



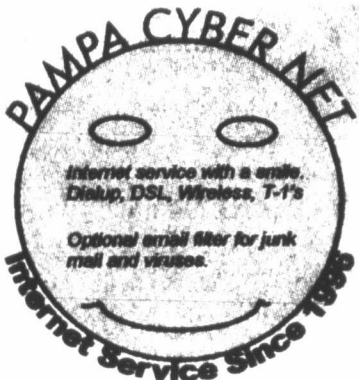
**Great Deals For The Holidays! Ask About Our 2 Months FREE Cellular Connections** located at **2145-B N. Hobart** or call **669-1551**

# THE PAMPA NEWS

\*\*\*\*\* ALL FOR ADD 730  
\*01 BV04227 12/31/14  
SOUTHWEST MICRO PUBLISHING  
2627 E YANDELL DR  
EL PASO TX 79903-3743

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2002

NEWS 50 cents Daily • Sunday \$1



**WEATHER WEATHER**

HIGH 42 LOW 25

## LOCAL

**'Christmas in the Canyon' set Dec. 14**

CANYON — Palo Duro Canyon State Park will host its fourth annual "Christmas in the Canyon" from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14, at the park's Interpretive Center. The event will include refreshments, crafts, music, and storytelling. Fees will be waived in exchange for a donation of one non-perishable food item per person.

## STATE

**'And take your sign'**

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A South Texas judge who requires sex offenders to post signs in their yards wants legislators to amend state law so he can force them to do it after they've moved away.

In May 2001, 105th District Judge Manuel Banales ordered 15 sex offenders on probation to place signs in front of their homes and on vehicles to proclaim they are sex offenders.

## DEATHS

**Susan Christie Preston**, 92, former Pampan.  
**Myrtle Rogers**, 60, nurse's aide.  
**Ola Tinney**, 87, services pending.  
**Pleas Edward Trimble**, 82, heavy equipment operator.

## INSIDE...

**Classified** .....7  
**Comics** .....4  
**Sports** .....5

**WEST TEXAS LANDSCAPE**  
**GIFT SHOP**  
"For All Your Christmas Decorating Needs"  
120 S. HOBART 669-0158

**CHILDERS BROTHERS**  
**HOUSE LEVELING**  
Uneven Floors  
Floor Bracing  
Cracks In Bricks  
Sticking Doors & Windows  
Interior Wall Cracking  
FREE ESTIMATES  
1-800-299-9563  
WWW.CHILDERSLEVLEING.COM

# United Airlines files for bankruptcy

**It's the largest such action in aviation history**

CHICAGO (AP) — United Airlines made the largest bankruptcy filing in aviation history Monday, saying it was the only way to keep the world's No. 2 airline flying after two years of heavy losses.

The Chapter 11 filing also was one of the top 10 ever as measured by assets. The suburban Chicago-based company has lost \$4 billion in the last

two years due to a slumping economy, flawed business strategies and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. It faced debt payments of \$875 million later this week.

"We're in control of United's destiny," United CEO Glenn Tilton said in a telephone interview. "We've made a good decision for United. It is in fact Chapter 11. ... This is a tremendous opportunity for United to transform this company and to emerge stronger than ever."

Tilton told customers and employees at O'Hare International Airport that the carrier would keep flying. "We are now going to take this occasion to create a new beginning for

United," he said.

Tilton said he expects the bankruptcy process to be completed within 18 months.

At a bankruptcy hearing at 7 a.m., Chief Judge Eugene R. Wedoff issued orders allowing United to keep operating until another hearing Monday when he is to issue further orders allowing the airline to continue its operations.

United said it obtained \$1.5 billion in financing from several banks to continue operating. The airline said it has \$800 million in cash on hand.

The airline has promised to keep flying while it sheds costs under the auspices of a bankruptcy judge and

overhauls its business plan to try to become profitable again.

United operates about 1,700 flights a day, or about 20 percent of all U.S. flights. It has the most extensive worldwide route structure of any airline.

The bankruptcy filing will come at a steep price for the 83,000 employees who own 55 percent of the company. A bankruptcy court judge is almost certain to order wage and job cuts and could dissolve the employee stock ownership plan.

Two of United's unions, the Air Line Pilots Association and the Association of Flight Attendants, said (See UNITED, Page 3)

## Holiday festivities



(Pampa News photos)

Grand Marshal Paulette Kirksey, above, waves from a PT Cruiser at the beginning of the annual Pampa Christmas parade Saturday morning. At right, the Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross set out a colorful spread of treats for visitors to their Christmas open house also held on Saturday. Pictured, from left, are Scotty Herring, Betty Gordon, Heidi Phelps, and Director Jana Gregory. Parade results were not available from the Pampa Chamber of Commerce by press time today.



## Officers seek suspects in string of vandalisms

Pampa police officers today were investigating a weekend vandalism spree.

Officers said that there were nine reports of tires being slashed Saturday night on Pampa streets. There were also two reports of windows being broken out of vehicles.

Two tires were reported slashed at 716 Magnolia. Tires on three vehicles were reported slashed at 1404 W. Coronado. One tire was punctured in the 500 block of Malone. A tire was reported cut in the 300 block of North Wynne. Tires were slashed on

two vehicles at 501 N. Roberts. Two tires were slashed at 310 E. Browning. A tire was cut and a headlight on a vehicle was broken out at 318 E. Sunset. A tire was cut in the 800 block of East Foster. Four tires were cut at 532 N. Hazel.

In addition, police reported the windshield and a side window broken out on a van at 319 N. Ballard, and the driver's side window on a vehicle at 915 E. Fisher was broken out.

The total estimate of the weekend vandalism is about \$4,000.

## Snow in economic forecast

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Monday nominated John W. Snow, chairman of the transportation and railroad conglomerate CSX Corp., to replace Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill and lead an economic team retooled for the president's re-election drive.

"John Snow has excelled as a business leader, an expert on economic policy, an academic, and as a public servant," Bush said. "He'll be a superb member of my Cabinet."

Snow, 63, a former Ford administration official whose company has helped fund the campaigns of Bush and other scores of other GOP politicians, will be the point man as the president presses a new tax-cutting economic package.

"In a varied and productive career, John Snow has shown consistent qualities of fore-

sight and integrity and public spirit," Bush said. "He's led one of our nation's largest railroads with skill and success."

Snow credited Bush with shepherding the economy through "one of the shortest and shallowest" recessions. "Yet, I strongly share your view that we cannot be satisfied until everyone — every single person who is unemployed and seeking a job — has an opportunity to work," Snow said.

Bush nominated Snow just three days after firing O'Neill and White House economic adviser Larry Lindsey as part of a shake-up designed to control political damage from the ailing economy. Harvey Pitt, criticized for failing to shield Bush politically from the corporate abuse scandals, resigned on Election Day as chairman of the Securities and (See SNOW, Page 3)

D  
E  
C  
  
0  
9  
2  
0  
0  
2

*Happy Holidays*

*from Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce*

## OBITUARIES

### SUSAN CHRISTIE PRESTON 1921-2002

WACO — Susan Christie Preston, 92, formerly of Pampa, died Saturday, Dec. 7, 2002, at a nursing home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with Mark Christie and Ernie Christie officiating. Arrangements will be under the direction of Connally/Compton Funeral Directors of Waco.

Mrs. Preston was born Oct. 2, 1921, in Wise County, Texas, to George and Susan Baker. Survivors include two sons, Ernie Christie of Waco and Keith Christie of Amarillo; a daughter, Ann Thrasher of Hobbs, N.M.; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. The family will receive visitors from 5-7 p.m., today at the funeral home in Waco.

### MYRTLE ROGERS 1942-2002

Myrtle Rogers, 60, of Pampa, died Friday, Dec. 6, 2002. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday in Fairview Cemetery with Dr. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Rogers was born June 17, 1942, at Pampa and had been a lifelong resident of the community. She worked as a nurses' aide at Pampa Nursing Center in the early 1970s.

She was a member of First Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Marie Smith, in 1985; and a granddaughter, Cassidy Marie Smith, in 1985.

Survivors include three sons, Kenneth Fisher, Troy Fisher, and Rodney Fisher, all of Pampa; a daughter, Mona Linfor of Atlantic, Iowa; a sister, Cindy Jones of Pampa; two brothers, Kenneth Searl and Troy Searl, both of Pampa; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

www.carmichael-whitley.com

### PLEAS EDWARD TRIMBLE 1920-2002

WHEELER — Pleas Edward Trimble, 82, died Friday, Dec. 6, 2002, at Canadian. Graveside services were to be at 2:30 p.m., today at Wheeler Cemetery with Dr. Toby Henson, pastor of First Baptist Church in Wheeler, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Wright Funeral Home in Wheeler.

Mr. Trimble, a lifelong Wheeler County resident, was born Sept. 20, 1920, at Wheeler, to Pleas Edward and Ada Riggins Trimble. He married Vera Bennett at Oct. 6, 1972, at Erick, Okla.; she died in 1984. He was heavy equipment operator for the City of Wheeler.

He was member of Baptist Church and Wheeler Riding Club. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II.

Survivors include four sons, Stan Trimble of Cactus, David Trimble of Pampa, Dan Trimble of Wheeler, and Archie Trimble of Amarillo; two daughters, Tresa Seus of Miami and Alesa Lansaw of Waynesburg, Ky.; 14 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Abraham Memorial Home, 803 Birch St., Canadian, TX 79014.

### OLA TINNEY

Ola Tinney, 87, of Pampa, died Monday, Dec. 9, 2002. Services are pending under the

direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

## SERVICES TOMORROW

**PRESTON, Susan Christie** — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.  
**ROGERS, Myrtle** — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

## ON RECORD

### SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's office reported the following arrests today.

#### Sunday, Dec. 8

JoAnne Patton, 39, 720 E. Frederic, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of issuance of bad checks, speeding and failure to appear.

Brook Parker, 38, 1601 W. Somerville, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Jerry K. Mabry, 49, 1717 Hamilton, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of not having liability insurance and driving with expired tags.

Kima Blanco, 29, 417 W. 17th, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of public intoxication.

Jerry Music, 34, 500 N. Perry, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of possession of a controlled substance.

Dustin Wayne Douglas, 19, 800 E. Foster, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of speeding and running a stop sign.

Manuel L. Fernandez, 49, 421 Lowry, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers on charges of driving while intoxicated.

### FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

#### Saturday, Dec. 7

2:44 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a LifeStar helicopter standby at One Medical Plaza.

5:02 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a gas leak in the 700 block of North Hobart.

7:06 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a hot light ballast in the 600 block of East Craven.

#### Sunday, Dec. 8

5:41 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a car fire at the intersection of Sumner and Somerville streets. A 1992 Pontiac listed to Lee Miles, was engulfed in fire when firefighters arrived. The vehicle was destroyed.

#### Monday, Dec. 9

4:17 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 2300 block of Chestnut.

### POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents today.

#### Friday, Dec. 6

A domestic quarrel was reported in the 700 block of East Scott.

A counterfeit \$100 bill was reported at the Taylor Mart, 600 E. Frederic.

About \$600 was taken from the Lazy S Feed Store, 516 S. Russell.

The cash register was reported broken into at La Hacienda Restaurant, 112 E. Browning.

Tools, a flashlight and a cordless phone were reported stolen from Western Auto, 2225 N. Perryton Parkway, and Radio Shack, 1820 N. Hobart.

#### Saturday, Dec. 7

The driver's side window of a vehicle was broken out in the 900 block of East Fisher.

Two tires were slashed in the 700 block of Magnolia.

Damage to an apartment in the 1400 block of West Somerville was reported.

A tire was cut in the 300 block of North Wynne.

Information was taken in the 2100 block of North Hamilton.

Tires on two vehicles were slashed in the 500 block of North Roberts.

Two tires were slashed in the 300 block of East Browning.

A headlight on a vehicle was reported smashed and a tire cut in the 300 block of East Sunset.

A tire was reported cut in the 800 block of East Foster.

A wallet was found in the 200 block of North Sumner.

Four tires were slashed in the 500 block of North Hazel.

The windshield and a side window of a van were smashed in the 300 block of North Ballard.

#### Sunday, Dec. 8

Tires on four vehicles were slashed in the 1400 block of West Coronado.

A tire was reported cut in the 500 block of Malone.

David Ramirez, 19, 520 N. Davis, was arrested on charges of minor in possession of alcohol and public intoxication.

George Luster, 36, 1044 S. Hobart, Elias Jose Mendoza, 40, 1044 S. Hobart, and Marilyn Burk, 52, 731 N. Dwight, were arrested on charges of possession of marijuana under two ounces.

#### Monday, Dec. 9

Two guitars were reported stolen from the New Life Church, 800 block of East Campbell.

### STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa:

Wheat	3.70	NOI	22.26	+0.27
Milo	3.93	KMI	41.46	+0.31
Corn	4.42	XCEL	10.16	-0.14
Soybeans	4.83	Kerr McGee	47.29	+0.74
Sunflowers	8.75	Limited	14.89	-0.30
		Williams	2.33	-0.04
		McDonalds	17.36	-0.61
		Exxon Mobil	35.24	+0.09
		Atmos	22.80	+0.05
		Pioneer Nat	26.79	+0.68
		Penney's	22.89	-0.12
		COP	50.52	+0.60
		Schlumberger	46.39	+0.21
		Tenneco	4.39	-0.02
		CVX	68.81	+0.52
		Wal-Mart	52.07	-0.97
		ORF	18.99	+0.06
		NS Group	6.90	+0.03

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

Occidental	28.29	+0.37
Fidelity Mageln	NA	
Puntan	NA	

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

BP	39.41	-0.12
Celanese	22.66	-0.09
Cabot Corp	26.21	-1.20
Cabot Oil Gas	24.85	+0.44
Coca Cola	45.39	-0.01
New York Gold	326.25	
Silver	4.64	
West Texas Crude	26.93	

### ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents today.

#### Tuesday, Dec. 3

A 1985 Chevrolet Blazer driven by Melissa Ann Merrell, 33, 622 N. Banks, was in collision with a 1993 Buick sedan driven by Delfino Deleon, 70, 721 N. West, at the intersection of Perryton Parkway and Hobart. Merrell was cited for disregarding a traffic control device.

#### Saturday, Dec. 7

A 1998 Dodge pickup driven by Maria Victoria Soria, 42, 1207 S. Finley, was in collision with a 1989 Buick sedan driven by Lahoma Prescott Davis, 65, 1013 S. Sumner, at the intersection of Cuyler and Foster. Soria was cited for unsafe turning.

A gas meter in the alley in the 700 block of North Hobart was reported damaged in a hit and run.

## City Briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

**AVON CHRISTMAS** Sale old & new at 2728 Cherokee, after 5 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

**BABY'S FIRST** Christmas!! Show off your new "Little One!" Deadline Dec. 18th-noon, \$25 (paid in advance). Please remember Pictures that have a Copyright on them, must be accompanied by a letter of approval from the photographer. Thanks, *The Pampa News*

**CHRISTMAS TURKEYS**, smoked or deep fried-\$25. Call 665-7161 or 669-1017 or any KC member.

**DAVID'S GOLF** Shop at Hidden Hills for all of your Christmas golfers needs, get a Free Tiger Woods Bobble Head with purchase of 1 doz. Nike T.A. Golf Balls @ \$36 per doz., also all Golf Shoes from 25% to 50% Off reg. price. All gloves, balls, sweaters and jackets also reduced!

**EARLY CHRISTMAS** Sale! 40% off all holiday items: Santas, trees, greenery, ornaments & lights. Lazy S Feed & Garden, 516 S. Russell

**JUST IN** time for Christmas 1m, 2f Chihuahuas, \$50. 1129 Cinderella, 665-9523.

**QUEEN CHIMNEY** Sweep, 665-9452 lv. msg.

**REFRIGERATORS \$50** to \$75. Call 665-0415, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., or leave message.

**RHEAMS DIAMOND** Shop will be open til 8 p.m., starting tomorrow. Register for a Free 1 ct. Diamond Bracelet between 6 & 8 p.m. nightly only.

**SADDLE SALE** 10% off. Lazy S Feed & Garden, 516 S. Russell.

**SNOW REMOVAL**- Commercial and residential. Discounts for group, 669-0606.

**THE HOBBY** Shop has great Christmas Gift Ideas... Art & Craft Kits, Models, Magic Trick, Frames & More.

## NAFTA not living up to expectations

DALLAS (AP) — A decade after U.S., Canadian and Mexican leaders signed the North American Free Trade Agreement, predictions that the deal would lift Mexico into the so-called First World, or that it would vaporize jobs in the United States and keep wages low in Mexico have yet to become reality.

Much of Mexico remains trapped in poverty, but trade has ballooned, raising incomes and sheltering Mexico from economic woes throughout Latin America.

NAFTA's significance goes beyond economics. The agreement launched an era of economic, political and social intimacy between the United States and Mexico, two countries whose long, uneasy coexistence once won them the sobriquet of "distant neighbors."

The leaders who forged the agreement — President George Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari — will mark the 10th

anniversary of NAFTA's signing at a conference Monday and Tuesday at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C.

"NAFTA has created a new dynamic between the United States and Mexico," said Grant Aldonas, the undersecretary for international trade at the U.S. Commerce Department, who encountered a more prickly relationship as a junior diplomat in Mexico City 20 years ago.

"The level of interaction between U.S. and Mexican officials on a range of issues that have to be discussed by neighbors has risen dramatically," he said recently.

Analysts are still debating the agreement's effects. NAFTA has helped generate unprecedented opportunities. But it also has visited economic dislocation on thousands.

Integration between the United States and Mexico has led to job losses for automobile workers in the

Midwest to textile workers in El Paso.

Meanwhile, scores of Mexican companies that had survived behind closed borders went out of business in the face of U.S. competition, a process also fueled by a severe economic crisis in 1994, the year NAFTA took effect.

Mexico still has millions of people whose poor education limits their ability to profit from free trade. Some critics south of the border argue that the losses outweigh the gains.

"We lost more jobs than we gained because of the closure of companies that couldn't compete," Bertha Lujan, a former labor leader who is now the Mexico City comptroller, said in Monday's editions of *The Dallas Morning News*.

"Preference was given to multinational companies with advanced technologies but few jobs," she said. "The crisis in the countryside got worse, and the export of labor to the United States grew."

U  
both  
turin  
bank  
tion  
man  
unio  
ward  
Th  
share  
in la  
Stoc  
TT  
to re  
quen  
likel  
altho  
haul.  
A  
urge  
airlin  
...  
hold  
going  
out o  
"The  
ence  
A  
comp  
Unit  
...  
and t  
into  
custo  
lem,  
Wash  
O  
lion  
of a  
...  
SN  
Exch  
...  
Th  
nami  
and  
who  
ment  
for  
Disn  
O  
abrup  
room  
...  
De  
shak  
Bush  
polic  
my  
...  
plan  
said  
leade  
n't ne  
he ha  
years  
down  
work  
...  
Bu  
devel  
under  
conti  
inter  
grow  
produ  
produ  
quart  
...  
Ye  
worri  
tent  
secto  
need  
confi  
...  
"M  
very  
after  
"Son  
weigh  
diffic  
ment.  
...  
Th  
confi  
and  
's  
exper  
about  
CSX  
ship  
The  
golf's  
is un  
ting w  
ed  
Sept  
...  
Wh  
Ari F  
not c  
an all  
...  
Co  
to flu  
In  
feren  
missi  
Coro  
Advis  
subsi  
city  
Hills.  
...  
Int  
the go  
budg  
beer  
year.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

## UNITED

both sides must work together during restructuring.

"Any successful restructuring of United in bankruptcy must involve continued cooperation and collaboration among ALPA, United management and all of the company's labor unions," the pilots' union said. We look forward to those discussions."

The carrier's stock, which reached \$100 a share in 1997, fell 12 cents to 81 cents a share in late-morning trading on the New York Stock Exchange Monday.

The bankruptcy restructuring also is likely to result in fewer flights. Experts say frequent-flier miles and basic fare levels are likely to be retained for the short term, although fare hikes are likely over the longer haul.

A spokesman for United's pilots union urged passengers Sunday not to abandon the airline during a bankruptcy filing.

"This is going to be painful for the stockholders and the employees, but the airline's going to keep flying and we're going to come out of this stronger," pilot Herb Hunter said. "The passengers shouldn't notice any difference."

Airline consultant Robert Mann said the company will have to keep the morale of United's workers from falling too low.

"It's certainly demoralizing to employees, and the risk is that it will somehow translate into less friendly service — in effect getting customers in the middle of an emotional problem," said Mann, of R.W. Mann & Co. in Port Washington, N.Y.

On pace to lose an industry-record \$2.5 billion this year, United had pinned its last hopes of avoiding bankruptcy on getting federal

backing for \$1.8 billion of a \$2 billion loan that banks wouldn't otherwise provide. But the Air Transportation Stabilization Board, created last year to help the airline industry recover after Sept. 11, rejected United's request on Wednesday.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer declined to comment on the bankruptcy filing. Fleischer said the Bush administration would not second-guess the stabilization board's decision.

The linchpin to United's proposal was \$5.2 billion in labor cutbacks by 2008, but the three-member federal panel said the airline's business plan was financially unsound and a loan guarantee would have risked U.S. taxpayers picking up the tab.

United has struggled even more than other airlines during the industry's worst-ever slump. The carrier already had lost about \$1 billion since mid-2000 by the time of the attacks because of labor turmoil, the industry's highest costs and several failed strategies, including a costly and time-consuming bid to acquire US Airways — itself now in Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

United cut service and laid off nearly 20,000 workers after the terrorist attacks, but it hasn't come close to making up for revenue lost from the drop-off in business travel.

United's filing dwarfs all other airline bankruptcies. The previous largest was by Continental Airlines in 1990. United listed almost \$25.4 billion in assets as of Sept. 30 — more than twice Continental's when it filed.

It also is one of the 10 largest bankruptcies in U.S. history — a list topped by the recent failures WorldCom and Enron. It is the 11th time a major U.S. airline has filed for bankruptcy since deregulation in 1978, including TWA three times.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

## SNOW

Exchange Commission.

The president is close to naming successors to Lindsey and Pitt, aides said. Lindsey, who attended the announcement, was asked what's next for him. "I'm going to Disney World," he replied.

O'Neill, angered by his abrupt ouster, was not in the room.

Democrats seized on the shake-up as evidence that Bush's tax-cutting economic policies have hurt the economy.

"It isn't the names, but the plan that is of concern to us," said Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle. "It wasn't necessarily the people that he had in place in the last two years, it's the plan. Trickle-down economics doesn't work."

Bush cited as positive developments the country's under-control inflation rate, continued low mortgage interest rates, a return to growth in the gross national product and a 5.6 increase in productivity over the last four quarters.

Yet he ticked off a list of worrisome indicators: persistent unemployment in some sectors and regions and the need to strengthen investor confidence.

"Many Americans have very little money left over after taxes," Bush said. "Some struggle under a weight of debt that makes it difficult to save for retirement."

The Senate would have to confirm Snow's nomination, and White House officials expect he will be grilled about any government aid to CSX as well as his membership in Augusta National. The golf club, which hosts golf's premier tournament, is under fire for not admitting women. Snow was listed as a member in September.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said Bush does not consider membership in an all-male club as a reason

to exclude somebody from the Cabinet. "I'm not aware that that presents any disqualification," Fleischer said.

Wall Street's initial reaction was muted.

"I think the ouster of O'Neill is more important than who they name. With someone like Snow, there's nothing unique to him to move the market either way," said Charles Pradilla, chief investment strategist at SG Cowen Securities.

Sen. Jon Corzine, D-N.J., whom Daschle named to head the Democratic Senate campaign committee, was Snow's boss for several years. He called the Treasury nominee "a pragmatic, thoughtful individual" and a "disciplined, excellent manager" but said Bush's policies are the issue, not Snow's resume.

"The problem is the plan," Corzine said.

Stephen Friedman, a former co-chairman of the investment firm Goldman Sachs, is likely to be Bush's choice to replace Lindsey, but officials said the decision was not final. His selection could be announced as early as Tuesday.

Two other members of Bush's economic team, budget director Mitch Daniels and Glenn Hubbard, chairman of Bush's Council of Economic Advisers, are said to be in good standing with the president.

O'Neill angered Bush with public remarks that reflected his lukewarm views toward White House tax-cut policies. Both he and Lindsey also were criticized by the president's political advisers for their failure to communicate White House economic policies.

Snow and Friedman will not have much impact on the details of a tax-cutting economic plan Bush is poised to announce, but they will be expected to help sell it to the Congress, the public and Wall Street, White House officials said.

Snow is chairman, presi-

dent and chief executive of CSX Corp., a transportation conglomerate based in Richmond, Va. The company runs the largest rail freight network in the eastern United States.

Snow's total direct compensation in 2001 was \$20.5 million, according to The Richmond Times-Dispatch. CSX posted \$8.1 billion in revenue last year.

Snow was deputy undersecretary at the Transportation Department under President Ford. Vice President Dick Cheney, who brought O'Neill into the administration and then led the selection process for O'Neill's successor, also served Ford as chief of staff.

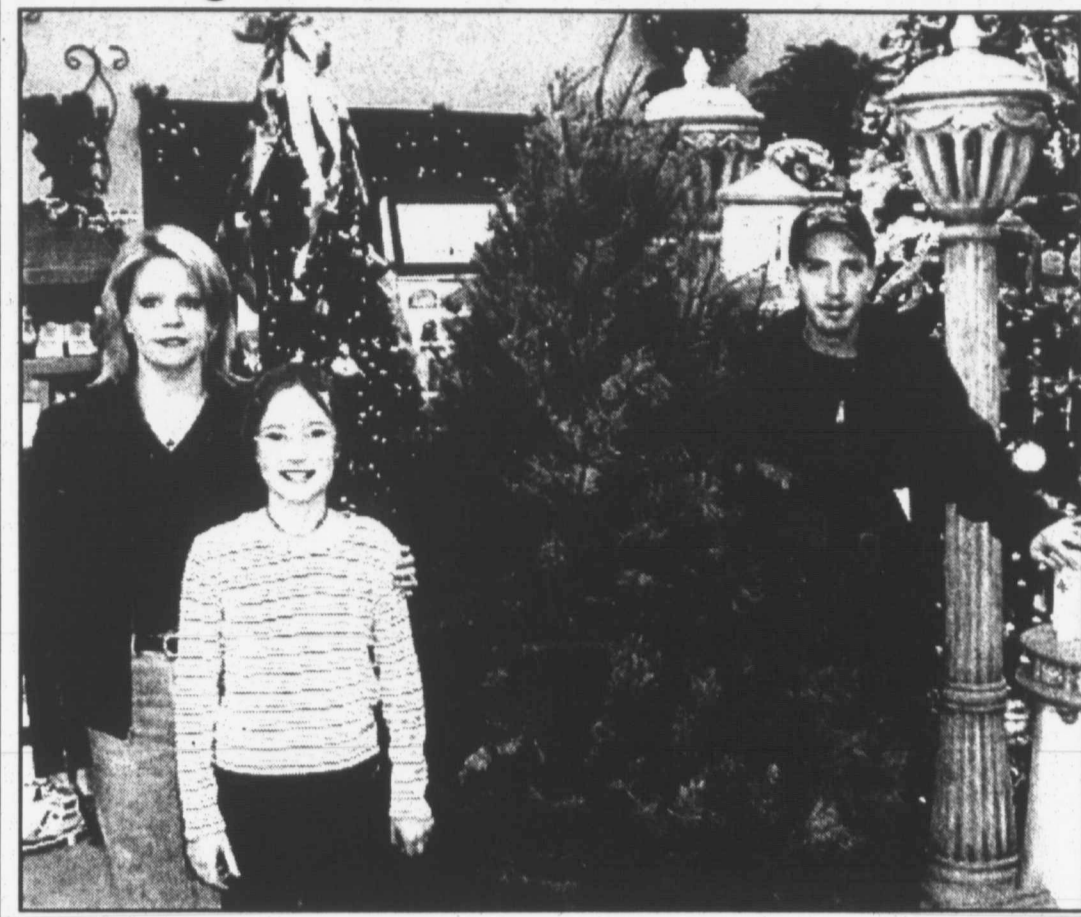
Snow and his company have deep ties to the GOP. The new nominee contributed \$1,000 to Bush's 2000 presidential primary campaign, and also gave \$1,000 to Bush's principle GOP rival, Arizona Sen. John McCain.

Snow gave at least \$12,000 to campaigns in the 1999-2000 election cycle and at least \$23,000 in 2001-02, all to Republicans, figures compiled by the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics show.

Two other CSX executives and a CSX lobbyist were among Bush's top donors, each raising at least \$100,000 for Bush's 2000 primary campaign.

CSX itself has been a faithful Republican donor. The company and its employees contributed at least \$840,000 to campaigns in the 2001-02 election cycle, with roughly \$8 of every \$10 going to Republicans.

## Coloring contest winner



(Courtesy photo)

Brenda Stevens, left, and Michael Hall, right, of West Texas Landscape present Katie Dunham, 10, center, with a freshly-cut, seven-foot Christmas tree as her prize for winning the holiday coloring contest for children ages 10 and under, co-sponsored by The Pampa News and West Texas Landscape. Katie, a student at Austin Elementary School, won with her colorful drawing of a Christmas tree surrounded by presents.

## U.S. takes possession of weapons declaration

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States took possession Monday of the Security Council's copy of Saddam Hussein's massive arms declaration, as inspectors began combing the dossier for clues about whether Iraq is free of weapons of mass destruction. Reversing an earlier decision, the U.N. Security Council agreed late Sunday to give the United States and the four other permanent council members — Britain, France, Russia and China — full copies of the 12,000-page declaration.

Deputy Russian Ambassador Gennady Gatilov said the United States had taken the council's lone copy to Washington where it would make duplicates for distribution to the four other powerful council members.

The 10, non-permanent members, including Syria, will only see a censored version of the document once weapons inspectors have gone through the report and gleaned it of sensitive material — including possible instructions on bomb-making.

Angered by the decision cut over the weekend by Secretary of State Colin Powell, diplomats said, Syria planned to protest the arrangement during Security Council consultations Monday.

Meanwhile, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said it would take some time to review the declaration and he called on Washington and others to be patient with the inspectors.

"The inspectors will have to review them, analyze them and report to the council, and I think that's going to take a while."

In Washington, White House press secretary Ari Fleischer withheld judgment on the massive documentation and said the United States wants to study the material "thoroughly, completely and fully and thoughtfully."

The U.N. nuclear agency said Monday that at first glance, the nuclear section of the dossier repeats Saddam's claim that his country has no atomic weapons, materials or associated programs.

Of the 2,400-page nuclear portion of the document, 300 pages still must be translated from Arabic. And only an exhaustive analysis, backed up by ongoing arms inspections in Iraq, can determine if the document is "truthful," said Melissa Fleming, a spokeswoman for the Vienna, Austria-based International Atomic Energy Agency.

"The cross-checking is extremely important, including cross-checking on the ground," Fleming told The Associated Press. "Should there be elements we feel have to be checked out, we have the advantage of having a team on the ground that can go the next day."

On Sunday, an adviser to Saddam suggested that in the years before the 1991 Gulf War, Iraq may have been close to building an atomic

bomb. Lt. Gen. Amer al-Saadi said Iraq no longer has such ambitions, but that it was up to the U.N. nuclear agency to determine "how close we were."

Using a powerful electronic database, nuclear experts began poring through the dossier within hours after it arrived at U.N. offices Sunday, measuring Iraq's claims against the hundreds of thousands of documents the agency has compiled since it began inspections in Iraq in the early 1990s.

Iraq insists in the declaration that it has no programs for developing banned biological or chemical weapons — and challenged the United States to hand over any evidence it has to the contrary.

"The sooner they do it, the better," al-Saadi said.

**PAMPA CINEMA 4**  
CORONADO SHOPPING CENTER  
665-7141 MOVIE HOTLINE  
www.oktheatres.com

**HARRY POTTER and the CHAMBER OF SECRETS** PG  
Showtimes Everyday 7:00  
Saturday and Sunday 2:00, 7:00

**007: DIE ANOTHER DAY** PG-13  
Showtimes Everyday 7:15, 9:45  
Saturday and Sunday 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45

**SOLARIS** PG-13  
Showtimes Everyday 9:30

**DISNEY TREASURE PLANET** G  
Showtimes Everyday 7:00  
Saturday and Sunday 2:00, 4:30, 7:00

**8 MILE** R  
Showtimes Everyday 7:15, 9:45  
Saturday and Sunday 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45

## THE Pampa NEWS

403 W. ATCHISON • PAMPA, TEXAS  
TELEPHONES: (806) 669-2525  
1-800-687-3348 • FAX: 669-2520

EMAIL: deede@pan-tex.net • pamnews1@pan-tex.net  
This newspaper (UPS 781-540) is published daily except Saturdays, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days by The Pampa News, 403 W. Atchison, Pampa, Tx. 79065. Periodicals postage paid at Pampa, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to the Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, Texas 79066-2198.

Publisher: L.W. McCall  
Editor: Dee Dee Laramore  
Managing Editor: Nancy Young  
Circulation Manager: Dean Lynch  
Advertising Manager: ReDonn Woods  
Composition Supervisor: Brenda Cook

**COPYRIGHT NOTICE**  
The entire contents of The Pampa News, including its logotype, are fully protected by copyright and registry and cannot be reproduced in any form for any purpose without written permission from The Pampa News.

**HOME DELIVERY**  
All carriers are independent contractors and The Pampa News is not responsible for advance payments of two or more months made to the carrier. Please pay directly to the News Office any payment that exceeds the current collection period.

**SINGLE COPIES**  
Daily 50¢/Sunday \$1.00  
Member: Associated Press

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
CARRIER HOME DELIVERY  
1 yr. .... \$84.00 6 mos. .... \$42.00  
3 mos. .... \$22.00 1 mo. .... \$8.00

**MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS**  
Mail in Roberts, Gray, Carson, Wheeler  
And Hemphill Counties In Texas  
1 yr. .... \$102.00 6 mos. .... \$51.00  
3 mos. .... \$25.50

**Mail All Other Areas In U.S.**  
1 yr. .... \$114.00 6 mos. .... \$57.00  
3 mos. .... \$28.50

**Single Copy Mail**  
Daily ..... \$1.50 Sunday ..... \$2.50  
No mail subscriptions are available within the city limits of Pampa. Mail subscriptions must be paid 3 months in advance.

Monday Only!



**Chicken Fried Steak Dinner**

**\$1.99** (plus tax) **SPECIAL OFFER!**

- You get:
- Chicken Fried Steak with white gravy
  - Individual mashed potatoes with gravy
  - Individual cole slaw
  - Biscuit

2201 N. Hobart St.  
Pampa  
665-2766

- Dine In
- Carry Out
- Drive Thru



CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

## CONTRACT

to fluorescent green and using solar powered flashing signals.

In their 5 p.m. work session in the city hall main floor conference room before their regular 6 p.m. meeting, the city commission will review an update on a plan to demolish the Coronado Inn and a report from the Hidden Hills Golf Course Advisory Board recommending the sale of beer to offset city subsidy of the course. Such a move would require a change in city ordinances prohibiting alcoholic beverages at Hidden Hills.

Interim City Manager John Hatchel said the city subsidized the golf course to the tune of \$13,849 in FY 2001-2002 and has budgeted a subsidy of \$13,963 for FY 2002-2003. The sale of beer is expected to bring in between \$10,000 and \$12,000 a year.

**Get a Morgan!**  
We Make! You Need!

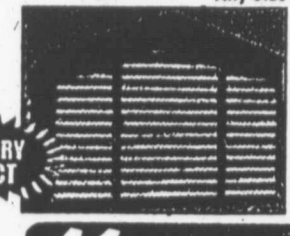
Morgan Builds, Sells, Delivers & Services We Make It... You Need It! Financing Available OAC Major Credit Cards Accepted 90 Days Same As Cash

**Spas** Many Sizes Up to 105 Jets



FACTORY DIRECT

**Buildings** Any size



FACTORY DIRECT

Storage Offices Carports Garages Barns Cottages

**Morgan** Family Fun Since 1961

7402 Canyon Dr. • I-27 & Bell  
806-358-9597  
www.morgausa.com

Monday, December 9, 2002

**DEAR ABBY**

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

**Jilted Teenager Struggles To Mend Her Broken Heart**

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a senior in high school. I dated this great guy for more than a year. He broke up with me a couple of weeks ago, and he's already seeing another girl. I know I will get over this — but it's just so hard.

I have a class with him, and it hurts me to see him every day. I want to get over him, but how? I want this hurt to go away. He was my everything. I gave him my all. And now I don't have him. I have no one to turn to. What am I supposed to do?

DEPRESSED ON THE DELTA

**DEAR DEPRESSED:** Recognize that seeing him every day in class makes getting over him more difficult. At the end of the quarter or semester, ask your teacher or school counselor to transfer you into a different class.

Keep busy. Don't give yourself time to brood. Join school clubs and activities. Get a part-time job. Expand your social circle. And remember above all that before you find Prince Charming, you'll kiss a few frogs. This, too, shall pass.

**DEAR ABBY:** The letter from Thelma King Thiel of the Hepatitis Foundation International caught my attention. Hepatitis C is, indeed, a dreadful disease. However, Mrs. Thiel failed to mention (as you did) that the great majority of hepatitis C sufferers contracted it from contaminated blood transfusions prior to 1990. Before then, there were no tests to isolate hepatitis C.

Stating that people contract this disease because of drug use or sexual contact stigmatizes a great number of people. Hepatitis C victims include doctors, lawyers — people from all walks of life — who have not used dirty needles. Please set the record straight.

CAROLYN IN ARLINGTON, VA

**DEAR CAROLYN:** I have received a stack of angry letters and e-mails pointing out this omission. Mrs. Thiel reports that she, too, has received letters and phone calls because of her oversight. My apologies to my readers.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm worried. I think my niece is abusing her 19-month-old son. I went trick-or-treat with them, and saw my niece repeatedly pick him up by one arm and yank him up the front steps of houses. She also scolded him for not walking fast enough and kept him out until the very end of the evening. The child was completely exhausted and crying before his mother would call it a night.

My niece is stubborn and difficult to approach with suggestions. How can I approach her tactfully? I need to know exactly what words to use so she doesn't get mad and reject the idea. Please help.

FEARFUL AUNT IN CARNEGIE, PA

**DEAR FEARFUL AUNT:** Schedule a quiet visit with her — perhaps a luncheon away from the house and baby. Tell her that you love her and are speaking not critically, but out of concern for her — and give her a book on child development. It appears she's expecting too much too soon from her little boy. It would be a kindness — and no one can fault you for being concerned.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69410, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3 (U.S. funds only) to Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)



**Crossword Puzzle**

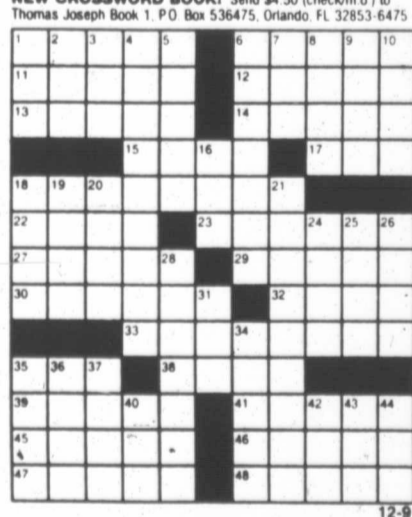
**CROSSWORD**  
By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Concert setting
  - 6 Appointment
  - 11 "Understand"
  - 12 Glorify
  - 13 Precise
  - 14 Charming lass
  - 15 Scot's skirt
  - 17 Berat
  - 18 Paraguay's capital
  - 22 Fred and Wilma's pet
  - 23 Undies fabric
  - 27 Boring tool
  - 29 Tea accompanier
  - 30 Game dog
  - 32 "Kiss Me, Illinois city"
  - 33 Mouth mover
  - 38 Give off
  - 39 Bikini, for one
  - 41 National bird
  - 45 Film
  - 46 Spirit
  - 47 Ignore the limit
  - 48 Bugs' foe
- DOWN**
- 1 Grow older
  - 2 Writer

CHEAT DARTS  
HENRI IDEAL  
ALDEN EAGLE  
SPRAYS TAMP  
EMU ACTS OUT  
DEN LOWEND  
STIREN  
NI ACTIN SAC  
TANGENT ECO  
OPT GYPSUM  
TOILS ORATE  
ELMER NAMED  
DIEGO EMERY

**Saturday's answer**

- 24 Paint name in jazz
- 25 Aware of
- 26 Prom attendee
- 28 Razed
- 31 Ewe's mate
- 34 Brother's daughter
- 35 Toast spreads
- 36 On the roof of
- 37 Made rugs
- 40 Whopper
- 42 Sparkler
- 43 Grant's foe
- 44 Blunder

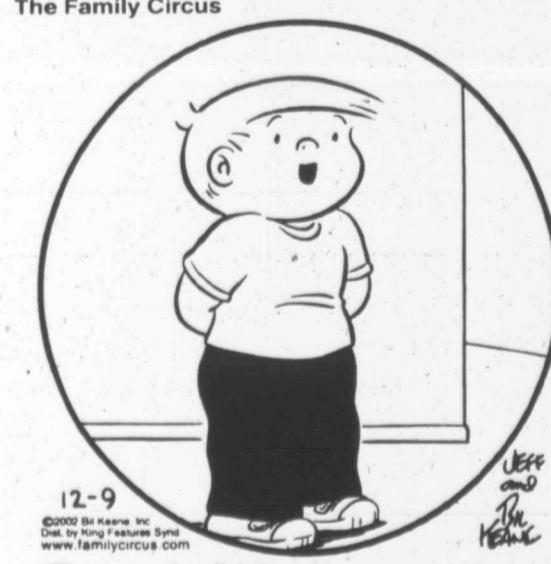


**STUMPED?**  
For answer to today's crossword call 1-900-454-7377. 99¢ per min. 18 years of age or older only. A King Features Service.

**Marmaduke**



"Watch him ring the doorbell with his tail."



"The candy didn't ruin my appetite yet. May I have another piece?"

**Flo & Friends**



**Blondie**



**WRE**

HEI compet in a re wrestling. Here score o Pam es, incl Kris B and M Urqua won by Here team m Greg Kevin Mason ed victo Pam Ranch

**SOCC**

PAM be a Pa Club 1 Tuesday Room athletic

**BASK**

SAN — Sa San Ar keeping ball. The steals record turno victory The turno Sacran a leag recordi The sixth Sacran the Pac 18-5 re Jim vetera on De bench Bobby Chris points, the s grabbe "Jir giving coach "Playi (Bibby it just better count and g utes. Bib season ture in Jim 10-for role i booste "W shoote he sai supply Do Kings eight s ing 16 out nir He having team had o unifor Kings "S got a l tender ed — said.

**198:**

Harves Hughes Invitati Hug jump a and wa ning 4 which Oslesb and Toi

## SPORTS

## Owens' TD catch lifts 49ers past Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Jeff Garcia has shown he can rally like Joe Montana and run like Steve Young.

Now, just as his San Francisco predecessors did so often, Garcia has also led the 49ers to an NFC West title.

Garcia threw his three touchdowns in the fourth quarter Sunday, the game-winner an 8-yarder to Terrell Owens with 12 seconds left, as the 49ers overcame a 10-point deficit for a 31-27 win over the Dallas Cowboys (5-8).

San Francisco (9-4) won its first division title since 1997, two years before Garcia followed in line behind Young and Montana, both two-time NFL MVPs and Super Bowl MVPs who won 13 division crowns in 17 years.

The 49ers clinched the title after Garcia rallied San Francisco to win in the fourth

quarter for the fourth time this season, and eighth in his career, and St. Louis lost 49-10 at Kansas City.

"That's not something you want to keep doing, having to come back in the fourth quarter," Garcia said. "It was an amazing finish for this team. It was a struggle."

It sure didn't seem that way at the end.

Garcia completed 36 of 55 passes for 276 yards — including 14 of 21 for 129 in the fourth. He also had a team-best 50 yards rushing, including a 21-yard TD in the second quarter and two third-down keepers for first downs on the game-winning drive.

Running back Garrison Hearst left the game with a hyperextended knee.

"No. 5 (Garcia) was the difference in the game," Dallas coach Dave Campo said. "No.

5 made plays all day."

At the end, so did Owens, who had half of his 12 catches, 61 of his 123 yards and both of his touchdowns in the fourth quarter. He leads the NFC with 12 TD catches, including five two-TD games.

Unlike two years ago, when he punctuated both of his scores at Texas Stadium with dances on the midfield logo, Owens' celebrations were relatively tame.

On the first, he struck a statue-like pose, then pounded the ball on a wooden box behind the end zone. He followed the second by bumping chests with Garcia after only a slight pause on the smaller Cowboys' star logo in the end zone.

"I wasn't going to do anything — unless you were going to pay my fine," said Owens, who after the game sported a leather jacket, leather pants and

shoes all colored Cowboys blue. "It's nice to have the last laugh."

Owens made a juggling catch in the back of the end zone early in the fourth, on a 3-yard play that Garcia completed while being hit, to put the 49ers up 17-13.

Woody Dantzler returned the ensuing kickoff 84 yards for a touchdown, as he spun out of tackles to leave at least six 49ers in a pile and then did a bunny-hop along the sideline to stay in bounds. Emmitt Smith added his second TD, a 1-yard run, with 6:56 left to put the Cowboys ahead 27-17.

Garcia responded with a four-play, four-completion drive that ended when he hit Tai Streets for a 23-yard TD.

After Smith was stuffed by Dana Stubblefield on third-and-1 at the 28, Dallas' Billy Cundiff missed a 47-yard field

goal, giving the 49ers the ball back at their 37 with 2:16 and no timeouts left.

Garcia calmly led his team to victory, going 6-of-10 with his two first-down runs in the 13-play drive.

"The last two drives, they caught us with quick huddles and we didn't get the calls in fast enough," Cowboys safety Roy Williams said. "We were looking toward the sideline and they hiked the ball. They snuck a couple of them in on us."

Notes: Dallas' Emmitt Smith had his first two-TD game since Nov. 8, 1999 against Minnesota. With 66 yards on 19 carries, Smith pushed his NFL career-leading rushing total to 17,087 yards. ... Hearst got hurt on a 15-yard run that converted fourth-and-1 in the second quarter. Coach Steve Mariucci said Hearst should play next week.

## NOTEBOOK

## WRESTLING

**HEREFORD** — Pampa competed against Hereford in a recent middle school wrestling dual.

Hereford won by the score of 42-27.

Pampa won five matches, including three pins by Kris Boyd, Jimmy Logan and Matt Trusty. Casey Urquhart and John Burns won by decisions.

Hereford won the B team match 58-15.

Greg Wariner (decision), Kevin Kirkham (pin) and Mason Watkins (pin) posted victories for Pampa.

Pampa hosts Boys Ranch in a dual tonight.

## SOCCER

**PAMPA** — There will be a Pampa Soccer Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Ready Room at the high school athletic fieldhouse.

## BASKETBALL

**SAN ANTONIO (AP)** — Sacramento's rout of San Antonio came down to keeping a better grip on the ball.

The Kings made 14 steals and tied an NBA record with only three turnovers in their 104-80 victory Sunday night.

The Spurs had 21 turnovers that led to 29 Sacramento points, and tied a league record by not recording a single steal.

The victory was the sixth straight for Sacramento, which leads the Pacific Division with an 18-5 record.

Jim Jackson, a 10-year veteran signed by the Kings on Dec. 1, came off the bench for 23 points, and Bobby Jackson added 18. Chris Webber also had 23 points, shooting 6-for-8 in the second half, and grabbed 13 rebounds.

"Jim Jackson is really giving us a lift," Kings coach Rick Adelman said. "Playing without Mike (Bibby) and our other guys, it just makes things a lot better to know that you can count on a guy to come in and give you solid minutes."

Bibby has been out all season with a stress fracture in his right foot.

Jim Jackson, who shot 10-for-14, said his main role is to be an energy booster.

"We have a lot of great shooters on the perimeter," he said. "My job is just to supply physical intensity."

Doug Christie tied the Kings' team record with eight steals while also scoring 16 points and dishing out nine assists.

He said afterward that having so many injured teammates — Sacramento had only eight players in uniform — helped the Kings keep their focus.

"Sometimes when you got a lot of people, there's a tendency — myself included — to lay back," Christie said.

## Flashback

**1985:** The Pampa Lady Harvesters, led by Kristi Hughes, won the Amarillo Invitational.

Hughes won both the long jump and high jump events, and was a member of the winning 400-meter relay team, which also included Jackie Oslesby, Sandee Greenway and Tonya Liddy.

## Harvesters place third at Gene Messer tourney

**CANYON** — Pampa grabbed third place in the Gene Messer Tournament of Champions with a 54-51 win over Randall on Saturday.

Ryan Zemanek had 14 points and Jed Martin 11 to lead Pampa's scoring attack.

Kendall Webb had 19 points for Randall.

Zemanek and teammate James Silva were named to the all-tournament team.

The Harvesters are scheduled to play Lubbock Coronado at 7:30 Tuesday night in the West Texas Fieldhouse in Canyon.

**MIAMI** — Spearman raced past Follett 62-40 Saturday to win the Tomahawk Classic in the boys' division.

Colton Miller sparked Spearman's scoring attack with 20 points.

Hedley defeated Spearman 52-34 to win the girls' title.

Lauren Hills led Hedley with 18 points.

**Tomahawk Classic At Miami Saturday's results**

## Glavine set to be a Met

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Tom Glavine has spent much of his career trying to prevent the New York Mets from winning.

Now, the Mets are counting on Glavine to reverse two years of disappointment.

Glavine, one of the biggest free-agent acquisitions in Mets history, agreed to a \$35 million, three-year contract with New York on Thursday that was set to be announced Monday after he took a physical.

Glavine's contract includes an option for a fourth year, based on innings pitched, that could make the deal worth \$42.5 million.

"In the end, there was just something telling me in my gut that New York was the right choice," Glavine said last week. "Mostly because I felt like for my family this was the best situation."

The 36-year-old Glavine had spent his entire 16-year

## Boys Division

## Championship

**Spearman 62, Follett 40**  
S-Miller 20; F-Woods 10, Bell 10.

**Spearman 57, Wheeler 27**  
S-Cotton Miller 12; W-Evan Watts 6.

**Follett 55, Fort Elliott 45**  
F-Woods 10, Bell 10; FE-Hathaway 11.

**Booker 63, Borger 47**  
Boo-Sena 18; Bor-Estrada 12.

**Pampa JV 63, Wellington 58**  
P-Gamer 24; W-Needham 15.

**Shamrock 53, Hedley 52**  
S-Sweet 21; H-Conaster 16.

**Booker 57, Shamrock 45**  
B-Sena 25; S-Dean 22.

**Channing 56, Miami 37**  
C-Grant 17; M-Browning 15.

**Booker 57, Miami 53**  
B-Brown 17; M-Hutchison 20.

**Adrian 32, Channing 17**  
A-L. Fairchild 12; C-M. Jordan 8.

**Girls Division Championship**

**Hedley 52, Spearman 34**  
H-Hill 18; S-Goodhears 12.

**Adrian 66, Pampa JV 45**  
A-Fairchild 20, Baird 12.

**Follett 58, Lefors 34**  
F-Cates 16; L-Ceniceros 9, Daugherty 9.

major league career with the Braves. He won two Cy Young Awards, posted five 20-win seasons and helped lead them to 11 straight division titles.

Eight of those titles came after the Braves moved to the NL East — with the Mets finishing second four times. Glavine was 16-7 lifetime against the Mets and also pitched seven scoreless innings to beat New York in Game 3 of the 1999 NL championship series.

Glavine will head a rotation that includes Al Leiter, Pedro Astacio and Steve Trachsel. Just before a midnight deadline Saturday, Trachsel agreed to an \$8 million, two-year contract to stay with the Mets.

"It came down to the final half-hour, and we were able to hammer it out," Trachsel said. "There were definitely some times I didn't think it would get done."

## New Jersey steer wrestler takes NFR lead

**LAS VEGAS (AP)** — New Jersey cowboy Joey Bell Jr. took the lead in the steer wrestling standings Sunday night, winning the third round of the National Finals Rodeo in 3.6 seconds.

Bell, of Salem, N.J., has won \$19,761 in the 10-round NFR, including a fourth-place finish Saturday night. Bill Pace of Stephenville, Texas, was second at 3.8 seconds, and K.C. Jones of Las Animas, Colo., was third at 3.9 seconds.

"I don't know much about the steers here," Bell said. "I could have run him once

before or I could have run him a dozen times. I just worry about the start and throwing them down."

Bell, competing in his first NFR, leads the world standings with \$107,154. However, Bell will have to win money nearly every night to retain the spot after failing to record a time in the first round.

"I just take them one steer at a time," he said. "I'm just going for rounds and hopefully I can get some of that bottom of the average money."

In calf roping, world leader Fred Whitfield of

Hockley, Texas, won the round with an 8.3-second run. Brent Lewis of Eloy, Ariz., was second at 8.6 seconds, and Johnny Ermons of Grandview, Texas, was third at 8.7 seconds.

Wade Wheatley of Hughson, Calif., and Kyle Lockett of Ivanhoe, Calif., won team roping with a 3.8-second run. Speed Williams and Rich Skelton, both of Llano, Texas, were second at 4.3 seconds.

In bull riding, Colby Yates of Azle, Texas, won the round with a 94 score. World leader Myron Duarte of Auburn,

Wash., was second with a 90, and Blue Stone of Ogden, Utah, and Johnny Chavez of Bosque, N.M., tied for third with 88s.

Will Lowe of Vernon, Texas, won bareback riding with a 91. Jason Jeter of Fort Worth, Texas, took second with an 89 and Cody Jessee of John Day, Ore., was third with an 87. Jeter, who has finished no worse than second in each of the three rounds, moved to second place in world standings with \$97,536.

In saddle bronc riding, Glen O'Neill of Disbury,

Alberta, won the round with an 87. Jesse Bail of Camp Crook, S.D.; Rance Bray of Dumas, Texas; and Dan Erickson of La Junta, Colo., had 81s.

Tammy Key of Ledbetter, Texas, won barrel racing for the third straight night with a 14.09-second run. Delores Toole of Manter, Kan., was second in 14.13, and Charmayne James of Grand Prairie, Texas, and Rachael Sprout of Arlee, Mont., split third in 14.14 seconds. Key has won \$41,763 in the NFR and trails first-place James by \$14,932.



(Courtesy photo)

Lefors head coach Craig Summers talks basketball with the Lady Pirates at Miami's Tomahawk Classic. Lefors beat Wellington 54-46. Rachel Stubbs led the offense with 14 points while Katie Barnes had 13 and Savannah Smith 12. Others with points were Amanda Daugherty 7 and Jennifer Sprouse 3.

## Texans roll past Steelers, 24-6

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — The Houston Texans were so out-gained, so overwhelmed, so inept offensively, they set an NFL record for futility.

David Carr was under such pressure, he all but quit throwing early in the second half. The running game produced barely a yard per carry. The offense never crossed midfield under its own power, only by a penalty and a turnover.

Yet on a Sunday of one-sided numbers rarely seen in an NFL game — the Pittsburgh Steelers had 24 first downs to the Texans' 3 and outgained them 422-47 — the most remarkable was on the scoreboard.

Texans 24, Steelers 6.

How could it happen? How could a team be so dominating, so in control of the time of possession and the tempo, and lose? How could a team not gain 30 yards in either half and win an NFL game? How could an offense's only scoring drive be of minus-5 yards?

Pittsburgh quarterback Tommy Maddox knows.

"They scored 24 points, and I gave them 21," said Maddox, who generated far more points for Houston than for his own team. "This game was as sim-

ple as three plays."

All three were turnovers — all by Maddox — and all ended up in Pittsburgh's end zone. Maddox inexplicably fumbled without anyone around him on the Steelers' first possession, and Kenny Wright returned it 40 yards for a touchdown.

Not four minutes later, cornerback Aaron Glenn stepped in front of a Maddox pass and took it 70 yards for another score, making it 14-0.

"When you get up 14, you get a lot of momentum," Glenn said. "I think they scrapped their game plan and tried to do other things to get back."

Glenn wrapped it up in the fourth quarter with his fifth career interception score, of 65 yards.

"I don't how a cornerback could have a better day than he had," Texans coach Dom Capers said.

Or an offense could have a worse day. Their 47 yards were the fewest by a winning team in NFL history.

"They didn't get 50 yards. They had three first downs. You can't do any better than that," Steelers linebacker Joey Porter said. "But we looked up and said, 'Dang, we're down 14-0 and we haven't given up anything.' You just hope it doesn't

ever happen again."

So does Carr, who completed only one pass in the second half.

"They (the defense) should take the game ball and throw it at us," said Carr, who threw for only 33 yards. "Our defense played a perfect game, we didn't want to mess it up. Honestly, that's one of the best defensive games I've ever seen."

Adding to the Steelers' indignity: it was their third loss to a first-year team in seven years, following losses to Jacksonville in 1995 and Cleveland in 1999.

"We're not the typical expansion team," Glenn said. "We're not going to lay down and say, 'Oh, we're not supposed to win, we're an expansion team.' We have nothing to lose, we're trying to be a spoiler."

If nothing else, the Texans (4-9) tightened up the AFC North race: the Browns' last-play 21-20 win at Jacksonville pulled them within a half-game of Pittsburgh (7-5-1).

Now, Steelers coach Bill Cowher has another difficult quarterback decision to make: Maddox moved the Steelers up and down the field, throwing for 325 yards, but never once got them into the end zone.

# Packers beat Vikings, keep pace with Bucs and Eagles

By The Associated Press

The Green Bay Packers are trying to leave Tampa Bay and Philadelphia out in the cold in the race for homefield advantage in the NFC playoffs.

Brett Favre and the Packers fought off Minnesota 26-22 on Sunday night at frigid Lambeau Field to improve to 7-0 at home and keep pace with the Buccaneers and Eagles at 10-3.

Favre is 34-0 in home games when the temperature at kickoff is 34 or lower. It was 11 degrees at the start Sunday and quickly dipped into single digits.

After Green Bay's comeback victory, the teams brawled in front of the Vikings' bench while Favre and Chris Hovan nearly got into it near the Packers' tunnel.

Hovan said he just wanted to shake Favre's hand, but Favre taunted the Minnesota player while surrounded by coaches.

"I think he wanted to see our locker room," Favre said. "He may have wanted a piece of me. But he's too big for me."

Favre said he didn't say anything disparaging to Hovan, with whom he japed three weeks ago in Minneapolis. Hovan disagreed.

"Yes, he did disrespect me," Hovan said. "What do you think I'll be thinking about all offseason?"

The Packers (10-3) took the lead for the first time on rookie Tony Fisher's 14-yard touchdown run with 1:06 left.

Then, Darren Sharper intercepted Daunte Culpepper's pass as time expired and instead of going down, ran 66 yards to the Minnesota 16. The Vikings (3-10) didn't appreciate that and tight end Jim Kleinsasser ignited the fracas with a two-handed shove of Marques Anderson, who blocked on Sharper's return.

Favre shook off two early turnovers and threw two touchdown passes to Robert Ferguson, who had career bests with six catches for 105 yards. Fisher, an undrafted free agent from Notre Dame, gained a career-best 96 yards.

Tampa Bay and Philadelphia are fighting to stay away from Green Bay in the playoffs.

The Bucs contained Atlanta star Michael Vick in a 34-10 home victory, while the Eagles got 100 yards rushing from Duce Staley and another consistent effort from third-string quarterback A.J. Feeley in a 27-20 win in Seattle.

San Francisco (9-4) clinched its first NFC West title since 1997 with a 31-27 victory over Dallas, and Oakland took control of the AFC West race with a 27-7 victory over San Diego, the Raiders' fifth straight victory.

One team that won't be going to the playoffs is St. Louis (5-8). The defending NFC champions lost to Kansas City 49-10, and were eliminated from the playoff race.

Arizona and Detroit played the 21st overtime game of the season, tying the NFL record set in 1985. There has been at least one OT game in 11 of the 14 weeks, and there were four on Oct. 20.

## Buccaneers 34, Falcons 10

At Tampa, Fla., Brad Johnson threw for 276 yards and four touchdowns, and the NFL's No. 1 defense shut down Vick for the second time this year to end Atlanta's eight-game unbeaten streak.

Vick was 12-of-25 for 125 yards and ran for 15 yards on five carries. The Falcons (8-4-1) lost for the first time since being dominated by the Bucs on Oct. 6.

## Eagles 27, Seahawks 20

At Seattle, Staley ran for 100 yards, and Feeley threw for 190 yards and two TDs as the Eagles won their fourth straight.

Philadelphia is 3-0 without starting quarterback Donovan McNabb, who has a broken right ankle. Matt Hasselbeck passed for 223 yards with two TDs for the Seahawks (4-9).

## Raiders 27, Chargers 7

At San Diego, Rich Gannon threw for 328 yards, setting an NFL record with his 10th 300-yard game for Oakland.

Jerry Rice caught seven passes for 113 yards for

Oakland (9-4). San Diego (8-5) has lost four of six since its 6-1 start.

## 49ers 31, Cowboys 27

At Irving, Texas, Jeff Garcia threw three fourth-quarter touchdown passes, including the winning 8-yarder to Terrell Owens with 12 seconds left.

Garcia capped a four-play drive with a 23-yard strike to Tai Streets with 5:26 left. After Dallas (5-8) missed a 47-yard field goal, Garcia took over at the 37 with no timeouts and 2:16 to go.

Garcia hit Owens on an 11-yard pass on third-and-10 from the 19, and they connected again on the next play for the winning TD.

## Browns 21, Jaguars 20

At Jacksonville, Fla., Quincy Morgan caught Tim Couch's desperation 50-yard heave with no time left, then waited as officials upheld the winning TD on review.

Morgan fought off tight coverage from Fernando Bryant on the final play. As the two fell to the ground, Morgan cradled the ball into his body with his right hand.

Cleveland improved to 7-6, and Jacksonville dropped to 5-8.

## Patriots 27, Bills 17

At Foxboro, Mass., Tom Brady outplayed former teammate Drew Bledsoe for the second time this season, throwing for 183 yards to help the Patriots take a half-game lead over Miami in the AFC East.

Bledsoe got a nice ovation in his first game at New England since the Patriots (8-5) traded him, but he went 32-of-51 for 328 yards and four interceptions for the Bills (6-7).

## Chiefs 49, Rams 10

At Kansas City, Mo., Dante Hall returned a kickoff and a punt for a touchdown, one week after running back a punt 90 yards for a score, as the Chiefs eliminated the Rams from playoff contention.

St. Louis lost its third straight after winning five in a row. It was the team's most lopsided defeat since 1963.

Priest Holmes ran for 132 yards for the Chiefs (7-6).

## Texans 24, Steelers 6

At Pittsburgh, Aaron Glenn scored twice on long interception returns, and the expansion Texans gained just 47 yards — the fewest by a winning team in NFL history.

The Texans (4-9) scored the first three defensive touchdowns in their history, all off Tommy Maddox's turnovers. Pittsburgh dropped to 7-5-1.

## Jets 19, Broncos 13

At East Rutherford, N.J., Laveranues Coles made a diving touchdown catch, keeping the Jets' dim playoff hopes alive.

The Broncos (7-6) lost their third straight. They were in position for a winning touchdown in the final minutes, but Brian Griese's pass was picked off at the 2 by John McGraw.

The Jets (7-6) are a game out of the AFC East lead.

## Titans 27, Colts 17

At Nashville, Tenn., Steve McNair threw for 237 yards and a TD despite missing practice for the second straight week because of sore ribs.

The Titans (8-5) won for the seventh time in eight games and swept the season series with Indianapolis (8-5) to take control of the AFC South.

## Saints 37, Ravens 25

At Baltimore, Deuce McAllister ran for 127 yards and three touchdowns, and the Saints built a big enough lead to let quarterback Aaron Brooks rest his sore right shoulder.

The Ravens are 6-7.

## Giants 27, Redskins 21

At Landover, Md., the Giants took advantage of five Washington turnovers to keep their faint playoff hopes alive.

Cornerback Ralph Brown set up two touchdowns with runbacks, Kerry Collins threw for 212 yards and two TDs, and Cornelius Griffin had three of New York's six sacks and forced a fumble as the Giants (7-6) broke a two-game losing streak.

The Redskins (5-8) lost their second straight.

## SCOREBOARD

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

2002-03 Bowl Glance

All Times EST  
Tuesday, Dec. 17  
New Orleans Bowl  
\$750,000  
North Texas (7-5) vs. Cincinnati (7-6), 7 p.m. (ESPN2)

Wednesday, Dec. 18  
GMAC Bowl  
Mobile, Ala.  
\$750,000  
Marshall (10-2) vs. Louisville (7-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN2)

Monday, Dec. 23  
Tangerine Bowl  
At Orlando, Fla. \$750,000  
Clemson (7-5) vs. Texas Tech (8-5), 5:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 25  
Las Vegas Bowl  
At Las Vegas  
\$800,000  
UCLA (7-5) vs. New Mexico (7-6), 4:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Hawaii Bowl  
At Honolulu  
\$750,000  
Tulane (7-5) vs. Hawaii (10-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 26  
Motor City Bowl  
At Pontiac, Mich.  
\$780,000  
Toledo (9-4) vs. Boston College (8-4), 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Insight Bowl  
At Phoenix  
\$750,000  
Oregon State (8-4) vs. Pittsburgh (8-4), 8:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 27  
Houston Bowl  
At Houston  
\$750,000  
Southern Mississippi (7-5) vs. Oklahoma State (7-5), 1 p.m. (ESPN) Independence Bowl

At Shreveport, La.  
\$1.2 million  
Nebraska (7-6) vs. Mississippi (6-6), 4:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Holiday Bowl  
At San Diego  
\$2 million  
Kansas State (10-2) vs. Arizona State (8-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 28  
Alamo Bowl  
At San Antonio  
\$1.35 million  
Colorado (9-4) vs. Wisconsin (7-6), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Continental Tire Bowl  
At Charlotte, N.C.  
\$750,000  
West Virginia (9-3) vs. Virginia (8-5), 11 a.m. (ESPN2)

Monday, Dec. 30  
Music City Bowl  
At Nashville, Tenn.  
\$750,000  
Minnesota (7-5) vs. Arkansas (9-4), 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Seattle Bowl  
\$1 million  
Wake Forest (6-6) vs. Oregon (7-5), 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 31  
Humanitarian Bowl  
At Boise, Idaho  
\$750,000  
Iowa State (7-6) vs. Boise State (11-1), Noon (ESPN)

Sun Bowl  
At El Paso, Texas  
\$1.35 million  
Washington (7-5) vs. Purdue (6-6), 2 p.m. (CBS)

Liberty Bowl  
At Memphis, Tenn.  
\$1.3 million  
Colorado State (10-3) vs. TCU (9-2), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Silicon Valley Classic  
At San Jose, Calif.  
\$750,000  
Fresno State (8-5) vs. Georgia Tech (7-5), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN2)

Peach Bowl  
At Atlanta  
\$1.6 million  
Maryland (10-3) vs. Tennessee (8-4), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

San Francisco Bowl  
\$800,000  
Air Force (8-4) vs. Virginia Tech (9-4), 10:30 p.m. (ESPN2)

Wednesday, Jan. 1  
Outback Bowl  
At Tampa, Fla.  
\$2 million  
Michigan (9-3) vs. Florida (8-4), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Cotton Bowl  
At Dallas  
\$3 million  
LSU (8-4) vs. Texas (10-2), 11 a.m. (FOX)

Gator Bowl  
At Jacksonville, Fla.  
\$1.6 million

Notre Dame (10-2) vs. North Carolina State (10-3), 12:30 p.m. (NBC)

Capital One Bowl  
At Orlando, Fla.  
\$5.125 million  
Penn State (9-3) vs. Auburn (8-4), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Rose Bowl  
At Pasadena, Calif.  
\$11-13 million  
Washington State (10-2) vs. Oklahoma (11-2), 5 p.m. (ABC)

Sugar Bowl  
At New Orleans  
\$11-13 million  
Georgia (12-1) vs. Florida State (9-4), 8:30 p.m. (ABC)

Thursday, Jan. 2  
Orange Bowl  
At Miami  
\$11-13 million  
Southern California (10-2) vs. Iowa (11-1), 8 p.m. (ABC)

Friday, Jan. 3  
Fiesta Bowl  
At Tempe, Ariz.  
\$11-13 million  
Miami (12-0) vs. Ohio State (13-0), 8 p.m. (ABC)

### PRO FOOTBALL

National Football League  
A T A Glance

All Times EST  
AMERICAN CONFERENCE  
East

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	8	5	0	.615	330	268
Miami	7	5	0	.583	287	228
N.Y. Jets	7	6	0	.538	274	282
Buffalo	6	7	0	.462	332	365

South

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	8	5	0	.615	302	304
Indianapolis	8	5	0	.615	274	233
Jacksonville	5	8	0	.385	276	252
Houston	4	9	0	.308	181	294

North

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	6	1	.577	309	293
Cleveland	7	6	0	.538	283	263
Baltimore	6	7	0	.462	249	287
Cincinnati	1	12	0	.077	235	387

West

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	9	4	0	.692	381	295
San Diego	8	5	0	.615	270	292
Denver	7	6	0	.538	308	287
Kansas City	7	6	0	.538	419	322

NATIONAL CONFERENCE  
East

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia 10	3	0	.769	347	207	
N.Y. Giants	7	6	0	.538	229	238
Dallas	5	8	0	.385	193	245
Washington	5	8	0	.385	240	307

South

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay 10	3	0	.769	301	159	
New Orleans	9	4	0	.692	382	326
Atlanta	8	4	1	.654	326	245
Carolina	5	8	0	.385	210	252

North

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Green Bay 10	3	0	.769	351	272	
Chicago	3	9	0	.250	238	300
Detroit	3	10	0	.231	235	354
Minnesota	3	10	0	.231	300	358

West

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-San Francisco	9	4	0	.692	316	286
Arizona	5	8	0	.385	213	333
St. Louis	5	8	0	.385	245	291
Seattle	4	9	0	.308	264	307

x-clinched division  
Sunday's Games

Houston 24, Pittsburgh 6  
San Francisco 31, Dallas 27  
N.Y. Giants 27, Washington 21  
New England 27, Buffalo 17  
Kansas City 49, St. Louis 10  
Tennessee 27, Indianapolis 17  
Carolina 52, Cincinnati 31  
Cleveland 21, Jacksonville 20  
Tampa Bay 34, Atlanta 10  
Arizona 23, Detroit 20, OT  
Philadelphia 27, Seattle 20  
New Orleans 37, Baltimore 25  
N.Y. Jets 19, Denver 13  
Oakland 27, San Diego 7  
Green Bay 26, Minnesota 22  
Monday's Game  
Chicago at Miami, 9 p.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 15  
Seattle at Atlanta, 1 p.m.  
N.Y. Jets at Chicago, 1 p.m.  
Oakland at Miami, 1 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.  
Baltimore at Houston, 1 p.m.  
San Diego at Buffalo, 1 p.m.  
Carolina at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.  
Minnesota at New Orleans, 1 p.m.  
Washington at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.  
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.  
Indianapolis at Cleveland, 1 p.m.  
Kansas City at Denver, 4:05 p.m.  
Dallas at N.Y. Giants, 4:15 p.m.  
Green Bay at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.  
Arizona at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m.  
Monday, Dec. 16  
New England at Tennessee, 9 p.m.

## Badgers face Colorado in Alamo Bowl

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Wisconsin will face 14th-ranked Colorado in the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio, Texas, on Dec. 28.

The Colorado Buffaloes accepted a bid Sunday to play in the Alamo Bowl presented by MasterCard.

Colorado finished the regular season with a 9-4 record after losing to No. 8 Oklahoma 29-7 in the Big 12 championship game.

Wisconsin finished with a record of 7-6 overall and 2-6 in the Big Ten. After a 5-0 start, the Badgers lost their next three games by a combined 11 points, including a 19-14 loss to Ohio State, now ranked No. 2 in the nation.

The Badgers and Colorado last met Sept. 2, 1995, with the Buffaloes winning 43-7.

The 10th annual Alamo Bowl will be played in the 65,000-seat Alamodome the evening of Dec. 28.

Colorado coach Gary Barnett welcomed the chance to play in a bowl after the loss in the conference championship game.

"We have a chance to win 10 games, and that's something we would take great pride in," he said. "The sting of (Saturday) night's loss will subside after a few days, so we'll be excited to play in this game and look forward to going to San Antonio and the battle against Wisconsin."

Badger coach Barry Alvarez said a key to Colorado's success has been Barnett's wise use of his talent.

"What Gary does is use his personnel," Alvarez said after practice in Madison Sunday. "He has had a balanced

offense and he's thrown the ball a lot. I think right now his best bet to win is running the football. He is taking advantage of his personnel."

Diane Rath, Alamo Bowl chairman, said Colorado would bring a power running attack and devoted fans to San Antonio.

"We feel the match-up between Colorado and Wisconsin will be an exciting one to watch, highlighted by two of the top running backs in the nation."

Colorado's Chris Brown is the NCAA's third leading rusher at 158.5 yard per game, while Wisconsin's Anthony Davis is 13th at 121.3 yards a game.

Colorado's tandem of Brown and Bobby Purify leads the nation with 2,493 yards, the most by any two players, while Wisconsin's Davis and Dwayne Smith have combined for 1,993 yards, the 12th most by any duo and eighth most by a running back combo.

Both Brown and Davis have had 300-yard games this year.

Brown posted 309 yards in a 52-39 win at Kansas Oct. 12. Davis netting 301 yards in a 49-31 Wisconsin win over Minnesota in the season finale.

Brown missed the last two games of the season with a bruised sternum but is listed as probable for the bowl game.

Alvarez said redshirt freshman Owen Daniels, who has been the Badgers' third-string quarterback, likely will have to undergo surgery as a result of a knee injury sustained in practice for the bowl game when his left foot came down on top of a foot of a defender and he twisted the knee while doing down.

## Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2002:

You have the unusual ability this year to hit the bull's-eye. Lady Luck seems to work with you, especially when it comes to travel and higher-mind activities.

Learn to kick back more often and to trust your intuition. Allow events to flow at their normal pace. Your family and personal life become an even higher priority. Your instincts take you to a new level. Your understanding does make a difference. If you are single, you will want to have a significant other. You could meet this person while pursuing one of your heartfelt desires. If you are attached, a trip could make all the difference in how you relate. New scenery provides a different perspective. Consider taking a course or pursuing a life interest. PISCES anchors you — sometimes too much!

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)  
\*\*\* You might be asked to dip into your deep pockets for a holiday gift or two. Positive opportunities surround an emotional situation, if you handle a request well from someone close. Understand the thought behind an action or statement. Tonight: Your imagination works overtime. How fun!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)  
\*\*\*\* Be sensitive to those in your immediate environment. An opportunity that could be classified as too good to be true comes forth. Gather associates and/or friends for a meeting. You'll like the end results. Tonight: Step on out.



**Linda C. Daniels**  
**KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY**  
 110 W. Kingsmill  
 669-2799  
 Accredited Buyers Rep

2001 Williston.....\$79,900  
 2607 Seminole.....\$68,000  
 2630 Navajo.....\$42,000  
 424 Jupiter.....\$50,500  
 623 Roberta (2 Houses).....\$28,500  
 930 Mary Ellen.....\$19,900  
 Allison Tx.....\$30,000  
 W. of Lefors w/Acres.....\$90,000

511 E. 2nd Lefors w/Shop....\$60,000  
 Rabbit Lane Lots.....\$37,500  
 1027 S. Hobart.....\$25,000  
 1024 Charles.....\$42,000  
 1008 E. Browning.....\$12,500  
 113 & 115 W. Kingsmill.....\$79,900  
 Tignor & McCullough 138 Acres

**HOUSES FOR RENT**  
 1311 N. Russell.....2/1/1  
 1105 N. Starkweather.....3/2/CP  
 Call Our Office For  
 Other Listings Available



"Five Star Service"  
 Integrity and Honesty  
 Solid Work Ethic  
 Product Knowledge  
 Old Fashioned Standards  
 Genuine Interest

# The Pampa News CLASSIFIEDS

## 1 Public Notice

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
 The State of Texas  
 To: **Lorrie Michelle Fulton**, Respondent in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause:  
 You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Petitioner's Original Petition in Suit Affecting the Parent-Child Relationship at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, that day being January 6, 2003, a default judgment may be taken against you.  
 Issued, signed and sealed on November 21st, 2002.  
 Sonya Shieldknight, Clerk  
 100th Judicial District Court  
 Carson County, Texas  
 P.O. Box 487  
 Panhandle, TX 79068-0487  
 By: Celeste Bichsel, Deputy

## 1 Public Notice

this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, that day being January 6, 2003, a default judgment may be taken against you.  
 Issued, signed and sealed on November 21st, 2002.  
 Sonya Shieldknight, Clerk  
 100th Judicial District Court  
 Carson County, Texas  
 P.O. Box 487  
 Panhandle, TX 79068-0487  
 By: Celeste Bichsel, Deputy

## 3 Personal

**BEAUTICONTROL** Cosmetics sales, service, makeovers. Lynn Allison 1304 Christine, 669-3848

## 5 Special Notices

**ADVERTISING Material** to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

## 14b Appli. Repair

DEC. Special for Military Servicemen's Wives (called to Active Duty only). Appli. Repairs -No Serv. Charge, parts & tax only! Williams Appli. Service. 665-8894.

## 14d Carpentry

CUSTOM homes, additions, remodeling, residential / comm. Deaver Construction. 665-0447.

**OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR** Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

**ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs.** Mike Albus, 665-4774.

**ADDITIONS, remodeling, home repairs.** Over 30 years local exp. Jerry Reagan, 669-3943

## 14e Carpet Serv.

NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost. It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

## 14h Gen. Serv.

COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

## IS your House or Foundation Settling?

Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Children Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo, Tx.

## 14h Gen. Serv.

◆CERAMIC  
 ◆TILE WORK  
 ◆Keith Taylor, 665-0328

CONCRETE Work, new construction, remodel, repair, & removal, Ron Schwoppe, 669-0606.

BACKHOE & Loader Work, demolition, topsoil, sand, gravel, Snow Removal. Ron Schwoppe, 669-0606.

## 14n Painting

INT/EXT. painting, mud tape, wall texture, take off old acoustic & re-blow new acoustic. 35 yrs. exp. Pampa. References. Gene Calder 665-4840.

## 50 yr. exp. We paint, dry-wall, texture, comm/ residential. Free Estimates. Happy Painters 665-3214

## 14s Plumbing/Heat

JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115. faucets, plumbing supplies, new constr., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

LARGEST line of drain, faucet, tub, toilet & urinal repair parts at the best prices! Chief Plastic Pipe & Supply Inc., 1237 S. Barnes, Pampa, 665-6716, toll free 800-649-6716

## 14s Plumbing/Heat

Larry Baker Plumbing Heating/ Air Conditioning Borger Hwy. 665-4392

## 14t Radio/Tv

**RENT TO RENT RENT TO OWN**  
 We have tvs, VCRs, camcorders, to suit your needs. Rent by hour, day, week. We do service on most major brand of tvs & VCRs. Call for estimate. Johnson Home Entertainment, 2211 Perryton Pkwy. 665-0504.

## 21 Help Wanted

**NOTICE**  
 Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

LVN'S & Weekend RN needed at McLean Care Center. Apply at 605 W. 7th, McLean, 779-2469.

SIVALLS Inc. needs an exp. Industrial Maintenance Tech. Electrical exp. is a must! Forklift exp. is a plus. Drug test required. Pampa, Tx. 806-665-7111.

PAID Part-Time Nursery Worker. If interested, fill out appli., Trinity Fellowship, 1200 S. Sumner, or call Sheila 664-0830

TEXAS Rose is now taking applications for Full-Time Wait Staff. No phone calls please.

## 21 Help Wanted

**SIGN ON BONUS REGISTERED NURSES**  
 Pampa Nursing Center has an opening for a REGISTERED NURSE in the position of Charge Nurse. Starting pay is \$24.00 an hour plus we offer a \$2000 Sign-On Bonus

Please contact Vickia Hutton, Administrator or Mitzi Devall, R.N., Director of Nurses To set up an interview call (806)669-2551

SALES person needed for growing company Call Scott at 669-1830

SONIC DRIVE-IN is now accepting applications for dependable, mature, enthusiastic, friendly crewmembers for all positions. Apply in person at 1404 N. Hobart. EOE.

HELP wanted apply 2-4 Monday thru Friday at Kentucky Fried Chicken 2200 N. Hobart

White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

HOUSTON LUMBER 420 W. Foster 669-6881

60 Household JOHNSON HOME FURNISHINGS Rent 1 piece or house full Washer-Dryer-Ranges Bedroom-Dining Room Livingroom 801 W. Francis 665-3361

69 Misc. ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

OAK Firewood. Delivered, stacked, \$175 cord, mostly split. 779-3284, 779-2255.

## 69 Misc.

Memory Gardens of Pampa is assigning FREE Cemetery Spaces to local VETERANS that qualify and do not own cemetery property

SPACES are limited Call today to receive yours 665-8921

MESQUITE Firewood \$145 Cord 664-7157

75 Feeds/Seeds HAY For Sale 665-8006

80 Pets & Suppl. CANINE and Feline grooming. Boarding. Science diets. Roysce Animal Hospital, 665-2223.

PET Patch, 866 W. Foster, 665-5504. Grooming by Mona, fresh, salt fish, sn. animals, supplies. In-sno dog & cat food.

FEMALE part Chow dog (spayed) and a Male 1/2 Cowdog-1/2 Rott dog (neutered), free 669-7724

3 male, 1 female kittens free. Call 665-9523, 1129 Cinderella

95 Furn. Apts. 95 Furn. Apts. 2107 N. Russell, Pampa 665-0022

OWNER Will Finance. Back on the market 1129 Sierra, 3 bd, 1 bath, 2 car gar., cen. h/a, low down payment, low monthly payments, 806-790-0827.

WE are moving & need to sell our neat & spacious 2 story, 4 bdr., 2 full ba., 2 liv. areas home. Must see to appreciate. 901 E. Francis. Call 665-7815.

115 Trailer Parks TUMBLEWEED Acres. Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

120 Autos Quality Sales 1300 N. Hobart 669-0433 Make your next car a Quality Car

Doug Boyd Motor Co. "On The Spot Financing" 821 W. Wilks 669-6062

CULBERTSON-STOWERS Chevrolet-Pontiac-Buick GMC-Olds-Cadillac 805 N. Hobart 665-1665

83 Jeep CJ7, new paint & tires, 33x1250, 4 in. lift, 6 cyl. Too many items to list. Must see \$7000. 669-0609.

121 Trucks 2000 Dodge Sport Quad Cab swb, 4 wd, at, ps, pw, 5.9 l, grill guard, bedlin, Flow Mstr dual ex., 75k. 806-323-9811 hadaway@yiff.net

122 Motorcycles 125 SUZUKI ATV 669-6597

## 95 Furn. Apts.

ASK ABOUT OUR SPECIALS!! Beautifully furnished 1 bedrooms starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool, laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville, 665-7149. Open Mon-Fri. 8:30-5:30, Sat. 10-4.

DOGWOOD Apts. 1 bdr. furn., avail. Dep. & ref. required. 669-9817, 669-2981.

EFFICIENCY apt. \$225 mo., bills pd. Rooms \$20 day. \$80 wk. & up, air, tv, cable, phone. 669-3221.

FURN. Unfurn. 1-2 bdr. apts. All bills paid. Starting \$250 Courtyard Apts., 1031 N. Sumner 669-9712.

NICE brick garage apt. \$200 mo. 665-4842.

NICE large 1 bdr. apt. Bills paid. \$350 mo. 665-4842.

96 Unfurn. Apts. ASK ABOUT OUR SPECIALS!! Caprock Apts., 1,2,3 bdr. starting at \$290. We pay water & gas, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool, washer / dryer hookups in 2 & 3 bdr. fl. No appli. fee. 1601 W. Somerville, 665-7149. Open Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30, Sat 10-4.

FREE RENT! Pampa Lakeview Apts. 1, 2 & 3 bdr. apts. 2600 N. Hobart 669-7682

CLEAN 1 bedroom, stove, refrig., all bills paid. 669-3672, 665-5900

GWENDOLEN Plaza Apts., 1&2 bdr. Gas / water pd. 3, 6 mo -1yr. lease. 800 N. Nelson, 665-1875.

BRICK 4 br, 2 full ba., lrg. country kit, w/brkfst area, din. rm, liv. area w/ fpl. insert, 2 car gar., 2412 Dogwood, 806-669-1630.

OWNER Will Finance. Back on the market 1129 Sierra, 3 bd, 1 bath, 2 car gar., cen. h/a, low down payment, low monthly payments, 806-790-0827.

WE are moving & need to sell our neat & spacious 2 story, 4 bdr., 2 full ba., 2 liv. areas home. Must see to appreciate. 901 E. Francis. Call 665-7815.

115 Trailer Parks TUMBLEWEED Acres. Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

120 Autos Quality Sales 1300 N. Hobart 669-0433 Make your next car a Quality Car

Doug Boyd Motor Co. "On The Spot Financing" 821 W. Wilks 669-6062

CULBERTSON-STOWERS Chevrolet-Pontiac-Buick GMC-Olds-Cadillac 805 N. Hobart 665-1665

83 Jeep CJ7, new paint & tires, 33x1250, 4 in. lift, 6 cyl. Too many items to list. Must see \$7000. 669-0609.

121 Trucks 2000 Dodge Sport Quad Cab swb, 4 wd, at, ps, pw, 5.9 l, grill guard, bedlin, Flow Mstr dual ex., 75k. 806-323-9811 hadaway@yiff.net

122 Motorcycles 125 SUZUKI ATV 669-6597

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

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW  
 One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.  
 12-10 CRYPTOQUOTE  
 RDAQ KQ CGQ ESPADJDPZJ  
 UZF MGPWQ UEEUSUCKXJ  
 PN U LDCBGQZ UZF D MPXWF  
 JCUSAQ — KPZCUDRZQ  
 Yesterday's Cryptoquote: OH, FOR THE GOOD OLD DAYS WHEN PEOPLE WOULD STOP CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WHEN THEY RAN OUT OF MONEY. — UNKNOWN SOURCE

**LDI LONGSTAR DISTRIBUTION INC.**  
**HIRING DRIVERS**  
 MUST HAVE CDL WITH HAZ-MAT & TANKERS PAY, DOE, BUT WILL START OVER \$10.00 PER HOUR.  
**BENEFITS INCLUDE:**  
 HEALTH, DENTAL, VISION, ADD. LIFE VACATION, AND 401K PLAN  
**APPLY AT:**  
 M-I DRILLING FLUIDS  
 1100 RED DEER CANADIAN, TX. 79014 (806)323-5111

# TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK

## TexSCAN

TexSCAN Week of December 8, 2002

## BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

**ABSOLUTE \$\$ MAKER.** Cash daily. Big profits, interactive vending. Free information. Paragon Ventures. Call 1-800-494-6074.

## DRIVERS WANTED

**DRIVER-COVANANT TRANSPORT** - Hiring experienced teams, solos and trainers. O/O-Solos/Teams 83 cents. We are looking for experienced teams to run priority dispatch. Call 1-888-MORE-PAY (1-888-667-3729).

**DRIVERS-NO EXPERIENCE?** Low or no cost CDL training available. Meals, lodging and transportation provided. Tuition reimbursement. \$1000 bonus. OTR, regional, dedicated freight. Swift Transportation, 1-800-231-5209.

**DRIVERS - OWNER/OPERATORS** - 83 cpm, loaded or empty. Plates/permits/layover/lumbers and tolls paid. Lots of miles. Call Harold or Bob at National Freight, 1-800-666-0380.

**DRIVER - TRUCKERS! FFE** - Will get you home. FFE - Will get you paid. FFE - Will get you miles. Call 1-800-569-9232. Open all day, every day, including holidays.

**DRIVERS - SWIFT TRANSPORTATION** is hiring experienced and inexperienced drivers and owner/operators. CDL training available. We pay for experience great benefits, tuition reimbursement. 1-800-669-7943 (coe-m/f)

**DRIVERS - USA TRUCK**, a stable company. 90% no touch, late model assigned conventional. More miles, more money. No experience? Tuition reimbursement available. 1-800-237-4642.

## FINANCIAL SERVICES

**BAD CREDIT? OVERDUE bills?** From \$5000 - \$150,000. Low payments. Lower interest rates. Fast results. 1-800-798-0904. GFA.

**NOTICE:** While most advertisers are reputable, we cannot guarantee products or services advertised. We urge readers to use caution and when in doubt, contact the Texas Attorney General at 1-800-621-0508 or the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP. The FTC web site is www.ftc.gov/bizop

Call this newspaper to advertise statewide and regionally or call 512-477-6755

**\$\$\$CASH\$\$\$ - IMMEDIATE CASH** for structured settlements, annuities, real estate notes, private mortgage notes, accident cases, and insurance payouts. J. G. Wentworth, 1-800-794-7310.

**BE DEBT FREE!** Consolidate credit card debt into one low monthly payment. Cut interest, stop creditor calls and late fees. National Consolidators, 1-800-270-9894.

**HEALTH**  
**MEDICARE PATIENTS USING Inhalers:** Albuterol - Atrovent - Combivent - Serevent - Azmacort - Flovent and others. Having difficulty? Breathe easy again. Medicare covered liquid therapy may be available if you qualify. Med-A-Save, 1-800-224-1919, Ext. TX5002.

**HELP WANTED**  
**eBAY WHOLESALERS NEEDED!** Distribute merchandise on eBay. No experience required. Call toll-free for more information. Project Refund, 1-800-568-1636, Ext. B-4735.

**HOLIDAY SHOPPERS CHECK UP** on stores in your area. Part/full time. Training. No selling. Call toll-free, AHPI, 1-888-478-1342, Ext. 3345.

**JOIN OUR TEAM** and make a difference. In the Texas Army National Guard you can get money for college and career training. Call 1-800-GO-GUARD.

**SALES - SALES MANAGERS** - One of the highest paid jobs in America. Highly successful national company. Will train. We provide appointments. Call Don, 1-800-322-4103, Vericom Corp.

**FOR SALE**  
**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL - FREE Vacation** Get-A-Way. While supplies last w/purchase of Wolff Tanning Bed. Payments from \$25/month. Free color catalog. 1-800-781-5173. www.np.estan.com

**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL - FREE Vacation** Get-A-Way. While supplies last w/purchase of Wolff Tanning Bed. Payments from \$25/month. Free color catalog. 1-800-781-5173. www.np.estan.com

## POOLS & SPAS

**SPA FLOOR SAMPLE!** Must sell 7 person spa. Never used. MSRP \$4999. Will sacrifice \$2499. Includes cover. Also, 5 person spa - never used \$1999. Will deliver. Full factory warranty. Call Icon Health & Fitness, 1-800-980-7727.

**REAL ESTATE**  
**ABSOLUTE STEAL!** 5 Acres - \$19,900. Sacrifice price on beautiful North Texas hill country property. Perfect getaway, retirement or horse set-up. Access to 600 acre private park. Financing. Texas Land & Ranches. Call now, 1-866-516-4868.

**COLORADO RANCH SALE.** 35 acres - \$49,900. Magnificent mountain ranch at 8,000' elevation. Mix of meadows with ponds and aspen. Stunning views, virtually surrounded by federal lands. Must see! Good terms. Call Colorado Land & Ranches, 1-866-353-4809.

**LAKE LOT SACRIFICE** - 5 Acres - \$24,900. Beautiful lake property w/access to 260 acre private lake. Perfect getaway, retirement, horse property. World class fishing. Gated entrance. Surveyed. Low \$ down. Won't last! Call Texas Land & Ranches, 1-888-676-5253.

**NEW MEXICO MOUNTAINS.** 140 Acres - Only \$49,900. Gorgeous grasslands, mature tree cover, 6,300' elevation. Mountain views, year-round roads and electric. Perfect for horse lovers. Adjacent to national forest. Excellent financing. Call today. This won't last. SW Properties of NM, Inc., 1-866-350-5263.

**20 ACRES BETWEEN** Mason & Junction. Great views, electricity, sandy soil, shallow well water, good tree cover. \$2106/down, \$251/mo. TX Vet. Ranch Enterprises, 1-800-876-9720, hillcountryranches.com.

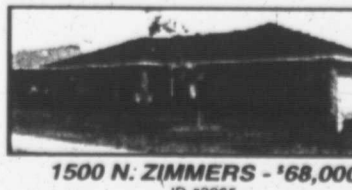
**100 ACRES - \$44,900.** Trophy whitetails (5 deer limit). Tree covered hills and draws. Abundant turkey, quail, small game. Good access. More acreage available. E-Z terms. Call 1-866-899-5263, Texas Land & Ranches.



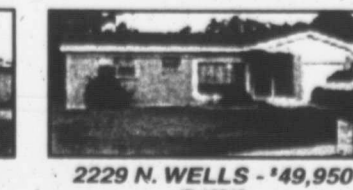
**106 E. Francis**  
**806-669-3248**  
 www.myhome-advisor.com  
 24 hr. information line  
 1-800-218-7578



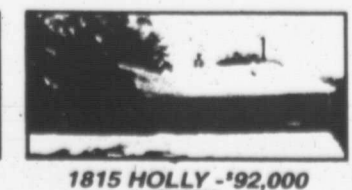
2210 NELSON - \$34,000 ID #2095



1500 N. ZIMMERS - \$68,000 ID #2065



2229 N. WELLS - \$49,950 ID #2045



1815 HOLLY - \$92,000 ID #2055

## Indonesia, rebels sign pact

GENEVA (AP) — The Indonesian government and rebels from Aceh province Monday signed a landmark accord to end the 26-year separatist war on the tip of Sumatra island. But the two sides left the issue of disarming the province to further negotiation.

The accord, signed in Geneva, Switzerland, grants Aceh wide-ranging autonomy but does not allow for independence. The war has claimed 12,000 lives in the past decade.

"Both sides have thus agreed that, from now on, enmity between them should be considered a thing of the past," said the six-page accord.

U.S. mediator Anthony Zinni said, "Both parties represented here really want this agreement to work. This is a good starting point. But it is just the beginning, not the end."

The war, which has roots going back more than 130 years, is considered one of the world's oldest armed conflicts.

"Given the firm commitment of both sides for peace, I see no reason why we cannot obtain this goal we so desire," said Wiryo Sastro Handoyo, the top Indonesian government negotiator, after signing the accord. "There is no obstacle we can't overcome."

Zaini Abdullah, who signed for the leadership of the Free Aceh Movement, said: "The achievement today is the direct result of the struggle and sacrifices of our people."

The insurgency has been dubbed "The Forgotten War" because it never attracted international public attention in the same way

that other conflicts, such as East Timor, did.

Aceh is seen as the most dangerous of Indonesia's many internal conflicts because of the rebels' insistence on independence and the government's resolve not to allow the province to break away — a move that many believe would lead to the disintegration of the ethnically and religiously diverse nation of 210 million people.

If the solution envisaged by the peace agreement proves successful, it could also be implemented in other secessionist trouble spots in Indonesia.

The peace accord sidestepped the sensitive issue of disarmament and demilitarization of Aceh, a Holland-sized province of 4.1 million people on the northern tip of Sumatra island. Instead, a joint security committee consisting of all parties to the peace agreement was tasked with "designing and implementing a mutually agreed upon process of demilitarization."

Andy Andrea, a spokesman for the Henry Dunant Center — negotiator of the accord — said the idea was to have the rebels store their weapons in designated areas, which would be regularly checked by the team of 150 independent monitors, including military officers from the Philippines and Thailand.

In Aceh, Isnander Al-Faseh, a rebel spokesman, said the rebels would withdraw to their forces to base-camps and cease all attacks against government troops. But he accused the security forces of bringing in reinforcements for a possible operation in the north of the province.

## Disney shelves Chinese project

HONG KONG (AP) — The Walt Disney Co. won't build a park in mainland China until at least 2010 and will focus instead on its Hong Kong park, the company said Monday.

Disney's statement following a weekend announcement that Shanghai signed a deal to open a Universal Studios theme park in 2006.

Disney had been in talks with Shanghai, the mainland's wealthiest city, but said it will now keep its sights set on the Hong Kong park, which is due to break ground Jan. 12 and is scheduled to open in 2005-2006.

"We have been in discussions about the potential of a park in Shanghai or another market in China for quite some time, but in all likelihood a second theme park in China would not open before 2010," said Irene Chan, an Asia-Pacific spokeswoman for Disney.

Chan declined comment on Universal's plans, which were outlined in a preliminary agreement signed Saturday. But she indicated that Disney was still looking for potential mainland locations.

"We have to look throughout the country for theme park opportunities and right now we cannot highlight or pinpoint one particular city," Chan said.

The Universal development will be mainland China's first international-standard theme park.

Earlier reports that Disney might open a park in Shanghai in the next few years raised a debate in Hong Kong over whether the territory's officials had negotiated an exclusivity arrangement that would shield the Hong Kong park, largely financed with taxpayer money, from competition.

Critics worried that a Shanghai park could lure mainland Chinese visitors

away from the Hong Kong park. But the announcement of Universal's Shanghai plans caused little stir here, despite Hong Kong's chronic anxiety over the possibility its northern rival might upstage it as a financial and trade center.

"China is an enormous country and can easily sustain more than one big theme park," said Simon Clennell, a spokesman for the Hong Kong Tourism Board.

Disney expects Hong Kong's park, located on the outlying island of Lantau, to attract at least 5.6 million visitors a year — one-third of them from mainland China, Chan said.

Disney, based in Burbank, Calif., has located its regional office in Hong Kong, viewing the Chinese market as strategically important as that of Japan, where it has two successful theme parks: Tokyo Disneyland and the recently opened DisneySea.

## WT announces graduation speaker

CANYON — President and General Manager of BWXT Pantex, Dennis Ruddy, will deliver the commencement address at West Texas A&M University's graduation ceremonies at 7 p.m. Friday.

### Rylander releases sales tax rebates

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today delivered \$368.9 million in monthly sales tax payments to local governments.

Rylander sent sales tax rebates of \$252.3 million to Texas cities and \$20.2 million to Texas counties. Seventy-four special purpose taxing districts received \$9.8 million and Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments received \$86.5 million in sales tax revenue.

November sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in September by monthly filers and in July, August and September by quarterly filers, and reported to the Comptroller in October. The state's share of sales tax reported during this period was \$1.1 billion.

For details of November sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/tax-info/allocsun/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/tax-info/allocsun/compsum.html).

Dec. 13 at the WTAMU Event Center.

Ruddy earned a bachelor's degree from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and a master's degree from New York University, both in metallurgical engineering. He has more than 30 years of experience in managing complex nuclear and non-nuclear manufacturing operations.

He worked for 25 years at the Department of Energy's Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory and served as head of global manufacturing for Tenneco Automotive. Since coming to Pantex, the nation's only nuclear weapons assembly and disassembly plant, Ruddy has guided the company to an 80 percent productivity increase and a 60 percent improve-

ment in lost time injury rates.

He serves on the boards of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts of America Golden Spread Council, Harrington Regional Medical Center, Harrington Cancer Center and the United Way of Amarillo & Canyon. Ruddy is also active in the Amarillo Rotary Club and Amarillo Executive Club.

In 2002, he chaired the local campaign for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. He is also a member of the Advisory Board for WTAMU's engineering program.

More than 480 students have applied for December graduation. WTAMU graduation ceremonies are held each May, August and December.

### Gun and Knife Show scheduled

AMARILLO — On December 14-15, Texas Gun and Knife Association will present its Holiday Gun and Knife Show at Amarillo Civic Center.

Collectors and exhibitors from throughout the Amarillo area will be on hand to buy, sell, and trade a variety of guns, knives, and accessories.

"These items you simply can't find every day," explains Don Hill, president of the association. "And even if you could, you certainly couldn't find them all together in one place at one time like this."

Hill expects scores of exhibitors to be on hand at the upcoming show, and he himself will be available to visit with the public during the event.

As in every Texas Gun and Knife Show, guns and knives are just part of the picture at the Amarillo show. There will also be a selection of wildlife art, historical artifacts, "Texana" items, and Native American and military memorabilia, and for the ladies, superior displays of excellently priced gold and silver jewelry.

Show hours will be 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday. There is an "early bird special" — two-for-the-price-of-one admission during the first hour of the show on both Saturday and Sunday. Children under 12 are free.

## Feds ease airport parking rules

By LESLIE MILLER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal government is opening close-in parking lots at the country's biggest airports that have been off-limits since Sept. 11 because of worries about car bombs.

Federal officials also will change the way air travelers are screened after they pass through security checkpoints over the next few weeks, checking them only at randomly selected gates, said Robert Johnson, spokesman for the Transportation Security Administration.

"We're trying to avoid screening grandma two or three times as she makes her way home for the holidays," he said.

Johnson said the prohibition on unattended vehicles parking within 300 feet of a terminal was being dropped Monday as long as the terrorist threat level is at code yellow, or "elevated," the middle of a five-point scale of risk developed after the terror attacks.

TSA chief James Loy was announcing the change at a conference co-sponsored by the Airports Council International-North America and the American Association of Airport Executives.

The 300-foot rule will be reimposed if the threat level rises to orange or red, Johnson said.

Airports, though, must draw up plans outlining how they would deal with the threat of an explosion. They won't have to close the parking areas during an elevated threat if their plans don't call for that, Johnson said.

New layers of airport security allow the rules to be eased, Johnson said. He cited a better-trained screener work force, federal air marshals, background checks of people who work beyond airport security checkpoints and screening of

checked baggage at 252 airports.

Todd Hauptli, a spokesman for airport operators, said the facilities have pushed the TSA hard to let them reopen their close-in parking lots.

"This has been a thorn in the side of many airports," and the rule brought no significant improvement security, he said.

Not only do some airports lose money because they've closed parking, they have to bus people from remote parking lots, Hauptli said. "It's definitely a passenger convenience, customer convenience issue."

Like the parking restrictions, screening passengers just before they board their

plane was on a "stupid rule" list that Loy drew up. He promised to look at the list and try more commonsense approaches.

As part of that effort, the TSA will change boarding-pass procedures at all or part of eight airports, adding to the nine that are in a pilot program to eliminate gate screening.

Requiring boarding passes before passengers pass through security allows airports to conduct thorough screenings for selected passengers at the security checkpoints rather than the gates.

Johnson said there's only a very slim chance these passengers would be screened again when they arrive at the gates.

### JSL donation



(Courtesy photo)

Junior Service League of Pampa recently donated 15 cots to Shining Star Child Day Care Center. Above: Adults Janet Bridwell and Toni Engle with Munega Campos, Kimyana Gatson, Jose Campos, and Baile Johnson.

**Santa Letters...**

*Please bring your letters to Santa to the Pampa News by December 18<sup>th</sup>. We will forward them to the North Pole as well as print some in the newspaper as we have space!*

*Don't forget to put your name & phone number in case Santa needs to call!*