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LOCAL

Thanksgiving service open to community

The public is invited to a Community Thanksgiving Service at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 26, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd.

Sponsored by the Pampa Ministerial Alliance with 10 local churches participating, the inter-denominational event will feature the Pampa High School Band, Sons of Light Quartet, and three citizen speakers.

STATE

DeLay leads 1000s in pro-Israel service

HOUSTON (AP) — House Majority Leader Tom DeLay led 5,000 Christians and Jews in calling for the eternal preservation of Israel during a joint religious service at San Antonio's Cornerstone Church.

DEATHS

Hal Brown, 89, ranch manager.

Marie Egerton, 83, secretary.

Ann Pierce, 61, services pending.

Pauline G. Velasquez, 66, former longtime Pampan.

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PISD board 'on hold' until Dec. 16

Trustees await final decision by Supt. Orr, Wichita Falls ISD officials

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 EDITOR

Pampa Independent School District Board of Trustees remains "on hold" until Dec. 16.

On that day, PISD Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr and Wichita Falls officials plan to reach a decision on hiring Orr as superintendent of Wichita Falls public schools.

Last week, Orr told the Pampa

school board that he had been selected as the "lone finalist" for the WFISD superintendent's position.

While expressing regret that Orr may leave Pampa, Board President Lee Porter said he was glad to see him get the opportunity to advance his career.

Wichita Falls is a 5-A district with approximately 15,000 students, almost three times the size of Pampa's 4-A district with a student population of approximately 3,400.

Porter said the local school board will do nothing until Orr and Wichita Falls officials make a final decision.

"Our hands are really tied until Wichita Falls makes its decision," he said.

Pampa ISD's board's next meeting is set for Dec. 17, he said, adding, "We'll be discussing that then."

Porter said that if Orr chooses to go to Wichita Falls, he feels confident the transition will be a smooth one.

"Dawson has assembled an excellent staff - Jane Steele as assistant superintendent for instruction, Tim Powers as assistant superintendent in facilities, and Mark McVay as assistant superintendent in finance. He has an excellent team in place," he said.

"Once someone makes a decision, our options are to use the existing team or hire an interim (superintendent)," he added. "That's a decision we'll be (See BOARD, Page 3)

Streets top city agenda on Tuesday

Pampa City Commission plans to award bids for street improvements at Tuesday evening's meeting.

Work on Faulkner Street from Rham to Alcock, 16th Street from Grape to Holly and the intersection of Harvester Avenue and Hamilton Street are all part of the street improvements funded by \$400,000 in certificates of obligations issued by the city in the 2002 budget.

Two parts of this project have already been completed.

In other business, city commissioners are to consider the appointment of five persons to the Lovett Memorial Library Board and review the city check register for October.

During a work session before the regular meeting, commissioners will discuss proposed changes to the city's abandoned junk vehicle ordinance.

Pampa City Commission meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the commission chambers in City Hall.

Sneak peak



Lamar Elementary fourth and fifth grade students, from left, Danielle Towles, A.J. Ledbetter, Kayla Dedrick, Martin Caldwell, Miguel Tapia, Reba Baily, Aubrey Dowdy, and Tyler Fry, get a sneak preview of some of the 100 Scholastic books donated by Albertsons and Coca-Cola. The books, divided between Lamar and Austin elementarys, will be placed on the schools' library shelves to be checked out by all students.

Pampa United Way needs another \$95,000

The Way America Cares



Community by Community



CSC director: Officers oversee 225 cases here

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

Even though most people still refer to it as the adult probation department, the name of this agency changed to Community Supervision and Corrections Department several years ago.

This department supervises adults who are placed on probation after being convicted of

a crime. Some of the probationers are on felony probation out of 31st and 223rd district courts while others are on misdemeanor probation out of Gray County Court.

Jeff McClendon, CSC director, said the local department is currently averaging approximately 225 cases of direct supervision a month.

"Direct supervision are those cases in which the pro-

bationer was sentenced in Gray County and lives in this county," he said. He said the department also supervises many indirect cases. "These are people who got in trouble outside the county, but live here," he said.

McClendon, who has been director of the local department almost three years, said the offenders are on probation for a wide array of offenses.

17,500 people - if everyone in our community gave \$20 each, we would raise \$350,000. Obviously some will give more than \$20 and some will give less; but if everyone gives, we can reach our goal.

"Pampa we need your help," she said. "If you have not been contacted, consider this your contact."

Pledges can be brought to the United Way office at 200 N. Ballard, Ste. 105, or mailed to Pampa United Way, P.O. Box 2076, Pampa, TX, 79066-2076.

"I would even be glad to pick up your pledges if you call the office at 669-1001," Bigham said.

"Helping United Way right now is as important as Thanksgiving and Christmas in this community," she said.

"If we don't reach our goal, we will have to go back to the 19 non-profit agencies and reduce their funding.

"We really don't want to do that if at all possible, these 19 agencies minister to over 11,000 people in our community. That's a large order to fill and someone who really needs help may not be able to receive that help due to reduced funds," she said.

"Please reconsider giving to Pampa United Way. We are almost there, but we do need your help. We still need \$94,747.55. We could reach our goal with 94 donors giving \$1,000 each, 188 donors giving \$500 each or 947 donors giving \$100 each. If you can give \$1 to \$100, we need your help, too," Bigham urged.

Did You Know...

When Was The First Recorded Episcopal Church Service?

Information Was Obtained From "Gray County Heritage" 1985 - Pampa Chamber Of Commerce 669-3241

April 24, 1925 At St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

OBITUARIES

HAL BROWN
1913-2002

Hal Brown, 89, of Pampa, died Saturday, Nov. 23, 2002. Services are pending. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Brown was born on May 2, 1913, in Quitaque and came to the Pampa area in 1944 from McLean. He married Dora Mae O'Hair on Jan. 29, 1938, in Memphis.

Mr. Brown worked on the Hayhook Ranch west of Pampa for 41 years, and he managed the ranch for 20 years, retiring in 1983.

He was a member of Central Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Dora Mae Brown, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Joe Rogers of Katy; two sons

and a daughter-in-law, Jimmie Brown of Austin and Rickey and Sharron Brown of Pampa; a brother, Frank Brown of Bandon, Ore.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065; or to a favorite charity.

www.carmichael-whatley.com



MARIE EGERTON
1919-2002

Marie Egerton, 83, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Egerton was born April 13, 1919, in Lamont, Okla. She married Don Egerton on Sept. 12, 1940, in Pond Creek, Okla.; he died Jan. 12, 1990.

She moved to Pampa in September of 1940 and to Craig Methodist Retirement Community in Amarillo in June of 1999. A longtime member of First Baptist Church in Pampa, she

retired as pastor and financial secretary in 1986. Survivors include a son, Dr. David Egerton of Amarillo; a daughter, Jane Byrd of Kennedale; a brother, Lawrence Wyckoff of Pond Creek, Okla.; a sister, Freida Abbott of San Antonio; and three grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church Library Fund, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Craig Methodist Retirement Community, 5500 W. 9th St., Amarillo, TX 79106.

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PAULINE G. VELASQUEZ
1936-2002

Pauline G. Velasquez, 66, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, at Amarillo, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. John Valdez, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Velasquez was born Feb. 4, 1936, in Robstown. She married Jose "Ray" Velasquez on May 17, 1971, in Paducah. She had been a longtime resident of Pampa, moving to Amarillo in 2000.

She was a homemaker and a member of St.

Joseph's Catholic Church in Amarillo.

Survivors include her husband, Jose "Ray" Velasquez, of the home; a son, Daniel Velasquez of Amarillo; a daughter, Susannah Castillo of Amarillo; five sisters, Sara Ramirez, Romana Rodriguez, Francis Rodriguez, Natalia Albar, and Benita Albar; a brother, Juan Galaviz; and four grandchildren, Kirk, Jessica, and Jose, all of Amarillo, and Abby of Dumas. She was preceded in death by two sisters and a brother.

The family requests memorials be to Holy Cross Catholic Academy, 4110 S. Bonham, Amarillo, TX 79110.

www.carmichael-whatley.com

ANN PIERCE

McLEAN — Ann Pierce, 61, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, at McLean. Services are pending under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home.

SERVICES TOMORROW

VELASQUEZ, Pauline G. — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

ON RECORD

POLICE

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Nov. 22

A front door and a window were damaged in the 1100 block of Garland.

A runaway was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

United Supermarket reported a theft.

An unauthorized water connection to city lines was reported in the 500 block of Lefors.

A cell phone was reported stolen in the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Justin Billy Adams, 19, 1806 Coffee, was arrested on warrants charging him with trespassing, driving under the influence of alcohol, minor in possession of alcohol, assault by threat, and possession of another person's driver's license.

Matthew Brian Driscoll, 19, 714 E. Frederic, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and minor in possession.

Saturday, Nov. 23

Money, a television set and a radio were reported stolen in the 1200 block of North Duncan.

A number of bullets were found in the 2500 block of North Primrose.

A runaway was reported in the 1600 block of West Christy.

A glass door was reported broken in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway.

A cell phone was reported found in the 900 block of East Browning.

A gas drive off was reported at the Taylor Mart in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Sunday, Nov. 24

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1100 block of Seneca.

An assault was reported in the 800 block of Scott.

A book was reported stolen from Hastings.

Phone harassment was reported in the 2200 block of North Evergreen.

The rear passenger side window was broken on a car in the 1800 block of West Harvester.

Albertson's Supermarket reported a can of smooth cream was stolen.

Stakes to hold Christmas lights were reported broken in the 800 block of North Christy.

A black wallet was reported found in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

FIRE

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

Saturday, Nov. 23

7:04 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of West 25th.

Sunday, Nov. 24

3:24 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1200 block of Christine.

9:04 p.m. — Two units and eight firefighters responded to a report of a structure fire in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive. There was no fire. An electric fan in a heater had blown dust into the air, activating the smoke detector.

ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Nov. 22

A 1995 Ford Thunderbird, belonging to Amber Lee, 345 Tignor, was struck on the right side as it sat parked in the 100 block of North Ballard.

Sunday, Nov. 24

A 1995 Chevrolet pickup, driven by Kana Dyan Shepard, 15, 629 N. Frost, was in collision with a 1997 Cadillac DeVille, driven by Norma Ely Hensley, 26, 418 Doucette, about 12:45 p.m., Friday at the intersection of Doucette and Jordan. Shepard was cited for failure to yield right of way and for violation of restrictions on her driver's license.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.		VLO	35.54	-0.06
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Wheat		Trud Hospitals	29.08	-1.22
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Soybeans		XCEL	10.90	+0.16
Sunflowers		Kerr McGee	45.72	+0.21
		Limited	16.84	-0.02
		Williams	3.07	+0.14
		McDonald's	18.33	-0.31
		Exxon Mobil	34.39	+0.17
		Atmos	23.09	+0.32
		Pioneer Nat	24.10	+0.23
		Penney's	23.65	+0.76
		COF	47.85	-0.70
		Schlumberger	43.00	-0.50
		Tenneco	4.79	+0.09
		CVX	66.58	+0.15
		Wal-Mart	54.08	+0.32
		OKE	19.09	-0.01
		NS Group	6.08	-0.07
		New York Gold	321.05	
		Silver	4.55	
		West Texas Crude	27.67	

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Nov. 22

7:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2500 block of North Dogwood; no patient was transported.

8:22 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the intersection of Hobart and Alcock; one patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

10:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 East; one patient was transported to PRMC.

11:07 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Golden Plains Community Hospital in Borger; one patient was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTX) in Amarillo.

Saturday, Nov. 23

9:43 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of East Harvester; one patient was transported to PRMC.

1:49 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Hobart; one patient was transported to PRMC.

3:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC; one patient was transported to NWTX.

6:58 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th; one patient was transported to PRMC.

7:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Christy; one patient was transported to PRMC.

Sunday, Nov. 24

3:08 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Christine; one patient was transported to PRMC.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Nov. 23

Carissa Seger, 17, 413 Buckler, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of harassment.

Wayne Williams, 52, 1209 Duncan, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of family violence.

Corrie Hammer, 19, Miami, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of having a defective tag light, failure to display driver's license and possession of drug paraphernalia.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly, to partly-cloudy skies in the afternoon, highs in the mid 30s, and northeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight should be mostly cloudy with lows in the lower 20s, and east winds 5 to 15 mph shifting to the north. Tuesday should be mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 30s. North winds 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday night, cloudy.

STATEWIDE

Temperatures across the state took a nose-dive Monday as light rain was predicted in several regions in the evening and Tuesday and the Panhandle had a chance of light snow.

The Texas Panhandle should be mostly cloudy Monday night with lows from 19 to 24. Tuesday there will be a chance of light snow in the southwest and far northwest. Highs will be in the upper 20s to the mid 30s.

Far West Texas will be mostly cloudy with lows from 32 to 37. Highs on Tuesday will range from 46 to 51.

North Texas will be cloudy with a chance of rain showers west and central and a chance of thunderstorms in the east Monday night and Tuesday. Lows will be in the lower to mid 30s. Highs will range from the mid 30s in the west to the lower 40s in the east.

Lows around 16. Northwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Wind chill readings zero to 10 above zero. Wednesday, cloudy. Slight chance of light snow. Highs in the lower 30s. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Chance of snow 20 percent. Wind chill readings zero to 10 above zero. Wednesday night, cloudy. Lows in the lower 20s.

The Texas Hill Country and south-central Texas will be cloudy Monday night with a chance of rain and lows in the 30s and around 40. The chance of rain extends into Tuesday, when highs will be in the 40s.

Southeast Texas and the upper Texas Coast will be cloudy and cooler Monday night with scattered areas of rain. Lows will be in the 40s well inland and mid 50s at the coast. Rain is likely on Tuesday, when highs are expected to be in the mid 40s well inland and upper 50s at the coast.

Deep-South Texas will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers west and a slight chance east. Lows will range from 55 west to 65 at the coast. The chance of showers and thunderstorms will continue Tuesday. Highs are expected to range from 64 in the west to 75 at the coast.

Group hopes to revive tradition with off-campus bonfire at A&M

By JUAN A. LOZANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — As sparks and ash from an unsanctioned Texas A&M bonfire flew into the dark like fireflies, Luke Cheatham found it hard to believe his university's revered tradition — on hold since 1999's deadly collapse — was back, albeit in an altered form.

"I feel amazed because I know it's back to stay. It's not going out again," said Cheatham, spokesman for Unity Project, the group of current and former students behind the off-campus bonfire effort.

Cheatham, a 21-year-old A&M senior, was one of several thousand people Sunday night who raucously watched the bonfire's flames dance for the first time since the Nov. 18, 1999 collapse that killed 12 Aggies and injured 27 others while the logstack was under construction.

The crowd, amid the anticipation and the smell of diesel fuel that filled the cool night air, gathered in a darkened field on a ranch about 10 minutes east of College Station. At one point, the line of cars and buses waiting to get there stretched eight miles.

The elaborate lighting ceremony began when a group of about 50 students carried a torch down the sloping field toward the 10-to-15-foot pile of logs, a far cry from the 59-foot stack of past years. They passed the torch off to Cheatham and 15 other student leaders in charge of the event.

The crowd reverentially watched as the student lead-

ers circled the log pile three times and then used the torch to light flares. As the flares and the torch were tossed into the pile and the flames ignited, thousands of voices in unison roared their approval.

"Burn bonfire burn" was a familiar refrain — sometimes shouted by the student leaders who knelt in front of the pile, sometimes by lone individuals or groups in the crowd.

As the flames intensified, the crowd burst into the Aggie

fight song, swaying as it sang. Students also practiced the cheers they'll yell during Friday's football game against Texas.

Bonfire has traditionally been held on the eve of A&M's game against its archrival.

The bonfire was expected to burn until sometime Monday.

"It's an honor to be here, to support my school," said McKinley Todd, a 23-year-old A&M senior. "It's my last year here. I just wanted to see it."

City Briefs

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Rifle winner



(Pampa News photo)

Robert Douglas, 10, right, a member of Gray County Youth Shooting Sports presents a Savage Model 110 300 WIN MAG rifle with 3-9 Simmons Scope to Gary Willoughby, who held the winning ticket in a recent fundraiser conducted by the group which teaches young people responsible use of firearms. Adult club officers include Lee Cox, Steve Hawkins and Doug Abbott, Willoughby said.

Texan rescues comrade after boat explodes

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Sometime in the coming months the phone is going to ring at Ryan Newhall's house in a quiet San Antonio neighborhood. It'll be Dave Shoemaker calling from Seattle to say, "C'mon, time to go fishing."

And for the first time since becoming a commercial fisherman six years ago, Newhall doesn't know if he'll want to go.

Still fresh in his mind is what happened the last time out — leaping off a burning boat and then bobbing in the frigid Bering Sea for more than two hours, struggling to just stay afloat in 15-foot swells and to keep a crewmate from drifting away to certain death.

The memories torment his dreams — the despair of going unseen by three rescue boats and a helicopter, and then resigning himself to perishing in the middle of nowhere. Of thinking of his parents, his fiancée and his baby daughter, and pleading to the heavens to be spared.

"I just remember begging him, 'Please God, please don't let me go out like this. Don't let me die like this,'" recalled Newhall, a wiry, red-haired 29-year-old who grew up in suburban San Antonio. "It was by the grace of God that we were saved."

Three others aboard the Seattle-based fishing boat Galaxy weren't so lucky when the 180-foot vessel inexplicably exploded while chasing cod far off the Alaska coast in late October.

Twenty-three people were rescued — 15 from a life raft and six more from the Galaxy before it sank dozens of miles from the nearest land.

Newhall and Ann Weckback were the final two survivors, and in Weckback's case, only because Newhall boosted her up each time her near-limp body slipped down through the life ring that kept them afloat.

"He saved my life ... He was a very good boy," said Weckback, a 24-year-old federal fisheries monitor who boarded the Galaxy only four days earlier. "He could have left me and tried to get to the raft, but he didn't."

Newhall, a deck foreman, plays down the incident, saying anybody would have done the same thing. Shoemaker, the boat's captain, isn't so sure.

"He wasn't thinking of himself — he was thinking of her," said Shoemaker, whose forearms were badly burned while he radioed a desperate mayday as flames consumed the Galaxy's wheelhouse. "You won't find many folks in the world today who would do that."

Newhall's tale begins before he jumped off the Galaxy's stern with Weckback to escape the wind-stoked flames that were melting the deck beneath their feet.

Some minutes earlier, the engine-room explosion that ignited the fire blew Newhall and two other crewmen through a hatchway and into the churning sea.

"I knew I wasn't standing up any more," Newhall said, remembering only hearing a dull pop. "The next thing that I actually realized is that I was looking up and seeing light, but I'm underwater."

Clad in heavy cotton sweats, he swam up to the surface and caught hold of a line thrown down by crewmate while the Galaxy pitched violently in the swells.

After being dashed hard against the hull a few times, he swung back through the same hatchway that he was blown out of. Moments later he was standing outside the wheelhouse, three decks higher, though he has no memory of getting there.

Weckback says Newhall was dazed and wobbly, and that she and others helped him into a "survival suit" that would give him more buoyancy and protection from the cold water. Weckback had a survival suit as well, but she gave it to another crewman pulled back onto the boat after the explosion.

She says she was told to

jump overboard so she could escape in the canopied life raft.

"I was like, 'I can't, somebody's got to watch Ryan,'" she said. "He wasn't really focused at that point. I was really worried about leaving him on the boat — he couldn't even stand up."

"Somebody was like, 'I'll watch him, I'll watch him.' So I climbed over (the guard rail) and I was getting ready to jump. Then the guy who said he'd watch (Newhall) was totally in the water, like 5 seconds later."

Weckback says she decided to stay to take care of Newhall and hope they wouldn't have to abandon the Galaxy. Someone aboard the life raft soon cut the line that tethered it to the boat and it began to drift away.

But the fire continued to burn closer to them at the stern. Newhall says his first memory after swinging back onto the Galaxy was Weckback calling him by his nickname.

"She was screaming at me, 'Red, we've got to jump. We've got to jump,'" Newhall said. "She jumps right into darkness ... I turn around for one more last look, to make sure maybe I don't have to jump, and the fire is right at my feet."

He grabbed a life ring, went over the rail and splashed 30 feet below. He swam to Weckback, who was clinging to a buoy dressed only in her pajamas, a pair of rain pants and hiking boots that she quickly kicked off.

The life raft, equipped with a tent-like canopy, was still in sight near the Galaxy's bow, and the pair tried to catch up to it, but their arms and legs seized up in the sloshing, 48-degree water.

"I'm starting to actually panic now," Newhall said. "I'm yelling at her, 'We are going to die if we don't make it over there. You have got to swim, you have got to swim.' She keeps telling me, 'I'm trying, Red, I'm trying.'"

The raft soon disappeared around the bow, and Newhall and Weckback were being carried by the current in the opposite direction.

The blazing Galaxy was hundreds of yards away when Newhall saw the lights of a boat on the horizon.

"I just got this feeling of joy, like 'Here we go, we're rescued right here,'" he said. "I said, 'You owe me a cup of coffee for this. You are buying, and we are going to be drinking this in 15 minutes on that boat right there.'"

"And she's happy and we're laughing now. Well, that boat goes right past us, doesn't see us."

A second boat appeared and motored right by. And a third. Then a Coast Guard helicopter buzzed overhead. By then the flat light of late afternoon was giving way to dusk, and soon it would be dark.

Weckback says she doesn't remember a lot of the time adrift, but she does recall the moment their spirits hit bot-

tom. "(Newhall) said, 'Ann, we're going to die out here,'" she said. "And I said, 'Yeah, we totally are.'"

The Galaxy was so far away it looked no bigger than a rowboat when a fourth set of lights came into sight, but Newhall didn't get too excited.

"At that point I was thinking, 'These guys aren't going to find us. They're going to come right past us, they're not going to see us,'" he said. "I realized how small we were and that we were not going to be found."

The boat got closer and closer, and when it was within 300 yards, Newhall shook off his pessimism. He pulled the flashlight loose from his survival suit, turned it on with his teeth and started waving it for all he was worth.

But the boat began to turn away. Newhall fumbled for a whistle attached to the suit, and before he could get it to his trembling lips, the vessel came back around. They had been spotted by a searcher high on the forward mast.

He dropped the flashlight and began kicking toward the boat, named the Clipper Express. He also roused Weckback, who he said was purple and babbling incoherently.

"At that point I said, 'I told you we weren't going to die,' ... and she looks at the boat and she just starts laughing," he said. "I mean, it was just like the best feeling of my life. It's like, 'We are rescued!'"

Newhall has made several trips to the Pacific Northwest for the funerals of his three crewmates, one of whom was never found. He'll be going up again in early December to testify at a Coast Guard hearing on the Galaxy fire.

But mostly he's been keeping warm and dry in San Antonio, laying low with his parents, fiancée Ashley Petteway and his daughter Anika, who's almost 2.

Still, he hears the sea beckoning, not to mention the lucrative pay, and he's torn.

"This is what pays for my house and my car, this is what my daughter's going to college on," Newhall said. "This is something where I've gotten very accustomed to the money I make. But I'm still undecided."

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BOARD

making at the next meeting."

Porter said he understands that Wichita Falls officials, if they choose Orr, would like him to be in Wichita Falls by Feb. 1.

"But they're going to work with us," he added.

"I'm excited for Dawson," Porter said. "We hate to lose him. He's been an asset to Pampa, not only in the schools but in the community, too."

Porter, who is presently in his sixth year as a school board member, said, "He's been an effective superintendent. I've enjoyed serving on the board while he's been superintendent. He led the district through the downsizing of the schools. That was a major challenge."

"I hate to lose him," said Dr. Jay Johnson, board member and immediate past president

of the Pampa school board. "He's done a lot of good things. He's such a gentleman."

Johnson said he could understand Orr's decision. "From a financial standpoint, it's the best thing for him and his family."

Johnson explained that the state's teacher retirement is based on the employee's best three years (highest pay).

"(Wichita Falls) can pay him more than we ever could," he said, adding, "I wish him well. I consider him a friend even if I've been his antagonist at times."

Orr said he's received a "supportive" response from the school board and staff.

"They've all wished me well, which makes it hard," he said. "They're killing me with kindness," he added, laughing.

"There'll be sadness," Orr conceded. "My two girls' entire school experience has been right here in Pampa. But I'm excited by the challenge."

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CASES

ter ending Aug. 31 in the CSC department. \$113,385 came from fines and fees paid by the probationers.

Approximately \$140,000 comes from many grant pro-

grams, including several state programs.

Primarily funded by the state, the local department has programs to meet the needs of probationers in making changes in their lives to keep them out of the judicial system.

Alcohol and drug counseling and a literacy program are two of the programs which are utilized by the offenders.

CSC paid \$9,475 for contract services to aid the offenders during the fiscal quarter ending Aug. 31.

Saudis bristle at complaints they are soft on terror and might have helped hijackers

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's spokesman praised Saudi Arabia on Monday as a "good partner in the war on terrorism," despite accusations that the wife of the Saudi U.S. ambassador might have financially supported Sept. 11 terrorists.

"He believes the Saudi government is a good partner," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer told reporters. The accusations are complicating White House efforts to win Saudi support for potential war against Iraq.

Fleischer refused to discuss the merits of an FBI investigation into the financial doings of Princess Haifa al-Faisal, wife of Ambassador Prince Bandar bin Sultan.

A parade of senators upbraided the Saudi government on Sunday's television talk shows for what they saw as years of complicity in anti-American radicalism.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., outgoing chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said Saudis have a history of "buying off extremism," even if only by averting their gaze from it.

Saudi officials, stung by the criticism, said they are checking records to see how money

from the princess might have eventually gone to supporters of the Sept. 11 attacks.

In trying to calm the latest strain in their alliance with the United States, they called "crazy" any suggestion she intended to support the hijackers.

Interior Minister Prince Nayef said Monday that charitable giving shouldn't be a crime. He called accusations that Saudis helped finance two Sept. 11 terror suspects "baseless fabrications."

Embassy officials spent the weekend having bankers pore over the princess' records to figure out how thousands of dollars in monthly payments from her account apparently ended up in the wrong hands, said Saudi foreign policy adviser Adel al-Jubeir.

Some of the money apparently went into the accounts of two men who U.S. officials think provided financial support to hijackers.

Biden said the situation is "part of a saga where the Saudis don't know, have not checked, are not nearly conscientious enough in determining whether or not a 'charity' is genuinely a charity or a front for, or a back door for, terrorists or terrorist-sympathizing

organizations or individuals."

Bush's aides did not join in the recriminations.

"The president does believe the Saudis have been a good partner in the war on terrorism," Fleischer said. He said Bush is "constantly pushing nations to do more," but the spokesman did not single out the Saudi government as a target of such lobbying.

A senior White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there might be a legitimate explanation for the payments.

The official credited the Saudis with helping in the anti-terror war, in quiet ways that bring them no credit in the West but also do not attract the attention of fundamentalist elements at home.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Evil Done by Two Brings Out Kindness of Thousands

DEAR ABBY: I live and work in the Maryland area where a majority of the sniper shootings took place. I want the world — and the murderers — to know that in the terrible days of fear and uncertainty before the arrests, the people of this area came closer together than I ever thought possible. Law enforcement worked countless hours overtime. Adults used their own bodies to shield children going into schools in the morning and out at the end of the day.

On the morning of the last shooting, I had to take my car to the garage. I was not prepared to leave it overnight and had not arranged for transportation home. No one I called for a ride was home. I was amazed when a total stranger offered to give me a lift. As we drove, we talked. We had a lot in common, including feelings of despair at the senseless loss of life and pain that had been forced on all of us during the shooting spree.

Abby, I offer this example of kindness to the families and friends of each victim, along with this message: The evil of two brought out the kindness and compassion of thousands. Our pain doesn't compare to yours, who tragically lost your loved ones, but please know you are in our hearts and prayers.

KAREN GILLETTE,
HYATTSVILLE, MD.

DEAR KAREN: That's very well said. No one in any part of the country could watch the news without feeling empathy for the families of the victims and the fear experienced by those living in the areas that were affected.

DEAR ABBY: I was married last June. My husband and I are both 34. Last weekend, he got together with his buddies, went out drinking, and brought home two condoms he hid in his sock drawer. I found them yesterday. We do not use this method of contraception, and I went through the roof.

He swears he hasn't slept with anyone and does not intend to. He says his friends had them and he simply took a couple, not really thinking it was a big deal.

I feel that it is a big deal. He must be contemplating something if he bothered to keep them. I feel that I made a huge mistake trusting him enough to marry him. He says he is sorry and didn't mean to hurt me. What should I do?

HURT AND ANGRY
IN BOSTON

DEAR HURT AND ANGRY: If your husband hadn't thought it was any big deal, he wouldn't have hidden the condoms. What happened may have been innocent, but you're entitled to know exactly what was going on in reality and in your husband's

head. Some sessions with a counselor may be able to help you two communicate with each other in a nonjudgmental environment. The sooner, the better.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been married for 19 years. Our relationship has been going downhill for some time. We've been to three marriage counselors, but no one seems to be able to help. We have two wonderful sons, 9 and 5.

I am very unhappy with my marriage and want a divorce, but our elder son, "Jacob," was diagnosed with leukemia last summer. The guilt I feel because of my ill child is overwhelming. I love him more than life itself.

Jacob's cancer is being treated successfully and the outlook is good, but I fear the effect that a divorce would have on him and our younger son. Any advice would be greatly appreciated.

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DEAR SAD DAD: Get a referral from the medical center where your child is being treated and make an appointment with a child psychologist to find out how a separation at this time would affect your son in his recovery. After that, you'll know what to do, and when to do it.

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.

Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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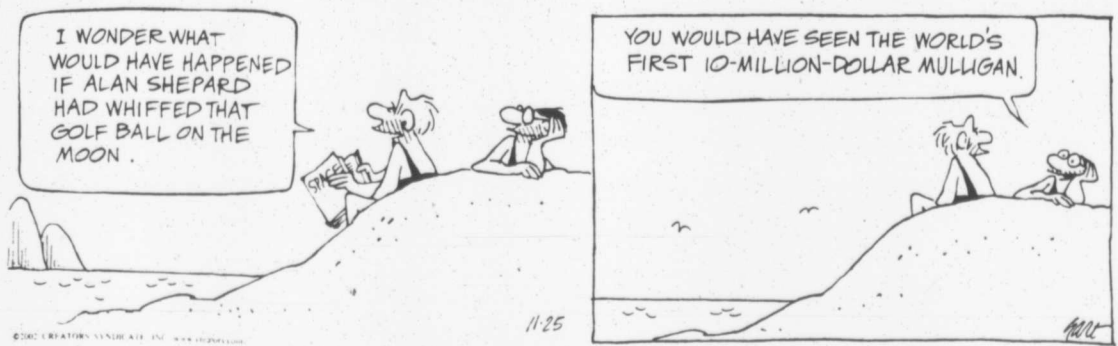
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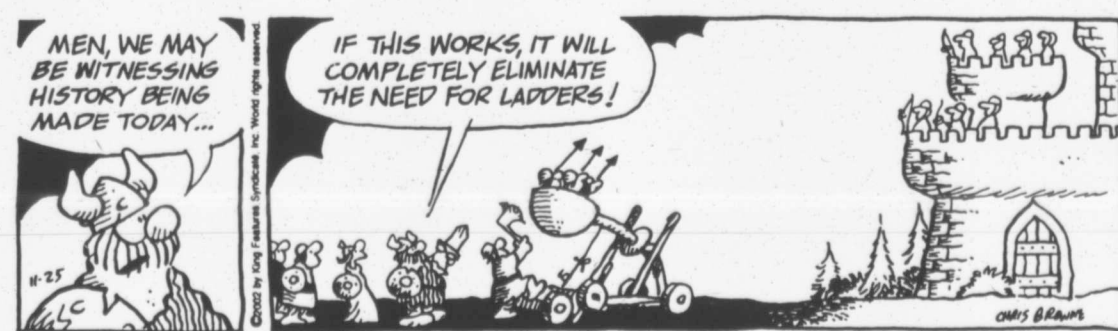
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SPORTS

Harvesters shock unbeaten Riverside

MIDLAND — Pampa once again got the job done in the playoffs, rolling past El Paso Riders 27-7 Saturday night to claim the Class 4A Division II area championship.

Pampa was the model of efficiency on the opening kickoff, marching 79 yards on 8 plays with quarterback John Braddock plunging over from the one.

The Harvesters got the ball right back, catching Riverside by surprise on a pooch kick which bounced off a Rangers' player. Pampa's Derek Lewis recovered the loose ball on the Riverside 38. Although Pampa's drive stalled, Jered Snelgrooes gave the Harvesters a 10-0 lead with 27-yard field goal at the 2:38 mark of the first quarter.

"That was a magnificent first drive," said Pampa coach Dennis Cavalier. Coach (Heath) Parker (offensive coordinator) had excellent play selection and our boys executed it just the way it was supposed to be done. That had to be a shock to Riverside. We were hoping a pooch kick into the wind might work to our advantage and it did. It bounced right back toward us."

Riverside, desperate to get some offense going, gambled on fourth down with three yards go from its own 29. Quarterback Mike Stephenson attempted a keeper to pick up the first down, but was stopped at the line of scrimmage by Pampa linebacker Zack Cobb.

Pampa took possession and although the drive stalled due to penalties, Snelgrooes was successful on another field goal, this one from 38 yards out to put the Harvesters in front 13-0.

The Harvesters would add another touchdown against

shelocked Riverside before the half ended as Braddock connected with Johnny Moore on a 6-yard scoring pass with just 53 ticks on the clock. Snelgrooes' PAT would give Pampa a 20-0 lead at halftime.

Riverside showed some life on the opening kickoff of the third quarter. Fullback Shawn Jordan scored on an 18-yard run at the end of a 12-play, 73-yard march.

However, Pampa's aggressive defense along with a slew of Riverside penalties would, keep the Rangers out of the end zone the rest of the night.

Moore's 4-yard TD run with just 1:25 left in the contest closed the door on Riverside's comeback hopes.

Pampa balanced the run with the pass to finish with 311 total yards. Braddock completed 15 of 19 pass attempts for 178 yards and a touchdown. The 6-2, 195-pound senior also led the Harvesters on the ground with 75 yards on 19 attempts. Moore and Jesse Tarango led the receiving corp with Moore making 6 receptions for 90 yards, and Tarango also with 6 catches for 55 yards.

The Pampa defense, led by Cobb, Curtis Pritchett, Brittin East, Andrew Curtis and Michael McCormick, never let up on Riverside, which finished with 248 total yards. Stephenson, the Rangers' quarterback, was sacked three times and had to hurry many of his throws due to defensive pressure.

Carlos Solis had an interception and Lewis a fumble recovery for the Harvesters.

Pampa is now 9-3 for the season while Riverside ends its season at 11-1. The Harvesters meet Denton Ryan at 2 p.m. Saturday in the regional semi-

nals in Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium.

Pampa	10	10	0	7-27
EP Riverside	0	0	7	0-7
P - John Braddock	1	run	(Jered Snelgrooes kick)	
P - Snelgrooes	27	FG		
P - Snelgrooes	38	FG		
P - Johnny Moore	6	pass	from Braddock (Snelgrooes kick)	

E - Shawn Jordan 18 run (Roger Morales kick)

P - Moore 4 run (Snelgrooes kick)

Individual Statistics

Pampa
Rushing: John Braddock 19-75, Johnny Moore 14-46, Jesse Tarango 2-7, Dannie Meza 1-5.
Passing: John Braddock 15-19-178.
Receiving: Jesse Tarango 6-55.

Johnny Moore 6-90, Ryan Zemanek 1-17, Jordan Klaus 1-10.

EP Riverside

Rushing: Shawn Jordan 13-80, Tony Gonzalez 11-46, Mike Stephenson 7-4.
Passing: Michael Stephenson 8-23-118.
Receiving: Robert Gallegos 3-48, Roger Morales 2-44, Tony Gonzales 2-13.

NOTEBOOK

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Junior Volleyball League will have signups for girls in the fifth and sixth grade Dec. 2-6 at the middle school. The league was known as the Optimist last year.

Registration forms will be available at the schools. The forms can be turned in at the middle school during the week of signups.

For questions, call coach Kendra Reeves or coach Deanna Polasek at the middle school, 669-4900.

BASKETBALL

LEFORS — Lefors defeated Holy Cross 67-34 in the Lefors Invitational last weekend.

James Garcia led the Pirates in scoring with 17 points, followed by James Elrod 16.

Lowberger had 20 points for Holy Cross.

In the girls' bracket, Lefors downed McLean 39-31.

High scorer for Lefors was Katie Barnes with 16. Rachel Stubbs followed with 9.

Shaley Steel had 9 points and Danielle Dampier 7 for McLean.

GOLF

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam had nothing left.

She was emotionally spent from being in contention in almost every tournament she played. She was physically tired from working harder than anyone in the game.

What kept her going Sunday was a one-shot lead, knowing she had only three holes left and a chance to win her 13th tournament worldwide.

"I could almost taste the trophy," Sorenstam said. "I gave it all I had."

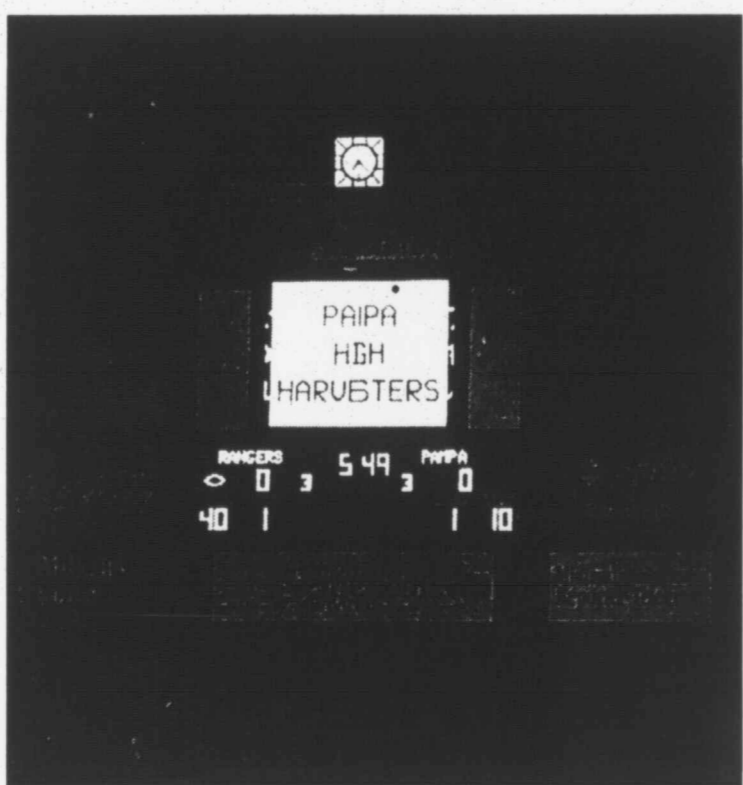
The result was some of her best golf of an amazing year, which carried her to a three-stroke victory over Rachel Teske in the season-ending ADT Championship, a fitting finish to the best LPGA Tour season in 38 years.

With a risky shot on the toughest hole at Trump International and a clutch swing on the decisive 17th, Sorenstam closed with a 4-under 68.

Golf

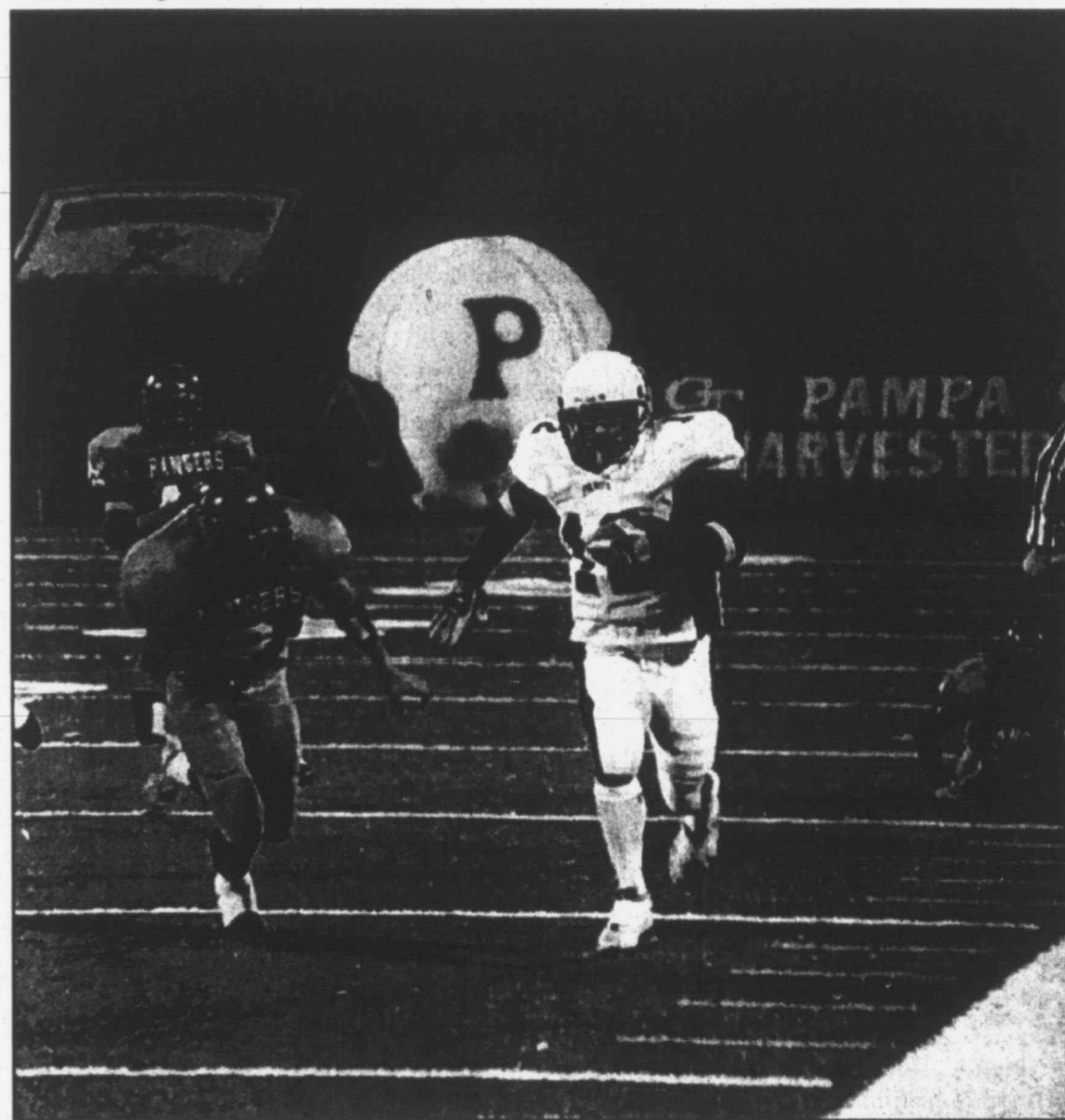
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- Oscar Sargent, Travis Taylor, Jess Mathis and Buddy Briley, 64.
 - Bill Hammer, Bill Washington, J.B. Holt and Butch Shepard, 65.
 - Jim Botton, Howard Musgrave, Walden Haynes and Everette Butler, 65.
 - Garry McCabe, Bob Young, Duane Cash and Paul Hinton, 65.
- Closest to the pin: Buddy Briley, No. 15.



(Photo by Grover Black)

The scoreboard at Grande Communications Stadium in Midland welcomes the Pampa Harvesters football team. The score would read Pampa 27, El Paso Riverside 7 at the end of the area game.



(Photo by Grover Black)

Harvester tailback Johnny Moore takes off down the sideline for a 46-yard gain after catching a screen pass from quarterback John Braddock.

OU still has national title hopes

DALLAS (AP) — Even though Oklahoma has its spot in the Big 12 championship game, the Sooners still have to win one more game before that to maintain a chance to play for the national title.

Oklahoma State is in the way again. While Oklahoma State can't keep its instate rival out of the Big 12 title game this time, the bowl-eligible Cowboys (6-5, 4-3 Big 12) can ruin the Sooners' chance of playing in the national championship game just like last year.

Going into their regular-season matchup last year, the Sooners needed a win to advance to the Big 12 title game, where another win would have gotten them into the national championship game. Oklahoma State instead pulled off a 16-13 shocker.

To keep its chance of playing for this year's national title, Oklahoma has to win Saturday in Stillwater, where the Sooners won just 12-7 two years ago on the way to their national championship.

Oklahoma (10-1, 6-1) moved up a spot to No. 3 in the new Associated Press poll on Sunday, advancing after Washington State's 29-26 three-overtime loss to Washington.

If the Sooners make the expected same move in the new Bowl Championship Series

standings Monday, and they beat Oklahoma State, they would have a shot at playing Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl if Miami losses to Syracuse next Saturday.

The Sooners would also have to beat No. 13 Colorado (8-3, 6-1) in the Big 12 championship game on Dec. 7 in Houston.

None of the scenarios matter for Oklahoma without a win over Oklahoma State.

Oklahoma wrapped up the South division title with a 60-15 win over Texas Tech on Saturday night. The Sooners also effectively ended the Heisman Trophy chase of another Big 12 quarterback.

Texas Tech's Kliff Kingsbury, the nation's leading passer, was just 15-of-35 for a season-low 187 yards with three interceptions and was sacked five times. Kingsbury got the same treatment from the Sooners as did Chris Simms of Texas and Seneca Wallace of Iowa State.

"We've eliminated three Heisman Trophy contenders ... and I don't know if anybody else has done that," said Sooners defensive coordinator Mike Stoops. "That says a lot about our defense. This guy (Kingsbury) threw for about 600 yards against Texas, and we shut him down to nothing."

Cowboys hand Jaguars 21-19 setback

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Emmitt Smith had no complaints this week. Neither did Troy Hambrick.

Dallas found a way to utilize both the NFL career rushing leader and the brash youngster as the Cowboys (4-7) beat Jacksonville 21-19 Sunday to end a four-game losing streak.

Smith was upset after a loss at Indianapolis the previous week in which his role was minimized with just eight carries, just one more than Hambrick.

They split series again against the Jaguars (5-6), but Smith had 20 carries for 73 yards and a touchdown and caught a pass for 12 yards. Hambrick ran for 38 yards on four carries and had three receptions for 33 yards.

"This is an ideal way of how it should work," Smith said. "He had some good runs and I had some good runs, so it worked out good for the team."

Hambrick said he had no regrets for

his recent comments that Smith could only tarnish his image by continuing to play and had nothing left to prove. The third-year runner also said he was satisfied with how things went Sunday.

"That's how we want to come through the year, knowing that we have a good 1-2 punch," Hambrick said. "Some things come out of frustration. We got a bone today and both us are very happy."

The Cowboys offense also got a huge boost from 25-year-old rookie quarterback Chad Hutchinson, who threw for 301 yards and two touchdowns. He directed the Cowboys to a season-high three offensive TDs, including a 99-yard drive.

Hutchinson completed 16 of 24 passes, three of them at least 43 yards. His 301 yards were the most by a Dallas rookie since Troy Aikman set the club record with 379 in 1989.

Jacksonville ended a two-game win-

ning streak that had buoyed its playoff hopes. To make it, coach Tom Coughlin said they had no margin for error.

But the Jaguars made plenty of mistakes against Dallas, the worst being a goal-line fumble by Fred Taylor midway through the fourth quarter that Coughlin called "a nightmare." They also saw Tim Seder miss a 40-yard field goal in the second quarter and had a season-high 11 penalties.

"We abandoned everything we've done well all season," Coughlin said. "We know what happened out there," said Taylor, who finished with 100 yards on 20 carries. "There were a lot of blown opportunities."

Joey Galloway caught seven passes for 144 yards, two short of his career high. He also became the first Dallas receiver to have two TD catches in a game since Michael Irvin against Washington in the 1999 opener.

Galloway's 43-yard TD catch put the Cowboys ahead 7-2, the first first-half TD in six games. Seder kicked a field goal on the last play for Jacksonville, but the Cowboys had their first halftime lead this season.

The 99-yard drive came on the first Dallas possession of the second half. Hutchinson was 6-of-7 for 88 yards before Smith's 1-yard TD run capped it.

Jacksonville converted an interception by Hutchinson into Stacy Mack's 3-yard TD to get to 14-12. But Hutchinson bounced back with an 11-yard TD to Galloway with 11:09 left.

Even after Taylor's fumble with 7:39 left, the Jaguars still had a chance when Mark Brunell hit Kevin Lockett for an 8-yard TD pass with 1:56 left. But an onside kicked failed and Jacksonville never got the ball back.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2002.
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vates this person or where you are coming from with him or her. Keep conversations moving and worry less about what you expect. Openness will lead to a more exciting path. Tonight: At a favorite spot.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 Add to the liveliness of the moment. Others could be contrary and wanting to get more information. Stay centered on your priorities, even if you have a sinking feeling or a bout of insecurity. Ask for what you want. Tonight: Treat yourself.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 Your personality melts others' resistance. You might need to take a strong action with someone who could be acting in a most unconventional manner. You could shake this person up, but be careful — he or she might opt to walk away from you. Tonight: Follow your friends.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 Take your time with work, bosses and associates. Someone close to you could be pushing you very hard. Know when to say "enough" and head in a new direction. Understand more of what you need to motivate you. Tonight: Don't push someone too far. Use care.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 You might be more touchy than you realize. Deal with others on a basic level, coming to a new understanding about what is needed. News from a distance could stop you in your tracks. You could be pushed beyond your limits. Tonight: Join a trusted friend.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 A boss takes a hard stand. You are unlikely to be able to intervene. Quite clearly your options take you to a place where others don't understand. Be careful manifesting your frustration. Your anger could come out in a most unexpected manner. Tonight: A must appearance.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 You might be taking a walk on the wild side. Certainly you'll have an opportunity to see a situation quite differently. A partner or associate could put down your thinking. You venture alone through a new portal. Tonight: Opt for adventure.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 You might not agree with everyone about the pros and cons of a situation, nor do you have to. You will not be making the key decision here; someone else will. Lighten up about the possibilities that surround an emotional issue. Tonight: Go along with someone else's plans.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 What you see as a distinct problem, others don't. Truly, you might not be able to get past someone's interference. Lighten up. Your solid approach can make all the difference elsewhere. Seek out someone at a distance. Tonight: Go along with the crowd or do your own thing.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 Your ability to march past a problem or deal with a difficult person certainly amazes a boss, if not associates. Still, dig into a project, and focus on the work. The less aware you are of the politics, the better your results will be. Tonight: As late as necessary.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 Your preoccupation with a family member distracts you from work. You might feel as if someone else needs more attention than you can give him or her. Bring your work home, if possible. Understand how distracted you are. Tonight: As little fuss as possible.
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U.N. inspection team arrives in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The first team of U.N. inspectors landed in Iraq on Monday afternoon to take up the hunt for chemical, biological or nuclear arms programs, a search whose outcome could help determine the future of peace in the Middle East.

A white C-130 transport, emblazoned with a simple "UN," touched down at Saddam International Airport carrying a contingent of 18 international arms monitors and their cargo of high-tech sensors, computers and other gear. They had assembled earlier at a U.N. rear base on the Mediterranean island of Cyprus.

The team comprised six nuclear experts from the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna and 12 inspectors from the New York-based U.N. commission charged with searching for other weapons of mass destruction.

After a four-year suspension, their crucial new round of surprise inspections will begin Wednesday morning, when they will likely revisit an unidentified Iraqi site previously inspected in the 1990s. Among other things, they may check on cameras and other monitoring equipment left behind by earlier inspectors.

Later, the inspectors will branch out to new or rebuilt sites — including, for example, suspected storage places for chemical weapons. U.S. intelligence alleges are still held by Iraq.

"We have the right to inspect any sites at any time," said Hiro Ueki, Baghdad spokesman for the U.N. Monitoring, Verification and

Inspection Commission, known as UNMOVIC.

The secrecy of the inspection plans is paramount. "If you were the head coach of an American football team, I don't think you'd reveal your strategy," Ueki said.

The U.N. inspectors include some 300 chemists, biologists, missile and ordnance experts and other specialists of UNMOVIC, and a few dozen engineers and physicists of the U.N. nuclear agency. Between 80 and 100 will be working in Iraq at any one time.

On the eve of the inspectors' arrival, the Iraqi government released a letter from Foreign Minister Naji Sabri to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan protesting that parts of the U.N. resolution mandating the inspection mission could give Washington a pretext for attacking his country.

Sabri complained in particular that the resolution could turn "inaccurate statements (among) thousands of pages" of mandatory Iraqi reports into a supposed justification for military action.

"There is premeditation to target Iraq, whatever the pretext," the foreign minister wrote.

The Iraqi complaints were not expected to interfere with resumption of the inspections. Iraq had accepted the resolution in a Nov. 13 letter from Sabri to Annan.

In seven years' work ending in 1998, U.N. expert teams destroyed large amounts of chemical and biological weapons and longer-range missiles forbidden to Iraq by U.N. resolutions after the Gulf War, in which an Iraqi invasion force was dri-

Troops dismantle Belfast car bomb, shoot suspect

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — British explosives experts dismantled a car bomb Monday after police shadowing suspected Irish Republican Army dissidents shot one man and arrested another.

Police said they had kept the two men under surveillance as they drove in two vehicles, one containing a fuel-based bomb, into downtown Belfast Sunday night and abandoned the bomb-laden car outside a government building.

As the two walked to the other car police said they ordered the men to halt, then opened fire, hitting one man in the chest and stomach. Police gave no details on why the officers opened fire.

The wounded man was reported in stable condition following surgery in Belfast's Royal Victoria Hospital, while

Bands set to perform at West Texas A&M

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Department of Music and Dance will host two concerts beginning at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall.

The WTAMU Concert Band will perform first with three pieces included in the program. The band will perform "George Washington Bridge" by William Schuman, directed by Russ Teweleit, instructor of music; "Der Traum des Oenghus" by Rolf Rudin, directed by Eric Rath, graduate assistant in music from Tulsa, Okla.; and "Hounds of Spring" by Alfred Reed, directed by B.J. Sayer, graduate assistant in music from Canyon.

Dr. Don Lefevre, associate professor of music, will conduct the Symphonic Band whose program includes "Rocky Point Holiday" by Ron Nelson, "Finale from Symphony No. 2" by Charles Ives, "Polacca from Second Concerto for Clarinet" by Carl Maria von Weber, "A Movement for Rosa" by Mark Camphouse and "Rienzi Overture" by Richard Wagner.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 806-651-2840.

the other man was being questioned at a police interrogation center in Lisburn, a Belfast suburb.

Neither suspect has been identified.

Police Ombudsman Nuala O'Loan, who was empowered by Northern Ireland's 1998 peace accord to probe police shootings, said her office would investigate whether the officers lawfully opened fire.

Northern Ireland police last fatally shot a suspect — a Belfast IRA member fleeing a police checkpoint — in 1992.

IRA dissidents opposed to the outlawed group's 1997 cease-fire have tried repeatedly this year to detonate a vehicle bomb in central Belfast, which once suffered regular attacks but has seen none since 1993.

On Oct. 25, near the spot of Sunday's thwarted attack, dissidents left a van containing a bomb composed of a small explosive attached to several drums of gasoline, but it failed to detonate properly. A dissident group called the Continuity IRA claimed responsibility for that attack.

4-Hers participate in foods field trip

By Emily Elliott
For The News

Fifteen Gray County 4-Hers recently participated in an all-day field trip to Amarillo as a part of their food and nutrition projects. The students learned about food-related careers and businesses in the area and visited Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospital, Texas Plum Line, United Market Street Store, and Amarillo Country Club.

At BSA, the youth met with registered dietician and former Deaf Smith County 4-Her, Jennifer Kliesen, who shared what her job entails and explained how useful the skills she learned in many 4-H projects are in her career field.

The students next toured Texas Plum Line and spoke to founder-owner Connie Bingham. They learned about the operations of a small business and were introduced to a variety of products made from plums.

The group ate lunch at United Market Street Store where they chose from numerous ethnic foods and were able to watch the meals being prepared.

Their last stop was



(Photo by Emily Elliott)

Texas Plum Life owner Connie Bingham, center, prepares a praline for 4-Hers to sample during the group's field trip to Amarillo. Watching are (front, left-right) Emily Jackson, Amanda Lawrence, Gabriel Miller, Lysie Guyer, Cole Guyer, Valerie Willis, Rebecka Lawrence; (back, l-r) Drake Jackson, Sarah Schwab, Cory Jackson, and Megan Pettit. Not pictured: Emily Elliott, Caitlyn Parr, Dallas Passmore, and Hayley Pettit.

Amarillo Country Club. Executive Chef Delvin Wilson took the 4-Hers on a tour of the kitchens, banquet halls, and other dining areas

and provided detailed information about food services at the country club.

The knowledge and learning experiences gained on the

field trip will support these students in their preparation for the upcoming Gray County 4-H Food Show to be held Saturday, Nov. 23.

Ecuador elects populist former army colonel

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — A populist former army colonel who led a coup in 2000 and has pledged to fight corruption was elected as Ecuador's sixth president in six years, despite concerns that some of his radical supporters would scare investors.

Lucio Gutierrez, 45, won 54.3 percent support in Sunday's runoff vote, topping the 45.7 gained by billionaire Alvaro Noboa, who counts among his friends several members of the Kennedy clan and Hollywood actors such as Charlton Heston.

Gutierrez's run for the presidency worried some Ecuadoreans because of his support from a small Marxist party, radical Indian groups and leftist-led unions.

Since he won the first round of elections on Oct. 20, setting up Sunday's runoff vote, Gutierrez has toned down his rhetoric and shifted toward the center, describing himself as "center-left." He has even traveled to New York to woo Wall Street investors and softened his opposition to the U.S. military's use of Ecuador's Manta air base in the war against drugs.

He insists he is not part of the trend of leftist, anti-globalization presidents who have come to power in Venezuela and Brazil, with the likelihood another being elected next March in Argentina.

"I am not a communist. I am a profoundly Christian man who respects private property and human rights," he said during the campaign.

In a television interview Sunday night, Gutierrez sought to reassure Ecuadorean and international financial circles that his election was not a threat to investors.

"I want to give the greatest of assurances to the national produc-

tor, the national financial sector and the international financial sector," he said.

In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Anne Marks said the Bush administration wanted to "congratulate Ecuador on the completion of what appears to be a free, fair and transparent election. We are pleased to see democracy working in Ecuador."

The 52-year-old Noboa, who controls a banana and shipping empire that includes 110 companies, had vowed his election would have attracted millions of

dollars in foreign investment from his contacts in international financial circles, creating jobs for Ecuador's unemployed masses.

Polls showed Ecuadoreans were more drawn to Gutierrez's image as a strong leader who would clean up government.

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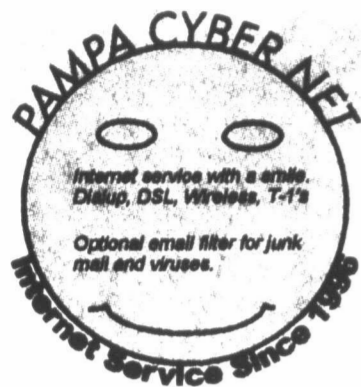
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STATE

DeLay leads 1000s in pro-Israel service

HOUSTON (AP) — House Majority Leader Tom DeLay led 5,000 Christians and Jews in calling for the eternal preservation of Israel during a joint religious service at San Antonio's Cornerstone Church.

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Hal Brown, 89, ranch manager.

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PISD board 'on hold' until Dec. 16

Trustees await final decision by Supt. Orr, Wichita Falls ISD officials

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 EDITOR

Pampa Independent School District Board of Trustees remains "on hold" until Dec. 16.

On that day, PISD Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr and Wichita Falls officials plan to reach a decision on hiring Orr as superintendent of Wichita Falls public schools.

Last week, Orr told the Pampa

school board that he had been selected as the "lone finalist" for the WFISD superintendent's position.

While expressing regret that Orr may leave Pampa, Board President Lee Porter said he was glad to see him get the opportunity to advance his career.

Wichita Falls is a 5-A district with approximately 15,000 students, almost three times the size of Pampa's 4-A district with a student population of approximately 3,400.

Porter said the local school board will do nothing until Orr and Wichita Falls officials make a final decision.

"Our hands are really tied until Wichita Falls makes its decision," he said.

Pampa ISD's board's next meeting is set for Dec. 17, he said, adding, "We'll be discussing that then."

Porter said that if Orr chooses to go to Wichita Falls, he feels confident the transition will be a smooth one.

"Dawson has assembled an excellent staff - Jane Steele as assistant superintendent for instruction, Tim Powers as assistant superintendent in facilities, and Mark McVay as assistant superintendent in finance. He has an excellent team in place," he said.

"Once someone makes a decision, our options are to use the existing team or hire an interim (superintendent)," he added. "That's a decision we'll be (See BOARD, Page 3)

Streets top city agenda on Tuesday

Pampa City Commission plans to award bids for street improvements at Tuesday evening's meeting.

Work on Faulkner Street from Rham to Alcock, 16th Street from Grape to Holly and the intersection of Harvester Avenue and Hamilton Street are all part of the street improvements funded by \$400,000 in certificates of obligations issued by the city in the 2002 budget.

Two parts of this project have already been completed.

In other business, city commissioners are to consider the appointment of five persons to the Lovett Memorial Library Board and review the city check register for October.

During a work session before the regular meeting, commissioners will discuss proposed changes to the city's abandoned junk vehicle ordinance.

Pampa City Commission meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the commission chambers in City Hall.

Sneak peak



(Courtesy photo)

Lamar Elementary fourth and fifth grade students, from left, Danielle Towles, A.J. Ledbetter, Kayla Dedrick, Martin Caldwell, Miguel Tapia, Reba Baily, Aubrey Dowdy, and Tyler Fry, get a sneak preview of some of the 100 Scholastic books donated by Albertsons and Coca-Cola. The books, divided between Lamar and Austin elementarys, will be placed on the schools' library shelves to be checked out by all students.

Pampa United Way needs another \$95,000

The Way America Cares



Community by Community



CSC director: Officers oversee 225 cases here

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

Even though most people still refer to it as the adult probation department, the name of this agency changed to Community Supervision and Corrections Department several years ago.

This department supervises adults who are placed on probation after being convicted of

a crime. Some of the probationers are on felony probation out of 31st and 223rd district courts while others are on misdemeanor probation out of Gray County Court.

Jeff McClendon, CSC director, said the local department is currently averaging approximately 225 cases of direct supervision a month.

"Direct supervision are those cases in which the proba-

tioner was sentenced in Gray County and lives in this county," he said. He said the department also supervises many indirect cases. "These are people who got in trouble outside the county, but live here," he said.

McClendon, who has been director of the local department almost three years, said the offenders are on probation for a wide array of offenses.

17,500 people - if everyone in our community gave \$20 each, we would raise \$350,000. Obviously some will give more than \$20 and some will give less; but if everyone gives, we can reach our goal.

"Pampa we need your help," she said. "If you have not been contacted, consider this your contact."

Pledges can be brought to the United Way office at 200 N. Ballard, Ste. 105, or mailed to Pampa United Way, P.O. Box 2076, Pampa, TX, 79066-2076.

"I would even be glad to pick up your pledges if you call the office at 669-1001," Bigham said.

"Helping United Way right now is as important as Thanksgiving and Christmas in this community," she said.

"If we don't reach our goal, we will have to go back to the 19 non-profit agencies and reduce their funding.

"We really don't want to do that if at all possible, these 19 agencies minister to over 11,000 people in our community. That's a large order to fill and someone who really needs help may not be able to receive that help due to reduced funds," she said.

"Please reconsider giving to Pampa United Way. We are almost there, but we do need your help. We still need \$94,747.55. We could reach our goal with 94 donors giving \$1,000 each, 188 donors giving \$500 each or 947 donors giving \$100 each. If you can give \$1 to \$100, we need your help, too," Bigham urged.

said. "They include sexual assaults and indecency with a child."

McClendon said some of the people his officers supervise include the offenses of involuntary manslaughter, burglary of a building, drug and alcohol offenses, and several categories of thefts.

Of the \$254,476 revenues obtained during the last quarter (See CASES, Page 3)

Did You Know...

When Was The First Recorded Episcopal Church Service?

Information Was Obtained From "Gray County Heritage" 1985 - Pampa Chamber Of Commerce 669-3241

April 24, 1925 At St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

OBITUARIES

HAL BROWN
1913-2002

Hal Brown, 89, of Pampa, died Saturday, Nov. 23, 2002. Services are pending. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Brown was born on May 2, 1913, in Quitaque and came to the Pampa area in 1944 from McLean. He married Dora Mae O'Hair on Jan. 29, 1938, in Memphis.

Mr. Brown worked on the Hayhook Ranch west of Pampa for 41 years, and he managed the ranch for 20 years, retiring in 1983.

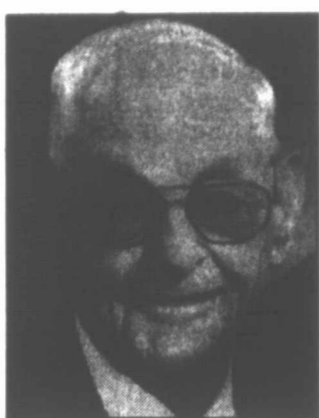
He was a member of Central Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Dora Mae Brown, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Joe Rogers, of Katy; two sons

and a daughter-in-law, Jimmie Brown of Austin and Rickey and Sharron Brown of Pampa; a brother, Frank Brown of Bandon, Ore.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065; or to a favorite charity.

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MARIE EGERTON
1919-2002

Marie Egerton, 83, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Egerton was born April 13, 1919, in Lamont, Okla. She married Don Egerton on Sept. 12, 1940, in Pond Creek, Okla.; he died Jan. 12, 1990.

She moved to Pampa in September of 1940 and to Craig Methodist Retirement Community in Amarillo in June of 1999. A longtime member of First Baptist Church in Pampa, she

retired as pastor and financial secretary in 1986.

Survivors include a son, Dr. David Egerton of Amarillo; a daughter, Jane Byrd of Kennedale; a brother, Lawrence Wyckoff of Pond Creek, Okla.; a sister, Freida Abbott of San Antonio; and three grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church Library Fund, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Craig Methodist Retirement Community, 5500 W. 9th St., Amarillo, TX 79106.

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PAULINE G. VELASQUEZ
1936-2002

Pauline G. Velasquez, 66, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, at Amarillo, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. John Valdez, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Velasquez was born Feb. 4, 1936, in Robstown. She married Jose "Ray" Velasquez on May 17, 1971, in Paducah. She had been a resident of Pampa, moving to Amarillo in 2000.

She was a homemaker and a member of St.

Joseph's Catholic Church in Amarillo.

Survivors include her husband, Jose "Ray" Velasquez, of the home; a son, Daniel Velasquez of Amarillo; a daughter, Susannah Castillo of Amarillo; five sisters, Sara Ramirez, Romana Rodriguez, Francis Rodriguez, Natalia Albear, and Benita Albear; a brother, Juan Galaviz; and four grandchildren, Kirk, Jessica, and Jose, all of Amarillo, and Abby of Dumas. She was preceded in death by two sisters and a brother.

The family requests memorials be to Holy Cross Catholic Academy, 4110 S. Bonham, Amarillo, TX 79110.

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ANN PIERCE

McLEAN — Ann Pierce, 61, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2002, at McLean. Services are pending under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home.

SERVICES TOMORROW

VELASQUEZ, Pauline G. — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

ON RECORD

POLICE

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Nov. 22

A front door and a window were damaged in the 1100 block of Garland.

A runaway was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

United Supermarket reported a theft.

An unauthorized water connection to city lines was reported in the 500 block of Lefors.

A cell phone was reported stolen in the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Justin Billy Adams, 19, 1806 Coffee, was arrested on warrants charging him with trespassing, driving under the influence of alcohol, minor in possession of alcohol, assault by threat, and possession of another person's driver's license.

Matthew Brian Driscoll, 19, 714 E. Frederic, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana and minor in possession.

Saturday, Nov. 23

Money, a television set and a radio were reported stolen in the 1200 block of North Duncan.

A number of bullets were found in the 2500 block of North Primrose.

A runaway was reported in the 1600 block of West Christy.

A glass door was reported broken in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway.

A cell phone was reported found in the 900 block of East Browning.

A gas drive off was reported at the Taylor Mart in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Sunday, Nov. 24

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1100 block of Seneca.

An assault was reported in the 800 block of Scott.

A book was reported stolen from Hastings. Phone harassment was reported in the 2200 block of North Evergreen.

The rear passenger side window was broken on a car in the 1800 block of West Harvester.

Albertson's Supermarket reported a can of smooth cream was stolen.

Stakes to hold Christmas lights were reported broken in the 800 block of North Christy.

A black wallet was reported found in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

FIRE

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

Saturday, Nov. 23

7:04 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of West 25th.

Sunday, Nov. 24

3:24 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1200 block of Christine.

9:04 p.m. — Two units and eight firefighters responded to a report of a structure fire in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive. There was no fire. An electric fan in a heater had blown dust into the air, activating the smoke detector.

ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Nov. 22

A 1995 Ford Thunderbird, belonging to Amber Lee, 345 Tignor, was struck on the right side as it sat parked in the 100 block of North Ballard.

Sunday, Nov. 24

A 1995 Chevrolet pickup, driven by Kana Dyan Shepard, 15, 629 N. Frost, was in collision with a 1997 Cadillac DeVille, driven by Norma Ely Hensley, 26, 418 Doucette, about 12:45 p.m., Friday at the intersection of Doucette and Jordan. Shepard was cited for failure to yield right of way and for violation of restrictions on her driver's license.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.92	VLO	35.54	-0.06
Milo	4.16	Halliburton	18.49	-0.23
Corn	4.60	Trud Hospitals	29.08	-1.22
Soybeans	4.95	NOI	21.52	+0.05
Sunflowers	8.75	KMI	42.15	+0.51
		SCIL	10.90	+0.16
		Kerr McGee	45.72	+0.21
		Limited	16.84	-0.02
		Williams	3.07	+0.14
		McDonalds	18.33	-0.31
		Exxon Mobil	34.39	+0.17
		Atmos	23.09	+0.32
		Pioneer Nat	24.10	+0.23
		Penney's	23.65	+0.76
		COP	47.85	-0.70
		Schlumberger	43.00	-0.50
		Tenneco	4.79	+0.09
		CVX	66.58	+0.15
		Wal-Mart	54.08	+0.32
		OKE	19.09	-0.01
		NS Group	6.08	-0.07
		BP	37.82	-0.28
		Celanese	21.30	+0.84
		Cabot Corp.	24.35	+0.38
		Cabot Oil Gas	23.16	+0.36
		Coca Cola	45.00	-0.41
		New York Gold	321.05	
		Silver	4.55	
		West Texas Crude	27.67	

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

Group hopes to revive tradition with off-campus bonfire at A&M

By JUAN A. LOZANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — As sparks and ash from an unsanctioned Texas A&M bonfire flew into the dark like fireflies, Luke Cheatham found it hard to believe his university's revered tradition — on hold since 1999's deadly collapse — was back, albeit in an altered form.

"I feel amazed because I know it's back to stay. It's not going out again," said Cheatham, spokesman for Unity Project, the group of current and former students behind the off-campus bonfire effort.

Cheatham, a 21-year-old A&M senior, was one of several thousand people Sunday night who raucously watched the bonfire's flames dance for the first time since the Nov. 18, 1999 collapse that killed 12 Aggies and injured 27 others while the logstack was under construction.

The crowd, amid the anticipation and the smell of diesel fuel that filled the cool night air, gathered in a darkened field on a ranch about 10 minutes east of College Station. At one point, the line of cars and buses waiting to get there stretched eight miles.

The elaborate lighting ceremony began when a group of about 50 students carried a torch down the sloping field toward the 10-to-15-foot pile of logs, a far cry from the 59-foot stack of past years. They passed the torch off to Cheatham and 15 other student leaders in charge of the event.

The crowd reverentially watched as the student lead-

ers circled the log pile three times and then used the torch to light flares. As the flares and the torch were tossed into the pile and the flames ignited, thousands of voices in unison roared their approval.

"Burn bonfire burn" was a familiar refrain — sometimes shouted by the student leaders who knelt in front of the pile, sometimes by lone individuals or groups in the crowd.

As the flames intensified, the crowd burst into the Aggie

fight song, swaying as it sang. Students also practiced the cheers they'll yell during Friday's football game against Texas.

Bonfire has traditionally been held on the eve of A&M's game against its archrival.

The bonfire was expected to burn until sometime Monday.

"It's an honor to be here, to support my school," said McKinley Todd, a 23-year-old A&M senior. "It's my last year here. I just wanted to see it."

City Briefs

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WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly to partly-cloudy skies in the afternoon, highs in the mid 30s, and northeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight should be mostly cloudy with lows in the lower 20s, and east winds 5 to 15 mph shifting to the north. Tuesday should be mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 30s. North winds 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday night, cloudy.

STATEWIDE

Temperatures across the state took a nose-dive Monday as light rain was predicted in several regions in the evening and Tuesday and the Panhandle had a chance of light snow.

The Texas Panhandle should be mostly cloudy Monday night with lows from 19 to 24. Tuesday there will be a chance of light snow in the southwest and far northwest. Highs will be in the upper 20s to the mid 30s.

Far West Texas will be mostly cloudy with lows from 32 to 37. Highs on Tuesday will range from 46 to 51.

North Texas will be cloudy with a chance of rain showers west and central and a chance of thunderstorms in the east Monday night and Tuesday. Lows will be in the lower to mid 30s. Highs will range from the mid 30s in the west to the lower 40s in the east.

Lows around 16. Northwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Wind chill readings zero to 10 above zero. Wednesday, cloudy. Slight chance of light snow. Highs in the lower 30s. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Chance of snow 20 percent. Wind chill readings zero to 10 above zero. Wednesday night, cloudy. Lows in the lower 20s.

The Texas Hill Country and south-central Texas will be cloudy Monday night with a chance of rain and lows in the 30s and around 40. The chance of rain extends into Tuesday, when highs will be in the 40s.

Southeast Texas and the upper Texas Coast will be cloudy and cooler Monday night with scattered areas of rain. Lows will be in the 40s well inland and mid 50s at the coast. Rain is likely on Tuesday, when highs are expected to be in the mid 40s well inland and upper 50s at the coast.

Deep South Texas will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers west and a slight chance east. Lows will range from 55 west to 65 at the coast. The chance of showers and thunderstorms will continue Tuesday. Highs are expected to range from 64 in the west to 75 at the coast.

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Rifle winner



(Pampa News photo)

Robert Douglas, 10, right, a member of Gray County Youth Shooting Sports presents a Savage Model 110 300 WIN MAG rifle with 3-9 Simmons Scope to Gary Willoughby, who held the winning ticket in a recent fundraiser conducted by the group which teaches young people responsible use of firearms. Adult club officers include Lee Cox, Steve Hawkins and Doug Abbott, Willoughby said.

Texan rescues comrade after boat explodes

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Sometime in the coming months the phone is going to ring at Ryan Newhall's house in a quiet San Antonio neighborhood. It'll be Dave Shoemaker calling from Seattle to say, "C'mon, time to go fishing."

And for the first time since becoming a commercial fisherman six years ago, Newhall doesn't know if he'll want to go.

Still fresh in his mind is what happened the last time out — leaping off a burning boat and then bobbing in the frigid Bering Sea for more than two hours, struggling to just stay afloat in 15-foot swells and to keep a crewmate from drifting away to certain death.

The memories torment his dreams — the despair of going unseen by three rescue boats and a helicopter, and then resigning himself to perishing in the middle of nowhere. Of thinking of his parents, his fiancée and his baby daughter, and pleading to the heavens to be spared.

"I just remember begging him, 'Please God, please don't let me go out like this. Don't let me die like this,'" recalled Newhall, a wiry, red-haired 29-year-old who grew up in suburban San Antonio. "It was by the grace of God that we were saved."

Three others aboard the Seattle-based fishing boat Galaxy weren't so lucky when the 180-foot vessel inexplicably exploded while chasing cod far off the Alaska coast in late October.

Twenty-three people were rescued — 15 from a life raft and six more from the Galaxy before it sank dozens of miles from the nearest land.

Newhall and Ann Weckback were the final two survivors, and in Weckback's case, only because Newhall boosted her up each time her near-limp body slipped down through the life ring that kept them afloat.

"He saved my life ... He was a very good boy," said Weckback, a 24-year-old federal fisheries monitor who boarded the Galaxy only four days earlier. "He could have left me and tried to get to the raft, but he didn't."

Newhall, a deck foreman, plays down the incident, saying anybody would have done the same thing. Shoemaker, the boat's captain, isn't so sure.

"He wasn't thinking of himself — he was thinking of her," said Shoemaker, whose forearms were badly burned while he radioed a desperate mayday as flames consumed the Galaxy's wheelhouse. "You won't find many folks in the world today who would do that."

Newhall's tale begins before he jumped off the Galaxy's stern with Weckback to escape the wind-stoked flames that were melting the deck beneath their feet.

Some minutes earlier, the engine-room explosion that ignited the fire blew Newhall and two other crewmen through a hatchway and into the churning sea.

"I knew I wasn't standing up any more," Newhall said, remembering only hearing a dull pop. "The next thing that I actually realized is that I was looking up and seeing light, but I'm underwater."

Clad in heavy cotton sweats, he swam up to the surface and caught hold of a line thrown down by crewmate while the Galaxy pitched violently in the swells.

After being dashed hard against the hull a few times, he swung back through the same hatchway that he was blown out of. Moments later he was standing outside the wheelhouse, three decks higher, though he has no memory of getting there.

Weckback says Newhall was dazed and wobbly, and that she and others helped him into a "survival suit" that would give him more buoyancy and protection from the cold water. Weckback had a survival suit as well, but she gave it to another crewman pulled back onto the boat after the explosion.

She says she was told to

jump overboard so she could escape in the canopied life raft.

"I was like, 'I can't, somebody's got to watch Ryan,'" she said. "He wasn't really focused at that point. I was really worried about leaving him on the boat — he couldn't even stand up."

"Somebody was like, 'I'll watch him, I'll watch him.' So I climbed over (the guard rail) and I was getting ready to jump. Then the guy who said he'd watch (Newhall) was totally in the water, like 5 seconds later."

Weckback says she decided to stay to take care of Newhall and hope they wouldn't have to abandon the Galaxy. Someone aboard the life raft soon cut the line that tethered it to the boat and it began to drift away.

But the fire continued to burn closer to them at the stern. Newhall says his first memory after swinging back onto the Galaxy was Weckback calling him by his nickname.

"She was screaming at me, 'Red, we've got to jump. We've got to jump,'" Newhall said. "She jumps right into darkness ... I turn around for one more last look, to make sure maybe I don't have to jump, and the fire is right at my feet."

He grabbed a life ring, went over the rail and splashed 30 feet below. He swam to Weckback, who was clinging to a buoy dressed only in her pajamas, a pair of rain pants and hiking boots that she quickly kicked off.

The life raft, equipped with a tent-like canopy, was still in sight near the Galaxy's bow, and the pair tried to catch up to it, but their arms and legs seized up in the sloshing, 48-degree water.

"I'm starting to actually panic now," Newhall said. "I'm yelling at her, 'We are going to die if we don't make it over there. You have got to swim, you have got to swim.' She keeps telling me, 'I'm trying, Red, I'm trying.'"

The raft soon disappeared around the bow, and Newhall and Weckback were being carried by the current in the opposite direction.

The blazing Galaxy was hundreds of yards away when Newhall saw the lights of a boat on the horizon.

"I just got this feeling of joy, like 'Here we go, we're rescued right here,'" he said. "I said, 'You owe me a cup of coffee for this. You are buying, and we are going to be drinking this in 15 minutes on that boat right here.'"

"And she's happy and we're laughing now. Well, that boat goes right past us, doesn't see us."

A second boat appeared and motored right by. And a third. Then a Coast Guard helicopter buzzed overhead. By then the flat light of late afternoon was giving way to dusk, and soon it would be dark.

Weckback says she doesn't remember a lot of the time adrift, but she does recall the moment their spirits hit bot-

tom.

"(Newhall) said, 'Ann, we're going to die out here,'" she said. "And I said, 'Yeah, we totally are.'"

The Galaxy was so far away it looked no bigger than a rowboat when a fourth set of lights came into sight, but Newhall didn't get too excited.

"At that point I was thinking, 'These guys aren't going to find us. They're going to come right past us, they're not going to see us,'" he said. "I realized how small we were and that we were not going to be found."

The boat got closer and closer, and when it was within 300 yards, Newhall shook off his pessimism. He pulled the flashlight loose from his survival suit, turned it on with his teeth and started waving it for all he was worth.

But the boat began to turn away. Newhall fumbled for a whistle attached to the suit, and before he could get it to his trembling lips, the vessel came back around. They had been spotted by a searcher high on the forward mast.

He dropped the flashlight and began kicking toward the boat, named the Clipper Express. He also roused Weckback, who he said was purple and babbling incoherently.

"At that point I said, 'I told you we weren't going to die, ... and she looks at the boat and she just starts laughing,'" he said. "I mean, it was just like the best feeling of my life. It's like, 'We are rescued!'"

Newhall has made several trips to the Pacific Northwest for the funerals of his three crewmates, one of whom was never found. He'll be going up again in early December to testify at a Coast Guard hearing on the Galaxy fire.

But mostly he's been keeping warm and dry in San Antonio, laying low with his parents, fiancée Ashley Petteway and his daughter Anika, who's almost 2.

Still, he hears the sea beckoning, not to mention the lucrative pay, and he's torn.

"This is what pays for my house and my car, this is what my daughter's going to college on," Newhall said. "This is something where I've gotten very accustomed to the money I make. But I'm still undecided."

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BOARD

making at the next meeting."

Porter said he understands that Wichita Falls officials, if they choose Orr, would like him to be in Wichita Falls by Feb. 1.

"But they're going to work with us," he added.

"I'm excited for Dawson," Porter said. "We hate to lose him. He's been an asset to Pampa, not only in the schools but in the community, too."

Porter, who is presently in his sixth year as a school board member, said, "He's been an effective superintendent. I've enjoyed serving on the board while he's been superintendent. He led the district through the downsizing of the schools. That was a major challenge."

"I hate to lose him," said Dr. Jay Johnson, board member and immediate past president

of the Pampa school board. "He's done a lot of good things. He's such a gentleman."

Johnson said he could understand Orr's decision. "From a financial standpoint, it's the best thing for him and his family."

Johnson explained that the state's teacher retirement is based on the employee's best three years (highest pay).

"(Wichita Falls) can pay him more than we ever could," he said, adding, "I wish him well. I consider him a friend even if I've been his antagonist at times."

Orr said he's received a "supportive" response from the school board and staff.

"They've all wished me well, which makes it hard," he said. "They're killing me with kindness," he added, laughing.

"There'll be sadness," Orr conceded. "My two girls' entire school experience has been right here in Pampa. But I'm excited by the challenge."

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CASES

ter ending Aug. 31 in the CSC department, \$113,385 came from fines and fees paid by the probationers.

Approximately \$140,000 comes from many grant pro-

grams, including several state programs.

Primarily funded by the state, the local department has programs to meet the needs of probationers in making changes in their lives to keep them out of the judicial system.

Alcohol and drug counseling and a literacy program are two of the programs which are utilized by the offenders.

CSC paid \$9,475 for contract services to aid the offenders during the fiscal quarter ending Aug. 31.

Saudis bristle at complaints they are soft on terror and might have helped hijackers

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's spokesman praised Saudi Arabia on Monday as a "good partner in the war on terrorism," despite accusations that the wife of the Saudi U.S. ambassador might have financially supported Sept. 11 terrorists.

"He believes the Saudi government is a good partner," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer told reporters. The accusations are complicating White House efforts to win Saudi support for potential war against Iraq.

Fleischer refused to discuss the merits of an FBI investigation into the financial doings of Princess Haifa al-Faisal, wife of Ambassador Prince Bandar bin Sultan.

A parade of senators upbraided the Saudi government on Sunday's television talk shows for what they saw as years of complicity in anti-American radicalism.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., outgoing chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said Saudis have a history of "buying off extremism," even if only by averting their gaze from it.

Saudi officials, stung by the criticism, said they are checking records to see how money

from the princess might have eventually gone to supporters of the Sept. 11 attacks.

In trying to calm the latest strain in their alliance with the United States, they called "crazy" any suggestion she intended to support the hijackers.

Interior Minister Prince Nayef said Monday that charitable giving shouldn't be a crime. He called accusations that Saudis helped finance two Sept. 11 terror suspects "baseless fabrications."

Embassy officials spent the weekend having bankers pore over the princess' records to figure out how thousands of dollars in monthly payments from her account apparently ended up in the wrong hands, said Saudi foreign policy adviser Adel al-Jubeir.

Some of the money apparently went into the accounts of two men who U.S. officials think provided financial support to hijackers.

Biden said the situation is "part of a saga where the Saudis don't know, have not checked, are not nearly conscientious enough in determining whether or not a 'charity' is genuinely a charity or a front for, or a back door for, terrorists or terrorist-sympathizing

organizations or individuals."

Bush's aides did not join in the recriminations.

"The president does believe the Saudis have been a good partner in the war on terrorism," Fleischer said. He said Bush is "constantly pushing nations to do more," but the spokesman did not single out the Saudi government as a target of such lobbying.

A senior White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there might be a legitimate explanation for the payments.

The official credited the Saudis with helping in the anti-terror war, in quiet ways that bring them no credit in the West but also do not attract the attention of fundamentalist elements at home.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Evil Done by Two Brings Out Kindness of Thousands

DEAR ABBY: I live and work in the Maryland area where a majority of the sniper shootings took place. I want the world — and the murderers — to know that in the terrible days of fear and uncertainty before the arrests, the people of this area came closer together than I ever thought possible. Law enforcement worked countless hours overtime. Adults used their own bodies to shield children going into schools in the morning and out at the end of the day.

On the morning of the last shooting, I had to take my car to the garage. I was not prepared to leave it overnight and had not arranged for transportation home. No one I called for a ride was home. I was amazed when a total stranger offered to give me a lift. As we drove, we talked. We had a lot in common, including feelings of despair at the senseless loss of life and pain that had been forced on all of us during the shooting spree.

Abby, I offer this example of kindness to the families and friends of each victim, along with this message: The evil of two brought out the kindness and compassion of thousands. Our pain doesn't compare to yours, who tragically lost your loved ones, but please know you are in our hearts and prayers.

KAREN GILLETTE,
 HYATTSVILLE, MD.

DEAR KAREN: That's very well said. No one in any part of the country could watch the news without feeling empathy for the families of the victims and the fear experienced by those living in the areas that were affected.

DEAR ABBY: I was married last June. My husband and I are both 34. Last weekend, he got together with his buddies, went out drinking, and brought home two condoms he hid in his sock drawer. I found them yesterday. We do not use this method of contraception, and I went through the roof.

He swears he hasn't slept with anyone and does not intend to. He says his friends had them and he simply took a couple, not really thinking it was a big deal.

I feel that it is a big deal. He must be contemplating something if he bothered to keep them. I feel that I made a huge mistake trusting him enough to marry him. He says he is sorry and didn't mean to hurt me. What should I do?

HURT AND ANGRY
 IN BOSTON

DEAR HURT AND ANGRY: If your husband hadn't thought it was any big deal, he wouldn't have hidden the condoms. What happened may have been innocent, but you're entitled to know exactly what was going on in reality and in your husband's

head. Some sessions with a counselor may be able to help you two communicate with each other in a nonjudgmental environment. The sooner, the better.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been married for 19 years. Our relationship has been going downhill for some time. We've been to three marriage counselors, but no one seems to be able to help. We have two wonderful sons, 9 and 5.

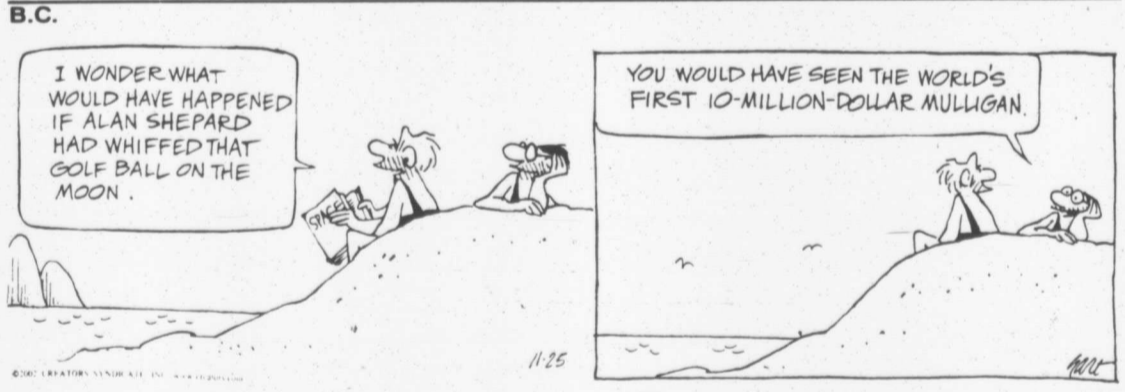
I am very unhappy with my marriage and want a divorce, but our elder son, "Jacob," was diagnosed with leukemia last summer. The guilt I feel because of my ill child is overwhelming. I love him more than life itself.

Jacob's cancer is being treated successfully and the outlook is good, but I fear the effect that a divorce would have on him and our younger son. Any advice would be greatly appreciated.

SAD DAD IN INDIANA

DEAR SAD DAD: Get a referral from the medical center where your child is being treated and make an appointment with a child psychologist to find out how a separation at this time would affect your son in his recovery. After that, you'll know what to do, and when to do it.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeane 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.



Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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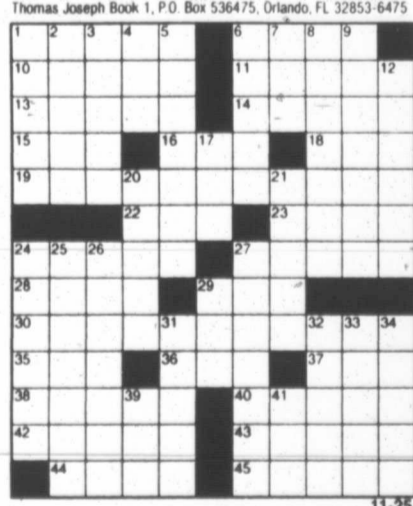
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SPORTS

Harvesters shock unbeaten Riverside

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VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Junior Volleyball League will have signups for girls in the fifth and sixth grade Dec. 2-6 at the middle school. The league was known as the Optimist last year.

Registration forms will be available at the schools. The forms can be turned in at the middle school during the week of signups.

For questions, call coach Kendra Reeves or coach Deanna Polasek at the middle school, 669-4900.

BASKETBALL

LEFORS — Lefors defeated Holy Cross 67-34 in the Lefors Invitational last weekend.

James Garcia led the Pirates in scoring with 17 points, followed by James Elrod 16.

Lowberger had 20 points for Holy Cross.

In the girls' bracket, Lefors downed McLean 39-31.

High scorer for Lefors was Katie Barnes with 16. Rachel Stubbs followed with 9.

Shaley Steel had 9 points and Danielle Dampier 7 for McLean.

GOLF

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam had nothing left.

She was emotionally spent from being in contention in almost every tournament she played. She was physically tired from working harder than anyone in the game.

What kept her going Sunday was a one-shot lead, knowing she had only three holes left and a chance to win her 13th tournament worldwide.

"I could almost taste the trophy," Sorenstam said. "I gave it all I had."

The result was some of her best golf of an amazing year, which carried her to a three-stroke victory over Rachel Teske in the season-ending ADT Championship, a fitting finish to the best LPGA Tour season in 38 years.

With a risky shot on the toughest hole at Trump International and a clutch swing on the decisive 17th, Sorenstam closed with a 4-under 68.

Golf

Hidden Hills Seniors Scramble (4-Man Team)

- Oscar Sargent, Travis Taylor, Jess Mathis and Buddy Briley, 64.
 - Bill Hammer, Bill Washington, J.B. Holt and Butch Shepard, 65.
 - Jim Batton, Howard Musgrave, Walden Haynes and Everette Butler, 65.
 - Garry McCabe, Bob Young, Duane Cash and Paul Hinton, 65.
- Closest to the pin: Buddy Briley, No. 15.

MIDLAND — Pampa once again got the job done in the playoffs, rolling past El Paso Riderside 27-7 Saturday night to claim the Class 4A Division II area championship.

Pampa was the model of efficiency on the opening kickoff, marching 79 yards on 8 plays with quarterback John Braddock plunging over from the one.

The Harvesters got the ball right back, catching Riverside by surprise on a pooch kick which bounced off a Rangers' player. Pampa's Derek Lewis recovered the loose ball on the Riverside 38. Although Pampa's drive stalled, Jered Snelgrooes gave the Harvesters a 10-0 lead with 27-yard field goal at the 2:38 mark of the first quarter.

"That was a magnificent first drive," said Pampa coach Dennis Cavalier. Coach (Heath) Parker (offensive coordinator) had excellent play selection and our boys executed it just the way it was supposed to be done. That had to be a shock to Riverside. We were hoping a pooch kick into the wind might work to our advantage and it did. It bounced right back toward us."

Riverside, desperate to get some offense going, gambled on fourth down with three yards go from its own 29. Quarterback Mike Stephenson attempted a keeper to pick up the first down, but was stopped at the line of scrimmage by Pampa linebacker Zack Cobb.

Pampa took possession and although the drive stalled due to penalties, Snelgrooes was successful on another field goal, this one from 38 yards out to put the Harvesters in front 13-0.

The Harvesters would add another touchdown against

shelocked Riverside before the half ended as Braddock connected with Johnny Moore on a 6-yard scoring pass with just 53 ticks on the clock. Snelgrooes' PAT would give Pampa a 20-0 lead at halftime.

Riverside showed some life on the opening kickoff of the third quarter. Fullback Shawn Jordan scored on an 18-yard run at the end of a 12-play, 73-yard march.

However, Pampa's aggressive defense along with a slew of Riverside penalties would keep the Rangers out of the end zone the rest of the night.

Moore's 4-yard TD run with just 1:25 left in the contest closed the door on Riverside's comeback hopes.

Pampa balanced the run with the pass to finish with 311 total yards. Braddock completed 15 of 19 pass attempts for 178 yards and a touchdown. The 6-2, 195-pound senior also led the Harvesters on the ground with 75 yards on 19 attempts. Moore and Jesse Tarango led the receiving corp with Moore making 6 receptions for 90 yards, and Tarango also with 6 catches for 55 yards.

The Pampa defense, led by Cobb, Curtis Pritchett, Brittin East, Andrew Curtis and Michael McCormick, never let up on Riderside, which finished with 248 total yards. Stephenson, the Rangers' quarterback, was sacked three times and had to hurry many of his throws due to defensive pressure.

Carlos Solis had an interception and Lewis a fumble recovery for the Harvesters.

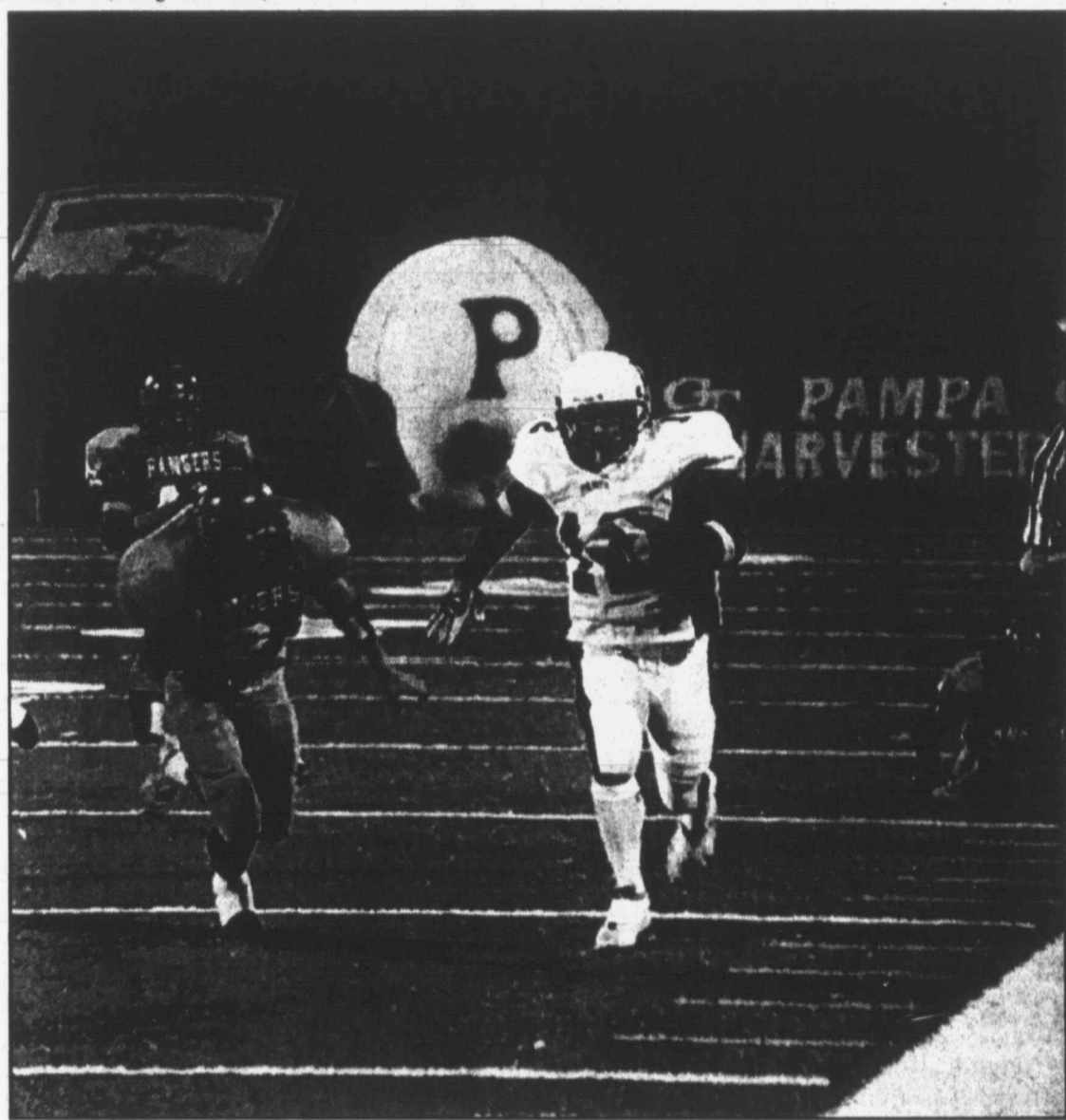
Pampa is now 9-3 for the season while Riverside ends its season at 11-1. The Harvesters meet Denton Ryan at 2 p.m. Saturday in the regional semi-

nals in Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium.

Pampa 10 10 0 7-27
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 P - John Braddock 1 run (Jered Snelgrooes kick)
 P - Snelgrooes 27 FG
 P - Snelgrooes 38 FG
 P - Johnny Moore 6 pass from Braddock (Snelgrooes kick)

E - Shawn Jordan 18 run (Roger Morales kick)
 P - Moore 4 run (Snelgrooes kick)
Individual Statistics
Pampa
Rushing: John Braddock 19-75, Johnny Moore 14-46, Jesse Tarango 2-7, Dannie Meza 1-5.
Passing: John Braddock 15-19-178.
Receiving: Jesse Tarango 6-55,

Johnny Moore 6-90, Ryan Zemanek 1-17, Jordan Klaus 1-10.
EP Riverside
Rushing: Shawn Jordan 13-80, Tony Gonzalez 11-46, Mike Stephenson 7-4.
Passing: Michael Stephenson 8-23-118.
Receiving: Robert Gallegos 3-48, Roger Morales 2-44, Tony Gonzales 2-13.



(Photo by Grover Black)

Harvester tailback Johnny Moore takes off down the sideline for a 46-yard gain after catching a screen pass from quarterback John Braddock.

OU still has national title hopes

DALLAS (AP) — Even though Oklahoma has its spot in the Big 12 championship game, the Sooners still have to win one more game before that to maintain a chance to play for the national title.

Oklahoma State is in the way again. While Oklahoma State can't keep its instate rival out of the Big 12 title game this time, the bowl-eligible Cowboys (6-5, 4-3 Big 12) can ruin the Sooners' chance of playing in the national championship game just like last year.

Going into their regular-season matchup last year, the Sooners needed a win to advance to the Big 12 title game, where another win would have gotten them into the national championship game. Oklahoma State instead pulled off a 16-13 shocker.

To keep its chance of playing for this year's national title, Oklahoma has to win Saturday in Stillwater, where the Sooners won just 12-7 two years ago on the way to their national championship.

Oklahoma (10-1, 6-1) moved up a spot to No. 3 in the new Associated Press poll on Sunday, advancing after Washington State's 29-26 three-overtime loss to Washington.

If the Sooners make the expected same move in the new Bowl Championship Series

standings Monday, and they beat Oklahoma State, they would have a shot at playing Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl if Miami losses to Syracuse next Saturday.

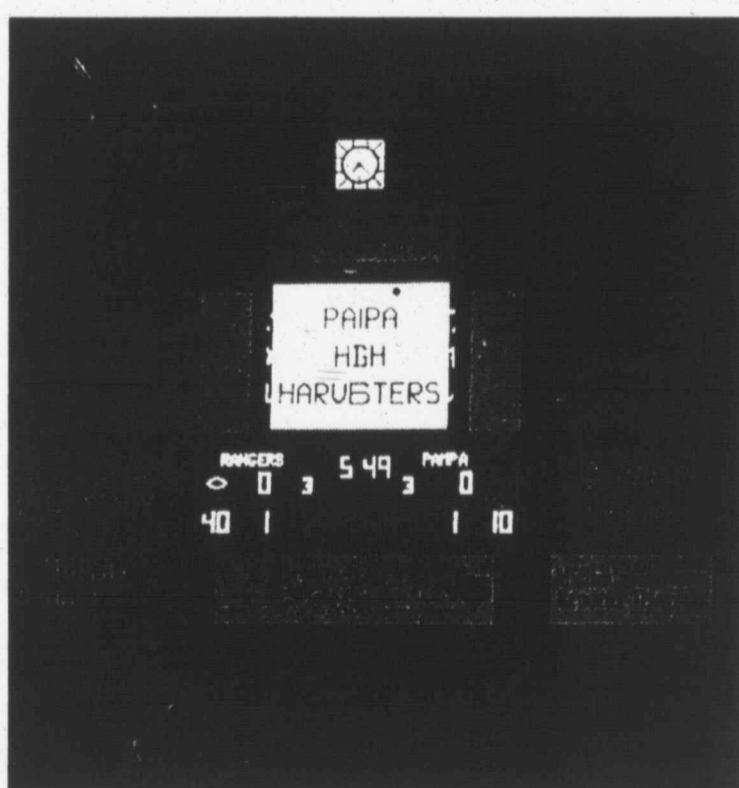
The Sooners would also have to beat No. 13 Colorado (8-3, 6-1) in the Big 12 championship game on Dec. 7 in Houston.

None of the scenarios matter for Oklahoma without a win over Oklahoma State.

Oklahoma wrapped up the South division title with a 60-15 win over Texas Tech on Saturday night. The Sooners also effectively ended the Heisman Trophy chase of another Big 12 quarterback.

Texas Tech's Kliff Kingsbury, the nation's leading passer, was just 15-of-35 for a season-low 187 yards with three interceptions and was sacked five times. Kingsbury got the same treatment from the Sooners as did Chris Simms of Texas and Seneca Wallace of Iowa State.

"We've eliminated three Heisman Trophy contenders ... and I don't know if anybody else has done that," said Sooners defensive coordinator Mike Stoops. "That says a lot about our defense. This guy (Kingsbury) threw for about 600 yards against Texas, and we shut him down to nothing."



(Photo by Grover Black)

The scoreboard at Grande Communications Stadium in Midland welcomes the Pampa Harvesters football team. The score would read Pampa 27, El Paso Riverside 7 at the end of the area game.

Cowboys hand Jaguars 21-19 setback

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Emmitt Smith had no complaints this week. Neither did Troy Hambrick.

Dallas found a way to utilize both the NFL career rushing leader and the brash youngster as the Cowboys (4-7) beat Jacksonville 21-19 Sunday to end a four-game losing streak.

Smith was upset after a loss at Indianapolis the previous week in which his role was minimized with just eight carries, just one more than Hambrick.

They split series again against the Jaguars (5-6), but Smith had 20 carries for 73 yards and a touchdown and caught a pass for 12 yards. Hambrick ran for 38 yards on four carries and had three receptions for 33 yards.

"This is an ideal way of how it should work," Smith said. "He had some good runs and I had some good runs, so it worked out good for the team."

Hambrick said he had no regrets for

his recent comments that Smith could only tarnish his image by continuing to play and had nothing left to prove. The third-year runner also said he was satisfied with how things went Sunday.

"That's how we want to come through the year, knowing that we have a good 1-2 punch," Hambrick said. "Some things come out of frustration. We got a bone today and both us are very happy."

The Cowboys offense also got a huge boost from 25-year-old rookie quarterback Chad Hutchinson, who threw for 301 yards and two touchdowns. He directed the Cowboys to a season-high three offensive TDs, including a 99-yard drive.

Hutchinson completed 16 of 24 passes, three of them at least 43 yards. His 301 yards were the most by a Dallas rookie since Troy Aikman set the club record with 379 in 1989.

Jacksonville ended a two-game win-

ning streak that had buoyed its playoff hopes. To make it, coach Tom Coughlin said they had no margin for error.

But the Jaguars made plenty of mistakes against Dallas, the worst being a goal-line fumble by Fred Taylor midway through the fourth quarter that Coughlin called "a nightmare." They also saw Tim Seder miss a 40-yard field goal in the second quarter and had a season-high 11 penalties.

"We abandoned everything we've done well all season," Coughlin said.

"We know what happened out there," said Taylor, who finished with 100 yards on 20 carries. "There were a lot of blown opportunities."

Joey Galloway caught seven passes for 144 yards, two short of his career high. He also became the first Dallas receiver to have two TD catches in a game since Michael Irvin against Washington in the 1999 opener.

Galloway's 43-yard TD catch put the Cowboys ahead 7-2, the first first-half TD in six games. Seder kicked a field goal on the last play for Jacksonville, but the Cowboys had their first halftime lead this season.

The 99-yard drive came on the first Dallas possession of the second half. Hutchinson was 6-of-7 for 88 yards before Smith's 1-yard TD run capped it.

Jacksonville converted an interception by Hutchinson into Stacy Mack's 3-yard TD to get to 14-12. But Hutchinson bounced back with an 11-yard TD to Galloway with 11:09 left.

Even after Taylor's fumble with 7:39 left, the Jaguars still had a chance when Mark Brunell hit Kevin Lockett for an 8-yard TD pass with 1:56 left. But an onside kicked failed and Jacksonville never got the ball back.

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U.N. inspection team arrives in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The first team of U.N. inspectors landed in Iraq on Monday afternoon to take up the hunt for chemical, biological or nuclear arms programs, a search whose outcome could help determine the future of peace in the Middle East.

A white C-130 transport, emblazoned with a simple "UN," touched down at Saddam International Airport carrying a contingent of 18 international arms monitors and their cargo of high-tech sensors, computers and other gear. They had assembled earlier at a U.N. rear base on the Mediterranean island of Cyprus.

The team comprised six nuclear experts from the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna and 12 inspectors from the New York-based U.N. commission charged with searching for other weapons of mass destruction.

After a four-year suspension, their crucial new round of surprise inspections will begin Wednesday morning, when they will likely revisit an unidentified Iraqi site previously inspected in the 1990s. Among other things, they may check on cameras and other monitoring equipment left behind by earlier inspectors.

Later, the inspectors will branch out to new or rebuilt sites — including, for example, suspected storage places for chemical weapons. U.S. intelligence alleges are still held by Iraq.

"We have the right to inspect any sites at any time," said Hiro Ueki, Baghdad spokesman for the U.N. Monitoring, Verification and

Inspection Commission, known as UNMOVIC.

The secrecy of the inspection plans is paramount. "If you were the head coach of an American football team, I don't think you'd reveal your strategy," Ueki said.

The U.N. inspectors include some 300 chemists, biologists, missile and ordnance experts and other specialists of UNMOVIC, and a few dozen engineers and physicists of the U.N. nuclear agency. Between 80 and 100 will be working in Iraq at any one time.

On the eve of the inspectors' arrival, the Iraqi government released a letter from Foreign Minister Naji Sabri to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan protesting that parts of the U.N. resolution mandating the inspection mission could give Washington a pretext for attacking his country.

Sabri complained in particular that the resolution could turn "inaccurate statements (among) thousands of pages" of mandatory Iraqi reports into a supposed justification for military action.

"There is premeditation to target Iraq, whatever the pretext," the foreign minister wrote.

The Iraqi complaints were not expected to interfere with resumption of the inspections. Iraq had accepted the resolution in a Nov. 13 letter from Sabri to Annan.

In seven years' work ending in 1998, U.N. expert teams destroyed large amounts of chemical and biological weapons and longer-range missiles forbidden to Iraq by U.N. resolutions after the Gulf War, in which an Iraqi invasion force was dri-

the other man was being questioned at a police interrogation center in Lisburn, a Belfast suburb.

Neither suspect has been identified.

Police Ombudsman Nuala O'Loan, who was empowered by Northern Ireland's 1998 peace accord to probe police shootings, said her office would investigate whether the officers lawfully opened fire.

Northern Ireland police last fatally shot a suspect — a Belfast IRA member fleeing a police checkpoint — in 1992.

IRA dissidents opposed to the outlawed group's 1997 cease-fire have tried repeatedly this year to detonate a vehicle bomb in central Belfast, which once suffered regular attacks but has seen none since 1993.

On Oct. 25, near the spot of Sunday's thwarted attack, dissidents left a van containing a bomb composed of a small explosive attached to several drums of gasoline, but it failed to detonate properly. A dissident group called the Continuity IRA claimed responsibility for that attack.

Troops dismantle Belfast car bomb, shoot suspect

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — British explosives experts dismantled a car bomb Monday after police shadowing suspected Irish Republican Army dissidents shot one man and arrested another.

Police said they had kept the two men under surveillance as they drove in two vehicles, one containing a fuel-based bomb, into downtown Belfast Sunday night and abandoned the bomb-laden car outside a government building.

As the two walked to the other car police said they ordered the men to halt, then opened fire, hitting one man in the chest and stomach. Police gave no details on why the officers opened fire.

The wounded man was reported in stable condition following surgery in Belfast's Royal Victoria Hospital, while

Bands set to perform at West Texas A&M

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Department of Music and Dance will host two concerts beginning at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall.

The WTAMU Concert Band will perform first with three pieces included in the program. The band will perform "George Washington Bridge" by William Schuman, directed by Russ Teweleit, instructor of music; "Der Traum des Oenghus" by Rolf Rudin, directed by Eric Rath, graduate assistant in music from Tulsa, Okla.; and "Hounds of Spring" by Alfred Reed, directed by B.J. Sayger, graduate assistant in music from Canyon.

Dr. Don Lefevre, associate professor of music, will conduct the Symphonic Band whose program includes "Rocky Point Holiday" by Ron Nelson, "Finale from Symphony No. 2" by Charles Ives, "Polacca from Second Concerto for Clarinet" by Carl Maria von Weber, "A Movement for Rosa" by Mark Camphouse and "Rienzi Overture" by Richard Wagner.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 806-651-2840.

4-Hers participate in foods field trip

By Emily Elliott
For The News

Fifteen Gray County 4-Hers recently participated in an all-day field trip to Amarillo as a part of their food and nutrition projects. The students learned about food-related careers and businesses in the area and visited Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospital, Texas Plum Line, United Market Street Store, and Amarillo Country Club.

At BSA, the youth met with registered dietician and former Deaf Smith County 4-Her, Jennifer Kliesen, who shared what her job entails and explained how useful the skills she learned in many 4-H projects are in her career field.

The students next toured Texas Plum Line and spoke to founder-owner Connie Bingham. They learned about the operations of a small business and were introduced to a variety of products made from plums.

The group ate lunch at United Market Street Store where they chose from numerous ethnic foods and were able to watch the meals being prepared.

Their last stop was



(Photo by Emily Elliott)

Texas Plum Line owner Connie Bingham, center, prepares a praline for 4-Hers to sample during the group's field trip to Amarillo. Watching are (front, left-right) Emily Jackson, Amanda Lawrence, Gabriel Miller, Lynsie Guyer, Cole Guyer, Valerie Willis, Rebecka Lawrence; (back, l-r) Drake Jackson, Sarah Schwab, Cory Jackson, and Megan Pettit. Not pictured: Emily Elliott, Caitlyn Parr, Dallas Passmore, and Hayley Pettit.

Amarillo Country Club Executive Chef Delvin Wilson took the 4-Hers on a tour of the kitchens, banquet halls, and other dining areas

and provided detailed information about food services at the country club.

The knowledge and learning experiences gained on the

field trip will support these students in their preparation for the upcoming Gray County 4-H Food Show to be held Saturday, Nov. 23.

Ecuador elects populist former army colonel

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — A populist former army colonel who led a coup in 2000 and has pledged to fight corruption was elected as Ecuador's sixth president in six years, despite concerns that some of his radical supporters would scare investors.

Lucio Gutierrez, 45, won 54.3 percent support in Sunday's runoff vote, topping the 45.7 gained by billionaire Alvaro Noboa, who counts among his friends several members of the Kennedy clan and Hollywood actors such as Charlton Heston.

Gutierrez' run for the presidency worried some Ecuadoreans because of his support from a small Marxist party, radical Indian groups and leftist-led unions.

Since he won the first round of elections on Oct. 20, setting up Sunday's runoff vote, Gutierrez has toned down his rhetoric and shifted toward the center, describing himself as "center-left." He has even traveled to New York to woo Wall Street investors and softened his opposition to the U.S. military's use of Ecuador's Manta air base in the war against drugs.

He insists he is not part of the trend of leftist, anti-globalization presidents who have come to power in Venezuela and Brazil, with the likelihood another being elected next March in Argentina.

"I am not a communist. I am a profoundly Christian man who respects private property and human rights," he said during the campaign.

In a television interview Sunday night, Gutierrez sought to reassure Ecuadorean and international financial circles that his election was not a threat to investors.

"I want to give the greatest of assurances to the national produc-

tive sector, the national financial sector and the international financial sector," he said.

In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Anne Marks said the Bush administration wanted to "congratulate Ecuador on the completion of what appears to be a free, fair and transparent election. We are pleased to see democracy working in Ecuador."

The 52-year-old Noboa, who controls a banana and shipping empire that includes 110 companies, had vowed his election would have attracted millions of

dollars in foreign investment from his contacts in international financial circles, creating jobs for Ecuador's unemployed masses.

Polls showed Ecuadoreans were more drawn to Gutierrez' image as a strong leader who would clean up government.

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