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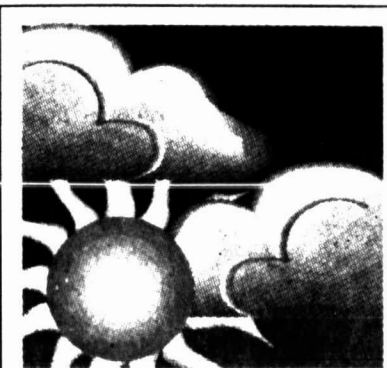
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AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 9-37-38-41-43-49.
 Estimated jackpot: \$4 million.
 Number matching six of six: 0.

Matching five of six: 38.
 Prize: \$3,070.
 Matching four of six: 2,277.
 Prize: \$127.
 Matching three of six: 49,478.
 Prize: \$5.
 Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night.
 Estimated jackpot: \$7 million.

Arnold Ray Wariner, 60, former Letors resident.
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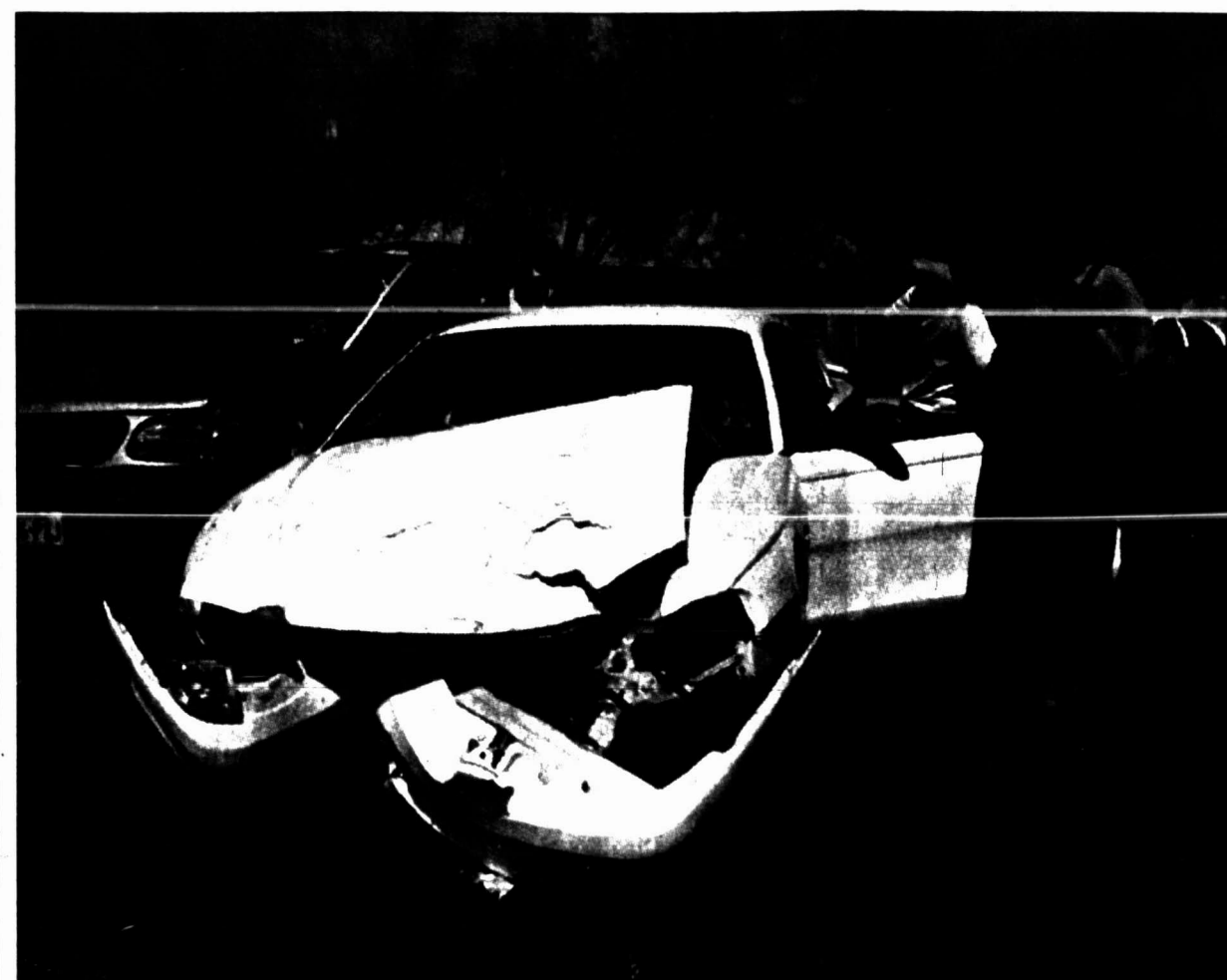
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Comfort after crash



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Three young women hug each other at the scene of a two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Duncan and Kentucky streets shortly before noon Wednesday. According to police reports, the driver of the Ford Explorer failed to yield right of way at a stop sign on Kentucky and struck a 1997 Ford Mustang traveling south on Duncan. No injuries were reported at the scene. For further details of the wreck, see Accidents in the Daily Record, page 2.

Police arrest Pampa man in child choking incident

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 Staff Writer

A Pampa Police Department investigation of an assault late Wednesday led to the arrest of a Pampa man for allegedly choking a one-year-old child.

Hoyt Eugene Larue, 35, 104 N. Faulkner, remained in Gray County Jail at press time today, facing charges of injury to a child, aggravated assault with bodily injury, violation of a protective order and retaliation.

Bonds on the various charges had not been set, officials said this morning.

At 10:45 p.m. Wednesday, Sgt. Alvin Johnson and Lt. Fred Courtney of the Pampa Police Department responded to reports of an assault in progress at the corner of Huff and Crawford streets, according to police records.

When the officer arrived, everyone involved in the reported assault had left the scene, police said.

All that was left was a vehicle where the assault had allegedly occurred. Officers then contacted the person named as the owner of the car in documents found in a search of the abandoned vehicle's glove box.

After speaking with the car's owner, police learned that she and her one-year-old boy had been attacked by the child's father while they were sitting in the parked car at Huff and Crawford.

(See CHOKING, Page 3)

Wizard of Oz comes to Pampa

Auditorium to overflow with 'munchkins'



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Standing in front of the lighted Scarecrow built and designed by Holiday Greeters, Paden Watson, age 4, and Jett Richards, age 2, are anxiously awaiting the appearance of the remainder of Wizard of Oz characters. The cast of the Pampa Elementary Chorus production of the Wizard of Oz will be enjoying a cast party Saturday night following the final performance. M&H Leasing and Holiday Greeters are providing the theme decorations at the party.

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

Little Munchkins and Ozians will be overflowing M.K. Brown Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights.

"The Wizard of Oz" is the annual presentation of the Pampa Elementary Chorus under the direction of Wanetta Hill.

Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tinman and the Cowardly Lion will all be there to ask the Wizard to give them the things they desire: the most-home, brains, a heart and courage.

An animated Oz with special effect will be featured along with Surround Sound in the auditorium.

The production also includes the song and dance, Jitterbugs, that was not included in the movie version, said Hill. She said dancers will also be performing a black light number. If all goes well, she said, there will be a Toto, too.

Tickets will be available at the door.

Cast members of The Wizard of Oz include Aunt Em, Haili Kotara; Joe, a farm hand, Michael Alexander; Uncle Henry, Garnett Schater; Dorothy, Chandler Talley; Mayor of the Munchkins, Joseph Johnson; Munchkin Farmer, K'Lyn

Holmes; Good Witch of the North, Jacee Villareal;

Wicked Witch of the West, Claire Elizabeth Boyd; The Scarecrow, Dustin Neef; The Tin Woodman, Matt Smith; The Cowardly Lion, Coleby West; A Private, Will McKay; First General, Kevin Kirkham; An Old Lady, Krishna Henderson;

Lord Growlie, Stephen Barrett; Gloria, his daughter, Morgan Reagan; First Witch, Raeghan Jenkins; Second Witch, Megan Robinson; Tibia, Jeremy Zellefrow; and The Wizard of Oz, Nathanael Hill.

Tornado scene cast members are Tabby Courter, Ashley Hernandez, Jennifer Haley, Lindsey Riley, Kenzie Carter, Ashley Winkleblack, Shelby Needham, Victoria Campbell, Kristen Dunn, Kat Aler, Kelby Doughty, Paige Alvey, Sara Jane Foster, Marli Street, Karlie Novian, Krista Shults,

Kailee Intemann, Jessica Tabor, Ally Garner, Chelsie Kyle, Megan Waldrop, Tonya Kiper, Stephanie Polasek, Layce Beesley, Katelin Wall, Rikki Beesley, Keisha Crowell, Logan McDonald, Lauren Couts, Stephanie Hasskarl, Kendra Clarkson, Gage Carruth, Tyler Morris, Chance Judkins,

John Luke Covalt, Colby Copeland, Josh Rios, Chance (See MUNCHKINS, Page 3)

Nursing home brings in new administrator

By KATE B. DICKSON
 Associate Publisher

A new administrator is in place at Coronado Healthcare Center in the wake of an unfavorable state agency report that contained allegations of physical and verbal abuse, patient neglect and other problems.

Bobby Thompson took over the reins Friday, one day after the last day worked by the previous administrator, Mildred George.

Thompson would not comment on the circumstances of George's leaving saying, "As a former employee she has the same right to confidentiality as others here do and I am not at liberty to discuss it."

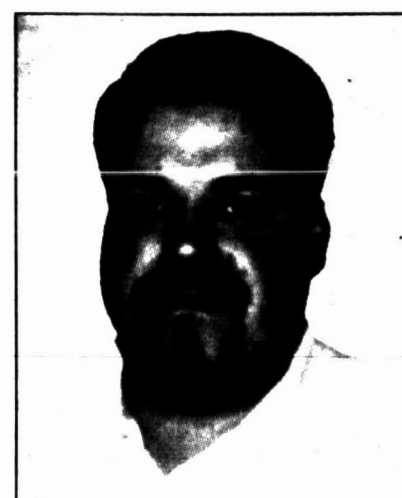
An attempt to contact George this morning was unsuccessful and a message was left on her answering machine. The call had not been returned by press time.

Thompson, who says he's here on an "interim basis," was most recently a nursing home administrator in Haskell, Texas. He confirmed that he has served as an interim administrator previously following a state investigation under circumstances similar to Coronado's.

"The last facility I went to [on an interim basis] had issues and when the state made a revisit they found substantial compliance," he said.

At Coronado, Thompson said, "We have the opportunity to review the allegations and determine a course of action."

The administrator said the nursing home has 10 days from the issuance of the state report to submit a plan of correction — something he says is being worked on now. He said the plan will include a date when



Bobby Thompson

the facility will be in substantial compliance with corrective action. He said a another inspection will be made but may not come on that exact date because surprise inspections are the norm.

"We, not only as a facility but the company as a whole, are committed to providing the highest level of patient care," Thompson said. "I am going to be paying particular scrutiny to the allegations [in the report] and will look to rectify any problems that may exist."

The company that owns Coronado, Senior Living Properties in Carmel, Ind., owns over 50 nursing homes in Texas, according to Rosemary Patterson, public information officer for the Texas Department of Health and Human Services, Long Term Care - Regulatory.

Patterson said the surprise inspection in mid-March at Coronado was three fold — the annual and state licensure survey, a follow-up to a previous inspection and was to investigate five complaints that she said were most likely made to the Long Term Care hot line.

More rabies reported

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

Rabies cases are up across the area, officials say.

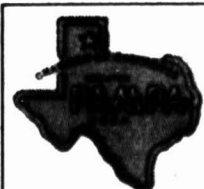
Rabies vaccinations are being urged as reported rabies cases are up across the Panhandle region this year as well as the state.

A rabid skunk has been reported in Wheeler County, according to Dr. James Alexander of the Texas Department of Health in Canyon. The rabies was positively identified in a skunk on March 11, he said. Another skunk was identified as having rabies Pampa on March 23.

Dr. Alexander said a Wheeler County resident found a dead skunk in his dog's pen in early March. The animal was sent off to the state TDH for rabies testing and was determined to have the disease, he said. He said he talked with another Wheeler County resident last week who reported he has killed six skunks, all at night, in his barn

(See RABIES, Page 3)

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

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

HALBROOK, Clara — Graveside services, 1:30 p.m., Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.

Obituaries

CLARA HALBROOK

Clara Halbbrook, 89, of Pampa, died Tuesday, April 3, 2001, at Pampa. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Bible Church of Pampa with the Pastor Don Yates officiating. Graveside services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mrs. Halbbrook was born Feb. 17, 1912, at Big Spring. She married Rubert Wesley Halbbrook on Nov. 27, 1933, in Colorado City, Texas; he preceded her in death on Nov. 22, 1982. She had been a Pampa resident since 1992, moving from Big Spring.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Big Spring and attended Bible Church of Pampa. She was a homemaker and her hobbies included sewing and playing bridge.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Bill and Abe Bailey; and by two sisters, Ortry Boatler and Ruby Petty.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Dr. Bill Horne of Pampa; a sister, Cotton Boling of Big Spring; two grandchildren, Laura Green and Marci Imel, both of Pampa; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Bible Church Building Fund, 300 W. Browning, Pampa, TX 79065.

ANGEL NICOLE NOLTE

Angel Nicole Nolte of Pampa was delivered stillborn Tuesday, April 3, 2001, at Amarillo. Private graveside services were held in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Skellytown, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Survivors include her parents, Steven and Michelle Nolte, of the home; a brother, Keenen Nolte, of the home; her paternal grandparents, Steve and Belinda Nolte of Pampa; her maternal grandparents, Cathy Mullen of Pampa and Doug and Cathie McGhee of Liberal, Kan.; her great-grandparents, Malenda Kinslow and Eunice Nolte, both of Pampa, Leola Hartley of Guymon, Okla., Gill and Betty Masongale of Powell, Tenn., Kenneth Hillard of Topeka, Kan., and William McGhee of Oliver Springs, Tenn.; and her great-great-grandfather, Bobby Kinslow of Tulia.

The family requests memorials be to Children's Miracle Network, 1600 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

ARNOLD RAY WARINER

SAN ANGELO — Arnold Ray Wariner, 60, a former Lefors resident, died Wednesday, March 4, 2001. Memorial services are pending under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo.

Mr. Wariner was born May 21, 1940, at Pampa and graduated from Lefors High School in 1958. He retired from Naval Security Group in 1990 after 35 years of service.

He was preceded in death by his father, Milburn James Wariner of Lefors, on Dec. 11, 1994.

Survivors include his wife, Amelia, of the home; a daughter, Karen Wariner of Orlando, Fla.; his mother, Elsie Wariner of Panhandle; a sister, Bobbye Combs of Pampa; and three brothers, James Wariner of Liberal, Kan., Johnny Wariner of Lefors and Jerry Wariner of Sterling, Colo.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of San Angelo, P.O. Box, 471, San Angelo, TX 76902.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, April 4

7:26 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility; no transport.

7:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

7:46 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.

10:12 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Lefors and transported one to PRMC.

11:41 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Kentucky and Duncan; no transport.

11:57 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

3:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to SCCI in Amarillo.

Thursday, April 5

3:02 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of Alcock; no transport.

Police report

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

Wednesday, April 4

Shawn Weatherford, 30, no address listed, was arrested in the 900 block of Cinderella on warrants for operating an unregistered vehicle, expired motor vehicle inspection, and failure to appear.

Johnny Todd Preston, 28, Jacksboro, was arrested on a warrant for engaging in organized criminal activity (forgery).

Hoyt Eugene Larue, 35, 104 N. Faulkner, was arrested for injury to a child, aggravated assault with bodily injury, violation of a protective order and retaliation.

Injury to a child, violation of a protective order, assault with bodily injury and retaliation were reported to Pampa Police Department. (See related story.)

A representative of Frank's Thriftway, 300 E. Brown, reported theft under \$50.

Lost property was reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart. The hood from a green 1993 Geo Metro flew off the vehicle and when the owner returned to retrieve the hood, it was gone.

Simple assault with minor injuries was reported in the 1800 block of Beech.

Criminal mischief over \$50/ under \$500 was reported in the 1100 block of Huff Road.

Thursday, April 5

Melvin Dale Haynes, 43, 731 N. Dwight, was arrested in the 700 block of North Dwight for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

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Accidents

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

Wednesday, April 4

12:16 a.m. - An unknown white vehicle struck the passenger side door of a 1999 GMC 2500 pickup properly parked in an angled parking space in front of an auto supply store in the 400 block of West foster. The vehicle left the scene. There were no known witnesses. Owner of the truck is listed as Fred Brown Methanol, P.O. Box 1916, Pampa.

11:40 a.m. - A 1998 Ford Explorer driven by Vanessa Lauren Orr, 16, 2525 Beech, and a 1997 Ford Mustang driven by Lizette Anita Navarrete, 17, 2318 Charles at the intersection of Duncan and Kentucky streets. No injuries were reported at the scene. Orr was cited for failure to yield right of way.

Fires

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

Wednesday, April 4

7:40 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1200 block of North Wells.

11:44 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Duncan and Kentucky streets.

1:52 p.m. - Three units and nine firefighters responded to a false alarm in the 1500 block of West Kentucky.

Thursday, April 5

3:10 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1800 block of West Alcock.

Sheriff's Office

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

Wednesday, April 4

Cody Wade Hutchison, 20, 1109 S. Banks, was arrested for no driver's license, no insurance and fictitious license plates.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.61	Columbia/HCA	40.15	dn 0.05
Milo	3.21	Enron	55.59	up 1.87
Corn	3.57	Halliburton	33.45	up 0.56
Soybeans	3.52	KMI	53.15	up 0.02
		Kerr McGee	65.27	up 0.37
		Limited	15.77	up 0.04
		McDonald's	26.30	up 0.21
		Exxon Mobil	79.63	up 0.93
		New Atmos.	21.90	up 0.10
		XCEL	29.46	dn 0.58
		NOI	33.00	up 0.97
		OKE	40.65	up 0.40
		Penney's	15.29	up 0.24
		Phillips	53.99	up 0.02
		Pioneer Nat.	15.69	up 1.22
		SLB	55.25	up 0.59
		Tenneco	2.57	dn 0.03
		Texaco	66.33	up 0.58
		Ultramar	37.20	up 0.27
		Wal-Mart	50.32	up 0.45
		Williams	41.24	up 0.98

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

BP Amoco	49.26	up 0.76	New York Gold	258.25
Celanese	18.45	dn 0.05	Silver	4.35
Cabot	32.49	up 0.86	West Texas Crude	27.13
Cabot O&G	25.75	up 0.65		
Chevron	88.19	up 0.49		
Coca-Cola	45.74	up 0.49		

Texas round up

Senator offers two versions of life without parole bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Sen. Eddie Lucio wants to let juries decide whether a defendant should be sentenced to life without parole so badly that he has drafted two versions of the bill to get it passed out of committee.

One version, drafted more for defense attorneys, would allow juries to decide whether a person convicted of capital murder should receive the death penalty, life without parole or life with parole.

Another version that is geared more to prosecutors would strike the life with parole option.

Law allows juries two options for capital murder convictions: death or a "life" sentence that allows for parole after 40 years.

Most prosecutors at a Senate Criminal Justice hearing Wednesday said they did not support changing existing law.

Auditor releases annual financial and federal compliance audit report

DALLAS (AP) — Serious accounting problems were found in the Texas Education Agency, the Texas Department of Health and the Department of Housing as well as in the payroll system at Texas Southern University, according to a new state review.

The review released Wednesday by the state auditor's office found weaknesses in the accounting and financial reporting systems at the Texas Education Agency and the Texas Department of Health.

"The audit findings were about a small number of financial processes and procedures and we are addressing those findings," Doug McBride, spokesman for the health department, said.

TEA spokeswoman Debbie Graves Ratcliffe told The Associated Press Wednesday night that she had not read the report and was not familiar enough with the findings to comment.

Both agencies accounted for expenditures of about \$22.6 billion during the 2000 fiscal year, which includes \$7 billion in federal funds. Contract administration also was found to be a weakness at the Department of Housing and Community Affairs and the Texas Education Agency, despite improvements.

Teachers groups: time running out on insurance

AUSTIN (AP) — As teachers groups grow impatient, lawmakers are inching closer to drafting a statewide public school employees health insurance plan.

The select House Committee on Teachers Health Insurance worked on a proposal late Wednesday, striving to get the plan together in time for a bill to be heard this session.

Such a bill must be printed and voted out of committee within the next two weeks to have a chance at becoming law, said Chairman Paul Sadler.

"So we essentially have a couple of days and that's it," said Sadler, D-Henderson.

The Senate Public Education Committee, which is drafting its own plan, was scheduled to meet Thursday. The committee's work comes as teachers' groups increased pressure on lawmakers, saying time was running out for the Legislature to develop a plan.

Former wife of missing minister questions his story

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — The former wife of a Texas minister presumed dead for 16 years says she has felt angry, hurt, rejected and depressed since he emerged several months ago — and doubts his explanation of the disappearance.

Beth McCasland Cox has met with Wesley Barrett "Barre" Cox, who now goes by the name James Simmons, twice since discovering in December he was alive. She says the meetings were awkward with few revelations.

Did he fake his own abduction and seek a new life because he realized he was gay? Or did he, as he says, lose his memory after being beaten into a coma?

Wal-mart won't sell book about McVeigh

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Wal-Mart will not sell a new book about Timothy McVeigh in which the Oklahoma City bomber refers to his child victims as "collateral damage" and offers no apologies for the bombing.

"We're not carrying it," Tom Williams, a spokesman for the Arkansas-based chain, said Thursday. "Most simply, we believe that's what most of our store associates and customers would expect from us."

"American Terrorist: Timothy McVeigh and the Oklahoma City Bombing" was written by Lou Michel and Dan Herbeck, two reporters for The Buffalo News who spent 75 hours interviewing McVeigh in prison. Buffalo is near McVeigh's hometown of Pennington.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, possibly severe. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts. Caution advised on area lakes. Tonight, cloudy with a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms. Some storms may be severe. Lows around 60.

Southeast winds 15 to 20 mph. Friday, a high wind watch will be in effect with South winds 20 to 30 mph, becoming west and increasing to 30 to 40 mph with higher gusts by afternoon. Mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s.

STATEWIDE

— Rain and large hail fell in Northwest Texas as a dry line approached the region early Thursday, with forecasters predicting storms elsewhere in the state through the weekend.

Some storms prompted severe thunderstorm warnings from the Texas Panhandle to the northern Permian Basin. Hail up to golf-ball size fell in parts of the South Plains.

Meanwhile, fog shrouded North Texas as warm moist gulf air continued to flow in over the state.

She and her family are left wondering. Cox was 32 and their daughter was 6 months old when Cox, a minister at MacArthur Park Church of Christ in San Antonio, never made it home one summer night in 1984.

Pilots: Osprey design flaw caused crash

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pilots who helped investigate the crash of a V-22 Osprey aircraft that killed four Marines in December say the accident was caused by a design flaw that had been known for months but was ignored, The Washington Post reported Thursday.

The pilots said the flaw in the aircraft's hydraulic system was compounded by a software glitch that could have been detected by more rigorous testing.

The Marine Corps has said the Dec. 11 crash was caused by a failure of the hydraulic system, followed by software errors. Pilots interviewed by the Post said they believe both problems slipped by because the Marine Corps wanted to win Pentagon funding for full production of the plane.

The pilots, who are participants in a military "mishap board," said they were ready to speak out because they increasingly distrust the Corps' leadership and worry that some of their conclusions might be omitted in a public report on the accident being released Thursday.

Dell Computer reaffirms targets for first-quarter revenue, earnings

NEW YORK (AP) — Dell Computer Corp. is standing by its revenue and profit forecasts for the current quarter, a rare dose of good news for an industry battered by the nation's economic slump and an unrelenting selloff in technology stocks.

The company, based in Round Rock, Texas, announced late Wednesday that it won't reduce its targets for the three months ending May 4, which is the first quarter of Dell's fiscal year, at a meeting with analysts and media scheduled for Thursday morning.

Dell, the top producer of desktop and laptop computers in the United States, issued a short press release saying it still expects to report about \$8 billion in revenue and earnings of 17 cents per share.

However, in keeping with the prevailing economic jitters, the statement cautioned that there's still a month to go in the quarter and that the market remains unpredictable. Likewise, the company also declined to provide any forecasts for the balance of the year, citing "global economic and industry uncertainty."

Analysts surveyed by First Call/Thomson Financial were expecting 80 cents per share for the year.

Federal judge stops DWI-based deportation of Mexican national

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A federal judge has used an appeals court ruling to prevent deportation of a Mexican national convicted of drunken driving.

The case of Hill Country ranch hand Antonio Perez was the first to feel the effects of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal's decision halting the Immigration and Naturalization Service's policy of deporting immigrants convicted of DWI.

U.S. Immigration Judge Susan Castro's ruling Wednesday lifted the threat of removal that hovered almost nine months over Perez, who faced separation from his wife and 8-year-old son.

The appeals court ruled last month in New Orleans that felony DWI convictions in Texas are not crimes of violence like assault, rape and murder. The ruling inspired hope in hundreds of foreigners facing removal from this country.

Castro, despite objections from immigration officials, found that the 5th Circuit decision undermined the legal interpretation the government has used in recent years to remove hundreds of foreigners. It included more than 500 arrested during a much-publicized 1998 roundup dubbed Operation Last Call.

City Briefs

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People in the news ...

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actor-director **Billy Bob Thornton** says he's cutting a country album. "I'm not doing this as a hobby," Thornton said. "I really love music. And really care about it. I hope everybody listens to it in the right spirit. I mean I wrote the songs right out of my gut."

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Lance Armstrong is riding his Tour de France success to a considerable fortune.

Armstrong's cycling contract, endorsements and speaking engagement fees earn him more than \$10 million a year, the Austin American-Statesman reported Tuesday.

He earned \$2 million in salary riding for the U.S. Postal Service team last year, and companies pay a minimum of \$1 million to use him in their corporate campaigns.

The 29-year-old two-time Tour champion's speaking fees range from \$150,000 to \$225,000.

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U.S. presses for spy plane crew release

By GEORGE GEDDA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The standoff with China over a downed reconnaissance plane showed signs of easing Thursday. China's ambassador called at the State Department and the White House said "we have reached a diplomatic point where matters are heavily engaged."

A senior U.S. official told The Associated Press the situation had improved over the last few days. Secretary of State Colin Powell, in a letter to Beijing, reiterated U.S. concern and regret for the death of a Chinese pilot whose fighter collided with the U.S. craft over the South China Sea, the official said.

The tone of the administration's comments shifted sharply Thursday. Two high administration officials, who declined to be identified by name, said things looked brighter.

One official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the hope was that the United States would soon have access to the American plane that China is holding along with the 24-member crew.

A second senior U.S. official said the administration was encouraged by the level and quality of the diplomatic contacts between the two countries overnight.

This appraisal ran counter to the frustration that U.S. officials had expressed in the days following Sunday's collision.

Powell told reporters, meanwhile, he was up at 2:30 a.m. "with a little situation we have going on with China."

It was also his 64th birthday. "We are working hard. There are lots of things going on," he said.

China's new ambassador to Washington, Yang Jiechi, held his second meeting in two days with Deputy Secretary of State Richard L. Armitage in an effort to resolve the dispute. Armitage "pressed again for access to the crew, for the release of the crew, and we remain in a sensitive stage of those negotiations, of those discussions," said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer.

There was no confirmation the Chinese who boarded the U.S. plane on the island of Hainan had stripped it of intelligence-gathering gear that the crew had not destroyed. But the senior U.S. official said it was assumed the sophisticated equipment had been removed.

At the White House, Fleischer said: "The governments are heavily engaged and we will continue to monitor events."

President Bush spoke twice Wednesday night with Powell and near midnight with his national security adviser, Condoleezza Rice.

The two meetings between the Chinese ambassador and Armitage resulted from a meeting U.S. Ambassador Joseph Prueher held in Beijing Wednesday with the Chinese foreign minister, Tang Jiaxuan.

Armitage has emerged as the main go-between with the Chinese in Washington while Powell's letter set the tone for the diplomacy.

That letter was not an explanation of the American plane's activities, the first senior U.S. official said. Instead, it was simply a reiteration of U.S. concern and regret for the loss of the Chinese pilot and a plea that the Chinese keep the dialogue going.

The Chinese pilot whose F-8 collided with the larger EP-3E Aries II crammed with surveil-

lance gear had challenged the U.S. plane in the past, Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., said Wednesday. "It appears to me on this occasion he simply exceeded his grasp," said Lugar, a senior member of the Senate Intelligence and Foreign Relations committees.

Another member of the Intelligence Committee, Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., described the Chinese flier as a "cowboy" who regularly tried to create a wake that would toss the U.S. planes around. "This pilot ... even flew next to our pilots and showed them his e-mail address, to show you what kind of a hot-dog pilot he was," Roberts said in an interview.

The flier is presumed to have died in the accident. The crippled U.S. plane made an emergency landing on the Chinese island of Hainan. The plane and its crew are being held by the Chinese government.

In Beijing Thursday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Sun Yuxi raised the possibility U.S. diplomats would not be allowed to see the crew again until the American government apologizes for the incident. Only one brief visit has been allowed.

"If the U.S. side takes a cooperative approach, we will consider another visit," Sun said. Asked what China considered a "cooperative approach," he said, "The U.S. side should admit its mistakes, apologize and explain to the Chinese people. This is the first step."

Lugar, interviewed on NBC's "Today," defended the Bush administration's handling of the incident as well as the routine U.S. surveillance flights over southern Asia.

"The (Chinese) pilot involved is, apparently the same pilot

who's been observed by our reconnaissance aircraft in the past," he said. "The flight we were flying is a regular flight, known to the Chinese, known to the Indians, the Pakistanis, everyone in the area. ... So there were very few surprises with this lumbering plane moving along."

Nevertheless, Lugar added, in recent days Chinese fliers, "and this particular pilot on several occasions," had challenged the surveillance flight. "It is tragic for him and tragic for the Chinese and tragic for us, because it was only a miracle that our plane got down safely and the 24 Americans are still alive."

Former Defense Secretary William Cohen said the United States had previously protested the practices of Chinese interceptor pilots. "A very strong protest was lodged back in January (over) these fighter aircraft coming within a matter of feet of reconnaissance aircraft, thereby posing a danger to all concerned. That apparently is what happened here," Cohen said on CNN.

On Capitol Hill, where pro-China sentiment is hard to find in the best of times, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., dismissed China's demand for an apology as "absolutely ludicrous." And Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., who opposed granting China permanent normal trade relations last year, introduced a bill Wednesday to revoke that status.

"A favored trading partner with our country would follow proper protocol and not continue to hold our servicemen and women, along with our equipment, after being asked for their return," said Hunter, who wrote the bill with Rep. Tom Tancredo, R-Colo. "The fact is, while we trade with China, they prepare for war."

Yang said the United States was entirely to blame, arguing that the U.S. plane "turned around and caused the collision" that led to the death of the Chinese pilot, who left behind a widow and a small child.

Pentagon officials insisted the Chinese plane buzzed the American aircraft.

RABIES

in recent weeks.

None of the skunks have tested positive for the rabies. On March 23, a skunk sent to the state TDH lab by the Pampa Animal Control office tested positive. The skunk was shot and killed near a business on Price Road in western Pampa.

"A year ago this time, we had two cases of rabies reported in the Panhandle region," said Alexander. "We have had four cases reported so far in 2001. In addition to Gray and Wheeler counties, there have been cases reported in Randall and Deaf Smith counties. All have been skunks."

A bobcat was positively identified as having rabies in late August, 2000, near McLean.

He is urging everyone with cats and dogs to have vaccinations against the disease. "Those who have livestock of extraordinary value, including 4-H and FFA show animals, should vaccinate their animals," he said.

"Our only protection against the disease is to vaccinate," said Sandy Burris, Pampa Animal Control Director. "The number of cases are inching upwards, and are going to continuously go up."

She said more skunk specimens have been sent off for testing, but none have tested positive.

Alexander said this time a year ago there were 232 rabies cases reported across the state, and during the same time frame this year there have already been 353 cases statewide. He said positive cases have been reported in bats, foxes, skunks and one coyote.

Total case reports in 1998 across the state were 400, he said. In 1999, there were some 830 animal rabies cases statewide, which was a 107 percent increase over 1998.

Local and area veterinarians have reported a large response to the reported rabies as animal owners are getting their animals vaccinated against the disease.

The annual Pampa Rabies Drive is scheduled for May 4, 5 and 7. All three local veterinarians will be offering the rabies vaccine at discounted rates.

Anyone observing a wild animal such as a skunk, raccoon or bat that is active during daylight hours should contact their local animal control department, said Alexander.

Stray animals should also be reported. He said domestic pets that have contact with wild animals should be evaluated by a veterinarian if there has been a risk of exposure to rabies.

Alexander urges area residents to avoid contact with wild animals. He said parents should caution their children to stay away from any stray animals or wildlife.

Skunk rabies variants totaled 605 in 1999. Rabies does not kill skunks and raccoons which accounts for the large number of positive identified cases. The two species continually transmit the disease to wildlife, said officials.

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CHOKING

Police also discovered that a protective order had been filed. Witness statements included in the police report said the man had gotten into the parked car, hit and bit the mother, and began choking the baby until the mother and other witnesses forced him away from the child.

As witnesses called police, those involved in the attack left the scene, according to police reports. Witnesses reported seeing the attacker get into a white extended cab pickup.

While police were processing the scene of the assault, two men, one of whom was the suspect, drove up in a vehicle matching the pickup described by witnesses.

Pampa police also arrested a Pampa man early today in connection with another domestic disturbance in the 700 block of North Dwight.

Melvin Dale Haynes, 43, 731 N. Dwight, remained in Gray County Jail after being arrested shortly after midnight for assault causing bodily injury to a family member. Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez set bond on the charge at \$2,000.

Police records indicate that in the arrest stemmed from an argument between Haynes and his wife where he allegedly threw the woman on the floor and drug her across the carpet. The woman's injuries did not require medical treatment, according to police reports.

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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion around Texas:
 Fort Worth Star-Telegram on bullies:
 If only passing legislation would remove all the bullies from the school playgrounds and cafeterias and hallways between classes.
 If only requiring school districts to produce annual reports about their anti-harassment policies would make kids show more respect.
 If only zero-tolerance for violent behavior would erase the safety threats in schools across the nation.
 Legislatures in several states have passed or are considering bills requiring school districts to develop policies against bullying, intimidation and other forms of boorish behavior. Colorado would require districts to report annually on their systems.
 Not to belittle concerns about school violence, but these measures misdirect energy and resources.
 Certainly, surveys indicate that large numbers of students and parents consider bullying a problem at their schools. And there are some indications that students who can't handle the stress of incessant taunting may react violently.
 But the problems are too complex to simply be legislated away.
 They can be addressed by teachers and parents working together to create families and schools where children feel listened to, connected and respectful toward others. Students who disengage should not be ignored.
 If only more parents started teaching their children the Golden Rule early, continued reinforcing it — and provided examples by their own behavior.
 If only more schools let bullies and disruptive students know clearly the consequences for their behavior, and parents cooperated with officials to hold these young people accountable.
 If only more schools initiated programs in conflict management and peaceful resolution of disputes.
 If only schools were smaller, with teachers and counselors less harried so that they could spend more time getting to know students and understanding the warning signals sent by those in need of counseling.
 If only more adults could slow down their lives to pay attention to the children in their care.
 Maybe there would be less need for soul-searching after yet another school tragedy.

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Rallying around Payne family

Paint the town yellow! That's what local residents are doing.

Yellow ribbons are being seen throughout Pampa as local residents await word of the return of one of its own native sons— Ricky Payne. Word spread quickly throughout the community Monday night and early Tuesday morning that Pampa's Ricky Payne is Lt. Jg. Richard Payne was aboard a U.S. Navy spy plane which made an emergency landing on a Chinese island on Sunday. He and 23 other military personnel are being held in China along with the plane.

Residents are converging upon local stores to purchase yellow ribbon. They are tying the ribbon around trees, flag poles, and anything else. The yellow ribbons are seen in downtown area at businesses and public buildings. They are throughout the community and at residences. The ribbons are a symbolic gesture to show their support of Ricky and the other U.S. military members.

While I do not know Brenda and Richard Payne, parents of Ricky, and have never talked to them, I know this gesture is giving support to them.

Being the mother of a 34-year-old daughter, Kathy, who has been in the U.S. Navy for 15 years and a 33-year-old son, Jay, who joined the



Nancy Young

Managing editor

U.S. Navy in 1988, I know the pride the Payne's have in their son. He is serving his country and protecting the citizens of this country, and he now needs all the prayers we can offer. His parents need our support, too.

Ten years ago my son was sent to the Persian Gulf during that war. Putting him on that plane, knowing where he was headed, was the most difficult act I had ever taken. I had tremendous pride in him though. The concern and worry during the time he was gone was certainly eased by the support of friends and family. Many co-workers and friends wore yellow ribbons or red, white and blue ribbons in support of him and the thousands of others during this time. It was very comforting.

As each of the more than 100 men and women from Hutchinson County who served in that battle returned, a support group wel-

comed them home with a parade and party. Jay returned along with two other young men on July 3rd. That was the most emotional experience I have ever had. The patriotism expressed was overwhelming.

"Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round an Ole Oak Tree" — that song has been indelibly imprinted upon my memory.

Written in 1973, the song became the unofficial song while the yellow ribbons became a symbol of nationwide support for the return of the hostages being held in Iran. It also was very significant to many of us in the Persian Gulf incident. I have found myself humming it and "Peace Be with You" on several occasions this week.

There are three mothers at *The Pampa News* who have children in the military, and we are especially sending up prayers. Brenda Cook's daughters, Tasha and Laci, are serving their country, and Dee Dee Laramore's son, Daye, is serving his as a member of the military. We are very proud of our children and all other military personnel.

We want to show support for Ricky Payne and his family. Let's help cover Pampa and the Panhandle with yellow ribbons and fly those flags to show our pride and in anticipation of their safe return.

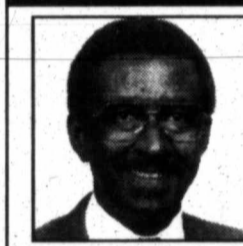
Surgery necessary, an aspirin won't do

The McCain-Feingold campaign finance reform bill calls for an aspirin prescription when radical surgery is what's needed.

Among other things, the bill seeks to ban unrestricted "soft money" contributions to political parties and restrict advertising by advocacy groups during federal elections. Soft money contributions to political parties emerged as a means around 26-year-old legal limits on direct contributions to political candidates. During the Republican primaries, Sen. McCain campaigned on this issue, saying that the billions of dollars going into the campaign coffers of political parties created undue influence and special favors.

While it's true that McCain-Feingold poses a significant threat to our First Amendment guarantees, our rights to express ourselves in the political process, there's another issue totally lost in the debate. Let's look at it.

Which issue should we be more concerned about? Should we be concerned by the fact that people are willing to pour money into political campaign coffers with an eye toward gaining access, influence and special favors? Or should we be more concerned that our elected officials are in the business of granting special favors in exchange for campaign contributions? The McCain-Feingold bill suggests that we should be concerned with the former while ignoring the latter. The only solution to political corruption must involve measures to reduce or eliminate Congress' ability to create a privilege for one American that's denied to another American.



Walter Williams

Syndicated columnist

The Market Promotion Program gives private companies taxpayer dollars to use in overseas advertisements. For example, in 1993 Sunkist received \$6.6 million, Ernest & Julio Gallo received \$4.9 million, Dole Co. received \$1.6 million, M&M Mars received \$1 million, Tyson Foods received \$800,000 and Campbell Soup received more than \$500,000. I'd bet the rent money that these companies made political contributions, and their Washington lobby groups coattailed congressmen and won the special favor.

What moral, legal or constitutional principle can justify Congress giving one person or business a privilege or favor denied other Americans? I can find none. The solution to this kind of political corruption is not that of restricting the First Amendment rights of representatives of Ernest & Julio Gallo, Tyson Foods and Campbell Soup to make campaign contributions to whomever they wish and in the amounts they wish. The solution is to deny our elected representatives the opportunity to grant special favors.

So here's my proposal as applied to Congress' Market Promotion Program. McCain should author a bill that says something like this: Congress shall not make overseas advertising subsidies to any American company or person unless it makes overseas advertising subsidies to all American companies and persons. Since I earn part of my living by giving lectures, such a law would mean that if Congress gave Gallo, Dole or Campbell Soup overseas advertising subsidies, it should also give me money to advertise my lectures overseas.

If you wanted to sell something or get a job overseas, you'd be eligible under Congress' program. Congress also pays people not to grow corn or raise pigs. Most Americans are neither growing corn nor raising pigs, and they'd be eligible under a law mandating that Congress treat each American equally.

Niether McCain nor any other congressman, save a precious few principled ones such as Ron Paul, R-Texas, and John Shadegg, R-Ariz., would ever support such a measure and for at least two good reasons.

First, congressmen, and politicians in general, get elected on the promise that they will create a favor for one American denied another American. The second reason is worse: We've become a nation of thieves. Nineteenth century philosopher-economist Frederic Bastiat was right on the money with his observation, "The State is the great fiction by which everyone seeks to live at the expense of everyone else."

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, April 5, the 95th day of 2001. There are 270 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 5, 1951, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were sentenced to death following their conviction in New York on charges of conspiring to commit espionage for the Soviet Union; co-defendant Morton Sobell was sentenced to 30 years in prison (he was released in 1969).

On this date:
 In 1614, American Indian princess Pocahontas married English colonist John Rolfe in Virginia.

In 1621, the Mayflower sailed from Plymouth, Mass., on a return trip to England.

In 1649, Elihu Yale, the English philanthropist for whom Yale University is named, was born.

In 1792, George Washington cast the first presidential veto, rejecting a congressional measure for apportioning representatives among the states.

In 1895, playwright Oscar Wilde lost his criminal libel case against the Marquess of Queensberry, who'd accused the writer of homosexual practices.

In 1964, Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur died in Washington at age 84.

In 1975, nationalist Chinese leader Chiang Kai-shek died at age 87.

In 1976, reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes died in Houston at age 72.

In 1988, a 15-day hijacking ordeal began as gunmen forced a Kuwait Airways jumbo jet to land in Iran.

In 1997, Allen Ginsberg, the

counterculture guru who'd shattered conventions as poet laureate of the Beat Generation, died in New York City at age 70.

Ten years ago: The space shuttle "Atlantis" blasted off on a mission that included the deploying of the second of "NASA's" Great Observatories. The government reported the nation's jobless rate surged to 6.8 percent in March. Former Texas Sen. John Tower, his daughter and 21 other people were killed in a commuter plane crash near Brunswick, Ga.

Five years ago: Accompanied by six children who survived the Oklahoma City bombing, President Clinton bowed his head in silent prayer at the site where 168 people were killed almost a year earlier.

One year ago: Ending a two-year investigation, an independent

counsel cleared Labor Secretary Alexis Herman of allegations that she'd solicited 250,000 in illegal campaign contributions. Yoshiro Mori took over as Japan's new prime minister, succeeding Keizo Obuchi, who'd been felled by a stroke.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Gregory Peck is 85. Novelist Arthur Hailey is 81. Actress Gale Storm is 79. Movie producer Roger Corman is 75. Actor Nigel Hawthorne is 72. Country music producer Cowboy Jack Clement is 70. Impressionist-actor Frank Gorshin is 68. Secretary of State Colin Powell is 64. Country singer Tommy Cash is 61. Actor Michael Moriarty is 60. Writer-director Peter Greenaway is 59. Actor Max Gail is 58. Actress Jane Asher is 55. Singer Agnetha Faltskog (ABBA) is 51. Country singer Troy Gentry is

A totally equal society is not possible

This is going to sound snobby, but bear with me. We have to get ourselves grounded in reality before Congress messes up campaign financing even more than it already has.

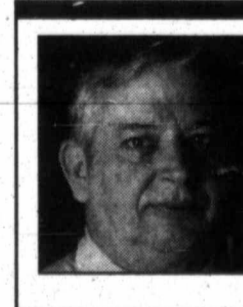
People are not equal. The wealthier individuals run every country in the world, including this one.

When I say people are not equal, I mean that they are not equal in influence or in the means to influence decisions and events. We all have an equal right to free speech, but if we do not own a newspaper, a radio station, a TV station, a network, a TV production company, a cable TV channel or an advertising agency, our voice will be unequal to those who do.

We don't get equal justice. No dream team of high-priced lawyers is going to defend us if we get in trouble with the law. And high-priced lawyers make a difference. I could cite other examples.

But the point I'm leading up to is that it is silly to say that if wealthy people finance political campaigns, then they will have more influence. They do finance political campaigns, and they already have more influence than you or I anyway. So why try to limit how much they each contribute?

The big flows of so-called soft money to political parties are a result of the last campaign finance reform, which limited direct donations to candidates to \$1,000 per election. That's nonsense.



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

In the first place, an overwhelming majority of people never contribute to any political campaigns. The wealthy finance them one way or another, so why not be completely open and transparent? Let people give as much as they want to any candidate so long as it is made public prior to Election Day.

Some of America's most popular presidents were elected with campaigns financed by a relatively small number of people. If people who happen to believe in a person want to help him get elected, why shouldn't they be able to do so directly, openly and honestly?

Another thing to keep in mind is that candidates have no control over the cost of campaigning. As the population has grown, candidates are forced to use paid advertising to get their messages out to the people. The candidates don't set ad rates.

The Senate is fast becoming a millionaires'

club because there is no limit on how much a candidate can spend out of his own personal funds. Do you want a Senate composed of millionaires? Thousand-buck limits make it even harder for ordinary candidates to compete with these deep-pocket guys.

In politics, free speech equals money. One of the worst features of the McCain-Feingold bill is that it attempts to muzzle political groups that must spend money to make their voices heard during campaigns.

Let's give up these egalitarian pretensions and let anybody and everybody give and spend as much as they choose. Except for mandating public disclosure, I don't think we need any laws governing campaign financing. To the extent that the laws interfere with running an effective campaign, they're going to be broken or evaded anyway.

As for my statement that the wealthier individuals run the country, it's simply true, whether we wish to admit it or not. A professor at Florida State University has calculated that there are only about 7,000 leadership positions — public, private, civil and military — in the entire United States.

There ain't no po' folks occupying any of them. They are occupied by people born into wealth, people who have acquired wealth or people who spent their lives in the service of the wealthy. We can have an open society but never an equal one.

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Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literary 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 Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE

CRISIS CENTER

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

LAS PAMPAS WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY

Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at First Landmark Building in the Pampa Mall. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Loyd Waters 665-6466.

MONTHLY OSPEL SINGING

First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

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.

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.

CAPROCK CANYONS

Caprock Canyons State Park in Quitaque will host the following events in April: Volunteer Day (9 a.m.), and Evening Birding (6:30 p.m.), both April 7; and Wildflower Walk (9 a.m.) and Evening Interpretive Program (8 p.m.), both April 21. For more information, contact the park at (806) 455-1429.

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.

3D PROGRAM

Free weekly classes for the Christ-centered 3D program featuring the three Ds — Diet, Discipline and Discipleship — will begin soon. The program will tailor an eating plan to suit the individual tastes and lifestyles of each participant. For more information, contact Judith Loyd, 665-6127; Jamee McCarty, 669-7869; or Frankie Hildenbrand, 669-3713.

OUTWARD BOUND

North Carolina Outward Bound will offer three paddling adventures for teens during the 2001 summer break. In addition to outdoor activity skills, NCOB courses provide instruction for navigation, basic first aid, wilderness safety, camping techniques and environmental stewardship as well as teamwork and leadership. For more information on these courses or other NCOB summer offerings, call 1-877-77-NCOBS, e-mail challenge@ncobs.org, or visit

http://www.ncobs.org/summer.html on the Internet.

CGC GRANT FUND

Consumer Guidance Corp. has established a grant fund to help people in financial difficulty due to high energy costs. The program is funded by private donations from corporations and private citizens who receive a tax exemption because of the organization's 501(c)3 non-profit status granted by IRS. To receive a grant application or for more information, call (202) 595-1035 or visit www.ConsumerGuidance.org on the Internet. To contribute to the fund, send tax deductible donations to: Consumer Guidance, P.O. Box 96051, Washington, DC 20090-6051.

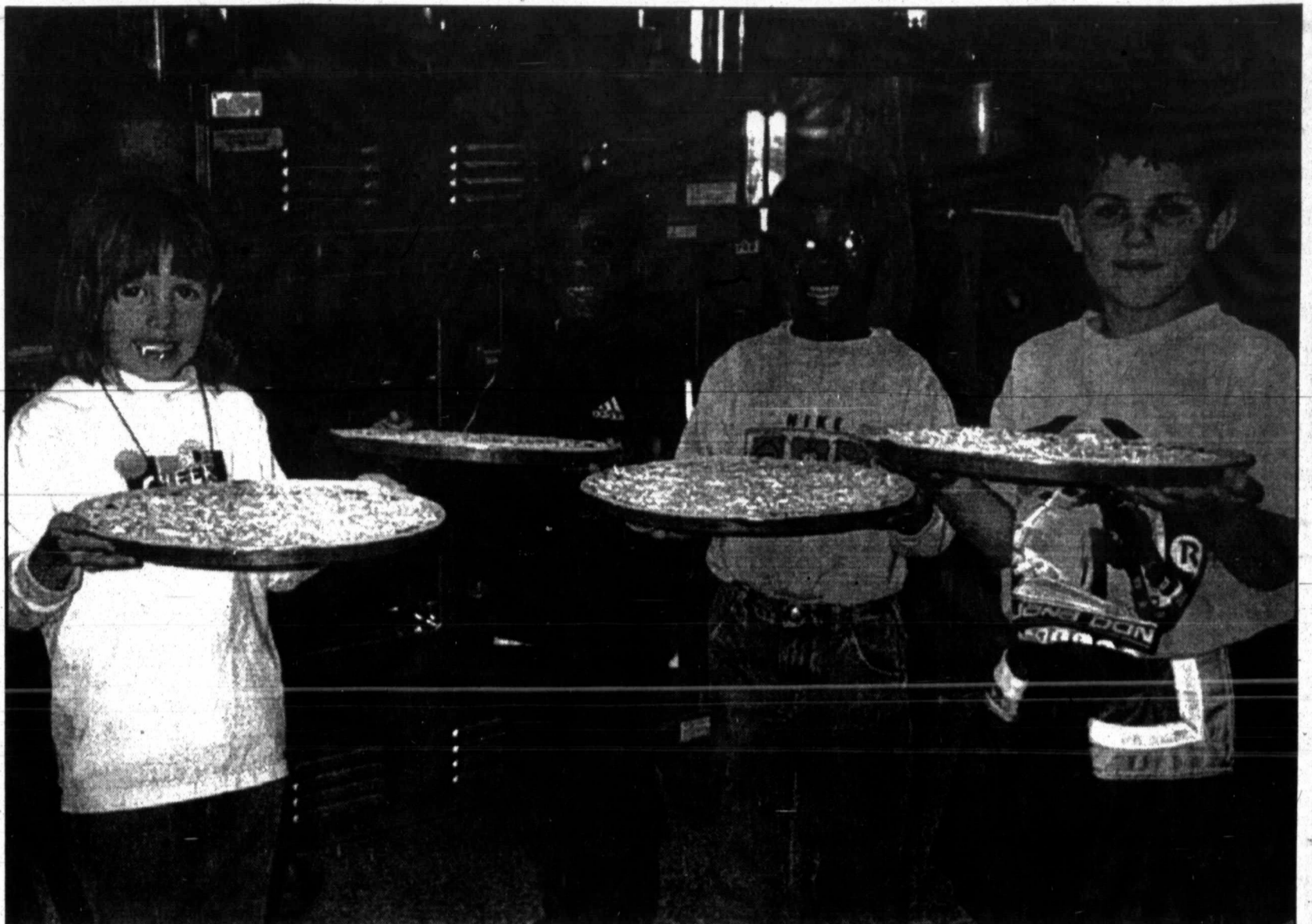
IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, H1B (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines will also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., April 18, Pampa Immunization Clinic, 736 Cuyler, Pampa; 10 a.m.-12 noon, 1-3 p.m., April 5, Canadian School, Canadian; 9:30 a.m., April 17, Groom School, Groom; 2-4:30 p.m., April 23, McLean Clinic, 211 N. Main, McLean.

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.

Pizza demo



(Community Camera photo by Cam Morris)

Susan Gregory, manager of Simple Simon Pizza, recently conducted a demonstration at Travis Elementary School on how to make pizza. Above: Dakota Eppison, Emory Newkirk, Nicholas Johnson and Christian Williams put their class pizzas in the oven.

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7:30 p.m.

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SPORTS

Notebook SOCCER

PAMPA — The Pampa High School Harvester and Lady Harvester Soccer Banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17 in M.K. Brown Auditorium.

The banquet date is earlier than originally scheduled because of a conflict.

Cost is eight dollars per guest with no charge to the players. Attire is slacks and ties for the boys and dresses for the girls.

Reservations with the number attending must be made by Monday evening, April 9, and must be prepaid.

Call Jan Chambers at 665-2067 or 665-0350 to RSVP by phone by April 9. Send or bring payment to her at 1824 Lea Street, Pampa, no later than April 13.

HORSE RACING

DALLAS (AP) — As Lone Star Park opens its doors Thursday for a fifth season of horse racing, visitors to the track will be treated to a touch of the new.

Responding to horsemen's complaints, park operators spent more than \$500,000 to resurface the track. Early responses from trainers have been favorable, according to The Dallas Morning News' Thursday editions.

Lone Star Park is also offering a new wagering format, "rolling" Pick Threes, beginning with the first race, and a Superfecta on each race.

Then, of course, is the new GPX Skate Park adjacent to the Post Time Pavilion.

Park operators are also aiming to improve the quality of thoroughbred racing, which means a \$500,000 purse instead of last year's \$300,000 purse. They also have included a \$1 million bonus to the horse that can duplicate its success in a Triple Crown event.

BASKETBALL

DALLAS (AP) — Just days after dismissing three players for undisclosed rules violations, Texas Tech men's basketball coach Bob Knight said he's working his four remaining scholarship recipients harder than they've ever been challenged before.

"I've been really pleased with the four kids," Knight told The Dallas Morning News in Thursday's online editions.

"The way they are working," he said, "they have worked hard and will continue to work hard. And I'm sure they are working harder at the game than they've ever worked before. But that's what we expect of them. I've liked watching them work."

But, he said senior forward Andy Ellis, who scored 30 points and grabbed 10 rebound against Knight's Indiana Hoosiers in Lubbock two years ago, had a poor work ethic, despite his talent on the court.

"I think Ellis is very talented. But he doesn't have a very good work ethic," he said from his office in Lubbock's United Spirit Arena. "If he can develop that and really push himself to have it between now and the start of the season, then he goes into the season a much-improved player."

"He needs to do a lot of weight work and a lot of work with just making himself a guy who puts much greater effort forth because I think he's got good ability."

The outspoken coach, who's awaiting word from the NCAA on his challenge of a rule preventing him from replacing the scholarship players he cut, said he hopes to reduce his use of profanity. He was asked what personal changes he hopes to make this season.

Since the announcement of Knight's hire at Texas Tech last month, lagging ticket sales have skyrocketed for the upcoming men's basketball season.

Triathlon is on April 21

CANYON — The 8th annual West Texas A&M University Sprint Triathlon is set for Saturday, April 21 at the Virgil Henson Activities Center (AC) on the WTAMU campus.

The Sprint Triathlon, sponsored by WTAMU Wellness Services, will include a 400-meter swim, 10-mile bike ride and a three-mile run.

Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m., and a mandatory race meeting is at 9:30 a.m. in front of the AC. The triathlon kicks off at 10 a.m.

Participants can compete as individuals or as a three-person team. The individual competition is divided into 10 age groups while the teams are divided into men's, women's and mixed. Winners from each category will receive a plaque or medal.

"We have people coming from Houston and Dallas," Karla Bailey, assistant director of recreational sports, said. "Triathlons are very popular right now."

Entry fees are \$40 for an individual and \$55 per team. WTAMU students pay \$35 as an individual or team.

"The triathlon raises money for Wellness scholarships given away to students every year," Bailey said.

Volunteers are also needed to help with the triathlon activities. Interested persons should call Wellness Services by April 20. Volunteers report to the AC at 8 a.m. the day of the race.

Each participant and volunteer will receive a free T-shirt and have a chance to win a variety of door prizes.

Registration forms and volunteer information can be obtained through Wellness Services at 806-651-2335.

7th grade girls win their own meet

PAMPA — Pampa's 7th grade girls team won the Pampa Middle School Relays held last weekend at Randy Matson Field.

Pampa finished with 149 2/3rds points while Canyon was second with 127 points. Dumas followed with 98 while Hereford had 81, Westover 80 and Borger 65.

Amy Youree won two individual events for the local 7th graders and anchored two winning relay teams.

In the 8th grade division, Canyon slipped by Hereford 143-140 to take first place. Third was Borger (98), fourth was Pampa (96), fifth was Dumas (70) and sixth was Valleyview (48).

For Pampa, Skye Niccum won the shot put.

Pampa Relays 8th Grade Pampa results

Shot put: First place, Skye Niccum.

200: Third place, Gina Guerrero.

400 relay: Fourth place (Lindsey Ammons, Alyssa Bromwell, Kendall Stokes and Farren Copeland).

100 hurdles: Second place, Kendall Stokes; Fifth place, Jerica Timmons; Sixth place, Monica Eakin.

100: Sixth place, Farren Copeland.

400: Sixth place, Jaelyn Spearman.

800 relay: Third place (Chera Chavedo, Diana Resendiz, Alyssa Bromwell and Lindsey Ammons).

300 hurdles: Second place, Kendall Stokes; Third place, Jerica Timmons.

200: Third place, Jerica Timmons.

1600: Fourth place, Kara Shephard.

1600 relay: Fifth place (Chera Chavedo, Diana Resendiz,



(Photo by Grover Black)

Chera Chavedo passes the baton to Diana Resendiz in one of the relays.

Lauren Boles and Jaelyn Spearman).

High jump: Second place, Jaelyn Spearman.

Long jump: Third place, Jaelyn Spearman; Sixth place, Alyssa Bromwell.

7th Grade Pampa results

2400: Second place, Xenia Burkhalts; Third place, Mayra Hernandez.

400 relay: First place (Lindsey Rhoades, Monica Johnson, Callie Cobb and Amy Youree).

800: Second place, Felicia

Urban.

110 hurdles: Third place, Nicole Fernuik; Fifth place, Audry Dunn.

100: First place, Amy Youree; Third place, Callie Cobb; Sixth place, Monica Johnson.

400: Second place, Krissy Alexander.

800 relay: First place (Lindsey Rhoades, Callie Cobb, Mariza Scott and Amy Youree).

200: Third place, Lindsey Rhoades; Sixth place, Morgan Meharg.

1600: Fifth place, Xenia

Burkhalts.

1600 relay: Fifth place (Morgan Meharg, Kambryell Jeffries, Krissy Alexander and Jackie Gerber).

High jump: Fifth place, Morgan Meharg.

Long jump: Second place, Amy Youree; Third place, Callie Cobb; Sixth place, Jackie Gerber.

Triple jump: First place, Amy Youree; Second place, Callie Cobb; Fourth place, Morgan Meharg.

Discus: Fourth place, Whitney Wichert.

Harvesters capture Pampa Invitational

PAMPA — With district play just around the corner, the Pampa High tennis team is picking the right time to start dominating the opposition.

The Harvesters breezed to the team title at the Pampa Invitational last weekend at the PHS courts.

Pampa, displaying its depth, placed first, second and third in boys doubles, first and second in girls doubles, and first in boys singles. Bryce Jordan and Michael Cornelison defeated Jay Gerber and David Thacker in the boys doubles final.

Michelle Lee and Ashley Jordan defeated Brittany Kindle and Helen Brooks in the girls doubles final, and A.J. Smith defeated Thomas Gotwald (Borger) to win the boys singles title.

Pampa's No. 1 junior varsity doubles team of Zach Hucks and Tyler Howard defeated the varsity No. 1 doubles teams from both Plainview and Borger.

"I was really pleased with our effort this weekend. The players really came out focused and excited about playing at home," said Pampa coach Carolyn Quarles. "We need a good week of work before Abilene this weekend and then get focused for district, which will be in Pampa April 13-14."

Pampa Invitational

Varsity

Girls Doubles
Ashlei Jordan-Michelle Lee (first place): def. Gullet-Isaacs, Canadian, 6-3, 7-6; def. Culwell-Jordan, Borger, 6-1, 6-0; def. Kindle-Brooks, Pampa, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2.

Brittany Kindle-Helen Brooks (second place): def. Jargens-Stark, Randall, 6-2, 6-1; def. Webb-Bain, Plainview, 6-1, 6-1; lost to Jordan-Lee, Pampa, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2.

Boys Doubles
Michael Cornelison-Bryce Jordan (first place): def. Eaves-Fagan, Plainview, 6-3, 6-0; def. Braden-Limoges, Borger, 6-0, 6-2; def. Gerber-Thacker, Pampa, 7-5, 6-2.

Jay Gerber-David Thacker (second place): def. Etchison-Simon, Pampa, 6-2, 6-1; def. Hucks-Howard, Pampa, 6-3, 6-2; lost to

Cornelison-Jordan, Pampa, 7-5, 6-2.

Girls Singles

Tara Jordan (third place): def. Jamie Argo, Canadian, 8-0; def. Crystal Cannon, Plainview, 7-5, 6-3; lost to Elizabeth Carlile, Borger, 6-0, 6-2; def. Jessica Summers, Randall, 8-4.

Abby Bradley (eighth place): lost to Crystal Cannon, Plainview, 8-3; def. Jamie Argo, Canadian, 8-0; def. Katie Shaffer, Pampa, 8-1; def. Ashley Jergis, Borger, won by default.

Boys Singles

A.J. Smith def. Jarrett Koenig, Plainview, 8-0; def. Adam Dubberly, Randall, 6-0, 6-0; def. Mark Milner, Borger, 6-2, 6-2; def. Thomas Gotwald, Borger, 6-2, 6-2.

Jared Spearman def. Ray Turpin, Lefors, 8-1; def. Tyler Buschman, Randall, 6-4, 6-1; lost to Thomas Gotwald, Borger, 6-2, 6-2; lost to Mark Milner, Borger, 8-3.

Junior Varsity

Girls Doubles
Shelly Smith-Stephanie Nelson won 2 of 4 matches and placed 10th. Liz West-Julie Thompson won 2 of 3 matches and placed eighth. Natalie McVay-Briana Bailey placed 14th.

Boys Doubles
Josh Nachtigall-Kevin Turner won 1 of 3 matches and placed 10th. Zack Hucks-Tyler Howard won 3 of 4 places and placed third. Adam Etchison-Aaron Simon won 2 of 4 matches and placed seventh.

Girls Singles

Katie Shaffer won 1 of 3 matches and placed 11th. Ashley Willis won 2 of 4 matches and placed sixth. Erin Norris won 2 of 4 matches and placed seventh.

Boys Singles

Stephen Nelson won 2 of 3 matches and placed eighth or tenth (had one match remaining because of rain). Britton White won 2 of 3 matches and placed eighth or tenth (had one match remaining because of rain).

Team points: 1. Pampa varsity 125 points; 2. Borger varsity 94; 3. Plainview varsity 90; 4. Randall varsity 68; 5. Pampa junior varsity 67.

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Lord Byron tees off one more time at Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Byron Nelson teed off for the last time at the Masters Thursday, joining with Sam Snead for the ceremonial start at Augusta National.

The 89-year-old Nelson, who walks with a cane because of an ailing left hip, decided to give up his duties as an honorary starter after this year. A two-time winner, he last played the event in 1966.

"OK, little ball," Nelson said as he lined up his shot, surrounded by fans at the first tee box. "One more time."

Nelson, who first played the Masters in 1935, faded his shot about 150 yards down the right side of the fairway while the gallery roared.

"Sure, I was still nervous," he said. "I was worried if I would even get it off the ground."

The 88-year-old Snead followed with an even longer shot, then said he was sorry to lose another honorary playing partner. Gene Sarazen died after the 1999 tournament.

"I hope I'll have another one," Snead said. "I don't know who they're going to get now unless it's Arnie (Palmer). But he keeps playing on in the tournament."

After Nelson and Snead completed their duties, Charles Coody, Billy Casper and Doug Ford formally started the tournament, heading off down the first fairway under cloudy skies with temperatures in the mid-50s.

Tiger Woods was set to tee off at 12:57 p.m. EDT. He was the overwhelming favorite to become the first golfer to hold all four major professional titles at the same time.

Among his expected challengers: defending champion Vijay Singh, Phil Mickelson, David Duval, Davis Love III and Ernie Els.

Forty years ago, Gary Player became the first foreign-born player to win the tournament. But it wasn't until Seve Ballesteros came along in the 1980s that those from outside the United States truly felt they had a chance to win.

"Seve would have a good effort in the Masters and then we would

get to play with him week in and week out on the European Tour," Nick Faldo said Wednesday. "After a while, you began to realize, 'Hey, I can beat Seve. There's no reason I can't win the Masters.'"

It didn't start that way. Americans won the first 24 Masters, a streak that ended when Player won in 1961.

Player, the wee South African, proved to be a bit of anomaly. He won three green jackets in all, but those were the only non-American victories during a two-decade period.

Ballesteros changed all that when he claimed the first of two Masters victories in 1980. Beginning that year, the scorecard is virtually even: America 11, Rest of the World 10.

England's Faldo is a three-time winner, including consecutive titles in 1989-90. Spain's Jose Maria Olazabal won twice. So did Germany's Bernhard Langer. Australia's Greg Norman hasn't won yet, but he's finished second three times and third three other years.

For some, the shift was simply a matter of timing.

"You had European domination because those guys were playing the best of their careers," Sweden's Jesper Parnevik said. "Sandy Lyle was on top of the world when he won. Ian Woosnam was on top of the world. Faldo, too. Same thing with Langer and Olazabal."

Add it up and you get nine foreign winners over the past 13 years. During that stretch, the only American victors were Fred Couples (1992), Ben Crenshaw (1995), Woods (1997) and Mark O'Meara (1998).

"That's very surprising," New Zealand's Michael Campbell said. "You would think there would be more of an even balance for the Americans. I don't know why there isn't."

Many people point to the European nature of Augusta National, where the lack of rough around the greens favors the bump-and-run style employed by European Tour golfers.

Scoreboard

BOWLING

Harvester Lanes League Individual Results

Harvester Women's League
Ladies high scratch series: Ann O'Brien 210; Ladies high scratch series: Ann O'Brien 598.
Harvester Couples League
Ladies high scratch series: Belinda Nolte 208; Ladies high scratch series: Belinda Nolte 547; Men's high scratch series: Chad Helms 226; Men's high scratch series: Carlton Cates 577.
Church League
Ladies high scratch series: Cherisha Ferguson 178; Ladies high scratch series: Kay Crouch 428; Men's high scratch series: Albert Stevens 163; Men's high scratch series: Dennis King 478.
Stars of Tomorrow League
Ladies high scratch series: Ashleigh Burns 182; Ladies high scratch series: Ashleigh Burns 531; Men's high scratch series: Shaun Smith 179; Men's high scratch series: Shaun Smith 471.
Wednesdays Night Mixed League
Ladies high scratch series: Billie Gowdy 199; Ladies high scratch series: Judy Anderson 475; Men's high scratch series: David Livingston 581; Men's high scratch series: Gary Winton 186.
Caprock Network League
Ladies high scratch series: Pam Whinery 179; Ladies high scratch series: Belinda Nolte 517; Men's high scratch series: Andy Anderson 220; Men's high scratch series: Andy Anderson 584.
Clarendon College League
Ladies high scratch series: Maggie Thomas 144; Ladies high scratch series: Dana Whinery 361; Men's high scratch series: Len Lock 187; Men's high scratch series: Len Lock 443.
Celanease Mixed League
Ladies high scratch series: Gay Jones 183; Ladies high scratch series: Diane Sims 512; Men's high scratch series: Tim Hill 221; Men's high scratch series: Tim Hill 551.

BASEBALL

National League At A Glance

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	3	0	1.000	—
Montreal	2	0	1.000	1/2
Atlanta	2	1	.667	1
New York	1	1	.500	1 1/2
Florida	0	3	.000	3
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	2	0	1.000	—
Pittsburgh	1	1	.500	—
Cincinnati	1	2	.333	1/2
Chicago	0	2	.000	2
St. Louis	0	2	.000	2
Milwaukee	0	3	.000	2 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	2	0	1.000	—
Colorado	2	0	1.000	—
San Francisco	2	0	1.000	—
Los Angeles	1	2	.333	1 1/2
San Diego	0	2	.000	2

AMERICAN LEAGUE At A Glance

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	2	0	1.000	—
Toronto	2	1	.667	1/2
Baltimore	1	1	.500	1
Boston	1	1	.500	1
Tampa Bay	1	1	.500	1
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	1	0	1.000	—
Chicago	1	1	.500	1/2
Cleveland	1	1	.500	1/2
Detroit	0	1	.000	1
Kansas City	0	2	.000	1 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	2	1	.667	—
Texas	2	1	.667	—
Oakland	1	2	.333	1
Anaheim	0	2	.000	1 1/2

Tuesday's Games

Houston 11, Milwaukee 3
N.Y. Mets 6, Atlanta 4, 10 innings
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 2
Philadelphia 4, Florida 3
Arizona 3, Los Angeles 2
Wednesday's Games
Montreal 3, Chicago Cubs 2
Philadelphia 7, Florida 3
Atlanta 3, N.Y. Mets 2
Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 5, 10 innings
Houston 8, Milwaukee 6, 12 innings
Colorado 13, St. Louis 9
Arizona 7, Los Angeles 2
San Francisco 2, San Diego 7
Thursday's Games
Pittsburgh (Anderson 5-11) at Cincinnati (Dessens 11-5), 12:35 p.m.
Montreal (Armas Jr. 7-9) at Chicago Cubs (Tapan 8-12), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Morris 3-3) at Colorado (Astacio 12-9), 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Reed 11-5) at Atlanta (Perez 0-0), 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Sheets 0-0) at Houston (Miller 6-0), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Anderson 11-7) at Los Angeles (Ashby 12-13), 10:10 p.m.
San Diego (Jones 11-8) at San Francisco (Ortiz 14-12), 10:15 p.m.
Friday's Games
Chicago Cubs (Tavarez 0-0) at Philadelphia (Wolf 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Rusch 0-0) at Montreal (Thurman 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Maddux 0-0) at Florida (Grilli 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bell 0-0) at Milwaukee (D'Amico 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Oliveras 0-0) at Houston (Dotel 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Eaton 0-0) at Colorado (Bohannon 0-0), 9:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Hernandez 0-0) at Arizona (Reynoso 0-0), 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Estes 0-0) at Los Angeles (Prokopec 0-0), 10:10 p.m.

FISHING

BAYLOR: Water clear; 57 degrees; 3 low black bass are good on white spinnerbaits, crankbaits, jigs and blue soft plastics in creeks. Crappie are good on minnows on main lake.
GREENBELT: Water clear; 56 degrees; 4 low black bass are good on dark jigs. Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are fair on live bait and silver inline spinners. Smallmouth bass are good on small crankbaits. Walleye are fair from the bank on minnows and small jigs.
MACKENZIE: Water lightly stained; 56 degrees; black bass are fair. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows.
MEREDITH: Water clear; 52 degrees; 1.5 low black bass are good on jigs and blue soft plastics in the backs of creeks. Crappie are fair. White bass are good on minnows around dusk. Smallmouth bass are excellent on spinnerbaits off secondary points and staked at mouth of creeks. Walleye are good on jerkbaits and jigs in shallows near main lake points. Catfish are slow.
PALO DURO: Water clear; 49 degrees; black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. White bass are slow. Walleye are fair on minnows. Catfish are slow.
ALAN HENRY: Water murky; 60 degrees; black bass are good in backs of creeks on jigs, soft jerkbaits and green soft plastics. Crappie are slow.
ARROWHEAD: Water stained; 57 degrees; 3.75 low black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows near the park area. Catfish are fair on cutbait and minnows.
BRADY: Water lightly stained; 58 degrees; black bass are fair on spinnerbaits. Catfish are slow.
COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 57 degrees; black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows. Redfish are good on shad. Catfish are slow.
FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 59 degrees; 5.25 low black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and topwaters. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs near the discharge. White bass are fair on jigs and spinnerbaits. Blue catfish are good on cut, shad and big minnows.
HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 60 degrees; black bass are good on crankbaits, Carolina-rigs and Texas-rigged soft plastics (fish are on the beds). Crappie are good on minnows. The concrete boat ramps are out of the water. A temporary ramp is now open near the dam (turn at Wal-Mart and follow the paved/caliche road to east side of dam).
NASWORTHY: Water stained; 54 degrees; black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and dark plastics. Crappie are good on jigs tipped with minnows. Channel and Yellow Catfish are good on chicken liver and shrimp. White bass are good on chicken liver and live bait. The lake is being dredged of 2-foot of silt (3 year project started summer 2000).
NOCOK: No report available.
OAK CREEK: No boat ramps open - no fishing report available.
OH. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 56 degrees; 13.5 low black bass to 11 pounds are fair on spinnerbaits and dark or red soft plastics. Crappie are fair on jigs tipped with minnows and spinnerbaits - 15 feet. White bass are fair on slabs and minnows. Catfish to 30 pounds are fair on jugs with cut shad. The road to Concho Park is under construction.
POSSUM KINGDOM: Water lightly stained; 60 degrees; 1.25 low; Fishing is still slow toxic bloom affecting all species of fish throughout lake.
SPENCE: Water clear; 58 degrees; black bass are good on crankbaits and jigs. Crappie are fair. Catfish are slow.
STAMPFORD: Water clear; 56 degrees; black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are good on live bait. Blue catfish are good on trotlines with coay and perch. All boat ramps are now open.
SWEETWATER: Water clear; 58 degrees; 14 low black bass are slow. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. White bass are fair. Channel catfish are slow on trotlines.
TWIN BUTTES: Report temporarily discontinued lake is less than 10% of capacity.
WHITE RIVER: Water stained; 58 degrees; 17.5 low black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows. Walleye are fair on jigs tipped with a minnow.
COASTAL
NORTH SABINE: Trout are fair to good while drifting with live shrimp and pumpkinseed and red bass bbsbbbsbbasins. Trout Killers, Hogie's and Norton Sand Eels. Trout are good on black, bone and purple Top Dogs and JRs on the shorelines.
SOUTH SABINE: Trout are good at the Reef on plum, fire tiger and glow/chartreuse bass bbsbbbsbbasins. Trout Killers, Hogie's, Sand Eels and live shrimp. Flounder are good on the Louisiana shoreline and at the causeway on mud minnows and red plastics tipped with shrimp, black drum and sheepshead are good at the jetty on shrimp and crabs.
BOLIVAR: Redfish, black drum, and white shrimp are good on the beachfront on fresh dead shrimp and crab plings on live and dead shrimp. Trout are fair to good on the Bolivar shoreline on red shad and glow/chartreuse bass. Trout Killers, Sand Eels and Eel Diablos and Catch 2000s.
TRINITY BAY: Freshwater runoff the Trinity River has hampered fishing. Redfish, black drum and sheepshead are fair at the HLP Spillway on shrimp. Flounder are fair on the shorelines and cuts on mud minnows and red shad Sea Shad.
EAST GALVESTON BAY: Trout and redfish are fair to good for drifters and waders working scattered shell on live shrimp and red shad and glow/chartreuse bass. Trout are good on Bolivar shoreline on Top Dogs, Super Spooks, Catch 2000s and Corkies.
WEST GALVESTON BAY: Trout are fair over shell on live shrimp and red shad and glow jerk and swimming baits. Redfish, bull whiting and sheepshead are good on cut-bait from the beachfront. Black drum are good at Sea Wolf park on crabs and shrimp. Big gaffop are good in the surf on white squid.
TEXAS CITY: Black drum are good on cracked crabs and shrimp off the piers on the dike. Trout and flounder are good at Dollar Reef on live shrimp under a popping cork and Top Dogs and Super Spooks.
FREEPORTE: Trout, redfish and sheepshead are good at San Luis Pbbbas, Cole Pbbbas and Christmas Bay on live shrimp and red/white Hogie's and DOA Shrimp. Trout are fair to good at the jetties on crabs and shrimp when the weather allows.
EAST MATAGORDA: Trout are fair to good on the south shoreline on red shad, plum and fire tiger bass bbsbbbsbbasins. Trout Killers, Eel Diablos, Sand Eels and Super Spooks and Top Dogs. Redfish are fair on the shoreline and on mid bay reefs on spoons and red shad and glow/chartreuse bass bbsbbbsbbasins and Norton Sand Eels.
MATAGORDA: Trout and redfish are good on the south shoreline from Cotton's to the Middle Grounds on pepper/chartreuse bass bbsbbbsbbasins. Trout Killers, DOA Shrimp, Eel Diablos and Sand Eels. Redfish and black drum are fair to good in Oyster and Crab Lake on live shrimp under a popping cork.
PORT O'CONNOR: Trout and redfish are fair to good in the back bays, reefs and coves on Roach and purple/white Hogie's Major Minnows. Trout are good over grbbasins beds on Top Dogs and Super Spooks. Redfish, black drum and sheepshead are fair to good on shrimp at the jetty.
ROCKPORT: Trout are good on the Estes Flats on bone and chrouse Top Dogs. Redfish are fair to good on the grbbasins flats on live shrimp and chartreuse Top Dogs.

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1 Public Notice

SECTION 00020
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids addressed to the City of Pampa, Texas, will be received at the Office of the City Secretary, P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499, or physical address, 200 W. Foster, Pampa, Texas 79065-6518, until 2:00 P.M., April 26, 2001, for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence and labor for the Pampa Hidden Hills Golf Course Re-Use Water System. Bids shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked "PAMPA HIDDEN HILLS GOLF COURSE RE-USE WATER SYSTEM PROJECT NO. 00.03.D." and show date and time of bid opening. Facsimile bids will not be accepted. The City Commission will award the project during a regularly scheduled Commission meeting following the date of the bid opening. Bidders shall submit their bids on the form attached to the Specifications and must submit therewith a Cashier's or Certified check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond payable without recourse to the order of the City of Pampa, in an amount not less than 5% of the bid submitted on the project as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds on the form provided within ten (10) days after the notice of award of contract. The successful bidder must furnish Performance and Payment bonds on the forms attached to the Specifications in the amount of 100% of the total contract price from a Surety Company approved by the Owner holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as Surety or other Sureties acceptable to the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted and to waive any informalities or technicalities. In case of lack of clarity in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work will be done.

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The contractor shall comply with all State and Federal regulations regarding wages and conditions of employment, including, but not limited to, those rules and regulations set forth or referred to in the Specifications. Bids will be opened in the City Finance Conference Room (Third Floor City Hall).
Information for Bidders: Bid Forms, Specifications and Plans are on file with the City Purchasing Agent's Office (Susan Crane 806-669-5730, City Hall), 200 West Foster, Pampa, Texas 79065. Bid documents for the Hidden Hills Golf Course Re-Use Water System Project No. 00.03.D, may be obtained from Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., 801 S. Filmore, Suite 480, Amarillo, Texas 79101 (806)376-8600 upon receipt of a non-refundable deposit, by check, in the amount of \$50.00 for each set.
CITY OF PAMPA
By Ms. Phyllis Jeffers
City Secretary
H-79 Apr 5, 12, 2001

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Horoscope

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 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)

★ ★ ★ You'll enjoy taking the lead. Authority figures might object to risky or daring enterprises. Though you usually prefer independence, a partnership might suit you now. Focus on a talent. Speak up when you must, but speak gently. Tonight: Let romance fill the air.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★ ★ ★ Indulge your sweet tooth a bit if you have a craving. You could be so wrapped up in your own pleasure that you neglect a loved one. Be sensitive about it. Perhaps you can find an activity you both enjoy. Share generously. Tonight: Conversation lightens the mood.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★ ★ ★ Rushing through your work can cause confusion. You want to do everything in a big way now. Finish one project before beginning another. You can only juggle so many things at one time. Take time to smell the roses. Tonight: Someone needs to have a serious talk with you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★ ★ ★ If you're patient with a difficult project, even complex subjects won't get you down. Answers come when you least expect them. Expect interruptions, but don't spend too much time away from your main focus. Tonight: Necessary choices.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★ ★ ★ You might have to make peace with someone before you can focus on your goals. Then get busy and do your thing. Recognition pleases you, and rest assured that your accomplishments will be acknowledged. When you call the shots, others will follow. Tonight: Your temper could get you in trouble again.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★ ★ ★ Your charm and wit get you through the day, and speed and accuracy help you wrap up matters for the week. If you encounter delays, you should be able to handle them graciously. Someone must put the stamp of approval on your work, but you can wait patiently. Tonight: Laugh at yourself first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★ ★ ★ An experience might make you feel reticent in social situations. Avoiding people will not help your situation right now. What are you afraid of? Take a chance and join the group. Relationships are your forte. History does not always repeat itself. Tonight: You need a break.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★ ★ ★ If work needs to be done, tackle it early. Chipping away at that big project will bring it down to a manageable size. Avoid people who make you feel uncomfortable. Someone might be jealous about what you have accomplished. Tonight: Consider the alternatives.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★ ★ ★ With determination, you can get the job done. Rely on your subconscious or your spiritual side for help. A social engagement awaits, but you have work to do first. Take small breaks when you notice your mind wandering. Tonight: Tie up loose ends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★ ★ ★ You might have to take care of unpleasant duties. Make sure you have all the facts before you act. Shortcuts can come back to haunt you. Knowledge breeds confidence. Being in control works if you don't act prematurely. Tonight: Get past your emotions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★ ★ ★ Others can hamper your ambition. Jealousy might be a factor. Success requires someone to embrace your point of view. You need another person on your side. A breakthrough occurs when you least expect it. It might be a steppingstone toward your goal. Tonight: Work on important relationships.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

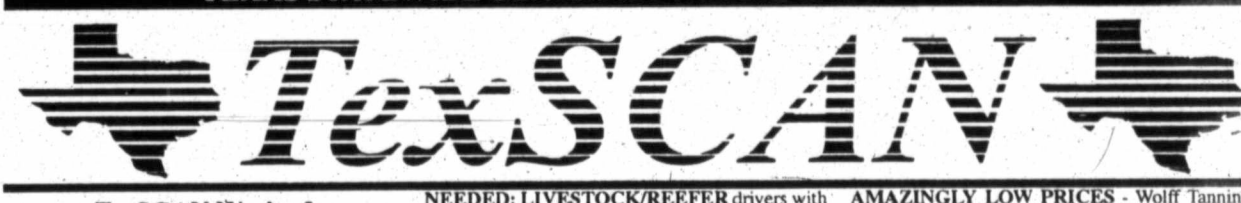
★ ★ ★ Inspiration can reach a new level. Visualize, and carefully consider ideas that pop into your head. If you expect technology to stump you, it will. Seek out an expert. You don't have to be all things to all people. Trust in yourself. Tonight: An "a-ha!" experience.

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BRIEFS

Senate GOP hoping to revive Bush's \$1.6 trillion tax cut
 WASHINGTON (AP) — Top Senate Republicans say they are intent on restoring President Bush's proposed \$1.6 trillion, 10-year tax cut to near its original size, now that the

heart of his economic blueprint has suffered its first bruises. In the first real blow to Bush's fiscal plans, the Senate tentatively voted Wednesday to reduce the tax cut by \$450 billion and distribute that money evenly between education and debt reduc-

tion. The 53-47 vote came as senators continued debating a \$1.94 trillion GOP budget for 2002 that would pave the way for Bush's tax proposal. Minutes earlier, moderate

Republican Sen. James Jeffords of Vermont said he expected to vote against the GOP budget "unless a miracle occurs." The twin setbacks ignited an intensive effort by the

White House and GOP leaders to woo Jeffords back into the fold while pumping the tax cut's size back up. Top Republicans predicted they would do so — and push the budget

through the Senate — by week's end.

Muslim rebels call off threat to behead U.S. hostage

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Muslim rebels backed off on a threat to behead a U.S. hostage Thursday as thousands of soldiers, bolstered by helicopters and cannons, descended on a southern Philippine island in search of the insurgents' hide-outs. Minutes before a self-imposed evening execution deadline, Abu Sabaya, the leader of the Abu Sayyaf guerrilla group, told Jeffrey Schilling's mother during a conversation on the local Radio Mindanao Network that he would not behead the 25-year-old Oakland, Calif., native. Carol Schilling, a 51-year-old YMCA accountant in Oakland, had come to Manila to appeal for her son's life. Abu Sayyaf, which says it is fighting for a separate Muslim homeland, had promised to behead Schilling on Thursday to mark the 54th birthday of President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo.

Ex-con found guilty of 1997 attack on Girl X

CHICAGO (AP) — An ex-convict who lured a 9-year-old girl into an apartment, poured roach killer down her throat and beat her in an attack that left her blind, mute and crippled now faces up to life in prison. The girl, known as Girl X in the media, had been found unconscious with gang symbols scrawled on her body in a filthy stairwell of the city's notorious Cabrini-Green housing project. Now 13 and in a wheelchair, she testified against her attacker in court, moving her head and making eye movements to communicate. "The heart of this case was the heart of the victim who was willing after a devastating attack to come forward and face the person who did it to her," Cook County State's Attorney Richard Devine said Wednesday after a jury found Patrick Sykes, 29, guilty of predatory criminal sexual assault, kidnapping and attempted murder. Devine said Sykes faces a maximum sentence of 120 years for the 1997 attack. A sentencing date was not immediately set.

Pampa Elementary Chorus



(Special photo)

Pampa Elementary Chorus will present "The Wizard of Oz" at 7:30 p.m., April 6 and 7 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets will be available at the door. Above: Haili Kotara (Aunt Em) and Chandler Talley (Dorothy).

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Celebrate Self Day

On April 17 and 18, Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and The Texas Panhandle will offer free pap smears to uninsured and underinsured Texas Panhandle women between the ages of 45 and 65. The free pap smear campaign is the result of a national effort between Planned Parenthood Federation of America and SELF magazine. Polling found only 3 percent of women take time to off for doctor's visits and annual check-ups. Seventy percent put their job first on their "to do list," Claudia Stravato, CEO of PPATP, said. This fact has put many women at risk, she continued, but it particularly puts those at risk who have neither the time nor the money to get screenings for cervical cancer. Under Texas Medicaid regulations, a woman must either be pregnant or make less than \$3,000 per year to receive subsidized medical care, Stravato explained. This situation leaves Texas with the largest number of women without basic, preventive health care, she added. Until they are 65 years of age and can qualify for Medicare, low-income women are without adequate healthcare for 20-30 years. There are approximately 41,000 women in the Texas Panhandle who fall into the age and income category who would benefit from this nationally observed day. PPATP is proud to participate in "Celebrate Self Day" to encourage and enable women to take a day for themselves. Free pap smears for qualifying women will be available at PPATP full-service clinics located through the panhandle including Amarillo, Borger, Canyon, Clarendon, Dalhart, Dumas, Hereford, Pampa and Tulia. This event will help launch PPATP's new mid-life services program, Rosa Fierro, LVN, director of Clinical Affairs said. PPATP will be offering low-cost, basic mid-life screening and diagnostic services for low-income women including cardiovascular screening, hormone replacement therapy and cervical breast cancer and osteoporosis screening. To make an appointment for a free pap smear, women may call 1-800-999-3107 and ask to participate in Celebrate Self Day. A grant from the Williams-Spurlock Fund for mid-life services, administered through Amarillo Area Foundation, is funding the local campaign.

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