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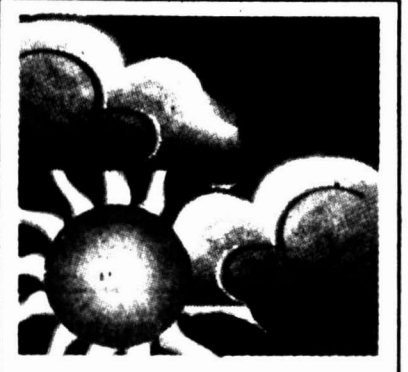
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Prom planners need more help

PAMPA — Calling parents of seniors at Pampa High School! PHS is looking for a few good volunteers ... At 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 27, a meeting will be in the PHS library for parents interested in volunteering with the senior prom. Volunteer parents unable to attend should contact Vicki Nachtigall at 669-2337 or at 669-1453.

Alvin mourns football player

ALVIN (AP) — A star Alvin High School running back who died from injuries sustained during a horse riding mishap was remembered Thursday by teachers and students in a candlelight vigil and other memorials. Chris Harris died Wednesday at Memorial Hermann Hospital of injuries he suffered March 9.

- Susie Floyd, 51, former nurse, retired teacher's aide.
- Hortense Moore, 81, mother of a White Deer resident.
- Nelson L. 'Doc' Nicholl, 85, retired veterinarian.

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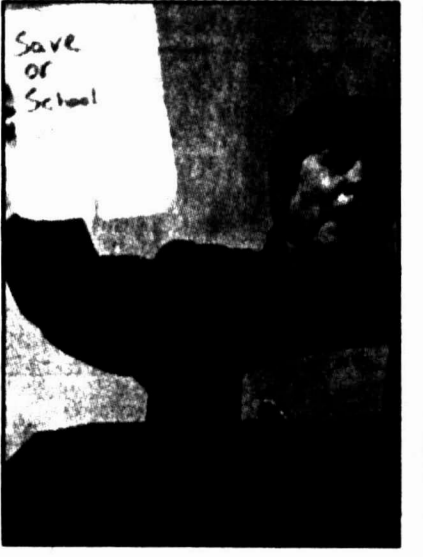
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Skellytown 5th-6th grades to move



Frankie Kreise
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By **NANCY YOUNG**
 Managing Editor

WHITE DEER — In a unanimous vote, the White Deer Independent School District Board of Trustees decided to move Skellytown fifth and sixth grades to White Deer, and reorganize them as needed.

The action came Thursday night during a special meeting. Many residents who spoke to the board at the emotional meeting said contentious attitudes between Skellytown and White Deer have existed for many years.

Skellytown's prekindergarten and kindergarten classes will be combined as will first and second grade there during the

upcoming school year. The plan also calls for the third and fourth grades to be combined.

Seventh and eighth graders from the Skellytown campus were bused this past year to White Deer. For many years, Skellytown students have traveled to White Deer High School following completion of eighth grade.

Declining population and loss of taxable valuation in the school district from just over \$400 million in 1991 to the present \$195 million were part of board consideration in reaching its decision.

Board president Joe Freeman said the move will save about \$200,000 a year.

Kelly Tull, a young mother of a third grader in Skellytown, said following the meeting, "It (the 7-0 vote) bought the Skellytown community and school a year." She believes the same issue will be facing them again next year.

While pleased her daughter will still be able to attend school at Skellytown next year, she said she is concerned about the closure of the school a year from now. She said she fears that will cause many young families to move from the community, and she wonders about the resale value of their homes.

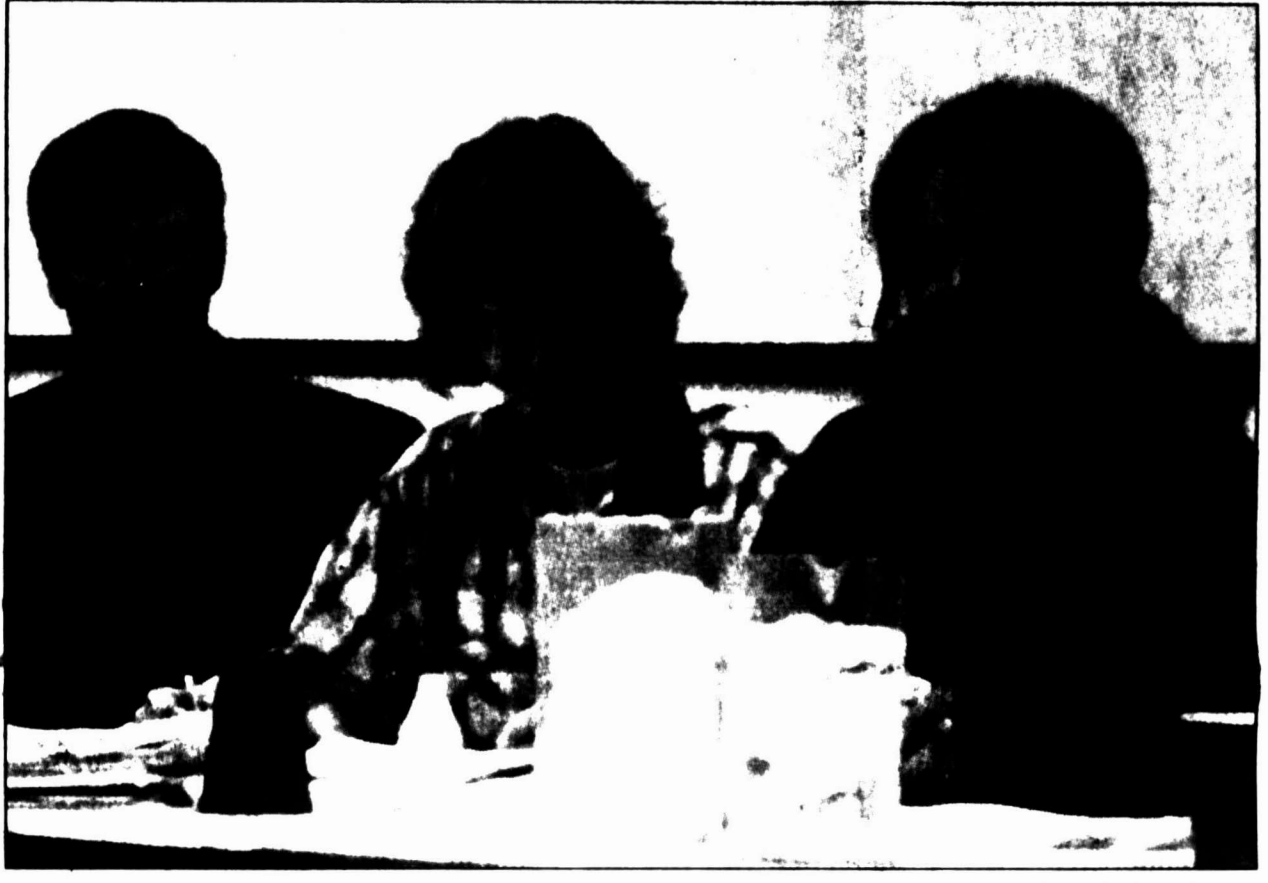


Bruce Brame
 ... made the motion

Over 200 residents of the school district crowded into the elementary school cafeteria for the controversial meeting. Many residents of the Skellytown community located about 10 miles north of White Deer addressed the board, asking them to keep the small town school open.

The audience also listened as the board declared a financial exigency, or urgency, and voted to do away with an elementary principal position. The person holding that position was not identified.

Several residents predicted Skellytown would face a major



White Deer School Board members Gary O'Neal and Sherry Kramer listen as fellow board member Linda Hawley urges the communities of Skellytown and White Deer to work together to solve the school crisis in the WDISD.

Drug bust nets arrests

Law enforcement officers serving a search warrant Thursday discovered 12 grams of cocaine in an East Francis Street residence, leading to the arrests of two people.

Justice of the Peace Kurt Curtman denied bond for Kimberly Elaine Mojica, arrested in the raid after officers learned of a warrant naming her out of Harris County. Police said Mojica, 19, whose address is listed as 730 McCullough on jail records, was wanted for violating probation on an aggravated assault with a deadly weapon charge from Houston. She remained in Gray County Jail today.

Oslo Ernesto Miranda, 23, 1213 E. Francis, also remained in jail this morning in lieu of a \$7,500 bond set by Curtman. Police arrested Miranda at his home Thursday afternoon and charged him with possession of a controlled substance over 4

grams and under 200 grams.

The arrests came after officers of the Pampa Police Department and members of the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force served a search warrant at 1213 E. Francis about 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

In the course of the search, officers discovered 12 grams of a substance believed to be cocaine, according to a press release from Col. Jerry Young. Young estimated the street value of the cocaine at \$1,200.

Some of the cocaine was located on the kitchen table in four lines as if it were about to be consumed, he said.

Cocaine users sometimes place the powdery drug in a straight line on a flat surface so they can sniff the substance into their nose through a straw.

Parking lot assault report creates mystery

Pampa police today continue to search for more information regarding an aggravated assault reported by a man visiting the Pampa hospital Thursday evening.

Lewis Albert Gutierrez of McLean called police at 9:05 p.m. Thursday to report a man threatening a woman with a handgun in the parking lot of Pampa Regional Medical Center.

When officers arrived, no people or vehicles remained in the parking lot where the incident reportedly occurred, according to police reports.

Gutierrez told police he was walking from his vehicle to the main hospital building when he heard a man threaten a woman who was about to get into her white car. He described the man as a black male sitting in a black Buick with tinted windows. The man told the woman that if she didn't stop, he would shoot her, according to the witness.

He said the woman, who was white, stopped walking when the man spoke to her and started crying.

Gutierrez said when he saw the gun in the man's hand, he went immediately into the hospital and called police.

Three police officers arrived on the scene within minutes of the call, according to police records, but found nothing. The report was turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) for further investigation.

Col. Jerry Young said the incident could possibly be part of a domestic dispute. He said both the man and woman probably left the scene before police arrived.

Anyone with additional information regarding the incident can contact the Pampa Police Department CID at 669-5700.

Girl mauled at school by teacher's dog

WHITE DEER — A 6-year-old White Deer Elementary School student is recovering today from injuries she received when she was mauled by a teacher's dog that had come to the school, according to City Marshal Jim Terry.

Little Taylor McNeely was walking with her class to lunch Thursday when she remembered she'd left her lunch money behind, her mother, Shannon Luster, told *The Pampa News* today.

"The teacher let her go back to get her lunch money, and as she was going back the dog jumped on her," Luster, of 816 Maple in White Deer, said. "I don't know if she stopped to pet the dog or if it attacked her and she doesn't really remember."

About the time the dog began to maul Taylor, Julie O'Neal, wife of school board member Gary O'Neal, ran from her car and "beat the dog with her shoe," Terry said. The dog fled.

"I was at home when a lady from the

school came to my door and said Taylor had been bitten," Luster said. "It was more than a bite. She was mauled. Taylor had blood all over her and her teacher had Taylor's blood on her clothes."

Luster was taken to the Pampa Regional Medical Center emergency room where her mother said the little girl had staples put in her scalp to close those wounds and butterfly strips applied on her face. She underwent a CAT scan as well.

"They didn't want to put stitches in her face," Luster said. "They wanted to minimize the scars. She's got a tooth mark right under one eye and her elbows look like raw hamburger meat."

Luster said more bruises have started to surface on other parts of her body. Taylor went home with her daddy, Brook McNeely, of Amarillo, last night and Luster said she'd talked with her this morning.

Terry said teacher Becky Knocke's son

is the owner of the mixed breed dog which has been quarantined as is required due to rabies regulations. After the quarantine period is over Terry said the dog will be destroyed. He issued Knocke a ticket for allowing a dog to run loose.

The Knocks live about two miles from White Deer and the dog has come to school on his own "a time or two before," Terry said. "They have kept it in the garage and have tied it up and it's gotten loose."

Luster said she has complained about dogs running loose in White Deer and said Terry has tried to help with the problem "but that's not his job."

Terry said the city's dog catcher quit about six weeks ago and the loose dog problem "has gotten a little worse." He said Jennifer Sims has been hired as the new dog catcher and though she was supposed to start Monday, the city marshal said she's on the job today.

It was about two weeks ago when two at-large dogs attacked Luster's 17-year-old pet dog, Luster said. It happened when the dog was on the porch with her children and two loose dogs came into their yard where Luster was working.

"Our dog was trying to protect the children," Luster said of the dog fight that erupted. Their dog became infected where it was bitten and had to be put to sleep.

"That was like losing a member of the family ... and now, this," she said of the attack on her daughter.

As a child, Luster said she was attacked by a dog — something she says that has made her "deathly afraid" of dogs she doesn't know.

"I just want people to care about this problem [of dogs running loose]," she said. "I worry because people are breeding meaner and meaner dogs. We have a city ordinance and a fine here for people who let their dogs run loose."

72nd Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet And Citizen Of The Year Award April 10th 7:00 PM In The MK Brown Auditorium - Tickets \$20 Per Person - Guest Speaker: Marsha Sharp, Lady Raiders Head Coach

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

FLOYD, Susie — 2 p.m., Texola Baptist Church, Texola, Okla.
MOORE, Hortense — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Palo Duro Cemetery, Wildorado.

Obituaries

SUSIE FLOYD

ERICK, Okla. — Susie Floyd, 51, died Thursday, March 22, 2001, at Oklahoma City, Okla. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Texola Baptist Church at Texola with Ralph Chapman and Norman Rushing officiating. Burial will be in Texola Cemetery under the direction of Fatheree-Albert Funeral Home of Erick.

Mrs. Floyd was born Dec. 23, 1949, at Shamrock, to Ethra Jean Francis and Thomas William Rushing, and graduated from Shamrock High School in 1968. She attended Sayre Junior College and Southwestern State University.

She married Charlie Floyd on June 25, 1971, at Texola, and the couple relocated from the Texas Panhandle to Texola in 1989.

She was an office nurse for Dr. Kendall in Texola for a number of years and was also a teachers' aide in Erick schools prior to retiring.

An active member of Texola Baptist Church, she sang for numerous funerals and belonged to McDowell Club.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie, of the home; two daughters and sons-in-law, Tracey and Andy Levick of Erick and Pattye and David Guy of Wahiawa, Hawaii; her mother, Jean Rushing of Pampa; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Norman and I.B. Rushing of Childress and Kelly and Gimmy Rushing of Pampa; a maternal stepgrandmother, Thelma Norman of Childress; her mother-in-law, Florine Floyd of Erick; four grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

HORTENSE MOORE

AMARILLO — Hortense Moore, 81, died Thursday, March 22, 2001, in Claude. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Palo Duro Cemetery of Wildorado with Dr. Norman Grigsby, Methodist minister, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mrs. Moore was born and raised at Wildorado. She married M.K. Moore in 1939 at Tucumcari, N.M. She was a charter member of St. Paul United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, M.K.; two daughters, Earlene Armstrong of Amarillo and Gail Milhoan of Olney, Md.; two sons, Byron Moore of White Deer and Dale Moore of Hereford; seven grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

NELSON L. 'DOC' NICHOLL

SAN BENITO — Nelson L. "Doc" Nicholl, 85, died March 19, 2001, at Valley Baptist Medical Center at Harlingen, Texas. Arrangements were under the direction of Buck Ashcraft Funeral Home.

Mr. Nicholl was born July 31, 1915, at Plainview, Texas, to R.C. and Mabel Nicholl. He grew up in the Texas Panhandle, graduating from Amarillo High School in 1932. He then followed his two elder brothers and became a doctor of veterinary medicine, Texas A&M, Class of 1937. While at university, he met and later married Louise Kathryn Humberston. He was the 603rd registered DVM in the State of Texas and practiced for 30 years in Pampa prior to working for the government as a veterinary medical officer or VMO.

Following his retirement in 1987, he moved to the Fun and Sun RV Park at San Benito.

Survivors include three children, Carl, Don and Diane; and five grandchildren.

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		Williams	39.70
		New York Gold	262.05
		Silver	4.35
		West Texas Crude	26.41

Police report

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

Thursday, March 22

Oslo E. Miranda, 22, 1213 E. Francis, was arrested at the residence for possession of a controlled substance over 4 grams/ under 200 grams.

Kimberly Elaine Mojica, 19, 730 McCullough, was arrested in the 1200 block of East Francis on a Harris County warrant for violation of probation for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Bobby Dewayne Lacher, 22, 1601 W. Somerville #204, was arrested for simple assault. A custody interference report was made to Pampa Police Department.

A found property report was made to the Pampa Police Department. A citizen reported finding a 24-inch crescent wrench, valued at \$50, and a 20-inch crescent wrench valued at \$40.

Theft of \$80 cash was reported in the 2600 block of Navajo.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1000 block of Mary Ellen. Nothing was reported stolen or damaged.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1600 block of West Somerville. One person was arrested and charged with simple assault. The victim suffered scratches and a split lip.

A juvenile reported an assault with minor injuries in the 600 block of South Russell.

Police received a report of domestic violence with minor injuries on Prairie Drive.

An aggravated assault in a parking lot at One Medical Plaza was reported to the Pampa Police Department. (See related story.)

Police and the drug task force served a search warrant in the 1200 block of East Francis and found 12 grams of cocaine. Two persons were taken into custody. (See related story.)

Friday, March 23

Harassment was reported in the 1600 block of West Somerville.

A domestic dispute, arguing only, was reported in the 1800 block of North Summer.

Tammie M. Bennett, 40, 1315 Coffee, was arrested on municipal charges of standing or parking in a prohibited area and failure to change name on driver's license.

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Sheriff's Office

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

Thursday, March 22

Billy John Crow, 40, no address listed, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety on charges of over tandem axle and failure to appeal.

Christopher L. Moore, 19, 420 W. Browning, was arrested on a bond surrender and motion to revoke probation for theft by check over \$20 and under \$500 out of Randall County.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, March 22

1:17 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Red Deer and transported one patient to PRMC.

2:47 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a patient transport to Baptist St. Anthony West.

Fires

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

Thursday, March 22

9:16 a.m. - Five units and nine firefighters responded to a structure fire in the 1100 block of South Dwight. The house sustained an estimated \$20,000 damage. Fire officials determined the fire was caused by children playing with a lighter in a closet. No one was injured.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance, Police, or Fire.....911
 Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
 Energas.....1-888-Energas

Events to help crash victim's family

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

David Luedecke was a person who cared about other people.

"He had so many friends," said Rick Hall. "He was well-known and well respected in the car-motorcycle world."

On Saturday many of his friends are gathering to help his family.

Luedecke was killed Dec. 16, 2000, in a motorcycle accident. He had just completed his degree through Texas State Technical Institute in Amarillo and was to begin a full-time job the first of January. He had been working part-time while he went to school, but he had no fringe benefits. When he died in December, he had no insurance.

Many of his friends have gotten together to assist his family with the many medical bills and funeral costs incurred during the last few hours of his life. They are holding a Poker Run tomorrow as well as an auction and dances to raise money to help pay those expenses.

"David probably did more for other people than he did for himself," said Hall. "We need to help him."



David Luedecke

The Poker Run is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. at 408 S. Cuyler and end at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 318 N. Cuyler. In case of inclement weather, activities will begin at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Hall said the Poker Run will probably last an hour and a half to two hours and go through a route including Lefors, Miami and the Little Red School House. He also said people don't have to be on a motorcycle to participate.

"They can even go in their cars," he said.

From 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., the band

Flashbak will be playing at the KofC Hall. Families will be in attendance for the afternoon activities. At 4 p.m., awards will be presented and a 50/50 drawing will take place.

At 9 p.m., the band Suspense will play until 1 a.m. at the Derrick Club, 2401 Alcock. He said all proceeds will go to Luedecke's family. Hall said many of the young man's friends are going to be in Pampa for the Saturday fundraiser.

Anyone wanting to assist or donate may contact Hall or Dwight Chase, 669-3219.

Texas Round Up...

Ten law officers arrested for theft, drug-trafficking

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Conrad Fragozo's attorney says he's a good police officer.

The FBI says he's a corrupt cop who made money protecting drug dealers.

Fragozo, a San Antonio police sergeant and patrol supervisor, was one of 12 people arrested Thursday, including 10 law enforcement officers, in a federal drug investigation.

In addition to the San Antonio officers, agents arrested one Bexar County Sheriff's deputy and a Bexar County constable. Nine of the officers were arrested on charges of conspiracy and attempting to possess with intent to distribute cocaine.

The deputy was charged with breaking into a car and stealing \$2,000 in public money.

According to investigators, Fragozo and the other officers were paid off to protect drug shipments from police and rival drug dealers.

Maggie Thatcher praises U.S. and Ronald Reagan

EL PASO (AP) — Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher believes that unfettered capitalism is the only economic system in the world that will ensure people remain free.

Thatcher praised the United States' commitment to free enterprise, warned of the evils of socialism and gave tribute to her friend Ronald Reagan during a speech Thursday night.

"Political freedom and economic freedom go hand in hand," Thatcher told more than 1,000 people at the El Paso Convention and Performing Arts Center. "Free enterprise works because it gives power to the people."

Thatcher, prime minister between 1979 and 1990, said she pulled her country from a thicket of government regulation and high taxes that were strangling its economy. She said her country was socialist before the reforms.

Thatcher warned of leaders who try to create government policy based on a compromise between capitalism and socialism.

Bill could set up first permanent waste site

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas could become the nation's largest

nuclear waste dump under a bill that sets up the state's first radioactive disposal site, environmentalists say.

"This bill would make West Texas a nuclear mega-mall," said Erin Rogers, grassroots coordinator for the Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club.

Some lawmakers disagree. They say that the bill allows Texas to meet its requirements to contain the waste under a compact agreement with Maine and Vermont. The compact — passed by Congress in the 1990s — is part of a nationwide plan to store low-level radioactive waste regionally.

Low-level radioactive waste is produced as a byproduct of medical, research and industrial activities and through the operation of nuclear power plants.

The compact protects the states involved from having to accept waste from other states. Maine and Vermont are close to capacity, while Texas has no permanent site.

The Senate Natural Resources Committee, of which Duncan is vice chairman, heard testimony on the bill Thursday to learn more about the proposed waste site.

Mexican artifacts returned

EL PASO (AP) — Priceless cultural artifacts seized at border crossings were returned Thursday to the Mexican government by U.S. customs officials.

Especially significant among the 24 artifacts is a clay mask from the classical period of the Teotihuacan culture near Mexico City, Mexican Consul Antonio Meza said.

"Ancient priests used these pieces during ceremonies and rituals of high sacred significance," Meza told the El Paso Times in Friday's editions.

The recovered items, described as priceless by Mexican officials, were revealed during a binational ceremony at the downtown consul's office that was attended by Jorge Pasaret, administrator of the Mexican customs office in Juarez, Mexico, and others.

U.S. Customs Service agents had seized the artifacts within the past several months at El Paso, Columbus, N.M., and Santa Teresa border crossings, said Norman Bebon, the agency's port director at Columbus.

Rafael Cruz, an archaeologist with the Mexican National Institute of Anthropology and History, said one of the items dates to about 300 B.C.

City Briefs

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WHITE DEER fire department presents Sheila Helton Country Music Show Sunday, March 25, 3:00 pm at White Deer High School Auditorium. Advanced tickets: adults \$6, children (12 and under) free and family tickets \$15. At the Door: Adults \$7.50 Tickets may be purchased from any fire department member or City Hall. Family Tickets must be purchased in advance only. Door Prizes to be given away.

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People in the News

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Go ahead and tell actor Patrick Stewart to "make it so." You'll make his day.

Stewart, 60, became closely identified with the character of starship Enterprise commander Capt. Jean-Luc Picard and his order to crew members to "make it so" during the run of "Star Trek: The Next Generation" on television and in the movie series.

It's a phrase as recognizable as William Shatner's "Beam me up, Scotty" in the original "Star Trek" TV series.

"It's charming. I'm happy and altogether pleased about that," he told The Associated Press.

Stewart, who is performing with Mercedes Ruehl in Edward Albee's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" at the Guthrie Theater, will begin work this fall on the next installment of the "Star Trek" movie series.

Early next year, he'll start work on the sequel to "X-men." He'll reprise his role as Professor Xavier, who teaches outcast mutants to use their powers for good.

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — An animal rights group dropped its defamation lawsuit against talk-show host Rosie O'Donnell after she clarified comments she made on her show about the group's opposition to leather.

Norfolk-based People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals sued for defamation after O'Donnell said on a show last year that certain types of leather pants sold at The Gap were PETA-approved.

What O'Donnell was apparently referring to was a decision by The Gap to stop using Indian and Chinese leather after a PETA campaign highlighting alleged industry abuses in those countries.

PETA opposes all use of leather. When the show refused to retract O'Donnell's statement, the group sued in Arlington County Circuit Court for \$350,000.

On "The Rosie O'Donnell Show" Thursday, O'Donnell clarified her earlier statement, saying "PETA feels no one needs to wear any leather apparel at all."

Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms.

Highs around 70. Southeast to south winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 40s. Southeast winds around 10 mph.

Becoming northeast and increasing to around 20 mph with higher gusts. Saturday, cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers. Highs 45 to 50. Northeast to east winds 10 to 20 mph.

STATEWIDE — Rainfall returned to the Texas weekend forecast as a low-pressure system moved across the state, followed by cold air from the High Plains. The small low-pressure system

was centered Friday near Mineral Wells while a weak warm front extended northeast into southeastern Oklahoma.

Along with a weak cold front in the Big Bend, weak disturbances aloft were expected to trigger thunderstorms in North and West Texas through Saturday.

Light rain fell in Amarillo. Light fog shrouded the Austin-San Antonio area of the Hill Country, parts of East Texas and the middle and upper Coastal Plains.

Visibilities fell to a quarter-mile or less along the Coastal Plains.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 40s in the Panhandle to low 60s in the lower Rio Grande Valley. Extremes were 45 degrees at

Plainview and 65 degrees in Port Aransas.

Extremes were 48 degrees in Junction and 57 at El Paso.

Winds subsided after sunset Thursday. They were variable early Friday at less than 10 mph statewide.

Scattered to numerous thunderstorms were expected through Saturday in North Texas, some severe. Isolated storms should develop in the Hill Country.

Daytime highs were forecast to reach the 50s to 70s through Sunday, with near 90 degrees on the Rio Grande Plains.

Lows overnight were expected from the upper 30s in the northwest to upper 60s in the southern areas of the region.

Fog could redevelop in South Texas.

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population loss if the board members voted to close the school and bus the students to White Deer for classes.

Board member Linda Hawley said she didn't grow up in either community, but moved into the area. "I have tried to get involved in both towns. This division between the two communities didn't just happen. It is generational," she said. She described the attitude between the two communities as being one of "general animosity."

Hawley urged the two communities to work together.

Andra Canaday of Skellytown said she believes all avenues have not been explored financially to keep the small school open. "If Skellytown loses their school, it will be devastating to our community. It will eventually destroy it," she said. She urged the board to be open to all suggestions.

Glenna Swanson of Skellytown said she opposed closing the school and busing the fifth and sixth graders. "I think all avenues of saving have not been looked into," she said.

Marjorie Woodward of Skellytown asked how much money had been saved by sending the 7th and 8th grade by bus to White Deer and questioned how much will be saved by busing the fifth and sixth graders.

She also suggested the Wind Farm would bring economic gain to the school district. Woodward said she had been told the Skellytown area pays 60 percent of the school tax compared to White Deer's 40 percent.

Lucille Lawrence said she had not planned to attend the meeting, but Skellytown School children went to her home passing out flyers advertising the meeting. She said the children had tears, begging her to help them keep the school open. She said she promised them she would be at the meeting.

She said she had heard a lot about a balanced budget and revenue. "But what about the children's feelings?" she questioned. Lawrence expressed concern how closing the school would affect the children psychologically. She suggested the trauma of busing could cause lifelong problems.

Claude Hooks, who described himself as a newcomer to the Skellytown area, said all he knew

he'd heard by rumor and innuendo. He said he had heard one reason the school would have to be closed is because of the gas bill being too high. He said he had also heard White Deer was having to comply with the "Robin Hood" law and send money to other school districts.

A former Spring Creek School board member, he spoke of the declining oil and gas valuation in the area. He said he had also heard there were eleven coaches at White Deer, and asked why so many.

Hooks urged the board to vote their conscience and have all the facts. He said a superintendent's recommendation is not always right. "You need to consider all these things before you shut down the school," he said.

Another Skellytown resident, Robert James, said he would not want the jobs of the board members having to make the decision. "The attendance has dropped the last several years, and someone hasn't been paying attention," he said.

James said there is frivolous spending in the athletic department that could be saved. "Spending \$14,000 for athletes for meals is a lot of money during a school year," he said. He asked what other actions have been taken to remedy the situation.

Frankie Kreise, an area resident for 65 years, said when he graduated from Skellytown there were 58 students in one room, and White Deer had 125 students.

A White Deer businessman for 44 years, he said, "Business is business. You can't run anything if you don't have the money," he said. "If anybody can tell us how to do this without cutting expenses, tell them."

He said community members need to volunteer and donate to help the school district. "Don't bother me to donate to the community," he said is the attitude anymore. "Right now the school has a financial problem."

Cappy Lynch, who has lived in Skellytown for 40 years, said she was very angry when she first heard about the possible closure and/or busing of students.

"Do we close school and set fire to the houses?" she said. "We need to do what is best for the kids." She said she would like to see school stay open because it is a good school. She urged the two communities to work together and not be so divided.

Killer of Earth girl dies

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A death row inmate, who had volunteered to help South Plains law officers search for a missing 5-year-old girl but was later convicted in her slaying, died after complaining of chest pains.

Eddie Rowton, a laid-off farmhand, was escorted Wednesday to a prison infirmary in Livingston, where he collapsed 15 minutes later in the exam room, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice said.

Prison officials began cardiopulmonary resuscitation and alerted emergency medical services who transferred Rowton, 47, to Memorial Medical Center.

The inmate was pronounced dead at 9:31 p.m. Wednesday, said Larry Fitzgerald, a TDCJ spokesman.

Rowton was sentenced to death in 1999 for the beating death of Shawnlee Perry, whose body was found in a field after a 111-day search by residents in the small South Plains town of Earth, about 55 miles northwest of Lubbock.

Former Lamb County sheriff's Deputy Tracy Bridges testified during Rowton's capital murder trial that the farmhand had at one point volunteered to help search for the missing girl.

John Cox, who was Earth's police chief during Shawnlee's disappearance, spent many hours trying to solve her disappearance. He said that he had planned to attend Rowton's execution before getting word of his death.

"I can't say it saddens me," Cox told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in Friday's editions. "The big judge took care of it is what it sounds like to me."

Earth Police Chief K.D. West, who also worked on the case, said, "I have no sympathy whatsoever for that monster."

Perry was abducted from her back yard on May 7, 1992 after the girl went out to play with her neighborhood friends while her mother unpacked groceries. Her body was found on Aug. 26, 1992 by a farmer in a grassy field near a dilapidated shack northwest of town.

Shawnlee had suffered several broken bones and her clothes were turned inside out.

Lamb County District Attorney Mark Yarbrough, a prosecutor in the case, said Rowton's death was a relief.

"Maybe it'll bring some closure for that family," he said. "And it's a relief also that it won't be a burden for the taxpayers."

Southern Bapt. Convention halts official talks with U.S. Catholics

NEW YORK (AP) — The Southern Baptist Convention is halting 30 years of official doctrinal talks with the U.S. Roman Catholic Church.

The two denominations, America's biggest with 78 million members between them, share belief in central Christian doctrines but ecumenical contacts have been a sore point for some Southern Baptists.

"We're not ecumenists. We're evangelicals committed to sharing the Gospel," explained the Rev. R. Philip Roberts, president of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Mo., who formerly handled interfaith relations with the North American Mission Board.

Though the denomination's 1994 meeting endorsed talks with the Catholics, Roberts said "many Southern Baptists became suspicious of these discussions."

When the talks began in 1971, both sides saw them as an opportunity to understand agreements and differences, though there was never any prospect of organizational union.

The Rev. Timothy George, like Roberts a participant in the talks on the Baptist side, noted that a small faction of Baptists had "a strong and somewhat strident reaction against this."

George, dean of Beeson Divinity School in Birmingham, Ala., said "ecumenism is not a high priority for most Southern Baptists."

Baptist officials notified Bishop J. Kendrick Williams of Lexington, Ky., Catholic co-chair of the dialogue, of the decision in a Feb. 7 letter but no public announcement was made.

Brother Jeffrey Gros, the bishops' liaison to the

Southern Baptist dialogue, said the Catholic side would have no comment.

Before contacts end, two previously scheduled meetings of the 14-member panel will be held, one Sept. 6-8 at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C., and a final session in 2002. The negotiators hope to issue a document on salvation and a summary report on their contacts.

The Southern Baptist-Catholic dialogue is one of eight official conversations with U.S. Christian branches that the Catholic bishops have established, carrying out the world hierarchy's decree on ecumenism at the Second Vatican Council (1962-65).

The Baptist dialogue produced three joint papers in the 1980s, then stalled for several years while Baptists focused on an internal political battle over the Bible. Since talks resumed in 1994 the group has issued only a 1999 statement defining different terms used concerning the Bible.

George said the discussions were significant because they were an official contact between two major groups. "I hope there will be open doors in the future," he said.

In their letter terminating discussions with the Catholics, the Southern Baptists said they would "not rule out the possibility of future meetings."

On the Net:
Southern Baptists' North American Mission Board: <http://www.namb.net>
Catholic bishops' ecumenical secretariat: <http://www.ncbuscc.org/seia/index.htm>

Man cut in two lives 3 hours; medics haul halves separately

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — A Texas man severed at the waist by an 18-wheeler lived for more than three hours, as paramedics rushed his torso by air and his lower body by ground to the hospital where he died.

Herbert Lee Grossman, 59, of Quitman, Texas, was crushed while walking in a truck-stop parking lot. The tractor, which was moving at less than 5 mph, was pulling out of a parking space.

"We got the call as a signal seven (dead person), and then a few minutes later, I heard (paramedics) saying, 'We've got breath,'" said Florida Highway Patrol trooper Melissa Pestana.

Grossman raised his arms to the paramedics, who decided to airlift Grossman's upper body to

West Florida, Regional Medical Center by helicopter, while an ambulance carried his lower body.

He was pronounced dead at 1:32 p.m.

The driver of the truck, Eddie Patterson, 55, of Lake Providence, La., had been talking to Grossman moments prior to moving his truck. The two had been checking the air pressure on Grossman's truck.

"The driver said he rolled out, looked in his rearview mirror and all he saw was legs," said truck driver Don Leggett, 53. "He just figured there would be a body attached. If you're cut in half, wouldn't you die instantly?"

Patterson was not charged, Pestana said, calling the event a "freak accident."

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Deadline fast approaching for Texas businesses to file property tax renditions

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today reminded Texas businesses to render their property with county appraisal districts by April 16. To render is to list the taxable property that businesses owned or managed as of Jan. 1, 2001.

Business owners and operators are required by law to render, but any property owner — including homeowners, farmers, and ranchers — may render their property with county appraisal districts. Rendering allows property owners to record their opinion of their property's value and ensures that the appraisal district sends them a notice before placing a higher value on their property.

Since the regular rendition deadline of April 15 is on a Sunday this year, property owners have until Monday, April 16, to render.

"Property owners who render are in a better position to exercise their rights as taxpayers," Comptroller Rylander said. "They ensure that the appraisal district has their correct address

so they will receive notices of any actions that affect their property or tax bills."

Even if the tax collector cannot deliver a tax bill because of an incorrect address, the property owner is responsible for paying the taxes, plus late payment penalties.

Businesses annually report their inventories, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and other tangible personal property. Appraisal districts use the reports to set business property values. When a business owner doesn't render, the chief appraiser estimates the value of the business property.

If more than one appraisal district appraises a property, the property owner should render in each appraisal district office. One appraisal district may appraise a property for county tax purposes, while a neighboring appraisal district may appraise the same property for school taxes, if the school district is in both counties.

Comptroller Rylander also announced that owners whose

property was damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year may file a special decreased value report that could lower their final tax bills. Property owners have until April 16 to file the decreased value report, which indicates their property's condition on Jan. 1, 2001.

Property owners who can show good cause may ask the chief appraiser to extend the rendition deadline to April 30. The chief appraiser must grant owners of property regulated by the Public Utility Commission or the Railroad Commission a filing extension to April 30, and may extend the deadline another 15 days if the owners request it in writing and show good cause.

Taxpayers may contact their county appraisal district office for rendition forms, or they may e-mail the Comptroller's property tax division at ptd.cpa@cpa.tx.state.us. Or, call the property tax hotline at 1-800-252-9121 for general property tax information. In Austin, call (512)305-9999.

Rebels reject Fox request for meeting

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's Zapatista rebels say they will stay in the capital to fight for peace, accepting a proposal to promote an Indian rights bill before Congress.

Rebel leader Subcomandante Marcos said Zapatista representatives would meet with lawmakers Friday to determine a date and format for the rebels' appearance.

"It appears that the doors to peace are starting to open," Marcos said in a late-night news conference Thursday outside the university where the rebels are staying.

"If there are no tricks, the Zapatista National Liberation Army will be in the Congress promoting the constitutional recognition of the rights and culture of the indigenous people."

In a last-minute effort to salvage peace in the southern state

of Chiapas, legislators narrowly passed a measure Thursday requiring at least 100 members of the 682-seat Congress to be present when the rebels make their pitch.

Following a two-week journey from Chiapas, the 24 Zapatista leaders had pledged to stay in Mexico City until the Indian rights bill was approved. But early this week, angry that Congress refused to let them speak from the podium of its chambers, they announced they would leave on Friday.

Although the rebels accepted the offer to speak before lawmakers, they again rejected President Vicente Fox's invitation to meet with Marcos, saying he had not yet met their conditions to reopen talks with the government.

"We have the desire for true dialogue and to reach a rapid

peace," masked rebel Comandante Zededeo said at a news conference, stressing the Zapatistas want to start talks once their conditions are met.

In addition to the rights bill, the rebels want all military bases in Chiapas closed and all Zapatista sympathizers imprisoned on federal charges released. Fox has closed four of seven bases and announced Wednesday he would turn three others into Indian community centers. Most of the jailed rebels have been released, and Fox proposed the bill to Congress after he took office in December.

Zededeo complained that the last three bases were still open and that some sympathizers remained in jail.

"You know that for many years we have been tricked with false promises," he said. "So we do not trust in words, but in deeds."

TABLE 1: February Texas Oil and Gas Drilling Permits and Completions by District

RAILROAD COMMISSION DISTRICT	PERMITS TO DRILL OIL/GAS HOLES	OIL COMPLETIONS	GAS COMPLETIONS
(1) SAN ANTONIO AREA	42	2	7
(2) REFUGIO AREA	84	9	32
(3) SOUTHEAST TEXAS	118	27	26
(4) DEEP SOUTH TEXAS	126	2	69
(5) EAST CENTRAL TX	60	4	47
(6) EAST TEXAS	83	16	54
(7B) WEST CENTRAL TX	51	23	12
(7C) SAN ANGELO AREA	103	28	39
(8) MIDLAND	185	54	18
(8A) LUBBOCK AREA	86	19	3
(9) NORTH TEXAS	83	16	18
(10) PANHANDLE	61	7	35

TABLE 2: December Texas Top 10 Oil and Gas Producing Counties Ranked by Preliminary Production

COUNTY	CRUDE OIL (BBLs)	COUNTY	TOTAL GAS (MCF)
1. GAINES	2,620,815	1. ZAPATA	27,486,240
2. YOAKUM	2,264,623	2. WEBB	25,269,734
3. ANDREWS	2,188,129	3. HIDALGO	22,574,925
4. HOCKLEY	1,924,290	4. PANOLA	20,489,445
5. ECTOR	1,772,557	5. PECOS	19,474,968
6. PECOS	949,157	6. FREESTONE	11,361,941
7. MIDLAND	927,069	7. HARRIS	10,019,897
8. UPTON	912,918	8. STARR	9,694,058
9. CRANE	912,170	9. WISE	8,467,021
10. WOOD	607,701	10. LAVACA	7,891,044

Rylander delivers March sales tax rebates

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today delivered a total of \$200.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,105 Texas cities and 119 counties, a 2.3 percent increase over the \$196.1 million allocated to cities and counties in March 2000. Sales tax rebates for the first three months of 2001 are up 4.5 percent, compared to the first three months of 2000.

Comptroller Rylander sent sales tax rebates totaling \$185.3 million to Texas cities, 3 percent higher than last March's payments of \$179.8 million. Rebates of \$15.3 million to Texas counties were down 5.4 percent compared to allocations of \$16.2 million in March 2000.

The state's six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments received \$70.9 million. Another \$6.5 million went to 58 special purpose districts.

March sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in January and reported to the Comptroller in February.

For details of sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Report on the Comptroller's web site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Friday, April 13.

Texas monthly oil and gas statistics

AUSTIN — The Texas Railroad Commission issued a total of 1,082 original drilling permits in February 2001 compared to 884 in February 2000.

Total drilling permits for 2001 year to date is 2,223, up from 1,614 recorded during the same period in 2000. The February total included 817 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 36 to re-enter existing well bores, and 229 for re-completions.

Permits issued in February included 313 oil, 301 gas, 439 oil and gas, 23 injection, and 6 other permits.

Texas preliminary December 2000 crude oil production averaged 999,149 barrels daily, down from the 1,073,350 barrels daily average of December 1999.

The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for December 2000 is 30,973,627 barrels, a decrease from 34,772,013 barrels reported during

December 1999.

In February 2001, operators reported 207 oil, 363 gas, 6 injection, and one other completion, compared to 139 oil, 338 gas, 6 injection and four other completions during February 2000.

Total well completions for 2001 year to date are 1,382, up from 1,086 recorded during the same period in 2000.

Operators reported 417 holes plugged and 73 dry holes in February 2001 compared to 437 plugged and 53 dry holes in February 2000.

Texas oil and gas wells produced 438,692,268 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas based upon preliminary production figures for December 2000, up from the December 1999 preliminary gas production total of 444,730,986 Mcf.

Texas production in December 2000 came from 147,274 oil and 53,425 gas wells.

THE "Public Auto Wholesaleathon" Hits Guymon, OK

Now, the Public can "Buy Like The Dealers Do"

Michelle Cannon, Automotive Writer
Guymon, OK - When a dealer needs to sell over 400 vehicles in just one day, how does he go about doing this? He puts every one of them on the block with bids as low as \$99. It's called "The Public Auto Wholesaleathon," the most exciting one-day sell-off in the history of Irwin Auto Co. of Guymon. It takes place this Saturday for one day only.

This is how the "Public Auto Wholesaleathon" operates. Starting Friday afternoon, all vehicles will be displayed in a fenced area of the lot for everyone to look them over. This will be the only opportunity to get inside the fence and get an up-close look at all of the vehicles before the bidding starts. Buyers will have the chance to view each and every vehicle and decide which ones to bid on the following morning. Pre-registration forms and buyers bid cards are also issued on Friday. On Saturday morning, the gates open at 8 AM for last minute registration and final issuance of buyers bid cards. Buyers should plan to arrive as early as possible. At 10 AM the bidding begins. Buyers pick out the car or truck they want and stand next to it with their bid card in hand. Premium vehicles as low as Ten Thousand Dollars. Used cars will as low as, Four Thousand Dollars. Some bids accepted on vehicles as low as, \$99. Yes, that's right, \$99.

Why wholesale every vehicle to the public? General Manager Rick Tippet says, "We're a dealership that would like to give something back to the people who have been so good to us. The "Public Auto Wholesaleathon" is the event where we all win. In November and December, our one owner used car trade-ins and low mileage lease returns have really been accumulating to the verge of having to rent a secondary storage lot. The "Public Auto Wholesaleathon" allows us to sell off our inventory and the public saves hundreds or even thousands of dollars. Buyers can expect to find vehicles priced at, or in many cases below public auction values without any of the added auction fees or red tape. We're wholesaling used cars as low as \$99 because our lot simply has way too much inventory on it. I'm sure you could imagine the huge cost of having to go out and rent a storage lot for our excess inventory. Add to that the expense of having to secure that lot, and the hassle of having vehicles in an extra location. It's just not worth it to us. We would rather wholesale them off directly to the public as opposed to selling them to other dealers or having to load all of them on transport trucks and haul

them to the auction. Instead of incurring the expenses involved in additional lot or taking them to auction, we're just going to wholesale them to the public to show our thanks."

No matter what type vehicle you are in the market for, you will likely find it here for this huge one-day sell-off. We've got an absolutely incredible selection of:

- Late model trucks from compact all the way up to 1 ton pickups, gas or diesel
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- Mini vans and Full-size vans
- Large, intermediate, and mid-size four door family cars
- Sports cars
- Compact cars, both two and four doors
- First cars and trucks for the 16 year olds

We have a great selection of used cars from 1998 models all the way up to nearly new 2001 models with just a few thousand miles on them for incredible savings to the buyer. You name it, we've most likely got it in stock, and this one day sale is a chance to save hundreds, even thousands on program and used vehicles, and it allows everybody to get a deal that before now, was only available to dealers. People in the market for a top quality car or truck will be able to buy more vehicle for less money than at any other time. With vehicles starting at just \$99, there will be something for everyone, regardless of their credit situation.

Nationwide lenders as well as independent appraisers will be on site to help virtually anyone, in any situation, regardless of your credit standing or what you own on your trade in.

The "Public Auto Wholesaleathon" is being held this Saturday only. Get here early for best selection at Irwin Auto Co. of Guymon. For further details call the "Public Auto Wholesaleathon" hotline at 1-800-858-2863.



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Bivins Nursing Center to showcase open house

CANYON — The Bivins Nursing Learning Center (BNLC) at West Texas A&M University will put a wealth of educational resources on display during a show-and-tell open house from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27.

The public is invited to tour the BNLC, which is located in the northern portion of the Engineering Technology Building — adjacent to the Baseball Field — and opened in January following a \$1.5 million building-renovation project.

The 9,000-square-foot, state-of-the-

art laboratory enables students in WTAMU's Division of Nursing to develop the knowledge and hands-on skills essential to their chosen profession. Several students are expected to be present at the open house to explain and demonstrate equipment and other resources within BNLC components such as the Acute Care Simulation Lab, the Audio-Visual Lab, the Primary Care Lab and the medication area.

"We are extremely proud of our new center, and we can't wait to show it off," Karen Haley,

director of the BNLC, said. "This is special because it gives our students the opportunity to work in a simulated health-care environment, something that is becoming more and more important in the education of nursing professionals."

The learning center adopted the Bivins designation following the Division of Nursing's receipt in October of a \$500,000 endowed grant from the Mary E. Bivins Foundation of Amarillo.

(See, BIVINS, Page 12)

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Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

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

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

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

ST. MARK CME CHURCH

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

MACEDONIA CHURCH

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

THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS

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

PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors will meet at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building.

GED TESTING

Clarendon College-Pampa Center will conduct GED testing at 9 a.m. Feb. 26 and March 26. Test-takers must bring a government-issued picture ID such as a driver's license and a Social Security card. Pre-registration is not required. Cost is \$45 or \$10 for each re-test.

SHRINE CLUB

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

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this spring beginning Jan. 9. The free program is open to children 18 months to 5 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

CPF

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

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.

GRAY CO. 2002 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Organizers of the Gray Co. 100th birthday celebration will hold a planning session at 5 p.m., Thursday, March 29 in the Chamber of Commerce conference room. Community leaders, organizations and individuals interested in volunteering with the 2002 anniversary effort are encouraged to attend.

FBC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

First Baptist Church Women's Fellowship will stage a "Super Spud-tacular Baked Potato Supper" on Tuesday, March 27 with guest speaker Gwynne Howard. The topic of Howard's presentation will be "Contentment: The Springboard to Creativity." Participants must RSVP by March 25. Cost of the meal will be \$4. For more information, call 669-1155.

TOP O' TEXAS REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Top O' Texas Republican Women will meet from 11:45-12 noon, Wednesday, March 28, at Furr's Cafeteria in Pampa. Visitors are welcome.

LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Local Friends of the Library will sponsor the annual library book sale March 29-April 1 at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. Sale hours are 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Thursday and Friday and 2-5 p.m., Sunday. New books are added daily. Donations will also be accepted at the sale.

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

In lieu of the March meeting of the Gray County Genealogical Society, there will be a computer workshop from 2-3:30 p.m., March 28 at Lovett Memorial Library. Pre-registration is required. If you have not previously been contacted, call 669-5780 to register.

TOP O' TEXAS CATTLEWOMEN

Top O' Texas CattleWomen Scholarship application forms are currently available at area schools. A scholarship in the amount of \$500 and two in the amount of \$250 will be awarded. Students in the following counties are eligible to apply: Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler. The application deadline is April 27. Applications must be returned to Sandra Christner by that time. Christner's address is: P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, TX 79096. For more information, call (806) 826-3572 or (806) 826-5719.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE SEMINAR

Frank Phillips College in Borger will be the site of a seminar with Dr. Pamela Brown, Extension Home Based Business Specialist, Saturday, March 31. The seminar, co-sponsored by Hutchinson Co. Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Committee and FPC Allied Health Department, will include information on community resources.

Kathy Farmer, Hutchinson County Library Children's coordinator, will discuss the local library as a resource. Other speakers and topics include Percilla Newberry, Allied Health coordinator; Tracy Tellman, Child Passenger Safety specialist with Texas Department of Transportation; and Jana Pronger, Hutchinson Co. Extension agent, discussing nutrition, sanitation, first aid, CPR and Child Passenger Safety. Registration deadline is March 28. CEUs will be issued for the seminar which will include a \$20 class manual. For more information, call (806) 878-4026 or (806) 274-5311, ext. 749 or 1-800-687-2056.

SEVERE WEATHER WORKSHOP

A Severe Weather Workshop will be conducted from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., April 7 at Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium in Amarillo. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. The workshop is free and open to the public.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR BANQUET

The annual Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Banquet will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 10 with guest speaker Marsha Sharp,

Lady Raider head coach. Catering will be by R&R Catering. Tickets must be purchased in advance from the Chamber, 200 N. Ballard, at a cost of \$20 per person. For more information, call 669-3241.

WALK FOR LIFE

Pregnancy Support Center of Pampa will host its annual "Walk for Life" fund-raiser at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, April 22, in Recreation Park. Sponsored walkers will receive a free T-shirt. For more information or to volunteer, call PSC of Pampa at 669-2229.

TURKEY STRUT FESTIVAL

The first-ever Donley County Spring Turkey Strut Festival will be held April 21 and 22 in downtown Clarendon. Activities and entertainment will include: Turkey cook-off, craft show, Kids Turkey Strut Contest, Parks and Wildlife demo, Strolling Bluegrass Fiddlers, wildlife viewing, raffle, KEFH Street Dance, turkey breakfast, nine-hole golf scramble and a turkey shoot. For more information, call (806) 874-3889 or visit www.aceno8westtexasbedandbreakfast.com on the Internet.

Austin Science Fair



(Community Camera photo)

Austin Elementary School conducted its science fair prior to the High Plains Regional Science Fair held recently in Amarillo. Students representing the school at the regional competition were, first row, Tyler Morris, Colden Fortenberry, Nicole Heersema (first place), Erica Schepp (third place) and, second row, Ariel Parry (second place), Stephanie Polasek, Kathryn Cree and Jacey Wagner.

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I once read the following letter and have always found it challenging. Hope you do, too.

AN OPEN LETTER TO GOD
You see, God, it's like this... We could attend church more faithfully if Your day came at some other time. You have chosen a day that comes at the end of a hard week, when we are all tired out. NOT only that, but it is the day following Saturday night, when we have a party or attend some other social/recreational activity, and usually it is after midnight before we get home. In fact, the children are often late for Sunday School because it is difficult for us to get up early enough to be on time. It is usually after 9 o'clock before we get the breakfast dishes washed, and then it is time to think about Sunday dinner.

You have picked out the very day on which the morning paper takes the longest to read and the day on which we have the biggest dinner. Then, too, we must think of Dad. He is cooped up in his office all week and Sunday morning is the only time to clean the car and for doing odd jobs around



Rev. Derrell Monday
Central Baptist Church

the house. And you know how he enjoys fishing. You can't blame him for going when he can. The whole family enjoys a picnic, and Sunday is the only time the family can have some recreation together.

I am telling You all these things, God, because I want You to see our viewpoint and that it is not our fault we are not able to go to church. We would like to go and we know we should, but the real reason we cannot go is that You have chosen the wrong day. If You will select another day, we shall give it further consideration.
Sincerely,
I.M. Delinquent

It certainly isn't hard to find all kinds of excuses for not joining together with God's people in a place of worship on the Lord's Day, but may we take to heart the Lord's admonition "...not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:25).

Service marks pastors' 35th church ministry anniversary

Tears, hugs and handshakes characterized worship last Sunday morning at First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock.

The congregation joined in honoring pastors Albert and Mary Maggard, who had just completed 35 years of ministry to the church. In a moving service, arranged by deacon Eugene Stubbs and Music Director Barbara Roe, the Maggards were praised for their long years of service in Pampa.

Various members publicly expressed appreciation and related events in which the Maggards had touched their lives during the past 35 years. Several members of the church 35 years ago are still here and were in attendance at this service.

At times, the congregation joined in laughter as amusing events and fun times were recalled. Tears were shed as deceased loved ones were remembered. It was observed that Pastor Maggard had conducted funeral services for three generations of one family — with Mrs. Maggard furnishing the music on those occasions. Vigils, funerals, christenings, Baptisms, classes, retreats and other special times were related.

Mary, who presently teaches the Ladies Bible Class, taught the teenagers for several years. These young people, now with children of their own, often visit with her and joke about the good times in Sunday school.

Albert and Mary Maggard, with their then young children Adrian and Susan, came to Pampa and had their first services here on Sunday, March 16, 1966. They previously pastored in Denver, Colo., and Guyton, Okla. Adrian, who was 5 years old, and Susan who was 3, when they moved here both went through the Pampa school system, graduating from Pampa High.

This was unusual for pastors' children since most are uprooted a few times and attend several school systems during the pastoral career of their parents. The Maggards are proud grandparents of Vanessa Dawn Fisher, who is a nurse and college student in Amarillo, and Albert Gregory Maggard, a first grader in Kermit, Texas.

Deacon Stubbs reviewed some of the changes which have taken place in the facilities of the church during the Maggards' tenure. The addition of central air conditioning, several major remodeling projects which saw new lighting, new plumbing (a project that involved replacing all water, sewer and gas lines), the addition of storm windows, glass front entrance doors, ridding the pews, purchase of a grand piano, a new and enlarged study for the pastor, new restrooms, a lower ceiling, bricking the outside of the church, installation of the sound system purchase and demolition of two houses west of the church as well as a large modern kitchen and fellowship hall.

He pointed out the continuing efforts to carry out these projects without creating a load of debt

for the church. When, at times, borrowing was necessary, the congregation rallied to pay off the loans earlier than they were due. The property is completely debt free.

Several people contributing to the progress of the church during this period were mentioned. William Hahn Sr., and William Hahn Jr., are responsible for the sign painting along with a great deal of concrete work and carpet laying. Charles Fleming did much to beautify the church and was the designer and creator of the beautiful "Tree of Memories" in the entrance way of the building. Chuck and Charlotte Hall, in addition to their generous contributions, made an interest-



Pastors Albert, Mary Maggard
Maggards' tenure has been possible because of a relationship of love between both the pastors



Front row from left, Albert Maggard, Mary Maggard, Barbara Roe, Lucille Romero, Nan Hahn, Loretta Wright, and Katie Chavez. Back row, from left, Bill Roe, George Keeton, W.J. Welch and Glenn Wright.

free loan to the church so that the bricking could be done. Mary Maggard purchased and donated the wall-to-wall carpet in the sanctuary and foyer.

Many others have spent long hours working and sacrificially so the church could go forward. Although he didn't mention himself, Eugene Stubbs has also been a major help to the church during these years — furnishing and working with earth-moving equipment, loyally supporting the church, designing and supervising the fellowship hall construction. The list would be too long to recognize everyone, but all agreed that the success of the church throughout the



Faye Fleming and George Keeton

Albert and Mary Maggard, with their then young children Adrian and Susan, came to Pampa and had their first services here on Sunday, March 16, 1966.

and the congregation. The church is steadily growing in attendance and spirituality.

In an old-fashioned expression of appreciation, everyone present Sunday morning marched past Albert and Mary Maggard with their hugs, handshakes and thanks, leaving an offering on the altar. The service was followed with lunch being served in the fellowship hall.

Deacon Stubbs stated, "The Maggards make a great team. They've been here a long time, but we still love them. They've blessed us with great preaching and music."

The Maggards expressed their gratitude for the privilege of serving the Lord with this fine congregation where love and unity are evident.



Several members of Harmony Music Outreach (HMO), a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing Christian musical events to Pampa, meet recently to discuss plans for the Janet Paschal concert at M.K. Brown Auditorium June 4. They are, from left: Paul Searle, Allen Snapp, Bob and Phyllis Jeffers. Next meeting is set for 7 p.m., April 5, at The Coffee Shop, 220 n. Cuyler. All interested persons are welcome to come to the meeting. For more information about HMO, contact Paul Searle, 669-3535. For more information about Janet Paschal, look up www.janetpaschal.com.

Westside Church of Christ to host series

During the week of March 25-30, Westside Church of Christ, 1612 W. Kentucky, will host a special series by Clark Dugger of Tyler, Texas.

Dugger will explore the conditions of salvation beginning with the authority of scripture and ending with the faithfulness of Christians.

The series will get under way at 9:30 a.m. Sunday with "The Purpose of Scripture" followed

by "Preach the Word" at 10:30 a.m. and "The Faith of Abraham" at 6:30 p.m. Services will continue at 7:30 p.m. nightly, Monday through Friday, with "Sorrow that Saves," "Baptism: From Heaven or Men?," "The Bride of Christ," "We Won't Do It!" and "Maintaining Your Faith."

The Friday presentation will be followed by a period of praise and worship. The services are open and free to the public.

Lenten schudule for St. Vincent de Paul

The Lenten Schedule for St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church - Daily Mass is as follows:

- Monday, 7 p.m. (Spanish) - Church
- Tuesday & Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. in Church
- Thursday & Friday, 7 a.m. in the Chapel
- School Mass every Friday, 11 a.m. - Church
- Prayer Group - Monday, 7:30 p.m. in the Church
- Rosary - Tuesday, 3 p.m. in parish office
- Confessions - 4:30 p.m. Saturday in Church

Parish Penance Service - Monday April 9th, 2001 - 7 p.m.

- Holy Thursday, April 12th, 7:30 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Good Friday, April 13th, 7:30 p.m. - Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
- Saturday, April 14th, 9 p.m. - Easter Vigil
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Sharing a House With Mother Fills Her Daughter With Dread

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 34-year-old mother of four kids, ages 17 to 6. My 9-year-old boy has been raised by my mother since he was 6 months old. I was in the middle of a divorce when he was born. I wanted to give him up for adoption, but Mother would not have it. I usually never let my mother make decisions for me, but in that case, I thought she might be right. My dad, mother and older sister took the baby and moved away.

Three years ago, they all moved back into the subdivision in which I live with my second husband and three other kids. Dad died four months later. My sister (age 50) died the following year. Now my 76-year-old mother — who does not drive — depends on my two older brothers and me to get around.

My brothers won't allow Mother to move in with them unless she gives my son back to me, because



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

me it's wrong to have sex in the middle of the day, and that I should spend all my waking hours with the kids until they're grown. Only then will I have time alone with my husband. I told her that may have been good for her, but it's not for me.

What do you think?

TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT THING

DEAR TRYING: While I understand your mother's firm stance in not "giving back" her grandchild, what she is proposing is a recipe for disaster. Do not buy a home with her unless it is a duplex or one that includes a separate mother-in-law unit. Privacy is essential to your marriage, and your mother's ideas, while they may have worked for her, are outdated.

their children are grown and gone. She said, "Over my dead body." Now she is asking my husband and me to sell our home so we can buy a bigger one with her.

Abby, I'm not sure I can handle my mother living with us, constantly checking on me and my every move. My husband and I like to have time alone. We can't afford to do much, so we let the kids stay overnight with friends so we can have the house to ourselves. Mother

ly, from you. Tonight: Express more of your leadership characteristics.

This week: Aim for what you want. An associate surprises you. Think carefully on Wednesday before making any changes. Take your time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Give in to a natural escapist tendency so your imagination rules and your day-to-day cares dissolve. Make plans accordingly, opening up to new places and ideas. You opt for the exotic and different. You become a child again. Let your laughter warm others. Tonight: Don't head home right away.

This week: All eyes turn to you. You have many ideas, but you are likely to be challenged on Wednesday. Thank someone for his feedback. You get the universe's green light on Thursday.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** A partner decides to open the door and let you into his mind. Avoid, judging. Just let the bonding happen. Another does appreciate you, and he lets you know it. Rearrange furniture or freshen up your office. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

This week: Seek out an expert and different opinions. The more information you get, the wiser your choices. Accept feedback on Wednesday, even if you are uncomfortable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Listen to another carefully and discuss what is on his mind. Your sensitivity to others must come out. You could find it difficult to cater to someone who is somewhat bellicose or rebellious. Still, you can get past the moment if you want. Run errands and maybe go to the movies with friends. Tonight: Let another make the first move.

This week: Deal with others one-on-one. You might be disturbed by a misunderstanding or problem on Wednesday. But on Thursday, you work it out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** You often push very hard to meet all your responsibilities. Put your feet up and relax. You might not be sure of what you want and expect from those around you. Try having no expectations! Be willing to spend money to make the day and your life easier. Tonight: Consider a gym membership.

This week: Screen calls, as many seek you out and want you. Be especially

careful with funds midweek. Listen to a trusted associate on Thursday.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Dig into your childlike side and frolic away. If you have kids, they will love this delightful side of you. Friends will also laugh and join in. Give up worries. Start a new hobby you have been thinking about, even if it might seem silly. Why not enjoy yourself? Tonight: Heat up the night.

This week: Dig in to work and forget about being so social for now. You could have a problem with a co-worker or associate. On Wednesday, network and return calls.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Establish better rapport with someone close to you, like a roommate or family member. You might not always be so willing to share what is going on with you. Discussions make you feel well cared for. Don't hesitate to reveal a source of frustration and difficulty. You get support and suggestions. Tonight: Happy at home.

This week: Your creativity solves problems, but at the same time, you could be antsy for more fun. In the long run, your diligence pays off.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Pick up the phone and make plans to get together with someone. Catching up on another's news makes both of you happy. Get together for a long brunch or perhaps a walk through a flea market or gallery. Relaxing with friends helps you recharge. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

This week: You might not choose to express all that is going on. On Wednesday, frustration peaks. It will get better soon.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Be more in touch with your financial needs. Don't talk. Sit down and work out your budget. Then follow your budget. Some of you might do your taxes to see just how much you and Uncle Sam will exchange. Rethink recent work and budgetary decisions. Tonight: How 'bout a treat?

This week: Return calls. Answer e-mail. Your efficiency counts to others. Help a higher-up or boss alleviate tension on Wednesday.

For Better or For Worse



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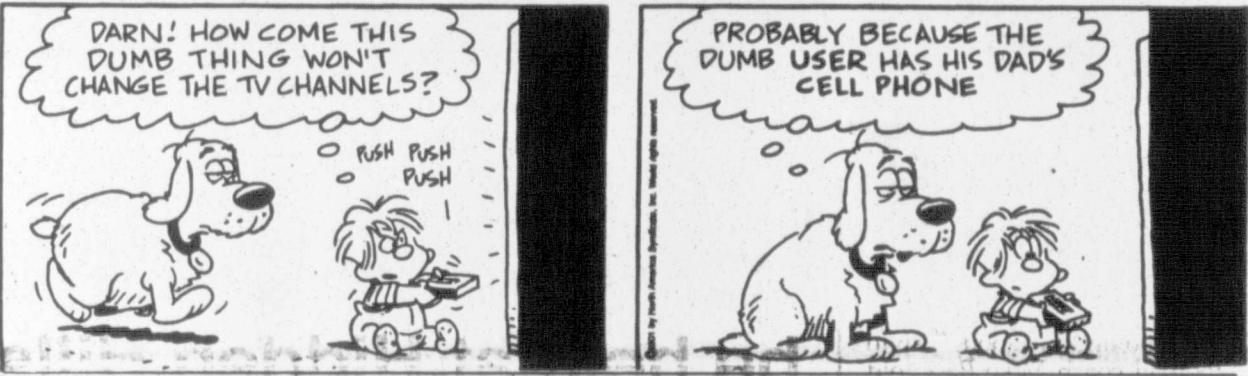
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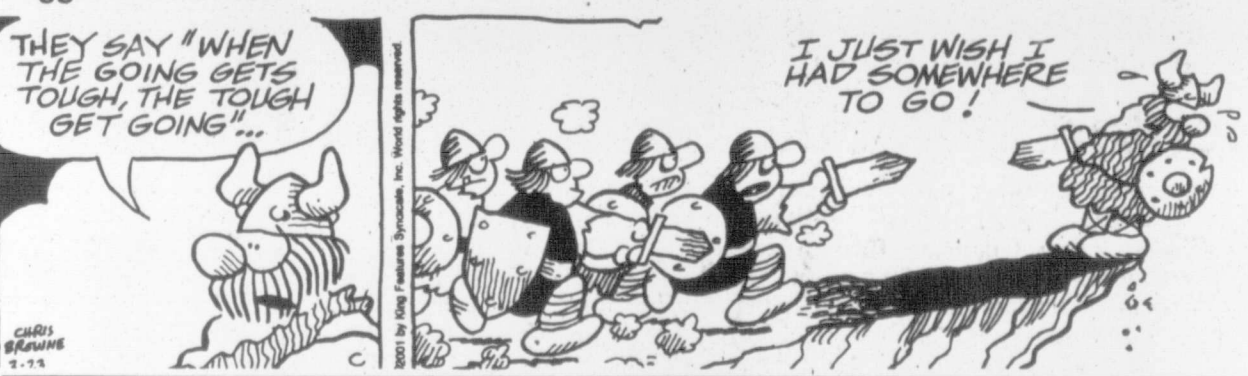
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Horoscope

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2001

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** Use the pleasant nature of the moment to escape. Do something you have been putting off that you enjoy, like a walk in the forest or mountains. Invite another to join you, packing a lunch or planning on eating out. Renew your mind and body while letting go of recent stress. Tonight: Call a loved relative or friend at a distance.

This week: Excitement surrounds business, but you question the financial ramifications. Think hard before making any commitments. By Thursday, you will know what to do.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** You don't need to say much — or do anything, for that matter. You might want to loll around the house. Whatever you do, no one pushes you, so you shouldn't push, either. A partner expresses enthusiasm and wants your company. Tonight: Plan your Monday.

This week: The moon in your sign illuminates you, the pluses and the minuses. Listen to the universe's feedback, and you will gain.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Though you might find a lazy quality to this moment, you opt to get together with friends. A relationship develops softer undertones because of your willingness to participate. Support a friend, realizing just how important your backing is. Tonight: Respond to another's overture.

This week: Keep a special idea to yourself until you see and know more. Revise your opinions accordingly. By Thursday, you opt to speak your mind.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Others come to you. You might want to make a decision about how much more responsibility you want to take on. Invite family and friends over for a fun, last-minute dinner. Others readily pitch in. Another might want more, emotional-

Crossword Puzzle

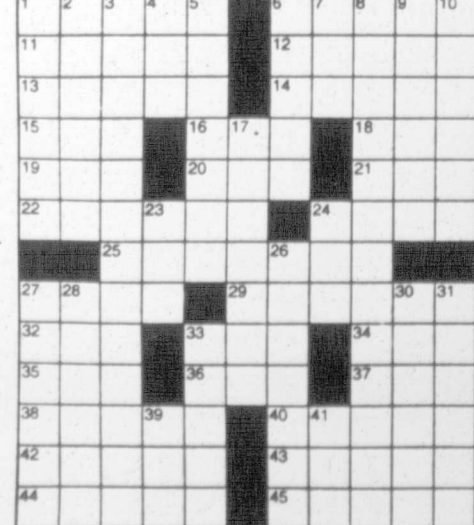
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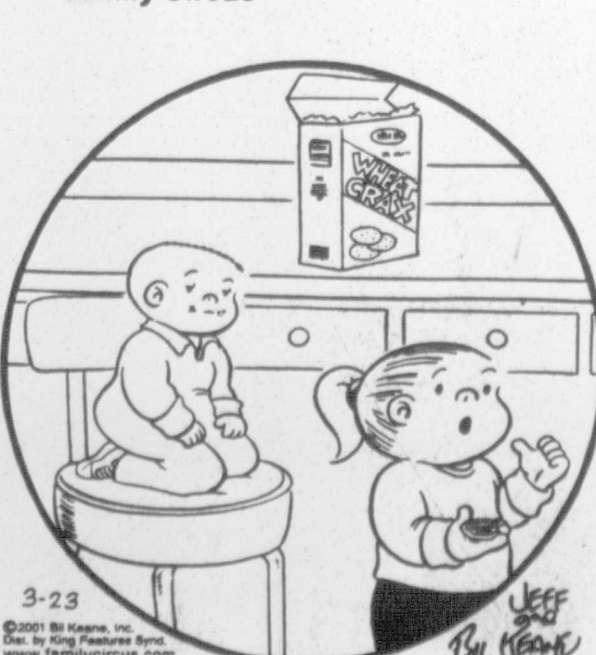
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Marmaduke



"Do you think he'll give us a discount because Marmaduke is helping?"

The Family Circus



"PJ licked the peanut butter off his cracker and put it back in the box."

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BASEBALL

PAMPA will continue Monday for 2000 Leagues 5 from 5:30 p.m. Optimist Pa Volunteer to help with and soft. Interested? 669-3397 or PAMPA - Youth Club baseball sign Elementary tonight from and Saturday p.m.

Additional on Monday through Wednesday 28 from 6 p.m. Baker. For further contact Pete 669-6023 or 669-1740.

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BASEBALL

PAMPA — Late signups will continue tonight and Monday for the Optimist 2000 Baseball-Softball Leagues. Signups will be from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Optimist Park.

Volunteers are also needed to help with both the baseball and softball programs. Interested persons can call 669-3397 or 669-9817.

PAMPA — Pampa Kids & Youth Club will be having baseball signups at the Baker Elementary gymnasium tonight from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Additional signups will be on Monday, March 26 through Wednesday March 28 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Baker.

For further information, contact Peter Rodriguez at 669-6023 or Robert Siaz at 669-1740.

GENERAL

ALVIN, Texas (AP) — A star Alvin High School running back who died from injuries sustained during a horse riding mishap was remembered Thursday by teachers and students in a candlelight vigil and other memorials.

Chris Harris died Wednesday at Memorial Hermann Hospital of injuries he suffered in the March 9 accident. He was hospitalized after a horse he had been riding along Texas 6 near Manvel leaped onto the highway where a car struck him.

A memorial service was scheduled for 5 p.m. Saturday at Alvin Memorial Stadium.

Since the condition of Harris, 17, had been improving since his injuries, his death shocked those at the school.

"Up until Tuesday, he had been doing real good," Alvin football coach Mike Bass told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's editions. "It caught everyone by surprise."

Students gathered in small groups on the Alvin High football field between classes Thursday to remember Harris. The 5-foot-8, 160-pound junior rushed for more than 1,000 yards and 15 touchdowns last season for the Yellowjackets.

BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles Clippers are young, confident and most importantly, uninterested in the organization's history of losing.

The NBA's second youngest team won its 25th game of the season Thursday night, beating the Houston Rockets 97-92.

The win marked the fifth time in the franchise's 31-year history that the Clippers have won at least 10 more games than the previous season. They were an NBA-worst 15-67 last season.

"Every player is on the same page, and that's why we've been winning lately," center Michael Olowokandi said. "We've been making a statement to other teams."

Houston finished 1-3 against the Clippers after sweeping four games over them last season. It's the first time the Rockets have lost three times to the Clippers since 1984-85 — their first year in Los Angeles and Hakeem Olajuwon's first in the NBA.

"We knew it was going to be tough coming in here to play the Clippers because they play every game hard," said Steve Francis, who led Houston with 30 points and nine rebounds.

Los Angeles is 12-12 since ending January with nine straight losses. This recent stretch began with a 101-84 victory over the Rockets — the Clippers' first win at Houston since January 1997, and only their second there since November 1986.

The only thing that would make their success against the Rockets that much sweeter would be if these three victories cost former Clipper Maurice Taylor his first post-season appearance.

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The Texas South Plains could be the perfect fit for a man who thrives on independence as much as former Indiana coach Bob Knight.

Most people in Lubbock believe in taking care of their own, hard work is a way of life, friendships are made over a morning cup of coffee at a local diner and family, religion and conservative values are held in the highest esteem.

On Friday, Texas Tech University and the region that surrounds it will begin to see if the independent spirit of the region and the volatile coach can mesh.

Knight was expected to be named the university's 12th head coach during a news conference at United Spirit Arena — which could draw more fans than the Red Raiders did in their less-than-desirable performances all season.

Those who have spent time in both Bloomington, Ind., and Lubbock say Knight won't suffer too much culture shock when he begins to call this West Texas city with red brick downtown roads and an occasional dust storm home.

Lubbock and Bloomington are cut from similar cloth, according to some, and that's what makes Lubbock attractive to the General.

"He likes remote areas," Tech president David Schmidly said of Knight. "This is not a big city man. He and his wife visited here and they enjoyed Lubbock — even the sandstorm didn't bother him. He thinks this would be a good place for him to resume his career. He's positive about Texas Tech."

And Tech is positive about him. "I think he's one of the best basketball coaches to ever live," Schmidly said earlier this week. "I think if we can get him here and his behavior is right and he is energetic, enthused and has the same values that all of us have in West Texas and Texas Tech — I think it could be a very good decision on our part."

Texas Tech history professor Ron Rainger isn't convinced the decision is the best one for the university where he has taught for 17 years, but after doing

his graduate work at Indiana University he sees the similarities between the two communities.

"They are both communities that are very steeped in traditional values and religious values," he said. "Neither community is one that really likes or supports a lot of criticism."

Such a lack of criticism will play in Knight's favor, the professor said.

"Knight was very much loved by people throughout Indiana. They often revered him," Rainger said. "There is also going to be a lot of support for him here because for many people he represents the traditional values of discipline and hard work. And even if his behavior goes a little bit too far, it goes toward achieving those principles, so it's overlooked."

But that doesn't mean Knight isn't going to have to watch his p's and q's while coaching in West Texas, Rainger said.

Last fall, first-year Texas Tech football coach Mike Leach found himself under criticism for playing a profanity-laced song as a memory trigger for his players during games. Leach implemented the system as a way to relate to his players and get them to remember certain goals emphasized in practice.

It worked great until some complained of the profanity in one of the songs. To rectify the situation, Leach eliminated the song and asked the university's band to help out with his memory-triggering exercise.

"If Coach Knight does come out as very aggressive or using a lot of bad language, some people may have a problem with it," Rainger said.

Texas Tech music professor Bill Hartwell, who also completed his graduate work at Indiana, said the only thing missing in Lubbock is the amount of hunting and fishing available near Bloomington. Both are favorite pastimes of Knight's.

But other than less access to outdoors activities, Hartwell expects the coach to feel right at home.

"He'll have his independence and

he'll enjoy it here," the music professor said. "I think he's really going to fit in. The students will just envelop him like a glove."

The main hill Knight will have to climb in this otherwise flat region will be finding a way to overcome the popularity of football and Tech coach Marsha Sharp's former national championship Lady Raiders, who capture a larger crowd than their male counterparts.

"I suspect Knight didn't really have to think about the women's basketball team in Indiana," Rainger said. "Knight was the show in Indiana. But here, the Lady Raiders are the top billing and that is going to be a real difference for him."

"It's going to be very hard for anybody to match the popularity of what Marsha Sharp has going, even with Knight coming in as the new 800-pound gorilla."

Looking at the Letters

A sample of "letter to the editor" comments about Bob Knight in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal:

"...College athletics is a 'business' (that brings in a lot of money). Lubbock citizens should take a look around. This city stays alive because of Texas Tech and what it brings to this city. This is a business! There is not a better candidate for the job! (Bob Knight entertains; has winning teams; can fill a coliseum; and gets lots of publicity coverage...all of which mean 'money.') Unless we want Lubbock to deteriorate, we better start making better business decisions, and this is a great business decision. I just would like to add 'judge not, lest you be judged.'" — Jennifer Hardee of Lubbock, March 22.

"Like so many Tech fans, I am anxious for the men's basketball program to turn around. I am not, however, ready to compromise the integrity of the program and the University for a winning record. While being a huge fan of James Dickey, I will accept the possibility that the basketball program may need to take a new direction. Unless there has been a divine intervention to reform his character, new direction under Bobby Knight is not what is needed." — Michael Donald of Cedar Hill, March 10.

"Coach Knight has held his players to a high degree of academic ability. The coach also has, at the beginning of many years, occasionally given the student body at IU a stimulating 'pep talk' on keeping a high rating of academics and quality of living. Granted, Coach Knight has a temper and this fact should not be ignored. But the good coach deserves a chance!" — Charles Baumgardner of Franklin, Ind., March 22.

"Think about what you are contemplating. By associating Texas Tech with Mr. Knight is stating his past actions are something the good people of West Texas care nothing about as long as the Red Raiders have a winning basketball team. My character and standards are not for sale. I thought my school had the same. That is my connection. I will always be a proud Red Raider, but I am ashamed that the Tech athletic administration would even entertain the thought of hiring a character (or lack there of) like Mr. Knight." — Cacy K. Saffery, Frisco, March 10.

"This is a simple issue...if Texas Tech wants to get to the next level in basketball, then some tough decisions will have to be made. Hiring Bobby Knight is one of them. I don't understand what everybody is afraid of? I don't personally care for Knight, but he will boost us to the next level. If you're a true Red Raider fan, you'll agree. Bring on the General!" — Phillip Flamm, Lubbock, March 10.

"As far as hiring Coach Knight goes for Texas Tech, I think you will be happy you did. He will graduate players and won't allow any boosters too much access to players. I hope coach Knight will be more diplomatic with the media. You will not find a more loyal coach to his players than coach Knight while they are playing for him and after graduation. I know Texas Tech has had some scandal and I will assure you there will not be any under coach Knight. Good luck to you all!" — Curt R. Singrey, Warsaw, Ind., March 10.

"I am very excited, and admittedly jealous, for the students and alumni at Texas Tech that coach Bob Knight will be named as head coach of the men's basketball team. As an alumnus of Indiana University, I was saddened and angered that my alma mater, which I used to be so proud of, fired a coach of Knight's caliber. Not only is Texas Tech hiring an excellent basketball coach, but it is also hiring a man that expects excellence of the court from his players. While coaching at IU, Coach Knight graduated his players at a record pace for Division I programs." — Greg Moorman, Bloomington, Ind., March 10.

"I can't help but feel that all the work Chancellor Montford has done over the past few years in bringing Tech's standards up could all be lost in one brief moment...I am certainly all for Tech getting a first class, top-notch basketball coach, but I would simply prefer that coach to be a person with class, morals, and self-discipline — a person who can solidly, unquestionably represent Tech as a first class, top-notch university." — Deborah Williams, Salado, March 16.

Benefit scramble will be held at Hidden Hills

PAMPA — On March 31, there will be a 1-man or woman scramble to benefit Hidden Hills.

Cost is \$35, which includes all fees.

Contact David at 669-5866.

Hidden Hills Seniors held a 4-man scramble Thursday.

Results are as follows: First place: Elmer Wilson, Harold Comer, David Crossman and George Gamblin, 63.

Second place: Jack Mitchell, Howard Wells, Fred Epperly and Larry Heard, 63.

Third place: Eldon Maxwell,

Ken Williams, Ed Langford and Marvin Allison, 63.

Fourth place: Bill Hammer, Bob Lyle, Jim Jensen and Jess Mathis, 64.

Closest to the hole: No. 6, Jack Mitchell; No. 8, Jerry Dorman; No. 12, John McGuire; No. 15, Irvin Williams.

Hidden Hills pro David Teichmann was the instructor for a middle school golf class. Putting champions of the week were Ben Briscoe (boys) and Stacy Pepper (girls).

Chipping champions of the week were Kyle Ward and Royce O'Neal.

Pampa team takes first at Miami Tournament

MIAMI — The Pampa 3rd-4th grade J & J Globetrotters won their age bracket at the MAYO (Miami Youth Organization) Benefit Basketball Tournament last weekend in Miami.

The Trotters won all four games they played by an average of 15 points.

The Trotters defeated Cheyenne, Okla., Stinnett and Panhandle twice.

Team members are John Luke Covalt, Hayden Skinner, Heath Skinner, Casey Trimble, Mathew

Smith, Ryan Jimenez and Thomas Fraser. The Trotters are coached by Jeff Skinner and Monte Covalt and sponsored by Joe Skinner of J & J Motor Co.

The tournament was held to assist Kelley Butler of Darrouzett who was left paralyzed in a horse riding accident. Approximately \$40,000 was raised in his behalf.

The Trotters played at the Optimist Club this year and are entered in the Perryton Tournament this weekend.

Winning Sixers



(Special photo)

The Sixers, a 3rd-4th grade team in the Pampa Optimist Club, won both league and tournament championships this season. The Sixers ended the season with a 16-1 record. Team members are (front row, from left) Chris Sutherland, Bradley Laughlin, Reid Bradley and Terry Davis; (second row, from left) Michael Davis, Hayden Skinner, Heath Skinner, Nathan Stillwagon and Nick Riley; Coach Jeff Skinner (back row).

Astros' Lima ready to put dismal 2000 season behind him

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**, AP Sports Writer

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Jose Lima prefers to just forget last season.

The Houston Astros struggled to a 72-90 record last year, ending a streak of three straight division titles. Lima suffered through a personal nightmare as well.

After winning 21 games the year before, and going 37-18 his first two full major league seasons, Lima lost 16 games in 2000.

He won his first start, then lost a franchise-record 13 straight games.

"It was one of those years you just have to forget about," Lima said. "It surprised me. They hit me real good. I was down on myself, but I learned a lot. I'm human, but I can bounce back."

Lima played in the Dominican Republic over the winter, utilizing the extra playing time to correct small flaws in his delivery. He also worked to fully develop a two-seam sinking fastball, a pitch that should force hitters into more groundballs — a necessity in hitter-friendly Enron Field.

"It gives him an extra weapon," Astros catcher Brad Ausmus said. "He's been in

past situations with the bases loaded or men at first and third with less than two outs, and never really had a pitch to get that double play ball."

"The two-seamer gives him the ability to get two outs with one pitch. I think it's going to be his best pitch."

Last season, Lima had a 6.65 ERA and gave up 48 home runs.

He gave up 64 homers the previous two seasons, but his overall ERA while playing about half of his games in the Astrodome was nearly three runs lower.

The right-hander said he is encouraged by the two-seamer

and the return of Ausmus.

Ausmus and Lima were teammates in Detroit, then traded to Houston in a nine-player deal after the 1996 season.

Ausmus was traded back to the Tigers prior to the 1999 season, spending two years there before returning to the Astros in a six-player trade this past offseason.

"I've got one of the best catchers behind me. He's going to help me a lot," Lima said. "I'm the happiest guy on Earth. I think there can't be anything better to me than having him back."

Upon his return, Ausmus

said he gave Lima some simple advice.

Ausmus, the Astros catcher during Lima's breakthrough 16-8 season of 1998, told the pitcher to remember four things: "Stay back, Stay on top, Stay down, Use your fastball." The advice is written on the inside bill of Lima's cap as a reminder while he is on the mound.

"I'm ready and I'm real anxious. I know I'm going to have a good year this year," Lima said. "My goal now is to go out there, do my job and take one game at a time. But comeback player of the year sounds good."

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Self repeating last year's success at new address

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Nearly every NCAA tournament produces its share of up-and-coming coaches who lead underdogs into the late rounds and become targeted by programs looking for a change on the sideline.

Repeating that success at their new address usually takes time. Often, it never happens.

Then there's Illinois and its first-year coach, Bill Self.

Self guided seventh-seeded Tulsa within five points of the Final Four last season and is back in the regional semifinals this year with top-seeded Illinois (26-7).

The Fighting Illini, who haven't been this far since reaching the Final Four in 1989, can put Self in a second straight Midwest Regional final if they can beat fourth-seeded Kansas (26-6) tonight.

"He did a great job with Tulsa, taking them to the elite eight, so he kind of knows what to expect," guard Sean Harrington said. "He's guiding us through this whole process. He coaches with a lot of intensity and a lot of energy, and I think that rubs off on us."

Illinois missed the tournament two years ago, then was knocked out in the second round last year by Florida, which went to the finals.

The challenge Self faced was inheriting a roster of talented players recruited by someone else to play another style. However, the transition couldn't have been smoother as the guys clicked with his personality and ended up preferring his up-tempo system to former coach Lon Kruger's more methodical approach.

"The adjustment we made wasn't easy, but at the same time it wasn't hard because I think everyone on the team in high school wanted to run and gun, wanted that kind of game," said Frank Williams, the Big 10 Player of the Year. "He just lets us play that way."

Williams credits Self for helping him blossom as a sophomore after an inconsistent freshman year under Kruger.

"I think he's brought a little more leeway to the game," Williams said. "He lets us make mistakes out there and he lets us correct them. If we don't correct them soon enough, we'll be sitting beside him on the bench."

Self said the trick with Williams was setting strict parameters while letting him do whatever he wants within those margins.

"I don't want to take away his imagination. He's got the best imagination of any player I've ever coached or been around," Self said. "Last year, in a structured situation, maybe he felt like he was tied up too much. Whether that's right or wrong, now I feel like he's playing with a free mind. But he's not abusing the freedom."

The 37-year-old Self also won over the Illini by being one of the boys.

"We obviously respect him a great deal for his knowledge of the game, Xs and Os, stuff like that," forward Lucas Johnson said. "But to be able to balance that with being able to kind of bring himself down to our level and be buddy-buddy with us off the court — it just made the transition period that much easier."

Self also knows Kansas well. He was a graduate assistant

under Larry Brown on the 1985-86 team that lost to Duke in the Final Four, then coached against and scouted the Roy Williams-guided Jayhawks during seven seasons as an assistant at Oklahoma State.

Kansas is back in the regional round for the first time since 1997.

"I wish I'd been here sooner, but I'm enjoying this one," said Kenny Gregory, one of two seniors. "What happened in the past doesn't matter."

Stanford turns back Cincinnati

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Just as Cincinnati feared, Stanford was too big and too strong.

The top-seeded Cardinal flexed their muscle inside to pull away in the second half and beat the Bearcats 78-65 Thursday night in the NCAA West Regional semifinals.

Setting a school record with its 31st victory against two losses, Stanford advanced to Saturday's regional final against third-seeded Maryland, a 76-66 winner over 10th-seeded Georgetown.

Casey Jacobsen, playing down the freeway from his hometown of Glendora, scored a career-high 27 points and hit two 3-pointers to tie the single-season Stanford record of 82.

Jason Collins had 15 points and eight rebounds, and 7-foot twin Jarron added 14 points and seven rebounds. The Cardinal controlled the boards 36-25 and forced Cincinnati into 39 percent field-goal shooting.

Kenny Satterfield led the Bearcats (25-10) with 24 points.

Working out



(Photo by Grover Black)

Chris "Cookie" Perez of the Youth Survival Club of Pampa works out on the punching bag in preparation for the Pac Man Tournament on Saturday in Woodward, Okla. When asked about the tournament, the undefeated Perez said: "I want to go to this one bad." Among the other Pampa boxers expected to make the trip are Larry Clark, Celia Mora, Bobby Sanchez, Michael Wilkison and Joshua Perez. For more information on the Youth Survival Club or the boxing program, call 665-8329.

Scoreboard

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League Individual Results

Caprock League
Men's high scratch game: Cory West 299.
Men's high scratch series: Cory West 714.

Harvester Women's League
High scratch game: Peggy Smith 226. High
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Wednesday Night Mixed League
Ladies high scratch game: Judy Anderson
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Ladies Trio League
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Stars of Tomorrow League
Girls high scratch game: Ashleigh Burns
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Hess 225. Boys high scratch series: Shaun
Smith 539.

Harvester Couples League
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Nolte 591. Men's high scratch game: Steve
Nolte 274. Men's high scratch series: Tommy
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Ladies high scratch series: Diane Sims 578.
Men's high scratch game: Tim Hill 234.
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NCAA Basketball Tournament

At A Glance

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OPENING ROUND
Tuesday, March 13

At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio

Northwestern State 71, Winthrop 67

EAST REGIONAL
First Round

Thursday, March 15

At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Uniondale, N.Y.

Kentucky 72, Holy Cross 68

Iowa 69, Creighton 56

Boston College 68, Southern Utah 65

Southern California 69, Oklahoma State
54

At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.

Utah State 77, Ohio State 68, OT

UCLA 61, Hofstra 48

Duke 95, Monmouth, N.J. 52

Missouri 70, Georgia 68

Second Round

Saturday, March 17

At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Uniondale, N.Y.

Southern California 74, Boston College 71

Kentucky 92, Iowa 79

At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.

Duke 94, Missouri 81

UCLA 75, Utah State 50

At First Union Center
Philadelphia

Regional Semifinals

Thursday, March 22

Southern California 80, Kentucky 76

Duke 76, UCLA 63

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 24

Southern California (24-9) vs. Duke (32-
4), 7 p.m.

SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round

Friday, March 16

At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.

Gonzaga 86, Virginia 85

Indiana State 70, Oklahoma 68

Michigan State 69, Alabama State 35

Fresno State 82, California 70

At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans

Temple 79, Texas 65

Florida 69, Western Kentucky 56

Penn State 69, Providence 59

North Carolina 70, Princeton 48

Second Round

Sunday, March 18

At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.

Gonzaga 85, Indiana State 68

Michigan State 81, Fresno State 65

At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans

Temple 75, Florida 54

Penn State 82, North Carolina 74

At the Georgia Dome
Atlanta

Regional Semifinals

Friday, March 23

Georgia State (26-4) vs. Gonzaga (26-6),
7:38 p.m.

Penn State (21-11) vs. Temple (23-12), 25
minutes after first game

Regional Championship

Sunday, March 25

Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round

Friday, March 16

At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio

Illinois 96, Northwestern State 54

Charlotte 70, Tennessee 63

Kansas 99, Cal State Northridge 75

Syracuse 79, Hawaii 69

At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.

Butler 79, Wake Forest 63

Arizona 101, Eastern Illinois 76

Mississippi 72, Iowa 70

Notre Dame 83, Xavier 71

Second Round

Sunday, March 18

At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio

Kansas 87, Syracuse 58

Illinois 79, Charlotte 61

At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.

Arizona 73, Butler 52

Mississippi 59, Notre Dame 56

At The Alamodome
San Antonio

Regional Semifinals

Friday, March 23

Arizona (25-7) vs. Mississippi (27-7), 7:55
p.m.

Illinois (26-7) vs. Kansas (26-6), 25 min-
utes after first game

Regional Championship

Sunday, March 25

Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL
First Round

Thursday, March 15

At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego

St. Joseph's 66, Georgia Tech 62

Stanford 89, North Carolina-Greensboro
60

Kent State 77, Indiana 73

Cincinnati 84, Brigham Young 59

At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho

Georgia State 50, Wisconsin 49

Maryland 83, George Mason 80

Georgetown 82, Arkansas 67

Hampton 58, Iowa State 57

Second Round

Saturday, March 17

At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego

Cincinnati 68, Kent State 43

Stanford 89, St. Joseph's 83

At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho

Maryland 79, Georgia State 60

Georgetown 76, Hampton 57

7:38 p.m.

Anaheim, Calif.

Regional Semifinals

Thursday, March 22

Maryland 76, Georgetown 66

Stanford 78, Cincinnati 65

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 24

Maryland (24-10) vs. Stanford (31-2), 4:40
p.m.

THE FINAL FOUR
At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome
Minneapolis

National Semifinals

Saturday, March 31

East champion vs. West champion
South champion vs. Midwest champion

Game times: 5:42 and approx. 8:12 p.m.

National Championship

Monday, April 2

Semifinal winners, 9:18 p.m.

NCAA Women's Basketball

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EAST REGIONAL
First Round

Friday, March 16

At Stegeman Coliseum
Athens, Ga.

Missouri 71, Wisconsin 68

Georgia 77, Liberty 48

At Reynolds Coliseum
Raleigh, N.C.

Villanova 66, Drake 58

North Carolina State 76, Delaware 57

Saturday, March 17

At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion
Storrs, Conn.

Connecticut 101, Long Island University 29

Colorado State 83, Maryland 69

At The Thomas Assembly Center
Ruston, La.

Texas Christian 77, Penn State 75

Louisiana Tech 84, Georgia State 48

Second Round

Sunday, March 18

At Stegeman Coliseum
Athens, Ga.

Missouri 78, Georgia 65

At Raleigh Sports Arena
Raleigh, N.C.

North Carolina State 68, Villanova 64

Monday, March 19

At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion
Storrs, Conn.

Connecticut 89, Colorado State 44

At The Thomas Assembly Center
Ruston, La.

Louisiana Tech 80, Texas Christian 59

At Mellon Arena
Pittsburgh

Regional Semifinals

Saturday, March 24

Missouri (22-9) vs. Louisiana Tech (30-4),
11:37 a.m.

Connecticut (30-2) vs. N.C. State (22-10),
2:07 p.m.

Regional Championship

Sunday, March 25

Semifinal winners, 7:07 p.m.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round

Friday, March 16

At Thompson-Boling Arena
Knoxville, Tenn.

St. Mary's, Calif. 68, Texas 64

Tennessee 80, Austin Peay 38

At Cintas Center
Cincinnati

Clemson 51, Chattanooga 49

Xavier 80, Louisville 52

At United Spirit Arena
Lubbock, Texas

Virginia Tech 77, Denver 57

Texas Tech 100, Pennsylvania 57

At Mackey Arena
West Lafayette, Ind.

LSU 83, Arizona State 66

Purdue 75, UC Santa Barbara 62

Second Round

Sunday, March 18

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At Cintas Center
Cincinnati

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At United Spirit Arena
Lubbock, Texas

Texas Tech 73, Virginia Tech 52

At Mackey Arena
West Lafayette, Ind.

Purdue 73, LSU 70

At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center
Birmingham, Ala.

Regional Semifinals

Saturday, March 24

Tennessee (31-2) vs. Xavier (30-2), 12:07
p.m.

Texas Tech (25-6) vs. Purdue (28-6), 2:37
p.m.

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 24

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WTA&M events ...

McNair Scholars. West Texas A&M University is accepting applications now through March 26 for the McNair Scholars Program. Low-income, first-generation college students or minority students with a minimum 2.75 GPA and of junior or senior standing are encouraged to apply. Students selected for the program will each receive a \$2,800 stipend for an eight-week summer research program under the guidance of WTAMU faculty mentors. For more information, contact Mike Cook, director, at (806) 651-5294 or Scott Edwards, academic coordinator, at (806) 651-5295.

Intro to Investing. The Continuing Education Center at West Texas A&M University will offer a 12-hour introductory program for individual investors who are interested in learning more about setting realistic financial and investment goals. Topics include government bonds, tax-free bonds, mutual funds, life insurance, cash management, insured corporate bonds, tax-deferred annuities, common stocks, retirement accounts and certificates of deposit. The class will meet in Old Main, Room 213 from 7-9:30 p.m. Mondays beginning April 16 through May 14. Cost is \$35 per person or \$55 per couple. **Registration deadline is 5 p.m. April 13.** For more information or to register, call (806) 651-2037.

University Sing. The Student Activities and Student Organizations offices at West Texas A&M University will sponsor the annual University Sing at 8 p.m. Friday, March 30 in Northern Recital Hall. The annual

event is a vocal talent competition between student organizations on the WTAMU campus. Each competing group is given up to 12 minutes before a panel of judges to vie for a \$500 first-place prize. Performances will be judged on musical quality, creativity, choreography and appearance. University Sing is open to the public and tickets, priced at \$1 each, are available at the information desk in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center. For more information, call (806) 651-2313.

Simon Lake Exhibit. A collection of photos, books and memorabilia of Simon Lake, a pioneer in submarine technology, will be on display through the end of March at Cornette Library on the West Texas A&M University campus. The exhibit is the collection of Dr. John Poluhovich who wrote the biography Argonaut: The Submarine Legacy of Simon Lake. Simon launched his first working submarine in 1894, and his work in underwater navigation provided a basis for modern submarine design and construction. For more information about the exhibit, call (806) 651-2214.

Student Recitals. Three students in the Department of Music and Dance at West Texas A&M University are busy preparing for their senior recitals. Ginger Wiscombe, flute, senior music major from Odessa, will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 25 in Northern Recital Hall on the WTAMU campus. Rebecca Herb, senior dance major from Abilene, and Jesus Pacheco, senior dance major from Canyon, will present their senior dance recital at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 31 in

Northern Recital Hall.

Student recitals are part of the degree-completion requirements for music, music composition, music education, music therapy and performance majors. The recitals are free and open to the public. For more information, call (806) 651-2840.

Duo-Piano Recital. Annie Lin and Steven Hall will present works by Brahms, Mozart, Milhaud and Gershwin in a duo-piano recital beginning at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall on the West Texas A&M University campus. The recital is sponsored by the WTAMU Department of Music and Dance.

Lin, a lecturer at the University of Southern California Thornton School of Music, has performed as a soloist and keyboard collaborative artist throughout the United States as well as in Canada, Taiwan and Europe. She is the recipient of numerous awards including the 1999 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award from the Keyboard division at USC. In addition to performing and teaching, Lin is also an active adjudicator and records for Capitol Records.

Hall, an independent teacher in the Dallas area, has performed concerts in the United States, Europe and Taiwan. His recitals and recordings have been broadcast on television and radio including "Performance Today." His awards include several first-place prizes in national competitions. Hall is active as a performer, adjudicator, lecturer and recording artist.

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AUSTIN — The Stampede continues towards the 40th annual meeting of the Texas Panhandle

Lakeshore cleanup in offing at Meredith

FRITCH — The 18th Annual Lakeshore Cleanup at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area will get under way with check-in at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 28. A "Trash Bash" party is scheduled after the cleanup at 12:30 p.m. complete with a free lunch, entertainment, souvenirs and door prizes.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for people to demonstrate their pride and commitment to their National Recreation Area," said park Superintendent John Benjamin. "The spring cleanup is a chore that far exceeds the capacity of park staff to do without help. Texas Lakeshore Cleanup at Lake Meredith is truly one of the great examples of citizenship in action in the Panhandle. We are very grateful to all the folks who will be taking their Saturday to join us in this worthwhile effort."

The park is expecting over 1,500 volunteers to take part in the event including Scouting groups, 4-H clubs and church groups. Over eight tons of trash was collected during last year's cleanup. For more information, contact the park at (806) 857-3151.

Alumni Association seeking nominations

CANYON — The Alumni Association at West Texas A&M University has begun accepting nominations for the annual Distinguished Alumnus Award as well as for the 2001 University Excellence Award.

Award winners will be recognized during the Alumni Association's 38th Annual Phoenix Club Banquet Saturday, May 5 in the Dr. Hazel Kelley Wilson Banquet Hall of the Alumni Banquet Facility.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award is presented to WTAMU graduates who are professionally successful and who contribute to the betterment of the University, society and their profession.

The University Excellence Award goes to a WTAMU staff or faculty member with at least three years of outstanding service to WTAMU, students, the community and their profession.

Nominations for both awards will be accepted through Wednesday, April 4.

Individuals who were nominated in 1999 and 2000, but not selected either year, will be considered for the awards this year, Brown said.

To obtain nomination forms or for information about the Phoenix Club Banquet, contact the Alumni Association at 806-651-2311.

Heritage Foundation, the non-profit producer of the musical drama "TEXAS", slated April 7 at Tascosa Country Club in Amarillo. TPFH members and new guests with interest in supporting the musical are welcome to attend.

Cactus, a renowned emcee, toastmaster, actor, writer and after-dinner speaker, has entertained some of the world's most famous people including Presidents Ford, Carter, Reagan and Johnson.

Indeed, he was a favorite emcee of Lyndon B. Johnson for many years, entertaining such notables as President Ayub Kahn of

Pakistan, Chancellors Adenauer and Erhard of Germany, President Diaz Ordaz of Mexico, the ambassadors to the United Nations and many more.

He has appeared as emcee of stage appearances with such stars as James Stewart, John Wayne, Raquel Welch, Dean Martin, Sonny and Cher, James Cagney, Doris Day, Lucille Ball and the list goes on. Cactus is the author of the best-selling book, "Inside Texas," and has also appeared in a number of motion pictures including "Hellfighters" with John Wayne. TPFH is excited to share center stage with this outstanding artist!

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The endowment is intended to ensure that the BNLC will be equipped with cutting-edge technology and instructional materials for nursing education that will be crucial in the 21st century.

"The generous support given us by the Mary E. Bivins Foundation is going to ensure that technology and equipment in the center remains state-of-the-art," WTAMU President Russell C. Long said when the grant was announced. "Obviously, this is good for our students, good for our faculty and good for employers in the health-care sector. But I think the greatest beneficiaries of this ultimately may be those patients who rely so greatly upon the nursing graduates of West Texas A&M University."

"I feel it is most appropriate that this facility bear the Bivins name," Long said.

Several members of the Mary E.

Bivins Foundation board of directors are expected to be present for the open house.

The spacious BNLC dwarfs the Division of Nursing's previous Learning Center and Nursing Lab, which when combined offered less than 2,000 square-feet of space in separate locations in Old Main.

Although designed to resemble actual hospital and doctor's office settings, the BNLC is not intended as a treatment center for "real" patients. Exercises involving simulators (mannequins) and, sometimes, human volunteers are what will help WTAMU nursing students learn, according to Haley, who said many such exercises will be demonstrated during the open house.

"Sometimes we might bring volunteers in to serve as patients so that our students can work on their interviewing and communication skills, but the BNLC is a resource center for learning, not for treating real patients," Haley said.

Red Cross proclamation



(Special photo)

Pampa Mayor Robert Neslage recently signed a proclamation declaring March Red Cross Month. Witnessing the signature was Jana Gregory, executive director of Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross. The local chapter serves seven counties in the surrounding area.

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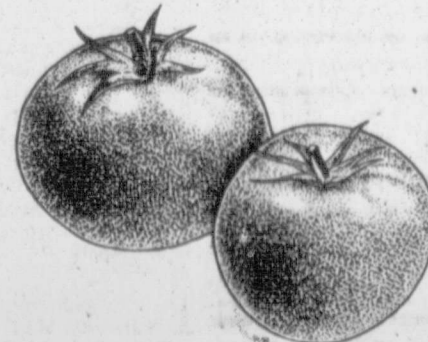
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