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LISD board to meet

LEFORS - Personnel, computer technology, agriculture science classes, transfer students and reports of superintendent and principals will be on the agenda of the Lefors Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 8, in the high school library, 209 Fifth St.

Financial reports, including current billings, cash position of district and tax collection report, will also be presented to the school trustees.

Doughnuts, anyone?

Reeborn Ministries will be offering fresh Krispy Kreme Doughnuts on Saturday, April 13, at Wal-Mart and Sweet Dreams from 7 a.m. until sold out. Pre-orders will be delivered at Briarwood Church. To pre-order, call Briarwood Church by Thursday, April 11. Contact Steve "Watty" Watson at Briarwood, 665-7201 by day, or at 665-2504 at night.

PHS '92 reunion plans

Plans are in the works for the Pampa High School Class of 1992 10-year reunion set for Aug. 9 and 10. For more information, contact Jennifer (Topper) Read by calling 665-3609 or by e-mail at jread@centramedia.net.

DEATHS

Col. William R. Caylor, 81, career U.S. Air Force.
G.W. "Gene" Danley, 72, former Lefors resident.

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Bivins warns of relying on taxes

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

I would prefer that we reduce our dependence on local property taxes and replace those revenues with education funding sources that more closely correlate with population growth.
Sen. Teel Bivins

Financing of Texas' public schools has been controversial for many years, and it doesn't look like that controversy is going to be settled in the near future.

While many school districts are at the maximum they can charge taxpayers — \$1.50 per \$100 valuation — the cost of paying for the public schools may go even higher if acting Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff's proposal goes into effect. State Senator Teel Bivins says there

are no bad ideas right now.

"There are many good aspects to Lt. Gov. Ratliff's proposal," said Bivins. "However, I have long been concerned by our state's over-reliance on property taxes and a statewide property tax would institutionalize this form of taxation. I would prefer that we reduce our dependence on local property taxes and replace those revenues with education funding sources that more closely correlate with population growth."

Last week, Ratliff proposed to the Senate-House Select Subcommittee that a

statewide tax rate of \$1.40 per \$100 of property value for all residential and business property be set to be earmarked for the schools.

His proposal is that the money would be redistributed to the state's 1,040 school districts.

Under that plan the local districts could also levy an additional 10 cents for their own use if approved by voters. Another 30 cents could be levied for debt service on school construction.

His plan calls for the state to pay about (See BIVINS, Page 3)

Time spent

Pampans recall moments with folksinger

By DARLENE BIRKES
FOR THE NEWS

At the site of the former Harris Drug Store, a marker recognizing Woody Guthrie and his stay in Pampa will be dedicated at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 14.

Participating in the program will be the presentation of colors by Boy Scout Troop 414 with leader John Curry; dedication by County Judge Richard Peet; unveiling by Thelma Bray; musical presentation by some members of the Austin Elementary School choir under the direction of Rebecca Lewis.

A reception sponsored by the White Deer Land Museum and Gray County Historical Commission will follow honoring Frank Stallings, Pampa native and author of "Black Sunday." He will do a short review preceding the presentation by ACT 1 of "This Land," a Reader's Theatre compiled and directed by Loralee Cooley.

The former Harris Drug Store operated between 1930 and 1944, when it closed. Owner Carl T. Harris died Nov. 15, 1979. Guthrie worked at the store from 1930-35 as a soda jerk, during some of his most formative years while living in Pampa from 1929-1937. There he found an old guitar and his uncle Jeff D. Guthrie taught him how to play.

Born in Okemah, Okla., July 14, 1912, Guthrie came at 17 to work at his father's rooming house at 315 1/2 S. Cuyler. His father, Charley, had arrived a year earlier. The family had suffered a

series of disasters in Okemah that included the loss of his sister in a fire which destroyed their home.

Following the tragedies, Guthrie was impressed that the Charlie Chaplin movies he took his mother to see in Okemah could make her laugh despite her sorrow and illness. His mother was institutionalized with Huntington's chorea, and she died soon after his arrival in Pampa.

While he lived alone in Okemah, he learned to entertain for his meals, telling stories, jokes and singing songs and old ballads he had learned from his mother.

Guthrie enrolled in Pampa High School for the 1929-30 school year.

"He was a big tease," recalls Viola Haggard Ingram.

She sat two rows across from Guthrie in study hall.

"He was always flipping notes across to me — usually drawings," said Ingram. "He had the curliest hair I had ever seen, wore high topped shoes laced up and bib overalls," she added. "He looked very young for his age. One day he came to school all dressed up as he and his uncle were going to perform at Rotary or one of the service clubs."

She remembers that he did drawings for the yearbook, and one time helped her draw a fire poster when she was "moaning about the assignment."

Another classmate, Helen Converse Harmon, remembers that "Woody was a very nice person — not a smart alec."

She had an autographed book, and he



(Photo by Robin Carson courtesy of the Woody Guthrie Foundation and Archives) Woody Guthrie performing with his guitar.

wrote in it and called her

Shakespeare.

"He drew a lot of pictures for me," she said, adding that she wished she had kept them. "He seemed smart, was just normal, polite, was a good mixer, and I liked him," said Harmon. "He could just

take a pen and scribble around and have a pretty picture."

She said he was a comic, enjoyed acting and joking around.

Guthrie later dropped out of school because he had to go to work. He was employed at the Harris Drug (See TIME, Page 3)

Saddam's reprieve

WASHINGTON (AP) — Forcing out Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has become a tricky proposition for the United States because of the war on the West Bank.

Just weeks ago, the Bush administration was talking as though Saddam was a new target in the war on terrorism, and military action was an imminent possibility.

But the violence between Israelis and Palestinians has thrown the region into turmoil and further polarized the Arabs, which makes an American military move against Iraq politically more unlikely, many analysts say.

Nevertheless, President Bush said in an interview Friday with a British television network that he is confident he can build a coalition to "deal with Saddam Hussein." He and British Prime Minister Tony Blair will discuss all options during Blair's weekend visit to Bush's Texas ranch, the president said.

"I made up my mind that Saddam needs to go," Bush said on the first day of talks with the British leader.

Blair was expected to press for diplomatic rather than military action.

"It is absolutely not viable in the near future," for America to launch an attack on Iraq, said retired Rear Adm. Eugene Carroll, now an independent analyst in Washington. "The small region simply cannot contain two conflicts at the same time."

Pick up a good book



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young) Janis Brackey of Pampa is one of many local book lovers who is gathering up new reading material at the Friends of The Library Annual Book Sale at the Lovett Memorial Library. The book sale will continue Sunday afternoon through Monday.

Who lives? Who dies?

BAGRAM, Afghanistan (AP) — Out of hundreds of sick Afghan kids, the doctors chose Fabot — the one with the huge brown eyes, adorable smile, and jaundiced skin from a blood disease that would likely have already killed him had he not been plucked from obscurity.

Three weeks later, the 12-year-old lies in one of four beds in a Spanish-run military hospital, a cluster of tents filled with state-of-the-art medical equipment that sits near the runway at Bagram Air Base. Outside the hospital on Friday, other Afghan children play with garbage and try to hawk old Russian knives to soldiers. This is a place where children die of diseases that could have been prevented by clean water or 5 cents worth of vaccination.

With such limited resources and a primary mission to treat soldiers, how do the doctors possibly pick who to treat?

"With tears in our eyes," said Lt. Col. Galo Sanchez, the orthopedic surgeon at the hospital, which opened in January at Bagram, one of two main military bases for the allied soldiers in Afghanistan. "With tears in our eyes."

Their main mission is to treat allied soldiers at the Spanish Hospital, and they have seen some 6,000 troops for various problems big and small. However, the doctors also see patients in the small town on the edge of the base, and are constantly exposed to the complete lack of modern medicine and the desperate need for care in Afghanistan.

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

CAYLOR, Col. William R. — 12 p.m., Eaton Funeral Home, Sullivan, Mo.
DANLEY, G.W. "Gene" — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Lefors.

COL. WILLIAM R. CAYLOR
 1921-2002

SULLIVAN, Mo. — Col. William R. Caylor, 81, died Wednesday, April 3, 2002. Services will be at 12 noon, Monday at Eaton Funeral Home with Charles Idelman, pastor, officiating. Interment will be with full military honors in National Cemetery, Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Col. Caylor was born March 14, 1921, at Pampa, to Paul and Ruth Caylor. He married Mary Faria on March 20, 1950. He held degrees from Texas A&M University and West Texas State Teachers College.

A career U.S. Air Force officer for 33

years, he saw action in World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

Following his retirement from the USAF, he enjoyed antiques and traveling with his wife on buying trips and road shows.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Clint.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Mary, of the home; a son, Lionel May of Gerald, Mo.; a daughter, Lynne May of Gerald; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

G.W. "GENE" DANLEY
 1929-2002

HOBART, Okla. — G.W. "Gene" Danley, 72, died Thursday, April 4, 2002, at Jackson County Memorial Hospital in Altus, Okla. Services will be at 2 p.m., Monday at First Baptist Church in Lefors with the Rev. Lewis Ellis officiating. Interment will be in Memorial Heights Cemetery in Lefors under the direction of Hackney-Gish Funeral Home of Hobart, Okla.

A former longtime Lefors resident, Mr. Danley was born Sept. 30, 1929, at Tipton, Okla., to John Ira and Carrie Ethel Hisaw Danley. He worked for Tennoco Oil

Company and was a U.S. Air Force veteran, serving during World War II.

He moved to Hobart in 1985.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mary Sue; and two brothers, Lee Danley and Ray Danley.

Survivors include two daughters, Virginia Maples and Kathy Miller, both of Lefors; two sisters, Ethel Head of Hobart and Irene Roberts of Lake Havashu City, Ariz.; and three grandchildren.

The body will be available for viewing from 12-1:30 p.m., Monday at First Baptist Church in Lefors.

FRANCES GUFFEY ATWATER
 1923-2002

MIDLAND — Frances Guffey Atwater passed away Wednesday, April 3, 2002, at a Midland care facility.

Frances was born in Midland, Kan., on Feb. 25, 1923. Her parents are the late Emmett and Loleta Guffey. She lived in Kansas, Bartlesville, Okla., and Wink, Texas, before moving to Midland, Texas, in 1934.

She is a 1940 graduate of Midland High School. While attending MHS, she was active with the Band and Student Council. She attended Draughn's Business College and McMurry College until the outbreak of World War II.

During World War II, Frances worked as a secretary at the MAAF Station Hospital at the Bombardier School where she met her husband, Howard Atwater. They were married 51 years before his death in 1998. Frances worked for American Trading Oil Company and West Texas Abstract Company. She then established and published "The Bulletin Board" in 1960 until her retirement in 1993.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, the Homer Fort Fellowship Sunday School Class and was the Historian of FUMC. A member of Beta Sigma Phi, Frances was a Lifetime Member of the Lee High School PTA where she served as President. She helped organize the Ex-Student's Association of Midland High School in 1985. She also served on the Homecoming Parade Committee, Hall of Honor Committee, Reunion 2000 and was responsible for the memorabilia case at MHS. Frances also helped organize memorabilia for the Bombardier School displayed at Midland Airport.

Frances is survived by her children, Connie Atwater Foote and her husband Jerry of Pampa, Tex.; Jim Atwater and his wife

Mary of Midland, Tex.; Bonnie Atwater of Midland, Tex.; grandsons, Lee Atwater of Midland, Tex., Chad Atwater of Midland, Tex., Lt. Michael Foote and his wife Danielle of Fort Bragg, N.C., Brian Foote of Amarillo, Tex.; SPC, Trey Atwater, U.S. Army Rangers, of Fort Bragg, N.C.; great-granddaughter, Candice Atwater of Midland, Tex.; and great-grandson, Micah Atwater of Midland, Tex.



A visitation was held April 5, 2002, at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland between the hours of 6-8 p.m.

Funeral services were scheduled at 3 p.m., Saturday, April 6, 2002, at First United Methodist Church, Main and Ohio Streets, Midland, Texas, with the Rev. Lane Boyd officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Hwy., Midland, Texas.

Pallbearers will be Lee Atwater, Chad Atwater, Michael Foote, Brian Foote, Trey Atwater and Jeremy Anderson. Honorary pallbearers will be Marian Reeder, Fay Smith, Lou Bliss, Joyce Elder and Ted Johnson.

Memorials may be directed to First United Methodist Church, 305 N. Baird St., TX 79701; or Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702.

ON RECORD

AMBULANCE

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, April 5

2:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of East Francis and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

3:07 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of North Hobart to a motor vehicle collision. No transport.

3:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of North Naida and transported

one to PRMC.

4:25 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of North Somerville and transported one to PRMC.

6:06 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred one to BSA-West, Amarillo.

9:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Campbell and transported one to PRMC.

10:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred one to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

WEATHER

Sunday, mostly cloudy. A 60 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs around 70. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Sunday night, partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of evening showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 60s. Monday evening, partly cloudy. Tuesday through Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Highs near 75. Friday, mostly clear. Lows 40 to 45. Highs around 70.

FIRE

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

Friday, April 5

3:17 p.m. — Three units and seven firefighters responded to a possible structure fire in the 1900 block of North Hobart. A hot ballast inside a cooler at the Allsup's convenience store had caused a smell like something burning.

3:35 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 500 block of North Naida.

POLICE

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

Friday, April 5

Waymon D. Wedgeworth, 23, 715 Sloan, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Linda Darlene McGuire, 56, 2133 Mary Ellen was arrested for issuing a bad check. She was released after paying fines.

Vernon Eugene Herring, 40, 220 N. Houston, was arrested for driving while intoxicated - second offense.

SHERIFF

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

Friday, April 5

Tracy Lee Worley, 51, 808 Beryl, was arrested for public intoxication.

Saturday, April 6

Jan M. Woods, 47, 1200 Darby, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety for driving while intoxicated - first offense.

Miami school board to meet Monday night

MIAMI - Junior High cheer-leading handbook, school election resolution and playground equipment will all be on the agenda of the Miami Independent School District at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 8.

Financial reports will include list of bills for payment, fund balances, lunchroom report, other reports and tax collector's report. The tax on travel trailers will be discussed. Tyler Rankin, Reserve

Grand Champion at the Houston Livestock Show, will be recognized.

Additional agenda items include school board training, transfer students, and media honor roll.

City Briefs

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Justice of Peace Curfman attends seminar

Judge Kurt R. Curfman attended a 20-hour justice of the peace seminar in San Antonio recently and was certified during the event.

The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice

Court Training Center, a division of Southwest Texas State University, with offices in Austin.

The seminar is one of five held for elected justices of the peace, so to meet continuing

judicial education requirements as set forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code.

Seminar topics included: judicial ethics, creating a bias-free court, traffic laws, inquests, family violence, miscellaneous hearings, juvenile law, Department of Transportation regulations, landlord-tenant issues, minor in possession, attorney and pro se litigants, J.P. office procedure, torts, deed restrictions, media relations and financial management.

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The Family of Nicholas Hopkins wishes to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and neighbors who were so kind to us during our recent bereavement and to express gratitude for the beautiful floral offerings. Also, we would like to thank everyone who sent cards, made phone calls and brought food to our home. A special thanks to Rick Parnell and Gregor Reeves. Nicholas will be greatly missed and never forgotten.
 Sincerely, Carolyn Hopkins, Benny and Andrea Baker, Joey and Kim McKnight and Carmen Lanier

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all the acts of kindness shown to us during this difficult time with the death of our mother.
 The family of Edrie Baldrige

We would like to express our total gratitude to everyone for their prayers, concerns, and love support and offerings in the loss of our precious child Kaid Shaller. No words can express our gratitude during this tragic time.
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TIME

Store were he found the old guitar and began his music career taking lessons from Uncle Jeff, a blue ribbon fiddler.

He played for square dances at the ranches and made up lyrics to go with the old tunes as well as sold pictures he had drawn. He sang about the Depression — the mortgages, debts, worries ... "there on the Texas plains right in the dead center of the dust bowl, with the oil boom over and the wheat blowed out and the hard-working people just stumbling about..." went one song.

Guthrie also worked as an oil field hand, fortune teller, healer and sign painter, the latter because he could not afford artist supplies but loved to illustrate.

He had a hunger for knowledge and spent much of his spare time in the Pampa City Library. Librarian Mrs. Evelyn Todd helped him with his book selections and once reported that he preferred psychology, religion and Eastern philosophy.

He had many theological discussions with Pampa minister Rev. Elys McKenzie, who had a passion for country music.

Richard Hughes wrote,

"We can surmise that his solitary study widened his vision, gave him confidence in his mind, and started the gushers of poetic language he would always have at creative moments."

Hughes also wrote, "In Pampa Woody found his calling — as poet-lyricist, and his tools — his voice and his guitar." Guthrie's time in Pampa, 1929-1937, prepared him for his productive years ahead.

While in Pampa, Guthrie married Mary Jennings, the sister of his best friend Matt Jennings on Oct. 28, 1933. They had three children. Bitten by wanderlust, he departed in 1936 by train, bid-

ding his farewell in song referring to the black duster of April 14, 1935:

"I've sung this song, but I'll sing it again,
of the place where I lived on the wild windy plains,
In the month called April, the county called Gray.

And here's what all the people did say:"

Refrain:
"So long, it's been good to know you,
So long, it's been good to know you,
So long, it's been good to know you,

This dusty ole dust is a-getting my home,
I've got to be driving along."

With Guthrie on the road and rarely returning, the couple finally separated in 1942. Later Guthrie married Majorie Mazia Greenblatt in New York, and they had three children, including the now well-known singer Arlo Guthrie.

In New York, Guthrie became known in folk music circles and worked with Pete

Seeger, Alan Lomax and others who saw him as the real thing in his western experiences and Dust Bowl days. He began to show signs of his mother's disease, Huntington's chorea, in the 1950s. He died Oct. 3, 1967.

Guthrie wrote three autobiographical works illustrated with his sketches: "Bound for Glory," made into a motion picture in 1970; "Seeds of Man" and "Born to Win," and a collection of folk songs and sketches in "American Folksong."

U.S. News & World Report ranked his song, "This Land is Your Land," as the third most popular song of the past century. The popular song is illustrated in sculpted music notes on Texas Highway 70 in Pampa.

Today Woody is recognized as a major American literary figure, a gifted folk poet, and the greatest folk balladeer America has ever known according to Jim Longhi, author of "Woody, Cisco, & Me."

(Note: Research for the above in application for the Texas Historical Marker included Joe Klein's book "Woody Guthrie: A Life"; Guthrie's own writings; and "Gray County Heritage"

interviews.

The following is a copy of the text for the Woody Guthrie marker to be dedicated at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 14 at the newly established Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center in Pampa:

"American folk musician Woodrow Wilson 'Woody' Guthrie (1912-1967) moved to Pampa from his native Oklahoma at age 17. Here he learned to play the guitar and joined with other musicians to perform for area events. Guthrie briefly attended Pampa High School and, from 1930 until 1935, worked as a soda jerk at this site, home of the former Harris Drug Store. He also spent much time reading books in the Pampa City Library, preparing him for his most productive years as a poet-lyricist and folk balladeer during the 1940s and early 1950s. He left Pampa for California in 1937 and in 1940 went to New York City, where he was recognized for his writings and performances. He died there in 1967."



(Courtesy photo)

Directors of Community Christian School inspect property that was recently purchased to provide a play area for students. The property on Gillespie Street will be cleared and developed this spring and summer. Board members pictured are: Jeff Chisum, Dan Bachler, Stephanie Kelly, and Dottie Fraser.

Messianic Jew to speak at banquet

"This morning's news of another terrorist bombing of a bus along the Hadera-Afula Road was a bit much for me to bear. We drive this road often and will be doing so next week."

This is a portion of a message received by friends of Marty Cohen who lives in Israel.

Cohen is coming to Pampa as the guest of the Board of Directors and families of Community Christian School. He will be the speaker at the school's annual fund-raising banquet at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 11, in the Heritage Room of the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium.

As a Jewish man and as Jewish men over the centuries have done, Cohen sought a relationship with the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Like thousands of other Jewish men and women, he found that relationship through a personal relationship with Jesus the Messiah.

While worshipping in Messianic Jewish congregations in Dallas, Cohen began teaching within the congregations and in churches throughout north Texas.

In 1996, he incorporated a ministry called "Messianic Messages." Messianic Messages is a teaching min-

istry that reaches others through Bible study, pulpit ministry, a monthly newsletter, and through cooperation with Jewish ministries and churches. Cohen has taught in almost every Bible-believing denomination.

In 1999, Cohen and wife Carol answered God's call to the land that He calls beautiful. They sold their home in the Dallas area, gave most of their possessions to their children, and moved to Israel. There, he produces a radio program called "Messianic Messages Out of Zion" which is broadcast on www.oneplace.com, and is soon to be heard on American Family Radio (AFR).

Cohen returns to the United States a few times a year and is available for pulpit ministry and for teaching at conferences and seminars on topics related to the Jewish roots of Christianity, the significance of the Biblical Feasts of the Lord for the church, and the Christian responsibility for Jewish evangelism.

Tickets for the Community Christian School banquet are available at the school office, from any school family or staff member, or by calling the school at 665-3393.

Proceeds from the fund-

raising banquet will be used to fund several projects of the school which include developing a play area, offering additional grades, and providing scholarships for some students. The public is invited to attend.

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BIVINS

90 percent of Texas' public education costs. Currently, the state pays about 40 percent, and about 50 percent comes from local taxes. The remainder comes from the federal government.

Ratliff helped author the current "Robin Hood" system in 1993.

About 100 property-rich districts now must send tax dollars from their districts to fund the poorer districts to equalize funding.

In order for the measure to pass, the legislature would first have to pass a bill the governor must sign. Then, a constitutional amendment must be approved by two-thirds of both the House and Senate. Voters across the state would have to approve the measure before it became law.

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And she slept right through ...

Got an e-mail this week with photos of a freshly-minted palomino Walking Horse filly attached.

From what I understand, I don't think the birth of a human could have been as anxiously awaited as was this foal.

But when you are an 11-year-old girl named Rachel who thinks a horse hung the moon, that's how it is.

Rachel's father Randy is one of the publishers in our company and I worked with him in Perryville, Mo., for about six months before coming to Pampa.

His daughter really is into horses and she's lucky to have parents who support her in this endeavor. As a matter of fact, the whole family has gotten into the act.

It's been good for them all and for Randy it has helped him develop a new set of friends who don't think he lives only to put their names in the police news. Sometimes, I think being in the newspaper business in a small town is



KATE B. DICKSON
 ASSOCIATE
 PUBLISHER

similar to being a cop ... from the way some people approach you ... standoffishly. Is that a word? If not, you get the drift.

But I digress. It seems that as the due date approached Rachel bought a testing kit that was supposed to determine within 48-hours when a foal is about to be born. So their kitchen had this equipment spread all over the counter for days as Rachel would take milk samples from the mare and test them.

She was absolutely determined to see

the foal born so she slept on a cot in the barn for three nights. And it was cold, too. Below freezing part of the time. Randy and his wife Sue took turns coming out during the night to check on Rachel ... and the mare.

On the third night, Randy came out about 2 a.m. All was quiet. Sue made her check about an hour or so later.

Still nothing. Then, about 6 a.m., Rachel came bounding into her mom and dad's bedroom to deliver the news.

The foal was here. The testing equipment had been right. Rachel was so excited by the whole thing that she didn't show too much disappointment.

No matter the high-tech test. The mare had been crafty ... and quiet.

And all the "camping out" had been for naught. Rachel slept right through the blessed event.

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TEXAS EDITORIALS

Terrorism war not limited to bin Laden and followers

Midland Reporter-Telegram on bolstering public opinion against Iraq:

When President George W. Bush declared a "war on terrorism" in the wake of the horrific attack Sept. 11 on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. he tried to impress upon Americans the efforts would be far-reaching and would take time.

Back then, it was easy to surmise the prime target of our nation's war on terrorism would be Osama bin Laden, the suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks.

However, the Bush administration clearly has indicated our efforts to combat terrorism would not be limited to bin Laden and his followers.

Now renewed attention appears to be aimed at Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein.

The administration's political dialogue against Hussein has been ratcheted up a notch.

Although our president has enjoyed widespread support among the American people in his bold efforts to combat terrorism and secure our homeland, midterm elections are rapidly approaching and the political divisions over how to conduct our rational anti-terrorism efforts are becoming more apparent.

On one of the Sunday morning talk shows recently, U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., characterized President Bush's decision (the 41st president that is) not to pursue Saddam Hussein in the aftermath of victory in the Gulf War as the "worst foreign policy decision" of that century. We believe Sen. Durbin overlooked a few significant chapters of American history when he came up with that politically motivated soundbite, and we also would remind him our stated mandate under the United Nations and from our fellow coalition members did not provide for hunting down the Iraqi dictator.

Today, we are operating under a new directive. This time we intend to get to the roots of terrorism and intelligence information indicates that Hussein hasn't been quietly passing the time in his many palaces.

"Baghdad has a long history of supporting terrorism, altering its targets to reflect changing priorities and goals. It has also had contacts with Al Qaeda," CIA Director George Tenet told the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in early February. "Their ties may be limited by divergent ideologies, but the two sides' mutual antipathy toward the United States and the Saudi royal family suggests that tactical cooperation between them is possible — even though Saddam is well aware that such activity would carry serious consequences."

Many times, President Bush has reminded us the mission is clear. It could be a long and costly battle. But our cause is just.

This administration's intention to take on Saddam Hussein should come as no surprise.

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Used responsibly, guns save lives

In June, a new book will be published that I urge every American to read. It's called "Guns Save Lives: True Stories of Americans Defending Their Lives With Firearms." The author is Robert Waters. The publisher is Loompanics Unlimited.

If your politically correct bookstore doesn't have it by June, tell it to order the book for you.

This is not a dull, scholarly study, nor is it a book of arguments. Robert Waters has just done a fine job of reporting. He tracked down 14 people who had been forced to defend their lives, their families or their employees and businesses with a firearm. He interviewed them and others involved in the cases, including police. Then, like a good storyteller, he tells you what happened, blow by blow.

These are exciting stories, some of them terrifying. To summarize just one, imagine that you are a woman with two small children in the house. You're home recuperating from recent surgery. You go to the front door, and a man shoves his way in and begins to stab you with a knife - in the chest, in the arm, in the eye.

Your screams bring your 11-year-old son down from upstairs, and he hurls his frail, little body on the back of the thug who is trying to kill you. The thug shakes the boy off and begins to beat him. This gives you the chance to stumble downstairs and retrieve your pistol. It is a mother's love that gives you strength through all your pain and fear to climb back up those stairs, gushing blood every step. You know only you and that pistol



CHARLEY REESE
 COLUMNIST

stand between death and your children. You shoot the bastard four times. He drops, paralyzed from the chest down.

This time the guy was sentenced to life without parole. I said "this time" because he had a record of felony convictions that should have kept him in prison. That is a common theme. In almost all of these cases, the bad guys were convicted felons who never should have been let out of prison, but were by a badly run criminal justice system.

I say it plainly: If you rely on the criminal justice system to protect you and your family, you're relying on a flawed system that has resulted in the deaths and serious injuries of literally thousands of innocent people who were murdered or assaulted by people with many convictions on their records. The revolving door of our prison system still, has not been completely shut, though some progress in some states has been made. Even so, there are still many idiots in black robes who seem to have far more sympathy for the criminals than for the victims.

Incidentally, if you want a reason to never vote for a liberal governor, that's it. A liberal governor is going to appoint lib-

eral judges, and unless you are a career criminal, that's the last kind of judge you want sitting on the bench. It breaks your heart to read these stories of good, decent people who were terrified and often badly injured before they could save their lives with a firearm.

I don't make any bones about it: I hate the gun-control crowd. They are liars and deceivers at worst and fools at best. The men who took up private arms to win their liberty from British tyranny wrote the Second Amendment in the Bill of Rights to make sure every American would also have a firearm for self-defense and for the defense of liberty.

Scholarly works that have been done - more than 20 of them - show that anywhere from hundreds of thousands to 2 million Americans defend themselves or their property with firearms every year. Yet deaths from firearm accidents have steadily decreased until they are next to dead last on the list of accidental fatalities.

Of course, if you buy a gun, learn what the laws are, learn to use the weapon, and learn to use it and store it responsibly. That goes without saying. This nation was created by intelligent and responsible people for intelligent and responsible people. Don't vote for one single politician who even hints he or she might want to limit your right to own and use a firearm in self-defense. This is a no-compromise issue.

(Charley Reese can be contacted at briarl@earthlink.net.)

FROM OUR FILES

40 years ago

SUNDAY, April 8, 1962. William Rutledge was elected president of the Evening Lions Club at the Thursday night meeting of the civic group in Poole's Steak House.

TUESDAY, April 10, 1962. Robert E. Lee Junior High School's "Rebel Rouser," semi-monthly publication, won five places in the junior high division at the recent Panhandle High School Press Association meeting in Canyon.

WEDNESDAY, April 11, 1962. **AMARILLO** — Pampa's Harvesters, who man-

aged to ring up a scant three runs and nine hits in three district games this year, exploded with a vengeance Tuesday against the Paló Duro Dons as the local nine romped to a crushing 14-0 victory over their neighbors to the west.

25 years ago

THURSDAY, April 7, 1977. C. Richard Maxey recently was named manager of Gas Products and Gathering for Cabot Corporation.

FRIDAY, April 8, 1977. **CANADIAN** — Jack Hawthorne has resigned, effec-

tive April 17, as head football coach and athletic director at Canadian High School to accept similar positions at San Marcos in South Texas.

SUNDAY, April 10, 1977. The Pampa plant of Celanese Chemical Company spent more than \$37 million on the purchase of supplies and services in Texas during 1976, it was announced today by C.E. Steel, plant manager.

10 years ago

TUESDAY, April 7, 1992. David Johnson and Kristen Becker of Pampa captured the

three-point shooting contest held in conjunction with the Golden Spread All-Star Basketball Tournament last weekend in Amarillo's Cal Farley Coliseum.

THURSDAY, April 9, 1992. John Stewart of Pampa came first in the Master's Category of the Arts Festival Criterium held last month in Lubbock.

SUNDAY, April 12, 1992. A grateful mother's heartfelt letter led to Travis Elementary kindergarten teacher Pat Stucker receiving KFDA-Channel 10's "Golden Apple" award for April.

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Sheila Neslage, Gaye Honderich and Diann Birdsell, members of Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa, prepare recipes for the organization's upcoming Style Show and Brunch which will kick-off at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 13 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 a piece and may be purchased from any local Altrusa member or at the door on the day of the event. Proceeds benefit local community service projects.

Percussion Day 2002 slated at university

CANYON — Area students will converge on the West Texas A&M University campus as the Department of Music and Dance hosts Day of Percussion 2002 on Saturday, April 13 with special guest artist Steve Houghton.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and continues throughout the day in the Atrium of Mary Moody Northern Hall.

The event will kick off with a middle school, junior high and high school percussion ensemble competition from 9 a.m.-noon in Northern Recital Hall. Dr. Susan Martin Tariq, WTAMU associate professor of music, will lead a clinic from 1-2 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building, Room 203.

Houghton, a member of the faculty at the Indiana University School of Music, will direct a clinic from 2:15-3:45 p.m. in Northern Recital Hall. He is an internationally known author, composer, recording artist, educator, performer and clinician.

His successful career includes working with names such as Woody Herman and the Young

Thundering Herd, Toshiko Akiyoshi, Freddie Hubbard, Joe Henderson, Maureen McGovern and Paul Anka. He has also performed as a soloist with various symphony orchestras including the Boston Pops Orchestra, San Antonio Symphony, Beverly Hills Pops Orchestra, American Wind Symphony and Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra.

He has more than 20 educational publications/compositions to his credit and has produced five educational videos. His talents can also be heard on several television shows ranging from Coach to the American Country Music Awards.

When not recording, Houghton travels the country and performs at universities in educational and concert venues.

A final concert at 4 p.m. will feature Houghton with the WTAMU Percussion Ensemble.

Day of Percussion 2002 is sponsored by Avedis Zildjian Cymbal Company, Pearl, Remo and Jen's House of Music.

Registration is \$5 per student. For more information, call Tariq at (806) 651-2838.

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CANYON — West Texas A&M University became a partner-member of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) in 2002, and that association has made WTAMU students eligible to apply for several HACU scholarship programs for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Applicants will be considered for the following HACU awards without regard to race, creed, national origin, gender, age or handicap, according to Velma Murillo, administrative assistant to the WTAMU president.

—Bureau of Land Management Award: Full-time undergraduate students with declared majors in natural resources, sciences or forestry who possess a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.2.

—CIO Magazine Scholarship Award: Full-time undergraduate or graduate students with declared majors in a computer science degree program who possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2.

—CLASS/Coors Light Academic Success in Education Award: Full-time undergraduate students of any major who possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2.

—Fannie Mae Scholarship Award: Full-time, first-year graduate students enrolled in a business administration degree program with a concentration and at least two years of experience in technology, marketing, finance or accounting who possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25.

—General Motors Engineering Excellence Award: Full-time (at least 12 credit hours per semester or its equivalent for graduate students) undergraduate or graduate students at four-year schools with declared majors in an engineering degree program who possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2. This award is renewable based on availability of funds and a student's continuing eligibility.

—NASCAR Scholarship Award: Undergraduate or graduate students of any major who

demonstrate either a recreational or professional interest in the motorsports industry. Undergraduates must be full-time, able to use the award during their junior or senior year and possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Graduate students must be attending school on at least a part-time basis and possess a cumulative GPA of 3.2. Applicants also must provide a one-page statement demonstrating their recreational or professional interest in the motorsports industry.

—Wal-Mart Achievers Award: Full-time undergraduate students enrolled in at least their sophomore year and having completed a minimum of one year of full-time study. Students must be declared majors in business administra-

tion, general management or retail management and possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Applicants who work while attending school and demonstrate an interest in retail management are preferred.

HACU represents more than 315 colleges and universities in 23 states, Puerto Rico, seven countries in Latin America and in Spain.

All applications for the 2002-2003 academic year must be received by HACU by June 28, 2002. Scholarship applications are available at HACU's Web site: www.hacu.net or by contacting HACU at (210) 692-3805, ext. 3231 or at members@hacu.net. For more information about scholarships available at WTAMU, contact Velma Murillo at (806) 651-2960.

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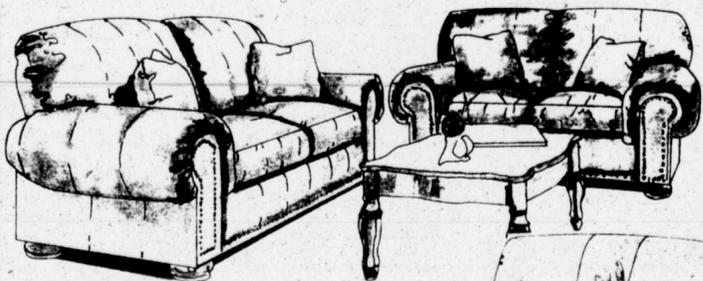
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Healthbeat: Fewer medical tests may be enough

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP MEDICAL WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — It seems almost every week brings a new headline: Get diabetes tests at younger ages. Seek annual thyroid exams. Get screened for prostate cancer. Oh, and don't forget to check for kidney disease.

Specialty medical groups and patient advocates are urging more and more seemingly healthy Americans to get screened for early signs of numerous diseases. After all, spot an illness early and often you can fight it better.

How much testing does the average symptom-free person really need?

Not all that much, is the surprising answer from the expert panel that sets the nation's primary care standards.

Even that traditional checkup where "all of us go in and just get checked from soup to nuts" isn't needed every year for many people, says Janet Allan, co-chair of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.

And several often-recommended tests, such as prostate cancer screening or bone-density tests, actually are controversial because of mixed studies about their benefit. In fact, studies by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cite only a handful of screenings — for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers, high blood pressure and high cholesterol — considered most essential.

Testing isn't always the best preventive care, adds Allan, dean of nursing at the University of Texas, San Antonio. The counseling that busy health workers often forget or bypass is crucial.

Most of Americans' lead-

ing diseases are related to smoking, poor diet, little exercise and risky sexual practices. Yet a recent analysis by Georgetown University's Center on an Aging Society found only about half of adults even were asked about such risk factors during their last doctor's exam.

Customizing preventive care to adjust for risks that patients can change — and those they can't, like a family history of disease — is slowly overtaking the more typical mass appeals to screen millions for everything. That means consumers must have a regular doctor who knows their health history intimately — a "medical home" — to ensure they get the right tests at the right time, says Dr. Edward Hill, a Tupelo, Miss., family physician and chair-elect of the American Medical Association's board.

Is there a checklist to ensure consumers get the most essential tests? Allan's task force is an independent panel charged by the government to come up with such a master list. It now is reevaluating the latest research for a six-month rollout of updated advice.

Here's the checklist so far for people at average risk of disease:

—Cholesterol testing: every five years starting at age 35 for men and age 45 for women, to check total cholesterol and the "good" HDL type and "bad" LDL type, but not triglycerides.

Anyone at high risk of heart disease — a smoker, a diabetic, someone whose parent died of heart disease before age 50 or who has high blood pressure — needs cholesterol testing starting at age 20, Allan cautions.

—Regular checks of blood pressure, whether by a doctor

or more accessible spots like drugstores, and oral health.

—To detect colorectal cancer, an annual fecal occult blood test for men and women starting at age 50. Also, they need a more invasive exam — a sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy — once or twice a decade.

—For women, a Pap smear to check for cervical cancer every one to three years. Also, a mammogram every year or two starting at age 50. Mammography has suddenly

become embroiled in debate — some scientists challenge its effectiveness while others urge earlier testing — so the panel is reexamining it.

—Young women who have had more than one sexual partner need testing for chlamydia, a very common sexually transmitted disease. There is no easy male test.

—A regular hearing exam starting at age 65.

What about other widely pushed tests?

Some are controversial. For

instance, studies are mixed on just who benefits from prostate cancer screening since there's no good way to tell if men have a type of tumor that needs immediate therapy or not, Allan says. For now, the task force advises men to discuss this one with their doctors.

For bone-crippling osteoporosis, doctors argue over just which bone test to use, much less who needs it when. But if the doctor is counseling women about proper weight,

nutrition and exercise, "you're already treating the problem," Hill contends.

Specialty groups urged screening for diabetes as early as age 30 plus a list of other tests to catch such ailments as thyroid or kidney disease.

Stay tuned: The task force now is debating many such tests. Meanwhile, Allan advises people to "demand of your provider more information" so you can tailor testing to your biggest disease risks.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Lauran Neergaard covers health and medicine for The Associated Press in Washington.

High BP may up heart attack risk

BY STEPHANIE NANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

How high is too high when it comes to blood pressure? New research suggests a reading a few points below the official benchmark for high blood pressure significantly increases the risk of heart attacks and strokes.

"The lower your blood pressure, the better off you are," said one of the researchers, Dr. Ramachandran S. Vasan of Boston University School of Medicine. "Our findings emphasize the need for people to maintain optimal levels of blood pressure."

The study of 6,859 men and women in a recent New England Journal of Medicine concluded that those with so-called high-normal blood pressure are two to three times more likely to suffer a heart attack, stroke or heart failure in 10 years than those with what is considered optimal or ideal blood pressure.

About 19 percent of adults in the United States have hypertension, or high blood pressure, and 13 percent have high-normal blood pressure, Vasan said.

"Individuals with high-normal blood pressure are a large chunk of the population and physicians need to share this information with them — that there is now data to suggest they could be at increased risk," he said.

Blood pressure is the force of blood in the arteries and is measured in two numbers. The high number, systolic, is the pressure when the heart contracts. The lower number, diastolic, is the pressure between beats when the heart relaxes.

High blood pressure is above 140 over 90; high-normal is 130-139 over 85-89; normal is 120-129 over 80-84 and optimal is less than 120 over 80.

Those with high-normal blood pressure are often older, overweight, have high cholesterol or diabetes — all possible contributors to heart disease, Vasan said.

Current guidelines suggest diet and exercise to lower high-normal blood pressure. Vasan said research is needed to determine whether more aggressive treatment, including medications, is warranted.

If studies show treatment is beneficial, the threshold for treating blood pressure with medications could be lowered, said Dr. Julio A. Panza of Washington Hospital Center, who wrote an accompanying editorial. "Depending on what other studies in the future show, it may have a significant implication," Panza said.

Area Outreach Health Services offers 10 tips for new moms

The isolation that often comes with caring for a new baby can result in needless worry by many new mothers. The Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program, which is administered by Outreach Health Services (OHS) in your community, can be an invaluable resource for these new moms.

WIC is a well-respected, federally funded program that gives children a healthy start by encouraging optimal nutrition during the critical stages of development. WIC participants have access to many benefits, including vouchers for healthy foods, immunizations, ongoing nutrition education classes, meal planning assistance and breastfeeding instruction and support.

For those women who may be struggling with the care of a newborn, OHS/WIC Clinics offer these helpful answers to typical concerns experienced by new mothers:

Why does my newborn cry so much? If he has been fed and burped and changed, the most likely reason he is crying is because he's too warm or too cool. Temperature is the main source of discomfort for a newborn. Because babies have immature temperature regulators, they are very sensitive to heat and cold. Try adding or removing layers of clothing and see if that does the trick.

My friend's baby is younger than mine but is more developmentally advanced. It is vitally important to remember that there is no such thing as an average baby. Your infant's patterns for eating, sleeping and crying will be different from those of other babies. Likewise, she will develop at her own pace. No two babies are alike.

When my baby wakes up crying in the middle of the night, which should I do first: feed him or change him? Try feeding him for a while, then stopping to change him before finishing the feeding. This way you won't awaken him by changing him during the deep sleep an infant enjoys when he has a full tummy.

Every time I feed my baby she spits up. All babies occasionally spit up after eating. Some spit up large amounts after every feeding. Although this can be distressing, as long as your baby continues to gain weight, there's probably not a cause for concern. As a possible solution, see if she will let you burp her several times during each feeding.

What's the best way to hold my baby when he seems to have gas? The "airplane hold" is a

great alternate holding method that puts pressure on a baby's abdomen. Lay the infant chest-down on your forearm with his head facing down or resting in the palm of your hand (face turned to the side) and his arms and legs dangling. Give him a gentle back rub with your free hand and perhaps swing him lightly from side to side.

My baby's head seems disproportionately large. Don't be alarmed by this. A newborn's head is about one-fourth of her total body length. Her body will grow to catch up in size. Also, don't stress out about the "soft spots" on your baby's head. Because a thick membrane protects her head in those places, you can gently touch them without causing any harm.

What is the best way to care for my baby's umbilical cord? Cord care is not a pretty chore, but it must be done faithfully at every diaper change until the stump falls off (usually about two weeks). Dip a cotton swab in water or rubbing alcohol and use it to clean away the sticky crust and fluid that may collect where the stump meets the skin. Fold your baby's diaper below the cord and avoid giving him tub baths while the cord is still attached.

When I breastfeed my baby I can't gauge how much milk she is drinking. How do I know she is getting enough? Three or four days after delivery a breastfed baby should have six to eight wet diapers a day. If you are using disposable diapers this may be hard to determine because they are so absorbent; put a tissue inside the diaper to check for wetness.

What's a safe way to trim my baby's fingernails and toenails? It's best to trim nails after the baby's bath while the nails are still soft. You can do this while he is lying down or sitting in your lap. Press the pad of the finger or toe away from the nail so the nail sticks out and snip only the white part of the nail.

Why must I be concerned about my baby's dental care when she doesn't have any teeth? It's never too early to begin familiarizing your baby with daily teeth cleaning. Even before the first tooth is showing, it's a good idea to wipe your baby's gums with a damp gauze or washcloth. This gets her accustomed to a daily dental care routine before she makes the transition to a toothbrush.

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Military program provides laser eye surgery for troops

BY JAMES HANNAH
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Air Force Tech. Sgt. Ronald Neldon wore his eyeglasses to bed for five years after he survived a terrorist attack in Saudi Arabia.

"Do I wear the glasses or do I not sleep?" Neldon said. "I was afraid of something happening without being able to see."

Neldon no longer sleeps while wearing his glasses because he is among thousands of U.S. airmen, soldiers and sailors to receive laser eye surgery under a program authorized by Congress two years ago. The program is designed to free troops from eyeglasses, which can get broken or lost in combat, or interfere with gas masks.

The military previously had prohibited laser eye surgery, in part because of a fear it could structurally weaken the eye. However, it changed its stance following research by the Navy.

About 17,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen have received the surgery, some of it dating back to 1993, when the Navy research began, according to spokesmen for all three branches.

The surgery is performed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., and at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. It is also provided at Army and Navy centers in San Diego, Bethesda, Md., Fort Smith, Va., Fort Bragg, N.C., Fort Hood, Texas, and Honolulu.

The surgery is strictly voluntary. In the Air

Force, aviators and special forces troops — those most likely to see combat or wear respirators or gas masks — receive top priority, said Air Force Col. Leo Hurley who performs the surgery at Wright-Patterson. Those not eligible could include people with medical conditions such as arthritis or diabetes, which could impair healing.

Neldon, a security policeman, was in bed when a truck bomb exploded outside Khobar Towers in 1996 in Dhahran, killing 19 American servicemen and injuring 372 other people.

The blast sent his eyeglasses flying from a nightstand to the floor, coming to rest under a locker. Neldon crawled around the dark room on his hands and knees until he found his glasses.

"Without my glasses, I can't see," Neldon said. "You're scared."

The 39-year-old Neldon has broken five pairs of glasses while sleeping with them, including two pairs of more durable military glasses. In December, an Air Force doctor at Wright-Patterson performed the laser eye surgery that made his eyeglasses unnecessary.

The smell of burning tissue during the surgery triggered flashbacks of the bombing.

"I just froze," Neldon recalled. "It literally scared the hell out of me." A technician took his hand, bringing him back to reality.

More than 3 million Americans have undergone laser eye surgery since the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved its use in 1995. The American Academy of

Ophthalmology says the surgery has caused vision problems for less than 1 percent of those receiving it.

Congress approved \$15 million for the military program. Of that, Wright-Patterson received about \$2 million in July 2000 and transformed a hospital ward into an outpatient laser surgery clinic. Treatments there began in May.

Hurley, who performs the surgery at Wright-Patterson, estimates that 40 percent of the Air Force's 350,000 troops require corrective lenses.

Hurley performed the surgery on one navigator who said he would be virtually blind without his glasses and feared he would be defenseless if he had to eject behind enemy lines.

When navigators and other airmen are forced to eject from airplanes, glasses and contacts are ripped off by the high wind.

"If we can make them less dependent upon their glasses, we have, in effect, made a better soldier," Hurley said. "We're building a better warrior with technology."

At Wright-Patterson, there is a months-long waiting list.

Patients lie on their backs in a reclining chair positioned next to a console with a video and computer monitor. The surgeon peers through a microscope and controls the laser with a joystick device. The procedure takes about 15 minutes, and the patients can go home afterward.

The procedure used by the Air Force is photorefractive keratectomy, or PRK. Surface

cells of the eye are scraped away, and an ultraviolet laser is used to flatten the surface of the cornea, improving the way the eye focuses light.

The surface cells regenerate themselves within seven days, then it takes up to four weeks for any blurred vision to clear.

The Air Force does not offer LASIK (laser in-situ keratomileusis) surgery, even though it is usually less painful and recovery time is quicker.

With LASIK, the surgeon cuts a tiny flap in the cornea and folds it back, uses a laser to flatten the surface of the cornea, and reattaches the flap. Hurley said the flap can be displaced during combat, impairing vision.

Although the risk of problems with laser eye surgery is low — less than 1 percent — in some cases there can be infection that can prevent perfect vision, Hurley said.

"The military is willing to accept that," he said. "You've got a procedure that's pretty good, but it's not perfect."

Pete Sepp, spokesman for the National Taxpayers Union, an Alexandria, Va.-based watchdog group, said the procedure should be restricted to those who would need it in combat.

"It could be a worthy procedure providing it were limited to personnel where it would make a critical difference in their performance," Sepp said.

On the Net:
American Academy of Ophthalmology:
<http://www.aao.org/>

Drug lauded for perhaps preventing wasting seen in burn victims

BOSTON (AP) — A widely used blood pressure drug shows strong potential for slowing the metabolic overdrive that makes patients waste away after severe burns and other major injuries, researchers say.

The long-recognized phenomenon stems from the

body's fight to heal itself. It ramps up metabolic functions and quickens heart rate but ultimately overshoots, eating away muscle and bone and weakening the patient.

Skin grafts can dampen this hypermetabolism in burn patients, but scientists have also tested drugs such as

insulin and anabolic steroids. Some show benefit, but none has worked well enough for general use.

In a study in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine, researchers at Shriners Hospital for Children in Galveston, Texas, tried propranolol on 13 children with

bad burns and left 12 untreated to compare.

The drug, one of a class known as beta blockers, checks the stimulating action of the hormone adrenaline and helps keep heart rates down in cardiac patients.

In the Texas experiment, the drug eased the children's heart

rates an average of 20 percent.

More significantly, the youngsters lost just 1 percent of muscle and bone mass over four weeks of recovery. The untreated group lost 9 percent.

The children all had burns over at least 40 percent of their bodies. None suffered from pneumonia or needed much mechanical help to breathe.

Dr. David Herndon, who led the study, said more research is needed to show how much the preserved body mass strengthens patients and boosts recovery.

He believes the drug could safely slow hypermetabolism in thousands of patients, including many with crush and broken bone injuries from

falls or car wrecks.

He said the drug, pronounced proh-PRAN-ah-lahl, is also inexpensive at roughly \$1 a day, compared with perhaps \$35 for steroids.

It should not be taken by patients with asthma and other respiratory problems, because it aggravates wheezing. Doctors must also be careful not to lower heart rates too far, Herndon said.

Dr. Robert Sheridan, a burn specialist at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, said the drug can be used to counter hypermetabolism on some patients now and could ultimately find widespread use. He recommended other testing on more seriously ill burn patients and others.

Hospitals court students amid pharmacist shortage

PITTSBURGH (AP) — During a time of layoffs and frustrating job searches, Todd Markowski is starting his new career with an \$80,000-a-year job and a \$10,000 relocation bonus. He accepted the lucrative deal after turning down three other offers.

The graduating senior at Duquesne University, who will be working at a CVS pharmacy in Cleveland, is one of many pharmacy students across the country benefiting from a severe shortage of pharmacists.

Thanks to a record number of new drugs, aging baby boomers taking more medication and the proliferation of managed health care, colleges across the country can't seem to graduate pharmacy students quickly enough.

A study released by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services shows the number of unfilled positions for drug store pharmacists climbed from 2,700 in 1998 to nearly 7,000 in 2000, the most recent year for which figures are available.

Pharmacists have also become much busier. In 1999, retail pharmacists filled 2.8 billion prescriptions, up 44 percent from 1992.

Lucinda Maine of the American Pharmaceutical Association said the shortage of pharmacists is affecting areas across the country.

"It's across all settings and it appears it will be long-standing," she said. "There's no quick remedy."

College officials say they're trying to meet the demand by offering accelerated courses and increasing class size. Meanwhile, pharmacies and hospitals are in a bidding war, offering bonuses and tuition reimbursement.

A graduate of the nation's 83 pharmacy schools can expect to make between \$70,000 and \$75,000, or as much as \$90,000 in

states like California, where the shortage is more severe, Maine said.

Gary Stoehr, associate dean at the University of Pittsburgh's School of Pharmacy, says six of his students were treated to a trip to Florida while interning at Walgreens.

"They were showing them what they have to offer in hopes that they would come to work for them later," said Stoehr.

University of Arkansas pharmacy student John Kirtley said he has received calls from Walgreens and Wal-Mart with job offers that pay as much as \$85,000, plus profit sharing.

"I'm feeling really good about it," said Kirtley, 23. "There's a lot of opportunity. I'm sure everyone in my class is going to find a job."

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CDC: Flu season past peak

ATLANTA (AP) — The worst of the U.S. flu season appears to be over.

Flu cases seem to have peaked in late February and dropped steadily since then, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported recently.

At the peak, more than 25 percent of possible flu specimens sent to a nationwide network of doctors and labs tested positive for the virus. That number has since fallen to about 20 percent.

The CDC does not keep a

tally of actual flu cases. Still, the 2001-02 flu season appears to be lighter than average, said Dr. Scott Harper of CDC's National Center for Infectious Diseases.

This year's batch of flu vaccine was well-matched against this year's most common strains.

Flu kills as many as 20,000 Americans each year.

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The ups-and-downs of the Economic Stimulus Bill

By PATRICK FEARON
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After months of debate and several failed attempts, Congress recently sent an economic stimulus bill to President Bush which the President approved.

The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates the new law will inject approximately \$51.2 billion into the economy in the fiscal year ending October 2002.

The committee estimates the law will have a net stimulative effect on the economy in each fiscal year through 2005, with the total impact in fiscal years 2002-05 amounting to \$127.2 billion. In fiscal years 2006 and beyond, the bill is expected to be a slight drain on the economy, so the total net stimulation in fiscal years 2002-12 will be \$41.9 billion.

The main provisions of the package include the following:

•Depreciation Bonus. The new law allows firms to write-off an extra 30 percent of the cost of certain business equipment in the first year it is put into service, provided the equipment is first put into service between Sept. 11, 2001, and Jan. 1, 2005. For example: If a firm puts into service a machine costing \$1,000,000, the first-year depreciation associated with that machine would be \$300,000 plus the remaining \$700,000 multiplied by the normal first-year depreciation rate.

If the normal first-year depreciation rate were 10 percent, the total first-year depreciation would be \$300,000 + \$70,000 + \$370,000 instead of the normal \$100,000.

If the firm were being taxed at the top corporate rate of 35 percent, the extra first-year depreciation of \$270,000 would reduce the firm's taxes by \$94,500 in that year. Because the firm could write-off less in the future, however, its taxes in later years would rise. The provision is expected to cost \$35.3 billion in fiscal-year 2002.

(Comment: Accelerated depreciation on new equipment and facilities could make more investments potentially profitable. However, some firms or industries still may have so much excess capacity that the depreciation bonus still would not spur dramatic new investment. This provision probably will increase demand for many types of capital goods, but not all. It will therefore provide a modest boost to the economic recovery.)

•Net Operating Loss "Carrybacks." The new law allows firms to apply operating losses from 2001 and 2002 to previous tax years as far back as 1996. Currently operating losses can be "carried back" only two years. This provision is expected to cost \$7.9 billion in fiscal-year 2002.

(Comment: Applying recent losses to tax years as far back as 1996, when profits were high, may allow many firms to get tax refunds for previous years. That could improve current

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profitability and cash flows, helping to spur some investment or avoid some layoffs.)

•Extended Unemployment Benefits. The new law provides for up to 13 weeks of temporary extended unemployment benefits for workers who lost their jobs on or after March 15, 2001.

The maximum for unemployment benefits normally is 26 weeks. The extended unemployment benefits are to be funded completely by the federal government.

In addition, the law increases the amount of federal Unemployment Trust Fund money that will be distributed to state governments for unemployment benefits and related purposes. This provision is expected to cost \$8.5 billion in fiscal year 2002.

(Comment: By providing additional benefits to the unemployed, this provision could modestly increase consumer spending in the coming months over what it otherwise would have been.)

•Special Benefits for New York City. The new law includes a number of provisions aimed at aiding displaced workers and easing reconstruction efforts in New York, with special emphasis on a newly designated "New York Liberty Zone" around the site of the former World Trade Center.

For example, the law authorizes the issuance of an additional \$8 billion in tax-exempt private-activity bonds for rebuilding in the Liberty Zone. Certain municipal bonds for facilities locat-

ed in New York City also will be eligible for one additional advance refunding (the law normally allows such bonds to be refunded early on only one occasion.)

The law also modifies the depreciation rules for leasehold improvements in the Liberty Zone and expands the Work Opportunity Tax Credit to spur hiring in the area. These special provisions for New York are expected to cost \$0.5 billion in fiscal year 2002.

(Comment: The increased activity bonds likely will channel more capital to the rebuilding effort in New York, while the additional bond refinancing will allow some issuers to cut their debt service costs.

That will provide additional activity for the local construction and investment banking sectors, through the refunding could force some current bond holders to reinvest their funds at low interest rates. The provisions aiding New York property owners could help keep many from relocating or closing (which would help maintain property values), while the hiring tax credit could spur some small amount of additional hiring.

In sum, however, the effect of these provisions is probably small compared with the overall economy.)

•Technical Provisions. Finally, the new law contains a number of provisions that apparently are not related to the terrorist attacks or the need to spur economic growth.

For example, the law gives teachers a tax deduction for classroom materials that they purchase out of their own pocket, extends the tax credit for purchasing an electric vehicle and extends the authorization for Archer Medical Savings Accounts (which allow employees to set up tax-sheltered funds to pay for medical expenses.)

One provision related to corporate pension plans will actually increase government revenues. The net affect of these provision is to increase federal budget revenues by \$1.0 billion in fiscal year 2002.

(Comment: The numerous miscellaneous and technical provisions in the bill each appear to have a relatively low cost and small effect on the overall economy. In general, they appear to be merely corrections and "sweeteners" attached to the bill to ensure its passage through Congress.

AUSTIN ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2001-02 school year.

SECOND GRADE

A Honor Roll. Brooke Bradley, Brendon Burrell, Jessica Butler, Samuel Cain, Ellen Cambren, Brandon Carroll, Trey Carroll, Magely Cerda, Heather Coffee, Calli Coleman, Latigo Collins, Cole Engle, Tara Garcia, Callie Hampton, Zac Hernandez, Austin Hinkle.

Bree Howard, Shaun Jarrell, Taylor Kennedy, Kristen Kuhn, Shannon Leigh, Ty Linder, Ryan Pearson, Landon Powell, Rance Schindler, Ian Smith,

Kara Stabel, Colin Sutherland, Elizabeth Terry, Nate Towry, Kailyn Troxell, Jessica Zellefrow.

AB Honor Roll. Libby Aler, Tiffany Bradford, Trace Carter, Michaela Dubois, Zachary Graves, Harley Jacobs, Jacob Johnson, Collin Killgo, K'Lyn King, Laura Kirkland, Michael Martinez, Collin McClendon, Karl Pfizner, Railey Reeves, Karami Rice, Ryne Richardson, Ashtin Sackett, Cheyenna Tisworth, Lyndi Whitson.

THIRD GRADE

A Honor Roll. Payton Alvey, Hudson Bentley, Olin Boyd, Karina Cabrales, Trent Carter, Haley Copeland, Rejoice Duggan, Katelyn Dunham, Lane Dyer, Brenna Ellison, Garrett Ericson, Holly Gage.

AB Honor Roll. Chase Ferguson, Dwight Hamlin, Emily Hart, Jackie Karson, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Koby Starnes, Cameron Wall.

FOURTH GRADE

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Insurers try to stop Arthur Andersen from selling assets

HOUSTON (AP) — As Arthur Andersen seeks to raise cash in its fight for survival, a group of insurers who are among the plaintiffs in a lawsuit against Enron is trying to stop the accounting firm from selling off its assets.

U.S. District Judge Melinda Harmon has set a Monday hearing on the request.

Her ruling came after Andersen announced a tentative agreement with Deloitte & Touche for a "significant" number of its U.S. tax partners and professionals to join the rival firm.

An Andersen source said Friday that layoffs are expected to come on Monday, but wouldn't say how many of the company's 85,000 worldwide workers — including 28,000 in the United States — will be affected.

Galveston-based American National Insurance and several other insurers have asked for an injunction to stop Andersen from selling assets or transferring them to foreign subsidiaries or affiliates.

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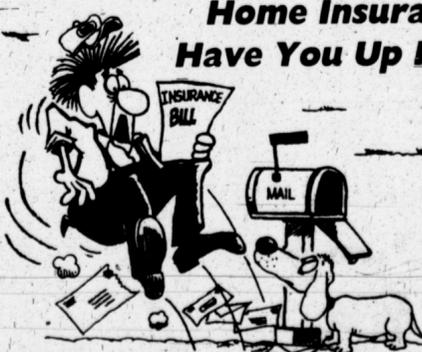
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Mother learning to parent again after 14 years in jail

BY LISA SANDBERG
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SAN ANTONIO — The morning after being released from prison, Gricelda Moreno stood in her family's kitchen, about to prepare something for her children to eat.

Suddenly, it hit her: She didn't know what they liked. She wasn't even sure breakfast was part of their routine.

After spending 14 1/2 years in prison, Moreno is

having to learn a lot about her four children. The experience is as sweet as it is painful.

Her kids all were under 12 when Moreno was handed a 99-year prison sentence for failing to protect her 5-year-old daughter, Yvette, from being raped and killed by her abusive common-law husband, Antonio Gonzales.

He is serving 99 years for Yvette's murder plus two additional 99-year terms for the sexual assault of two other stepchildren.

Moreno, 42, returned home in January, six weeks after the state Board of Pardons and Paroles granted her an early release. Her youngest child, Linda Grace, was 2 weeks old when Moreno was arrested; now, she is 14. Moreno met her daughter's high school teachers two days after she was released.

Her eldest daughter, Yolanda, who lost her mother at age 10, now is 24. Moreno spent part of her second day home cuddling Yolanda's newborn son.

She is learning her children's eating habits and pleading with them to stop treating her like a guest.

"They follow me everywhere," she said, laughing.

She wants to do their laundry and shop for their food. She wants to be their mom again.

Campaigning for her freedom were a host of public figures, including Mary Roman, the judge who prosecuted her; Archbishop Patrick Flores; and Bexar County Sheriff Ralph Lopez.

Her supporters believe she'd been punished enough for her daughter's death. While the evidence never surfaced at her trial, they insist she was herself so battered and abused, she was unable to protect herself or her kids.

As soon as she learned in December of her release, she began writing more than two dozen thank-you letters.

Unlike prison, Yvette's death is not something Moreno will likely be able to put behind her.

Diana Cruz, who assisted Roman in prosecuting the case, called it the worst case of child abuse she has seen in the 20 or so years she's

worked for the district attorney's office.

"The picture of that child has never left my mind," Cruz said. "That child suffered a long time."

Moreno becomes quiet when the subject of Yvette is raised. She was arrested the same day Yvette was buried in San Fernando Cemetery, so she is planning to visit her daughter's grave for the first time.

While she accepts some responsibility for her daughter's death and doesn't complain about the time she served, she said no amount of prison time will bring her daughter back. She still wonders if she could have done more to protect her.

"I'll always ask myself that," she said.

For now, she is inundated with well-wishers: churchgoers she has never met, neighbors who have seen her children grow. Reporters have come calling, too. She shoos most of them away.

Moreno finally has learned to say "No."

She is not the same woman who went to prison,

says Patricia Castillo, a longtime anti-domestic-violence advocate who remembers Moreno from the days when "she hardly spoke and hardly looked at you."

During her 14 years away from home, she learned two trades, electrical and plumbing, earned her GED, attended just about every alcohol abuse and domestic violence workshop and Bible class the prison offered.

She has been offered a maintenance job at an apartment complex.

"To watch the transformation of her over these 14 years, I'm so proud of her," Castillo said.

Moreno said she'd like to

continue ministering to inmates. "So many of us who were in there, they don't have any hope, they don't have any money. No one writes to them," she said, pausing to fight back the tears. "I want to tell them. Don't give up."

Moreno said she used her time in prison to try to turn her life around.

"It wasn't for nothing. I got my GED. I learned two trades and I've got self-esteem. Better yet, I know what self-esteem is," she said. "I did not waste those years. I love who I am today."

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Carson County Square House busy in April

PANHANDLE — April is a busy month at the Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle. Right now, the museum is staging its Annual Youth Art Show in the Hazlewood Building, is hosting an exhibit with artist John Darby and is sponsoring a "Distinguished Lecture Series."

The highlight of this year's youth exhibit is a multimedia display created by Panhandle High, Panhandle Junior High and Borger High School students. The show features a few sculpted pieces, a handful of reproductions of masterworks and numerous pastels and drawings.

Artist John Darby, formerly of Pampa, now of Taos, N.M., is showcased in a small, yet well-rounded, exhibit consisting of a variety of media — oils, pastels, charcoal. Subject matter includes: Elevators, cliffs, rushing water and other landscapes inspired by parts of the Texas Panhandle and New Mexico.

Darby will make a personal appearance at the museum April 10. The public is invited to come out and meet him.

On April 28, a panel discussion will be presented on "The Fossil History of the Texas Panhandle," "Cultural Significance of Past Panhandle Peoples" and "A Political History of the Region" by Dr. Gerald Schultz, West Texas A&M University; Julie Ashby, Amarillo College; and Dr. David Rausch, WTAMU, respectively.

Each of the panelists will present a lecture series as part of the museum's Distinguished Lecture Series, funded in part by Texas Humanities Council. A reception will follow each presentation.

For more information on any of these exciting exhibits and events, contact the museum at (806) 537-3524.

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Texas suspends deer, elk importation due to CWD

To prevent the potential introduction of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) have issued separate orders that suspend the importation of live white-tailed and black-tailed deer, mule deer, and elk into

Texas from any states until further notice.

Recently, CWD, a fatal brain-wasting disease, has been detected in eight states in either captive elk herds and/or free-ranging or farm-raised white-tailed deer, black-tailed deer and mule deer.

"The TAHC has been concerned about CWD for several

years and, after working with representatives from the deer and elk industry, we implemented entry requirements and a voluntary herd monitoring program in 1999," explained Dr. Linda Logan, Texas' state veterinarian and executive director of the TAHC, the state's livestock health regulatory agency.

"In late 2001, the TAHC quarantined the movement of live white-tailed and black-tailed deer, mule deer, and elk from Colorado, when nearly 1,500 captive elk were depopulated because of infection or exposure to the disease," Dr. Logan said. "By February 2002, the commission followed with an identical movement quarantine on Nebraska, because CWD had been detected on a private hunting preserve and in nearby free-ranging white-tailed deer.

By mid-March CWD was detected in free-ranging white-tailed deer in Wisconsin. This was the first time the disease was detected east of the Mississippi River. CWD also has been detected in several mule deer in the Canadian province of Saskatchewan."

Dr. Logan explained that the TPWD regulates the importation of white-tailed, black-tailed and mule deer under the provisions of the Scientific Breeder Permit regulations. The TAHC, sets standards for health requirements and also issues entry permits for elk and other deer considered to be exotic to Texas. From September 2001 through February 2002, the TAHC permitted 72 elk permitted to enter the state from Colorado, Illinois, Missouri, Montana, and Oklahoma. The TPWD reports that more than 2,100 deer were imported by scientific breeders since 1998, most

coming from Louisiana, Iowa, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Illinois.

"Our concerns about the possible introduction of CWD into Texas by imported elk and deer rose further when Wisconsin animal health officials reported infection in their free-ranging white-tailed deer. At the same time, we also were receiving inquiries from deer and elk producers in states that had no CWD surveillance programs. After consulting with industry, our agencies agreed that we should exercise extreme caution now and stop the importation of these susceptible species of deer and elk from all states, rather than regret it later," said Dr. Logan.

"As of March 20, the TAHC quarantined all states, prohibiting the entry of elk, mule deer, and white-tailed and black-tailed deer to give us adequate time to readdress our entry and surveillance regulations. Before admitting additional animals into the state, we must ensure that our regulations are reasonable, yet effective, to protect our multi-billion dollar domestic wildlife and exotic hoof stock against CWD."

"At this time, there is no evidence that CWD is transmissible to other hoof stock, such as antelope, axis or fallow deer, which will still be allowed to enter Texas, if they meet our requirements for tuberculosis and brucellosis testing and veterinary examination," said Dr. Logan.

CWD was first seen in captive mule deer in 1967 at the Colorado Division of Wildlife's research facilities in Fort Collins. Since then, it has been detected in free-ranging deer in Colorado, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Wyoming and South Dakota.

The disease has also been

found in captive elk or deer facilities in Oklahoma, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska and South Dakota. Both free-ranging deer and captive elk herds in Saskatchewan, Canada, also have been affected.

CWD, triggered by abnormal prions in the brain, is confirmed through microscopic examination of brain tissue. Dr. Logan said infected animals may incubate the disease for three years or longer before they exhibit clinical signs that include drooling, excessive thirst, dramatic loss of weight and body condition, poor hair coat, staggering, and finally death.

Dr. Logan said researchers do not completely understand how the disease is spread but suspect that the infectious agent may be shed in urine, saliva or fluids associated with calving. Because there is no live animal test, and because CWD is a chronic disease that develops slowly over months or years, herds must be monitored for at least five years before they are considered "free" for CWD. Herd monitoring involves collecting and examining brain tissue from every deer or elk in the herd that dies, either from slaughter, natural death, or hunter harvest to determine if the animal had the disease.

The TAHC offers a voluntary CWD monitoring program in Texas, encompassing all deer and elk, including fallow and white-tailed deer. However, only about 20 herds in Texas are enrolled. Dr. Logan pointed out. She said TAHC staff would like to see increase surveillance on Texas white-tailed deer raised under permit by scientific breeders.

"Ideally, deer or elk herds in Texas should be a part of a comprehensive monitoring

program, so that we can protect our valuable wildlife resource in Texas," she said. "With a multi-billion dollar hunting and ranching industry, I believe that CWD monitoring is extremely important."

A number of states are taking action to protect their elk and domestic and exotic deer herds from CWD.

Connecticut prohibits the entry of any elk or deer, while North Carolina animal health officials prohibit the entry of deer or elk from counties (and contiguous counties) where CWD has been diagnosed. Missouri prohibits the entry of deer and elk that have been in any CWD endemic area within the previous five years.

In Colorado, animal health officials require mandatory surveillance of any elk from mortalities, whether they are natural deaths, slaughter, or hunt park kills. Likewise, in 2000, Utah initiated mandatory testing for CWD, at the request of the Utah Elk Breeders, prohibits the importation of any elk from herds known to be exposed to or positive for CWD. No cases of CWD have been detected in Utah.

Other states, like Minnesota are testing deer within the state, developing plans for expanded monitoring for the disease and organizing contingency plans for handling CWD. In Nebraska, where infected wild deer were detected, Game and Parks Commission officials are preparing to reduce the wild deer population in the affected area. Last year, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife officials expanded CWD testing to include locker checks of some meat processors that handled wild game. To date, all samples tested from Washington deer and elk have been negative for CWD.



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Grain, sorghum stocks up

AUSTIN — On March 1, 2002, Texas wheat and sorghum stocks were up from a year ago.

According to figures released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, sorghum stocks totaled 19.9 million hundredweight (cwt), up 13 percent from the previous year. On-farm stocks totaled 1.1 million cwt compared with 1.2 million cwt a year ago. Off-farm sorghum stocks, at 18.8 million cwt, accounted for 94 percent of all sorghum stocks.

Total stocks of wheat in all positions, at 91.5 million bushels, were up 35 percent from last year's level of 67.9 million bushels. On-farm stocks totaled 1.5 million bushels compared with 900,000 bushels a year ago. Off-

farm wheat stocks, at 90 million bushels, accounted for 98 percent of all wheat stocks.

The Texas Agricultural Statistics Service no longer publishes corn stocks on farms, but the off-farm stocks, at 67.7 million bushels, were down 13 percent from a year earlier.

Total stocks of corn in the United States on March 1, 2002, were 5.80 billion bushels, down 4 percent from March 1, 2001. All wheat stocks were estimated at 1.21 billion bushels in all positions, down 10 percent from March 1, 2001. U.S. stocks of sorghum totaled 108.8 million cwt, up 16 percent from March 1, 2001. Stocks of soybeans in all positions totaled 1.34 billion bushels, down 5 percent from March 1, 2001.

Texas producers plan less cotton, more corn

AUSTIN — Texas producers intend to plant less acres of Upland and Pima cotton, sorghum, peanuts, rice, sweet potatoes and sunflowers in 2002. Acreage of corn, soybeans, oats, dry beans, hay and wheat are expected to increase.

Based on results of a survey

conducted the first two weeks of March by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, Upland cotton acreage is forecast at 5.7 million acres, down 5 percent from last year. Planting of Pima cotton is expected to total 16,000 acres, down 6 percent from 2001.

Growers intend to plant 1.9 million acres of corn, up 19 percent from last year. Rice acreage is expected to decrease 12 percent from last year to 191,000 acres.

"This report is an early indication of producers' intentions to plant," cautioned State Statistician Robin Roark.

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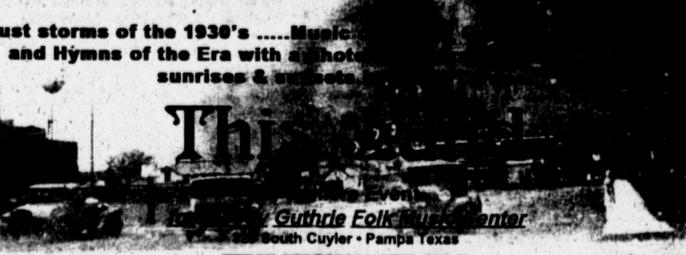
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Mideast crisis spooks already skittish Wall Street

By LISA SINGHANIA
AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK (AP) — Despite the cataclysmic events of Sept. 11, Wall Street somehow seemed to forget about the outside world as it focused on the domestic economy. Until this past week. The intensifying conflict in the Middle East sent stocks sharply lower as investors were reminded that stocks are vulnerable to events outside of U.S. borders. "The market never likes uncertainty and the outcome of this thing is extraordinarily uncertain," said Bill Barker, investment consultant at RBC Dain Rauscher. "Is it going to escalate into something that

blows the Middle East apart and disrupts energy supplies? Is there going to be an oil embargo by the Arabs to turn world opinion against the Israelis? No one knows." Of course, the crisis wasn't the only reason investors sold. A handful of reduced earnings forecasts — the biggest from Bristol-Myers Squibb — provided an inauspicious start to the first-quarter earnings season and led some investors to question whether business was indeed turning around. But the renewed fighting between Israelis and Palestinians wasn't something the market had expected or factored into its forecast for a recovery.

Instead, Wall Street seemed to have temporarily forgotten about foreign affairs. Pleased with the relatively uneventful way the U.S. war in Afghanistan was progressing, investors had felt comfortable enough to buy, sending market gradually higher. The occasional pullbacks, most recently one in late March, were chiefly because of earnings prospects, not fears of violence overseas. Now the tension in the Middle East has given investors another reason to second-guess their optimism. "This whole Middle East thing has added an additional worry for investors already concerned about earnings," said Richard A. Dickson,

technical analyst at Hilliard Lyons. "They don't know what's going to happen next." Dickson believes this past week's earnings news likely would have pressured stocks anyway, but the losses would have been more limited. IBM, Micron Technology and Worldcom fell sharply after investment firms expressed concern about their performance. The selling wasn't confined to technology, however. Barker speculated that the approach of April 15, the deadline to file federal taxes, was another factor. "You've also got some selling to pay income taxes." Even the one sector that would seem mostly likely to benefit from the tension — oil stocks — struggled. Although stocks including ExxonMobil, Schlumberger and Baker Hughes showed gains early on, the advances proved unsustainable. Analysts attributed the reversal to investors cashing out their wins. "People are relatively quick to take profits even in areas where there's potential because they don't know what's going to happen next week," Dickson said, adding that the market could fall again should the violence in the Middle East spread, oil prices spike out of control or there be another domestic terror attack. Still, amid the warnings and investment firm downgrades, there are reasons to be encouraged. 3M rose Friday on word its first-quarter earnings would be at the high end

of previous estimates. Alcoa, which Friday was the first Dow Jones industrial to release results, met expectations. And early in the week, the Institute for Supply Management, formerly known as the National Association of Purchasing Management, reported a better-than-expected increase in its index of business activity — another indication that the economy is recovering. If earnings forecasts for coming quarters begin to show some improvement, the market might have an incentive to set aside its Mideast worries. "I think the Middle East is going to be an ongoing uncertainty but it will subside in degree," Barker said. "The market will get used to this, just like it got used to Enron." The selling took a toll on the market's major indexes. The Dow fell 132.30, or 1.3 percent, to 10,271.64, despite gaining 36.47 Friday. The decline was even more dramatic on the Nasdaq composite index. It fell 75.32, or 4.1 percent, after falling 19.72 Friday to end at 1,770.03. For the week, the Standard & Poor's 500 slipped 24.66, or 2.2 percent. It lost 3.61 Friday to 1,122.73. The Russell 2000 index, the barometer of smaller company stocks, also fell, dropping 8.70, or 1.7 percent, after falling 0.61 Friday to 497.76. The Wilshire Associates Equity Index, which represents the combined market value of all New York Stock

Exchange, American Stock Exchange and Nasdaq issues, ended the week at \$10.551 trillion, down \$224.310 billion from the previous week. A year ago the index was \$10.318 trillion.

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(Courtesy photo) Troy Newton, store director for United Supermarkets, left, recently presented a \$2,858 check to Jana Gregory, right, executive director of Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Troy Newton, store director for United Supermarkets, recently presented a check in the amount of \$2,858 to Jana Gregory of the Pampa/Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross. The check represented customer donations made at the store. Chainwide United customers generously donated more than \$369,921 to American Red Cross. United Supermarkets operates 42 stores in 23 Texas markets and is constructing a new store in Amarillo. Recently, United received the National Torch Award for Marketplace Ethics from the Council of Better Business Bureaus. United Supermarkets was founded in 1916 in Sayre, Okla., by H.D. Snell, Sr. It was later separated into two companies, one based in Texas and another in Oklahoma. The family of H.D. "Jack" Snell, Jr., owns the Texas operation, which is headquartered in Lubbock.

Preaching / Teaching Event With Rev. Jim Jackson and "The Sons Of Light Quartet"

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10:00 a.m. Bible Study with Dr. Jackson in Church Chapel. (Bibles will be provided)
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7:00 p.m. Evening Worship with "Sons of Light Quartet" and Dr. Jackson preaching. (Church Sanctuary)
- Tuesday, April 9 - 7:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast in Lively Hall with Dr. Jackson continuing the Bible Study on Mark
10:00 a.m. Bible Study with Dr. Jackson in Church Chapel. (Bibles will be provided)
2:00 p.m. Bible Study with Dr. Jackson in Church Chapel. (Bibles will be provided)
7:00 p.m. Evening worship with "Sons of Light Quartet" and Dr. Jackson Preaching. (Church Sanctuary). Following this service there will be a reception in Lively Hall sponsored by the United Methodist Women.

A nursery will be provided for the evening services. A love offering will be taken for the "Sons of Light Quartet" and Dr. Jackson. This will be a great time of renewal and spiritual growth. Please mark your calendars now to attend. All are invited to attend these special services at the First United Methodist Church.



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AUTO RACING

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Bill Elliott blew away the Texas Motor Speedway qualifying record as the fastest of a dozen Winston Cup drivers who broke the 2-year-old mark in qualifying for the Samsung/Radio Shack 500. Elliott, the 42nd of 44 drivers to take to the recently repaved 1 1/2-mile oval, turned a lap of 194.224 mph, considerably faster than the record of 192.137 set by Terry Labonte.

GOLF

PAMPA — The BSA Hospice Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, May 4 at Hidden Hills public golf course. Four-player teams will tee off at 8 a.m. and sign-in begins at 7 a.m. Teams will be flighted according to handicap by the Hidden Hills Golf Pro. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places in each flight. For more information on the scramble, contact David Teichmann at (806) 669-5866.

TENNIS

HOUSTON (AP) — Maybe playing on grass isn't so bad for Spain after all. The United States chose the grass surface for its Davis Cup quarterfinals match with Spain because the surface favored the Americans but Spain's Alex Corretja foiled the strategy with a 4-6, 4-6, 7-6, 7-5, 6-4 victory over Pete Sampras Friday. The upset gave Spain a 1-1 tie with the U.S. in the best-of-five series. Saturday's only match will be doubles with Todd Martin and James Blake playing Corretja and Juan Balcells. Now, Corretja is ready to play doubles. "I'm capable," Corretja said. "I've been playing on clay for many times and playing on clay is much harder than on grass. So I don't think I'm going to have any trouble physically." Andy Roddick gave the United States the early lead by beating Tommy Robredo 6-3, 7-5, 7-6 (7) in the opening match at Westside Tennis Club. A Sampras victory would have given the Americans a chance to clinch the best-of-five match in Saturday's doubles match. "It would have given us a 2-love lead and put them against the wall," Sampras said. "We've given them confidence. We're still in good shape and there is no reason to panic. I just felt I let the team down. We could have put the pressure on them." Corretja started to come alive in the third set while Sampras, who has won seven Wimbledon titles on grass, showed signs of wear. Corretja hit a passing shot for a winner in the third game and raised a fist into the air. He held serve in that game and eventually forced a tiebreaker in the set. "Although Alex was down in the first two sets, had had two game where he was actually up," Spain captain Jordi Arrese said. "I said 'just stay focused' and he started to move forward." Corretja won the first six points in the tiebreaker as Sampras started missing his serve and the passing shots that he hit so crisply earlier in the match.



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Pampa's Michael Galloway (7) and Randall first baseman Craig Howard (5) get tangled up on this play at first base. Galloway, who had reached on a fourth-inning groundball error, suffered a knee injury and missed the remainder of the game.

Miami boys, Groom girls win district titles

LEFORS — The District 1-1A track and field meet was held last week at Lefors with the top four finishers in each event qualifying for the Area meet Thursday in Dumas. Miami scored 158 points to win the boys' division. Groom was the winner in the girls' division with 177 points.

Boys
Team Totals: 1. Miami 158; 2. Hedley 124; 3. Groom 102; 4. Lefors 66; 5. Follett 44; 6. Fort Elliott 42; 7. McLean 13; 8. Samnorwood 6; 9. Allison 0; 10. Higgins 0.
 Long jump: 4. Patterson, Miami, 17-8.5.
 Triple jump: 1. James, Miami, 38-5; 4. G. Britten, Groom, 36-4.75.
 High jump: 2. James, Miami, 38-5; 3. Davenport, Miami, 5-9; 4. Meadows, Fort Elliott, 5-4.
 Pole vault: 2. Jackson, Lefors, 10-0; 3. King, Lefors, 9-6; 4. C.J. Bryant, Fort Elliott, 9-6.
 Discus: 1. McDowell, Miami, 126-4; 4. Rogers, Miami, 102-7.
 Shot put: 1. McDowell, Miami, 44-6.25; 2. Manley, Miami, 40-8.5; 3. Kidd, Lefors, 40-2.
 3200: 1. Browning, Miami, 5:12.81; 3. W. Britten, Groom, 13:47.52; 4. Barkley, Groom, 14:57.48.
 400 relay: 2. Fort Elliott, 48.80; 3. Groom, 49.4; 4. McLean, 49.86.
 800: 1. Miller, Miami, 2:22.68; 2. Pavlovsky, Groom, 2:23.21; 3. Patterson, Miami, 2:23.46.
 110 hurdles: 1. James,

Miami, 16.44; 2. Davenport, Miami, 17.54; 3. Vaughn, Lefors, 18.06; 4. Roberson, Lefors, 18.69.
 100: 2. G. Britten, Groom, 11.48; 3. A. Jennings, Lefors, 11.81; 4. C. Britten, Groom, 11.9.
 400: 1. G. Britten, Groom, 56.56; 2. Horn, Fort Elliott, 57.85.
 300 hurdles: 1. James, Miami, 45.63; 2. Davenport, Miami, 47.58; 4. Bell, Fort Elliott, 48.9.
 200: 2. C. Britten, Groom, 24.2; 3. Manley, Miami, 24.87; 4. Schaffer, Groom, 24.97.
 1600: 1. Browning, Miami, 5:12.81; 2. Pavlovsky, Groom, 5:39.52; 4. Miller, Miami, 5:52.81.
 1600 relay: 1. Lefors, 3:47.31; 2. Groom, 3:47.66; 3. Miami, 3:57.43.

Girls
Team Totals: 1. Groom 177; 2. Hedley, 105; 3. Follett 194; 4. Miami 98; 5. Lefors 38; 6. Higgins 28; 7. McLean 14; 8. Fort Elliott 4; 9. Samnorwood 4; 10. Allison 1.
 Long jump: 1. Davis, Groom, 16-2.5; 3. Davenport, Miami, 14-8.5; 4. Cox, Miami, 31-2.
 Triple jump: 1. Davis, Groom, 33-7.5; 2. Davenport, Miami, 32-2.75; 3. Daughtery, Lefors, 31-8; 4. Cox, Miami, 31-2.
 High jump: 1. Bohr, Groom, 5-0; 2. Britten, Groom, 4-4.
 Pole vault: 1. Bohr, Groom, 6-6; 2. Cenicerros, Lefors, 6-6.
 Discus: 2. Noack, Groom, 89-4.
 Shot put: 2. Jenkins, Groom, 32-10.25; 4. Noack, Groom,

30-8.5.
 3200: 2. Crowell, Groom, 14:28.65; 3. McClendon, McLean, 15:42.31; 4. Schroeder, Miami, 15:46.25.
 400 relay: 1. Groom, 54.25.
 800: 1. Barnett, Groom, 2:44.25; 3. Hargrave, Miami, 2:57.31.
 100 hurdles: 1. Hutchison, Miami, 17.19; 3. Howard,

No. 5 Randall downs Pampa

RANDALL — College-bound Chance Douglass struck out 13 and pitched a two-hitter as Randall shut out Pampa 4-0 in District 3-4A action Friday. Pampa junior Max Simon turned in a solid performance against the fifth-ranked Raiders. He allowed just three hits while striking out six and walking three in going the distance. The first 10 Randall batters went hitless against Simon, who gave up his first run in the second inning on an infield error, sacrifice bunt, and a fielder's choice grounder. Randall's other three runs came in the third inning on a two-run single by Dustin Brooks, followed by a solo homer from Josh Payne. Douglass, who is headed for Rice University on a baseball scholarship, boosted his record to 8-1. Douglass had no-hit Pampa until the seventh when Adam Jones and Kyle Francis had back-to-back sin-

gles. Randall improved to 6-0 in the district standings and 16-5 for the season. Pampa is 3-3 in district and 9-12 for the season. Randall is all alone in first in the district race, while Canyon and Caprock are tied for second at 4-2. Pampa is next at 3-3. The Harvesters played Borger on Saturday to end the first round of district. They host Palo Duro at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. Pampa senior catcher Michael Galloway was injured in the fourth inning of the Randall game and didn't play against Borger. He sustained a knee injury after reaching first on a groundball error and had to be helped from the field. Galloway, who carries a .340 batting average, was being examined by trainers over the weekend to see if he may have a strained ligament behind the knee.

Red Raiders fall in 15th inning

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Kansas State scored two runs in the top of the 15th inning to defeat Texas Tech 7-5 Friday night. Texas Tech (24-14, 7-9 Big 12) scored the first run of the game in the bottom of the first inning when Willie Durazo got an RBI single up the middle scoring Jon Slack from second. Slack led off the inning with a walk and Scooter Jordan moved him to second with a bunt single to first base. The Red Raiders extended their lead to 3-0 in the bottom of the second on an RBI bunt sacrifice by Joel Buchenauer and an RBI double by Slack. Kansas State (17-12, 4-3) scored in the top of the third inning when Osmar Castillo reached on a fielder's choice with the bases loaded plating Brett Williams from third. The Wildcats tied the score in the top of the fourth after scoring two runs on four consecutive hits from the bottom half of the order. Kansas State took a 4-3 lead in the top of the fifth on an RBI single to right center field that plated Brandon Taylor from third.

Gabe Luttrell gave Kansas State a 5-3 lead in the top of the eighth with an RBI single to left field that plated Tim Doty from second. Gera Alvarez tied the score with a two-run home run in the bottom of the eighth inning. Nick Blankenship led off the inning with a single to left field to set up an Alvarez two-

run homer. Kansas State took a lead in the top of the 15th inning and Wildcat reliever Mitch Walter withstood a late Texas Tech rally to win 7-5. Steve Rowe suffered the loss for Texas Tech after pitching 6 1/3 innings. Mitch Walter earned the win after giving up just two hits in eight innings.

Rangers drop Arlington opener

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — In their first starts of 2002, Scott Schoeneweis and Ismael Valdes looked nothing like the pitchers who struggled so much at the end of last season. Schoeneweis allowed just five hits and a run over 8 1-3 innings as the Anaheim Angels won 3-1 Friday to spoil Texas' home opener and the Rangers debut of Valdes, the former Angel who allowed five hits and two runs in eight innings. "That was a great performance," Anaheim manager Mike Scioscia said. "Schoeneweis had to make good pitches all day. There was not a lot of leeway and he continued to do that." Schoeneweis threw 66 of his 99 pitches for strikes, and was effective with the changeup he

has developed since last season, when he was 0-3 with a 6.75 ERA his last eight starts during a stretch when the Angels lost 25 of their last 31 games. Scioscia was equally impressed with Valdes, 1-7 with a 7.29 ERA in his last eight Anaheim starts. "His fastball and his command were as good as we've seen it," Scioscia said. As Rangers manager Jerry Narron said, "Schoeneweis was just better today." Alex Rodriguez, Juan Gonzalez, Rafael Palmeiro and Ivan Rodriguez — batting in a row — were a combined 2-for-14 against Schoeneweis. Troy Glaus, who has back-to-back 40-homer seasons, hit his first of this season in the seventh off Valdes.

Cards down Astros in season's first matchup of NL Central rivals

HOUSTON (AP) — Jim Edmonds enjoys playing at Astros Field. The center fielder went 3-for-4 with a two-run homer Friday night to lead the St. Louis Cardinals to a 5-1 win over Houston in the first matchup of the season between the NL Central rivals. Edmonds is 24-for-55 (.436) at Astros Field and 39-for-102 (.382) for his career against Houston. "It's a good place to hit whether you're the home team or the visiting team," Edmonds said. "I think sometimes it's easier for a left-hander to hit here. You don't try to pull the ball for home runs." "We were fortunate tonight to hold this team down. Tomorrow they could score 20. I've seen these guys score a lot of runs here. Nothing is safe." Edmonds also improved to 5-for-10 with three home runs and seven RBIs in his career against Micki (0-1). He was 2-for-3 against him Friday.

"I've faced him enough," Edmonds said. "You can't measure him because he does something different every time." Manager Tony La Russa said Edmonds is just carrying over from his 2001 performance. "That's the way he played the second half," La Russa said. "He knows if he hits over .300, he helps us win." "The Astros were impressed by Edmonds." "It's one of those things I wish I could figure out," Micki said. "I felt good tonight. I was just trying to get a fastball in on him and I left it out over the plate when he hit the home run." The Astros know Micki isn't the only one who has trouble with Edmonds. "He's a tough hitter to pitch to," catcher Brad Ausmus said. "He doesn't have any weaknesses. He's seeing it well and swinging well right now." Houston won the division by beating St. Louis on the final day of the regular season, fin-

ishing 9-7 in head-to-head games. The two teams each finished with 93-69 records last year. Cardinals starter Woody Williams left with a left oblique strain after two innings with the score tied 1-1. Gene Stechschulte (1-0) pitched two scoreless innings, allowing two hits, and Dave Veres followed with 2 2-3 scoreless innings. Veres has allowed no runs and two hits to his former team in 8 1-3 innings at Houston. Micki gave up four runs and eight hits in five innings. Lance Berkman's RBI grounder put Houston ahead in the first, but Fernando Vina doubled home a run in the third and Edgar Renteria singled home Edmonds in the fourth. Edmonds' homer was his first of the season. Eli Marrero added an RBI double in the ninth. Notes: Berkman failed to get a home run in his bid to tie the major league record of home runs in the first four games of a

season, a mark shared by Willie Mays (1971) and Mark McGwire (1998). ... Astros man-

ager Jimmy Williams is three wins short of 700. ... Woody Williams is day to day.

Major League Standings

National League					American League				
At A Glance					At A Glance				
All Times Eastern					East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	2	2	.500	—	Atlanta	3	1	.750	—
Florida	2	2	.500	—	Florida	3	1	.750	—
Montreal	2	2	.500	—	Montreal	2	2	.500	—
New York	2	2	.500	—	New York	2	2	.500	—
Philadelphia	2	2	.500	—	Philadelphia	1	1	.500	1
Central Division					Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	3	1	.750	—	Cleveland	3	1	.750	—
Cincinnati	2	2	.500	1	Minnesota	3	1	.750	—
Houston	2	2	.500	1	Kansas City	2	2	.500	1/2
Milwaukee	2	2	.500	1	Chicago	1	3	.250	2
St. Louis	2	2	.500	1	Detroit	0	4	.000	3
Chicago	1	3	.250	2	West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
San Fran.	4	0	1.000	—	Seattle	3	1	.750	—
Arizona	2	2	.500	2	Oakland	3	2	.600	1/2
Colorado	2	2	.500	2	Anaheim	2	2	.500	1
Los Angeles	1	3	.250	3	Texas	1	4	.200	1 1/2
San Diego	1	3	.250	3					

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Boston's Lowe comes close to no-hitter against Baltimore

By JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

Shea Hillenbrand didn't regret fielding Tony Batista's slow roller down the third-base line, even if it might have cost Derek Lowe a shot at a no-hitter.

Batista's infield single in the eighth inning was Baltimore's only hit off Lowe on Friday night as the Boston Red Sox beat the Orioles 3-0 at Camden Yards.

Batista's dribbler down the line hit the lip of the infield grass and might have rolled foul, but Hillenbrand didn't want to chance it. He picked up the ball and his throw to first was late.

"There were no second thoughts at all. I thought it was going to be fair the whole way," Hillenbrand said. "I'd rather try to make the play and get the out."

Lowe, a former closer making his 23rd career start, shrugged his shoulders as the crowd of 31,261 at Camden Yards let out a collective

groan. "Obviously you know what's going on. You can't deny that," Lowe said. "But it was a hit. What can you do?"

In other AL games, it was Seattle 7, Oakland 1, New York 4, Tampa Bay 0; Cleveland 10, Detroit 1; Anaheim 3, Texas 1; Minnesota 4, Toronto 3; and Kansas City 5, Chicago 2.

Rich Garcés and Ugueth Urbina completed the two-hitter, securing Grady Little's first win as a major league manager.

"It was big. It's always good to get the first win of the season under your belt," Little said. "We couldn't do it in a finer fashion than we did tonight."

It was the second time in three games that Baltimore was shut out. After scoring 10 runs in the opener, the Orioles have scored one run in their last three games.

But at least they weren't no-hit. Lowe (1-0) was seeking to duplicate the performance of Hideo Nomo, who threw a no-hitter in Baltimore last year in Boston's second game.

The Red Sox got all the offense they needed in the first inning, when Johnny Damon and Nomar Garciaparra homered off Josh Towers (0-1).

Mariners 7, Athletics 1
James Baldwin pitched seven strong innings in his Seattle debut and the Mariners beat visiting Oakland behind homers by Bret Boone and John Olerud.

Signed as a free agent to replace Aaron Sele in the Mariners' rotation, Baldwin (1-0) gave up five hits, including a homer to rookie Carlos Pena.

The Mariners won their third straight game after an opening day loss to the White Sox. Seattle staked Baldwin to a 3-0 lead in the first on the homers by Boone and Olerud against Erik Hiljus (0-1).

Yankees 4, Devil Rays 0
Andy Pettitte (1-0) put Tampa Bay in its place, pitching six scoreless innings and leading New York to a 4-0 victory in the Yankees' 100th home opener.

It was an enjoyable day for all the

Yankees except newcomer Jason Giambi, who was razed as he missed a scoop in his first game in pinstripes and went 0-for-5, dropping to 2-for-16 with no RBIs. There were even chants of "Tino! Tino!" — a reference to Tino Martinez, the popular first baseman he replaced.

Angels 3, Rangers 1
Scott Schoeneweis allowed five hits in 8 1-3 innings and Troy Glaus hit a two-run homer to lead Anaheim at Texas.

Glaus got his first homer of the season in the seventh off former Angel Ismael Valdes (0-1), the third pitcher this week to make his first start for Texas.

Indians 10, Tigers 1
Matt Lawton homered on the first pitch of the game and Danys Baez pitched effectively despite walking six in his first career start as Cleveland beat winless Detroit.

A blustery, snowy day quickly became even more miserable for a record crowd of 41,248 at Comerica Park when Detroit center fielder Jose Macias misplayed Eddie Perez's

double in the second, which cleared the bases in a five-run inning that put the Indians ahead 6-0.

At 0-4, the Tigers are off to their worst start since losing their first four games in 1994.

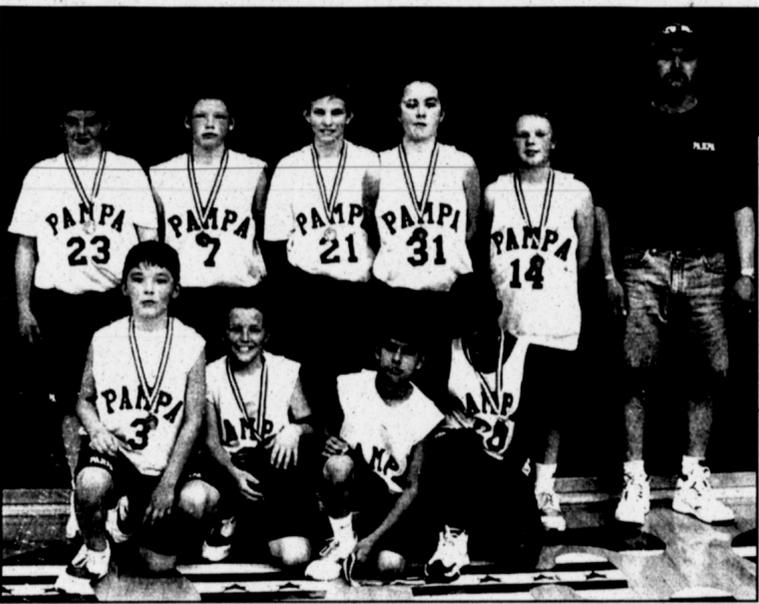
Twins 4, Blue Jays 3
David Ortiz and Torii Hunter hit consecutive homers in the first inning, and Rick Reed combined with three relievers on a four-hitter to lead visiting Minnesota.

Reed (1-0) gave up a homer to Shannon Stewart on his first pitch but would up allowing just one more run — Carlos Delgado's homer in the fourth.

Eddie Guardado got his third save.

Royals 5, White Sox 2
Mike Sweeney and Raul Ibanez drove in two runs apiece and Paul Byrd (1-0) went six innings as host Kansas City beat mistake-prone Chicago.

The White Sox, who have lost three straight after winning their opener at Seattle, committed four errors and also hurt themselves with other blunders.



(Courtesy photo)

The Green Team: Front, from left, Jeremy Martinez, Tanner Dyson, Adam Estrada and J'Mico Mitchell; Back, from left, Colden Fortenberry, Dane Howard, Tyler Dodson, Jerrod Bivins, Josh Humphrey, and coach Ben Martinez.

Pampa Green Team wins the championship of White Deer Mean Machine tourney

WHITE DEER — The Pampa Green team won the sixth grade championship at the White Deer Mean Machine Basketball Tournament this year. The Green team had a 4-0 record to win the tournament.

Pampa didn't allow a point in defeating Stinnett Team One 30-0. Their other wins came against Miami 23-20, Stinnett Team Two 22-14, and Cornerstone 35-20.

The team was coached by Ben Martinez.

Pampa 30, Stinnett One 0
Pampa scoring: Tanner Dyson 10, Adam Estrada 8, J'Mico Mitchell 6, Dane Howard 4, Jeremy Martinez 2.

Pampa 23, Miami 20
Pampa scoring: Tanner Dyson 16, Adam Estrada 4, Dane Howard 2, Jerrod Bivins 1.

Pampa 22, Stinnett Two 14
Pampa scoring: Tanner Dyson 6, Dane Howard 4, Adam Estrada 4, Jerrod Bivins 4, Jeremy Martinez 2, Josh Humphrey 2.

Pampa 35, Cornerstone 20
Pampa scoring: Dane Howard 8, Adam Estrada 6, Tyler Dodson 6, Jeremy Martinez 5, Josh Humphrey 4, J'Mico Mitchell 4, Tanner Dyson 2, Jerrod Bivins 2.

Stars keep playoff hopes alive with 3-1 victory over Avalanche

DALLAS (AP) — Jere Lehtinen joked that if his return to the lineup brought energy to the Dallas Stars, it was only because he'd been sitting around for eight games waiting for his ankle to heal while his teammates were being beaten up on the ice.

Whatever the reason, it certainly was obvious that Lehtinen was back.

Even Colorado goaltender Patrick Roy called him the "best player on the ice" in a 3-1 Dallas victory Friday night that kept the Stars' playoff hopes alive and prevented the Avalanche from clinching a postseason berth.

Lehtinen scored twice, Jason Arnott got the 200th goal of his career and Ed Belfour had one of his best games this season, giving Dallas the perfect start to a six-game closing stretch that must be filled with victories for a team that has won five straight division titles to

even make the playoffs. Dallas is tied with Vancouver for ninth in the Western Conference, one point behind eighth-place Edmonton.

"The players know the situation," interim coach Rick Wilson said. "This is how we hoped they would respond. The character of this team has carried us through adverse situations before. Right now, there's no room for errors."

Having Lehtinen back helps reduce the mistakes. Dallas was 3-4-1 without him, scoring just 17 goals.

"It felt good to be out there," Lehtinen said. "It's so frustrating watching on TV."

Belfour came within 5:37 of a shutout, allowing only a between-the-legs goal to Alex Tanguay. He made 21 saves.

Belfour, who has been fighting back pain, said he's starting to get into a groove. He just hopes it's not too

late. "I definitely think it's going to take a big push from all of us," he said. "It's going to take more nights like tonight. It's good to have Jere back. Our whole team stepped up, you could see it."

Colorado would have loved to crimp Dallas' playoff hopes considering the Stars beat the Avalanche in the Western Conference finals in 1999 and 2000. The teams didn't meet in the postseason last year, when Dallas was eliminated in the second round.

But Lehtinen opened the scoring late in the first period after taking a feed from Pierre Turgeon, who was pinned to the wall. Roy made a nice play to stop Lehtinen on a power play early in the period, but couldn't react quick enough this time.

The same could be said of Arnott's goal and Lehtinen's second of the game. "They had to win this

game, but it was a bit disappointing for us," said Roy, who got his 500th career victory the last time he played in Dallas. "We're going to have to regroup and refocus."

Rookie leads Grizzlies by Rockets

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Rookie Pau Gasol scored a career-high 32 points and grabbed 14 rebounds Friday night as the Memphis Grizzlies jumped to an early lead and beat the Houston Rockets 99-81.

Gasol's points, which came on 12-of-22 shooting, eclipsed his previous high of 31 at Phoenix on Jan. 10. Gasol's scoring gave the Grizzlies a decided advantage inside as they outscored Houston 50-34 in the paint.

The loss was the ninth in 11 games for the Rockets, who never led.

Jason Williams added 23 points and 16 assists, while Shane Battier finished with 21 points and 10 rebounds.

It was one of the worst games we've played in our end in a while."

Notes: Peter Forsberg, hoping to recover from an ankle injury in time to make

Colorado's playoff roster, skated Friday. ... Lehtinen has 22 goals. ... Arnott's goal was his 25th this season, three in seven games with Dallas.

Steve Francis led Houston with 22 points, nine rebounds and six assists, while backcourt mate Cuttino Mobley scored 17 points. Eddie Griffin had 11 off the bench, and Dan Langhi added 10.

The Grizzlies led 60-39 at the half behind Gasol's 18 points and 15 more from Williams, who also had eight assists.

Gasol was in double figures seven minutes into the game. Gasol ended up with 12 in the period as Memphis led by 15 after one.

Meanwhile, the Rockets were hitting only 35 percent from the field and Griffin's nine off the bench were the closest Houston could get to a double-figure scorer in the first

half. That changed early in the second when the Rockets opened with a 14-4 streak to make it interesting, eventually cutting it to 72-64 on Mobley's three-point play with just under three minutes to play in the quarter.

The Grizzlies managed only 15 points in the third, but held a 75-66 lead headed into the final period.

Notes: Bobblehead mania met Memphis rock ancestry at Friday night's game as the Grizzlies gave away 3,000 Elvis dolls. Designers opted for the young, sleek Elvis in a black jacket instead of the bulkier, jumpsuit-adorned version from the latter part of the King's career.

Quite an interception: National champs' playbook on Internet

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — The Miami Hurricanes police their playbooks.

They carry the little green binders almost everywhere: to meeting rooms, classrooms, home and back — always keeping tight control on the team's formations, plays and terminology.

If a player shows up without his, he knows the penalty: running laps after practice. That rarely happens, though, because players guard the 150-page playbooks as if they were the football equivalent of atomic secrets.

Confidential. ... vert. Clandestine. Not anymore.

The national champions' two playbooks, one offensive and one defensive, were stolen last month and parts of them were posted on the Internet. Coral Gables police said someone took the playbooks and returned them March 28 in manila envelopes.

But the Hurricanes downplayed the theft, saying they aren't worried that their Xs and Os reached cyberspace —

and possible their opponents. "It doesn't even matter," running back Jarrett Payton said. "Even if you know what's coming, it's another thing to stop it."

Team officials only learned of the theft when they got the playbooks back. Police and FBI officials are involved in the case but have no suspects, Sgt. Ed Hudak said Thursday.

"We haven't ruled out anybody," Hudak said. "The focus of our investigation is twofold: how it got stolen and how it got disseminated through the Internet."

According to a police report, two manila envelopes arrived by mail at the university's Hecht Athletic Center on March 28. Each envelope was postmarked Tampa on March 22 and had no return address.

One was addressed to "Ken Dorsey c/o LB Coach" and "Ken Dorsey c/o QB Coach." Dorsey is the Hurricanes quarterback and a Heisman Trophy finalist last season.

The playbooks were taken from the office of linebackers coach Vernon Hargreaves, the pages were removed from the binders but the binders were left in the office, according to the report.

"It's a concern," coach Larry Coker said. "It's like something getting stolen from your house — you feel violated. It bothers you that it happens, but it's really not much of a concern. It does have some drawings in it, but it's all fluff."

"The ones we hand out, they pretty much don't have a lot of meat and potatoes. They do have some basic things in them that are important, but nothing they can't get off of video."

Playbooks have ended up in enemy hands before.

Indiana Pacers forward Malik Sealy left his playbook at Kennedy International Airport in 1993. The book was basically a scouting report on Indiana's playoff opponent, the New York Knicks, and detailed

strengths and weaknesses of each player.

The contents were read on a national radio show just hours before the teams began a first-round playoff series, and Sealy was fined.

Former Florida coach Steve Spurrier closed practice in 1996 to the media after some of his "ball plays" ended up on a Web site.

And last fall, three central Texas coaches agreed to pay \$3,000 each to former Dallas Cowboys offensive coordinator Ernie Zampese, former Philadelphia Eagles coach Buddy Ryan and his two of his sons to settle a lawsuit.

Zampese, Ryan and his sons sued the coaches after learning their NFL playbooks had been posted for sale on the Internet.

The Hurricanes are trying to track the thief using the Internet. They found some playbook pages scanned on the Web site "Sandman's 4-3 Defense On-Line." The site is

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Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra concert in offing

AMARILLO — Amarillo Symphony Randel Chamber Orchestra is delighted to feature the Young Performers Competition Grand Prize winner Travis Knapp and the Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra I during its upcoming concert at 8 p.m., Friday, April 12 at First Baptist Church, 1208 S. Tyler, Amarillo.

The April concert will showcase the immense musical abilities of our youth," says Music Director and Conductor James Setapen. "The talent of these young people is absolutely astounding!"

The Young Performers Competition Grand Prize Winner, Travis Knapp, was born in Montgomery, Ala., in September 1986. He is currently a sophomore at Randall High School.

He studies piano with Michele Sheffield, which he began when he was 8-years-old. He began his percussion studies only 4 1/2 ago, with Mike Sheffield at Westover Intermediate School, and now studies with Eric Rath (percussion director/assistant band director at Randall High School).

He also studies privately with Dr. Susan Martin Tariq at West Texas A&M University.

Highlights of his musical career include participating in the Texas All-State Band as both a freshman and sophomore, being designated as an Outstanding Performer at the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest as a freshman, and plac-

ing second in the Percussive Arts Society International Convention High School Keyboard Competition as a sophomore.

Travis has served as principal percussionist of the Amarillo Youth Symphony Orchestra for four years. He is the son of Jeff and Karen Knapp of Amarillo.

The concert will start off with the Randel Chamber Orchestra playing two pieces written by Joseph Haydn. The first piece to be performed is the good spirited opener, "March for the Royal Society of Musicians."

The second is one of the 12 symphonic pieces that Haydn wrote on one of his two visits to London, "Symphony No. 98" in B flat major, one of his symphonic masterpieces.

Travis Knapp will join the Randel Chamber Orchestra after intermission. The first piece to be performed is with Travis Knapp playing Paul Creston's piece "Concertino for Marimba and Orchestra, Third movement: Lively."

The Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra I and the Randel Chamber Orchestra will conclude the concert with George Bizet's piece "L'Arlesienne Suite No. 1." This piece was written for the French play "The Girl from Arles."

Tickets are \$10 and \$5 for students and seniors. For more information, call the symphony office at (806) 376-8782 or visit www.amarillosymphony.org on-line.

Local realtor earns Master Program 'Emerald' award

Century 21 Real Estate Corp., franchisor of the world's largest residential real estate sales organization, has recognized the achievement of Sue Baker of Century 21 Pampa Realty for attaining emerald level status.

Emerald Level status is awarded to an agent who has met minimum-adjusted gross commission of \$120,000 or 40 units. A gold-plated lapel pin with emerald accent is awarded the agent during the awards ceremony, in addition to a trophy and a personal invitation to attend the Century 21@Masters Retreat.

"Sue Baker is a leader and innovator in delivering powerful home choices to her clients because she knows the neighborhoods she serves and leads these communities with real estate expertise," stated Jim Davidson, managing broker of Century 21.

"Sue's competitive intelligence," he continued, "pro-



Sue Baker

essionalism and dedication has made her a valued and trusted real estate partner for the Pampa community and a major contributor to the overall success of the CENTURY 21@ System."

Baker has 11 years of experience in the real estate industry and has been with the CENTURY 21@ System for five years.

Knowles supports Rodeo program

Texas Dodge Dealers have come together to support Texas High School Rodeo Association's scholarship fund through the donation of a one-ton Dodge dually quad cab diesel truck.

THSRA was founded in 1947 at Hallettsville to provide the finest venue to showcase Texas high school student's rodeo skills while encouraging them to further their education. This year alone with the help of Dodge and THSRA's other fine sponsors, THSRA will be able to award over \$80,000 in college scholarships.

This year THSRA and Dodge have also teamed up to create a new scholarship program called the Dodge Regional "Instant" Scholarship Program.

Robert Knowles, Dodge in Pampa is among the many Dodge dealers throughout the state supporting the program which allows THSRA contestants to earn additional individual scholarship money at county fairs and rodeos across the state through the raffle of the Dodge Truck.

The truck will be given away at the Texas High School State Finals Rodeo held in Abilene during June. This State Finals High School Rodeo is one of the largest rodeos in Texas with 650 contestants competing in the weeklong rodeo.

For more information on Texas High School Rodeo, sponsorship opportunities or the Dodge Regional "Instant" Scholarship Program contact Holly Peggam, THSRA Marketing at (979) 485-8391.

LIONS CLUB SWEETHEARTS



Ashley Derington

Pampa Lions Club March "Sweethearts of the Month" for 2001-02 were Ashley Derington and Sara Beth Hall.

Ashley is the daughter of Teresa Dyson of Pampa and Joel Derington of Tulsa and is the granddaughter of Sue Derington of Pampa.

Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: First Baptist Church Youth Group; Varsity Cross, Country Track (one year); Varsity Softball (two years); Varsity Basketball (three years); D-FY-IT; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Peer Tutor; Special Olympics volunteer; senior captain, PHS cheer-leading squad.

All-American Cheerleader; All-State Academic Athlete; National Honor Society; honorable mention, District basketball player; Hustling Harvester Basketball Award; All-Tournament player (twice); KGRO Broadcasters "Best Shooter" basketball award; and "Most Popular Senior Girl."

Ashley plans to pursue a degree in education at Texas Tech



Sara Beth Hall

University and hopes eventually to teach physical education at the elementary school level.

Sara Beth is the daughter of Steve and Patty Hall and is the granddaughter of Gene and Helen Hall of Pampa. She transferred from McLean High School to Pampa High School as a junior.

Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: National Honor Society; All-American Scholar; Who's Who Among American High School Students; First United Methodist Church Youth Group; gymnastics; piano (nine years); Concert Choir; varsity cheerleader; and All-Star Cheerleader Award.

She is a member of First United Methodist Church.

She plans to major in pre-law at either Texas Christian University, Texas Tech University or Louisiana State University.

High Plains Public Radio Board to meet in Perryton

High Plains Public Radio Board of Directors will meet in Perryton on April 12 at the Museum of the Plains. A regularly scheduled monthly board meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. A discussion of the KTOT Public Radio station, to be located south of Perryton, is on the agenda and will start at approximately 3:30 p.m.

The Board will hear a progress report from HPPR Executive Director Quentin Hope, Chief Engineer Chuck Springer and Project Director Skip Mancini concerning the status of FCC and FAA permit modifications, tower construction, as well as the overall construction schedule.

The public is invited to attend the meeting and to accompany HPPR staff and board members on a visit to the site of the forthcoming tower construction. Museum of the Plains is located on North Highway 83 in Perryton.

High Plains Public Radio currently serves Western Kansas, portions of Southeastern Colorado and the Oklahoma Panhandle. It

can be heard in Amarillo at 94.9 and 91.3 FM.

The board of directors is elected by the listener-members of the station and represents all areas of the HPPR broadcast region. The current board has members from seven communities, including five members from the Amarillo-Canyon area.

KTOT-FM has been autho-

rized at 89.5 FM and when completed will provide service to nine counties in the Northeast Texas Panhandle and surrounding areas of Oklahoma.

Programming will include comprehensive international, national and regional news, classical, jazz and folk music, plus coverage of regional events and issues.

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For more information about High Plains Public Radio and the Top O' Texas Public Radio Project, call 1-800-678-7444, or visit the website at www.hppr.org.



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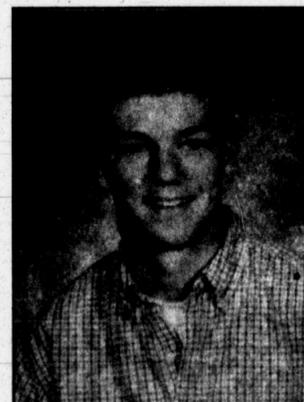
Jared Dunham



Nicholas Brant Story



Leslie Ward



Kevin Turner

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced United States National Award-Winners from the area.

The following students were chosen USAA award winners in various categories: **Aaron Keller, Jared Dunham, Nicholas Brant Story, and Leslie Ward**, "Honor Roll," all of Pampa High School, and **Kevin Turner** and Ward, "Leadership and Service," PHS.

(See, NEWSMAKERS, Page 28)



Students in Tommy Hill's first grade class at Horace Mann School were, front row, Vernon Mangel, Robert Icenooole, Patsy Pritchard, Donald Denton, Karen Denton, Marquetta Cargill and Harold Duncan; second row, Ronnie Atkinson, Hal Sampson, Gloria Jean Cooper, Ann Webber, Troy Wilkinson; third row: Tommy Hill, Glenn Husted, Raydene Leonard, Stanley Smart, John Shewmaker, Larry Trollinger, teacher Beulah Hammond Sykes; fourth row, Delbert Simmons, Jerry Rockwell, Jo Ann Moore, Sandra Stuedgen, Don Cole and Dickie Watkins.

Tommy Hill's classmates rally to help after his lung transplant

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

Old friends are really good to have. And the older people get, the more they realize how much those friends mean to them.

A 1959 graduate of Pampa High, Tommy Hill certainly appreciates that the people who have known him the longest are there helping him and his family as he struggles in a Houston hospital to regain his health.

When word reached the 1959 PHS class members last fall that Hill was extremely ill, those friends began to rally around him and his family in an effort to provide whatever assistance they can for him and his family as he fights for his life.

Diagnosed with asbestosis, he learned he would require a lung transplant. Tommy and his wife, Nita, temporarily relocated to their daughter's residence at Spring, near Houston, to await the transplant.

Hill has been struggling with his health upon receiving the diagnosis that he would need the transplant. As one of his daughters, Jana Patton, lives at Spring near Houston, he and his wife, Nita, traveled to Houston to obtain medical care for him and await the transplant which he underwent on Feb. 7. Tommy has remained in the area since that initial trip.

A Pampa businessman, he has lived his entire life in Pampa. He and Nita have owned and operated a machine shop for many years and have also operated Travel Express for several years.

Many people he has known during his lifetime have been not only praying for his recovery, they are also taking action. His longtime friends have provided numerous acts of kindness for him and his family during the past few months.

As numerous local residents assembled on March 23 to give blood for Tommy at a Coffee Memorial Blood Bank drive in Pampa, a group of his friends and former classmates began discussing ways in which funds could be raised to help offset a part of the enormous expenses that have been building up over the last several months.

Several project ideas — a bake sale, car wash, raffle, auction golf tournament (Tommy and Nita are avid golfers, and a dinner/dance — were discussed.

The initial fundraiser will be a bake sale to be held Saturday, April 13, at Pampa's Wal-Mart.

Anyone who would like to contribute baked goods to the bake sale is encouraged to do so. People may take items to Wal-Mart at 10 a.m. Saturday. Anyone wishing to help in any way or needing additional information may contact Nelda Clements at 669-6252 or Pat

Ritthaler at 669-6597.

While the dates haven't been set, two other fundraisers are planned in the next few weeks to assist the family.

Anyone who would like to donate items for a garage sale may call Jim Radcliff, 669-6870, Larry Holmes, 665-5488, or Scott Nisbet, 665-7037, to have the items picked up.

The three men also will be glad to transport items to be auctioned on Ebay to raise funds for the Hills.

Such items as antiques, pottery, jewelry, silver, paintings, sporting goods, (old lures, knives, guns); collectibles (trading cards, dolls, toys, pins, stamps) etc. can be auctioned.

Additional information on the Ebay auction may be obtained by contacting Pace in Amarillo at 335-1436 or by email at tpacc@amaonline.com; Bailey Clements at 669-1473, or Bob Blakeney at 665-8937.

A fund has also been established at a local bank for direct monetary contributions. Checks should be sent to: Tommy Hill Medical Expense Fund, National Bank of Commerce, P.O. Box 2750, Pampa, Tx 79066; Attn: Sonya Everson.

Many organizers of the activities to help Tommy and the family are those who have known him all his life and started to school with him. He started school as a first grader in the Sam Houston Elementary School in Pampa in the 1940s.

His daughter, Beth Rice, reported Friday that Tommy may be able to be removed from the ventilator today. Beth traveled to Houston to see her parents over the Easter week-end.

"He had been on a ventilator for two weeks before I got there," she said, "but was taken off on Good Friday. On Saturday he was experiencing nausea, and on Easter Sunday he was experiencing difficulty breathing and had to be put back on the ventilator."

She said he has been undergoing tests this past week to determine why he was having difficulty breathing without the ventilator. "The tests haven't determined a reason for it," she said, "so it looks like they are going to try again."

"His recovery has been difficult, to say the least," said Beth. "His battle for life continues."

Beth and her brother, Rory Hill, both live in Pampa and travel to Houston as often as possible. His mother, Clarine Hill, also lives in Pampa.

She related that her parents celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary on Thursday. "All they wanted was for him to get off the ventilator and get well," she said.

That's what his friends want for them, too.

Old Friends are best



Members of the Class of 1959 gathered to reminisce Sept. 23, 2000, at Bar H Dude Ranch, Clarendon. Left to right, Tom Pace, Tommy Hill, Darlene Holmes, Larry Holmes, Derrel Davis, Clo Ann Bynum, Ralph Bynum, Betty Love, Nita Hill, Kathleen Greene, Jim Greene, Judy Davis, Charlie Ritthaler and Pat Ritthaler.

Courtesy photos



Above, Tommy Hill as a toddler growing up in Pampa, above right, a recent photo, and, at right, an elementary student as a child.



Kathleen Greene, left, and Pat Ritthaler emailed Tommy and Nita Hill their best wishes while at a Christmas Party of the class members on Nov. 30, 2001.



Tommy and Nita, above, are pictured during one of several cruises they've enjoyed in recent years. Nita and Tommy had this photograph taken on July 4, 1981.



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WEEK OF APRIL 8-12

Pampa Schools
MONDAY
 Breakfast: Blueberry Fruit-A-Roo.
 Lunch: Chicken nuggets, pizza, whipped potatoes, peas/carrots, applesauce, rolls.

Senior Citizens
MONDAY
 Chicken fried steak or chicken ala king, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, devilsfood cake or cherry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY
 Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.
 Lunch: Fish strips or macaroni/cheese, black-eyed peas, corn, chocolate pudding.

WEDNESDAY
 Breakfast: Cinnamon toast.
 Lunch: Spaghetti/meat sauce, steak fingers, green beans, salad, pineapple tidbits, rolls.

THURSDAY
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy.
 Lunch: Harvester wrap, chef salad, pinto beans, salad, fresh fruit.

FRIDAY
 Breakfast: Cereal, toast, sausage.
 Lunch: Turkey/cheese sandwiches, chili dogs, French fries, lettuce/tomatoes, mixed fruit.

Lefors Schools
MONDAY
 Breakfast: Muffins, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Mexican casserole, mini corn dogs, rice, corn, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY
 Breakfast: Sausage, eggs, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Roast, beef, chicken patties, potatoes, green beans, rolls, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY
 Breakfast: Pancake-on-a-stick, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Spaghetti/meat sauce, broccoli, garlic toast, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY
 Breakfast: Hot cereal, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Turkey, ham, scalloped potatoes, blackeyed peas, rolls, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY
 Breakfast: Yogurt, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Hamburgers, barbecue sandwiches,

French fries, vegetables, fruit, milk.
 Chicken fried steak or chicken ala king, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, devilsfood cake or cherry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
 Taco salad or chicken breasts/wild rice, onion potatoes, hominy, brussels sprouts, beans, Boston cream pie or apple/raisin cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
 Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, carrots, baked cabbage, butter beans, caramel cake or coconut cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
 Chicken strips or chop suey/rice, tater tots, turnip greens, corn, beans, pineapple upsidedown cake or cheesecake, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
 Chicken loaf, macaroni/cheese, Harvard beets, pears.
 Chopped sirloin, rice pilaf, green beans, plum cobbler.
 Stew, cornbread, pineapple.
 Chicken patties, peas/carrots, squash casserole, pudding.
 Roast, cream corn, baked apples, graham crackers.

WEDDINGS

Albrecht-Howard

Sheri Lynn Albrecht and J Eldon Howard of Houston were wed March 1, 2002, at West Lake Club in Houston with the Rev. Montie Lee Hyden, Jr. officiating.
 The matron of honor was Kelley Montgomery, sister of the bride of Houston.
 The best man was Chris Herbold of Houston.
 The ushers were Ryan Albrecht, brother of the bride, and Noel Howard, brother of the groom, both of Houston.
 Music was provided by violinist Lynn Coalmer and pianist Stephanie Frederick.
 A reception was held following the service in the West Lake Club ballroom with dinner and dancing.
 The bride is the daughter of Ronald and Shirley Albrecht of San Antonio and is the granddaughter of Frank and Frances Marckwardt of San Antonio. She graduated from Texas A&M University in 1995 with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. She is currently employed with Occidental Chemical Company in Houston.
 The groom is the son of Noel and Myra Howard of Tyler, formerly of Amarillo, and is the grandson of Margaret Howard of Amarillo and Lucille Nuttall of Lewisville, formerly of Pampa. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 1996 with degrees in political science and Spanish. He is currently employed with Atlas Copco as a territory sales manager in Houston.
 The couple honeymooned in Belize, Mexico, and intend to make their home in Houston.



J Eldon Howard and Sheri Lynn Albrecht

Kelley-Fent

Deena Renea Kelley and Thomas Aaron Fent were wed Feb. 28, 2002, at Galveston Island, Texas.
 The bride, formerly of Honolulu, Hawaii, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kelley. She is currently employed in the airline industry.
 The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fent. He is from Honolulu and is presently employed with Lockheed-Martin.
 The couple planned to honeymoon in Hawaii.

Morris-Townsley

Amy Leanne Morris and William Douglas Townsley Jr., both of Dallas, were wed Feb. 2, 2002, at Rotunda of Chase Towers in Dallas with William Townsley Sr., pastor of Arlington Park First Baptist Church, officiating.
 The bride's honor attendant was Jerren Miller, cousin of the bride of Amarillo. The flower girl was Kennedy Leanne Phillips of Mesquite.
 The groom's honor attendant was Stacey Brady, sister of the groom of Plano. The ring bearers were Preston and Garret Morris of Mesquite.
 The ushers were Jesse Silva of Amarillo and Elon Fambles of Dallas.
 Music was provided by vocalist Stacey Brady.
 A reception was held following the service in the Rotunda with Cara East of Dallas, Ashley Fowlkes of Houston, Lindsay Rhoades of Pampa, Selena Stout of Borger and Hannah Townsley of Albuquerque, N.M., serving the guests.
 The bride is the daughter of Joe and Patsy Morris of Pampa.
 The groom is the son of William and Brenda Townsley of Arlington.
 The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Lake Tahoe and intend to make their home in Dallas.



William Douglas Townsley Jr. and Amy Leanne Morris

CLUB NEWS

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

Magic Plains
 Magic Plains chapter of American Business Women's Association met March 11 at The Coffee Shop in Pampa with Ellen Malone and Estelle Malone serving as hostesses. Eleven members and one guest were present.
 The following business was conducted and announcements made:
 —The scholarship report was delivered and several amendments added.
 —A new slate of officers for the Nominating Committee was presented.
 —Two teams will compete in membership contest.
 —A garage sale fundraiser is in the offing to benefit scholarship monies.
 —Peggy Coleman presented the program.

PPQG
 Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild met March 28 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center in Pampa with President Susie Edwards presiding. Thirty-three members and seven guests were present.
 The following business was conducted and announcements made:
 —Members are making a quilt entitled "Wind of the Plains" for donation to the upcoming "A Century of Quilts" quilt show in October. The Guild is seeking entries for the show and encourages anyone with a quilt made within the last 100 years to participate.
 —Joyce Dutcher distributed a blue bird pattern for the monthly quilt block.
 —The Guild voted to bestow an honorary membership upon Janie Morris in gratitude for her many contributions to PPQG.
 —Showing finished projects were: Kathy White, Joyce Taylor, Brenda Tucker, Dutcher, Donna Reynolds, Jane Jacobs, Linda Frost, Edwards and Della Bassett.
 —Janie Van Zandt delivered the program on "Stack and Whack" quilts.
 The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., April 26 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call 665-4268.

Bridal Registry...

- Amanda Hall ~ Ben Padgett
- Kalei Vanderburg ~ Corey Prichard
- Jennifer Arriaga ~ Hank Gindorf
- Season Putman ~ Wade Bruce
- April Melanson ~ Jason Dyer
- Sarah Fields ~ Josh Bauman
- Ashlee David ~ Steve Beckham
- Tracy Bruton ~ Ryan Bruce
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"The Sons of Light Quartet" from the Central Baptist Church here in Pampa will be leading the music for the First United Methodist Church in Pampa during their spring revival. Services will be Sunday, April 7 through Tuesday April 9 at 7:00 p.m. The church is located at 201 E. Foster. A nursery will be provided for each evening service. All are welcome to come hear this inspirational quartet along with the great preaching of Dr. Jim Jackson from Chapelwood United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas. Pictured are members of the group and their accompanist: Rick Smith, Keith Oliphant, Kevin Howell, Bryan Frost and Amy Parnell.

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ENGAGEMENTS

**David-
Beckham**

Ashlee Denise David and Steven Blain Beckham, both of Pampa, plan to wed July 6, 2002, in St. Matthews Episcopal Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Roger David of Sarasota, Fla., and Peggy David of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1998 and was listed in Who's Who in Sports in 1995. She attended McMurry University and was a member of Delta Beta Epsilon. She is currently employed by St. Matthews Episcopal Day School.

The prospective groom is the son of Justin and Phyllis



Ashlee Denise David and Steven Blain Beckham

Beckham of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1994 and earned an associates degree from Universal Technical Institute of Houston in 1996. He is currently employed by Thomas Automotive.

**Hopson-
Taylor**

Rainy Leigh Hopson and Avery Joel Taylor, both of Pampa, plan to wed June 8, 2002, at Hiland Church in Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Nathan and Janey Hopson of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa Academy of Christian Education in 2000 and attended Southwestern Assemblies of God University in 2001. She is currently enrolled at Clarendon College and is employed at the Children's Development Center of First Baptist Church.

The prospective groom is the son of Dale and Joann Taylor of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa Academy of



Rainy Leigh Hopson and Avery Joel Taylor

Christian Education in 1998 and worked for L&R Concrete for three years prior to enlisting in the U.S. Army. He is currently stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

**Melanson-
Dyer**

April Dawn Melanson and Jason Dyer, both of Wichita Falls, Texas, plan to wed May 25, 2002, at Cottonwood Springs at Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melanson of Pampa. She attends Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls full-time and is currently employed as a receptionist with the law firm of Gibson, Hotchkis, Roach and Davenport.

The prospective groom is



April Dawn Melanson and Jason Dyer

the son of Mr. and Mrs. Shane Dyer. He is currently manager of Dyer's Restaurant in Wichita Falls.

Lone Star Ballet season finale in offing

AMARILLO — Lone Star Ballet's (LSB) final production of the season will be "Sinatra, Classics, Rock and Roll and John David Souther Live" to be staged at 8 p.m., Saturday, April 13 in Amarillo Civic Center.

This season finale will include something for everyone; different styles, different

music and a titillating atmosphere.

In addition to the diversified performance pieces, the ballet will also highlight The Amarillo Chamber Music Society. The Lone Star Ballet is also proud to present an Amarillo native, national recording artist John David Souther, as he performs live

for the community at this event. "The impact of this style of music and choreography has been enormously entertaining for the ballet dancers. It has opened their eyes to a new appreciation of Frank Sinatra and some of the classic Rock and Roll sounds. They have had a blast putting together this show and look forward to performing it for the Panhandle area," says Artistic Director Neil Hess.

John David Souther was born in Amarillo and is a graduate of Tascosa High School. He studied drama with Neil Hess while at Tascosa. Aside from many movie and television credits, he has had a successful recording career. He has written many original songs for the Eagles, Don Henley, James Taylor, Linda Ronstadt, George Strait and Bonnie Raitt. He will be presenting some of his latest works and looks forward to performing in Amarillo.

Tickets start at \$12 and can be obtained through Panhandle Tickets at (806) 378-3096, at local United Supermarkets, or at the Lone Star Ballet office.

Eat healthy with 'fabulous fruits'

It's almost "that time of year" again! It's the time of year when many folks are wanting to shed unwanted pounds before summer weather arrives. It's also the time of year when it's hot, and you want to satisfy your appetite with something light, juicy and refreshing.

Fresh fruits are a great way to watch your caloric intake and get extra vitamins and minerals such as vitamin C and folic acid. They are loaded with complex carbohydrates and fiber, and people who regularly eat plenty of fruits are less likely to develop certain types of cancers than those who eat few fruits.

Fresh fruits are available year round, but the best buys can be found when they are "in season" at the grocery store or farmer's market.

Most people like fruit because it tastes sweet and is low in calories. However, Americans average only one serving of fruit a day instead of two — the minimum that is recommended.

In a recent study by Janet Bode, author of "Food Fight: A Guide to Eating Disorders for Pre-Teens and Their Parents," students were asked to keep records of their daily food intake.

The study showed that instead of eating the minimum two servings of fruit per day, they were eating less than two servings per week!

Canned fruits and juices are also good for you. It is important to look at the label to determine if canned fruits are packed in heavy syrup, light syrup or in water. Those stored in water or light syrup are recommended. Juice labels should read



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"unsweetened" or "100 percent juice."

Shopping for fruits can be challenging. Here are some tips:

—Compare the different forms of fruit to see which is the best buy. This means comparing cost per serving of fresh and canned fruit.

—Buy fruit when it is "in season."

—Fruit cut in irregularly shaped pieces costs less than fruits cut in uniform shape.

—Store brands often cost less than name brands and the nutritional value is the same.

—Shop for fruits at a farmer's market. Most accept food stamps.

—Don't buy bruised or molded fruits. Fruits with scars, however, are alright to purchase and are usually cheaper. Scars are not spoilage spots.

—Fruit drinks that are not 100 percent juice cost almost as much as real juice but do not contain the same nutritional value. These drinks are basically flavored sugar water with a small amount of vitamin C added.

—Fruits make a great snack and are usually cheaper than candy bars and packaged cakes. Keep them handy in a bowl on the table or cut up in the refrigerator. Whip up a delicious blended fruit drink with your favorite fruits.

—Frozen fruit juice is usually a better buy than packaged fruit juice.

—Storage is important. Refrigerate fully ripened fruits and store only bananas and unripe fruits at room temperature. Scrub fruits with water before eating, and do not soak them in water as vitamins will be lost.

WEDDING/ANNIVERSARY POLICY

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.
3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.
4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.
5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.
6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.
7. Birth announcements will only be published 0- to 3-month-olds.
8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

'LEGACY'

The M.K. Brown "Legacy" book is currently on sale at White Deer Land Museum, Hastings and the Chamber of Commerce.

CATTLEWOMEN

SCHOLARSHIPS
Top O' Texas-CattleWomen Scholarship application forms are now available at local high schools. One scholarship in the amount of \$500 and two in the amount of \$250 will be awarded. College-bound seniors from Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler Counties are eligible to apply. The application deadline is April 26. The forms must be mailed to: Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, TX 79096. For more information, call (806) 826-3572 or (806) 826-5719.

PCCA

Pampa Community Concert Association's 2002-03 season membership campaign is currently under way through June 1. Membership subscriptions are \$30 for adults, \$15 for students and \$70 for families. For more information, call Ruth Riehart, president, at 665-0343.

WDLM EXHIBIT

"Gray County in Black and White, 1902-2002," a photographic exhibit, will be on display April 1-31 at White Deer Land Museum in Pampa.

HOBART BAPTIST

Hobart Baptist Church, 1100 W. Crawford, will host its fifth Sunday singing from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, April 7. This musical afternoon event is free and open to all.

FPC CRAFT SHOW

Borger Community Activity Center will stage its annual Craft Show and Sale from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, April 6 and from 12 noon-5 p.m., Sunday, April 7 in the BCAC at Frank Phillips College.

Booth rental applications are available at BCAC. For more information, call (806) 274-5319.

HOSPICE TRAINING

BSA Hospice will present its free "Spring Volunteer Training and Community Education Class" from 1-4 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, April 8-May 1 at Clarendon College in Clarendon. CEUs will be awarded by CC. For more information or to register, call (806) 665-6677.

ACO MEETING

Amarillo Cancer Organization will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m., April 8 at the Sam Kiser residence, 2803 S. Parker, in Amarillo. Guest speakers will include: Sean Lim, M.D., Ph.D., and Maurizio Chiriva-Internati, Ph.D.

BSA YOUTH SUPPORT GROUP

Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospice will offer "Putting the Pieces Together," a grief support group for children and teens 6-18 years of age, for seven consecutive weeks beginning April 9 at St. Stephen United Methodist Church in Amarillo. Pre-registration is required and seating is limited. Childcare will be provided for children under 6. To pre-register or for more information, call (212) 8777 by April 2.

PAMPA BOOK CLUB

Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 10, at Lovett Memorial Library. The group will discuss "Cane River" by Lalita Tademy. Visitors are welcome.

POWER TEAM

Calvary Baptist Church will present "The Power Team" from April 10-14th.

CENTENNIAL MEETING

Gray County Centennial Committee will meet at 5 p.m., Thursday, April 11 at Pampa Community Building. Prospective volunteers are

urged to attend.

CCS BANQUET

Community Christian School of Pampa will host its annual "Friend and Family Fund-Raiser Banquet" at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 11 in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. The keynote speaker will be Marty Cohen of Dallas and Israel, founder of Messianic Messages. Cohen produces a radio program called "Messianic Messages Out of Zion," and is often featured on American Family Radio. Tickets are \$20 each and may be purchased at CCS located at 220 N. Ballard or from any CCS student. For more information or to place an order, call (806) 665-3393.

STAMP

CANCELLATION

White Deer Land Museum will hold a stamp cancellation during regular museum hours on April 12 in honor of its birthday.

READER'S THEATER

Reader's Theater Presentation will be staged April 12-14 at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center. Performances are scheduled at 7:30 p.m., Thursday-Saturday and 2:30 p.m., Sunday. The event is being co-sponsored by ACT I Area Community Theatre and Pampa Tribute to Woody Guthrie. It is an official Gray County Centennial Event. For more information, call 665-3266 or 669-3241.

RATTLESNAKE HUNT

The Waurika Volunteer Fire Fighters, Inc., will host the 41st annual "Fang-Tastic" 2002 Rattlesnake Hunt April 12-14 at Waurika, Okla. Festivities will kick-off at 12 noon Friday and continue through Saturday and Sunday.

STYLE SHOW

Altrusa will stage its annual Style Show beginning at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 13 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 a piece (\$8 is tax-deductible) and may be purchased from any Altrusa member. For more information, call 665-2826.

LONE STAR BALLET

Lone Star Ballet will perform along with John David Souther and The Amarillo Chamber Music Society at 8 p.m., Saturday, April 13, 2002, at Amarillo Civic Center. For more information, contact the Civic Center box office.

CHILDRESS COC EVENT

Childress Chamber of Commerce in Childress, Texas, will sponsor "Gateway to the Panhandle Arts and Crafts

Show" from 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, April 13 and from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, April 14, at Fair Park City Auditorium in Childress. Concessions will be available. Booths will feature everything from wood art, Native American art and paintings to cookbooks, cosmetics, aluminum sandcasting and more. For further information, contact Childress COC at (940) 937-2567 or 1-877-520-4609.

THC DEDICATION

At 2 p.m., Sunday, April 14 a ceremony will be held at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center to dedicate a Texas Historical Commission plaque commemorating the old "Harris Drug Store" as a Recorded Texas Historical Landmark.

RUSH MEETING

Amarillo Panhellenic will host a Rush information meeting at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 14 at 2 Greenwood Lane in Amarillo. The meeting is open to all senior women interested in Rush. A short video will be presented, deadlines discussed and packets handed out. For more information, call (806) 467-8161 or (806) 352-4185.

PCCA

Pampa Community Concert Association will present Linda Wang in concert at 7:30 p.m., April 15 in M.K. Brown Auditorium. For more information, call 665-0343.

SLIDE PROGRAM

Magic Plains chapter of the American Business Women's Association will host a slide presentation by Mrs. Beverly Harris at 7 p.m., April 16 at Lovett Memorial Library. The program will showcase Harris' collection of Christmas ornaments. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Wynona Seely at 669-7277.

OLD SETTLERS REUNION

The Cheyenne Arapaho Old Settlers Reunion will be held April 16-20 at Cheyenne, Okla. Activities will include: Gospel singing, variety shows, arts and crafts show, quilt show, free barbecue, PRCA rodeo and more.

PACSG

The Pampa Area Cancer Support Group for individuals, families and friends who have been touched by cancer will meet at 7-8 p.m., April 18 in the cafeteria of the Pampa Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza. Program for this month's meeting will be "Lymphedema: Are You at Risk?" to be presented by Pam Upshaw, occupational therapist and certified lymphedema therapist at Harrington Cancer Center. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. The public is invited. For more information, call 665-4742 or

665-2654. For a ride, call Betty Whitson after 5 p.m. at 669-2198 or Linda Norris at 665-2654. In case of inclement weather, call ahead in case meeting is canceled.

GCAPMB

Gray County Area Partnership for Moms and Babies will meet from 12-1 p.m., Friday, April 19 in the second floor conference room of the Medical Office Building in Pampa. Lunch will be provided.

ACS CLASS

The American Cancer Society will present the program "Look Good... Feel Better" from 1-3 p.m., April 20 at the ACS office at 3915 Bell Street in Amarillo. The program is aimed at helping cancer patients cope with the unpleasant side effects of cancer treatments. Cosmetology professionals will demonstrate techniques how to compensate for hair loss through the use of turbans and scarves. To register or for more information, call the ACS at (806) 353-4306.

UNITED WAY

Pampa United Way Budget Allocations Committee will meet with each United Way agency at designated times April 23 in the M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building.

CELESTIAL ARTS

Celestial Arts is conducting a free poetry contest. Send one poem 21 lines or less to: Celestial Arts, P.O. Box 1140, Talent, OR 97540; or enter online at www.freecontest.com. **Deadline for entry is April 20.**

UNITED WAY

Pampa United Way Budget Allocations Committee will meet with each UW agency at designated times on April 23 in the M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building.

ALTRUSA SCHOLARSHIP

Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa is currently accepting applications for its Geraldine Rumpy Adult Vocational scholarship, in the amount of \$500, to be awarded this spring. The award may be used for educational, training or retraining purposes and may go towards tuition, books and like expenses. **The deadline to apply is May 1, 2002.** For more information or to obtain an application, contact Anne Stobbe at 669-5780.

WHEELER COC EVENT

Wheeler Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its annual City-Wide Garage Sale and Car Show fund-raiser Saturday, May 4. Registration for the Sixth Annual Car Show will be held from 9 a.m.-12 noon on the day of the event. Awards will be presented by 4 p.m. A Kid Model Car Show

for ages 2-8 and 9-12 will also be featured and Pokey the Clown will be on hand to entertain participants. Concessions will be available. For more information, contact Wheeler COC at (806) 826-3408.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., April 3 and 17, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; 1-3:30 p.m., April 22, McLean School, McLean; and 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, April 23, Groom School, Groom.

CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: April 23, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, Pampa; April 3 and 17, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; April 19, Family Care Center, Shamrock; and April 30, Parkview Hospital, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS

Clarendon College will offer "Computer Fundamentals" from 6-8 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays, May 13-June 14 at its main campus in Clarendon. For more information, call (806) 874-3571.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free oak trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout this month. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between April and May with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day" and "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Free Dogwood Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by April 30, 2002.

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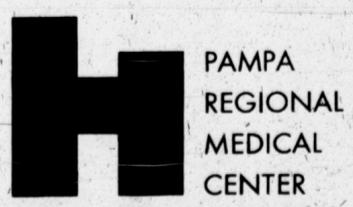
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Billboard Hot 100: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Ain't It Funny," Jennifer Lopez (feat. Ja Rule). Epic.
2. "What's Luv?" Fat Joe Featuring Ashanti. Terror Squad/Atlantic.
3. "Foolish," Ashanti. Murder Inc.
4. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
5. "Girlfriend," 'N Sync. Jive.
6. "U Don't Have To Call," Usher. Arista.
7. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless.
8. "Oops (Oh My)," Tweet. The Gold Mind.
9. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
10. "Wherever You Will Go," The Calling. RCA.

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The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "A New Day Has Come," Celine Dion. Epic.
2. "Now 9," Various Artists. Universal/EMI/Zomba/Sony/UMRG.
3. "WWF: Forceable Entry," Various Artists. Columbia.
4. "The Best Of Both Worlds," R. Kelly & Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
5. Soundtrack: "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" Mercury. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
6. "Ecstasy," Avant. Magic Johnson.
7. "M!ssundazstood," Pink. Arista. (Platinum)
8. Soundtrack: "The Scorpion King." Universal.
9. "(Hybrid Theory)," Linkin Park. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
10. "Drive," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)

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Hot Adult Contemporary

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "A New Day Has Come," Celine Dion. Epic.
2. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
3. "Superman (It's Not Easy)," Five For Fighting. Aware.
4. "Only Time," Enya. Warner Sunset.
5. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA.
6. "If You're Gone," matchbox twenty. Lava.
7. "Thank You," Dido. Arista.
8. "I Need You," Marc Anthony. Columbia.
9. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack. MCA Nashville. (Gold)
10. "Only A Woman Like You," Michael Bolton. Jive.

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Hot Country Singles and Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "I Breathe In, I Breathe Out," Chris Cagle. Capitol.
2. "My List," Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
3. "Blessed," Martina McBride. RCA.
4. "Young," Kenny Chesney. BNA.
5. "I'm Movin' On," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
6. "The Cowboy In Me," Tim McGraw. Curb.
7. "That's When I Love You," Phil Vassar. Arista Nashville.
8. "Drive (For Daddy Gene)," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
9. "What If She's An Angel," Tommy Shane Steiner. RCA.
10. "The Long Goodbye," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville.

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Hot Rap Singles

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1. "Lights, Camera, Action!" Mr. Cheeks. Universal.
2. "Feels Good (Don't Worry Bout A Thing)," Naughty By Nature (feat. 3LW)(GT) TVT.
3. "Ballin' Boy," No Good. ARTISTdirect.
4. "Dansin Wit Wolvez," Strik 9ine. Fade.
5. "Put Yo Sets Up," Redd Eyezz (feat. Juvenile & Slanted Eyezz). Z-Bo.
6. "Dear God," Willie D. Relentless.
7. "Do Ya Thang Girl," Beelov. Ballin'.
8. "Mama's Baby, Poppa's Maybe," Green Eyez. Bigg Money.
9. "Pass The Courvoisier II," Busta Rhymes (feat. P. Diddy & Pharrell). J.
10. "Think Big," Crimewave. Crimewave.

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Hot Dance Music — Club Play

(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)

1. "No More Drama (Thunderpuss Remixes)," Mary J. Blige. MCA.
2. "Wish I Didn't Miss You (The Remixes)," Angie Stone. J.
3. "It's Gonna Be (A Lovely Day)," Brancaccio & Aisher. Bedrock.
4. "Alive," Kevin Aviance. Emerge.
5. "Song For The Lonely," Cher. Warner Bros.
6. "It's Love (Trippin')," Goldtrix Presents Andrea Brown. Groovilicious.
7. "Escape (Remixes)," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
8. "Sleeping Faster," Lo Fidelity Allstars. Skint.
9. "Can't Stop Dancin'," Inaya Day. Groovilicious.
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Top Gospel Albums

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1. "The Rebirth Of Kirk Franklin," Kirk Franklin. Gospo Centric. (Gold)
2. "WOW Gospel 2002: The Year's 30 Top Gospel Artists And Songs," Various Artists. EMI/Word/Verity/Zomba. (Gold)
3. "Believe," Yolanda Adams. Elektra.
4. "Go Get Your Life Back," Donald Lawrence & The Tri-City Singers. EMI Gospel.
5. "Live In London And More..." Donnie McClurkin. Verity. (Platinum)
6. "Thankful," Mary Mary. C2/Columbia. (Platinum)
7. "Live And Up Close," BeBe. Motown.
8. "Woman Thou Art Loosed: Worship 2002 — Run To The Water... The River Within," Bishop T.D. Jakes. Dexterity Sounds.
9. "Glad About It," Joe Pace & The Colorado Mass Choir. Integrity.
10. "Be Glad," The Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir. M2.0 Communications.

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Mainstream Rock Tracks

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Modern Rock Tracks

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1. "The Middle," Jimmy Eat World. DreamWorks.
2. "Youth Of The Nation," P.O.D. Atlantic.
3. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless.
4. "Crawling In The Dark," Hoobastank. Island.
5. "For You," Staind. Flip.
6. "First Date," Blink-182. MCA.
7. "Friends & Family," Trik Turner. RCA.
8. "Too Bad," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
9. "Seein' Red," Unwritten Law. Interscope.
10. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.

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Top Country Albums

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1. Soundtrack: "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" Mercury. (Platinum)
2. "Drive," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)
3. "Rascal Flatts," Rascal Flatts. Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street. (Gold)
4. "Totally Country: 17 New Chart-Topping Hits," Various Artists. BNA. (Gold)
5. "Pull My Chain," Toby Keith. DreamWorks. (Platinum)
6. "Set This Circus Down," Tim McGraw. Curb. (Platinum)
7. Soundtrack: "Coyote Ugly," Curb. (Platinum)
8. "The Best Of George Strait: 20th Century Masters The Millennium Collection," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
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10. "Greatest Hits," Martina McBride. RCA. (Gold)

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Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles and Tracks

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2. "U Don't Have To

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Top R&B/Hip-Hop Albums

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1. "The Best Of Both Worlds," R. Kelly & Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
2. "Ecstasy," Avant. Magic Johnson.
3. "World Outside My Window," Glenn Lewis. Epic.
4. "Word Of Mouf," Ludacris. Disturbing Tha Peace. (Platinum)
5. "B2K," B2K. Epic.
6. "No More Drama (2002)," Mary J. Blige. MCA. (Platinum)
7. "The Trials And Tribulations Of Russell Jones," Ol' Dirty Bastard. D3.
8. "Full Moon," Brandy. Atlantic.
9. "Alley: The Return Of The Ying Yang Twins," Ying Yang Twins. ColliPark.
10. "Watermelon, Chicken & Gritz," Nappy Roots. Atlantic.

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Hot Rap Albums

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1. "Lights, Camera, Action!" Mr. Cheeks. Universal.
2. "Feels Good (Don't Worry Bout A Thing)," Naughty By Nature (feat. 3LW)(GT) TVT.
3. "Ballin' Boy," No Good. ARTISTdirect.
4. "Dansin Wit Wolvez," Strik 9ine. Fade.
5. "Put Yo Sets Up," Redd Eyezz (feat. Juvenile & Slanted Eyezz). Z-Bo.
6. "Dear God," Willie D. Relentless.
7. "Do Ya Thang Girl," Beelov. Ballin'.
8. "Mama's Baby, Poppa's Maybe," Green Eyez. Bigg Money.
9. "Pass The Courvoisier II," Busta Rhymes (feat. P. Diddy & Pharrell). J.
10. "Think Big," Crimewave. Crimewave.

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Hot Dance Music — Club Play

(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)

1. "No More Drama (Thunderpuss Remixes)," Mary J. Blige. MCA.
2. "Wish I Didn't Miss You (The Remixes)," Angie Stone. J.
3. "It's Gonna Be (A Lovely Day)," Brancaccio & Aisher. Bedrock.
4. "Alive," Kevin Aviance. Emerge.
5. "Song For The Lonely," Cher. Warner Bros.
6. "It's Love (Trippin')," Goldtrix Presents Andrea Brown. Groovilicious.
7. "Escape (Remixes)," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
8. "Sleeping Faster," Lo Fidelity Allstars. Skint.
9. "Can't Stop Dancin'," Inaya Day. Groovilicious.
10. "VIP," Ibiza.

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CALENDAR ITEMS

HARRINGTON HOUSE

21 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Margie, the house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Sybil Harrington. The hour-long tours are conducted a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through September. There is no admission fee. For more information call 374-5490.

NIIE

Institute on Aging is offering "Talking with Your A Guide for Older People." The 30-page booklet is available in single or bulk copies. For more information, call the NIA on Center weekdays between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., toll-free 222-2225 or TTY at 1-800-222-4225.

THUMB INTERNET SITE

Thumb, Inc., the nation's oldest and largest provider of and employment for mature workers, now offers conjeezer.com, an on-line service featuring the handwork of artists from across the country. The site is a must for shoppers for distinctive, often one-of-a-kind gifts. Geezer.com scores of artisans and craftspeople with more than 2,000 unique products in more than a dozen categories — art, doll houses, home and hearth, music and videos, pet ornaments, recreation, toys and games, yard and garden and

EDUCATION

Foundation of America has published "Caregiving and Family Needs, Professional Responses." The book offers practical suggestions for those assisting family caregivers respond to the challenges of caregiving, make critical life decisions and cope with grief. For more information call 1-800-854-3402 or visit www.hospicefoundation.org on the World Wide Web. HFA also offers the following pamphlets: "Caring for Your Friend Through Illness & Loss," and "Caring for One Who is Dying."

BUTTERFLY GARDEN CLUB

Butterfly Garden Club of America is offering free butterfly seed packets (with growing instructions). To receive a packet, send SASE with two stamps to: The Butterfly Garden America, P.O. Box 629, Burgin, KY 40310. Limit one packet per household. Additional packets are available for

STUDENT

Guaranteed Student Loan Corp. (TG) has revamped its "Adventures in Education" website located at http://www.adventuresineducation.org or http://www.aie.org on the Internet. The site is targeted to middle school, high school and college students as well as high school counselors, each section offers parents in helping their children prepare for college. The site is a public nonprofit corporation that helps create access to education for millions of families and students through its administration of the Federal Family Education Loan Program. Its mission is to provide information to help families realize their educational and career dreams.

AGENCY ON AGING

Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to advocate for nursing home residents as part of its ombudsman program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of nursing care facilities and help resolve complaints involving rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ombudsmen will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem solving skills, good relationships with older people and devote two hours a week to the residents served by the ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Johnson, Ombudsman, or Tanya Mock, Ombudsman Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, TX, 79105.

VACATION PACKAGES

Historical Drama "TEXAS" is continuing its fall, winter and vacation packages showcasing area attractions such as Rattlers, Amarillo Opera, Amarillo Symphony, Lone Star, American Quarter Horse Association and much more. Packages include hotel/motel accommodations, dinner, western tradition and one-stop shopping. For more information, call 1-800-655-2181 or visit www.texasmusicaldrama.com on the Internet.

TO CAREER PROGRAM

CLCIO has announced the "School to Careers" project which school students interested in union apprenticeship programs learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored training programs, contact the local Texas Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING

Institute on Aging and National Institutes of Health published a 36-page booklet "Who? What? When? Why? for Women's Health and Aging" to help women as they age. To order a free copy, contact the National Institute on Aging, Information Center at 1-800-222-2225.

Agency on Intercultural Travel is seeking host families for international exchange students. Students bring their own spending money for entertainment and other expenses and provide their own insurance as well. Host families agree to room and board for the exchange student in the family. For more information call (877) 439-7862.

WHEELCHAIRS

Power Wheels is offering Power Wheelchairs to non-ambulatory citizens (65 years and up) usually at no out-of-pocket cost if they qualify. No deposit is required. The chairs are for those who cannot walk and self-propel a manual chair at their home or independent living quarters and who meet the qualifications of the program. This service may be available to the permanently disabled of any age. For information, call 1-800-749-8778 or visit www.ablemedical.com on the World Wide Web.

WHEELS USA

Wheels USA Program makes available power wheelchairs at no cost — to senior citizens (65 years and up) and to the permanently disabled. For more information, call toll-free 1-800-610-1010.

NON-PROFIT

Non-Profit, active in the field of drug rehabilitation and education, provides free professional counseling, evaluation and services to internationally recognized alternative and traditional facilities via its hotline and website, 1-800-468-6933 or www.addiction.com. Narconon means "No Drugs."

COFFEE MEMORIAL BLOOD CENTER

Coffee Memorial Blood Center in Amarillo is now open on Saturdays and will take appointments for blood donations. The new donation hours are: 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday; and 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday. The center is also promoting The Birthday Club. If a donor donates blood on their birthday, they will receive a Blood Drop Beanie. For more information, call (806) 358-4563 or 1-800-658-6178.

RX PROGRAM

The 2001 Rx Program makes available breathing medications and nebulizers to patients who may have asthma, emphysema or COPD at no cost to qualifying recipients. For more information, call Dennis Karnes toll-free at 1-800-344-5764.

HOSPICELINK

Hospice Education Institute, a non-profit organization, has established HOSPICELINK, a national toll-free telephone hotline for people seeking information and education regarding hospice care. The service offers referrals to hospices in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and is available to consumers free of charge. HOSPICELINK maintains a continually updated computer database of all hospices, national and internationally, so referrals are accurate and appropriate to each patient's needs. For more information about HEI, call 1-800-331-1620. HOSPICELINK lines are open from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., weekdays, Eastern time.

MEDICINES.MD

U.S. senior citizens now have access to legitimate e-mail order links to the world's lowest prices on prescription drugs by visiting www.medicines.md on the Internet, allowing them to have their prescriptions filled by licensed pharmacies abroad. The service adheres to FDA guidelines and offers free access to regularly updated international price lists for the 120 most popular brand-name prescription drugs as well as 1,300 generic medicines.

LIFESTYLE MEDICAL

LifeStyle Medical Program makes available, at no cost to the patient, breathing medications and nebulizers to patients who use oxygen or who have asthma, emphysema or COPD if they qualify. The Albuterol Products are provided to those with severe breathing conditions and who meet the additional guidelines of the program. For more information, call 1-800-519-4480.

COAF WEBSITE

The Children of Alcoholics Foundation, an education-prevention arm of Phoenix House, recently launched a website (www.coaf.org) for children of substance abusers of all ages. The website is designed to help educators, physicians, social workers and other professionals. The site includes sections for teens and adults who have grown up with an alcoholic or drug addicted parent as well as information for teachers, social workers and others.

MSAA

A wide range of free, direct support services is available to local residents suffering from multiple sclerosis through Multiple Sclerosis Association of America. Services include general information, therapeutic equipment, educational literature, national lending library, no-cost MRIs, cool suits, wheelchairs and scooters, support groups and more. For more information, contact MSAA at 1-800-LEARN-MS or access www.msaa.com on the Internet.

FAN BOOKLET

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, D.C., is offering the following booklets, "Free & Low Cost Medical Care" and "How to Get Government Help To Pay Your Energy Bills." The first booklet includes information on how and where to get free and low-cost medical care under the Federal Hill-Burton program. The second booklet gives information on how and where to get government help to pay your heating bills. Consumers can obtain a copy of "Free & Low Cost Medical Care" by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network - Free & Low Cost Medical Care Booklet, Dept. MCB-0725, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. To get a copy of "How to Get Government Help To Pay Your Energy Bills" send \$5 to: Financial Assistance Network - Government Help for Energy Bills, Dept. GHEB-1219, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. The information is also available at www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.

FHRC BOOKLET

Family Health Research Council offers the booklets "Overcoming Depression and Anxiety" and "Getting the Sleep You Need." The booklet gives information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs to treat depression and anxiety. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Fulfillment Center East, Overcoming Depression and Anxiety, P.O. Box 3176, Elmira, NY 14905-3176; or Regional Fulfillment Center, Sleep Booklet #143, P.O. Box 692634, Boston MA 02269-2634. For additional information, visit the Council's website at www.FamilyHealthResearch.org

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C., recently published a 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Prescription Drug Booklet # PDF-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. The information is also available at www.institute-dc.org.

FEI BOOKLET

The Free Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., is offering the booklets "The 100 Most Popular Government Giveaway Programs" and "Directory of Micro Loan Sources." Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, 100 Government Giveaways - Dept. 100GG-0110 or Micro Loan Sources - Dept. DMLS-0313, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, DC 20090-6071; or by calling (202) 595-1031; or by visiting www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the World Wide Web.

AIYSE

American International Youth Student Exchange Program is seeking

American high school students, ages 15-19, to participate in its foreign exchange program. Students will spend a semester or year with an European family or participate in a 4- to 6-week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened by AIYSE school counselors and educators in local schools. To qualify, students must have evidence of maturity, superior character and knowledge of English and a foreign language. For more information, call 1-800-347-7575 or visit www.aise.com on the World Wide Web.

CASE

Hosting a high school exchange student in August 2000 is like bringing the world to your doorstep. U.S. Government sanctioned, CSJET listed non-profit educational organization is seeking families of all types; retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples. Students will be arriving from various counties, ALL of whom speak English. You can choose a male or female between the age of 15 and 18. You will have the support of a LOCAL Area Representative with you throughout the exchange. Students arrive sometime in August (depending on when school starts). Your new son or daughter will attend your local high school for either 5 or 10 months. All students have their own medical insurance. As a host family, you agree to provide room and board and to include your student as a member of your family. For information, contact Joyce toll-free at 877-846-5848.

WORLD HERITAGE

World Heritage, a non-profit student exchange program, is currently seeking a local community representative to provide high school exchange students with program support. For more information, call Ande Bloom at 1-800-888-9040 or visit www.worldheritage.org on the World Wide Web.

PIE

Pacific Intercultural Exchange is seeking host families for foreign exchange students. The students, age 15-18, have spending money and carry accident and health insurance. PIE repels match students with host families through an informal in-home meeting. Host families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes. For more information, call 1-800-631-1818.

NFF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available through National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for children of firefighters who have died in the line of duty. For more information, visit www.firehero.org and look up scholarships. To receive a free information packet, call 1-877-453-FIRE.

MS SOCIETY

The Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a monthly program for people with MS every third Thursday of each month. Some of the topics covered include: "Moving Forward: A Program for People Newly Diagnosed with MS," "When MS Progresses," "Intimacy and MS," "Life after Diagnosis: A Wellness Approach" and much more. A transcript is provided at the site after each program. For more information, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or (806) 468-7500 or contact the National MS website at www.nmss.org and select Educational Programs.

EMF

Educational Merit Foundation, a non-profit, Texas-based, student exchange organization, is seeking host families for high school students from Europe. For more information, call (972) 495-3868 or 1-800-467-8363.

AYA

Academic Year in America program is seeking host families for international exchange students between the ages of 15-18 1/2. For more information, call Danielle Carpino at 1-800-322-4678 ext. 5146.

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

The National Arbor Day Foundation is offering "What Tree is That?," a 72-page tree identification guide book. The book is free of charge and may be obtained by sending your name and address to: "What Tree is That?," The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410. Also available is a "Conservation Trees" booklet with colorful photos and illustrations and easy-to-understand descriptions to help people plant and care for trees. To obtain a booklet, send name and address to: Conservation Trees, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

TCA WEBSITE

A list of "10 Hot Summer Cultural Events" can be accessed via the Texas Commission on the Arts website at www.artsonart.com — the most comprehensive arts calendar on the Internet in Texas. Visitors to the site can search the database by city, region, date, topic or organization name as well as access a travel planner section that allows visitors to hyperlink to vendors to rent a car, make airline reservations or book hotel rooms.

PETFINDER.COM

Petfinder.com, the Internet's largest and oldest virtual animal shelter, is available to those seeking to adopt a pet. The Internet service includes a total of 100 shelters in Texas and represents 1,600 shelters nationwide. The website allows users to search by kind of animal, breed, gender, size and age. Results of the search are ranked in proximity to the user's zip code.

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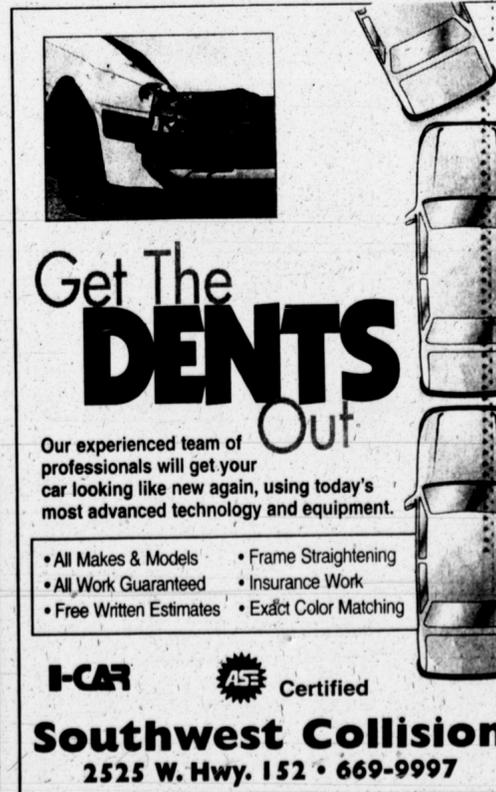
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BILLBOARD MUSIC CHARTS

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Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

Billboard Hot 100: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Ain't It Funny," Jennifer Lopez (feat. Ja Rule). Epic.

2. "What's Luv?" Fat Joe Featuring Ashanti. Terror Squad/Atlantic.
3. "Foolish," Ashanti. Murder Inc.
4. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
5. "Girlfriend," 'N Sync. Jive.
6. "U Don't Have To Call," Usher. Arista.
7. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless.
8. "Oops (Oh My)," Tweet. The Gold Mind.
9. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
10. "Wherever You Will Go," The Calling. RCA.

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The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "A New Day Has Come," Celine Dion. Epic.
2. "Now 9," Various Artists. Universal/EMI/Zomba/Sony/UMRG.
3. "WWF: Forceable Entry," Various Artists. Columbia.
4. "The Best Of Both Worlds," R. Kelly & Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
5. Soundtrack: "O

Brother, Where Art Thou?" Mercury. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)

6. "Ecstasy," Avant. Magic Johnson.
7. "M!ssundazstooed," Pink. Arista. (Platinum)
8. Soundtrack: "The Scorpion King," Universal.
9. "(Hybrid Theory)," Linkin Park. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
10. "Drive," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)

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Hot Adult Contemporary

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "A New Day Has Come," Celine Dion. Epic.
2. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
3. "Superman (It's Not Easy)," Five For Fighting. Aware.
4. "Only Time," Enya. Warner Sunset.
5. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA.
6. "If You're Gone," matchbox twenty. Lava.
7. "Thank You," Dido. Arista.
8. "I Need You," Marc Anthony. Columbia.
9. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack. MCA Nashville. (Gold)
10. "Only A Woman Like You," Michael Bolton. Jive.

Top Gospel Albums

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "The Rebirth Of Kirk Franklin," Kirk Franklin. Gospo Centric. (Gold)
2. "WOW Gospel 2002: The Year's 30 Top Gospel Artists And Songs," Various Artists. EMI/Word/Verity/Zomba. (Gold)
3. "Believe," Yolanda Adams. Elektra.
4. "Go Get Your Life Back," Donald Lawrence & The Tri-City Singers. EMI Gospel.
5. "Live In London And More..." Donnie McClurkin. Verity. (Platinum)
6. "Thankful," Mary Mary. C2/Columbia. (Platinum)
7. "Live And Up Close," BeBe. Motown.
8. "Woman Thou Art Loosed: Worship 2002 — Run To The Water... The River Within," Bishop T.D. Jakes. Dexterity Sounds.
9. "Glad About It," Joe Pace & The Colorado Mass Choir. Integrity.
10. "Be Glad," The Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir, M2.0 Communications. Copyright 2002, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

Mainstream Rock Tracks

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1. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless.
2. "Too Bad," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
3. "Wasting My Time," Default. TVT.
4. "For You," Staind. Flip.
5. "I Stand Alone," Gosmack. Republic.
6. "Youth Of The Nation," P.O.D. Atlantic.
7. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
8. "Crawling In The Dark," Hoobastank.
9. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
10. "Caught In The Sun," Course Of Nature. Lava.

Modern Rock Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "The Middle," Jimmy Eat World. DreamWorks.
2. "Youth Of The Nation," P.O.D. Atlantic.
3. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless.
4. "Crawling In The Dark," Hoobastank. Island.
5. "For You," Staind. Flip.
6. "First Date," Blink-182. MCA.
7. "Friends & Family," Trik Turner. RCA.
8. "Too Bad," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
9. "Seein' Red," Unwritten Law. Interscope.
10. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.

Hot Country Singles and Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "I Breathe In, I Breathe Out," Chris Cagle. Capitol.
2. "My List," Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
3. "Blessed," Martina McBride. RCA.
4. "Young," Kenny Chesney. BNA.
5. "I'm Movin' On," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
6. "The Cowboy In Me," Tim McGraw. Curb.
7. "That's When I Love You," Phil Vassar. Arista Nashville.
8. "Drive (For Daddy Gene)," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
9. "What If She's An Angel," Tommy Shane Steiner. RCA.
10. "The Long Goodbye," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville. Copyright 2002, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

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5. "I Love You," Faith Evans. Bad Boy.
6. "Pass The Courvoisier II," Busta Rhymes (feat. P. Diddy & Pharrell). J.
7. "Anything," Jaheim (feat. Next). Divine Mill.
8. "More Than A Woman," Aaliyah. Blackground.
9. "I Need A Girl (Part One)," P. Diddy (feat. Usher & Loon). Bad Boy.
10. "Saturday (Oooh! Oooh!)," Ludacris (feat. Sleepy Brown). Disturbing Tha Peace. Copyright 2002, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

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Hot Rap Singles

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled, and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Lights, Camera, Action!" Mr. Cheeks. Universal.
2. "Feels Good (Don't Worry Bout A Thing)," Naughty By Nature (feat. 3LW)(GT) TVT.
3. "Ballin' Boy," No Good. ARTISTdirect.
4. "Dansin Wit Wolvez," Strik 9ine. Fade.
5. "Put Yo Sets Up," Redd Eyezz (feat. Juvenile & Slated Eyezz). Z-Bo.
6. "Dear God," Willie D. Relentless.
7. "Do Ya Thang Girl," Beelow. Ballin'.
8. "Mama's Baby, Poppa's Maybe," Green Eyez. Bigg Mony.
9. "Pass The Courvoisier II," Busta Rhymes (feat. P. Diddy & Pharrell). J.
10. "Think Big," Crimewave. Crimewave. Copyright 2002, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

Hot Dance Music — Club Play

(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)

1. "No More Drama (Thunderpuss Remixes)," Mary J. Blige. MCA.
2. "Wish I Didn't Miss You (The Remixes)," Angie Stone. J.
3. "It's Gonna Be (A Lovely Day)," Brancaccio & Aisher. Bedrock.
4. "Alive," Kevin Aviance. Emerge.
5. "Song For The Lonely," Cher. Warner Bros.
6. "It's Love (Trippin')," Goldtrix Presents Andrea Brown. Groovilicious.
7. "Escape (Remixes)," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
8. "Sleeping Faster," Lo Fidelity Allstars. Skint.
9. "Can't Stop Dancin'," Inaya Day. Groovilicious.
10. "VIP," Ibiza. Mixology. Copyright 2002, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

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CALENDAR ITEMS

HARRINGTON HOUSE

The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Pat Landergin, the house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Don and Sybil Harrington. The hour-long tours are conducted from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information, call (806) 374-5490.

NIH GUIDE

National Institute on Aging is offering "Talking with Your Doctor: A Guide for Older People." The 30-page booklet is available in single or bulk copies. For more information, call the NIA Information Center weekdays between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., toll-free at 1-800-222-2225 or TTY at 1-800-222-4225.

GREEN THUMB INTERNET SITE

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

HFA PUBLICATION

Hospice Foundation of America has published "Caregiving and Loss: Family Needs, Professional Responses." The book offers insight and practical suggestions for those assisting family caregivers as they respond to the challenges of caregiving, make critical end-of-life decisions and cope with grief. For more information, call 1-800-854-3402 or visit www.hospicefoundation.org on the World Wide Web. HFA also offers the following pamphlets: "Supporting Your Friend Through Illness & Loss," and "Caring for Someone Who is Dying."

BUTTERFLY GARDEN CLUB

The Butterfly Garden Club of America is offering free butterfly garden seeds (with growing instructions). To receive a packet, send a long SASE with two stamps to: The Butterfly Garden Club of America, P.O. Box 629, Burgin, KY 40310. Limit one free packet per household. Additional packets are available for \$1 each.

TG WEBSITE

Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corp. (TG) has revamped its "Adventures in Education" website located at <http://www.adventuresineducation.org> or <http://www.aie.org> on the Internet. Although the site is targeted to middle school, high school and college students as well as high school counselors, each section can assist parents in helping their children prepare for college. TG is a public nonprofit corporation that helps create access to higher education for millions of families and students through its role as an administrator of the Federal Family Education Loan Program. Its mission is to provide information to help families and students realize their educational and career dreams.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Tanya Mock, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105.

TEXAS VACATION PACKAGES

The Musical Drama "TEXAS" is continuing its fall, winter and spring vacation packages showcasing area attractions such as Amarillo Rattlers, Amarillo Opera, Amarillo Symphony, Lone Star Ballet, American Quarter Horse Association and much more. The packages include hotel/motel accommodations, dining in the best western tradition and one-stop shopping. For more information, call 1-800-655-2181 or visit www.texasmusicaldrama.com on the Internet.

SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAM

Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING

National Institute on Aging and National Institutes of Health recently published a 36-page booklet "Who? What? When? Resources for Women's Health and Aging" to help women as they age. To order a free copy, contact the National Institute on Aging Information Center at 1-800-222-2225.

FIT

Foundation for Intercultural Travel is seeking host families for exchange students. Students bring their own spending money for clothes, entertainment and other expenses and provide their own medical insurance as well. Host families agree to room and board and to include the exchange student in the family. For more information, call (877) 439-7862.

POWER WHEELCHAIRS

Miracle on Wheels is offering Power Wheelchairs to non-ambulatory senior citizens (65 years and up) usually at no out-of-pocket expense if they qualify. No deposit is required. The chairs are provided to those who cannot walk and self-propel a manual wheelchair at their home or independent living quarters and who meet additional qualifications of the program. This service may also be available to the permanently disabled of any age. For more information, call 1-800-749-8778 or visit www.durablemedical.com on the World Wide Web.

SENIOR WHEELS USA

Senior Wheels USA Program makes available power wheelchairs — at no cost — to senior citizens (65 years and up) and to the permanently disabled. For more information, call toll-free 1-800-246-6010.

NARCONON

Narconon, active in the field of drug rehabilitation and education since 1966, provides free professional counseling, evaluation and referral services to internationally recognized alternative and traditional facilities via its hotline and website, 1-800-468-6933 or www.stopaddiction.com. Narconon means "No Drugs."

COFFEE MEMORIAL BLOOD CENTER

Coffee Memorial Blood Center in Amarillo is now open on Saturdays and will take appointments for blood donations. The new donation hours are: 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday; and 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday. The center is also promoting The Birthday Club. If a donor donates blood on their birthday, they will receive a Blood Drop Beanie. For more information, call (806) 358-4563 or 1-800-658-6178.

RX PROGRAM

The 2001 Rx Program makes available breathing medications and Nebulizers to patients who may have asthma, emphysema or COPD at not cost to qualifying recipients. For more information, call Dennis Karnes toll-free at 1-800-344-5764.

HOSPICELINK

Hospice Education Institute, a non-profit organization, has established HOSPICELINK, a national toll-free telephone hotline for people seeking information and education regarding hospice care. The service offers referrals to hospices in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and is available to consumers free of charge. HOSPICELINK maintains a continually updated computer database of all hospices, national and internationally, so referrals are accurate and appropriate to each patient's needs. For more information about HEI, call 1-800-331-1620. HOSPICELINK lines are open from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., weekdays, Eastern time.

MEDICINES.MD

U.S. senior citizens now have access to legitimate e-mail order links to the world's lowest prices on prescription drugs by visiting www.medicines.md on the Internet, allowing them to have their prescriptions filled by licensed pharmacies abroad. The service adheres to FDA guidelines and offers free access to regularly updated international price lists for the 120 most popular brand-name prescription drugs as well as 1,300 generic medicines.

LIFESTYLE MEDICAL

LifeStyle Medical Program makes available, at no cost to the patient, breathing medications and nebulizers to patients who use oxygen or who have asthma, emphysema or COPD if they qualify. The Albuterol Products are provided to those with severe breathing conditions and who meet the additional guidelines of the program. For more information, call 1-800-519-4480.

COAF WEBSITE

The Children of Alcoholics Foundation, an education-prevention arm of Phoenix House, recently launched a website (www.coaf.org) for children of substance abusers of all ages. The website is designed to help educators, physicians, social workers and other professionals. The site includes sections for teens and adults who have grown up with an alcoholic or drug addicted parent as well as information for teachers, social workers and others.

MSAA

A wide range of free, direct support services is available to local residents suffering from multiple sclerosis through Multiple Sclerosis Association of America. Services include general information, therapeutic equipment, educational literature, national lending library, no-cost MRIs, cool suits, wheelchairs and scooters, support groups and more. For more information, contact MSAA at 1-800-LEARN-MS or access www.msaa.com on the Internet.

FAN BOOKLET

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, D.C., is offering the following booklets, "Free & Low Cost Medical Care" and "How to Get Government Help To Pay Your Energy Bills." The first booklet includes information on how and where to get free and low-cost medical care under the Federal Hill-Burton program. The second booklet gives information on how and where to get government help to pay your heating bills. Consumers can obtain a copy of "Free & Low Cost Medical Care" by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network — Free & Low Cost Medical Care Booklet, Dept. MCB-0725, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. To get a copy of "How to Get Government Help To Pay Your Energy Bills" send \$5 to: Financial Assistance Network — Government Help for Energy Bills, Dept. GHEB-1219, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. The information is also available at www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.

FHRC BOOKLET

Family Health Research Council offers the booklets "Overcoming Depression and Anxiety" and "Getting the Sleep You Need." The booklet gives information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs to treat depression and anxiety. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Fulfillment Center East, Overcoming Depression and Anxiety, P.O. Box 3176, Elmira, NY 14905-3176; or Regional Fulfillment Center, Sleep Booklet #143, P.O. Box 692634, Boston MA 02269-2634. For additional information, visit the Council's website at www.FamilyHealthResearch.org

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C., recently published at 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Prescription Drug Booklet #: PDF-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. The information is also available at www.institute-dc.org.

FEI BOOKLET

The Free Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., is offering the booklets "The 100 Most Popular Government Giveaway Programs" and "Directory of Micro Loan Sources." Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, 100 Government Giveaways - Dept. 100GG-0110 or Micro Loan Sources - Dept. DMLS-0313, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, DC 20090-6071; by calling (202) 595-1031; or by visiting www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the World Wide Web.

AIYSE

American International Youth Student Exchange Program is seek-

ing American high school students, ages 15-19, to participate in its foreign exchange program. Students will spend a semester or year with an European family or participate in a 4- to 6-week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened by AIY-SEP school counselors and educators in local schools. To qualify, students must have evidence of maturity, superior character and knowledge of English and a foreign language. For more information, call 1-800-347-7575 or visit www.aise.com on the World Wide Web.

CASE

Hosting a high school exchange student in August 2000 is like bringing the world to your doorstep. U.S. Government sanctioned, CSJET listed non-profit educational organization is seeking families of all types; retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples. Students will be arriving from various counties, ALL of whom speak English. You can choose a male or female between the age of 15 and 18. You will have the support of a LOCAL Area Representative with you throughout the exchange. Students arrive sometime in August (depending on when school starts). Your new son or daughter will attend your local high school for either 5 or 10 months. All students have their own medical insurance. As a host family, you agree to provide room and board and to include your student as a member of your family. For information, contact Joyce toll-free at 877-846-5848.

WORLD HERITAGE

World Heritage, a non-profit student exchange program, is currently seeking a local community representative to provide high school exchange students with program support. For more information, call Ande Bloom at 1-800-888-9040 or visit www.worldheritage.org on the World Wide Web.

PIE

Pacific Intercultural Exchange is seeking host families for foreign exchange students. The students, age 15-18, have spending money and carry accident and health insurance. PIE rep's match students with host families through an informal in-home meeting. Host families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes. For more information, call 1-800-631-1818.

NFFF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available through National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for children of firefighters who have died in the line of duty. For more information, visit www.firehero.org and look up scholarships. To receive a free information packet, call 1-877-453-FIRE.

MS SOCIETY

The Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a monthly program for people with MS every third Thursday of each month. Some of the topics covered include: "Moving Forward: A Program for People Newly Diagnosed with MS," "When MS Progresses," "Intimacy and MS," "Life after Diagnosis: A Wellness Approach" and much more. A transcript is provided at the site after each program. For more information, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or (806) 468-7500 or contact the National MS website at www.nmss.org and select Educational Programs.

EMF

Educational Merit Foundation, a non-profit, Texas-based, student exchange organization, is seeking host families for high school students from Europe. For more information, call (972) 495-3868 or 1-800-467-8363.

AYA

Academic Year in America program is seeking host families for international exchange students between the ages of 15-18 1/2. For more information, call Danielle Carpino at 1-800-322-4678 ext. 5146.

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

The National Arbor Day Foundation is offering "What Tree is That?" a 72-page tree identification guide book. The book is free of charge and may be obtained by sending your name and address to: "What Tree is That?," The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410. Also available is a "Conservation Trees" booklet with colorful photos and illustrations and easy-to-understand descriptions to help people plant and care for trees. To obtain a booklet, send name and address to: Conservation Trees, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

TCA WEBSITE

A list of "10 Hot Summer Cultural Events" can be accessed via the Texas Commission on the Arts website at www.artsonart.com — the most comprehensive arts calendar on the Internet in Texas. Visitors to the site can search the database by city, region, date, topic or organization name as well as access a travel planner section that allows visitors to hyperlink to vendors to rent a car, make airline reservations or book hotel rooms.

PETFINDER.COM

Petfinder.com, the Internet's largest and oldest virtual animal shelter, is available to those seeking to adopt a pet. The Internet service includes a total of 100 shelters in Texas and represents 1,600 shelters nationwide. The website allows users to search by kind of animal, breed, gender, size and age. Results of the search are ranked in proximity to the user's zip code.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

North And South Do Battle In Couple's Weather War

DEAR ABBY: I have been married 17 happy years. We were high school sweethearts and are still very much in love. We have only one huge problem, and one day it's going to come to a head. We live in the north with the change of seasons. I love fall and winter sledding, shoveling snow, relaxing by our fireplace, taking walks through fallen leaves, and all the other seasonal activities. I do not care for summer — the heat, the humidity, summer bugs, etc.

So what's my problem? My husband is the opposite. He gets depressed during the winter and counts the days until summer. He curses the snow on the gray, cold days that are ideal to me. He is 100 percent set on retiring and moving south. When we vacation in Florida, he constantly talks about when we move there.

Abby, I get migraines that worsen in bright sunlight, hate the heat and would miss my family terribly. I have brothers, sisters, nieces and parents whom I see or talk with daily. My husband and I have discussed this several times. Neither of us is willing to budge. We have a beautiful home here in a picture-perfect neighborhood. If all goes as planned, retirement is only 15 years away. We need to settle this. What do we do?

SNOW QUEEN IN OHIO

DEAR SNOW QUEEN: First of all, don't panic; you have 15

years to resolve this. One of the most unfortunate mistakes made involved their fantasy about retirement. They sold their homes, left friends and families — their entire emotional support network — and moved to a new community to live their dream. Except once they got to the new location it didn't turn out to be as idyllic as they thought it would be.

That's why I urge you and your husband to take that move slowly — one step at a time. If he wants to move south, when the time comes, consider renting out your "beautiful home in a picture-perfect neighborhood"

for a year and renting a place in Florida. That way you can both see what the reality of a retirement in Florida would be. And if it doesn't live up to the fantasy, you'll have a home to return to. Another possibility: Consider renting a place in Florida for a few weeks during the worst of the winter. Perhaps the promise of an annual winter getaway will make your husband more tolerant of northern weather.

Keep an open mind. There's always the chance you'll both love it — and your family might enjoy joining the flocks of snowbirds who have relatives with a place to nest when they want to thaw their frozen bones.

DEAR ABBY: My best friend, "Cheryl," has a 19-year-old daughter, "Lisa," who is pregnant and unmarried. She has not broken the news to her parents or any family members. Lisa e-mailed my daughter and some of her other friends to announce her pregnancy, and even scheduled an ultrasound.

I feel caught in the middle. My daughter and I think I should tell Cheryl and her husband. My daughter is concerned that someone will let this secret out of the bag, and Cheryl will be hurt and angry with me for not telling her first.

Meanwhile, my husband tells me to keep my trap shut. He feels strongly that Lisa should break the news to her parents herself. I have to make a decision, Abby. This girl is four months along. Please help.

SUE IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR SUE: I'm inclined to agree with your husband. Since you are a close friend, try to persuade Lisa to share her news with her parents since she has already notified her friends — and offer to be with her for moral support. It may be the assurance she needs.

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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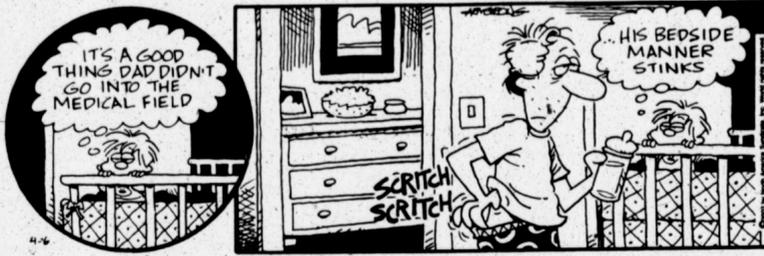
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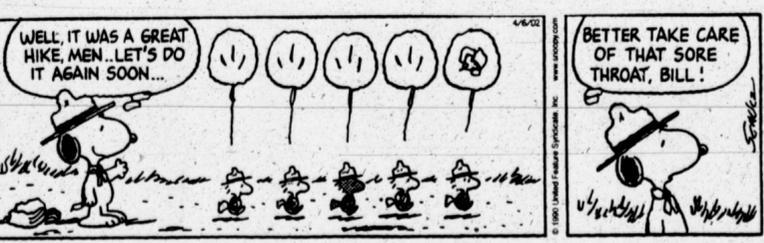
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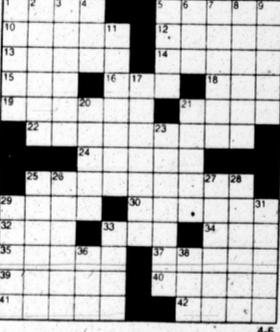
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Get free five minutes — and more — with Miss Cleo's psychics

By JERRY SCHWARTZ
AP NATIONAL WRITER

Shlomit Galperin remembers the caller whose boyfriend told her that her cat had been run over by a truck. Tell me, the caller asked: Did my boyfriend lie? Did he kill the cat?

Galperin closed her eyes. "Yes!" she said.

"I knew it!" said the caller. Galperin knew no such thing. A cleaning lady who wanted to make some money, she had answered an ad and found herself answering phone calls to a psychic hotline on behalf of Miss Cleo, the exuberant soothsayer with the Jamaican accent whose television appearances, mostly in late-night commercials, have made her an extrasensory sensation.

Galperin quit last May, before lawsuits — filed first by the attorney general of Missouri and eventually by eight other states and the Federal Trade Commission — took a heavy toll on the company's reputation and profits. They charged the company Miss Cleo represents, Access Resource Services of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., with all sorts of sins, including lying about Miss Cleo's qualifications as a seer.

But it would be a mistake to focus too much on Miss Cleo. The story here is a business in which just about everybody has been accused of sleazy behavior — Access, its contractors, even the people who call for readings.

And don't forget the psychics.

"I'm not too proud of what I did," says Galperin, of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Her most important job, she says, was not to divine the future — it was to keep callers on the line, keeping the meter running at \$4.99 a minute. She was required to maintain a 15-minute average per call (later increased to 20 minutes); when her average declined, so did the number of calls that were sent her way.

Prosecutors have not spent much time worrying about whether psychics are legit. "That for us is a very difficult thing from a legal standpoint," says Bob Buchner, an assistant attorney general in Florida.

Instead, they are focusing on other issues:

— Does Access violate

"do not call" laws to drum up business?

No, says Access lawyer Sean Moynihan.

But Access does call a lot, with recorded messages that promise "amazing" free readings; it also showers customers with e-mail in which Miss Cleo says she has checked the cards and has urgent news for them — call right away!

— Is Miss Cleo a Jamaican shaman, as Access claims? "They haven't even attempted to substantiate that," says Buchner. His office produced a birth certificate for a Youree Dell Harris, born at Los Angeles County Hospital. Her parents were from Texas and California.

Miss Cleo could not be reached for comment. Her lawyer, William Cone, did not return a reporter's calls.

Peter Stolz, Access' president, has told The Los Angeles Times that the company is phasing out Miss Cleo as its spokeswoman.

— Do the psychics resort to chicanery to run up callers' phone bills? According to Buchner, Access executives will "close their eyes to what their so-called psychics have to do to keep these people on the line."

Moynihan denies it. He has issued edicts prohibiting psychics from putting callers on hold, or from reading scripts intended to prolong the calls. The company occasionally monitors readings, and psychics who break the rules are fired.

Still, there are complaints. When Sandra Dominick, a 36-year-old art teacher in Jamestown, N.Y., saw Miss Cleo's commercials, she thought, "It's free. What the hey." She gave the 800 number a call.

Normally, the operator explains what is about to happen, and gives you a 900 number. Dial that number, and a recorded preamble explains some more. And then the live psychic comes on the line; after a few minutes, there is a beep, and the meter starts running.

Neither the operator nor the psychic is employed by Access directly. The operator works for West TeleServices, of Omaha, Neb. And the psychic works for an independent contractor, known as a "bookstore," that manages a

stable of seers.

Dominick says she was asked to remain on hold; she assumed she would not be charged. She was cut off after an hour, called again and talked to another psychic.

In December, she got the bill: \$489, for 98 minutes. The Access lawyer, Moynihan, says Dominick apparently didn't listen to the taped preamble that advised her to press star-911 if she was put on hold — the call would be disconnected, and the psychic reported to management.

The use of scripts is also a fireable offense. But "sample readings" abound on the Internet, along with hints that would prolong calls.

All of this is beside the point, says Moynihan. "The ultimate arbiter here is the caller, right?" he asks. If they're dissatisfied, they can hang up.

The caller has the upper hand in another way, too. When Dominick got the bill for her brush with the psychic world, she complained to AT&T, which had carried the call and processed the bill. AT&T said it would remove the charge.

AT&T does this a lot, which is one of the reasons why AT&T is getting out of the business of billing for 900 numbers. The telephone company — and Access — have lost millions of dollars as a result of these "chargebacks," often prompted when callers

flat-out deny they called. "I can't tell you how often people call up and say, 'Nobody from my house made this call,'" says Moynihan.

AT&T might cancel the charges, but Access does not. Until recently, the company threatened to take debtors to court, though it never did.

Access' problem is that AT&T only gives it the tele-

phone numbers of callers; Access must go through directories and match the numbers with names. Sometimes, there are mistakes.

"This is a multimillion-dollar business," says Buchner. "It could be thousands (of errors). It could be hundreds of thousands, even."

Larry Reeves of Mallory, W.Va., said he hangs up when

Access calls to demand payment of a \$154.69 bill charged to his 50-year-old brother, Jack. Jack lives next door; he's mentally retarded and, his brother says, so religious that "he would think he was going to hell" for calling a psychic.

"If they're psychic," Reeves says, "they should have known we weren't going to pay this."

Horoscope

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 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)
**** Make it OK to start the week at a slower-than-normal pace. Perhaps personal matters demand greater attention and feedback. Check out investments. If your taxes aren't complete, now is the time to tackle them! Tonight: Close your door and clear out bills, taxes and mail. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)
**** Reach out for others and speak clearly to them. You have an important message. Treat your missive as such, and it will be received as you would like it to be. Meetings prove to be provocative but, on some level, entertaining. Network subtly. A friendship could develop into more. Tonight: Where your friends are. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)
**** Consider the ramifications of another's folly and choose not to participate. Take your time with a boss who has many good ideas. You will find success working within the system rather than out of it. Think of different approaches. Tonight: In the limelight. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22)
**** Remain positive in the presence of new information, experts' suggestions and your own ingenuity. What you can be sure of is that there is an answer that

might be eluding you right now, but not for long. Brainstorm away. Solutions will appear. Tonight: Make sure to videotape a favorite show. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Work with someone, using his or her resilience and ideas. You know how to bring out the best in others. Jump at the opportunity and do just that. You realize that there are many avenues to create a better partnership and financial relationship. Tonight: Talk over dinner. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Dig into your imagination for answers, especially if the questions involve a loved one or friend. Work for the common good, listening to others' preferences. Getting feedback could be helpful. Designing the best course of action. Tonight: Follow another's lead. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Much drops on you out of the blue, though if you step back, you'll see it is for the best. Unless you focus, your dynamic energy could easily diffuse in several different directions. Funnel your concentration into each project, one at a time. Tonight: Tame a tendency to be a whirlwind. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** Follow through on emotional responses rather than diffusing your energy in many different directions. Your knee-jerk reaction proves to be the correct one. Start thinking in terms of a vacation or getaway. Seek out information. Tonight: Ask a loved one for his or her vacation ideas. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** An opportunity to enhance your financial well-being might be too good to say "no" to. Think in terms of gain and growth. Not everything is as plain as you would like it to be. Someone might have a convoluted way of presenting financial matters. Tonight: Order in. Work easy. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** Express yourself as concisely as possible. Others listen and might be disposed to following your ideas. Though you might not be totally aware of it, right now you're in a leadership position. Make what you want a reality. Tonight: Join a friend for munchies after work. Catch up on the weekend news. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** Review paperwork, especially as a mistake could be costly. Carefully think through a decision that involves work and business. You might not be as clear about a project as you would like to be. Keep asking and answering questions. Dialogue away. Tonight: Treat someone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Others look to you for decisions. Your imagination gives your work a boost. Schedule a lengthy lunch with a co-worker or associate to catch up on weekend news. This friendship might go past work. Tonight: Play away.

BORN TODAY:
Musician Julian Lennon (1963), former first lady Betty Ford (1918), actress Patricia Arquette (1968)

Collection crams eloquent characters in short phrases

By PATRICK BEACH
AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN

AUSTIN — The story that gives Lydia Davis' new collection its name is just 10 words long: "Samuel Johnson Is Indignant: That Scotland has so few trees."

You can see that one going over well at readings. Nothing else, no "the end," just the author turning the page to the next selection as the knowing audience titters.

One-liners aren't all Davis is up to, although the author — with one novel and two previous story collections — has a well-documented knack for brevity that is again on display in "Samuel Johnson": Fifty-six stories, or some things, in just 201 pages.

Literature for the attention-span-challenged has been

around since the early days of the last century, but it seems to be on the rise these days, its practitioners and its fans mistaking brevity and mundane observations for shattering profundity.

What's different about Davis is that her work lingers; its aftertaste lets the reader know there's more at work than simple gimmickry. It's not as plotless as Alain Robbe-Grillet, although sometimes she seems as fixated as he on cataloging the physical world.

Still, in terms of sheer imagination and syntactical playfulness, she's occasionally reminiscent of Borges.

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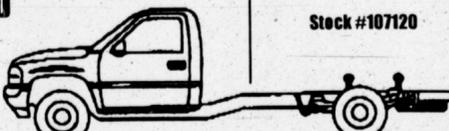
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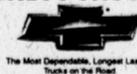
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4-6 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Right to use razor at center of split between haircutters

By **KEN ELLSWORTH**
ABILENE REPORTER-NEWS

ABILENE — Snip, snip. Clip, clip. Shave and a haircut, six bits though its certainly not 75 cents anymore, and there might not be a shave, because the right to use a razor depends upon who is snipping.

The right to professionally wield a razor against the skin is given only to barbers, according to one of Texas' most curious laws at least as the Texas Barber Board interprets it.

Licensed barbers can edge a haircut with a razor around the ears and at the back of the neck, a warm, lathery service that many short-haired West Texas men expect. Licensed cosmetologists, however, cannot perform the identical service without risking heavy fines.

It's one of the last vestiges of state rules that stem from the days when male barbers cut only men's hair and female beauticians served only women.

Those rules should have died in the 1970s with the introduction

of unisex establishments, many cosmetologists say. The rules have been challenged in the Texas Legislature and in the state attorney general's office with some success over the past 30 years.

Still, cosmetologists have not won the coveted right to use the razor.

Some have referred to the legislative battles as "hair wars," a source of amusement for lawmakers and the attorney general, but a bloody battleground for barbers fighting to hold onto their last bit of exclusive turf.

The problem is no laughing matter to Abilene cosmetologist Sandy Rand. She calls it a matter of fairness involving her right to earn a living, without being considered a lawbreaker.

"My customers expect this service," Rand said. "I'm going to fight for this. I'm going to try to get some legislation passed."

Splitting hairs
 Rand cuts men's hair at Trends Hair and Nail Salon in downtown Abilene alongside barber Jerry Starr. Two cosmetol-

ogists in the same shop have mostly women clients. While Starr can edge a haircut with a straight razor, Rand cannot.

She insists she is complying with the state's cosmetology act, though in 1999 she was cited for violating it by shaving her customers around the ears, at the back of the neck and near the sideburns. The barber board threatened to fine her \$1,000 a day if she continued to violate the rules.

Rand asked state Rep. Bob Hunter, R-Abilene, to seek the attorney general's opinion regarding the restriction.

The codes did not define where the hair ended and the beard began, especially about sideburns, Hunter wrote. How could cosmetologists do their jobs if the hair could not be sharply distinguished from the beard? he asked.

Attorney General John Comyn's response appeared to have been written by a master tongue-in-cheek humorist. Even Elvis was resurrected in Comyn's opinion.

"Most observers would consider the sideburns worn by the late Elvis Presley at the time of his early success in 1956 as part of his hair," the opinion read. "On the other hand, whether the mutton chops which adorned his face at the time of his death were hair which a cosmetologist might trim, or a partial beard which could be serviced only by only a barber, is a question which might well present difficulties to a cosmetologist."

In the end the attorney general's office said it was not qualified to make the distinction. It asked the Texas Board of Barber Examiners to define the difference between hair and beard.

The press had a ball. "Lawmaker asks attorney general to split hairs," trumpeted the Wall Street Journal. "The great Texas hair wars," the Austin Review declared.

The Board of Examiners ruled that sideburns end and beards begin at a horizontal line drawn from the bottom of the earlobe.

That still didn't help Rand, who wanted to know if she could

shave hair around the ears and at the back of the neck, hair that obviously cannot be called a beard.

Meanwhile, some cosmetologists asked state Rep. Ann Mowry, R-Fort Worth, to introduce legislation that would let cosmetologists shave and trim beards and mustaches.

"With redistricting, everybody in the Legislature was pretty tense," Mowry recalled. "So the speaker asked me not to introduce the legislation until it was really needed to help ease the tension."

When she introduced the bill, the inevitable jokes came to the fore.

"One senator was heard to say of the barbers opposition, Not by the hair of my chinny chin chin," Mowry said, laughing.

As expected, the barbers attacked the word "shave" and successfully sought to remove it from the bill. Mowry relented, saying she didn't believe the bill would pass otherwise. The proposal passed both houses of the Legislature and was signed into law by Gov. Rick Perry.

While the law allowed cosmetologists to legally trim beards, it did not help Rand's cause.

Sharp opposition
 The barbers opposition did not surprise Jennifer Davis, who gives political advice to the Texas Hairdressers and Cosmetology Association.

"This has been going on since the days of the Egyptians," Davis said. "Egyptian barbers did the bloodletting and the shaving and barbering. It was the cosmetologists who did, well, the cosmetology. Only the barbers used sharp instruments."

Texas barbers are no different, she said.

"The barbers are very proud of the fact that they can shave and cosmetologists can't," she said.

Charles Williams, chairman of the Board of Barber Examiners, admitted as much.

Williams, who owns a barber college in San Antonio, said his efforts to remove the word "shaving" from Mowry's legislation were meant to protect the barbering profession, whose members are outnumbered 12-to-1 by cosmetologists in Texas.

If all distinctions between barbers and cosmetologists are lost, he fears the Texas Board of Barber Examiners and the Texas Cosmetology Commission might unite.

"That would be fine, but I know it would not stop there," Williams said. "It would change

and merge the curriculum of the barber schools and cosmetology schools. But my students don't want to learn about permanents and curling. They just want to learn to cut hair and shave."

"It's a good profession. Shaving is the one thing that keeps us separate."

Abilene barbers Richard Aaron and Mickey Villalovos at the Elmwood West Barber Shop, support the continued separation of the two professions.

"There's a lot of difference between barbers and cosmetologists," Villalovos said. "The training is different. Cosmetologists are not trained to shave."

Aaron said he has nothing against Rand.

"She does good work, but if she wants to be a barber she should go to barber's school and get a license," he said.

Other barbers disagree. "They're the old holdouts," Abilene barber Teddy Gifford said of the separatists. "They're not going to change."

Rand's shop colleague, Jerry Starr, supports her position.

"I see no reason for one solitary plank to remain that demarcates cosmetologists and barbers," Starr said. "The present situation is as anachronistic as separate drinking and eating facilities for blacks and whites. I'd like to see a Rosa Parks of cosmetology step forward."

Rand's attorney, Kyle Tatom, said his client could fight and win, but she would first have to be caught in violation of the razor law, then challenge the citation.

Tatom interprets the occupational code for cosmetologists differently than most barbers do.

"The code does not prevent a cosmetologist from using a razor to trim hair," Tatom said. "It only says you cannot shave a beard. And were not talking about beards, were talking about the hair around the ears and on the neck. The more I read it (the code) the more I think we're right."

The code also says cosmetologists can style hair by "providing any method of treatment," he said. "And shaving is merely one method or means by which to cut hair."

Back in her shop, Rand contemplated her situation as she trimmed hair and beards.

"This is just crazy," she said. "None of it makes any sense, but I'm going to win this battle."

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NEWSMAKERS

The Academy bestows USAA awards upon fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students. The PHS students were nominated for the awards by Starla Kindle, a counselor at PHS.

All USAA award-winners will appear in the USAA Official Yearbook, published nationally.

The Academy selects USAA winners based upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. Other criteria includes academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit and dependability.

Keller is the son of Gary and Debbie Keller of Pampa and is the grandson of Frances Hughes of Pampa.

Dunham is the son of Randy and Kim Dunham of Pampa and is the grandson of Kenneth and Pat Kieth and Judy Dunham, all of Pampa.

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Ward is the daughter of Sharon Ward and Mike and Tanya Ward, all of Pampa, and is the granddaughter of Wallace and Doreen Bruce and Jim and Norma Ward, all of Pampa.

Turner is the son of Greg and Donna Turner of Pampa and is the grandson of Grace Bevers of Amarillo and the late Gwen Turner of Perryton.

Bonnie Holmes recently attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law in Washington, D.C. Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in a career in law, Holmes joined outstanding high school juniors and seniors



Bonnie Holmes



Pat Bagley

from across America at the conference.

"There may be no better time than the present for these young leaders to gain an understanding of law and justice," said Donna Weldin, executive director of the NYLF.

"On the heels of terrorist acts against Americans and the questions surrounding the constitutionality of detaining possible suspects of terrorism, the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law is providing exceptional high school students like Bonnie Holmes with the opportunity to analyze issues and develop conclusions on what justice means. Students are faced with a vast array of topics to pique their interests. This experience will help shape their plans for the future."

The tone of the Forum was set by Jonathan Turley, Esq., and J.B. Maurice Shapiro, Professor of Public Interest Law at George Washington University Law School, who discussed the role of trials in the United States.

He told the students, "A jury is like a snapshot of society that is most apparent when trials are sensational and infamous. Considering the most noted court cases in history, the jury has always represented the values of the American public across the board. This often has a clear impact on how Americans view and value our justice system."

Turley concluded, "As you

take steps to determine your career goals, I encourage you to exercise determination when it comes to our legal system so that you can make your mark on the world."

Students were also given a chance to see the legal system in action at area courthouses, including the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Superior Court and various county circuit courts. The Forum on Law also included visits to some of our nation's most prestigious law schools, including: University of Maryland School of Law; Washington College of Law at American University; and Howard University School of Law.

The Forum on Law culminated with a court case simulation, in which the students assumed the roles of Supreme Court justices and attorneys on either side of an issue. Students were presented with "Santa Fe v. Doe," an actual Supreme Court case addressing prayer in schools.

NYLF is a nonpartisan, nonprofit educational organization that sponsors highly specialized career-oriented programs for high school students who demonstrate leadership potential.

She is the daughter of Jay and Becky Holmes of Pampa and is the granddaughter of Freddie and Kay Slate of Amarillo.

Gray County Appraisal District Chief Appraiser **Pat Bagley** has been elected vice president of the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts. His election came at the recent association conference in Dallas.

Bagley will serve in that capacity until February 2003.

The Texas Association of Appraisal Districts is organized to share information, to educate appraisal district staffs and generally to enhance the operations of appraisal districts in Texas.

"That involvement in TAAD has helped improve the operations of the appraisal district due to the many resources and information provided by TAAD and its member districts," Bagley said.

ABILENE — Abilene Christian University has announced **Trevor Vernon Stowers**, a biochemistry major from Pampa, was recently named to its Dean's Honor Roll for the 2001 fall semester.

Stowers, son of Dennis and Tonja Stowers of Pampa, carried a 3.6 grade point average for the semester.

CANYON — "The Prairie," West Texas A&M University's student newspaper, captured seven awards at the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association Convention held recently in Fort Worth.

Five of the awards won by staff members were in the "previously published" competition and two came in the live competition during the convention.

Matt Hutchison, a junior mass communications major from Pampa, won honorable mention in Critical Review, third place in News-Photo, both in the Previously Published Competition, and third place in Print Sports Writing in Live Competition.

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