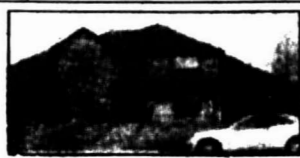



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**Miami school board plan Thursday meet**

MIAMI — Trustees in the Miami Independent School District will receive a report from Superintendent Allen Dinsmore regarding the school population during a Thursday board meeting. Miami ISD as well as many rural districts across the area have been experiencing a decline in enrollment as the population has declined the past several years.

A request for playground equipment is scheduled to be made.

Also on the agenda are teacher and librarian contracts for the 2002-2003 school year.

Financial reports to be presented are accounts payable, fund balances, lunchroom report and tax collector's report.

Board members plan to set the school board election date on May 4. Also, the election judge and elections clerks for the election are to be appointed.

Selections from the textbook committee will be presented for approval, also.

**Red Cross CPR class set March 28**

Gray County American Red Cross, 108 N. Russell, will conduct an "Adult/Infant/Child CPR" class from 6-10 p.m., March 28, at its location in Pampa. Cost of the class is \$35. For more information or to register, call 669-7121.

**DEATHS**

**Eylen Jones, 82, former Pampan.**

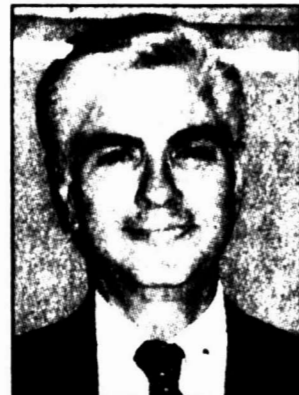
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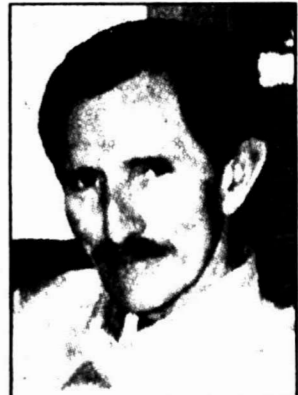
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Lee Cornelison

## And the winners are...

By NANCY YOUNG  
MANAGING EDITOR

It was right down to the wire in most local races in Gray County Tuesday night.

All locally-contested races on the ballot were in the Republican primary. Winners of that primary will meet the Democrat Party nominees in the November general election.

Several races weren't decided until the last votes were counted in the Gray

County Clerk's office.

However, in the three-way-contested race for county treasurer political newcomer Lee Cornelison garnered the majority of votes. He gathered enough votes to oust incumbent Scott Hahn without a runoff.

Cornelison received 1,341 votes to Hahn's 734. Tory Peet, who also made

**ELECTION**

a bid for the office, received 460 votes.

"We worked hard and we won," said Cornelison. "We tried to run a clean race, and both of my opponents ran clean races."

Cornelison said he would like to thank his family and friends who campaigned and supported him in his quest for the treasurer's office.

"I am so grateful to the people of Gray County for their support," he said. "I want to affirm back to them that they made the right choice."

He said he would like to express appreciation to Hahn on his many years of service to Gray County. Hahn is in his 16th year as county treasurer.

"I know I am inexperienced at the specifics of the job, but I will be trained and ready by the time I assume office in January 2003," Cornelison said. (See WINNERS, Page 3)

**Sanchez wins governor's nomination**

Laredo millionaire Tony Sanchez outspent rival Dan Morales, then outpolled him in a surprisingly lopsided contest that gave the Democrats their first Hispanic nominee for Texas governor.

Meanwhile, schoolteacher Victor Morales and former Dallas mayor Ron Kirk slipped into a runoff ahead of Houston congressman Ken Bentsen in a neck-and-neck race for the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination.

With '98 percent of precincts reporting early Wednesday morning, Sanchez had 60 percent of the vote

compared with Dan Morales' 33 percent.

"If my boys wouldn't tease me, I might start crying," Sanchez, referring to his grown sons, told jubilant supporters in Austin.

The historic win brought national attention for Texas Democrats.

"The Democrats are very happy about it, because there's been some small worry about the Hispanic vote being nibbled away by the Republican Party," said Allan Saxe, a political science professor at the University of Texas at Arlington. (See SANCHEZ, Page 3)

**Local voters align with state**

By NANCY YOUNG  
MANAGING EDITOR

Gray County voters cast ballots in not only local races, but statewide races as well.

In the local primaries, Pampa voters were fairly aligned with the rest of the state in their balloting.

**U.S. Senate, Governor race**  
Attorney General John Cornyn captured the Republican nomination without a runoff in a field of five candidates. In Gray County, Cornyn got 1,454

votes. He was followed by Bruce Rusty Lang, 318; Dudley F. Mooney, 145; Douglas G. Deffenbaugh, 124; and Lawrence Cranberg, 84.

Local voters didn't go along with the state voters in the Democrat senate race. While Ron Kirk and Victor Morales will be in the April 9 runoff, local voters gave Ken Bentsen the nod.

Voting results locally in the primary were Bentsen, 161; Victor Morales, 79; Ron Kirk, 78; Ed Cunningham, 39; and Gene Kelly, 24. (See LOCAL, Page 3)

## Mesa, CRMWA reach verbal agreement

By DAVID BOWSER  
STAFF WRITER

WHITE DEER — Mesa Water Inc. and the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority have reached a verbal agreement concerning Mesa's permit applications to pump water from the Ogallala Aquifer in Roberts County.

That verbal agreement, reached late Friday afternoon in Dallas, is being

reduced to writing and is expected to be presented to the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District board of directors for their consideration at their next meeting, tentatively scheduled for April 2, here in White Deer.

The agreement is expected to end legal actions taken by the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority in opposition to Mesa's production applications and Mesa's actions against

CRMWA over property rights issues.

As a result, the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District may issue high volume production permits for the Mesa group of Roberts County landowners.

Then again, they may not. Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District directors were not happy Tuesday with another delay after almost two years of wrangling.

While the issue was on the agenda of their regularly scheduled meeting, delays in getting the written documents in hand and representatives of the different factions failing to appear before the board (with the exception of Kent Satterwhite, general manager of CRMWA) led to the tabling of the issue one more time. Tuesday's delays were also complicated by a break in (See MESA, Page 2)

**Eskridge: Fund-raiser must go thru commission**

By KATE B. DICKSON  
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

A fund-raising effort by a police officer for hostage negotiating equipment has been nixed by City Manager Bob Eskridge who said he did so because the effort had not been approved.

"It was a very worthwhile cause," Eskridge said today. "I just don't want city employees out soliciting funds without City Commission approval. I want it to be orderly and follow the chain of command."

Police Chief Charlie Morris said he was "in error" in not seeking approval higher up when he gave the okay for Det. Heather Ratzlaff to solicit money.

Funds collected have been given back to the donors, he said.

Ratzlaff, who has attended hostage negotiation school, planned to use part of the (See ESKRIDGE, Page 2)

**Just stylin'**



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

These St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School students model new selections from Kid's Stuff children's store. Pictured are, Cade Engle, 4; Trey Miller, 5; Maddie Smith, 5; and Emily Terry, 6. Spring styles such as these will be featured at the school's annual Spring Style Show fund-raiser, Tuesday, March 19, at 7 p.m. in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$1 for students and are available at the door or in advance by calling the day school at 665-0703.

**Officers catch drug suspect at gas pump**

By KATE B. DICKSON  
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

A drug suspect who took off running in McLean while his car was being searched by DPS troopers brought out a bevy of law enforcement officers Tuesday night to aid in the search.

Joel S. Robert, 36, of the U.S. Virgin Islands, was captured about midnight after he walked up to the gas pumps at the Country Corner Texaco station and tried to talk with some customers, said Kelly Rushing, chief deputy at the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

Robert was in the Gray County Jail this morning on charges of evading and possession of marijuana over four ounces and under five pounds. Bond for the possession charge was set at \$7,500 and \$2,000 on the evading charge.

It all started at 6:18 p.m. (See CHASE, Page 2)

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# ON RECORD

**SHERIFF**

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

**Tuesday, March 12**

Spencer Israel Hulse, 17, 408 Frost, hold for Texas Youth Commission.

Ronald Clark Woolums, 54, 533 N. Roberts, bond surrender/driving while intoxicated subsequent offense.

**Wednesday, March 13**

Joel S. Robert, 36, St. Thomas Island, U.S. Virgin Islands, possession of marijuana over four ounces and under five pounds and evading arrest.

**STOCKS**

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

Wheat	2.34
Milo	3.24
Corn	3.46
Soybeans	3.73

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

Occidental	28.176
+0.16	
Fidelity Magell	104.28
Puritan	18.10

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

BP	52.35	-0.02
Celanese	20.30	-0.09
Cabot Corp.	35.04	-0.22
Cabot Oil Gas	23.09	+0.15
Coca Cola	48.06	+0.17
VLO	49.49	+1.84
Halliburton	17.24	+0.14
Trad Hospitals	32.10	+0.19
NOI	23.25	+0.08
KMI	47.65	+0.02
XCEL	25.05	+0.05
Kerr McGee	60.99	+1.58
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Williams	22.64	-0.22
McDonald's	28.79	+0.44
Exxon Mobil	43.79	-0.21
Atmos	23.10	-0.15
Pioneer Nat.	20.86	-0.27
Penney's	22.03	-0.13
Phillips	62.80	+0.16
SLB	60.19	+0.44
Tenneco	3.93	+0.03
CVX	89.46	-0.16
Wal-Mart	61.51	-0.72
OKE	19.63	-0.29
New York Gold	293.45	
Silver	4.52	
West Texas Crude	24.20	

**POLICE**

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

**Tuesday, March 12**

Edd Gordon Drew, 44, 1023 S. Love, possession of drug paraphernalia.

A woman reported being robbed of her purse by a man she knew who she said took it off her shoulder in the 900 block of West Kentucky then walked away. The value of the purse and contents was put at \$75.

Assault causing bodily injury was reported in the 600 block of North Starkweather where two juveniles said they were attacked by three other juveniles. Minor injuries were reported.

Criminal trespass of a habitation was reported in the 600 block of East 18th where the previously locked front and back doors were open. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

Assorted garments were reported found in a yard in the 300 block of Miami.

Allsups, 309 N. Hobart, reported a \$5.40 gas drive off.

A pit bulldog was taken from a back yard in the 1000 block of South Faulkner.

**Wednesday, March 13**

Michael Lynn Lee, 43, 2419 Cherokee, driving while intoxicated.

Yvonne Rascoe, 34, 1201 E. Frederic, possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication and arrested on a Grayson County warrant for driving while intoxicated.

**FIRE**

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

**Tuesday, March 12**

10:22 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a report of gas odor in the alley behind 401 Powell St. Energas employees found a small leak in a gas regulator in the alley.

**AMBULANCE**

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

**Tuesday, March 12**

12:52 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) and transported one to the Clements Unit in Amarillo.

5:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing center and transported one to PRMC.

7:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of South Barnes and transported one to PRMC.

**WEATHER FOCUS**

**PAMPA**

Today's forecast calls for partly sunny with highs in the lower 80s and south winds increasing to 15 to 20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with lows in the upper 40s. South winds 15 to 20 mph. Thursday, partly sunny and breezy with highs around 75. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph. Thursday night, partly cloudy with lows in the lower 30s. Friday, partly cloudy with highs in the upper 50s. Friday evening, partly cloudy. Saturday, partly cloudy with lows in the lower 30s and highs in the mid-60s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-30s. Highs in the mid-60s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-30s. Highs near 65.

A high-pressure system moving into the Mississippi Valley was responsible for keeping the clouds away.

A developing area of low pressure in eastern Colorado will create strong south winds across the state.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 30s to 50s.

Extremes were 38 degrees at Plains and 59 at Borger.

Winds were generally from the south and southwest between 5 and 15 mph.

Sunny skies and southerly winds were expected to keep temperatures on the warmer side for the next couple of days.

Afternoon highs should range from the upper 70s in the east to the lower 90s in West and South Texas, with upper 90s in the Big Bend and cooler readings in the 60s across the panhandle.

Partly cloudy skies by early Thursday should give way to mostly sunny skies.

Overnight lows were expected in the 40s to mid-50s.

**STATEWIDE**

High clouds moved into the panhandle and North Central Texas early Wednesday, with mostly clear skies expected in the rest of the state.

## OBITUARIES

### SERVICES TOMORROW

**MEEKER, Earl Denzel** — Burial, 2 p.m., Fairlawn Cemetery, Stillwater, Okla.

**EVYLEN JONES**

Evysten Jones, age 82, of Dripping Springs, Texas, formerly of Pampa, Texas, died Monday, March 11, 2002, in Austin, Texas.

Evysten was a member of the First Baptist Church in Pampa and had been a very active member of the Senior Citizens' Center of Uptown Pampa.

She is survived by her husband, Noel (Red) Jones; daughter, Donna Williams; granddaughters, Janeene Williams and Denise Nichols; grandsons by marriage, Ian Driscoll and John Nichols; great-grandchildren, Annie, Alexa and Greg.

Funeral services are being held today, Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at the Harrell Funeral Chapel in Dripping Springs followed by interment in Phillips Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Harrell Funeral Chapel of Dripping Springs.

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## Jury convicts Houston mom

HOUSTON (AP) — Defense attorneys worked to save Andrea Yates from death row after the Houston mother who drowned her five children last summer was convicted of capital murder.

Jurors deliberated less than four hours Tuesday before rejecting defense arguments that Yates, 37, was insane June 20 when she held the youngsters under water in the family's bathtub until they stopped breathing.

"Mental illness is still not understood and not appreciated," defense attorney George Parnham said. "I hope we'll be able to save her life."

The sentencing phase was to begin Thursday, giving lawyers an additional day to prepare. Prosecutors, who did not comment after the verdict, were seeking the death penalty.

Yates has no previous criminal record and Parnham said the state likely will not be able to prove she poses a future danger to society, one of the questions jurors must answer affirmatively to decide Yates should be given the death penalty.

Parnham was expected to call to the witness stand during the punishment phase Yates' husband and other relatives, who cried but did not comment after the verdict.

Yates was convicted on two capital murder charges in the deaths of 7-year-old Noah, 5-year-old John and 6-month-old Mary. Charges were not filed in the deaths of Paul, 3, and Luke, 2.

Both the state and defense agreed Yates was mentally ill. But prosecutors said evidence showed she knew her actions were wrong.

Yates, a former nurse, had thought about harming her children for years and called police after the slayings, prosecutor Kaylynn Williford said. Yates was overwhelmed with home schooling and housekeeping duties and may have committed the crime to punish her husband, the prosecutor said.

"Her motive to kill these children is maybe for us not to know," she told jurors during closing statements Tuesday.

Defense attorneys said Yates suffered from postpartum depression with severe psychosis and thought killing the youngsters would save them from eternal damnation.

"If drowning five children by a loving mother isn't a gross psychosis, there isn't any such thing as gross psychosis," defense lawyer Wendell Odom said in his closing arguments.

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**MESA**

the phone service in White Deer when a telephone cable was accidentally severed Monday between Borger and Pampa.

The verbal agreement was the result of a series of meetings initiated by C.E. Williams, general manager of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District, who first brought Pickens and Satterwhite together in December at Perry Lefors Air Field.

Williams' efforts culminated with a verbal agreement reached about 6:30 p.m. Friday in Dallas, following a five hour meeting.

"On Friday," Williams said, "we spent from 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. negotiating this out. It was probably the hardest day's work I've done in a long time."

Williams said that both sides gave up quite a bit to come to an agreement.

Even through an agreement has apparently been reached, tempers flared at the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District's board meeting Tuesday.

The week before, the board bluntly told the parties involved in the negotiations that they

wanted an agreement by the board's meeting Tuesday.

"Today was the fish or cut bait day," said John McKissack at Tuesday's meeting. "I'm getting real tired of fishing."

Charles Bowers, president of the board, said that there was a verbal agreement, but due to the complexity of it, the language in the written documents needed to be finalized.

Bowers said his understanding is that all the parties involved want to come before the board and present the permits once the documents are written.

"This is a very complex deal," Bowers said.

A number of the board members were upset Tuesday that the documents were not ready, many of the parties were not present and the issue might have to be tabled yet again.

After registering their disapproval, however, the board unanimously voted to table the measures until their next meeting tentatively scheduled for March 28, at the district's office in White Deer.

Williams said he expects lawyers from all the parties involved to be at the next meeting to explain the technicalities of the agreement.

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when Robert was stopped for a traffic violation on eastbound Interstate 40 near the McLean exit, a DPS report said. He is believed to have been traveling from California to Virginia.

Robert, who was driving a rented 2002 Dodge Stratus, and the vehicle were taken back to the DPS office in McLean where Troopers Jerome Ingle and Jason Henderson searched the auto.

It was about 8 p.m. that Robert bolted from the scene prompting the search that brought in area troopers, and deputies from Gray, Wheeler and Donley counties, Rushing said.

"Our main concern was him getting into a house in McLean," Rushing said.

"We all spent three solid hours looking for him," Rushing said, before he, Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn and Donley Deputy Bruce Burrell spotted Robert at the Texaco station near the interstate.

The station was closed but the pay-at-the-pumps gasoline pumps remained on and Robert was spotted as he walked up to some customers, Rushing said. "I think the glare from the lights kept him from seeing us at first."

When Burrell attempted to apprehend Robert, the suspect started to run away but stopped and was arrested without further incident, Rushing said.

Three pounds of marijuana were found inside the rear door panel of the Dodge, the DPS report said.

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**ESKRIDGE**

money, about \$4,500, to buy a special telephone designed for negotiation use.

The chief said the closed-system phone system includes a unit that can be tossed through a window or given to the hostage taker so he can talk with police. It also is designed to let a third party listen.

Eskridge said there have been instances in

which citizens have been solicited for money and cited fund raising for the city's tornado sirens.

"There were good motives here," Eskridge said with regard to the police equipment. "I just want it approved."

He said the request for the equipment could now be brought to the commission.

"They might approve the fund-raising or they might put the equipment in the budget," he said.

## Tarrant County ME disputes time of death in hit-and-run

FORT WORTH (AP) — A homeless man who was struck by a car and lodged in the broken windshield likely only lived for a few hours after-

ward, the Tarrant County medical examiner says.

Police had said Gregory Glenn Biggs probably died two or three days after his head was trapped in the windshield during the hit-and-run accident.

But Dr. Nizam Peerwani said Tuesday that the extent of the man's injuries, including the near amputation of his left leg, indicates the 37-year-old Biggs probably died from a loss of blood just a few hours after being hit.

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said. He does not have an opponent in the November election.

He said the grassroots and neighborhood support he received in the race was the basis of his winning campaign.

**Reeves wins Inspector of Hides and Animals**

After 100 years of not having Inspector of Hides and Animals, Gray County voters elected Bill Reeves over John Radcliff in a close race. The final count was Reeves, 1114, and Radcliff, 1,038.

"I've already been out looking at hides this morning," quipped Reeves shortly after 8

a.m. today, explaining he had been feeding his cattle.

The 73-year-old retired postal inspector said he would like to use his title to do good for senior citizens.

"I would like to use this 'humongous title' of Inspector of Hides and Animals to focus on senior citizen issues," he said. "I would like to encourage them to get more involved in local, county, state and national issues. They have so much to offer because of their experiences in life and their age."

**Hefley, Willoughby win commission**

Precinct Four Gray County Commission race was not

decided until the last ballot boxes — from McLean and Albreed — were delivered to the county clerk's office. And then it was only 24 votes difference.

Incumbent James Hefley was put over the top when his home boxes were counted. He received 429 votes to challenger Ed Robinson's 405.

The count had fluctuated several times in the close race until the final votes were counted between the McLean farmer and Pampa businessman.

"I feel fortunate to have been re-elected," said Hefley this morning. "It was a real close race."

He said he would like to see

the economy in Pampa and Gray County grow, and will do what he can to help in that area.

Gary Willoughby won by 27 votes over M.W. (Bill) Horne in the hard-fought race for Precinct Two County Commissioner. The final count was 299 to 272.

"First, I would like to recognize and thank Dr. Horne for a clean, hard-fought contest," said Willoughby this morning. "Everyone should recognize that the results of this election in no way reflect negatively on Dr. Horne who has contributed greatly to this community and Gray County."

"Second, to my wife, Jo

Anne and my three daughters, I couldn't have done this without their support," he said.

"A big thanks to all those who campaigned for me and voted for me. I promise not to let you down," he said. "In the November general election, my competitor will be a man I have known and respected for over 20 years, and he has held this position for most of that time."

"This election is not about who has the most experience in county government," he said. It is about using common sense to do what's best for Gray County; it's about managing county resources for the benefit of the citizens of Gray County; and it's about change.

"May the best man win," he concluded.

Willoughby will face incumbent Democrat Jim Greene in November.

**Martinez, Curfman win JP races**

Incumbent Joe Martinez held off Rusty Horton's challenge in the JP Precinct 1- & 3 race with a 622-to-435 win.

Martinez was appointed to the position in March 2001 when longtime JP Bob Muns retired.

"I am elated," said Martinez. "I am very thankful to the good Lord and the voters who have supported me in this endeavor. It's a happy moment."

Martinez said he was pleased with the vote of confidence he received in the Tuesday primary election.

"I want the people to be proud of this office," he said.

He will face Democratic challenger Debbie Darby in November.

Precinct 2 JP incumbent Kurt Curfman won a close race between former JP Margie Prestidge. With only 23 votes separating them, Curfman was declared the winner. He won 296 to 273.

"I was very happy with the results," he said. "I was elated, in fact. I'm glad to be able to do this job for the next four years."

Curfman expressed disappointment with the low voter turnout.

While more than 15,000 people are registered to vote in Gray County, only 2,994 cast ballots in Tuesday's primaries. Republican voters totaled 2,601 and Democrats numbered 393.

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### LOCAL

In the Democrat primary, Tony Sanchez won in Gray County as well as across the state.

He will face incumbent Republican Governor Rick Perry in the November election. Perry received 2,307 votes from Gray County. He was the only candidate on the Republican ballot.

Local results were Sanchez, 226; Dan Morales, 126; Bill Lyon, 25; and John World Peace, 9.

**Republican Primary**

Other Republican race totals in Gray County are as follows:

U.S. Representative District 13, Mac Thornberry, 2,361 votes; Lieutenant Governor, David Dewhurst, 1,415 to Tom Kelly's 810; Comptroller of Public Accounts Carole Keeton Rylander, 2,158; Attorney General Greg Abbott, 2,059; Commissioner of General

Land Office, Jerry Patterson, 1,075, and Kenn George, 1,003; Commissioner of Agriculture Susan Combs, 2,059; Railroad Commissioner Michael L. Williams, 2,001; Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips, 2000; Supreme Court Justice 1 Mike Schneider, 1,954; Supreme Court Justice 2, Elizabeth Ray, 892; Dale Wainwright, 661; John Cayce, 521; Supreme Court Justice 3 (unexp) Wallace B. Jefferson, 2,371; Sam Lee, 619; Supreme Court Justice 4 (unexp) Steven Wayne Smith, 1,353, and Xavier Rodriguez, 741; Criminal Appeals Court Judge 1, Tom Price 1,184; Carolyn Denero, 518; Tim Taft, 340; Criminal Appeals Court Judge 2, David Richards, 903; Steve Mansfield, 515; Paul Womack, 501; Criminal Appeals Court 3, Guy Williams, 767; Cathy Cochran, 594; Connie J. Kelley, 379; and Blair Davis, 192;

State Senator District 28, Robert Duncan, 1,958; State Representative District 88 Warren Chisum, 2,177; Appeals Court Chief Justice District 7 Phil Johnson, 1,922; 31st Judicial District Judge Steven R. Emmert, 2,102; County Judge Richard D. Peet, 1,951; District Clerk Gaye Honderich, 2,099; County Clerk Susan Winborne, 2,170; County Chairman Doug Ware, 2,017; Justice of the Peace Mary Ann Carpenter, 713 votes; County chairman, Doug Ware, 2,017;

Public Religious Speech question — FOR: 1,336; AGAINST: 668.

**Democrats**

U.S. Representative District 13 Zane Reese, 291; Lt. Governor John Sharp, 347; Attorney General Kirk Watson, 333; Comptroller of Public Accounts, Marty Akins, 327; Commissioner of General

Land Office, David Bernsen, 288; Ray Madrigal, 64; Commissioner of Agriculture, Tom Ramsay, 307; Ernesto De Leon, 50; Railroad Commissioner, Sherry Boyles, 223; Paul C. Looney, 129;

Supreme Court Chief Justice, Richard G. Baker, 322; Supreme Court Justice 1, Linda Yanez, 320; Supreme Court Justice 2, Jim Parsons, 323; Supreme Court Justice 3 (unexp) William E. Moody, 319; Supreme Court Justice 4 (unexp) Margaret Mirabal, 314;

Criminal Appeals Court Judge 1, John W. Bull, 316; Criminal Appeals Court Judge 2, Julius Whittier, 87; Pat Montgomery, 256; Criminal Appeals Court Judge 3, J.R. Molina, 311; State Board of Education District 15, David Schaeffer, 318;

Appeals Court Chief Justice 7, Floyd Holder, 316; 223rd Judicial District Judge, Lee Waters, 354; County Judge, Greg Kurtz, 319; County Commissioner Precinct 2, Jim Greene, 78; Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 & 3 Debbie Darby, 155; County Chairman Jim Osborne, 330.

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### SANCHEZ

"This spells good news for the Democratic Party."

The intensity between the two front-running candidates increased in the campaign's final weeks as the two fought for the right to challenge incumbent Republican Rick Perry.

The race took a strange twist on election day when a judge granted Morales' request for three additional hours of voting at some stations that didn't open on time in his hometown of San Antonio.

In Harris County, voters in at least nine precincts were unable to vote because of unstaffed polling places.

The gubernatorial battle began when Morales, a former Texas attorney general, made a surprise entry into the contest and frustrated Sanchez's plans to sew up the Democratic nomination without major opposition.

That turned out to be not a bad thing for Sanchez, said Cal Jillson, professor of political science at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

"It also forced him to drive his name recognition through the roof. He's now set to run a substantive campaign against Governor Perry," he said.

The two traded barbs about their heritage and campaigns, as well as affirmative action.

The men held what was believed to be the

first debate in Spanish for a U.S. gubernatorial race, although Morales translated his answers into English — calling it the state's "principal language."

Sanchez ran strongly among Hispanics, Jillson said.

Morales accused Sanchez, a banker, of trying to buy a victory with his vast personal wealth, while Sanchez said he was fighting to distinguish himself from the "professional politician" in the race.


With the hotly contested governor's race absorbing most of the spotlight, less attention was paid to the race to replace longtime Republican Sen. Phil Gramm. The front-running Senate Democratic hopefuls were Kirk, Bentsen and Victor Morales, who may have been better known because of his unsuccessful race six years ago.

With 98 percent reporting, Kirk and Morales were tied with 33 percent of the vote while Bentsen had 27 percent.

There was no drama in the race to replace Cornyn as attorney general. Unchallenged Democrat Kirk Watson, a former Austin mayor, will face former Supreme Court Justice Greg Abbott, a Republican, in the fall general election.

Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, a Republican, defeated little-known Galveston executive Tom Kelly for the lieutenant governor post. Former Comptroller John Sharp ran unopposed in the Democratic primary.

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# Zimbabwean government declares winner in tainted election

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — The government on Wednesday declared President Robert Mugabe the winner of the most bitter presidential election in Zimbabwe's history, a vote observers said was deeply marred by irregularities and ruling party violence.

Mugabe's defeated opponent, Morgan Tsvangirai, denounced the results as "the biggest election fraud I have ever witnessed in my life." Tsvangirai, a former labor, had presented the first real electoral challenge to Mugabe since the president led Zimbabwe to

independence 22 years ago.

Zimbabwean security forces were on "full alert" to quash any unrest as the results were announced early Wednesday morning, state television reported. Military police set up roadblocks on main roads leading into the capital, Harare, and military helicopters flew over the city of Bulawayo, an opposition stronghold, a resident said.

Many businesses in Harare were closed Wednesday, fearing the possibility of violence. Leaders from Zimbabwe's main labor federa-

tion were meeting Wednesday to consider calling a strike to protest the results.

According to preliminary results, Mugabe had about 54 percent of the vote, while Tsvangirai had 40 percent, said Tobaiwa Mudede, the registrar-general of the state electoral directorate. There were 1.7 million votes for Mugabe and 1.3 million for Tsvangirai. Election officials said 3.1 million of the country's 5.6 million registered voters cast ballots.

"We hereby declare Robert Gabrielle Mugabe has received the majority of votes cast," Mudede said. The victory gives Mugabe a six-year term.

"This is a runaway victory," Justice Minister Patrick Chinamasa said. "It was won on the issue of the land," he added, referring to Mugabe's policy of seizing white-owned land and turning it over to landless blacks.

The opposition Movement for Democratic Change rejected the results, which still had to be certified.

The election "does not reflect the true will of the people of Zimbabwe and is consequently illegitimate in the eyes of the people," Tsvangirai told a press conference Wednesday.

The election was considered a crucial test for democracy in this southern African nation. But independent observers said the vote was tainted by violence, intimidation, confusion and the disenfranchisement of thousands of voters in the opposition stronghold of Harare.

Walter Kansteiner, the U.S. Assistant Secretary for African Affairs, called the elec-

tion flawed and said the United States would consider further sanctions against Mugabe and his government.

"We believe that in fact the voice of the people of Zimbabwe was not fairly heard, we would like to see that achieved," Kansteiner said during a visit to South Africa.

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw denounced the elections, saying Mugabe's government had led a campaign of "violence and intimidation designed to achieve one outcome, power at all costs." He said Britain, the former colonial ruler in Zimbabwe, would consult with the European Union, the United States and the Commonwealth of former British colonies on what to do.

Kare Vollan, head of the 25-member Norwegian Observer mission, said the mission, the largest European delegation, found flaws with every step of the electoral process from voter registration and campaigning to the actual vote.

The independent Zimbabwe Election Support Network and a coalition of church and civic groups known as the Crisis in Zimbabwe Committee also said the election was fundamentally flawed.

Government officials have repeatedly denied there were any irregularities in the election. And an observer mission from South African Observer Mission said the election "should be considered legitimate," said Sam Mutsuenyane, the head of the 50-member team.

## Math Olympics



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Community Christian School students recently participated in the Association of Christian Schools International Math Olympics at Plainview Christian Academy. Competing in the reasoning division were: (left-right) Blake Chisum, Dane Pereira, Tawnee Williams and Samantha Kelly.

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## U.S. wins U.N. approval for resolution

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Seeking an end to escalating Mideast violence, the United States won approval for a U.N. Security Council resolution that endorsed the idea of a Palestinian state for the first time and demanded an immediate cease-fire.

The United States avoided references to Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territory and other terms critical of Israel, clearing the way for it to introduce the resolution Tuesday — a move that surprised the council, after years of Washington blocking measures it considered biased against its close ally.

The 14-0 vote, cautiously welcomed by Israel and the Palestinians, came after Israeli forces took control of the key West Bank city of Ramallah and several Palestinian refugee camps, searching for Palestinian militants after a string of terror attacks, in Israel's biggest military operations in two decades.

Diplomats said the timing of the resolution was important, with Vice President Dick Cheney in the region and U.S. peace envoy Anthony Zinni heading there Thursday. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan issued his toughest statement yet as violence escalated Tuesday, appealing to Palestinians to halt "morally repugnant" acts of terror and urging Israelis to end their "illegal occupation" of Palestinian land.

Nasser Al-Kidwa, the Palestinian U.N. observer, called the U.S. resolution "a significant step" and said "the Palestinian side will reiterate

its readiness to abide by the provisions." Israel's U.N. Ambassador Yehuda Lancry called it "a rare and remarkable" balanced resolution and said his government would like a cease-fire.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry issued a statement in Jerusalem praising the United States for inserting into the resolution a demand for the immediate cessation of "all acts of terror."

Israeli officials insisted Palestinian statehood must be negotiated.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Arie Mekel said that although Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has publicly accepted the concept of a Palestinian state, it must be of a specified character.

"If such a state is established by agreement between Israel and the Palestinians, if it's demilitarized, if it's not a hostile base of terror and particularly if it's the end of the conflict between the Jews and Arabs once and for all, most people in Israel feel they have no problem with such a Palestinian state," Mekel said.

Acting with unusual speed, the 15-member council approved the U.S. resolution, with only Syria abstaining, criticizing the measure as "very weak" for not addressing the Israeli occupation of Palestinian land.

The United States has repeatedly opposed Security Council action, arguing that only Israel and the Palestinians can resolve the issues dividing them. U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte insisted that Tuesday's resolution didn't represent a change in U.S. policy.

## Italian reporter killed by Israeli tank fire

JERUSALEM (AP) — An Italian free-lance photographer was killed by Israeli tank fire in the West Bank town of Ramallah early Wednesday, Palestinian hospital officials and witnesses said.

The journalist, identified by colleagues as Raffaele Ciriello, 42, was on assignment for the Italian daily Corriere della Sera.

Fellow journalist Amedeo Ricucci said he and his colleague were following Palestinian gunmen through the center of Ramallah at about 9:30 a.m. when the Israeli tank appeared. He said

soldiers on the tank fired a machine gun from about 150 yards without warning, striking Ciriello in the stomach.

Ricucci and another colleague, both of whom work for Italian television Rai Uno, were not hurt.

"Suddenly a tank appeared from a corner and it opened fire," Ricucci said. "There was no fighting in the area."

An army spokesman, Lt. Col. Olivier Rafowicz, expressed regret at the report of the death, but declined to discuss the circumstances until more information has been gathered.

"There has been cross fire for several days and we don't know where he has been killed," Rafowicz said. "We are not rushing to conclusions."

Residents and hospital officials in Ramallah said other people have been injured by gunfire Wednesday morning. Dr. Moussa Abu Hmeid, director of emergency departments in West Bank hospitals, said he has been getting telephone calls reporting wounded people, but said Israeli soldiers have surrounded the hospital, preventing him from dispatching ambulances.

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## Enron: Anderson uneasy about plea

WASHINGTON (AP) — Accounting firm Arthur Andersen is wary of pleading guilty in the Enron affair because that might bar the company from performing audits, the core of its business, say people familiar with Justice Department negotiations.

Despite Andersen's need to resolve any criminal legal problems swiftly, the firm wants assurances from the Securities and Exchange Commission that it would still be able to practice before the SEC, the sources said Tuesday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Justice Department prosecutors repeatedly have threatened Andersen with indictment for destroying documents in the Enron case, according to the sources' accounts of negotiations over the past week to 10 days.

One possible outcome would be for Andersen to plead guilty to obstruction of justice for the shredding of Enron-related documents at the accounting firm's Houston office last fall. Andersen, one of the Big Five accounting firms, has acknowledged the shredding and has fired its lead Enron auditor. However, Andersen insists that no one at its Chicago headquarters knew about the shredding.

An accountant or firm convicted of a felony or certain misdemeanors generally is barred from practicing before the SEC, agency spokeswoman Christi Harlan said Tuesday.

The Justice Department, the SEC and a dozen congressional committees are investi-

gating Enron, its accounting practices and Andersen's role.

Negotiations were continuing between Justice and Andersen. U.S. officials have indicated that no formal decision is anticipated before Thursday, when Michael Chertoff, head of the department's criminal division, returns from a trip to Trinidad with Attorney General John Ashcroft.

At the same time, Andersen's oversight committee — led by former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker — has told the firm to split its auditing and consulting services to eliminate any conflict of interest.

Andersen also has been in talks with rival Big Five firms Deloitte & Touche Tohmatsu and Ernst & Young to sell all or part of its operations, according to sources familiar with the discussions.

Andersen regards SEC clearance in the event of a guilty plea as vital, the people familiar with the contacts said. Andersen spokesman Patrick Dorton declined comment.

"A felony conviction can have a draconian impact on the ability of licensed firms to practice in various states" and before the SEC, said Ira Lee Sorkin, a white-collar defense lawyer and former director of the SEC's New York City office.

"The SEC can bring a proceeding under its own rules barring or suspending or censuring a firm from practicing before the SEC," said Sorkin, also former deputy chief of the criminal division at the U.S. attorney's office in New York.

## Families file suit against school district over shooting deaths

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The families of two students killed in a school shooting last year have sued the district for allegedly failing to notice warning signs about the teenage gunman.

Both families accuse the Grossmont Union High School District of negligence and wrongful death.

Bryan Zuckor, 14, and Randy Gordon, 17, were killed March 5, 2001, when a freshman opened fire on the Santana High School campus in Santee. Eleven students, a teacher and a campus monitor were wounded.

The alleged shooter, Charles "Andy" Williams, remains in custody awaiting trial on two counts of murder, 13 of attempted murder and 13 of assault with a firearm. He was 15 at the time but will

be tried as an adult. He could face life in prison if convicted.

The families' lawsuit, filed last week, claims the school district did not notice Williams' behavior problems and failed to intervene. A separate lawsuit has been filed against Williams and his father.

Kenneth Hoyt, the attorney representing both families, said in the months before the shootings Williams was missing classes and his grades were dropping.

"These are red flags and there needs to be some intervention," Hoyt said. "We believe that the school should have procedures in place."

Williams had just moved to Santee, and his defense attorneys have said he was the victim of frequent bullying.

## House GOP preparing to submit budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans are ready to push a \$2.1 trillion budget through the House Budget Committee that would produce a small deficit next year while giving President Bush the defense and domestic security increases he wants.

Chairman Jim Nussle, R-Iowa, was all but certain to get the election-year measure through his panel Wednesday on a likely party-line vote. Passage by the GOP-controlled House is expected next week, when the Democratic-controlled Senate Budget Committee is expected to reshape some of Bush's budget priorities.

Republicans revealed few details of their plan Tuesday, including how tight a rein they would propose for domestic programs to keep the deficit in check. Congress' budget is not binding, but lawmakers use it to plan spending and tax bills that come later.

Even so, Democrats criticized the GOP plan for using Social Security surpluses to finance other programs and shortchanging prescription drug benefits, education and other initiatives. For that, they blamed last year's Republican budget, which paved the way for Bush's \$1.35 trillion, 10-year tax cut.

"They've put us in a straitjacket with last year's budget," said Rep. John Spratt

of South Carolina, top Democrat on the budget panel.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., called the GOP fiscal blueprint "the biggest PR job I've ever seen" because Republicans did not mention that it would use over \$1 trillion in Social Security surpluses over the next decade to pay for other programs.

At a news conference Tuesday, Nussle touted his budget's increases for defense and efforts to bolster security at home.

"Our first responsibility as the federal government is to protect our citizens," he said.

Conservatives had pressed Nussle to produce a balanced budget for fiscal 2003, which starts next Oct. 1.

But Congress approved a recession relief package last week, which Bush signed Saturday, with a \$43 billion price tag for next year. That, plus demands for higher spending for defense and other programs made a surplus next year unreachable, though Nussle said his budget envisions returning to balance in a few years.

"We have a balanced budget were it not for 9/11," the date of last year's terrorist attacks, Nussle said.

Nussle used no figure, but said there would be no red ink if not for last week's anti-recession bill. That suggests a deficit

of \$43 billion or less — small compared to the size of the budget or the \$10 trillion U.S. economy.

Nussle said the GOP budget would provide the full \$38 billion boost Bush requested for domestic security, twice this year's figure. He also said it would give Bush the entire Pentagon increase he has requested: a \$48 billion increase to \$379 billion.

But a part of that increase has been unpopular with lawmakers of both parties. That is a \$10 billion contingency fund Bush would use at his discretion for the war in Afghanistan or military actions elsewhere.

To limit Bush's free hand, Nussle's budget would require Bush to submit a detailed request for the \$10 billion later this year.

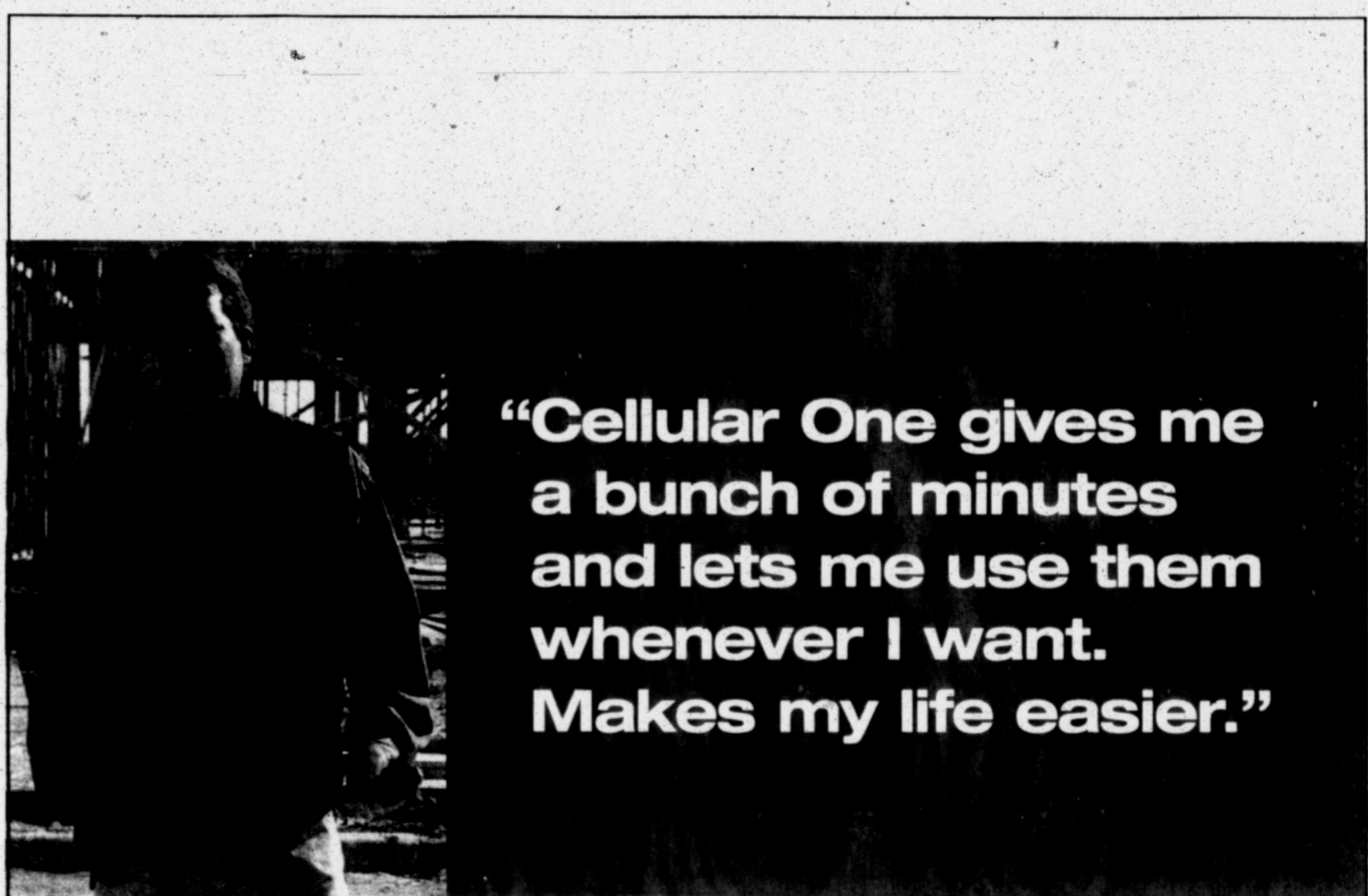
Spratt said Bush has Democrats' full support for defense and domestic security spending.

Nussle also said his budget would use projections by the White House budget office, instead of more pessimistic figures by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office that lawmakers usually use. That will ease his job because the White House projects higher tax collections and lower Medicare spending than the congressional office estimates.

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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

**Teen Concealing Miscarriage Must Reach Out For Support**

**DEAR ABBY:** I am writing in response to "All Alone in Tucson, Ariz.," who is 14 and had a miscarriage. I had a similar experience. I, too, began having sex at an early age. It caused a lot of problems I am still dealing with in adulthood. Sex is not fun and games. It can ruin your self-esteem faster than a speeding bullet. Once you lose your self-esteem, it can take years to get back. Also, having sex without regular visits to a gynecologist can jeopardize your fertility. In other words, when you finally find a man who deserves you, you may not be able to get pregnant. That's what happened to me, and it is heartbreaking. I hope "All Alone" gets to a doctor and resolves her issues with her mother. They need to talk. It's important that she tell her mother that she needs her guidance. Boys come and go, but the mother-daughter bond lasts forever.

always be there for them no matter what happens in life. Many times mothers are the primary source of support and love. We must fulfill that role. The only thing "All Alone" wants is the assurance that someone cares for her unconditionally. She wanted love from the boy who shunned her, from the child she lost, and from the mother she feels will "kill" her when she finds out she was having sex. A mother's job is not so much to teach a child how to make a bed, study hard, or even not to have sex before marriage, as much as it must be to love her child, make sure he or she knows it every day, and to teach the child to love him or herself. If a mother can do these things, the child will be empowered to live life in a positive way.

**A MOTHER WHO LEARNED IN TIME**

**DEAR MOTHER:** You have said it beautifully.

In an ideal world, parents would all be approachable and helpful in a crisis. If they were, perhaps there would be no crisis. Since an ideal world doesn't exist, helpful agencies do — thank God.

**TEEN ADVOCATE**  
 IN NAPA, CALIF.

**DEAR TEEN ADVOCATE:** I'm glad you wrote. I have long been a supporter of Planned Parenthood, which offers a full range of reproductive health services for both men and women, including premarital blood testing, contraceptive services, prenatal care and counseling — to name only a few. Tomorrow I'll share more of the letters I have received from young women who identified with "All Alone's" experience.

**FINDING MY WAY BACK**  
 IN SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

**DEAR FINDING:** I'm sorry you have to learn these life lessons the hard way. I hope "All Alone" will learn from your experience and take your advice. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** We mothers need to remind ourselves that when our daughters are teen-agers, it's not important whether their room is neat or what kinds of clothes they wear. It's more important that they know we care for them — that we'll

**DEAR ABBY:** You should have told "All Alone" that there are helpful agencies like Planned Parenthood that provide help for teen-agers without requiring legal consent of an adult. Not only can they provide medical attention to ensure that "All Alone" is safe and can have children in the future, but they provide the emotional support and peer counseling necessary to give her confidence and renewed self-esteem.

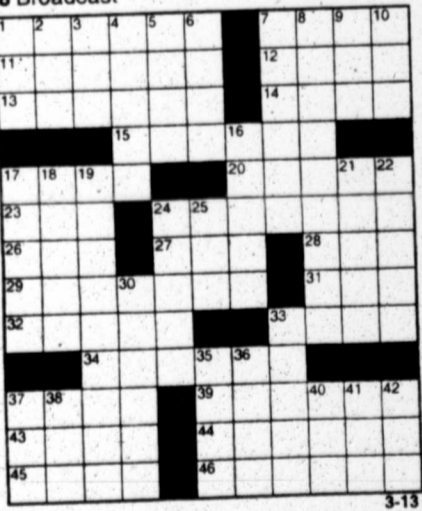
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 By THOMAS JOSEPH

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# SPORTS

## NOTEBOOK

### RUNNING

**AMARILLO** — The 9th Annual Bannigan's St. Patrick's Day 5K Run is set to begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday in front of the Bannigan's Grill and Tavern, 3401 I-40 West.

The run, sponsored by the Lone Star Runners Club, is \$12 for club members, \$15 for non-club members, and \$10 for students-children. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Refreshments and awards will follow the run. For more information, call David Lard at 354-1908.

### BASEBALL

**PAMPA** — There will be signups for Optimist baseball and softball, both boys and girls, from 5:30 to 7 on March 19, 20, 21 at the Optimist Club.

Tryouts will be held April 2, 3, 4, at Optimist Park.

### FOOTBALL

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Wide receiver Corey Bradford is the newest Houston Texan.

Bradford, a free agent who averaged 17 yards per reception over four years with Green Bay, signed a three-year, \$5.25 million deal with the Texans Sunday, joining expansion draftee Jermaine Lewis to give Houston one of the speediest receiving duos in the NFL.

"This gives me a fresh start to rejuvenate my career," said Bradford, 26. "Last year, I finished on a high note, and I feel like I can step up and be a starter and pick up where I left off last year."

The 6-foot-1, 197-pound Bradford caught 31 passes for 526 yards in 2001 with the Packers and picked Houston over Detroit and Green Bay.

### BASKETBALL

**HOUSTON (AP)** — The Houston Rockets easily could have folded. Instead, the Rockets held on.

Steve Francis hit a game-winning 3-pointer with one-tenth of a second to play as Houston beat the Utah Jazz 95-92 Sunday.

Just two days before, the Rockets played a poor fourth quarter to lose to Golden State 108-95 after leading entering the final period. This time, Houston led by as many as nine early in the fourth, then withstood a big Utah rally — thanks to Francis.

"I thought we did a good job of moving the ball around and getting everybody involved, especially in the fourth quarter," Francis said. "Both teams executed, but we executed a little better at the end."

Especially Francis on his winning shot, which impressed the Jazz. It was the second dramatic game-winner for Francis this season — he hit a 2-pointer to beat Detroit on Jan. 3.

"John (Stockton) was going backwards and (Francis) pulled up and hit the shot," coach Jerry Sloan said. "That's what a great player does. He hit the big shot."

Stockton, who had 13 assists to give him exactly 15,000 for his career, thinks that's the kind of shot you want to give a team, a 28-footer at the buzzer.

"I wasn't surprised he pulled up," Stockton said. "He's a guy who can get to the basket and shoot it from out there"

## West Texas gymnasts



(Courtesy photo)

Champs Gymnastics Academy of Fritch traveled to Odessa earlier this month for the West Texas Championship Gymnastics Competition. Team members were (from left) coach Nina Kirillova, Shelby Clay, Jessica Harris, Shannon Clay, Angelica Maldonado, Aven Covin and coach Boris Shakhnovich. Shelby Clay's scores were floor (8.45), vault (8.1), bars (8.1) and beam (8-6). She placed fourth in All-Around with a 33.15. Shannon Clay's scores were floor (8.9), vault (8.25), bars (8.75) and beam (8.3). Her All-Around score was 34.2. Shannon placed first in All-Around in the 11-year and up age division. The Clay gymnasts are from Pampa. The Champs Level 6 team received the second-place team award.

## 2001-2002 All-America Basketball Team

FIRST TEAM	THIRD TEAM
Jason Williams, Duke, 6-2, 195, junior, 21.7 ppg, 5.4 apg, 2.1 steals (72 first-place votes, 360 total points).	Carlos Boozer, Duke, 6-9, 280, junior, 18.3 ppg, 8.8 rpg, .667 fg pct. (7, 95).
Drew Gooden, Kansas, 6-10, 230, junior, 20.4 ppg, 11.3 rpg, .510 fg pct. (70, 356).	Brandin Knight, Pittsburgh, 6-0, 175, junior, 15.6 ppg, 4.9 rpg, 7.2 apg, 2.4 steals (4, 83).
Steve Logan, Cincinnati, 6-1, 198, senior, 22.0 ppg, 5.2 apg, .869 ft pct. (52, 313).	Jason Gardner, Arizona, 5-10, 181, junior, 20.5 ppg, 4.5 apg, 1.9 steals, 38.1 minutes (0, 67).
Juan Dixon, Maryland, 6-3, 164, senior, 19.3 ppg, 4.8 rpg, .903 ft pct., 2.7 steals (48, 301).	Tayshaun Prince, Kentucky, 6-9, 215, senior, 16.9 ppg, 6.3 rpg (4, 66).
Dan Dickau, Gonzaga, 6-1, 189, senior, 20.6 ppg, 4.9 apg, .477 3-pt fg pct., .881 ft pct.	Erwin Dudley, Alabama, 6-8, 240, junior, 15.3 ppg, 8.9 rpg, .561 fg pct. (1, 64).
SECOND TEAM	THIRD TEAM
Mike Dunleavy, Duke, 6-9, 220, junior, 17.4 ppg, 7.2 rpg, 2.3 steals (21, 193).	
Sam Clancy, Southern Cal, 6-7, 240, senior, 19.0 ppg, 9.5 rpg (12, 151).	
Casey Jacobsen, Stanford, 6-6, 210, junior, 22.0 ppg, 4.4 rpg, 3.6 apg (11, 151).	
David West, Xavier, 6-8, 232, junior, 18.5 ppg, 9.8 rpg, 2.5 blocks, .541 fg pct. (7, 113).	
Jared Jeffries, Indiana, 6-10, 215, sophomore, 15.2 ppg, 7.5 rpg (7, 112).	

## Harvesters are entered in Boomtown Classic

**PAMPA** — Pampa's baseball team is entered in the Boomtown Classic this week in Burkburnett.

The Harvesters are in Pool A and their first-round opponent is Abilene Wylie at 5 p.m. Thursday. They play Burkburnett and Fort Worth Country Day in Friday games. Saturday morning, Pampa plays Wichita Falls High.

The Harvesters competed

in the Snyder Tournament last weekend. They opened with a 10-1 setback against Odessa High, but bounced back to run-rule Levelland 11-1 in five innings. Pampa fell to Odessa Permian 11-7, Dumas 10-6 and Perryton 4-3 in 12 innings in further tournament action.

Pampa opens District 3-4A play Tuesday at Palo Duro. Their home district opener is March 23 against Hereford.

## Aggies slip by Texas-San Antonio

**COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP)** — A balk by J.P. McClain gave Texas A&M a 4-3 come-from-behind victory over Texas-San Antonio Tuesday night.

The Aggies (17-5) had tied the game in the bottom of the

eighth when Coby Mavroulis singled to score Neal Stephenson. The balk by McClain sent in the winning run.

Texas-San Antonio scored in the fifth when Danny Phillips drove in Jeremy Blilie with a sacrifice fly.

## Duke's Williams tops AP All-America team

By **JIM O'CONNELL**  
AP Basketball Writer

Jason Williams was a unanimous selection to the AP All-America team Tuesday, the second year in a row the junior guard was picked for the first team.

Joining Williams on the first team were junior forward Drew Gooden of Kansas and senior guards Steve Logan of Cincinnati, Juan Dixon of Maryland and Dan Dickau of Gonzaga.

The 6-foot-2 Williams is the first unanimous All-American since Duke's Elton Brand in 1999 and the 45th player to repeat. The last was Troy Murphy of Notre Dame, who did it last season.

Williams was picked on the first team by all 72 voters on the national media panel and had 360 points in the 5-3-1

voting.

Each of the past two seasons, one player missed being a unanimous choice by one vote — Shane Battier of Duke last season and Kenyon Martin of Cincinnati in 2000.

Gooden received 70 first-place votes and 356 points, while Logan had 313 points, Dixon 301 and Dickau 248.

Williams, the Atlantic Coast Conference player of the year, averaged 21.7 points and 5.4 assists and was the floor leader for the Blue Devils, who were No. 1 in the AP poll for all but four weeks this season.

"I am not big on ranking players," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "I'll just say he's certainly of the caliber of any kid that I've coached, and he has helped us win a national championship."

The top-ranked Blue Devils begin defense of their national title on Thursday.

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