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WDISD votes to close Skellytown cafeteria

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

SKELLYTOWN — Skellytown School cafeteria will close at the end of this school year.

Although some residents from the Skellytown community voiced objections saying they are not being treated fairly, the seven-member White Deer Independent School District Board of Trustees voted 5-1 to close the cafeteria. Board member Sherry Kramer voted against closing the cafeteria while Linda Hawley abstained on the vote.

Board members and school administrators have been working to trim the school budget as the WDISD is projected to have a \$240,000 deficit.

Superintendent Danny Ferrell said the move will save White Deer ISD \$15,000 in personnel expenses during the next school year. He said the entire school district's cafeteria program is \$45,000 in the "red."

Kramer objected to closing the cafeteria stating, "I think we really need to think carefully about this." She said the school district needs to examine other expenses such as library and the



Marjorie Woodward ...against cafeteria close



James Pesch ...WDHS student

amount spent on athletic meals.

Voting to close the cafeteria were Gary O'Neal, Terry Lewis, Kent Kelp, Bruce Brame and Joe Freeman. Kramer and Brame reside in the Skellytown community.

Ferrell said White Deer cafeteria personnel will prepare the food in White Deer and send it on the 10-mile journey to Skellytown. He said certified food handlers at Skellytown will

serve the food.

The superintendent also said personnel cuts in the cafeteria will be based on seniority, and said the cafeteria employees with the longest tenure are at Skellytown. He said the veteran cafeteria personnel from Skellytown will have the first shot at positions in White Deer.

Some Skellytown residents continue to say they have not (See SKELLYTOWN, Page 3)

Pride inside!

It's here. The 2001 edition of Pampa Pride.

Each year at this time the staff of *The Pampa News* hands over several months of work to you — our readers and our neighbors. We say thanks to each of you who allowed yourself to be interviewed and photographed and gave of your time to help make this issue a special one. We also say thanks to the advertisers without whom the section could not have been produced.

This year the section is 64 pages and also contains *The Little Harvester*, a 12-page tabloid that is the student newspaper at Pampa High School.

Other sections are Business and Industry, Images, A Day in the Life, Inspiration, Education and Our Heritage. Both Pampa Regional Medical Center and the Pampa Economic Development Corporation have special sections that are a part of Pampa Pride.

New this year is A Day in the Life. Staff writer/photographer David Bowers spent 24 hours documenting the goings on in the city ranging from police officer's working to children getting ready to head off to school.

The popular Images contest was repeated this year and we're sure you'll agree there are some great photos...they range from the beautiful to touching to downright funny. We say thanks to everyone who contributed pictures.

(See PAMPA, Page 3)

PEDC releases list of Top Employers

The Pampa Economic Development Corporation has released its annual Top Employers Survey. The firms and the number of employees are:

- Pampa Independent School District — 500
- National Oilwell — 378
- Celanese Chemicals Division — 358
- Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice — 350
- Pampa Regional Medical Center — 280
- City of Pampa — 175
- Wal-Mart — 150
- Hudson Drilling Company — 150
- Gray County — 150
- Cabot/All Divisions — 130
- Titan Specialties — 125
- Mundy Co. — 89
- United Medicorp — 68
- J.E. Carlson, Inc. — 50
- Hanover-Dunlap — 50
- W.O. Operating — 50
- Nickles Industrial — 45
- B&B Solvent — 45
- Billy Scribner Welding, Inc. — 35

Crash leaves man critical, hurts others U.S. 60, McCullough head on

Three Pampans suffered serious injuries in a head-on collision at U.S. 60 and McCullough Street late Thursday while a fourth walked away from the wreck.

The driver of one of the vehicles, Homer Max Gibson, 79, 1800 Beech, remained in critical condition in the intensive care unit of Northwest Texas Hospital (NWH), hospital officials said today, after being transferred from Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) early this morning.

Martha Childers, 34, 321 N. Dwight, driver of the second vehicle, was listed in satisfactory condition at NWH emergency room after arriving there from the Pampa hospital about 9:30 a.m. today, officials said. Hospital officials said Childers was to be moved to an inpatient room shortly.

A third person injured in the wreck, Fern Ritter, 64, 1020 1/2 Christine, was listed in stable condition at PRMC, officials reported.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Trooper David O'Brien said the three were injured in a head-on collision at approximately 9:30 p.m. Thursday. Alexander Coleman, 49, 110 N. Wells, a passenger in the Childers vehicle, declined treatment and left the scene, O'Brien said.

DPS reports indicate that a 1990 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Childers was traveling west on McCullough (also Texas 750) when it failed to stop at a stop sign and crashed into a 1984 Buick Regal driven by Gibson. The Buick was eastbound on U.S. 60, O'Brien said.

The two vehicles came to rest in the eastbound lane, blocking traffic. (See CRASH, Page 3)

Indictments handed up

WHEELER — Wheeler County grand jurors Thursday handed up three indictments to 31st District Judge Steven Emmert.

A Florida man, John Dewayne Williams, 32, of Orlando, was named in an indictment for possession of marijuana in connection with an offense on May 9, 2000. Bond was set at \$25,000.

Paul David Topper Jr., 36, of Wheeler, was indicted for manufacturing of a controlled substance on July 12, 2000. No bond was listed in the indictment information provided by the District Attorney's office.

Grand jurors also indicted Felipe Ortiz Covarrubia, 37, of Shamrock for driving while intoxicated - subsequent offense stemming from an incident on Jan. 27.



High today near 65
Low tonight 40
For weather details see
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Grass pick up begins May 7

PAMPA — Beginning May 7, The City of Pampa will offer curbside grass pick-up weekly (Mondays and Thursdays) through October. No bags larger than the standard 33-gallon trash bag will be accepted for this service. Contractors are responsible for hauling grass clippings to the landfill composting site. No charge will be levied upon the contractors as long as grass clippings are free of debris. For more information, contact the City Landfill at 669-5840.

No injuries when shot fired at track meet

SHELBYVILLE (AP) — Authorities were questioning four people early Friday after a shot was fired into a crowd at an East Texas track meet. The sheriff's office in Shelby County confirmed there were no injuries at the Shelbyville High School event.

No deaths were reported to *The Pampa News* today.

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Small world theory at work Army vet ties up loose ends

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Memories of a U.S. Army Sergeant are firmly ingrained in the minds of practically all soldiers who have served under them. However, most recruits don't want to ever see the sergeant again upon completion of their training.

That is not the case with Pampan Archie Maness. He first met his Platoon Sergeant Roy Sweatt in 1944 while at Camp Hood near Killeen. Maness only knew Sweatt for the four months during his training, but the impression the platoon sergeant made upon the young Maness has lasted a lifetime.

Maness always felt Sweatt saved his life because he taught him what he needed to know in order to survive in Occupied Japan during World War II.

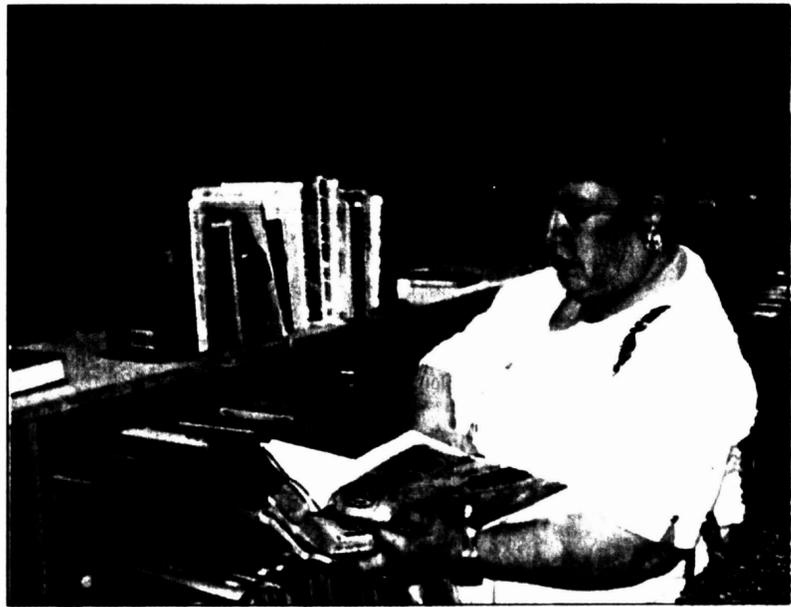
He said Sweatt was strict, and very thorough. "He was a leader that was unequalled," said



Archie Maness during World War II

(See ARMY, Page 3)

Sale continues ...



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)
Betty Hannon of Pampa browses through one of the many books available at the annual Friends of the Library book sale at Lovett Memorial Library. The sale began Thursday and will end Sunday. Proceeds benefit the local library.



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

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

VANDIVER, Myrtle Ann — Graveside services, 3 p.m., Pontotoc Cemetery, Pontotoc, Okla.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa:		
Wheat	2.59	
Milo	3.13	
Corn	3.49	
Soybeans	3.52	
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
Occidental	24.60	up 0.64
Fidelity Magell	103.36	
Puritan	17.92	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:		
BP Amoco	49.30	up 0.67
Celanese	18.00	up 0.35
Cabot	31.94	up 0.93
Cabot O&G	26.41	up 0.44
Chevron	87.60	up 1.18
Coca-Cola	44.40	up 0.18
Columbia/HCA	40.07	dn 0.02
Enron	57.52	up 2.21
Halliburton	36.98	up 1.85
KMI	53.05	up 0.25
Kerr McGee	64.85	up 1.55
Limited	15.45	dn 0.32
McDonald's	25.79	dn 0.70
Exxon Mobil	80.39	up 2.10
New Atmos	22.75	up 0.25
XCEL	30.10	up 0.83
NOI	35.00	up 1.35
OKE	40.45	up 0.31
Penney's	15.83	dn 0.11
Phillips	54.30	up 0.91
Pioneer Nat	15.97	up 0.47
SLB	59.30	up 1.59
Tenneco	2.79	NC
Texasco	65.90	up 1.20
Ultramar	36.01	up 0.32
Wal-Mart	50.12	dn 0.50
Williams	41.79	up 0.79
New York Gold	258.95	
Silver	4.33	
West Texas Crude	26.33	

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported no arrests or incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, March 29

- 7:26 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.
- 9:28 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and McCullough and transported one to PRMC.
- 9:35 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and McCullough and transported two to PRMC.

Friday, March 30

- 2:15 A.M. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Clarification

White Deer Independent School District Superintendent Danny Ferrell was quoted in *The Pampa News* on Wednesday, March 28, as saying the closing of the Skellytown cafeteria would save a substantial amount as the cafeteria is presently operating \$45,000 in the red. It is the entire White Deer Independent School District cafeteria system which is operating with a \$45,000 deficit, not just the Skellytown-based campus. *The Pampa News* apologizes for any misunderstanding or inconvenience this story has caused.

Police report

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

Thursday, March 29

- Evading arrest and possession of a controlled substance was reported in the 400 block of Roberta.
- Assault causing bodily injury to a family member was reported in the 1000 block of North Summer. The victim reported minor injuries. One person was arrested.
- A representative of Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart, reported the theft of \$26.87 of gasoline.
- A 27-year-old male was taken in to custody in the 1800 block of North Summer and transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center for a medical evaluation and then released.
- A missing child reported was taken in the 1400 block of Somerville. The child returned safely shortly after the report was made, police said.
- An assault involving several juveniles was reported in the 400 block of Lowry. One juvenile received minor injuries after being struck with a thrown rock.

An assault was reported in the 1300 block of Christine.

Matthew Glenn Bolch, 18, 1031 N. Summer #209, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Kathleen Olson, 42, 1824 N. Christy, was arrested in the 600 block of West Foster for disorderly conduct, evading arrest, and driving while intoxicated.

Friday, March 30

William James Shipp, 22, no address listed, was arrested in the 600 block of Foster on a warrant for assault.

A representative of Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported theft of a 30-pack of beer valued at \$19.74.

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Fires

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

THURSDAY, March 29

- 7:33 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1500 block of W. Kentucky.
- 12:47 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters installed a smoke detector at a residence in the 500 block of Yeager.
- 9:34 p.m. - Three units and eight firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at the intersection of U.S. 60 and McCullough Street. Firefighters extricated two victims using the Jaws of Life.

Texas round up ...

King of Spain's Dallas visit includes museum banquet, honorary degree

DALLAS (AP) — King Juan Carlos of Spain, on a two-day visit to Dallas, pledged to further strengthen the ties of his country and the United States. The monarch and his wife, Queen Sofia, attended a banquet Thursday night celebrating the opening of Southern Methodist University's Meadows Museum, which houses one of the largest collections of Spanish art outside of Spain. Carlos said his country's history and culture are forever tied with that of Texas, which was long claimed by Spanish forces. "It is because of the values shared by our two countries that I look forward confidently to a deeper understanding of what Spain once was and what she is today," he said. "Thus we hope to achieve an enhanced Spanish presence in Texas, in which the past is not forgotten but our sights are set on the future." Carlos will have another reason to think of the Lone Star State — SMU planned Friday to present him an honorary doctorate of arts degree. The royal couple also planned to attend a luncheon Friday with Gov. Rick Perry and take in an exposition at SMU of work by renowned Spanish architect Santiago Calatrava.

Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and Houston area, both listed as federal non-attainment areas.

Mexican regulators probing complaints

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — A border trucking scam has allowed Mexican drivers to gain commercial licenses without having to submit a required medical examination, investigators say. The inquiry comes as federal transportation officials work to finalize regulations for Mexican trucks operating in the United States under the North American Free Trade Agreement. Transportation regulators and others have raised concerns about potential safety hazards associated with allowing tractor-trailer rigs on U.S. roads even though they have not had to meet the same standards as their counterparts north of the border. Investigators in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, just across the Texas border, uncovered an operation in the Federal Transportation office, part of the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation, involving the alleged sale of commercial drivers' licenses. Undercover agents offered money to clerks in the Federal Transportation Office in exchange for applicants not submitting a medical examination required as part of the licensing procedure, said Arturo Camara, an administrator in the Secretariat of Social Development.

Dioxin levels still high in U.S. food,

HOUSTON (AP) — Levels of dioxin — a toxic chemical known for causing various forms of cancer — remain high in the U.S. food supply although they have declined in the environment, a new study says. In a study of food samples from around the country, scientists at the University of Texas School of Public Health at Houston found no decline from test samples taken more than a decade ago. Through food alone, Americans are getting 22 times the maximum dioxin exposure suggested by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the study said. Among nursing infants, that level is 35 to 65 times the recommended dosage. "It means we still have to tighten up and clean up our environment more than it is right now," said Dr. Arnold Schechter, who directed the study. "We have to reduce the highly toxic, persistent chemicals in the environment." Meat and dairy products are considered the biggest sources. Dioxins concentrate in animal fat, and the best way to avoid them is to eat more fruits and vegetables.

Officer, woman killed in disturbance

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The police department where officer Hector Garza once worked is reeling. Grieving colleagues found the keepsakes Thursday afternoon as they went through belongings of Garza, the fifth San Antonio officer to die in four months. Among the belongings was a worn memo from Chief Al Philippus about the death of officer Michael McInnis that Garza had carried since 1995. "This is really touching because nobody wants to think that when they die, they're forgotten," Sgt. Joe Salvaggio said as he read the memo. "This shows that he didn't forget his fallen brothers, and we won't forget him." Garza and a woman died and another man was wounded Thursday in shootings blamed on the woman's husband. The tragedy hit the department especially hard, coming amid a federal corruption investigation in which nine officers were arrested. Two have since quit their jobs while two others were suspended. Officer Garza, 48, was shot shortly after arriving to try to break up a fight between Frank and Jessica Garcia, said Sandy Gutierrez, a police spokeswoman.

"This is just one more reason for having less animal fats in our diets," Schechter told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's editions. "Blood samples from pure vegans, who consume no animal products, show that they have less dioxins in their bodies than average Americans."

New diesel fuel plan a dud for refiners, now threatening to derail air goals

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A requirement under part of Texas' clean air initiative to produce a cleaner burning diesel fuel is meeting resistance from refiners who contend they can't make enough to meet the state's needs. The new diesel requirement would increase pump prices by at least eight cents a gallon and create shortages, if the new fuel is even produced by a May 2002 deadline, oil and trucking industry representatives told a House Environment Regulation Committee hearing. "There will not be enough diesel in Texas," Ben Seebree, Texas Oil and Gas Association vice president, testified on a bill by Rep. Jaime Capelo, Jr., D-Corpus Christi. The measure would stop the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission from imposing diesel fuel restrictions more stringent than those for a new national diesel fuel due in 2006. Months ago, state officials said they hoped plans calling for tougher smog tests, lower speed limits, reductions in industrial and power plant emissions and other measures would survive the legislative session. Regulators must improve air quality in the

Midnight Cowboy off air after 32 years

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Legendary radio host Bill Mack, who helped launch the career of country star LeAnn Rimes and was affectionately known as the Midnight Cowboy by his many listeners, signed off the air Thursday for the last time. After 32 years of broadcast, Mack decided to leave his overnight country-music show, "The Midnight Cowboy Trucking Network," on Fort Worth radio station WBAP-AM to work on his autobiography, his business manager told *The Dallas Morning News*.

"This takes a lot out of you. It takes a lot out of your life, even though I'm a young man," Mack said during a television interview Thursday as he did his last show.

Before Mack landed at WBAP in Fort Worth in March 1969, he had hosted the 1950s "Bob Wills Show" on TV and was an announcer on "The Buck Owens Show."

Mack, 68, credited the "knights of the road" and "the little people" for his successful radio career. Truck drivers liked him so much that they used to line up outside the station's old Fort Worth studio to meet him and make requests. Mack also had the opportunity to rub elbows with some of the biggest country stars, including Willie Nelson and Dolly Parton.

People in the news

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Nicole Kidman's Australian publicist confirmed that the star of "Eyes Wide Shut" and "Batman Forever" suffered a miscarriage earlier this year, a Sydney newspaper reported Friday. Kidman's publicist, Wendy Day, said, "It is a private matter for Tom and Nicole to work out," *The Daily Telegraph* reported. Day told the *Australian Associated Press*, "I believe the story is out there and running. We can't deny the story." She declined further comment. The *Daily Telegraph* also cited an unidentified Australian friend of Kidman as saying the star had the miscarriage shortly after her split with husband Tom Cruise.

and Alan Cumming, opens Friday.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Singer **Mike Love** has big plans for *The Beach Boys'* 40th anniversary — but they're floating among the stars. "I want to do a tour that would touch down in every one of the 50 states," he told AP Radio. "I always have ideas, but I'm a Pisces, so sometimes, I take my sweet time gettin' those ideas done." Now 60, Love said he doesn't mind playing the group's old hits after all these years. "Playing 'California Girls' and getting a standing ovation years after you did the song in the first place, it's pretty cool. I mean, what's so bad?" he said, laughing. "We've traveled around the world, seen many, many interesting places and met many more interesting people than we would if we'd have just stayed in Southern California and done real estate or insurance or whatever."

Cruise filed for divorce last month in Los Angeles, citing irreconcilable differences after 10 years of marriage. The couple separated in December, the filing said. Kidman, 33, is believed to have miscarried at a Los Angeles clinic earlier this month. Contacted by *The Daily Telegraph* at her Sydney home, Kidman's mother declined comment.

NEW YORK (AP) — **Ashley Judd's** lucky number is 27.

That's the number of the racing car her fiance, **Dario Franchitti**, drives. Judd wore a 27 charm on a chain around her neck when she appeared on MTV's "Total Request Live" on Thursday. The actress, a big University of Kentucky basketball fan, said she wasn't into auto racing before she met her beau. "Not at all," she said. "I thought it was stupid and macho." Does she worry about Franchitti when he's zooming around the track? "Only if he's not gonna win because I don't want him to be in a bad mood afterward," she said. Judd showed a clip from her movie that opens Friday, the romantic comedy "Someone Like You," as teen-agers cheered and screamed all around her. "You guys are so festive and cheerful," she said, looking around at the crowd watching the live video countdown.

Cruise and Kidman have two adopted children, Isabella, 8, and Conor, 6.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — **Carla Gugino** didn't go through any strenuous training regimen to play an ex-spy and a mother of two in the new family adventure film "Spy Kids."

Director Robert Rodriguez didn't give her any time. "I sat down and spoke with Robert about this and I was shooting 48 hours later," Gugino told reporters. "I'm a pretty physical person anyway and, given the chance, I love to try doing all that kind of stuff." Gugino said she overcame fears as a child, just like the young characters do in the movie. "I had fears of heights, actually, which I did eventually get over, fear of singing, which I still haven't gotten over," she said, laughing. "I think that that's sort of a part of growing up." "Spy Kids," which also stars **Antonio Banderas**

Ramseys file lawsuit

ATLANTA (AP) — The parents of **JonBenet Ramsey** have filed a libel and defamation lawsuit against a former Boulder, Colo., police detective who accused the couple of having a role in their daughter's death. The 51-page complaint filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in Atlanta alleges Steve Thomas made false accusations about the couple in a book he co-wrote and in TV interviews promoting the book, "JonBenet: Inside the Ramsey Murder Investigation." John and Patsy Ramsey are seeking \$65 million from Thomas, publisher St. Martin's Press, and several other defendants, including unidentified Boulder police officials whom the Ramseys allege supplied Thomas with material for his work.

City Briefs

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COME TO All Its Charm for the One Day Only Special piece from Boyd's on Sat., Mar. 31st.

GARAGE SALE, Stor. Bldg. behind Peggy's Rest., Stall #50, Sat. 8-3 p.m. Lots of stuff!!

Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs near 65. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight, Partly cloudy with lows around 40. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph, becoming north late. Saturday, partly cloudy and breezy with highs in the upper 50s. North winds 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts. **STATEWIDE** — A brief glimmer of clearing skies was the break between storm systems for many Texans. Low clouds and fog again moved across much of the state

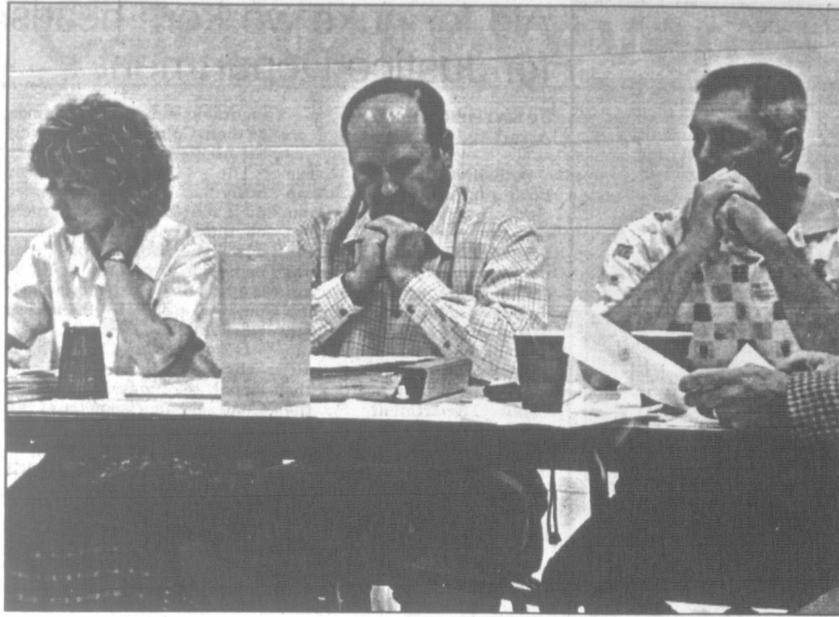
Friday, with showers and isolated thunderstorms over the Permian Basin and Abilene as another upper-level disturbance entered the region. More showers were located across the Panhandle and far West Texas. Temperatures have warmed somewhat, even though rainfall hasn't let up much. Early-morning temperature extremes were 37 degrees at Dalhart and 67 at McAllen. Other readings included 54 at El Paso. North Texas lows stretched between 43 and 48 degrees. Winds were mostly south-

easterly at 10 mph over the South Plains and 10 to 15 mph in the northwestern Panhandle. Along the Rio Grande, winds were southeasterly at 10 to 15 mph, with light and variable conditions elsewhere in the state. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms was forecast through the weekend. Daytime highs through Sunday should be in the 50s to 70s statewide, with some 80s in the far south. Lows overnight were expected to range between the 30s and 40s, with some 50s in the Big Bend.

Two killed, 10 injured in crash

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Two people were killed and 10 were injured Thursday night when the church van they were in flipped as many as four times on an interstate highway about five miles east of the Texas-New Mexico border. Authorities said the late-model Ford Econoline van was traveling east when it veered off Interstate 40, and then the driver overcorrected before the van began to roll. The accident occurred about 5:30 p.m. Texas Department of Public Safety Cpl. Lucinda Russell said the van skidded across the highway and came to rest upright about 150 feet from where it originally left the road.

The identities of those involved in the accident were not immediately available. Authorities said the van was part of a four-vehicle caravan that was transporting homeless people from Los Angeles to a church ministry in Chicago, the Amarillo Globe-News reported Friday. United Restoration Ministries was taking them to Chicago to begin a new life, said a church representative who identified himself as Brother Andrew. Witnesses in the other vehicles said the van rolled three or four times. "It was terrible, there were bodies flying everywhere," Brother Andrew said.



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

White Deer Board of Trustees voted Thursday night to close the Skellytown-based cafeteria at the end of the school year. Board member Sherry Kramer voted against the proposal while board members Kent Kelp and Bruce Brame cast votes in favor of the measure.

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SKELLYTOWN

been treated fairly in the cutbacks being considered by the WDISD Board of Trustees.

Andra Canaday of Skellytown proposed the WDISD move all the sixth, seventh and eighth graders to the Skellytown campus, and have all elementary and high school students located at White Deer-based campuses. Canaday claims the cuts being made aren't equal on the two campuses.

"Skellytown has bused students to White Deer for years. It's time for White Deer to give a little," she said. Her comments were received by loud applause from Skellytown residents while White Deer residents sat quietly.

"Everything is about money," said Dustin Larkin of Skellytown.

He suggested that new personnel might be needed to handle the school's administration and finances since the school district is operating on a deficit. "Get someone else to do the job," he suggested.

Ferrell said at last week's board meeting the tax valuation of the district has dropped from over 400 million in 1991 to \$195 million this year.

Enrollment figures have dropped steadily in the WDISD as well as the majority of schools throughout the Panhandle. The number of high school students has dropped from 172 students to 133 in less

than three years, and the junior high and elementary enrollment has also declined.

"White Deer wouldn't sit back and let their kids eat box lunches," said Marjorie Woodward of Skellytown. She objects to the transporting of meals to the Skellytown campus.

Woodward also proposed cuts be made in athletics and the agriculture program at the school.

Mother of a third grader, Kelly Tull said she has contacted health department officials about the transporting of food. She said the containers required to transport the food are very expensive.

"I am not here to cause trouble," she said. "We want answers to our questions."

A student at White Deer High, James Pesch expressed disappointment that Ronnie Shepherd, high school principal, had resigned. He said the students could communicate with him and had respect for him, too. James said the school district was losing an outstanding administrator.

"He really cares," he said. "He worked so hard to know all our names."

The board of trustees accepted Shepherd's resignation as well as that of his wife, Charlotte, during the Thursday night meeting. She teaches computer and is the district's computer specialist.

Also resigning were Kay May, the part-time principal at Skellytown, and Ruth Swearingen, a cafeteria worker.

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PAMPA

The Business and Industry section spotlights a variety of businesses with stories ranging from feed lot operation to a couple's bed and breakfast business.

The Inspiration section articles are varied as well. The cover story is about the Knights of Columbus and the programs and projects they do to support their church and community.

The Education section looks at differing aspects of learning including how music feeds the mind and how one Pampa family homes schools their

children.

Always one of the most popular sections is Our Heritage. It focuses on the rich history of Gray County. One point of special interest is the cover story about Pampa's theater history accompanied by a photo of people packed into the old LaNora Theatre that opened in 1930.

Again, the history section could not have been the success it is without the work of local historian Eloise Lane and others including the White Deer Land Museum staff. See Page 7 in the section for full credits.

So, until next year — Here's Pampa Pride 2001. We hope you enjoy it.

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ARMY

Maness. He said the sergeant had them very organized, and they were very loyal to him. He said the men would have done whatever they needed to do for him, including walk through a building without opening a door.

Maness said for years he had looked for Sweatt, but could never locate him. In January, Maness said he learned there was an interim city manager in Fritch with the same last name, and decided to drop by and see if there was any connection.

When he stopped by the City Hall in Fritch to see Kerry Sweatt, he asked Kerry if he knew a Roy Sweatt, said Archie. Kerry Sweatt was stunned. Roy Sweatt was Maness' long lost Platoon Sergeant, and Kerry's uncle.

Maness learned from Kerry that Roy Sweatt died about five years ago. He said his uncle told a lot of stories about World War II, but the nephew said his uncle never talked about the people.

Pampan Archie Maness said at first the men didn't like Sgt. Sweatt at all. He was very strict.

Kerry Sweatt and Archie Maness agreed that Kerry's uncle's method of training young men for war was effective. Both said his training and his discipline was outstanding and he insisted on the men working as a unit.

"I saw every bit of Okinawa," said Maness. "I couldn't have made it without him." He said over a quarter of a million men were killed in less than four and one-half hours but he survived. And he credited his sergeant's training for surviving the war.

Maness and Kerry Sweatt visited on several occasions following the initial introduction. Kerry is no longer in Fritch as a permanent manager has been hired, but he and Maness plan to keep in touch. Both have enjoyed reminiscing about Kerry's uncle as well as getting acquainted.

Maness will always remember his sergeant. "He was tough," he said.

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CRASH

fic on that side of the highway, he said.

Gray County Sheriff's Deputies and Pampa Police Department officers helped direct traffic around the wreck as Pampa firefighters worked to remove two of the victims from the crushed cars.

Ritter, a passenger in the Buick, was taken to PRMC immediately by Rural Metro Ambulance Service.

Firefighters used the Jaws of Life to extricate Gibson and Childers, according to fire reports. O'Brien said firefighters spent 20 to 30 minutes cutting the top off the Grand Am and removing the door to get Childers out of the vehicle.

"She was pretty lucky," he said. "I've seen wrecks that weren't so bad that people came out a lot worse."

Gibson and Childers were transported by Rural Metro to the Pampa hospital for treatment after they were removed from the wrecked cars.

O'Brien said all four occupants were wearing seatbelts at the time of the wreck. Both vehicles were destroyed, he said.

"I don't think speed was a factor," the DPS trooper said, adding that he plans to look at the scene again this afternoon in daylight and without all the fluids spilled on the highway.

He said charges are pending medical test results and the completion of his investigation.

Students injured when bleacher collapses during class photo shoot

RICHARDSON, Texas (AP) — Before a bleacher collapse that injured dozens of North Texas students, some say they noticed that risers on the structure were wobbly.

The four-foot-tall wooden risers gave way Thursday morning as students climbed onto the bleachers for a senior class photo at Richardson High School.

A total of 54 students were injured. Most were treated at the scene, but at least 19 students were taken to hospitals. Photographers were assembling

about 500 Richardson High students on the bleachers in front of their school.

Paramedics said no one was seriously injured. But police spokesman Sgt. Keith Cannon in the North Dallas suburb said some of the students suffered broken bones.

"It wasn't a real big surprise that it fell. It was shaking as we went up there," Andrew Crittendon told The Dallas Morning News as he sat in the emergency room lobby at Baylor Richardson Medical Center.

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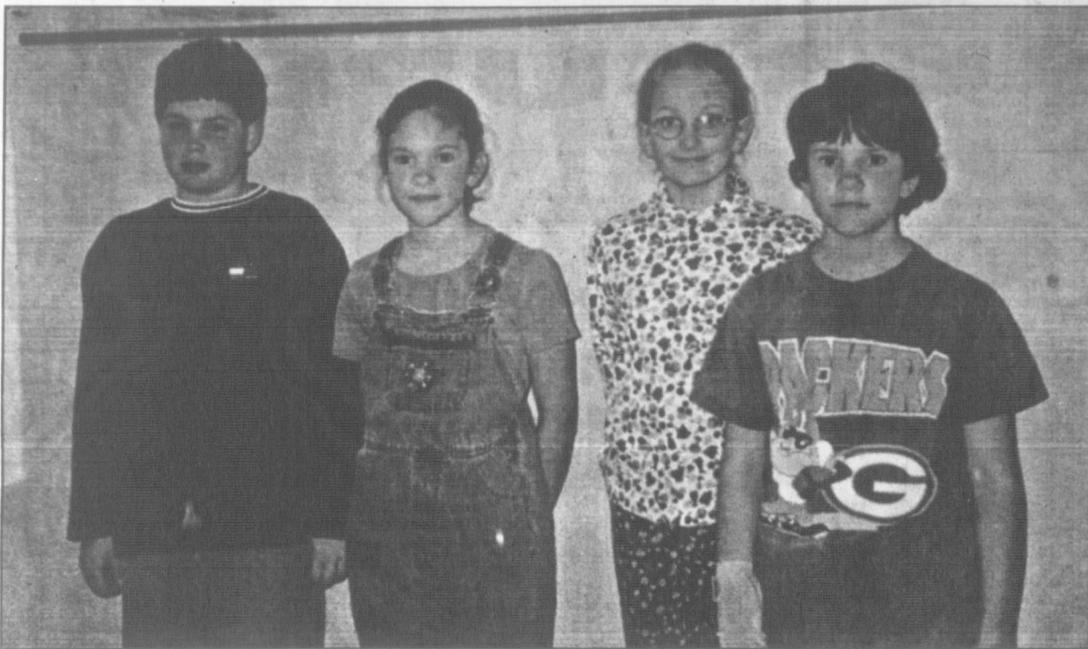
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Science Fair



Colden Fortenberry, Monica Schepp, Nicole Heersema and Erica Schepp were overall winners of Austin Elementary Science Fair. Heersema went on to place first in mathematics at High Plains Regional Science Fair. (Special photo)

BRIEFS

Jet smashes into Aspen hillside, killing 18

ASPER, Colo. (AP) — Investigators worked their way Friday through hillside littered with scorched wreckage to recover the bodies of 18 people aboard a twin-engine jet that crashed as it approached this ski resort town. The Gulfstream III from Burbank, Calif., rammied into the hillside Thursday night

before diving across a culvert and striking another bluff just short of the runway. Fifteen passengers and three crew were on board, said Allen Kenitzer, a Federal Aviation Administration spokesman in Seattle. All 18 bodies were recovered, authorities said.

Israeli Arabs to protest alongside Israeli-Palestinian clashes

JERUSALEM (AP) — Tension was high Friday in Israel as its Arab citizens prepared for their annual Land Day protests, and Palestinians declared a general strike and a "Day of Rage" against Israeli measures. In a departure from past limits, Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer said Israeli soldiers would enter Palestinian-controlled areas if necessary. Starting with an Israeli helicopter gunship assault on an elite Palestinian police unit Wednesday, Ben-Eliezer said he hoped "very (frequent) attacks that we are going to conduct" would persuade Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat that only negotiations can lead to a solution. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, ordering his first military operation since taking office March 7, charged that

Arafat was responsible for promoting violence, and that his elite Force 17 guard was behind some of the attacks.

Heavy shelling along Macedonia-Kosovo border kills at least two

SKOPJE, Macedonia (AP) — Fighting between the Macedonian army and ethnic Albanian insurgents spilled over into neighboring Kosovo, killing two people and adding to international pressure for negotiations to end the violence. One of those killed in the shelling of Krivenik, a Kosovo village just 1,200 yards from the Macedonian border, was Associated Press Television News producer Kerem Lawton, a 30-year-old British national based in Pristina, the capital of the Serb province. He died of shrapnel wounds he suffered when a mortar round hit his vehicle as he arrived in the village Thursday morning. The United Nations said 20 were left wounded by the shelling.

Whites in minority for first time according to California census

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Fueled by an increase in Hispanic births and Asian immigration, minorities have become the majority for the first time in California. Hispanics accounted for more than three-quarters of the state's growth during the 1990s and now account for nearly one in three residents, according to new census figures released Thursday. Non-Hispanic whites slipped to 47 percent of the state's population. Asians now comprise about 11 percent of the state's population. The Golden State added 4.1 million people during the 1990s — more than the individual populations of 26 other states. But the state's 13.8 percent growth rate ranked only 18th nationally. With 33.9 million people, California is easily the most populous state. Nearly one of every eight Americans is a Californian and the state's booming economy, fueled in part by a huge labor force, is ranked sixth in the world.

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Deadly methane explosion rocks Russian coal mine

MOSCOW (AP) — A methane explosion struck a Siberian coal mine, killing at least four people and injuring six who were pulled out during an overnight rescue operation in the collapsed shaft, emergency officials said Friday. More than 200 other miners in the shaft at the time of the blast late Thursday night were safely evacuated, said Emergency Situations Ministry spokeswoman Valentina Buratayeva. Emergency workers were cleaning up the shaft Friday after the blast in the town of Mezhdurechensk in the town of Mezhdurechensk in the Kemerovo region, about 1,850 miles east of Moscow.

Aid for nuke workers heads for Justice Department

By KATHERINE RIZZO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is a step closer to shifting agency control of a new compensation program for sick Cold War-era nuclear weapons plant workers, a move critics say will delay badly needed payments.

The Office of Management and Budget has drafted an executive order that would move the program from the Labor Department to the Justice Department. The shift is supported by Labor Secretary Elaine Chao, who says the Justice Department is better suited to oversee the program.

Richard Miller, a lobbyist with the Paper, Allied-Industrial, Chemical and Energy Workers International Union who helped negotiate the compensation program's provisions, said he feared such a move would make it impossible for dying workers to quickly get the checks and medical benefits they've been promised.

"What they have just done is pour cement boots over this program," Miller said Thursday.

The proposed order, which must be signed by President Bush to take effect, would amend an order by President Clinton, who put the Labor Department in charge, and defy Congress, which last year appropriated money to the Labor Department.

The program calls for payments of \$150,000 plus medical care to workers with cancer or

incurable lung disease because of their Cold War-era exposure to radiation, beryllium or silica.

The lawmakers who designed the program wanted the Labor Department to run it on the theory that experience with black lung and other compensation programs would let it prepare quickly to evaluate medical claims by the nuclear workers.

Despite assuring senators in February that the Labor Department was up to the task, Chao said she "soon found that the department does not have the experience or expertise in radiation cases to adequately serve these workers."

Chao's position is supported by the Senate Judiciary Committee chairman, Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, one of the fathers of a Justice Department-run program that compensates miners who got sick while digging uranium ore.

Other lawmakers feel differently. Sen. George Voinovich, R-Ohio, said the new program is expected to generate about 2,500 successful claims a year, versus only about 360 claims in the miners' program.

"Can such a huge increase of work be handled and the injured workers still get their benefits in an efficient manner? Many of these people don't have time to wait. They're sick now and can't wait while the government tweaks its bureaucracy," he said.

"The best plan is to send this program through the biggest pipeline, and I think that's Labor."

On the Net:
Report on compensation
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Southwestern Bell issues consumer alert

Southwestern Bell Telephone is warning consumers seeking information about Southwestern Bell Long Distance (SBLD) service to be wary of a phone number that imitates SBLD's toll-free number for ordering service, 877-PICK-SWB.

Some customers have complained when they dialed a similar number (800-PICK-SWB) they were informed that by pressing 1 they would be provided with the correct number for SBLD for a fee of \$1.99. According to an automated voice system at that number, the charge is added to customers' local phone bills as a "call connect" fee.

"Southwestern Bell simply does not charge consumers a fee to connect them to our customer service representatives," said Gary Stevens, external affairs manager for Southwestern Bell. "This 'look-alike' phone number is in no way associated with Southwestern Bell or Southwestern Bell Long Distance, and we caution consumers to be careful of these types of tactics that can easily confuse an unsuspecting caller."

Consumers interested in obtaining more information about SBLD should call the company's toll-free number 877-PICK-SWB. Southwestern Bell reminds consumers that toll-free numbers now include 888 and 877 area codes or prefixes.

Additionally, Southwestern Bell lists toll-free numbers for its local customer service assistance in the front of Southwestern Bell directories.

Austin School



Austin Elementary third graders Garrett Fatheree, top, and Dillon Johnson, bottom, portrayed famous people recently during Texas Public School Week. Fatheree dressed-up as Benjamin Franklin and Johnson as Troy Aikman.

Let's Talk Real Estate



by Jim Davidson
Realtor

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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.

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.

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.

CROWN OF TEXAS HOSPICE

Crown of Texas Hospice will host its Ninth Annual "Celebration of Life" Memorial Service at 6 p.m. April 5 in the chapel of Polk Street United Methodist Church of Amarillo. A reception, hosted by hospice volunteers, will follow. The service and reception are free and open to the public. For more information, call (806) 372-7696 or 1-800-572-6365.

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.

HOSPICE LUNCHEON

Crown of Texas Hospice will sponsor a bereavement luncheon or "Sunshine Lunch" beginning at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 25 at Dyer's Bar-B-Que in Pampa. Cost of the meal will be between \$5-\$8. For more information, call 1-800-572-6365.

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.

ANNUAL SAFETY CONFERENCE

Panhandle Chapter of American Society of Safety Engineers and Amarillo College Business and Industry Center will sponsor the Annual Safety Conference Tuesday, April 17 at AC B&IC, 1314 S. Polk, Amarillo. Conference topics will include: "A Company's Perspective on Safety"; "OSHA's New Record Keeping Standard"; "Advanced Safety Audits"; "Legal Liabilities"; "Ergonomics"; and "Workplace Violence." Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. Cost of registration is \$50 on or before April 10 and \$60 after that date. For more information, contact Tom Follis at (806) 351-1222 or Bob Pearce at (806) 371-2927.

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.aceno8westtexasbandandbreakfast.com on the Internet.

TSTC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Texas State Technical College, West Texas, Sweetwater campus, will host its Sixth Annual Women's Conference "Choices" from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 11. For more information, contact Mary Lou Bledsoe at (915) 235-7438.

FPC INFO

Frank Phillips College will man an Information Booth from 5-7 p.m. Monday-Friday on the second floor of the Library Building on campus. For more information, call 1-800-687-2056, ext. 707.

JSL FUND-RAISER

Junior Service League of Pampa will host "Party on the Prairie" barbecue and dance June 9 at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion at Recreation Park in Pampa. Tickets for the charity benefit are \$50 per couple. The dinner will be catered by Clint and Sons Smokehouse.

RSVP ADVISORY COUNCIL

An exciting opportunity is on the horizon for a Pampa-area resident who: 1) Would like to volunteer his/her services for the betterment of their community; and 2) can travel to Amarillo once a month to attend scheduled meetings after 5 p.m. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, or RSVP, a national organization with an office in Amarillo, has an opening for an Advisory Council position to represent the Pampa community. Pampa has been represented since 1992, and a lot of positive things have been done, including increased volunteer participation and the addition of more volunteer stations (locations where the volunteers work). Gray Co. is but one of 11 counties served by RSVP's Amarillo office, and representation from our own area is important. The Advisory Council term would be for two years, starting at the end of March, and is not limited to someone who is 55-years-old or older. Interested in senior volunteerism? Interested in improving Pampa's social services? For more information or to receive an application, call Amarillo RSVP Director Nova Neuhaus toll-free at 1-877-373-8389.

LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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

ALL STAR KIDS

All Star Kids will sponsor a pageant for youth Saturday, April 7 at Spearman. Youngsters between the ages of 0-18 are eligible to participate. For more information or to obtain an entry form, call (214) 319-7827.

GREEN THUMB INTERNET SITE

Green Thumb, Inc., the nation's oldest and largest provider of training and employment for mature workers, now offers consumers Geezer.com, an online service featuring the handiwork of seniors from across the country. The site is a must for shoppers looking for distinctive, often one-of-a-kind gifts. Geezer.com includes scores of artisans and craftspeople with more than 2,000 hand-wrought products in more than a dozen categories — apparel, art, doll houses, home and hearth, music and videos, pet store, sports, recreation, toys and games, yard and garden and more.

FPC EE CLASSES

Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer the following extended education classes this spring: H2S Training, BlackHistory/Heritage Class, Seniors Internet Online Class. For more information, (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: April 27, Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, Pampa; April 4 and 18, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; April 11, Family Care Center, Shamrock; and April 16, Parkview Hospital, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

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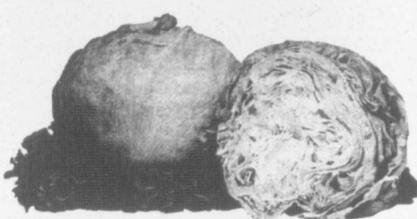
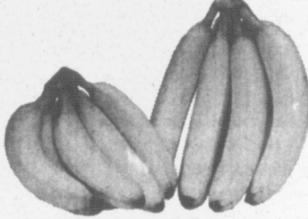
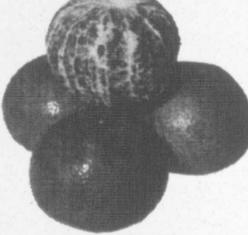
The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1:30 p.m. this month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

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Minister's musing ...

In recent days there have been many things taking place in our world that have caused a great deal of confusion in our lives. We read about the unrest in the Middle East, the struggle that continues in our government, the shootings at yet other high school campuses, and economic cutbacks that impact literally thousands of people. The Dow doesn't know what to do so it bounces around like the "Sing along with Mitch" ball.

Even read that the credit card debt in our country continues to increase at a frightening rate. In fact, the average debt per credit card holder stands at \$4,400.00. With most credit cards carrying an 18-21% finance charge, this should cause us great alarm. We have become a society of people who get what they want right now while we will concern ourselves with paying for it at a later time. Meanwhile, the interest accumulates, the balance increases, and debt gets heavier.

But you will have to admit that those credit cards are easy to use. Walk into a store, find the clothes you want, then put it on a card. You go out to eat, have that KC strip dinner then top it off with dessert, then put it on a card. As if that's not enough, you can go into almost any grocery store, pick up your items, slide the card through the machine and you're paid out. I'll have to admit, it's easy to use any card.

While using a card is easy, that may well be the reason we have now found ourselves in the position of owing more money than we can repay. It may be the reason the bankruptcy laws are being rewritten so that it won't be so easy for people to avoid paying the debts they have accumulated. It may be the reason that people are finding them-

By Rev. Paul L. Nachtigall

Highland Baptist Church

selves confronted with a financial picture that leaves them looking in despair.

I don't believe credit cards are evil, but I do believe that Satan uses them to get a worldly stranglehold on people. I believe that Satan uses whatever method he can to bring pain, misery, and despair into the lives of people. Just as he promised Jesus all the kingdoms of the world in the wilderness temptations (Matthew 4:8-9), he promises us that we can have it now and pay later. After all, everyone is doing it and they're doing just fine. Regardless of how you look at it, they are empty promises that hold nothing but more problems.

In James chapter 1 we find that God does not tempt us. We are each one tempted and carried away by our own lust. Jesus said in John 8:44 that Satan is a liar and the father of lies. He will tell us whatever it takes to draw us into sin and away from God. We must understand that when we are drawn away from God by our lust that "it gives birth to sin and when sin is accomplished (runs its course), it brings forth death." (James 1:15). The Apostle Paul said it this way, "The wages of sin is death..." (Romans 6:23).

James went on to write, "Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. Every good thing bestowed and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the father of lights, with whom there is no variation, or shifting shadow." (James 1:16-17). There is no deceit in God. He has shown us the way to have life that is full and meaningful. He has sent the greatest gift of all so that we might have life, it is a gift from above.

What has happened is that satan has tempted us and we've been drawn away by our own lusts, fallen into sin thus accumulating a deficit in our lives. There is coming a time when we will be called upon to pay every last bit of the debt. But what we must remember is that Christ died on the cross for our debt. He paid a debt that He did not owe for us who had a debt we could not pay. Even though we are the ones that have sinned, Jesus died so that we might have life, eternal and abundant.

It was at Calvary that all the charges of sin I have made in my life were paid in full. While "the wages of sin is death, the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23). It was not for mine alone, but for "all who will call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:13). You may be able to pay your credit card debt, but you have a sin debt you can't pay. But don't despair, it's already been paid for you. All you must do is tell Jesus that you want to receive His free gift, believe that God has raised Him from the dead, confess that Jesus is Lord, and ask Him into your heart. Then in that moment, your debt will be canceled and you will receive a new life marked - PAID IN FULL.

Religion briefs...

Gospel program at Fellowship Baptist April 8

Fellowship Baptist Church, 622 E. Francis, will kick up its heels "Gospel Music Country Style" with special guests Johnny and Nelda Flanagan at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. April 8.

A churchwide luncheon will follow the morning programs in the Family Center of the church prior to the afternoon service.

Johnny and Nelda Flanagan, who travel more than 50,000 miles a year singing and ministering across the nation, have recorded a total of 28 albums.

President Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod dies

The Rev. Dr. A.L. Barry, 69, who had served since 1992 as president of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, died March 23 at an Orlando, Fla., hospital.

Barry was the church body's 11th president and the first to die in office. The Missouri Synod is the second-largest Lutheran and eighth-largest Christian denomination in North America, with 2.6 million baptized members in 6,121 congregations.

Holy Week schedule at First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church's schedule for Holy Week, April 8-15, is as follows:

- Sunday, April 8. 10:30 a.m., morning worship with Dr. Howard Batson of First Baptist Church of Amarillo; 5:30 p.m., Bean Supper, Lively Hall, sponsored by The Genesis Class to benefit new playground equipment; 7 p.m., evening service with Dr. Batson with music by the church's Chancel Choir
 - Monday, April 9. 7 p.m., evening services with Dr. Batson
 - Tuesday, April 10. 7 p.m., evening services with Dr. Batson
 - Thursday, April 12. Holy Thursday Service Communion, church sanctuary
 - Sunday, April 15. 10:30 a.m., Easter service
- The church is located at 201 E. Foster in Pampa.

Mega-churches find new ways to handle large congregations

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The volunteers dreaded going to church each Thursday evening to begin filling the more than 350 trays for Sunday's Holy Communion. It took seven people up to 30 hours over three days to fill communion cups for the congregation at Southeast Christian Church, which has more than 15,000 members.

No more. Not since inventor Wilfred Greenlee joined the church and came up with a machine that cuts the preparation time to 1 1/2 hours.

The Greenlee Communion Dispensing Machine is made of a stainless steel bucket with 40 plastic tubes that run through a sheet of Plexiglas into the cups of a communion tray. A push of a lever on the side allows just enough grape juice to fill each cup half full.

"No overflowing and no spills," said Greenlee, 78.

A retired engineer from the former International Harvester plant in Louisville, he holds patents for his work on a tractor transmission, a helicopter camera mount and the communion dispenser.

"I've invented things all my life," said Greenlee, who was raised on a farm in southeast Missouri. "I left school when I was 14, but I kept learning new things. I just taught myself."

His stainless steel communion dispenser is about 25 inches high and holds 24 quarts. According to Greenlee's calculations, it can fill trays for 14,000 people in 90 minutes.

"It's cut our volunteers down to two or three instead of five to seven, and we only need one room to fill the trays," said David McConnell, communion volunteer at Southeast Christian. "We're working smarter, not harder."

Greenlee's product, which he has sold to churches in nine states, is one of several being marketed to so-called mega-churches whose congregations number several thousand.

Sarasota, Fla.-based ChurchPlaza Inc. caters exclusively to the multibillion-dollar church market. It offers such products as carpet that can double as a sports floor, movable partitions, theater seating and stackable chairs.

Dr. Thomas McElheny, 53, ChurchPlaza's CEO, said mega-churches appeal to many people because the larger facilities are better prepared to host more activities.

"They're very attractive across the board," McElheny said. "Church is not a one-hour thing on Sunday anymore, it's seven days a week for many families."

Willow Creek Community Church, of South Barrington, Ill., which experienced phenomenal growth in the 1980s, coined the term "mega-church," McElheny says. It remains the national model, with a weekend congregation of 17,000.

Experts say that of the nearly 400,000 congregations in the United States, almost 10 percent average 1,000 or more members.

"The idea of a larger congregation is different for all of us in the beginning because people on average don't like to change," said McConnell, one of the communion volunteers. "Will's machine sat on the counter for weeks before anyone used it. Everyone was happy with the old way."

Greenlee's communion machine, which he makes by hand in a workshop at his house, sells for \$2,995.

"I'm not going to make a huge profit on the invention," Greenlee said. "But as long as I satisfy the church, then that satisfies me."

Greenlee is also working on a machine that would put the cups in each communion tray before using the dispenser.

If Greenlee keeps inventing, McConnell says, the volunteers may not be needed any more. "He's going to make our jobs obsolete."

Study: Religious devotees growing

NEW YORK (AP) — Half of U.S. religious congregations are growing and most are thriving, especially those that embrace contemporary worship and social outreach, according to a new study released Tuesday.

"Worship is at the core of growth and financial stability in America," said Carl Dudley, who co-directed Faith Communities Today, a profile of religion in the United States by the Hartford Institute for Religion Research in Connecticut.

The study of 14,301 houses of worship and 41 faith groups is billed as the broadest survey of its kind ever conducted in the United States, which has more than 300,000 congregations. The research was done over five

years with support from the Lilly Endowment and the faith groups.

It found that 51 percent of congregations, especially those on the West Coast, report growing memberships.

"The West Coast has lots of population growth, and it's also been a real source of religious innovation," said David Roozen, a sociologist who co-directed the study with Dudley. "Because the West is so secular, religious groups have to work hard and creatively."

Another factor contributing to membership growth: Congregations are sponsoring more social ministries that reach out to the poor. Most offer a food pantry; more than one in three

are involved in tutoring youth; and two in three sponsor a thrift shop.

The study said all faiths support outreach ministries, but that black Protestant groups appear to be somewhat more active than others.

"Congregations are America's crisis counselors — of food, clothing, shelter. Their contribution to the physical welfare of the community is remarkable," said Dudley, a Presbyterian minister and professor of church and community at the Hartford Seminary, where the institute is based.

The survey found strong interest in the kind of faith-based programs President Bush has promoted, Dudley said.

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I have asked him more than once not to be so personally involved with her, but she insists she is "just a friend." Abby, this relationship is hurting our marriage. My husband no longer confides his feelings to me. He saves them for her.

There she is all day looking great and able to share a quiet, oasis-like environment with my husband, while I am at home with three small children and all the chores.

This woman is married with chil-



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dren, too. I'm fuming because I think the extravagant gift-giving is every bit as inappropriate as the relationship. Am I wrong?

JEALOUS IN JERSEY

DEAR JEALOUS: You and your husband are overdue for a getaway weekend to rekindle the spark. Marriage counseling could also help guide you through the process of reopening the lines of communication between you and your husband.

Some changes need to be made in your marriage so that you are not so threatened and you, too, can enjoy more freedom. You'll both be better for it.

DEAR ABBY: I am 14 years old. My ex-boyfriend told one of my friends from sixth grade that he and I had sex. We never even did not have sex, but he never even kissed, and I haven't spoken to him since sixth grade. Should I confront him?

FURIOUS IN ADRIAN, MICH.

DEAR FURIOUS: Absolutely. And do it publicly. I'd be furious, too.

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Horoscope

SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 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)

*** Heated discussions cannot open a closed mind. Wait for a better opportunity to get your point across. Time spent working on a complex matter pays off. Ask someone to help with family affairs. Deal with interruptions quickly, and return to what you should be focusing on. Tonight: Join the real world. This week: Dress for success on Tuesday. The recognition you have been hoping for can come.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Why wait for someone else to make the first move? If the time seems right, go for it. A restaurant atmosphere can enhance conversation. Listen with a sharp ear, and read between the lines. Put others first now. Your time will come. Tonight: Dream a little. This week: Pay attention to someone who wants to know you better. Start the week in a friendly mode, and see what happens by Friday.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** You can be convincing by the end of the day if you let go of earlier disagreements. Music will lift your mood. If your mind wanders, try to pull it back to reality. Being practical takes effort now. Patience brings rewards. Tonight: End the weekend with a social engagement. This week: You'll find that you have to make a compromise on Wednesday. What seems unnecessary at first will become clear by Friday.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Home and family matters occupy your mind. You might have to look at things differently or go out of your way to resolve matters. Even when you think you have things settled, something else occurs. Eventually, there will be peace. Be as helpful as you can be. Tonight: Kitchen duties. This week: Organization is the key word for Thursday. Your efficiency might sur-

prise even you. Work done early in the week paves the way to harmony.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Success comes to those who wait, and you have been waiting. Even an early disagreement with your partner can't ruin this day. A surprise visit from a friend might add to your enjoyment. If plans change, learn to go with the flow. Enjoy socializing during breaks. Tonight: A meeting of like minds. This week: You might start the week with an argument that leads to a compromise. You'll find that you can be generous with your time on Thursday.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You think your idea sounds great, but others might have doubts. Once you make a slight change, acceptance can be overwhelming. Implementation of your idea might require someone else to take credit initially. Before long, those in authority will recognize your ingenuity. Tonight: Reward yourself.

This week: Look for opportunities on Tuesday. Later in the week, you might have to fight for what you believe in. Keep change to a minimum.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Try your best to get along with others. Smoothing over the rough edges in a relationship proves to be successful. Listen to your inner voice for help. Romance can blossom where it's least expected. Don't let shyness hold you back. Tonight: Argue only with yourself. This week: Social events might not work out as planned on Tuesday, but you can kick up your heels on Friday. If it seems like a long week, be assured that the wait will be worth it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Hooray! Others finally let you take the lead. However, you won't be able to do things exactly your way at first. Expect an emotional roller-coaster ride for a while. Eventually, you can be influential — as long as you are willing to compromise. Tonight: Gamble for fun, but don't risk much.

This week: Tuesday might find you being secretive about a love interest. Others catch on by Thursday. You might have to include someone else in your plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Rearrange your schedule to accommodate another person. Expect

delays and detours. Eventually, you'll get where you want to go. Patience is the key word now. Enjoy the trip instead of worrying about the destination. The time for quiet communication nears. Tonight: Others will follow your lead.

This week: An opportunity on Tuesday expands on Thursday. Mentally, you will be at your best. Hard work pays off in a big way this week.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** What change are you resisting? If you can't agree with others now, you might find yourself going it alone. An expected future expenditure might make you cautious about spending. Others will understand if you share your concerns. Tonight: Work out that problem.

This week: You tend to put things off until Wednesday, when you finally take action. By Friday, you should find that your financial status is better than you had thought.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Examine your actions if someone calls you an instigator. Are you stirring the pot unnecessarily? Others cannot adjust as quickly as you can. Family members yearn for stability from you. Don't disappoint them. Find ways to slow your adventurous desires. Tonight: Work on your stamp collection. This week: You'll figure out how to relieve your stress by Wednesday. Include a new acquaintance in your plans for Friday.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Trust your luck. Taking a chance can yield a modest prize. Modify your goals for heightened success. Not everyone dreams like you do. Develop expertise with technology. While you often leave routine matters to others, pay attention now. Tonight: Share yourself with others. This week: Your dreams know no bounds. Trimming them down to size will not be easy, but some answers will appear on Wednesday. Listen carefully.

BORN TODAY

Actress Debbie Reynolds (1932), actress Jane Powell (1929), actress Ali MacGraw (1938)

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Zits



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Peanuts



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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 46 Moves slowly

1 Freed of skin

6 Extreme diets

11 Venice setting

12 "The Waste Land" author

13 Ingenious singer

14 Deputy's symbol

15 Speaking problem

17 Roof support

18 Swear band

20 Historic times

22 Pharaoh's symbol

23 Under a pile of work

26 Keepsake

28 Lily variety

29 Pre-election election

31 Badly

32 Use a stopwatch

33 Order to Spot

34 Catching aid

36 "Dog-gone!"

38 Regions

40 Improve

43 Magna —

44 "M-A-S-H" setting

45 English county

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Yesterday's answer

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39 Clinton's instrument

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Marmaduke



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GOLF

PAMPA — There will be a scramble Saturday at Hidden Hills with proceeds going to the Golf Course Improvement Fund.

The 1-man scramble is \$35, which includes all fees. There will be a free lunch and free t-shirt.

Call 669-5866 to sign up.

BASKETBALL

PERRYTON — The J & J Globetrotters won the 3rd-4th Grade Division in the Perryton Basketball Tournament last weekend. The Trotters went undefeated for the second straight tournament by winning all four games they played. They started out the tournament with a 38-24 win over Spearman. Next, the Trotters won 28-18 against Woodward, Okla.

The third game was a hard-fought 29-18 victory over Gruver. In the final game, Woodward came back through the loser's bracket to play the Trotters again. The Trotters jumped out to a 20-8 halftime lead and cruised to a 38-26 win.

Globetrotters team members are John Luke Covalt, Kadin Barton, Matthew Smith, Heath Skinner, Hayden Skinner, Thomas Fraser and Casey Trimble.

The Trotters are coached by Jeff Skinner, Monte Covalt and Joe Skinner.

The team is entered in the Borger Extreme Classic this weekend.

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Michigan needed two weeks to find the coach it wants to lead the Wolverines' basketball team.

It was Seton Hall, however, that revealed on Wednesday that Tommy Amaker was leaving to take the Michigan job.

"We appreciate all that Tommy has done to position our basketball program among the best in the nation," Seton Hall athletic director Jeff Fogelson said. "I'm sure that he will do the same for Michigan."

Amaker agreed to a five-year contract with Michigan, according to the Detroit News and ESPN. The university has scheduled a news conference for Thursday afternoon.

BASEBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Kids & Youth Club will be having baseball signups through April 6 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Baker Elementary. Additional signups will be held Saturday at United Supermarkets and Frank's Foods from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

From 8 a.m. until 2 p.m., another signup will be held April 7 at Baker Elementary.

For more information, call Peter Rodriguez at 669-6023 or Robert Saiz at 669-1740.

Flashback

1963: Robert E. Lee Rebels defeated Borger 50-47 in a 9th grade basketball game.

David Cain had 14 points and Gary Crossland 10 to lead the Rebels.

Pampa girls down Caprock in district softball contest

PAMPA — Charity Nachtigall ignited Pampa with a home run as the Lady Harvesters came away with a 9-7 win over Caprock in a District 3-4A softball game

Tuesday. Nachtigall's home run cleared the fence at Optimist Park. Coach Jamie Greene said it was the first ball ever hit over the fence in Lady

Harvesters softball history. Nachtigall also had a single.

Cali Covalt also had two hits, a double and single, for Pampa.

Chelsey Davis was the winning pitcher while Callie Brown took the loss.

Bonilla had two singles while Fritz had a double and single for the Lady Longhorns.

Pampa's big inning was the fourth when four runs crossed the plate, giving the Lady Harvesters an 8-7 lead. They added an insurance run in the fifth.

Pampa is now 3-2 in district play and 11-6 for the season. Caprock is 1-3 and 7-10.

Pampa holds down third place in the district standings. Dumas (4-0) is the district leader and Borger (3-1) is in second place.

The Lady Harvesters host Randall at 4:30 p.m. today.

In other district games Thursday, Randall edged Hereford 1-0, Palo Duro defeated Borger 10-6 and Dumas won over Canyon 6-2.



(Pampa News photo by Lance Burton)

Pampa coach Jamie Greene (left) presents the game ball to Charity Nachtigall, who hit a home run against Caprock.

PHS golfers take 3-4A lead

CANYON — Pampa, led by Daniel Williams, took the first-round lead in the District 3-4A Boys Golf Tournament.

The Harvesters shot 311 Thursday at Canyon Country Club to take a three-stroke lead over Randall and Borger, tied for second at 314.

Williams was medalist with a 73. Borger's Casey Martinez and Palo Duro's Trey

Lantham are tied for second at 74.

Daniel Heuston and Anthony Tiedt each shot 75 for the Harvesters.

Other Pampa scores were Cory Fowler 88, and Mitch Schilling 90.

Pampa's junior varsity team shot a 379 for 13th place. Pampa scores were Will Vice 88, Ryan Black 92, Craig Stout 97 and Evan Ladd 102.

Tulsa wins NIT crown

NEW YORK (AP) — Twenty years after Nolan Richardson won the NIT in his first year as Tulsa coach, Buzz Peterson did it again.

Now Peterson must decide whether to follow the tradition Richardson set and turn success at Tulsa into a big-time coaching job.

Marcus Hill scored 24 points and shut down Alabama's leading scorer as the Golden Hurricane won the NIT championship for their first-year coach, beating the Crimson Tide 79-60 Thursday night.

"The eerie part about the whole thing is, 20 years ago Nolan Richardson took a club and won a championship," Peterson said.

Four years later, Richardson left for Arkansas, setting off a pattern that has also seen Tubby Smith, Steve Robinson and Bill Self launch their careers from Tulsa.

Peterson, who spent the previous four seasons as the head man at Appalachian State, is at the top of Tennessee's wish list and could interview for the Volunteers' opening soon.

"Nobody has contacted me yet," Peterson said. "But if something comes up, I'll never shut the door on anything."

Peterson added an NIT title to the NCAA one his college roommate, Michael Jordan, won for him in 1982. But this was sweeter than North Carolina's 63-62 win over Georgetown.

"As a player, you're just kind of on the coattails of Jordan, Sam Perkins and James Worthy," Peterson said. "As a coach, this is more satisfying."

No glass slippers are needed at this Final Four clash

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A warning to anyone who cried when Jim Valvano won, cheered when Villanova stunned Georgetown or felt warm and fuzzy when Danny Manning led Kansas to its improbable title: This is not your Final Four.

Those who embrace lovable underdogs have no team to call their own in Minneapolis this week.

This year's gathering is for Duke, Maryland, Michigan State and Arizona — four big-name teams from big-name conferences with low seeds and star players. All four spent good portions of the season at or near the top of the polls.

"Not only do we have four really good teams, but we have four teams who are playing their best basketball right now," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "That doesn't usually happen at the Final Four."

The Duke-Maryland semifinal Saturday is the fourth meeting between Atlantic Coast Conference rivals who have already played two of the most entertaining games of the season.

The Arizona-Michigan State meeting is a pick 'em contest between the defending national champion and the preseason No.

1. Sure, all these teams have been through tough times, too.

But it hardly comes as a shock to see any of them here. Just ask Illinois coach Bill Self, whose team played all four.

"Three of the four teams may have the best offensive firepower in the tournament," said Self, speaking of Arizona, Duke and Maryland. "Then you have a team that labors sometimes to score points, but is probably the best defensively, and the best rebounding team."

That would be defending champion Michigan State (28-4), which made it despite the loss of Mateen Cleaves, Morris Peterson and A.J. Granger from last year's championship team. There were plenty of people, including Spartans coach Tom Izzo, who thought a return to the Final Four was a stretch.

But Izzo still has a wealth of talent in Charlie Bell, Jason Richardson and Zach Randolph. And these are the defending champions, who won the Big Ten for the fourth straight time and never fell out of the Top 5.

"We've got a different team in a lot of ways and we kind of took things a day at a time and let them just happen," Izzo said.

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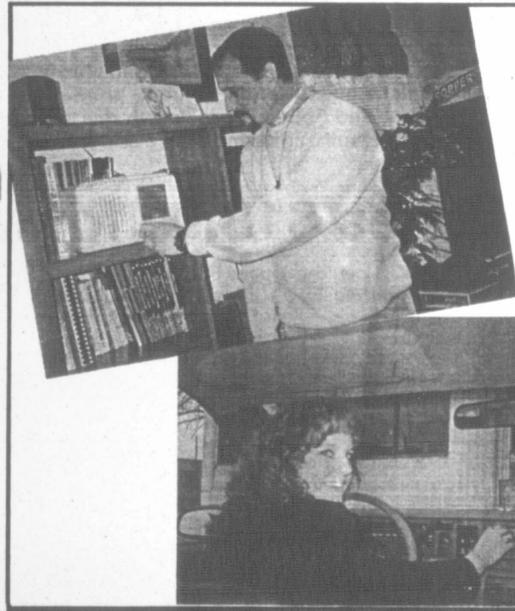
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Raiders owner Al Davis influential, even in absentia

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — Even in absentia, Al Davis had quite an impact on the NFL owners' meetings this week.

The owner of the Oakland Raiders, in the midst of a trial in Los Angeles in his \$1 billion lawsuit against the league, affected the gathering in several ways:

— Ten other owners did not attend, some because they feared being subpoenaed to appear at the trial. Among the missing were such influential team executives as the Cowboys' Jerry Jones, the Giants' Wellington Mara and the Bills' Ralph Wilson. Davis was a no-

show, too.

— Realignment was discussed, but no vote was taken, partially because commissioner Paul Tagliabue was occupied for several weeks with the trial.

A number of business issues either were shelved or merely debated, with no decisions made.

— Tagliabue seemed distracted at his news conferences throughout the week, possibly because Davis' specter was lurking.

Not that nothing was achieved. In fact, Tagliabue called the meetings "very productive."

He sighted the passage of a

three-year approval of instant replay for use as an officiating tool. In the previous 15 years it was up for a vote, each proposal was for a one-year renewal.

The vote was 25-5-1, with the New York Jets, Buffalo, Arizona, Cincinnati and Kansas City against, and Indianapolis abstaining. A total of 24 votes was needed, and if the three-year proposal failed, a one-year plan probably would have passed.

"It was time to take a look at it for more than one year," said Tampa Bay general manager Rich McKay, co-chairman of the competition committee. "It needs a longer

period so we can evaluate it without having to vote on it."

Bandanas for any player not requiring one for medical reasons were banned under the league's strict uniform code, although skullcaps are OK. Again, Davis left his mark by having his Raiders representatives vote against the change, while the other 30 teams voted yes.

Taunting was a popular topic, with Tagliabue insisting the league will come down even heavier on players who go over the line.

Tagliabue, McKay and Minnesota Vikings coach Dennis Green, the other co-

chairman of the competition committee, said early penalties and ejections would reduce or eliminate the problem.

Interestingly, Tagliabue said it was unlikely the league would use its option to reopen its television deals in 2002.

"I always looked at the contracts as eight years," he said. "One of the reasons we wanted a reopener is everyone would talk about the revolutionary new media. I think with the slowdown in the technology economy, the likelihood is we'll have contracts through 2005."

Tagliabue and NFL Players

Association executive director Gene Upshaw have held preliminary talks about extending the collective bargaining agreement beyond its expiration in 2004.

As for the lawsuit Davis filed claiming the league conspired to force him to move out of Los Angeles in 1995, the company line was repeated. Tagliabue called the suit "a sham and a shakedown," and he was echoed by Ravens owner Art Modell.

And Bob Tisch, co-owner of the New York Giants, added of Mara, "He didn't want to spend his time worrying about someone serving him."

M.G. Flyers compete in dance contest, gymnastic meets

PAMPA — The M.G. Flyers Division Two gymnasts entered their first meet of the season at Snyder with

Allison Cooper taking first in tumbling and first in overall tumbling.

In Level 4 tumbling,

Shannon Clay placed first in tumbling and second overall in tumbling. Shelby Clay was 12th and 19th in overall

tumbling. In trampoline, Shannon placed second, Allison 12th and Shelby 19th in overall trampoline.

The Division Two team travels to Odessa for their next qualifying meet.

floor and first on trampoline; Danielle Zuniga, first on floor and trampoline; Caylee Steward, second on trampoline and first on floor; Jenna Munsell, first on floor and trampoline; Jazmine Rose, first on floor and second on floor; Lara Heersema, first on trampoline and second on floor; Shelby Clay, third on trampoline and first on floor; Leah Wilson, first on trampoline and floor; Heather Wiley and Lauren Denney all received silver medals for their performances.

Kaylee Keith received a gold medal and Staci Clay received the platinum medal award.

In the overall standings, the top 10 highest scores for the day were announced. Staci Clay was awarded first place and Kaylee Keith placed fourth out of a field of approximately 250 competitors.

At a USA Gymnastics tumble and trampoline meet held in Shamrock, Nicole Heersema received a gold medal on trampoline and was seventh in tumbling. Calli Brewer and Danielle Zuniga both took first place and each received two gold medals.

The M.G. Flyers team took second place overall at both Division One and Division Two meets.

Placings were: Diamond Marrufo, first on floor and second on trampoline; Cindy Schepp, first on trampoline and second in tumbling; Keziah Nelson, first on floor and trampoline; Allie Hendricks, first on floor and trampoline; Amanda Bennett, second on

floor and first on trampoline; Danielle Zuniga, first on floor and trampoline; Caylee Steward, second on trampoline and first on floor; Jenna Munsell, first on floor and trampoline; Jazmine Rose, first on floor and second on floor; Lara Heersema, first on trampoline and second on floor; Shelby Clay, third on trampoline and first on floor; Leah Wilson, first on trampoline and floor; Heather Wiley and Lauren Denney all received silver medals for their performances.



M.G. Dancers competed in "Foot Loose" contest in Oklahoma. They are (front, from left) Diamond Marrufo and Cindy Schepp; (second row, from left) Keziah Nelson, Allie Hendricks and Amanda Bennett; (third row, from left) Danielle Zuniga, Caylee Steward, Jenna Munsel, Jazmine Rose and Abbey Rios; (fourth row, from left) Lara Heersema, Shelby Clay, Leah Wilson, Allison Ware, Nicole Heersema, Shannon Clay and Allison Cooper. Not pictured is Calli Brewer.

Average ticket price reaches \$18.99 for Major League games

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It's fitting that baseball keeps naming new ballparks after fans need cash machines before they sing "Take Me Out To The Ball Game" this spring.

average price by more than 20 percent, according to the Team Marketing Report's annual survey, which was released Thursday.

Pittsburgh, whose new PNC Park replaces Three Rivers Stadium, had the largest rise at 82 percent, from \$11.80 to \$21.48. The Pirates' new stadium follows a trend set when Arizona's Bank One Ballpark opened in 1998.

Milwaukee, which moves from County Stadium to Miller Park, increased its average 55 percent, from \$11.72 to \$18.12. Cincinnati

was next with a 43.4 percent hike to \$15.40, followed by Tampa Bay with a 42.6 percent increase, to \$18.41.

Baseball's average ticket price has more than doubled in a decade, increasing 120 percent from 1991, when it was \$8.64. In the same time period, the Consumer Price Index has increased 30.4 percent, according to the U.S. Labor Department.

The average salary of players, \$851,492 in 1991, has more than doubled in the same time period and is expected to be more than \$2.2 million when the season

opens Sunday.

"Players have absolutely nothing to do with ticket prices," union head Donald Fehr said. "We had nothing to do with the recent decision to charge for Web broadcasts. These are management decisions, which management makes based on what each club or central baseball determines is the economic condition of the country and each market."

In comparison, the average NFL ticket price was \$48.97 last year. It's \$51.02 in the NBA and \$47.69 in the NHL.

industry costs have resulted in an increase in ticket prices, major league baseball is pleased to note that our ticket prices remain by far the best value among the major professional sports leagues, and most forms of entertainment," commissioner Bud Selig said.

Boston's average price at Fenway Park rose 27.4 percent and leads the major leagues for the fourth straight year. The ballpark, which holds 33,991, is the smallest in the major leagues.

by 3.7 percent, and Seattle dropped 2.4 percent. Houston and Los Angeles left prices unchanged.

The Yankees are second at \$28.90, an 11.4 percent rise, followed by the New York Mets at \$26.53, Detroit at \$23.90, San Francisco at \$23.38 and Seattle at \$22.87.

Minnesota has the lowest average price at \$9.55. Montreal, which at \$9.70 in U.S. dollars has the second lowest average price, was among three teams to lower their averages, dropping the cost 5.7 percent.

Aikman looks at broadcasting offers

By JAIME ARON
AP Sports Writer

The networks have been after Troy Aikman for years. The fact that he's finally willing to listen to their job offers is an indication that the three-time Super Bowl champion quarterback might be ready to call it a career.

"I think he's had a few second thoughts about if he wants to play football at all," agent Leigh Steinberg said Thursday. "Although we're looking at those options, media is attractive to him and we're exploring those options, too. That has now become an active factor on the agenda."

The 34-year-old Aikman is a free agent for the first time after 12 seasons in Dallas. He was waived March 7 to avoid a \$7 million bonus and extension through 2007 due if he was on the roster the next day.

by Aikman's health. He's suffered four concussions in his last 20 games — 10 in his career — and has a degenerative back problem.

There are also questions of how much is left in his arm. Once strong and supremely accurate, he was the lowest-rated starting quarterback in the NFC last season.

But Steinberg said he's spoken to Kansas City about Aikman replacing Elvis Grbac, who signed with Baltimore, as the Chiefs' starter, and Denver has offered him a backup role. He said other teams have called, too, but declined to name them.

"Troy is employable," he said. "There are teams that want him. I could cut a deal for him today."

Steinberg also could cut a network deal at any time.

Aikman has done color commentary on NFL Europe games for Fox and is scheduled to do more this summer. Even with little experience, his name and reputa-

tion would surely earn him a high-paying job as an analyst, either in a studio or for games.

"There's obviously a number of different networks that cover pro football in one way, shape or form. A number have come up over the years and said, 'If Troy would like some form of a role, when football is over, we'd be interested in him,'" Steinberg said.

"Since the season ended, a number of them have come back and queried whether we'd be interested. In recent weeks, I've been fielding some of those discussions for Troy. Some of them have been more serious."

Just like NFL teams are filling their rosters, networks are, too.

Fox has an opening for an NFL game analyst because Matt Miller joined the Detroit Lions as president and CEO, while ESPN lost "NFL 2Night" studio analyst Marty Schottenheimer, who left to become the Washington Redskins coach.

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West Texas A&M briefs ...

Student Recitals. Voice, dance and instrumental recitals are scheduled for students in the Department of Music and Dance at West Texas A&M University.

Karim Hill-tuba, senior music major from Laredo, will present a senior recital at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 1 in Northern Recital Hall on the WTAMU campus. Amy Browning-flute, graduate student from Canyon, will follow with her graduate recital at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, April 7, Robbin Buford-voice, senior music therapy major from Canyon, will present a senior recital at 6 p.m. in Northern Recital Hall. On Sunday, April 8, Brian Kuhnert-voice, senior performance major from Canyon, will present his senior recital at 6 p.m., and Mike Marriot-dance, sophomore dance major from Canyon, will present his junior recital at 8 p.m. in the Atrium of Northern 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.

National Showcase. Members of the West Texas A&M University speech team will showcase its national-qualifying talents in a community presentation from 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 2 in the Intimate Theatre in the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus. The 16-member team will compete April 3-9 at the American Forensic Association Nationals at George Mason University in Washington, D.C. The showcase is free and open to the public.

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 orga-

nizations 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.

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 and Hall are both active lecturers, adjudicators and recording artists who have performed in concerts throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and Taiwan. They will perform a program ranging from Scaramouche by Darius Milhaud to Variations on a Theme by Joseph Haydn for Two Pianos, Op. 56b by Johannes Brahms.

The recital is free and open to the public. For more information, call (806) 651-2840.

Faculty lecture. Dr. Harry Hueston, assistant professor of criminal justice at West Texas A&M University, will present "How Institutions of Higher Education Handle Reported Incidents of Sexual Assault" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 in the Cornette Library Lecture Room. The program is part of the Friends of Cornette Library Faculty Lecture Series. The lecture will include research based on police reports as well as changes needed to help prevent crime. Hueston will encourage audience participation, questions and discussion. The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, call (806) 651-2230.

Soup and Sandwich. Karla Bailey will present a Soup and Sandwich program on "Your Body, Your Health" beginning at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center, Room 11, on the WTAMU campus. Soup and Sandwich, sponsored by United Campus Ministry, is held each Wednesday during fall and spring semesters. WTAMU students eat free. The cost to others is \$3 per person.

Low Brass Concert. The Department of Music and Dance at West Texas A&M University will feature the sounds of the tuba, euphonium and trombone in a Low Brass Concert at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 5 in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall.

Dr. Joe Cox, professor of music, will direct an ensemble of four tubas and six euphoniums in a program of music ranging from El Capitan by John Phillip Sousa, arranged by R. Winston Morris, to Symphony No. 4 by Tchaikovsky and arranged by James Self.

The 13-member WTAMU Trombone Choir, also directed by Cox, will present a program ranging from Ave Maria by Anton Bruckner, arranged by Douglas Yeo, to the Grand Canyon Octet by Eric Ewazen.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call (806) 651-2840.

Fund-Raising Lunch. The annual West Texas A&M University Staff Council fund-raising lunch is set for 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5 in the Alumni Banquet Facility. The annual event will feature all the fixings for either a delicious hamburger or hot baked potato meal. Tickets are available now from Staff Council or Faculty Senate members and are priced at \$5 for those 13-years and older or \$3 for ages 6-12. Children under 6 are admitted free. Advance ticket purchases are encouraged, and all proceeds will benefit the WTAMU Tuition Assistance Scholarship Fund. For more information, call (806) 651-2042.

Showcase of Music. The West Texas A&M University Department of Music and Dance will present the 21st annual Showcase of Music beginning at 8 p.m. Friday, April 6 at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium. A traditional preconcert show will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium lobby. The event, sponsored by the Amarillo Globe-News, features a program of vocal and instrumental music.

Tickets to the event, priced at \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, are available at the WTAMU music office, Room 102 in the Fine Arts Building or in Amarillo at Jen's House of Music or Tolzien Music. All proceeds benefit student scholarships. For more information, contact the WTAMU music office at (806) 651-2840.

Fund-raising dance. The Greek Council at West Texas A&M University will sponsor a fund-raising tailgate party and dance for the Children's Miracle Network from 7:30-12:30 p.m. Friday, April 6 at the WTAMU Fieldhouse. The event will kick-off with a tailgate party complete with hamburgers, music, concessions and door prizes. Chances for door prizes are priced at \$1 each and the price of admission to the dance is \$5 per person. The public is invited, and all proceeds will benefit the Children's Miracle Network.

Harrington String Quartet. The Harrington String Quartet will perform Haydn's Seven Last Words of Christ at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 7 at Polk Street United Methodist Church in Amarillo. Quartet members include Annie Chalex and Corinne Stillwell, violins; Joanna Mendoza, viola; and Emmanuel Lopez, cello. Area ministers will deliver the seven last words and offer commentary. The performance is free and open to the public. For more information, call (806) 651-2853.

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. 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.

Austin Elementary



Celebrating Texas Public School Week recently were Austin Elementary third graders (back row, left-right) Kevin Terry, Kelby Rucker, Christian Martinez, Samantha Pearson, Ashley Shephard, Damon Dennis; (center, l-r) Caleb West, Chad Taylor, Kayla Ware, Emily Jean, Rebecca Taylor, Ivy Noble, Garrett Fatheree; (front row) Dillon Johnson, Michelle Burke and Cheyanne Collins.

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Scientists schedule seminar to address livestock diseases

CANYON — Scientists from the Division of Agriculture at West Texas A&M University and the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory in Amarillo want people to know the difference between Hoof and Mouth Disease and Mad Cow Disease and what might happen if either were to enter the United States.

Those scientists will conduct a free seminar on the topic at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 in the Virgil Henson Activities Center on the WTAMU campus. It will be open to the WTAMU student body and the general public.

"Other than the fact that both are front-page news in Britain and Europe and threaten to wipe out the livestock industry over there, there is very little similarity between the two diseases," Dr. Don Topliff, head of WTAMU's Division of Agriculture, said. "Either of these diseases would be devastating to the Panhandle. It is critical that we all try to understand what is at stake and do everything in our power to keep these diseases out of our herds."

Scientists will discuss the two diseases and what they could potentially mean to the Panhandle. Mis-information about the two diseases, which is running rampant in this country, will also be discussed, Topliff said.

"On a radio talk show the other night, the commentator said we already have Mad Cow Disease in sheep in this country. That simply is not true," Topliff said. "We want to provide the public with an opportunity to get the facts from people who are working on the front lines of these problems."

The program is expected to last approximately one hour. Questions from the audience will be welcome.

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