

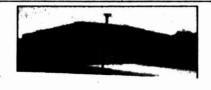


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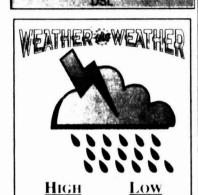
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#### **Traffic Commission** meets tonight at 7 p.m.

City Traffic Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the City Commission chambers on the third floor of Pampa City Hall. A report on the Garland Street study is on the agenda. Commission Chairman Doug Locke said the study involves a traffic count mad for signage needs on the street.

#### OTTERY

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn:

7-30-32-37-44-46.

Estimated jackpot: \$32

Number matching six of Matching five of six: 85.

Prize: \$3,156.

Matching four of six: 5,681. Prize: \$116.

Matching three of six

119,669. Prize: \$5. Next Lotto Texas game

Saturday night.

Estimated jackpot: \$40 million.

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## Woman dies at train crossing

BY KATE B. DICKSON AND

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A 69-year-old Pampa woman apparently drove her car to the railroad crossing at Starkweather and Atchison early this morning, waited for a train, then walked in front of it killing herself, according to preliminary investigation results.

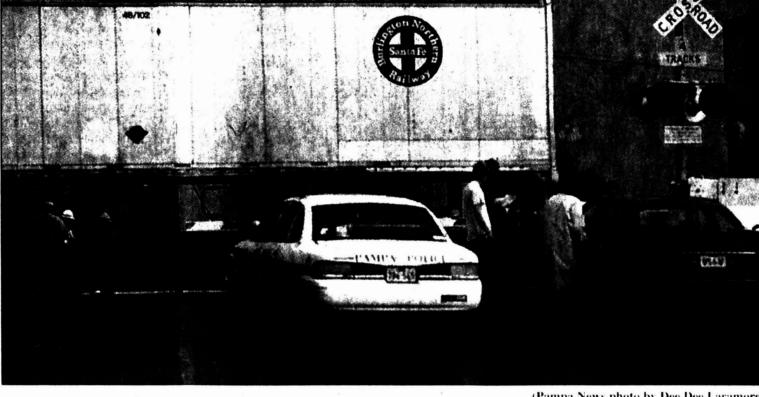
The name of the victim was being withheld at press time pending the notification of next of kin, said Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman, who pronounced her dead and ordered an autopsy.

Police and emergency personnel were summoned to the scene about 7 a.m. where the train was stopped and officers discovered her body west of the crossing.

That crossing is controlled by a warning device, which was in operation, police said.

"We found her car north of the tracks. There was a note inside it," Curfman said at the scene this morning. "The police had talked to her about a week ago, in her car waiting for a train but a train never

The body was taken to Lubbock for autopsy, he said. Police impounded the



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Pampa police officers, right, search the car left by a woman who officials believe intentionally stepped in front of a Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway train early this morning at the Starkweather crossing.

the southbound lane of Starkweather, just north of the railroad tracks.

maroon 1995 Buick with time the incident was reporthandicapped license plates ed. hampering officials as copter. that had been left parked in they conducted their investi-

A one-vehicle crash at 10:36 p.m. Wednesday at Strong thunderstorms with Gray County Roads 6 1/2 and lightning and heavy rain pass- H sent a little boy to ing through the area at the Northwest Texas Hospital in

Amarillo via LifeStar heli-

The child was identified as Jacob Velasquez, approximately 4 years old. A NWTH spokesman said the boy is in satisfactory condition and may be released from the hospital today

Gray County Deputy Chris Didway said the accident scene was about one mile south of McCullough Street in

The driver of the vehicle, Jesus M. Velasquez, father of the boy, was arrested by DPS (See TRAIN, Page 3)

## **City nets** \$75k-plus at auction

The city expects to clear a little over \$75,000 once all expenses are paid on the auction earlier this month of surplus property.

Every item put in the auction - from old police cars to a typing stand - sold.

"We didn't bring anything back." City Finance Director John Horst told city commissioners this week. "We sold a few things for a dollar and some things got put in with other lots but everything

The auction was held in Borger where it included items from that city and several other entities.

In an interview, Susan Crane, city purchasing agent, echoed Horst saying, "We brought in more than we expected.

Crane said the auction crowd was "good" and at about midday she said there were 150 registered bidders. most of whom "hung around all day.

"We even sold a burned car," she said. "We're happy with the results."



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

About 9 a.m. this morning, Animal Control Director Sandy Burns shot and killed this skunk, held by Officer Monty Montgomery, in a vacant lot next to the Red Cross Building, downtown. Burns said she doesn't think the skunk was sick. It appeared to be trying to get inside a screened window at the Red Cross offices, possibly to get out of the rain.

## **County to discuss** purchasing shirts in Friday meeting

consider purchasing safety awards for county employees during their regular meeting at 9 a.m. Friday, June 14, in the Gray County Court temporary offices at 315 N. Ballard.

At the May 31 meeting, an employee request was made to the commissioners court for the county to purchase denim shirts with a logo commemorating the 100th birth day of Gray County for the 138 county employees. Cost of the shirts is estimated at \$25 each.

Consideration of providing the shirts was addressed at the May 31 meeting during the time period for citizens to be heard. As it was not on the agenda, no action could be taken at the previous meeting.

The possibility of payment for the shirts to come from a designated safety award fund was discussed at the meeting. County Auditor Elaine Morris told commissioners the money could come from that

. County fund and would not require Commissioners Court will action by the commissioners

> However, County Judge Richard Peet said he preferred the matter be placed on the agenda of the June 14 meeting as an action item.

Also on Friday's agenda is consideration of a contract amendment with the Office of the Attorney General and to hear a request from Airport Operator Ron Unruh to rent a house at Perry Lefors Airport to an employee.

Other items include consideration of a change order regarding courthouse restoration, changing name on District Clerk's general checking and child support checking accounts from Jennifer Rushing to Jennifer Jones, and county clerk's request to hire part-time temporary employee.

Bids for delinquent tax properties at several locations 731 N. Dwight, 901 Osborne, and 1013 S. Reid will also be considered.

(See COUNTY, Page 3).

## Whip and spur to McLean centennial celebration

McLEAN - A full weekend of activities will mark McLean's celebration of Gray County's 100th birthday beginning Friday, June 14.

Almost since the county's inception for 92 years, this community has held the McLean 66 Roundup Rodeo. This local tradition kicks off the weekend's events at 6;30 p.m. at the rodeo grounds, just north of McLean on

Texas Highway 273.

the Ag Barn, get on Main Street and go about a half mile south, over the 1-40 overpass. The barn will be on the left.

Early Saturday - at 6:30 a.m., to be exact The McLean Lion's Club will host a pancake breakfast at the Lión's Club downtown.

At 8 a.m., registration opens for the Afterwards, revelers are invited to a Bra Factor, Old Timer and Cowboy rodeo dance at the Ag Barn. To get to reunions at the McLean-Alanreed Historical Museum downtown.

> Watch for classic cars, beautiful bicycles and gorgeous golf carts as they come in to register for the Classic Car Show, Bicycle Decorating contest and Golf Cart Decorating Contest. Registration for the Classic Car Show

will be conducted at the Gazebo in the Bank of Commerce Parking Lot downtown. Bicycles and Golf Carts are to register at the baseball diamond.

The Centennial Parade takes off at 10 a.m. on Main Street Downtown. Craft vendors will have their wares for viewing along Main Street, as well. And the McLean Volunteer Firemen

(See McLEAN, Page 3)

#### ON RECORD

#### POLICE

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

#### Saturday, June 8

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of South Finley where \$200 in damage was done to a fence, window and security light.

#### Wednesday, June 12

A burglary was reported in the 1100 block of Sierra where someone entered through an open garage door and took \$175 from a purse.

Disorderly conduct/language was reported

Telephone harassment was reported in the 500 block of South Cuyler.

A report of retaliation was taken in the 400 block of East Craven.

Charles Mathis Ashley, 54, 707 E Frederic, animal at large.

Pete Vargas Perez, 23, 601 Bradley, arrested on warrants for unlawful use of a motor vehicle, failure to appear, and driving with license suspended.

#### Thursday, June 13

An information report was taken in the 1000 block of East Kingsmill.

#### SHERIFF

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

Wednesday, June 12 Van Johnson, 48, 831 S. Barnes, motion to

revoke probation/driving while intoxicated. Thursday, June 13 Jesus M. Velasquez, 32, driving while intoxicated/second offense.

PAMPA

Today's forecast is mostly cloudy with

thunderstorms likely in the afternoon. Some

possibly severe. Highs should be in the lower

80s with south winds 15 to 20 mph becoming

northeast. Expected areal coverage of precip-

itation is 70 percent. Tonight should be most-

ly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms,

some possibly severe, lows around 60, east

winds 10 to 20 mph, and a 40 percent chance

of precipitation. Friday, partly cloudy. Slight

chance of thunderstorms. Highs around 80.

Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph becoming southeast. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

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derstorms. Lows around 60. Chance of pre-

cloudy. Chance of thunderstorms. Highs in

the middle 80s. Chance of precipitation 40

percent. Saturday evening, partly cloudy.

Chance of thunderstorms. Sunday, partly

cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows

in the lower 60s. Highs around 90. Monday,

partly cloudy. Chance of thunderstorms.

Lows in the lower 60s. Highs in the middle

80s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. Slight chance of

thunderstorms. Lows around 60. Highs in the

middle 80s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Slight

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STATEWIDE

the panhandle and Northeast Texas early

Thursday, with some storms packing golfball-

size hail and potentially damaging winds.

Showers and thunderstorms developed in

60s. Highs in the middle 80s.

oitation 30 percent. Saturday, mostly

#### **AMBULANCE**

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service made the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

#### Tuesday, June 11

9:36 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of South Schneider and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

2:32 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

3:48 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist-St. Anthony West (BSAW).

#### Wednesday, June 12

7:33 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2106 Williston and vansported one to

11:43 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of Mary Ellen and transported one to PRMC.

4:26 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to

Highway 60 and 2391; no transport. 6:14 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to

Gwendolen and Wells; no transport. 7:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th; no transport.

9:14 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to BSAW.

10:32 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to Gray 6 1/2 south of Pampa and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTH) via Lifestar

#### Thursday, June 13

2:19 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTH.

4:05 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2000 block of Duncan and transported one to PRMC.

handle, with storms forming along a line from

Mid- and upper level clouds associated

Some showers were located between

Early-morning temperatures were in the

Extremes were 65 degrees at Dalhart and

Winds were northerly at 10 to 20 mph

across the panhandle and from the southeast at

5 to 15 mph elsewhere, except for northeast

winds associated with an outflow boundary

north of a line from Decatur through Denton

Thunderstorm development was likely

through the panhandle and South Plains, with

a chance of storms for the rest of the region

and isolated rainfall in the Big Bend and

early Friday in the Permian Basin and Concho

A chance of thunderstorms was forecast for

A chance of thunderstorms continued

Daytime highs should range from near 80

in the north to 103 in the far west and upper

Trans Pecos, except for mid-70s in the

Guadalupe Mountains to near 110 along the

Lows overnight were expected from the

with the complex of thunderstorms in

Oklahoma were moving south across the Red

Bonham and Paris: Storms near Pampa and

Lefors contained wind gusts up to 60 mph, the

60s behind the front, with mid- to upper 70s

Amarillo into Oklahoma.

National Weather Service said.

Tulia and 83 degrees at Wink.

and low 80s elsewhere.

Permian Basin.

Rio Grande.

Friday for North Texas.

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#### FIRE

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

#### Wednesday, June 12

11:39 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 2100 block of Mary Ellen.

4:35 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision seven miles east of Pampa on Texas Highway 152. The call was cancelled before they arrived on the scene.

6:16 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Wells and Gwendolen streets.

11:04 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist at Gray County Road 6 1/2 and McCullough Street. The call was cancelled before firefighters arrived.

#### Thursday, June 13

1:39 a.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a trash fire in the 1000 block of East Kingsmill. A 55-gallon drum filled with household trash was on fire in a residential driveway. Firefighters put out the fire and notified the city sanitation department to pick up the drum at 8 a.m. Pampa police took a report on the incident from the residents.

7 a.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a fatal train versus pedestrian collision at Starkweather and Tyng streets. Firefighters returned to the location at 8:30 a.m. to wash down the scene.

#### ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department filed the following accident report.

#### Thursday, June 6

Miles Watkins, 18, 1218 Mary Ellen, was cited for failure to control speed after the 1984 Chevrolet pickup he was driving at a high rate of speed in the 1300 block of West Gwendolen jumped a curb and hit a chain link fence. The vehicle rolled over on its right side after hitting the fence. An unidentified passenger fled the scene. Watkins suffered non-incapacitating injuries.

#### **STOCKS**

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#### **UBITUARIES**

#### NANCY LITTLETON MAYER

1936-2002

BAY CITY — Nancy Littleton Mayer, a former Pampan, passed away June 2, 2002, at Los Angeles, Calif. Memorial services will be Friday, June 14, at Bay City.

Mrs. Mayer was born in December of 1936 and graduated from Pampa High School in 1954.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Don Mayer, in 1986; and her mother Ruby

Survivors include three sons, Mark Mayer, Steve Mayer, and David Mayer; a sister, Phyllis McCray of Los Angeles; and four grandchildren.

#### **CINDY CARVER**

AMARILLO - Cindy Carver, 46, died Williams of Amarillo; a brother, Tommy Ray June 10, 2002, at Amarillo. Services will be at - Carver and his wife Lolly of Pampa, Texas; 2 p.m., today in chapel of Memorial Park Funeral Home. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Memorial Park Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Ms. Carver was a lifelong resident of the Amarillo area.

Survivors include a companion, Lou Anne

cousins, Misty and Mindy Robb; two aunts, Glenda Bennett of Alabama, Mellissa Harrington of Granbury, Texas; four nephews; a niece; two great-nieces; and a great-nephew.

The family requests memorials be to Harrington Cancer Center or to the AIDS Foundation.

#### **ELVOID CALLAN**

1912-2002

Elvoid Callan, 89, of Pampa, died Thursday, June 13, 2002. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Callan was born Dec. 7, 1912, at Wheeler. He married Addie Brumley on Oct. 28, 1933, at Erick, Okla. He had been a Pampa resident since 1948 and worked for the City of Pampa, retiring after 28 years of service.

He was a member of the Priest Park Church of God.

Survivors include his wife, Addie, of the home; two daughters and sons-in-law, Marlene and Dean Bryan of Sunray, and Gwen and Bob Douthit of Pampa; five grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grand-

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Priest Park Church of God, 1123 Gwendolen, Pampa, TX 79065.

#### A cool front was moving through the panupper 50s in the north to mid-70s in the south. Dispatcher: American Airlines supervisor wanted shoe-bomb threat kept from FAA

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Airlines dispatcher who handled the flight carrying alleged shoe-bomber Richard Reid says her supervisor told her to hold off telling the government about the scare because he feared the plane would be delayed.

Julie Robichaux filed a 12-page whistleblower complaint Wednesday with the Federal Aviation Administration, saying her superior told her not to tell the FAA of the shoe-bomb incident "because the flight would be remotely parked and it would be forever before we could get the plane out of there." Robichaux said she did not follow the instructions.

Steve Tankel, spokesman for Fort Worth, Texas-based American, denied the allega-

The complaint comes at a time when American and some of its employees have clashed over 'security, safety and personnel issues. The airline, which lost two jetliners to hijackers Sept. 11, is negotiating a new contract with its pilots' union.

Robichaux was on duty Dec. 22 when the captain of Flight 63 from Paris told her about Reid, who is accused of carrying explosives in his shoe. She said the captain reported Reid had been subdued but it was unsafe to complete the flight to Miami. She said they decided the plane should land in Boston.

Dispatchers track flights for the airlines and are in frequent contact with the flight crews, telling them about potential weather problems, safety issues and other information.

After learning of the shoe-bomb incident, Robichaux said, she asked for help to track her other flights but no one was available due to layoffs. Tankel said there were enough dispatchers on duty at the time

Robichaux said the manager of the operations center contacted the captain and told him to land at an airport in Canada. She said the captain told the manager that he would land in Boston.

Tankel said Robichaux misunderstood the conversation and the supervisor was only talking about a possible Canadian landing.

In May, she said she told flight crews about two security cases involving American flights to Zurich. On a flight out of Dallas, six passengers traveling on Indian passports allegedly were synchronizing watches. On a flight out of New York, a Pakistani passenger refused to shut off his computer when the plane was about to take off. He was removed from the flight.

She said her supervisor called her to a meeting that required a union representative to attend and told her her actions were inappropriate. She said she was then threatened with a letter that could be the first step in a process that could lead to loss of her job.

Tankel said dispatchers are not supposed to handle security.

"As far as security is concerned, it had been our policy for some time that security issues and events are managed through the center manager," Tankel said. "The dispatcher maintains contact with the captain so the dispatcher can rely information to the captain and crew and get information from the captain and the crew.'

Last week, the union released a videotape of interviews with pilots and flight crews aboard the Paris-to-Miami flight that carried Reid. The union charged American with failing to provide adequate training for dealing with such emergencies.

## Store clerk's killer set to die Thursday

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Roommates Daniel Reneau and Jeffrey Wood frequently visited a Texaco convenience store in Kerrville and knew the clerk who worked there.

31-year-old Kriss So Keeran wouldn't have been suspicious when Reneau showed up just before daybreak on Jan. 2, 1996. But when Reneau and Wood left the place, Keeran was dead and more than \$11,000 in cash and checks was gone.

Reneau, 27, was set to die Thursday evening for the slay-

Asked on death row last week to identify the shooter, Reneau had a one-word reply:

Reneau would be the 16th Texas inmate executed this year, one short of the total number of executions in the kind of walk up, shoot some state for all of last year. With three more lethal injections set for later this month, Texas is on a pace to rival the record 40 executions carried out in 2000.

The U.S. Supreme Court this week refused to review Reneau's case.

According to court records, Wood, who was waiting outside, joined Reneau after Keeran was shot once in the face with a .22-caliber pistol, then both fled with the store safe, a cash box and a video recorder containing a security tape showing the robbery and slaying.

"As I recall, he was pretty cold, very little emotion shown at any time," said Bruce Curry, the Kerr County district attorney who prosecuted Reneau. "And the method of this particular murder was cold - just guy in the head, walk on by, commit the robbery and leave."

Evidence showed the pair had planned the robbery for a couple of weeks and unsuccessfully tried recruiting Keeran and another employee to stage a phony robbery.

Reneau and Wood drove to Wood's parents home in Devine, about 65 miles to the south, where they tried to open the safe with a sledge hammer and a blow torch.

When Wood's 16-year-old brother, Jonathan, asked them how they got the safe, Wood told him about the holdup and shooting. And when the brother expressed skepticism, Wood showed him the tape. Wood's brother testified he then was ordered to destroy the tape with the blow torch.

## City Briefs

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CHUCKWAGON TAURANT, 115 S. Cuyler, Grand Opening, Fri., June 14 6:00 am-2:00 pm & 5:00 pm-8:00 pm Lunch Buffet.

FLOWER SALE, Annuals, small 4-pack- 2 for \$1, Jumbo 4-pack- 2 for \$3. Lazy S. Feed Garden, 516 S. Russell.

NO DANCE Friday 14th, at Pampa Senior Citizens Ctr.

NO HOROSCOPES were received, for this week's Pampa News. .

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(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Jesse Cerda, center, talks with persons involved in a two-pickup accident on Texas Highway 152, about seven miles east of Pampa, Wednesday afternoon. No injuries were reported at the wreck, one of four investigated by local authorities in a 16-hour period.

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Trooper Jesse Cerda and charged with driving while intoxicated/ second offense, jail records

Velasquez, 32, 1421 Charles, was also charged with violation of a protective order. He remained in the county jail at press time in lieu of a total of \$6,000 in bonds.

Others assisting at the scene included Deputies Morse Burroughs and Cary Rushing. Trooper Cerda also worked another acci-

dent Wednesday about 4:30 p.m. on Texas of West Gwendolen. Highway 152 at the Hoover cutoff about six miles east of Pampa.

involved two pickup trucks, one of which a high rate of speed jumped a curb and struck rolled on its side.

According to the report, a 1998 Dodge then rolled onto its right side. truck, driven by Paul B. Coronis, 67, Pampa, a 1995 Dodge pickup driven by Michael Brent and was not identified.

Keith, 16, Lubbock, when the accident happened.

Keith was attempting a left turn when the Coronis truck attempted a left side pass then swerved in an effort to avoid the subsequent collision. The Coronis truck ended up on its right side in the highway.

There were passengers in both vehicles and no injuries were reported.

Still yet another accident was worked at 6:18 p.m. Wednesday when city police were called to a one-vehicle crash in the 1300 block

Miles G. Watkins, 18, 1218 Mary Ellen, was cited with failure to control speed after the No injuries were reported in the mishap that 1984 Chevrolet pickup truck he was driving at a chain link fence, the report said. The pickup

Watkins suffered non-incapacitating was westbound behind and attempting to pass injuries. A passenger in the truck fled the scene

## Tralee Crisis seeks volunteers to help victims of abuse, rape

Tralee Crisis Center in Tralee Crisis Center. Pampa needs volunteers.

Since 1984 the agency has been committed to bringing the needs of Family Violence and Sexual Assault victims to the leaders of the communities as well as the criminal justice system in their seven county service area for many years.

"Every day we are called on from law enforcement, health care providers, clergy, schools, child and adult protective services, and civic organizations to provide more services to the public," said Ann Hamilton with, tims and 24 new victims of

"Tralee Crisis Center has been able to respond to battered, stalked, and sexually abused women and children, as well as educating the public by having caring volunteers who become an extra set of hands when a staff person is unavailable," she said.

During the last six months of 2001, Tralee Crisis Center assisted 1,110 community members. In that time period, non-resident services were provided to 104 new adult victims of family violence, 33 new sexual assault vicother crimes.

Also, shelter was provided to 21 women and 26 children.

The agency covers seven surrounding counties in addition to Pampa and Gray County. Included are Carson, Donley, Collingsworth, Roberts, Hemphill and Wheeler.

"If you would like to volunteer to be part of this exciting, cutting-edge work," said Hamilton, "please contact Tralee Crisis Center."

Anyone interested may call the office at 669-1131. Training to become a volunteer begins Aug. 1.

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#### **McLean**

will serve barbecued beef lunches.

After the parade, the Classic Car Show gets under way along Main Street. A reunion luncheon is planned at 12 noon at the Devil's Rope Museum.

A poker run starts at 1:30 p.m. and will continue around the McLean, Shamrock and

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### COUNTY

Routine items include miscellaneous, pay bills and salaries as approved by the County Auditor, and consider both line item budget transfers as well as the County Treasurer's report for May 2002.

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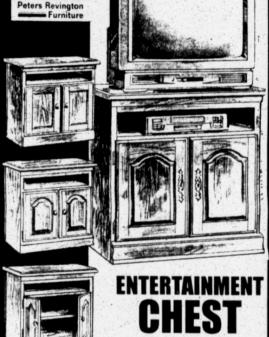
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#### Texas Editorials

### Finding a delicate balance

From The Bryan-College Station Eagle on media ethics:

Reporting the news is often a delicate balance between conveying the meaning of a story without going too far.

Hardly a day goes by that journalists here and around the world don't debate what should and should not be printed or broadcast. The lines aren't always clear.

Last week, though, the Boston Phoenix, an "alternative" newspaper, published grisly photographs of reporter Daniel Pearls dismembered body.

There can be no valid reason for it to have done so.

The photos were taken from a video produced by Pearl's murderers, a video that is on display on the Boston Phoenix Web site and several others.

Pearl was the Wall Street Journal reporter who was working on a story about Islamic militants when he was kidnapped in Karachi, Pakistan, on Jan. 23.

The tape documenting his murder was delivered to American officials a month later. Since then, his missing body was found and identified and his wife gave birth to their son.

Pearl's death was particularly ugly and responsible journalists wrote about it with care and sensitivity, not to camouflage the horror but to show respect for Pearl and for those who loved

It wasn't necessary for the public to see the terrible video or the still photos taken from it to understand the terrible way Pearl died.

Boston Phoenix publisher Stephen Mindich defended his decision to run the two photos, saying he is sure as a journalist trying to explain terrorism Pearl would approve of their use. What a crock. Pearl was far too classy, far too responsible to

Further, Mindich said, Americans flock to movies that are

far bloodier than the Pearl death video. True, but everyone realizes that when the director yells

defend their publication.

"cut," the actors get up and walk away unscathed.

Thank God there still is a gap between fiction and reality. The pictures of Pearl's death aren't the only unsettling

images being peddled around the country today. Two weeks ago, the National Enquirer ran two photos of the

bloody bodies of Columbine killers Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold along with some mumbo jumbo about how the images would stop other students from going on murderous rampages. Yeah, sure.

On Sept. 11, responsible news media quickly stopped showing images of people jumping or falling from the World Trade

It was horrible enough being told those poor people did leap to their deaths without having to see images of their final moments.

The issue has been revisited in recent days over an HBO documentary narrated by former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani that included several seconds of falling bodies.

Of course, images do convey more than words. A picture of a bluebonnet tells so much more than a written

description. Americans were horrified by photographs of bodies on Civil War battlefields. TV and newspaper images from

Vietnam helped turn America against that war. There was much debate and concern when Life magazine ran frame-by-frame images from the Zapruder film showing President Kennedy's head exploding.

Five years later there was another flap when several photos ran showing Bobby Kennedy moments after being shot.

The issues are never easy and good journalists take them

The line isn't always clear, but it seems obvious the Boston Phoenix and the National Enquirer crossed it.

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## Advantages of small town life

Small town life can be pretty great. As I was talking with a young woman

in Clarendon yesterday, I couldn't keep from thinking how thoughtful and caring people in a small town can be.

April Judd, 21, is the mother of 8 1/2month-old Maci Judd. Maci has an extremely rare and serious health condition which requires expensive medical equipment and medical care to allow the baby to remain at home, and to live.

A story and pictures of Maci will appear in the Sunday edition of The Pampa News.

April and her husband Kyle are like most young couples. He is working hard to make a living for the family which includes an older daughter, McKayla, 3, while April takes care of the family.

Maci requires a ventilator to breathe for her and nearly constant nursing care. People in Clarendon and across the Panhandle are striving to help this young

family as they care for Maci.

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Clarendon Fire Department is raffling a vacation trip with proceeds going to a fund for Maci.

Herring National Bank in Clarendon has set up an account for funds for her. Britkare Home Health is helping to plan a poker run. Proceeds will go to help Maci.

The Emergency Medical Services in the community are taking special classes. to know how to care for her in case they are needed.

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There have been countless other acts of assistance for the family.

Small town people instinctively seem to know what to do when people are needing help. Many times just being there helps people as much as anything.

Soon after I arrived home last night, five of the six members of the Stinnett City Council and the City Administrator, along with some of their family members, came to my home to help me with the clean-up after the city sewer line backed up and sewage from several homes overflowed into my home recently.

Accompanied by my youngest son and daughter, I attended a meeting of the council Monday night as a citizen. I've covered many, many meetings through the years and quoted irate citizens. The shoe was on the other foot Monday night, and I got quoted.

Communication among people can stop so many potential explosive situations. Just the caring helps.

But that probably would be too easy as it would put too many lawyers out of business. Legislators need to take a long, hard look at some of the laws they pass before they pass them. I would think communication among people would improve 100 percent if about 95 percent of the laws were abolished, and people weren't so worried about lawsuits.

Some of you will say "But that's not the way the world is today". To that I say, "It can be and should be." It was at my home last night and fractured friendships remain intact.

Furniture was moved, carpet ripped up, closets emptied, tacking board removed, walls examined, and talk about what needed to be done. My stinky problem is being shared and solved.

I have learned there is a flow valve (I think that's what it's called) that can possibly prevent something like this from happening. I sure wish I'd had one before.

As many people who live in rural communities across the Panhandle often are leaving to seek employment in large metropolitan areas, the population in the small towns continues to decline.

We're losing a lot of good people to these large towns in the exodus to the metropolitan areas, but these cities are gaining many quality people.

For me, I think I'll stick it out in the small town life for now.

(Nancy Young may be reached at nanceyyoung@hotmail.com)

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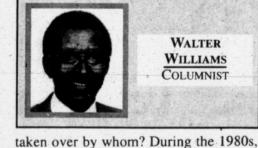
## Reasons to support profiling

Imagine you're a munitions manufacturer, and you manufacture hand grenades for the military. Your contract requires a guarantee that 99 percent of the hand grenades delivered are not duds. What do you do?

If you assumed there was an equal probability of every hand grenade being a dud, you might test them by pulling the pin and tossing each hand grenade to see if, in fact, it explodes. You'd be certain about whether the hand grenades were duds or not, but you'd have none to deliver. A more intelligent method would be to test a representative sample to make inferences about the population.

You say, "Williams, what's the point?" Let's look at our Department of Transportation (DOT) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) mandates for air security. By their actions, they assign an equal probability that anyone who boards a plane is a potential hijacker, and that includes pilots and crew, the aged and infirm, and children and babies. That's why they do body scans, make people take off their shoes and confiscate scissors, fingernail files, cork screws and other items on their "prohibited" list. This vision of anti-terrorism is both stupid and costly. Are there more effective means? How about taking a test?

At the 1972 Olympics, who kidnapped and murdered Jewish athletes? In 1979, the U.S. Embassy in Iran was



who kidnapped Americans in Lebanon? In 1983, the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut was blown up by whom? In 1985, the Achille Lauro cruise ship was hijacked and a 70-year-old, wheelchairbound American was murdered by whom? In 1985, TWA flight 847 was hijacked in Athens and a U.S. Navy diver was murdered by whom? In 1988, Pan Am flight 103 was bombed by whom? In 1993, the World Trade Center was bombed by whom? In 1998, U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania were bombed by whom? On Sept. 11, four airliners were hijacked and used to destroy the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; who were the murderers? U.S. military action in Afghanistan is against whom? Earlier this year, Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl was kidnapped and murdered by whom?

We all know the answers to these questions. The perpetrators were not the people who are routinely harassed and inconvenienced at our airports: business-

men, women, children and babies. The terrorist murderers have been Muslim male extremists between the ages of 17 and 40. That fact suggests that there are gains from ethnic profiling - namely, having security personnel on hand who'd be able to pull aside passengers who closely fit the profile of terrorists.

Why isn't this done? There are several possibilities. First, the DOT and FAA don't want to risk offending the politically correct among us. Second, it doesn't cost them anything to harass and inconvenience millions of passengers. The third, which should never be excluded, is that the people who run the DOT and FAA are just plain stupid.

The latter is surely the case in terms of their decree not permitting pilots to carry weapons. For the most part, commercial airline pilots are ex-military men trained in weapon use. If randomly assigned sky marshals carry weapons, there is absolutely no reason, at least an intelligent one, why pilots should not be permitted, as well.

But here's something for us all to think about: If the time ever comes when a commercial airliner is hijacked and headed toward a nuclear power plant, a bridge or a dam, and F-14s have to be scrambled to shoot it down, will the DOT and FAA bureaucrats be able to assure us that armed pilots would not have made a dif-

## FBI's new emphasis on fighting terror welcome

From Bryan-College Station Eagle on FBI given authority it needs:

The recent decision by FBI Director Robert Mueller to focus more attention on fighting terrorism is welcome, particularly in light of recent revelations that the bureau had more information than it realized before Sept. 11.

The FBI will shift many of its agents from other duties to searching for leads and developing information on threats by terrorists against America and Americans. In addition, the bureau will hire some 900 new agents in the coming months to aid in the efforts.

At the same time, Attorney General

## TEXAS EDITORIAL

John Ashcroft announced new, less restrictive guidelines to assist FBI agents in their

The new emphasis on combating terror is welcome. What better agency to entrust with rooting out terror efforts in this country than the FBI? We have confidence that the bureau will do everything it can to keep all of us safe.

We would caution, however, that the traditional functions of the FBI remain

important. Mueller said many of the agents being transferred to the new terror mandate will come from its anti-drug and white-collar crime divisions. That's a mistake. We cannot afford to lessen our efforts to combat illegal drugs and the FBI long has been a major component in that battle.

If more agents are needed to search for clues in the war on terror, then we should see that the FBI gets them and has adequate funding for proper training and support. But let's not gut other bureau efforts to fight the terrorists.

Too many other bad things can happen if we are focusing everything on potential terrorists.

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RAMALLA (AP) - Israeli out of the West Ramallah, lifti blockade on Y office, as Secr Colin Powell r of a provision state.

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## Israeli forces pull out of Ramallah

(AP) — Israeli forces pulled out of the West Bank town of Ramallah, lifting their latest blockade on Yasser Arafat's Colin Powell raised the idea of a provisional Palestinian

Palestinian police and security officers ran into Arafat's battered compound and celebrated, chanting slogans in support of the Palestinian leader, as Israeli tanks rolled away from the city-block-sized complex late Wednesday. Early Thursday, Israeli forces raided a village near the West Bank city of Jenin, another of the nearly daily raids made into Palestinian areas.

With the Israeli forces out of Ramallah, the new Palestinian Cabinet was to convene for the first time Thursday evening at the headquarters, said Arafat aide Nabil Abu Rdeneh.

The meeting had been set for Monday but was canceled because of the Israeli incursion. Arafat announced a new Cabinet on Sunday, trimming membership from 31 to 21 ministers.

Planning Palestinian Minister Nabil Shaath headed to Washington on Thursday for talks with Powell and to present the Palestinian position ahead of an expected policy statement by President Bush on the Middle East that could come early next week.

"We call for immediate Israeli implementation of the Security Council resolutions, to lift the closure and to end all acts of aggression against our people and that any

RAMALLAH, West Bank future political process be based on the Arab initiatives," Shaath said.

He was referring to U.N. Security Council resolutions office, as Secretary of State calling for Israel to withdraw from territories occupied in the 1967 Middle East war land claimed by the Palestinians for a future state. The Arab League adopted a proposal earlier this year promising Israel comprehensive peace with the Arab world in exchange for a complete withdrawal from all the territories occupied in 1967.

> The Israelis completed their pullout from Ramallah on Wednesday before midnight, according to an Israeli military source, speaking on condition of anonymity, but the Israelis kept a tight grip on the outskirts, restricting

The Israeli forces had moved into position early Monday, cutting off the entrances to the compound but not entering.

The Israelis said their object this time was to prevent gunmen from taking refuge in the compound. During Israel's 34-day siege of Arafat's office that ended at the beginning of May, several hundred Palestinians were trapped inside with Arafat, including many armed men.

Last week, in response to a Palestinian suicide bombing that killed 17 Israelis, Israeli tanks and bulldozers broke through the outside wall and destroyed three buildings, including Palestinian intelligence headquarters.

Using false documents and

aliasés, Padilla traveled to an

undisclosed central Asian

country in April, the officials

said. They would not say how

long he remained in central

returned to Pakistan and left

Karachi in late April or early

May for Zurich, Switzerland.

U.S. authorities have said

Padilla made trips from

Switzerland to and from Egypt

before flying to Chicago,

Pakistani officials are

expanding their search for

more Padilla associates in the

deeply conservative tribal

areas along the Afghan border,

where many al-Qaida fugitives

are believed to have taken

interested in finding five Arab

women, seven children and

several al-Qaida men believed

to have close contacts with

Zubaydah and Padilla.

The FBI is particularly

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where he was arrested May 8.

The officials said Padilla

Asia nor whom he contacted.

### Meredith House



(Courtesy photo)

Bobby Golden with his dog, Bear. Both are regular visitors at Meredith House in Pampa.

### **Clinton wants President Bush** to set aside funds for AIDS

an anti-AIDS gala that drew both celebrities and protesters, former President Clinton; urged the Bush administration to come up with \$2.4 bilease around the world.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan called AIDS "the worst epidemic that mankind has ever faced," while rock star Michael Stipe and CBS news anchor Dan Rather lamented that more than 8.000 people around the world die of AIDS each day.

The presentation of the 2002 awards for business excellence by the Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS brought more than 500 people from the art, business and diplomatic worlds to New York's Chelsea Piers on the Hudson River along with two dozen AIDS protesters - several of whom arrived by boat. Other VIPs at the dinner included Dikembe Mutombo of the Philadelphia 76ers and musicians Wyclef Jean and Lionel

Ritchie. award for individual business leadership to William H. Roedy, president of MTV Networks International, which has aired spots on AIDS. Annan presented the award for business excel- ter," Clinton said.

NEW YORK (AP) — At lence in the workplace to DaimlerChrysler AG for its South African HIV/AIDS program, which includes access to AIDS drugs.

The protesters from ACT lion annually to fight the dis- UP New York and the Heath GAP were demonstrating against Coca-Cola, one of the 75 international companies that have joined the Business Coalition. They claim the company only provides HIV/AIDS health care coverage to the 1,500 people it employs directly in Africa not to the 100,000 people who bottle and distribute Coke products under licens-

ing agreements. Robert Lindsay, vice president for public affairs for Coca-Cola Africa who was at the awards dinner, said: "What we've been asked is to provide treatment to the independent businesses we work with across the continent. ... The reality is this is not possible."

Clinton cited estimates that the number of HIV cases is on the verge of increasing from 40 million to 100 mil-Clinton presented the lion, which the world can't afford. The virus is spreading fastest in former Soviet countries, followed by the Caribbean and India, he said.

"It will slice through India like a hot knife through but-

## **Powell urges continued** support of Afghanistan

British Columbia (AP) — Expressing confidence that the global coalition against terrorism is solid, Secretary of State Colin Powell is urging other nations to maintain the financial commitments they have made to rebuilding Afghanistan.

After meeting here Wednesday, the foreign ministers from the top industrialized nations cited the emergency loya jirga now crafting a new government for Afghanistan, and promised a special effort by the Group of Eight to prevent conflicts that can threaten fledgling democratic rule.

"We recognize that there are many challenges ahead, and pledge our support to the fransitional authority as it develops the capacity to provide security throughout Afghanistan, and prosperity for the Afghan people," the ministers said in a statement

Powell said he told his counterparts from Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and Russia that the best way to ensure stability in Afghanistan is to keep funds flowing so the country can rebuild. The United States has put in \$300 million to Afghan recovery, Powell pointed out.

While the ministers did not review which countries had committed funds, "I have no doubt that they will honor all the commitments they have made," Powell said. "I'm just encouraging them to do it as quickly as possible because the need is great. We've got to make sure we keep a cash flow going to the (interim) authori-

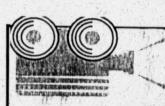
The ministers gathered here to lay groundwork for the Group of Eight leaders summit to be held later this month in Kananaskis, Alberta. They planned to wrap up their session Thursday.

Powell said the group reaffirmed support for counterterrorism efforts, in terms of what they can do to help nations that need technical or financial help in order to be more effective.

"I can say the coalition remains united," Powell said. The secretary met briefly with Russian Foreign Minister they've received from the U.S. Congress and the Russian Duma on implementing the new arms agreement signed last month, according to a senior administration official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

They also chatted about the expiration of the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty on Thursday, and Powell noted that Wednesday was the 10th anniversary of the Russian Federation, the official said.

The ministers pledged to keep India and Pakistan on a peaceful track, now that Pakistan has assured India that it would halt deadly incursions across the Line of Control that divides Kashmir between the two countries. "There was absolute agreement that we don't want to go through this again," Powell said.



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## Padilla's bid to purchase dirty bomb leads to arrest

ISLAMABAD. Pakistan (AP) — American Jose Padilla, accused of plotting to detonate a radioactive "dirty" bomb in the United States, traveled to a central Asian country in April looking to buy radioactive materials, Pakistani intelligence and government officials said Thursday.

The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said at least two associates of Padilla are now in custody in Pakistan, and FBI agents are questioning them at an undisclosed location.

One was identified as Benjamin Ahmed Mohammed, but officials would not give any of the nationalities. The officials said at least a half dozen American citizens were believed among the 300 al-Qaida suspects handed over to the United States by Pakistan in the past six months.

The hunt for the Brooklynborn Padilla, 31 also known as Abdullah al Muhajir, began after the arrest in March of Osama bin Laden's lieutenant Abu Zubaydah, the officials said. Zubaydah is currently in U.S. custody.

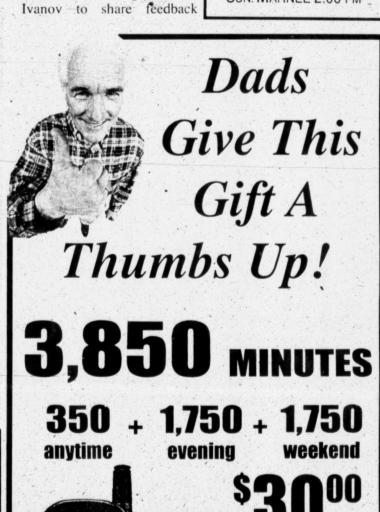
Padilla had apparently been assigned by Zubaydah to explore the possibility of causing "maximum damage to Americans," intelligence officials said, also on condition of anonymity.

'We had received information from the FBI in April that some al-Qaida men were planning attacks in the United States. The same information was shared with us by the CIA and intense weeks-long efforts led to his arrest;" said a senior government official, who spoke under condition of anonymity.

Authorities began to track Padilla in early April after the FBI provided photos of the former Chicago gang member to Pakistan's spy agency, Inter-Services Intelligence, the officials said.



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## DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

## **Divorce Announcements Produce Singular Effect**

DEAR ABBY: My about-to-be-exhusband and I have friends who should be notified that he has a new address and phone number. He agrees that we should let our friends know before Christmas.

I am planning to create announcements on my computer and mail them to the people on our Christmas card list. What do you think? Is it acceptable to send divorce announcements? DIVORCED IN KANSAS

DEAR DIVORCED: Yes, and it's a subject that has been addressed before in my column.

While a computer-generated announcement may seem like less work, a more personal touch would be to write a short note to your friends and family that you and "John" have amicably gone your separate ways.

Since you're no longer a couple, your former husband should shoulder the responsibility for notifying his friends and relatives about his contact information.

nouncements:

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IT'S OFFICIAL Coleen and Michael G. Lamour have parted amicably and without rancor.

Coleen is once again happily Ms. Coleen Mahoney Residing at the Honeycreek Towers Michael's permanent residence is now on his boat: "I, Pagliacci," Where he will continue to drift aimlessly ... forever!

WITH HAPPY HEARTS Lionel and Jane announce with pleasure the severance of all legal and/or other bonds that may have existed between their daughter Janet and That Boy. With the new month of August Janet enters into a new and beautiful single life. As for That Boy May the Great Honcho in the sky love him and keep him

DEAR ABBY: "Disgusted Aunt in Florida" questioned whether or not Read on for my favorite her nephew, "Marshall," should be tongue-in-cheek divorce an given a family party and graduation nouncements: really graduating from high school. His mother said no; his grandmother was insisting that he should.

As an educator for 27 years, I congratulate Marshall's mother for sticking to her guns. I'm sure his teachers offered him ample opportunity to pass his classes, but Marshall made choices on an hourly basis not to fulfill his responsibilities. Therefore, he should not be rewarded for those

deliberately irresponsible choices. The boy obviously thought someone

would bail him out - again. Let's hope Marshall will learn from this experience. If Grandma coddles him now, she can expect to support him for the rest of her life.

Our nation's educational system needs more support from parents like Marshall's mom. It's time for that young man to accept the consequences of his own inaction.

THANKFUL FOR MARSHALL'S MOM

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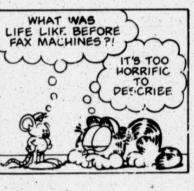




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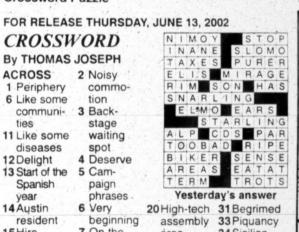
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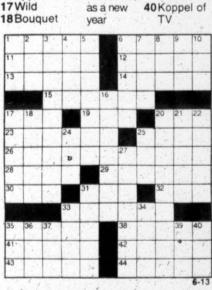
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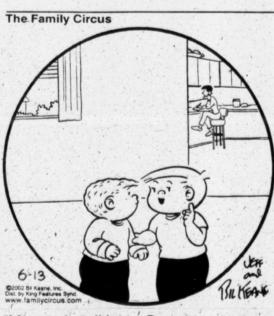


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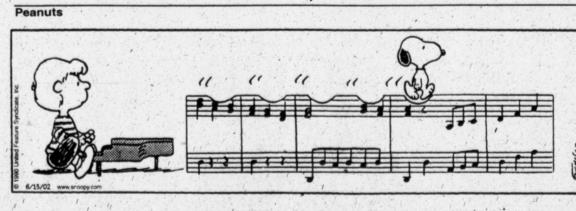
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in four innings and Ricky Davis twirled two shutout innings of relief as Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency battled to a 1-1 tie with Glo-Valve Service on Tuesday.

Glo-Valve threatened in almost every inning, leaving seven runners stranded, but could only manage a run in the third inning. Travis Marsh and Albert Tambunga walked, Shane Davis singled and Marsh scored on a wild pitch. One Glo-Valve runner was erased attempting to steal in the inning, which saw Glo-Valve lead the bases loaded.

DFB got its run in the fourth inning. Colby Greenhouse lined a single to left field and stole second base. He went to third on an infield out and scored on a throwing error.

Glo-Valve wasted hits by Marsh, Jacob Davis, Hayden Skinner, Garrett Eggleston and Aaron Carr, leaving six runners in scoring posi-

Smith walked four and allowed a hit in each of the four innings he pitched. Davis permitted two hits and struck out one while not walking a batter in two innings.

Glo-Valve started with Lane Douglass, who struck out two of the three batters he faced in the first inning. Hayden Skinner used only four

CWS Schedule

At Rosenblatt Stadium

Game 1 — Georgia Tech (51-14) vs. South Carolina (53-16), 2

Game 2 — Nebraska (47-19). vs. Clemson (52-13), 7 p.m. Saturday, June 15

Game 3 — Notre Dame (49-16) vs. Stanford (45-16), 1:30 p.m. Game 4 — Texas (53-15) vs.

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Game 7 — Game 3 loser vs.

Game 8 — Game 3 winner vs.

Game 9 - Game 5 winner vs.

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Friday, June 14

Rice (52-12), 7 p.m. Sunday, June 16

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Game 4 loser, 3:30 p.m.

Game 4 winner, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 18

Game 6 loser, 2 p.m.

Game 8 loser, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 19

Game 9 winner, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 20

Game 10 winner, 7 p.m. Friday, June 21

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inning; but struck out the other three.

Marsh was the victim of Greenhouse's unearned run. He struck out one, walked none and allowed DFB's lone hit. Carr finished up for Glo-Valve. He struck out five and walked one in two innings pitched. Marsh erased the baserunner on an attempted steal following the strikeout. Hayden Skinner caught the high throw and made a good tag to complete the twin killing.

Drew Williams fielded a ground ball deep at third base and made a long, accurate throw to first for DFB's outstanding defensive play. Aaron Carr went to his right at shortstop, backhanded a ground ball and threw the batter out at first for an outstanding defensive effort for Glo-

The tie pushed Glo-Valve into third place in the Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken League with a record of 7-3-1. Rotary Club holds down first place with an 8-2 record. Celanese Corporation is in second place at 7-3. Rotary and Celanese are scheduled to play at 10 a.m. Saturday in a game which may decide the league champi-

A double-elimination City Tournament featuring all seven league teams begins Monday.

## Optimist baseball teams battle to 1-1 tie in 11-12 league action PAMPA — Chris Smith struck out II batters in four innings and Ricky Davis twirled two batters in the third PAMPA — Chris Smith struck out II batters in the second inning. Heath Skinner walked two batters in the third **T-Bone Steaks Bonus Buy Package** Lobsters Gard Price SAVE \$3.11





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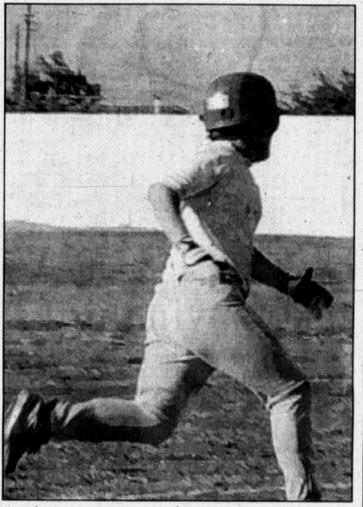






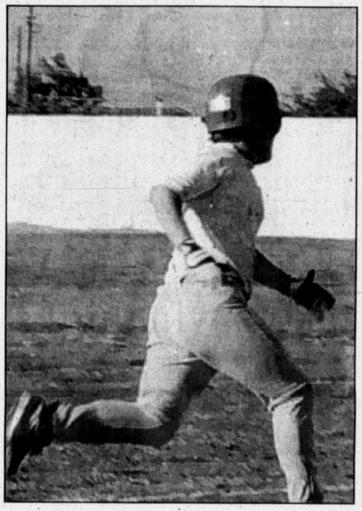
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## Heading home



(Pampa News photo by Tess Kingcade)

Brett Ferrell heads toward home plate in a Babe Ruth League game earlier this week between Cree Company and Lions Club.



## Game 15 - Pairings TBA, Threesome tied for U.S. Open lead

(AP) — The Black Course straight majors in 1999-00. showed its bite Thursday.

Sergio Garcia, Davis Love III and Jeff Maggert shared the early lead at the U.S. Open, managing to get to 2 under. But most of the morning starters struggled to crack par on the long layout at Bethpage State Park.

With half of the 156-player field on the course, only five other golfers were under par, including Dudley Hart. He was the first player to write down a below-par score for 18 holes, reaching the clubhouse with a

Hart had a triple-bogey at No. 5 — his 14th hole of the day — but finished with three straight birdies. His final shot was a 30-foot birdie putt at 9.

Cink, Justin Leonard, John ing par. Huston and Craig Bowden.

The tournament began on a gray, damp morning at Bethpage. Showers that moved in the previous day softened the greens but also cut down on the roll in the fairway, lengthening the Long Island course that already stretches 7,214 yards - the longest in Open history.

Tiger Woods, as usual, entered as the overwhelming favorite. He has won seven major titles and hopes to become the first golfer since Jack Nicklaus in 1972 to win both the Masters and the U.S. Open in the same year.

If Woods can master the Black Course, he'll be halfway to a true Grand Slam - all four Mickelson, who is 0-for-39 in major championships in the same year. He already has the

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. "Tiger Slam," winning four Player Never to Win a Major." Woods had an afternoon tee

Love was the first player to reach 3 under on the par-70 course, making the turn with a 32 on the front nine. He lost a stroke at 10 when a 3-footer to save par slid by the hole on the left side

Leonard picked up an eagle at the par-5 fourth hole, but not in the traditional manner. His second shot wound up in heavy rough on a side hill lie, with the ball well above his feet. But his third shot went straight into the cup from about 65 yards.

Garcia chipped in for birdie at No. 5, then sank a 20-foot putt at 12 to grab a share of the lead. He also had a nice upand-down from a deep bunker Also at I under: Stewart alongside the 16th green, sav-

Among those expected to challenge Woods were those who broke up his streak of major titles: defending champion Retief Goosen, British Open champion David Duval and PGA Championship winner David Toms.

All three were playing in the same afternoon group.

Don't overlook Ernie Els, either. The two-time U.S. Open champion has played well this year and both of his major titles came on challenging East Coast layouts.

Els, however, started slowly with bogeys on three of his first eight holes. He was 3 over through 14 holes.

Then there's Phil golf's big four and desperate to shed his label as "The Greatest Mickelson got off to a

strong start despite teeing off on the back nine, where he faced the most fearsome stretch on the course. He birdied the first two holes, including the 492-yard 10th; gave back a stroke with a bogey at 12, the longest par-4 in Open history at 499 yards; then bounced back with another birdie at 13.

Then came a stark reminder that the Black Course won't be conquered easily: Mickelson took a double-bogey at 15, knocking him out of the top

He played it conservatively off the tee with an iron, couldn't reach the elevated green with his second shot and wound up three-putting from about 40 feet.

Mickelson recovered with three straight pars to make the turn all even, but another on his 12th hole knocked him off the leaderboard.' He was I over through 14 holes.

The tournament is being played for the first time on a true public course, where greens fees are \$31 during the week and \$39 on weekends.

There's no doubt this is a championship layout. A sign on the first tee lets the public know what to expect. "Warning: The Black Course is an extremely difficult course which is recommended only for highly skilled golfers."

#### Shooting his age

Harry Frye, 85, of Pampa shot his age Wednesday at the Pampa Country Club.

## Mexico ties Italy to advance to second round of World Cup

YOKOHAMA, Japan (AP) — Now that Mexico has done CONCACAF proud, it's the United States' turn.

The Mexicans not only advanced to the second round of the World Cup with a 1-1 tie - against Italy on Thursday at Oita, Japan, but won Group G. They finished 2-0-1 in the sector and will play the runner-up in Group D it could be the Americans — on Monday in Jeonju, South Korea.

Italy wound up 1-1-1 and faces the Group D winner, which also could be the U.S. team, on Tuesday in Deajeon, South Korea.

The United States needs only a tie to advance. It plays winless Poland on Friday in Daejeon. But the Americans, who had the same number of points as Mexico in regional qualifying, aren't thinking about draws.

"I think we better win the game outright," defender Eddie Pope said. "I think it's dangerous to try and play for a tie. That's certainly something that I don't think most of the guys feel comfortable with. I think that if we go out and play hard and do the things we've done in the past, and do the right things, we have an opportunity to win.

Croatia, which finished third in the soccer championship four years ago, had no surprises this time and headed home after losing to Ecuador 1-0.

'We deservedly advanced," Mexico coach Javier Aguirre said. "We wanted to win, but were unable to.

We'll play whoever. You just have to try to win to keep playing.'

Alessandro Del Piero tied the game for Italy with a header in the 85th minute.

"If I had dreamed of anything in this game it would be this," he said. "Had we won, we would have been more tranquil, but the aim

was to qualify and we made it."

Turkey's team was among Brazil's biggest fans and was paid off for its rooting interest. But the Turks had to do their part, too.

Brazil moved into the second round with a 5-2 rout of Costa Rica at Suwon, South Korea. Ronaldo and Rivaldo kept up their goal-agame pace as Brazil went 3-0 in Group C.

Turkey, needing a lopsided loss by Costa Rica and its own win, got both, beating China 3-0 in Seoul, South Korea, to advance for the

"This is the happiest event in the whole world," said Naci Orki, a sandwich seller back in Turkish capital, Ankara.

'We played very well today, we controlled the match and had plenty of chances," coach Senol Gunes said. "We were under pressure in our first two games and we're very glad everything goes according to the plan and we've advanced."

Turkey and Costa Rica each had one win, one tie and one loss, but Turkey had a better goal differential (plus-2 to minus-1) than Costa

Brazil joined Spain in going through the first round without a loss.

"This is important to give us confidence in the final round of 16," Rivaldo said after scoring once. "We have tradition, a team that won the world championship four times, but we have our feet on the ground."

Brazil will play the runner-up in Group H at Kobe, Japan, on Monday. Turkey faces the Group H winner on Tuesday in Miyagi, Japan. Russia, Japan, Belgium and Tunisia all could advance from that group.

. Turkey, in its first World Cup in 48 years, got goals by Hakan Sas and Bulent Korkmaz in the first nine minutes.

### MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

BASEBALL National League At A Glance By The Associated Press All Times EDT

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San Francisco 9, Toronto 2

N.Y. Yankees 6, Arizona 4

Cleveland 5, Philadelphia 1

Chicago Cubs 9, Houston 5

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Wednesday's Games

Pittsburgh 7, Anaheim 3

St. Louis 7, Seattle 4 Oakland 11, Milwaukee 2

Arizona 9, N.Y. Yankees 5

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Atlanta 3, Minnesota 2

Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 4

San Francisco 6, Toronto 3

Philadelphia 7, Cleveland 3

Anaheim 8, Pittsburgh 5

Seattle 5, St. Louis 0

No games scheduled

Thursday's Games

Friday's Games

Los Angeles 4, Tampa Bay 2

Montreal 2. Detroit 1, 10 innings

Tampa Bay 11, Los Angeles 2

Kansas City 6, Florida 0, 5 innings

Chicago White Sox 10, N.Y. Mets 8

Baltimore 6, San Diego 5, 10 innings

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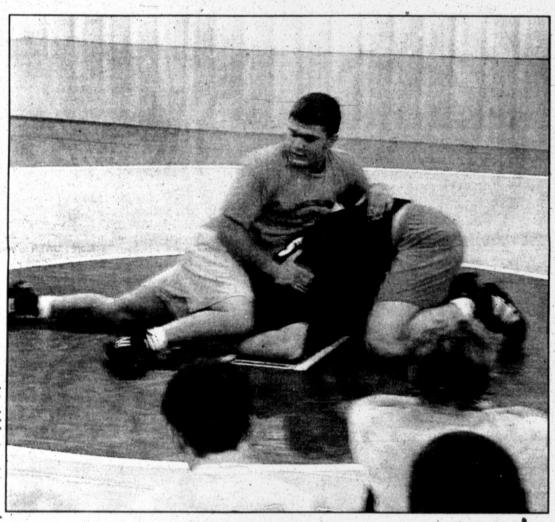
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Wrestling camp



Collegiate wrestlers Johnny Thompson (on top) and Pat Popolizio of Oklahoma State University demonstrate a wrestling hold at the Pampa Wrestling Camp. Youngsters ages 6 to 18 took part in the camp, being held this week at the MPAC building. The camp was under the direction of PHS coach Justin Turner, who is a former OSU wrestler.

## Rangers' bats come alive against Reds

Mench hit a two-run single and Michael Young had a bases-loaded triple as the Texas Rangers rallied for seven runs in the eighth inning to beat the Cincinnati Reds 10-4 Wednesday night.

After reliever Scott Sullivan (3-2) gave up consecutive one-out walks, Rafael Palmeiro had an RBI single to tie it at 4. Alex Rodriguez ran through third-base coach Steve Smith's stop sign and beat right fielder Juan Encarnacion's throw to the plate.

Herbert Perry then singled off Danny Graves and Mench followed with a tiebreaking single. After shortstop Juan Castro's error kept the inning going, Young tripled and Todd Greene had a sacrifice fly. Only two of the seven runs were earned. John Rocker (1-1), who pitched a scoreless

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ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) -- Rookie Kevin eighth, got the win. He struck out two, walked one and was helped by a double play.

> Texas starter Chan Ho Park gave up just three hits over six innings, but he allowed a seasonhigh five walks — one of them intentional. He also struck out five.

After the Rangers gave him a 1-0 lead on Juan Gonzalez's RBI double in the first, Park walked the first two batters in the second. He got two outs and had a 3-2 count on Reggie Taylor, who hit a 427-foot homer to center for a 3-1 lead.

Park made his first start since allowing nine runs in a career-short 1 1-3 innings against the Atlanta Braves on Friday. He rebounded with six innings against the Reds, only the second time in seven starts this season that he pitched at least six

Lakers win third straight title

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) -Proficiently and professionally, the Los Angeles Lakers finished strong, closed out the New Jersey Nets and won their third straight NBA title with a franchise first — a 4-0 sweep in the finals.

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Shaquille O'Neal had another dominant night Wednesday with 34 points and 10 rebounds, Kobe Bryant went back to playing a supporting role with 25 points in the 113-107 victory.

The rest of the Lakers also came up big in the deciding game — just as they did a year ago.

It was the 14th title in franchise history, five while the team was in Minneapolis - including a three-peat - and nine in Los Angeles. This, however, was the first time they ever beat an opponent in four straight games.

Bryant walked over and hugged Nets coach Bryon Scott, and O'Neal, the finals MVP, sought out Nets guard Jason Kidd and then walked over to embrace his grandfather, who towelled the sweat off O'Neal's face.

Coach Phil Jackson tied Red Auerbach for most titles as a head coach (nine) and passed Pat Riley for the most career postseason victories (156). Jackson also went over to Scott, smiled and shook hands at

The Nets all but conceded defeat with 44 seconds left, subbing for Kidd and Kenyon Martin despite trailing by only six points. Bryant made two free throws while the two Nets got a rousing ovation, and 14-year veteran Mitch Richmond hit the final shot of the game - and his only one of the

The Nets played gallantly, trying to salvage some respect in a series that turned out to be a mismatch. But the Lakers had a little too much of everything — 11 3-pointers, big nights from their two superstars and double-figure contributions from Derek Fisher, Devean George and Robert Horry.

O'Neal, who considers nearby Newark, N.J., to be his hometown, won his third consecutive finals MVP award. He scored 36, 40 and 35 points in the first three games, finishing the series by going 12for-20 from the field with four assists and two

He thanked his teammates for "looking for me and having the confidence in me to give me the

Bryant added eight assists and six rebounds as the Lakers finished off an almost per-

The Nets abandoned the full-court pressure they had used without much success in the first three games and went to a 2-3 zone whenever O'Neal was in the game. But the Lakers kept moving the ball and finding the open man, and the Nets were unable to come up with the clutch shots they needed to make it just a little closer down the stretch.

Jackson said his team had the right mind-set to finish off the series and not give the Nets any hope, and he couldn't have been any more accurate.

The Lakers never looked nervous throughout the game, displaying the cool confidence that has become their trademark over the past three seasons.

Martin had the highest-scoring quarter of anyone in the series, getting 17 in the first 12 minutes on an assortment of dunks and midrange jumpers. A bank shot high off the glass gave the Nets a 34-23 lead with less than a minute left in the first quarter.

Coach Byron Scott chose to rest Martin and Kidd at the same time to start the second quarter, and by the time both returned the Lakers had tied the game, 41-41.

Back-to-back 3-pointers by George and Horry gave Los Angeles a 55-49 lead, and a 3 by Fisher made it 58-52 before New Jersey closed the half with a 5-0 run to trail by one at the break.

Fox had eight points in the first six minutes of

the third quarter, and the Lakers increased their lead to eight late in the period. If it seemed as if the Nets were all set to fade away, they had different ideas. New Jersey closed the quarter with a 4-0 run,

then got a 3-pointer from Kidd, a three-point play from Lucious Harris and a foul shot from Martin to go ahead 87-84 with 10:05 left.

The game stayed tight for the next several minutes, Martin scoring nine straight for New Jersey while the Lakers got 3-pointers from Bryant and

Fisher hit a corner jumper with 5:31 left and O'Neal — fouled while the ball was in the air made a foul shot to complete an unorthodox three-point play. Bryant drew a charging foul on Keith Van Horn, hit a runner in the lane, rebounded a miss by Martin and forced Kidd to alter his shot and miss a layup.

O'Neal went to the line with 4:05 left and made both, increasing the lead to 102-93, and Bryant answered a basket by Martin with a driving layup to restore the nine-point lead.

## Astros rally to take two of three against Cubs

HOUSTON (AP) — Chicago Cubs man- too high." ager Don Baylor might have made the best move to help the Houston Astros. He took Mark Prior out of the game.

Craig Biggio hit a two-run single and Jeff Bagwell had a go-ahead sacrifice fly in a three-run seventh inning, rallying the Astros to a 5-4 victory Wednesday over the

Prior, making his fifth major league start, left the game after a strong six innings with a 4-2 lead. But the bullpen failed, and the Astros took the series 2-1.

Prior's pitch count forced him from the

"In the sixth, he had 120 pitches," Baylor said. "I wanted to milk seven innings out of him, but his pitch count was Prior struck out 10, allowed three hits

and two earned runs. He walked four. "I was making my pitches. Some things

went my way and some things didn't," Prior said. "My pitch count got high but I don't pay that much attention to pitch count. "I was still going to attack the corners. I

think I get stronger around 90 to 100 pitch-

Sammy Sosa hit a three-run homer, his league-leading 24th, off Roy Oswalt in the third inning, giving Chicago a 4-2 lead.

But in the seventh, the Astros loaded the bases off Juan Cruz (1-8) on singles by Gregg Zaun, Orlando Merced and Jose Vizcaino before Biggio tied the game.

After Lance Berkman got an infield hit

off Jeff Fassero to load the bases again, Bagwell hit a sacrifice fly to score Vizcaino with the go-ahead run.

'He was dominating at times out there and it was really nice for us to get to their pen," Bagwell said. "Biggio had a huge hit off a guy that made a mistake, and tied the game for us." Prior took time to settle in. He walked

Vizcaino to start the game, then allowed Bagwell's 11th homer for a 2-1 Houston

"It took me two or three innings to find my stuff," Prior said. "They have some great hitters over there. Bagwell and Biggio have been around a long time. I felt really comfortable, even after they got that first-inning home run."



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## Republicans line up 'marriage tax penalty' in their sights

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thwarted in their drive for final repeal of the estate tax, congressional Republicans are seeking permanent relief for married couples as they polish their tax-cutting credentials in the prelude to midterm elections.

"We think we have a chance of making it permanent," Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, said of the break that last year's GOP-sponsored tax cut granted to married couples.

"It's extremely important to millions of couples who would otherwise face a steep tax increase nine years from now," Portman, a member of the House's tax-writing Ways and Means Committee, said Wednesday. House leaders were staging the debate the day after 'Senate Democrats engineered the defeat of the permanent repeal of the estate tax. The measure died Wednesday on a vote of 54-44, six shy of the total needed for passage under Senate rules.

Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., called the repeal "the most irresponsible amendment" offered in the Senate this year, saying it would grant tax relief to the superrich while raiding the Social Security trust funds.

Republicans, led by Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, dismissed those claims, and President Bush issued a statement expressing his disappoint-

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"It is wrong that, as a result of a quirk in the law, millions of Americans will be subject to the death tax beginning at the end of the decade," Bush said. "The Congress must fix this unfair tax and provide families with certainty so they can plan for the future."

Bush's tax legislation, approved last year, cut a variety of levies, including the marriage penalty, which requires some couples to pay more in federal income taxes than they would if single. It also phased out the estate tax gradually over the next several years.

However, the overall tax bill expires on Jan. 1, 2011, meaning all the relief would vanish if Congress took no further action.

Bush has asked Congress to approve permanent extensions for all the provisions in the original bill, and the Republican-led House already has complied.

But that bill has languished in the Democratic-controlled Senate; and in response, House Republicans began passing portions of it piece by piece — the estate tax, an adoption tax credit, tax-free treatment for Holocaust restitution among them

The so-called marriage penalty

relief is the latest part of Republican tax cuts on the installment plan, to be followed shortly by a measure dealing with individual retirement accounts.

Given the Republican majority in the House, the marriage penalty measure seemed likely to pass. Democrats, eager to show their support for tax cuts, but also determined to show concern about other priorities, were advancing an alternative. It would make the permanent extension of the marriage penalty tax relief contingent on a formal declaration that none of the money would come from the Social Security or Medicare trust funds.

## EPA to relax pollution rules for utility plants

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a victory for energy producers, the Environmental Protection Agency will relax air pollution rules to make it easier for utilities to upgrade and expand their coal-burning power plants.

EPA's long-awaited announcement, which senior Bush administration officials said was expected Thursday, will ease some of the most stringent measures that environmental groups say are a key element in forcing dirty, older plants to cut emissions by up to 95 percent.

In proposing to revise the so-called New Source Review program under the Clean Air Act, EPA Administrator Christie Whitman is tackling one of the most contentious air pollution issues facing the Bush administration. Her agency wants to give industry greater flexibility in expanding electricity production without having to install additional emissions controls.

EPA spokesman Joe Martyak would say only that EPA planned an announcement Thursday.

The senior administration officials, speaking on condition of anonymity late Wednesday, said the changes would increase energy efficiency as well as encourage emissions reductions, pollution prevention projects, and investments in new technologies and facilities.

Environmentalists have maintained that the current regulations, pressed in law-suits filed by the Clinton administration, ensure that utilities install additional pollution controls when they modernize or expand the plants to produce more elec-

tricity

"However they try to spin it, the Bush team is looking to adopt industry-sought changes that would weaken current clean-air protections," said Frank O'Donnell, executive director of the Clean Air Trust, an environmental group. "In effect, they would be creating new loopholes that would permit big polluters to continue polluting and even increase pollution."

The utility industry, buoyed when Vice President Dick Cheney's energy task force began re-examining the air pollution regulations more than 15 months ago, long has argued that the regulations inhibit expansion of facilities.

"At the end of the day, power plant operators need to be able to run their facilities without the perpetual threat of litigation," said Dan Reidinger, a spokesman for Edison Electric Institute, a trade group for investor-owned utilities.

Changing the New Source Review requirements, environmentalists say, threatens to undermine lawsuits filed during the Clinton administration against a group of utilities and 51 power plants. The suits had alleged the plants were violating the Clean Air Act by making illegal modifications that produced more electricity and more pollu-

EPA and the Justice Department have threatened heavy fines on utilities unless they spend tens of billions of dollars to more strictly control emissions of acid raincausing sulfur dioxide, smogcausing nitrogen oxides and mercury, a toxic chemical that contaminates waterways.

## Visiting friends ...



(Courtesy photo)

Kayla Pursley of Pampa, left, and Julie Malone of Amarillo, far right, is assisted by Tracie Shillings, center, during a shopping spree in Amarillo. Pursley met Malone as part of a Friendly Visitor Program sponsored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Malone, who will soon turn 40, lives at Palo Duro Care Center in Amarillo and rarely gets the opportunity to go shopping. For more information about being a part of the visitation program, contact Gail Lindsey at the Amarillo National Multiple Sclerosis Society office, 1-800-FIGHT-MS.

## American fashion icon Blass dies at home in Connecticut

NEW YORK (AP) — Bill Blass, who dressed the likes of Nancy Reagan and Barbara Walters while shattering the Pariscentric fashion world with youthful creations that mixed-and-matched chic with casual, has died.

Blass died at his home in Washington, Conn., according to Joe Lillis of Lillis Funeral Home in New Milford, Conn. A friend of the designer, Helen O'Hagan, said Blass died of cancer. He was 79.

"It's a great loss. He was an extraordinary man and a great designer," said Fern Mallis, the director of 7th on Sixth, a fashion organization which produces New York's Fashion Week.

Blass' sense of line, color and style took him from a sketcher's desk to the helm of his own \$700-million-a-year company in a career that spanned six decades and came to define American style.

women, including first ladies and actresses who paid from \$800 for a sweater to thousands of dollars for an evening gown.

Blass said he designed for the woman "not

He designed clothes for a host of famous

Blass said he designed for the woman "not obsessed with fashion," who cares about clothes, but has a career, a family, a home and other interests.

"I love his clothes, because they are comfortable, wearable and pretty." Reagan, the former first lady, once said.

During his career, Blass expanded to design men's wear, swimwear, children's clothing, shoes, jewelry and furs. His designs were known for crisp elegance and simplicity, made from beautiful fabrics with sophisticated style.

He received numerous awards, including the Coty American Fashion Critics Award in 1961, 1963 and 1970, as well as the Council of Fashion Designers of America Award in 1986.

Blass won women over with his designs and his charm. He had been listed as one of the best-dressed men in the country. New York fashion guru Nan Kempner once said, "I fell in love with him, like every woman. He was as warm, friendly, intelligent and talented as he was good-looking."

William Blass was born June 22, 1922, in Fort Wayne, Ind., the only child of Ralph Blass, the owner of a hardware store, and Ethyl Blass, a dressmaker. Blass played football, worked on the school paper and studied art at South Side High School in Fort Wayne, where he graduated in 1939.

Blass started sketching designs when he was 17, and sold some to New York designers for \$25 each.

"Something about glamour interested me," he told People magazine in 1999.

#### Report: Utah girl's kidnapper may be relative

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)

— Police are seeking a man they think may have information about a teen who was apparently kidnapped from her bedroom, while a newspaper reported that investigators believe the girl's abductor could have been a member of her extended family.

In a story in Thursday editions, The Salt Lake Tribune reported that detectives have been unable to explain how the abductor could have entered the house through the small window that appeared to be the entry point.

It said investigators also have surmised that a window screen appeared to have been cut from the inside, possibly to make it look like a breakin. This has led some to theorize the teenager may have been abducted by a member of her extended family, the Tribune reported.

The newspaper said the information was from four law enforcement agencies, which it did not identify.

Police have said the window was not in the bedroom shared by 14-year-old Elizabeth Smart and her 9-year-old sister. They refused to say where it was located or whether the screen had been cut.

Police spokesman Fred Louis would not confirm or deny the newspaper's statements about the window, and said only that the information "did not come from us."

"Our message all along (has been) that we're not going to comment on the physical evidence," he said.

Regarding the speculation that Elizabeth's abductor might have been a member of the extended family, he said police have said all along that they have not ruled anyone out.





