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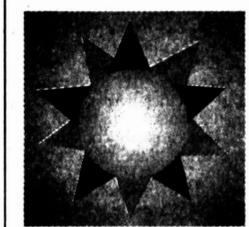
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PHS to honor veterans Monday

PAMPA — Pampa High School students and staff plan a Veteran's Day Celebration recognizing local veterans at 9:30 a.m., Monday, Nov. 12, in the high school auditorium, 111 E. Harvester. All veterans are invited to attend.

Movie filming in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Actor Antonio Banderas and director/writer Robert Rodriguez were scheduled to film scenes for the sequel to their movie "Spy Kids" on Friday in San Antonio. Rodriguez, a San Antonio native, will shoot around the Central Library, which will double as the spy kids' headquarters in "Spy Kids 2: The Island of Lost Dreams." Scenes also will be shot around the Convention Center. Publicist Sandra Conditto said Banderas, who plays spy dad Gregorio Cortez, and Daryl Sabara, who plays espionage-loving son Juni Cortez, will be at the shoot. Emily Osment, sister of Haley Joel Osment, and Matthew O'Leary, who portray two other young spies, will be there as well. Leighton Chapman, San Antonio's film commissioner, said Rodriguez was attracted by the unique architecture and colors of the buildings.

- Lena B. Bain, 86, retired self-employed bookkeeper.
- Birdia Gay, 97, domestic worker, homemaker.
- Frances Thompson Hawkins, 79, Sunday School teacher for 30 years.
- Robert 'Bob' Williams, 87, retired Texaco employee.

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Sales tax report: Sept. receipts up

By KATE B. DICKSON Associate Publisher

"Unbelievable." That's what City Finance Director John Horst had to say Thursday after seeing Pampa's sales tax figures for September as outlined in the November report. Sales tax reports are for two months prior. What had been expected to be a dropoff in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks didn't materialize and Pampa actually had a gain over the same time period last year, Horst said.

"We received \$212,000 for September and that's almost \$33,000 more than we got September a year ago."
— City Finance Director John Horst

"I was not expecting an increase," the finance director said. "The estimate made (by the state comptroller's office) for the entire state was less than the amount collected last year. "We received \$212,000 for September," Horst said, "and that's almost \$33,000 more than we got September a year ago." City Manager Bob Eskridge said he is pleased with September's report as well. "But if you look at the city's sales tax history it is erratic, it's up and down ... it's hard to predict," the city manager

said. With only two months worth of sales taxes in the bank so far this fiscal year, collections are running \$56,637 ahead of last year to date and are \$79,635 over the budgeted amount. The Amarillo-Canyon area didn't fare quite as well with sales tax returns for both cities down in September compared to same month numbers a year ago, according to reports. Amarillo had a 3.96 percent decline and Canyon's rebate was down by 7.56 percent but both cities are running ahead of last year in year-to-date totals.

Plan in works to 'shut down' PEDC's office

By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor

It's over. The Pampa Economic Development Corporation will begin dismantling next week. "The PEDC office will probably be shut down next week," City Manager Bob Eskridge said this morning. In Tuesday's election, 3,190 Pampans cast ballots with those who wanted to dissolve the PEDC coming out on top 1,786 to 1,404. The first meeting of PEDC Board of Directors since the election will be at 7:30 a.m. Monday in the Pampa City Hall, Conference Room 203, 201 E. Kingsmill. An executive session is scheduled to deliberate personnel matters concerning PEDC Executive Director Susan Triplehorn and part-time employee Andra Canaday. An agreement with the City of Pampa to manage the expenses and obligations of the PEDC and all related matters will be considered. Eskridge said the meeting will begin the process of dissolving the corporation.

(See PEDC, Page 3)

Drug bust yields arrest

A Pampa woman is in Gray County Jail today on drug charges stemming from a search of a West Craven Street residence Thursday evening. Sylvia Vaquera Comacho, 36, 205 W. Craven, remained in jail this morning in lieu of \$4,000 bond, a jail spokeswoman said. Comacho is being held on charges of possession of a controlled substance over four grams and under 200 grams, with intent to deliver.

Officers of the Pampa Police Department, Gray County Sheriff's Office, Gray County Constable and the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Task Force served a warrant to search the residence at 205 W. Craven. In the course of the search, officers found 21.2 gross grams of powder cocaine, according to a Pampa Police Department press release. The estimated street value of the cocaine is \$1,500, the release stated.

Just a little stick ...



Sherry McCall reacts Thursday when nurse Sheril Conner gives her a flu shot at the offices of Dr. Craig Shaffer and Dr. Simoneta Soriano. Some local physicians report they are running short of the vaccine. The health department gives flu shots from 9:30 a.m.-noon and from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday of the month in the department's new offices at Harvest House, 736 S. Cuyler.

Gray Co. grand jurors return 16 indictments

A meeting of the Gray County grand jury this week resulted in 16 indictments ranging from possession of a controlled substance to aggravated assault. Grand jurors indicted Kimmel Renald Gatson, 30, 715 N. Frost, on an enhanced charge of aggravated assault in connection with an incident on June 9. Assault charges were also affirmed in an indictment naming Jose Rodriguez Rodriguez, 31, no address listed. Rodriguez is alleged to have committed the assault on Jan. 16. Aggravated kidnapping charges were

leveled against Barry Max Bryant, 43, 513 N. Cuyler in an indictment stemming from an incident on July 11. Four indictments concerned crimes against children. Tammie Merle Bennett, 40, and Dennis Ray Hayes, 53, both of 1315 Coffee were named in separate indictments charging them with abandoning a child. Both indictments resulted from an incident on Oct. 25, 2000. In the early morning hours of that day, police responded to a 9-1-1 call to the Coffee Street residence and

found a child alone. Grand jurors indicted Antonio Estrada, 18, 1109 Sandelewood, on a charge of injury to a child related to an incident on Aug. 24, 2000. William Paul German, 31, of Letors was indicted for indecency with a child in connection with a reported incident on July 10, 2000. Nelson Ray Medley, 48, 1008 Osborne, was named in an indictment alleging theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000. The charges stem from an offense reported on

July 27, 1999. Pete Vargas Perez, 23, 853 S. Sumner, was indicted for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in connection with an incident on June 10. Leonard Jay Kane, 31, 513 N. Faulkner, was named in two indictments — one alleging burglary of a building on March 25 and another for forgery by passing on Nov. 9, 2000. Burglary of a building charges were confirmed in unrelated indictments (See INDICTMENTS, Page 3)



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

School Board members, from left, Lance DeFever and Bill Jones, and Supt. Dr. Dawson Orr, far right, listen as Business Manager Mark McVay explains possible changes to the school district's finances.

Where will the cuts be? PISD board begins system analysis

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

In a special meeting of the Pampa Independent School District's Board of Education Thursday spent one hour looking at the state school finance situation and similar school district comparisons and another hour trying to target areas where budget changes can be made.

"We've got to start thinking about next year," said Dr. Dawson Orr, superintendent. "We're looking at \$650,000 less revenue than this year. That's the most likely scenario." Business Manager Mark McVay presented several revenue projections for the 2002-2003 school year. The one he felt was "most likely" estimated a 50-student decrease in school enrollments and a \$20 million decrease in property values, leading to

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a total revenue of slightly more than \$18 million. The 2001-2002 budget is based on revenues of \$18.4 million. Big increases in insurance costs, especially for school-owned property, also contributes to the projected revenue shortfall. McVay said many unknowns still exist on how much funding the (See PISD, Page 3)

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Obituaries

LENA B. BAIN

Lena B. Bain, 86, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Bain was born March 15, 1915, at Dallas. She had been a Pampa resident since 1938. She married J.L. Bain on June 1, 1940, at Pampa; he died June 5, 1992.

She was a self-employed bookkeeper, retiring after 30 years of service, and was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

BIRDIA GAY

Birdia Gay, 97, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001, at Oklahoma City, Okla. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Gay was born Dec. 29, 1903, at Clarksville, Texas. She was a domestic worker, a homemaker and a member of St. Mark's CME Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leon Gay; and by a son, John White, in 1997.

Survivors include two daughters, Dorothy Banks and Carrie Thomas, both of Oklahoma City; two grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

FRANCES THOMPSON HAWKINS

Frances Thompson Hawkins, 79, of Pampa, died Friday, Nov. 9, 2001. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Hawkins was born Sept. 3, 1922, in Estancia, N.M. She had been a lifetime resident of Pampa. She married Joe Hawkins on Dec. 24, 1942, at Panhandle.

She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School for 30 years.

Survivors include her husband, Joe, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Elaine and Jack Eddins of Pampa; a son and daughter-in-law, Billy and Cynthia Hawkins of Amarillo; eight grandchildren, Leslie and Dr. Miled Jabor, and Reagan and Gracie Eddins, all of Lubbock; Judson Eddins of Dallas, Emily Hawkins of Washington, D.C., Andy Hawkins of Kansas City, Kan., Melanie Hawkins of Norman, Okla., and Joey Hawkins and Will Hawkins, both of Amarillo; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or to First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065.

ROBERT 'BOB' WILLIAMS

Robert "Bob" Williams, 87, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001, at McLean. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Williams, longtime Pampa resident, was born March 25, 1914, in Denton County, Texas. He retired from Texaco after 30 years of service and was a member of Central Church of Christ.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, receiving a Purple Heart while serving during World War II. He was preceded in death by a son, Terry Williams.

Survivors include his wife, Ova, of the home; a son, Joe Williams of Carrollton; and three sisters, Rena Coleman of Archer City, Mary Cole of Indianapolis, Ind., and Faye Mahaffey of Bakersfield, Calif.

The family requests memorials be to Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle Chapter, 2200 W. 7th St., Amarillo, TX 79106.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.50	up 0.11
Milo	3.42	up 0.10
Corn	3.62	up 0.12
Soybeans	3.60	up 0.02
Oil Sunflowers	7.50	up 0.15

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.

Occidental	25.90	up 0.75
Fidelity Mageln	101.49	up 0.11
Puritan	17.61	up 0.05

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

BP	49.23	up 0.93
Celanese	16.99	dn 0.59
Cabot O&G	33.75	up 0.15
Cabot O&G	24.10	up 0.45
Chevron/Texas	89.00	up 1.41

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Nov. 9

12:51 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Evergreen and transported one to PRMC.

1:05 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of South Faulkner and transported one to PRMC.

2:23 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Duncan and Worrell; no transport.

3:41 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC

Police report

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

Thursday, Nov. 8

Crystal Fuller, 35, 121 Williston was arrested on a warrant for hindering apprehension or prosecution.

Sylvia Vaquera Comacho, 36, 205 W. Craven was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, over 4 grams and under 200 grams, with intent to deliver.

Someone tampered with the gas tank of a 1999 Ford Explorer in the 1800 block of North Dwight, causing an estimated \$7,500 damage.

Animal Control authorities reported a dog chained without food or water in the 1100 block of Huff Road. The dog was taken into Animal Control custody for immediate care.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2300 block of Aspen. On Nov. 4, someone reported broke into the vehicle and stole a purse and its contents, valued at \$100.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 1100 block of South Hobart. A lawn mower, valued at \$150, was reported stolen.

Burglary of a storage building was reported in the 100 block of Naida. A Sony television, estimated value of \$300, was reported stolen.

Friday, Nov. 9

A black CD case and various CDs valued at \$100 were found in the 2200 block of Perryton Parkway.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2300 block of Fir. A purse and its contents valued at \$140 were reported stolen.

Janet Williams, 47, no address listed, was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear and taken to municipal court.

Sheriff's Office

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

Thursday, Nov. 8

Johnny Lee Nash, 33, Wellington, was arrested on a bond surrender for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Spencer Ray Boyd, 48, 445 Graham, was sentenced to five years in the Texas Department of Corrections for delivery of a controlled substance.

Amado Lopez, Jr., 29, Hereford, was arrested on a violation of probation for assault out of Potter County.

Michael Shane McGavock, 36, Edgewood, N.M., was arrested on a violation of probation for engaging in organized crime and on two Department of Public Safety warrants.

Fires

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

Thursday, Nov. 8

11:16 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Barnes and Albert streets.

12:50 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1900 block of Evergreen.

1:11 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of

Accidents

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

Thursday, Nov. 8

11:15 a.m. - A 1987 Cadillac Deville, unknown driver, collided with a 1998 Dodge F250 pickup driven by Connie Pairsh Allen, 54, RR 2, Box 88, at South Cuyler and Albert streets. The driver of the Cadillac left the scene without leaving information. No injuries were reported.

3:40 p.m. - A 2001 Volkswagon Passat driven by Cynthia Rogers Holt, 45, Route 2, and a 1997 Chevrolet Astro minivan driven by Kevin Tyler Karr, 17, 1915 Fir, collided in the 300 block of North Ballard. Holt was cited for unsafe backing. No injuries were reported at the scene.

and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo.

5:13 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of East Linda and transported one to PRMC.

6:42 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Nelson and transported one to PRMC.

8:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of East Foster; no transport.

11:50 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2200 block of North Christy and transported one to PRMC.

Reports: Ex-Beatle treated for cancer on Staten Island

NEW YORK (AP) — Ex-Beatle George Harrison reportedly has received experimental cancer treatment at Staten Island University Hospital.

The 58-year-old Harrison was treated by Dr. Gil Lederman, the hospital's director of radiation oncology, according to published reports.

Calls to Harrison's manager, Jeff Kramer, were not immediately returned. The hospital, citing patient confidentiality policies, would not say whether Harrison was a patient.

The Daily News on Friday, citing unidentified sources, reported that Harrison was in a private suite. The New York Post said he checked out on Sunday in the company of his wife and three bodyguards. The Post, citing an unidentified source, said Ringo Starr had been seen visiting Harrison.

Harrison checked in under the name George Arrias, The Staten Island Advance reported. Arrias is the maiden name of Harrison's wife, Olivia.

Lederman offers a technique known as fractionated stereotactic radiosurgery, which attacks tumors with high doses of radiation while leaving surrounding healthy tissues intact. It is for patients with large and advanced tumors.

Harrison, the youngest of the four Beatles, was diagnosed with lung cancer and a brain tumor earlier this year.

Lederman, in an interview with The Associated Press on Wednesday, declined to say if he was treating Harrison. He said the treatment's success rate is 90 percent, and that it is usually performed as an outpatient procedure.

Texas round up ...

Enron restates earnings as company confirms merger talks

NEW YORK (AP) — Now that Enron Corp. acknowledged it overstated earnings for years and its stock price has been punished accordingly, a much smaller rival, Dynegy Inc., is in talks to possibly buy the nation's top energy trader on the cheap.

Houston-based Enron has become inexpensive after investors pummeled its stock price over concerns that serious financial problems were being hidden from shareholders through business partnerships now under investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In an SEC filing Thursday, Enron said financial statements from 1997 through the first half of 2001 "should not be relied upon" and that outside businesses run by Enron officials during that period should have been included in the company's earnings reports.

That would have reduced Enron's profits for those years by \$586 million, from \$2.89 billion to \$2.31 billion. In addition, the company revised its debt upward in each year from 1997-2000; at the end of 2000, Enron's debt was \$10.86 billion, \$628 million more than previously reported.

Drilling firms agree to settle lawsuit

HOUSTON (AP) — More than a dozen offshore drilling firms have agreed to pay about \$75 million to settle an antitrust lawsuit accusing them of fixing offshore laborers' wages and benefits for three decades.

As many as 60,000 workers or their estates could be affected.

Minor details of the settlement, which was reached last April, were worked out during a hearing in U.S. District Judge Sim Lake's courtroom Thursday.

Final approval will be granted in April. The 15 groups of companies, representing about 50 affiliated businesses, are the bulk of the offshore firms that primarily drill in the Gulf of Mexico.

The class-action lawsuit filed in August 2000 alleged the companies "conspired to avoid competition among them for drilling labor by illegally fixing the wages and benefits paid their drilling employees."

Man sentenced for not aiding officers

DALLAS (AP) — A man who failed to aid police officers in a crash that killed a veteran and injured a rookie last year has been sentenced to one year in jail and a \$3,000 fine.

Authorities said the jury's sentence Thursday means Herbert Lee Madison, 48, will spend about three and a half months behind bars.

Dallas County policy allows inmates serving sentences at Lew Sterrett Justice Center to earn three days' credit for each day served in jail, officials said. Madison also receives credit for the time he served in jail after his initial arrest in August 2000.

Senior Cpl. Harold Baird Jr. died in the Aug. 19, 2000, accident and rookie Officer Michael Scott Jones was severely injured.

Throughout his testimony, Madison maintained he never knew that the squad car had crashed. But prosecutors argued that the crash would have occurred four to seven seconds after Madison's initial collision with the police vehicle.

Afghan rebels take horses into action

WASHINGTON (AP) — The old warhorse is finding a place in battles of the new century.

In Afghanistan, mounted rebels thunder off into the dust, rocket-propelled grenades at the ready, taking an ancient method of war to a better-armed Taliban.

Are they insane? Not according to Edwin Price Ramsey, said by cavalry historians to be the last commander of a horseback charge in U.S. military history.

"The best vehicle they've got is a horse," said Ramsey, who led a mounted platoon against the Japanese in the Philippines in 1942. But he imagines the mounted fighters are picking their way with care.

"You wouldn't charge a tank," he said. "That would be stupid."

Officials praise city's outreach

HOUSTON (AP) — The city's aggressive outreach program for Asians and Pacific Islanders is a model for other cities, officials say.

The network of community groups and government agencies was formed to address the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

There has been some effort in other cities, but "none in the scale and sophistication here," said Marla Hendrickson, national program manager for the Environmental Protection Agency's National AAPI Initiative.

"Team Houston" incorporates 25 federal agencies and departments to work with community-based groups to improve health, housing, education and job recruitment for Asians and Pacific Islanders. It also addresses citizenship.

Nearly 105,000 Asians and Pacific Islanders live in Houston, more than 5 percent of the city's population, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Commission ok's expanded waste dump

MCALEN, Texas (AP) — Homeowners who have fought the expansion of a nearby landfill lost their battle when the state environmental commission approved the expansion.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission approved Browning-Ferris Industries' request to expand its waste dump from 44 feet above ground to 122 feet. The dump is four miles north of Donna near a water utility company.

TNRCC Chairman Bob Houston on Thursday defended the decision to allow BFI to expand the landfill, which is used by cities across the Valley, including Harlingen and South Padre Island.

He said the commission carefully considered all the issues Wednesday before granting BFI authority to pile garbage higher.

In addition to expanding the dump, requirements were added to safeguard the environment, Houston said.

BFI must put 12 inches of topsoil on top of the landfill instead of 6 inches when it is closed, he said. Two more test wells and an underground drainage system to remove contaminated ground water were also added to BFI's obligations.

UTD to host major chess tournament

RICHARDSON, Texas (AP) — Football is king at most Texas universities, but kings and queens rule at the University of Texas at Dallas, home to the nation's top collegiate chess team.

This year, the UTD team won the President's Cup at the "Final Four" of intercollegiate chess and was named "Chess College of the Year" by the U.S. Chess Federation.

And in an even bigger coup, starting Friday, UTD will hold the first intramural championship sanctioned by the world governing body of chess, the Federation Internationale des Echecs, or FIDE.

The results of the prestigious event, which continues through Nov. 18, will be counted toward each player's international rating. UTD qualified for a FIDE event, difficult for even a city to capture, because team members are from so many foreign countries.

The two-weekend event is open to the public — with one caveat.

"Spectators must be very, very quiet," said Tim Redman, director of the UTD chess program and a professor of literary studies.

City Briefs

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NO PAMPA Senior Citizen's Dance, this Fri. Nov. 9th.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, sunny. Highs in the lower 60s. South winds 5 to 15 mph.

Tonight, clear. Lows in the mid 30s. South winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday, sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

STATEWIDE — Temperatures across much of Texas are expected to be in the 70s on Saturday.

Showers should gradually end from the west over North Texas on Friday, although clouds will be slow to clear from the area.

Temperatures should warm only into the 60s Friday afternoon under the cloudy skies.

In the Panhandle skies Friday night should be clear with lows in the lower to mid-30s.

Saturday should be sunny with highs from around 70 to the lower 70s. In the Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend area

skies Friday night should be partly cloudy with lows from the 30s in the mountains to the lower 50s along the Rio Grande.

Saturday should be partly sunny with highs from the upper 50s near the mountains to

near 80 along the Rio Grande.

In Texas Hill Country and south central Texas skies Friday night are expected to be mostly cloudy with patchy drizzle and

lows mainly in the 50s. Saturday should be mostly cloudy with patchy drizzle and highs around 70. In deep South Texas

skies Friday night should be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms

and lows from 60 in the west to 70 near the coast. Saturday

should be mostly cloudy with isolated showers and highs from 75 to 80.

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"There are a lot of gray areas in closing down the PEDC," he said, "as there is a lot involved."
 He said one of the main reasons EDCs were established is due to legal restrictions on cities with regard to economic development.
 Eskridge said he had been told by a staff member in the Texas Attorney General's Office that Pampa is the first community in Texas to dissolve its economic development corporation.
 He said the PEDC and City of Pampa are learn-

ing as they go in the process, and he anticipates the City of Pampa will assume the financial matters of the PEDC.
 Eskridge said a PEDC Board of Directors will remain in place until all debts of the PEDC are paid, and obligations are met. He said he has also talked with the Comptroller of Public Accounts office to obtain information about the closing down process.
 He said it is likely two additional PEDC board members will be appointed next week by the Pampa City Commission. A full board consists of five members and now there are only three.

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INDICTMENTS

against Jerry David Dinsmore, 30, no address listed, and Albert Dale Ponder, 41, 1009 Twiford. Dinsmore was indicted in connection with an incident on Sept. 2 and Ponder for an offense reported on Nov. 18, 2000.
 Eric Allan Davis, 26, 722 W. Browning was indict-

ed for possession of controlled substance related to an offense reported on Feb. 1, 2000.
 Grand jurors also indicted Kerry Layne Zeek, 31, for possession of controlled substance on April 1. Zeek is currently serving a 40-year prison sentence on drug charges.
 Tina Lynette Malone, 31, 711 1/2 N. Gray, was named in an indictment alleging forgery by passing in connection with an incident on July 21.

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school district will receive to implement the state-mandated teacher health insurance package.
 Board members reviewed 1999-2000 comparisons of similar-size school districts as a way of defining areas to consider in 2002-2003 budget preparations.
 McVay pointed out that Pampa ISD at 10.7 percent had the lowest percentage of career and technology enrollment among the school districts. Other districts' enrollment ranged from 17 to 26 percent. On the other hand, PISD's gifted and talented enrollment was almost twice the average in other comparable districts.
 "I don't know why it's that way," he said. "I'll have to investigate it."
 Pampa also had a higher percentage of professional support staff compared to other districts at 8 percent. The comparison group averaged 6.3 percent in this area.
 Both career and technology and professional services were targeted as areas for consideration.
 Student-teacher ratio for Pampa was 13.5, compared to 14.1 in the comparable group and 13.0 for the state average. Teacher turnover is 12 percent or approximately 28 teachers per year.
 Orr pointed out that with nearly 80 percent of the budget dedicated to payroll, this will be a major area considered for changes.
 "A half-million to three-quarters of a million (dollars) is going to have to come out of payroll," he said, adding that he did not intend to cut teaching staff.
 "I know teachers tend to get nervous about that,"

Board Member Bill Jones said. "The way I understand it, they may be teaching something different but they won't be without a job."
 "We're a long way from RIF (reduction in force)," Orr said. "I don't see us doing that for a long time. I also don't see us doing any new hiring unless it's a highly specialized requirement."
 "With the normal turnover, not only in teachers but in staff, there will be many opportunities to realign and redirect," he added.
 Nancy Coffee, board member, suggested looking at programs and cost centers for ways to reduce expenses.
 "To be good stewards, we need to look at every cost," Board President Lee Porter said.
 "Yes, we can look at it by program, by site, and by function," Orr said. "We'll be looking beyond the average. One area we need to look at is the Early Literacy program. We're very excited by it, but it's also very expensive."
 Orr pointed out that facilities management and transportation are also major areas of concern, particularly in regard to the extensive renovation needed at Pampa Middle School. If the school district does not receive the federal grant to pay for the renovation, the school district will have to find the money needed to repair the building. Even if the grant funds are given, PISD must pay a significant part of the project, he said.
 On Nov. 29, the board is scheduled to meet in regular session. At this time, according to the budget planning timeline, board members will identify key areas for cost reduction and containment study and analysis.

People in the news ...

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Flanked by his leading ladies, 83-year-old **Ingmar Bergman** took center stage to promote his new TV production, which he wrote after realizing that he was "pregnant with a play."
 The famed maker of some 60 films, culminating with 1983's "Fanny and Alexander," said he realized he had to do the play while translating Henrik Ibsen's "Ghosts" from Norwegian to Swedish, which took him three months.

54-year-old actor told reporters recently. "I had a wonderful nutritionist-trainer who had also worked with **Tom Hanks** on 'Philadelphia' and 'Cast Away.' And he knew just what I could eat to still be nourished and healthy and knew how to train me three or four times a week to burn up what few calories I ingested."
 As for playing a guy who's dying, Kline says, "It's an imaginative leap that actors make. ... You magnify your own life experience if necessary."
 "Life as a House," already in theaters in limited release, opens nationwide on Friday.

another mayor of New York City, his fourth in a period that spans five decades.
 "At the age of 71, I thought I'd be embalmed by now," Garth said Thursday.
 On Tuesday, Garth helped put winner No. 4 into the limelight as Republican **Michael Bloomberg** beat Democrat **Mark Green**.
 The Garth mayoral magic touch began in 1965 when he played a key role in the election of then-Republican **John Lindsay**. Lindsay, who later became a Democrat, won re-election as mayor in 1969 with Garth at his side.

"After that I realized I was pregnant, pregnant with a play," the reclusive director said at a news conference Thursday.
 "At first I felt sick, very sick. It was strange. Like Abraham and Sarah, who suddenly realized she was pregnant," he said, referring to biblical characters. "It was lots of fun, suddenly to feel this urge returning."
 Bergman said he decided to do the play for Swedish Television because he was able to get the four actors he wanted for the roles.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Monsters, Inc." is more **John Ratzenberger's** speed than what he sees on television and hears on the radio.
 "The language, the content, and when children are listening to this stuff, whether it's from TV or the radio, why shouldn't they get the impression that this is OK; that this is normal," said Ratzenberger. "Well, it's not normal."
 Ratzenberger is the voice of Yeti in the G-rated "Monsters, Inc.," which had the biggest debut ever for an animated film, grossing \$62.5 million in its first three days and out-earning the \$57.4 million recorded by 1999's "Toy Story 2."

Garth next hit paydirt with then-U.S. Rep. **Edward Koch** in 1977. Koch, with Garth running the campaigns, was re-elected in 1981 and 1985. The veteran consultant also worked on Koch's losing bid for a fourth term in 1989 and the mayor's failed bid in 1992 against then-Lt. Gov. **Mario Cuomo** for the Democratic nomination to run for governor.
 In 1993, Garth helped elect Republican **Rudolph Giuliani** as mayor, although the two later had a falling out. In 1994, Garth was on the losing side of a campaign as he unsuccessfully tried to help Cuomo win a fourth term in a race against Republican **George Pataki**.

The televised play will be a family drama based on the two main characters from Bergman's previous TV series, "Scenes From a Marriage," which was made into a movie in 1973.
 Bergman insisted it is not a sequel, although the two lead actors — **Liv Ullmann** and **Erland Josephson** — will reprise their roles.
 "This film has nothing to do with marriage," Bergman said, sitting on a stage with Ullmann and Josephson and the other two actors in the show, **Julia Dufvenius** and **Boerje Ahlstedt**.
 The show's working title is "Anna." It is expected to be about 90 minutes long and take eight weeks to shoot.

The 54-year-old actor, who played **Cliff Clavin** on the 1982-93 NBC sitcom "Cheers," said he hopes the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks will lead to better TV programming.
 "What should happen is that we'll start honoring the people who actually hold this country together. When you look at what happened Sept. 11, those firemen that ran into that building didn't think for a second about whether they should do that or not."
 He added, "I think that we'll probably see less shows about whining yuppies."

This time around, Garth credited Giuliani's late-in-the-campaign endorsement of Bloomberg for putting the billionaire businessman over the top.
 "Rudy was magnificent," Garth said. "Rudy won that campaign."
 Asked about his plans now that the campaign is over, Garth said, "I'm just trying to lean back and enjoy myself and hope that things turn out well for the city."
 "I'm looking for a vacation in the sun and maybe Europe," he added.
 Garth should be able to afford that. He was reportedly paid \$150,000 a month by Bloomberg for his expertise.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In his new film, "Life as a House," **Kevin Kline's** character bravely faces impending death, spending his final months building his dream home and patching things up with his estranged family.
 "But in real life, Kline says, "I live in mortal fear every day. I think we all do. You know, our culture is built around denial of death. It's something that's there, like taxes. It's going to happen to all of us, and we tend not to think of it. Unlike other religions and other cultures that dwell on it."
 Kline has said he lost 25 pounds to play the part.
 His secrets to losing weight for the role?
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NEW YORK (AP) — Media guru **David Garth** said he feels great after helping elect yet

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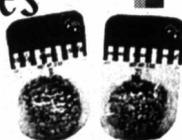
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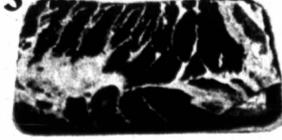











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Q My husband, Joe, tells me he feels suffocated in our marriage and wants out. What should I do? How should I change my relationship with him?

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"Nevertheless, I have been doing some intense soul-searching, and I now realize that I have been attempting to hold you against your will. As I reflect on our courtship and early years together, I'm reminded that you married me of your own free choice. I didn't blackmail you or twist your arm or offer you a bribe. It was a decision you made without pressure from me. Now you say you want out of the marriage, and, obviously, I have to let you go. I can no more force you to stay today than I could have made you marry me."

"So, if you never call me again, then I will accept your decision. This entire experience has been painful, but I'm going to make it. You and I had some wonderful times together, John. You were my first real love, and I'll never forget the memories that we shared."

Slowly, unbelievably, Joe will see the cage door start to rise. He has felt bound to you hand and foot for years, and now you've set him free!

"But there must be a catch," he's likely to think. "It's too good to be true. This is just another trick to win me back. In a week or two she'll be crying on the phone again, begging me to come home. She's really weak, you know, and she'll crack under pressure."

Q It is my strongest recommendation that you prove that your husband is wrong in this expectation. Let him marvel at your self-control in coming weeks. Only the passage of time will convince him that you are serious.

A How is Joe likely to respond to the new me?

He may test your resolve in the next few months by showing hostility, being aloof, or by flirting with other women. He'll be watching during this time for signs of weakness or panic. If you continue to show self-confidence, you will convince him that he is actually free.

Three things typically happen when you convey that understanding:

(1) The trapped partner no longer feels it necessary to fight off the other, and the relationship improves. It is not that the love affair is rekindled, necessarily, but the strain between the two partners is often eased.

(2) As the cool spouse begins to feel free again, the question he has been asking himself changes. After having wondered for weeks or months, "How can I get out of this mess?" he now asks, "Do I really want to go?" Just knowing that he can have his way often makes him less anxious to achieve it. Sometimes it turns him around 180 degrees and brings him back home.

(3) The third change occurs not in the cool spouse but in the mind of the vulnerable one. Incredibly, she feels better - somehow more in control of the situation. There is no greater agony than journeying through a vale of tears, waiting in vain for the phone to ring or for a miracle to occur. Instead, the person begins to respect herself and receives small evidences of respect in return.

Even though it is difficult to let go once and for all, there are ample rewards for doing so. One of those advantages involves the feeling that she has a definite course of action to follow. That is infinitely more comfortable than experiencing the utter despair of powerlessness that she felt before. And little by little, the healing process begins.

Does this approach always work? Of course not. Nothing always works in human relationships. Some people will re-examine the decision to leave and return. Others will keep going. Either way, however, showing respect for yourself in the crisis will maximize the opportunities for your relationship to survive. Even if it's too late to reconnect with Joe, you'll have your self-confidence back and will be able to go on without him.

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Minister's musing ...

Isn't it interesting how we Christian humans are so surprised by tough times? So many Christian sources today preach and teach a gospel of prosperity that an alien sent to earth to study Christians might conclude that the Bible teaches that believers will always be blessed with good things. It might be good for us to allow the life of Jesus Christ to teach us about life on this planet.

How about his birth? Marjorie Holmes in her classic book, *Two From Galilee*, describes this kind of thinking as she imagines the mind of Joseph on the night of Jesus' birth. "He (Joseph) gazed about. These lowly surroundings—the oxen and sheep, the little donkey braying piteously for its food, the smell of dung and hay, the cold rock walls glinting in the light of the fire that finally, in desperation, he was able to coax in the pit he had dug beneath a chink he had noticed when they first came in — this humble setting which was the best that he, Joseph, could provide — even so, he thought and prayed, wiping his face in relief as at last the acrid smoke began to rise — even so, God's own angels would surely fill the place at the last and lift up Mary and draw from her loins the blessed being without blood or further agony."

Wouldn't you think that God would at least exempt His own son from the trauma and messiness and embarrassment and pain of birth? And if He wouldn't extend special benefits to Jesus, wouldn't you think



By Rev. Mike Sublett

Hi-Land Christian Church

that He would at least give him a decent, sanitary room in which to go through it all? And why would God allow the wicked Herod the Great to threaten Jesus? Why didn't He strike Herod dead and prevent Jesus from being driven from Bethlehem and forced to live in Egypt?

How about Jesus' life? Why did God tolerate the Pharisees and Sadducees hounding Jesus everywhere he went? Why didn't the Father give His own son some better followers with more faith? Why didn't He just strike them dead for their constant lack of faith? When all but one abandoned His son on that fateful Friday night, why didn't God just disintegrate them? When Jesus asked for the "cup to pass", why didn't God find an easier way to save the rascals on earth?

Not only didn't God give Jesus the "red carpet treatment" throughout his life, but He allowed every bit of the suffering to rain right down on His one and only son.

Didn't He care about him at all?

Now as strange as it may seem I don't plan to answer any of those questions in this article. Those questions aren't the point, just the background. If God didn't cut his only begotten son extra slack, who do we think we are to expect some kind of protective bubble to live out our life on this alien world? Times of trouble and difficulty should be the Christian's finest hour. The darkest of days should be when the Christian shines the brightest.

So maybe instead of always asking the Lord to bless our socks off we should just ask Him to send us everything that we need to be everything He wants us to be. Now before we do that we'd better remember that it will require blessings, troubles, encouragement, suffering, joy, sadness and a whole lot of other things that look like they don't go together.

Wouldn't it be great if God would just love us as much as He did Jesus?

"And you have forgotten that word of encouragement that addresses you as sons: "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son." 7 Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father?" Hebrews 12:5-7.

Remember, HE DOES! God bless.

Jerry Smith will present "The Lesters" (photo at right) and "Kevin Spencer and Friends" — all gospel performers — in concert at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 16 at Borger High School Auditorium in Borger. The Lesters will headline. The group consists of Brian Lester, lead singer, manager, emcee; Ginger Pitchers, vocals/bass guitar; Dan Pitchers, vocals; and TreCIA Cisneros, soprano. The Lesters have had several numbers on the Top 40 Gospel Music Charts and produce their own television show, "The Lester Family Sings."

(Courtesy photo)



Falwell's representative for 17 years ends ties

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — The Rev. Jerry Falwell's media representative the past 17 years has ended professional ties with the Virginia preacher, who was denounced over remarks after the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

"While we have occasionally disagreed on public relations issues and tactics, our friendship has never wavered," said a prepared statement from publicist Mark DeMoss, who will continue to chair the trustees' executive committee for Falwell's Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va.

DeMoss declined an interview. Falwell's new spokesman, Ron Godwin, said DeMoss simply wanted to concentrate on helping the university.

DeMoss's Georgia agency represents major evangelical groups, including the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association; Samaritan's Purse, led by Franklin Graham; Campus Crusade for Christ International and Charles Colson's Prison Fellowship.

Two days after the attacks,

Falwell said on Pat Robertson's TV show that those trying to secularize America "helped this happen," citing abortionists, feminists, homosexuals, pagans, the American Civil Liberties Union and People for the American Way.

"God continues to lift the curtain and allow the enemies of America to give us probably what we deserve," Falwell said.

After the White House and others called the remarks inappropriate, Falwell apologized.

An Oct. 4 fund-raising letter from Falwell's son Jonathan told supporters his father blamed only the terrorists, but a media "wolf pack" was spreading "liberal lies" in a "vicious smear campaign." He said the ministry had lost more than \$500,000 income since Sept. 11.

Godwin said mail problems caused the funding falloff, not concern over Falwell's remarks, and that contributions rebounded since Jonathan's appeal.

Missouri Baptists oust moderate church
CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (AP) — A 1,000-member suburban

Kansas City church was ousted from the yearly meeting of the Missouri Baptist Convention because it left the national Southern Baptist Convention for becoming too conservative.

The meeting also voted to shut off more \$2 million earmarked for five Baptist agencies that defied the state body's conservative leadership by altering bylaws and electing their own boards to gain autonomy.

Representatives elected rival board members for the agencies and state leaders threatened legal action if they are refused seating.

The money will go into escrow until the state body regains control over board appointments.

Agencies involved are the Baptist Foundation, Missouri Baptist College, Missouri Baptist Home network, Windermere Conference Center and Word & Way newspaper.

The congregational ouster involved Second Baptist Church in Liberty, part of the state body since 1843.

Second Baptist member David

Fulks said nothing in state membership rules requires congregations to join the national body. "It does not have to say that," responded the Rev. David Tolliver, credentials chairman. "It is how we interpret it."

At least five other Missouri Baptist congregations in the state have quit the national denomination.

On the Net:
Missouri Baptist Convention:
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Anti-Soviet Russian church elects new head and orders medical tests for his predecessor

NEW YORK (AP) — The Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia, an international body formed in 1920 by refugees who protested Moscow-based Russian Orthodoxy's acquiescence to Soviet rule, announced its bishops have elected Metropolitan Laurus as new leader, or "first hierarch."

He succeeds Metropolitan Vitaly, who decided to resign in July due to his age, 91, and ill health, according to an official

Weekly Word

By Pastor Leland Lewis
First Assembly of God

A BIBLE STORY
Sometime back the American Bible Society published the story of a lady in Spain who wanted to do something special for the Lord and decided to give away Bibles. While seeking possible recipients she came upon a man building a wall. When she discovered he had never owned a Bible, she offered him one, writing his name in it. The man was too embarrassed to refuse it, but when she left he resolved, "I will never read this and I'll make sure no one else will either." He placed the book behind one of the stones and finished the wall, certain that at least this copy would be hidden forever.

A few years later an earthquake hit that area and an inspector, looking for damage, found a crack in the wall. He looked in and, to his amazement, saw the book. He carefully removed it, turned the pages, and decided to take it home. That evening he was found earnestly studying the book. Soon the inspector was on his knees, thanking Jesus for dying for him. He yielded his life to his new-found Savior and became a distributor for the Bible Society in Spain, selling God's Word from town to town.

It was not long before he came upon a stonemason and offered him a Bible at a very low cost. The man told him he had sealed in a wall the only Bible he had ever owned. The distributor drew from his pocket the very Bible and glancing at the front leaf, told the man his name. The startled laborer sat down and listened to the distributor's story. Then he too decided to have a closer look at this book.

The power of the printed Word of God was again made manifest as the stonemason also became a Christian and, eventually, a missionary in a foreign land where for many years he labored faithfully for his Savior.

I never cease to marvel at the ways in which people are confronted with the gospel of Jesus Christ. The circumstances and setting of this story have a tremendous impact, which is what the Bible always has when read by an inquiring mind. Without God's written Word, we are without life's map.

In your own life, spend time reading God's Word, not just books about the Bible. What a way to begin each day! It's one part of our two-way communication with God: He speaks to us through His Word, we talk back to Him in our prayer and meditation. It's happening right now as you take time to read this and think about God. Fantastic!

Conservative Jewish scholars nix Internet minyan, but OK some Web, phone prayer

NEW YORK (AP) — A panel of Conservative Jewish scholars has ruled that a person participating in prayers with other Jews over the phone or Internet cannot be counted toward the quorum needed for communal prayer.

Individual Jews can fulfill some personal religious duties over the phone or Web by linking to a quorum that is already formed, according to the Rabbinical Assembly's Committee on Jewish Law and Standards.

The ruling, published in the fall issue of the magazine of the Jewish Theological Seminary, examines the definition of the quorum, called a minyan, in light of technological advances.

The scholars based their decision on laws they say oblige Jews to be in the same physical space to form a minyan, which requires a minimum of 10 participants.

In allowing the individual to join the minyan by an audio link, the scholars looked to laws that state once a minyan is formed, someone who is not part of the group, but overhears and responds, can fulfill many prayer obligations.

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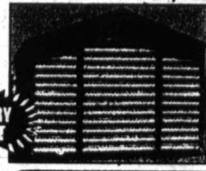


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Abandoned Pets on Roadside Will Rarely Find Good Homes

DEAR ABBY: Over the years, I have seen many letters in your column about dogs and cats, but I can't recall seeing one about a hidden problem — abandoned pets. My neighbors and I live in a rural section of Washington. We constantly see dogs and cats dumped on our road. Frightened, they run from help. They are chased by predators. With no hunting skills, and no food or clean water, they suffer in unimaginable ways — dying slowly.

I vividly remember the plight of one cat. Maybe the owners thought by leaving it close to a house, it would find the loving home they could not provide. Day after day, it haunted the roadside. I stopped many times to try to lure it to safety, but it would hide frightened in the underbrush. Eventually, it was hit by a car. It had sat for days on the edge of the road, confident its owners would return to take it home.

Abby, please ask your readers to think twice before taking on the responsibility of an animal. If they must get rid of a pet, take it to a shelter. Dumping a pet on the side of the road is not the answer. People who live in the country have as many pets as they want and can afford.

PET LOVER
IN TENINO, WASH.

DEAR PET LOVER: Your letter is an important one, and it carries a message that has appeared in this column before.

Dear Abby

Is written by
Pauline Phillips and
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Pet owners should indeed think twice before dumping an animal they want to dispose of. They should rid themselves of the fantasy that it will survive, because it probably won't. If they cannot bring themselves to take the animal to a shelter, then they should call a veterinarian for referral to a pet rescue group.

DEAR ABBY: As chief of staff, secretary and head policy-maker of the Long Beach Society of Couch Potatoes, I must say that your correspondent Ann Fink of Florida, with her exercise program for lazy people, neglected to mention a few favorites.

- I hereby submit our local program for California Couch Potatoes:
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 - Quashing rumors

— Dancing up a storm
— Marching to a different drummer
Our group urges that you don't push your luck, for fear that you could end up pushing up the daisies.

MAX GATOV,
LONG BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR MAX: You seem to have an unusually active group of couch potatoes. As with other produce from our great state, California Couch Potatoes are larger and more fully developed than those you usually see sitting in doctors' offices in the other 49.

DEAR ABBY: In response to the question from "Getting Pesky Over Pollen" about how many times it's necessary to say "God bless you" after someone sneezes, I offer the following:

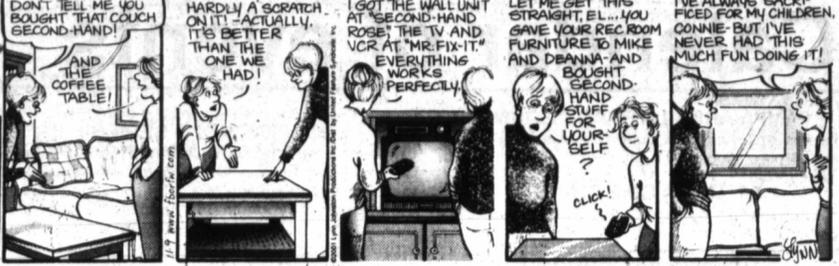
My son, Briah, was in high school math class. He sneezed, and the instructor said "Gesundheit" (health). When Brian sneezed several times more, the math teacher said, "Gesundheit squared."

PATTI FAIRCHILD BARTEE
DEAR PATTI: Chalk one up for the teacher.

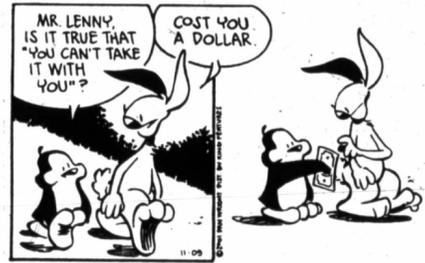
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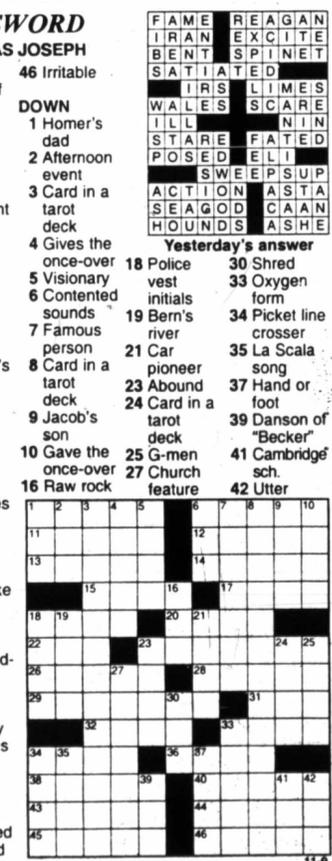


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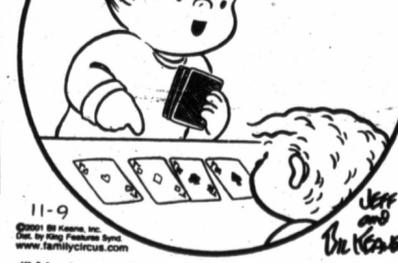
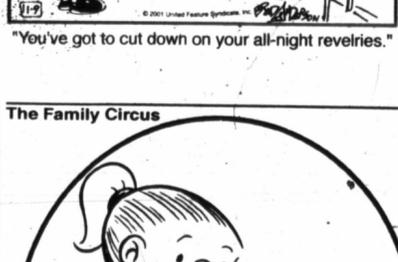
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BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Kenny Thomas scored six of his 14 points in a tight fourth quarter and Kelvin Francis had 18 points, leading the Houston Rockets to a 77-72 victory over the winless Philadelphia 76ers on Thursday night.

The defending Eastern Conference champion 76ers fell to 0-5 for the first time since the 1997-98 season.

Thomas scored six straight Rockets points and Kelvin Cato had an alley-oop dunk from Francis in an 8-2 fourth-quarter run that gave Houston a 73-65 lead with 2:24 to play.

The 76ers got their deficit down to 73-70 with a pair of baskets by Derrick Coleman, who led Philadelphia with 20 points, and a free throw by Dikembe Mutombo with 32 seconds left.

Two free-throws each by Glen Rice and Francis locked up the victory.

FOOTBALL

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma quarterback Jason White will have knee surgery next week and will miss the rest of the season.

The sophomore injured his left knee during the second quarter of No. 3 Oklahoma's loss at Nebraska on Oct. 27. He has been trying to practice since.

"He's looked pretty good throwing the ball and he's worked hard trying to get ready, but he just doesn't feel strong enough after doing what he needed to do to see if it was OK," coach Bob Stoops said.

White said this week he felt good about his chances of returning to the field this year despite the damage to his anterior cruciate ligament.

"I expect to be back," White said Tuesday. "My knee isn't hurting or anything, it just feels stiff. I'll be ready to play just as soon as my knee is strong enough."

GENERAL

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Former Texas and Baltimore manager Johnny Oates has been diagnosed with the most aggressive form of primary brain tumors.

Oates, who made his illness public Thursday, will undergo surgery later this month in Virginia. The average survival rate is only about a year.

"My family and I have great strength at this time, and I have put myself in the hands of the Lord," the 55-year-old Oates said in a statement released by the Rangers.

"I am optimistic about the future. I appreciate all of the kind words and prayers that I have received."

During the surgery in Richmond, Va., doctors will remove as much of the Glioblastoma Multiforme tumor as possible. Radioactive pellets or a chemotherapy wafer could be inserted into his brain to more directly fight the cancer.

Oates, who lives in Matoaca, Va., experienced the first symptoms in late October when he started feeling weakness in his left side. He was forced to cut short a radio interview before Game 2 of the World Series on Oct. 28 because of weakness and slurred speech.

He underwent tests and was told of the diagnosis Monday.

Flashback

1995: Pampa defeated Borger 24-9 to win the District 3-4A title. Tailback Matt Archibald paced the Pampa offense, scoring twice and rushing for 181 yards on 11 carries.

Derahian Evans also scored a touchdown and Todd Finney added a 32-yard field goal for the Harvesters.

Harvesters seek playoff spot in tonight's district tilt

PAMPA — There's one thing for sure about tonight's Pampa-Borger matchup. A victory would mean the Harvesters are headed for the playoffs as either the No. 1 or No. 2 seed from District 3-4A.

"There's a lot of uncertainty right now. I do know if we win, we'll either be district champs or co-champions at the very least," said PHS head coach Dennis Cavalier.

A loss means the plus-minus 12-point tiebreaker would come into effect to determine if the Harvesters would advance into post-season play.

No rivalry has been more competitive than Pampa and Borger throughout the years. The overall series is tied at 33-33-3.

The pressure may be more on Borger than Pampa going into the 7:30 p.m. kickoff at Harvester Stadium. To make the playoffs, Borger must win by seven points and Palo Duro has to beat Randall to satisfy the tiebreaker format.

All Pampa has to do is win

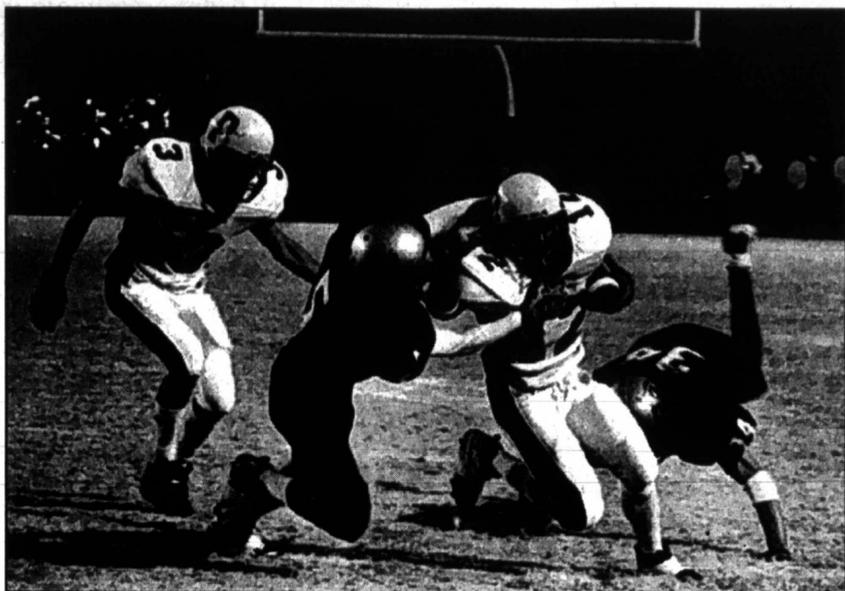
tonight, no strings attached. "Pampa has a good ballclub and we're done pretty well ourselves. It makes it exciting for everybody when the playoffs are riding on that last game," said Borger coach Craig Shores.

There's been air of excitement and anticipation at the Harvester workouts this week, although the players have kept their emotions under wraps for the most part.

"This group is pretty low-key, but there's been an extra bounce in their step this week," Cavalier said. "I can tell they're excited."

Kicker Jered Snelgroves and defensive tackle Chris Tice were injured in Pampa's 20-19 win over Randall last week, but players are expected to suit up tonight.

"We thought Chris had the breath knocked out of him near the end of the game, but it turned out he had some bruised ribs. He should be fine. Jered's bare foot hit a helmet on a blocked field goal attempt and his foot is a little tender and bruised," Cavalier said.



(Photo by Grover Black)

Pampa's Johnny Moore picks up some yards against Randall while teammate Matt Crow (3) moves in to help out in the District 3-4A game last week at Harvester Stadium. The Harvesters, who won 20-19, can clinch a playoff spot with a win tonight against Borger. Kickoff is 7:30 in Harvester Stadium.

PHS swimmers compete at Abilene Invitational

ABILENE — The Pampa High swim team entered the Abilene Invitational last weekend with the Harvesters placing 10th in the boys' division and the Lady Harvesters placing 11th in the girls' division. There were 22 teams entered.

Willie Griffin in the boys' division and Tamra Henthorn in the girls' division had the highest finishes for Pampa. Griffin was seventh in the 500 freestyle and Henthorn was seventh in the 200 freestyle.

Pampa's 200 freestyle boys'

relay team of Clay David, Willie Griffin, Ben Whitten and Garrett Johnston placed fourth with a time of 1:39.65.

The top 16 scored in every event for Pampa.

The Harvesters' next meet is a dual Saturday against Amarillo High in Amarillo.

Amarillo Invitational Pampa results

Girls Division
200 medley relay: 41. Jenny Tollison, Angela Henthorn, Emily Johnson and A.J. Lavrenz, 3:25.75.
200 freestyle: 7. Tamra Henthorn

2:17.69; 9. Kelley Stowers, 2:20.21; 32. Jessica White, 2:37.16.

200 individual medley: 12. Jessica Hall, 2:53.10; 18. Angela Henthorn, 3:05.53.

50 freestyle: 41. Desiree Vigil, 30.16; 119. Kendra Strickland, 35.95; 121. A.J. Lavrenz, 38.17.

100 butterfly: 12. Megan David, 1:22.78; 20. Emily Johnson, 1:29.13; 24. Kandice Maddox, 1:33.66.

100 freestyle: 21. Tamra Henthorn, 1:01.70; 30. Kelly Stowers, 1:04.37; 50. Desiree Vigil, 1:09.96.

500 freestyle: 16. Jessica White, 6:57.21; 22. Kendra Strickland, 7:34.92.

100 backstroke: 20. Kandice Maddox, 1:21.03; 44. Jenny Tollison, 2:04.24.

100 breaststroke: 13. Jessica Hall, 1:25.13; 21. Megan David, 1:28.58; 27. Angela Henthorn, 1:30.72.

400 freestyle relay: 11. (Megan David, Desiree Vigil, Kelley Stowers and Tamra Henthorn), 4:24.82.

Boys Division
200 medley relay: 17. (Kody Kirkland, Ben Whitten, Michael Eskridge and Joe Johnson), 2:02.48.

200 freestyle: 8. Clay David, 2:04.22; 11. Joe Johnson, 2:06.39; 35. Alan Arzola, 2:38.52.

200 individual medley: 13. Michael Eskridge, 2:24.13; 16. Garrett Johnston, 2:25.66; 28. Julian George, 2:43.77.

50 freestyle: 46. Kody Kirkland, 28.08; 62. Jon Sturgill, 30.69; 74. Jay Kelly, 34.30.

100 butterfly: 9. Ben Whitten, 1:03.62; 12. Michael Eskridge, 1:07.12; 24. Michael Martinez, 1:22.02.

100 freestyle: 17. Clay David, 55.99; 19.

Willie Griffin, 56.07; 49. Kay Kelly, 1:20.96.

500 freestyle: 7. Willie Griffin, 5:32.09; 9. Joe Johnson, 5:36.04; 25. Jon Sturgill, 7:23.45.

200 freestyle relay: 4. (Clay David, Willie Griffin, Ben Whitten and Garrett Johnston), 1:39.65.

100 backstroke: 12. Garrett Johnston, 1:05.79; 13. Kody Kirkland, 1:06.29; 26. Michael Martinez, 1:18.04.

100 breaststroke: 23. Ben Whitten, 1:16.45; 29. Julian George, 1:20.91; 30. Alan Arzola, 1:21.76.

400 freestyle relay: 10. (Willie Griffin, Joe Johnson, Garrett Johnston and Clay David), 3:46.40; 18. (Kody Kirkland, Michael Martinez, Julian George and Michael Eskridge), 4:14.15.

Gymnasts win district honors

SAN ANGELO — Gymnastics of Pampa Level 5 and 6 team members recently competed in their District Championships in San Angelo. Team Pampa came away with two All-Around District Champions and seven individual event District Champion titles.

Kelby Doughty and Lacie Thompson were the All-Around winners for Pampa in Level 6 competition.

Brittany Warminski won the floor exercise title with a 9.35 score in the 12 year old Level 6 competition.

She tied for second on bars with an 8.6 and won bronze medals on vault 8.85, and beam 8.85.

Her personal best of 35.65 in the All-Around earned her the bronze medal.

Leading Team Pampa's Level

5 gymnasts was Keisha Crowell. Keisha earned the District Champion title on bars with an outstanding 9.45 score, a personal best, and was the co-champion on floor exercise with a personal best 9.35.

She won bronze on beam 8.9, and was seventh on vault 7.7. Keisha finished second in the 11 year old All-Around with a 35.4.

Kelli Willson, a first-year Level 5 for Pampa, placed fifth in the 11 year old All-Around with a 33.5. She was fourth on bars 8.65, sixth on floor 8.8, seventh on beam 8.45, and ninth on vault 7.6.

Diana Mechelay, another first-year Level 5, finished seventh in the 10 year old All-Around with a 33.45. She was seventh on beam 8.9, seventh on floor exercise 8.75, seventh on vault 7.6, and 10th on bars 8.2.

Brandi Holden came away with the floor exercise District title with a personal best 9.2. She finished second on vault 8.15, sixth on bars 8.2, and sixth in the All-Around 32.9. Brandi competes in the 12 year and older division of Level 5.

Rebecca Taylor was competing in only her third meet as a Level 5. She placed 10th on floor exercise 8.6, and 10th on vault 7.45, and 11th in the All-Around 31.4. She competes in the 10 year old age group.

The Level 5 team finished third overall and the Level 6 team was second. Team Pampa was competing against clubs from Amarillo, Lubbock, Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, San Angelo and El Paso.

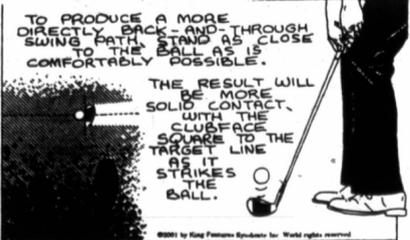
All of the Pampa gymnasts qualified for the North State Semi-Finals meets.



(Courtesy photo)

Level 5 team: (from left) Diana Mechelay, Keisha Crowell, Brandi Holden, Kelli Willson and Rebecca Taylor.

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Red Raiders on a roll

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Texas Tech's football team is on a roll, one quarterback Kliff Kingsbury feels confident can continue.

"I really feel like, for the first time in a long time, that we can win every game we play," Kingsbury said this week.

The Red Raiders (5-3, 3-3 Big 12) visit Oklahoma State on Saturday after beating then-No. 24 Texas A&M last week, 12-0. They have won three of their past four games, and the one loss was impressive, 41-31 at Nebraska.

There is reason to feel confident about this week. Kingsbury directs the most prolific passing game in the conference, and Tech's 33 points per game rank fourth in the Big 12. The Red Raiders are playing an Oklahoma State team that showed improvement two weeks ago in a loss to Colorado, but still ranks third from the bottom in the Big 12 in total defense.

"There isn't any room for complacency or lack of

effort," Tech coach Mike Leach said. "Our team, as individuals, needs to be strong enough to push themselves, and we as coaches need to coach our techniques too and get what we demand out of them."

Oklahoma State (2-6, 0-5) is trying to snap a four-game losing streak. In their most recent game, Oct. 27, the Cowboys took a 12-point lead over Colorado in the third quarter before the Buffaloes rallied in the second half to win 22-19.

While they generally played well — certainly better than the previous three games, when they gave up more than 400 yards in each — the Cowboys still had critical breakdowns that contributed to the loss. Case in point: Colorado succeeded on a 2-point conversion try from 33 yards away.

"Ultimately, there has to be improvement," first-year coach Les Miles said. "I hope that we reach up and strike this team coming into our stadium. I hope we're ready to play and win this Saturday."

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Sooner defense playing at championship level

By OWEN CANFIELD
AP Sports Writer

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma's offense may not be playing at a national championship level, although that might not matter if the defense keeps performing as it has.

Each week, it seems, the opposing coach spends part of his postgame news conference raving about Oklahoma's defense. Terry Allen, then at Kansas, said it was the best defense he had seen. Tulsa's Keith Burns praised the group after a 58-0 loss last week.

Texas A&M (7-2, 4-2 Big 12) will get its turn Saturday morning. No. 3 Oklahoma (8-1, 4-1) seeks its 19th straight

home victory and its third in a row over the Aggies.

"We're getting better," co-defensive coordinator Mike Stoops said. "We're real consistent right now, doing a lot of things. We're pretty consistent, is what I like."

That consistency wasn't there early in the season.

The Sooners gave up two fourth-quarter touchdowns in a 41-27 victory over North Carolina in the season opener. Then one week later, they beat Air Force 44-3, giving up just 137 yards rushing and holding the Falcons without a touchdown for the first time in 70 games.

Two games later, the defense gave up 446 yards and several long pass plays in a 38-37 vic-

Oklahoma has gone 29 straight games without giving up 200 yards on the ground.

tory over Kansas State.

Since then, the unit has been outstanding.

Led by strong safety Roy Williams, the Sooners shut down Texas 14-3 in the Cotton Bowl. Oklahoma followed that with a 38-10 victory over Kansas, allowing the Jayhawks 84 yards rushing.

Baylor gained 60 on the ground a week later. Nebraska ran for 164 yards, about half its per-per game average, in a 20-10 victory.

Tulsa gained 48 yards on the

ground last week.

Oklahoma has gone 29 straight games without giving up 200 yards on the ground. The defense also has come up with a turnover in 23 straight games — five of the Sooners' takeaways this year have been returned for touchdowns.

"We're just sound in what we do. We're coming together I think at the right time," Stoops said. "We didn't have all that consistency early on. We'd play some really good quarters of football and then drop off."

"We're able to finish stronger. We finished strong in all the games, the big games, which is good. It's what you want to see."

Williams and linebacker Rocky Calmus give Oklahoma arguably the two best players at their position in the country. Sophomore defensive end Jimmy Wilkerson has 15 tackles for loss and four sacks, both team highs. True freshman tackle Tommie Harris "is probably one of the premier defensive linemen in the country as a true freshman," coach Bob Stoops said. End Cory Heinecke and tackle Kory Klein have been solid.

Mike Stoops said the play of the defense is all the more impressive considering several

defensive starters play on special teams.

The opponents' style of offense hasn't seemed to matter, either. This defense has found a way to shut it down and give the offense a chance.

"Our kids just play so hard and they're usually in the right spots. They're disciplined in the way they play, so I think it's a credit to them," Mike Stoops said. They practice hard and they take a lot of pride in it, too.

"We're building a foundation for great defenses. That's what you like. I think we're finally getting to where we think we can control any game, no matter who it is."

Bears get no respect in Vegas

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Want to know how Las Vegas feels about the Chicago Bears? Just look at the line: Chicago is a 2 1/2-point underdog at home on Sunday against Green Bay.

"Everyone says the ball is bouncing our way this year and it is," Chicago quarterback Shane Matthews acknowledged.

The Bears won for the second straight week on a tipped interception returned for the winning TD by Mike Brown. The Bears only got to overtime last Sunday against Cleveland because they recovered an onside kick, then completed a deflected desperation pass for the tying TD.

Matthews, who has engineered the last two comebacks, probably will be back on the bench with Jim Miller starting for Chicago. The Bears are 6-1, sharing with St. Louis and Oakland the best record in the NFL.

The Packers are just a game behind the Bears and are considered the better team.

Two conflicting trends:
1. Chicago just isn't good enough to keep winning.
2. As Matthews noted, the ball just keeps on bouncing in one direction.

Try No. 1.
PACKERS, 21-17
Pittsburgh (minus 3) at Cleveland

Another upstart is an underdog at home. Kris Brown, who missed four field goals in Pittsburgh's loss to Baltimore, misses three extra points this week, but ...
STEELERS, 18-7

Miami (plus 3) at Indianapolis

Dominic Rhodes isn't Edgerrin James, who might not play again this week for the Colts.

Peyton Manning, who ran 33 yards for a TD last

Pro Picks

week, takes up the slack.
COLTS, 27-23

Minnesota (plus 4 1/2) at Philadelphia

No reason to think the Vikings won't go to 0-4 on the road.
EAGLES, 19-13

New Orleans (plus 3) at San Francisco

Too bad both Kyle Turley and Terrell Owens play offense. Steve Mariucci probably wouldn't mind Kyle shutting Terrell's mouth.

For the right to challenge St. Louis ...
49ERS, 24-23

Baltimore (minus 2 1/2) at Tennessee (Monday night)
How many must-wins can the Titans survive?
RAVENS, 16-12

Oakland (minus 7) at Seattle
Hasselbeck's back for the Seahawks.
RAIDERS, 24-20

Carolina (plus 17 1/2) at St. Louis

Mike Martz loves it.
RAMS, 34-11
San Diego (plus 7) at

Denver
Flutie's back.
BRONCOS, 22-17

Tampa Bay (minus 5) at Detroit

Winless teams are dangerous.
BUCS, 14-13
Kansas City (plus 4 1/2) at New York Jets

Was the Jets' run defense in New Orleans a fluke or does Priest Holmes ramble?
JETS, 20-19
New York Giants (minus 5 1/2) at Arizona

The Giants seem to think their narrow escape against the Cowboys jump-started them.
GIANTS, 24-9
Cincinnati (plus 5) at Jacksonville

Don't forget the Bengals in the feelgood stories.
BENGALS, 17-16
Buffalo (plus 6) at New England

Brady's back.
PATRIOTS, 30-20
Dallas (plus 5) at Atlanta

Ryan Leaf vs. Michael Vick?
LEAF, 16-13

LAST WEEK: 8-6 (spread); 9-5 (straight up)
SEASON: 56-51-4 (spread) 71-41 (straight up)

Pampa middle school teams close out football season

PAMPA — Westover shut out Pampa 8-0 in 7th grade football action earlier this week.

Pampa finished the season with a 3-4-1 record. Pampa won the B team game 22-18.

LeKeith Towles scored two touchdowns for Pampa on runs of 46 and 52 yards.

Jessie Chavez scored the other TD on a 12-yard run. Chavez and Austin Pritchett each had 2-point conversion runs.

Pampa B team finished with a 3-4-1 record.

In the 8th grade division, Pampa fell to Valleyview 55-12. Colby Scott scored Pampa's first touchdown on a 64-yard

run. Brody Smith threw a 14-yard TD pass to Jarett Kotara for Pampa's final score.

Pampa's record is 1-7. In the B team game, Pampa came out ahead 20-0.

Taylor Fatheree scored two of three Pampa touchdowns on runs of 5 and 3 yards.

Nick Julian scored Pampa's other TD on a 62-yard run. Fatheree had a 2-point conversion run.

Pampa B played another outstanding defensive game.

The B team has been scored upon only twice the last six games: They had a 5-0-1 record during that span and finished with a 5-2-1 record for the season.

Arizona starts season with a basketball shocker

NEW YORK (AP) — Lute Olson was about to start his 29th season as a Division I head coach. Jason Gardner was getting ready for his third as Arizona's point guard.

What they said to a very young group of Wildcats on Thursday night might not go down in sports lore with the great pregame talks, but it worked.

Arizona, with Gardner the only returning starter from last year's national runner-up, shocked college basketball on the opening night of the season, beating No. 2 Maryland 71-67 in the opening round of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic.

The Wildcats, with five freshmen and a redshirt freshman on the 11-man roster, will play No. 6 Florida in Friday night's championship game at Madison Square Garden. The Gators advanced by

beating No. 16 Temple 72-64.

But Florida was expected to win. The unranked Wildcats were probably the consensus choice to leave New York with two losses.

"Before the game, I told them to go out and play as hard as you can. You're playing against tough competition and that's all you can do," Olson said. "If we finished on top, that would be wonderful and if not, what else can you do?"

Gardner, the grizzled old junior veteran who applied for the NBA draft and then withdrew his name, also spoke to the new guys on the team.

"I told them to believe in ourselves and enjoy the experience. I think a lot of them did," he said.

Gardner played all 40 minutes and finished with 23 points, including a four-point play with 3:17 left that gave the Wildcats

the lead for good. Only two minutes before Maryland, which returned four starters from its Final Four team of last season, had used a 15-4 run to take a 60-57 lead.

Gardner's final tiebreaker which went through after he was knocked to the floor in front of the Arizona bench made it 65-61 and the Terrapins were never closer than two points the rest of the way.

"I was on the floor and heard the crowd and said, 'It must have gone in,'" Gardner said in his usual low-key style.

Luke Walton, the only other significant player back from last year's team that lost to Duke in the final, added 12 points and 12 rebounds for Arizona. Freshman Salim Stoudamire had 12 points.

"Six of these kids are freshmen and to play in the Garden and play against a team the quality of

Maryland, certainly that is something that will have some kids' knees buckling," Olson said. "But I didn't see any of our guys back off."

Juan Dixon had 21 points to lead Maryland, including consecutive 3-pointers that started the run that gave the Terrapins the three-point lead with 5:45 left. Maryland, which lost to Duke in the semifinals in its first ever Final Four appearance last season, couldn't come up with the big plays down the stretch.

"Down the stretch, I thought we missed some shots we normally make," Maryland coach Gary Williams said. "I thought the thing that Arizona did was play really hard. It was a group of freshmen that looked like they were excited about playing. I thought they came out and really weren't intimidated."

Justin Hamilton, who missed

more than half of last season with a knee injury, scored 17 points to lead Florida.

"I've been looking forward to this game since I got injured," Hamilton said. "Once the game's taken away from you, you start to get a greater appreciation for it. There was no apprehension at all, not with all the hard work I put in. I never gave the knee a second thought."

Florida ended last season in the second round of the NCAA tournament with a 75-54 loss to Temple, its biggest defeat and worst offensive game of the season. The Gators started 2001-02 the same way, missing their first seven shots from the field before finally finding the mark.

Hamilton hit a 3-pointer 3:43 in to stop the shooting drought and bring Florida to 6-3.

"I thought over the first four minutes we were a little anxious,

a little excited and took some quick shots," Florida coach Billy Donovan said.

The Gators went 14-for-24 the rest of the half against Temple's matchup zone and used their fullcourt pressure to up the tempo and take a 39-33 lead.

Hamilton scored 15 points in the opening half, going 6-for-10 from the field.

"Justin has had great, great focus," Donovan said. "The injury really put things in perspective for him. He realized it's a blessing to be out there."

A jumper by Brett Nelson with 5:49 left gave the Gators a 65-52 lead, their biggest of the game. Temple got as close as 70-64 on a 3-pointer by Lynn Greer with 25 seconds left.

Freshman David Lee had 15 points for Florida, while Udonis Haslem had 14 points and 16 rebounds.

Scoreboard

FOOTBALL

National Football League

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Miami	5	2	0	714	153	137
N.Y. Jets	5	3	0	625	157	175
Indianapolis	4	3	0	571	200	197
New England	4	4	0	500	185	160
Buffalo	1	6	0	143	122	195

Central

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Pittsburgh	5	2	0	714	120	78
Baltimore	5	3	0	625	141	129
Cincinnati	4	3	0	571	120	136
Cleveland	3	3	0	571	132	118
Tennessee	3	4	0	429	129	180
Jacksonville	2	5	0	286	114	115

West

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Oakland	6	1	0	857	189	133
San Diego	5	3	0	625	206	148
Denver	4	4	0	500	192	182
Seattle	3	4	0	429	118	158
Kansas City	2	6	0	250	164	172

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Philadelphia	4	3	0	571	145	98
N.Y. Giants	4	4	0	500	148	140
Cincinnati	3	5	0	375	111	193
Arizona	2	5	0	286	99	166
Dallas	2	5	0	286	116	147

Central

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Chicago	6	1	0	857	162	95
Green Bay	5	2	0	714	168	105
Minnesota	3	4	0	429	138	165
Tampa Bay	3	4	0	429	139	119
Detroit	0	7	0	0	100	119

West

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
St. Louis	6	1	0	857	207	115
San Francisco	5	2	0	714	174	155
New Orleans	4	3	0	571	148	134
Atlanta	3	4	0	429	135	151
Carolina	1	7	0	125	118	169

Sunday's Games

Dallas at Atlanta, 1 p.m.

Miami at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.

Carolina at St. Louis, 1 p.m.

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Baltimore at Tennessee, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 18

Atlanta at Green Bay, 1 p.m.

Cleveland at Baltimore, 1 p.m.

Indianapolis at New Orleans, 1 p.m.

New York Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.

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St. Louis at New England, 8:30 p.m.

Open Date: Kansas City

Monday, Nov. 19

New York Giants at Minnesota, 9 p.m.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

At A Glance

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Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	4	1	8.00
Boston	3	2	6.00
Miami	2	3	4.00
New York	2	3	4.00
Orlando	2	3	4.00
Washington	2	3	4.00
Philadelphia	0	5	0.00

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	4	0	1.00
Detroit	4	1	8.00

Scoreboard

INDIANA

Indiana	4	2	867	1
Toronto	3	2	600	1 1/2
Charlotte	2	3	400	2 1/2
Chicago	1	4	200	3 1/2
Atlanta	1	5	167	4
Cleveland	1	1	167	4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	5	0	1.00	
Houston	5	1	833	1/2
San Antonio	5	1	833	1/2
San Antonio	4	2	667	1 1/2
Utah	2	4	333	3 1/2
Denver	1	4	200	4
Memphis	0	5	0.00	5

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Bush to increase National Guard presence at airports

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is ready to expand the National Guard's role at airports to build confidence in the nation's air travel system before the traditionally busy holiday season, officials say.

The official announcement was to come Friday at a White House ceremony honoring employees of National Guard and Reserve personnel, administration officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

It was designed as a temporary tactic to encourage passengers to return to the skies, one source said. Congress is working to pass airline security legislation but, even after a bill was signed into law, it would take months for travelers to see significant changes.

Because of a huge decline in air travel following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the number of passengers flying this year will be less than last year — only the second decline since World War II, according to the Air Transport Association, the trade group for the major airlines.

The only other yearly drop came in 1991, following the Persian Gulf War and during the nation's last recession.

Feds monitoring lawyer-client communications probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sidestepping the principle of lawyer-client privacy, the Justice Department is letting investigators monitor phone calls and mail between some terrorist suspects and their defense lawyers.

The move stunned many in the legal profession, which cherishes the absolute secrecy of conversations with clients.

"This proposal is a terrifying nightmare for innocent people who are under suspicion by the attorney general," said Laura W. Murphy, director of the national office of the American Civil Liberties Union.

A rule published Oct. 31 in the Federal Register says the monitoring can take place when Attorney General John Ashcroft concludes there is "reasonable suspicion" that the communications are related to future terrorist acts.

The rule, which took effect the day before it became public, is one of a series of steps by the Bush administration designed to make it easier to capture and prosecute terrorist suspects. New anti-terrorism laws give police sweeping new powers to secretly search people's homes and business records and to eavesdrop on telephone and computer conversations.

U.S. jets target front line positions, southern stronghold of Taliban

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — American warplanes unleashed dozens of bombs Friday on Taliban positions along the front line north of the capital. Taliban soldiers fought back with anti-aircraft guns after several days of holding their fire.

Several explosions resounded on the outskirts of Kabul, and huge plumes of smoke rose along the front line about 30 miles north of the city.

Fierce fighting was reported Thursday around the Taliban-controlled city of Mazar-e-Sharif, cornerstone of the Islamic militia's control of the north. The front line appeared to be around a ridge south of the city, though the two sides gave conflicting accounts.

The U.S. air campaign has been instrumental to the advance of the opposition northern alliance toward the city, and the Taliban's Bakhtar News Agency reported heavy overnight bombing in the Kishanday district, south of Mazar-e-Sharif.

However, the Taliban repulsed a major opposition offensive at Kishanday and Taliban reinforcements were arriving at the front line, Bakhtar said.

The report could not be independently verified, and the opposition said it had taken control of Kishanday earlier this week. Northern alliance spokesman Ashraf Nadeem said commanders were so sure of victory that they had met to discuss how to storm Mazar-e-Sharif without destroying the city.

Islamic fundamentalists stage strike, demand president's ouster

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) —

Islamic fundamentalists staged a nationwide strike Friday to protest President Pervez Musharraf's pro-U.S. policies in Afghanistan, bringing many parts of the country to a halt. Three protesters were killed in a clash in the central city of D.G. Khan.

The Afghan Defense Council, an alliance of 35 Islamic groups, organized the strike to denounce Musharraf and to express support for

Afghanistan's ruling Taliban movement.

"After today's successful strike Musharraf has no right to remain in power after and he should step down", said Maulana Samiul Haq, head of council.

Violence broke out in D.G. Khan, where about 1,000 protesters blocked the railway track and the main highway running through the city, 300 miles south of the capital Islamabad.

All Saints Day



(Community Camera photo)

Megan Barber and Sydney Hoelting both dressed as Mary recently during the All Saints Day celebration at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School.

Several drilling firms agree to settle antitrust lawsuit

HOUSTON (AP) — More than a dozen offshore drilling firms have agreed to pay about \$75 million to settle an antitrust lawsuit accusing them of fixing offshore laborers' wages and benefits for three decades.

As many as 60,000 workers or their estates could be affected. Minor details of the settlement, which was reached last April, were worked out during a hearing in U.S. District Judge Sim Lake's courtroom Thursday.

Final approval will be granted in April. The 15 groups of companies, representing about 50 affiliated businesses, are the bulk of the offshore firms that primarily drill in the Gulf of Mexico.

The class-action lawsuit filed in August 2000 alleged the companies "conspired to avoid competition among them for drilling labor by illegally fixing the wages and benefits paid their drilling employees."

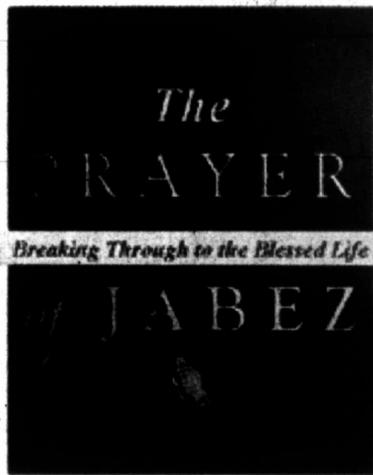
According to the lawsuit, the companies conducted quarterly surveys to ensure that all were adhering to the agreed-upon wages. The fixed wages meant lower turnover, decreased training costs and the reduced likelihood of widely fluctuating labor costs, the lawsuit said.

Affected laborers will be notified of the settlement by early next year. Those eligible to participate include all those aboard offshore rigs, such as drillers, mechanics, maintenance crew and kitchen staff, according to a story in the Houston Chronicle for Friday's editions.

The offshore laborers would likely receive back paychecks by spring. Each employee's

amount will depend on the number who file claims to participate and the amount of time on the job.

Transocean Sedco Forex Inc., one of the largest offshore drillers, agreed to settle for \$15 million, the most by any firm named in the lawsuit. Transocean recently merged with R&B Falcon, also involved in the litigation.



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Doctors, patients deal with uncertainty after injunction against Ashcroft order

By CHRISTY KARRAS
Associated Press Writer

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Oregon doctors can prescribe lethal medicines again to terminally ill patients who want to end their lives now, that a judge has temporarily blocked a federal order that had essentially shut down the state's unique assisted-suicide law.

U.S. District Judge Robert Jones granted a temporary restraining order Thursday barring U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft's directive, which had said Oregon doctors who use the assisted-suicide law would lose their licenses to prescribe federally controlled drugs.

Jones' ruling was a victory for Oregon Attorney General Hardy Myers, who had sued the government along with several terminally ill patients and others. The order is effective until Nov. 20, when Jones has scheduled another hearing.

In seeking to block Ashcroft's move, the state argued that the federal government does not have the right to dictate its policies on medical practices. Assistant U.S. Attorney William Howard disagreed, saying the federal government's interest in preserving life takes precedence over Oregon's Death with Dignity law.

Physicians for Compassionate Care, an organization that opposes assisted suicide, criticized Jones' ruling.

"Nobody who's in distress and despair should have a doctor respond to that with an overdose," said Dr. Gregory Hamilton, spokesman for the group. "People are going to keep getting assisted suicide instead of the hope and care they deserve."

Under the law, doctors may provide — but not administer — a lethal prescription to ter-

minally ill adult state residents. It requires that two doctors agree the patient has less than six months to live, has voluntarily chosen to die and is capable of making health care decisions.

The measure survived legal challenges after being approved in 1994 and later re-approved by a wide margin in 1997. At least 70 people have used the law since it took effect, according to the state's Health Services office. All have done so with a federally controlled drug.

But despite the restraining order issued Thursday, it's not clear how many doctors will now prescribe lethal doses: Many don't want to risk jeopardizing their careers if Ashcroft's directive is ultimately upheld.

"I'm going to get some legal advice about whether it would be safe to proceed and then decide," said Dr. Peter Rasmussen, a Salem cancer specialist who joined Myers' suit.

Eli Stutsman, Rasmussen's attorney, said that even with Thursday's ruling, the Ashcroft directive will "cause a chilling effect on good patient care" in Oregon and across the nation because doctors might be afraid to prescribe strong pain medications. And Rasmussen said he worries that during the battle over the Oregon law, patients will try to find other ways to end their lives.

"I've already had inquiries about alternate ways to get the medication — for example going down to Mexico, or to Canada to get it. And of course I've discouraged that," he said. "I sincerely hope that no physician goes underground, but some patients will want to."

On the Net:

Compassion in Dying: <http://www.compassionindying.org/>

Physicians for Compassionate Care: <http://www.pcccf.org/>

Alabama to continue textbook stickers

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — There was plenty of debate when Alabama began putting stickers in its students' biology textbooks warning that evolution is a "controversial theory."

That was in 1996. On Thursday, when the Alabama Board of Education voted to put the disclaimer on the front of 40,000 new biology textbooks bound for public school classrooms, there was no dissent.

The teaching of evolution, the theory that humans and other living beings evolved into their present form over millions of years, has been debated by school boards in several states. But no other state has used a disclaimer sticker in textbooks statewide, said Eric Meikle, outreach director of the National Center of Science Education.

In Alabama, the state Board of Education approves several biology textbooks from different publishers, and the local public school boards select which books will go into their schools, most often into 10th-grade classrooms.

The stickers that will be

added to those books say, in part, that evolution is "a controversial theory. ... Instructional material associated with controversy should be approached with an open mind, studied carefully, and critically considered."

The board included the same statement in course guidelines for science teachers.

The decision was actively supported by the Christian Coalition and the Eagle Forum, groups that seek more religious activity in public schools.

John Giles, state president of the Christian Coalition, said the new sticker is not as strong as the old one, but he had been concerned that the board might

drop the sticker entirely.

"The insert they approved does provoke the child to think through the process," he said.

The earlier sticker contained questions students should ask about evolution, such as: "Why do major groups of plants and animals have no transitional forms in the fossil record?"

At a 1995 board meeting to approve the original disclaimer, then-Gov. Fob James impersonated an ape to poke fun at evolutionary theory.

Other states where school boards have tried to de-emphasize evolutionary concepts include Arizona, Kansas, Illinois, New Mexico, Texas and Nebraska.

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