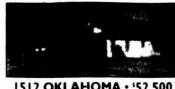




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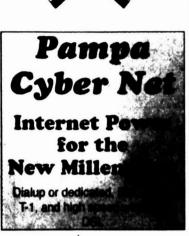
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LOCAL

Early voting begins at 8 a.m., tomorrow

Early voting for the Pampa City Commission races begins at 8 a.m. Wednesday in Room 205 at City Hall, said City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers. Voting will continue weekdays from 8-5 through April 30. The election is May 4.

Although commissioners represent wards, Jeffers said voting is citywide and any registered Pampa voter may cast votes on all ballot items.

Incumbent Ward 2 Commissioner Jeff Andrews is being challenged by Tanita Olson. And incumbent Ward 4 Commissioner Faustina Curry is opposed by Shirley Nicholson.

In the Pampa Independent School District there is no election as the incumbents, Dr. Jay Johnson, John Curry and Lance DeFever, were unopposed. The three were declared elected according to the State Election Code at the April 11 school board meeting.

PISD to host private school grant meeting

Pampa Independent School District officials will host a private school Title grant informational meeting at 1 p.m., Friday, April 19, and at 9 a.m., Wednesday, April 24, in the curriculum office at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert.

DEATHS

Pauline 'Polly' Sidwell, 95, longtime Pampan.

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County accepts bid from **Phoenix**

By DAVID BOWSER STAFF WRITER

The county commission accepted a base bid of \$4,139,915 from a Dallas contractor to renovate the Gray County courthouse

Gray County commissioners hope to have more than \$60,000 left in their coffers after meeting the base bid and eight of 12 optional repairs.

The courthouse renovation is funded through a combination of county bond funds, a grant from the Texas Historical Commission and county money from the state's tobacco settlement.

The commission has about \$4,424,537 to fund the project. Of that, they plan to set aside \$160,000 for a contingency fund

At their meeting Monday, the commission voted to accept the bid from Phoenix I Restoration and

Four companies bid on the project. The list later narrowed was to the two lowest bidders.

John Kiehl, regional services director at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, in a memorandum to the county commissioners, noted that the two companies were extremely close on



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Commissioner Gerald Wright listens intently to a discussion of courthouse bids during the meeting Monday.

their base bids.

Kiehl said both companies came highly recommended by former customers.

Phoenix I bid \$4,139,915, while West Texas Contractors bid \$4,150,000 for the basic renovation.

Phoenix I said it could complete four of the optional tasks for \$121,000. One of the optional tasks is included in the base bid. Another, according to the bid sheet, would result in a \$20,000 credit for Gray County

West Texas Contractors said they could complete four of the optional tasks for \$108,550. It did not bid on one task, and one task was included in the base bid.

(See BID, Page 3)

Officials work out details of **ADA salary**

By DAVID BOWSER STALL WRITER

District Attorney Rick Roach told the Gray County Commissioners Monday that they were obligated to pay only \$45,000 of Assistant District Attorney David Holmes \$60,000 annual salary.

Roach said he was paying an additional \$15,000 a year out of money seized and forfeited from drug cases. While state law prohibits using such money for employee raises, Roach said Holmes was hired at \$60,000, and the \$15,000 from the forfeiture fund was being used to supplement what the county was paying him.

The law allows the money to be used for law enforcement purposes.

"I have no problem with that," said Gray County Judge Richard Peet.

Roach also said his contract with Holmes specified that the supplemental payment was at the district attorney's discretion subject to the availability of forfeiture funds

The commission had questioned whether or not the county would be held liable for the full \$60,000 (See SALARY, Page 3)

heeler grand indict man for fatality

By KATE B. DICKSON ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

A high-speed chase on Interstate 40 that ended in a fatal crash in Shamrock has resulted in a manslaughter indictment against a 22-yearold Tampa, Fla., man, Cody Ryan Howard. He is also charged with unlawful use of a motor

Howard is accused of running from law enforcement officers March 15 and crashing into a 1998 Chevrolet mini-van driven by Deborah Acuna, 47, of McLean. Acuna, who was killed, was the sister-in-law of Wheeler possession of marijuana. County Sheriff Jimmy Adams.

Authorities said Acuna, southbound on U.S. 83, was alone in the van and had just finished lunch at a nearby restaurant when she was hit broadside at the north 1-40 frontage road intersection by the stolen 2000 Ford pickup Howard was driving. Acuna was rushed to Shamrock General Hospital where she was pronounced

The chase was set in motion after a clerk at the Taylor Mart in McLean reported a gas drive off and called 9-1-1. The pickup was spotted soon thereafter but authorities said it sped away at speeds of over 100 miles an hour when officers tried to stop it.

Howard is being held without bond in the Gray County Jail.

The Howard case joins a number of other indictments, mostly involving drugs, that were made public Monday by 31st District Attorney Rick Roach. The Wheeler County Grand Jury met April 11.

The indictments include:

Brian Nathaniel Vroom, 23, Oklahoma City,

Aisha Lejeune Goodwin, 24, Los Angeles, Calif., possession of a controlled substance.

Francisco Sergio Toyos, 36, Tucson, Ariz., possession of marijuana.

Adriana Sanchez-Chavez, 21, Sinaloa,

Mexico, possession of marijuana. Mitchell "Mickey" Alan Brewer, 42, Shamrock, prohibited substance in a correctional facility, possession of a controlled substance and possession of chemicals with intent

(See FATALITY, Page 3)



Alanreed was presented the 2002 Texas Panhandle Distinguished Service Award by the Women's Forum of Amarillo. The award was presented to her at a luncheon held April 13, at the Amarillo Country Club, with several hundred people present.

The purpose of this award is to honor outstanding women who have helped shape the development of the Texas Panhandle through their contributions of talent and skill. The award recog-



Ruth Trew

nizes and publicizes the visible examples set by women who pave the way for others to follow. Since 1975, recipients have been selected for their volunteerism in the arts, business, finance, agriculture, education, health care, law, science, or other fields.

The Alanreed resident was honored for her contributions toward the founding of the Devil's Rope Museum in McLean, the McLean-Alanreed Museum, and The Texas Route 66 Association. She also serves as president of the Pioneer Study Club and secretary of the Hillcrest Cemetery Association.

CITY OF PAMPA SALES TAX COMPARISON \$250M

Sales tax dips in February

this year as compared to last may be a contributing factor in a \$6,757 drop in city sales tax collections this past February as compared to February

MONTH BY MONTH COMPARISON

Pampa Finance Director John Horst said the drop marks only the second month this fiscal year in which sales tax receipts failed to exceed

Lower winter energy costs the same month figures for the year before.

"One possibility for the decrease over last year is the lower energy costs this year." Horst said, recalling the previous winter in which natural gas prices skyrocketed and temperatures tumbled.

"In that case, next month will also be lower than last (See SALES, Page 3)

Warden: Prison guard shortage ending

By KATE B. DICKSON ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

Thanks to a couple of classes, including one that will end its session April 26. the corrections officer shortage at the Jordan and Baten an end for now.

there currently is an officer shortage of 31 but said 26 of those slots will be filled with prison in September, he said

the upcoming recruit class—the guard shortage stood at 54. graduation.

In all. the Department of Criminal Economic Justice facility needs 168 officers for the Jordan Unit and 66 for the Baten Unit, he said. The prison is "about at capac Units east of Pampa is nearing ity" which is 1,006 inmates for the Jordan Unit and 66 for OK," Bell said, "We've put an Warden C.C. Bell said Baten which houses parole violators.

The classes have been Texas financed by the Pampa Development

Corporation with the caveat that students agree to work at the local facility for a year or, repay their tuition. "Right now we're doing

emphasis on recruiting for the Pampa area and that's been When Bell came to the good for us.

(See GUARD, Page 3)

Moreno plea hearing set for Wednesday

BY KATE B. DICKSON ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

Pampan Michael Moreno is scheduled to appear Wednesday in 223rd District Court in Gray County where he's expected to enter a plea in connection with charges resulting from the beating of his father and his girl-

The hearing is set for 3 p.m. in the temporary courtroom in the Hughes Building.

Moreno, 28, remains in the Gray County Jail where he is being held on \$1 million bond

on charges of injury to a disabled person (his father), and aggravated assault. He's also held on a \$10,000 bond in an unrelated case.

Moreno is represented by Amarillo attorney Michael Warner who was appointed to the case by 223rd District Judge Lee Waters, said 31st District Attorney Rick Roach.

Previously, Moreno was represented by Steve Cross of Borger and Rick Harris of Pampa. They were relieved of that appointment after Cross told Waters in a February hearing that his client believed " ... his father (See PLEA, Page 3)

ON RECORD

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POLICE

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

Friday, April 12

Assault on a juvenile at Pampa High School. No injuries

Monday, April 15

Criminal trespass was reported in a burned house on Maple Street where juveniles entered and broke down several walls.

Burglary of a locked motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Garland where a stereo, CDs, a briefcase and notebook were

A domestic assault was reported in the 400 block of North Wynne.

Vandalism in which tires were punctured was reported in the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Tuesday, April 16

A burglary was reported at Clark Tires, 841 S. Cuyler, in which a window was broken out and an impact wrench, valued at \$100, was

Assault on a family member was reported in the 1000 block of Neel Road. No injuries.

CARSON CO. SHERIFF

The following arrests were reported by the Carson County Sheriff's Department during the week of April 8-14. Currently 12 persons are incarcerated in the jail and an additional 11 prisoners are being held in other jurisdic-

Week of April 8-14

Keith Johnson, 42, Niles, Mich., was arrested for possession of marijuana, over four ounces/under five pounds and felon in possession of a firearm.

Mary Brown, 29, Tigard, Ore., was arrested for possession of marijuana over 50 pounds/less than 2,000 pounds.

Jeffrey Gugenheim, 35, Amarillo, was arrested for failure to appear in court - district and failure to appear in court – county.

Jackie Williams, 26, Amarillo, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces and no vehicle financial responsibility.

Gilbert Gann, 46, Nashville, Tenn., was arrested for driving while intoxicated - first

Caleb Howard, 19, Canyon, was arrested on Texas Department of Public Safety traffic

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following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, April 15

were reported.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro made the following calls durng the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today Monday, April 15

10:28 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) for a transport to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTH) in Amarillo.

11:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Dwight on lifting

2:43 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to NWTH.

5:01 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2700 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

6:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to Baptist-St. Anthony West in Amartllo.

7:52 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to NWTH.

SHERIFF

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

Monday, April 15

Michael Lynn Wood, 30, 1140 Prairie Drive, bond surrender/possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unlicensed container.

arrested on a warrant for possession of a conrolled substance.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

SIDWELL, Pauline "Polly" — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

PAULINE 'POLLY' SIDWELL

AMARILLO, Texas — Pauline "Polly" 10 a.m., Wednesday at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with Dr. Edwin Cooley, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. and Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Mrs. Sidwell was born on Feb. 25, 1907, in

Antonio; eight grandchildren; and 23 greatgrandchildren. Her loyal care Oklahoma Baptist University. She married givers: E.C. "Gene" Sidwell in 1928. He preceded her

The family requests memorials be to The Children's Home, 3400 S. Bowie, Amarillo, TX 79109; Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 600 W. 11th St., Amarillo, TX 79101; Little Light House, 5120 E. 36th St., Tulsa, OK 74135; or BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX

Davis, Clara Davis and Senora Shoals.

Consumer prices rise 0.3 percent last month

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

The Sidwell's moved to Pampa in 1932 and

were members of the First Presbyterian

Church in Pampa. She had been a resident of

Robert J. and Maybell Taylor Reid; and two

brothers, William T. Reid and R.J. Reid, Jr.

She was preceded in death by her parents,

in death on Jan. 13, 1999.

Amarillo since 1997.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer prices rose by a modest 0.3 percent in March despite sharply higher costs for gasoline and other energy products. Industrial activity shot up by the

The latest snapshot of economic activity paints a picture of an economy on the comeback

The advance in the Consumer Price Index compared with a 0.2 percent increase in February, the Labor Department reported

The latest CPI report was a better reading on inflation than the 0.5 percent rise many analysts were expecting.

the nation's factories, mines and utilities rose by a bigger-than-expected 0.7 percent in March. That matched the rise registered in May 2000 before the battered industry fell into a long

For the first quarter, industrial activity rose at a rate of 2.5 percent, a big improvement over the 6.7 percent rate of decline in the final three months of last year.

ings from General Motors and Texas Instruments gave stocks a sharp boost, having renewed investors' faith in an economic turnaround. The Dow Jones industrial average was up 166 points and the Nasdaq index gained nearly 50 in the first hour of trading.

In the inflation report, excluding volatile energy and food prices, the "core" rate of inflation moderated a bit in March, rising just 0.1 percent, down from a 0.3 percent increase. That suggested most other prices were remaining well-controlled.

7.8 percent in March, the largest decline in two years. Even with the drop, builders began work on 1.65 million units, at an annual rate, a still-

sion. Many analysts predicted a slowdown but still foresee activity remaining healthy.

prices rose at an annual rate of 3 percent, compared with a 1.6 percent increase for all of 2001. The pickup largely stems from higher energy costs, which advanced at a 16.5 percent rate in the first quarter after having fallen steeply in the second half of last year.

In March, energy prices shot up 3.8 percent, following a 0.8 percent dip. Gasoline prices went up 8 percent, the largest advance since September. Fuel oil prices rose 2.2 percent, the largest increase since December 2000. Natural ity prices were flat.

the rise in oil prices in March. Prices had eased, but jumped again Monday in response to uncertainties in Venezuela, the world's fourth-largest oil exporter.

Higher oil prices and stronger demand made it more expensive for motorists to fill up their gas tanks last month.

inflation in March was a 1.2 percent increase in clothing prices, the largest since August 1998, reflecting the introduction of higher priced spring and summer clothes.

Food prices rose 0.2 percent for the second month in a row. Falling prices for pork and dairy tempered rising prices for vegetables, fruit and

There were some bargains for shoppers. New car and truck prices dipped 0.3 percent in March. Computer prices fell 2.9 percent. Telephone charges decreased 1.2 percent, reflecting declines in both local and long-distance. Tobacco prices dropped 3.5 percent.

To prop up the economy, the Federal Reserve inflation.

ACCIDENTS

recent accident reports.

Tuesday, April 9

A 1978 Pontiac Bonneville, owned by Bobby Polson, Pampa, and reported as stolen, struck a legally parked 1997 Chevrolet pickup in the 1800 block of Coffee. The driver left the scene.

Saturday, April 13

Police report that driving while intoxicated charges are pending against Mary Luz Martinez, 30, 425 Yeager, after the 1996 Cadillac she was driving in the 300 block of East Sunset stuck two parked cars - a 1984 Ford pickup owned by Cindy Jo Goodspeed, 345 East Sunset, and a 1980 Chevrolet Blazer owned by Albert Curry Pendleton, 345 East Sunset. Police said Martinez East Sunset, was passed out behind the ed.

The Pampa Police Department filed these wheel with the doors locked and her foot on the brake. The passenger window had to be broken out to gain entry to the driver who was taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center to check for injuries. Police are awaiting the results of medical tests.

Monday, April 15

Amy Glorianna Briley, 24, 1020 Sierra, was cited for following too closely when the 1993 Toyota Camry she was driving in the 900 block of Gwendolyn struck the back of a 1998 Honda Accord driven by Kathy Brown Bradley, 42, 1133 Christine. No injuries were reported.

A 1994 Mercury Sable driven by Debbie L. Hoover, 49, 129 S. Price, collided in the 900 block of West 23rd with a 2001 Mercury Sable driven by Neoma Collins Turner, 54 stopped in the roadway in the 200 block of 2408 N. Christine. No injuries were report-

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is partly cloudy and windy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and highs 85 to 90. Southwest winds 20 to 30 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 50s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Wednesday, mostly sunny and breezy. Highs in the mid 80s. South winds 15 to 25 mph. Wednesday night, mostly clear. Lows in the mid-50s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. Thursday evening, partly cloudy. Friday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-50s. Highs 80 to 85. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s. Highs in the upper 60s. Sunday and Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-40s. Highs 70 to 75.

STATEWIDE

Showers and thunderstorms moved into Central and North Texas early Tuesday, dump-. ing some heavy rainfall in parts of the region.

The storms, originating in the mountains of

northern Mexico, contained frequent cloud-toground lighting and locally heavy rainfall.

Rain also covered parts of the Big Bend

overnight, with isolated showers across the Trans Pecos and Davis Mountains. Other showers developed across the lower Gulf coast and the Permian Basin.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the Extremes were 55 degrees at Marfa and 78 at

Other readings included 66 degrees at Paris, 76 degrees at Brownsville and 72 degrees at

both Temple and Killeen. Winds were mostly southerly at 15 to 25 mph and gusty from the panhandle into the Edwards Plateau, with southwesterly to westerly conditions at 15 to 20 mph and gusty from the Trans

Pecos into the far west. Isolated showers were possible from the South Plains into the Permian Basin and Trans Pecos through Thursday. A slight chance of thunderstorms was forecast over the far eastern

Daytime highs should be in the mid- to upper 80s except for some 70s in the mountains and 90s across the Rolling Plains, Trans Pecos and Big Bend. Some readings could reach near 100 along the Big Bend and Rio Grande.

Lows overnight were expected from the upper 40s in the far north and mountains to the lower 60s in the Concho Valley.

Police: Siblings confess to slaying child buried in mud behind home

body of a 6-year-old boy was found buried in mud early Tuesday with a puncture wound to the neck, and his brother and sister confessed to the killing, authorities said.

Jackson Carr was found in a wooded area. His 10-year-old brother and 15-year-old sister have been charged with murder, Sgt. Richard Douglas told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

"The sister-confessed to killing her brother during an interview," Douglas said. "In an interview with the 10-yearold, he confessed to holding him down during the process of murder.'

Police were investigating the cause of death and motive.

The boy's body was found about 100 feet behind his family's ranch-style, brick home.

He was reported missing Monday evening after his

LEWISVILLE (AP) — The brother told their parents he could not find him after a game of hide-and-seek.

> After hours of searching, the boy's sister led police to the shallow grave. Both siblings were in cus-

tody at a Denton County juve-

nile detention center.

Mike Houser, a neighbor who helped authorities search for the boy, said he had walked by the site where the boy was later uncovered and didn't

notice the freshly turned dirt. "When everybody was searching, we weren't looking for a grave, we were looking for a little boy," Houser said. "I thought he was just lost."

Houser said the family had lived in the rural subdivision for about four months.

Neighbors said the children regularly played in the creek bed behind the home. A red tent that the children were known to use as a fort was still

standing near the loose red dirt where the body had been uncovered. Homicide investigators' plastic gloves were left on the dirt.

Lewisville is 21 miles northwest of Dallas.

City **Briefs**

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6:47 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to a vehicle fire in the 1400 block of West McCullough. The engine of a 1977 Chevrolet Impala was fully engulfed when firefighters arrived. They extinguished the fire and stood by until the heavily-damaged vehiele was towed from the scene. No injuries

Irvin Eugene Sills, 45, Ellsworth, Okla.

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law, Gene and Sidwell, 95, died Sunday, April 14, 2002, at Donna Sidwell Amarillo, Texas. Graveside services will be at of Amarillo; a daughter and son-in-law, Ann Hobart Fatheree of San Shawnee, Okla., Indian Territory. She graduated from Shawnee High School and attended

> Lena Freeman, Helen Thomas, Doris

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-

BY JEANNINE AVERSA

largest amount in two years.

from a recession that began in March 2001.

The Federal Reserve said industrial output at

On Wall Street, better-than-expected earn-

In a third report, housing construction fell by

The housing market was one of the few

bright spots of the economy during the reces-

For the first quarter of this year, consumer

gas prices increased 0.8 percent, while electric-Tensions in the Middle East contributed to

Also contributing to the pickup in consumer

Prices for medical care increased 0.4 percent, following a 0.3 percent rise.

slashed interest rates 11 times last year. The Fed had plenty of room to act so aggressively because of a long period of well-controlled

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Times a-wasting; order pictorial book now

of the hardback pictorial book that get a refund. The Pampa News plans to publish in County Centennial Celebration.

Orders, at the reduced price of \$29.95, will be taken through the end of April when a final decision will be made as to whether there were enough sales to cover the costs involved, said publisher L.W. McCall. If there are too few sales,

If the project goes through, The conjunction with this fall's Gray Pampa News will donate \$5 a book tlers, streets scenes, sports and recreto the Gray County Centennial Celebration.

> Any books published over the pre-ordered amount will be sold for \$39.95 each. The books would be ready in late summer or early fall.

> 128 pages and its topics will include

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Time's running out on pre-sales those who have ordered books will a wide array of subjects including landmarks, geology, developments, native history, pioneers/ early setations, schools, churches, clubs or organizations, entertainment, celebrations, festivals and more.

Books may be pre-ordered weekdays from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at The Pampa News office, 403. W. The photo book is expected to be Atchison. A sample of a similiar book is available for viewing.

Center officials in connection

with payment of a medical bill

and an apparent lack of com-

approved a pipeline crossing

on County Road 13 and raised

the capital asset threshhold for

the county from \$500 to

\$5,000 in preparation for

moving to the GASB 34

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With regard to ad valorem

tax exemptions of certain

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Appraiser Pat Bagley told the

commissioners they need not

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GUARD

He said the aim is to hire people who want to live here in order to cut the turnover rate at the facility.

"In the past, we've had to compete with the Clements Unit" near Amarillo for both new and retained officers.

While Bell said, "we're on the downside" as far as getting a full compliment of officers is concerned, there is still the necessity for some required overtime. That's in part due to an effort to make sure officers get to take off accrued holiday and compensatory time before they lose

Although there still is a shortage, Bell said that fact had no bearing on a serious attack March 31 by an inmate upon a female corrections officer who was knocked to

the floor and beaten. Bell said the officer is back on the job.

"It was an unfortunate incident," he said, "but it had nothing to do with the short-

He said based upon talks with employees, the attack was, "the worst, if not one of the worst," that has happened to a corrections officer there.

He said the incident began when the officer gave an inmate an order and the inmate refused to comply. After being told he would be "written up," for a disciplinary infraction, Bell said the inmate attacked the offi-

The beating was stopped when a fellow officer used pepper spray, Bell said.

The warden said charges have been filed against the

SALARY

being paid to Holmes should the forfeiture fund not be able to cover the supplemental pay.

With regard to Roach's monthly report to the county commission on anticipated expenditures of forfeited funds, Roach said, that except for the assistant district attorney's salary supplement, the report was for informational purposes and indicated what Roach expected to use the money for with the exception of investigations where the money might be used for drug buys or payments to informants.

In considering longevity ously had worked for the ney's office, Roach again told the county commissioners he would take that from the forfeiture fund.

The longevity pay, Judge Peet said, will have to be paid. He said it was another mandate that came down from the state without funding.

"We're accustomed to that," drawled Commissioner Gerald Wright.

Roach said that Holmes had agreed to forgo the longevity pay for one year until it could be budgeted; however, there is a question whether Holmes can waive

Action on the longevity pay was postponed until Roach could get a Texas Attorney General's opinion onthe matter. The longevity pay would amount to about \$2,000

In other business, commissioners approved \$1,800 for the sealing of asbestos tile at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion,

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some storage room renova-

blinds remains a county pro-

The plan to install wooden

The only optional projects

left from the initial renovation

plan that were left were a

revolving entrance door on the

east side of the courthouse at

\$75,000 in the Phoenix bid,

sidelites at \$100,000 and lead-

entrances

pending completion of sealant

The commission also approved a contract with the U.S. Forest Service for the Gray County Sheriff's office to provide security patrols at Lake McClellan for \$2,800 a

"We're continuing to do patrols down there anyway," Sheriff Don Copeland told the commissioners.

The commission also approved a move to change the credit cards used by the sheriff's department.

Copeland explained that the credit cards now being used charged an annual fee of \$20. He wanted to change to a credit card company that didn't charge a fee.

Judge Peet and Commissioner James Hefley volunteered to visit with Pampa Regional Medical

based paint abatement around

not bid on the doors. They bid

\$185,000 on the lead-based

West Texas Contractors did

The commission discussed

Under the funding and tasks

trying to lock in the bid on the

optional tasks, but did not take

outlined by the commission,

the courthouse renovation fund

should have about \$60,122 left

after the completion of the pro-

windows at \$146,000.

paint abatement.

to audit the county books. In other business, Gray County Treasurer Scott Hahn told the commissioners that the county's total current

assets totalled \$4,566,072.52. He said Gray County coffers had more money in them now than last December because of the tax money coming in.

"Don't worry, that will change," he added.

Hahn said the market value of Gray County investments, as of March 31, was \$3,860,567.83.

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pay for Holmes, who previ-Denton County district attor-

judge's chamber to the district courtroom and existing record management funds to pay for

Phoenix, however, who has experience in courthouse renovation, said it could complete the project in 300 days.

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West Texas Contractors said it would take them 480 days.

Based on space that the county is renting for offices while the courthouse is being renovated, the six additional months West Texas Contractors plans to take would cost the county an additional \$41,603.03.

In addition to the base renovation, the commission elected to include millwork in the district courtroom, refinishing millwork, keep the original mechanical and duct routes down the halls, installing a new elevator pump motor and elevator cab and repairs to the roof of the courthouse.

The commissioners hope to use existing courthouse security funds to pay for a back passage way through the

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and preacher" could get him a better plea bargain deal than could the lawyers.

Cross told the judge that because Moreno believes the lawyer lied to him he "would be very uncomfortable" continuing to

Moreno stands accused of beating his girlfriend, Stephanie

Officers said Moreno walked over to the house of his father, Porfirio Huerta "J.R." Moreno, 57, 918 N. Gray, and confront-

Both victims were taken to Amarillo hospitals where they were initially placed in intensive care, Roach said.

represent his client.

Lynn Nunley, 26, with a board at the house the two shared at

ed him later in the evening.

The younger Moreno is accused of hitting his disabled father in the head with a brick.

CONT. FROM PAGE 1 **FATALITY**

to manufacture a controlled substance.

Anibal Heriberto Valle, 31, Raleigh, N.C., possession of marijuana.

Ensworth Elwin Tzul, 35, Belize City, Belize, possession of a controlled sub-

Kevin Mendez, 23, no address listed, possession of a controlled substance.

Mary Louise Thomas, 36, Shamrock, securing execution of a document by decep-

Tracy Reid aka Tracy Temple, 39, Spearman,

forgery. Jeffery Lynn Rhoades, 45, Elk City, Okla., driving while intoxicated/ subsequent offense.

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SALES

year but there won't be a great difference in budget versus actual as we budgeted conservatively in anticipation that rates would decline," he said.

As a result, February collections of \$142,992 were \$3,500 higher than budgeted and brings the year-to-date total to \$1,243,808 which is \$164,115 ahead of this time last year.

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TEXAS EDITORIALS

Ratliff's plan could end up in legislative 'trash heap'

Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Ratliff's school finance plan:

Acting Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff says that his plan for financing Texas public schools with a statewide property tax is designed to do away with the current "Robin Hood" plan.

It might achieve that goal — or it might end up in the same trash heap that holds countless other legislative ideas that have been floated in Austin.

Ratliff deserves credit for laying out a credible proposal that at least stimulates thinking about the state's school finance problems in a very high-profile way.

In presenting his plan to the Joint Select Committee on Public School Finance, Ratliff admitted that it still needs work. He's right about that.

His proposal would ask Texas voters to approve a constitutional amendment to abolish most local school district authority to levy property taxes, sending that power to the state to be used for the sole purpose of funding public schools.

The plan calls for a statewide tax of \$1.40 per \$100 in property value, the revenue from which would be added to other state appropriations to form the foundation of Texas public school finance.

From that fund, the state would send each school district about \$6,085 per student, which Ratliff said is more than what poor districts in the state currently receive but less than what some wealthier districts spend.

Local districts could still levy property taxes for debt service and could also set an additional tax rate of up to 10 cents per \$100 of property value to "enrich" the state-financed educational program. The state would guarantee a certain per-student level of income from the local enrichment tax in all but the wealthiest of districts

Ratliff also proposed state allotments to help districts pay off debt, and he said the Legislature should consider levying a tax above the basic \$1.40 level to fully fund a state-paid teacher insurance plan.

Ratliff's proposal faces a huge hurdle: As much as some Texans say that they hate the current "Robin Hood" plan, which takes local property tax revenue away from wealthy districts and gives it to less wealthy ones, will they stomach taking most taxing authority away from local school boards and giving it to the state?

When asked that question by the committee, Ratliff's response was blunt:

"There are no perfect solutions."

Indeed, there are not. But if this proposal is to fly, Ratliff and the committee should look for ways to give school boards more local funding flexibility than a 10-cent enrichment tax rate will

Since the "Robin Hood" plan was approved in 1993, lawmakers have failed to provide enough additional state funding to keep pace with school growth. This has forced local school boards to raise property taxes and face the political consequences.

They have done so out of need. Shackling their future financial flexibility to the political will of the Legislature should make them nervous. In its most recent sessions, the Legislature has shown a

propensity to tell local districts what they should do - grant tax exemptions, raise teacher pay, fund teacher health insurance.

Overall, these have been good moves, but local school officials have reason to worry that this urge to dictate what should be done with limited financial resources would increase if the Legislature controls most school funding.

Austin will never be able to address the variety of issues facing the state's 1,040 school districts as well as locally elected school board members can.

Even if Ratliff's proposal were perfected and adopted in whole, that would not be enough to address the shortcomings of the Texas public school finance system.

Over-reliance on the property tax limits that system's capacity to address the needs of a fast-growing student population. The only way to really fix that problem is to provide more sources of revenue that will grow along with the state's economy.

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Hit or miss political expertise

HEREFORD - One prediction can make one's reputation.

I'm not really an astute political prognosticator because I tend to let my emotions sway my thinking. In 1968, I really. really thought Hubert Humphrey would beat Richard Nixon; I even thought that George McGovern might have a chance in 1972 and Michael Dukakis would prevail in 1988.

In October 1991, when Bill Clinton announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination, I was asked about his chances.

"Not a ghost of a chance," I replied flippantly.

Now, given my track record at being, wrong when it comes to political prophecy, a record that approaches Sam Donaldson's, it's amazing that in one small corner of the world I am considered a political expert - one who can make a prediction and you can take that to the

My one moment of prognosticative glory came in 1970 when I was a somewhat apathetic student at Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Ark.

(An aside: HSU was probably the only college campus in the United States during the late 1960s and early 70s that apparently didn't know the Vietnam War was going on, much less that it was somewhat controversial. There were no anti**Guest Column**

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war rallies or pro-war rallies, for that matter. Other than pep rallies, there were no rallies for or against anything.

(In fact, about the only anger demonstrated by the student body was at a football game. It was cold, wet and windy, a miserable night. The stadium lights went out during the third quarter with HSU trailing by a couple of touchdowns. The maintenance crew restored the power before the chilled spectators could get to the exists, causing some students to boo the maintenance workers.)

But, back to political predictions. During the first days of the 1970 pri-

mary elections in Arkansas, I had seen several of the candidates, but the only one who piqued my interest was Dale Bumpers, an obscure lawyer from the northwest part of the state who was making his first run for public office. All of the other candidates in the Democratic primary were fairly prominent politicians - men who either were holding or had held state offices.

I was visiting with my friend, Dennis Byrd, now a news bureau chief

The news came on and there was Dale Bumpers speaking to a sparse crowd somewhere near Jasper or Mountain

"Bubba," I said, "There's the next governor.'

Byrd had a paroxysm of laughter. After regaining his breath, he said, "No one even knows him. You're out of your

Bumpers won the Democratic nomination, then trounced the incumbent, Winthrop Rockefeller, and went on to become the most popular politician in Arkansas history.

In 1974, after two terms as governor, Bumpers challenged U.S. Sen. J. William Fulbright and sent that Washington fixture back to the Arkansas hills.

Bumpers would go on to serve four terms in the Senate, retiring to the accolades of his colleagues, Democrat and Republican, conservative and liberal.

He was praised for his integrity, fairmindedness, independence and decency.

Maybe I've only had one prediction that was on the money, but it's one in which I take pride.

Donald Cooper is the managing editor of The Hereford Brand.

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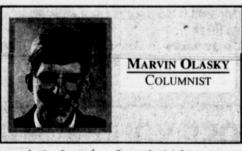
Dhimmis for dummies – a short course

Words like "war" and "peace" are frequent flyers in press coverage of the current Israeli-Palestinian war, but one that should be before our eyes - dhimmi - is nowhere to be seen.

The word dhimmi (Arabic for "protected person") became historically significant in 628 A.D., when Muhammad's forces defeated a Jewish tribe that lived at the oasis of Khaybar and made with them a treaty known as the dhimma. The treaty allowed Jews to continue cultivating their oasis, as long as they gave Muhammad half of their produce. Crucially, Muhammad reserved the right to break the deal and expel the Jews whenever he

As the pioneering historian Bat Ye'Or shows and documents in The Dhimmi and her other remarkable books over the past two decades, that agreement has served as a model for Muslims over the centuries. Reporters should certainly ask about any peace agreement the Saudis or others propose: Why should we think you will keep it?

Ye'Or points out that for orthodox Muslims, the world is divided into the dar al-Harb, land controlled by non-Muslims that forms the "territory of war," and the dar al-Islam, the land where Islamic law prevails. Historically, a peace is not a peace - and a time of peace longer than a decade is occasion not for relaxation but for feeling inadequate and fidgety. Infidels should never be allowed to rest



on their laurels, famed 14th century Muslim jurist Ibn Taymiyya asserted, for any land they possess is held illegitimate-

This does not mean that Jews and Christians living in Muslim-ruled lands were killed or imprisoned. They regularly received dhimmi status, which afforded them temporary protection from some abuses, but no permanent status.

Dhimmis in Muslim countries over the centuries typically had to pay discriminatory taxes and acknowledge publicly their status as second-class citizens. They were on the hook for additional sums and had to supply forced labor on demand. They were ineligible for any public office and without right even to testify in court.

Dhimmis were not allowed to possess weapons, marry Muslim women, meet with others on the streets, or ride horses or camels (the two "noble animals"). Dhimmis had to wear special clothes, walk with eyes lowered and accept being pushed aside by Muslims. Dhimmis had to have low doors on their houses, with no lights on the doors.

Some particular aspects varied from age to age and region to region. In the 9th century, Jews in some Muslim areas had to wear on their shoulders a patch of white cloth that bore the image of an ape; Christians, since they ate pork, wore a pig image. In 11th century Seville, Jews were not to be met with the greeting, "Peace be unto you," because they were not supposed to have any peace.

Other edicts affected not just finances but self-respect. A Cairo rule in 1761 was that "no Jew or Christian may appear on horseback. They ride only asses ... " In Persia in 1890, Jewish women had to "expose their faces in public (like prostitutes). ... Every Jew is obliged to wear a piece of red cloth on his chest. A

Jew must never overtake a Muslim on a public street. ... If a Muslim insults a Jew, the latter must drop his head and remain silent. ... The Jew cannot put on his coat; he must be satisfied to carry it rolled under his arm. ... It is forbidden for Jews to leave the town or enjoy the fresh air of the countryside. ... Jews must not consume good fruit."

Is this all old stuff? No - The Wall Street Journal reported last week that non-Muslims cannot be buried in Saudi Arabia, so their corpses are stacked up for months until flights to their countries of origin can be paid for.

In death, as in life, dhimmis are dhimmis, and the rest of us are dummies if we don't understand that.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, April 16, the 106th day of 2002: There are 259 days left in the year. Today's Highlight

History: On April 16, 1947, the French ship Grandcamp blew up at the harbor in Texas City, Texas; another ship, the Highflyer, exploded the fol-

lowing day. The blasts and resulting fires killed 576 peo-

On this date:

In 1789, President-elect Washington left Mount Vernon, Va., for his inaugura-

tion in New York. In 1862, a bill ending slavery in the District of Columbia became law.

In 1912, Harriet Quimby became the first woman to fly

across the English Channel. In 1917, Vladimir Ilyich Lenin returned to Russia after years of exile.

In 1945, in his first speech to Congress, President Truman piedged to carry out the war and peace policies of his late predecessor, Franklin D.

Roosevelt.

In 1945, U.S. troops reached Nuremberg, Germany, during the World War II.

In 1947, financier and presidential confidant Bernard M. Baruch said in a speech at the South Carolina statehouse: "Let us not be deceived - we are today in the midst of a cold

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Business Review

Authentic Mexican food at Consuelo's; Goldkraft crafts, sells quality jewelry

Delicious, real Mexican food is the specialty of Consuelo's, a newly opened Mexican food restaurant in Pampa. Both the food and the atmosphere are authentically Mexican.

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Lively, Mexican music floats through the air in the restaurant located at 1328 North Hobart. The waitresses are bilingual in both English and Spanish, and provide the customers with the excellent service.

The restaurant was recently opened by Dee and Connie Martinez, who also are owners of GoldKraft Jewelers. The jewelry store is located just two doors north of Consuelo's at 1334

Consuelo is originally from San Luis, Mexico, and has been determined since the inception of the restaurant to provide authentic Mexican food and atmosphere.

She and Dee traveled to Mexico to obtain the authentic table-top tiles to place on the tables at the restaurant. Handmade wooden tables are graced with the tiles. "We are very proud of these tables," she said.

Brightly colored authentic Mexican pictures decorate the walls; adding to the authenticity.

"We have had so many compliments about the authenticity of this restaurant," said Dee. "An attorney from San Antonio who was in Pampa on business came in to eat with us. He was so surprised to find such a small town in the Texas Panhandle could have such authentic Mexican food."

Dee said the attorney ate with them each day, sometimes more than one meal a day, while he was in Pampa.

The couple said they have had many compliments from native born Mexicans locally. Handmade tortillas, both flour and corn, as well as tamales are served fresh daily, and are appreciated by the local clientele.

Many local residents are singing the praises of the local restaurant. Not only is the food outstanding, but the eatery is also extremely clean. Whether it be the dining area or the kitchen, he staff is constantly cleaning.

"Women in Mexico spend a lot of time in the kitchen," said Dee. "They know what authentic Mexican food is, and they appreciate how, clean the restaurant is maintained."

Cleanliness is required by Consuelo. "Our staff keeps the restaurant so clean," she said. "They are constantly cleaning.

A wide variety of Mexican food is served at

"Perrillada" is a fajita style method of cooking which is a grill the waitresses take to the table for the customers. It is a very popular dish at the restaurant. Beef, shrimp, chicken and quail are cooked on the grill over coals of mesquite.

'We benefit beyond the monetary when we see people receive jewelry from someone who loves them very much.

Dee Martinez

'Our staff keeps the restaurant so clean. They are constantly cleaning.'

- Consuelo Martinez



friendly faces greeting customers at Consuelo's as she takes orders and serves authentic Mexican food.

Margarita Apodaca is one of the many



Adriana Villarreal, Consuelo Martinez, Demetrio Martinez IV, Demetrio Martinez III and Diana Irlbeck welcome customers at Goldkraft Jewelry at 1334 N. Hobart.

Mesquite not only keeps the food warm, but adds a special aroma to the Mexican atmosphere.

Also served with the entrees is rice, beans, and fresh tortillas. Guacamole is a favorite among the customers, also.

Eight employees work at the restaurant managed by Consuelo.

"We try to give customers the attention they deserve," said Consuelo. "We are always open to suggestions.'

Consuelo's is open 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday through Saturday. It is closed on Sundays.

Not only are the Martinez's skilled in providing food, but they are both experienced in the jewelry business.

GoldKraft Jewelers opened in 1990, and will be celebrating their 12th anniversary in

Both Dee and Consuelo attended college in the East Texas town of Paris. She is a regis-

tered gemologist and Dee is a jeweler. "It is exciting to be able to create special pieces for our customers," said Dee. "Many

times there are emotions that accompany beautiful pieces of jewelry." Explaining that jewelry is oftentimes a beautiful expression of love, Dee said it is

wonderful to bring such joy into people's "It is a wonderful business because of that," he said. "We benefit beyond the monetary

when we see people receive jewelry from someone who loves them very much." "We will continue to see the people of

all types as well as appraisals. "One of our specialties is Mother's rings," she said. "We custom make them to the cus-

Pampa," he said. "We provide custom work of

tomer's specifications." "We start with the molten gold and can transform it into whatever a customer imagines," said Dee. "Oftentimes, our customers bring in sketches or photos to describe the type

with our customers any way we can." Many original, one-of-a-kind pieces are created by the Martinez's for their customers.

of design they want in their jewelry. We work

Through the years GoldKraft has built up a large clientele. The Martinez's and their staff of five provide jewelry repair as well as watch repair.

The Martinez's welcome the people of Pampa to stop by to see them at GoldKraft to browse for jewelry or to have a special piece

Pampa residents will enjoy a meal at Consuelo's while they are nearby as the businesses are within walking distance in the 1300 block of North Hobart.



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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Woman's Candor About Mental Condition Causes Men To Flee

DEAR ABBY: I am a 20-year-old woman who enjoys singing, crafts and working with children. I appear normal and I'm almost always pleasant. Why do I make that statement? Because I have a mental illness, andthere is still a stigma. People sometimes feel uneasy when with me. While over the years the stigma has lessened, it still remains to some degree. I have been treated like a child, been the topic of gossip, lost friends in the church, and have been feared and ostracized because of my illness.

After a few dates with a man, I feel I must disclose that I have some emotional problems - including bipolar disorder. My date invariably reacts like he's trapped in the car with a rabid animal. Abby, I am not crazy, dangerous or contagious! The men I date don't have to be afraid of me. However, when the truth comes out, my gentlemen friends run like scared rabbits. It's very hurtful. I want to betreated with understanding and respect, not punished for an illness I didn't ask for

How nice it would be to have a male friend who doesn't back away because of misinformation about mental disorders. Please ask your readers to give people with mental illness time to prove they are not monsters, just people who, for the most part, lead normal lives and have one else

HOPEFUL IN VIRGINIA

therefore harbor stigmatizing atti-own successful treatment story. tudes about it. It's ironic because The therapist attended the ser-one of the most widely prescribed vices, too, and was available to medications in this country is answer questions between ser-

male friends too soon about your for enlightenment on a subject bipolar disorder. It might be wiser where not enough light has yet to wait until they get to know you been reflected. - at which time you can recommend they read one or two excellent books about bipolar that are I read the letter from "Stephanie in available in paperback: "An Unquiet Mind" by Kay Redfield Jamison and "A Brilliant Mad-

with treatment, a person with tive and successful.

unique position to educate others about mental illness — and if you do so, it will go a long way toward helping you to feel stronger and more self-confident.

A therapist recently told me about a patient who got her church to start a committee on mental health. Then she asked the at one of his sermons in his "day of caring" series, which featured topics like homelessness and

DEAR HOPEFUL: It is true migrant workers. Before the that many people are still igno-sermon, she stood up in front of rant about mental illness, and the congregation and shared her

vices. What a noble way to use the In your zeal to be up-front, it's pulpit — not only to educate the possible that you are telling your congregation, but also to advocate

DEAR ABBY: I had to smile when Delaware," about how an unexpected compliment in her ninth-grade math class made a difference in her life. It ness" by Patty Duke and Gloria brought back a memory from my Hochman. Both illustrate that, school days back in the '50s.

By far the best compliment I ever bipolar disorder can be produc- received, and one I'll remember the rest of my life, was from my ninth-You are obviously intelligent grade music teacher. He reached out and well-educated. You are in a one day and took hold of my ear, wiggled it gently and said, "Don't ever lose that ear - it's worth a million bucks!" My teacher's name was Henry Brubeck (older brother of jazz great Dave Brubeck).

DAVID S. OLSEN, LOMPOC, CALIF.

DEAR DAVID: He not only had ear for music, he had perfect pitch with words.



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CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

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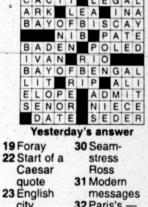
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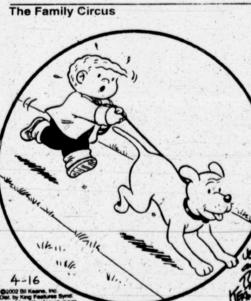
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PAMPA — Harvester Lanes is getting for summer league bowling, starting next month. For information on the leagues, call 806-665-

> Summer 2002 Schedule **Ladies Trio**

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(4, any combo) 7 p.m. Fridays: Meeting date: April 19: Starting date: April 26.

FOOTBALL

GROOM - Larry Reid, Groom head football coach, has resigned to accept a similar position at Sands High School in Ackerly.

Reid has been the winningest six-man coach in the area for the past six seasons. The Tigers compiled a 65-11 record under Reid's direction. They advanced to the quarterfinals three times, and to the 1999 state championship, losing to Gordon.

Reid told the Amarillo Globe-News that he resigned because of the Groom school financial hardships.

TENNIS

MONTE CARLO, Monaco (AP) — Former Australian and French Open champion Yevgeny Kafelnikov lost to qualifier Markus Hipfl 6-1, 6-

2 in the first round of the Monte Carlo Masters. Earlier, reigning Australian Open champion Thomas Johansson came from behind to beat Swedish countryman

Magnus Norman 2-6, 7-6 (4),

Hicham Arazi, last year's runner-up at Monte Carlo, also advanced, defeating Arnaud Clement, former champion Cedric Pioline lost to 11th-seeded Jiri Novak, 14th-seeded Thomas Enqvist lost to Juan Ignacio Chela and 16th-seeded Nicolas Lapentti was eliminated by Michael

Llodra. CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Lisa Raymond, Tatiana Panova and Francesca Schiavone, the only seeds to play Monday in the first round of the Family Circle Cup, all

Raymond, the 14th seed and the No. 24 player in the world, committed 49 unforced errors in a 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 loss to Nathalie Dechy.

Meilen Tu beat the 15thseeded Panova 6-3, 6-4, while Mikaelian Marie-Gaiane defeated No. 17 Schiavone 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP) — Fourth-seeded Eleni Daniilidou of Greece defeated Slovakia's Ludmila Cervanova 6-3, 6-4 at the WTA Budapest Grand Prix.

No. 6 Tatiana Poutchek of Belarus defeated Italy's Maria Elena Camerin, 6-2, 6-3, but fifth-seeded Maja Matevzic of Slovenia and No. 8 Barbara Schwartz of Austria, both lost. Matevzic was beaten by Martina Muller of Germany. Schwartz fell to another German, Jana Kandarr.

Flashback

1987: Perryton slipped by Canadian 14-12 in a high school football game.

Canadian scored on a 1yard run by Jeff Kirkland, and Shane Loyd's 35-yard pass to Robert Cervantes.

Rangers drop another close one to Mariners

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) that," Piniella said. "He nor-- Even the Seattle Mariners can't believe the ways they are winning close games.

Mark McLemore made up for a ninth-inning error with a two-run single in the 10th to send Seattle to a 13-11 win over the Texas Rangers on Monday night, extending the Mariners' winning streak to eight.

The Mariners swept the fourgame series, coming from behind in the final three games.

"The whole series was unbelievable, especially the way we kept coming back," said Seattle second baseman Bret Boone, the only Seattle starter without a hit Monday night. "This is a great start for us."

The normally sure-handed McLemoré surprised manager Lou Piniella.

HEREFORD

Monday afternoon.

"I've never seen Mac do are pretty well spent."

District 3-4A baseball action,

Pampa lost to Hereford 6-5

in a nine-inning game

trict and 10-14 for the sea-

son. Hereford is 2-7 in dis-

Pampa relief pitcher Randy

Tice held Hereford hitless the

last three innings, but the

Whitefaces were able to

score the winning run on a

pair of errors and a wild pitch

first with a run in the second

inning on an RBI single by

Pampa got on the board

Hereford went ahead in

Pampa tied the score at 2-

the bottom of the second on a

two-run single by Kyle

2 in the top of the fourth on

Tice's RBI single. Hereford

came through with three runs

in the ninth.

Ryan Zemanek.

Daniels.

Pampa is now 4-5 in dis-

trict and 7-13-1 for the sea- 5.

With the score tied 5-5,

Hereford downs Pampa

in extra innings game

mally has great hands. But he was able to make up for it with that single.'

McLemore's hit off Dan Miceli (0-2) came after the reliever loaded the bases on two walks and a single.

Seattle, which overcame home runs by Alex Rodriguez and Carl Everett, has won all eight games on the road during its streak. Last year, the Mariners set an AL record with 59 road wins.

Desi Relaford homered and drove in four runs for Seattle, McLemore had three RBIs and Mike Cameron homered. Rangers pitchers walked 10 and each team used six pitchers.

"That was just a wild game, but we got a win out of it," Piniella said. "Both bullpens

Pampa added a run in the

fifth on a run-scoring single

by Jered Snelgrooes, and

plated two more in the sixth

on Evan Miller's two-run

single to knot the score at 5-

nine innings on the mound to

record the win for the

Whitefaces. He struck out 11,

walked four and hit one bat-

Harvesters and pitched three

innings. He gave up two hits

while striking out five and

walking one. Tice came in

and gave up four hits while

striking out eight and walk-

ing three. Tice was charged

The Harvesters travel to

Dumas today for more dis-

trict action. Their next home

game is April 19 against

Pampa is in a three-way

with the loss.

Caprock.

Adam Jones started for the

Michael Rhyne went all

- In and a two-run single by

Anthony Ramirez.

Texas, which outhit Seattle 16-15, had tied it at 11 in the ninth after McLemore dropped Kevin Mench's liner to left for a two-base error. Mench took third on Hank Blalock's sacrifice and scored on pinch-hitter Mike Lamb's sacrifice fly.

Ruben Sierra walked in the 10th, Carlos Guillen singled and Ben Davis walked to load the bases for McLemore, who played for the Rangers from 1995-99.

After blowing his first save opportunity in the ninth, Kazuhiro Sasaki (1-0) got the victory despite allowing the unearned run. Shigetoshi Hasegawa got three outs for his first save.

Seattle had gone ahead 11-10 in the ninth with the help of John Rocker's throwing error. Dan Wilson led off with a single, and Rocker overthrew first base on McLemore's bunt, allowing pinch-runner Charles Gipson to move to third. After Suzuki was walked intentionally, Relaford's sacrifice fly drove in the tying run.

Texas starter Dave Burba gave up six runs and seven hits in five-plus innings, and Seattle starter James Baldwin allowed seven runs and 10 hits in 4 2-3 innings.

The Texas relievers continue to struggle, allowing 15 runs in 10 1-3 innings over the last three games to raise the bullpen's ERA from 5.76 to

Texas' 3-10 start is its worst since going 2-11 in 1987.

"It's frustrating," said Texas' Frank Catalanotto. "The Mariners are a good team. It seems like they get some breaks

and take advantage of them. I'm getting tired of saying we're not getting the breaks.

Notes: Rangers catcher Ivan Rodriguez was scratched from the starting lineup because of back spasms and planned to miss the next two games while remaining in Texas for treatment. ... Alex Rodriguez homered in three consecutive official at-bats, one short of the major league record, before he was retired in the fifth. ... The Rangers optioned rookie righthander Colby Lewis to their Triple-A farm team in Oklahoma. ... Relaford hit his first AL homer. Relaford had 19 homers in six NL seasons. ... Burba struck out five straight batters in the third and fourth. ... Sierra went 9-for-16 and had seven RBIs in the series against his former team.

Shutout pitching



Pampa pitcher Stephanie Clark (8) delivers a pitch against Caprock in District 3-4A softball action last weekend at Optimist Park. Pampa won 10-0 as Clark limited the visitors to just three hits. The win set up a crucial showdown at Canyon today. Pampa can tie Canyon for third place in the 3-4A standings with a victory.

Junior varsity team beats Dumas JV by 9-3 score

in the bottom of the fourth on tie for fourth place with

Juan Ayala's leadoff homer Dumas and Borger.

hit attack, Pampa defeat- seven. His only trouble ed Dumas 9-3 in junior came in the fifth when varsity baseball action.

Johnny Moore and Jed Martin each had two hits, double.

Hunter Craig, Tyler Doughty, Matt Robben, Ryan Barnes, Derrick Lewis and Seth Foster each had one hit.

together and had some clutch hitting," said Pampa coach Troy Owens.

out only four times.

Doughty pitched a compete game, allowing three hits while striking

Padres 4, Giants 3

seven games.

for-5.

of a home run in the eighth.

perfect ninth for the win.

his ankle in the first inning.

PAMPA — Using a 10- out eight and walking Dumas had three straight

The defense, led by both with a single and Martin, Robben, and Craig, committed only one error.

"It's a good feeling when a ball is hit and you know the defense is going to make the play. "We put our hits These ballplayers are making the routine plays and doing the little things that make them a good team," coach Owens Pampa batters struck said. "I am very proud of them."

> Pampa JVs have four games remaining, all out of town.

Shaq ready to begin title quest

LOS ANGELES (AP) — For Shaquille O'Neal, the mundane business of the regular season is over. Now he wants to concentrate on a third straight NBA title for the Los Angeles

O'Neal had 41 points and 11 rebounds Monday night as the Lakers beat the Seattle SuperSonics 111-104 to surpass their regular-season victory mark from last year.

"Nobody's going to beat us," O'Neal said after the Lakers (57-24) won their 14th straight home game. "I think my guys were bored during the regular season and we're looking forward to a good postseason that's coming up.

"I have confidence in my guys. I know they're going to be there. They're going to play

hard and I know they still have something to prove.

In other NBA games, the Chicago Bulls edged the Philadelphia 76ers 98-96, and the Boston Celtics downed the Minnesota Timberwolves 93-

O'Neal shot 16-of-21 from the floor and 9-of-11 from the foul line in 34 minutes.

"Shaq was incredible and dominating out there," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said. "We had a third quarter that looked like a team I remember that played a little bit in the playoffs last year."

Kobe Bryant scored 15 of his 19 points in the third period, when the Lakers took command, outscoring the Sonics 33-21 for a 93-75 lead.

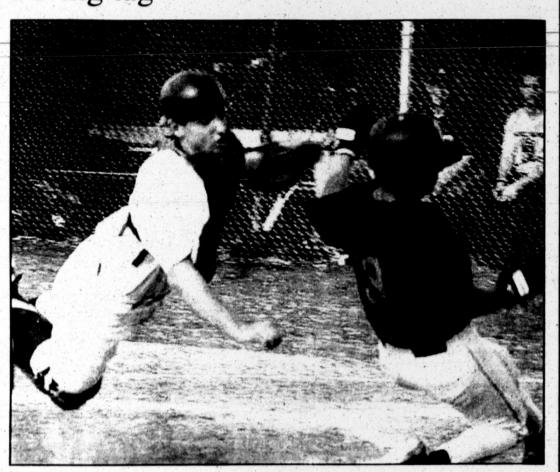
Derek Fisher added 13

points, Samaki Walker scored 12 and Rick Fox had 10 as the five Lakers' starters all scored in double figures — the first time that's happened since March 19, 2001.

A victory over the visiting Sacramento Kings on Wednesday night in their regular-season finale assures the Lakers a first-round date with Portland and home-court advantage against everyone except against the Kings, whose 60-20 record is the league's best.

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Pampa catcher Seth Foster dives to make the tag on a Randall baserunner at home plate in a junior varsity baseball game last weekend. Randall JV won 10-

Report: Texans ready to sign Carr

Houston Texans are planning a Wednesday news conference to announce the signing of Fresno State quarterback David Carr to a seven-year deal, according to a broadcast report.

The expansion Texans announced on April 3 that they would take Carr with the No. 1 overall pick in Saturday's NFL draft.

Texans spokesman Tony Wyllie declined to comment on Houston television station KRIV's report Monday night.

"We can't confirm anything at this time. We'll have an announcement at the appropriate time," Wyllie told The back in NFL history, sources

Horoscope

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

twice about revealing too many plans.

Someone could hop on your great ideas.

Return calls, but leave the socializing for

questioning the end results of a particular

by another's reactions, you discover that

he or she is right-on. Tonight: Pay bills.

*** * Your instincts guide you

matter. You might not be as secure as you

questions, you will gain professionally

and emotionally. Be direct in your deal-

ings with a friend. Tonight: Ask for what

* * Let others act on their wishes.

Though you want to get the credit, you

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charge. Though you might be surprised LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

HOUSTON (AP) — The Associated Press on Monday said. night.

> Carr's agent, Mike Sullivan, did not immediately return a phone call for comment.

Carr was in Houston last week to watch the Texans work out, and his wife, Melody, spent the time looking for a

KRIV cited sources close to the negotiations as saying Carr would sign a seven-year contract worth \$46 million with a signing bonus of \$10 million to \$11 million. The deal could be worth \$60 million if he reaches incentives that would make him the most productive quarter-

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2002 style. Tonight: Get a head start on tomor- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

as revealing too much? You need to think Trust your sixth sense. Tonight: Where CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

later. OK? Tonight: Chat the night away. Use your innate sense of responsibility to like to be part of your social life. Do

** You know what you want. Ask sense of humor comes out with a friend ethic and live your life to its fullest.

would like, but by asking the appropriate your financial insight. Tonight: Curl up **** You will like what comes up

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

questions and seek out others. If you're you feel very comfortable with. Don't Tonight: Splurge on yourself.

5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; mental, both emotionally and financially others don't have to take the initiative as

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Could there be such a thing Make needed inquiries. Seek out experts. ideas

well, especially concerning a money that course. There is no such thing as away

Allow co-workers to take the lead. began with him or her. Your imagination can.

Respond with your normally effusive much you appreciate him or her.

with a good book

your friends are.

*** Meetings prove to be instru- you're generally the energizing force,

Not everyone responds as you would much as you would like, be it profession-

like, but leave the door open for someone ally or personally. Let someone come to

to change his or her mind gracefully, you. Tonight: Go along with a pal's

** Others look to you for answers. more. Many surround you who would

create more of what you might like. Your yourself a favor - let go of the work

*** Think in terms of gaining a Don't get stuck in the rebellious mode so

new perspective rather than lecturing on often associated with your sign. Go along

what you already know. Others might be with the program. You accomplish a lot

intimidating on some level. Sign up for professionally as a result. Tonight: Play

for you. Let go of defensiveness and lis- stimulates many other ideas. Don't slow

ten. Remember to include this person in down on a project involving real estate or

your thinking process; after all, it all your home. Tonight: Get sleep while you

* Another has a lot of feedback idea could sound silly, but to you, it

hesitate to state what you want. Tonight: AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

knowing too much. A boss appreciates PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

could take you to the next level. BORN TODAY:

The station cited sources as saying the language of the contract is being worked out and must be approved by the NFL's management council.

Sullivan negotiated the contract for last year's No. 1 pick in the draft, Atlanta quarterback Michael Vick.

Last summer, the ex-Virginia Tech standout received a \$62 million, six-year deal from Atlanta that guaranteed him \$15,3 million through the first three years, including a signing bonus of \$3 million.

In 37 games at Fresno State, Carr completed 62.8 percent of his passes for 7,849 yards.

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Texas	3	10	.231	71/2

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Boston 4, N.Y. Yankees 3

Chicago White Sox 13, Baltimore 4 Seattle 13, Texas 11, 10 innings
Tuesday's Games Boston (F.Castillo 0-0) at Toronto (Lyon 0-1), 7:05 p.m. Tampa Bay (James 0-0) at Detroit (Lima 0-2), 7:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Ponson 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 1-2), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Reichert 0-2) at Minnesota (Reed 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Finley 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Rauch 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Davis 2-0) at Anaheim (Sele 0-2), 10:05 p.m.
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End Regular Season

Mets vs. Braves: It's never boring

By The Associated Press

The New York Mets and Atlanta Braves always provide a fantastic finish.

and Edgardo Alfonzo hit a game-winning single in the 12th inning as the Mets came back from a five-run deficit to beat the Braves 7-6 Monday

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR

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against the Braves it seems,"

manager Bobby Valentine said.

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games no matter what the score

from their NL East rivals at

Turner Field in early April.

New York scored nine runs in

the ninth inning of an 11-2 vic-

tory, then lost the next day on

Marcus Giles' three-run homer

make a habit of these dramatic

endings, and not just against

Atlanta. New York rallied from

a 7-0 deficit Saturday against

Montreal before losing 9-8 in

sure they finished the job.

This time, the Mets made

"It's tough when you get

down like that, especially

against a team like Atlanta,"

Piazza said. "But we've come

back before and we believe

we're going to win these

Diego 4, San Francisco 3; Los

Angeles 5, Colorado 2; Arizona

14, St. Louis 5; Chicago 6,

Montreal 4; and Pittsburgh 6,

second and seventh innings,

and the Mets scored five runs in

the seventh to tie it at 6 on a

home run by pinch-hitter John

Valentin that woke up a tame

first five at-bats, singled with

one out in the 12th against

Chris Hammond (0-1). After a

two-out walk to Piazza,

Alfonzo hit a soft single to

right-center off Kevin Gryboski

dugout to mob Alfonzo between first and second base

as New York fans did a mock

The Mets poured out of the

Jay Payton, hitless in his

Shea Stadium crowd.

that scored Payton.

tomahawk chop.

Piazza hit solo shots in the

Elsewhere, it was: San

The Mets are beginning to

in the 14th.

11 innings.

games.

Milwaukee 1.

The Mets took two of three

Mike Piazza homered twice

night.

"We play some good games

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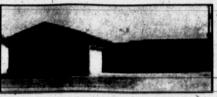
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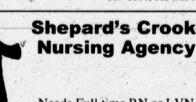
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Air China pilot: No signs before crash

KIMHAE, South Korea 1.3 miles beyond the designat-(AP) — The pilot of a Chinese airliner that crashed in southern South Korea with 166 people on board told officials Tuesday that his plane had no mechanical problems before it went down.

The Chinese pilot, Wu Xing Lu, was among 38 people who survived the Monday crash. He was hospitalized with extensive facial bruises and a minor brain hemorrhage.

South Korean officials have suggested human error was to blame for the crash.

"We believe this is a classic case of CFIT (controlled flight into terrain)," Ham Daeyoung, a South Korean aviation official, said Monday. "We must note that 95 percent of CFIT cases are due to pilot error."

The death toll rose to 124 Tuesday as rescue workers recovered four bodies from the mangled wreckage of the Boeing 767-200. Four people were listed as missing.

The 31-year-old pilot was interviewed for the first time Tuesday and said he plane functioned normally before it slammed into a fog-shrouded mountain as he prepared to land at Kimhae Airport outside Busan, South Korea's second largest city.

"I felt no plane malfunction before the crash," Ham Daeyoung, a South Korean air traffic official, quoted Wu as saying.

Aviation officials said the airport's control tower gave Wu's plane permission to land but asked the pilot to approach the runway from the opposite direction because of a strong headwind. It hit the mountain while circling to the other side of the airport.

Officials said the pilot flew

ed spot to turn back toward the airport and hit the mountain, 2.8 miles from the runway.

Ham said the pilot was on his fifth flight to Kimhae but that it was the first time he was told to circle and approach from the opposite direction.

It was unclear whether the pilot had been briefed on. weather conditions and terrain around Kimhae Airport before embarking on the flight in Beijing, Ham said.

Flight CA129, a nonstop flight from Beijing, was approaching in heavy rain and fog when it hit the 1,000foot forest-covered moun-

The jet shattered and caught fire on impact, leaving a trail of fallen trees 30 yards wide and 100 yards long.

Luan Bao, a director at China's Civil Aviation Administration, inspected the crash site on Tuesday with several aides. He said China will cooperate fully in the South Korean-led investigation. American air safety officials will also join in the

Ham said the cockpit voice recorder was found Tuesday. The flight data recorder was recovered a day earlier.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue said in Beijing on Tuesday her government "attaches great importance to the inci-

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue said in Beijing Chinese President Jiang Zemin and Premier Zhu Rongji, both on overseas trips, "closely followed the incident" and have sent telegrams of condolences to South Korean President Kim Dae-jung.



Glen Cooper, played by Trey Stevens, leans over Cassie Cooper, played by Becca Hannon, during a scene in Neil Simon's "Rumors," an upcoming Clarendon College Theater production. The play will be presented at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, April 19-20, at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa.

Clarendon College to present Neil Simon's 'Rumors' at M.K. Brown

A Clarendon College Theater production of Neil Simon's "Rumors" at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, April 19-20, at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa.

After a string of serious autobiographical plays in the 1980s -"Brighton Beach Memoirs," "Biloxi Blues" and "Broadway Bound" - playwright Neil Simon went back to a lighter mood with "Rumers." Not surprising, considering Simon's ability to hit the funny bone of his audience, the flat-out farce was a box-office smash when it opened at the Broadhurst Theatre in New York City in 1988.

"It's hilarious from beginning to end," says Bill Huey, who is directing the production.

Critics liked it, too. Clive Barnes of the New York Post wrote: "Broadway has something to cheer about again. ... This maze of mendacity is light, frothy and fun."

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he plot builds a Rube like Goldberg invention, an event creating a domino effect of one disaster after another. It is rare among Simon's plays in that it takes place among the upper classes.

takes place among the upper classes. Usually Simon sticks to middle class territory. Instead, "Rumors" opens at the country home of the deputy New York City Mayor, Charley Brock and his wife, Myra, who are celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary by inviting four couples over for dinner.

They have a weird way to celebrate

though - the deputy mayor has taken a heavy dose of tranquilizers and attempted suicide? But he has only managed to shoot his earlobe. To top it off, his wife is missing.

As each invited couple arrive they are told different stories about what's happened to the deputy mayor.

By the second act "they all know about it, but how do they explain it all when the police show up?" Huey asks.

Among the cast members are: Stephane Hedrick as Chris Gorman; Jason Myers as Ken Gorman; Jenny Lindsey as Claire Ganz; Justin Hagel as Lenny Ganz, Susan Grecian as Cookie Cusack; Justin Steward as Ernie Cusack; Rebecca Hannon as Cassie Cooper; William Stevens as Glen Cooper; Sam Gerald as officer Welch; and Cassie Hiltbrunner as officer Pudney.

Tickets are \$5 general admission and \$3 for students. For more information, contact Bill Huey at (874) 3571 ext. 273 or Clarendon College-Pampa Center at

Garner, WT band director to take final concert bow

CANYON — Dr. Gary Garner will take a final bow as West Texas A&M University director of bands and orchestras at the University's Symphonic Band concert scheduled for 7 p.m., Sunday, April 28 at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium with special guest clarinetist Eddie Daniels.

A reception honoring Garner will immediately follow the concert in the Civic Center's Grand Plaza Ballroom.

Garner, who joined the WTAMU faculty in 1963, will retire in July after 39 years with the University. During his tenure at WTAMU, his bands have performed at the Texas Music Educators Association's (TMEA) annual convention more than any other university band program in the state. His bands have also performed in Carnegie Hall on two occasions.

The evening's program, under the direction of Garner, will include numbers by the WTAMU Symphonic Band as well as a solo performance by the internationally known Daniels. Works on the concert program include "Finale from Symphony #4" by Tschaikovsky, "From Maine to Oregon" by Sousa and "Dilammane" by William Latham.

The band's euphonium section will be featured in "Napoli" by Bellstadt, and Daniels will be a featured soloist in "Paganini in Metropolis" by Frank Proto. An added highlight will be "Clarinet Candy" featuring Daniels, Doug Storey, associate professor of music, Don Lefevre, associate professor of music, and the band's clarinet section...

"Eddie Daniels is unbelievable," Garner said. "There are no words to describe his talent."

Tickets, priced at \$5 for adults and \$1 for students, are available at Tolzien Music Company, Jent's House of Music and the WTAMU Department of Dance and Music: Tickets also will be available at the door the night of the concert. For more information, call (806) 651-

German police arrest suspect in deadly Tunisia explosion

police have arrested a person they suspect of acting as a contact in the explosion of a truck at a synagogue in Tunisia that killed 15 people, including 10 German tourists, federal prosecutors said

Tuesday. Meanwhile, two Arab newspapers reported that a group with the same name as one linked to Osama bin Laden's terror network has claimed responsibility for the

The suspect was taken into eling in the truck spoke with a

BERLIN (AP) — German custody Monday in the western city of Duisburg on a tip about a telephone call from Tunisia to Germany before the explosion, said Frauke Scheuten, a spokeswoman for federal prosecutors.

According to a report in news magazine Stern, German police eavesdropped on a phone conversation shortly before Thursday's explosion of a gas-laden truck at the Ghriba synagogue on the resort island of Djerba. Either the driver or a passenger trav-

contact in Germany who on trial Tuesday in Frankfurt. police believe has links to radical Islamist circles, the magazine reported.

A spokesman for German federal police, Gerhard Schlemmer, declined to comment on the report or to indicate if investigators had found links between the Djerba explosion and two terror cells in Germany.

"We can't judge that at the moment," he said.

Five Algerians charged with plotting to blow up a French holiday market went

Also, terrorists behind the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States, including alleged ringleader and suicide pilot Mohamed Atta, once lived in the northern city of Hamburg.

Tunisia has described the blast as a "tragic accident," but the German government says it has indications that the explosion 'was deliberate. German federal prosecutors said Monday they were also investigating the case, acting on the suspicion of a terrorist

Migrant boldly slashes wrists in front of Hong Kong immigration officers

HONG KONG (AP) - A mainland Chinese woman ordered to leave Hong Kong slashed her wrist in front of immigration officers, slightly injuring herself amid an escalating residency dispute involving thousands of migrants.

After being told she had to go, 32-year-old Wong Lai-kwan went to the Immigration Department headquarters on Monday and cut herself with an 8-inch knife, immigration spokesman Alvin Tam said Tuesday.

Immigration officers tried to stop Wong from harming herself further, setting off a scuffle in which she kicked and slightly injured three of them, Tam said. She was arrested for obstruction and assault, but was released on \$64 bail.

Wong is among some 4,300 migrants defying an order to leave Hong Kong by March 31. The

deadline was set after they lost a legal fight to stay here with parents or siblings who have residency.

Some have said they would rather die in Hong Kong than go. In August 2000, migrants threw firebombs in an Immigration Department office, killing two people and injuring almost 50.

A Roman Catholic priest who campaigns for migrants, the Rev. Franco Mella, confirmed Wong had cut herself.

Activists have expressed concern that some of those ordered to leave could behave irrationally and that some parents could turn violent as Hong Kong tries to forcibly remove their children.

At least six migrants have been forcibly deported since the deadline passed, and Security Secretary Regina Ip said 2,000 will be removed within coming

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