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PEDC sets meeting

Pampa Economic Development Corporation will meet in executive session at 5 p.m. Monday in Room 203 at Pampa City Hall to discuss Crall Products loans and American Energy property.
 Also on the agenda are items to be discussed in public session. On the agenda are discuss dissolution plan, disposition of real and personal property, training issue required by article 5190.6, bond for officers of PEDC and 1995 Dodge pickup repossession.
 Lee Fraser is to discuss directors insurance and the board will review grants and loans. New officers for the PEDC Board will be elected for the upcoming year.

Census topic of genealogy meeting

Wayne Geason, program director for Amarillo Genealogical Society, will be guest speaker at the Gray County Genealogical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 25, in the conference room at Gray County Sheriff's Office.

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Student conduct code changes

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 EDITOR

Pampa school board members this week approved eight changes to the district's standards of conduct for students participating in extra-curricular activities.
 An ad hoc committee of administrators, board members, parents, and community representatives had reviewed the policies and sought legal and student opinions before bringing the eight recommendations to the board at Thursday night's meeting.
 Overall, the revisions foster less automatic punishment for student offenses, encourage parental involvement, and allow violations to be con-

sidered on an individual basis. And on the advice of an attorney, the school district will not extend its extra-curricular policies to include summer break.
 "It was the consensus of the parent group that each case should be looked at on an individual situation," said Board President Lee Porter, who served on the committee along with board members Nancy Coffee and Bill Jones.
 Porter said he felt the policy shows that the school board and district do not support students drinking alcohol or taking drugs, nor do they support students being around others who are.
 "The policy emphasizes that students don't be in those situations and don't be around them," he said.

"This gives the schools a better chance to intervene with students who have a problem or are looking to having a problem," Porter said. "There's new consequences and the parents will be involved more. The school district can only do so much, it's really the parents' responsibility."
 "The bottom line is - it gets us all on the same page," he said.
 "There seems to be enough latitude to fit most situations," John Curry, another school board member, commented.
 "I'm glad to see us change it from a blanket punitive policy to individual cases," Coffee said.
 "In general, the students were very supportive of non-punitive first conse-

quence and a punitive second consequence," said Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr in his recommendation to the board. Orr chaired the ad hoc committee.
 "The students did not believe it realistic for a policy to apply year-round into the summer months. They expressed concern over students who were seeking to help a friend (responding to a phone call and serving as a designated driver) being subject to the consequence of the policy," he said.
 This is a synopsis of the policy changes affecting student extracurricular activities:
 • First consequence (when applicable) - community or school service (See CODE, Page 3)

Welder, tools recovered in investigation

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

A joint investigation by Pampa Police Department, Borger PD and Carson County Sheriff's Department has yielded the recovery of several stolen items taken in Pampa on Nov. 5.
 Suspects have been identified in this theft and charges could possibly be filed in all three jurisdictions that this crime affected - Pampa, Borger and Carson County, officials say.
 Scott Davis contacted Pampa Police Department reporting the theft of a welder, cutting torch, tool boxes and various tools and welding supplies from the 700 block of North Sumner. Estimate of loss was \$5,000.
 An anonymous tip was made to the Pampa Police Department on Nov. 7 advising that the welder was at a residence in Borger. Pampa PD Officer Bryan Denham followed up on the lead and worked closely with Borger Police Department, according to Pampa Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner.
 After additional investiga-

tion, a search warrant was obtained from Hutchinson County District Attorney's office on Nov. 8 for a residence in the 800 block of Roosevelt in Borger.
 Pampa Police Lt. Fred Courtney and Officer Denham along with Borger PD Detective Sgt. Dennis Burton, Sgt. Bruce Lemery and Officer Collin Jordan executed the warrant, recovering the stolen property.
 On Nov. 12, Borger PD assisted in recovering a tool box and tools in a rural area north of Borger.
 "On Monday morning, Nov. 11, an oil field worker found some welding-type tools which he considered suspicious at a location north of Borger," said Burton. "He found tool boxes, power tools and hand tools. Tools used in connection with the welding industry."
 He said the welder and tools were attached to a trailer when they were stolen in Pampa, but had been removed from the trailer when found.
 On Tuesday, Nov. 19, additional items were located in Skellytown, officials said.
 (See TOOLS, Page 3)

Tralee Tree



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)
 Angie Edmondson decorates the Christmas Tree at Tralee Crisis Center with cards listing the Christmas wishes for the center's clients and their families. Anyone wishing to sponsor one or more of the family members may contact Tralee staff at 669-1131 or go by the office at 310 S. Cuyler.

Community to give thanks in joint service on Nov. 26

Pampa's annual Community Thanksgiving Service begins at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd.
 For at least a decade, Pampa's Ministerial Alliance has brought together the city-wide inter-denominational event. This year, St. Vincent's will host the service in its sanctuary and nine other local churches are also participating.
 For the past three years, the service has featured local citizen speakers. Three local residents will be featured speakers for the 2002 service: Dr. Dawson Orr, a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal; Herb Smith of First Baptist Church; and Dee Dee Laramore of First Christian Church.
 A variety of talented local musicians will provide special music Tuesday night including the Pampa High School Band directed by Bruce Collins, Sons of Light Quartet from Central Baptist Church, and Myrna Orr, organist. Members of the Sons of Light are Rich Smith, Keith Oliphant, Kevin Howell and Bryan Frost with Amy Parnell as accompanist.
 Father John Valdez, pastor of St. Vincent's, will welcome. Justin Meyers of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, will read the scripture. Rev. Albert Maggard of (See SERVICE, Page 3)

Judge restricts manslaughter suspect

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

District Judge Stephen Emmert placed several conditions on Niccy Davis, 23, 1329 Terrace, when he reduced bond from \$100,000 to \$50,000 on an intoxicated manslaughter charge in connection with the death of a 74-year-old Pampa woman on Nov. 16.
 Emmert said Friday afternoon he placed three conditions on Davis upon her appearance in the 31st District Court on Wednesday.
 Conditions are: (1) she is not to operate any motor vehicle; (2) she is to report to the Adult Probation Office every Monday and Friday for a urinalysis test for alcohol and drugs; and (3) she is not to leave Gray County.
 Davis was arrested Saturday, Nov. 17, about an hour after Dorothy Pinson Fuller, 74, 1121 Mary Ellen, was struck by a car at 8 p.m. at the intersection of Barnes and Albert streets. She was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center where she died about 9:30 p.m.
 Pampa Police officers said Fuller appeared to have been hit Saturday night by a 1996 green Buick Skylark four-door sedan. Officers said the driver and a passenger in the car left (See SUSPECT, Page 3)



(Pampa Police Department photo)
 This trailer and tool box were among the property recovered during an inter-agency investigation involving Pampa, Borger and Carson County authorities.

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OBITUARIES

R.W. "BOB" SIDWELL
1912-2002

R.W. "Bob" Sidwell, 90, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 21, 2002, at Bedford, Texas. Services will be at 10 a.m., Monday, Nov. 25, 2002, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Randy White, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Sidwell was born Jan. 9, 1912, in Blacksville, W.Va. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1933, moving from Winfield, Kan. He married Georgia Harrison on June 16, 1935, at Enid, Okla.

He was co-founder, vice president and general manager, and president of Beacon Supply from 1935 until his retirement in 1974.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Everyman's

Bible Class, where he served as secretary for 50 years.

Survivors include his wife, Georgia H. Sidwell, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Glenn Wimberley of North Richland Hills, Texas; a daughter-in-law, Karen E. Sidwell of Englewood, Colo.; four grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a son, Robert Sidwell, in 1994; and a daughter, Linda Kay Sidwell, in 1941.

The family requests memorials be to Everyman's Bible Class in care of First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065; to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 600 W. 11th, Amarillo, TX 79101; or to a favorite charity.

The family will receive friends from 5-6:30 p.m., on Sunday at the funeral home. www.carmichael-whitley.com

SERVICES TOMORROW

SIDWELL, R.W. "Bob" — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

WEATHER

PAMPA — Sunday, cloudy. Windy and cooler. Slight chance of freezing rain mixed with snow and sleet. Highs in the lower 40s. Temperatures falling in the afternoon. North winds 5 to 15 mph increasing to 20 to 30 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Sunday night, cloudy. Slight chance of snow. Lows in the mid 20s. North winds 10 to 20 mph decreasing to 5 to 15 mph. Chance of snow 20

percent. Monday, cloudy. Slight chance of snow. Highs in the mid 30s. Northeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Chance of snow 20 percent. Monday night, cloudy. Chance of snow. Lows in the lower 20s. Chance of snow 30 percent. Tuesday, cloudy. Chance of snow. Highs in the lower 30s. Chance of snow 40 percent. Tuesday night, cloudy. Chance of snow. Lows in the mid 20s. Chance of snow 30

percent. Wednesday, cloudy. Chance of snow. Highs in the mid 30s. Chance of snow 30 percent. Wednesday night, cloudy. Slight chance of snow. Lows in the lower 20s. Chance of snow 20 percent. Thanksgiving Day, cloudy in the morning then becoming partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 40s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department made the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending

at 7 a.m. Saturday, according to Gray County Jail records.

Friday, Nov. 22
Casey D. Lee, 17, 2571 Fir, was arrested on municipal warrants for possession under two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Daniel M. Meyer, 17, 250 Osborne, was arrested on a capias pro fine for assault and theft.

Luzann Garcia, 17, 701 E. Albert, was arrested on municipal warrants for possession under two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Claudia C. Silva, 17, HCR 4, Box H, was arrested on municipal warrants for possession under two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Santos Lee Mathis, 17, 937 S. Hobart, was arrested on municipal warrants for assault, no insurance, and no driver's license.

Saturday, Nov. 23
Matthew Driscoll, 1065 Darby, 19, was arrested for possession of marijuana and minor in possession.

Justin Billy Adams, 20, 1806 Coffee, was arrested for criminal trespass, driving while intoxicated - a minor, minor in possession, driving while intoxicated, assault by threat, and possession of another's driver's license.

Michael Blalock, 44, 714 E. Frederic, was arrested for operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

SHERIFF

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

Friday, Nov. 22
Cornelius Chestnut, 32, Myrtle Beach, S.C., was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety for possession of marijuana over 5 lbs. and under 50 lbs.

Eric Clifford Keiser, 20, Lefors, was arrested for three charges of issuing a bad check.

David Boyd, 45, Lefors, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

FIRE

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

Friday, Nov. 22
8:26 a.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a smoke investigation in the 200 block of North Cuyler. None was found.

10:55 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a vehicle fire in the 1200 block of Farley. Nothing was found.

CLARIFICATION

In the Page 1 article Friday about the Pampa school board meeting, a quote by Dr. Jay Johnson, board member, should have read, "It takes 26 courses to graduate and each one is shortened by 30 hours."

Also in a Page 1 article Wednesday, it was incorrectly stated that Pampa school district consists of slightly more than 1,000 students. This is the high school enrollment. Pampa ISD had a total of 3,439 students enrolled in September, according to information provided to the board by Assistant Superintendent Mark McVay.

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Reports: Saudi Arabia links to Sept. 11 attacks went unexamined by FBI, CIA

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department is investigating whether the Saudi government funneled money to two students who assisted two of the Sept. 11 hijackers, the White House said Saturday.

"The FBI has been investigating this and I'm not going to prejudge the conclusion of that investigation," said Dan Bartlett, a spokesman for the Bush administration.

Bartlett, who accompanied President Bush to a NATO summit in Europe, disputed congressional critics of the probe.

"As anyone who knows this issue will tell you, it's very difficult to track financing of terrorist networks because most of it is done in cash," he said. "I don't agree with the assessment it's not been aggressively pursued."

A draft report by a joint congressional committee looking into the terrorist attacks says the CIA and FBI

ignored the possibility that two of the hijackers, Khalid Almidhar and Nawaf Alhazmi, both Saudis, were given Saudi money from two Saudi men they met in California in the year before the attacks, The New York Times reported in its Saturday editions. Almidhar and Alhazmi were on the plane that crashed into the Pentagon.

The committee also accused the Saudi government of not fully cooperating with American investigators.

The two hijackers met with Omar al-Bayoumi and Osama Basnan, who were receiving financial support from the Saudi government, the Times said. Officials were not sure what kind of stipends they were receiving, the newspaper said.

Newsweek said, however, the FBI uncovered financial records showing payments to the family of al-Bayoumi from a Washington bank

account held in the name of Princess Haifa Al-Faisal, wife of the Saudi ambassador to the United States and daughter of the late King Faisal.

Sources said the payments amounted to about \$3,500 a month. The money filtered into the al-Bayoumi family's bank account in early 2000, just a few months after Almidhar and Alhazmi arrived in Los Angeles from an al-Qaida planning summit, Newsweek said in a report posted on its Web site Friday night.

Payments for roughly the same amount began flowing every month to Basnan.

Administration officials told Newsweek they did not know the purpose of the payments from Princess Haifa's account. They also were uncertain whether the money was given to the hijackers by al-Bayoumi or Basnan.

The princess' office said

"she will cooperate fully with the United States."

The debate over possible Saudi link raises a sensitive political issue for the Bush administration as it is one of the United States' closest and most important allies in the Persian Gulf at a time when the administration is considering war with Iraq.

In its draft report, the joint congressional committee staff said investigators should have followed up on the meetings of the four men to determine whether there was a Saudi connection to the hijacking plot.

The FBI said in a statement Friday it had "aggressively pursued investigative leads regarding terrorist support and activity." It noted that both al-Bayoumi and Basnan had been charged with visa fraud.

The joint committee's final report is to be completed in December in classified form.

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CODE

with counseling.

• Second consequence - suspension from an event, after discipline committee examines the circumstances.

• Stronger parental involvement. From first violation on, parents conferences and written memoranda of understanding signed by parents, student and school officials.

• School organizations and clubs that have specific conduct standards stricter than the Student Code of Conduct or that extend throughout the year, will specify those standards in writ-

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TOOLS

Officer Denham, along with deputies of the Carson County Sheriff's Department, verified this and obtained a search warrant for a residence in the 400 block of Fourth Street in Skellytown.

Carson County deputies along with Pampa PD officers executed the search warrant and successfully recovered the trailer and the remaining stolen property, police reported.

Chief Pitner said all property was returned to Davis.

"As with all case police officers work, this shows how cooperation between agencies

benefits out citizens," said Pitner. "This is also a good example of quick reporting by victims of crime. The sooner a crime is reported to the police the better chance we have of gaining good information and solving it."

No arrests have been made in connection with the incident, but the two departments are continuing to investigate, said Burton.

The police sergeant said the officers of both departments are continuing to work together on the case. He said he did not know if Gray County grand jury or Hutchinson County grand jury will review the case.

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SUSPECT

the sedan and fled on foot.

Davis was transported to Gray County Jail after she was arrested by Department of Public Safety troopers.

Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman set bond on Davis at \$100,000 in the initial court proceedings.

Meanwhile, Pampa police continue to look for Dorothy Fuller's purse.

"The disturbing part of this crime is that as the victim lay in the roadway awaiting medical attention, the suspect (or

suspects) removed the purse and then fled the scene," said Pampa Police Officer Donnie Brown in a news release to *The Pampa News*.

"The Pampa Police Department would like the assistance of the community in this most disturbing case," said Brown.

Anyone with information in this case is asked to contact the Crime Stoppers hotline at 806-669-2222 or the Pampa Police Department at 806-669-5700.

Callers will remain anonymous, he said.

ten constitutions, by-laws, or handbooks.

• The high school administration will review and recommend whether the extra-curricular conduct applies to certain activities that do not strictly meet the definition of extra-curricular.

• Out-of-school use of tobacco by minors will be treated as a counseling and education issue and will not trigger a non-punitive first consequence. However, student organizations, sponsors, and coaches may prohibit its use and establish consequences within the guidelines of the recommendations on parental involvement.

• After a third violation, the decision to suspend or remove a student will be made through a due process hearing conducted by the superintendent or superintendent's designee.

• The high school administration is to revise the student extra-curricular and participation contract, identify the specific student offices and honors covered by the policy and insure that student constitutions and organizational handbooks are revised to reflect the specific conduct standards.

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SERVICE

First Pentecostal Holiness will be giving the pastoral prayer.

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Lefors plans miniature parade

LEFORS - Lefors Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Service is planning its first-ever "Little Bit of Christmas-Parade" on Saturday, Dec. 7.

The parade is scheduled to start at 2 p.m. Afterwards, Santa Claus will be at the Civic Center until 4 p.m. for those who would like to visit with him.

Decorated bicycles, tricycles, four-wheelers, battery-powered cars, lawn tractors, or small pickups, are needed for the "miniature" Christmas parade.

Prizes will be awarded for best-decorated entry in each of three age groups: 0-5, 6-12, and 12 and up. Adult entries are welcome but will not be judged. Entry forms are available at Lefors City Hall.

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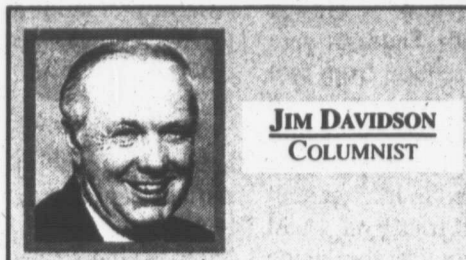
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VIEWPOINTS

Success: 'And then some'

In our modern society, we hear a great deal these days about the "secrets of success." In reality there are no secrets, as this is simply a marketing gimmick used to sell many of the success motivation programs that are around today. True success can be summed up by these words of former President Harry S. Truman: "I studied the lives of great men and famous women, and I found that the men and women who got to the top were those who did the jobs they had in hand - with everything they had of energy, enthusiasm and hard work."



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asked him how he did it, he said, "And then some." When asked what he meant, he replied, "When I was in school and my teachers asked me to do something, I did it - and then some. Later, when I got a job and my employer told me to do something, I did it - and then some. (You will notice we have gone from "asking" to "telling".) Finally, when I started a business of my own, I did what my customers expected - and then some."

You see, this successful young man had been applying the universal natural law of cause and effect. This law, simply stated, means that for every cause there must be an effect, and for every effect there must be a cause. By rendering more service than was actually required, he was using this universal law to get more rewards in return.

When it comes to achieving success, one of the biggest mistakes many people make is wanting the rewards before they

render the service. This could be compared to a man standing in front of a cold, wood burning stove and saying, "Give me some heat and then I will put in the wood."

A real understanding and application of this universal law which has been stated as "And then some," will give you everything on earth you desire. If you are having trouble making ends meet, or having trouble in school or on your job, pause here and ask yourself this question: "Am I doing everything that is expected of me with the right attitude - and then some?" If you're not, then you are needlessly holding yourself back.

When you apply this principle to the success of a business, that little extra - and then some - is the profit, and without earning a profit, you won't be around very long. Until next time, here is something to think about that may be of great value to you. When a person concentrates all available energies on one specific task, the possibility of success is greatly increased. When time and talent are divided between several enterprises, chances of success are proportionally reduced.

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TEXAS EDITORIALS

Texas Legislature needs to broaden its tort reforms

From the El Paso Times:
Tort reform is expected to be a crucial issue during the legislative session next year. And it needs to be. The leading issue in this reform effort must include medical malpractice lawsuits, which are causing critical doctor shortages in Texas, especially in border cities such as El Paso.

Texans for Lawsuit Reform, based in Houston, is gearing up once again to take its agenda to the 2003 Legislature. The group of private businessmen may find even greater support for some of their proposals than they did during the 1995 Legislature, which, as the group members point out, "was a watershed year for lawsuit reform in Texas."

There is little doubt in most people's mind that lawsuit abuse is a significant problem. Texas and other states along the U.S.-Mexico border appear to be experiencing increases in some kinds of lawsuits. The area of greatest concern is medical malpractice lawsuits, along with the mold cases.

Medical malpractice insurance premiums have soared in some cases by 300 percent. These increasing costs are passed along to consumers. The cost of this insurance has simply forced many doctors into early retirement or to move their practices from medically underserved cities.

Who really "pays" for this? Patients, first in higher costs to see physicians and second in the loss of doctors in medically underserved cities, such as El Paso.

For every 100 doctors in the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas, there are 350 medical malpractice lawsuits filed for every 100 doctors. That's outrageous. Now, few would argue that patients who have suffered at the hands of incompetent or careless physicians deserve to have legal recourse to collect some form of remuneration. But it's hard to dispute the rising lawsuit figures (in a variety of areas) and the abuses.

The tort reform agenda being pitched by Texans for Lawsuit Reform is broad, out of necessity, but the group is very well prepared. Some items on the agenda include:

Class-action lawsuit reform — to allow a more direct approach to the Supreme Court in the determination of class certification.

Fair Settlement Act — to promote the prompt resolution of disputes in the least expensive manner possible by creating incentives for parties to make and accept reasonable settlement offers.

Legal ethics reform — to improve the disciplinary process that holds lawyers to standards.

There's little doubt that a host of reforms are needed, but they shouldn't come at the expense of creating protective loopholes that enable businesses, industries or corporations from shirking ethical and, perhaps financial, responsibilities they may because of malpractice, unsafe work environments, defective products, poor service, etc.

Tort reform demands a fine balancing act. The rules need to be as clear as possible and fair to all parties involved. The Legislature faces a challenging session.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

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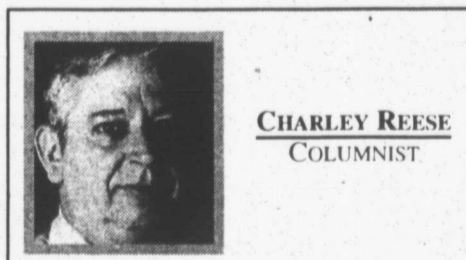
China undermines Mexican economy

You're tempted to say that those who live by exploited, cheap labor die by it. It's hard to feel any sympathy for Mexico's maquiladora program, which has been bleeding jobs - about 287,000 of them, according to an article in The New York Times. Most of them have gone to China, Thailand or Vietnam.

The maquiladora program itself is one of the most insane ideas ever hatched in the halls of Washington, D.C. It encouraged American manufacturers to move their facilities to Mexico with the promise that they could ship the goods across the border duty-free. It has cost Americans tens of thousands of good blue-collar jobs.

Now Mexico's \$2-an-hour employees are losing out to China's employees making 50 cents an hour to \$1 an hour (benefits included). As far as anybody in Mexico, China or Washington is concerned, America's \$9-an-hour-and-up employees can just go on welfare or compete with illegal immigrants for low-pay service jobs.

I have long argued that so-called free trade today does not mean what free trade meant in the 19th century. Free trade in the 19th century simply meant not using protective tariffs to help American industry. Incidentally, the people of the Confederacy were chief proponents of free trade in those days and were opposed by Northern manufacturers, who wanted high tariffs. That issue was more of a factor in the War Between the States than



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slavery. What has changed has been the rise of the multinational corporations that want to be free to pursue cheap labor wherever it is. They can do that as long as the products made by cheap labor can come into the United States duty-free or almost duty-free. Thus, the issue facing us, large ignored, is not protecting American manufacturers so much as it is protecting American manufacturing jobs.

The maquiladora program shows how ineffective America's labor movement is, as well as how the Democratic Party has abandoned the American workingman and -woman. That was the program that should have been aborted. The labor leadership, however, was too infected with socialists who were willing to trade American jobs for government programs. The corporations, which already owned the Republican Party, have bought the Democratic Party. The average American working Joe and working Jill are left without representation, although the illusion is maintained.

In the long run, America cannot sustain its prosperity with an economy of

financiers, government workers and service jobs. Nor can millionaire socialists provide the leadership necessary to turn the situation around.

What we need is a two-tier system of tariffs. There is no need to protect General Motors from Toyota or DaimlerChrysler. Japan and Germany are developed industrial countries with labor costs as high or higher than ours. At the same time, there is no need to allow Nike to make shoes in an Asian sweatshop for \$5 a pair and then import them duty-free to the United States to sell for \$125. A \$100-a-pair tariff might persuade Nike that Americans can make shoes just as well as the poor people in Asia. In other words, we should have free trade insofar as foreign-made, foreign-owned products are concerned, but also high tariffs on products once made in the United States but now made in cheap-labor countries.

The present system is rationalized by claiming that it benefits the consumer, but the low cost of labor is not passed on to the consumer. It just adds to the profits of the greedy and unpatriotic corporation. Blue jeans are made in Central American sweatshops for \$3 a pair. Have you seen any in the stores selling for, say, \$6 a pair? Of course not. But even if lower costs were passed along to American consumers, that would be more than offset by the higher taxes necessary to support the unemployed American workers.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Sunday, Nov. 24, the 328th day of 2002. There are 37 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 24, 1963, Jack Ruby shot and mortally wounded Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President Kennedy, in a scene captured on live televi-

sion. On this date:

In 1784, Zachary Taylor, the 12th president of the United States, was born in Orange County, Va.

In 1859, British naturalist Charles Darwin published "On the Origin of Species," which explained his theory of evolution.

In 1863, the Civil War battle for Lookout Mountain

began in Tennessee; Union forces took the mountain two days later.

In 1871, the National Rifle Association was incorporated.

In 1947, a group of writers, producers and directors that became known as the "Hollywood Ten" was cited for contempt of Congress for refusing to answer questions about alleged Communist influence in the

movie industry.

In 1947, John Steinbeck's novel "The Pearl" was first published.

In 1969, Apollo 12 splashed down safely in the Pacific.

In 1971, hijacker "D.B. Cooper" parachuted from a Northwest Airlines jet over Washington state with \$200,000 in ransom. His fate remains unknown.

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PHS football fever



(Courtesy photo)

The staff at Dr. Jay Johnson's dental office in Pampa have PHS football fever as the high school football play-offs get under way. To show their support and enthusiasm, the Doctor and his staff had T-shirts printed to wear to work on game days. The shirts sport different slogans on the back, all pertaining to dentistry. For example: "A tooth is a terrible thing to waste," "You can't handle the tooth," and so forth. Above: (left-right) Susan Boothe, Stacie Hunt, Dr. Johnson, Lolly Reyes, Brenda Morrison, and Shelly DeMar.

Every day is radio day in war-ravaged city

BY RODRIQUE NGOWI
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BUKAVU, Congo (AP) — When Francois Amani goes fishing, he always takes a radio — his sole source of companionship during long nights spent earning a living on the windy waters of Lake Kivu.

"It gets lonely out there," says the 36-year-old fisherman.

Aside from a need for company in his leaky dugout canoe, he revels in the thought that programs on Bukavu's four private radio stations "sometimes may raise the authorities' blood pressure."

It's not surprising. In this corner of war-ravaged eastern Congo, where newspapers are hard to find, these are still radio days.

For Amani and the other 150,000 people of Bukavu, the four independent, low-wattage FM stations are an outlet where they get the latest news, share views and, increasingly, voice frustration with the Congolese Rally for Democracy, the Rwandan-backed rebels who run this decaying city in the heart of Africa.

The news and round-table discussions deal with the issues confronting "the society we serve — poverty, insecurity, lack of development," said Mushizi Kizito, who runs Radio Maendeleo.

The station, the oldest independent one in Bukavu, has been on the air since 1993, although it's been shut down by the rebels a few times.

There are no figures on listenership or radio ownership in Bukavu. But in the markets, on the street, in houses and even on the fishing boats, residents are tuning in to the broadcasts in French, English and Kiswahili.

Rwandan troops have been in eastern Congo since the beginning of the war in 1998. Last month, as they were pulling out and thousands lined the streets to see

them off, many huddled around radios, listening to news of other Rwandan withdrawals.

The rebels, however, have stayed, making conditions perilous for the radio stations.

The rebels consider them

irksome at best, and a threat at worst. To stifle their growth and attract revenue to their own struggling and largely ignored radio station, they have banned the independents from carrying advertising.

(See RADIO, Page 6)

'Pinning ceremony'



(Courtesy photo)

Thomas J. Palmer, son of Barbara and Wendell Palmer of Pampa, was recently promoted to chief petty officer onboard Naval Air Station, Joint Reserve Base, in Fort Worth. He and 40 other Sailors were promoted to chief petty officer during a special ceremony at the air station. The guest speaker at the ceremony was retired Master Chief Petty Officer Mike Krbec, former Naval Reserve Force master chief. Palmer, a 1988 graduate of Pampa High School, joined the U.S. Navy 13 years ago. Among those present at the ceremony was his wife Charolette, his son Nicholas, her parents, and his brother David.

Farm Scene: Dairy odor sniffers

TWIN FALLS, Idaho (AP) — Nearly every evening, Carolina Simmonds drives out to the country to take a deep breath.

Instead of wildflowers or the wheat swaying around her, Simmonds sniffs for manure and the myriad of gases released as organic material decays.

Simmonds, who works for the Idaho Department of Agriculture, monitors dairy odor levels as part of an effort to develop standards that both dairies and their neighbors can live with.

When she finds a particularly foul spot, she writes down what she smells and waits for a reading from the Jerome Meter, an electronic nose that measures the concentration of hydrogen sulfide compounds — the gas that makes much of the stink rising from cow patties and sewage lagoons.

The dairy industry has strongly opposed a standard for levels of hydrogen sulfide or other gases. They say that in today's fragile economy any deodorizing solution is likely to be too expensive. Meanwhile, neighbors claim they are losing property value because of odor.

Dean Swager, who milks about 1,900 cows and recently bought a dissolved air flotation system to cut odor from his farm, said odor standards sound fine except they don't take into account geographical factors that can affect distribution of odor. Air flow and climate patterns sometimes dissipate smelly gases, but they sometimes trap the stench close to the ground, too.

Matthew Thompson, the head of the technical support division of the odor program, said the professional sniffers will soon use more than just the Jerome Meter and their noses.

The department is looking into olfactometry — a process that uses a trained human nose and air samples divided into different concentrations of smell intensity.

"Basically you pour a sample of air into a bag and take it to a special lab, where they run samples of the dirty air with a high volume of clean air," said Thompson. "Then a group of people are given three choices: two clean air samples and a diluted dirty air sample, and they're asked to choose the dirty one."

The dirty air sample is mixed with less and less clean air until the professional sniffers detect a difference between it and an entirely clean sample. Thompson said the system is the best way to measure scent because noses are the most accurate measurement available under current technology.

Simmonds said that every nose is different, but her sense of smell sometimes differs with what the Jerome Meter reads. To account for both varying levels of measurable hydrogen sulfide, and the human impact, she writes down her own impression. The smell journal reads

almost like a wine critique. "Here I smell strong ammonia, and something kind of acidic," she said outside one dairy. "And when we were around the corner, I could mainly smell manure."

Which is the last thing nearby residents want to smell when they are hosting a backyard barbecue or patio party, said Simmonds.

"We get a lot of complaints in the summer. It seems like the hotter it is, the stinkier it is. And people get really upset when they have a three-day weekend and they can't enjoy their yards," she said.

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Blass exhibit reveals his understanding of women's fashions

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Designer Bill Blass knew American women. He felt the pulse of their desires and understood how important it was that they looked truly elegant.

For 50 years he dressed celebrities, socialites and housewives — at least those in elite social classes with distinctly American tastes. To them, being fashionable did not mean following the fads. These were Blass' women and looking good was it.

"The clothes served a purpose. They were for his girls," said Yvonne Miller, a former Blass model who, from 1987 until his death in June, was the first to wear all new designs. "They were just like businesswomen or lunch ladies."

"Bill Blass: An American Designer," an exhibit at Indiana University's Art Museum, displays for the first time more than 250 of Blass' most important ensembles. It runs through Dec. 17.

The exhibit showcases a cashmere pantsuit of bold, brown plaid belonging to Miller, who works as a spokeswoman for Bill Blass Ltd. A colorful beaded and sequined gown from Aretha Franklin's wardrobe is displayed beside the white gown with black lace bodice that Barbara Walters wore the night she received an Emmy award in the early 1980s.

"The exhibition is a demonstration of a particular American chic that Mr. Blass popularized," said Kathleen

Rowold, curator for the university's Sage Collection who worked with Blass to design the exhibit. "But his clothes are more than just fancy clothing."

Though considered the founding father of sportswear, the chic that Blass defined spanned decades. The pieces in the exhibit are what he believed to be his finest — long evening gowns and naughty, black cocktail dresses with hemlines going every which way but down.

Several red gowns in the exhibit belonged to former first lady Nancy Reagan, who was a close friend and often invited Blass to lunch at the White House.

"When I look at what's out there today, I long for Bill," Mrs. Reagan said. "He wasn't about to design dresses that went way above your knee or down to your navel."

The son of a hardware store owner, Blass never knew his dad. He had committed suicide when Bill was young. His inspiration may have come from his mother, Ethyl, a dressmaker.

Blass began sketching gowns as a boy in Fort Wayne, a blue-collar town miles and cultures away from the glamour of New York's Fifth Avenue. After selling some of his ideas to manufacturers in New York, he left Indiana in 1940 to study fashion at the Parsons School of Design in Manhattan.

Blass later won global attention with creations that

mixed-and-matched chic and casual, a style that later came to define an American style — shattering the Paris-centric world of couture fashion.

Besides clothing, one museum display shares a handful of boyhood drawings of Manhattan social gatherings and cocktail parties. Beside it, an aging perfume advertisement lists Blass' likes and dislikes in women.

His favorite women could dress drop-dead gorgeous in minutes. They never cried at weddings, always did crossword puzzles in pencil, and loved fashion, but only rarely talked about it.

These were women like Candice Bergen, Barbra Streisand, and countless socialites around the country whom Blass loved to dress.

Part of their attraction to Blass' clothes was the man himself. He was handsome, charming, and well read — by his own account, the perfect third man to most arrangements.

But there was something more.

"He saw very clearly his customer. He was amazing that way. He knew exactly who he was designing for," said designer Stephen Burrows, who appeared with Blass and other Americans during a 1973 show in Versailles, France. It was the first time American and French designers shared the same runway, giving U.S. designers a newfound credibility.

And though Blass' designs are now sharing museum space with oil paintings and sculptures, he never considered them art — nor did many of the women who wore them.

In his autobiography "Bare Blass," published last August by HarperCollins, Blass described fitting some of his more loyal customers. They would often stand smoking in only a bra and pantyhose. Their candor wasn't surprising — looking good was a business.

Blass and his women were partners and friends, he said. He dined with them, shopped with them — and they all eagerly paid thousands for his designs, some of which are part of the exhibit.

"We somehow moved in the same circles, the same group of friends. We all extended our circle at certain times, but we always stayed in close touch," said Mića Ertegun, wife of Atlantic Records founder Ahmet Ertegun and one of Blass'

many socialite friends. Those circles have not ceased with his passing. The label is very much alive, with Lars Nilsson as head designer.

But now mannequins wear the clothing, posed on makeshift runways. And though the cocktails and cigarettes are missing from their hands, the spectacle is frozen solid in a moment of glamour — a testament to the lives of a designer and the women who loved him.

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RADIO

Without advertising, Radio Maendeleo is largely funded by 11.11.11, a Belgian human rights advocacy group that focuses on media projects in developing countries. One of the other three stations is run by the U.N. mission in Congo, another by the Roman Catholic church and a third by a Protestant church.

Radio journalists are often detained by the rebels. Kizito was detained for more than seven hours after Radio Maendeleo reported that Rwandan troops had re-entered Congo in violation of a recent peace accord.

"The news programs are often not favorable to the rebels," Kizito said. "We continue doing this job because we believe that we are serving a useful role."

Rebel officials say the mere fact that stations are reporting news — and not the actual content of the reports — is the problem.

Their licenses confine them to "evangelical or developmental matters," said Jean-Pierre Lola Kisanga, a rebel spokesman.

Bukavu, at the southern tip of Lake Kivu near the border with Rwanda and Burundi, was once

the region's intellectual center, with a teachers' college built in the 1970s and then four universities. They attracted students and professors from around eastern Zaire, as it was known then, to the town of crumbling bungalows built by the Belgian colonists who ruled until 1960.

Bukavu's latest rulers, the rebels, took the city in 1998, when Rwanda and Uganda sent in troops to support the ouster of the then president, Laurent Kabila.

Since then, the city has been declining steadily as rebels fail to provide social services and neglect schools and hospitals.

But radio is one sphere of life that has blossomed.

"It opens the horizons," says one listener, Bobos Nfundiko.

A typical program is Radio Maendeleo's weekly "Peace and Development," where studio guests and callers get to vent their frustrations.

On one recent show that drew rebel condemnation, Didas Kaningini, a civic leader, commented that rebel troops have not been paid since the rebellion began in 1998 and that some of them have to rob townspeople to make a living.

The rebel army "is not capable of guaranteeing peace in our country," Kaningini said, and several callers agreed.

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Golden Spread Coin Club. Golden Spread Coin Club, originally Amarillo Coin Club, meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month. GSCC is a member of American Numismatic Association. For more information, call (806) 352-8281 or (806) 342-9536.

Gray Co. Ass'n for Retarded Citizens. Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of every month at Pampa Sheltered Workshop.

Gray Co. Extension Education. Gray County Extension Education meets at 1:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Gray County Courthouse Annex.

Gray Co. Genealogical Society. Gray County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month in the Gray County Sheriff's Department classroom. (Enter through the north door of the jail building.) For membership inquiries, contact Harley Madison at 669-6294.

Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society. Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at First Landmark Building in the Pampa Mall. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Loyd Waters 665-6466.

Magic Plains ABWA. Magic Plains Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at The Coffee Shop, 220 N. Cuyler. Working business women are invited to attend. For more information, call Pat Winkleblack at 669-7828 or Estelle Malone at 669-9614.

Pampa Citizens on Patrol Ass'n. Pampa Citizens on Patrol Association meets at 8 p.m. the second Saturday of each month at 824 S. Cuyler.

Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club. The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Carol Carpenter at 669-7940.

Pampa Fine Arts Ass'n. Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building (Chamber building).

Pampa Garden Club. Pampa Garden Club meets at 2 p.m. the second Monday of each month from September through May. Meeting location changes monthly.

Pampa Pilots Ass'n. Pampa Pilots Association meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Airport Lounge.

Pampa Rotary Club. Pampa Rotary Club meets at 12 noon every Wednesday at Pampa Country Club.

Pampa Takedown Club. Pampa Takedown Club Wrestling for youth 5-15 years of age. Practice is at 900 N. Frost. Season starts Sept. 25 through February. For more information, call Rick Uguhart at 665-8321.

Pampa Woodcarving Club. Pampa Woodcarving Club meets at 7 p.m., the second and fourth Thursday of each month at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson. Meetings are open to any individuals interested in woodcarving from beginners to all experience. Projects and instructors are available. For more information, call 669-3008.

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild. Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

Shrine Club. Pampa Shrine Club holds a covered dish meeting at 7 p.m. every third Friday of each month at the Sportsman's Club on South Barnes.

Top O' Texas Rodeo Ass'n. Top O' Texas Rodeo Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month in the Nona S. Payne Room of Pampa Community Building.

EDUCATION, PSAs

ACT. ACT, Inc., education and career planning organization has announced the following do-it-yourself college planning resources on the Internet: www.act.org, www.c3apply.org, www.collegenet.com, www.finaid.org, www.ed.gov/finaid.html and www.fafsa.ed.gov (financial aid sites), and www.bls.gov/ocohome.htm (career planning).

ANIMALPRINTS.COM. AnimalPrints.com has dedicated \$1 from each sale of a newly released series of artist's prints to benefit animals in need. For more information or to view the prints, go to AnimalPrints.com on the Internet.

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

Arbor Day Foundation. The National Arbor Day Foundation offers a "Tree Planting Resource Kit for Volunteers." The kit is available for \$29.95 plus shipping and handling and includes a leadership guide, a Celebrate Arbor Day guidebook, and a video to help motivate volunteers. For more information, call (402) 474-5655, go on-line to www.arborday.org, or write: The National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410.

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

BBB RESOURCE GUIDE. The Better Business Bureau is offering "The Spring BBB Membership Directory and Resource Guide." The publication is available free of charge and includes a listing of BBB member companies as well as businesses who qualify as members and who uphold BBB's standards of ethical practices. The guide also provides tips on how to be better shoppers along with information on current scams. For more information or to obtain the guide, call (806) 379-7133.

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

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

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

Fear Not Foundation. The Fear Not Foundation offers free to the public Lee Crull's "Ten Golden Rules for Safety," a "kidnap-proof" set of guidelines to help children protect themselves from would-be predators. Crull is an elite ex-commando, former undercover agent, and professional bodyguard. For more information, send a business size SASE to: The Fear Not Foundation, P.O. Box 403, Syracuse, NY 13215; or go on-line to www.GoodForYouAmerica.com and click on The Fear Not Foundation to link to the "Ten Golden Rules."

FEI Booklet. The Free Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., is offering the booklets "The 100 Most Popular Government Giveaway Programs" and "Directory of Micro Loan Sources." Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, 100 Government Giveaways -

Dept. 100GG-0110 or Micro Loan Sources - Dept. DMLS-0313, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, DC 20090-6071; by calling (202) 595-1031; or by visiting www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the World Wide Web.

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

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

FSA. USDA's Farm Service Agency has launched a redesigned website located at www.fsa.usda.gov on the Internet. The redesign includes user-friendly features and easily accessible on-line FSA forms.

Heifer Project International. First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, is currently accepting aluminum cans for recycling. Proceeds will benefit Heifer Project International, an Arkansas-based service organization which provides livestock (chickens, pigs, sheep, cattle) along with training and support services to families and communities worldwide. For a limited time, donations will be matched 3-1 by a private foundation. HPI is a non-denominational not-for-profit agency. For more information, call the church office at 665-1031. Office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Friday and before 10:45 a.m. Sunday. For more information about HPI, call 1-800-422-0474 or visit <http://www.heifer.org> on the Internet.

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TPRDC elects new slate of officers

AMARILLO — Texas Panhandle Regional Development Corporation (TPRDC) recently elected Steve Bowen, senior vice president (VP) with PNB Financial in Amarillo, as its new president. Duane Harp of Edward Jones Co. in Pampa will serve as a director.

Kyle Irwin, vice president of Gruver State Bank, was elected VP. Lorie Vincent, executive director of The High Ground of Texas in

Stratford, was elected secretary, and Sheryl Hardy, executive director of Perryton Economic Development Corp., was elected treasurer.

Other directors are Robert Worley, Dumas Economic Development Corp.; Milton Cooke, Cookya, Inc., Canadian; Ralph Maxfield, Lemon Insurance, Booker; and Steve Brunson, First American Bank, Amarillo.

TPRDC is a U.S. Small Business Administration

Certified Development Company which serves the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle.

A certified development company (CDC) is a non-profit corporation set up to contribute to the economic development of its community or region. CDC's work with the Small Business Administration (SBA) and private-sector lenders to provide financing to small businesses.

(See TPRDC, Page 9)

Top 4-Hers earn salute

Twenty-nine outstanding 4-H Club members from the Panhandle area were honored recently during Panhandle District I 45th annual 4-H Gold Star Banquet held at West Texas A&M University. The theme for the banquet was "The Power of Youth, A Centennial 4-H Celebration." Nationally, 4-H is celebrating its 100th Anniversary.

To qualify for the Gold Star Award, the highest 4-H honor at the county level, a 4-Her must be at least 15 years of age, have completed three

years of club work, be active in 4-H, and have completed a 4-H record book.

"The award is intended to stimulate winners to higher achievement and to encourage other young people to participate in the county 4-H program," said Angela Burkham, Extension Program Specialist, 4-H.

Receiving Gold Star Recognition for Gray County were Emily Nusser and Lindsey Price.

Emily has participated in various 4-H projects including

Swine, Beef, Leadership, Breads, Foods, Clothing, and Livestock Judging. She has also held numerous offices in her clubs and currently serves as president of Pig Power 4-H Club in Pampa and as first vice president of Gray County 4-H Council. She is presently a member of District I 4-H Council as well.

She has been an active teen leader in the swine, breads, and food projects. Her community service highlights include placing flags out at the cemetery on Veterans' and Memorial days. Painting the bleachers at the County Show Barn and donating clothing to the needy.

Emily is a junior at White Deer High School where she is a varsity cheerleader, member of National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, secretary of FCCLA, and Student Council officer. She enjoys sports and competes in cross country, basketball, and track.

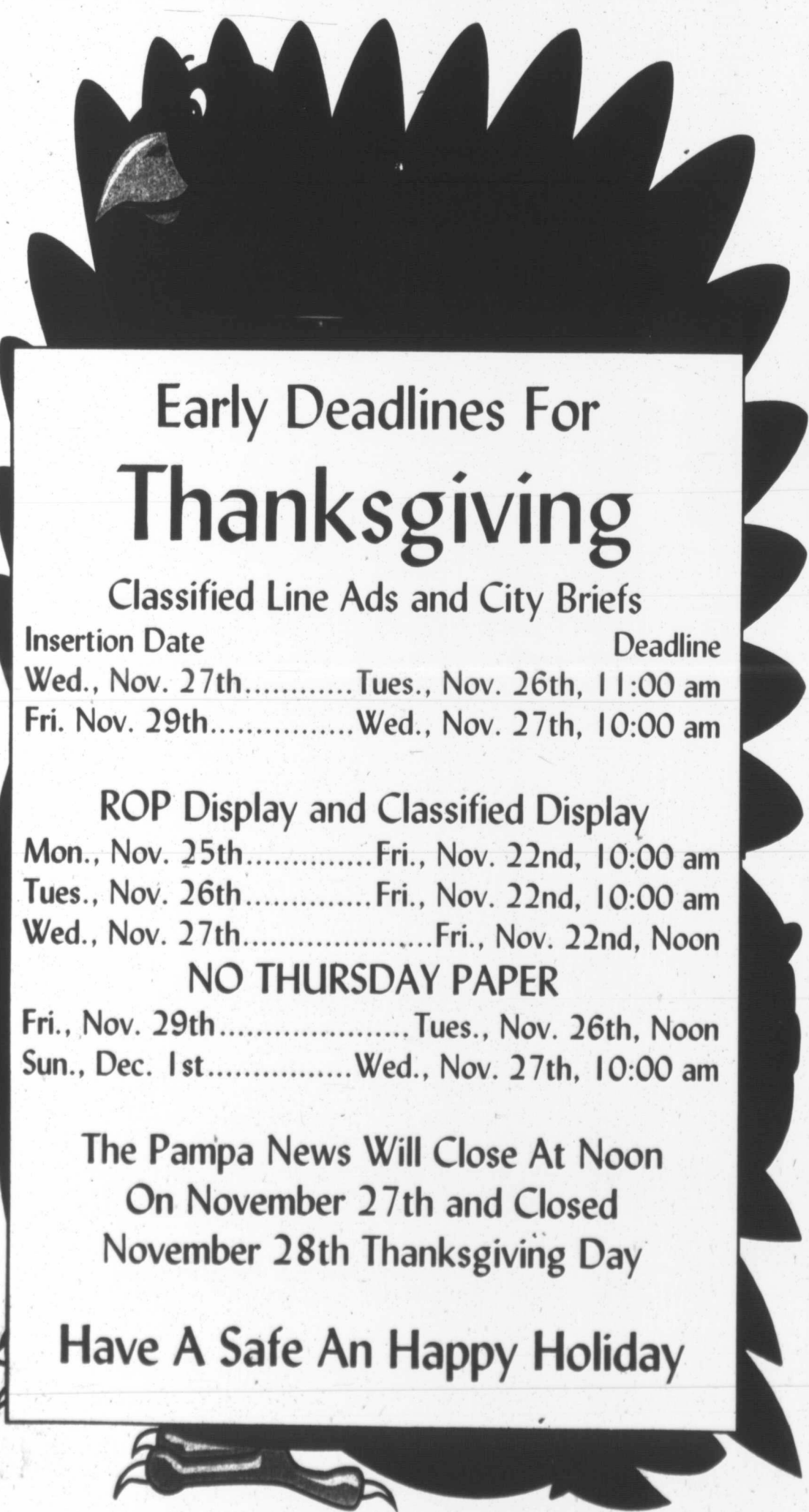
Lindsey Price has been active in Horse, Beef, Swine, Citizenship, and Livestock Judging. She has held numerous offices in her club, including president of Prime Time 4-H Club in Pampa. She is currently Gray County 4-H Council treasurer and has been an active teen leader in the Horse and Beef Projects in Gray County.

Her community service highlights include placing flags out at the cemetery during Veterans' and Memorial days and painting bleachers at the County Barn. She recently participated in the Wonders of Washington trip where she and other local 4-Hers toured the nation's capitol in Washington, D.C. She also recently completed a very successful year as Top of Texas Rodeo Teen Queen. She is a member of the Pampa FFA and Pampa Rodeo Club.

The awards were presented by Bob Robinson and Donna Brauchi, District Extension directors of Texas Cooperative Extension.

The banquet was planned and conducted by county Extension agents, volunteer leaders, and 4-Hers on the District Recognition Committee. Committee members this year included local Gray County Extension agent Danny Nusser.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative along with Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, North Plains Electric, Swisher Electric Cooperative, and Rita Blanca Electric sponsored the annual banquet.



Early Deadlines For Thanksgiving

Classified Line Ads and City Briefs

Insertion Date	Deadline
Wed., Nov. 27th	Tues., Nov. 26th, 11:00 am
Fri. Nov. 29th	Wed., Nov. 27th, 10:00 am

ROP Display and Classified Display	
Mon., Nov. 25th	Fri., Nov. 22nd, 10:00 am
Tues., Nov. 26th	Fri., Nov. 22nd, 10:00 am
Wed., Nov. 27th	Fri., Nov. 22nd, Noon

NO THURSDAY PAPER

Fri., Nov. 29th	Tues., Nov. 26th, Noon
Sun., Dec. 1st	Wed., Nov. 27th, 10:00 am

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UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

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

GOP HEADQUARTERS
The Republican Party is headquartered locally at 1621 N. Hobart next to the Sears store. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday. For more information, phone 886-4967.

PCCA
Pampa Community Concert Association's 2002-03 season will kick-off with "Swingerhead" scheduled to perform at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 8, at Borger High School Auditorium. Borger's CCA will co-sponsor. Other upcoming PCCA presentations include: "Quintet of the Americas," Nov. 19; "The Ennis Sisters," Jan. 11; and "Dancing on Common Ground," March 18. All will be staged at 7:30 p.m., at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. For tickets or more information, contact Ruth Riehart, PCCA president, at 665-3362.

LADIES AUXILIARY
The VFW Ladies Auxiliary in Clarendon is conducting a fund-raiser raffle to benefit cancer aid and research. The grand-prize winner will receive \$2,000. Tickets are \$10 a piece. Other prizes will be awarded. To purchase a ticket, contact a member of the local Ladies Auxiliary.

PPQG
Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will not meet in November.

HOSPICE SERIES
Crown of Texas Hospice will offer an educational series, "Hospice: Living Life to the Fullest," from 1-4:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, Nov. 12-Dec. 12 at Clarendon College-Pampa Center and at Frank Phillips College in Borger. For more information, contact D'Ann Berry or Sr. Gemma Reyes at (806) 372-7696 or toll-free at 1-800-572-6365.

PERRYTON ARTS&CRAFTS FESTIVAL
Perryton Satellite Center will host its annual Arts and Crafts Festival from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Nov. 23 and from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Nov. 24 at the

county EXPO building in Perryton. Over 130 exhibitors will participate in the event. Door prizes will be given away on the hour and a drawing will be held for a color TV set.

PRIEST PARK CHURCH
Priest Park Church of God Fellowship Hall, 1123 Gwendolyn, will be the site of a pie, cake, cookie, and craft auction from 3-5 p.m., Nov. 24. Chili and stew will be available. Advance orders for pies are being accepted. Prices range from \$7 to \$10. For more information or to place an order, call 665-6144.

MOM MANIA
Gloria Resendiz will be the guest speaker for the next monthly meeting of Mom Mania at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 26 at Lovett Memorial Library. Please bring your favorite snack. For more information, call 664-2459.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3:30 p.m., Nov. 6 and 20, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Nov. 5 County Barn (flu clinic only), White Deer; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Nov. 13, Wheeler School, Wheeler; and 11 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4 p.m., Nov. 25 Canadian City Hall, Canadian.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER
The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Nov. 26 and Dec. 20, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammo-

gram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

GRAY COUNTY COMMUNITY PLAN
Gray County Community Plan will meet at 12 noon, Dec. 3, for its yearly planning meeting. Volunteers are welcome. For more information, contact Kim at 669-1131.

MOOSE LODGE
Moose Lodge will present "The Womanless Wedding" at 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7 at its location at 401 E. Brown in Pampa. For tickets or for more information, contact Ruth Lard at 665-4037 or 665-9326.

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS
Donley County Extension Service will host "Country Christmas Extravaganza" from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Old Gym at Clarendon Junior High, 822 W. 5th, Clarendon. A variety of booths and wares will be featured including baked goods, candies, collectibles, jewelry, sand art, and much more. Door prizes will be offered throughout the day. For more information or to inquire about a booth, contact Donley County Extension Service at (806) 874-2141.

FESTIVAL OF TREES
This year's Festival of Trees will be held Dec. 7-8. Judging will be in the following four categories: Youth Organizations, Commercial, Individual, and Adult Organization. For more information or to enter, call 665-6144, 669-0421, or 669-0900.

SUNSHINE LUNCH
Crown of Texas Hospice will host a "Sunshine Bereavement Luncheon," for those grieving the death of a loved one, at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 11, at Texas Rose Steakhouse in Pampa. Cost of the meal will range from \$5 to \$8. For more information, call (806) 372-7696 or (800) 572-6365.

ASAA
American Society of Agricultural Appraisers will offer a 4 1/2-day Personal Property Appraisal seminar Dec. 11-15 in Dallas/Fort Worth. The seminar is the only course of its kind approved by The Appraisal Qualifications Board in

Washington, D.C. For more information, call 1-800-488-7570 or visit www.amagappraisers.com on the Internet.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
Moonlight Extension Education Club will sponsor its 24th Annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 14 at Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe. Applications for booth space will be taken through Dec. 1. For more information, contact Linda Huckaby, 902 W. 8th St., Muleshoe, TX 79347.

COLONEL'S WAY CONTEST
The Seventh Annual Colonel's Way™ Award Contest, sponsored by KFC, is currently under way. This essay contest encourages children to honor outstanding seniors age 50 and older who have had a positive impact on their lives. The contest is open to children 13 and under. For official rules, go on-line to www.kfc.com or send a SASE to: Colonel's Way Award Contest, c/o Edelman, 200 E. Randolph Dr., 63rd Floor, Chicago, IL 60601. Entries must be submitted on-line or postmarked by Dec. 31.

UM ART CONTEST
University of Mobile, Alabama, is calling for entries for its 12th annual "Art With a Southern Drawl" juried art competition. The show is open to artists working in any media, and only original artwork is accepted. To be eligible, artists must be born in or currently reside in Texas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, or Tennessee. The postmark deadline for entries is Jan. 11, 2003. For more information, call 1-800-946-7267, ext. 2420; log on to www.umo.edu/awsd.htm; or e-mail UMdrawl@yahoo.com.

HARRINGTON QUARTET
Harrington String Quartet will perform its 21st anniversary season in 2002-03. The quartet will perform four subscription concerts on the following dates: Sept. 14, 2002; Nov. 16, 2002; March 8, 2003; and May 17, 2003. For ticket information, call the Amarillo Symphony Box Office at (806) 376-8782.

SORGHUM CONFERENCE
National Grain Sorghum Producers will sponsor the 2003 Sorghum Industry Conference and 23rd Biennial Research and Utilization Conference Feb. 16-18 at the

Albuquerque Marriott in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information, call (806) 749-3478.

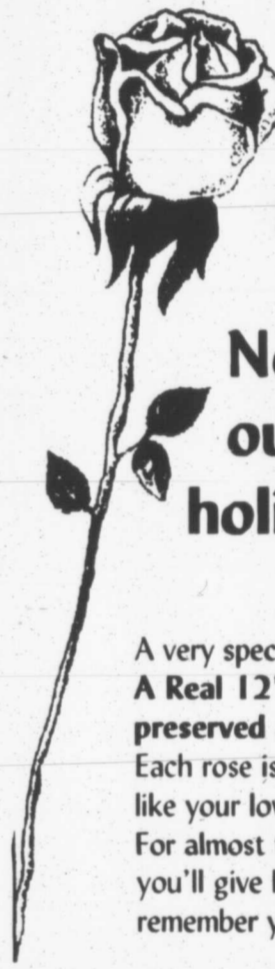
TREE SEEDLINGS
Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District is accepting orders for windbreak and wildlife tree seedlings and shrubs. The program is designed to offer tree seedlings at a nominal cost for environmental and protection purposes. The seedlings will arrive in the district office at the end of March. The deadline for ordering the seedlings is March 10, 2003. SWCD officials encourage early orders as many species sell-out very quickly. For more information, call 665-1751, ext. 102.

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The USS Sperry Association is seeking former shipmates who served between 1942-82 for a reunion celebration. For more information, call (517) 784-7810; write George Gallas, secretary, USS SPERRY (AS-12) Association, Jackson, MI

49203-1521; or e-mail george-carole@modempool.com.

HOLLINGHEAD REUNION
The Hollingshead family reunion will be held August 2003 at Moorestown, N.J. The first Hollingsheads arrived in the American colonies around 1700. If you are a descendant or know one who might be interested, more information is available from Brian Hollingshead at HYPERLINK hollingshead@telus.net or write: 2692 Mountview Place, Burnaby, BC, V3J 1E3, Canada.

LST ASSOCIATION REUNION
The U.S. Association will hold a reunion for all LSTers, from World War II to the present date, Aug. 26 through Sept. 1, 2003, in Dallas. For more information, contact: Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52, Box 362, Hemphill, TX 75948; 1-800-228-5870; USLST@KMBS.Com (e-mail).



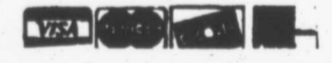
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BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa's varsity girls' basketball game Monday night here with River Road has been canceled. The next game for the Lady Harvesters will be Tuesday at Borger.

DENVER (AP) — James Posey hit an 18-foot jumper at the buzzer to give the Denver Nuggets a 72-70 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Friday night.

Juwan Howard scored 18 and Posey had 16. Donnell Harvey added six of his 12 points in the fourth quarter for the Nuggets, who rallied from 16 points down to tie the game at 68-68.

Denver outscored the Clippers 23-8 in the final quarter in ending a five-game losing streak.

Andre Miller had 25 points for the Clippers, who shot 4-for-15 in the fourth.

Michael Olowokandi tied the game on a hook shot with 11 seconds left. The ball went out of bounds with just over 1 second left, and Posey took the inbound pass and made the game-winner.

Baskets by Marko Jaric and Miller three minutes into the fourth quarter gave Los Angeles its biggest lead, 66-50. Following a timeout, the Nuggets came alive on both ends of the court.

While the Clippers missed six straight shots, Nene Hilario and Harvey came off the bench to score six and four points, respectively, in a 16-0 run.

PROVO, Utah (AP) — After making it to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament last season, Brigham Young felt cheated about being left out of the preseason Top 25.

So the Cougars took it out on No. 12 Texas in the season opener for both teams Friday night. Erin Thorn scored 19 points as BYU held the Longhorns to 29 percent shooting in a 79-61 win.

"We should have been ranked before we beat them," Thorn, who was 3-for-6 on field goals and 12-for-13 from the free-throw line, where the Cougars also held a decided advantage.

There were 62 total fouls and 81 free throws in the game. The Cougars were 34-for-43 from the line while Texas was just 20-for-38.

FOOTBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Football Hall of Famer Mike Singletary has contacted Baylor about becoming the school's next head football coach, Houston television station KRIV reported Friday.

Singletary, who played high school football in Houston and was a two-time All American at Baylor, played linebacker for the Chicago Bears from 1978 to 1980.

4A Pairings

DIVISION I Region I Regionals

EP Irvin (7-4) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (11-0), 2 p.m. Saturday at El Paso Irvin Memorial Stadium.
Denton (10-1) vs. Brownwood (7-4), 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Waco ISD Stadium.
Quarterfinals

EP Irvin or Wolfforth Frenship vs. Denton or Brownwood, TBD
Region II
Regionals

Dallas Kimball 49, Sherman 21.
Texarkana 33, Waxahachie 7.
Quarterfinals

Dallas Kimball (9-3) vs. Texarkana Texas High (11-1), TBD
Region III
Regionals

Conroe Oak Ridge 17, Pflugerville Connally 13.
Dayton (11-0) vs. Angleton (8-3), 2 p.m. Saturday at Pasadena Memorial Stadium.
Quarterfinals

Conroe Oak Ridge (10-2) vs. Dayton or Angleton, TBD
Region IV
Regionals

New Braunfels 10, Boerne 7.
CC Flour Bluff (5-6) vs. Mission (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Mission's Tom Landry Stadium.
Quarterfinals

New Braunfels (10-2) vs. CC Flour Bluff or Mission, TBD
DIVISION II
Region I
Area

EP Ysleta (8-3) vs. Big Spring (7-4), 6 p.m. Saturday at Artesia, N.M.

Lewisville Hebron (8-3) vs. Alledo (10-1), 1 p.m. Saturday at Southlake's Dragon Stadium.

EP Riverside (11-0) vs. Pampa (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Midland's Grande Communications Stadium.
Denton Ryan 38, Stephenville 14.
Regionals

EP Ysleta or Big Spring vs. Lewisville Hebron or Alledo, TBD
EP Riverside or Pampa vs. Denton Ryan (11-1), TBD
Region II
Area

Dallas Jefferson (6-5) vs. Wylie (10-1), 2 p.m. Saturday at Frisco ISD Stadium.

Palestine (9-2) vs. Waco University (7-4), 1 p.m. Saturday at Waxahachie's Lumpkin Stadium.
Highland Park 45, Dallas Lincoln 20.
Ennis 38, Henderson 17.
Quarterfinals

Dallas Jefferson or Wylie vs. Palestine or Waco University, TBD
Highland Park (12-0) vs. Ennis (11-1), TBD
Region III
Area

Killeen Harker Heights (10-1) vs. Nederland (8-3), 2 p.m., Saturday at Bryan's Viking Stadium.
La Marque 41, Houston King 13.

Brenham 35, Caney Creek 7.
West Columbia 31, Houston Sterling 12.
Quarterfinals

Killeen Harker Heights or Nederland vs. La Marque (10-2), TBD
Brenham (11-1) vs. West Columbia (7-4), TBD
Region IV
Area

Bastrop (9-2) vs. Kerrville Tivy (11-0), noon Saturday at San Antonio's Alamodome.
CC Calallen 42, Brownsville Lopez 7.

Austin Reagan 39, Fredericksburg 28.
Gregory-Portland 33, Los Fresnos 7.
Quarterfinals

Bastrop or Kerrville Tivy vs. CC Calallen (11-1), TBD
Austin Reagan (10-2) vs. Gregory-Portland (11-1), TBD

Tascosa sweeps basketball doubleheader

PAMPA — Tascosa build a big lead late in the second quarter and hang on for a 65-57 win over Pampa in a non-district game Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Kellen Morgan had 19 points and Jason Perry added 17 to pace the Rebels' scoring attack.

Leading the way for Pampa was James Silva with 15, followed by Chance Bowers 13.

Tascosa broke open a tight contest by scoring the last seven points of the second quarter to take a 14-point lead (34-20) at half-time.

Max Simon added 11 points and had 11 rebounds for Pampa.

Tascosa held off Pampa in the fourth quarter for a

57-48 victory in the girls' game.

The Lady Harvesters trailed by only three (41-



Jennie Waggoner scored 5 points and had 6 rebounds for Pampa.

38) after three quarters, and cut the margin to a basket early in the fourth period. However, that would be as close as they would get.

Catherine Bankhead and Haley Lloyd led Tascosa with 12 points each.

Valerie Velez tossed in 16 to lead Pampa, followed by Stacey Johnson with 14. Tara Jordan had 8 points and a team-leading 7 rebounds for the Lady Harvesters.

Jennie Waggoner had 6 rebounds to go with 5 points.

Tascosa 65, Pampa 57

Boys

Tascosa - Kellen Morgan 19, Jason Perry 17, Adrian Gilbreath 8, Jonathan Lane 6, Josh Spencer 5, Nick Thompson 4, LeSabian Gilbreath 4; Donyelle

Woods 2; **3-point goals:** Morgan 2, Perry 1.

Pampa - James Silva 15, Chance Bowers 13, Max Simon 11, Clayton Hall 10, Collin Bowers 6, Jed Martin 2; **3-point goals:** Silva 1, Simon 1, Hall 1.

Tascosa 57, Pampa 48

Girls

Tascosa - Haley Lloyd 12, Catherine Bankhead 12, Aaron McWilliams 10, Katie Titus 9, Jasmine Johnson 4, Sue Podzemny 3, Courtney Sanders 3, Averi Raleigh 2, Sasha Sims 2; **3-point goals:** Bankhead 4, McWilliams 2.

Pampa - Valerie Velez 16, Stacey Johnson 14, Tara Jordan 8, Jennie Waggoner 5, Abbi Covalt 4, Jaclyn Spearman 1; **3-point goals:** Velez 1, Johnson 1.

Sorenstam surprised to be leading the field

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam walked off the 18th hole and headed straight for the practice green, frustrated by another round at the ADT Championship when she hit the ball great and couldn't get enough birdie putts to fall.

The surprise came when she looked at a leaderboard and found her name at the top.

"I missed three greens in two days. I would think I would be a few more under (par)," said Sorenstam, whose 2-under 70 on Friday put her at 137. "I'm still leading the tournament. I have to be happy about that."

She was the only one who was surprised.

The 32-year-old Swede hasn't been too far out of the lead all year, which is why Sorenstam already has won 10 times on the LPGA Tour.

She's halfway home to No. 11, which would be the most in 38 years.

Despite a three-putt bogey from 8 feet on the ninth hole

— her only two bogeys at Trump International have been three-putts — Sorenstam took the lead Friday afternoon when others made mistakes on the back nine.

Meg Mallon was at 8 under until she missed a 5-foot birdie putt on No. 15, chopped up the next hole for bogey and dropped another shot when she hit long on the 17th.

Defending champion Karrie Webb was tied for the lead at 9 under until she hooked her drive on the par-5 12th hole into the pine trees, reloaded and had to get up-and-down from behind the green for double bogey.

Sorenstam goes into the weekend with a one-stroke lead over Mallon, Lorie Kane and Rachel Teske, although no one is ready to concede victory.

Especially not Teske.

The Australian won her first tournament of the year by making up a five-stroke deficit over Sorenstam in Tucson, Ariz., and beating Sorenstam in a playoff. They will be

paired in the final group Saturday.

"Obviously, Annika has had an awesome year, and it's fantastic to watch," Teske said. "But if I'm playing well, too, I have a good chance to hit the shots. If I'm playing well, I'm not intimidated by anybody."

Mallon is more bothered by the number of players near the lead, and not just the No. 1 player in the lead. Still, she was upset at the way she stumbled in the final part of her round.

"I've made mistakes in a lot of golf tournaments," Mallon said. "I won the U.S. Open and made two doubles. When it's a tight leaderboard ... you can't give too many back because there is going to be somebody around you that's going to shoot a low number."

Kane had one of only four rounds in the 60s and was solid after a three-putt bogey on the opening hole. Teske came to life on the back nine, starting with a 30-foot birdie

putt on No. 10 and ending with a bending, 15-footer on the final hole.

Webb had a 70 and was two strokes back, along with Rosie Jones.

Sorenstam is still waiting for her low round.

She has been nearly flawless all week, hitting fairways and greens, the style of golf that has made her the most dominant force on any tour.

"The intimidation is that she's on a roll, and she's already won 10 events," Mallon said. "And you know she's not going to make any mistakes."

Sorenstam takes pride in that aspect of her game.

"It's not a game of how good your good shots are. It's how good your bad shots are," Sorenstam said. "If I hit a bad shot, I don't end up in the woods or in the water. That's the key here. I might not hit it to 5 feet all the time, but I have a birdie putt."

"Not a lot of things can go wrong when you have birdie putts."

Sports in Brief

SWIMMING

EAST MEADOW, N.Y. (AP) — Natalie Coughlin set a world record short-course in the 100-meter butterfly, finishing in 56.34 seconds at the FINA World Cup.

The 20-year-old junior at Cal broke the mark of 56.55, set on Jan. 26 by Martina Moracova of Sweden.

Moracova was fourth in the race in 58.75. Coughlin, a two-time NCAA swimmer of the year, also set an American mark in the 50-meter backstroke before winning the 200-meter backstroke.

FIGURE SKATING

MOSCOW (AP) — Irinia Slutskaya took the lead over Sasha Cohen after the short program at the Cup of Russia Grand Prix.

Slutskaya, making a late-season debut after starting her training late, opened with a clean triple Lutz-double toe combination. The American skated before Slutskaya and had a slight wobble coming out of a double axel.

GOLF

MIYAZAKI, Japan (AP) — Darren Clarke eagled the

final hole to move within a stroke of leader Kaname Yokoo in the Dunlop Phoenix.

Tiger Woods shot a 2-under 69 for a 5-under 208 total, leaving him eight strokes behind Yokoo with a round to play.

Yokoo had a 69 to reach 13 under. Clarke, the European Ryder Cup player from Northern Ireland, had a 65, and Myanmar's Zaw Moe was three strokes back after a 68.

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Mark Brooks shot a 7-under 65 on the Del Monte course to take a one-stroke lead after the second round of the Callaway Golf Pebble Beach Invitational.

Wendy Ward also had a 65 at Del Monte to join Duffy Waldorf at 8-under 136. Waldorf had a 67, also at Del Monte.

BROOKSVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Des Smyth of Ireland made an 8-foot birdie putt on the final hole to win medalist honors and lead a group of eight seniors who qualified for playing privileges on the Champions Tour next year.

High scorer



Katie Barnes of Lefors takes aim from the foul line in a recent game against McLean. Barnes was high scorer with 15 points as the Lady Pirates won, 39-31.

Spurs are victorious over Grizzlies, 95-86

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan had 28 points and 15 rebounds as the San Antonio Spurs beat the Grizzlies for the 21st straight time, a 95-86 victory Friday night that dropped Memphis' record to 0-13.

The Spurs were ahead by only five at the half, 48-43, but opened the third quarter with a 15-1 run. The Grizzlies

never got closer than 15 until the final minutes of the game.

Duncan, who beat the Grizzlies with an arching 12-foot turnaround jumper at the overtime buzzer Nov. 4, did much of his damage in the third quarter, scoring 13 points and collecting six rebounds.

David Robinson and Stephen Jackson each added

12 points for San Antonio.

Mike Batiste came off the Memphis bench for 18 points, all coming in the final period. Pau Gasol had 12 points, all in the first half, and Shane Battier had 10.

Grizzlies rookie Drew Gooden, averaging 15.8 points and 6.5 rebounds, was held to four points and three rebounds.

The Spurs' winning streak over the Grizzlies ties for fifth-longest in league history with New York's 21 consecutive wins over Boston from April 1993 to January 1998.

After making only one of their first 19 shots Wednesday against the Los Angeles Lakers, the Spurs went 11-for-19 from the floor in the first quarter.

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Rockets use third-quarter run to defeat Wizards

HOUSTON (AP) — Even Michael Jordan couldn't upstage Yao Ming in the Chinese center's first NBA start.

Yao scored 18 points and took over the NBA field-goal percentage lead, and 29-year-old rookie Juquan Hawkins led a third-quarter run as the Houston Rockets beat the Washington Wizards 93-86 Friday night.

"He plays good defense by blocking shots and clogging up the middle," said Jordan, who scored eight points. "Houston has good post-up players and he's another one."

"He's a big addition to Houston, but whether they can challenge Shaq and the Lakers is a different story."

Not even the Rockets are suggesting that Yao is ready for that challenge, but the 7-foot-6 center is making strides with each performance.

"I'm not saying he's domi-

nating like Shaq," guard Steve Francis said. "But he's doing a good job of holding the middle. We did a good job of getting the ball inside and he made great decisions. He has been more assertive lately."

Yao's seven attempts gave him enough shots to take the NBA field-goal percentage lead at 70.5 percent.

"My confidence is growing," Yao said. "Of course, playing well has increased my confidence, but there's a lot of season left. I have been surprised, but it's only been 10 games. I've improved most on defense, learning the 3-second rule and my timing is getting better."

Yao was still awed by Jordan.

"He'll always be a hero, it doesn't matter what era it is," Yao said. "I thought about it (playing against Jordan). It felt like a dream. It was not something I ever thought would happen."

After trailing 45-44 at the half, the Rockets outscored the Wizards 31-16 in the third quarter, including a 17-2 run early in the period. Hawkins had 13 of his 14 points in the quarter.

"I'm trying to find my spots on the court," Hawkins said. "I'm not really a 3-point specialist. I'm just trying to find my comfort zone. I don't feel like one (rookie). I'm 29. I may be a rookie but I've had a lot of experience playing overseas."

Hawkins, starting for injured guard Cuttino Mobley, had consecutive 3-pointers to end the quarter as Houston took a 75-61 lead into the fourth.

"He played a team game," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "He got us going early. He passed the ball real well. We're running a skeleton offense with him right now but he still gets us really good shots."

Late in the first quarter, Yao broke for the basket and slammed home an alley-oop

pass from Eddie Griffin. Yao scored 14 points in the first half and didn't commit his first foul until 1:11 remained in the game.

He had eight rebounds. Francis and Glen Rice each

scored 16 points for the Rockets.

Jerry Stackhouse led the Wizards with 26 points, and Larry Hughes had 22.

The Rockets scored the first eight points of the game.

Hughes then scored Washington's first eight points to keep the Wizards close until Stackhouse warmed up from 3-point range for 19 first-half points, including 5-for-6 on 3-pointers.

Pampa swimmers compete at Monahans

MONAHANS — The Pampa boys' team placed sixth in the 14-team field last weekend at the Monahans Swim Invitational. The Pampa girls' team was ninth overall.

Top individual in the boys' division was Michael Eskridge, who placed second in the 100 butterfly. Joe Johnson took third in both the 200 freestyle and 500 freestyle.

Pampa results are as follows:

Boys' Division
Medley relay: 7. Joe Johnson, Alan Arzola, Michael Eskridge and D. J.

Elliott, 2:01.63.

200 freestyle: 3. Joe Johnson, 1:59.85.

200 individual medley: 4. Michael Eskridge, 2:18.32.

100 butterfly: 2. Michael Eskridge, 1:01.44.

500 freestyle: 3. Joe Johnson, 5:23.60; 11. D.J. Elliott, 6:09.32.

200 freestyle relay: 12. Michael Martinez, Alan Arzola, Tyler Wishon and D.J. Elliott, 1:56.89.

400 freestyle relay: 6. Tyler Wishon, Michael Martinez, Michael Eskridge and Joe Johnson, 4:02.32.

Girls' Division
Medley relay: 11# Kandice

Maddox, Jessica Hall, Emily Johnson and Jessica White, 2:24.32.

200 individual medley: 9. Jessica Hall, 2:54.48; 11. Angela Henthorn, 2:55.47.

100 butterfly: 12. Emily Johnson, 1:26.41.

500 freestyle: 10. Jessica White, 7:00.18; 12. Heather Kane, 7:39.02.

100 backstroke: 10. Kandice Maddox, 1:17.78.

100 breaststroke: 9. Jessica Hall, 1:25.59.

400 freestyle relay: 9. Angela Henthorn, Jessica Hall, Jessica White and Kandice Maddox, 4:50.03.

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Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	6	4	0	.600	236	187
Buffalo	5	5	0	.500	264	286
New England	5	5	0	.500	259	222
N.Y. Jets	5	5	0	.500	204	230

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	6	4	0	.600	215	183
Tennessee	6	4	0	.600	231	245
Jacksonville	5	5	0	.500	214	185
Houston	2	8	0	.200	138	255

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	5	4	1	.550	249	225
Cleveland	5	5	0	.500	232	215
Baltimore	4	6	0	.400	184	215
Cincinnati	1	9	0	.100	160	279

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Denver	7	3	0	.700	248	213
San Diego	7	3	0	.700	230	208
Oakland	6	4	0	.600	287	218
Kansas City	5	5	0	.500	289	273

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Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	9	4	.692	—
Philadelphia	9	4	.692	—
Boston	8	4	.667	1/2
Orlando	7	7	.500	2 1/2
Washington	6	6	.500	3 1/2
Miami	2	9	.182	6
New York	2	9	.182	6

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	10	1	.909	—
Detroit	10	3	.769	1
New Orleans	9	3	.750	1 1/2
Milwaukee	6	5	.545	4
Atlanta	6	6	.500	4 1/2
Toronto	4	8	.333	6 1/2
Chicago	4	9	.308	7
Cleveland	2	11	.154	9

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

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Dallas	12	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	9	4	.692	3 1/2
Houston	7	4	.636	4 1/2
Minnesota	7	6	.538	5 1/2

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NEWSMAKERS

LUBBOCK — Brian Andrew Frels, son of Mark and Rhonda Frels of Pampa, was recently selected for inclusion in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" at Texas Tech University. He and 73 fellow honorees were formally recognized during a reception recently in TTU's Merket Alumni Center.

Frels was chosen for this honor based on scholastic achievement; participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities; citizenship; and service to TTU and the Lubbock community.

He is currently pursuing a master's degree in architecture.

Duane Harp, investment representative with Edward Jones Investments in Pampa, was recently named to the All-American Team of The American Funds Group of mutual funds.

Harp was cited for outstanding service to investors in the Pampa area and for financial expertise and dedication to principles of sound mutual fund and variable annuity investing.

Harp has been with Edward Jones since January 2001. He has been in the financial services field for 27 years.

Harp holds a degree in finance from West Texas A&M University (1976).

He and wife, Anita, and their son, Joe Bob, reside in Pampa.

AMARILLO — Amy Winton of Canadian garnered an honorable mention for her entry in the pastel division of Amarillo Fine Arts Association's "Best of the Southwest™ Fall Art Show" held recently at Amarillo National Bank in Amarillo.

The show included 246 entries, 139 of which were juried into the show by Don Getz, fine artist, lecturer, writer, and teacher of Peninsula, Ohio.

COLLEGE STATION — Sammie Morris, county tax assessor-collector, and **Gaye Whitehead**, both with Gray County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office, recently participated in the 20th Annual County Tax Assessor-Collectors' Continuing Education Seminar held at Hilton College Station and Conference Center near the Texas A&M University campus in College Station.

Morris and Whitehead were among some 240 county tax assessor-collectors and tax office personnel from across the state.

The training was conducted through Texas Cooperative Extension's V.G. Young Institute of County Government in cooperation with the Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas and the Office of Continuing Education at Texas A&M University.

Participants received continuing education credit from Texas A&M's Office of Continuing Education and from State Board of Tax Examiners.

Discussions covered a wide range of topics including reports from the Board of Tax Examiners, the Texas Department of Transportation Registration and Titling Division, and the Secretary of State's office.

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society recently inducted 126 students in ceremonies at the university campus.

Membership in Alpha Chi is by invitation only and is limited to juniors and seniors with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher who rank in the top 10 percent of their class.

The purpose of Alpha Chi is to recognize students who have maintained a high level of scholarship, according to Dr. Duane J. Rosa, Alpha Chi faculty sponsor and director of planning and analysis at WTAMU.

Students inducted into the honor society include: **Veronica Lynn Arreola**, **Jody Been**, **Windy Wagner**, and **Mandy Waldrip**, all of Pampa; and **Eric Hall** of Canadian.

Uniting a nation ...

Native American comes to region to unite area tribes

By **DAVID BOWSER**
STAFF WRITER

Jesse Camacho is a man on a mission.

A Native American, Camacho wants to bring Native Americans in the Pampa area together to help them and others understand the culture and heritage of the First Nation, the nation, or nations, that existed long before Columbus brought the European culture to the Americas.

"I was born in Beeville, Texas," Camacho said. "I spent most of my life in California."

Born in 1938, to an Arapaho mother and Aztec father, Camacho was in California when through a vision he was told to return to Texas.

"I am a member of the Native American sweat lodge," he said, "which is a form of going to church for Native Americans."

His life, as the lives of others, he said he believes, is directed by a higher power.

"There is somebody upstairs that makes those decisions," Camacho said. "We just ask for guidance."

In asking for guidance while he was in California, he said he was told to move closer to his wife's mother.

"I didn't do that with my father," Camacho said, "and after he died, I decided that if I didn't do it for myself with my father, then I should do it for my wife, to be close to her. My wife spent all her life away from her parents."

Initially, he and his wife Sandra, a Cherokee and Sac Fox, moved to the Houston area where they established a store that specialized in Native American goods.

"We had a trading post, a Native American store, in Magnolia, Texas," Camacho said. "We closed the store there, and we're in the process of selling the house and property there to be able to do something here."

Camacho and his wife moved here a year ago in September. She works for the Texas Department of Corrections.

"I bought a house here," he said. "I'm here to stay. I intend to open a Native American store here in Pampa when I find

Camacho said. "It seems like I got here at the right time."

He said he thinks that Native American displays and educational programs will help bring tourists, and he has talked to people in Pampa about the possibility of a summer production along the lines of the musical drama "TEXAS."

"What I have to



offer is Native American reenactments with either cavalry or pioneers on a big scale," Camacho said.

He also suggested holding a three-day camp for inner city kids and letting them sleep in tipis and eat Native American food prepared on an open fire.

"I will be there," he said. "My people will be there. We'll cook for them on the fire like we did years ago."

Camacho said he would like to see them work with various crafts and learn to do bead work and make clay pots.

"I believe that part of why I was sent here is to do that," he said. "I'm beginning to believe that there's a lot more reasons

in Magnolia and was the spokesman for an intertribal group in the Houston area. He wants to establish a similar business and an intertribal group in Pampa.

"We're interested in joining Native Americans together," he said.

The inter-

heritage, whether it be First Nation, German, Irish, Mexican, whatever. The kids need to know where they come from."

History and cultural heritage are important to Camacho.

"The heritage that I can teach is my heritage," he said. "I'm going to be heavily, heavily involved in that in the process of putting a Native American group together, an intertribal group together."

Since he arrived here, he's made several friends in the Native American community, including with his neighbor, Lynette Selby.

"She's Paiute," he said. Her reservation is at Lone Pine, Calif., Camacho said.

Camacho said he is also working with another woman who has joined them.

"This is the beginnings of a group," he said.

But more than becoming involved in a tourism program to help Pampa's economy, Camacho said he wants to help the kids and the elderly.

Providing for the children and the elderly is part of his vision quest, he said.

Camacho said he had already contacted the Pampa school system and made arrangements to visit some of the elementary schools.

He said he's been approached by some people in Borger to set up a camp for the schools there.

Camacho, his wife and Selby set up camp at Chautauqua this year.

"Right now," Camacho said, "my goal by next summer is to have at least five tipis traveling with me."

For the time being, he said, they will travel as vendors, but once he gets his store open, they will concentrate on reenactments.

He has already set up his tipi in his backyard and wants to work with Boy Scouts and school students.

"When I'm doing something for the kids, then He's doing something for me," he said.

"I intend to push heavily where we all come from," Camacho said. "No matter what



Jesse Camacho moved to Pampa a little over a year ago. He is working to promote and educate the public about Native Americans and a lost way of life.

the right building for the right price, the right location."

Camacho said he's already spoken with several people connected to the Pampa Chamber of Commerce about his plans to establish a business and Native American living history group.

"They've been talking about doing something for Pampa to bring in tourism here,"

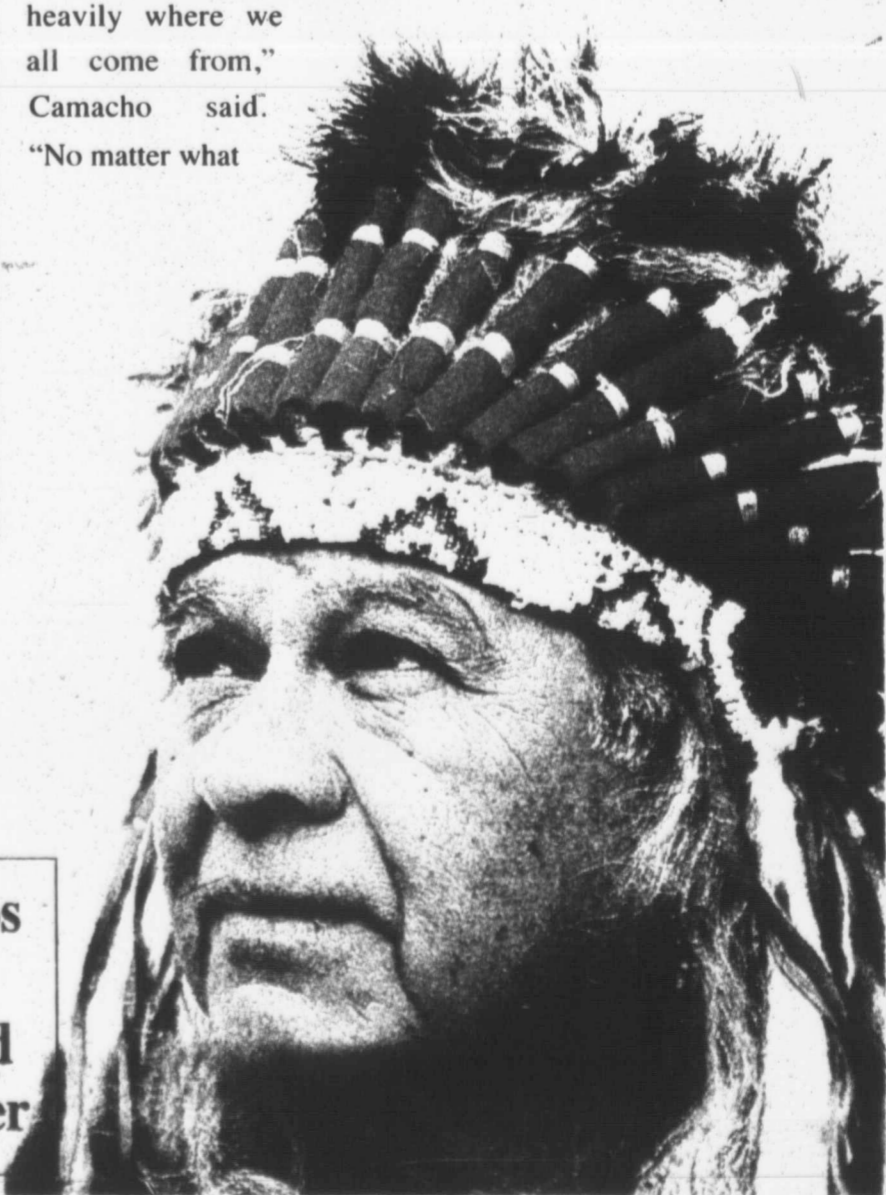
why I was sent here."

It's not clear yet, but he said he thinks as he talks to people here he will find the reason he was sent to Pampa.

"That's what I'm about to find out," Camacho said.

He said he had a good business

Photos by David Bowser



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MENUS

WEEK OF NOV. 25-29

Pampa Schools
MONDAY
 Breakfast: Pancake-and-sausage-on-a-stick.
 Lunch: Ravioli or chicken nuggets, green beans, apricots, rolls.
TUESDAY
 Breakfast: Sausage, cereal, toast.
 Lunch: Popcorn chicken or macaroni/cheese, mashed potatoes, salad, pineapple, rolls.
WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY
 Holiday.
Lefors Schools
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY
 Cook's choice.
THURSDAY-FRIDAY
 Holiday.
Senior Citizens
MONDAY
 Chicken fried steak or chicken spaghetti, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, German chocolate cake or vanilla pudding cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
TUESDAY
 Baked turkey/dressing, giblet gravy, candied yams, Italian green beans, fruit salad or tossed salad, pumpkin cake, cherry cobbler or fruit cups, cranberry sauce, deviled eggs, stuffed celery, olives/pickles, rolls. (Deadline to order carry-out is Monday.)
WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY
 Holiday.
Meals On Wheels
MONDAY
 Salmon loaf, macaroni/cheese, Harvard beets, pears.
TUESDAY
 Chopped sirloin, rice pilaf, green beans.
WEDNESDAY
 Beef tips/rice, cream corn, baked apples, graham crackers.
THURSDAY-FRIDAY
 Holiday.

WEDDINGS

Griffin-Porterfield

Debi Griffin and Nathan Porterfield, both of Pampa, were wed Nov. 22, 2002, at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa with Sim Duke, grandfather of the groom, officiating.
 The bridesmaid was Jessy Griffin, sister of the bride of Pampa.
 The best man was Jeff Porterfield, brother of the groom of Pampa. The ring bearer was Ben Griffin, brother of the bride of Pampa.
 A reception was held following the service at the library.
 The bride-elect, a 2000 graduate of Pampa High School, is the daughter of Jake and Patty Griffin of Pampa.
 The prospective groom is the son of David and Joyce Porterfield of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1999 and is currently attending Amarillo College. He is presently employed as a manager with Allsup's.



Debi Griffin and Nathan Porterfield

Watkins-Blain

Stormie Watkins and Rick Blain, both of Pampa, were wed Aug. 10, 2002, in Briarwood Church of Pampa with Steve "Watty" Watson of Pampa officiating.
 The maid of honor was Michelle Doucette of Pampa. The bridesmaids were Crystal Willoughby and Katie Miller, both of Pampa, and Suzie Vermeul of Waxahachie. The junior bridesmaid was Kendall Aikin of Pampa. The flower girls were Alexis Watkins of Mount Vernon and Kinley Aikin of Pampa.
 The best man was Cory Fowler of Pampa. The groomsmen were Craig Stout, Eric Wade, and Jacob Potter, all of Pampa. The ring bearer was Casey Martindale of Pampa.
 The ushers were Kyle Ward and Mark Carpenter.
 Bubbles, bells, and balloons were handed out by Brittany Boyd of Hale Center.
 Registering the guests were Starla Willoughby and Stephanie Willoughby.
 Music was provided by Lynnsee Hancock and Suzie Vermeul.
 A reception was held following the service at the church with Samantha Aikin, Paulette Watkins, and Mary Beth Watkins, all aunts of the bride, Jill Watkins, sister-in-law of the bride, and Sarah Doucette and Amy Doucette, both cousins of the bride, serving the guests. Decorating and catering was by Julie Watson.
 The bride is the daughter of Belinda and Darrel Martin of Pampa and David and Chris Watkins of Duncan, Okla., is the granddaughter of Deano and Patty Boyd of Pampa and Wilma Watkins of Odessa, and is the great-granddaughter of Vivian Griffin.
 She holds a degree from Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie and is currently employed with the



Stormie Watkins and Rick Blain

North Texas District of Assemblies of God.
 The groom is the son of Rod and Brenda Donaldson and Dick and Becky Blain, is the grandson of Merle and Joan Terrell of Whitney and Sarah Blain of Pampa, and is the great-grandson of Charles and Beulah Terrell of Pampa.
 He holds a degree from Westwood College and is currently employed by BBK Architects of Dallas.
 The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Orlando, Fla., and intend to make their home in Hurst.

CLUB NEWS

Progressive TEEA Club
 Progressive Texas Extension Education Club (TEEA) met Nov. 14 at the home of Mary Ann Bailey with Bailey presiding.
 The following business was conducted and announcements made:
 —Minutes were approved as read by Secretary Helene Baumgardner.
 —Plans for the annual TEEA Clubs' Christmas party were discussed. The party will be at 2 p.m., Dec. 15, at the home of Extension Agent Joan Gray. Members were asked to bring books for donation to Children's Protective Services and a favorite appetizer or dessert for refreshments.
 —Members of the chapter itself will meet for a gift exchange and Christmas party at 2 p.m., Dec. 12 at the home of Beulah Terrell.
 —Elizabeth Alexander delivered a program about computers entitled "A Mouse Goes Surfing."
 The door prize was won by Eva Dennis.
 The next meeting will be at 2 p.m., Dec. 12, at the home of Terrell.

OB/GYN Update
 by Otoniel Huertas, M.D.
 Obstetrics & Gynecology

NEW OPTION FOR FIBROIDS

Traditionally, women who suffer from heavy menstrual bleeding and other symptoms caused by uterine fibroids have had to face hysterectomy (removal of the uterus). There is an option, however, for women who wish to avoid the lengthy recovery and onset of menopause that hysterectomy entails. In a technique known as uterine fibroid embolization (UFE), surgeons first insert a catheter through a tiny incision in the groin, threading it to the arteries that feed blood to the uterus. Next, plastic particles the size of grains of sand are injected through the catheter, clogging the arteries. As a result, the fibroids are starved. Patients can then expect to be up and around within days, versus several weeks after a hysterectomy.

There are also uterus-sparing techniques that may be appropriate for some patients with various uterine conditions. If you haven't yet completed your family and would like more information about some alternatives to hysterectomy, phone my office at 806-273-7771. We are located at 106 S. Bryan, Borger. New patients are welcome.

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Scholarships available for arts camp

INTERLOCHEN, Mich. — Top high school musicians around the country are invited to apply for an Emerson Scholarship Award to Interlochen Arts Camp in northern Michigan. Fifty-two students from across the United States and Puerto Rico will receive a full scholarship for the 2003 Interlochen Arts Camp.
 The scholarships are funded through a grant from St. Louis-based Emerson.
 The Emerson Scholars Award is a \$5,193 scholarship, which provides full tuition, private lessons, and room and board for the eight-week summer program. The 76th Camp season dates are June 15-Aug. 11, 2003.
 Applicants must be in grades nine through 12 and demonstrate exceptional proficiency on harp, string, wind, or percussion instruments. An audition submitted on tape or CD is required with application.
 Applications must be post-marked by Feb. 15, 2003, and winners will be announced by April 15, 2003. Winners will be determined solely on merit.
 "This summer has helped me so much. It's hard to believe there's actually a place on earth like Interlochen. The Emerson program made everything possible," said Elizabeth Delont of Wisconsin, a 2002 Emerson Scholar and first time camper.
 Scholar Ethan Bendsdorf of Illinois said, "Even though this is my seventh summer at Interlochen, I just never stop learning. I keep growing both as a musician and as a person."
 Established in 1987, the Emerson Scholars Program recognizes exceptional high school musicians and gives them an opportunity to hone their talents in an environment that is recognized around the world as the premier training ground for young artists.
 "This is one of the most beneficial scholarship offerings at Interlochen, thanks to the generosity of Emerson," said Interlochen President Edward J. Downing. "We can provide some of this nation's top young artists with an experience unlike any other."
 Interlochen Arts Camp was opened in 1928 by Dr. Joseph E. Maddy, a Kansas-born music educator who looked to Michigan's north woods for a permanent home for young musicians, actors, dancers, writers, and visual artists.
 The camp is part of Interlochen Center for the Arts, which also operates Interlochen Arts Academy, the nation's premier fine arts high school; Interlochen Arts Festival, the annual presentation of more than 750 concerts, readings, plays, and exhibits by students, faculty and guest artists; Interlochen Public Radio; and Interlochen Pathfinder School, a pre-K through eighth-grade school for students in the Grand Traverse region.
 For more information or to obtain an application, visit www.interlochen.org on the Internet; call (231) 276-7472; or write to the Emerson Scholars Program, Interlochen Center for the Arts, P.O. Box 199, Interlochen, MI, 49643.

LIFESTYLES POLICY

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.
3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.
4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.
5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.
6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.
7. Birth announcements will only be published for 0- to 3-month-olds. (See form for more details.)
8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.
9. Two anniversary pictures may be placed for a \$25 charge or four extra lines may be added to announcements for \$25 (\$50 for both).
10. Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week.

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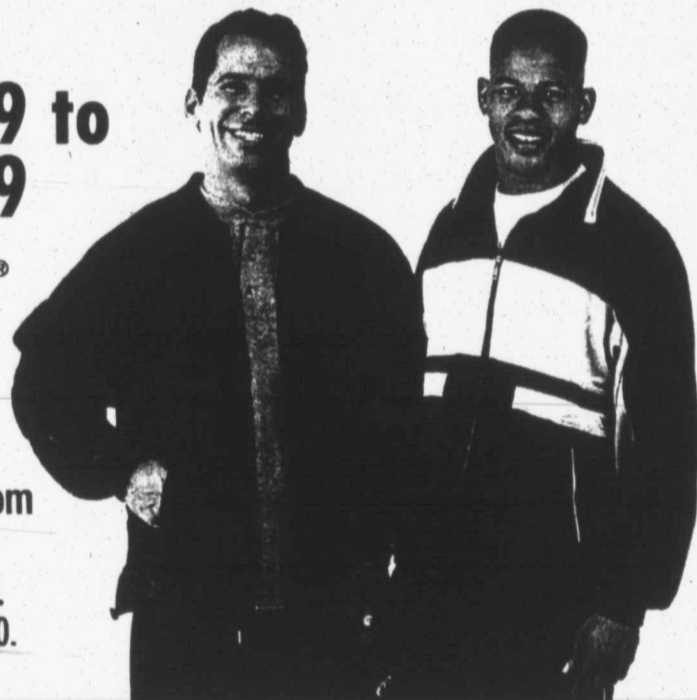
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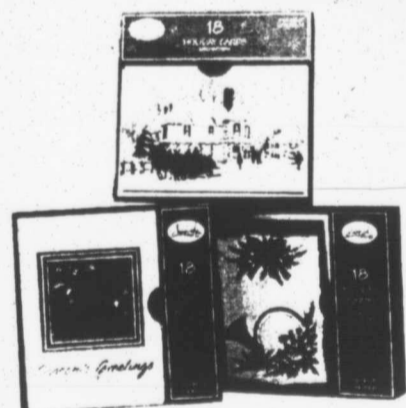
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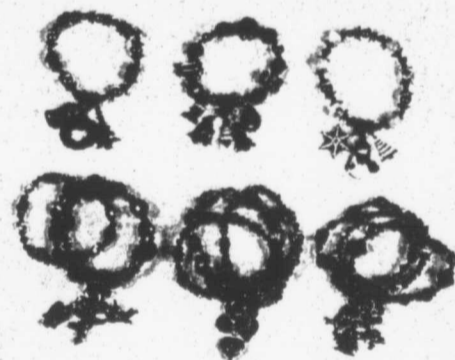


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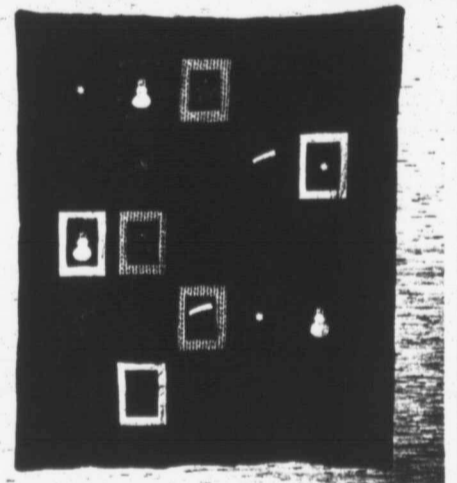
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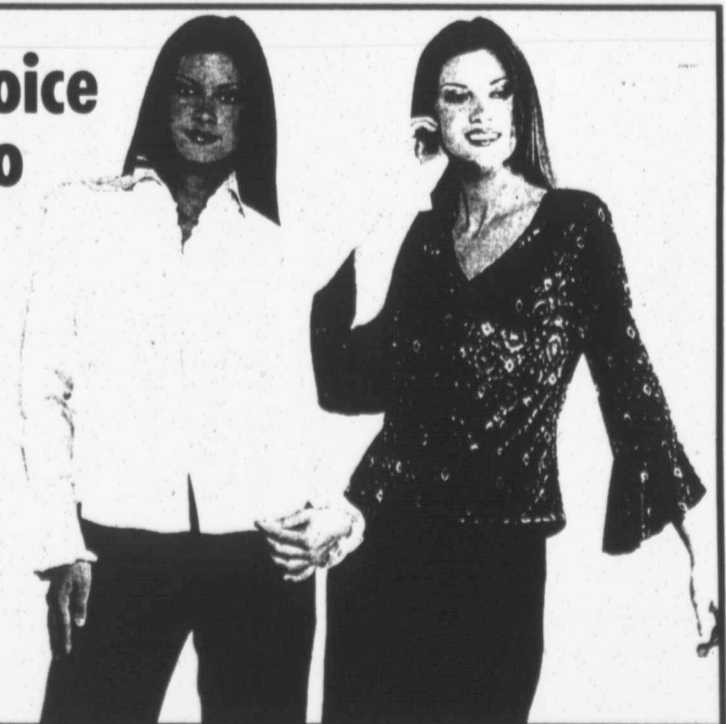
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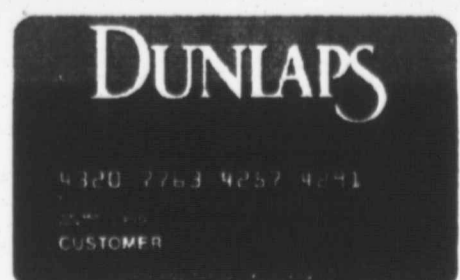
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MEDICAL

TSBME endorses proficiency requirement

AUSTIN — The Texas State Board of Medical Examiners (TSBME) became the first state medical board to formally endorse implementation of a program requiring periodic demonstration of current proficiency by all physicians with adoption of a resolution on August 16.

New legislation would be required to enable the board to begin using the proficiency requirement. Implementation could occur no earlier than 2005.

Board President Lee S. Anderson, M.D., a Fort Worth ophthalmologist, said, "I think the public has the expectation of currency of a physician's knowledge base and mental competence. I don't know of another way to satisfy this expectation without some objective measurement such as re-certification or a monitored test. This measurement should not be left solely to the complaint or malpractice system."

Currently the board is complaint-driven, identifying and remediating competency problems only after patients or peers have filed a complaint with the board.

"This process identifies problems after they occur; patient safety would be better served if we could actively identify practitioners at risk of poor performance. Physicians who have passed a monitored exam like a board-certification exam have demonstrated current knowledge and cognitive ability," said Donald W. Patrick, M.D., J.D., TSBME executive director.

Out-of-state physicians seeking licensure in Texas must have demonstrated proficiency by passing a nationally recognized examination within the last 10 years. "If we require it of out-of-state doctors, it should also be effective for assuring proficiency among in-state doctors as well," said Dr.

Patrick. "The proficiency requirement the board is asking for is an extension of the process of taking written examinations that physicians began while in college," he said.

Other states are also considering implementation of some sort of proficiency testing for physicians, while other profes-

sions on which the public depends for safety have long required continued re-testing. The Federal Aviation Administration has a range of requirements for pilot re-testing, depending on types of aircraft flown and amounts of flying time logged.

Reports and studies advocat-

ing some method of re-testing for physicians began appearing in the early 1980s. The Statewide Health Coordinating Council was the first Texas body to address the issue in the Texas State Health Plan: 1999-2004 Ensuring a Quality Health Care Workforce for Texas.

The Texas report echoed recommendations of a report published in 1995 by the Pew Health Professions Commission's Taskforce on Health Care Workforce Regulation.

The Pew Commission advocated that states "require regulated health professionals to periodically demonstrate competence through appropriate testing mechanisms," noting that continuing education courses have not proven to be an effective way of assuring continuing competency.

In its 1999 report on medical errors, "To Err is Human," the Institute of Medicine recommended that "Health professional licensing bodies should implement periodic re-examinations and relicensing of doctors, nurses, and other key providers based on both competence and knowledge of safety practices."

In 1998, the American Board of Medical Specialties examined how to assess physician competence and determined that all 29 of its specialty boards would demand retesting of their diplomates by 2006. Most are already doing so but some have provided that physicians already certified could be "grandfathered" and exempt from the retesting requirements.

"After all their research, the American Board of Medical Specialties concluded that they would make it mandatory for physicians who wanted to maintain their 'boarded' status to recertify every 10 years. This is already mandatory for physicians who have obtained certification since around 1990," said Janet Tornelli-Mitchell, M.D., board vice-president. "Physicians who were boarded prior to 1990 are not held to this standard and they are actually the physicians who need to recertify the most. I feel all physicians should be held to this standard, not just physicians who have graduated since 1990," she said.

The TSBME proposal would require that those physicians whose certification does not require passing a monitored exam, who are exempted from the examination by a board's "grandfather" policy, or who have not pursued board certification, would be subject to periodic proficiency evaluation. This proposal would fill in where the specialty boards do not reach, and would require retesting every 10 years.

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TDH warns of diabetes-heart link

AUSTIN — They are an ominous pair - diabetes and heart disease - that can level a person with a debilitating, sometimes deadly one-two punch.

"People understand that uncontrolled diabetes can lead to other serious health problems such as blindness, kidney failure, amputations, dental problems and complications in pregnancy," said Jan Ozias, director of the Diabetes Program at the Texas Department of Health (TDH).

"But what many do not realize is that heart disease is the leading cause of diabetes-related deaths," she said. "Adults with diabetes have heart disease death rates from two to four times higher than adults without diabetes. And about 65 percent of adults with diabetes also have high blood pressure."

Diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death in Texas, contributing to more than 15,000 deaths in 2000. More than 1 million people 18 and older in Texas have been diagnosed with diabetes. "But estimates are that another 500,000 adults in the state have diabetes and don't know it," Ozias said.

About 6 percent of the nation's population is diagnosed as having the disease.

With diabetes, the body either does not produce insulin (Type 1 diabetes) or does not effectively use or produce adequate amounts of insulin (Type 2 diabetes). Insulin is a hormone needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy. In uncontrolled diabetes, sugar and fats remain in the bloodstream and, with time, damage vital organs.

Symptoms of diabetes may include sudden vision changes, lack of energy, extreme thirst or hunger, frequent urination, weight loss,

numbness or tingling in hands or feet, slow-healing sores or cuts, frequent infections and very dry skin.

Treatment is aimed at keeping blood sugar near normal levels at all times. "Treatment measures may include diet control, exercise and home blood glucose testing plus oral medication and/or insulin injections," Ozias said.

"While people cannot change the fact that they have diabetes, they can work to control some things such as high blood pressure, high blood fat levels, weight and physical activity levels," she said.

The following are keys to controlling diabetes.

—Be active. Get some exercise each day, 30 minutes or more if possible.

—Eat less fat and salt.

—Eat more fiber, choosing from whole grains, fruits, vegetables and beans.

—Strive for and maintain a healthy weight.

—Don't smoke.

—Control your blood pressure.

—Take your medication as prescribed.

—Ask your health care provider about taking aspirin.

—Get support from family and friends in managing your diabetes.

"People should see their health care provider regularly," Ozias said. "Sometimes the only way people can know what's going on with their bodies is to have a checkup."

Information about diabetes is available on the TDH Web site at www.tdh.state.tx.us/diabetes/tdc.htm. Publications are available free and can be ordered online or by calling 512-458-7490.

Steroid may help some meningitis patients

By The Associated Press

Taking steroids along with antibiotics can prevent brain damage and even death in some meningitis patients, a study found.

Meningitis, an infection of the fluid around the brain and spinal cord, can be caused by viruses or bacteria. Bacterial forms can be treated with antibiotics, but the antibiotics themselves can cause dangerous inflammation as the body rids itself of the germs.

Doctors in the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark and Austria said they found that the steroid dexamethasone can ease the inflammation.

"We recommend dexamethasone treatment for all patients with acute bacterial meningitis," Dr. Jan de Gans of the University of Amsterdam said in a recent New England Journal of Medicine.

The study involved 301 adult patients with bacterial meningitis.

Just over one-third of them had streptococcus pneumoniae, the most common cause of bacterial meningitis in the United States. Fifty of those 108 were given placebos in addition to antibiotics.

Of those, 17 died and 11 were left with serious brain damage. Of 58 who received the steroid with antibiotics, eight died and seven had serious brain damage.



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Doctors find new cancer vaccine hopeful

BOSTON (AP) — Early testing shows an experimental vaccine to be 100 percent effective against the virus that causes cervical cancer, raising doctors' hopes of someday sending the lethal disease into retreat in the same way as smallpox and polio.

"It appears to be the real thing," said Dr. Christopher Crum, a pathologist at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. "You're looking at some very compelling evidence that this vaccine will prevent cervical cancer."

It remains unclear how long the protection might last. Even so, researchers say a vaccine could reach the market within five years or so.

The findings were published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine. The issue also carries separate research findings showing potential value in an experimental vaccine for genital herpes.

Vaccines work by teaching the body's immune defenses to recognize invading viruses and bacteria. Most types of cancer, by contrast, are blamed largely on genetic mutations and environmental factors. However, virtually all cases of cervical cancer are caused by a sexually transmitted virus — the human papilloma virus.

A vaccine for cervical cancer is urgently being sought because the disease strikes about 450,000 women worldwide each year, killing about half. It is the leading cancer killer of women in the developing world. In the United States, where Pap tests are widely used for screening, it develops in about 15,000 women annually and kills about a third.

The new vaccine, aimed at the viral strain Type 16 responsible for about half the cases of cervical cancer, was tested on women ages 16 to 23 at 16 sites around the country in a study led by Merck & Co. and the University of Washington. Merck developed the vaccine and funded the research. The women were watched on average for almost a year and a half.

Of 768 women who got vaccine injections, none showed Type 16 infections or precancerous tissue. Of 765 who took dummy injections, 41 came down with persistent infections, and nine developed precancerous tissue.

Inoculated women built up almost 60 times the concentration of virus-fighting antibodies seen in naturally infected women. Some researchers had suspected that the mucous membrane on the cervix would pose a barrier to such antibodies.

"For us, this is proof of principle," said Merck researcher Kathrin Jansen. "There was a lot of doubt in the beginning — not by me, but by others — that said it would be very difficult to prevent infection."

In an accompanying editorial, Crum said the vaccines developed to fight diseases like smallpox and polio are now reference points in medical history.

Peace on earth: Good will to manatees ...

This holiday season, give a 10-foot long, 1,000-pound gift to someone you love. Adopt one of the manatees in Save the Manatee Club's Adopt-A-Manatee program and help ensure the survival of an endangered species. Proceeds go toward conservation programs to protect manatees and their habitat.

For a \$20 annual membership fee, each "parent" receives an adoption certificate for a real, live, endangered manatee, the manatee's photo and biography, and a membership handbook with educational information about manatees. In addition, adoptive parents receive a newsletter subscription featuring updates on their manatee.

SMC has three manatee adoption programs. One program is located at Blue Spring State Park in Orange City, Fla. Twenty-two manatees who live in the wild and have a good history of returning to Blue Spring year after year have been chosen for the adoption program.

These manatees migrate to Blue Spring, located on the St. Johns River, from November through March. Manatees are warm water animals and cannot tolerate water temperatures below 68 degrees. Each winter, the manatees find their way back to Blue Spring to bask in the park's natural spring, which maintains a constant 72-degree temperature.

Some of the manatees available for adoption in the Blue Spring program include Floyd, a boisterous manatee who likes to sneak up behind researchers and give them a boost to the surface of the water! Floyd has wintered every year at Blue Spring since he was first identified in 1978.

Phyllis was born in 1985 and was mother to the first recorded manatee twins at Blue Spring and has had several calves since that time. Updates on the manatees at Blue Spring are

recorded by Ranger Wayne Hartley. Ranger Hartley has been recording manatee movements at the park since 1974. He awaits their arrival in November and sees them off each spring. He knows each and every manatee who visits Blue Spring.

Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park also serves as a rehabilitation center and refuge for manatees who have been orphaned or injured. Five manatees in SMC's Adopt-A-Manatee program who cannot be released into the wild call the park their home.

Ranger Betsy Dearth keeps notes on the day-to-day activities of these five manatees. They include Rosie, who often takes young, orphaned manatees at the park under her flipper and acts as surrogate mother, and Betsy a manatee who was named after Ranger Dearth and has been dubbed "the inspector," because she is curious and quick to investigate anything new.

In addition, five manatees frequently seen in the Tampa Bay area and along the west coast of Florida are up for adoption.

These manatees have been followed for years by researchers from the Florida Marine Research Institute, and several of them winter at the warm water discharge area of Tampa Electric Co.'s power plant. Elsie, Jemp, Vector, and Flicker are all frequently seen in the Tampa Bay area of Florida.

Although you might think it would be difficult to distinguish one manatee from another, researchers can tell them apart by their scar patterns. Unfortunately, many adult manatees bear scars from watercraft collisions. In addition, many other manatee mortalities are human-related.

Discarded fish hooks, monofilament line and other litter get mixed in with the plants manatees eat and can cause internal damage or death.

Entanglement in fishing or crab trap line can also cause manatee deaths. Harassment can also be a problem for manatees, and loss of habitat is the overall threat facing them. Currently, manatees are listed as endangered and about 3,000 remain in the U.S. today.

The Adopt-A-Manatee program is the primary source of funding for Save the Manatee Club.

Funds from the Adopt-A-Manatee program go toward education and public awareness programs, manatee research and rescue and rehabilitation efforts, and advocacy and legal action to help protect manatees and their habitat.

SMC is a nonprofit organization established in 1981 by U.S. Senator Bob Graham and singer Jimmy Buffett. The Club was started so the public could participate in conservation efforts to help endangered manatees.

For more information on manatees, the Adopt-A-Manatee program, or for free manatee

protection tips for boaters, write Save the Manatee Club at: 500 N. Maitland Ave., Maitland, FL 32751 or call 1-800-432-JOIN (5646). You can also visit the SMC web site on the Internet at: <http://www.savethemanatee.org>.

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Physicians who fail to demonstrate proficiency would not face immediate loss of license. Under the present proposal, physicians would have three chances to take and pass the Special Purpose Exam (known as the SPEX.) If the physician fails in those three attempts, there are other evaluation resources, such as the Colorado Physician Evaluation Program, which is already in existence providing proficiency testing and remediation for physicians. The National Board of Medical Examiners and the Federation of State Medical Boards may also be tapped to provide testing and evaluation. The board will review other evaluation and remediation programs in the process of developing the program.

Because the testing will be administered by other entities, the impact on TSBME's budget is expected to be minimal and may be offset by conversion to a system of biennial registration. This would reduce the staff time spent on administering annual registration. Costs to physicians would average \$65 per year based on paying the current SPEX examination cost of \$650 every 10 years. Physicians currently taking a periodic board examination would incur no additional costs.

How would proficiency testing work? TSBME will work with stakeholders to develop plans and rules. The details and exact structure of the testing procedure will be developed over time, but a draft proposal consists of the following components:

Physicians would be required to provide evidence of either certification, recertification, or successful completion of an approved assessment completed at least once every 10 years as a condition for active licensure in Texas. Possible assessments include the following:

—SPEX: a test for general medical knowledge;

—Clinical Skills Exam, which will be required of medical students beginning in 2004 for those who do not want to take a written test and want to test their history and physical skills. It could also be used by practitioners to test their clinical skills;

—At least seven other modules, including ethics and communication, women's health, interpreting medical literature, mechanics of disease, musculoskeletal system, gastrointestinal system, and cardiovascular system, could be taken in addition to a portion of SPEX;

—Other testing instruments to be developed.

"TSBME needs to use every tool in its arsenal to assure continued public protection and allow the medical profession to sustain its high level of respect," said Dr. Patrick.



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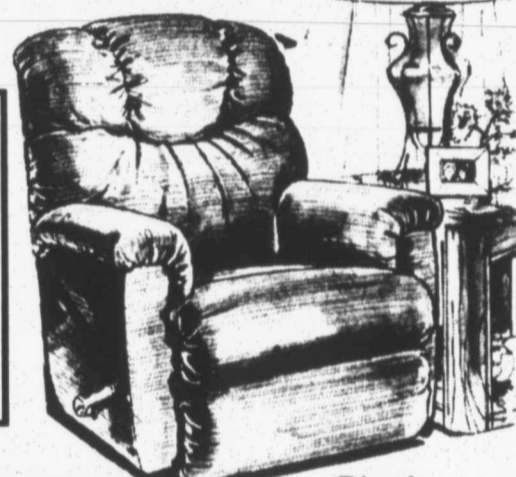
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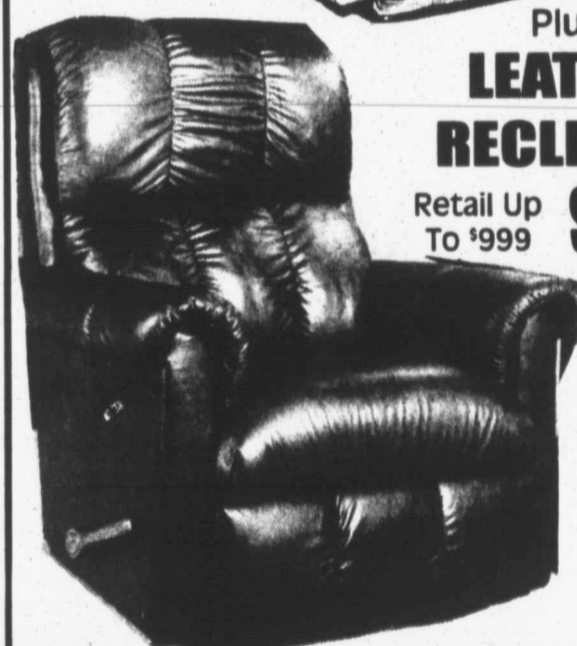
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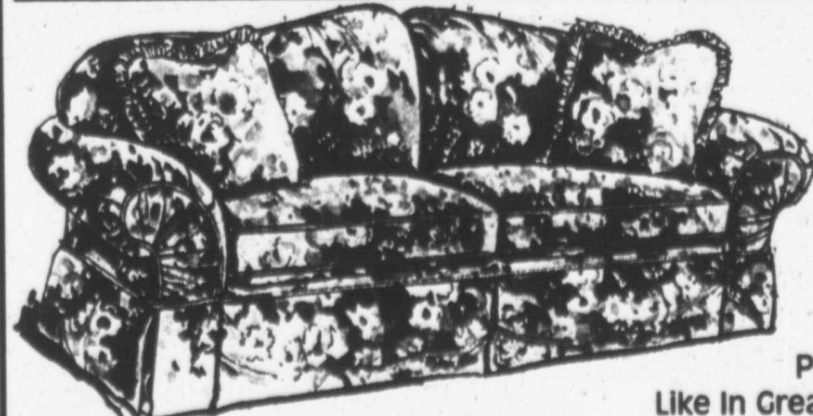
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Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.):

HOT COUNTRY SINGLES AND TRACKS

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

1. "These Days," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
2. "Somebody Like You," Keith Urban. Capitol.
3. "Landslide," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
4. "She'll Leave You With A Smile," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
5. "Who's Your Daddy?" Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
6. "My Town," Montgomery Gentry. Columbia.
7. "Red Rag Top," Tim McGraw. Curb.
8. "Work In Progress," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
9. "I'm Gonna Getcha Good!," Shania Twain. Mercury.
10. "Beautiful Mess," Diamond Rio. Arista Nashville.

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TOP COUNTRY ALBUMS

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

1. "Home," Dixie Chicks. Monument. (Platinum)
2. "Cry," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
3. "Elvis: 30 (No.) 1 Hits," Elvis Presley. RCA. (Platinum)
4. "Melt," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
5. "Unleashed," Toby Keith. DreamWorks (Nashville). (Platinum)
6. "Drive," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)
7. "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems," Kenny Chesney. BNA. (Platinum)
8. "Totally Country Vol. 2," Various Artists. Epic.
9. "Let It Be Christmas," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
10. "Live," Alison Krauss & Union Station. Rounder/UME.

HOT R&B/HIP-HOP SINGLES AND TRACKS

(Compiled from a national

sample of sales reports and radio playlists)

1. "Work It," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. The Gold Mind.
2. "Luv U Better," LL Cool J. Def Jam.
3. "Love Of My Life (An Ode To Hip-Hop)," Erykah Badu (feat. Common). Fox.
4. "Dontchange," Musiq. Def Soul.
5. "Gimme The Light," Sean Paul. Black Shadow.
6. "'03 Bonnie & Clyde," Jay-Z (feat. Beyonce Knowles). Roc-A-Fella.
7. "Lose Yourself," Eminem. Shady/Interscope.
8. "Air Force Ones," Nelly feat. Kyjuan, Ali & Murphy Lee. Fo' Reel.
9. "When The Last Time," Clipse. Star Trak.
10. "I Care 4 U," Aaliyah. Blackground.

TOP R&B/HIP-HOP ALBUMS

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

1. "The Blueprint 2: The Gift And The Curse," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
2. "Under Construction," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. The Gold Mind.
3. Soundtrack: "8 Mile." Shady.
4. "3d," TLC. Arista.
5. "Still Ghetto," Jaheim. Divine Mill/Warner Bros.
6. "Justified," Justin Timberlake. Jive/Zomba.
7. "Ghetto Heisman," WC. Def Jam.
8. "Dutty Rock," Sean Paul. 2 Hard.
9. "The Eminem Show," Eminem. Web. (Platinum)
10. "Kings Of Crunk," Lil Jon & The East Side Boyz. BME.

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HOT RAP TRACKS

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1. "Work It," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. The Gold Mind.
2. "Luv U Better," LL Cool J. Def Jam.
3. "Lose Yourself," Eminem. Shady.
4. "Gimme The Light," Sean Paul. Black Shadow.
5. "'03 Bonnie & Clyde," Jay-Z (feat. Beyonce Knowles). Roc-A-Fella.
6. "Air Force Ones," Nelly feat. Kyjuan, Ali & Murphy Lee. Fo' Reel.
7. "When The Last Time," Clipse. Star Trak.
8. "Dilemma," Nelly (feat. Kelly Rowland). Fo' Reel.
9. "Hey Ma," Cam'ron (feat. Juelz Santana, Freekey Zekey & Toya). Roc-A-Fella.
10. "React," Erick Sermon feat. Redman. J.

HOT DANCE MUSIC CLUB PLAY

(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)

1. "Die Another Day (Remixes)," Madonna. Warner Bros.
2. "Mr. Lonely (Dance Mixes)," Deborah Cox. J.
3. "Irresistible!" Superchumbo. Twisted.
4. "Troy (The Phoenix From The Flame)," Sinéad O'Connor. Radical.
5. "Body (Reach Out) (Wildlife & Hard Attack Mixes)," Faith Trent. Tommy Boy Silver.
6. "Dance To The Music (Peter Rauhofer Remixes)," Laszlo Panaflex. Star 69.
7. "Poor Leno," Royksopp. Wall Of Sound.
8. "Insatiable," Thick Dick (feat. Lanza Waters). Sondas.
9. "The Sound Of Violence," Cassius With Steve Edwards. Astralwerks.
10. "Starry Eyed Surprise," Oakenfold (feat. Shifty Shellshock). Maverick.

HOT LATIN TRACKS

(Compiled from national Latin radio airplay reports)

1. "Asereje," Las Ketchup. Sony Discos.
2. "El Problema," Ricardo Arjona. Sony Discos.
3. "Entra En Mi Vida," Sin Bandera. Sony Discos
4. "Cuando Me Miras Asi," Cristian Ariola.
5. "El Dolor De Tu

Presencia," Jennifer Pena. Univision.

6. "Es Por Ti," Juanes. Surco/Universal Latino.
7. "Suena," Intocable. EMI Latin.
8. "Si Tuviera Que Elegir," Ricardo Montaner. Warner Latina.
9. "Perdoname Mi Amor," Conjunto Primavera. Fonovisa.
10. "Todo Mi Amor (The One You Love)," Paulina Rubio. Universal Latino.

TOP CONTEMPORARY JAZZ ALBUMS

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

1. "Come Away With Me," Norah Jones. Blue Note. (Platinum)
2. "Wishes," Kenny G. Arista.
3. "Paradise," Kenny G. Arista. (Gold)
4. "Groovin'," bwb. Warner Bros.
5. "All I Got," Al Jarreau. GRP.
6. "Heartfelt," Fourplay. Bluebird.
7. "The Ring," Keiko Matsui. Narada.
8. "Sensual Journey," Will Downing. GRP.
9. "Just Chillin'," Norman Brown. Warner Bros.
10. "Love's Silhouette," Pieces Of A Dream. Heads Up. Copyright 2002, VNU Nielsen Soundscan, Inc.

TOP CLASSICAL ALBUMS

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

1. "Sentimento," Andrea Bocelli. Philips.
2. "Bel Canto," Renee Fleming. Decca.
3. "Handel: The Messiah," London Philharmonic (Aldis). Sparrow.
4. "State Of Wonder," Glenn Gould. Sony Classical.
5. "The Art Of Cecilia Bartoli. Decca.
6. "The Best Of The 3 Tenors," Carreras-Domingo-Pavarotti. Decca.
7. "Sacred Songs," Placido Domingo. DG.
8. "Classic Yo-Yo," Yo-Yo Ma. Sony Classical.
9. "The Best Of Vanessa-Mae," Vanessa-Mae. Angel.
10. "The Ultimate Relaxation Christmas Album," Various Artists. Decca.

BILLBOARD HOT 100: TOP 10

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

monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Lose Yourself," Eminem. Shady.
2. "Work It," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. The Gold Mind.
3. "Underneath It All," No Doubt (feat. Lady Saw). Interscope.
4. "Luv U Better," LL Cool J. Def Jam.
5. "The Game Of Love," Santana (feat. Michelle Branch). Arista.
6. "Jenny From The Block," Jennifer Lopez (feat. Jadakiss & Styles). Epic.
7. "Hey Ma," Cam'ron (feat. Juelz Santana, Freekey Zekey & Toya). Roc-A-Fella.
8. "Gimme The Light," Sean Paul. Black Shadow.
9. "Dilemma," Nelly (feat. Kelly Rowland). Fo' Reel.
10. "Die Another Day," Madonna. Warner Bros.

THE BILLBOARD 200 TOP ALBUMS: TOP 10

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

1. "The Blueprint 2: The Gift And The Curse," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
2. Soundtrack: "8 Mile." Shady.
3. "Under Construction," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. The Gold Mind.
4. "Justified," Justin Timberlake. Jive/Zomba.
5. "Riot Act," Pearl Jam. Epic.
6. "3d," TLC. Arista.
7. "Stripped," Christina Aguilera. RCA.
8. "Away From The Sun," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
9. "The Eminem Show," Eminem. Web. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
10. "Shaman," Santana. Arista.

HOT ADULT CONTEMPORARY

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

1. "Can't Stop Loving You," Phil Collins. Atlantic.
2. "Cry," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
3. "A Thousand Miles," Vanessa Carlton. A&M.
4. "A Moment Like This," Kelly Clarkson. RCA. (Gold)
5. "The Game Of Love," Santana (feat. Michelle Branch). Arista.
6. "Superman (It's Not Easy)," Five For Fighting. Aware.
7. "Soak Up The Sun," Sheryl Crow. A&M.
8. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
9. "A New Day Has Come," Celine Dion. Epic.
10. "Life Goes On," LeAnn Rimes. Curb.

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1. "WOW Christmas," Various Artists. EMI CMG.
2. "Worship Again," Michael W. Smith. Reunion/Provident. (Platinum)
3. "WOW Hits 2003," Various Artists. EMI CMG.
4. "iWorship: A Total Worship Experience. Various Artists. Integrity.
5. "Worship," Michael W. Smith. Reunion/Provident. (Platinum)
6. "Spoken For," MercyMe. INO.
7. "Stanley Climbfall," Lifehouse. DreamWorks.
8. "Blessed By Association," John P. Kee & New Life. Verity.
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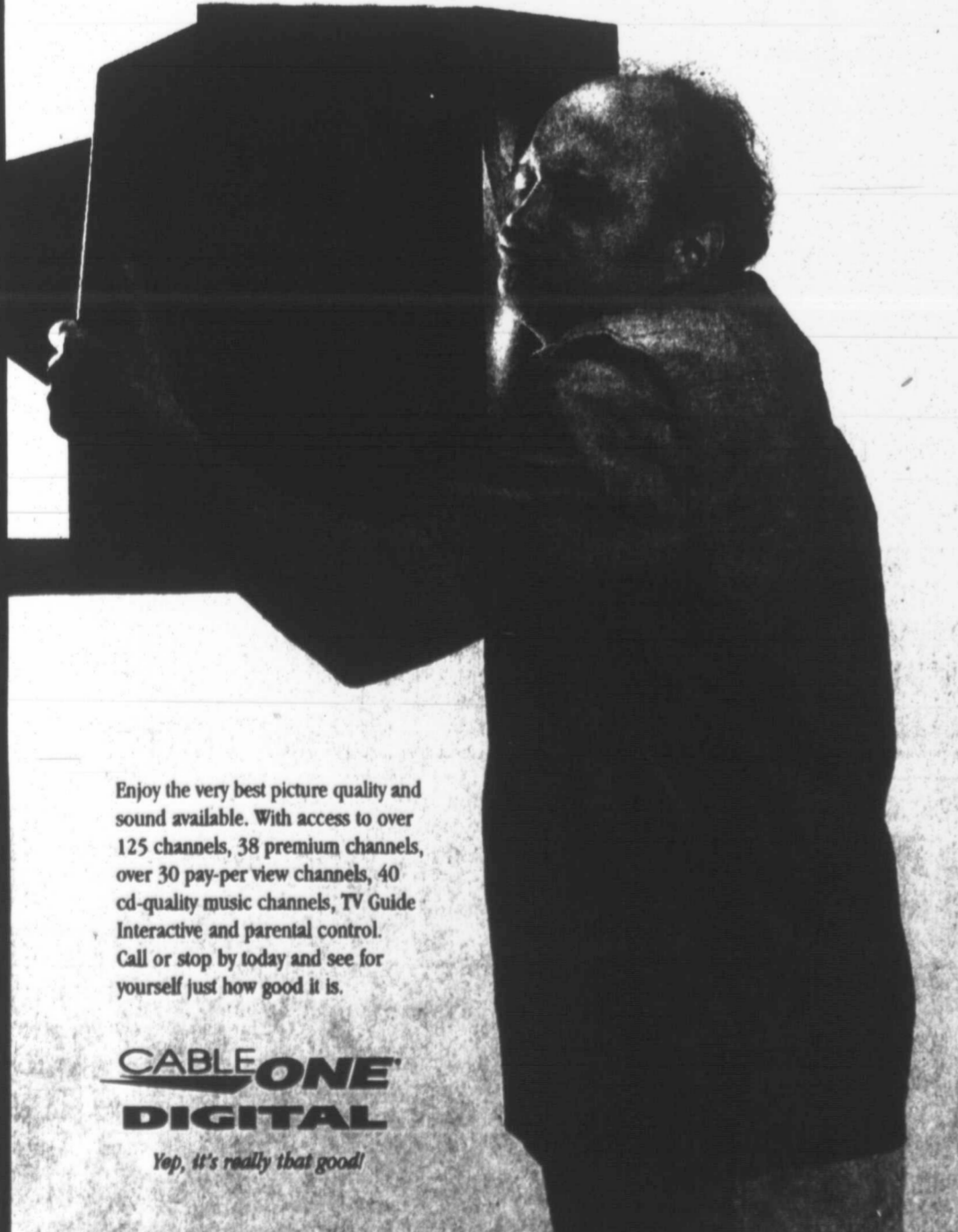
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Mormon cinema on a mission for profits

By C.G. WALLACE
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — It began with "God's Army," a small movie about Mormon missionaries in Los Angeles that cost \$240,000 to make and netted \$2.6 million.

Since then, Mormon-themed movies have been flooding Utah screens.

Now some of the genre's own directors fear quality is succumbing to quantity.

"I wanted it to bring all these (Mormon) filmmakers and writers out of the woodwork," said Richard Dutcher, dubbed the "Mormon Spielberg" for directing "God's Army." "Now that I see how it's gone, however, I'd like some

of them to go back into the woodwork."

Seven independent films for and about Mormons have popped up on local screens since 2000; five more are expected to open this spring.

The movies — most of which have played only regionally — have a 1950s sensibility about them: no sex, swearing or graphic violence. Church members are discouraged from watching R-rated films.

Recent works have included an earnest film about The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints missionaries and a murder mystery.

"The Singles Ward," a romantic comedy, is essentially a series of inside jokes about Mormons, from the scrapbook-style opening

credits (Mormons joke that they love to make scrapbooks) to good-natured jabs at the church's polygamist past.

For example, at one point the romantic lead, who was dumped by his wife, turns to the camera and complains about the reaction he got from fellow church members: "Our ancestors were able to handle four or five wives and you can't handle one?"

Dutcher had hoped his movie's success would draw out the faithful in the entertainment business. Instead, he says, it has led to a series of poorly made movies with a Mormon stamp.

Sean Means, movie reviewer for Utah's largest newspaper, The Salt Lake Tribune, said films like "The Singles Ward," "Handcart" and "Charly" mark a sophomore slump for Mormon cinema. They're plagued by bad scripts and boring plots, he said.

Because they aren't good enough to succeed elsewhere, Means said, the movies end up being marketed squarely at locals. And there's enough of an audience in Utah to pull down

some profit; the church claims 70 percent of Utah residents are Mormon.

"The Singles Ward" was made for \$400,000 and made almost \$1.5 million, said director and producer Kurt Hale. Now there are 200,000 copies at video stores.

When the nationally released "The Other Side of Heaven" — the story of a farm kid who becomes a missionary in the Tongan islands — hit theaters, 15-year-old Jennifer Eggett's grandmother declared it a family movie night for all 36 members of the clan.

"It made me cry," Jennifer said of the movie. "It's good for people to know the real truth about Mormons."

Means, however, said such films won't succeed if the quality flags.

"At the moment the mindset is: It's a movie about Mormons, lets go see it," he said. "But a few more movies of questionable quality and they'll get over it."

Thomas Baggaley, who runs the Web site www.lds-film.com, agrees that too many Mormon directors are banking on a guaranteed Mormon audience.

"They weren't saying come, watch the film because it's a good film, they were saying come see this film so there can be more of these films. I don't think that argument is going to work for very long," Baggaley said.

"Now we have more films about us and it's not such a novelty. And that's a good thing. That will force the films to become better."

Hale plans to release two more Mormon-themed comedies: "The R.M.,"

about a missionary, which opens in Utah in January, and "Church Ball," about church basketball leagues, to debut in January 2004.

There's no shortage of material or self-deprecating humor, Hale said. "We can make 50 movies based on how strange we are."

On the Net:
Richard Dutcher's production site: <http://www.zion-films.com>

Kurt Hale's production site: <http://www.halestormentertainment.com>

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PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

- "The Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold (Little, Brown)
- "Skipping Christmas" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
- "Chesapeake Blue" by Nora Roberts (Putnam)
- "Visions of Sugar Plums" by Janet Evanovich (St. Martin's)
- "The Christmas Train" by David Baldacci (Warner)
- "Reversible Errors" by Scott Turow (Farrar Straus & Giroux)
- "Answered Prayers" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
- "Quentins" by Maeve Binchy (Dutton)
- "Blackwood Farm" by Anne Rice (Knopf)
- "Q is for Quarry" by Sue Grafton (Putnam)

- "I May Be Wrong but I Doubt It" by Charles Barkley (Random House)
- "Sandy Koufax: A Lefty's Legacy" by Jane Leavy (HarperCollins)
- "Live from New York: An Uncensored History of Saturday Night Live" by Tom Shales & James Andrew Miller (Little, Brown)

- Clancy and Martin Greenberg; written by Jerome Preisler (Berkley)
- "The Kiss" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
- "Isle of Dogs" by Patricia Cornwell (Berkley)
- "The Millionaires" by Brad Meltzer (Warner)
- "The Promise in a Kiss" by Stephanie Laurens (Avon)
- "Total Recall" by Sara Peretsky (Dell)

- "Going Home" by Nora Roberts (Harlequin)
- "John Adams" by David McCullough (Touchstone)
- "Good in Bed" by Jennifer Weiner (Washington Square Press)
- "Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress" by Dai Sijie, Sijie Dai, and Ina Rilke (Anchor)
- "Lucky" by Alice Sebold (Little, Brown/Back Bay)
- "Empire Falls" by Richard Russo (Vintage)
- "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom (Broadway)

MASS MARKET PAPERBACKS

- "Table for Two" by Nora Roberts (Silhouette)
- "One Door Away from Heaven" by Dean Koontz (Bantam)
- "Violets Are Blue" by James Patterson (Warner)
- "No Place Like Home" by Fern Michaels (Pocket)
- "Tom Clancy's Power Plays: Cutting Edge" by Tom Clancy and Martin Greenberg; written by Jerome Preisler (Berkley)

TRADE PAPERBACKS

- "White Oleander" by Janet Fitch (Little, Brown/Back Bay)
- "Rich Dad, Poor Dad" by Robert T. Kiyosaki (Warner)
- "Bel Canto" by Ann Patchett (Perennial)

NONFICTION, GENERAL

- "Portrait of a Killer: Jack the Ripper-Case Closed" by Patricia Cornwell (Putnam)
- "Leadership" by Rudolph W. Giuliani (Talk Miramax)
- "A Long Way from Home: Growing Up in the American Heartland" by Tom Brokaw (Random House)
- "Who Says Elephants Can't Dance?" by Louis V. Gerstner Jr. (HarperBusiness)
- "Journals" by Kurt Cobain (Riverhead)
- "My Losing Season" by Pat Conroy (Doubleday)
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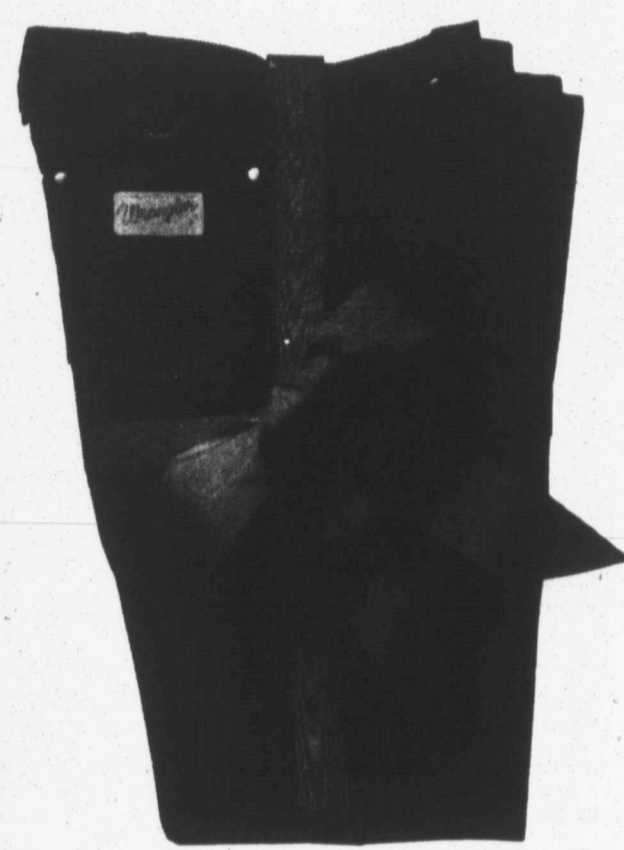
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WT University to hold kick-off holiday concert

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Department of Music and Dance will present its Holiday Kick-Off Concert at 8 p.m., Nov. 24 in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall. The event will feature the Collegiate Chorus, the University Chorale and the WTAMU Symphony Orchestra.

The WTAMU Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Douglas Morrison, assistant professor of music, will perform "A Christmas Festival" and "Sleigh Ride" by Leroy Anderson and "Salvation is Created" by Tschesnokoff. Dr. Cloyce Beard-Stradley—mezzo-soprano, assistant professor of music, will join the WTAMU Symphony Orchestra for the selection "Lo, How A Rose" arranged by Morrison.

Both the Collegiate Chorus and the University Chorale, under the direction of Dr. George Biffle, associate professor of music, will collaborate with the WTAMU Symphony Orchestra for the works "Ave Verum Corpus" by Mozart and "Fantasia on Christmas Carols" by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Both choirs will perform "Christmas Cantata" by Daniel Pinkham, with accompaniment provided by the brass section and the organ.

Each choir also will perform its own program. The Collegiate Chorus will sing "Bring a Torch, Jeannette Isabella" arranged by John Rutter and "Wassail Song," "Deck the Halls" and "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen."

WT Chorale's program includes "Fum, Fum, Fum" arranged by Shaw Parker, "The Best of Rooms" by Randall Thompson and "Three Kings of Orient" and "O Holy Night" with arrangements by John Rutter.

Immediately following the concert, the Friends of Fine Arts will host a reception in the Mary Moody Atrium. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call 806-651-2840.

Officer collects model police cars

By JENNIFER EMILY
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

DALLAS — Jana Brimmer knows her husband doesn't really want to shop with her when they run errands. He's tagging along only to go to stores that have toys — especially die-cast police cars.

Her husband, Grand Prairie police Detective John Brimmer, says he tells his wife, "You know where I'll be" and heads off in search of new cars.

"It's like taking your little son to the grocery store," said Jana Brimmer, who has been married to the detective for five years. "And here he comes down the aisle with five or six, saying, 'Look what I found.'"

Collecting the cars became popular among officers and civilians after several toy companies began making accurate reproductions of the vehicles in the mid-1990s.

"A lot of people like to collect Christmas tree ornaments, but I'm not into that," said John Brimmer, a pawnshop investigator and grand jury liaison who has at least 200 die-cast police cars. "I like cars, things you can play with. Christmas ornaments just hang there."

Dallas police Deputy Chief Alfredo Saldana has at least one die-cast police car from each state. He bought them for fun but also uses them as recruiting tools. He sets the cars up on a table, and as applicants come to look at the cars, they end up talking about becoming a Dallas officer.

Dave Arnold, a former police officer who lives in Mesquite, said the surge in die-cast police cars reminds officers, as well as civilians, of their youth.

"You go back to your roots of being a kid," Arnold said of collectors. "Indy 500 or Daytona 500 race cars don't do it for me."

Arnold, an expert witness in reconstructing auto accidents, runs a Web site, www.copcar.com, dedicated to creating a photo library of police cars throughout the years. Arnold has about 1,000 miniature police cars but says he isn't actively adding to his collection.

Dallas County sheriff's Deputy Buck Fortner, who oversees the agency's 250-vehicle fleet, has collected die-cast cars since he was a child in the 1960s. He makes his own police vehicles and fire trucks — some from models, some from scratch. Some are almost large enough for a child to sit inside.

"I've always had an interest in police cars," said Fortner. "The first stuff I made was pretty crude, but as I did more, I got better."

In 1992, he built a replica of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department Posse Arena. It even has the posse's trailer and miniature deputies on horses that he painted with a toothpick.

Smaller cars cost \$4 to \$6 at retail stores. Bigger police cars cost more. Smaller ones bought from a police department that commissioned a car average about \$10.

John Brimmer said that when he sold cars on eBay, he at least doubled the price he paid.

"There's no set market," he said. "It depends on how bad you want it and how much I want to part with it. Do I want this car more than \$50?"

Some who collect the cars display them prominently in their offices or homes. Others keep them in boxes. Chief Saldana displays his cars in a glass case next to sports trophies at his home. Before he got married, John Brimmer thumbtacked the unopened car packages to his bedroom walls and behind his clothes in the closet.

"I didn't want them to get bent up," he said with an embarrassed shrug.

He planned to do it again, but his wife vetoed that idea. He now has a room for his cars, but Jana Brimmer said they agreed on no thumbtacks.

Collectors usually leave their cars in the packages — they're worth more. But sometimes knowing that a toy is inside can be tempting.

"Sometimes I want to take it out and give it a roll," John Brimmer said, staring longingly at the unopened packages. "Just one."

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Not everything rosy along border sector

By JAMES PINKERTON
HOUSTON CHRONICLE

McALLEN, Texas — When Joe Williamson looks out his office window atop Symbol Technologies' new distribution facility, he surveys a who's who of American and foreign manufacturing giants.

On one side of Williamson's \$30 million building is Panasonic. Other corporate neighbors include tool-maker Black & Decker and vacuum giant Bissell.

Across the way is Dallas real estate baron Ray Hunt's \$7 million sports complex, a cornerstone of his 6,000-acre Sharyland Plantation. The development will mix homes, shopping malls, research facilities, schools, hotels and industrial parks.

But Williamson's office window also looks out on a county that lags behind the rest of the state in less visible secondary measures of growth, including per-capita income and levels of health insurance.

The Texas-Mexico border is like that — prosperity for some, poverty for others. Almost nine years under NAFTA the North American Free Trade Agreement has not bridged the gap between the haves and have-nots in this hybrid region.

Most border residents earn less than Texans living in other parts of the state. And the gap is widening.

The per-capita personal income of residents of the 43-county border region in 2000 was \$20,041, compared with \$29,653 in the rest of the state, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

In 1997, the Census Bureau estimated that 39 percent of Hidalgo County residents, the county where McAllen is located, lived in poverty.

In 1999, the large counties along the Texas-Mexico border led the state in the percentage of the population without health insurance, according to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

While some economists and other officials attribute the benefits of growth and the burdens of poverty and overextended infrastructure directly to NAFTA, Williamson and other developers on the border said it's difficult to isolate the trade agreement's impact.

"It's a hard question. We operate under NAFTA, but there were maquilas here before," Williamson said, referring to the maquiladora program established in 1965, which facilitated cross-border manufacturing and set off a rush of development.

The program provided employment for Mexicans and profits for U.S. companies willing to relocate to there. Maquilas do not have to pay duties on imports to Mexico of equipment and raw products, and are charged reduced duties on finished products shipped back to the United States — spurring companies to build facilities near each other on both sides of the border.

What NAFTA brought, Williamson believes, is something intangible but critical. NAFTA made U.S. companies feel secure about doing business in Mexico, where political, economic and social problems historically had made foreign companies wary.

"I'm not an international lawyer, but we actually invested in Mexico. We bought the land and built the building. To me, that's one benefit of NAFTA — that there's confidence in the stability of Mexico and people are more willing to invest," he said.

As is the case for most corporations that move to the Texas-Mexico border, Symbol's decision to uproot established manufacturing centers was both momentous and profitable. Symbol Technologies, the Holtville, N.Y.-based company that claims to be the world leader in bar code-scanning technology, has moved most of its manufacturing and distribution to the Texas-Mexico border in the past two years.

In January, Williamson cut the ribbon on Symbol's distribution

center in a 334,000-square-foot building the company built in McAllen's foreign trade zone. Workers in McAllen box and ship Symbol's handheld scanners and a high-tech array of wireless pricing and inventory systems built by Mexican workers in a 300,000-square-foot plant Symbol opened in Reynosa, across the Rio Grande.

The pair of new plants on either side of the Rio Grande represent local investment of tens of millions of dollars in real estate, equipment and construction. So far, Symbol has hired 247 workers in McAllen and 1,176 in Reynosa.

The Long Island-headquartered corporation is saving millions by tapping into low labor costs in Reynosa, where assembly workers typically take home \$60 for a 48-hour workweek. By comparison, a new worker in Symbol's McAllen distribution complex hires on at \$8.24 per hour.

Even before NAFTA was proposed, corporate recruiters at the McAllen Economic Development Corporation were busy turning cotton fields into industrial sites. In the past 14 years, the corporation recruited 178 companies to McAllen.

"We've said NAFTA didn't matter; we already had NAFTA before it was signed," said Mike Allen, the corporation's longtime executive director, referring to the maquiladoras.

According to a recent University of Texas-Pan American study the corporation commissioned, the maquiladora industry in the Reynosa area supports 32,577 jobs in McAllen and surrounding U.S. towns. The maquila-related jobs add \$2 billion annually to the McAllen economy, the study estimates.

Employers continue to flock to the McAllen area, although two years ago 257,000 maquila workers in five Mexican border cities were laid off as the U.S. economy slowed and Mexican wages crept upward. At one time, maquilas employed a high of 1.34 million workers in Mexico.

John Sargent, a business professor at UT-Pan American, argues that NAFTA actually hurt some border businesses that were flourishing, by imposing new duties on raw materials imported by maquilas from non-NAFTA countries. While the Mexican government has implemented policies to minimize the duties, Sargent warned that NAFTA's Article 303 "represents a major, structural weakness limiting the competitiveness of Mexico's maquiladoras."

But overall, he said, NAFTA's effect has been positive. "It was a tremendous marketing campaign that really got the attention of large corporations and made Mexico more popular," Sargent said.

That's hardly the sentiment in some border communities, where the trickle-down prosperity of NAFTA is missing.

"If you don't mention NAFTA, it doesn't exist," laments Willacy County Judge Simon Salinas.

The county's largest city, Raymondville, 50 miles from the Rio Grande, has more businesses boarded up than open. While most border counties are experiencing dramatic growth, Willacy County's population fell to below 20,000 in the last year.

Shuttered are the drug, grocery, clothing, jewelry and antique stores that catered to farmers, who are the backbone of this predominantly agricultural county.

"We're too far away from the river," the county judge said. "We wish we had some of those businesses to start building some of those warehouses where they repack some of those materials, but we don't."

Paul Whitworth, owner of the weekly Raymondville Chronicle, observed that "the way NAFTA works out is we get the sign on our side, and the Mexican side gets the factory."

Border leaders insist that it is in transportation and other critical infrastructure sectors — bridges, water and wastewater services — where NAFTA has failed to deliver.

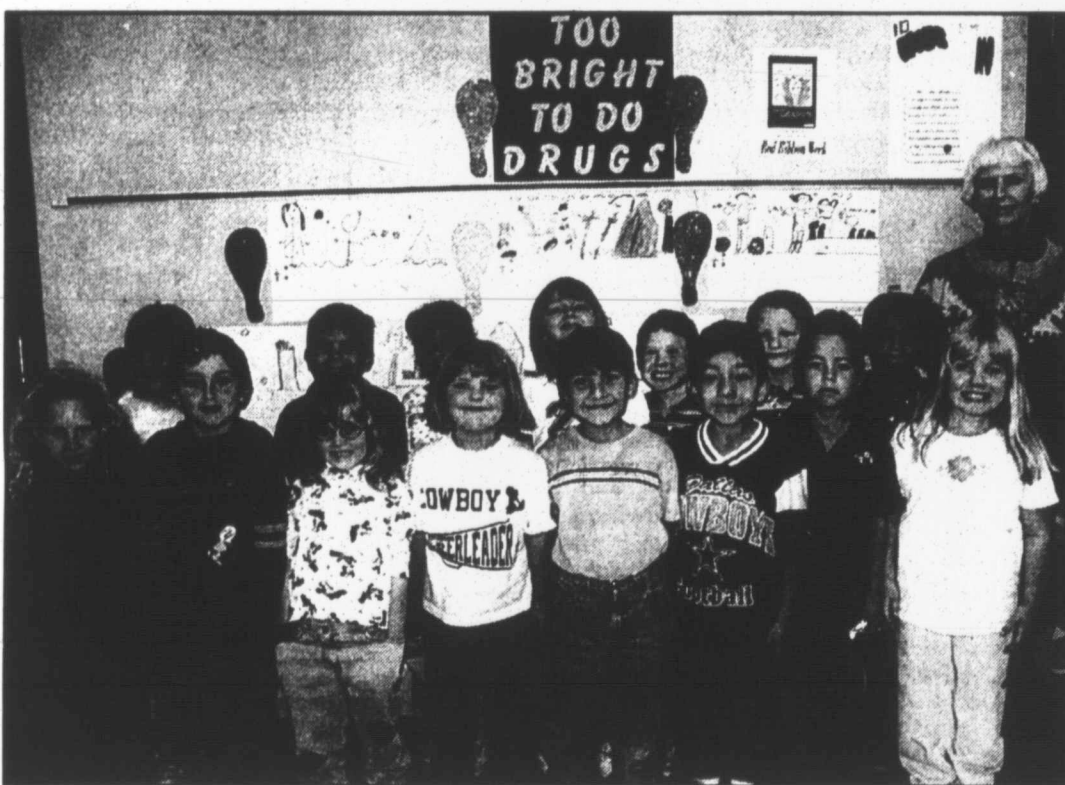
"Truck lines in Laredo sometimes extend 10 miles. We have pollution and environmental issues that we did not have before," said state Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso.

"During the NAFTA debate, many promises were made," he said. "We would have an effective Border Environmental Cooperation Commission and North American Development Bank; we would have transportation funds to cover the subsidies that border communities are called upon to pay. We would have effective retraining programs that would take low-skill populations and make them part of the American mainstream."

"None of that has really happened."

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Wilson contest winners



(Courtesy photo)

Mary Ann Diggs' first grade class at Wilson Elementary School won a wall decorating contest the school held in conjunction with Red Ribbon Week. Above: (Back row, left-right) Pamela Whinery, Angel Solis, Daisy Vargas, Megan McCollum, Nathan Sprinkle, Michael Foreman, Gabriel Martinez, Mrs. Diggs; (front row, l-r) Erica Saunstaire, Tyler Hulsey, Erika Wells, Mayce Wheat, Jose Hernandez, Alfredo Rodriguez, Jose Rios, and Harley Elliott.

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Firefighters' playground

Small Texas college uses computer-controlled fire technology to mimic fires at training site

By ANGELA K. BROWN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The smoke is thick, blinding, as the firefighters grope their way through the house. They find a body in the back room and carry it outside, hoping they're not too late.

The reinforcements go in, but no one can find the fire. Several minutes later they open the door to the garage and see a car ablaze. In the blink of an eye, those flames are extinguished.

"That's OK, guys. Come back out and we'll go over what you did right and wrong," a voice calls from outside.

The flames are real, but the emergency is not.

The computer-controlled, gas-fueled fire at Tarrant County College's new \$17 million Fire Service Training Center mimics the heat and smells and sounds and conditions trainees might find themselves plunged into at a real fire. This one teaches them how to get the victims out, get the fire out and get out alive.

"You're supposed to practice like you play, and as realistic as these buildings are, we can do that," said Mark Hunka, a Fort Worth Fire Department training officer who recently led his crews in night drills.

American firefighters raced to 1.7 million blazes, including forest fires, in 2000. One hundred and two of them perished in the flames.

In its effort to help bring those numbers down, the training center seems all too real.

It sits on 23 acres on the college campus and has the look of a working-class neighborhood. An 18-wheeler is parked outside a small warehouse. There's a tower that reaches up six stories, a two-story apartment building, a strip mall and one- and two-story houses with an alley behind the fences.

The gray concrete-block buildings are mostly empty except for some metal pieces resembling

couches, beds, stoves, desks and other furniture, and flame-retardant, weighted dummies. Some interior walls can be moved so repeat trainees cannot memorize the layouts.

An instructor programs a computer to set fires in designated areas, using technology similar to a pilot light in a gas stove. The instructor controls how high and how hot the flames burn, making conditions more intense when veteran firefighters are training.

Trainees wait for calls in a building resembling a fire station, where they pass the time mopping and waxing the floors. They board a fire truck for the ride to the hot spot when they get the call.

"When students go in, if they don't put the right stream in the right place, it won't go out," said Ted Phillips, chairman of the college's Public Safety Institute. "And we give them a computer printout of what they did wrong and right, so there's immediate feedback."

During training in the one-story house, the computer sensor shut down the garage fire because it went undoused for more than four minutes. Air vents opened automatically because the room exceeded 500 degrees, another safety measure in the system.

"The men chose to find the victim and remove it rather than put out the fire first," said fire Lt. Rodney Smith, a coordinator at the fire training center and firefighter in nearby Arlington. "The goal is saving lives first, and they found the victim."

Smith and other instructors were in a control room overlooking the neighborhood to monitor computer readings of heat, gas levels and other data from the burning rooms. They watched images from a thermal imaging camera that videotaped the firefighters in the house.

The fire technology is from Symtron Systems, a Fair Lawn, N.J.-based company that has done similar work for 160 other fire training centers nationwide. The

Fort Worth center is the largest.

Symtron developed the technology 23 years ago for simulators for the U.S. Navy, and now works with government agencies and colleges that provide firefighter training, company spokesman Louis Orotelli said.

Under Texas law, firefighter recruits must complete 468 hours of basic fire protection training at a certified academy — including the Fort Worth center. They're also required to pass an exam and obtain emergency medical certification.

Tarrant County College is one of dozens of state-approved fire training sites in the state.

The two-year college has offered a fire technology program since the 1970s. For hands-on training, the college rented a building or a tower in nearby cities. But the thick, black smoke from burning hay and wood hurt the environment, and only a few students could be trained in one day because of delays in cleaning and drying the waterlogged areas.

Over the years, the program developed into an associate's degree for students. And college officials, realizing the region needed a large, innovative training center, created one. Fire departments must pay to use it; students use it separately as part of their college curriculum.

Trainees gain valuable experience in water rescues, trench collapses and hazardous materials spills. A car can be placed in a concrete channel while 80,000 gallons of water is pumped through it — a simulation of flash flooding.

"We wanted to create as many scenarios as we could," Phillips said.

Before the training center opened in October, firefighters would train at the water rides at Six Flags Over Texas amusement park in Arlington. Inevitably, they would get hurt because they were thrown against rocks.

"Here," Phillips said, "we have more control."

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NOVEMBER 5, 2002 and issued pursuant to decree(s) of the District Court of Gray County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suit(s) and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on November 5, 2002, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in December, 2002, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the West Door of the Gray County Sheriff's Department, located at 218 North Russell in the City of Pampa, Gray County, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day, beginning at 10:00 a.m., proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit(s) and to the following described real estate levied upon of defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Gray and the State of Texas, to wit:

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West Wing marks centennial

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Over the 100 years that separate Theodore Roosevelt from George W. Bush, the West Wing of the White House has become a sharply etched symbol of presidential power and television drama.

In the West Wing, workplace for 18 chief executives, presidents have played wars, struggled with the Great Depression, planned out the Cold War. From there, one president worked to contain the Cuban missile crisis and another dealt with the aftermath of a terrorist attack on American soil.

None of that was foreseeable in November 1902 when Roosevelt's staff moved into the new presidential office wing, a small, low-slung building so quietly well-mannered that it offered little competition with the architecture and history right next door.

Once past the restrained facade, however, it was clear that the new wing represented a sharp break with the past.

"For the first time since the United States has been a nation the head of the nation does not live in his shop," Harper's Weekly reported on Nov. 29, 1902.

The transformation is seen in an exhibit by the White House Historical Society at the White House Visitors Center, 1450 Pennsylvania Ave. NW. It will run from Tuesday until March 3, 2003.

Ever since John Adams became the first president to occupy the White House in 1800, only the thinnest of lines divided living quarters from workspace.

In Abraham Lincoln's era, the president's secretaries, John Hay and George Nicolay, worked at the east end of the second-floor corridor near the president's office and Cabinet Room. Lincoln's parlor and bedroom were just a door away. Later in the century, workers installed telegraph equipment and hung maps to allow officials to follow the Spanish-American War.

That was essentially the situation the energetic Roosevelt inherited in September 1901 when, assuming the presidency after William McKinley's assassination, he moved his large family into the limited living space on the other half of the floor.

By then the United States was emerging as an international power, the president was becoming the central figure of government and the old ways of conducting White House business suddenly appeared hopelessly out of date.

Roosevelt hired architect Charles F. McKim to strip the rooms of their Victorian flamboyance and make the White House functional for the new century.

Removing the glass greenhouses that had piled up against the west wall for the previous 50 years,

McKim uncovered the columned terrace built as a service wing by Thomas Jefferson. He used it as a link to a new office building, a step that allowed him to remove the staff from the White House and double the size of the president's living quarters. It took only six months from concept to the last slap of white paint.

Harper's Weekly called the new offices, each lit with electric lights and lined with green burlap, "the White House workshop."

A large rectangular room was reserved for the president. A 1904 photograph shows logs stacked near the fireplace and a globe and rocking chair facing Roosevelt's desk. Sliding doors in a side wall opened to the new Cabinet Room. Roosevelt's secretary, George Cortelyou, occupied the large central room with bow windows overlooking a tennis court.

Next door was the communications center equipped with 65 telegraph and 25 telephone lines. "It is possible for the White House to be connected with any point in this country reached by telegraph service," Harper's Weekly reported. Roosevelt had his own private cipher to keep his messages confidential, it added.

A large room was reserved for the clerks and stenographers who answered presidential mail. And for the first time, a press room was set aside for reporters.

Because Jefferson's colonnade now connected the new offices to the White House, "the president can go back and forth between his office and his residence without being observed or interrupted by the persistent office-seekers or the inquisitive camera-equipped tourists who always swarm in Washington," Harper's Weekly said.

William Howard Taft constructed the first Oval Office in the West Wing in 1909. Herbert Hoover rebuilt the wing after a fire in 1929. In the 1930s, Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to the southeast corner, added a penthouse and expanded the basement offices. That was about the time people started calling this executive real estate "The West Wing."

The West Wing has now been the cockpit of presidential decision making for a full century.

And presidents still use Jefferson's colonnade when they walk to work.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Lawrence L. Knutson has reported on Congress, the White House and Washington's history for 35 years.

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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Nov. 25, 2002. Understanding marks your interactions this year. Sometimes you don't grasp all that a person means to convey. Learn to clarify and ask more questions. Confusion surrounds family and personal matters. Keep the faith; you will sort through your priorities. Your work demands tremendous attention. Professionally, you will succeed beyond your wildest dreams, as you head in new directions. Clearly others admire your professionalism and ability to make money. If you're single, your star is rising. You will meet someone very special late 2003. You will be thrilled by the quality of this person. If you're attached, your relationship will develop to a new level. Avoid getting stuck in a rut of being right or wrong. LEO pushes you hard.

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11-23 CRYPTOQUOTE

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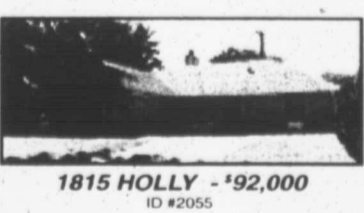
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Realize that what is right up your alley might not be a high priority for someone else. Discussions help you understand others. Make strong decisions for you and your family ultimately. A trip in the offing could be extremely exciting. Tonight: Say "yes" when invited to something totally different. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Your sensitivity to a partner enhances your relationship as well as your sense of security. Perhaps the time has come to share more of yourself. You can be nearly 100 percent sure a close friend won't walk on you. Tonight: How 'bout some quality time? **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Others present many more options than you originally thought possible. Knowing when to say "yes" remains key. Success surrounds groups. Make the most of an important meeting. You could be delighted by what comes up. Tonight: Just don't be alone. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Throw yourself into your work. Brainstorm with someone who is in charge but needs to know and understand more. Your sense of direction plays into a major decision. Hear the facts, then decide. Others trust your judgment because you are thorough. Tonight: Off to the gym.

BORN TODAY American industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie (1835), publisher, lawyer John F. Kennedy Jr. (1960), baseball player Joe Dimaggio (1914) *****

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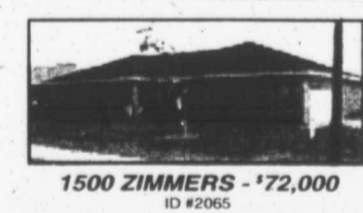
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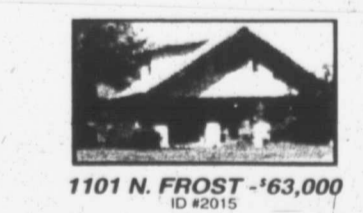
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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002:
You flip back and forth between observing and taking action this year. Carefully consider your options that revolve around your career. Yes, it might be worth going back to school to specialize even further. Knowing what you want prevents flip-flopping. Express your ideas more often, and worry less about what people will do with them. You often take others' opinions personally and get your feelings hurt. Consider more often where others are coming from. If you are single, you will want a relationship. You will meet someone quite different and unique. Be open to your differences. If you are attached, your relationship will flourish if you share your feelings more often. You often find that your sweetie didn't mean what you think. LEO helps you greet the new.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
***** Once more, you might opt to stay close to home, but at what cost? Don't you want to do something special with a loved one? Schedule time later in the day for this special person or people. Have a good time and let off some steam. Tonight: Allow your imagination to take over.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Get together with friends, relatives and neighbors. Your high energy needs an outlet, whether it is visiting with others and raking leaves or doing something that combines physical activity and socializing. Use your imagination. Tonight: Head home early.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** Pull your finances together before you go out the door. Take off ASAP and join your friends. You'll like visiting with others at a distance, whether you meet at a halfway point or go all the way. Consider taking tomorrow off to extend your weekend. Tonight: Keep chattering.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** Your smile helps someone jump over a natural resistance or a desire to create an uproar. Count on your abilities to socialize and create much more of what you want. You tend to overdo it as the day wears on later. Go for the moment. Tonight: Treat yourself to a special dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Take time to energize. Make this a lazy day designed just for the Lion. Do what you most love and nothing else. Sometimes everyone needs to cater to his or her own needs. Now is the time. Reach out for a loved one. Tonight: Continue doing your thing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Whether at a football game or doing some other fun project, you'll have a great day. Gather with friends. Let spontaneity rule. You'll be a lot happier as a result. Others chime in with some very surprising suggestions. Tonight: Make it an early night.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** Follow your friends, and you'll find the action. You could blow someone away with your high energy. Be sensitive to an older relative or friend who might not be able to "rock and roll" like you. Let plans evolve. Fortunately, you'll have the energy to act like the Energizer bunny. Tonight: Where the action is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Make an effort toward someone at a distance. Design plans that could bring you together, or try something totally different that would please this person. Let go of normal self-imposed barriers. Extremes mark a positive happening. Tonight: Speak of your wishes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
***** That extra effort counts with a partner. Let someone else know that you care. Share more of yourself with this person. Expressing ideas might have strange but not problematic implications. Tonight: Relax to a favorite TV show.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** Others make delightful suggestions. Listen more often to others' ideas. Opportunities come from left and right. Can you deal with all this popularity? Spread your wings and remain open to different plans. Tonight: Add that touch of excitement.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** You might not want to follow through on a project. You might want to do just for yourself, and why not? Your body has its limits. Honor these restrictions more often. Friends call you up with inviting suggestions late in the afternoon. Tonight: Now for some socializing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** You have a sudden realization about a partner. Perhaps you need to honor more of what you think and feel. Sometimes you need to shake up the status quo. You find a classic example right now. Are you willing? You might need to care for your well-being. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.

BORN TODAY
Cowboy Bat Masterson (1853), author William F. Buckley Jr. (1925), actress Katherine Heigl (1978)

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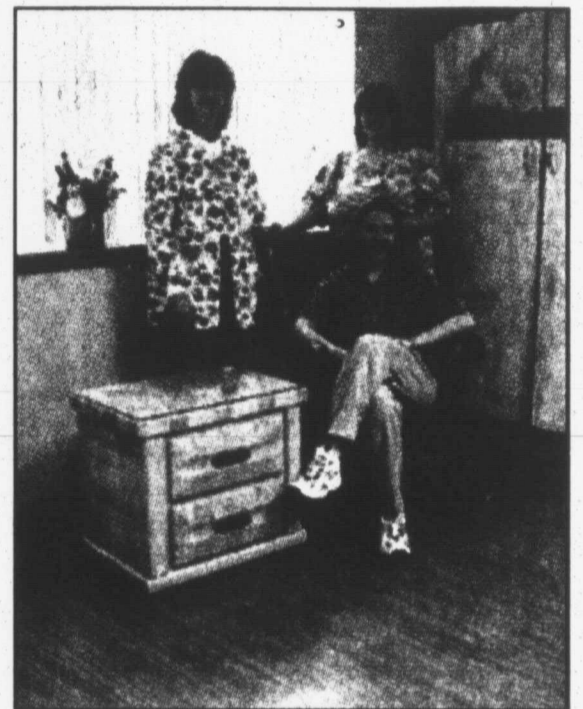
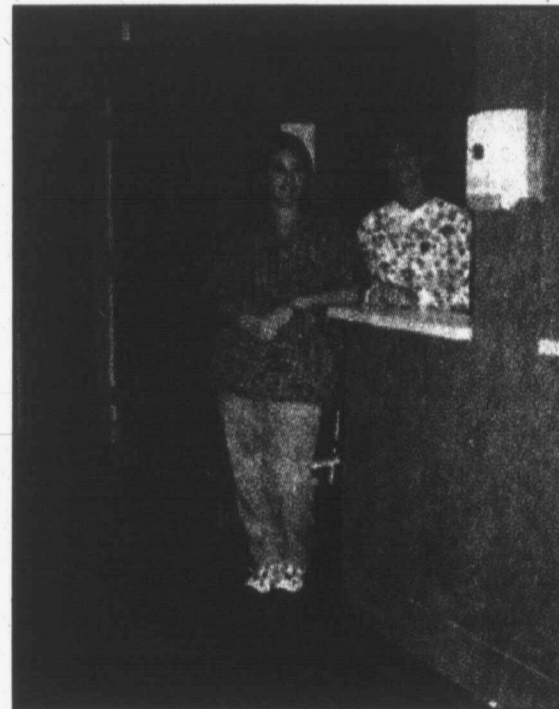
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As a specialist in obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Huertas is committed to helping each woman achieve optimum health regardless of the stage of her life. His training in caring for the pregnant woman and in delivering babies means that he assumes an important role in the health of both the mother and the infant.

In this practice, he also works with women who are past the childbearing stage of life as they deal with the complexities and challenges of their later years.

More areas of service offered by Dr. Huertas include infertility, tubal reversals, antenatal testing / genetic amniocentesis, incontinence therapy, weight reduction, adolescent gynecologic, gynecologic surgery, high risk obstetrics, PMS, family planning, osteoporosis treatment and colposcopy / cryotherapy.

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Dr. Mann

Wallace Mann, MD
Family Practice
Including Obstetrics

When Dr. Mann treats his patients, he keeps in mind the importance of preventative medicine and maintaining their overall wellness. As a family Practice physician specializing in OB, Dr. Mann welcomes all members of the family and looks forward to having a busy obstetrics practice as well.

Dr. Mann is trained to look at the interrelated nature of families and family illnesses and has received special training in dealing with all types of illnesses and diseases that occur in patients of all ages. Being able to treat patients for many years allows, Dr. Mann to build up the confidence and trust crucial to a longterm doctor / patient relationship. Dr. Mann is the physician your family should call at the first sign of an illness or medical problem.

Dr. Mann may be contacted at
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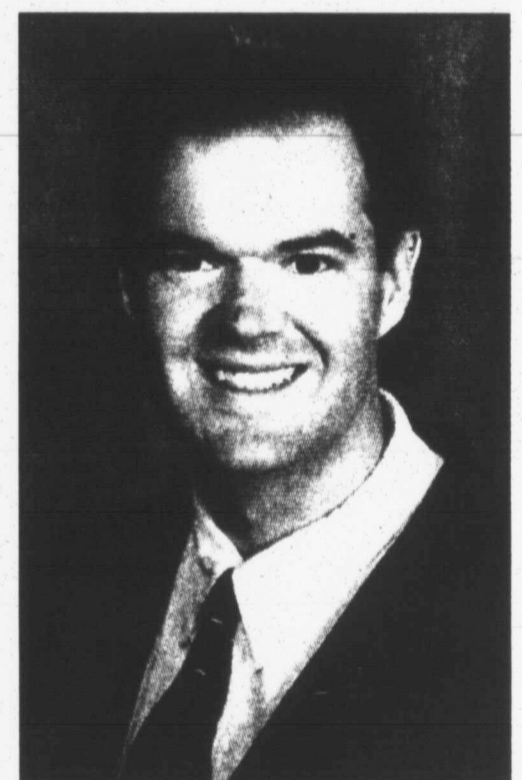
Dr. Quiros

Corazon P. Quiros, MD
Obstetrics / Gynecology

Since 1978, Dr. Quiros has brought hundreds of new lives into the world. In her specialty, Dr. Quiros supervises a woman's pregnancy, making sure that the baby is developing correctly, that the woman's health is stable, and that her patient understands the process her body is going through. Dr. Quiros delivers the baby and takes care of the mother after the delivery.

She also takes care of all female problems related to the reproductive cycle. She provides advice on family planning, answers questions and prescribes treatment for menopause, and helps the adolescent girl who is experiencing problems with menstruation.

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Dr. Rogers

Bard L. Rogers, MD
Family Practice
Including Obstetrics

As a physician specialized in Family Practice, Dr. Rogers draws on a wealth of experience as a resident at small and rural hospitals. He serves as primary physician for his patients at the clinic and then, if necessary, follows them through their treatment at the hospital in order to provide continuity of care. By working closely with his patients so that they understand all of their options, he helps ensure they are returned to good health as quickly as possible. Dr. Rogers specializes in obstetrics and the treatment of newborns and young children. His many office procedures include treating ulcers, high blood pressure, chest pains, hernias, diabetes, simple fractures, work-related injuries, and lacerations.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Easy Target for Abusive Men Needs to Stay Out Of Range

DEAR ABBY: I am a 32-year-old single female. My past has been filled with physical, mental and emotional abuse that began when I was 5. I always believed that even though my past was bad, things would get better.

Well, two marriages and several bad relationships later, it seems I only attract men who are either physically abusive, emotionally unavailable, or both. All of my relationships are somehow abusive.

I am so sad and lonely that I have even considered suicide. I know I have something to live for, but I just don't know what. Could there be something in my character that tells men I am an easy target for them? Please help me.

LOST AND UNLOVED
 IN MILWAUKEE

DEAR LOST: There is nothing lacking in your character. You were brought up to believe that physical abuse, mind games and lack of emotional support were normal behavior that should be tolerated.

Can this be overcome? Absolutely! However, you'll have to rebuild your expectations from the ground up. Until this is done, I'd advise you to abstain from romantic involvement. Professional counseling will speed the process. You have much to live for. But in order to reach your goal, you'll have to "unlearn" many of the things you have taken for granted as normal.

DEAR ABBY: I love your "no gifts" message for invitations. "Your friendship is a treasured gift, and we respectfully request no other." I use it a lot.

Now I need a phrase or short note that will allow my 78-year-old mother to give treasured heirlooms to the person of her choice.

I would have loved to receive the banana pudding bowl that belonged to my dear late aunt. It elicited many cherished memories. It was faded and chipped, and I'm sure it was at some point thrown away.

Abby, you have a way with words, so I'm looking forward to your response. Thanks!
 LORI RAMPEY, PIEDMONT, S.C.

DEAR LORI: How's this: "This () has been in my family for many years and is a treasured heirloom. May it bring as much enjoyment to you as it has to me and our family. With love, ..."

be called to testify if the divorce proceedings go that far.

I am scared to tell my husband. I'm afraid he will leave me if he finds out. I have been completely faithful my entire marriage — and plan to remain so.

What should I do, Abby? Confess to my husband that I cheated prior to marrying him — or wait and see if the attorney or the wife of my ex-lover contacts me?

SCARED AND LOST
 IN FLORIDA

DEAR SCARED AND LOST: How you have conducted yourself since your marriage began is more important than any youthful indiscretion. As far as your "need" to confess, you've now confessed to my readers and me. Let the past stay buried for now. If you receive a summons to testify in the divorce, there'll be plenty of time to tell your husband about this episode from your past.

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 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

DEAR ABBY: I am facing my worst nightmare. While I was still dating my husband, I had an affair with a married man. I broke it off when my husband-to-be proposed. I never told my fiancé about the affair.

Last week, I learned that the wife of the man I was involved with found one of the "intimate" items I had given him. She has now gone to a lawyer and is seeking a divorce. I am afraid I may

For Better or For Worse



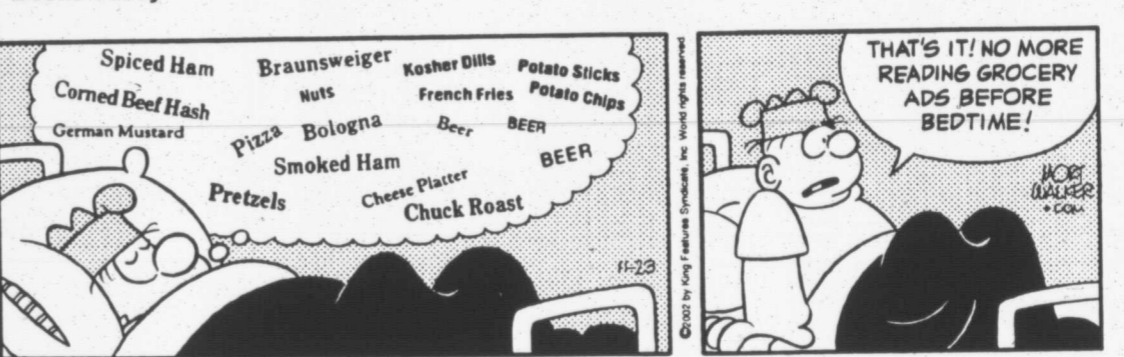
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Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blonde



Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD
 By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Luggage
 - 5 Look over
 - 9 Showed interest
 - 10 Noggins
 - 12 Kitchen come-on
 - 13 Believed without question
 - 14 Historic satellite
 - 16 Exist up
 - 17 Pipe bend
 - 18 Hires
 - 20 Method
 - 22 Left
 - 23 Stand ueaque
 - 25 Valley
 - 28 CD player parts
 - 32 Cork setting
 - 34 Oath
 - 35 Greek letters
 - 36 Merlot, e.g.
 - 38 Salts type
 - 40 Singer Ronstadt
 - 41 Pad user
 - 42 Orlando attraction
 - 43 Parch
 - 44 Spots
- DOWN**
- 1 Just
 - 2 Island rings
 - 3 Teeth
 - 4 Surroundings
 - 5 Splash
 - 6 Flint
 - 7 Alley
 - 8 Prowl
 - 9 Relaxed
 - 10 Brain bit
 - 11 Fills up
 - 12 Used
 - 13 Exist up
 - 14 Pipe bend
 - 15 Piglet's creator
 - 16 Some sheep
 - 17 Stat-
 - 18 ueaque
 - 19 Show
 - 20 Riding pieces
 - 21 Needs
 - 22 Some change
 - 23 Piglet's one's
 - 24 Blow
 - 25 Property holder
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 - 28 Worry
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24 Riding pieces
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