

mosquito control For the tourth time this summer. Cits of Pampa work

ers has begun togeting residential areas for mosquitoes. Kimberty Linexcomb.

public service superintendent. reminds citizens who do not want their property spraved to call 669 5760, ext 3

Estanon chemical product is dispersed through an ultralow volume spraver, she said A larvacide Bacillus thuringiensis, Serotype H-14 that kills Jarvae, but not adult mosquitoes, has been applied to Red Deer Creek. also, she said Promoton, a herbicide is being applied to grass on the streets This fall and winter we will be removing grass off the streets." Enercomb said

Conservation District will lower their tax rate for the next fis cal year. It will be a small decrease, said C.E. Williams, PGWCD general manager, but it is a decrease The tax rate was lowered from 0.0156 cents per \$100 eval

The Panhandle Ground Water

uation to 0.0154 cents Even with the lower tax rate. Williams said, the district expects increased revenues because of added property on the tax rolls in the seven county disfrict. The property appraisals are made by the counties.

PGWCD lowers tax rate

WHILE DEER

"We have to set the tax rate for everybody in the district. Williams said He said the final bill to property owners may vary from county to county because of differences in valuations. Williams said the district's budget is about the same as it was last year The district's board of directors reviewed the budget and (See RATE, Page 5)

Training

By NANCY YOUNG

MANAGING FOLLOR

revictimization, coalition building and post

Association of Sex Crimes Investigators and

the American Society for Law Enforcement

(See TRAINING, Page 5)

Williams is also a member of the Texas

Office meeting room.

conducted a session this morning

with offenders and victims.

traumatic stress disorder.

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Pampa.

training.

Radio personality to add to Chautauqua dance fun

Paupa's '0th Chautanqua celebration. Aug. bracelet that provides the wearer to beer.

Shot, mean the Million service particular will DI the first two hours of the street dance. Jot Sands Fabric

A Saturday might street dance kicking off leach at the gate that might. A refreshment 31, will get an added dimension organizets machos, soft drinks and popeorn can also be purchased for NS she added

Entrance to the dance the gate is 31 be at ty from Amarillo's KATP Country FM 101.9. The corner of Francis and Cuyler streets in front

She encouraged citizens to keep their grass cut and to empty any containers of water around their property

Stagnant water and high grass areas are where mosqui toes breed," she explained.

DEATHS

June Butler, 69, homemaker

Rol Lee Holifield, 77. accountant.

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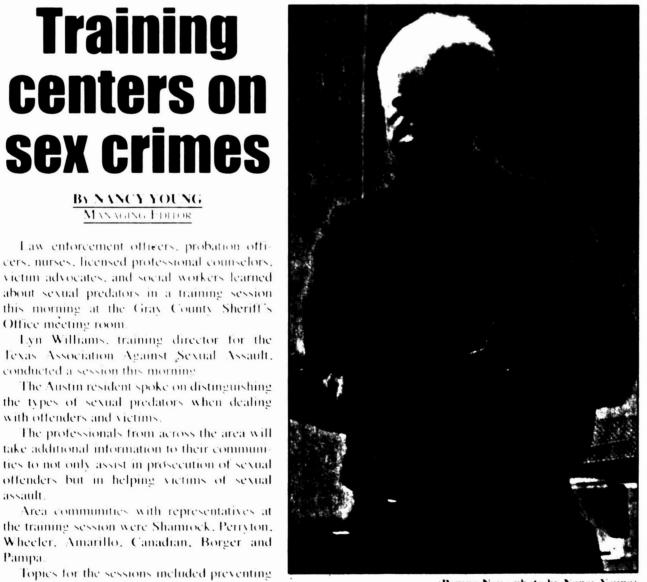
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mounced Judy Scott, Chautanqua chau

The dance opens at 6 p.m. with popular times played by Shoteun she explained A Pampa band, "Nichtwinder begins perform - Labor Day, Sept 2, in Central Park continue to ing live at 'p.m. she said

Advance dance tickets will not be available. Scott said. General admission tickets are S?



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Lyn Williams, Texas Association Against Sexual Assault, was in Pampa today training professionals regarding sexual offenders. Approximately 40 representatives of agencies from across the area attended the one-day session held at the Gray County Sheriff's Office training room.

Bring lawn chairs to sit in, but no carry in tood or beverages are allowed. Scott said

Plans for the Chautauqua celebration on grow with more than 40 booths, the annual Fun Run and NK events, plus a full day of entertainment at the Central Park stage

Pampa's school tax rate, budget up for approval Thursday night

Local taxpayers will have a chance to comment on the Pampa Independent School District's proposed \$19.9 million budget and \$1.554 tax rate at a public hearing. Thursday, Aug. 29.

Pampa ISD's Board of Education will conduct the hearing and consider taking action on the budget and tax rate at their regular meeting set for 6 p.m., Thursday, at Carver Center. 🎕 I W Albert

The board plans to raise the tax rate to \$1.554 per \$100 valuation, increased from last year's rate of \$1,491. Of that amount, \$1.50 goes for school district maintenance and operations and \$0.054 for principal and interest on bonds. At \$1.50, Pampa ISD will have reached (See SCHOOL, Page 5)

City cancels meeting

Cancellation of the Luesday, Aug. 27 Pampa City Commission meeting was not from lack of interest, said Interim City Manager John Hatchel.

A quorum of the members was unable to attend the scheduled meeting, said Hatchel. He said two commission members were out of town and a third member was ill.

"If this had to happen, this was the meeting for it to do so," said Hatchel, since an extreme Iv light agenda was scheduled.

He said the items may be taken up when the commission holds a work session on Saturday. Sept. 7. If not, consideration of the items will be at the next meeting.

Nid You Know... **What Was The Name Of The Packing House in Pampa?** Information Provided By "Gray County Heritage" 1985 - Pampa Chamber Of Commerce 669-3241

Panhandle Packing Co.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

BUTLER, June — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Pampa. HOLIFIELD, Rol Lee — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa

1924-2002

PLANO - Rol Lee Holifield, 77, died Monday, Aug. 26, 2002, at Frisco, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Friday at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with Mr. Jerry McClenagan, assistant minister of the Christian Church of God in Amarillo, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa

Mr. Holifield was born Sept. 11, 1924, in Drumright, Okla. He married Blenna Lee Fox on June 19, 1943, in Drumright. She preceded him in death on March 11, 1988. He worked as an accountant with Stanolind Oil in Vivian, La., from 1945-1962, Amoco Productions in Pampa from 1962-1967, and retired with Amoco in 1984 in Liberal, Kan.

He had been a resident of Plano since 2000.

ROL LEE HOLIFIELD He was a member of the Worldwide Church of

God for many years. Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-

law, Linda and Darrell Sehorn of Pampa and Arlene and Larry Brown of Burleson; twin sons and daughters-in-law, Wayland and Linnie Holifield of Frisco and Wendell and Kelly Holifield of Plano; a sister and brother-in-law, Roline and Roy Wise of Tulsa, Okla.; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three nieces; and a nephew. He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Stacey Kaye Sehom, on May 30, 1999.

The family requests memorials be to American Diabetes Association, Always and Forever Memorial and Honor Program, Attn: Ada Web, P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, OH 44720

www.carmichael-whatley.com

JUNE BUTLER 1932-2002

June Butler, 69, of Pampa, died Monday, and Aug. 26, 2002, at Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Randy White, pastor, officiating Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

A lifelong Pampa resident, Mrs. Butler was born Sept. 21, 1932, at Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School in 1951. She married Dale Butler on July 25, 1954, at Roswell, N.M.

She was a member of First Baptist Church, where she taught the Adult Women's Class

She was a homemaker and loved her church. She worked as an operator for Southwestern Bell Telephone for several years and had been a sales clerk for C.R. Anthony's and JoAnn's Fabrics.

Survivors include her husband. Dale of Diabetes Association the home two sons. Gary Butler of Booker-

Steve of a of 140 of and Terry Brown of

Pampa: a sister. Jane Langford of Pampa; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. PO Box 190567. Dallas. TX 75219-0567; First Baptist Church Mission Fund, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065; or to American

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ON RECORD

CORRECTION

In a caption beneath a United Way Cabinet photo published Tuesday, Dawson Orr, Oil & Gas Division, was inadvertently omitted.

SHERIFF

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

Tuesday, Aug. 27

Christopher Dale Shouse, 26, 313 N. Sumner, was arrested on four Pampa municipal warrants.

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AMBULANCE

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

Tuesday, Aug. 27

11:56 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Golden Plains Community Hospital in Borger. One patient was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTH) in Amarillo.

2:23 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to NWTH for a transport to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

4:40 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC to transport a patient the Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

POLICE

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

Sunday, Aug. 25

Vehicle parts were reported stolen in the 1100 block of Sirroco. Estimated loss, was \$31.

Monday, Aug. 26

Police investigated a domestic assault in the 500 block of Yeager.

A report of unlawful restraint of a juvenile was made in the 300 block of Anne. The case was referred to Child Protective Services.

Tuesday, Aug. 27

A report of a theft over \$50 and under \$500 was made in the 800 block of North Wells. Police investigated a report of a theft over \$50 and under \$500 in the 700 block of North Dwight.

WEATHER FOCUS

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Today's forecast is calling for mostly cloudy to partly cloudy skies, a slight chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon some possibly severe - highs in the middle 80s, east winds 10 to 20 mph, and a 20 percent chance of precipitation. Tonight should be mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms, lows in the upper 60s. southeast winds 5 to 15 mph, and a 30 percent chance of precipitation. Thursday should be mostly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the middle 80s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the middle 60s. Southeast winds

10 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 30 percent. Friday, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Friday night, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the middle 60s. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs around 90. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 60s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 60s. Labor Day, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

STATEWIDE

More thunderstorms formed early erly at 5 to 15 mph and humid. Patchy clouds



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> PANSIES & Mums ar-75% off retail. Lazy S Feed & Garden, 516 S. Russell.

> **JIGSAW PUZZLES** - lots of new ones at Carousel Expressions, 113 N. Cuyler.

TOT BASKETBALL classes! The program focuses on individual basketball ballhandling & dribbling drills. Call Buffie Schaeffer, 669-3284. Reg. Sept. 1st MPAC Gym 2:00-3:00.

graduated posed nude for

another photo and used an

October issue featuring the

Officials at Baptist affiliat

ed Baylor called it a salacious

publication and said it runs

contrary to the school's ideals.

In the past, Baylor admin-

istrators have threatened to

expel any student who poses

Larry Brumley, a universi-

ty spokesman, said discipline

for the students appearing in

the October issue could vary.

He declined to elaborate, cit-

ing federal student privacy

Elizabeth Norris,

Big 12 conference.

for the magazine.

The pictures are in the

alias.

laws

Wednesday along the Red River while fog shrouded parts of East Texas.

A weak cool front was stationary from just north of Beaumont to Temple and Lubbock.

Patchy fog developed from Tyler to Lufkin. A few small storms moved slowly southeastward between Wichita Falls and Gamesville.

Early-morning temperatures were in the 70s across southern and northwestern parts of the state while readings in West Texas ranged from the mid-60s in the panhandle and Davis Mountains to lower 80s from San Angelo to Guadalupe Pass, including the Permian Basin.

Extremes across the state were 63 degrees at Dalhart and Marfa and 83 at Wink

Winds were mainly easterly and southeast-

developed north of the front, with partly cloudy conditions in the west. Skies in the far west were mostly cloudy.

A chance of thunderstorms remained for the panhandle through Thursday, with a slight chance of storms in the South Plains and low rolling plains.

Isolated thunderstorms were expected in the Permian Basin and Guadalupe Mountains south to the Big Bend.

It should be mostly sunny and hot elsewhere

Daytime highs should range from the lower to mid-80s in the panhandle to near 107 along the Rio Grande.

Lows overnight were expected from the 60s to 70s.

through the bank.

Report: Enron account at Sanchez bank

The account eventually went dormant and was closed a few weeks ago, Palmer said. Sanchez, a millionaire busi-

nessman from Laredo, has harshly criticized Republican Gov. Rick Perry for his dealings with Enron.

Former Enron executive Max Yzaguirre was appointed by Perry to chair the Public Utility Commission a day before Perry received a \$25,000 campaign contribution from then-Enron chairman Ken Lay.

Yzaguirre later resigned. Perry has donated about \$85,000 in his Enron political donations to scholarships for the families of laid-off Enron employees.

Sanchez spokesman Mark Sanders defended the Enron transactions with IBC, saying

"At the very time that Mr. Sanchez's campaign was attacking all things Enron, Mr. Sanchez's bank was prof-

iting by helping Enron executives get big pre-bankruptcy bonuses," Sullivan said.

Sanchez had no involvement

in the more than \$400 million

in Enron money that went

Sullivan said it was hypocrit-

ical for Sanchez to criticize

Perry for Enron ties when

Sanchez's bank also had deal-

ings with the Houston compa-

Perry spokesman Ray

IBC spokeswoman Winter Prosapio said Sanchez was not involved with the Enron account.

Palmer, of Enron, said he was unaware of any involvement by Sanchez in the Enron-IBC arrangements.

PAMPA POLICE DEPARTMENT **CRIME PREVENTION TIPS** Det. Connie Lockridge

Another school year is upon us. Always follow the speed limit in the areas in which you are driving your vehicle. Always observe stop and yield signs. And remember, there is one high school, one middle school and four elementary schools that have posted speed limits during school hours. When driving in these areas, please obey the traffic laws. Always watch for pedestrians. Traffic fines in school zones are more severe. Please drive safely.

Baylor fraternity suspended over photo

WACO (AP) A fraterni- women, all students at the ty has been suspended from time, posed on a sand volley-Baylor University for a year ball court, some wearing after a picture of some members, fully clothed, appeared and others waving Baylor in "Playboy" magazine. About 50 men and tour

Sigma Phi Epsilon T-shirts pennants.

A student who has since

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'Playboy'' spokeswoman, said some fraternity members called the magazine about a month ago and asked editors not to run the picture. Sigma Phi Epsilon members at Baylor declined to comment EBRATIA



DALLAS (AP) — About \$50 million from an account Enron Corp. opened at a bank controlled by Democratic gubernatorial candidate Tony Sanchez was used to pay executive bonuses at the now bankrupt energy company, The

ed Wednesday. Enron spokesman Mark Palmer said the company opened an account with the Houston branch of the International Bank of Commerce, which is controlled by the Sanchez family, because the bank had no previous dealings with Enron.

processed about \$400 million through the bank, including \$50 million to \$55 million in bonuses for employees the company wanted to retain.

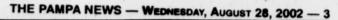
Palmer said Enron chose IBC and other banks with which it had no previous dealings as it prepared to file for bankruptcy last December to ensure that Enron would have full access to any funds it deposited.

We were afraid that some of the banks that we had relationships with would use our deposits as offsets to what their claims would be" during bankruptcy proceedings, Palmer said. "It was entirely appropriate, and it's been disclosed. It was not a huge relationship in terms of Enron's

bankruptcy."

Dallas Morning News report-

In all, Palmer said Enron



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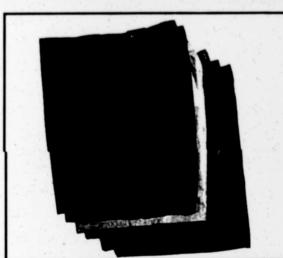
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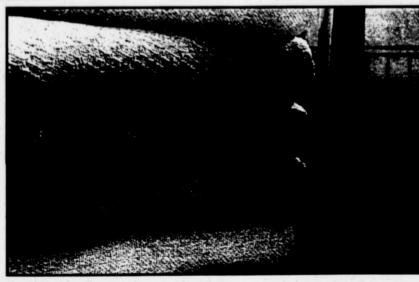
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR All for the love of money

Baseball is supposed to be America's favorite pastime. Well, what happens to that pastime when it is jeopardized by the petty arguments between the players and the owners? It all boils down to one thing that brings great people to their knees - money

The "All-Star Players" want more money from the owners to play the game, but the owners refuse. The great baseball fans might have yet another strike on their hands.

What about the fans? What about the fans that make \$18,000 a year - welfare level - that come to watch the players that make millions to lose it to a strike.

It used to be that the players played the game for the sheer enjoyment of the fans. Now it seems to me that they only play for the money.

If those cry-baby millionaires want to strike at the expense of the people that actually makes the game great the fans - then go ahead and do your strike.

It is safe to say that I will not miss the game for what it has become.

Lacy Schroeder Pampa

VIEWPOINTS

We don't have to accept filth

It's disturbing to see a recent stunt pulled by a couple of New York "shock" jockies reach the realm of freedom of speech.

My compatriot Nancy Young and I had been discussing the matter minutes before Mike Ehrle of KGRO-KOMX called me last week for a comment about the incident.

These two disc jockies had staged a contest of sorts broadcasting couples supposedly having sex in public places throughout New York City.

Last week, they broadcast a couple doing this in an anteroom of St. Patrick's Cathedral in downtown NYC, right next to worshippers.

A hundred calls complaining to the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) led to the two men's firing and almost cost the radio station its license. It may yet.

This wasn't the first time these disc. jockies had been fired, either. A Boston radio station canned the pair after they falsely reported the city's mayor had been killed in a car accident.



"freedom of speech." The important words are "shock jockies."

These two - following the disgusting footsteps of Howard Stern - do their best to be as shocking as they possibly can. Unfortunately, they continue to do this because so many people subscribe to that type of humor.

The principle of freedom of speech has to do with a person's right to speak the truth. It protects us as American citizens from government censure.

The issue of freedom of speech has arisen many times in trying to define the difference between pornography and art.

Art to one person can be pornography to someone else.

I believe the answer to defining the The operative words here are not difference lies, not in legislation, but in

the reaction of the majority. People have the right to express themselves. They do not have the right to force their expressions on others.

"A person has the right to stomp his foot," explained my husband Vic. "He does not have the right to stomp my toe in the process.'

These two disc jockies stomped a lot of people's toes last week.

"Is nothing sacred?" Nancy, who is a Catholic, asked me.

Apparently not to these two guys. I'm not a Catholic, but I have profound respect for all places of worship. Even if I believe differently, I respect what is sacred to others.

What happened last week is an excellent example of how we can control what we hear and what we see.

We don't need the government to do this. We can do it ourselves. We can protest to the appropriate agencies, such as the FCC. We can pull advertising from programs with content that offends us. We can refuse to watch or listen to such programs.

We don't have to put up with filth.



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There must be a place ...

There's an old saying, "United we stand, divided we fall."

There has to be a place in Texas or anywhere in the United States where the respect and love of mankind is more important than money and greed.

Where unemployment is a choice and not a have to. Where social security checks are earned and not thought of as welfare benefits. Where people that draw them whether old, young, or what are still humans.

Where the elderly and shut-ins are seen more than once a month. Where God has a place in people's lives besides money

Where parents are encouraged to know their children and vice versa

Where people with medical needs can get the help they need whether it's physical, mental, or drug abuse.

Does God divide Heaven according to race, creed or color or what club or how much money you have? Or does he go according to your sins? It says "on earth as it is in heaven."

I just think there ought to be a place where there's not a lot of fighting because of greed and where the neighbor helps the neighbor and where there's some respect - self respect, anyway - and where children are taught not only in homes but schools and other places. They learn what they see.

Respect is one word that people here have forgotten the meaning of.

I just think there must be a place somewhere, where people really care from their hearts about people and there's no greed or fighting and they want their town to grow and where monuments are put up to honor and respect the people they represent and what they did and stood for.

Sue Meeks Pampa

Letters to the Editor Policy

The Pampa News welcomes and encourages readers to express their opinions on issues of public interest and concern. However, we also reserve the right to accept or reject any letter for publication.

Letters must be 300 words or less. Letters submitted for publication must be neat and legible, typed if possible, or at least handwritten in a clear manner. All letters will be edited for length, clarity, spelling, grammar, and taste. We will not publish anonymous letters, letters that are potentially libelous, or personal attacks. Submission of a letter does not guarantee its publication nor can we guarantee a date of publication.

Letters submitted must include name, address, phone number and signature for verification. Addresses and telephone numbers will not be printed, unless requested for a specific reason.

Due to volume and repetition, we will limit submissions from the same person to two letters per month.

Poetry, candidate or political endorsements, letters to third parties and "thank you" letters will not be published except at the discretion of the editor, depending on general interest.

Letters may be dropped off at the office, 403 W. Atchison, or mailed to The Pampa News, Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066.

Pro-life victory goes unnoticed

Professor Hadley Arkes a dozen years ago made a terrific proposal to revive the faltering pro-life movement - 'and his efforts finally paid off earlier thismonth, although hardly anyone noticed.

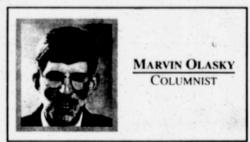
In 1990, when many pro-lifers were still hoping for the home run - a constitutional amendment to ban abortion - the Amherst political philosopher proposed bunting for a single: Have Congress go on record as supporting the right to life of any child who is born alive following an "ineffective" abortion.

That's what now has happened, and the Austin American-Statesman was typical in giving the result one paragraph in a roundup of the Aug. 5 news: "Bush Signs Fetus Status Law. President Bush signed a bill that declares a fetus that survives an abortion procedure a person under federal law."

That description would be laughable were it were not so sad. Sometimes it's hard to avoid talking back to a newspaper: "The creature protected by that newly signed Born Alive Infants Protection Act could not possibly be a fetus. The abortion procedure has expelled him from the womb. He is born. He's a person. What else could he be?"

But some judges in recent years did not grasp that elementary fact, and some doctors and nurses sadly left born-alive survivors of abortion to die in cold steel pans.

Ironically, the reluctance to come to grips with reality made passage of the Born Alive Act possible: Democrats agreed not to oppose the bill, and Republicans agreed not to give speeches about it. Democrats did not want to alien-



ate their virulent pro-abortion backers when a high-profile discussion of justborn life turned to an examination of the same life several minutes earlier, but they also did not want to go on the record for infanticide.

For a time, it seemed that President Bush might sign the bill into law without comment. He came through on Aug. 5, though, saying, "Today,' through sonograms and other technology, we can see clearly that unborn children are members of the human family. ... They reflect our image and are created in God's own image. The Born Alive Infants Protection Act is a step toward the day when every child is welcomed in life and protected in law. It is a step toward the day when the promises of the Declaration of Independence will apply to everyone, not just those with the voice and power to defend their rights."

The president also thanked by name individuals who had made the act possible, including Arkes, who never gave up on the idea. I remember Hadley speaking at meetings of pro-life leaders, displaying his Jewish intellectual style amid a coalition of somber evangelicals and Catholics. With a mischievous glint in his eyes, he would pepper his talks with Runyonesque humorous, Damon

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remarks, and then arch his eyebrows like Groucho Marx.

The lines that could have come from "Guys and Dolls" kept Arkes' arguments from becoming arcane. The force of his logic was hard to dispute. He spoke then and has continued speaking about the "animating principle" behind what Congress (even if through a silent scream) has enshrined in law: "The child marked for an abortion is recognized now as an entity that comes within the protection of the law."

The next legislative step, of course, is for Congress to extend protection from the fully born to the three-fourths-born by passing a partial-birth abortion bill that will withstand judicial challenge. That should happen soon, and President Bush will sign it into law.

Steps to help young women make better-informed choices between life and abortion also are needed. The president referred to the power of sonograms, and the administration and Congress should work together to help pregnancy centers purchase the equipment that will allow more women to see pictures of the babies they are carrying.

So Arkes' content and style have led to one victory and paved the way for bigger efforts.

Unsurprisingly, none of the nation's. news pages (judging by a Lexis-Nexis check) mentioned him the day after President Bush signed his bill into law, and most were like Austin's newspaper in almost entirely ignoring the development. But future historians should notice, and some abortion survivors certainly will.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 28, the 240th day of 2002. There are 125 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 28, 1963, 200,000 people participated in a civil rights rally where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech in front of the Lincoln Memorial.

On this date: In 1609, Henry Hudson discovered Delaware Bay. In 1916, Italy's declaration of war against Germany took effect during World War I.

In 1947, legendary bullfighter Manolete was mortally wounded by a bull during a

fight in Linares, Spain; he died the following day at age 30. In 1955, Emmett Till, a

black teen-ager from Chicago, was abducted from his uncle's home in Money, Miss., by two white men after he supposedly whistled at a white woman. He was found brutally murdered three days later.

In 1968, police and anti-war demonstrators clashed in the streets of Chicago as the Democratic national convention nominated Hubert H.

Humphrey for president. In 1973, more than 520 people died as an earthquake shook central Mexico.

In 1981, John W. Hinckley, Jr., pleaded innocent to charges of attempting to kill President Reagan. (He was later acquitted by reason of insanity). In 1987, movie director John Huston died in Middletown, R.I., at age 81.

- In 1996, Democrats nominated President Clinton for a second term at their national convention in Chicago.

In 1996, the troubled 15year marriage of Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana officially ended with the issuing of a divorce decree.

Ten years ago: The U.S. government mounted two huge relief operations, rushing food and drinking water to hurricane-ravaged Florida while U.S. cargo planes landed in Somalia with tons of food for African famine victims.

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Rumsfeld: Allied support against Iraq welcome but not vital

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is casting Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as a menace who cannot be appeased and suggesting that it may not wait for full allied support before launching an attack.

"It's less important to have unanimity than it is making the right decision and doing the right thing, even though at the outset it may seem lonesome," Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Tuesday.

After President Bush met at his ranch in Crawford, Texas, with Saudi Arabia's Prince Bandar bin Sultan, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said Bush told the Saudi ambassador he had not yet decided whether to attack.

'The president made very clear again that he believes that Saddam Hussein is a menace to world peace, a menace to regional peace," Fleischer said. The Saudis strongly oppose U.S. military action.

In a lively exchange with Marines at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Rumsfeld predicted that most U.S. friends and allies would support American U.S. military action against Iraq if that is what Bush decides is required to deal with the threat of being attacked with weapons of mass destruction. So far no allies have voiced firm support. Many have raised great

doubts or outright opposition.

"Leadership in the right direction finds followers and supporters," Rumsfeld told members of the 1st Marine Division, who peppered the defense secretary with numerous questions about war against Iraq.

When a Marine asked whether Rumsfeld thought victory in Iraq would take long to achieve, he refused to answer directly. "The frenzy on this subject, it seems to me, is not useful," he said.

On a day when Bush administration officials told friends and allies around the world it is not rushing to war against Iraq, two key Arab allies - Egypt and Saudi Arabia voiced their objections to U.S. military action against Iraq. In a diplomatic offensive, Iraq sent top officials to China and Syria to press its case.

Bush has not decided how to try to remove the Saddam regime, "and therefore there are no war drums to beat," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher told reporters Tuesday.

In Iraq, U.S. fighter jets attacked an air defense command facility Tuesday near the southern city of Nukhayb and a military radar site near the northern city of Mosul. In both

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the ceiling for school tax rates set by the state. School officials estimate 2002-2003 revenues from taxes, federal and state sources is expected to reach \$19,974,164. Expenditures for the coming year are estimated to be \$19,960,783 for a net surplus of \$13,381.

Other agenda items listed for the board's consideration Thursday are the following:

· local policies on electronic mail and records management and employment requirements and restrictions;

· requests for a PHS band trip to San Antonio and by for a PHS choir trip to

England;

· waiver for early release days on Oct. 18, and March 21, 2003;

- · transportation. fees for students living within the two-mile attendance zone: · amend medical and dental flexible benefit
- expense reimbursement plan;
 - amend 2001-2002 budget;

· Aug. I board minutes and July financial reports; and

personnel.

Board members also plan to hear a report on district and campus planning activities and review procedures for alternative assignments in certain classroom activities.

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set the tax) rate at their August meeting last week.

Including the district's weather modification program, the district's budget will be slightly more than \$1.2 million. Half of the \$350,000 weather modification program is paid by the state.

Williams said there were some salary increases, but the major increase in the budget

was insurance. "Insurance is a tough deal," he said. The district's insurance

rose about 20 percent during the past year.

Another increase in the budget, Williams said, will be for legal expenses.

Last year, the district budgeted \$100.000 for legal fees. but ended up paying \$160,000 because of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority's protest of permits

for Mesa Inc. Still, Williams noted that the district's legal fees were only about half of what CRMWA and Mesa faced in their legal battles.

For the next fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, the disboard budgeted trict's \$165,000 for legal expenses. Williams said the amount was budgeted as a precautionary measure.

"I hope we don't have to use that much." he said.

cases, U.S. officials said, the U.S. planes were responding to Iraqi provocations while they patrolled flight-interdiction zones in effect since the Persian Gulf War.

In his remarks at Camp Pendleton, Rumsfeld stressed more than once that Bush had yet to make a decision about Iraq. He said America and its allies need to think carefully about 21st century security threats, especially the unpredictability of terrorists in possession of weapons of mass destruction.

"We do need to take some time and think these things through and consider them," he said.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a major U.S. ally in the Middle East, said in Cairo that "if you strike at the Iraqi people because of one or two individuals and leave the Palestinian issue (unsolved), not a single (Arab) ruler will be able to curb the (rising) popular sentiments."

The Saudis, which strongly backed the United States in the 1991 Gulf War against Iraq, warned that a U.S. strike could have grave consequences, including the breakup of Iraq with Kurdish and Shiite states emerging.

"There is no country I know of supporting force at this time," Adel el-Jubeir, foreign policy adviser to Crown Prince Abdullah, said in an Associated Press interview. Abdullah is the Saudis' de facto ruler due to King Fahd's chronic illness.

El-Jubeir advised the Bush administration to rely on the United Nations to persuade Iraq to reopen suspect weapons sites to unfettered international inspection.

Vice President Dick Cheney took U.S. war rhetoric to new heights in a speech Monday.

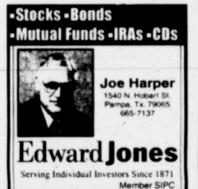
After calling Iraq a mortal threat, he said: 'We will not simply look away, hope for the best and leave the matter for some future administration to resolve."

Potential kidnapping suspect critical after surgery

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) Ricci has denied involvement - A handyman who police say is a potential suspect in the disappearance of Elizabeth Smart underwent four hours of surgery early Wednesday. after collapsing in his prison cell, officials said.

Richard Ricci, 48, was in critical condition, said Salt Lake County sheriff's Lt. Robby Russo. He was rushed to University Hospital after he complained of breathing problems and then passed out Tuesday night. Russo said Ricci suffered an aneurism or a stroke.

Ricci is jailed on theft charges unrelated to the 14year-old girl's disappearance, though the police chief has called him a potential suspect. Authorities say Elizabeth was kidnapped by an armed man on June 5 from her bedroom.



in Elizabeth's disappearance. Police said finding Elizabeth could depend on whether or not Ricci recovers.

"Clearly if he does not survive that would (have) a big impact on this case and our ability to locate Elizabeth," said Salt Lake City Police Chief Rick Dinse said.

He said more would be known about Ricci's condition within two days.

Ricci allegedly stole \$3,500 worth of items from the Smarts' home in June 2001. He is also charged with burglary and another count of

theft for allegedly taking items from another home in the same neighborhood. Ricci, who had worked as a handyman in both homes, has pleaded innocent to those charges.

He made a brief court appearance Tuesday as his attorneys asked for more time to review the case. A hearing was scheduled for Sept. 17.

After the hearing, Ricci's wife, Angela, reiterated her belief that her husband had nothing to do with Elizabeth's disappearance.

"I do know he's innocent. I still stand by him. I always have," she said.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Skellytown, Texas will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2002-2003 Municipal Budget on September 11, 2002. The budget hearing will begin at 5:15 p.m. and will be held at the Skellytown Community Center, 208 Second Street, Skellytown, Texas. The City Council will vote on the proposed budget following the close of the public hearing. In addition, the vote to consider adopting the proposed tax rate of 0.944104 per \$100 valuation will be held following the adoption of the budget. Individuals requiring special accommodations are asked to contact Mayor Lucille Lawrence at (806) 848-2477 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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from Pampa.

Board members approved a \$1.5 million budget for the 2002-2003 school year. The maintenance and operation tax rate remained at \$1.50 for the upcoming year, but the interest and sinking fund tax rate was raised from 12 cents per \$100 valuation to 17 cents.

Law said the reason for the increase was due to lowered property tax valuations.

We have a bond payment and we had to raise the rate to be able to pay the bond payment after the property valuations came in," said Law.

Law said the board also amended the 2001-2002 budget and approved the substitute teacher list for the 2002-2003 school year.

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He has more than 16 years criminal justice experience and provides training sessions for professionals around the state.

Lisa Luna, youth outreach coordinator for TAASA and the statewide coordinator for the Students Taking Action for Respect program (STAR), also presented a program today.

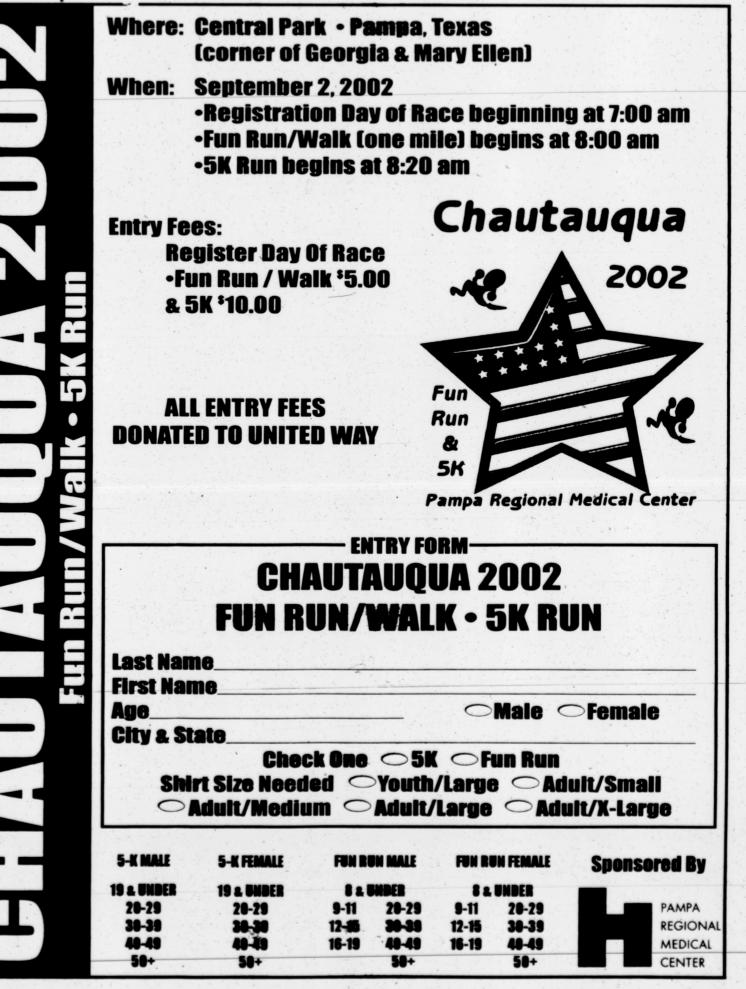
Luna, a licensed social worker, works in areas concerning adolescent sexual violence, sexual harassment on school/ college campuses, teen survivors, male survivors, dating violence and acquaintance rape.

She provides her expertise to many state and national conferences.

Luna has worked as a victim/witness counselor, training specialist, case worker for at risk youth and legal advocate for many years.

The training is sponsored by TAASA and Tralee Crisis Center.





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U.S. officials building cases against Americans linked to terror groups

BY JOHN SOLOMON ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) - The government is building criminal cases against sympathizers on U.S. soil suspected of providing material support to terror groups as diverse as Hamas and al-Qaida, according to documents and U.S. officials.

Agents believe they have uncovered a broad effort by American citizens, many of them immigrants, to use credit card thefts, illegal cigarette sales, diverted charitable funds and cash smuggled in airline luggage to enrich anti-American and anti-Israeli terror groups with money that originated in the United States, officials said.

The evidence that is being developed suggests that America has been a piggy bank for certain terror organizations to the tune of tens of millions of dollars," said a senior law enforcement official directly involved in the investigation.

Because many of the cases are still being developed before grand juries, officials would only discuss their evidence on condition of anonymity.

Officials said investigations by the FBI, Customs Service, Secret Service, Internal Revenue Service and other agencies are expected to result in several new indictments over the next several months, including one in Detroit as early as this week.

In that case, officials said they are seeking new charges against some men who have been in custody for months in the terror investigation that are suspected of providing material support to a terrorist organization.

Prosecutors have gathered evidence the men were involved in an attempt to obtain weapons for use in the United States and outside the country; were seeking to wage an "economic jihad" against the United States; and were seeking false IDs to bring accomplices into the United States, according to U.S. officials and court testimony.

Just a few miles from the nation's capital in northern Virginia, federal agents have been investigating whether a network of businesses and charities has been diverting money to Hamas and al-Qaida, according to court documents reviewed by The Associated Press.

The government has evidence the businesses were engaged in providing "material support to foreign terrorists organizations, conspiracy to defraud the United States by impeding functions of the Internal Revenue Service and conspiracy to engage in international transfers of money to promote offenses against foreign nations involving murder or destruction of property by means of explosives," according to a search warrant signed by a federal magistrate earlier this year.

The search warrant gave agents permission to look for records of no fewer than 21 entities from an Islamic graduate school to a poultry company - and any evidence of contacts with the pro-Palestinian group Hamas, al-Qaida, Osama bin Laden and other terror groups.

Federal agents are examining recent evidence that criminal organizations in the United States have been moving illegal drug proceeds to the

Middle East for possible evidence of terrorist financing, officials said.

And they are using powerful supercomputers to analyze global trade in gold, diamonds, tanzanite and honey for evidence of terrorist financing scheme. Already three Yemeni honey businesses have been identified by U.S. officials as possible fronts for terrorist money, and several other investigations are under way, officials said.

Pakistani-run jewelry kiosks in several states also were raided recently by federal agents.

Nearly all of the Americans, businesses and charities under investigation deny connections to terrorism, and officials say some leads have not panned out. Recently the Treasury Department has removed the names of several people or companies associated with the al-Barakaat network who were placed on a list of suspected terrorist supporters.

American Muslim activists have questioned whether the efforts amount to harassment of Arab-Americans or racial profiling.

One of the biggest efforts to stop Americans from supporting overseas terrorists is called Operation Green Quest, a joint effort of the Customs Service, several Treasury Department agencies and the FBI that was begun last fall after the Sept. 11 attacks.

According to documents and interviews, the operation has seized more than \$23 million from suspected terrorist supporters, executed 78 search warrants, and resulted in 42 arrests and 27 indictments.

Officials said there are ongoing investiga-

tions into more than 400 leads about potential terrorist finance networks.

But some cases have already become public: -In Detroit, an Arab-American has been charged with smuggling \$12 million in bogus cashiers checks into the United States. Federal agents say the defendant has told them he could provide them information on terrorism and may have evidence the man named on the checks may belong to al-Qaida, the group headed by bin Laden, the suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks.

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-Two months ago, two Lebanese brothers were convicted in North Carolina of smuggling and reselling millions of dollars in cigarettes in a scheme to help fund Hezbollah.

-In Boston, a fitness trainer of Algerian descent has been accused of providing the names, Social Security cards and credit cards of members from his fitness club to a man convicted of plotting to blow up the Los Angeles airport during the millennium celebrations.

-In June, a dozen shopkeepers in New York were arrested and charged with smuggling money to their native country of Yemen - a hotbed of support for bin Laden and site of the 2000 al-Qaida attack on the USS Cole. Unsealed court papers say the men moved more than \$100,000 out of the United States in the past year.

In July, an Islamic cleric from Jersey City, N.J., was arrested on charges he tried to smuggle \$659,000 to Egypt by hiding it in Ritz cracker boxes and baby wipes stuffed into his parents' luggage.



by Otoniel Huertas, M.D. **Obstetrics & Gynecology**

A MIDWIFE'S TALE

Midwives teach and educate women to take control of their own health care by providing prenatal care, supervising the pregnancy, and assisting in the birth. After managing the birth. midwives cast a watchful eye on the new mother and her newborn during the postpartum period. Most midwives encourage and monitor women

throughout their labor and birth. In addition. many midwives provide family planning services and routine health women's examinations. They also teach women



Intentions to Drill

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) El Paso Production Co., for the following:

#4A Jones Trust '26,' 660' from North & West line, Sec. 26,1,G&M, PD 9500"

#5A Jones Trust '25', 2640' from South & 660' from West line, Sec. 25,1,G&M, PD 9350

BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #1058 Francis, 1750' from South & 1500' from West line, Sec. 58,M-1,H&GN, PD 13500'.

GINS Morrow) St. Johns Operating, L.P., #4-3 Crane, 1200' from South & 1600' from East line, Sec. 3,43,H&TC, PD 12700'. Rule

WHEELER (WILDCAT above 4500') Pablo Energy.

Inc., #45-8 Patterson, 1990' from North & 1940' from West line, Sec. 45,A-5,H&GN, PD 4500

Application to Deepen (within casing)

ROBERTS (LIPS Morrow) Horizon Natural Gas Co., #10-J Charles Lips, 1980' from South & 660' from East line, Sec. 2,1,BBB&C, PD 9200',

Amended Intentions to Drill HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & **BUFFALO WALLOW Granite** Wash) Bravo Resources, Inc., Hodges, 600' from North & 660' from East line, Sec. 31,A-2.H&GN, PD 12000 Amended to change Lease Name from Thomas

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) El Paso Production Co., #6 Humphreys '33', 660' from North & East line, Sec. 33,1,G&H, PD 11900'. Amended to change well locaDIAN Douglas) El Paso Production Co., #3A Jones Trust '25', Sec. 25,1,G&M, spud 4-20-02, drlg. compl 5-18-02, tested 7-12-02, potential 1283 MCF, TD 11892', PBTD 11044' — Dual Completion

DRILLING INTENTIONS

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A-51 Herring 'A&B', E. Almaguie Survey, spud 7-10-02, drlg, compl 7-14-02, tested 8-2-02, TD 3192', PBTD 3146' - Replacement WHEELER (S.W. BRISCOE Upper Morrow)

Newfield Exploration Mid-Con, Inc., #101 Carr, Sec. 1,C, G. Turcotte Survey, spud 4-22-02, drlg. compl 6-15-02, tested 7-30-02, potential

Plugged Wells

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Bradley Operating Co., #70 West Morse Waterflood, Sec. 16,A-9,H&GN, spud unknown, plugged 6-21-02, TD 2666' (oil) -

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HEMPHILL (CANADIAN Upper Morrow) BP America Production Co., #4 J.T. Brown, et al 'B', 660' from North & 2350' from East Lease line, Sec. 219,C,G&MMB&A, spud 7-7-78, plugged 7-3-02, TD 11886' (gas) - Form 1 in **Diamond Shamrock**

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) BP America Production Co., #4 Willa Rae Dumler 'A', 1000' from North & 800' from East Lease line, Sec. 2,1,1&GN, spud 8-12-97, plugged 6-18-02, TD 8150' (Gas) - Form 1 in Midgard Energy

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) BP America Production Co., #10 Mary Jones '21', 2150' from North & West Lease line, Sec. 21,1,1&GN, spud unknown, plugged 6-3-02, TD 7964' (oil) — Form 1 in Devon Energy

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HANDLE) Irvin Petroleum, Inc., #11 J.A. Whittenburg 'A', 5732' from South & 320' from East Lease line, Sec. 63,46,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 2-8-02, TD 2800' (oil)

ROBERTS (MORRISON RANCH Lower Morrow & PARSELL Upper Morrow) BP America Production Co., #1-L & #1-U Mary T. Morrison 'J', 1320' from South & 1445' from East Lease line, Sec. 178,42,H&TC, spud 9-27-64, plugged 5-23-02, TD 11205' (gas) — Form 1 in The Shamrock Oil & Gas - Dual Plugging

ROBERTS (SAINT CLAIR 9200') BP America Production Co., #2 Jones, 990' from South & 1650' from West Lease line, Sec. 88,C,G&M, spud 10-27-75, plugged 6-12-02, TD 9700 (oil) — Form 1 in Pennzoil Co.

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sexually about transmitted diseases. All midwives specialize in understanding normal aspects of the childbearing cycle. They

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are trained to recognize deviations from the normal, recommend holistic means of bringing the situation back into the realm of normal, or refer to another practitioner if necessary.

In many cases, midwives work with obstetricians, as part of a team practice. In such cases, the midwife offers routine OB/GYN care, with the proviso that the physician is ready and able to step in if there is an emergency that requires medical or surgical intervention. To schedule an appointment for your visit, phone my office at 806-273-7771. We are located at 106 S. Bryan. Borger. New patients are welcome

P.S. What a midwife does specifically depends upon her training, her licensure, and what the state allows

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Gas Well Completions HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #2 Teas '43', Sec. 43,M-1.H&GN, spud 5-10-02, drlg. compl 5-25-02, tested 7-26-02, potential 9505 MCF, TD 11720', PBTD 11618' HEMPHILL (S.E. CANA-DIAN Douglas) El Paso Production Co., #5 Humphreys '32', Sec. 32,1,G&M, spud 5-26-02, drlg. compl 6-3-02, tested 6-26-02, potential 1274 MCF, TD 7415', PBTD 7415'

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANA-

Pennsylvania) BP American Production Co., #1079 E.S.F. Brainard 'D'. Sec. 79,42,H&TC, spud 4-16-70, plugged 7-15-02, TD 12768' (oil) — Form 1 in Diamond Shamrock

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANA-DIAN Douglas) BP. America Production Co., Billy Jarvis & Sons 'A'. Sec. 217.C.G&MMB&A (oil) Form 1 in Diamond Shamrock, for the following wells: #3, spud 12-26-75, plugged

7-9-02, TD 7229' #4, spud 2-11-76, plugged 7-15-02, TD 7500' -

Douglas) BP America Production Co., #1012 Ramp, 756' from South & 726' from East Lease line, Sec. 12,41,H&TC, spud 9-30-00, plugged 6-24-02, TD 8218' (gas) - Form 1 in Amoco Production

HEMPHILL (GEM-**HEMPHILL** Lower Douglas) BP America Production Co., #4078 McFatter, Sec. 78,41,H&TC, spud 9-26-75, plugged 7-1-02, TD 8550' (oil) — Form 1 in Gulf Oil Corp.

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Granite Wash) BP America Production Co., #8085 Jones, 1900' from North & 2300' from West Lease line, Sec. 85,C,G&M, spud 5-9-99, plugged 6-6-02, TD 9810' (gas) - Form 1 in Crescendo Resources

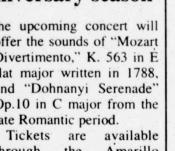
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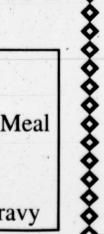
Quartet to open anniversary season

AMARILLO Harrington String Quartet will open its 21st anniversary season with a performance at 8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 14 in Northen Hall at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, the first of four scheduled subscription concerts for 2002-03.

The new season will feature music written for a trio. As the quartet continues its the upcoming concert will offer the sounds of "Mozart Divertimento," K. 563 in E flat major written in 1788, and "Dohnanyi Serenade" Op.10 in C major from the late Romantic period.

through the Amarillo Symphony Office and season brochures are printed. For more information, call (806) 376-8782 or log-on to www.harringtonstringquartet.com on the Internet.





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Israeli forces hunt for smuggled weapons off Gaza coast

GAZA CITY, GAZA STRIP (AP) - Israeli forces fired cannons at large metal tubes floating in the Mediterranean on Wednesday, trying to intercept a suspected weapons shipment headed for the Gaza Strip.

Late Tuesday, Palestinians fired a mortar shell at a home in a Jewish settlement in Gaza and hit the top floor, the military said. The family in the house was unhurt.

Despite the two incidents, Palestinian forces on Wednesday began setting up checkpoints in the Gaza Strip to show they are capable of maintaining order as part of an agreement on Israeli troop with-

drawals, Palestinian officials said. However, Israeli Defense

Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer postponed a meeting planned for Wednesday with the Palestinian security chief, Interior Minister Abdel Razak Yehiyeh, to discuss the next stages of the deal, Palestinian officials said.

Israel's Defense Ministry said the postponement was due to the mortar shelling and other violent incidents in Gaza.

"The defense minister has made it clear to the Palestinians that he expects from them vigorous action to halt terrorism and violence, as well as smuggling by

sea and on land," a ministry statement said. It added, however, that Ben-Eliezer "intends to continue" with the security agreement.

In the search for the suspected arms shipment, tanks moved up the Gaza City shore, firing cannons and machine guns at the floating tubes, as helicopters hovered overhead and naval patrol boats scoured the sea.

One container blew up when it was hit by army fire.

Israeli forces have in the past intercepted arms shipments which had been lowered into the sea and were to have been picked up by Palestinian fishing boats, the Israeli military said.

In January, Israeli commandos seized a ship, the Karine A, carrying 50 tons of munitions and watertight containers for floating the arms ashore. The ship was seized in the Red Sea but was to have sailed through the Suez Canal and the containers were to have been lowered into the water off Gaza, the Palestinian captain later told reporters. The arms were from Iran and were to have been delivered to the Palestinian Authority, he said.

Palestinians charge Israel is stalling implementation of a plan to gradually withdraw troops from Palestinian areas as a way of easing tensions after nearly two years Palestinians have yet to take steps to stop attacks

On Aug. 18, Ben-Eliezer and Yehiyeh reached an agreement to use Gaza and the West Bank town of Bethlehem as test cases: If Palestinians could prevent attacks on Israelis originating there, Israel would ease restrictions in other parts of the West Bank.

Israel's government, meanwhile, was divided over a Palestinian proposal to convene the Palestinian parliament to approve a new Cabinet and set a date for elections.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry, headed by dovish Shimon Peres, encouraged the Palestinians, but hardline Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's office countered with a denunciation of Arafat's regime.

The Palestinians have tentatively set parliamentary and presidential elections for January.

The United States wants the Palestinians to hold parliamentary elections first, have parliament

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of fighting. Israel counters that the choose a prime minister and only then prepare for a presidential vote, said a senior Palestinian official who spoke on condition of anonymity

> U.S. officials envision a prime minister as a counterweight to Arafat whom they want sidelined. The current Palestinian government does not have a prime minister.

> Sharon's office said there was no point in convening the Palestinian parliament to approve the Cabinet appointed by Arafat in June. "No Cabinet appointed or run by Arafat is acceptable to Israel," Sharon's office said, adding that the Palestinians must carry out reforms in fighting terrorism and corruption.

> The Palestinian Cabinet said it would ask Israel to allow the parliament to convene in special session to approve the elections and discuss reforms. That would require Israeli permission because of travel restrictions imposed on the Palestinians during the current violence.

Malaysia denies reports of immigrant deaths

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) - Malaysia is doing whatever "humanly possible" to safeguard illegal immigrants being expelled under tough new laws, the foreign minister said Wednesday, amid reports of deaths among Filipino and Indonesian migrants. More than 300,000 illegal immi-

grants have left Malaysia in recent months to escape strict new penalties, including whipping and longer prison Hundreds more, mostly terms. Filipinos, are still trying to leave Malaysia's Sabah state on Borneo island.

"You must remember - in deportations, sometimes there is overcrowding," Syed Hamid Albar said. "We are doing what is humanly possible under the circumstances. ... We do not just send them to the high seas and let them go.

Malaysian authorities denied Wednesday that conditions at detention centers for illegal immigrants were harsh or overcrowded or had caused the deaths of several Filipino children.

Two toddlers died Saturday aboard a Philippine navy ship while awaiting deportation from Malaysia, probably of dehydration during an "extremely hot day," said Sidin Karim, operations chief of a government task force responsible for illegal immigrants.

They were held in the immigration center for several days and Philippine authorities said their deaths on the ship may have been related to overcrowded conditions in the centers. However, Sidin denied this.

'The deaths were unfortunate, but it was an isolated incident," Sidin said. "We cannot attribute it to overcrowding. The situation at our centers is very conducive for detaining people."

The Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs said a third child died Monday after returning to the

In Jakarta, officials said at least 19

Indonesians are angry over Malaysia's determination to expel undocumented work on particularly as the two countries share a long history of political, cultural and economic ties.

In Manila, riot police held off nearly two dozen protesters who rallied outside Malaysia's High Commission demanding an apology and better treatment Filipinos being shipped home.

Syed Hamid urged Philippine and Indonesian authorities to discuss any concerns over treatment of illegal immigrants with the Malaysian government

and stressed that relations with both countries remain strong.

The Philippine government filed a formal protest with Malaysia on Tuesday after receiving allegations of mistreatment of Filipinos being deported from Sabah, which is near the southern Philippines. One senator called it 'ethnic cleansing.'

Indonesian rights groups and politicians have called Malaysia's new policy inhumane, and the Malaysian government has urged its citizens to avoid traveling to Indonesia for fear of harass-

Philippine Foreign Secretary Blas Ople said Tuesday that conditions at the detention centers should be "immediately improved," and that Philippine consuls told him that Filipinos were in crowded detention facilities, sometimes without food and water.

Sidin denied this, saying the detainees were given breakfast, lunch and dinner each day and medicine on request. He said they were not kept in cells "like prisoners," but could roam freely within the detention centers.

"Everyone is being treated with proper respect and consideration," Sidin said.

Each of Sabah's two main detention camps was designed to hold up to 1,200 people, and there are only about 600 Filipinos being detained in Sabah, Sidin said

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Philippines. Sidin said Malaysian authorities had no knowledge of another death. ment.

people — including five children who left Malaysia because of the new laws have died from dysentery and respiratory illness in the past month in overcrowded refugee centers built in Indonesian Borneo.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Delegates at the World Summit on Sustainable Development focused Wednesday on ways to bring fresh water and sanitation to hundreds of millions of people who lack access to either.

> According to the United Nations, 1.1 billion of the world's more than 6 billion people are without clean drinking water, and 2.4 billion lack access to sanitation. More than 2.2 million people in the developing world die each year from · problems associated with lack of water and sanitation.

Despite this, few governments have focused their attention on the issue, said Margaret Catley-Carlson, chair of the Global Water Partnership.

"Why is water management not more of a priority?" she asked. Activists need to create the political "ambiance" to push

for better water management throughout the world. Catley-Carlson told the delegates in an opening session Wednesday.

Summit delegates discuss world sanitation, water

The United Nations hoped the summit would agree to cut in half by 2015 not only the number of people without access to clean water, but also to sanitation - a new target. The United States has resisted setting new targets for action.

European Union officials, who support adding the sanitation target, said they couldn't understand the opposition. "It's important not only that people should be able to get drinking water, but to be able to get rid of waste water," said Danish Environment Minister Hans Christian Schmidt.

The 10-day summit, billed as the largest U.N. gathering ever, is also to focus on health, energy, agriculture and biodiversity issues. Negotiations over a plan of

action to come out of the gathering have been riven with demands from the developing world for concrete action, and resistance ---largely from the United States to making new commitments.

Overnight, delegates reached agreement on text to protect the world's oceans and restore depleted fish stocks, "where possible," by 2015.

Schmidt, whose country represents the EU, hailed the agreement as "the first major breakthrough" at the summit.

EU officials said the agreement "fits well" with their own recent proposals to reform EU fisheries policies, which are attacked as 'rapacious" by some African and South American nations that accuse huge fleets from Spain and other EU countries of depleting resources off their coasts that local people depend upon.



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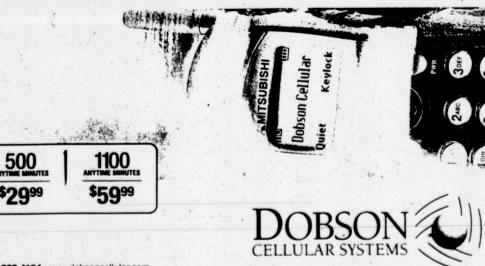
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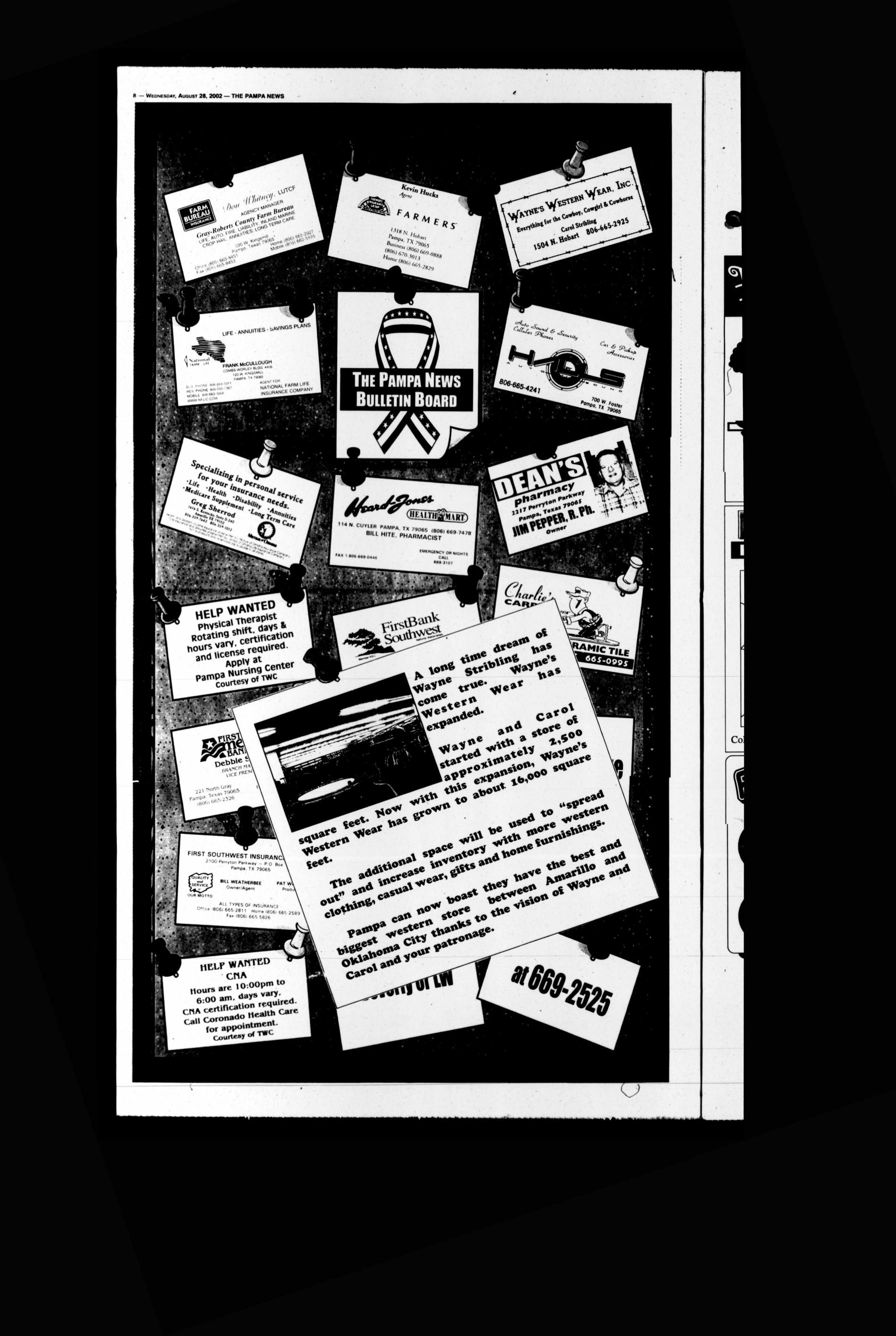
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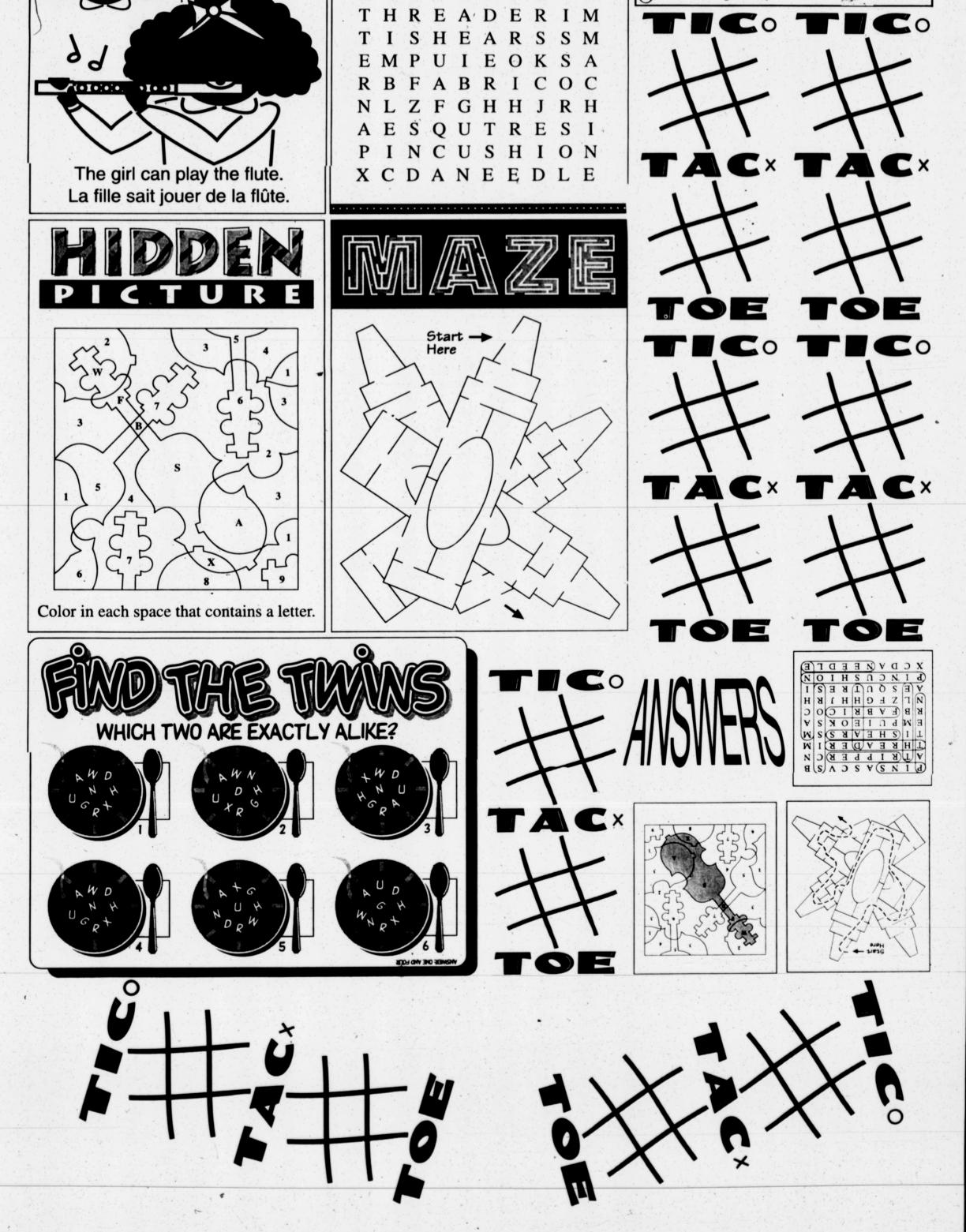
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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Future Father-in-Law Is Flirting With Danger

DEAR ABBY: My fiance, "Eduardo," and I have been a couple for nearly four years. We plan to marry in 2004.

Eduardo's parents ("Maribell and Guillermo") have had their share of marital problems but have remained together. My father died six years ago, and my mother raised my sister and me by herself. She is an attractive woman with high standards who chose not to date until last year.

Our "combined family" has always enjoyed getting together on birthdays and holidays. However, recently Guillermo has been hitting on my mother! He stares at her, vies for her attention, and makes no secret of the fact that he loves to be near her.

My mother is not - and would never be - interested in him, espe-cially since she and Maribell have become close friends.

I think the behavior of Eduardo's dad is out-and-out inappropriate, but if I mention it to Eduardo, he refuses to acknowledge there's a problem. He insists his father would never behave "like that." Eduardo won't refuses to bring it up with his dad.

DEAR D AND D: You say your mother is attractive and has high standards. I'm sure this isn't the first time since your father's death that a man

has "put the moves" on her. Rather than involving yourself in this delicate situation, let her speak up for herself in putting Guillermo in his place.

DEAR ABBY: I surprised myself. seduced a man not long ago, with the sole intent of having a one-night affair. We agreed that we didn't want to get seriously involved at the time. Well, the one-night affair turned

into six encounters in three weeks,

and it is very enjoyable on a physi-cal level. The problem is, the sexual aspect is all there is. I would like to go out and have fun, like the night I met him. I have brought this up, yet the subject remains unanswered. How do I firmly express that I

want more without him thinking that I'm looking for a relationship? ASKING TOO MUCH

ing to cooperate. You're chang-ing the rules after the game has started.

DEAR ABBY: I am a new stepfather to two adorable girls, ages 4 and 7. I explained to them that I am their stepfather - but they call me Dad or Daddy anyway. Their father heard them call me

Daddy, and he's extremely upset. He is accusing me of "undermining his importance. Abby, what should the girls call

me - and how do I handle this overbearing father? INSTANT FAMILY

IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

DEAR INSTANT FAMILY: The girls should call you anything they wish. However, ask them to come up with several new options, and you pick the one you like best. When the girls and you have decided on a new name, your problem with their father should disappear.

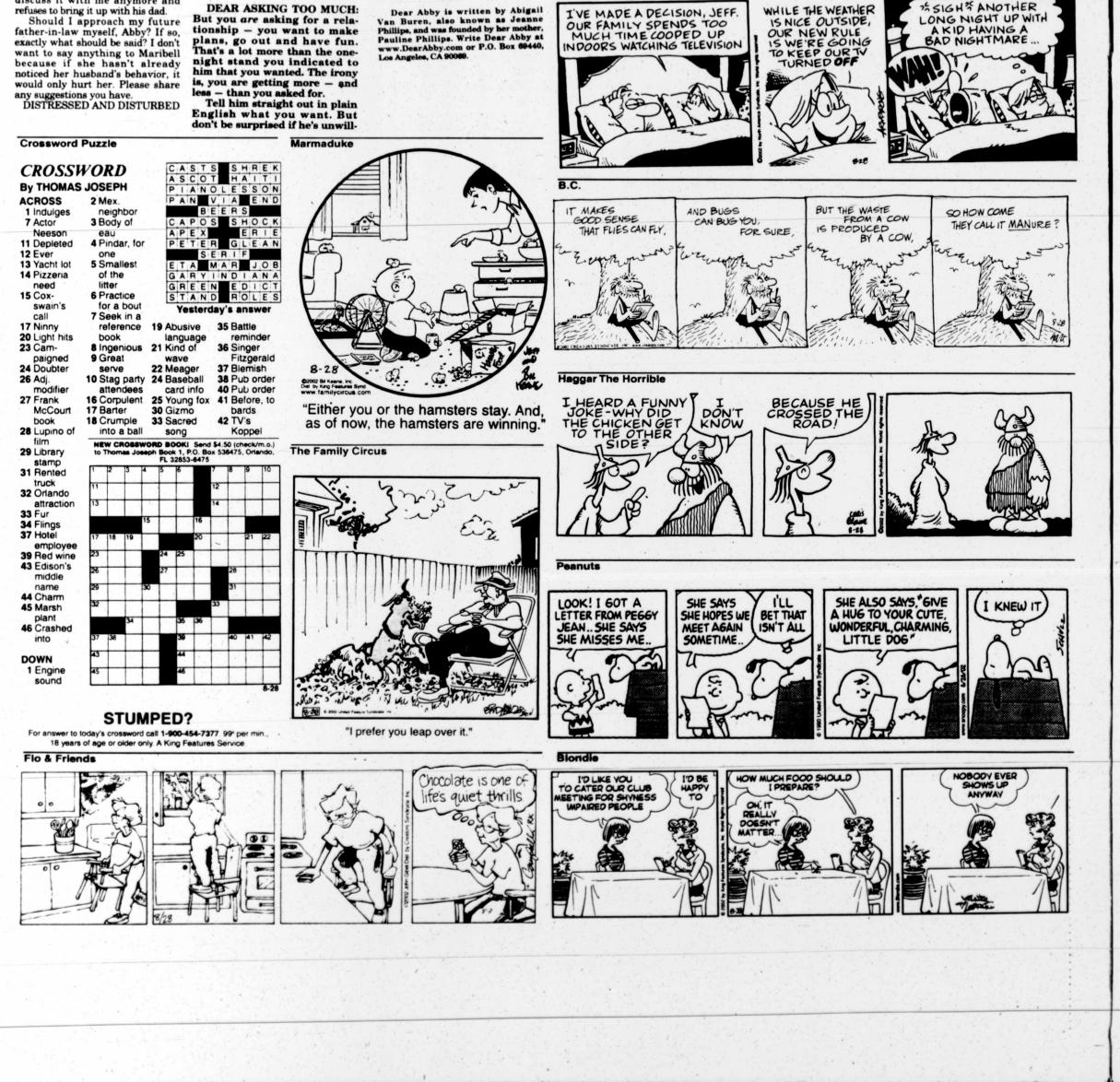


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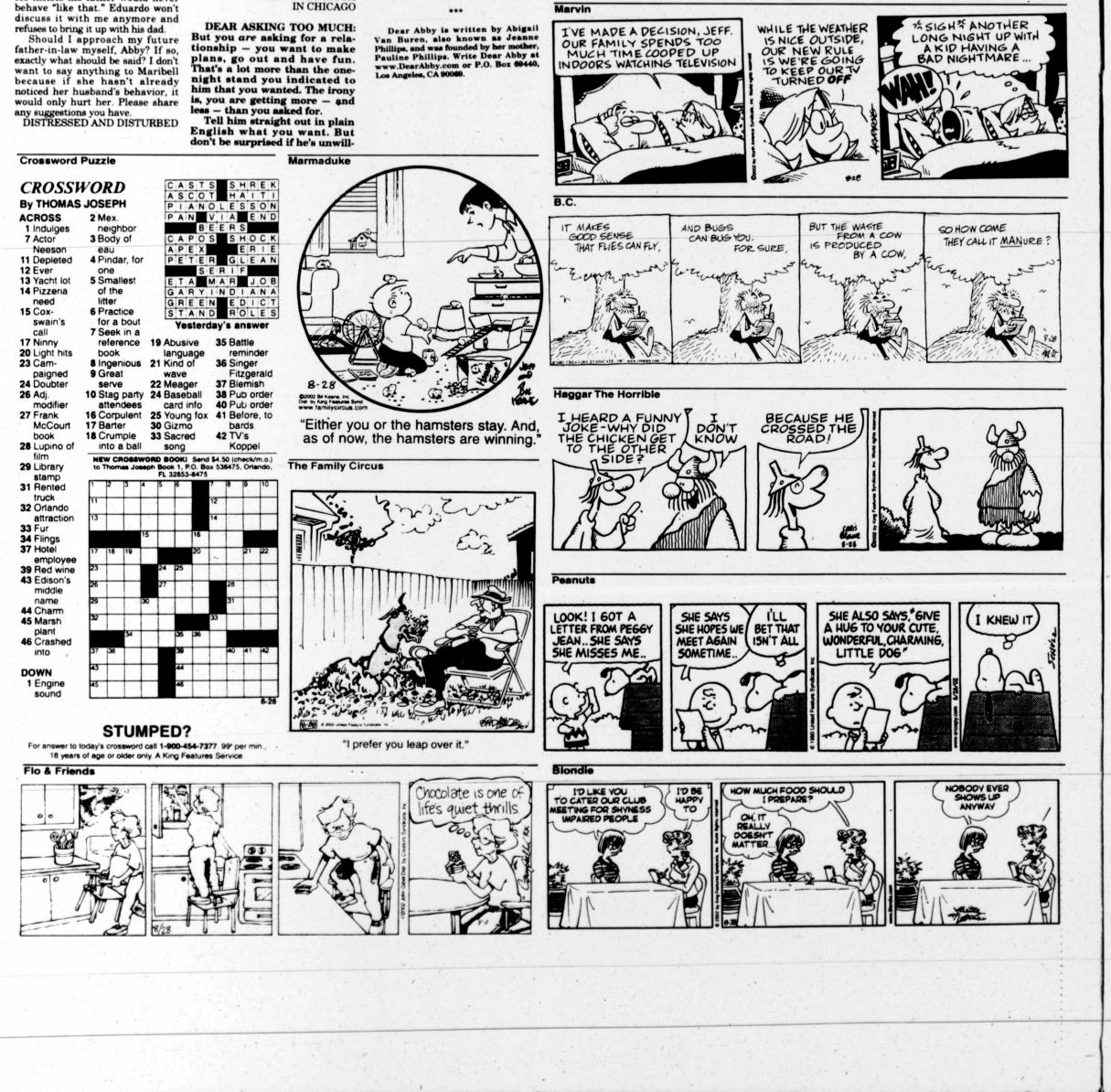
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Sports



BASKETBALL

Booster Club will hold an

organizational meeting at

7:30 Tuesday night (Sept.

3) in the Ready Room at

LAUSANNE.

Switzerland (AP) - An

Committee panel has recom-

mended that baseball, soft-

ball and modern pentathlon

be dropped from the Summer Games. The panel also proposes adding golf

The IOC program com-

mission made the recom-

mendations in a report being

delivered Wednesday to the

according to Olympic offi-

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Several disciplines

including Greco-Roman

wrestling, the three-day

event in equestrian and the

walk in track and field -

also could be considered for

The commission has been

studying ways to modernize

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Golfers pulled out all the right clubs JOTEBOOK

Three golfers were pulling all the right clubs at the Hidden Hills Public Course fast weekend.

Mike Gibson of Pampa finished the day with his best score ever, shooting an even-par 71. Playing partners were Jerry Davis, Oscar Sargent, Clint Stewart and Ralph Wilson, all of Pampa.

Pampa's Elmer Wilson, a two-time Tri-State Senior champion, missed shooting his age by just one stroke with a two-under-par 69. Playing with Wilson were Jerry Steed and Phil Grant, both of Pampa, and Terry Holt of Snyder.

Amarillo golfer Mark Neal posted a double eagle 2 on the 450-yard, par 5 fourth hole. Using a 3-iron, Neal hit his second shot into the hole. Playing partners were Cameron Monroe and Claude Stephens, .both of Amarillo.

It was Neal's first double eagle.

More on golf.

The annual Top Of Texas Tournament will be held Saturday through Monday at Pampa Country Club. Practice rounds are Friday.

Oklahoma State player Freddie Espericueta of Edinburg is the defending champion. Espericueta's 10-under-par 61 for one of his rounds tied the course record set by former PCC pro Hart Warren in 1961.

For the past 20 years or so, college golfers have



dominated the tournament, which started in 1938. Local golfer Dan Nicolet was the last non-collegiate winner in 1996.

Major League baseball's strike deadline issued by the player's union is set for Friday.

Many empty seats at the ballpark are predicted when the players take the field again once the strike is over.

Here's hoping there won't be a walkout, which could do long-range damage to our national pasttime. Fans started staying home once word spread of a possible strike.

It may take another Mark McGwire-Sammy Sosa home run contest to bring the fans back. Attendance had been dwindling before that pair started their bar-

Former President Herbert Hoover once said, "Next to religion, baseball has furnished a greater impact on American life than any other institution."

Football may replace baseball in that second spot behind religion.

A recent ABC poll reveals that the number of people who consider themselves baseball fans has dipped to less than three in 10, the lowest level since thelast strike ended in April, 1995.

According to the Associated Press, high price tags on linebacker Zach Thomas, defensive end Jason Taylor and cornerback Sam Madison at Miami will make it tough to keep them together much longer. .

Thomas, of course, is from Pampa and Taylor is his brother-in-law.

Where would these two end up if they left the Dolphins?

Miami opens the season Sept. 8 against Detroit.

Observation of the Week: There are three types of people in this world. Those who can do math and those who can't.

Goodrich gets last chance with Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dwayne Goodrich finally got through a full training camp healthy, but the third-year cornerback still may not make it out of the preseason with the Dallas Cowboys.

Goodrich, the first player the Cowboys drafted in 2000, is on the bubble for a spot on the team's 53-man roster after two injury-filled seasons in which he was limited to just five games. He is considered among four players fighting for the last two cornerback spots.

The Cowboys have to make their final cuts by Sunday, so the last chance for Goodrich to make an impression is in the preseason finale Thursday night at Jacksonville.

"Certainly for Dwayne, he CANADIAN -The believes that. And we believe Canadian Area YMCA that," said Cowboys coach Charity Dove Hunt will be Dave Campo. "Anytime you east of walk on the field, there s a lot at stake." aren't any

by some of the comments he's gotten from coaches in the last couple of weeks. And he has never felt better physically since getting drafted by the Cowboys.

"They tell me I'm getting more consistent and more confident," Goodrich said. "They aren't negative consistently."

Goodrich is recovered from the torn right Achilles tendon that ended his 2001 season during training camp. His rookie season was ruined by a strained left hamstring that put him so far behind that he didn't make his NFL debut until November.

A big, physical corner (5foot-11, 207 pounds). Goodrich is finally again starting to show the bursts of speed the Cowboys expected before he got hurt.

The Cowboys seem settled on Mario Edwards, Pat Dennis

pickup Bryant Westbrook and Jason Bell fighting for two

Goodrich is also an expensive player, counting about \$625,000 against the team's salary cap. That is the secondhighest figure among the cornerbacks.

Edwards likely won't play

Pampa girls enter Justin tourney

AMARILLO - Pampa's Lady Harvesters went against Tascosa and Abilene in a triangular volleyball match Tuesday night in the Tascosa Activity Center.

Tascosa 1-15, 6-15 in the opening match.

"Tascosa has a top-notch program, so this was another learning experience for us. It wasn't one of our better games." said Pampa head coach Mike Lopez. "Our passing wasn't very good."

Jackie Gerber had three service points for Pampa. Pampa fell to Abilene 8-15, 9-15 in the second

"We played much better in this game. "Our blocking was better and I was pleased with our hustle," Lopez said.

Gerber paced Pampa's service attack again with five points while Teryn-Garner was the team's outstanding defender.

with the way we played. We're learning with every game and I see improvement after every game. Hopefully, we'll see a lot of improvement by the time district rolls around," Lopez added.

Goodrich was one of three

cornerbacks Dallas took in the

2000 draft, and the Tennessee

standout was the Cowboys'

only selection in the first 108

picks that year. Fourth-round

pick Kareem Larrimore is no

longer with the team, and

Edwards — now the only

starter of the trio - was the

180th pick overall in the sixth

round.

Tascosa defeated Abilene High 15-10, 15-5 in the other match.

The Lady Harvesters are entered in the Justin

Goodrich has been encouraged Duane Hawthorne, free agent spots.

against. Jacksonville because stands out is corner."

match.

Pampa was defeated by

of a strained right hamstring. but he is virtually guaranteed a starting spot. The rest of the cornerbacks will get a good look Thursday night.

"I will say the corner position for sure is one we are going to have a real good eye on," Campo said. "We are pretty much looking at every position, but the one that

neld Sept Canadian.

Tickets are \$100 per person, which includes a meal, clay shooting and the dove hunt, which will be held east of Canadian.

There will also be a raffle in which a Browning "Gold Stalker" 12 gauge, semiautomatic shotgun will be given away.

Proceeds from the dove hunt will go to the Canadian YMCA.

For more information, call 806-323-8580.

TENNIS

NEW YORK (AP) -Unseeded Elena Bovina, a Russian teenager, became the first player to reach the third round at the U.S. Open on Wednesday, upsetting fifth-seeded Jelena Dokic 6-3, 6-2.

Dokic struggled with injuries through the early part of the season but prepared for the Open by playing five straight weeks.

She never seemed comfortable against Bovina, who pushed her to three sets in their only previous meeting at Indian Wells.

Dokic was forced to withdraw from warmups at Montreal and New Haven because of a hamstring injury and was booed after losing to Chanda Rubin at Los Angeles.

Bovina made fast work of her, ripping four aces and taking advantage of Dokic's 29 unforced errors in a match that lasted just one hour.

It was the first major upset of the tournament but defending men's champion Lleyton Hewitt doesn't think it will be the last. Suggest to Hewitt that this U.S. Open is his to lose, that there are few challengers to the world's No. 1 player, and he just bristles.

"That's rubbish," he snapped after beginning his defense Tuesday with a routine 6-2, 6-3, 6-3 victory over Nicolas Coutelot.

CHICAGO (AP)

Olympic

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Committee certainly can.

Selecting cities it thinks has

the international panache to

win the Olympics, a USOC

task force Tuesday chose San

Francisco and New York as the

American finalists for the

Summer

Houston and Washington were

riches, and picking the two

cities we felt have the best

chance of winning the interna-

tional competition," said

Charles H. Moore, a former

Olympic gold medalist who

heads the bid evaluation task

will bring the games to the

directors will select one city

on Nov. 3 to be its 2012 bidder.

That candidate will then face

as many as a dozen interna-

tional cities, including possi-

bly Toronto, Rome, Paris,

Moscow and Rio de Janeiro,

Brazil. The International

Olympic Committee will pick

a long shot for a variety of rea-

sons. The United States has

held two Olympics in the past

six years, and the IOC might

Columbia, is a favorite for the

2010 Winter Games, and the

IOC might hesitate to put two

games in North America so

Then there's the recent his-

Atlanta Games had so many

close to each other.

Also, Vancouver, British

want to go somewhere new.

An American city could be

the host in 2005.

United States in 2012."

"We are very confident we

The USOC's board of

"This was a question of

and rookies Pete Hunter and While he is in a precarious Derek Ross for four cornersituation, and knows there back spots. That likely leaves guarantees, Goodrich, fourth-year corner

Tournament in Fort Worth this weekend. They open District 3-4A play Sept. 10 "Overall, I was pleased at Randall.

Top 10 Schedule

This week's schedule for the teams ranked in The Associated Press' high school football poll (games Aug. 29-Aug. 31). All games are on Friday unless otherwise noted:

Class 5A

1. Austin Westlake (0-0) is idle 2. Humble (0-0) at Alief Hastings 3. Katy (0-0) vs. Lufkin, 7 p.m. Saturday 4. Mesquite (0-0) at Lewisville 5. San Antonio Madison (0-0) is idle 6. Aldine Eisenhower (0-0) is idle 7. Euless Trinity (0-0) at DeSoto 8. Converse Judson (0-0) is idle 9. Galena Park North Shore (0-0) is idle 10. Midland Lee (0-0) vs. Arlington, 7:30 p.m. Saturday Class Class 4A 1. Denton Ryan (0-0) is idle 2. Ennis (0-0) is idle 3. Brenham (0-0) vs. Navasota, 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Houston's Astrodome 4. Bay City (0-0) vs. Corpus Christi Carroll 5. Austin Reagan (0-0) vs. Burnet 6. Wolfforth Frenship (0-0) at Snyder 7. Corsicana (0-0) at Greenville 8. Fort Worth Dunbar (0-0) vs. Brownwood, 11:30 a.m. Saturday at San Antonio's Alamodome 9. Killeen Harker Heights (0-0) is idle 10. Texarkana Texas (0-0) vs. Nacogdoches Class 3A 1. Everman (0-0) is idle 2. Sinton (0-0) vs. Raymondville 3. Jasper (0-0) at Port Neches-Groves 4. Forney (0-0) vs. Aledo 5. La Grange (0-0) at Yoakum 6. Longview Spring Hill (0-0) at Tyler Chapel Hill 7. Commerce (0-0) is idle

8. Daingerfield (0-0) vs. Pittsburg

9. Newton (0-0) is idle

10. Bridgeport (0-0) at Burkburnett Class 2A

- 1. Alto (0-0) vs. Elysian Fields
- 2. Comfort (0-0) vs. Ingram Moore
- 3. McGregor (0-0) at Hillsboro, Thursday
- 4. Hemphill (0-0) at 1 A No. 3 Burkeville

5. Bangs (0-0) vs. Comanche

- 6. Post (0-0) vs. Denver City
- 7. Garrison (0-0) vs. Grapeland
- 8. Refugio (0-0) vs. Edna
- 9. Arp (0-0) vs. DeKalb, 2 p.m. Saturday in Tyler
- 10. Corrigan-Camden (0-0) vs. Center

Class A

- 1. Celeste (0-0) vs. Archer City, in Justin
- 2. Petrolia (0-0) vs. Holliday, Thursday in Wichita Falls
- 3. Burkeville (0-0) vs. 2A No. 4 Hemphill
- 4. Sunray (0-0) vs. Spearman
- 5. Iraan (0-0) at Forsan
- 6. Tenaha (0-0) at Troup
- 7. Stratford (0-0) is idle
- 8. Roscoe (0-0) at Stanton
- 9. Hamlin (0-0) is idle
- 10. Hubbard (0-0) is idle

Houston eliminated as Olympic city

Imagine watching Olympic Samaranch called them "most fireworks explode over the exceptional," rather than the Golden Gate Bridge or seeing "best ever" designation accorded other Olympics. athletes cruise the New York City harbor on their way to the

The Salt Lake City bribery scandal — Salt Lake City organizers plied IOC members with more than \$1 million in gifts and scholarships - generated congressional hearings. Congress even brought in Samaranch for questioning, angering many IOC members. But none of that deters New

York and San Francisco organizers.

"New York offers the Olympic movement the chance to tell a powerful Olympic story," said Dan Doctoroff, New York's deputy mayor for economic development and former head of NYC 2012. "It represents the best of what the Olympics is all about, an international city where various nationalities interact peacefully every day.'

The task force spent hundreds of hours visiting cities and analyzing bids the past 15 months. Members had a scorecard for each of the final four cities, using a scale of 1 to 10 to grade various factors ranging from venues to environmental impact. '

The rankings were converted into ordinals for Tuesday's meeting, where task force members pitted the cities against each other for the first time. That was too close to determine a winner, so Moore said it ultimately came down to the cities that can be the most successful on the international stage.

"We're dealing with how we think the IOC, all 126 votes, will come out," Moore said.

York and San New Francisco have worldwide. tory of U.S. Olympics. The appeal, favorite destinations for American and foreign USOC's board of directors." problems that former IOC

president Juan Antonio tourists. Each has a certain. magic, too, whether it's the Golden Gate Bridge or the Statue of Liberty.

> "In the end, I think the reason we're one of the two is that they looked around at eight million New Yorkers and they realized this is the city that best represents the Olympics," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said.

> "And this is the city where we have safety, where we have transportation, where we have facilities, where we have a can-do attitude, where the people would love to have people from around the world come."

Though New York still needs to build or renovate many venues, Moore said it received high marks for infrastructure. New York is the nation's largest city, and organizers say it is best equipped to handle and move large crowds.

All venues would be accessible by rail or water, with organizers saying athletes would never even have to be on a roadway. Despite the Sept. 11 attacks, Moore said the task force had no concerns about New York's security.

San Francisco's weather, waterfront and scenic vistas highlight the city's bid. Organizers hope the Golden Gate Bridge will be the Olympics' signature emblem, as Sydney's Opera House was during the 2000 Games.

Officials initially spread venues from the Bay area to Sacramento, but now 92 percent of the venues would be within 32 miles of the Olympic Village.

"Going forward, we feel good about our bid," said Anne Cribbs, a former Olympian and head of the Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee. "And we're excited to make our case to the

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Barrel racers compete in NBHA event in Pampa

PAMPA — The National Barrel Horse Association Texas District 02 hosted a \$1,000 added money barrel race last weekend at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena.

Barrel racers from Colorado. New Mexico, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Texas came to Pampa to compete.

The Open 4D had 22 runs made by both young cowgirls and cowboys.

"Fast horses, pretty girls and cute guys made for an exciting night of barrel racing," said Judy Morriss of the NBHA. "The crowd cheered for each and every rider, wanting all to take home part 1. of the prize money."

NBHA hosts another barrel race in Pampa on Sunday, Sept. 8.

The books will open at 1 p.m. with expositions until 3 p.m.

the Youth 4D Class, followed 17.896; 2. Margie Campbell,

by Open 4D.

On Saturday, Oct. 12, there will be a NBHA \$500 added barrel race at the Jerel Norris Arena in Canadian.

For more information, contact Judy Morriss at (806) 835-2934 or Marilyn Ruhl at (806) 868-2097.

Results from the Aug. 24 race are as follows: **1D Class**

1. Kayla Crooks, Lubbock, 16.863; 2. Amber Cameron, Canadian, 16.870; 3. Linda Dyson, Pampa, 16.991; 4. Kelsey Alders, Borger; 5. Gina Greenhouse, Pampa, 16.998.

2D Class

Tamara Reinhardt, Canadian, 17.379; 2. Kristi Johnson, Tucumcari, N.M., 17.380; 3. Josey Groves, Canyon, 17.386; 4. Lu Ann Weldon, Amarillo, 17.390; 5. Erick Lewis, Pampa, 17.389. **3D Class**

The barrel races start with 1. Jamie Schnaufer, Dalhart,

Amarillo, 17.950; 3. Sabrina Devers, Perryton, 17.970; 4. Betty Gordon, Amarillo, 17.981; 5. Dana Lewis, Pampa, 18.057.

4D Class

1. Sandra Jordan, Lubbock, 18.872; 2. Mindy Bagley, Canyon, 18.891; 3. Kelli Stalley, Goodwell, Okla., 18.904; 4. DeAnn Taylor, Pampa, 19.067; 5. Ashley Sandoval, Fritch, 19.171.

Youth Results

1D Class Chelsea

1. Sanders, Panhandle, 17.103; 2. Kelsey Alders, Borger, 17.208. **2D Class**

1. Dylan Winkle, Borger, 17.103; 2. Kelsey Alders, Borger, 17.888. **3D Class** 1. Mandy Poole, Pampa, 18.160; 2. Ariel Hefley,



1. Dylan Winkle, Borger, 19.229; 2. Ashley Sandoval, Fritch, 19.342.

A's win streak is 14 and counting

By the Associated Press

The Oakland Athletics looked like World Series champions.

The A's matched the 1988 team's club-record 14-game winning streak Tuesday night with a 6-4 victory over the Kansas City Royals.

This edition of the Athletics differs in an important way starting pitchers have accounted for 13 of the 14 victories during the streak. Power hitting was a hallmark of the team that won the championship 14 years ago.

"The '88 team made it to the World Series," A's starter Mark Mulder said. "We'll talk about it once we do a little bit more than this.

Mulder won his third start in a row, allowing four runs and seven hits in seven-plus innings.

Without Giambi, the Athletics weren't supposed to return to the postseason - and a possible rematch with the Yankees, who beat them in five games last season.

But the heart of the Athletics' starting rotation -Mulder (16-7), Barry Zito (18-5) and Tim Hudson (11-9) has been their strength this year.

No slugger has completely filled the void left by Giambi. Then again, there hasn't been an apparent dropoff in the A's production - or winning.

"We haven't been making too many mistakes," Mulder said. "We've played solid ball. We've been playing good defense, pitching well and hitting well. All around, we're just playing good ball." Yankees 6, Red Sox 0

David Wells took a shutout into the ninth at Fenway Park to win for the eighth time in nine decisions, helping the Yankees pad their lead in the AL East. The Yankees lead the Red Sox by eight games with four games left between the two teams over the next eight days. Boston trails Seattle by three games in the wild-card race. Wells struck out six and walked none before leaving after Johnny Damon's leadoff double in the ninth. Casey Fossum (2-3) took the loss. Twins 5, Mariners 2

eight. After losing eight of nine to the AL West champion Mariners last season, the Twins are 3-2 against them this year.

Cristian Guzman went 0-for-4 and had his 23-game hitting streak snapped for the Twins.

Ismael Valdes (7-10) gave up nine hits and four runs in six innings

Tigers 8, Indians 5

Mark Redman pitched eight strong innings to win for the first time in five starts and help Detroit end a six-game losing streak.

Redman (8-12) survived a three-run rally in the fourth at Jacobs Field and Damion Easley and Bobby Higginson had two RBIs each. Carlos Pena homered for the Tigers.

Jason Phillips (1-3) allowed six runs and six hits in five innings in his worst of six starts this season. He hasn't won in five starts since July 15 White Sox 8, Blue Jays 4

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East Division				a College
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Atlanta	83	47	.638	7 -
Philadelphia	65	65	.500	18
Montreal	65	66	.496	18 1/2
Florida ,	63	68	.481	20 1/2
New York	61	69	.469	22
Central Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	72	58	.554	-
Houston	69	62	.527	3 1/2
Cincinnati.	65	66	.496	7 1/2
Pittsburgh	58	. 74	.439	15
Chicago	55	75	.423	17
Milwaukee	45	. 86	.344	27 1/2
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	84	48	.636	_
Los Angeles	76	56	.576	8
San Francisco	73	. 58	.557	10 1/2
Colorado	61	71	.462	23
San Diego	56	75	.427	27 1/2

Monday's Games Milwaukee 2, Chicago Cubs 1 San Francisco 4, Colorado 3 Arizona 6, Los Angeles 3, 12 innings Tuesday's Games Cincinnati 5, St. Louis 4, 1st game Louis 5, Cincinnati 0, 2nd ga Atlanta 5, Pittsburgh 4 N.Y. Mets 10, Florida 5

Philadelphia 4, Montreal 2 San Diego 11, Houston 6

Chicago Cubs 6, Milwaukee 2 San Francisco 7, Colorado 4

Los Angeles 6, Arizona 1

Wednesday's Games

Atlanta (Maddux 11-5) at Pittsburgh (Meadows 1-3), 7:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets (Bacsik 2-1) at Florida (Pavano 3-10), 7:05 p.m. Montreal (Armas Jr. 8-11) at Philadelphia (Wolf 9-7), 7:05 p.m. St. Louis (Stephenson 1-4) at Cincinnati (Estes 4-10), 7:10 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Wood 9-7) at Milwaukee (Rusch 6-13), 8:05

San Diego (Peavy 5-5) at Houston (Oswalt 16-6), 8:05 p.m. San Francisco (Ortiz 8-10) at Colorado (Jennings 15-5), 9:05 p.m

Arizona (Helling 8-8) at Los Angeles (Od.Perez 11-8), 10:10

Thursday's Games

Atlanta (Glavine 16-7) at Pittsburgh (Arroyo 1-1), 12:35 p.m. St. Louis (W.Williams 6-3) at Cincinnati (Haynes 12-8), 12:35

Chicago Cubs (Clement 10-9) at Milwaukee (Cabrera 5-10), 2:05 p.m.

San Francisco (L. Hernandez 8-14) at Colorado (Hampton 7-13), 3:05 p.m.

San Diego (Lawrence 11-8) at Houston (Munro 4-2), 4:05 p.m. Montreal (Ohka 11-6) at Philadelphia (Duckworth 5-8), 7:05 p.m.

American League At A Glance

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All Times EDT				
East Division		1.2		-
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New York	82	48	.631	-
Boston	74	56	.569	8
Baltimore	63	67	.485	19
Toronto	57	74	.435	25 1/2
Tampa Bay	43	88	.328	39 1/2
Central Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	79	54	.594	-
Chicago	62	70	.470	16 1/2
Cleveland	. 57	74	.435	21
Kansas City	53	80	.398	26
Detroit	50	82	.379	28 1/2
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	82	51	.617	-
Anaheim	78	53	.595	3
Seattle	78	54	.591	3 1/2
Texas	58	72	.446	22 1/2

N.Y. Yankees 10, Texas 3 oston 10, Anaheim 9, 10 innings Cleveland 8. Detroit 2 Oakland 6, Kansas City Toronto 8, Chicago White Sox 4 **Tuesday's Games** N.Y. Yankees 6, Boston 0 Detroit 8, Cleveland 5 Minnesota 5, Seattle 2 Texas 9, Baltimore 4

TRANSACTIONS

Tuesday's Sports Transactions

Eds: UPDATE By The Associated Press

National League CINCINNATI REDS—Placed OF Austin Kearns on the 15-day disabled list. Called up OF Jose Guillen from Louisville of the IL. Activated RHP Elmer Dessens off the 15-day disabled list. Optioned RHP Chris Reitsma to Louisville

MILWAUKEE BREWERS-Sent OF Izzy Alcantara outright to Indianapolis of the IL.

National Basketball Association PHILADELPHIA 76ERS-Signed F Brian Skinner to a

one-year contract

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS-Placed TE Dallas Neil and DT Jerry Togiai on injured reserve. Reached an injury settlement with DE Ryan Wingrove and waived him. Waived T Dave Kadela and WR Shawn Mills.

BALTIMORE RAVENS-Released LB Andre Arnold and WR Lonny Mitchell.

BUFFALO BILLS—Announced the retirement of G Jerry Ostroski. Released TE Dan O'Leary, RB Curtis Alexander, LB James Cotton, OG Robert Hunt and WR Maurice Jackson. Waived DT Leif Larsen.

CAROLINA PANTHERS-Released WR Patrick Jeffers. Waived CB Fred Vinson, WR Terrell Harris and OL T.J. Washington. Placed DE John Milem on injured reserve

CHICAGO BEARS-Placed WR Nate Jacquet on the reserve-injured list, DE Roshaun Matthews on the reserveunable to perform list, and RB Maurice Hicks on the reserve-non-football injury list.

CINCINNATI BENGALS-Waived LB Tito Rodriguez. Claimed DT Ron Smith off waivers from Seattle

CLEVELAND BROWNS-Released OG Brad Bedell. OG Gaylon Hyder, OG Richard Mercier, DB Dyshod Carter, DB Emmanuel McDaniel, TE Alvin Morrow, WR Abram Booty, LB Lenoy Jones, LB Marquis Smith, DT Marcus Spriggs and K Jay Taylor. Placed OT Qasim Mitchell on injured reserve. Placed DE Michael Josiah on reserve-non-football injury list.

DALLAS COWBOYS-Waived LB Khary Campbell, DE Byron Frisch, WR DeVeren Johnson, OG Dan Collins, and FB Scott Zimmerman. Placed FB Jamar Martin and TE-DS Jeff Robinson on injured reserve.

GREEN BAY PACKERS-Waived RB Ki-Jana Carter, P Louie Agular, DE Aaron Fields, WR Andy McCullough. LB Anthony Sessions, LB Algie Atkinson, LB Kenny Harney, QB Marcus Brady, WR Javon Green, WR Brian Haugabrook, S Gana Joseph, CB Seneca McMillan, DT Ken Kocher, G Chris Watton and TE-FB Bill Seymour.

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HOUSTON TEXANS-Waived OT Matt Anderle, WR Larry Davis, WR Devin Lewis, and QB Ben Sankey Placed S Leomont Evans on injured reserve. Claimed DE Shawn Worthen off waivers from Minnesota.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS-Waived OL David Sherrod. Re-signed QB Greg Zolman. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Placed DL Tim

Morabito on injured reserve KANSAS CITY CHIEFS-Released TE Chad Hayes.

RB Jarmar Julien and WR Kirk Rogers.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS-Claimed OT Adam Haayer off waivers from Tennessee. Released OT Chad Beasley. Placed DE Willie Howard and WR Kenny Clark on injured reserve. Reached injury settlements with TE O.J. Santiago and LB Isaac Keys.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS-Released WR Jimmy Farris, LB O.J. Brigance and C Ryan Benjamin. Placed S Rob Kelly on injured reserve

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS-Released WR Hilton Alexander

NEW YORK GIANTS-Claimed DE-C Bob Jones off waivers from Pittsburgh. Waived C Morris Unutoa. OAKLAND RAIDERS—Waived DE Jon Harris and WR Matthew Hatchette.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES-Placed DT Hollis Thomas on injured reserve and RB Correll Buckhalter on the physically unable to perform-reserve list. Waived C Dwavne Ledford.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS-Released C McAllister Collins, DE Rameel Connor, K-P Bruce Dales, WR D.J. Flick, LB Pernell Griffin, DE Bary Holleyman, C-DE Bob Jones, DL Scott Schultz, FB Albert Tulpulotu and DB Ashante Woodyard.

T. LOUIS RAMS-Released FB Maurice Douglas and S Robbie Robinson. Placed OG Travis Scott on Injured reserve. Signed WR Will Blackwell.

David Justice homered and drove in three runs, and the A's scored single runs in the third through eighth innings.

Justice "was in the middle of everything," A's manager Art Howe said. "Having a veteran presence in the middle of that order is huge."

In other games, it was: New York 6, Boston 0; Minnesota 5, Seattle 2; Detroit 8, Cleveland 5; Chicago 8, Toronto 4; Texas 9. Baltimore 4; and Anaheim 7, Tampa Bay 3.

The 1988 Athletics were known for the Bash Brothers ----Jose Canseco and Mark McGwiere. Last season, they got plenty of bash from slugger Jason Giambi, but then the Yankees signed him.

Torii Hunter and Jacque Jones backed Joe Mays (3-5) with solo homers in Minnesota's victory over Seattle at the Metrodome. Hunter was 3-for-4 for the

Twins, who have won six of

Joe Grede tied the game with a two-run homer off Kelvim Escobar in the ninth at Comiskey Park and won it in the 10th against Felix Heredia with his first career grand slam. Chicago ended Toronto's fourgame winning streak.

Antonio Osuna (7-2) retired the Blue Jays in order in the 10th

Escobar has blown seven save chances this season. Rangers 9, Orioles 4

Alex Rodriguez and Herbert Perry homered and Carl Everett went 4-for-4. Rodriguez hit his major league-leading 47th homer in a three-run eighth in Arlington.

Oakland 6. Kansas City 4 Chicago White Sox 8. Toronto 4. 10 innings

Anaheim 7, Tampa Bay 3 Wednesday's Games

Toronto (Parris 5-4) at Chicago White Sox (Garland 8-10), 2:05 N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 15-7) at Boston (P.Martinez 17-3), 7:05

Detroit (Powell 1-3) at Cleveland (Sabathia 8-10), 7:05 p.m.

Seattle (Pineiro 13-4) at Minnesota (Santana 7-5), 8:05 p.m. Baltimore (Stephens 1-2) at Texas (Park 5-6), 8:05 p.m. Oakland (Zito 18-5) at Kansas City (Sedlacek 3-3), 8:05 p.m. Tampa Bay (Sosa 1-6) at Anaheim (Washburn 15-5), 10:05 p.m. Thursday's Games Seattle at Minnesota, 1:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 7:05 p.m.

Baltimore at Texas, 8:05 p.m. Tampa Bay at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS-Waived LB Shane Elam. DT John Schlecht, G Chad Ward and S John Keith. Reached an injury settlement with S Vinny Sutherland and waived him. Placed S Kevin Curtis on injured reserve and DT Josh Shaw on the reserve-non-football injury list.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS-Released OT Gary Hobbs. Signed OT Jerry Wunsch.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS-Released WR Milton Wynn. Reached an injury settlement with DE John Stamper and waived him.

TENNESSEE TITANS-Released RB Dan Alexander. Claimed DT James Atkins off waivers from the Miami Dolphins

WASHINGTON REDSKINS-Waived C Jeff Grau, LB Donte Curry, and DT Sean Powell. National Hockey League

ATLANTA THRASHERS-Agreed to terms with D

Daniel Tjarnqvist and F Dan Snyder. DETROIT RED WINGS-Signed C Stacy Roest. LOS ANGELES KINGS-Agreed to terms with D

Chris McAlpine. WASHINGTON CAPITALS-Announced the retire-

ment of D Rob Zettler.

Horoscope **BY JACQUELINE BIGAR**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Aug. 29, 2002:

You have unusual get-up-and-go this year. No job seems too difficult, but on the other hand, don't take on too much. If you do, you could become short-tempered and/or accident-prone. Know when to say "enough." Travel and foreigners easily could play a significant role in your year. Some of you will take classes or find ways to expand your mind. If you are single, a relationship might be very important to you. You could choose someone quite unusual and different. You will learn a lot through this bond. If you're attached, schedule a long-dreamed-of trip or event for this year. TAURUS presents yet a different view

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

* * * * Out of the blue, you become fastidious, especially with work and health matters. Your efficiency works for you, but might be very annoying to others. Be reasonable with your requests. Remember, not everyone thinks as you do. Tonight: Organize your bills. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** You might suddenly become far more frisky than you have been in recent months. Allow yourself to express your libido more often. Treat a child carefully, as he or she might be up for a rebellion. Tonight: Start Labor Day weekend early

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

* Uproar surrounds your home or personal life. To be sure, someone might not see an emotional issue in the same light as you do. Meanwhile, muzzle yourself and detach. You could be overreacting. Be smart and find out what's needed here. Tonight: Get as much sleep as possible

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

* * * * You might speak your mind a little too easily in the next few months. You need to pull back and do some thinking. You might not be on-target about a personal matter. Loosen up when dealing with a difficult neighbor or sibling. Tonight: Accept a friend's invitation. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

* * * Your energy level drops after a very strong few weeks. Be careful, as with the changing of the season, you might go overboard financially. Work on being reasonable with your spending. making a budget ahead of time. You don't want to sing the blues. Tonight: A must show.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept: 22)

* * * * Mars moves into your sign, encouraging you to take off and visit with others in the near future. Use your fine mind to see ways to clear out your work more efficiently. Your high energy makes you an unbeatable force. Tonight: Try unusual.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

* * * A partner expresses a high level of caring. You feel more comfortable now to express your feelings. You might not be as happy as she or he thinks. Wouldn't it be better to express your qualms in a nice way rather than blowing your fuse? Tonight: Chat over dinner. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

* * * * * Your friends drive a hard bargain in the next few weeks. Clearly, others want you with them. A partner or associate also might be unusually demanding right now. Do what you need to in order to fit in all your obligations. Do what you want, also! Tonight: Just

say "yes."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** In the next few weeks, you could be unusually busy. Others demand a lot, and you'll deliver. Be direct with associates. If everyone understands or knows what is expected, they are likely to fill the bill. Avoid getting bossy. Tonight: Clear your desk.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Reach out for those at a distance. Plans point to getting together in the near future, if not this Labor Day weekend. Creativity flourishes in an unprecedented manner. Help others get into the holiday mood. Let go and enjoy. Tonight: Where the fun is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

* * * Dig into a project with an associate or loved one in the next few weeks. You could be amazed at what you can accomplish together. Bring extra work home if you can. You might be able to concentrate better in your own environment. Tonight: Make it easy. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** How you say what you think could make a big difference in the response you receive, not only today but also in the next few weeks. Others dominate the scene right now. You might need to defer to another. Don't take every word that comes out of this person's mouth personally. Tonight: Join a loved 10 Lost/Found one at a preferred spot.

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Philosopher John Locke (1632), musician Michael Jackson (1958), musician Charlie Parker (1920) ...

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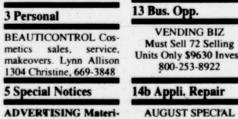
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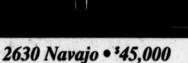
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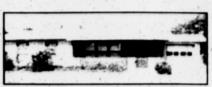
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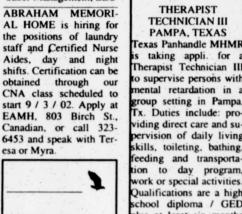
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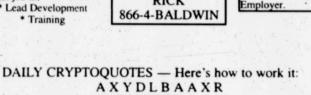
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Critics: Unmanned spy plane too expensive to risk loosing

WASHINGTON (AP) - A highly promoted, high-flying unmanned reconnaissance aircraft may be getting too expensive to use in risky operations, a congressional committee says. The military says costly new enhancements are necessary to make the craft an effective target-hunter.

With new capabilities sought by the military, the cost of the Global Hawk spy plane, which made its combat debut in the Afghanistan conflict, is expected to reach \$45 million to \$50 million a copy, or as much as an F-16 fighter, Air Force officials say.

At issue are the competing visions for one of the Pentagon's latest technological wonders, the unmanned aerial vehicle, known as UAV.

With a proposed price tag of \$10 million each, the Global Hawk was proposed years ago as a cheap substitute for manned reconnaissance planes like the U-2, whose pilots are at risk ogy will pay off in better intelligence • well above any battlefield, at about whenever they cross enemy territory to snap photographs or eavesdrop on communications.

The House Intelligence Committee, in a recent report on its classified intelligence budget, says the military has gotten away from that vision, however, opting to load up UAVs with expensive cameras and other sensors.

"You are no longer dealing with a cheap aircraft," said Rep. Michael Castle, R-Del., a member of the committee. "While not disposable (at \$10 million), you could at least afford to lose them. Now you're dealing with something you don't want to risk losing."

But some in the military say the idea of expendable UAVs is out of date, and money spent to equip a Global Hawk with the best cameras and electronic eavesdropping technolon America's adversaries. Military officials say they fully expect the planes to go in harm's way and survive.

Senior Pentagon chiefs are standing by the plane. They say efforts are under way to reduce the cost.

"It's a tremendous platform," Pete Aldridge, an undersecretary of defense who is the Pentagon's chief weapons buyer, said in an interview with reporters. "To start all over again and design yourself a high-flyer like that it's going to cost just as much. It's just a matter of fixing it."

The plane's military value has increased to the point that the Pentagon wants to add defensive countermeasures to protect it from attack, which would ad still more to its cost, officials said.

The Global Hawk is designed to fly

65,000 feet, safely out of range of many anti-aircraft weapons. It can loiter over a target area for more than a day to transmit reconnaissance pictures back to base. It carries no weapons

Its endurance also allows it to photograph an area as large as Illinois in a single mission, said Air Force Lt. Col. Douglas Boone, who oversees the program.

Six have been built, and a seventh is to be completed this year. Three have crashed, including two that were used in the conflict in Afghanistan, leading some to question its reliability.

Although military officials say such crashes are to be expected in a new aircraft program, the Air Force has grounded the remaining three to seek the causes.

Beginning next year, the military

wants to build at least 50 more, and the entire Global Hawk program is expected to cost \$3.8 billion.

Another House criticism of the Global Hawk is it performs essentially the same mission as the U-2 - taking many photographs from far away while the mission of the retired SR-71 Blackbird remains unfulfilled. The SR-71 performed what the military calls "penetrating reconnaissance," flying closer to a target for high-quality pictures.

The SR-71 could safely fly over enemy territory because it was so fast no missile or plane could catch it. A new plane, either with a pilot or without, probably would use stealth, rather than speed, to escape. Plans for a proposed UAV, the DarkStar, which would have performed this mission, were scrapped in 1999 after a prototype crashed.

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FBI expands new agent training to include greater focus on terrorism

WASHINGTON (AP) -The FBI has expanded training for new agents to include more, instruction on counterterrorism skills like reading body language and assessing intelligence from foreign sources.

Roger Trott, head of the FBI's new agent training program at Quantico, Va., said the amount of time new agents are trained in counterterrorism and counterintelligence will be more than doubled beginning in October, from 23 hours to 55 hours.

FBI basic training, which usually lasts 16 weeks, will be extended by a week to help accommodate the change. The FBI is also training some longtime agents to read body language, officials said.

been an emphasis on preparing agents to deal with terrorism cases," Trott said. "It is very rare that time is added on to new agent training.

FBI training generally has focused on physical conditioning and crime-solving techniques. Abilities like reading body language and dealing with foreign intelligence are now receiving more attention.

"Training includes deciphering all the clues you can get - not just what someone tells you in an interview, but all the signals they may give off." Trott said.

Former FBI chief analyst Paul Moore said the expansion of basic training was necessary, but was skeptical about

"Since Sept. 11, there has whether the FBI was doing enough.

> "It is significant, but compared to what we need, it is a drop in the ocean," said Moore, an analyst for the Centre for Counterintelligence and Security Studies, a private research firm. "What we need to do is focus on creating agents who have a better chance to intercept intelligence and disrupt operations. One week probably won't be enough to make a real change."

> The usefulness of agents who are trained in the basics of reading body language became clear as the FBI learned more about how terrorists operated in the country undetected before the Sept. 11 attacks.

Two days before the attacks, for example, Ziad Jarrah roared past a Maryland State Police trooper at about 90 mph. He got the usual treatment: a ticket and a quick reprimand.

That ticket was found crumpled up in the car's glove compartment at Newark Airport on Sept. 11, hours after Jarrah and three others hijacked an airliner that crashed in western Pennsylvania.

Law enforcement officials, while being careful not to suggest the officer should have done anything differently, say the story illustrates that chance encounters can be important.

David Givens, director of cannot be easily controlled, if the Center for Nonverbal Studies in Spokane, Wash., said it's relatively easy to learn the basics about body language.

"It's like any other language - you can get a few basic words' that will help you with easy situations very quickly," Givens said. "Getting a working knowledge of the more subtle points can take years.'

Givens said it's likely that terrorists give off obvious signs of anxiety before they attack.

"There are certain human ing use of the translated data is responses to great pressure that equally difficult.

Nine-year-old taken from home after father attacked

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) - A9-year-old boy was taken at gunpoint early Wednesday by two men who attacked the child's father and sped away in a sports utility vehicle.

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Nicholas Michael Farber was taken just after 2 a.m. from his home in a suburb of Palm Springs, about 120 miles east of Los Angeles, said Riverside County sheriff's spokesman John Kaiser. Authorities said two men forced their way into the home and assaulted the father

other was wearing dark clothing and carrying a backpack, Kaiser said. Both men are believed to be in their 20s to 30s.

An Amber Alert was ssued early Wednesday, alerting the media and the public about the missing boy.

The alert system was adopted in California after the slaying earlier this year of 5year-old Samantha Runnion in Orange County. The alerts

The alerts were credited with helping in recent abductions in California, including the rescue of 10year-old Nichole Taylor Timmons, who disappeared from her Rjverside home last week and was found in Nevada; the recovery of 4year-old Jessica Cortez who was spotted at a Los Angeles clinic by workers: and the return of Jacqueline Marris, 17, and Tamara Brooks, 16, both of Los Angeles County, who were kidnapped at gunpoint.

Skakel supporters want new trial

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) - Lawyers for Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel have flooded the court with paperwork in the days leading up to their client's sentencing date, asking for eniency and a new trial.

Skakel, convicted in June of beating Martha Moxley to death in 1975 when they were 15year-old neighbors in Greenwich, was expected to be sentenced Wednesday in Norwalk.

Under the guidelines in effect in 1975,

with a harsh and occasionally violent alcoholic father who both ignored and abused him."

Instead of becoming bitter, Skakel used the experiences to help others, Kennedy said. Kennedy also credited Skakel with helping him get sober.

Skakel's father beat him so often that he often slept in his closet, the lawyers said. Once his father fired a rifle at him while hunting,

Skakel could receive a minimum sentence of 10 years to life in prison and a maximum of 25 years to life.

Skakel's defense continues to maintain he is innocent. On Tuesday, Skakel's attorneys filed more than 100 pages of documents seeking a lenient sentence, noting Skakel's age at the time of the murder and his "difficult upbringing."

A day earlier, his attorneys filed a motion for a new trial, saying prosecutors improperly withheld a police sketch that could have prevented jurors from convicting him in his neighbor's killing.

Prosecutors opposed efforts to get Skakel a new trial, saying the motion was filed too late and that Skakel's attorneys were given police reports that mention the sketch.

The defense documents seeking leniency included allegations that Skakel was abused by his father and nannies. One of the letters was from Skakel's cousin, Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

"During his short life, Michael has endured unusual suffering," Kennedy wrote. "He was a small, sensitive child - the runt of the litter

The death of Skakel's mother in 1972 from cancer prompted his father to drink more, worsening his abusive behavior toward his children, the motion contends. Nannies also hit him with spoons and pots, according to Julie Skakel, his sister.

Many supporters cited the needs of Skakel's 3-year-old son, saying Skakel is a model father and that his son is the "center of his universe." They say he is not a threat to society.

The letters point to a wide range of Skakel's experiences, including working in a homeless shelter in New York after meeting Mother Teresa and meeting Cuban leader Fidel Castro with his Kennedy cousins.

Skakel, who did not testify at his trial, has the right to speak at his sentencing. His attorney, Michael Sherman, would not say whether Skakel would speak Wednesday.

Defense attorneys said in a court motion Monday that the police composite sketch of a man spotted near the murder scene bears a "striking resemblance" to Skakel family tutor Kenneth Littleton, an early suspect in the 1975 slaying.

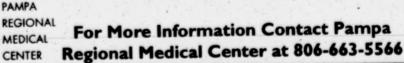
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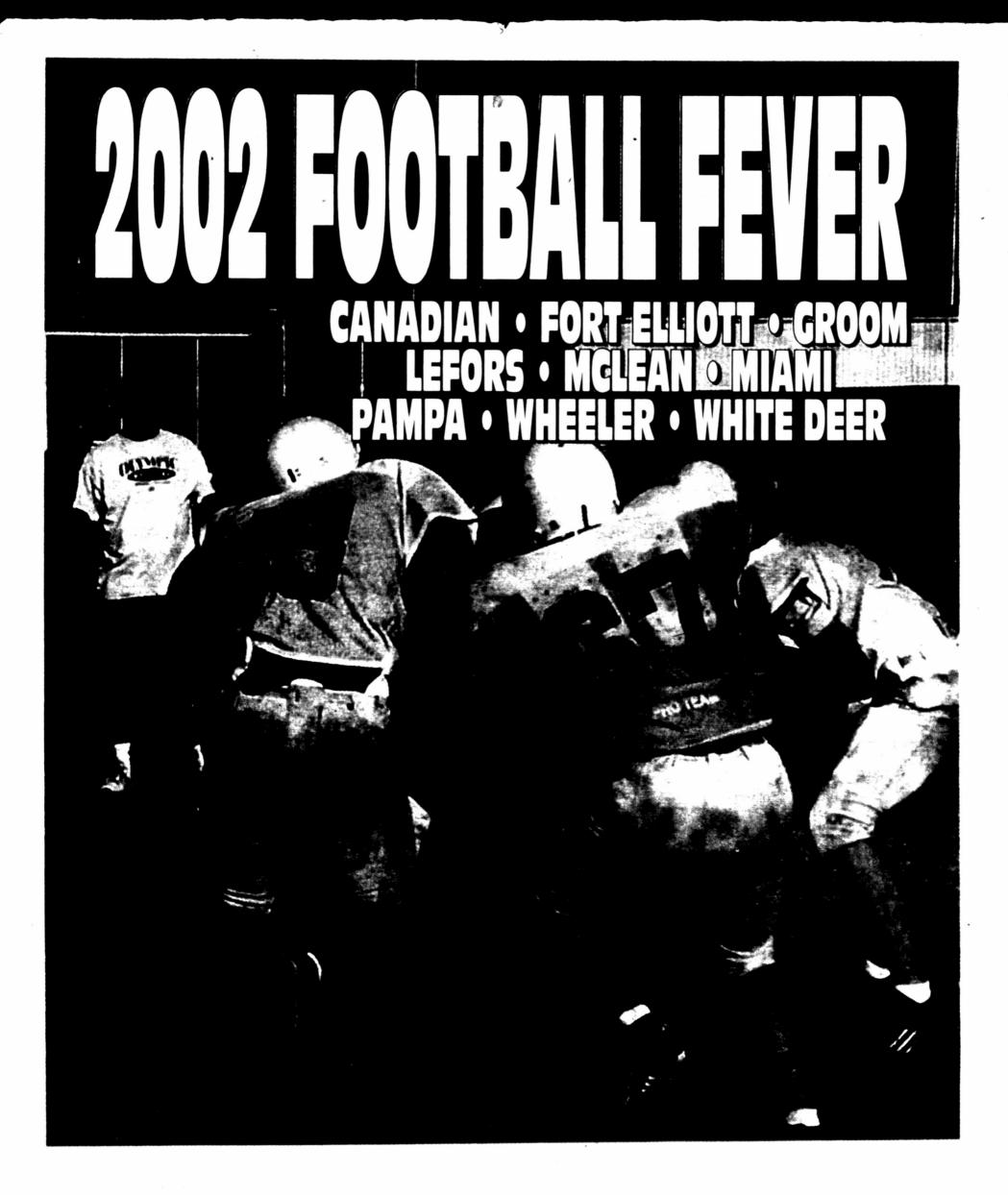
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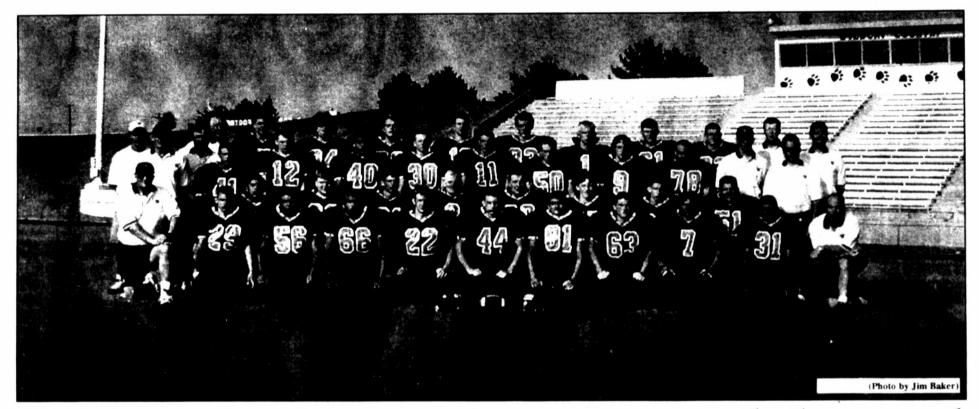
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2002 Canadian Wildcats



Wildcats looking to improve on 5-5 record

CANADIAN Canadian Wildcats broke even playoff-type numbers if you take on the won-loss ledger a year away the mistakes. ago, but the 2002 team is expect-

probably prevented the Wildcats area round of the playoffs. from making the playoffs. Six starters return on offense Looking at the statistics, and seven on defense for second-Canadian's offense averaged 330 year coach Ronny Williams'

The held opponents to 181. Those are men to graduation.

It was a bitter disappointment ed to improve on that 5-5 record. for Canadian after posting a 9-3 Turnovers at crucial times record in 2000 and reaching the

yards per game while its defense squad. Canadian lost 13 letter-

Fullback Brian Carr, running back Cade Culver, wide receiver Jay Parnell, and quarterback Riley Morris will be looked at to carry much of the offense.

Carr had 890 all-purpose yards a vear ago.

Defensively, he led the team in tackles with 96 from his linebacker spot.

Morris threw for 530 yards and four touchdowns last year. He could be challenged for the No. 1 signal-calling position by Camdon Dorrick, up from the and interception. junior varsity.

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Dorrick led the JV team to a 10-0 record last season.

cornerback Sergio Lopez, tackle Matt Morrow and linebacker Heath Flowers will add stability to the defense. Morrow and Godino were both all-district first-teamers in 2001. Both could bid for all-state honors this season

Another all-state possibility is Cade Culver, who was an all-district linebacker, who had 52 tackles, 44 assists, 3 sacks and Wide receiver Anthony

Newcomb, running back Steven Livingston and free safety Chase Noseguard David Godino, Lewis should see a lot of action.

> The Wildcats open with Memphis on Aug. 30. Their district opener is Sept. 20 against Perryton.

> Canadian finished fourth in the district standings last season.

The Wildcats take on Memphis in the season opener on Aug. 30.

Their first district game is Sept. 27 against Sanford-Fritch. Canadian has its homecoming game planned for Nov. 8 against Boys Ranch.

Canadian Schedule Aug.

30-Memphis, 7:30 away. Sept. 6-River Road, 7:30 home; 13-Wheeler, 7:30 away; 20-Perryton, 7:30 homecoming; 27-*Sanford-Fritch, 7:30 away.

Oct. 4-*Spearman, 7:30 home; 12-*Panhandle, away; 18-Open; 25-*West Texas, 7:30 home.

Nov. 1-*Highland Park, 7:30 away; 8-*Boys Ranch, 7:30 home.



2002 Fort Elliott Cougars



Experience makes Cougars district title contender

Elliott Cougars have a firm end. nucleus to build on going into the 2002 six-man season.

Coach Curtis Smith welcomes back nine lettermen, including five starters on both linebacker Wes Hathaway, sides of the ball. That means the Cougars have a good tight end Seth Meadows, tight chance to improve upon their 6-4 record of a year ago.

In fact, most of the rival will contend for the district Baker. six-man title this season.

Smith will looking to running back Larry Lee Horn and quarterback Jason Hathaway and split end Junior Newman to spark the Cougar offense. Horn rushed for 863 yards and 16 touchdowns last season while Hathaway passed for 1,103 yards and 21 TDs. He tossed only five interceptions.

Junior Gonzales and Junior Newman are a pair of surehanded receivers.

Gonzales snared 20 passes for 412 yards and a dozen touchdowns in 2001. Newman also had 12 touchdowns to go with 461 yards and 22 receptions.

Kade Zybach at safety is one of Fort Elliott's better defensive players. He turned in 101 tackles and came up with five interceptions last season. Seth Meadows also

BRISCOE — The Fort returns as a starter at tight played at Happy.

for a 30-yard average in '01.

Other top prospects include linebacker Caleb Kirkpatrick, Cougars. end Justen Bryant, split end Graden Schaub, center 2-Floyd, N.M., 6 at Happy. George Helton, center Calvin coaches believe Fort Elliott Helton and split end Blaine 6-Hedley, 7:30 away; 13-

> The Cougars open the season Aug. 29 against Floyd,

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Their first district contest is

Gonzales is also the Cougar. set for Oct. 4 at home against punter. He punted 21 times Higgins, which will also be homecoming.

> This marks Smith's sixth year as head coach of the

Fort Elliott Schedule Aug.

Sept. Northside, 7:30 away; 20-Open; 27-*Miami, 7:30 away. Oct.

N.M. with the game to be 4-Miami, 7:30 homecoming:

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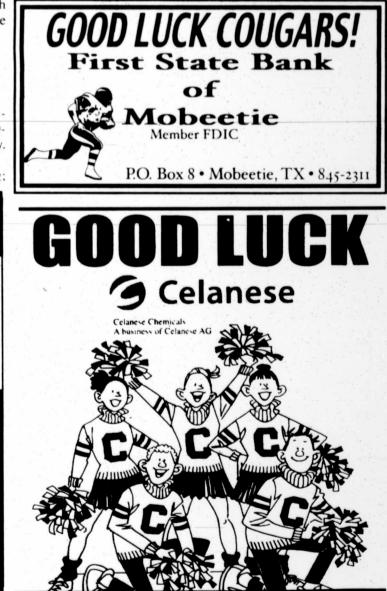
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Nov. 1-*Samnorwood, 7:30 home: 8-Follett, 7:30 there. *district games



2002 Groom Tigers



New Tigers head coach inherits winning tradition

GROOM — New head seasons. coach Toby Tucker inherits quite the winning tradi- holes to fill. tion at Groom.

Tucker will have some TDs and 237 yards.

The Tigers reached the offense and two on defense. six-man quarterfinals a One of those returnees is year ago, finishing with a running back-quarterback 12-1 record. Groom had Clay Britten, who was a advanced to the state quar- first-team selection on the terfinals in 2000 and the Six-Man All-State Team as state finals in 1999. Under a sophomore. At quarterformer head coach Larry back, Britten threw for Reid, Groom has lost only 1,597 touchdowns and 31 four games the past three touchdowns. At running

back, he rushed for four

Only one starter returns on could make a run at the allstate team this season.

> He had a stellar 2001 season, compiling 92 tackles from a football team." with two sacks and three fumble recoveries.

Linebacker Britten and center Cody Babcock will be looking to make things happen for the

Tigers.

"We're coming along, but we've got a lot of young 6-Happy, 7:30 home; 14-Linebacker Doug Fields guys," said first-year head Bible Heritage, 7:30 away; coach Toby Tucker. "We keep improving every day, which is what you want

at home Sept. 6 against coming; 18-*Follett, 7:30 Owen Happy. The Tigers' first dis-Weinheimer, defensive end trict outing is Sept. 27 at Lance Ollinger, end Brett Lefors. Homecoming is on Oct. 11 against Samnorwood.

> **Groom Schedule** 30-Open.

Sept.

20-Chillicothe, 7:30 home; 27-*Lefors, 7:30 away.

Oct.

4-*Miami, 7:30 away; 11-Groom opens the season *Samnorwood, 7:30 homeaway; 24-*Fort Elliott, 7:30 home.

Nov.

1-*Higgins, 7:30 away; 7-*McLean, 7:30 home.

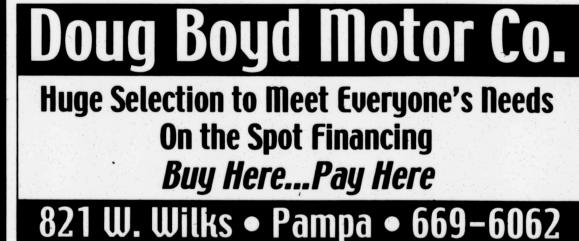
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2002 Lefors Pirates



Lefors Schedule

Aug. 30-Hedley, 7:30 away. Sept.

6-Bible Heritage, 7:30 away; 14-Harrold, 7 home; 20-Open date; 27-Groom, 7:30 home.

Oct. 4-Samnorwood, 7:30 away; 11-Follett, 7:30 home; 18-Fort Elliott, 7:30 away; 24- Higgins, 7:30 home.

Nov. 1-McLean, 7:30 away; 8-Miami, 7:30 home.

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Pirates seeking to improve their 5-5 record of last season

termen returning, the Lefors Pirates stand a good chance of and Blake King are other players bettering their 5-5 record of a expected to help out. year ago.

Quarterback-end Ricky Vaughn and running back-safety Andrew Jennings will be the than I expected, but we're not year.

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LEFORS-With a dozen let- players to watch for the Pirates. Willie Hathaway, Jesse Soto first three weeks of practice. offense out of a T-formation. Eugene Wilton begins his third

year as head coach.

"We've been looking better

there yet," Wilton said about the We've got a long way to go, but they're trying."

There's no doubt the Pirates are improving. They were 3-7 in Wilton first

Lefors will run most of its

The Pirates open the six-man season August 30 at Hedley. Lefors won't get any breaks when District I-A play begins. Follett and Fort Elliott, the Pirates first two foes, are considered the teams to beat in the district race.

"Follett and Fort Elliott are going to be tough. It's going to be a dog fight for the rest of us," Wilton said.

The Follett game is at home on Oct. 11, while the Pirates will be on road to meet Fort Elliott on Oct. 18.

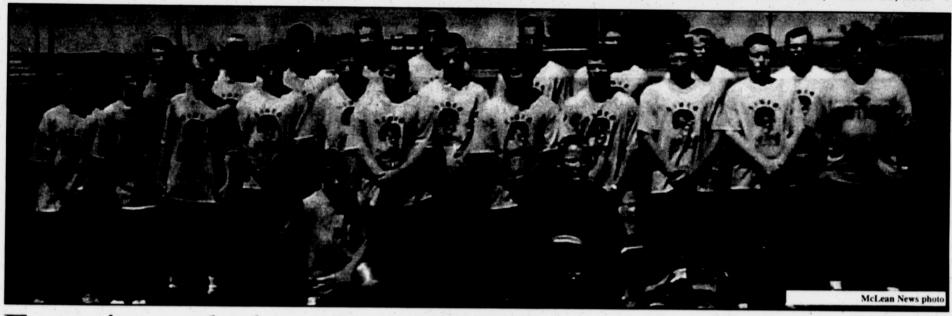
Lefors was 2-3 in district action a year ago.



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Experienced players could make a difference for Tigers

McLEAN - Things may be defense a year ago. looking up for the McLean Tigers this season.

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The Tigers won only one game tions in 2001. a year ago, but help may have arrived with the return of 10 experienced players. Only two letter-winners were lost to graduation

A couple of players, James Alexander and Josh Seymour, should make McLean a team to be reckoned with in the backfield. Dusty Moody could help out back there. Both Seymour and Moody were in the starting lineup on

Seymour, along with Sean Baur, led the squad in pass recep-

Second-year coach Eric Smith is looking at Terrance Fite as the possible starter at quarterback. Fite was a starting as a 9th grader at safety last season.

Another pair of returnees are Trent Cadra and Jay Wallis, who manned positions up front. Drew Baker is back on the defensive line

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Harrell Conners, Reo Dennis and homecoming game is also against Elliott, home; 18-Higgins, 7:30 Victor Vega are other players Hedley Smith sees as contributing to the cause

Ninth-graders Troy Jeffries and 30-Bible Heritage, 7:30 away. Thomas Glazner could step up and get some playing time.

Aug. 30 to start the season. The Samnorwood, 7:30 home. Tigers kick off district play Sept. 13 at home against Hedley. Their 4-Follett, 7:30 away; 11-Fort

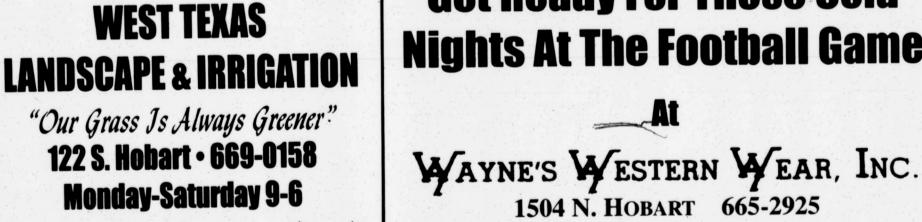
McLean Schedule Aug. Sept.

6-Miami, 7:30 away; 13-Hedley, McLean is at Bible Heritage on 7:30 home; 20-Open; 27-Oct.

away; 24-Miami, 7:30 home. Nov.

1-Lefors, 7:30 home; 7-Groom, 7:30 away.





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2002 Miami Warriors



Warriors will in rebuilding mode entering new campaign be

the District I-IA runnerup last and linebacker. season, the Miami Warriors will be in a rebuilding mode in 2002.

Coach Danny James returns only one starter from a team that and very inexperienced. I could went 6-5 a year ago. That return- put six guys on the field who ing starter is kicker Hal Rogers, who is also the team's only James said. senior. Rogers is a good one. He kicker. He will likely also be see- a year ago.

MIAMI — After finishing as ing action this season at fullback Eight seniors were lost off the James added.

'01 squad. "We're going to be very young haven't played a down together,"

All the varsity players, except was a second-team all-stater as a for Rogers, were on the JV team

"The JV team only played two games because of injuries."

James looks for Follett and Fort Elliott to be the teams to beat in District 1-A six-man.

"Follett will be tough again and Fort Elliott has a bunch of good players back. Groom and Lefors are going to be in about the same boat as we are," James said.

James will looking to quarter-McLean. back Jeffrey Browning, end Reid Spearman, cornerback Kris as Miami's head coach. Roach and safety Kyler Roach to boost the Warriors.

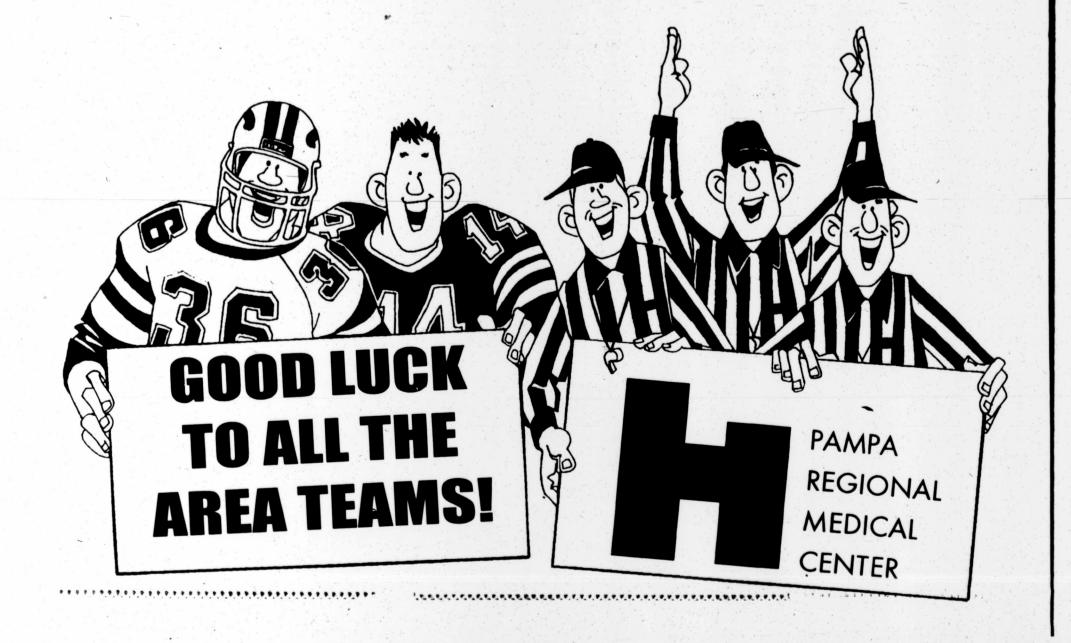
Bryce Roda, Ean Miller, Oak Hale and Justin Holman should get some playing time.

Miami opens the season Aug. 30 with an away game against 18-Samnorwood, 7:30 home; 11-Higgins, 7:30 away; 18-Samnorwood, 7:30 home; 24-McLean, 7:30 away. Vernon Northside. The home opener is Sept. 6 against 1-Follett, 7:30 home: 8-Lefors, 7:30 away.

James enters his third season Miami Schedule

Aug. 30-Vernon Northside, 7:30 away. Sept. 6-McLean, 7:30 home; 13-Open; 20-Hedley, 7:30 away; 27-Fort Elliott, 7:30 home. Oct.

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2002 Pampa Harvesters



Harvesters plan to unveil pass-oriented offense

PAMPA — Coming off a postseason appearance, the Pampa Harvesters will be looking to step up its air attack in an effort to reach the playoffs again in 2002.

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"We're going to be passing 80 percent of that time, at least that what the master plan is right now," said Pampa coach Dennis Cavalier. "We'll have four or five receivers in the game at the same time and we'll be using a shotgun formation."

Strong-armed quarterback John Braddock (205-pound sr.) will be manning the controls and he should be a perfect fit for the Harvesters' multiple offense. The 6-3 Braddock threw for 945 yards and six touchdowns a year ago despite missing three games. One of Braddock's key receivers will be Johnny Moore (165-pound junior) who was District 3-4A's newcomer of the year in 2001. Moore at running back was more valuable at catching passes, making 49 receptions for 466 yards and three touchdowns. He rushed for 253 yards on 66 carries.

"Passing will lend itself to the strength of our team. "Smaller,

quicker linemen would have trouble blocking against bigger people in a run-oriented offense," coach Cavalier said. "We've got a corps of excellent receivers and we're hoping our no-huddle offense will create some mismatches."

Including Braddock and Moore, the Harvesters return six starters on offense. Returning are center Brandon McElroy (200pound senior), alternating guards senior) and Matt Murray (200pound senior), flanker Jesse Tarango (165-pound junior) and split end Jordan Klaus (180pound senior).

Also back is Jered Snelgrooes (160-pound senior), who will be kicking extra points and field goals again. Tarango will handle the punting chores once more.

Looking to start or to play on an alternating basis on the offensive line are Allen Curry (185-pound junior), Brian Watts (205-pound senior), Marcos DeLeon (140pound junior), Jerrod Carruth (220-pound senior) and Zack Cobb (190-pound senior).

Ryan First-time player Zemanek (185-pound senior) has been a pleasant surprise for Cavalier. Zemanek, a varsity basketball starter, for the moment has

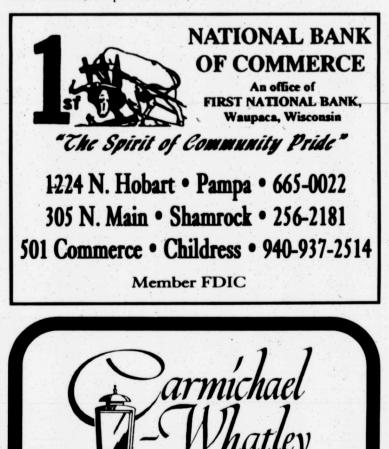
Aaron Burrows (180-pound the starting tight end job nailed They alternated at free safety. down. He's being pushed by Brittin East (165-pound sophomore). Zemanek also shows promise as a deep-snapper.

Cavalier is looking for good things from Andrew Ammons (165-pound junior), Klaus' backup at split end. Another productive performer could be Greg Wiley (190-pound junior), who may see lots of action on the offensive line. Currently, there's a three-way battle going on at fullback between Derrick Williams (160pound senior), Joe Meraz (150pound junior) and Dannie Meza (155-pound junior).

Pampa's defense will have to step up. Tristan Brown (160-pound senior) and Andrew Curtis (175pound junior) are the lone returning starters on the defensive side.

East at noseguard, Michael McCormick (235-pound senior) See HARVESTERS. P. 11

at tackle and Tommy Abernathy Looking at the defensive line, 185-pound senior) are listed



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No. 1 on the depth chart. Max Vinson (175-pound junior) is listed behind Abernathy.

The defensive end position Palo Duro should be extremewill be shared by Derek Lewis (175-pound junior) and Landon Baker (170pound senior). Cobb is emerging as the starting middle linebacker while Carlos Solis (175-pound senior) will back him up.

Solis, a varsity basketball player, is another first-time gridder.

Curtis Pritchett (190-pound senior) and Mac Smith (170pound senior) are penciled in as the other starting linebackers

Solis, Klaus and Braddock will be standing by for backup duty.

Snelgrooes and Trey Curtis 6 - Lubbock Estacado, (155-pound senior) are tabbed as the starting cornerbacks. Joel Botello will be working with the first unit. Providing depth will be Tarango and Williams.

Brown will be back at free safety while Curtis shifts to strong safety.

Both are highly-regarded homecoming; players who possess good speed and quickness. Moore will back up both of these players.

Going into the first week of workouts, Cavalier and his coaching staff knew they would have to focus on 1-Open; 8 -* Caprock, putting the pieces together on both offense and defense.

"Even though we had some experience coming back on offense, we were still concerned about the positions we had to fill. The good news is that we're making great progress and we're starting to see some light at the end of the tunnel," Cavalier said. "Our offensive line held their own in the scrimmage (Wichita Falls Hirschi) and I feel like we have a chance to be very competitive."

Cavalier looks for the district to be tough from top to bottom, just like it was a year

"I see the district as anybody's 'to win. Some teams will have more experience coming in, like Hereford, Randall and Dumas," he said. "They'll have more returning starters and quality players.

ly tough. Plainview is the new team in our district, but past dealings with them leads me to believe they're going to well-coached and wellstocked with good players."

season Aug. 30 on the road against Perryton. Their district opener is

Sept. 27 when the Harvesters visit Randall.

Pampa Schedule Aug.

30-Perryton, 7:30 away.

Sept.

7:30 home: 12-Amarillo High, 7:30 away; 20-Borger, 7:30 home: 27-*Randall, 7:30 away.

Oct. 4-*Plainview, 7:30 11-*Hereford, 7:30 away; 18-*Palo Duro, 7:30 25-*Dumas, home; 7:30 away.

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THE PAMPA NEWS - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2002 -11 **Denton Ryan edges Ennis for top 4A** spot in AP pre-season football poll

DENTON, Texas (AP) - In the battle for Class 4A's top edged Ennis at the ballot box.

If they both win their first games of the season, last season's reigning champions will get to decide who's No. 1 on the his passes for 3,006 yards and field.

The Harvesters kick off the Class 4A Division I champ, have a nice pair of targets in earned the top spot in The receiver Philip Jones, who Associated Press preseason high school football poll by the slimmest of margins over Ennis, winner of the last two Division II titles.

> votes from the statewide pool of 20 writers and broadcasters. The difference was that Denton Ryan received 190 total votes compared to Ennis' 187.

The preseason rankings released Sunday showed a flipflop of last year's final regularseason poll, when Ennis was largest class for the season No. 1 and Denton Ryan was No.

"It'll be a bigger step if we finish No. 1," Denton Ryan coach Joey Florence said. Florence's team will be hard-

pressed to repeat last year's 15-0 record.

The Raiders open the season Sept. 6 at Class 4A's No. 8 team, Fort Worth Dunbar, then play Ennis in Denton the following week. Their next two games are against playoff teams: 5A Coppell and 4A Azle. "We've got a killer schedule," Florence said. "We're going to find out if we're as

good as people think we are pretty quickly."

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All-state quarterback James straight preseason. Battle and 6-foot-6 defensive team, Denton Ryan narrowly end Jarvis Moss will be counted upon to lead a team that returns 13 starters and 22 lettermen.

Battle, who is 27-3 as a starter, completed 63 percent of 38 TDs and ran for 566 yards Denton Ryan, the defending and 11 TDs last season. He'll caught 50 passes for 1,062 yards and 12 TDs, and the 6-5, 215-pound William Dowdy.

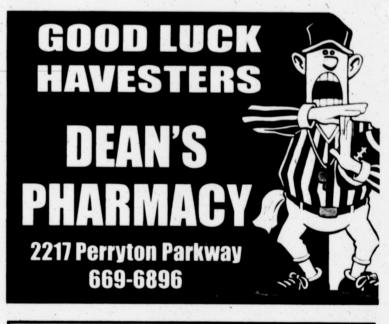
On defense, Moss finished with 28 sacks and 122 tackles. Both received 10 first-place He'll be needed more this season as last year's other defensive end, Brian Smith, took his 35 sacks on to the University of Missouri

> Austin Westlake, which has lost in a Class 5A title game for two straight years, again finds itself ranked first in the state's

"I always say that if you're going to be ranked somewhere, you might as well be first." Austin Westlake coach Ron Schroeder said. "We've won a lot of football games, and it shows a lot of respect for our program.

Schroeder's team, which received 16 first-place votes, returns 12 starters and 30 lettermen from last year's 14-2 squad. But the biggest loss will likely be Schroeder's quarterback and son, Chad, who is at Texas A&M.

"We're losing a quarterback that could have been the best one we've had," said Schroeder. including former Westlake standout and San Diego Chargers' QB Drew Brees in that list. "With Chad's combination of throwing and quickness, it's going to be tough to replace.



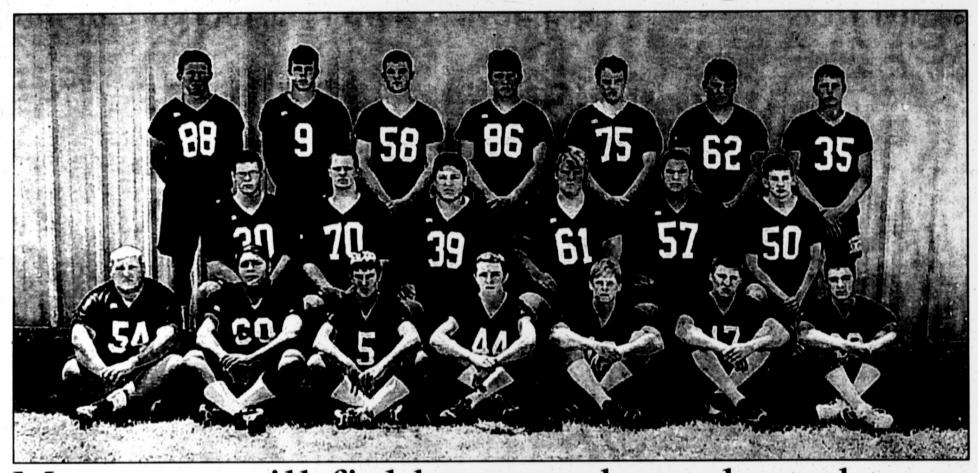




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2002 Wheeler Mustangs



ustangs will field young, but talented team

WHEELER - A won-loss round. record doesn't always tell the whole story Just look at the improve on that record as Wheeler Mustangs.

Wheeler was just 1-4 in predistrict gameS last season, but offense and eight on defense. the Mustangs toughened up Only five lettermen graduatand reversed that record to go ed. 4-1 in District 1-1A.

That was enough to get into on the young side. Eight the playoffs, finishing as run- juniors could be on the startner-up behind White Deer in ing team. district standings. the Wheeler finished 5-6, losing Chapman, running back Chris

Wheeler has a solid shot in head coach Jim Verden returns seven starters on

The Mustangs will still be yards and 10 touchdowns.

Ouarterback James

be the mainstays. Operating out the Veer offense, Chapman threw for 554 yards and eight touchdowns.

back Chris Running Gallagher rushed for a 1,000

Defensively, Chapman compiled 18 individual tackles to go with 10 assists and five sacks in 2001.

Both Chapman and Masters Stratford in the bi-district Gallagher and defensive end are just juniors, while Gallagher is a senior.

> Others providing senior leadership will be running back-defensive back Chris Gallagher, offensive linemandefensive end Tyler Lewis, backer Joe Don Glassey, wide

Brad Masters are expected to ottensive lineman-detensive receiver-defensive end Evan Watts, two-way lineman Dan Glasgow and offensive lineman-linebacker Danny Spikes.

> junior, is an aggressive performer at defensive end.

He finished last season with a dozen tackles, 20 assists and two fumble recoveries.

Other Mustangs expected to make a difference are centerlinebacker Joe Salas, running back-linebacker Josh Miller, wide receiver-defensive back Brenton Goerend, wide receiver-defensive back Juan Silas, wide receiver-line-

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Dagen Moore, two-way lineman Nic Gaines, wide receiver-defensive back Cameron Burton and offensive line-Blane Rutherford, another man-defensive end Landon Sams.

> Wheeler has long been recognized as having one of top small-school football programs in the state.

The Mustangs have won state championships in the state's smallest 11-man classifications in 1977, 1979 and 1987.

Wheeler opens the season Sept. 6 on the home field against West Texas High.

Wheeler Schedule

Sept.

6 - West Texas, 7:30 home; 13-Canadian, 7:30 home; 20-Paducah, 7:30 away; 27-Sunray, 7:30 home.

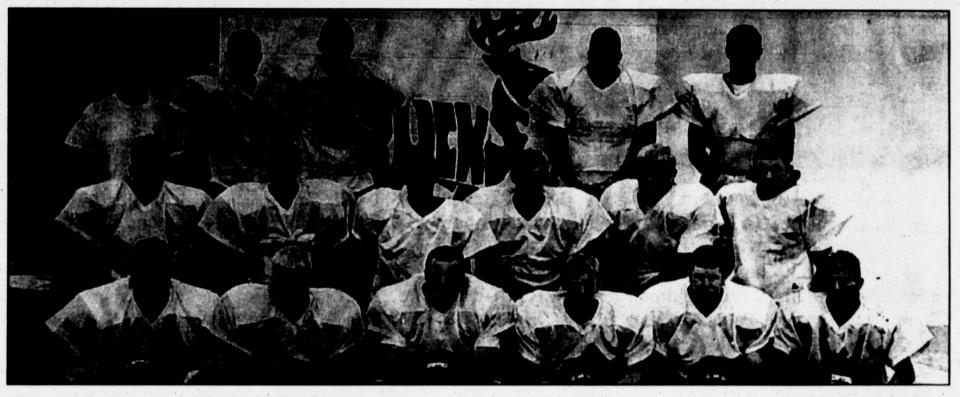
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4-Stratford, 7:30 away; 11-Claude, 7:30 away; 18-Shamrock, 7:30 away; 25-Memphis, 7:30 home. Nov. I-Wellington, 7:30 away; 7-

Clarendon, 7:30 home.



2002 White Deer Bucks



Bucks will bid for another district championship

the White Deer Bucks match or beat their 9-2 record of a year ago? With six starters returning on offense and seven on defense, the Bucks stand a good chance of achieving

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one or the other. A year ago, White Deer defensive end Kirk Kelp captured the District 1-A will be among the players

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champion Stratford kept the Bucks from going unbeaten during the regular season. White Deer's year ended with a 27-6 loss to Nazareth in bi-district.

Ouarterback Brian Knocke and running backchampionship and only a to keep an eye on. Knocke

WHITE DEER — Can loss to defending state switches from making receptions to throwing receptions. He pulled down 27 catches for 460 yards and seven touchdowns last vear.

> Knocke proved his versatility last season when he was named the district's most valuable defensive player from his linebacking position. Kelp finished with 36 solo tackles and 100 assisted tackles.

Kelp, an all-district pick on defense last year, is also a veteran running back.

are tight end-defensive end Byron Norton, defensive back Garrett Travis, centerlinebacker Malcom Maxey. defensive lineman Cody Owens, two-way lineman William Zumstein, defensive back Rufus Estrada and offensive lineman Robert Germany. Travis and Owens were both alldistrict selections.

Running back Zach Bullard saw lots of action last year and averaged 10 yards per carry.

Head coach Ruben Guerrero has logged a 17-6

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record in his two years as head coach. The Bucks were 7-4 his first year and made the playoffs. He was the district's coach of the year in 2001.

White Deer's first game is Sept. 6 at Spearman. The Bucks open district play at home against Sunray on Oct. 11.

The homecoming contest is against Memphis on Sept. 27.

> White Deer Schedule Sept.

6-Spearman, 7:30 away; 13-Crosbyton, 7:30 home; 20-Nazareth, 7:30 away: 27-Memphis, 7:30 homecoming.

Oct.

4-Clarendon, 7:30 away; ***11-Sunray**, 7:30 home; *18-Vega, 7:30 away; *25-Stratford, 7:30 home.

Nov. *1-Gruver, 7:30 away; *9-Booker, 7:30 home.

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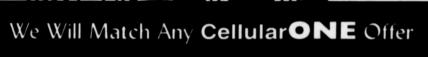
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Cowboys' depth at receiver will be tested in 2002

SAN ANTONIO (AP) The Dallas Cowboys may be deep at receiver, but they're suddenly very inexperienced.

Other than eighth-year starter Joey Galloway, the Cowboys have three secondyear players — who have a combined 10 career catches and one touchdown - and three rookies left

Coach Dave Campo has often talked about how good the young receivers are, and said the Cowboys were in the best shape they had been at that position in a long time. With starter Raghib Ismail out with a seasonending injury, Campo is about to find out if he's right.

"Losing Rocket was a blow to us, but all of our young guys were making progress," Campo said. football career after this sea-"This forces the younger son.

I haven't come out here once practicing to be a third receiver. I've been practicing to be the best and try to improve and get better."

- Antonio Bryant

guys to come on quicker. They were going to get playing time anyway."

The 32-year-old Ismail had surgery Wednesday in which a herniated disk was removed and the two vertebrae surrounding it were fused

Doctors have said he should be able to resume his

Confident rookie Antonio Bryant, whom the Cowboys have quietly compared to Michael Irvin, is the most likely to replace Ismail in the starting lineup opposite Galloway this season.

"I haven't come out here once practicing to be a third receiver," Bryant said. "I've been practicing to be the best and try to improve and get better. Things like this happen, and any one of us could have stepped up without losing much rhythm in our offense. We can be successful."

While Campo has refused to confirm Bryant as the starter, the rookie has worked with the first-team offense since Ismail was hurt and started last weekend's preseason game at Carolina.

Campo also likes secondthe team's primary kick returner, because like Bryant they have made tough catches in camp.

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Michael Irvin is a guy that 28 TDs. can go get the football and things those guys do. They attack.'

Rambo and Swinton, who may not play Saturday because of a strained right hamstring, are also the only receivers other than Galloway with an NFL reception, even though most of their contributions last year were on special teams.

Swinton averaged 23.7 yards per kickoff return and 13.4 yards per punt return last year, both among the best in the NFC, and also had seven catches for 117 yards, including a 45-yard TD

Rambo had three catches for 28 yards.

Now they have a chance to Extra offense.

"It gives us an opportuni- Palmer, ty to get out there and make Colorado State, has four plays," Rambo said. "When years of NFL experience you get that opportunity, you've got to make it happen, get in the end zone, make plays and make people miss.

What the coaches are tryyear players Ken-Yon ing to stress to the young Rambo and Reggie Swinton, receivers is to be themselves.

> None of them are expected Ismail, the speedy 10-year

"One of the things we've veteran who has 363 career missed since the loss of catches for 5,295 yards and

"They are getting a lot of attack the football," Campo reps, and I expect these guys said. "That's one of the to step up and play their roles and just be themselves," said receivers coach Wes Chandler. "I don't want them to anything other than what the play is designed to do, and they'll be fine because this is a talented group."

The Cowboys had considered keeping six receivers, but will probably only have five with second-year speedster Randal Williams likely assured a spot now.Rookies DeVeren Johnson, who has a strained thigh, and Jeremaine Copeland have outside shots of making the team with two preseason games left.

points: The be more productive in new Cowboys signed free agent offensive coordinator Bruce deep snapper Mitch Palmer Coslet's West Coast-style on Thursday, and expect him to play Saturday. who is from with Tampa Bay and Minnesota. He was cut by the Houston Texans during the summer. ... Seven-time Pro Bowl guard Larry Allen will play a series or two in Saturday's game. It will be his first game action since offseason shoulder surgery.

Rookie center Andre to single-handedly replace Gurode, who strained his left groin last week at Carolina, will not play this weekend. ... Coach Dave Campo said he's not any closer to deciding between kickers Tim Seder and rookie Billy Cundiff. If all stays equal, the advantage apparently goes to Seder. "I have a history with Tim, so that is one Billy has to win decisively in my mind," Campo said. Both at 3-for-3 in field goals while splitting time the first two preseason games. Campo indicated that one of the kickers may be given Saturday's game. He wouldn't say which one.



THE PAMPA NEWS - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2002 - 17 The old QB's head finds a new body

By JIM LITKE AP Sports Writer

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more than a few of his new lodge brothers can't wait for their chance to knock the smirk off Steve Spurrier's face

Here's why: Spurrier won't make the racket look harder game, against the 49ers in 1y," he said. "We just take than it is.

Asked the other night how his transition to the NFL was going, the 57-year-old rookie didn't have to think long or hard.

"We're 4-0," Spurrier said. "That's the only answer I he called a flea-flicker, then a know.'

This is one guy who comes by his arrogance honestly.

Spurrier won football games at Duke, after all, and among the five million or so reasons he cited for taking the Redskins job last January was to find out if his teams could 122 of 150 games and a play pitch and catch in the pros the way they did in college.

Last season, the Redskins ranked 28th in scoring (averaging 16 points per game, 28th in total offense (277 coaches who fall asleep on helmet. yards) and 30th in passing their office sofas watching (155 yards; about what Spurrier's sophomore quar- control freaks by delegating terback averaged by half- almost everything except the years wiser, back in the game time).

Counting last Saturday's win at Tampa, his Redskins control freaks who spent were averaging 37 points per hours breaking down game, almost 400 yards total Spurrier's Fun 'N' Gun

offense and 340 yards pass- schemes expecting to find ing

"We're happy with the win," he said, "but it's not It's only the preseason, but that big a deal. It's just a practice game."

> Maybe so, but this is one of those cases where you learn more from watching than listening.

In his first "practice" Japan at the start of the He won't even pretend. month, Spurrier was calling pass plays in the last two minutes as if his team desperately needed two scores to win. The Redskins were ahead by 24 at the time.

In his latest practice game, reverse in the fourth quarter against the Bucs. The ball and intuitively see where Redskins were up by 16 at the the seams and gaps will time.

Spurrier is never shy about running the score, which he did often and with impunity at Florida, where his teams won national championship. That alone would earn him a spot mind. on most NFL coaches' enemies list

play-calling. But what really unnerved the workaholics and

mysteries was that they failed to come up with any.

Chris Doering could have told them as much.

He played for Spurrier at logging lots of time in Washington.

"It's not real special, realchances. We throw the ball down the field a lot."

It's not quite that simple. Spurrier's real genius as a coach is the same thing that won him the Heisman Trophy as a college quarterback.

He can look over a defense just before the snap of the develop.

In college, he called audibles by relaying hand signals from the sideline to a relatively untested 20-year-old with all kinds of distractions on his

In the NFL, he will be talking via walkie-talkie directly But he didn't quit there, to a cold-blooded veteran Spurrier teased workaholic with a headset built into his

To Spurrier, it almost seems game film, and mocked the unfair; it's like putting the old quarterback's head, now 30 atop a new body.

> And yet fairness might be what finally convinced Spurrier to accept the challenge of the pros.

He always liked the idea of teams with roughly equal tal- everywhere along the way. ent butting heads. He never Spurrier sees to it they will Redskins wide receiver liked the BCS and he wasn't much interested in recruiting or glad-handing boosters. He is comfortable with what he Florida and could wind up knows and doesn't know, comfortable enough to turn over the defensive game plan to somebody he trusts - in this case, Marvin Lewis - in much the same way Bill Walsh did with George Seifert and Mike Ditka did with Buddy Ryan.

> The team Spurrier inherited is a little better than the 8-8 record it produced last season, even if the schedule is a little tougher than a first-year coach deserves. Besides the NFC East, the Redskins get Indianapolis and St. Louis at home, and San Francisco. Tennessee and Green Bay away

There will be skeptics never be short on ammo.

When I came into this league, it was: Will that college offense work? After the preseason, it will be: Will this offense work in the regular season? Then if we're lucky enough to be in the playoffs: Will it work in the playoffs? Then will it work two years in a row? That's OK. I understand. That's part of it.

"We're throwing it around pretty decent right now, but not as well as we hope to."

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Eagles should run away with NFC East Division

By BARRY WILNER AP Football Writer

The Philadelphia Eagles could have an extra special treat on Thanksgiving Day: an NFC East title.

While that will be awfully early for any team to clinch a division, the Eagles are that much better Washington, Dallas and the New York Giants. Philadelphia has some question marks at linebacker and receiver, but it also has five of the best players in this division, all of them difference makers.

From versatile quarterback Donovan McNabb, a prime candidate for league MVP, to tight end Chad Lewis to defensive end Hugh Douglas to cornerback Troy Vincent to safety Brian Dawkins, Philadelphia has the stars and leaders.

After winning a power strug-

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year, coach Andy Reid has built around those players. The Eagles also are about \$8 million under the salary cap and have locked up most of their key performers with long-term deals.

They nearly knocked off the Rams in St. Louis in the NFC championship game in January, using a confounding blitzing scheme and the creativity of McNabb.

None of the other divisional opponents comes close to matching Philly's strengths, and the addition of WR Antonio Freeman and RB Dorsey Levens, who know the West Coast scheme from his days in Green Bay, can't hurt. "All the key elements are

here," says Duce Staley, who will handle the bulk of the rushing after Correll Buckhalter tore up his left

gle over personnel matters last knee in minicamp. "Now we have to produce.'

McNabb has been the biggest producer on offense. Now in his fourth season, he has more talent surrounding perhaps rookie Westbrook in the backfield. Lewis is a Pro Bowl tight end who provided a comfort zone for McNabb.

Freeman, while no longer a force. game-breaker, could do the same

"I'm looking forward to seeing what we can do, because we're all more comfortable immediately to the NFL. with what Andy wants from us," McNabb says. "We had a Gators Danny good experience last year, winning the division and going to the championship game."

Philadelphia's continuity is and successfully. impressive, with 19 of 22 starters returning.

Jeremiah Trotter, could be receiving corps is mediocre. damaging. Coordinator Jim Johnson might have to turn to fading veteran Kirkland.

Regardless, Johnson will call blitz after blitz, particularly by his superb backs. Dawkins is among the best playmaking safeties in football, and Vincent is a superb cover cornerback.

David Akers is an All-Pro in the cold of November and coaching.' December — and perhaps deep into January.

The Redskins, Cowboys and Giants don't figure to be playing in January.

level in the nation's capital has not been so high for pro foothim than ever. Staley will be ball since the days of Joe resembling a wise NFL percomplemented by Levens and Gibbs, don't expect Steve Brian 'Spurrier's first season to be a contending one. Washington has issues nearly everywhere Doomsday units of the past on offense except running with DT La'Roi Glover bring-

Florida Gators will translate

He's banking on former Spurrier's all-time favorite the league. quarterback, and Shane Matthews running it precisely the ball. Sure, RB Emmitt

what it takes to win - or hold But the most notable onto a job - in the pros, the absence, middle linebacker line can be spotty and the

The big numbers of the preseason aren't going to continue by new coordinator Bruce Levon when the games count, although a defense coordinated LBs Trotter, LaVar Arrington Champ Bailey will be stingy.

"It's been pretty nice thus far, but we realize we've been fortunate in some of the games we've won," Spurrier says. "We're not a super team by placekicker, a key ingredient any means, but it's fun just

> Check back with Spurrier in November.

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Enthusiasm is high in Dallas, too, as the Cowboys emerge from salary cap purga-Although the excitement tory. It will take one more offseason of strong moves, but owner Jerry Jones has begun sonnel man.

The defense could show some traits of the vaunted back, where Stephen Davis is a ing consistency and leadership to the line, LB Kevin Hardy Spurrier believes the Fun 'N bringing experience and some Gun attack that produced all size to a small but active unit, kinds of routs when he led the and top draft pick Roy Williams bringing, well, everything.

> Safety Williams easily could Wuerffel, be the biggest impact rookie in

Dallas must do better with Smith will get his yards - he But neither has displayed needs 540 to pass Walter Payton as the career rushing. But the work of second-year QB Quincy Carter (or the even greener Chad Hutchinson) is crucial in the offense installed Coslet.

The Giants are not dissimilar by Marvin Lewis and featuring to the team they played in the 2001 Super Bowl. But unlike and Jessie Armstead and CB the Ravens, who appear destined to fall apart this season, the Giants should hover near .500

> For them to do anything better, RBs Tiki Barber and Ron Dayne need more efficiency from the jumbled line. And QB Kerry Collins, who set an NFL record for fumbles last season, needs stauncher protection. If he gets it, receivers Amani Toomer and Ike Hilliard and top pick TE Jeremy Shockey will have an impact.

> Defensively, Michael Strahan is in the walk year of his contract and comes off a league-record 22 1/2 sacks. MLB Mike Barrow can be a force, but the secondary might go with two secondyear cornerbacks, Will Allen and Will Peterson. Both are, uh, willing, but are they able?

Prediction: Philadelphia (11-5); Washington (8-8); Dallas (7-9); New York (7-9).



Pats will have tough time winning

Dolphins draw favorite's role in AFC East race

By BARRY WILNER AP Football Writer

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They are the defending Super Bowl champions, yet the New England Patriots probably are the third-best team in their division.

these days that the team that Troy Brown. Brown finally shocked everyone - including some of its own players due thanks to his perforonship in January figures to through last winter's playstruggle to earn a playoff offs. berth.

Winning the AFC's best division? Not likely.

Of course, that's exactly what the Patriots want everyone to think. They sneaked up on the rest of the conference in 2001, and would have no problem with the same approach this year. "We don't have any 'Prime Times.' We don't have any superstars," says Adam Vinatieri, whose clutch field goals won the against Oakland and the Seymour is a good candi-Super Bowl against St. Louis. "The record is 0-0 right now and everybody's trying to get ready for September."

Everyone will be ready for the Patriots this time, which puts tremendous pressure on quarterback Tom Brady. The feel-good story of last season, Brady must build on his stunning success, and do it on a team that has more holes than most defending champions.

"I think we're going to have to find different ways to do different things that worked last year," Brady admits. "Probably some of them, I promise you, aren't

going to work this year." Some of the things that should work are Brady

who no longer has competition at the position with Drew Bledsoe traded to Buffalo - throwing to David Patten, Donald Hayes. exciting rookie Such is parity in the NFL Deion Branch and veteran got the recognition he was by winning the champi- mance down the stretch and

> The power running of Antowain Smith and coach Bill Belichick's masterly defensive schemes were critical to last year's success.

But consider that Smith has been an inconsistent after the ball is snapped are player throughout his career; the offensive line is so-so; and too many of Belichick's defenders are role players.

New England needs a star to emerge up front defencontroversial playoff game sively; tackle Richard date.

this season simply might be are better.

And very hungry. "You can tell that everybody's gunning for you." as they're playing the and match everyone's intensity.

The Patriots will get a and Packers in the first six weeks

nificant additions.

Most notable are RB Ricky Williams and offencoordinator Norv thin. sive Turner.

tile running game they've lacked for decades.

Williams might not lead switched teams.

"The things Ricky does unbelievable," says Turner, who has produced a 1,200yard gainer in eight of the past 11 seasons.

The threat Williams provides should ease QB Jay Fiedler's burden.

Coming off hip surgery, Fiedler should not be The Pats' biggest problem depended on too much.

If Williams sets the offen- defense like no other in the that both the Miami sive tone, then Fiedler and conference. Dolphins and New York Jets WR Chris Chambers, who was spectacular late in his season under coordinator rookie year, become more Paul Hackett's West Coast dangerous.

"I'm not one to brag," Smith says. "They look at it Chambers says, "but you can feel that this is a pretty defending world champions good team. I can't wait until so we have to go out there we go against somebody Laveranues Coles provide else and see what we can lots of speed. do.

chance to do so early, facing flux, though, and the in football. the Steelers, Jets, Dolphins defense needs more rest during games. It is a strong unit' team in the AFC East could led by solid cover corner- be Buffalo, yet the Bills are Miami has an easier open- backs. Sam Madison and destined to finish last. ing schedule and several sig- Patrick Surtain, do-everything LB Zach Thomas and times in .01. ranking nextquick DE Jason Taylor. But to-last in points scored and the defensive line could be allowed.

Look for the Dolphins to the Jets, who added a No. 1 establish the kind of versa- draft pick (Bryan Thomas) lished running back and and three free agents (Steve Bledsoe could be a sitting White, Josh Evans and Larry Webster) to All-Pro end the league in rushing, but he John Abraham. If Abraham find top-rate receivers in will have a bigger impact recovers well from a preseathan any runner who son knee injury and the Josh Reed, but he might not other end, Shaun Ellis, awakens, the line will be formidable.

> Sam Cowart already is. at middle linebacker will Cowart comes off a torn help. Achilles' tendon in the 2001 enough. opener while with Buffalo. His return to form is pivotal.

ball, but it supports in run 6); Buffalo 5-11.

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The offense, in its second scheme, should be productive

QB Vinny Testaverde looks sharp at 38, and wide receivers Santana Moss and

Curtis Martin is one of The offensive line is in the five best running backs

Oddly, the most improved

They won only three

Bledsoe is a huge upgrade That's not a problem for at quarterback, but the line is weak, there is no estabduck.

> Given time to throw, he'll Eric Moulds and rookie get the time.

The defense has been torn apart by free agency, retire-The linebacker trio of Mo ments and injuries recently. Lewis, Marvin Jones and Newcomer London Fletcher but not nearly

Prediction: Miami (11-New York's secondary is 5); New York (10-6, wild among the slowest in foot- card); New England (10-

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