-Co2. There they attended First Christian Church where Fred served as an elder and chairman of the trustees. Recently, Mr. Vanderburg received one of the highest honors bestowed by the church when he was elected

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**ESCAPEE** 

Bond was set at \$1,500.

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• Mark Duane Stine, 31,

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trolled substance on June 3, 2000.

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right hand, pulled a knife. Reames reportedly lunged at Fletcher as Fletcher waved the knife in front of him.

Reames is thought to have Officers said it appears that fired one round from the pistol. set bond for Reames on a charge Fletcher, seeing a pistol in Reams' Investigators said a bullet appar- of aggravated assault at \$10,000.

> CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE · Larry Allen Ballard, 49, Dawson, driving while intoxicated - subsequent offense on Aug. 23, 2000. Bond was set at \$1,500.

· Mark Riley Richardson, 21, Booker, two separate indictments for burglary of a building on Jan. 5 and Jan. 9. Bond was set at \$2,500 for each charge. Richardson was also indicted for unauthorized use of a motor

Amarillo, possession of a controlled substance on July 12, vehicle on Jan. 11. Bond was set at \$2,500.

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#### Ordinance #1359, amending a previous ordinance and defining

\$17,405.90 grant to American **Energy Services.** 

Bids for three cubic yard refuse informal work session at 4 p.m. containers will be considered at in the third floor conference the meeting Tuesday, along with room of City Hall. No action is the second and final reading of taken during this meeting.

## Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 48-hours ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Police reported a hit and run about 5 p.m. Tuesday involving a 1995 Dodge pickup parked in a private parkng lot. Friday, Feb. 23

A 1994 Dodge pickup driven by Mary Bailey Havenhill, 78, 1633 N. Faulkner, was in collision about 12:30 p.m. Friday at the intersection of Kentucky and Banks with a 1991 GMC sports utility vehicle driven by Ella Just Dunn, 55, 424 Doyle.

Havenhill was cited for failure to yield and not having insurance. Saturday, Feb. 24

A 2000 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Dustin Jay Williamson, 16, 2201 Beech, was in collision about 1:40 p.m. Saturday at the intersection of Dwight and Gwendolyn with a 1994 Chevrolet Beretta driven by Carrie Dawn McKissick, 23, of Skellytown.

Williamson was cited for failure to yield and not having insurance

McKissick was cited for not having insurance.

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's office reported the following arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, February 24

Randall L. Harris aka Randall L. Shelton, 57, no known address, burglary of a habitation.

Sunday, February 25 George Thomas Reames, 58, 314 Wynne, aggravated assault.

James Dale Sells, 30, 312 N. Wells, public intoxication and reporting a false alarm.

ently passed through Fletcher's upper right arm, hit him in the chest and lodged in Fletchers'

Justice of the Peace Bob Muns

### PHS Class of 1961 plans 40th reunion

PAMPA — Pampa High School Class of 1961 will hold its 40th class reunion

Organizers are seeking volunteers to help plan the event.

tact Zip Swaney at 665-5532.



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**BACON & Pancakes, all trim**mings, St. Matthew's Parish Hall, 727 W. Browning, Tues. 5-8 p.m. Tickets \$5, under 5-free.

AN OVERVIEW of the Balanced Literacy Framework will be given to the public on Feb. 27, 1 p.m., in the Lovett Memorial Public Library Auditorium. Literacy Coordinators from each of the elementary schools will be presenting. In addition there will be a discussion of two grants that have been awarded to the Pampa ISD - the READ for Texas Grant & the Academics 2000 grant. We invite anyone interested to attend.

TEXAS SIZE Signing! John Gi-kas, Get Well Card @ 116 W. Foster, Tues.-Sat. 10-5. Ya'll Come!

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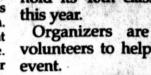
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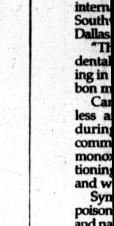
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Okla. He graduated from Canadian High School and moved to Canadian from Childress in 1993. He married Tara Baileys on June 20, 1998, at Canadian. He worked for the City of Canadian Street Department and for King Well Service.

He was a member of the Church of Christ, B.A.S.S. and the North America Hunting Club.

Survivors include his wife, Tara; a son, Brendan Folk of Canadian; his parents, Rick and Cindy Folk of Calhan, Colo., and Glen and Judy Phillips of Ovett, Miss.; three brothers, Marty Webb of Hollis, Rusty Webb of Vinita, Okla., and Jason Folk of Wellington; two sisters, Tina Shell of Wichita Falls and Erica Folk of Calhan; and his grandparents, Fred and Gloria Folk of Guymon, Okla., and Faye Bell of Hollis.

The family requests memorials be to Battered Women and Children Centers or to a favorite charity

#### LAWRENCE KURTZ

Lawrence Kurtz, 90, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 26, 2001, at McLean. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Kurtz was born July 1, 1910, at Emerson, Okla. He moved to Pampa in 1920 and married Margaret Beaven on July 10, 1953, at Groom. He was a farmer and a rancher and a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

Survivors include a son, Lawrence Gregory Kurtz of Pampa; and a daughter, Kosalia Ellen Stewart of Tuttle, Okla.

#### **BILLY ANDREW TURNER, SR.**

Billy Andrew Turner, Sr., 82, of Pampa, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 2001, at Amarillo. The body was cremated and consequently will not be avail able for viewing. Private memorial graveside services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Turner was born April 25, 1918, in Gray County. He married Winifred Edis on May 9, 1945, at Manhattan Beach, Calif., and the couple moved to Pampa in 1955. He managed Sinclair Service Station for several years, drove a truck for Mojave Petroleum and later owned-operated Bill's Weed Control.

Survivors include his wife, Winifred, of the home; four daughters, Jennifer Tomlinson of Crowley, Loretta Turner of Pampa, Nelda Webb of Chico and Christina McCowan of White Deer; three sons, Billy Andrew Turner, Jr. of Pampa, Dexter Turner of Plano and Joel Neil Turner of Irving; a sister, Auna Barnes of Fritch; four brothers, Joe Turner and Ivan Turner, both of Amarillo, Vernon Turner of Pampa and Amos Ed Turner of McLean; 14 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

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Elder Emeritus. His first wife, Darleen Vance, formerly of

Midland, preceded him in death in 1980. He was also preceded in death by a grandson,

Fred Sterling "Vandy" Vanderburg, III, in 1975. Survivors include his wife, Jessie Lee, of the home; four daughters and sons-in-law, Joy and Ronnie Rice of Pampa, Gay and Dennis Kuempel of Amarillo, Judy and Kenny Cambern of Fort Worth and Jan and Tom Nelson of Bedford; four sons and daughters-in-law, Fred, Jr. and Sandy Vanderburg of Odessa, Glenn and Karen Wilkerson of Houston, Dean and Carol Wilkerson of Fort Worth and Steve and Kim Wilkerson of Grand Prairie; a brother, Ellzey Vanderburg of Lubbock; 31 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Christian Church Youth Department, 601 N. Lee, Odessa, TX 79761; or to First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065.

The body will lie-in-state at 8 a.m. Tuesday at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home.

Fred loved everyone and was loved by all. He has now completed his earthly pilgrimage and come into his greatest reward as he has gone on to be with His Lord, Jesus Christ, surrounded by those whom he has introduced to the Savior, and the precious loved ones who have preceded him.

## Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 48-hours ending at 7 a.m. today.

#### Thursday, Feb. 22

A vehicle was reportedly broken into in the 200 block of West Foster

#### Friday, Feb. 23

Two thefts were reported in the 1500 block of North Hobart. One involved about \$500 in merchandize. The other involved \$250 in merchandize.

About \$1,500 in CDs and stereo equipment was reported taken from a vehicle in the 900 block of East Murphy.

About \$190 was reported missing in the 600 block of North Frost.

Harrassng telephone calls were reported int he 300 block of North Frost.

A runaway was reported in the 1900 block of Williston.

#### Saturday, Feb. 24

The theft of \$5,100 in rings was reported in the 900 block of South Hobart.

Two push scooters valued at \$140 were reported taken from a residence in the 400 block of North Wynne

A video tape recorder and about \$800 in cash was reported taken from a home in the 1000 block of Huff Road.

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Sheri Dianie Stewart, 31, 324 Jean, municipal warrants.

James Darryl Burney, 44, Amarillo, possession of BP Amoco .. a controlled substance, carrying an unlawful Cabot weapon, expired driver's license and not having Chevror insurance.

## Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the and transferred one to BSA-West, Amarillo. 11:34 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2300 following calls during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday. block of Evergreen and transported one to PRMC. 2 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to U.S. 60 east

#### Friday, Feb. 23

9:15 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) and transferred one to a local nursing center.

12:11 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

12:27 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of East Kingsmill and transported one to PRMC.

2:24 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transfer to BSA-West, Amarillo.

9:46 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2200 block of North Dwight. No one was transported.

#### Saturday, Feb. 24

2:17 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transfer to BSA-West, Amarillo.

8 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to U.S. 60 east of Pampa. No one was transported.

8:30 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) and transferred one to BSA-West, Amarillo.

9:56 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Hilton Road and transported one to PRMC.

10:27 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC. block of West Kentucky and transported one to 11:11 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC PRMC.

## Weather focus

PAMPA - Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 50s. South winds 5 to 15 mph, becoming east late this afternoon. Tonight, cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain. Lows in the mid 30s. East to northeast winds 10 to 20 mph. High for Sunday, 55, and the overnight low, 39. A trace of moisture had been recorded for a.m. today. Tuesday, cloudy and colder with a chance of rain, sleet or snow. Early highs in the mid 30s. Temperatures falling into the upper 20s during the afternoon. Northeast winds 15 to 25 mph. Chance of precipitation 50 percent. Tuesday night, cloudy and cold with a chance of rain, sleet or snow. Lows around 20. Chance of precipitation 50 percent. Wednesday, cloudy and cold with a chance across the Big Bend.

STATEWIDE More rain was forecast by Tuesday following weekend showers and thunderstorms in North and Southeast Texas.

Early-morning fog shrouded the Coastal Plains from the Coastal Bend southward Monday, produced by a stationary front along the Texas coast. Visibilities were less than one mile, with less than a quarterthe 24-hour period ending at 6 mile visibility in Kingsville and the Corpus Christi Naval Air

> Another cold front headed for Texas should cross the Red River near dawn on Tuesday as an upper-level disturbance arrives from the west.

A prolonged rain event was expected as low-level Gulf moisture feeds into the mix.

Meanwhile, high-level cirrus from the 50s in the Hill Country clouds tracked out of Mexico to 70s in the far south.

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7:08 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC

Sunday, Feb. 25

12:33 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 300

11:03 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700

7:27 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400

7:51 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1300

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DALLAS - Installing a carbonmonoxide detector in your home could be a lifesaver, says Dr. Christopher Keyes, associate professor of emergency medicine and internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"The best way to prevent accidental carbon-monoxide poisoning in your home is to install a carbon monoxide monitor," he says.

Carbón monoxide is an odorless and colorless gas produced during combustion. The most common causes of home carbonmonoxide poisoning are malfunctioning indoor natural gas heaters and water heaters.

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include fatigue, headache and nausea. But since the symptoms are so vague, people often think they have the flu, Keyes says.

Pregnant women need to be especially cautious about carbonmonoxide poisoning because the fetus has a lower threshold for carbon monoxide," Keyes says.

Carbon-monoxide poisoning can cause permanent brain damage or even be fatal. Carbon monoxide takes the place of oxygen in the blood, causing cells to suffocate

#### Youth quest could be hazardous to your health

DALLAS — In their quest for the fountain of youth, some people are risking long-term health problems by injecting themselves with a daily dose of human growth hormone.

Human growth hormone or HGH is a protein in the pituitary gland that is essential for growth and development in children," says Dr. Craig Rubin, head of geri-atrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

As we age, our bodies reduce the production of this hormone."

Initially, the Food and Drug Administration approved HGH to treat children with growth defi-ciencies. But now that the hormone is produced synthetically via genetic manufacturing techniques, many people are using it to combat aging.

What concerns Rubin is that ople are taking HGH when there are no studies evaluating its health effects. long-term Preliminary studies, however, have shown that minimal use of the drug may cause diabetes or carpal tunnel syndrome. "Studies of HGH given to older individuals have shown changes in body composition and increased muscle mass but most importantly, there was no significant improvement in muscle strength or exercise ability," Rubin says.

In 1994, the United States Congress passed a law allowing dietary supplements to be marketed without warning labels. That means a supplement could be labeled safe but still have some serious potential side effects.

"What I tell athletes is to eat right, get enough rest and train appropriately," says Chandler, who is certified in sports medicine. "Proper training is far better than taking drugs.

## Do the two-step: Wash hands, drink plenty of flu-

DALLAS - Winter is here and so is another season of respiratory syncytial virus, better known as RSV, the leading cause of respiratory infections in young children and infants

"Typically, people get their hands contaminated unknowingly and then rub their eyes or nose," says Dr. Hasan Jafri, an assistant professor of pediatrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "The best way to avoid RSV is to wash hands frequently, and avoid places like busy daycare centers where it can be transmitted easily."

Symptoms include nasal conestion, coughing and some fever. In more severe cases, children suffer pneumonia, bronchitis and even respiratory failure.

Sufferers have few treatment options besides drinking lots of liquids.

Parents should make sure infants' noses are clear of secretions to ensure an open breathing passage and take very young infants, infants with chronic respiratory diseases and premature infants to a doctor to determine whether they have RSV or a common cold.

ment has said.

#### By LINDA A. JOHNSON **Associated Press Writer**

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (AP) People desperate for explanations of mysterious health problems from chronic fatigue syndrome to multiple chemical sensitivity shouldn't blame the nearest toxic dump or exposure to chemicals, experts say.

doctors can find no cause probably are caused by multiple physical, psychological and social factors interacting in complex ways said at a recent conference at **Rutgers University**.

"Everybody (at the meeting) seems to agree that psychosocial factors are very important for how people feel, for how they experience an illness," said conference organizer Dr. Howard Kipen, a professor of occupational health at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey's Robert Wood Johnson pain. Medical School. "But most physicians in the wider community don't agree.'

About 100 physicians, psychiatrists, chemical experts, epidemiologists and other researchers participated in discussions on the role environmental factors play in medically unexplained symptoms. That's an issue of great interest in New Jersey, a state full of Superfund sites (113), chemical plants, clogged highways, an unexplained autism cluster in Brick Township and abnormally high cancer rates among children in England. Toms River.

troublesome symptoms send have predecessors. Some people

Gay and bisexual men lowering guard

against AIDS, new evidence suggests

Southern California last year has provided alarm- the same period in 1999.

ATLANTA (AP) — An outbreak of syphilis in bisexual men, compared with 26 of 100 cases in

ing new evidence that gay and bisexual men are Of the 66 cases in 2000, 33 reported they had

lowering their guard against AIDS, the govern- had anonymous sex, and 17 said they had met sex

patients to a doctor, Kipen noted, anywhere from 30 percent to 70 percent of those cases cannot be

explained by any known disease. That's according to numerous studies of patients with what conference participants called "Multiple Unexplained Symptom Syndromes." While they are poorly understood, most at least get names: chronic Numerous illnesses for which "fatigue, irritable bowel syndrome, fibromyalgia, Gulf War Syndrome, Lyme disease, sick building syndrome, multiple chemical sensitivity, sensitivity to not yet understood, scientists the gasoline additive MTBE, or connective tissue disorder, as in women with silicone breast

implants. The most common symptoms, at least in patients ill enough to seek medical help, include headaches, fatigue, trouble» concentrating or remembering things, nausea, unusual chest pain, shortness of breath, trouble sleeping and musculoskeletal

"We're seeing overlap of symptoms" from one syndrome to another, said Dr. Richard Kreutzer of the California Department of Health Services. Another puzzle, he said, is that "We're all exposed to low levels of chemicals, but we really don't see (multiple chemical sensitivity) in most people."

The symptoms often seem worst in patients paying the most attention to them, those living unstimulating, somewhat isolated lives, noted Anne Spurgeon of the University of Birmingham in

New syndromes crop up peri-When pain, nausea or other odically, and some appear to

#### working on computers or in chronic fatigue syndrome. slaughterhouses today develop repetitive strain injury, whose forerunners include telegraphist's cramp, Spurgeon said

She is researching a "new" illness causing fatigue and memory problems among U.K. sheep farmers, who by law each year must dip sheep in a toxic chemical to kill parasites.

Despite the complexities of such syndromes, researchers hope to understand them better.

Dr. Benjamin Natelson and colleague Gudrun Lange of UMDNJ's New Jersey Medical Occupational Health Sciences School, for example, are testing Institute: http://www.eohsi.ruttwo hypotheses on what causes gers.edu

### Study discovers potentially ominous inflammation in overweight youngsters

CHICAGO (AP) Overweight children as young as stream. 8 have been found to have a smoldering type of bloodstream inflammation that in adults has been linked to heart disease.

The new study may help explain why people who were overweight as children run a higher risk of cardiovascular menting the physical changes problems and diabetes in adulthood, regardless of their adult weight.

The study, published in a recent issue of the journal Pediatrics, is the first to link childhood weight and inflammation. The research was led by Marjolein Visser, an epidemiologist from Vrije University in Amsterdam.

The researchers looked at problems. 3,561 U.S. children ages 8 to 16 ence of a substance called C-reac- mon in overweight children.

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helped participants decide where

future research should go so that

"we should be able to design bet-

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ter treatments and prevention."

On the Net:

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Kipen said the conference

Dr. Michael Steelman, past president of the American Society of Bariatric Physicians, a group of doctors specializing in obesity, said the finding is a major reason for concern.

'When we can start docuoccurring at that age, it's just like a time bomb just below the surface of their skin that's going to go off someday," Steelman said.

The study does not address whether inflammation in children poses any short- or longterm risks. But Visser said previous research has linked elevated CRP levels in overweight adults with the development of heart

In Visser's study, 7 percent of and found that overweight the boys and 6 percent of the girls youngsters were three to five showed signs of CRP inflammatimes more likely than those of tion. Elevated white blood cell normal weight to have inflam- counts, another sign of inflammation, as marked by the pres- mation, were also far more com-



More to syndromes than environment

### Support groups lessen bumps on road to cancer recovery

DALLAS — Many cancer patients find that being involved in a support group helps them cope with their diagnosis and treatment.

Support groups allow patients to express concerns and feelings and to share their personal ways of coping with cancer, says Marla Hathcoat, a social worker at the Harold C Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas

"Some also incorporate psychoeducational components and include teaching coping skills such as stress management, relaxation and problem solving," she says.

Studies have shown that participants in support groups derive benefits from the cathartic effects of self-disclosure, a sense of community and the feeling of altruism and worth that comes with both giving and receiving support, she says.

## To be healthy, be skeptical of supplements DALLAS — Drugs that adver-

tise enhanced sports performance through better concentration, increased muscle strength and stronger focus may actually be no better than simple athletic trainsay doctors at UT ing, Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Actually, says Dr. Patricia Chandler, an assistant professor of family practice and community medicine, some drugs and dietary supplements can be dangerous to your health, and athletes should be cautious about taking them even if the label says they are safe.

"Those drugs may temporarily enhance an athlete's performance, but they have dangerous side Chandler effects, says. "Testosterone preparations can change the cholesterol makeup of your blood in a negative way, and drugs like ephedrine can increase blood pressure and heart rate to unhealthy levels. The long-term effects can be serious."

county area during the first half of 2000 were in encounter, and two in five reported using illegal men who reported having had at least one mate sex partner — up from 26 percent a year earlie.

that gay and bisexual men, encouraged by news of powerfully effective drug cocktails and longer lifespans for AIDS patients, are worrying less about HIV. Both HIV and syphilis are sexually transmitted; condoms can protect against their spread?

HIV "is no longer perceived to be the threat that it once was," said Dr. Ronald Valdiserri, deputy (HIV) drugs and believe then that they don't have director of the National Center for HIV, STD and to worry about infection," said John Schunhoff, TB Prevention, which is part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "These are very serious findings.

The Southern California cases and similar outbreaks in other major cities came after the national syphilis rate dropped in 1999 to its lowest level on record. Just 6,657 cases were reported in 1999, the last year for which national figures are available, or about one case per 40,000 people.

Syphilis outbreaks in major cities "show that the disease can make a comeback," said Ken August, spokesman for the California Department of Health Services. "It's important for health-care providers to ask patients about their behavior and to deliver a strong prevention message.

In four California counties — Los Angeles, San Sheets/Syphilis—Facts.htm Diego, Orange and Riverside — 66 of 130 syphilis cases from January to July 2000 were in gay or http://www.dhs.cahwnet.gov

partners in bathhouses. Only one in five reported More than half of the syphilis cases in a four- using a condom during his most recent sexual

ex partner — up from 26 percent a year earlie. "These men were engaging in high-risk sexual Health officials said the numbers are a signal behavior," Valdiserri said. "When we see reports of increasing risk behaviors, that's when we take action. We don't wait till we see the spike nationally" in HIV.

Thirty-four of the 66 men reported they were HIV-positive, and nine said they did not know their HIV status.

You've got people who are doing well on the chief of public health operations for Los Angeles County. "Some people argue that there is burnout. They get weary of being protective."

The CDC recommended a search for new, innovative ways to get the safe-sex message to gay and bisexual men in large cities.

Syphilis infections in 1999 remained concentrated in the South, with roughly one case per 22,000 people. Three-quarters of syphilis victims nationwide were black

About 300 syphilis cases were reported in 2000 in California.

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syphilis information CDC page: http://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/dstd/Fact-

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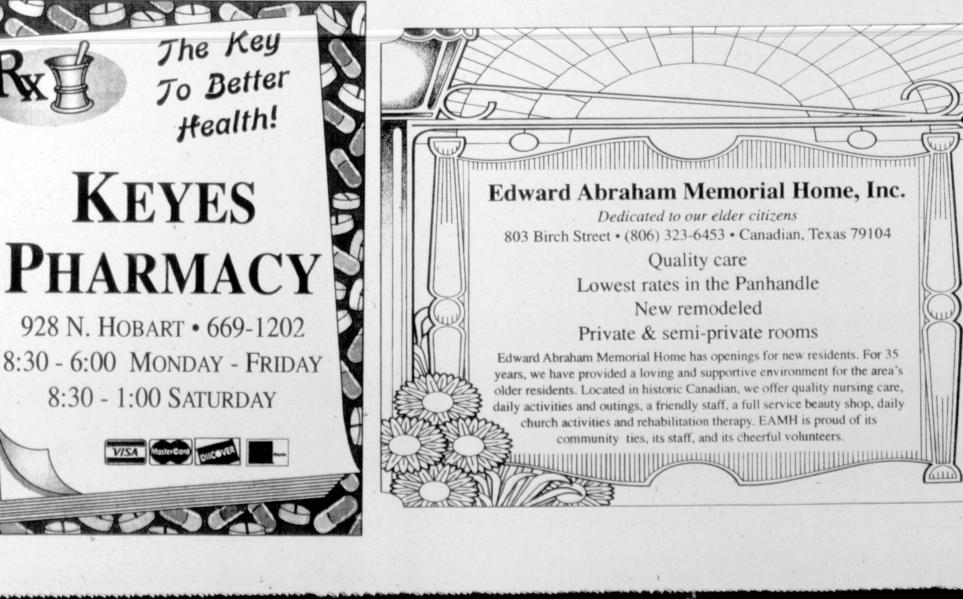
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## Woman's Crippling Pain Ends **After Years of Misdiagnosis**

DEAR ABBY: I am writing this in hope that other women won't have to experience the years of pain that I did.

As a teen-ager, I began to experience disabling pain when I had my period. It got worse in my 20s. Although I didn't realize it then, I was suffering from endometriosis, and eventually the pain affected my life on a daily basis.

I lost a lot to this disease. I was in graduate school, but couldn't keep up because the pain caused me to miss class, and in the end, I had to drop out. I was fired from a job for taking too many sick days. I lost the love of my life because he couldn't handle my constant pain and the resulting depression, nor the effect on our sex life. For years I couldn't even plan social events, because I never knew when the pain would get too bad. Endometriosis took away my choices.

I consulted doctors and tried many different treatments. Many of the doctors trivialized my symptoms. While there is no cure yet for endometriosis, I have finally been successfully treated, and I'm no longer living with pain.

I now lead the life I always wanted. I'm successful in my job and enjoy my friends and family. I hope any girls or women who read this and identify with my experience will seek help. Their pain is not normal, and they do not have to live with it.

KAREN IN VIRGINIA

DEAR KAREN: I'm glad you

## Horoscope

### TUESDAY, FEB. 27, 2001

#### **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)

\* \* \* \* Your personality helps you zero in on what is important. Review a situation carefully, especially if it involves your money. A friend whispers in your ear. Check out information before you run with it. Confusion surrounds a meeting. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★ ★ You don't need to move into high gear right off the bat. If you want to take

Abigail Van Buren SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

wrote. I have known several women who suffered debilitating pain with their menstrual cycles - and I'm pleased to reinforce the message that it's not "part of being a woman."

Endometriosis is a serious disease that affects more than 5.5 million girls and women in the United States and Canada, yet many are unaware that they have it.

My experts tell me the

most common symptom of endometriosis is pelvic pain that may have a monthly pattern and may interfere with the ability to perform daily activities. Other common symptoms are: fatigue or exhaustion; pain during or after sex; lower backache during menstruation; painful bowel movements, diarrhea or other stomach upset during menstruation; stomach bloating and swelling; and heavy or irregular periods.

If women experience symptoms such as the ones I have described, they should seek

through. Tonight: A must appearance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

your body's way of telling you that something is wrong. One of the most distressing things about endometriosis is

that it often takes women years to get an accurate diagnosis. Studies show it can take more than 4 1/2 years for girls and women with endometriosis to report their symptoms to a doctor!

The Endometriosis Association has been helping women and girls for more than 20 years. Because March is Endometriosis Awareness Month, the association is sponsoring a nationwide program of free screenings. Their new self-test, which uses five "yes" or "no" questions, can be found on the Internet at www.killercramps.org.

Volunteer doctors are also offering free endometriosis screenings. To locate a physician in your area, call 1-800-992-3636.

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a hot tub.

\*\*\*\* Information comes forward. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

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make calls and get help. Tonight: Watch to express his thoughts. Work with others

better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-size, selfaddressed envelope, plus check or noney order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\* \* \* If possible, get an early start on your day. Not everything is as it seems. Schedule a meeting, and get together with others. You find that working as a group could draw many ideas. Carefully check out suggestions to see if they'll be workable later on. Tonight: Curl up with a book

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66, \*\*\* Others call on you. You have PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) many choices, but don't feel like you \*\*\*\* Go over your budget with a have to jump on another's ideas. Seek fine-tooth comb. Realize what is happenout a trusted friend and adviser who can ing within your group of friends. Step help you delineate exactly what is hap- back from a need to keep up with the pening. Don't hear only what you want Joneses. You are unique. Act that way. to hear. Tonight: Togetherness works. Someone has a curious way of express-

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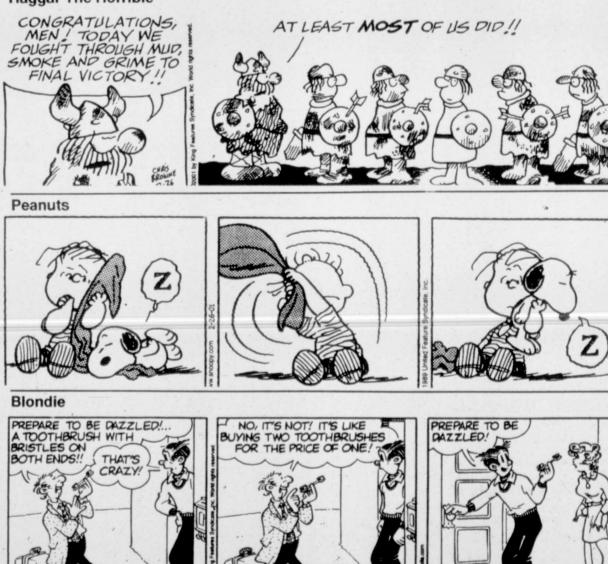
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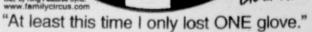
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## SPORTS

## Notebook GOLF

SINGAPORE (AP) - Fiji's Vijay Singh won his second straight tournament, finishing with a 3-under 68 for a two-stroke victory in the Singapore Masters.

Singh, the Malaysian Open winner last week, had a 21under 263 total. England's Warren Bennett shot a 68 to finish second. Scotland's Colin Montgomerie (68) tied for third at 266.

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - Australia's Peter Lonard won the season-ending Australasian Tour Championship, closing with an eagle and a birdie for a one-stroke victory."

Lonard shot a 5-under-par 66 for a 15-under 269 total on Concord the course. Countryman Nathan Green closed with a 67 to finish second. American Jim Benepe (65) and Sweden's Marcus Norgren (64) tied for third at 272

MALELANE, South Africa (AP) — South Africa's Darren Fichardt overcame a twostroke penalty for a fourstroke victory over countryman Hennie Otto in the Sunshine Tour Championship.

Fichardt shot a 3-under 68 for a 14-under 270 total. South Africa's Ernie Els shot a 65 to finish nine strokes back at 279.

#### BOXING

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Roy Jones Jr. did everything but put Derrick Harmon on his back.

The undisputed light heavyweight champion successfully defended his WBC title Saturday night when Harmon failed to answer the bell for the 11th round of their scheduled 12-round bout.

Harmon's corner said the



Gymnasts (I-r) Lacie Long, Lanie Bishop and Brittany Warminski helped lead Pampa to the first-place team trophy.

## Pampa gymnasts claim first-place team trophy in Snowman Invitational

PAMPA - Gymnastics of vault 9.15 and in All-Around medals came on beam 8.9 and place on floor exercise in the Pampa team members recent- with a 37.05.

Invitational gymnastics meet. in the 12-year-old division of 35.7, another personal best. with the silver on beam 7.8, Teams from Amarillo and Pampa partici- medal on vault 8.8, on bars 8.6 sion, Level 5's Lacie and received the bronze on pated in the meet.

Team Pampa dominated the All-Around score was a 31.55. competition. She took five was good for fourth place. compulsory and optional por- This is Lacie's first year as a gold medals in her division by In only her second Level 5 tion of the competition by Level 7 gymnast. winning five individual All- Competing in her second ance beam, 8.7 on floor exer- with the gold medal on vault Around titles and the Level 6 meet, Brittany cise and 8.5 on vault. Her win- 8.2, in the 10-year-olds. She Compulsory Competition's Warminski won the All- ning All-Around score was a also won the bronze medals first-place Team Trophy. Leading Team Pampa was division with a 30-8 score. She Keisha Crowell took top Around 31.0. Kelli placed the team's newest member, also won gold on bars 7.3 and honors in the 10-year-old fourth on bars 7.5, and on Lanie Bishop in Level 7. Lanie joins the Pampa compe- Kelby Doughty led the Level Around gold medal with a Diana Mechelay won the siltition team after moving from 5 Team by winning five gold 32.0 score. She also took gold ver medal in the 9-year-old Houston. She dominated the medals in the 9-year-old divi- on floor 8.8, and beam 8.0. group with a 30.7. She also Level 7, 12-year-old division sion. She tied her person best Keisha finished second on won silver on beam 8.1, vault by winning five gold medals. vault score of 9.0 for gold and bars with an 8.0. Her 8.8 on 7.8, bars 7.6 and a bronze on Her gold came on bars 9.45, her best ever bar score 9.3, for floor was a personal best. floor exercise 9.3, beam 9.15, another gold. Other gold Brandi Holden tied for first ond Level 5 meet.

on floor exercise 8.5. Her win- 11-12 year old group with a ly hosted the Snowman Lacie Long finished fourth ning All-Around score was a personal best 8.7. She finished

Lubbock, Level 7. She won the silver In the 11-12-year-old divi- and in the All-Around 32.3, and on floor exercise 8.9. Her Thompson dominated the vault 7.9. Her 7.9 bar score

PHS girls place 2nd

CANYON - Pampa's Lady Harvesters opened the track season Saturday by taking second place at the Randall Relays.

The Lady Harvesters, led by Ashleigh Patton and Teryn Stowers in the jumps, finished with 96 points. Hereford won the team title with 154 points.

Stowers won the long jump  $(15-11\ 1/2)$  and Patton won the triple jump (34-1). Stowers also placed second in the triple jump (32-10 1/2).

Angela Phillips and Rebecca Fatheree picked up big points for Pampa in two events. Phillips was second in the shot (37-11) and third in the discus (107-1), while Fatheree was second in the 1600 (5:43.04) and second in the 3200 (12:27). Angie Cornish was third in the shot (33-91/4).

Pampa's 400-meter relay team of Tervn Stowers, Chelsea McCullough, Heather Day and Neysha Rogers came in third with a time of 53.56.

In the boys' division, Pampa came in seventh while Dumas won the team title.

Tanner Dyer was Pampa's top individual, placing second in the 110 hurdles with a time of 16.07

Pampa hosts the annual Top O' Texas Relays on Saturday at Randy Matson Field. The meet starts at 9 a.m. with the 3200 and the field events. The finals will start around 2 p.m. Both varsity and junior varsity boys and girls teams will be competing.

#### **Randall Relays** Pampa results **Girls** Division

Discus: Third place, Angela Phillips, 107-1.

Shot: Second place: Angela Phillips, 37-11; Third place: Angie Cornish, 33-91/4. High jump: Fourth place: Chelsea McCullough, 4-10. Triple jump: First place: Ashleigh Patton, 34-1; Second

31-year-old left-hander's right ear drum was broken in the 10th round and he was in no condition to continue.

#### TENNIS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) -Mark Philippoussis wants to be known for more than just his booming serve.

"I don't want to be known as one of these guys like, 'He had so much talent. He had a big serve. Who knows how good he might've become if he'd worked harder?' I don't really want to be known as a like that," player Philippoussis said.

The new dedication started when doctors repaired his left knee on Dec. 28; and it paid off in his first event back on tour as Philippoussis beat Davide Sanguinetti 6-3, 6-7 (5), 6-3 Sunday for the Kroger St. Jude title.

Philippoussis now has nine career titles, the last five in the United States, but he doesn't have a single Grand Slam event on the list.

The problem? Having too much fun with motorbikes, snowboarding or wakeboarding and leaning on a serve that has peaked at 139 mph.

Forced to miss the Australian Open as he worked at strengthening his legs, Philippoussis watched as Andre Agassi showed up in the best shape of his life and added another Grand Slam title to his resume.

"He's really made me open my eyes," Philippoussis said.

Philippoussis committed himself to working in a gym three days a week and hitting the court twice a day. For the first time in his life, he added running on a treadmill to his workout schedule.

He also has trimmed back activities like riding his motorbikes, with everything designed to help him survive the five-set grind of the Grand Slams.

"If you want to be the best in tennis, there's no room for anything else," Philippoussis "I've turned 24. said. Hopefully, I have 6-7 years left. I want to commit everything I have to the next 6-7 vears.

. Around in the 11-year-old 35.3. floor exercise 8.2.

Level 5's. She won the All- floor 7.8

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place: Tervn Stowers, 32-10 1/2; Sixth place: Abby Cavalier, 30-5.

Long jump: First place, Teryn Stowers, 15-11 1/2; Fourth place: Neysha Rogers, 14-6 3/4

3200: Second place: Rebecca Fatheree, 12:27

400 relay: Third, place (Tervn Stowers, Chelsea McCullough, Heather Day and Nevsha Rogers), 53.56.

110 hurdles: Sixth place: Shelly Sims, 18.03. 100: Fourth place: Nevsha

Rogers, 13.68; Fifth place: Tervn Stowers, 13.83. 400: Fifth place, Beth Platt,

1:07.88. 1600: Second place: Rebecca Fatheree, 5:43.04.

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and Tanner Dver), 46.01. 100 hurdles: Second place: Tanner Dyer, 16.07.

400: Sixth place: Matt Crow, 56.01.

300 hurdles: Fifth place, Tanner Dyer, 46.62. 🚿

Junior varsity boys and girls results will be published in Tuesday's edition of The Pampa News.

## Softball signups are going on now

PAMPA - The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be offering the following leagues for Spring Softball: Men's Open, Men's Church, Women's Open, Mixed Church and Mixed Open.

The entry fees or sponsor's fees for teams are \$200 per team.

The player's fee is \$12 per player with a minimum of 11 persons for Men's Open, Women's Open and Men's Church, and 12 persons for Mixed Open and Mixed Church.

The entry deadline is March 21 at 5 p.m.

There will be no teams added after this date.

Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on March 28 at the Recreation Office.

Roster Forms, fact sheets and bylaws are available at the Recreation Office at 816 S. Hobart between the hours of 8 a.m., and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the Spring Softball Leagues, please contact Shane Stokes at 669-5770 during business hours.

## Iowa State loss may cost Cyclones in NCAA Tournament seedings

Texas could prove costly.

Very costly. ond straight Big 12 champi- a winning conference record 3-pointers. Saturday.

Point guard Jamaal Tinsley, a leading candidate for Big hard to start trying to figure Evans said. "This was big." 12 player of the year, fouled things out," said Missouri Oklahoma State had sea- the first half without scoring. out with 7:53 left. But by coach Quin Snyder. "If this son-lows for points, field "We knew that this would then, the Longhorns had a happens and that happens, goals, field goal percentage be a tough place," Oklahoma 29-point lead.

The Cyclones (23-4, 11-3) clinched a share of the Big 12 straight at Austin.

Iowa State coach Larry Fredrik Jonzen called "an him backward. Eustachy.

Every time we come down 47. here, we just get our head On Sunday, No. 11 Kansas foul," said Wooldridge. "You coach the team you kicked in. I think they are the snapped a three-game road "That non-call right there have," Sampson said. "I best team we've played to losing streak with a 78-74 says a lot." date."

Saturday to go to 18-9 overall place. and 9-5 in the league. In the Maurice Evans had a Sophomore Bernard King

field.

you have an endless series of and assists while beating coach Kelvin Sampson said. hypotheticals."

embarrassing performance,"

victory at Nebraska.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) Seeing NCAA hopes boost- Texas (21-7,10-4) is only not make any formal protest - When the NCAA selec- ed, in the meantime, was one game behind the to the Big 12 office "because tion committee ponders Missouri. The Tigers got 18 Cyclones and tied with it doesn't do any good." whether to give Iowa State a points from Brian Grawer Oklahoma (21-6, 10-4) and Texas A&M played its final No. 1 seed, that 94-78 loss at and beat Baylor 69-59 Kansas (21-5, 10-4) in second home game in a fashion to give fans hope for the future.

"This time of year, it's very best effort collectively," sidering the fact the Sooners

Kansas State. Elsewhere in the Big 12 on But the ugliest perfor- be disappointed with this Big 12), who could have Saturday, No. 16 Oklahoma mance, indicated Kansas loss, but don't be disappointlost to No. 20 Maryland 68- State coach Jim Wooldridge, ed with your effort." championship, saw their 10- 60 as the Terrapins won their was by the officials. On Sunday night Sampson game winning streak 77th straight non-conference Wooldridge was very upset dismissed point guard J. R. snapped and lost their fourth home game; Texas A&M by a non-call when Larry Raymond from the team for climbed out of the confer- Reid was dribbling the ball an undisclosed violation of "Since I've been in this ence cellar with a 62-52 victo- and got hit. The contact team policy. On Thursday league there has been talk ry over Texas Tech; and stopped Reid's penetration Raymond had been susabout Texas leaving," said Oklahoma State had what to the basket and pushed pended for the second time

"If you are fighting for a make the trip to Maryland. "And I wish they would. but still beat Kansas State 52- championship in this league, He had averaged 18.5 points they're going to call that a in the previous 10 games.

Wooldridge said he would don't have.'

The sixth-ranked Cyclones, Big 12's brief history, there career-best 28 points for the had 18 points as underclassprobably headed to their sec- has been only one team with Longhorns, including 5-of-6 men contributed all but 12 of the Aggies' 62 points. onship, stumbled badly on (Nebraska in 1999) that did "We had shown signs of Oklahoma's eight-point the road in Austin on not make the 64-team NCAA being able to have a night loss at Maryland seems like this, but this was our somewhat remarkable con-

went almost nine minutes in

"I told our kids they should

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## Allenby wins largest PGA playoff

Surviving the bone-chilling rain PGA Tour victories have gone wasn't the only problem at the extra holes. Nissan Open. When Robert Allenby slogged through the mud back to the 18th hole for a sudden-death playoff, he had some company.

During a dreary final round at Riviera Country Club, 10 players claimed a share of the lead at one time or another. At the end of 72 holes, a record six of them were toughest conditions around.

birdie to win," Allenby said, but that wasn't what he expected. After all, only Doug Barron had the only players to reach the other PGA Tour victory came in a managed a birdie on the 18th hole in the final round.

"I figured a few guys would make par and move on to the next hole," the 29-year-old Australian said.

There was no next hole, thanks to one of the best shots of Allenby's career, the best shot of the young season and as good as any that Tiger Woods hit fast year.

From about 225 yards, Allenby choked down on his 3-wood and belted it right on line, through the driving rain and just over a hump on the green, the ball stopping 5 feet from the hole. One putt later, Allenby's playoff record remained perfect and five other players were eliminated.

those conditions - pouring rain, the 15th, a bogey on the 16th going to be a shot that stays in and a meaningless bogey on the my memory bank a long time," Allenby said. "Funny enough, up with that shot."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — worldwide, and all three of his presentation.

None was guite like this. Six players finished at 8-under 276, some of them at least an hour before Davis Love III stumbled badly on the closing holes at nament was shortened to 36 Riviera Country Club, and before holes because of rain. Allenby and Jeff Sluman each bogeyed the 18th to fall back into

a share of the lead. Only Toshi Isawa, trying to mates. "We were all in carts," he left for a playoff in some of the become the first Japanese player said. "And we weren't playing to win on the U.S. mainland, with this kind of pressure. "I knew someone had to make failed to hit the fairway on the playoff hole.

green in two, and Tway's 35-foot bizarre playoff over Craig Stadler birdie putt stopped about a foot in the Houston Open last year short. Allenby made sure that that lasted four holes Sluman, Dennis Paulson and Brandel Chamblee didn't have a shot meant elimination with so chance.

"I was trying to hit the perfect was likely with the course playshot, and I came up with it," Allenby said.

The victory was his third in Allenby's last 22 PGA Tour six guys," said Allenby, who events, and only Woods (seven) closed with a 1-under 70. "Five and Phil Mickelson (four) have other guys could play some awewon more in the past year.

Allenby earned \$612,000 and expect the unexpected." became the first Australian winner in the 75-year history of the the wild West Coast Swing, Nissan Open.

expected to be in the playoff was sunshine at Pebble Beach) and no Love. He stumbled out of con- victories for Woods, coming off "To be able to pull it off in tention with a double bogey on his sensational 2000. five guys on your heels — that's when he missed a 3-foot par putt, but that didn't help with the rain last

The consolation prize for Love three strokes out of the playoff. I'm the one who always comes was a \$500,000 bonus for win- Woods has yet to record a top-3. ning the West Coast Swing, but finish this year in five tourna-Allenby is 7-0 in playoffs he didn't stick around for the ments.

What he missed was a playoff

that ended much sooner than anyone expected.

Only one other time had six guys gone to a playoff, the 1994 Byron Nelson Classic. That tour-

The last time Allenby played in a sixsome was during Christmas in Australia with some of his

Allenby won the Western Open in a playoff over Nick Price last Allenby and Bob Tway were year on the first extra hole. His

> This was different. One errant many players, and an errant shot ing longer in wet, cold conditions

"There's more pressure with some shots. You always have to

It proved to be a fitting end to which featured record scores, The one player everyone crazy weather (snow in Tucson,

> Woods wore his cap backward, or his luck. He had an even-par 71 and finished in a tied for 13th,



Nikki Medley of the Youth Survival Club of Pampa came away the champion in a girls' boxing match last weekend in Lubbock. Nikki, 12 years old, was entered in the Regional Golden Gloves Tournament.Club members brought home seven titles from Lubbock.

## Earnhardt Jr. walks away from eerie first-lap crash

tragedy in Daytona.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. walked resumes with lap 53. away from this one, just seven Moments before he crashed, as one of the greatest stock car that brought out a red flag. After back, get ready to go tomorrow tough days after his famous Earnhardt Jr. was in a tightly racers in history. father died in a frighteningly bunched pack of cars heading the Daytona 500.

Three turns into the Dura Lube was delayed 1 hour, 33 minutes was wanting the bottom of the 400, a battered car and a hushed by rain, and later was postponed race track and somebody got crowd provided an eerie until 11 a.m. Monday because of into the back of Earnhardt and reminder of last Sunday's the weather. Drivers completed got it starting. It was a bad deal." 52 of 393 laps, and the race

Before the crash, prerace tributes honored the elder Earnhardt sprinkle turned into a downpour kind of team that can bounce

Most of the drivers and crew- postponed the rest of the race. similar crash on the last lap of into the third turn on the 1.017- men wore black, red and silver Joe Gibbs, who owns the cars Earnhardt Jr. will have to wait mile North Carolina Speedway caps with Earnhardt's No. 3 on driven by defending series for his chance next Sunday in The younger Earnhardt was oval. Robby Gordon swerved the front. The members of the champion Bobby Labonte and Las Vegas. bruised, but escaped serious down the banked track in front Dale Earnhardt Inc. team, which injury, limping away from the of Earnhardt Jr., who slowed fields cars for Earnhardt Jr., Steve Park and Daytona winner Michael Waltrip, stood on the pit wall during the national anthem holding the caps aloft in a salute to their former boss.

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — 43-car field. The start of the race Kenny Wallace said. "Everybody moved past to a giant roar from Tony Stewart, said the postponethe crowd.

Moments later, rain began again and the leaders pitted, leaving Stacy Compton out front: the former Washington Redskins But the rain that began as a coach said. "You've got to be the a 20-minute wait, NASCAR and, hopefully, have a good

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## LA trades White to Brewers

#### By The Associated Press

Devon White wanted a new home, so the Los Angeles Dodgers found him one - in Milwaukee.

The Dodgers dealt one of their unhappy outfielders Sunday, sending White to the Brewers for Marquis Grissom and a minor league player to be named.

"I think it's a clean slate and everybody gets a new start," White said.

White's gripes were over-shadowed by Gary Sheffield's complaints at the Dodgers' camp in Vero Beach, Fla. The 38year-old White didn't want to be a backup, which is exactly how the Brewers plan to use him

"I just spoke with him, and he's excited about coming to Milwaukee and Miller Park. We expect him to be a solid fourth outfielder," Brewers general manager Dean Taylor said.

Grissom was squeezed from his outfield spot with the Brewers, who plan to start Jeffrey Hammonds, Geoff Jenkins and Jeromy Burnitz.

Grissom will make \$5 million in each of the next two seasons. White will get \$5 million this year and has a \$5 million team. option for 2002 with a \$900,000 buyout.

"I think this deal with work out for both parties," Grissom said.

White played just 47 games last year, partially tearing his left rotator cuff on May 2. He hit .266 with four homers and 13 RBIs.

Grissom, 33, hit .244 last seament makes it tough on everyson with 14 homers and 62 **RBIs**.

Sheffield wants out of Dodgertown because the team won't extend his contract beyond 2004.

"We understand Gary's desires, and we hope to accommodate his requests, but we're not going to make a trade that wouldn't be advantageous to the Los Angeles Dodgers and their fans," Dodgers general manager Kevin Malone said. Elsewhere among disgruntled players, Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas missed his fifth straight workout, unhappy with his \$9.9 million salary. The mandatory reporting date is Tuesday. Thomas again talked to Chicago manager Jerry Manuel. "I understand he and Jerry had a very encouraging conversation," general manager Kenny Williams said in Tucson, Ariz. 'Once we have time to reflect on them, sometimes you see things from a different perspective. I'm not saying that's the case here, but I'm saying that it is possible.' Williams also met Sunday with Sandy Alderson about the disputed David Wells-Mike Sirotka trade. The Blue Jays say Sirotka, who has a sore shoulder, is damaged goods, and they want the six-player deal reworked. It is still unclear if Sirotka will need surgery

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accident.

"I hate it for Junior because this would have really took his mind off it for quite a while, just getting one race behind him," said Tony Eury Jr., a member of his crew and a cousin. "But when he come in the garage area, we all just grabbed him and told him don't worry about it. We always got next week."

his life, appealed to shrug off the injuries mishap, even though it occurred on the first lap of racing since his about 150 mph when he crashed father was killed.

"Somebody got into me," the radio. "I was really ready to a little bruised up. I'll be OK." go racing. We'll be all right, guys."

On a rainy day filled with tribmoment of silence to remember -belt to come apart. The Intimidator. The elder the Daytona 500 last Sunday.

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Saturday's Games

Monday's Games

**Tuesday's Games** 

By The Associated Press

slightly. Rookie Ron Hornaday Jr. then bumped the rear of Earnhardt's Chevrolet, sending it into the car driven by Kenny Wallace and then into the con-

crete wall.at an angle In the crash that killed the elder Earnhardt in the seasonopening race, the seven-time champion bumped with Sterling Marlin, bounced into Kenny The 26-year-old Earnhardt, Schrader and hit the wall at 180 coming off the toughest week of mph. He died instantly of head

> Earnhardt Jr. was racing at into the wall. Asked if he was silence, then said a brief prayer. injured, he smiled and said, "The He was checked at the infield to," Waltrip said.

medical center and released.

utes to Dale Earnhardt, his son elder Earnhardt might have sur- throughout the grandstands and was tapped from behind and vived if one of his two lap belts around the grounds of the slammed into the wall between hadn't broken. NASCAR is speedway. Many in the crowd turns 3 and 4 shortly after a investigating what caused the wore hats, shirts or jackets

In all, six drivers were Earnhardt was killed when he involved in Sunday's wreck, hit the wall on the final turn of including Jimmy Spencer, Mike Wallace and Hut Stricklin. Only Earnhardt Jr., in his second full Earnhardt Jr. and Kenny Wallace under a yellow flag until lap 32. season driving on the Winston were unable to return to the race. "It was just like a traffic jam,"

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Wednesday's Games

El Paso at Odessa

At A Glance

upelo at Fort Worth

'There's a lot of people here wanting to honor Dale," Jeff Gordon said. "We wanted to put these hats on as a little tribute, to let him know everyone's thinking about him and wishing he was here.'

Darrell Waltrip, a retired threetime champion and a longtime friend, asked the 60,000 spectators to stand for a moment of

"You wonder how can we go Earnhardt Jr. told his team over lap belt was a little too tight. I'm out and race today? We do it knowing Dale would want us

> Signs and banners honoring A NASCAR doctor said the Earnhardt Sr. were scattered emblazoned with the No. 3.

> > There wasn't much racing once the accident was cleaned up. A light rain began during that caution and kept the cars running Pole-winner Gordon kept the lead until lap 44, when Park

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High above North Carolina because of the hats. Everyone Speedway, a lone airplane pulled a removed them when Winston Cup long black banner with a red and chaplain Dale Beaver began a final white No. 3 in the center of it.

Down below, the black and red tributes to Dale Earnhardt were cars, three-time Winston Cup everywhere at the track Sunday.

to honor their fallen colleague by wearing identical hats. Fans who great memories he left behind." braved the rain-shortened Dura Lube 400 held up the commemorative banners the track passed out

wanting to honor Dale," pole-sitter Jeff Gordon said. "We wanted to put these hats on as a little tribute, to let him know everyone's thinking about him and wishing he was here.'

Every driver honored Earnhardt by wearing black No. 3 hats, with the silver and red swirls and Earnhardt's signature emblazoned on the front. Many of them also wore red and black ribbons on their shirts in memory of the seven-time champion killed in a Daytona 500 wreck last Sunday. At the morning meeting, it was almost impossible to tell the 43 dri-

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) - vers and their crew chiefs apart prayer.

'You've got to be resilient,"

Before the drivers got into their champion Darrell Waltrip asked Drivers and their crews united the crowd for a moment of silence "to remember Dale and all the He then told the field that Earnhardt would want them to continue racing.

'You wonder how can we go "There's a lot of people here out and race today? We do it knowing Dale would want us to," Waltrip said.

During the national anthem, the three crews from Dale Earnhardt Inc. stood atop the pit wall and raised their caps in the air. The tributes continued once the drivers were strapped into their cars.

During the prerace laps, Gordon dropped back one spot, leaving the pole position open as the cars circled around the track a half-dozen times. The gesture allowed Steve Park, a DEI driver who was starting from the second spot, to lead the field behind the pace car.

'The commissioner's office is on the case, and I presented all the facts," Williams said. "Now we just await the decision.'

In Mesa, Ariz., the Chicago Cubs expected Sammy Sosa to report Monday.

## Oilers beat Stars 3-2 in overtime

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) way, determined to end the Dallas Stars' dominance of the Edmonton Oilers.

Marchant got in front of goalie Ed Belfour and flicked a backovertime, leading the Oilers to a 3-2 victory Sunday night, their first over the Stars since April 3, 1998

us very well. They always seem much of that success can be to find a way to win," Marchant attributed to Belfour, who is 11said. "Tonight, we found a way to win.

"I had a breakaway from our own blue line pretty much. I just tried to fake a shot, freeze him a bit and bring it to my backhand. Fortunately, I was able to get it up over him."

Anson Carter and Daniel Cleary also scored for the Oilers, who have won three straight. Darryl Sydor and Sergei with the Oilers.

Marchant has scored a big Todd Marchant skated a long goal against the Stars in the knocked Edmonton out of the just couldn't get that last goal." hander over him 31 seconds into playoffs three consecutive postseasons

But the Stars have a 24-4-3 regular-season record against er's leg and bounced off the end the Oilers since moving from boards to Cleary, who banked a "We knew Dallas has played Minnesota to Texas in 1993. And shot off the far post past Belfour. 1-2 against the Oilers since join- Dallas outshot Edmonton 16-15.

ing Dallas in 1997. 'We've got to start some- three goals in his last three where," Edmonton's Ryan Smyth said about finally beating Belfour and the Stars.

"The curse is over." MacTavish said. "After they tied the circle. it, we came back and had some big opportunities."

Zubov tied it 2-2 at 11:02 of the third with a wrist shot past Zubov scored for the Stars, 8-0-2 Oilers goalie Tommy Salo after in their previous 10 meetings taking Mike Modano's cross-ice pass.

"We knew it's always a one goal-type game against them, past, an overtime winner in Dallas' Kirk Muller said. "We Game 7 of Edmonton's opening- got that big goal and wanted to round series against Dallas in keep pushing. I thought we 1997. Since then, Dallas has' were going pretty good, but we

> Cleary gave the Oilers a 2-1 lead at 14:03 of the second. Sergei Zholtok's shot hit a play-

Both goalies were busy in the second period, during which Salo, who has allowed just games, came out of the crease to stop Sami Helenius alone in front and snared Jamie Langenbrunner's slap shot from

Belfour blocked Marchant's drive at the end of a 2-on-1, and a few seconds later stopped Ethan Moreau's wraparound attempt.

Each team finished with 34 shots on goal.

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Phoenix **PRO BASKETBALL** L.A. Clippers National Basketball Association Golden State By The Associated Press All Times EST Saturday's Games EASTERN CONFERENCE oronto 106, Washington 99 Atlantic Division Miami 75, New Jersey 70 Charlotte 86, Philadelphia 85 Pct GB 737 589 582 Chicago 90, Vancouver 23 8 1/2 San Antonio 107, Dallas 104 23 26 32 Denver 85, Atlanta 82 L.A. Clippers 123, Portland 120, 20T 519 12 1/2 429 17 1/2 Sunday's Games New York 88, Sacramento 86 38 44 345 22 1/2 228 29 Phoenix 90, Utah 80 Indiana 110, Minnesota 100 Pct GB L.A. Lakers 106, Orlando 100 Milwaukee 122, Golden State 95 .630 .536 26 27 Cleveland 101, Detroit 94 New Jersey 101, Washington 91 518 472 8 1/2 28 Monday's Games Seattle at Boston, 7 p.m 407 .375 35 14 Indiana at Charlotte, 7 p.m. Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. 321 17 167 25 Portland at Houston, 8:30 p. Golden State at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Atlanta at Utah, 9 p.m Pct GB Orlando at Denver, 9 p.m .685 Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m. 18 .673 1/2 Tuesday's Games 22 24 26 28 39 .607 Cleveland at Toronto, 7 p.m. Washington at Miami, 7:30 p.m. .579 5 1/2 Seattle at New York, 8 p.m. Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. .509 9 1/2 .316 20 1/2 Dallas at Vancouver, 10 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m. Pct GB L

Shuttle pit stop scheduled HOUSTON (AP) — The shuttle Columbia is scheduled to make a Texas pit stop en route to Florida from California atop a modified Boeing 747 if weather conditions are favorable, the space agency

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The shuttle is expected to land at Ellington Field in Houston as early as Monday afternoon.

Poor weather over Southern California and the southwestern United States has scrubbed NASA's plans to return the shuttle through Texas en route to the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Rain and clouds on Sunday kept the shuttle at Boeing Co. facilities in Palmdale, Calif

But space agency officials said Sunday they were hopeful that lingering showers would let up in time for a morning liftoff.

The first shuttle orbiter to be launched, Columbia has conducted 26 spaceflights since 1981. But the spacecraft was sent to Boeing facilities after its most recent mission in July 1999

At Boeing, the shuttle underwent an inspection and refits which included equipment upgrades. The spacecraft is tentatively set to return to service later this year.

Another shuttle, Atlantis, landed last week at Edwards Air Force Base in the Mojave Desert. It is also expected later to make The crew of Atlantis completthe cross-country trek to Florida. ed a 13-day mission to the inter-

**Spelling Bee champs** (Community Camera photo)

Diana Mechelay, left, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School spelling bee champion, and runner-up Leda Juengerman will represent St. Vincent's at the upcoming County Spelling Bee March 9 at Lovett Memorial Library.

national space station, Alpha, where the crew delivered and installed Destiny, a \$1.4 billion laboratory considered to be the most sophisticated research module ever to fly in space.

#### GOP courts black vote with eye on next elections

WASHINGTON (AP) Leading Republicans are trying to cultivate warmer relations with blacks, seizing on President Bush's pledge to reach out to a group that votes overwhelmingly Democratic.

have met recently with minority entrepreneurs, black college presi-dents and members of the Gingrich said.

Congressional Black Caucus.

A major aim is avoiding a repeat of the dismal numbers belief that the only safe vote was from the November elections. Blacks voted against Bush by a 9-Barry Goldwater ran in 1964, enough to be in the community according to the Joint Center for defending ourselves, then why Political and Economic Studies, a black-oriented think tank.

Political observers say the high turnout among blacks and union by many Republicans. members helped Democrats pull into a 50-50 tie in the Senate.

dent and top GOP lawmakers campaign from Republicans in the African-American community," former House Speaker Newt

"By the end of October, the community had consolidated in its for (former Vice President Al) Gore," Gingrich said. "If we don't margin — the widest since honor the black community shouldn't they believe these kinds of attacks?"

It is a concern being expressed

Recently, for example, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of There was a stunningly intense As part of that effort, the presi-anti-Republican campaign from Allard of Colorado and Jim the left and a remarkably weak Inhofe of Oklahoma joined a small group of minority entrepreneurs to celebrate Black History Month and discuss ways to spur business creation.

## Panhandle Trail Riders sponsoring benefit ride

LIPSCOMB - Panhandle Trail Riders Association is costs here would be too prohibitive. Butler and wife, ciation will sponsor "The Kelley Butler Benefit Ride" beginning at 9 a.m., March 17 at the Lipscomb Arena on Texas 305 in Lipscomb. In case of inclement weather, the date will be moved up to March 24.

On June 14, 1999, Kelley Butler was thrown while breaking a colt. He landed on his head and suffered severe spinal injuries. He is now a quadriplegic confined to a motorized wheelchair. A surgeon in Washington, D.C., believes an innovate surgery that involves taking nerves from the leg and grafting them to the injured area of the spine could help Butler regain some motor function.

The experimental surgery is not FDA-approved and

seeking volunteers to ride for a worthy cause. The asso- Kim, and their four children currently reside in Darrouzett. A fund has been established at Follett National Bank.

The event will include a chuckwagon lunch and the ride fee will take the form of a \$25 donation to the Kelley Butler Fund. Children 12 and under may ride with an adult free and pay a \$5 lunch fee. For anyone unable to participate in the ride who would like to contribute to the fund, donations may be sent to the Kelley Butler Fund, Follett National Bank, P.O. Box 8, Follett, TX 79034.

Riders wishing to come on Friday evening are welcome to camp at the arena. Water will be available for the horses. For more information, contact Wayne or consequently would take place in Ecuador since the Kathryn Paul at (806) 862-4573 or at spranch@yft.net.





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## **Calendar of events**

#### PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

a.m.4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, the panhandle. call 665-2331

#### CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this spring begin-Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For ning Jan. 9. The free program is open to children 18 more information, call 669-3988.

#### TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors will more information, call 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796. PLANNED PARENTHOOD

#### Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is changing its hours. It is now open from The Alzheimer's Support Group meets the first 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A, in Pampa. For more information or for For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson at 6650 an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is 0356.

a not-for-profit health care organization serving Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from 10 women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in

#### PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school 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.

### PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

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

## ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing.

## Pampa Retired Teacher Association



#### (Community Camear photo by Howard Graham)

Roy Pennington recently discussed upcoming legislation affecting retired teachers during a meeting of Pampa Retired Teachers Association. Pennington is currently serving as president of District 16. Above, left-right: Mrs. Otto Mangold, PRTA president, Pennington and Mrs. O.C. Penn, vice president of PRTA.

### U.S. ALERT SECURITY of AMARILLO

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#### PHS SCHOLARSHIPS

Pampa High School is seeking clubs, organizations, individuals or groups interested in establishing scholarships for high school seniors. The scholarships can be for any amount. The high school will make the scholarships available to senior students at the end of February. For more information, contact Starla Kindle or Billie Lowrey at 669-4800.

#### CLASS OF 1961

Pampa High School Class of 1961 will hold its 40th class reunion this year. Anyone interested in helping plan and organize the event should contact Zip Swaney at 665-5532.

#### TSTC TECH DAY

TSTC Sweetwater campus will host a Spring Junior/Senior Technology Day March 2. Visitors will tour the campus and the various technology programs. High school juniors and seniors, parents, teachers and counselors are invited. Lunch will be served at a cost of \$3 per person. Reservations are required. For more information, call (915) 235-7300 or 1-800-592-8784 by Feb. 23.

#### CZECH SAUSAGE DINNER

St. Ann's Catholic Church in Canyon will hold its 10th Annual Czech Sausage Dinner from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, March 4 in the Parish Family Center, 605 38th St., Canyon. Take-out is available. The meal will include: Czech sausage, sauerkraut, bread, parsley potatoes, cobbler and all the trimmings. Cost of the meal is \$7 for adults; and \$3.50 for children between the ages of six and 12. Children under six eat free. In addition to the luncheon, a drawing will be held, and the fund-raiser will also feature a country store, arts and crafts and games.

#### LAD N' LASSIE PAGEANT

A new Pre-Teen Pageant is planned in conjunction with the Ninth Annual Lad n' Lassie Pageant to be held at 1:30 p.m. in Shamrock High School Auditorium at Shamrock during the Saint Patrick's Day Celebration. The Lad n' Lassie pageant is open to boys between 0-9 years of age and girls between 0-13. The boys may come dressed in either casual wear or Sunday best. The Pre-Teen Pageant is open to young ladies between the ages of 10 and 13. These contestants will compete in both Casual Wear and Sunday best as well as photo judging, short interview and public speaking. All participants must submit an entry form along with two photos and a \$10 entry fee. The photos will be published in the local paper. Late entries will pay an additional \$5. Deadline for entry is March 1. For more information or to obtain an entry form, contact Betty Lee at (806) 256-5337 or Lynette Kidd at (806) 256-3044

#### LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Lovett Memorial Library will offer four introductory, hands-on computer workshops: "Computer Comfort I" for beginners; "Computer Comfort II" for individuals who can open and close files and use the mouse; "What is the Internet?"; and "Introduction to E-Mail," for individuals who wish to learn how to establish a free web-based e-mail account. All classes are free but registration is required. Class size is limited to 10, so space is limited. For information, contact the library at 669-5780. The workshops will continue monthly through the spring.

#### **3D PROGRAM**

Free weekly classes for the Christ-centered 3D pro-

#### **TG WEBSITE**

Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corp. (TG) has revamped its "Adventures in Education" website located at http://www.adventuresineducation.org or http://www.aie.org on the Internet. Although the site is targeted to middle school, high school and college students as well as high school counselors, each section can assist parents in helping their children prepare for college. TG is a public nonprofit corporation that helps create access to higher education for millions of families and students through its role as an administrator of the Federal Family Education Loan Program. Its mission is to provide information to help families and students realize their educational and career dreams.

#### 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.

#### PATHWAYS

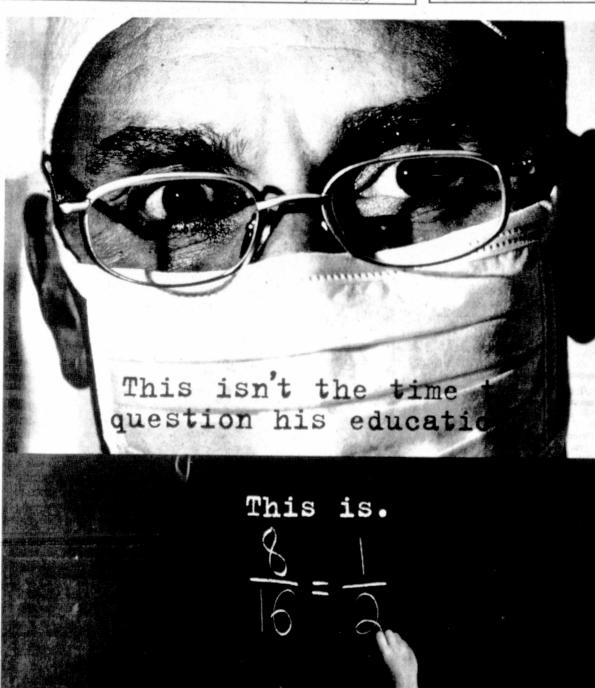
The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will offer "Pathways," a four-part support series for those who have lost a loved one, from 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesdays throughout the month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

#### IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines will also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., Feb. 7 and 21, Pampa Family Clinic, 700 W. Kentucky; 2-4:30 p.m., Feb. 5, McLean Clinic, McLean; 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m., Feb. 8, Shamrock School Clinic, Shamrock; 9-11 a.m., Feb. 16, Groom School, Groom; 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m., Feb. 26, Miami School, Miami.

#### HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: March 12, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, and, March 23, Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, both in Pampa; Feb. 7, 14, 21, 22, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; Feb. 12, Lovett Memorial Library, McLean; Feb. 15, Family Care Center, Shamrock; Feb. 16, United Methodist Church, Miami; Feb. 20, Lefors Civic Center, 103 N. Court, Lefors; Feb. 28, Parkview Hospital, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673. **CELESTIAL ARTS CONTEST** Celestial Arts is currently sponsoring a free poetry contest. A \$1,000 grand-prize will be awarded. Deadline for entry is March 10. To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less to: Celestial Arts, P.O. Box 1140, Dept. Free Contest, Talent, OR 97540. or enter on-line at www.freecontest.com.



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gram featuring the three Ds — Diet, Discipline and Discipleship — will begin soon. The program will tailor an eating plan to suit the individual tastes and lifestyles of each participant. For more information, contact Judith Loyd, 665-6127; Jamee McCarty, 669-7869; or Frankie Hildenbrand, 669-3713.

#### YMCA DIABETICS CLASS

Amarillo YMCA is offering new water exercise classes specially-designed for diabetics. Schedule of classes are as follows: 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Mondays; 6 p.m. Tuesdays; 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Wednesdays; 6 p.m. Thursdays; and 9 a.m., 10 a.m., and 2 p.m. Fridays. Cost is \$4 per class for non-members and \$3 per class with a 10-class punch pass. Y members get in free. For more information, call Cindy Gibson, fitness director, or Junior Garcia, aquatics director, at (806) 374-4651.

#### NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

National Alliance for Excellence scholarship applications are available for the 2000-01 Lucent Global Science Scholars Program, an international competition to identify and assist future leaders in the field of communications technologies. NAE administers the national portion of the competition which is open to high school seniors who are planning careers in information technologies. Students must plan to enroll in college in the fall of 2001. For more information or to request an application, contact NAE at (732) 747-0028 or visit www.excellence.org. on the Internet.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Tanya Mock, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105. **USSMADDOX REUNION** 

USS · Maddox Destroyer Association will hold a reunion Aug. 22-26, 2001, at San Antonio. For more information contact: Cliff Gillespie, 205 Wichita Ave., #605 Huntington Beach, CA 92648; (714) 960-5283; e-mail CWGILLES45@AOL.COM.

## Drilling Intentions

**Intentions to Drill** HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #4-55 Fillingin, 467' from South & 1400' from East line, Sec. 55,A-1,H&GN, PD 8300'

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & Tonkawa) SPARKS EOG Resources, Inc., #3 Lockhart '57', 660' from South & West line, Sec. 57,42,H&TC, PD 7800'.

**Amended Intentions to Drill** GRAY (PANHANDLE) Petco Petroleum Corp., #135 Worley, 1320' from South & 5' from East line, Sec. 61,3,1&GN, PD 3700'. Rule 37

Gas Well Completions HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Morrow) Amoco Upper Production Co., #3216 John C. Isaacs, Jr., et al 'I', Sec. 216,C,G&M, spud 7-23-00, drlg. compl 10-25-00, tested 1-7-01, TD 11830'

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #1023 Ramp, et al, Sec. 23,41,H&TC, spud 9-27-00, drlg. compl 11-22-00, tested 1-12-01, TD 8305'

HEMPHILL (GEM-DANDY Douglas) Questar E&P, #4054 Hostutler, Sec. 54,41,H&TC, spud 11-9-00, drlg. compl 12-6-00, tested 1-10-01, potential 1380 MCF, TD 8154', PBTd 8091' ---

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