

ON RECORD

POLICE

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

Friday, Feb. 1

Abandoned/junked vehicle towed from the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

Thursday, March 14

A lost report was filed for a black wallet and contents.

Sunday, March 24

Assault by threat was reported in the 1800 block of North Banks.

Monday, March 25

An woman's attempted suicide was reported in the 1200 block of North Garland.

Information was received with regard to illegal narcotics.

Tuesday, March 26

A \$20.50 gas drive off and a \$15 gas

drive off were reported at Taylor Food Mart, 600 E. Frederic.

A search warrant was executed in the 500 block of North Powell where stolen city property was recovered and drug paraphernalia seized.

Harassment was reported in the 100 block of West 30th Street.

Simple assault with no injuries was reported in the 1400 block of East Francis.

Assault causing a minor injury to a household member was reported in the 900 block of South Nelson.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 400 block of Lowry.

Disorderly conduct/language was reported in the 100 block of South Summer.

Deadly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of West Kentucky where a suspected pellet gun shot a hole in a rear window.

CARSON CO. SHERIFF

The Carson County Sheriff's Department released the following jail intake report.

March 18-24

Christopher Keese, 31, Amarillo, theft greater than \$20,000, theft greater than \$1,500 but under \$20,000 and possession of a controlled substance less than one gram.

Nathan Haynes, 23, Borger, driving while license suspended, driving while intoxicated/first offense.

Chaiphativat Sysakayvong, 19, Dumas, illegal hunt of wildlife without landowner consent.

Jason Niven, 24, Fritch, illegal hunt of wildlife without landowner consent.

Demetrius Robinson, 27, Temple, Ariz., unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Robert Zazueta, 31, Tucson, Ariz., money laundering.

Darryl White, 32, Detroit, Mich., possession of marijuana greater than 50 pounds but under 2,000 pounds.

Donald Johnson, 37, Detroit, Mich., possession of marijuana greater than 50 pounds but under 2,000 pounds.

Chadwick Betts, 27, Hereford, DPS traffic warrants.

FIRE

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

Tuesday, March 26

1:41 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Randy Matson and Hobart streets.

1:48 p.m. — One unit and five firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 400 block of Pitts.

5:16 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a service call in the 300 block of North Faulkner. Firefighters installed batteries in a smoke detector.

7:32 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 1500 block of West Wilks.

Wednesday, March 27

12:15 a.m. — Two units and seven firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 400 block of Pitts.

SHERIFF

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

Wednesday, March 26

Mandy Johnson, 26, Borger, arrested on warrants for unrestrained child under four years, failure to maintain financial responsibility, running a stop sign and no driver's license.

Misty Michelle Minyard, 29, Amarillo, bond surrender/forgery of a financial instrument.

Thursday, March 27

Clotel McGee, 36, 1209 Duncan, failure to identify as a fugitive from justice.

STOCKS

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

Wheat	2.45	VLO	49.67	+1.17
Milo	3.21	Halliburton	16.94	+0.59
Corn	3.56	Triad Hospitals	33.71	+0.01
Soybeans	3.78	NOI	23.90	+0.90
		KMI	47.90	-0.05
		XCEL	24.78	-0.15
		Kerr McGee	62.90	+1.34
		Limited	17.59	-0.19
		Williams	23.37	-0.04
		McDonald's	28.08	+0.59
		Exxon Mobil	44.00	+0.26
		Atmos	24.40	+0.45
		Pioneer Nat.	21.83	+0.61
		Penney's	20.19	-0.31
		Phillips	62.18	+0.78
		SLB	58.65	+1.27
		Tenneco	3.83	+0.03
		CVX	89.96	+0.96
		Wal-Mart	61.86	-0.31
		OKE	20.66	+0.26

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

Occidental	28.94	+0.47
Fidelity Magell	101.90	
+0.46		
Puritan	17.87	+0.10

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

BP	52.65	+0.79
Celanese	21.15	0.45
Cabot Corp.	36.97	+0.53
Cabot Oil Gas	24.50	+0.55
Coca Cola	51.95	-0.65
New York Gold	296.65	
Silver	4.59	
West Texas Crude	25.36	

AMBULANCE

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

Tuesday, March 26

1:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to North Hobart and Randy Matson on a traffic accident and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

7:17 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Wednesday, March 27

12:08 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Pitts; no transport.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

HOPKINS, Nicholas Ryan "Nick" — 2 p.m., Central Baptist Church, Pampa.

NICHOLAS RYAN 'NICK' HOPKINS
1984-2002

Nicholas Ryan "Nick" Hopkins, 17, of Pampa, died Sunday, March 24, 2002, at Pampa, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday at Central Baptist Church with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor, officiating. Pallbearers are Benny Baker, Tracy Wilkinson, Joel McKnight, Kyle Schubert, Chris House and Chris Van Houten. The Pampa Harvester Varsity football team will be honorary pallbearers. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Nick was born May 15, 1984, in Pampa. He was a junior at Pampa High School where he played center on the Harvester varsity football team. He had worked at Hansford John Deere Implement for over a year. He attended the First Church of the Nazarene.

He loved to hunt and fish. He was very special and was loved by all who knew him, and he will never be forgotten.

Survivors include his mother, Rene Hopkins of Borger; a brother, Tristyn Hopkins

of Borger; his maternal grandmother, Carolyn "Nana" Hopkins of Pampa; his maternal great-grandmother, Farstean Powell of Borger; aunts and uncles, Kim and Joey McKnight of Tulsa, Okla., Andrea and Benny Baker of Panhandle and Carmen Lanier of Amarillo; and many more aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He will be missed and loved by all. He was preceded in death by a great-grandfather, Leon Powell, in 1990.

The family will be at 709 Whittenburg in Borger and requests memorials be to Texas Parks and Wildlife Association or to a favorite charity.



WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is partly sunny and breezy with highs in the mid-70s and south winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. South winds 10 to 20 mph becoming west after midnight. Thursday, sunny. Highs in the mid-70s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph becoming east. Thursday night, clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Friday, increasing cloudiness. Highs in the upper 60s. Friday evening, cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Saturday, cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s. Highs near 60. Sunday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms early. Lows in the lower 40s and highs in the lower 60s. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s and highs in the lower 70s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s and highs in the lower 60s.

across the Trans-Pecos and the lower 90s in the Big Bend. Lows tonight will range from the 40s north and west to the 50s elsewhere.

Expect highs Thursday to be in the 60s in the panhandles and Guadalupe, in the lower 90s along the Big Bend and 70s and 80s elsewhere. Beginning Friday, temperatures will cool slightly, with mostly cloudy skies and a chance of showers and thunderstorms through the weekend. The clouds should break Sunday over the South Plains and in far West Texas.

In South Texas, expect highs in the 70s today with mostly cloudy skies from the Hill Country south, and increasing clouds in the east. Temperatures will warm through the weekend but cloudiness will continue, with a chance of showers or thunderstorms beginning Friday in all but the deep south.

In North Texas today, it will be mostly sunny, with highs in the middle 60s east to lower 70s west. Tonight, lows will be in the mid-40s northeast to mid 50s south.

Thursday, it will be mostly sunny west to partly cloudy east, with highs in the middle 70s to lower 80s. A slight chance of thunderstorms will exist Thursday night in the far east.

Friday, it will be mostly cloudy west and central and partly cloudy east, with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, and highs in the 70s.

Saturday, expect cloudy skies with a chance of showers or thunderstorms, more numerous north, with highs in the middle 60s to lower 70s.

Sunday, a chance of showers or thunderstorms will exist through midday in the west and central part of the region, otherwise it will be partly cloudy, with highs in the 60s. In the east, it will be mostly cloudy Sunday with a chance of thunderstorms.

STATEWIDE

A cool spring morning will give way to warmer daytime temperatures over most of Texas.

Temperatures over the last day ranged from 33 at Denton, Fort Worth and McKinney to 75 at Kingsville.

Today, highs in the 70s are expected over most of the state, with mostly sunny skies except for South Texas, where clouds will increase.

In West Texas, variable high cloudiness will continue to prevail across the region through Thursday. Highs today will be in the 70s, except for 60s in the Guadalupe Mountains, the 80s

City Briefs

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Resendiz lawyer accuses trial court of abusing its power

AUSTIN (AP) — An attorney for serial killer Angel Maturino Resendiz said Wednesday that a trial court abused its power by excluding relevant photographs intended to show Resendiz was insane.

Maturino Resendiz was convicted in May 2000 for the beating and stabbing death of Houston-area physician Claudia Benton and is linked by confessions and evidence to at least 12 other killings

across the country. The photographs were of other crime scenes linked to Maturino Resendiz. The photographs would have been used to prove a long path of insanity, Resendiz's attorney Janet Morrow told the Court of Criminal Appeals on Wednesday.

"This is repeated conduct that supports the defendant's argument that he doesn't know what is wrong," Morrow said.

Allan Curry of the Harris County District Attorney's Office told the panel that the trial court did not abuse its discretion. The issue in front of the court was not whether Maturino Resendiz was insane when he told others, the issue was whether he was insane when he killed Benton, Curry said.

The district attorney's position is Maturino Resendiz knows "precisely what he's doing," Curry said. "At least regarding the Dr. Benton murder, he knew his conduct was wrong."

Rodeo Top O' Texas pageant officials seek ambitious cowgirls from region

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is now accepting entries for its Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen pageants.

Young ladies between 13- and 23-years of age are eligible to enter.

Winners will receive many outstanding prizes including saddles, buckles, tiaras and other beautiful items. Horse products, jewelry, clothing and other prizes totaling over \$2,000 will be presented to the winners of the Appearance, Personality, Horsemanship and Ticket Sales categories.

Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas will be presented a scholarship.

Past winners of the pageants have gone on to participate and win at the state and national level. Hopefully, this year's winners will be working to achieve these prestigious titles.

A Luncheon and Style Show will once again be held in conjunction with the pageants at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard, on Thursday, July 11. Due to limited space, reservations are recommended as early as possible.

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Queen Pageant is under new leadership this year. Brandy Kempf-Adamson, Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas 1998, became pageant director this year upon the retirement of Sonja Daniel.

During her reign, Adamson made many public appearances. She has remained active with the pageant and various other benefits since her tenure as Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas.

"Sonja Daniel did a terrific job in founding this pageant and I am very honored to be a part of the pageant's contin-

ued success. I look forward to the many great things that lie ahead," Adamson said. "I appreciate the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association and the many sponsors that make this pageant possible."

Adamson and her husband, Ray, live in Amarillo, where Brandy works as a paralegal for the law firm of Hoffman, Sheffield, Sauseda & Hoffman. To contact the new pageant director or for more information regarding the queen pageant, contact the rodeo office at (806) 669-0434.

Entry forms, rules and general information can be obtained by contacting the rodeo office at 200 N. Ballard, Pampa, or by calling (806) 669-0434.

Deadline for forms, fees and pictures — due at the rodeo office — is Monday, April 29, so young ladies are encouraged to "enter as soon as possible."

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Bush signs campaign finance overhaul, begins fund-raising trek

GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) — Without fanfare, President Bush signed landmark campaign finance legislation Wednesday as he opened an aggressive multimillion-dollar fund-raising swing. Within hours, multiple lawsuits challenged the new law.

"This legislation, although far from perfect, will improve the current financing system for federal campaigns," Bush said in a written statement released after White House aides telephoned bill sponsors

with news of the signing. Here, on the first stop of his quick swing through South Carolina and Georgia gathering \$3 million for Republican candidates, Bush denied that his low-key enactment of the bill was any kind of statement on his ambivalence toward it.

"I wouldn't have signed it if I was really unhappy with it," Bush told reporters as he met with emergency and rescue workers at a Greenville fire station.

He said he saw no contra-

dition in signing the bill on a day of heavy fund raising. "I'm not going to lay down my arms. I'm going to participate in the rules of the system."

After the speech to emergency workers, Bush headlined a \$1 million fund-raiser for Rep. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., and then was flying to Georgia to help collect \$1.4 million for Rep. Saxby Chambliss. Thursday, he hopes to raise more than \$1 million for Texas Attorney

General John Cornyn's bid for the Senate.

Graham told donors at his fund-raiser: "Enjoy every minute of it. You paid for it." The bill will "make American politics more palatable," said Graham, who voted in favor of the bill and was a vocal supporter of Bush's 2000 GOP rival, Sen. John McCain — the most visible sponsor of campaign-finance legislation.

Back in Washington, the National Rifle Association was first in line to file its legal

challenge at the federal courthouse a few blocks from the White House.

The legislation "eviscerates the core protections of the First Amendment by prohibiting, on pain of criminal punishment, political speech," said a legal complaint filed on behalf of the NRA and its political victory fund.

Bush had already said he would stay out of the inevitable litigation.

"This legislation is the culmination of more than six years of debate among a vast array of legislators, citizens and groups. ... It does represent progress in this often-contentious area of public policy debate," Bush said in his written statement.

"Taken as a whole, this bill improves the current system of financing for federal campaigns and therefore I have signed it into law."

That's not how the NRA saw it.

"We are proud to be one of the first plaintiffs to formally ask the federal court to invalidate these new limits on the political speech of ordinary citizens because we believe that this law cannot be allowed to stand, not even for a moment," NRA executive vice president Wayne LaPierre said in a statement on the association's lawsuit.

Vice President Dick Cheney, national security adviser Condoleezza Rice and a handful of staff members were in the Oval Office as Bush put his signature to the bill he refused to embrace. Its principal sponsors, some of whom labored over the legis-

lation for 6 1/2 years, were not invited.

McCain, the leading sponsor and a former presidential rival of Bush's, got news of his legislation's enactment in a phone call from Matt Kirk, deputy to White House congressional liaison Nick Calio.

McCain issued his own statement: "I'm pleased that President Bush has signed campaign finance reform legislation into law."

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer defended the low-key signing. "To hold a giant South Lawn ceremony would not have the air of consistency, so the president conducted the signing in a ceremony that was befitting for his beliefs on the bill in its totality," he said.

Ranit Schmelzer, an aide to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, called it a "stealth signing." Presidents often sign major legislation in splashy public ceremonies surrounded by sponsors of the bill, who take home the souvenir pen.

Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis., a co-sponsor of the legislation, said he was nonetheless thrilled. "By ending the corrupt soft-money system, this bill will begin to return the legislative process to all citizens and help restore the public's confidence in their elected leaders," he said.

Another sponsor, Rep. Marty Meehan, D-Mass., braced for lawsuits that are already in the works. "Clearly the battle is not over. This bill will be challenged in court and we are ready for that fight," said Meehan.

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DECISIONS

development.

Celanese officials recently requested the tract of land given by them to the PEDC prior to the dissolution vote last November, be given to the Pampa Industrial Foundation. He recommended an AG's opinion be sought.

Lane said he realized their concern about Celanese's request, and said there is one option the board might want to consider in the future stating PEDC is not under statutory obligations requiring sealed bids on the sale of real estate.

"There is an AG opinion on this point," he said, saying contracts may be negotiated without requiring sealed bids.

Another issue discussed during the meeting in Austin was establishing a reserve account to meet possible future obligations after all outstanding indebtedness has been paid. He also recommended an AG's opinion be sought by the PEDC.

He said that consideration primarily involves the Medicorp project and the PEDC's commitment to them for future funding if certain conditions are met.

He said the corporation could not be dissolved until all obligations are met, and explained the commitment made by previous board members to United Medicorp is an obligation.

"It is conceivable that such funding might be required after the PEDC's indebtedness

is satisfied and the only future funds needed would be such payments. Such future obligation certainly would not require the continued collection of the sales tax," said Lane in his report. "I raised the issues of trust account or an account similar to a bond sinking fund to comply with this future financial obligation although there is no specific authority for such under Section 4A provisions of the Act."

He said the laws governing a non-profit corporation are applicable to an EDC unless there is a conflict.

"Under the form of the Articles of Dissolution provided by the Secretary of State's office, you represent that all debts, obligations and liabilities of the corporation have been paid and discharged or, adequate provision has been made therefore," said Lane. He placed special emphasis on "or adequate provision has been made therefore."

Lane left the meeting after his report since he had resigned as PEDC attorney following his return from Austin.

Doug Locke said he had an opposing opinion to Lane, explaining he had put considerable thought into it.

"It has to do with with the dissolution of the EDC and the phrase. I think we all agree that the phrase 'to the extent practical.' I know that we all justifiably think our representatives in Austin are idiots, as demonstrated by our trailer tax. They may be too lazy to

read what they write, but they all know the meaning of words and generally know how to write laws," he said.

"When legislators write laws they seldom know what the facts are going to be when that law is eventually pulled out, dusted off, and used. So they use their words that have exact meanings in the law. When they use words with a wide general meaning — such as the phrase we are talking about — they use that when they want to achieve an overall general result but not a specific result," he said.

Locke questioned what the word "practical" means and why it was put in the law.

"You look at that phrase, and it is obvious that it is sitting there separated out by commas," he said, stating his guess would be that it was added in as an afterthought for a direct, clear reason.

"The obvious reason would be that they (the legislature) wanted an EDC to have greater flexibility in closing down a corporation," he said. "Why didn't they just say sell all assets to the highest bidder? They didn't want to tie us down to that specific thing. That is essentially the interpretation that we are getting and that is not what the statute says."

"It is my opinion, although I'm not an attorney, that the phrase 'to the extent practical' allows this board to sell, give away, trash or destroy any specific asset that we deem consistent with the rights, powers and privileges given under the laws...."

Locke added, "Just as obvious, it would be the preferred disposal would be a fair market sale, but that is not required by the statute when there are practical reasons to be sold."

"With Celanese being the donor and a very respected member of this community desiring other than a sale of that land, and we have the City of Pampa who would like to have water rights on it, I think there is sufficient, practical reasons not to do the fair-market value," said Locke.

Commenting on Lane's report that the Austin officials wouldn't come to meet with only one EDC board regarding the close-down questions, board member Steve Phillips said he thinks the refusal by the Attorney General's office and Texas Comptroller's office to come to Pampa to discuss some of the situations involved in the first phase-down of an EDC in Texas is "a snub."

"We are trying to be fair to everybody all across the board with what we have been charged with, and I think it is better to get that opinion direct from them," he said.

Phillips said the state officials should travel to Pampa to assist the board.

He said there are many difficulties involved in this close-down, and that it is his desire to be fair to the taxpayers.

"We went to the expense of sending a lawyer to them," said Phillips. "I think we have to do what is right."

He said he would certainly be calling them on the phone about their decision.

Lane made the request March 14, but was told it would not be cost effective for them to travel to meet with just one board.

Board member Bill Allison said he believed the priorities in Austin are with active economic development corporations, commenting that the people implementing the close-down procedures are not elected officials.

Dalton Lewis, president of the PEDC, said he thinks the problem is the people in Austin aren't sure what is to be done in the phase-down.

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Texas," Cooley admitted, "but it does have to do with a farm couple and an old man who has done itinerant work for them for years, who comes back to them to die. There's a long-standing connection between the old man and the couple. He feels he has nowhere else to come. That's something I know is inherent with anybody that has worked the land where ever in the world they've been."

That includes farm hands and cowboys, she said. There are people who may come and go, but in the end, a person is tied to a certain family, to certain ranch, to a certain farm.

"That is where they'll come back to," Cooley said. "It seemed to be an appropriate thing to build on."

She also drew on "Song of the Forerunners" by Texas poet Karle Wilson Baker that talks about the settling of Texas, and "The Legend of the Bluebonnets," a Comanche folk tale.

Among the Guthrie works Cooley is using

are two children's songs, "Jig-Along Home" and "All Work Together."

"Home is a concept," Cooley said. "This is our home. Whether we've lived here for four generations or a year, it's the home that we have."

Three of the other Guthrie songs have to do with the dust storms of the 1930s, "So Long, It's Been Good to Know You," "The Dust Pneumonia Blues" and "Dust Storm Disaster."

A dozen students from Austin Elementary School are scheduled to sing the songs for the premiere performance.

On Sunday, April 14, the anniversary of Black Sunday, Stallings will be at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center to autograph copies of his book.

The three performances of "This Land" are scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, April 12 and 13, and 2:30 p.m., Sunday, April 14.

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Thursday - Roger Comstock, a 3rd generation Pentecostal Minister is presently pastoring in Clinton, Ok at the Westside Pentecostal Holiness Church. His grandfather and father preceded him in the Ministry.

Friday - Willy Adams, a seasoned minister, served as pastor and for many years as an evangelist. Brother Adams has pastored in churches in Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico and is presently in Borger.

Saturday - "Youth Night" Patrick Estrada has been saved and delivered from Alcohol since he was 24. Currently endeavoring to plant a Church in Borger. He has been a Married for Life Leader with his wife Debbie for Marriage Ministeries International.

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TTF boon to parents

Dr. Dawson Orr, superintendent of Pampa Independent School District, recently announced that contracts for the 2002 Texas Tomorrow Fund (TTF) have gone on sale.

"Last year alone, the cost of college tuition and fees jumped another 6.5 percent. The Texas Tomorrow Fund can give families a head start on dealing with rising college costs and help all of us secure a better future for our children," Orr said.

The state-sponsored program allows families to lock-in the cost of tomorrow's college tuition and required fees at today's prices.

The payments are invested so their steady growth will cover, for participating students, the future cost of college tuition and required fees at Texas colleges and universities at today's rates.

A prepayment plan for private colleges is also included.

Based on current trends, by the time a baby born today reaches 18, the cost of college tuition and fees will quadruple! As long as your child hasn't finished high school, you can prepay one, two, three or four years of college in a single lump sum or with one of several affordable monthly payment plans.

The fund is flexible and

offers a variety of options such as transferring money to out-of-state colleges, junior colleges, four-year universities, private schools and even refunds.

To enroll in the program, sign-up before this year's enrollment period ends. The deadline is May 24.

Former State Comptroller John Sharp had this to say about the rising costs of college: "When I was young, I watched my parents scrimp and save so they could send my brother, sister and myself to college. Today, with tuition and fees rising each year, it's still the source of sleepless nights for all families, especially those who earn too much for their children to qualify for need-based scholarships, but who aren't so well off that the cost of college tuition is still a financial burden."

TTF is overseen by the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board, which is chaired by the state comptroller. Board members are appointed by the governor, lieutenant governor and speaker of the House.

Board members have experience in higher education, business and finance and serve without pay.

Each elementary student in PISD recently received a

notice to take home to their parents describing TTF. The detailed information booklet can be checked out at the main desk of Lovett Memorial Library or is available at PISD Support Center, 321 W. Albert.

Interested individuals can request a detailed booklet and application form by calling 1-800-445-GRAD or by writing: Texas Tomorrow Fund, Texas Prepaid Higher Education Board, Comptroller of Public Accounts, P.O. Box 13173, Austin, TX 78711-3173.

Additional information is also available at www.texastomorrowfund.org on the Internet.

WTC mess tent to be parking lot

NEW YORK (AP) — A tent at the World Trade Center site where recovery workers eat meals and take showers will be removed and replaced with a hotel parking lot, an official said.

"We were happy to let them use the land in the emergency and we have extended their tenure there twice," said Clark Whelton, spokesman for the Battery Park City Authority, which owns the lot. "It is time to get back to some normalcy."

Paving the area over and turning it into a parking lot is crucial to the upcoming reopening of an Embassy Suites hotel and movie theater, Whelton said.

Lee Ielpi, a retired firefighter who was searching for victims, and whose son was one of the firefighters killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, said he couldn't believe the news.

"I guess the 3,000 families that lost loved ones should just get back to normal now, too," Ielpi said. "That tent should remain right where it is until this job is done."

The Environmental Protection Agency, which operates the 35,000-square-foot tent, will find a way to continue to provide workers with the same services now offered, spokeswoman Mary Mears said.



(Courtesy photo) Loretta Kepley, shows off her new "Mary Kay" car, with daughters Jessica Kepley Shuck and Angie Kepley Jeffers. Also pictured are Toni Smith and Brandie Neal.

Pampan receives Mary Kay car

DALLAS — Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant Loretta Kepley of Pampa is on the road to success. This month Mrs. Kepley earned the use of a new Pontiac Grand Am.

In keeping with the company's quest to maintain its preeminence as a leader in providing women with an unparalleled business opportunity and desirable business incentives, Mary Kay continues to elevate its image by continually upgrading the options available to its star performers.

In addition to the Grand Am, Mary Kay also boasts the pearlized pink Cadillac, the Pontiac Wide Track Grand Prix and the Chevrolet Blazer as part of its notable career car fleet.

"Our automobile incentive program has been an important feature at Mary Kay for years. It seems only fitting that, as we contin-

ue to modernize our image and offer exciting, innovative sales incentives and products for our sales force, that the career car program would evolve as well," said Tom Whatley, president, U.S. sales.

Mrs. Kepley took delivery of her new Grand Am, her first Mary Kay career car, at Culberson-Stowers in Pampa.

Independent Beauty Consultants earn the use of Mary Kay career cars through outstanding sales and team building. The U.S. Mary Kay fleet, one of the largest commercial fleets of GM passenger cars in the world, includes 8,500 career cars valued at more than \$130 million.

The Mary Kay product line includes more than 200 premium products in eight categories: facial skin care, color cosmetics, nail care, body care, sun protection, fragrances, men's skin care and nutritional supplements.

DRILLING INTENTIONS

Intentions to Drill
 HANSFORD (WILDCAT & HANSFORD Mississippi & HANSFORD Morrow) Jones Energy, Ltd., #2 H.H. Crooks, 1320' from South & 1250' from East line, Sec. 30,R,B&B, PD 9000'.
 ROBERTS (WILDCAT & RED DEER Brown Dolomite) Unit Petroleum

Co., #1 Hall 'A', 660' from South & 1650' from East line, Sec. 55,B-1,H&GN, PD 4600'. Rule 37
Application to Re-Complete
 HANSFORD (HANSFORD Upper Morrow) D.A. Cator, #1124 Cator, 1000' from South & 1390' from East line, Sec. 12,45,H&TC, PD 7274'.

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 HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #5 Meek '67', Sec. 67,M-1,H&GN, spud 1-6-02, drlg. compl 1-18-02, tested 3-1-02, potential 6621 MCF, TD 11627', PBTD 11512' —
 HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #2 Zybach '66', Sec. 66,M-1,H&GN, spud 12-8-01, drlg. compl 12-29-01, tested 3-1-02, potential 1370 MCF, TD 11620', PBTD 11573' —

Application to Plug-Back
 HANSFORD (WILDCAT & TWIN Tonkawa) Apache Corp., #1 A.P. Spicer, 660' from South & East line, Sec. 6,21,W.CRR, PD 6439'. Rule 37
Gas Well Completions
 HANSFORD (HANSFORD Middle Morrow) Mewbourne Oil Co., #2 Mathews '116', Sec. 116,45,H&TC, spud 1-23-02, drlg. compl 2-5-02, tested 3-3-02, TD 7600', PBTD 7496' —

HANSFORD (PATTEN Krider) Jones Energy, Ltd., #1 Jenny '15', Sec. 15,3,SA&MG, spud 11-9-01, drlg. compl 1-16-01, tested 3-4-01, potential 432 MCF, TVD 3288', MD 4505', PBTD 3091' TVD, 3091' MD — Horizontal well
 HANSFORD (SHAPLEY Morrow) Strat Land Exploration Co., #1137 Bivins, Sec. 137,2,GH&H, spud 11-13-01, drlg. compl 11-27-02, potential 11200

ROBERTS (PARSELL Lower Morrow) Range Production Co., #2 Pioneer, Sec. 31,43,H&TC, spud 12-8-01, drlg. compl 1-17-02, tested 2-13-02, potential 3036 MCF, TD 11350' —
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Summit loses crucial Arab leaders at onset

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A crucial gathering of Arab leaders opened today with three key leaders absent, undermining the momentum behind a Saudi proposal offering Israel broad Arab acceptance in exchange for the withdrawal of troops from Israeli-occupied lands.

Jordan's King Abdullah II bowed out of the gathering Wednesday, following the lead of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

The Jordanian king's absence was another blow to the effort to give the impression that the 22-member Arab League is united in a desire for peace.

Aides to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak announced Tuesday that their bosses would not endorse the Saudi plan in person.

Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah was still expected to present and receive backing for his initiative — considered unique in offering Israel normal peaceful relations across the Arab world.

But without personal endorsement from the three Mideast peace process heavyweights, Abdullah's proposal will carry less weight.

No reason was given for Mubarak's absence, and Egypt was to be represented by Prime Minister Atef Obeid. Arafat's decision to stay home followed Israeli conditions on his departure and a renewed Israeli threat to prevent him from returning to the West Bank after the summit.

A senior Jordanian government official confirmed Wednesday that Abdullah would not attend and Jordan instead would be represented by its prime minister, Ali Abul-Ragheb. No reason was given for the king's absence. Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan Muasher told the official Petra News Agency in a telephone interview from Beirut that Abdullah's reason for staying in Amman is "not political." He did not elaborate.

Mubarak, whose nation became the first to sign a peace treaty with Israel in 1979, and the Jordanian king, whose

nation signed a treaty with Israel in 1994, have been voices of moderation — something Abdullah could miss at a time when there is great pressure to weaken the language in his proposal.

Adel Al-Jubeir, the Saudi policy adviser who arrived with Abdullah on Tuesday evening, told The Associated Press in an interview that the initiative demands a full Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territory, including Jerusalem, in return for "normal relations between Israelis and the Arab countries ... (and calls for) a just resolution of other issues like refugees."

"The reason this initiative is so powerful is because it crystallizes the whole issue and distills it to its bare essence: land for peace. We're willing to give you (Israel) peace. Are you (Israelis) willing to give us the land? We haven't seen any indications from the Israeli side," he said.

Some Israeli officials have warily welcomed the broad sketch of the Saudi initiative, but Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon long has reject-

ed its key principle that all occupied Arab land must be returned.

Whether Abdullah's plan can remain so powerfully simple is less clear. Arab diplomats have been trying to work out a key point of contention in the proposal — whether to offer Israel full normalization of relations or a comprehensive peace. The latter, favored by Arab hard-liners, is considered a more vague pledge.

The difference is clear in the relationship Israel already has with Egypt and Jordan. Despite peace treaties and exchanges of diplomats, Israel and those Arab neighbors remain estranged. Normalization would mean opening and encouraging avenues for trade and cultural ties that could lead to truly neighborly relations.

Only three of the 22 Arab League members — Egypt, Jordan and Mauritania — have diplomatic links with Israel. An Arab League call for normalization could, over time, open the way to more Arab diplomatic links with Israel.

Supermodel wins in court

LONDON (AP) — Supermodel Naomi Campbell won her privacy case Wednesday against a British tabloid newspaper that published a photo of her leaving a drug treatment center.

Justice Sir Michael Morland awarded the 31-year-old, London-born model \$5,000 damages and told The Mirror newspaper to pay her court costs.

Campbell, who was not in London's High Court for the ruling, had sued MGN Ltd., publisher of The Mirror, for breach of confidence and unlawful invasion of privacy after the tabloid published a photo of her leaving a Narcotics Anonymous meeting in London a year ago.

Campbell had told the court she felt "shocked, angry, betrayed and violated" by the story.

Her lawyer, Keith Schilling said he had discussed the verdict with the model, who was in Los Angeles.

"She is naturally delighted with the decision," he said. "This is a landmark case — it establishes that anyone in the public eye, whether through choice or inadvertently, is entitled to protection for their private lives."

Mirror editor Piers Morgan said the ruling was ridiculous and mocked the size of the damages.

"Supermodels don't even get out of bed for less than \$14,000 so she doesn't even have enough to pull back the covers," he said outside court.

Morgan had told the court the newspaper had taken a sympathetic approach to Campbell's problem and said she was not entitled to the same privacy as normal men and women because she used the media to promote her image as a model and to discuss intimate details of her private life.

Gunman opens fire at city council meeting in Paris suburb

NANTERRE, France (AP) — A man calmly opened fire at a city council meeting in this Paris suburb early Wednesday, methodically killing eight people and injuring nearly 20 others in an attack the prime minister called a "case of furious dementia."

Police arrested Richard Durn, 33, a local man who witnesses said frequently attended council meetings. He used two automatic pistols and a revolver, police said.

Witnesses said the attacker opened fire without a word, shooting with both hands at about 40 people who were drawing on their coats after the meeting ended at about 1:15 a.m. About 50 shells were scattered across the room.

"I thought it was a joke at first," said Samuel Rijik, a municipal official who was at the meeting. "Some people thought it was firecrackers."

"I crawled under my table and a bullet went through my

jacket. I thought I was hit," Rijik said.

The assailant was subdued by others in the room after one official threw a chair at him. That official was then seriously wounded, authorities said. No police were present at the time of the attack.

The attack did not appear politically motivated; both leftist and rightist municipal officials were killed. Durn was described as a member of an ecologist movement.

"He was somebody opposed to the directives of the city hall," said Christian Demercaster, a municipal official from the leftist Green Party who said he'd greeted the suspect before the session. He said Durn wasn't a member of the Green Party.

In France, where gun control laws were tightened in 1998, one needs a permit for the weapons used in the attack. Durn had been involved in recreational shooting and was

reportedly licensed, but that could not be independently confirmed.

Eight of the wounded were in very grave condition, and another 11 were more moderately wounded, officials said. Others were treated for shock.

Hours after the shooting, weeping family members arrived to identify bodies at the council hall in Nanterre, a middle-class neighborhood near a business district in western Paris. The flag above the building was at half staff.

President Jacques Chirac, who met with grieving family members, called the events "a completely unimaginable drama."

Prime Minister Lionel Jospin rushed to the scene in the early morning darkness.

"It's apparently a case of furious dementia," Jospin said. "A horrifying tragedy that harms democracy — a city council meeting in action."

Borger High School reunion committee seeking classmates

BORGER — Borger High School Class of 1955 and 1956 is planning a class reunion July 12-13 at Borger.

The reunion committee is seeking the following students from the classmates:

Mary Cherry Adams, Harold Gene Armstrong, Alan Andrew Begley, Paula Bell McCarty, John Alexander Bond, Loree Brooks Wiley, Talford Durge, Dorothy Dickison, Bill Leon Dickey, Ronald Way Due, Glenna Foster, Joe Arthur Ferrill, Larry Dean Franks, James Perry Garrett, Phyllis Gilley, Flora Jane Goodman, Jim Hardin, James Carl Hayes, Ralph Henson.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Story Of Teen's Accident Still Exerts Powerful Pull

DEAR ABBY: A senior girl at my school was tragically killed in a car accident over Super Bowl weekend. She wasn't wearing her seatbelt and was thrown from the car. The car rolled on top of her and crushed her. Her boyfriend was with her. I heard that before she died, he took her hand and she told him she loved him. It just blew me away. My cousin was killed a year ago in much the same way.

My family has read your articles for years, but one touched us deeply. It was an essay about a teen who was killed in a car accident, and he was only 17. I am only 17 and so was the girl who died. Please print it again to remind us of the fact that we're only mortal and should cherish every waking day.

BARRY W. IN KENNEWICK, WASH.

DEAR BARRY: That piece is titled, "Please God, I'm Only 17," and it's the most requested piece in the history of the column. Young people have written to me to confirm that it made them think twice about their driving habits and encouraged them to be careful. You are right; it should run at least once a year, so here it is:

PLEASE GOD, I'M ONLY 17

The day I died was an ordinary school day. How I wish I had taken the bus. But I was too cool for the bus. I remember how I wheeled the car out of Mom. "Special favor," I

pleaded. "All the kids drive." When the 2:50 bell rang, I threw all my books in the locker. I was free until 8:40 tomorrow morning! I ran to the parking lot, excited at the thought of driving a car and being my own boss. Free!

It doesn't matter how the accident happened. I was goofing off — going too fast — taking crazy chances. But I was enjoying my freedom and having fun. The last thing I remember was passing an old lady who seemed to be going awfully slow. I heard the deafening crash and felt a terrible jolt. Glass and steel flew everywhere. My whole body seemed to be turning inside out. I heard myself scream.

Suddenly I awakened; it was very quiet. A police officer was standing over me. Then I saw a doctor. My body was mangled. I was saturated with blood. Pieces of jagged glass were sticking out all over. Strange that I couldn't feel anything.

Hey, don't pull that sheet over my head! I can't die. I'm only 17. I've got a date tonight. I'm supposed to grow up and have a wonderful life. I haven't lived yet. I can't be dead!

Later I was placed in a drawer. My folks had to identify me. Why did they have to see me like this? Why did I have to look at Mom's eyes when she faced the most terrible ordeal of her life? Dad suddenly looked like an old man. He told the man in charge, "Yes, he is my son."

The funeral was a weird experi-

ence. I saw all my relatives and friends walk toward the casket. They passed by, one by one, and looked at me with the saddest eyes I've ever seen. Some of my buddies were crying. A few of the girls touched my hand and sobbed as they walked away.

Please — somebody — wake me up! Get me out of here! I can't bear to see my mom and dad so broken up. My grandparents are so racked with grief they can hardly walk. My brothers and sisters are like zombies. They move like robots. In a daze, everybody. No one can believe this. And I can't believe it, either.

Please don't bury me! I'm not dead! I have a lot of living to do! I want to laugh and run again. I want to sing and dance. Please don't put me in the ground. I promise if you give me one more chance, God, I'll be the most careful driver in the whole world. All I want is one more chance!

Please, God, I'm only 17!

Pauline Phillips and her daughter, Jeanne Phillips, share the pseudonym Abigail Van Buren. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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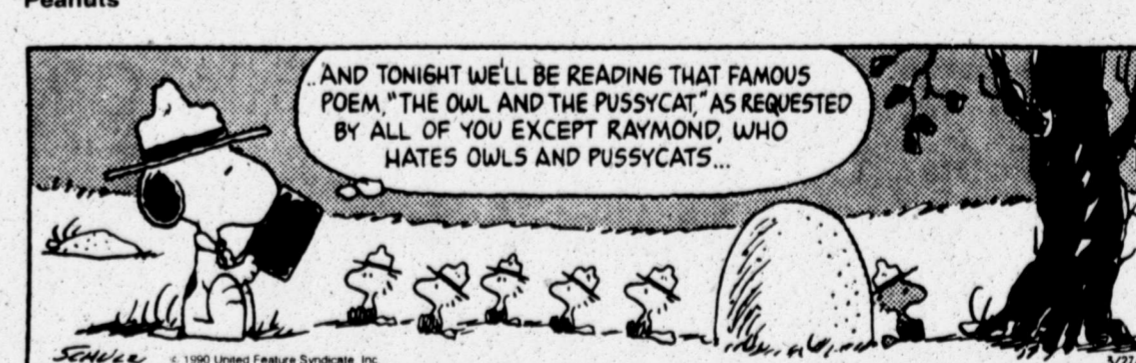
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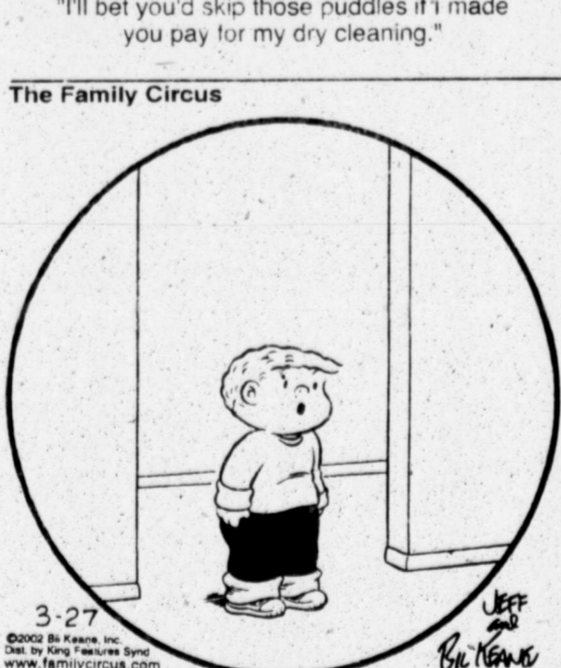
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SPORTS

Pampa downs Dumas with 11-0 win

PAMPA — Senior south-paw Adam Jones tossed his second shutout in District 3-4A and senior outfielder Randy Tice hit two home runs as Pampa downed Dumas 11-0 Tuesday at Harvester Field. The win gave Pampa a 3-0 district record while Dumas falls to 0-3.

The Harvesters run-ruled the Demons in the fifth inning when Tice drilled a three-run homer over the left field fence to make it 11-0.

Jones, who had blanked Palo Duro 13-0 in the district opener last week, struck out seven, walked five and allowed three hits in five innings.

Pampa took a 2-0 lead in the first inning on a leadoff homer by Tice and an RBI grounder by Jones.

Dumas hurler Ben Evenson held Pampa in check the next two innings, but the Harvesters erupted for six runs in the fourth inning. Two of the runs came home on a passed ball

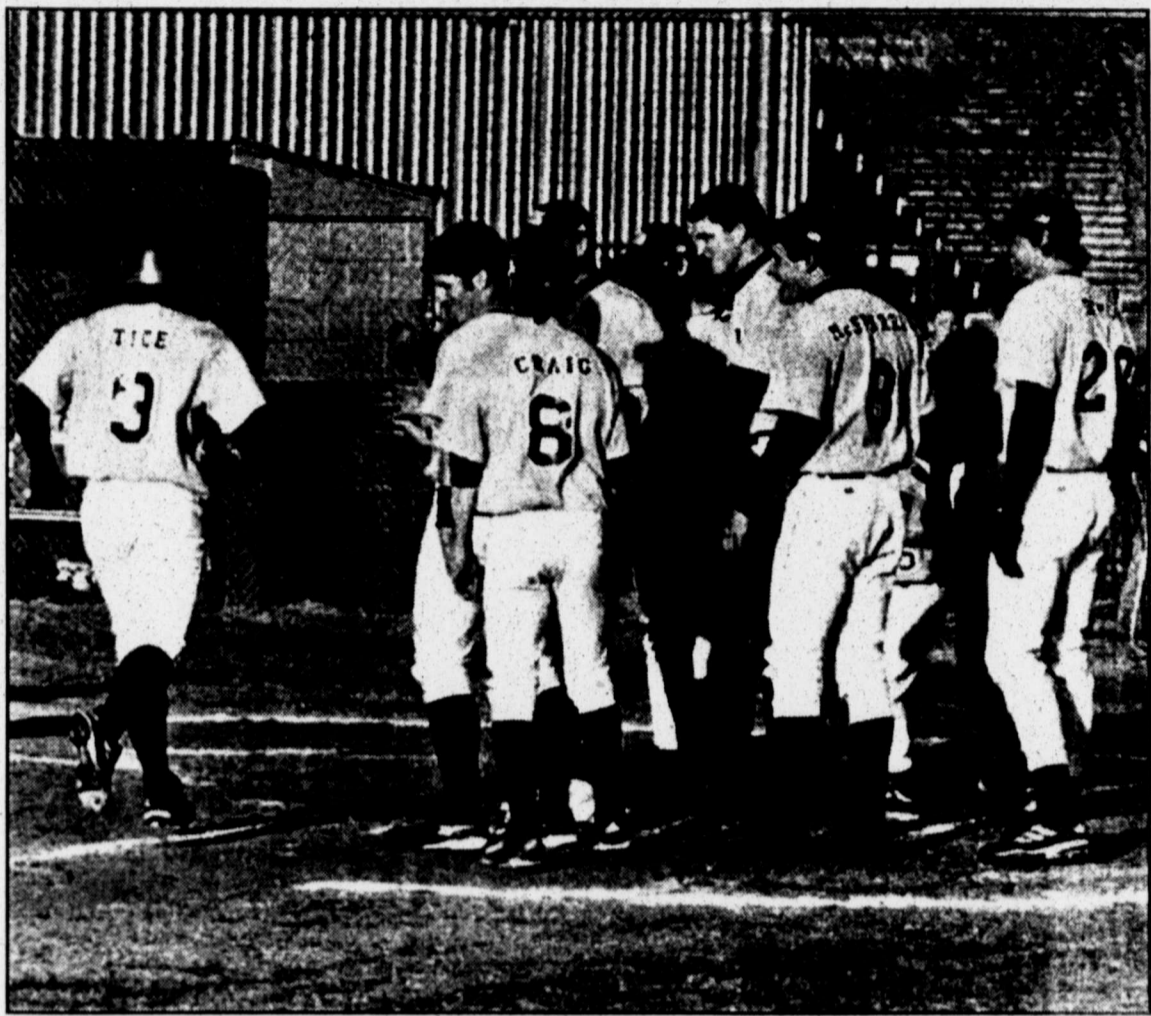
and a hit by pitch situation when the bases were loaded. Evan Miller came through with a two-run single and two more runs crossed the plate when a Dumas infielder misplayed a popup by Jered Snelgrooves.

With two runners on in the fifth, Tice hit his fifth round tripper of the season, this one coming off Dumas reliever Britten Nees.

"It was really a good game for us. We made some great defensive plays, especially by Jered Snelgrooves (third base) and Ryan Zemanek (first base)," said Pampa head coach Dennis Doughty. "It gave us a 3-0 record and a first-place tie with Randall in district."

Zemanek also had a pair of base hits and Snelgrooves had a single in Pampa's 10-hit attack. Wes Martin had a double while Tyson Moree and Michael Galloway each had base hits.

The Harvesters travel to Caprock for a 1 p.m. game Saturday.



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Randy Tice is greeted at home plate by his Harvester teammates after hitting a three-run homer in the fifth inning that run-ruled Dumas.

NOTEBOOK

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Aaron Lucas scored a season-high 20 points to lead South Carolina to a 66-59 victory over Syracuse in an NIT semifinal round game Tuesday night.

The Gamecocks will play Memphis, which beat Temple 78-77 in the first semifinal, in Thursday's title game.

With a little more than a minute to play, Syracuse had an opportunity to close within two points when DeShaun Williams had his inbound pass intercepted by Tony Kitchings.

Kitchings and Jamel Bradley each scored 13 points. Bradley, who holds the South Carolina school record for 3-pointers made, scored 12 of his points on 3-pointers.

GYMNASTICS

PAMPA — Level 4 team membrs with Gymnastics of Pampa recently hosted teams from Pampa, Amarillo, Lubbock, Big Spring and Midland in a District Meet in their own gymnasium.

Pampa's Level-4 team won the second-place trophy and had the highest All-Around finisher in Ashley Wheeler.

Ashley led the competition with a 34.45 All-Around score and received a gold medal for having the highest score of any Level 4 entered in the meet. She also had the highest bar score (8.8) for the gold medal. In the achievement portion of the meet, Ashley received four blue ribbons. Her other scores were vault (8.8), floor (8.55) and balance beam (8.3).

Laura Barrett was the meet's fourth highest All-Around winner with a 33.6. She won blue ribbons on beam (8.7), floor (8.6) and vault (8.6), and received a blue ribbon for bars (7.7) in achievement.

Team Pampa's Caitlin Hampton had the Level 4 meet's highest vault score of 9.0 for the gold medal and was the meet's sixth highest All-Around at 33.3. She received three blue ribbons and one red for achievement. Her other scores were beam (8.6), floor (8.1) and bars (7.6).

Ashley Williams was the seventh highest All-Around finisher for Pampa. Ashley was competing in her first Level 4 meet. Her All-Around score was a 32.4. She received blue ribbons for beam (8.5), and floor (8.5), and red ribbons for vault (7.7) and bars (7.7).

Aleah Noble was also competing in her first Level 4 meet. She received a blue ribbon for vault (8.0), red ribbons for beam (7.9) and bars (7.4), and a white for floor (6.8). Her All-Around score was a 30.1.

TENNIS

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — Andre Agassi's absence from the Australian Open this year helped Thomas Johansson win his first Grand Slam title. Johansson wasn't so lucky at the Nasdaq-100 Open.

The ninth-seeded Agassi, seeking his fifth Key Biscayne title and second in a row, beat the eighth-seeded Johansson 7-5, 6-2 to reach the quarterfinals. p Agassi's opponent Wednesday will be No. 20 Nicolas Lapentti, who beat Adrian Panatta 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

No. 2 Venus Williams, seeking her fourth title in the event, became the first semifinalist by rallying past No. 12 Elena Dementieva 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.

Baseball headed for another strike?

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball commissioner Bud Selig won't lock out players through the World Series, but left open the possibility that new work rules would be imposed during the offseason, a move that could trigger another strike this summer.

The players' union, operating without a labor contract since Nov. 7, quickly interpreted Selig's statement as a veiled threat to impose vast economic changes as soon as the postseason ends or to lock the players

out after the World Series.

In 1994, the union struck on Aug. 12, saying the move was its 'only recourse to fight management's plan to implement changes, including a salary cap. The walkout, baseball's eighth since 1972, lasted 232 days and caused the World Series to be canceled for the first time since 1904.

Union head Donald Fehr called Selig's statement "a tacit acknowledgment of the clubs' continuing intention" to make changes after the World Series. "He thinks what we do not

that the fans can be more easily fooled, fooled into thinking this 'pledge' is a concession of sorts on his part," Fehr said.

Selig said for months that a lockout was not "on my radar screen," but he had refused to rule one out. His promise not to impose new terms and conditions of employment for players through the end of the World Series bore little significance because players already have signed their 2002 contracts.

A rules change in the offseason would affect new contracts signed for 2003 and beyond.

Kids Club Signups are scheduled April 2-5

PAMPA — Pampa Kids & Youth Club baseball signups will be held April 2 through April 5 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Baker School.

The baseball leagues are for boys and girls from kindergarten through the 12th grade.

Signup fees are \$20 for one child, \$35 for two children, and \$45 for three children.

If more information is needed, call Pampa Communications at 669-8236 or baseball commissioner Rick Nelson at 665-6190 after 5 p.m.

Other contact persons are Danny Martin (835-2906), Dean Crockett (665-3927), Robert Cottrell (665-0335) or Steve Stillwagon (669-0535).

Commissioner Nelson said the club wants to offer baseball to youngsters of all ages in the community. He asks anyone who is interested in helping out to contact one of the board members.

Players will be placed on a team by age through a blind draft. All games will be played at Hobart Street Park.

Lady Harvesters fall to Canyon in softball

PAMPA — Pampa dropped a 2-0 decision to Canyon in District 3-4A softball action Tuesday at Optimist Park.

The game quickly developed into a pitching duel between Pampa's Stephanie Clark and Canyon's Leslie Weston.

Clark struck out 14 and allowed three hits while Weston no-hit the Lady Harvesters while striking out 16.

"We had trouble getting the bat on the ball. They just had three hits, but we

made some errors and gave up a couple of walks that hurt us," said Pampa head coach Rod Porter.

Pampa is 1-3 and Canyon 3-1 in district play.

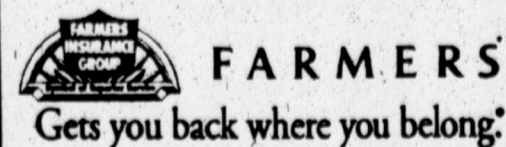
"We played with a lot of intensity, but we just came up short. If we keep playing at the level we're playing we're going to win some games."

The Lady Harvesters host Hereford at 4:30 today in a varsity only game.

Pampa did defeat Canyon 21-6 in yesterday's junior varsity contest.

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Purple Team



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The Purple Team had a 14-10 record to take third place in the Optimist 5th-6th grade Volleyball League this season. Team members are (front, from left) Stephanie Jasso, Kambra Jimenez, Sarah Smith and Shelby Needham; (middle) Sydnee Porter; (back, from left) coach Misty Jimenez; Crystal Blanco, Jaclyn Gray, Lidia Salazar, Kat Aler, Anna Julian and coach Cynthia Aler.

Amarillo's Eakin, Canyon's Smith win all-around honors

CHILDRESS — Marty Eakin of Amarillo and Emily Smith of Canyon won all-around honors at last weekend's Tri-State High School Rodeo Association Rodeo in Childress.

Eakin didn't win an event, but finished with 23 points to take top cowboy honors.

Smith won the goat tying and placed third in barrel racing.

Alfonso Limas of Pampa tied for first place in bull riding.

Erica Cochran of Pampa was second in breakaway roping and pole bending.

Taylen Gregory of Pampa was second in barrel racing.

Tri-State Rodeo

Breakaway roping: 1. Kelsey Friskup, Canyon, 3.781; 2. Erica Cochran, Pampa, 3.920; 3. Shandra Jones, Vernon, 4.873.

Calf roping: 1. Justin Lehman, Vernon, 9.280; 2. Tyler Hargrave, Canyon, 10.956; 3. Monty Wood, Amarillo, 12.888.

Barrel racing: 1. Colby Noah, Vernon, 18.311; 2. Taylen Gregory, Pampa, 18.318; 3. Emily Smith, Canyon, 18.348.

Ribbon roping: 1. Dustin Pool, Amarillo, 9.110; 2. Tyler Hargrave, Canyon, 9.279; Terral Wilson, Gruver, 9.934.

Pole bending: 1. Hope Clark, Canyon, 22.220; 2. Erica Cochran, Pampa, 22.506; 3. Christie Hendley, Amarillo, 22.511.

Bull riding: 1. Alfonso Limas, Pampa; Tommy Egerton, Childress, 74 (tie); 3. Justin Moore, Childress; Rowdy Sanderson, Amarillo, 72 (tie); 5. Cody Atwood, Pampa; Marty Eakin, Amarillo; Thomas Newsom, Erick, Okla., 70 (tie).

Goat tying: 1. Emily Smith, Canyon, 8.559; 2. Kaylee Holt, Gruver, 9.16; 3. Dana Lewis, Amarillo, 9.677.

Team roping: 1. Joe Ed Word-Zach Cobb, 9.553; 2. Chad Mask-Chase Mask, 9.856; 3. Jered Hunter-Ty Cates, 9.945.

Steer wrestling: 1. Hunter Cure, Vernon, 6.421; 2. Kelly Cates, Channing, 9.667; 3. Marty Eakin, Amarillo, 11.609.

All-around cowboy: Marty Eakin, 23 points.

All-around cowgirl: Emily Smith, 19 points.

Miami's James wins two events at Booker meet

BOOKER — Miami's Jimmy James won both the 100 hurdles and high jump last weekend at the Kiowa Relays.

In the girls division, Jennifer Hutchinson came in first for Miami in the 100 hurdles.

Kiowa Relays at Booker

Team totals: 1. Follett 111; 2. Stratford 100; 3. Shamrock 89; 4. Gruver 79; 5. Booker 52; 6. Miami 36; 7. Laverne, Okla. 14.

Triple jump: 1. Cates, Follett, 31-6; 2. Davenport, Miami, 31-5 3/4; 3. Howard, Follett, 30-0 1/2.

High jump: 1. Wilson, Shamrock, 5-7; 2. Merydith, Booker, 4-6; 3. Hutchinson, Miami, 4-4.

100 hurdles: 1. Hutchinson, Miami, 18.56; 2. Stine, Stratford, 1:09.06; 3. Hamlin, Laverne, 1:13.4.

Shot put: 1. Green, Shamrock, 13.28; 2. Davenport, Miami, 13.46; 3. Clift, Gruver, 13.53.

Boys Team totals: 1. Gruver 99; 2. Stratford 83; 3. Laverne 81; 4. Miami 70; 5. Booker 49; 6. Follett 22; 7. Shamrock 10.

Triple jump: 1. Rogers, Booker, 39-0; 2. James, Miami, 38-6; 3. Ashley,

Stratford, 38-8. **High jump:** 1. James, Miami, 5-10; 2. Davenport, Miami, 5-9.

Discus: 1. Green, Laverne, 150-2 1/4; 2. Walden, Stratford, 138-8 1/4; 3. Reed, Miami, 128-10 1/4.

Shot put: 1. Green, Laverne, 47-6; 2. Manley, Stratford, 46-2 1/2; 3. Reed, Miami, 39-10.

3200: 1. Cruz, Gruver, 11:26.1; 2. Wingarner, Follett, 12:42.3; 3. Hale, Miami, 13:19.8.

100 hurdles: 1. James, Miami, 17.34; 2. Davenport, Miami, 19.15; 3. Haynes, Stratford and Smith, Shamrock, 19.46.

Sharks turn back Stars, 3-2

By ANNE M. PETERSON
AP Sports Writer

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — San Jose is playing like the playoffs are already here.

The Sharks moved back into first place in the Pacific Division on Tuesday night with an intense 3-2 victory over the Dallas Stars.

With nine games to go, the Sharks are scrambling to stay ahead of the Los Angeles Kings for their first-ever division title.

San Jose topped the division most of the season, but a 3-0 loss to the Kings on Saturday put the two teams in a first-place tie.

That made the victory over Dallas essential, as far as the Sharks were concerned.

"There you go — that was a typical playoff game," goalie Evgeni Nabokov said.

The Sharks were helped by the Kings, who lost 4-0 to Vancouver on Tuesday night and 4-0 at Phoenix the night before.

"At this time of year, you have to lay everything on the line, and when you do that, that's when the emotion and intensity come in," San Jose assistant coach Lorne Molleken said.

Meanwhile, Edmonton's 3-1 victory over Columbus moved the Oilers ahead of

Dallas for the eighth playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Nabokov stopped 36 shots for the Sharks, giving him 32 wins and tying the franchise mark that he set last season.

Ed Belfour had 27 saves for the Stars, whose six-game unbeaten streak on the road was snapped.

"The good news is, at least the playoffs don't start after tonight," Stars defenseman Darryl Sydor said.

A little more than a minute into the second period, Adam Graves picked up Vincent Damphousse's shot right in front of the crease and knocked the puck over Belfour's outstretched glove for a 1-0 San Jose lead.

The Stars tied it with three minutes left in the period with Mike Modano's perfect slap shot from the slot. It was Modano's 34th goal.

Patrick Marleau scored 4:42 into the third period. Scott Thornton got a power-play goal 56 seconds later, and Belfour was clearly stunned.

Marleau had not scored since Feb. 10, a stretch of 16 games.

"I was relieved, that's for sure," he said.

The Stars closed the gap on Sergei Zubov's goal with 3:31 to go in the game.

"San Jose always plays us hard. We were there but we

needed a little more," Dallas coach Rick Wilson said. "We needed a little more in terms of the mistake end of it and we probably needed a little more from our power play to give us a little boost when we needed it."

Notes: The Stars were still without winger Jere Lehtinen, who is nursing an ankle injury and has missed four straight games. ... Dallas remains two road wins away from its sixth straight season with at least 20 road victories: They were vying to become the second team to accomplish the feat: The Montreal Canadiens won at least 20 on the road for seven straight seasons, from 1972-73 to 1978-79.

Stars-Sharks Summary

Dallas	1	0	1	—	2
San Jose	1	0	2	—	3

First Period—None. Penalty—Sydor, Dal (high-sticking), 16:29.

Second Period—1. San Jose, Graves 15 (Damphousse, Nolan), 1:12. 2. Dallas, Modano 34 (Arnott, Zubov), 17:01. Penalties—Helenius, Dal (high-sticking), 4:59; Graves, SJ (hooking), 7:47; Manson, Dal (delay of game), 10:22; Nolan, SJ (goalie interference), 11:14.

Third Period—3. San Jose, Marleau 12 (Marchment, Hannan), 4:42. 4. San Jose, Thornton 23 (Jilison, Marleau), 5:38 (pp). 5. Dallas, Zubov 11 (Modano, Sydor), 16:29. Penalty—Hatcher, Dal (interference), 5:15.

Shots on goal—Dallas 10-10-18—38. San Jose 11-10-9—30.

Power-play Opportunities—Dallas 0 of 3; San Jose 1 of 4.

Goals—Dallas, Belfour 20-24-10 (30 shots-27 saves). San Jose, Nabokov 32-22-5 (38-36).

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High scratch game: Steve Nolte 246; High scratch series: Steve Nolte 629; High handicap game: Steve Nolte 266; High handicap series: Steve Nolte 689.

Horoscope

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2002
BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Juggle your schedule and please others. You often are very strong-willed, getting what you most desire. Make that extra effort. Though you might be quite serious about an offer, others might be hesitant. Help a special person make a dream become reality. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You might be more tired than you realize. Take your time making a decision. Work through a problem that involves an associate and finances. Don't mix money and friendship, or you could be sorry later. Listen to a wise friend. Tonight: Get some extra R & R.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Allow your imagination to help you figure out how to appease someone and to help this person as well. Remember, pride might be an issue, so tread with care. Relax with a friend rather than being unusually somber. You might have more answers than you realize. Tonight: You can't help it if you're in weekend mode.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Your family demands your attention. Though you have something you must do, know when to pull back.

Another has a strong point of view. Be reasonable with your requests. Think carefully about a financial matter that makes you uneasy. Tonight: Mosey on home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Review a note, letter or e-mail before you jump to conclusions. Also, make sure to save all your e-mail right now, because information could get lost. A friend might be unusually austere or serious. Help this person open up. Tonight: Hang at a favorite spot.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Be careful when dealing with finances, especially as a mistake could happen way too easily. A boss might try your temper; listen to what he or she wants. If you're open, creativity takes you in a new direction with your superior — don't push. Tonight: Treat another like a king or queen.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Emphasis is on you. You might be juggling more than you can handle. Consider what you want from a partner or associate. News from a distance could sober up a very playful moment. Avoid going to extremes, if possible. Tonight: You're in the spotlight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★ Slow down enough so that you can follow through on your priorities. Another might be full of play and, naturally, enjoys him- or herself. Review a personal matter more carefully, knowing full well what you want. Keep your own counsel for now. Tonight: Get some extra

Z's.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Reach out to friends. You find that pressure from others comes forward as you attempt to juggle different interests. Listen to your sixth sense with a partner who could be a bit cool or touchy. Your imagination will help pry this person open. Tonight: Where the action is.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Some days you feel like tossing your hands in the air. You have exactly such a day when commotion triggers. A boss wants one thing; a parent, perhaps, another; and a roommate yet another. You might not know which way to turn. Tonight: A must show.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Another listens carefully to your perspective, though he or she might not give you the recognition you crave or desire. Consider what your objective is, especially surrounding a loved one or a child. You know how to inspire others. Tonight: Use your magnetism.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Deal with finances head-on. You might not like what you are hearing from another, but you cannot reverse it either. A family member could be unusually serious or somber. An inspired idea lightens up the situation. Tonight: Let another make a suggestion.

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Pampa High School Theatre Department students won special recognition in the U.I.L. 4-A One Act Play competition. From left, Vanessa Orr, Best Actress; Richard Conner, Best Actor; and A.J. Swope, All Star Cast.

PHS One Act Play advances to district

Pampa High School theater arts students are advancing to district U.I.L. One Act Play competitions Thursday, March 28, at Amarillo College.

The PHS thespians won numerous honors at U.I.L.

zone competition at Boys Ranch on March 20, including Best Actor, Richard Conner; Best Actress, Vanessa Orr; Honorable Mention, Amber Bowers and Sammie Parsley; and All-Star Cast, A.J. Swope.



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa High School Theatre Department students competing in 4-A One Act Play competition are, back row, from left: Chris Johnson, Brianne Hopkins, Chelsea Dyer, Ben Briscoe, Ashley Freeman, and Kelly Tripplehorn. Middle row, from left: Price Hall, Amber Bowers, Richard Conner, and Vanessa Orr. Front row, from left: A.J. Swope, Luke Dyer, and Sammie Parsley.

Texas Water Foundation launching kid's contest

AUSTIN — Texas Water Foundation is currently accepting creative entries from Texas elementary-aged school children for the "First Annual Texas Water Kids Art Contest" illustrating the slogan "Every Drop Counts."

The winning art will be displayed in the Texas Capitol Building in Austin during the month of May — designated Texas Water Month by Gov. Rick Perry.

Rules:

—Entries must be no larger than 8.5"x11" in size.

—Entries may be created using pencils, crayons, glue, glitter, fabric and any other art supplies.

—Entries must be created

by elementary school-aged students in Texas.

—Entries must be mailed with the official entry form which is available for downloading at Texas Water kids page located at www.texaswater.org.

All entries will be judged by selected staff at Texas Water Foundation. Winners will be determined based on creativity and the entry's relevance to the slogan.

The deadline for entries is May 1, 2002. The winner will be announced May 3 and posted on the Water Kids Web page.

Mail entries to: Texas Water Foundation, P.O. Box 684571, Austin, TX 78768-4571.

Four accused of duping would-be citizens

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Four people were charged with taking money from immigrants seeking to become U.S. citizens and then staging bogus naturalization ceremonies complete with fake judges.

A yearlong investigation dubbed "Operation Charade" led to the arrests Tuesday of Elzbieta Malgorzata Bugajska, 50; John Patrick Bradley, 56; Yolanda Miel Lubiano, 62; and Lorena Velasquez Garcia, 39, a 15-year employee of the Social Security Administration.

Most of the victims were Koreans and Filipinos who were promised that their immigration applications would receive fast-track processing.

The scam included giving victims a quiz on American history and politics and leading them in the Pledge of

Allegiance during staged ceremonies, Assistant U.S. Attorney Andrew Cowan said. Some of those who were duped paid as much as \$25,000, authorities said.

Immigration and Naturalization Service investigators said victims told them of a swearing-in ceremony at Lubiano's home in October 2000. At the ceremony, Bradley wore a judge's robe and conferred "citizenship" on 14 people, authorities said.

Authorities also accused Bugajska of selling immigrants genuine Social Security cards, allegedly obtained from Garcia, for \$750.

All four defendants are charged with one count of mail fraud, and Bugajska and Bradley are also charged with impersonating federal judges.

WT to present annual Showcase of Music

CANYON — A program of vocal and instrumental talent will be presented by the West Texas A&M University Department of Music and Dance at the 22nd annual Showcase of Music beginning at 8 p.m. Friday, April 5 at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium.

Showcase of Music, sponsored by the Amarillo Globe-News, features music from the contemporary to the classical in small ensembles to big bands. The event was created to showcase student talent and to help raise funds for student scholarships. Funds are raised through advertising, ticket sales and donations. Since its inception more than 20 years ago, the program has raised more than \$300,000 for the department's scholarship fund.

"We are grateful to all the people of the Panhandle who have supported us for all these years," Doug Storey, associate professor of music and chair of the

Showcase committee, said. "It means a lot to the students."

A special highlight of this year's Showcase will be a flute ensemble featuring a solo by Dr. Gary Garner, who is retiring this summer as professor of music and director of bands and orchestras after a 39-year career at WTAMU.

The traditional preconcert show, featuring Bad Girls, will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium lobby. The group earned a spot on the Showcase program by being named the Jent's House of Music Student Competition winners. The group includes Alisha Bodin, junior music major from Canyon; Amy Browning-Clark, graduate student in performance from Canyon; Kim Hawbaker-Cooley, graduate student in music from Canyon; Anne Kane, junior music major from Freeport; Kristen Pedersen, junior music major from Mesa, Ariz.; and Emily Pledger, senior

music major from Brenham.

This year's Showcase will once again follow a traditional format for the first half of the program before switching to a fast-paced collage format in the second half. The collage format utilizes different areas of the auditorium to present one musical act right after another.

The Showcase program includes everything from a trumpet choir to a saxophone quintet and more.

Tickets for the event, priced at \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, are available at the WTAMU music office in the Fine Arts Building or in Amarillo at Jent's House of Music or Tarpley's Music. Tickets for preferred seating are priced at \$75 each and include a gourmet dinner at O.H.M.S. Preferred seating tickets are limited and all proceeds will benefit the student scholarship fund. For more information, contact the WTAMU music office at 806-651-2840.

Rep. Gary Condit subpoenaed to testify before D.C. grand jury

WASHINGTON (AP) — California Rep. Gary Condit has been subpoenaed to testify early next month by a grand jury investigating the disappearance of Chandra Levy, a source told The Associated Press.

A Superior Court grand jury in Washington has been examining allegations that Condit and aides tried to prevent wit-

nesses from cooperating with the Levy investigation.

The Washington Post reported the subpoena Tuesday, citing law enforcement sources. Last fall, the congressman disclosed that the grand jury had subpoenaed documents relating to the Levy case.

Condit, D-Calif., has denied

any involvement in Levy's disappearance. He and his aides also have denied attempting to silence anyone.

Levy, 24, of Modesto, Calif., disappeared without a trace in Washington nearly 11 months ago, shortly after she finished an internship at the U.S. Bureau of Prisons. Condit, 53 and married, reportedly told

police that he and Levy were having an affair.

Police have no idea what happened to Levy, despite an extensive investigation that included scores of officers and recruits combing local parks and abandoned buildings. "There is no light at the end of the tunnel," Terrance Gainer, the deputy police chief, said.

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