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LOCAL

Dr. Brian Gordzelik, DVM, said the black and tan mixed breed male dog found

shot with an arrow Sunday afternoon at Buckler and Frost, is doing well following surgery Wednesday morning.

The arrow went into his

side six or seven inches," said

Dr. Gordzelik. "It was quite a

deal, but fortunately there was

no major damage." He said

the weapon was a "broad-

Gordzelik said the animal

should recover from his

wound and was bearing

weight on his leg Wednesday

Pampa Police Department

A \$250 reward is being

and Animal Control were

called to the scene Sunday and

offered by an anonymous

donor for information leading

to the arrest and conviction of

the person or persons respon-

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afternoon.

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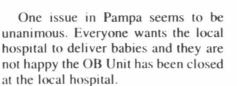
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#### Pampans petition PRMC for OB unit CEO: Physician tion and also mailed to the TRIAD moved his practice to California. Previously, the hospital had been hir-Corporation headquarters which owns can deliver."

shortage is why babies won't be delivered here

> **BY NANCY YOUNG** Managing Editor



A petition containing signatures of local and area residents will soon be in the hands of the Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) administrathe facility, said petition organizer Dana Gee. She estimates more than 1,200 signatures have been obtained on the petitions.

These local residents don't want to see the OB Unit closed and are hoping the petition will help get it back in operation. PRMC want the unit open, but say finding an OB/GYN doctor who wants to call Pampa home is the problem – and the solution.

PRMC officials announced in November the hospital would be temporarily closing the OB/GYN unit effective Dec. 8 when Dr. Mark Lobaugh moved from the community after only four months in practice in Pampa.

Dr. Ann E. Harral, an OB/GYN in Pampa since 1988, was the only specialist in that field after Dr. Lobaugh ing tenems (physicians from out-oftown) to assist local doctors in providing medical care for OB patients.

The petition which has been circulating in Pampa states: "We need your help to ensure a safe place for Moms and Babies to deliver in Pampa. The Obstetrical Unit of Pampa Regional Medical Center will close on Dec. 8, 2002, if further action is not taken. Please sign the petition to help keep the OB Unit open."

Gee said the closest hospital which women could deliver babies is in Borger. She is concerned about local pregnant women making the trip to Borger or even to Amarillo to deliver their babies.

"There's also moms that come from Canadian and Wheeler to deliver babies here," said Gee. "Think how far

they'll be from a hospital where they

Gee believes the local and area patients should still be able to have babies in Pampa.

"When you live somewhere, you want your kid to be born in the same town," she said. "It's kind of a pride

Gee said she has not spoken with any PRMC administrators or board members about her frustration and concerns regarding the OB Unit clo-

PRMC CEO Norman Stephens said Tuesday, "A petition is not going to make a physician come to Pampa," he said. "If that would work, I would sign

Stephens believes there is a misunderstanding about what the issue is. He said the closure of the unit resulted (See PETITION, Page 5)

# **Candle** cause of fire

A child playing with a candle caused the fire that damaged a two-story house in the 1400 block of Charles Wednesday afternoon, fire officials said today.

A four-year-old boy playing with a candle apparently caught a mattress on fire on the second floor of a home owned by Linda Austin, said Pampa Fire Marshal Gary Stevens. He estimated damage to the home at approximately \$30,000, adding "and that's probably low."

No one was injured, Stevens said, in the blaze that brought out four fire units and 11 firefighters at 4:55 p.m. Wednesday.

"Mom was downstairs at the time. She smelled smoke and when she looked up the stairs, she saw smoke up (See FIRE, Page 5)

## Breakfast buddies



Dr. Tim Powers, Pampa ISD assistant superintendent, and student Terrell Johnson enjoy a warm breakfast

Flora Mae Philpott Corbin, 97, teacher. Scott Harrelson, 45, memorial service set.

DEATHS

Patti Kirby, 38, advertising executive.

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#### CHILDERS BROTHERS HOUSE LEVELING



## Wednesday morning at Lamar Elementary School. **PGWCD** tables request to use

fresh water for oil recovery

BY DAVID BOWSER STAFF WRITER

WHITE DEER - A proposal to use fresh water to recover oil near Lefors has been put on hold until January.

Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District board tabled a request from PETCO Petroleum Company for a high impact permit to pump ground water for a secondary oil recovery operation about 10 miles southeast of Pampa. The hearing Tuesday morning here was recessed until PETCO could provide more information and a dispute between the company and landowner can be settled.

The hearing is tentatively scheduled to resume at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 8.

Dennis Laycock with PETCO told the PGWCD board during the hearing Tuesday that under the original lease with Phillips Petroleum in 1932, Phillips had the right to use the water. Laycock said that Phillips had assigned that right to PETCO, but C.E. Williams, executive director of the PGWCD, noted that the documentation had not been submitted to the water district.

Dee Vanderburg, the landowner who now lives in Missouri, questioned PETCO's ownership of the water but admitted that he had not consulted with a lawyer over the

Billy Joe Fulton of Lefors, Jackie Taylor of Pampa and W.H. Earp of Bowers City, neighboring landowners to PETCO's proposed water well, were also at the hearing to

oppose the oil company's use of the water. PETCO wants to pump about 95 acre-feet per year, 2,000 barrels a day or about 84,000 gallons a day, of fresh water from a well in the Ogallala Aquifer that they want to drill about one mile south of Bowers City. The water would be pumped into injection wells to recover oil from older wells.

Laycock said he hopes to double the oil

production from the wells. Normally such secondary recovery processes use salt water, but Laycock said there wasn't enough salt water available to do the job. He said he had contacted Triangle Well Service and Chase Oilfield Service, but neither could provide the amount of salt water Laycock said would be (See WATER, Page 5)

## **South Texas man held** in car theft and chase

BY DAVID BOWSER STAFF WRITER

WHEELER - A 26-yearold man from down state remained in Wheeler County jail Wednesday in lieu of bonds totaling \$4,000 on charges of evading arrest and unauthorized use of a motor

James Andrew Dornwell, 26, of Georgetown, was arrested north of McLean Monday following a 40minute high speed chase by law enforcement officers from Wheeler and Gray Counties and Department of Public Safety

vehicle.

officials. Wheeler County Sheriff Jimmy Adams said authorities were notified about 9:20 a.m., Monday, of a gas drive off in Shamrock. Wheeler County Deputy Rick Walden and Shamrock Constable Jerry Bob Jernigan responded and tried to stop a 2003

Chevrolet pickup that met the description of the vehicle that was reported leaving the Shamrock service station without paying for gas. A check of the license plate on the pickup indicated that it had been reported stolen in Georgetown.

Officials said the pickup sped away from them in Shamrock, heading west on Interstate 40. When officers tried to put down spikes to stop the truck, it turned north on County Line Road.

When the pickup reached the Magic City/ Kellerville Road, it turned west again, Adams said, then turned north at Nine Mile Station.

DPS Trooper Henderson used his Camaro patrol car to block the road and spread out spikes on the highway to stop the truck, but the truck turned south, heading for McLean.

At that point in time, (See THEFT, Page 5)

#### **O**BITUARIES

#### **SERVICES TOMORROW**

**PERSONS**, Georgia Ruth — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

#### **SCOTT HARRELSON** 1957-2002

Scott Harrelson, 45, of Pampa, died Friday, Nov. 29, 2002, at Pampa. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 14, 2002, at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Robin Gantz of the First Presbyterian Church and Mr. John Curry officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Harrelson was born on June 20, 1957, at Elk City, Okla., to Onye A. and Sue Harrelson. He has been a resident of Pampa for 9 1/2 years. He was a communications technician for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for 13 years.

He married Kathy Gist on Oct. 23, 1987, at 79065. Amarillo, Texas.

He attended the First United Methodist Church. He was an avid golfer and member of the golf advisory board for the City of Pampa and was a member of Hidden Hills Golf Club.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Gist of Pampa; his parents, Onye A. and Sue Harrelson of Amarillo; two brothers, Kent Harrelson of Newcastle, Okla., and Brad Harrelson of Amarillo; a nephew, Bradley Harrelson of Amarillo; and a niece, Nikki King of Borger.

The family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society or to BSA Hospice of Pampa, 800 N. Sumner St., Pampa, TX

www.carmichael-whatley.com

#### **PATTI KIRBY**

#### 1964-2002

Saturday, Dec. 7, 2002, at her home. Services were to be at 10 a.m., today in First United Methodist Church of Bedford. Burial will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Lucas Funeral Home in Hurst.

Mrs. Kirby was born April 30, 1964, at State University (1985) and was president ter, Betsie McClelland.

BEDFORD — Patti Kirby, 38, died of Imprints and Impressions, an advertising specialty company.

She enjoyed traveling and had visited such places at St. Maarten, Aruba, Cancun, and Florida.

She was an avid spectator at the Colonial Golf Tournament.

Survivors include her husband, Butler St. Petersburg, Fla. She held a bachelor of Kirby; her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Donald science degree in business from Emporia Dittman; a brother, Don Dittman; and a sis-

#### FLORA MAE PHILPOTT CORBIN 1905-2002

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MIAMI — Flora Mae Philpott Corbin, 97, Cal Farley's Boys Ranch,

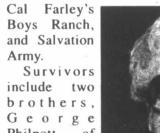
died Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2002. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Corbin, a lifelong resident of Miami, was born May 28, 1905, at Era in Cooke include two County. She was a 1923 graduate of Miami High School and received a bachelor of arts degree from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene in 1927.

She married Dr. Scott Corbin on Sept. 1, 1929, at Miami; he died May 12, 1968.

Mrs. Corbin taught math and Spanish in the Miami schools for 22 years and Sunday school at First Baptist Church for a number of years where she was a member.

She avidly supported several charities and missions including Buckner's Benevolences,



brothers, George Philpott of Miami and Kint Philpott of Pampa and numerous nieces nephews.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church or Miami or to Roberts County Museum in Miami.

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### ON RECORD

#### FIRE

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

Wednesday, Dec. 11

10:09 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1800 block of Christine.

4:55 p.m. - Four units and 11 firefighters responded to a house fire in the 1400 block of

Charles. (See related story on Page 1.) 10:33 p.m. - Four units and eight firefighters responded to a rekindle of the fire in

## the 1400 block of Charles.

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

**SHERIFF** 

Wednesday, Dec. 11

Howell Ted Campbell, 70, Blum, was arrested for driving while intoxicated - third offense or more, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and unlawful carrying of weapon.

#### **CORRECTION**

Graveside services for Georgia Ruth Persons, 84, of Pampa, will be at 2 p.m., Friday in Fairview Cemetery. Her services were incorrectly listed in "Services Tomorrow" in yesterday's (Dec. 11) edition of The News.

#### **STOCKS**

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#### **AMBULANCE**

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

Wednesday, Dec. 11

7:06 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of South Barnes; one patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

10:04 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of North Christine; no patient was transported.

4:24 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of South Faulkner; no patient was transported.

7:58 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Russell; one patient was transported to PRMC.

11:24 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of North Russell; no patient was transported.

#### **POLICE**

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrest and incidents during the 24hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Monday, Dec. 9

A cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle in the 800 block of North Hobart. Wednesday, Dec. 11

Reynaldo Wilson, 27, 1117 N. Starkweather, was arrested on municipal warrants for disorderly conduct by language. Police investigated a domestic report in the 700 block of North Banks.

A 15-year-old male in the 800 block of South Faulkner reported he was assaulted. According to police, injuries were minor.

Disruption of class at Pampa Middle School was reported to Pampa PD.

A theft was reported in the 400 block of North Gray. According to the police report, the back gate was broken and binoculars as well as eight cassette tapes were reported stolen. Estimate of loss was \$155.

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A theft of a purse, day planner and medications was reported in the 2100 block of Mary Ellen. Estimate of loss was \$110.

Thursday, Dec. 12

Several items were reported stolen at a residence in the 900 block of Varnon. The items included two Tommy Hilfiger jackets, six pair woven Tommy Hilfiger jeans, four gold diamond rings, one gold diamond ring, one pair gold earrings and one gold snake bracelet. Estimate of loss was \$1,150.

#### LOCAL WEATHER

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies with areas of fog in the morning, highs in the lower 50s, and northwest winds 10 to 20

mph. Tonight should be partly cloudy with lows in the mid 20s and northwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Friday should be partly cloudy. Highs in the Saturday, mostly sunny.

mid 50s. Northwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. West winds 5 to 15 mph.

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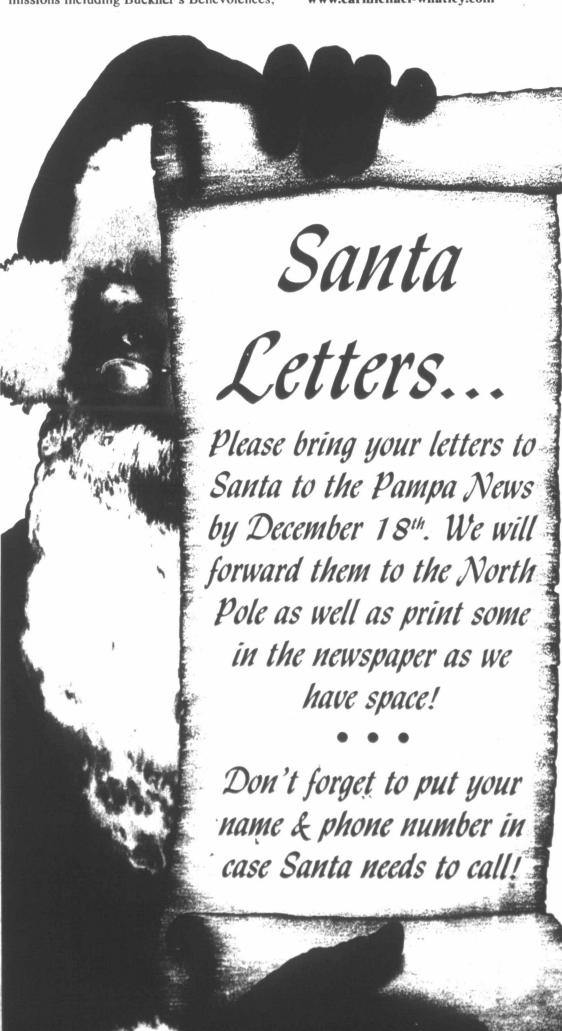
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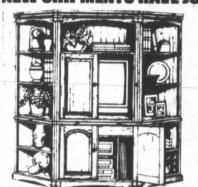
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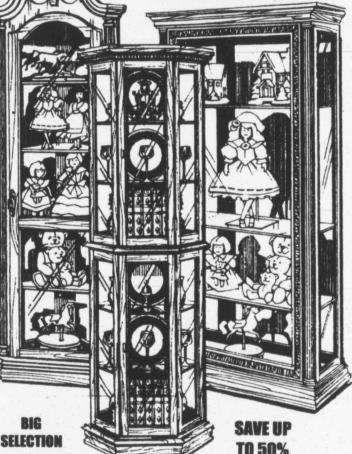
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR A wish for the holiday season

## My wish is for many things for this holiday season and our

help is needed with some.

When you see someone standing in the cold ringing a bell, why not drop in the change you would pay for a soda or a cup of coffee? Can you remember the last time you donated food to your community food bank, blankets to the local shelter? When you write your next check, take a look at the balance and purchase an angel. Any donation made during the holiday season can make a loving tribute and start a family tradition. Remember, these places are open year round.

As shoppers rush from store to store looking for that perfect gift (that they probably can't afford or put it on plastic), do any of us look around and realize friends, neighbors or strangers are having a rough time?

In Mark Will's song "Don't Laugh at Me," he sings the most poignant words, "Don't think I don't notice how our eyes never meet." It isn't rejection. It isn't revulsion or even embarrassment. It is guilt for blessings, taken for granted, without thanks.

Even though we live in a close-knit town, there are those in need. With His help and some of our own, this can be the joyful holiday it is meant to be. Make our efforts keeping the shelters and our children safe. And prayers for those of us who are only a few paychecks away from joining them.

**Eva Fritz** Pampa

## How important is human life?

I've seen people lined up and down Hobart Street for miles protesting abortion, yet they are saying now the OB ward of the hospital is closed. Why is pro life more important than maybe a perfectly healthy new mother or newborn baby dying because of complications and can't get to Borger or Amarillo quick enough? Will the ambulance offer their services for free? Does that mean money is more important than human life?

It's bad enough that there are no jobs here and people are losing their homes and everything else. The low income, the elderly and children (are) paying the price for all the other things that have been going on because they are not in the right class of people. But to take the oath to not let people die or help them, then to let them die. That's something else.

It's Christmas time, the Savior's birthday. Is all this why he came in to the world, just for certain people?

To me, this is about the last straw that broke the camel's back - when human lives are not as important as class and money.

Sue Meeks Pampa

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or mailed to The Pampa News, Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066.

# Visions of sugar plums dancing

Last week's snowstorm provided some mixed reactions. My first thought was, "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.'

There's nothing like snow to get you in the mood for Christmas. The beautiful snowflakes falling to the ground throughout the day call for a fire in the fireplace. That calls for the traditional hot chocolate to

The grandchildren - Peyton, 8; Christian, 6; and Paige, 4 - were thrilled. "Can we make snow ice cream?" they exclaimed. I told them it was the first snow of the season and we couldn't make snow ice cream until after the first snow. They asked me why, and I told them because my mother told me the same thing when I was their age. (Besides, I couldn't remember.)

As we piled out of the car last Friday in the driveway, all three children "fell" in the two-foot snowdrift on the north. It absolutely amazed me how all of them could fall at

Giggles abounded. Snowball fighting was the next fun thing. Keeping a sense of humor was foremost on my list. I was grateful they weren't strong enough to form snowballs that hurt.

Finally, I got all of them in the house to shed the wet and cold clothing. They all gravitated to the fireplace and wanted a roaring fire. "Do we have marshmallows?" said Peyton, the marshmallow addict. "No you ate them when it was 60 degrees outside," I told her. She sulked a few minutes and got

Christian wanted to watch a movie about

NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDITOR

dinosaurs. The child loves dinosaurs. He has taught me so much about them because he has been fascinated with them since he first began preschool at age three. So we watched the movie.

Paige looked out the window at some of the neighborhood spruce and fir trees. One neighbor had gotten Christmas lights in their trees a few days before, and she was elated snow was on the lighted "Christmas trees."

Saturday morning Paige and Christian were anxious to explore the backyard. Laughing and playing, the two bundled up and began their adventure. Soon the imaginative Paige ran in to tell me there were two "snow dinosaurs" in the backyard. One was HUGE one, she said, and another was real little. When I walked out to look at them, I could see how their imaginations formed the idea of dinosaurs. Paige then assured me she and Christian would destroy them. And they

Peyton decided it was smarter (and warmer) to stay inside. Ah, the wisdom of an eight-year-old. She preferred coloring and drawing and playing games on the comput-

Each time we'd leave to go somewhere, it

was snowball-fighting time. Being caged in for longer periods of time than usual, the children had excessive energy.

We drove around that evening to look at Christmas lights until I thought they were sufficiently tired. Their bright, innocent eyes were dazzling at the many decorated homes and businesses.

As we arrived at church Sunday morning, the tow-headed Paige managed to find the deepest drift at the church and ran right through it. Then she saw a strip of ice and jumped on it at a run. Naturally, she went flying to the ground. Her response: "Wow! That was fun," She did look quite rumpled at church, but she has learned that is quiet time.

The children slept really well over the weekend. I'm imagining that "sugar plums were dancing in their heads." They each wrote a letter to Santa. I had to explain that Santa might not bring them all those things because he had so many other children to take care of for Christmas.

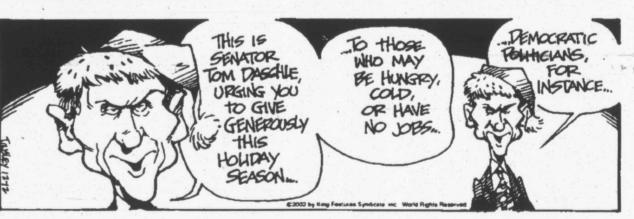
Christmas decorating will continue tonight. We got the tree put together, but it is not decorated. So, we're going to finish that.

And we're all celebrating tonight as we decorate. Today is the end of the college semester, and their mother will not have classes for a month. They have been spending so much time with me lately because of her work schedule and class schedule. They are elated they'll get to spend more time with her, and she is ecstatic. I'm ready for a respite myself.

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

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## A recipe for peace in the Middle East

Frederic Bastiat, 19th century French economist, predicted, "If goods don't cross borders, troops will." That's precisely the theme of a July 1 Weekly Standard article written by my Israeli colleague Daniel Doron, president of the Jerusalembased Israel Center for Social and Economic Development, titled, "The Way Forward for the Palestinians: It's Economic Development, Not Peace-processing."

Daniel Doron argues that during the quarter century from the Six Day War to the Oslo Accords, from 1967 to 1993, the political stalemate enabled a quiet peace. Israel maintained a modicum of law and order in Palestinian areas, and the Palestinian economy flourished. The Palestinian GDP quadrupled, standards of living rose, infant mortality fell, and seven new colleges were established. During this time of relative peace, hundreds of thousands of Palestinians worked in Israel. Though, Doron adds, going through security checkpoints was a hassle, once in Israel, Palestinians had total freedom of movement.

In the late 1980s, Palestinians opened informal markets on the demarcation lines between Arab and Jewish areas and catered to Israelis who couldn't shop on the Sabbath except in kibbutzim. Arab shopkeepers did all they could to promote peace and good relations with their customers. In these markets, the Palestinians earned an estimated \$300 million annually. That's about half of what they receive in foreign aid and one-quarter of their

WALTER WILLIAMS COLUMNIST GDP. During this period of relative peace,

Palestinians experienced nearly full employment, whereas today unemployment is about 60 percent and their standard of living has fallen by one-half.

The economic development experienced during this period of relative peace did produce some unintended consequences. The prosperity enjoyed by tradesmen, earning four times as much as workers under Jordanian rule, stirred resentment among Arab bureaucratic and intellectual elites. Doron says that "contact between the Arabs' almost medieval ethos of loyalty to location and clan, and the Israelis super-modern, sometimes brazenly liberal ethos, exacerbated the religious and national conflict. Also, Palestinians who attended Israeli universities were indoctrinated by leftist Israeli academics who promoted Palestinian statehood with greater fervor than most Arabs."

Doron concludes that the most important ingredient for conflict reduction is economic development. First, Israel should open its markets to Palestinian products. Israeli farmers unable to compete with Palestinian labor-intensive goods should be encouraged and helped to

produce goods for which they have an advantage. Similar arrangements could be worked out in the construction materials, apparel and footwear industries, and other sectors where Arab competition displaced Israeli workers. The Israeli government must cut its high taxes and red tape that hinder Israeli and Arab entrepreneurs alike and discourage joint ventures. Israel must keep its hands off the informal markets that have sprung up on the edges of Palestinian areas, which provide livelihoods and are very popular with Israeli

Doron is not naive. He recognizes that national/ethnic conflicts are not amenable to quick fixes. After all, it took Europeans, who had been trying to slaughter one another for centuries, a long time to overcome intractable national and religious conflicts. Economic cooperation and growth went a long way toward European peace (although today's European antiglobalists seem to want an end to goods crossing borders).

Economic development is more arduous and not as glamorous as the political struggle, but it has a proven ability to moderate Arab-Israeli conflict. Western "help," through billions of dollars of foreign aid, goes to bureaucracies that squander or steal it. Unfortunately, that's part of the human tragedy: What's in the interests of the bureaucratic and intellectual elite often works against the interests of the ordinary person attempting to move himself and his family a few steps up the economic ladder.

#### TODAY IN HISTORY

#### BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Dec. 12, the 346th day of 2002. There are 19 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 12, 1787, Pennsylvania became the second state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

On this date:

In 1870, Joseph H. Rainey of South Carolina became the first

black lawmaker sworn into the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1897, "The Katzenjammer Kids," the pioneering comic strip created by Rudolph Dirks, made its debut in the New York Journal.

In 1913, authorities in Florence, Italy, announced that the "Mona Lisa," stolen from the Louvre Museum in Paris in 1911, had been recovered.

In 1917, the Rev. Edward

Flanagan founded Boys Town out-

side Omaha, Neb.

In 1937, Japanese aircraft sank the U.S. gunboat Panay on China's Yangtze River. (Japan apologized,

and paid \$2.2 million in reparations.) In 1947, the United Mine Workers union withdrew from the American Federation of Labor.

In 1963, Kenya gained its independence from Britain.

In 1975, Sara Jane Moore pleaded

guilty to a charge of trying to kill President Ford in San Francisco the previous September.

In 1985, 248 American soldiers and eight crew members were killed when an Arrow Air charter crashed takeoff from Gander, Newfoundland.

In 2000, a divided U.S. Supreme Court reversed a state court decision for recounts in Florida's contested election, effectively transforming

George W. Bush into the president-

Ten years ago: At least 2,200 people were killed in an earthquake that struck the Flores Island region of Indonesia, President-elect Clinton tapped Thomas F. "Mack" McLarty to be his chief of staff, and Democratic national chairman Ron Brown to be commerce secretary. Miami quarterback Gino Torretta won the Heisman Trophy.

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## White House: Kissinger doesn't have to name clients

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House has told lawmakers that former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, President Bush's choice to head a commission investigating the Sept. 11 attacks, is not required by law to disclose his business clients.

Senate Democrats want the list to determine whether Kissinger's clients pose conflicts of interests.

A White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said federal law guiding presidential appointments does not require such disclosures when the appointee is not paid. Kissinger is draw-

The law does not prohibit Kissinger from turning over the client list on his own. The former secretary of state was not immediately available for comment.

The confrontation came to a head as former Sen. George Mitchell resigned from the commission.

Former Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., will replace Mitchell as vice chairman of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks.

The commission will follow up the work of the congressional inquiry that issued its final report Wednesday on intelligence failures leading up the terrorist attacks. The commission will conduct a broader investigation, looking at issues beyond intelligence, including aviation security and immigration.

In a letter to congressional Democratic leaders Wednesday, Mitchell said he had understood that the commission work would be part time.

"However, as you know, some have urged that I sever all ties to the law firm with which I am associated," he wrote. "Since I must work to support my family, I cannot comply."

He said concerns were raised about potential conflicts of interests and whether he would devote the time necessary to the commission. Some politicians and commentators have raised similar questions about Kissinger, who leads a major consulting firm.

Mitchell said his legal work would not have posed a conflict, but he was concerned about how much time the commission would have demanded.

His replacement, Hamilton, served more than 30 years in the House and is a former chairman of the International Relations and Intelligence committees.

The commission will be made up of five Democrats and five Republicans, including Kissinger, who was appointed by President Bush.

Democratic leaders on Wednesday appointed four other members to the panel: outgoing Sen. Max Cleland, D-Ga., outgoing Rep. Timothy Roemer, D-Ind., attorney Richard Ben-Veniste, and Jamie Gorelick, a deputy attorney general in the Clinton administration.

On Tuesday, Senate Republican leader Trent Lott appointed former Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash. Republican congressional leaders will name three more

Gorton's appointment has disappointed some relatives of the Sept. 11 victims. Gorton, a former chairman of a Senate aviation subcommittee, had close ties with Boeing Co., the largest private employer in Washington state. Boeing made all four planes used in the attacks.

Gorton's law firm, Seattle-based Preston Gates Ellis, also represents several major airlines.

"I think Gorton is a terrible appointment," said Stephen Push, whose wife," Lisa Raines, died in the attack on the Pentagon.

Kristen Breitweiser, whose husband Ronald was killed in the World Trade Center, said Gorton's appointment follows a troubling pattern set by the selection of Kissinger. Family members have criticized Kissinger's appointment because of potential conflicts.

"We want this commission to be independent — to fix problems that became apparent Sept. 11," said Breitweiser, of Middletown, N.J.

Gorton did not return messages left at his offices in Seattle and Washington.

Bush initially opposed the independent commission, but eventually agreed to back it as support grew in Congress.

## Lay Catholic group calls for cardinal's resignation

NEWTON, Mass. (AP) — The chorus of voices calling for the resignation of Cardinal Bernard Law grew louder as a influential reform group demanded that he step down, citing a "spiritual and moral crisis" in the Boston Archdiocese.

Dozens of priests also endorsed a letter this week calling for Law's resignation, and the cardinal and bishops who wor for him have been subpoenaed by the state attorney general to

The vote Wednesday by the Roman Catholic lay reform group Voice of the Faithful followed recent revelations detailing the extent of the abuse crisis left them with no choice but to publicly declare the archdiocese in need of new leadership.

"There is a state of spiritual and moral crisis in the Archdiocese of Boston," said Jim Post, president of Voice of the Faithful, which claims a national membership of 25,000. "In my judgment, the Archdiocese of Boston has effectively been without a bishop."

Earlier Wednesday, lawyers released more files highlighting accusations of abuse in the archdiocese. In one case detailed in the files, a priest allegedly molested a boy on 21 consecutive nights during a cross-country trip in a Winnebago.

The documents follow the recent release of thousands of pages of archdiocese personnel files containing allegations that, in addition to molesting young boys, some priests abused drugs and had illicit affairs.

Law has been at the Vatican for the past week meeting with church leaders amid speculation he may resign or get approval to declare bankruptcy in a bid to spare the Boston Archdiocese from financial ruin as it faces lawsuits connected to the allegations.

He flew to Rome on Saturday, one day after he and bishops who worked for him were subpoenaed to appear before a grand jury looking into possible criminal violations by church officials who supervised priests accused of child sexual abuse, a source familiar with the subpoenas confirmed to The Associated Press on Thursday.

Attorney General Thomas Reilly refused to comment when asked whether he had subpoenaed Law.

Law's attorney, J. Owen Todd, did not return telephone

Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said Thursday that Law may meet with the pope Friday before an expected return to Boston. Any decisions would be announced in

Seventy-one Voice of the Faithful members representing parishes in the Boston Archdiocese voted Wednesday for the motion calling for Law to step down. Two were opposed, and two abstained.

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## **PETITION**

because of the shortage of local physicians to take care of patients on that unit.

Dr. Lobaugh and Dr. Harral were the only locallybased OB/GYNs. Now, only Dr. Harral is in Pampa. Dr. Harral resigned her hospital privileges Tuesday, said Stephens.

Dr. Harral told The Pampa News Tuesday that she is exploring the possibility of moving her practice to Amarillo, and will be applying for hospital privileges at the two hospitals in that community. In the meantime, she said her office will remain open in Pampa.

"Nothing is 100 percent at this time," she said, adding she is considering other options.

Stephens said it may be six to nine months before recruiters can locate an OB/GYN doctor for the community.

Gee said she didn't see how the community could get people to move to Pampa if the hospital didn't offer amenities such as delivering babies.

"Another aspect to consider is the economy. If they are going to go to Amarillo or Borger to deliver their babies,

they're going to spend their Amarillo to work at those hosmoney there for food, clothing - all kinds of different things, she said. "We have enough trouble keeping people in Pampa to shop as it is."

Dr. Otoniel Huertas, an OB/GYN in Borger, was named medical director of the Women's Clinic, 100 W. 30th, in November. Dr. Harral previously served in that position at PRMC's Women's Clinic.

Gee also expressed concern about losing experienced nurses on the OB Unit. She said she understands several will be working in different areas of patient care at PRMC while others will travel to pitals.

"To me, if they get established in other employment, they're not as likely to come back (to Pampa)," said Gee. Gee also said the local

emergency medical care providers will have a burden put upon them to care for patients delivering or in labor.

She, like many other Pampa residents, want to see the problem resolved as soon as possible.

"I just think it is really sad," said Gee. "One of my friends' mother was born here in 1938, and there was an OB

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needed, nor would it be available on the

continuing basis. "In order to make this work," Laycock said, "we need a steady supply of water."

"I'm very much against it," Vanderburg said over the speaker phone which connected him to the hearing from his Missouri home.

He said he wasn't sure PETCO had legal grounds to drill for the water.

Vanderburg said that the original lease provided water to drill the well and water for people to live on the lease.

"Nobody knew what water flood

recovery was in the 1920s and 1930s," Vanderburg said.

Earp said water for about 30 houses in the Bowers City area would be affected by the high impact permit.

day," Earp said, "that's more than those houses are using.'

Fulton objected to using fresh water for the project.

"When you put fresh water in a a salt water zone," he said, "you've lost it."

Fulton said he had no objection if PETCO drilled deeper than the 2,900 feet they expect to drill for fresh water and used salt water to inject into the old oil wells to increase production.

"I'm against this fresh water going into a salt water zone," Fulton said. "We need to be conservative with fresh water."

"That oil is not nearly as important as

The Texas Railroad Commission has already approved the project, but the PGWCD still needs to approve it and issue a permit for the water well.

The board asked that the ownership claim to the water be resolved and documented before they make their deci-

#### "If they start pulling 2000 barrels a water," Earp said.

Water district officials said that the permit would apparently not violate any district rule.

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Adams said, the decision was made to shoot the tires on the

Wheeler County Deputies Walden and Julian Martinez shot out the tires, bringing the truck to a stop.

Officers said Dornwell was arrested without further incident.

"Thank goodness the

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### FIRE

there. That's when she called the fire department," Sevens said.

Most of the heat and fire damage was confined to the second story, but the first floor sustained water damage also, he said.

Then at 10:330 p.m. last night, four units and eight firefighters returned to the two-story frame home across from Pampa High School when someone reported seeing smoke coming from the house again.

An ember in the area of the original fire apparently rekindled and caught the floor on fire, Stevens said.

Heidi Phelps, disaster chair for Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross, said this morning that she is a personal friend of Linda Austin.

She said the family is covered by insurance and did not need Red Cross assistance at this time.

#### chase was mostly in rural Jernigan. Adams also thanked areas," Adams said.

Wheeler County The Sheriff commended his and Constable deputies Jernigan, saying they went above and beyond the call of duty in stopping the fleeing truck.

"They put their lives on the line," Adams said.

Adams also commended Trooper Henderson for blocking the truck's escape and turning it back to meet Walden, Martinez and

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Gray County Sheriff's officials and Texas Ranger Gary Henderson for their help.

Dornwell was initially taken before Gray County Justice of the Peace Mary Lou Carpenter in McLean to face charges, then returned to Shamrock to appear before Wheeler County Justice of the Peace Art Taylor, who set bond at \$2,500 on a charge of evading arrest and \$1,500 on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

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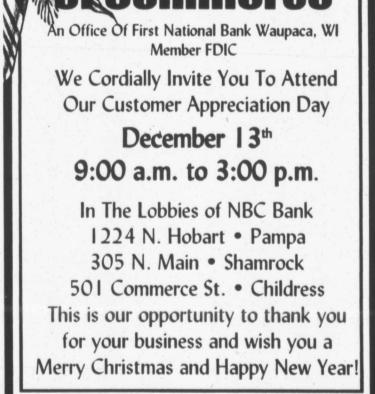
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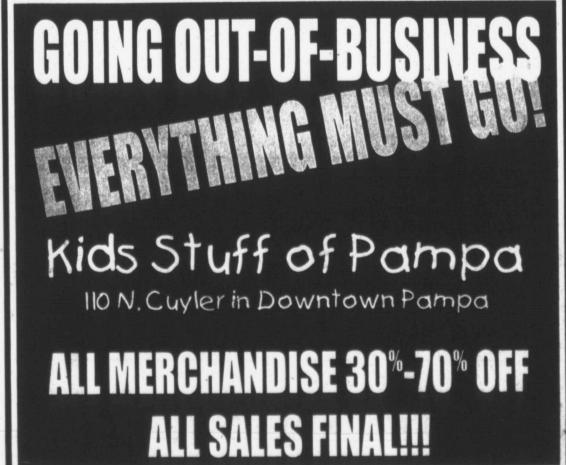
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## DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

## **Letter to Virginia Sustains Timeless Spirit of Santa**

DEAR ABBY: Before we know it, Christmas will be upon us, and my oldest child will again be asking me if there really is a Santa Claus. With all the traumatic events happening in our world today, I do not want to take anything away from him — and yet I realize he needs to know the truth.

A few years ago, there was a beautiful letter in your column from a mother who had a wonderful way of telling her child the truth about Santa without causing any damage or making the child feel let down. I am truly at a loss as to how to tell my little one the truth in a loving manner. Thank you, Abby. MOM IN CRYSTAL LAKE, ILL.

DEAR MOM: The piece, "Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus," is a classic. It was written in 1897 by Francis P. Church, the editor of the now-defunct New York Sun. He wrote it in response to this letter:

"Dear Editor: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in the Sun, it's so.' Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon

"Dear Virginia: Your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a age They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little

minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias.

"There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The external light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if you did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.

"The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in Marmaduke

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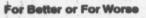
"You tear apart the baby's rattle to see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart.

"Only faith, poetry, love, romance can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and

"No Santa Claus? Thank God he lives, and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

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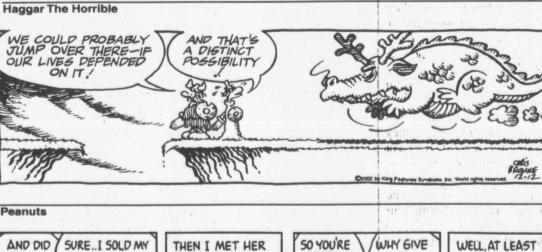
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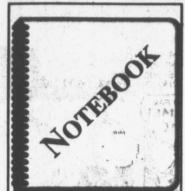
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## SPORTS



#### FOOTBALL

WACO, Texas (AP) -Guy Morriss knows how to please the Baylor faithful forget recent history, promise a winning future and repeat how much he loves the state of Texas.

Baylor's new coach on Wednesday promised a gettough attitude and commitment to winning at one of the Big 12's worst programs.

"I believe we can win here," Morriss told about 250 Baylor fans and school officials at his introductory news conference on campus. "We're going to put some accountability and pride back in this program, and we're going to start this afternoon.'

The 51-year-old Colorado City, Texas, native said a return to his home state was a big reason for leaving Kentucky after just two seasons.

#### **GOLF**

PAMPA — The PHS golf team will be extending its ticket sales for the 2003 Ford Ranger Edge pickup truck until Dec. 23. Due to the cancellation of the varsity basketball game Dec. 3, the drawing for the truck will be held at halftime of the varsity basketball game Jan. 2.

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased from any golf team member, or by calling David Teichmann at Hidden Hills (669-5866), or Donetta Conn (669-3834).

Ticket purchases are taxdeductible and proceeds will go to the high school golf program.

#### **RODEO**

LAS VEGAS (AP) -Tammy Key took the lead in the world barrel racing standings Wednesday night, winning the sixth round of the National Finals Rodeo with a 13.63-

second run. Key, of Ledbetter, Texas, has won four of the six rounds aboard Roundpen and also has a second-place finish in the 10-round rodeo.

"Everything had to be perfect to have a time like that," said Key, competing in her first NFR. "And it was tonight."

"My horse really likes this arena. I'm thinking they shouldn't have this event without me anymore."

Key leads 10-time world champion Charmayne James by \$3,482 with four rounds remaining. Key also leads the NFL average.

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Rod Lyman had a 3.3second run to win steer wrestling for the second straight night and move into the lead in the world standings. Birch Negaard of Buffalo, S.D., was second in 3.4 seconds, and Curtis Cassady of Donalda, Alberta, was third in 3.6.

In calf roping, Trevor Brazile of Anson, Texas, and Nate Baldwin of Rigby, Idaho, split first at 7.2 seconds. World leader Fred Whitfield of Hockley, Texas, was third at 7.5.

Wade Wheatley Hughson, Calif., and Kyle Lockett of Ivanhoe, Calif., won team roping at 4.0 seconds. Tee Woolman of Llano, Texas, and Mike Beers of Powell Butte, Ore., were second in 4.4.

In bareback riding, Pete Hawkins of Weatherford, Texas, won the round with

## Coronado holds off Harvesters, 52-43

CANYON — Pampa came close, but lost to Lubbock Coronado 52-43 in boys' basketball action Tuesday night.

Coronado, a 5A school with a 10-1 record, couldn't shake the Harvesters until the fourth quarter. Pampa trailed at halftime by seven (27-20) and cut the gap to two (36-34) after three quarters.

"Coronado has a very good team. I predict they'll win that 5A district," said Pampa head coach Jerry Schaeffer.

Coronado's Dennis Pease. a 6-7 senior recruited by several colleges, entered the contest averaging 23 points per game. He was held to 15 by Max Simon, Pampa's 6-3

"Max did a good job on him. He blocked a couple of his shots and made him change his shots several coach Schaeffer times," added.

Ryan Zemanek led Pampa scorers with 11 points and Jed Martin followed with 9.

Ross McOuistion and Anthony Durham added 9 points apiece for Coronado.

Others who scored for the Harvesters were Chance Bowers with 6 points, James Silva 5, Brittin East 4, Clayton Hall 4 and Collin Bowers 4.

Pampa goes to Dimmitt for another non-district game Friday night. Gametime is 8.

BRISCOE - Fort Elliott cagers split a pair of non-district games with San Jacinto on Tuesday night.

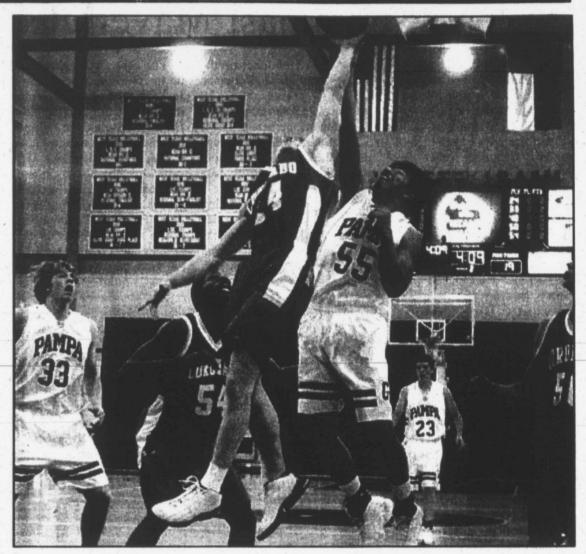
Fort Elliott won the girls' game by a score of 70-42.

Tamera Hartline led the Lady Cougars with 20 points. Sarah Zybach followed with

San Jacinto came out ahead in a 62-59 squeaker in the boys' contest.

Josh Adams poured in 34 points to lead San Jacinto.

Jason Hathaway had 18 points and Cade Zybach added 14 for the Cougars.



Pampa senior James Silva (55) battles a Lubbock Coronado player for the ball while teammate Max Simon (33) awaits a possible rebound.

# Iowa's Ferentz chosen AP's coach of the year

By the Associated Press

Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz is a man on the move.

One minute he's boarding a flight in Columbia, S.C., after a recruiting visit, a few hours later he's touching down in Miami and off to an Orange Bowl news conference.

"It's that time of year, a lot going on," said Ferentz this week during a break from his hectic schedule. "I'm off to Houston and Dallas, then New York on Friday."

Ferentz has a demanding are one of the best teams in the country, own a share of the Big Ten title with Ohio State and are headed to the Orange Bowl on Jan. 2 to play Southern California.

The job he's done in Iowa City had not gone unnoticed as Ferentz on Thursday was chosen The Associated Press College Coach of the Year.

"A great honor, representing the work of a lot of people," said Ferentz.

The 47-year-old Ferentz received 26 votes in balloting by 71 members of the AP college football poll board, which includes representatives of newspapers, TV and radio sta-

The former Iowa assistant under Hayden Fry won over Ohio State's Jim Tressel, who was second with 20 votes. Notre Dame's Tyrone Willingham was third with 10 votes, and West Virginia's Rich Rodriguez was fourth with four votes.

Receiving three votes apiece were Southern Cal's Pete Carroll, Miami's Larry Coker and Alabama's Dennis Franchione (now at Texas A&M). Georgia's Mark Richt had two votes.

"To be chosen over some very deserving coaches means a lot," said Ferentz, whose first Iowa team went 1-10 in 1999. "We've moved along in phases and the players have worked extremely hard to get to this point.

Patience helped, too. Iowa won just two of its first 20 itinerary for a reason: His games under Ferentz, and third-ranked Hawkeyes (11-1) there were rumblings the school had made the wrong hire. But Ferentz proved he could turn around the Hawkeyes' fortunes, just as Fry did in the early 1980s.

> Iowa won two of its final three games in 2000 and finished 3-9, then went 7-5 in 2001, including a 19-16 win over Texas Tech in the Alamo Bowl.

> When the AP's Top 25 preseason poll came out in August, a total of 50 teams received votes. Iowa wasn't among them.

> But Ferentz thought he had a pretty good quarterback in senior Brad Banks, a solid offensive line and defense that would only get better.

"We needed to improve on special teams and we had to learn how to win close games," said Ferentz.

Banks, who arrived at Iowa two years ago from a community college, took care of the winning. He led the nation in passing efficiency, had 25 touchdowns and just four interceptions as the Hawkeyes just missed a perfect season.

The only loss came in the third game against Iowa State, a 36-31 defeat that saw Iowa blow a 17-point, third-quarter

learned from the loss, and the key to the season came two weeks later when the Hawkeyes traveled to Penn State. Iowa jumped to big lead but the Nittany Lions rallied to force overtime before the Hawkeyes survived, 42-35.

Ferentz said. "A lot of people had doubts after we lost that one game, but to go on the road and win at Penn State gave everyone a shot of confi-

"That was a key moment,"

dence.' The next week, Iowa was Ferentz said his players outplayed by Purdue, but still won 31-28 on a late TD drive directed by Banks. "The way we somehow managed to win made me feel pretty good about the rest of the season,"

> That was the Hawkeyes final close call of the season. less.

In the final six games, Iowa outscored the opposition by a combined 229-67, winning each game by an average of 27 points.

Ferentz was Iowa's offensive line coach from 1981-89 before leaving to coach at Maine for three seasons. He spent six years in the NFL with Cleveland/Baltimore before returning to Iowa.

While the wins were rare early on, Iowa has won 20 of its last 27 games, with the seven losses by nine points or

## Dorsey, McGahee top Heisman finalists

NEW YORK (AP) — Ken Dorsey and Willis McGahee led No. 1 Miami back to the national championship game. Before they make it to Tempe, Ariz., they have one stop to make.

New York City.

Dorsey and McGahee were selected as Heisman Trophy finalists Wednesday, becoming the first teammates in eight years to be among the top five in the voting. Iowa quarterback Brad Banks, Penn State running back Larry Johnson and Southern California quarterback Carson Palmer also are finalists.

The winner will be announced Saturday night at the Yale Club in New York. The race is one of the most wide open in Heisman history. Dorsey is the only one of the five finalists to open the season as a Heisman hopeful after finishing third in the 2001 voting.

Penn State's Ki-Jana Carter and Kerry Collins were the last teammates to finish in the top five. Carter was second and

Collins fourth in 1994.

Ferentz said.

"I doubt I can get it because I've only been on the scene for like one year, and I didn't do as much as Kenny or the other quarterbacks did," McGahee said recently. "I don't know what the Heisman means in their terms, but in my terms it means the best overall player who has been performing the best to help their school win and getting the job done."

McGahee would be the first sophomore to win the award given to college football's most outstanding player. He ended the 2001 season as Miami's starting fullback, but moved back to tailback because of

He broke the school record with 27 touchdowns and also set school records for yards rushing (1,686), total yards (2,036), and 100-yard games (10). In last Saturday's 56-45 win over Virginia Tech, McGahee ran 39 times for a career-high 205 yards and broke a 69-year-old

school record with six touchdowns.

Dorsey, a senior from Orinda, Calif., is 38-1 as a starter and led the Hurricanes to another unbeaten season at 12-0. The Hurricanes play No. 2 Ohio State (13-0) in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 3.

This season, Dorsey went 194-of-350 for 3,073 yards, 26 touchdowns and 10 intercep-

Banks, meanwhile, never started a Division I-A game until this season. The senior from Belle Glade, Fla., led the nation in passing efficiency, going 155-of-258 for 2,369 yards, 25 touchdowns and four interceptions. He also ran for 387 yards and five TDs on 73 carries, and was The Associated Press College Player of the

He helped No. 3 Iowa to its first 11-win season, its first unbeaten Big Ten season since 1922, and a berth in the Orange Bowl.

## Local gymnast heads for Level 5 Texas State Championships

FORT WORTH — Level 5 team members Madison Fatheree and MaKayla Hampton of Gymnastics of Pampa recently entered their first Texas North State Semi-Finals meet in Fort Worth. Both girls competed in the 7-8 yearold age group for Team Pampa. They were trying to qualify for the Level 5 Texas State Championships to be held in

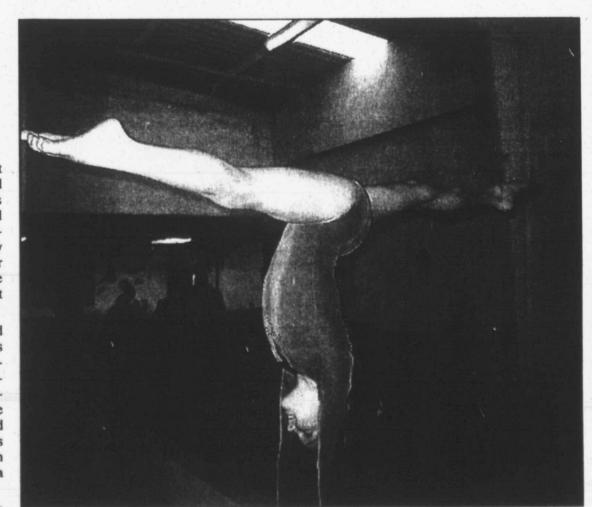
Lancaster on Saturday. Madison Fatheree successfully qualified for the state meet by finishing 14th in the All-Around standings with a 35.85 score. She had an outstanding floor routine to tie for fourth place with a 9.425. She finished 9th on bars with a 9.075 and 18th on vault with an 8.675. She scored an 8.675 on balance beam.

"Madison had a great meet until we got to beam," said coach Kathey Rice. "Nerves got her a little and she had a fall that cost her a top five All-Around finish. We were very proud of her composure for such a young gymnast and are hoping for four solid routines at

MaKayla .. Hampton had solid meet on all four apparatus and had several of her best routine performances of the season. Her best event at Semi-Finals was balance beam where she finished with an 8.825 and 26th place. Her floor score was an 8.75 and she had an 8.0 on bars. She finished with a 32.975 in the All-Around.

MaKayla qualified for the Division 2 State meet, but was unable to attend.

Division.



Pampa gymnast Madison Fatheree, 8, is a state qualifier in the Level 5

## Parker has career-high 32 points to lead Spurs past Mavericks

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tony Parker picked the right night to nearly triple his usual scoring output.

The San Antonio point guard scored a career-high 32 points, including seven free throws in the game's final minute, to lead the Spurs to a 111-104 win over division rival Dallas on Wednesday night.

The loss was only the third in 22 games this season for the Mavericks, who played without leading scorer and rebounder Dirk Nowitzki (sprained ankle).

performance Parker's helped the Spurs hold off a fourth-quarter Dallas charge led by Michael Finley, who made four 3-pointers in the period - the final one pulling the Mavs to 97-92 with about three minutes left.

"We were not shooting well and had some turnovers (in recent games), but tonight we stayed together and turned it all around," Parker said. "That was key."

Finley scored 17 points in the final quarter and finished the game with 36, nearly double his season average.

Parker — averaging 11.7 points this year coming into Wednesday's game swished a 3-pointer at the shot-clock buzzer with 2:24 left, and Stephen Jackson had a dunk following a steal to build San Antonio's lead to 102-94.

"I give Tony a lot of credit because he did what he's supposed to," said Steve Nash, who guarded Parker much of the game. "He's got the luxury of playing with two big men. We had to focus on them and (Parker) stepped up."

Tim Duncan added 22 the basket.

points and 13 rebounds for the Spurs, and David Robinson had 17 points and 10 rebounds. Jackson contributed 17 points off the bench.

The Spurs, who have struggled at the foul line all season, made 21 of their 26 free

"If we had been shooting at our usual 29th-in-theleague clip, the game might not have come out the same way," coach Gregg Popovich said.

San Antonio connected on 12 of 20 shots in the third quarter to open an 80-69 lead. Parker finished the period with eight points on 4-for-6 shooting, and Jackson had a follow-up dunk and a 3-pointer in the final two minutes.

At the other end, the Mavericks struggled on offense, making only six of their 24 attempts. Finley, who had 19 points in the first half, was held scoreless in the peri-

Nash had 21 points and 10 assists for Dallas, while Nick Van Exel, starting in place of the injured Adrian Griffin, scored 16.

Finley said the Mavs missed having Nowitzki in their lineup, but he didn't blame the loss on that.

"This was a very winnable game," said Finley, who is averaging just under 20 points a game. "They're very weak in the transition and we didn't take advantage of that."

Dallas scored 20 fast-break points in the first half, but only three in the final two periods.

San Antonio started strong, with Duncan making his first four shots and Parker using his speed to drive past Nash to

The Spurs built their lead up to 25-15 on a 3-pointer by Jackson with 3:50 remaining in the opening period. But Dallas switched to a zone defense, and six minutes later, it was the Mavericks who were ahead by 10.

Finley sparked a 32-6 Dallas run by hitting a 3pointer and an 18-footer late in the first, and then another jumper and a pair of layups in the first two minutes of the second quarter. He then capped the run with a dunk that put Dallas ahead, 47-31.

But the scoring mood abruptly swung back to the Spurs, who had an 18-3 spurt of their own over a threeminute stretch late in the half. Parker made a pair of 3-pointers and Robinson a follow-up dunk on a missed layup by Parker with 1.7 seconds on the clock to pull San Antonio back within one, 54-53, at the

Notes: San Antonio's record is now 13-9. After 22 games last season, the team was 18-4 and in the midst of an 11game winning streak. ... The Spurs, who began life as the ABA Dallas Chaparrals, have an all-time record of 69-44 against the Mavericks. ... Malik Rose, who signed a seven-year, \$42 million contract during the offseason, played 18 minutes, one more minute than he had played in San Antonio's previous three games combined. ... Dallas is now 9-3 on the road, previously losing at Indiana on Thanksgiving Day and the Los Angeles Lakers last week.

... The Mavericks' potent offense, tops in the league, has surpassed 100 points in seven straight games and 10 of their

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**Sunday's Games** 

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Monday's Game

New England at Tennessee, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Miami at Minnesota, 1:30 p.m. San Francisco at Arizona, 5 p.m. Philadelphia at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22

Detroit at Atlanta, 1 p.m. Buffalo at Green Bay, 1 p.m. Houston at Washington, 1 p.m. Chicago at Carolina, 1 p.m. N.Y. Giants at Indianapolis, 1 p.m. Tennessee at Jacksonville, 1 p.m. San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m. New Orleans at Cincinnati, 1 p.m. St. Louis at Seattle, 4:05 p.m. Denver at Oakland, 4:15 p.m. Cleveland at Baltimore, 4:15 p.m. N.Y. Jets at New England, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 23 Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 9 p.m.

## Rose gets closer to Hall of Fame induction NEW YORK (AP) — While Rose agreed to in August 1989 a fellow Ohioan who has been

Cooperstown and the World Series, Pete Rose was slowly gaining his most valuable ally with Bud Selig: time.

The negotiations between the commissioner and the career hits leader have been going on for more than a year, according to a high-ranking baseball official. The talks, which had been secret until this week, became public following a meeting between Rose and Selig last month in Milwaukee.

Several baseball officials, all speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the sides appeared to be working their way toward a deal in recent weeks, but no agreement had been reached to end the ban, which

fans were chanting his name at following an investigation of his gambling.

While Selig is willing to allow him back in, Rose has to admit he bet on baseball as part of any agreement. He has been pushed to make the admission by Hall of Famers Joe Morgan and Mike Schmidt, and at the meeting last month, Schmidt was among those in attendance.

Selig had long opposed an end to the ban but allowed talks to start around the time of the 2001 World Series, the highranking baseball official said. Asked what triggered the change, the official said it was "just the passage of time."

Reinstatement would make Rose eligible for the Hall of Fame, and that mere possibility angered Hall member Bob Feller, vocal in his opposition to ending the ban.

It's a publicity stunt by him and his people," Feller said Wednesday. "I'm tired of talking about it. I'm fed up. He's histo-

Feller was among a group of Hall of Famers who threatened to walk out of ceremonies at Cooperstown in 2000 if Cincinnati Reds broadcaster Marty Brennaman had used his induction speech to campaign for Rose. Brennaman made a brief but impassioned plea on Rose's behalf, but the group of veterans remained.

In addition to becoming eligible for the Hall ballot, an end to the ban would allow the former Cincinnati manager to work for a team.

## Stars handed first home loss in regulation

DALLAS (AP) - The Dallas Stars 16:26 to play and won for only the sechad no answer for Los Angeles' top line of Jason Allison, Adam Deadmarsh and Ziggy Palffy.

Allison, Deadmarsh and Palffy each had a goal and two assists, and Jamie Storr got his 14th career shutout as the Kings handed the Stars their first home defeat in regulation this season, 3-0 Wednesday night.

Los Angeles beat the Western Conference-leading Stars for the second time in less than three weeks.

"Our big line was clicking tonight," Kings coach Andy Murray said. "Those were three nice goals. When we get all our players back, we're not a bad team ourselves."

Allison and Deadmarsh have returned from injuries within the last week, giving the Kings a potent trio that has 26 points in its last six games.

"Everybody's healthy," Palffy said. "Getting those guys back is a big help. They're two of our leaders."

Dallas had earned at least a point in each of its first 13 home games, going 10-0-2-1. The Stars had an overtime loss to Florida and ties with the New York Rangers and Detroit.

The Kings shut out the Stars for the second consecutive game this season and third straight overall.

Storr, making his sixth appearance of the season while starter Felix Potvin got the night off, faced 13 shots in each of the last two periods and finished with 35 saves. He stopped Mike Modano with a glove save on a breakaway with

ond time this season (2-3-1).

"I guess I was in the right place at the right time," said Storr of the stop on Modano. "He made a great shot, but luckily I had the glove in the right posi-

Pótvin got his 28th career shutout Tuesday night, a 3-0 victory at Nashville. Los Angeles has a shutout

streak of 120 minutes, 19 seconds. The Kings scored on three of their first eight shots against Marty Turco, who began the night as the league leader in goals-against average and save percentage. Turco was lifted midway through the second period.

"This was a flat effort and a disappointing way for (the home streak) to end," Turco said. "I guess we expected we could just show up. We need to realize that it takes hard work."

Stars coach Dave Tippett was an assistant for the Kings last season, and he was facing his former team on Dallas ice for the first time. The Kings were 2-0 winners in Los Angeles on Nov. 23.

Deadmarsh beat Turco from the right circle on the Kings' first shot 6:43 after opening faceoff. It Deadmarsh's 12th goal.

Allison converted a two-on-one pass from Deadmarsh for his fifth goal and a 2-0 advantage at 2:28 of the second period. Palffy notched his ninth goal, the next few days. Togetherness builds from the slot on a power play at 9:21 of because of your willingness to let go of a response to a partner. the second period.

Tippett replaced Turco with backup Ron Tugnutt at 10:12 of the second

#### Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* Everything is coming up roses as you swing into the next few days. Your convivial mood flows into the workplace as well as anywhere your smile goes. Spread mistletoe and happiness around. You can never be ten generous with positive vibes. Tonight: Let the

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\* Take your time with decision-

others the benefit of the doubt, including \*\* Finances play a significant role in you. Tonight: Lay back. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* \* Where your friends are is A boss or a higher-up favors you. You'll

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. and check in with your pals. Talk up a options more carefully. Tonight: In the storm; keep conversations moving. Walk limelight. Step back and use your creativity. You on out the door as soon as you can. Let SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) will be unusually lucky as long as you the good times roll. Accept an invitation. ★★★★ You reverse course more eas-

path. Viva la impulsiveness! Just be \*\*\* Others look to you for ideas. your ability to adjust, assume you'll be in yourself, and you'll watch everything Take charge with work and clear out as charge here. Touch base with someone at land as you would like it to, especially much as possible. The more you do, the a distance. Tonight: Find your favorite prior to September 2003. You will gain better your weekend will be. Touch base person professionally after that, but will need to with a co-worker or an associate who CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) exercise slightly more caution. If you are might have a lot to share. Tonight: Lead

\*\*\* Your mind roams from one ble of networking, finding the right holishould you so decide. In fact, someone topic to another, but rarely will your day gift or anything else that comes your quite special or different could enter your thoughts be related to work. Skip out the way. Loosen up with others. Tonight: life. If you are attached, express your door early, if you can. Catch up with a Head on home. authentic self. Remain open. Your sweet- loved one early on. Get seats to a AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ie finds you especially appealing this Christmas or New Year's concert. Tonight: Find mistletoe.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* A partner taps on your door, coming from. You might not care, as 4-Positive; full of holiday cheer. Please join him or you're in one of your positive, gregarious her as soon as you can. Whether shopping or going to a holiday party, you'll have a good time. Know when to say PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) you've had enough. Listen to someone's suggestion. It will make life easier. Tonight: Start thinking tree, apple cider your work. Make a list of what you want and other such seasonal happenings.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\* \* \* \* Others knock on your door If . you can remember a dream from last night, it might be quite significant. Take an extended lunch break or skip lunch and leave early. You'll want plenty of, First lady Mary Todd Lincoln (1818), making, or postpone any resolution for time for holiday errands and gatherings. Tonight: Carefully choose your words in

> your work decisions. You might not choose to discuss what you're thinking.

problem. Good news drops on you. Give SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

where you want to be. Listen to others see results soon enough. Consider your

ily than many. You could rethink plans or a project because of news. Because of

\*\*\* Deal with the basics. Ask an associate or partner for more feedback. Together you become quite a team, capa-

\*\*\*\* Your efforts come back in multiples. Keep reaching out. A contrary friend lets you know where he or she is periods. Others gather around you. Tonight: Hang with others.

\*\*\* A boss does a reversal, which works with your plans. Still, clear out to do after you leave work. Stress getting what you need done. You cannot avoid a must appearance. Budget yourself tightly. Tonight: Treat yourself well.

**BORN TODAY** actor Dick Van Dyke (1925), prize fighter Archie Moore (1913)

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## Defiant North Korea vowing to reactivate nuclear reactor

BY CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Renewing fears of a nuclear crisis on the Korean Peninsula, North Korea said Thursday it will reactivate a nuclear power plant that U.S. officials suspect was being used to develop

The North said it had no choice after the U.S.-led decision last month to suspend annual oil shipments of 500,000 tons. The announcement also came shortly after a ship carrying North Korean Scud missiles to Yemen was intercepted in the Arabian Sea. After hours of awkward negotiations, U.S. officials let the shipment go.

It wasn't clear whether the interception influenced the decision. After the interception, an editorial in the North's official newspaper, Rodong Sinmun, said: "It is necessary to heighten vigilance against the U.S. strategy for world supremacy and 'anti-terrorism

"We can only speculate that yesterday's incident and North Korea's electricity shortage in the winter propelled North Korea to make a response," said Kim Sung-han of the staterun Institute of Foreign Affairs

and National Security in Seoul. A North Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman said his country would revive the old, Soviet-designed reactor and resume construction of other nuclear facilities to supply desperately needed power. KCNA, the North's state-run news agency, quoted the spokesman but did not name

"Our principled stand is that the nuclear crisis on the Korean Peninsula should be resolved peacefully," the spokesman said. "It's totally up to the United States whether we will freeze our nuclear facilities again."

The nuclear program was suspended under a 1994 deal with Washington, averting a possible war on the Korean Peninsula. Experts say North Korea could quickly extract enough plutonium from its old facilities to make several nuclear weapons.

The decision to suspend oil shipments, which were a key provision of the 1994 deal, was designed to pressure North Korea to give up a more recent nuclear program based on uranium enrichment.

The United States says the uranium-based program violated a nuclear arms control clause in the 1994 pact.

"Our country faced an immediate problem in electric-

ity generation because the United States has virtually abandoned its obligations," the North Korean spokesman was quoted as saying in comments that were monitored by South Korea's Yonhap news agency.

Although the spokesman left open the possibility of dialogue to solve the standoff, American and South Korean officials have long feared that North Korea might reactivate its plutonium-based nuclear program.

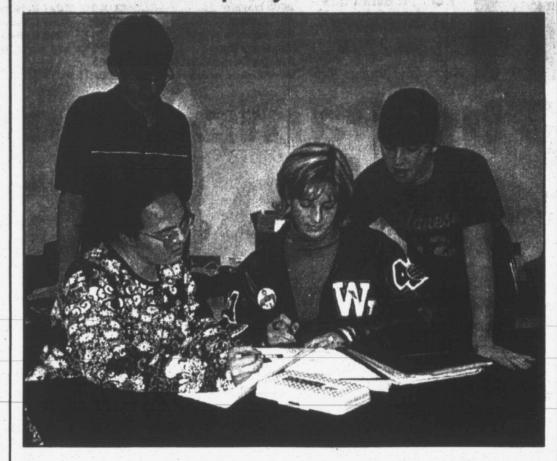
South Korean President Kim Dae-jung has sought to reconcile with North Korea. His government urged North Korea to reverse its decision.

"The government expresses deep regret and concern that the North Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman's statement could create tension on the Korean Peninsula," Seok Dong-yun, a South Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman, said in a statement.

U.S. Defense | Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has said he believes North Korea already has one or two nuclear

Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage, who was in China for talks, said Thursday that China shares American concern about North Korea's nuclear program and is expected to urge "different behavior" on its isolated, secretive ally.

## 4-H Christmas party



(Photo by Emily Elliott)

Gray County 4-H Council met recently to plan its upcoming 4-H Christmas Party slated Sunday, Dec. 15. 4-Hers will enjoy refreshments and games and are encouraged to bring hats, scarves, gloves, and mittens for donation to Child Protective Service's Rainbow Room. Above: (seated, left-right) 4-H Council Vice Chairperson of Recreation Sarah Schwab, Vice Chairperson of Community Service Emily Nusser and (standing, I-r) Recreation Committee members Drake Jackson and Meagan Crawford.

## Halliburton near settlement of claims

DALLAS (AP) — Amid signs that Halliburton Co. may be close to settling costly asbestos claims, lawyers for the company and claimants have agreed to continue a freeze on the cases while negotiations continue.

A deal could be struck by Friday to wipe out Halliburton's liability for pending and future claims, said a lawyer who took part in negotiations last week but opposes the pending deal.

Halliburton, the energy-serices and construction giant once led by Vice President Dick Cheney, faces about 300,000 asbestos claims.

More than 200,000 of the

### WT ornaments now available

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for delivery.) Collectors and WTAMU friends may mail orders to Bookstore, WTAMU Box 60937, Canyon, Texas 79016-0001, call 806-651-2744, fax 806-651-2752 or stop by the University Bookstore, located in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center on the WTAMU campus.

Profits from the sale of the omaments will fund campus beautification projects.

claims were stayed - kept out of the courts — by a federal judge in February as part of bankruptcy proceedings in Pittsburgh involving a one-time unit of a former Halliburton subsidiary that made products containing asbestos.

The judge's order has been extended several times, buying time for Halliburton to negotiate with plaintiffs' lawyers. The Dallas-based company is trying to wipe out a potential liability that a consultant estimated this year at \$2.2 billion through 2017. The consultant said insurance would cover all but \$602 million.

It was not clear how much Halliburton would be willing to pay to settle the cases. Company officials did not return several Wednesday Wednesday evening.

Peter Kraus, a Dallas lawyer for about 600 claimants, many of whom have cancer that they blame on exposure to asbestos, estimated the value of current claims at \$2.75 billion.

Kraus said Halliburton had agreed to pay some claims with cash and others out of a trust fund created under the bankruptcy proceedings of Harbison-Walker Refractories Co., which

first investment in Japan in

March by partnering with a

supermarket chain, is raising

its stake in the retailer to 34

Seiyu, the Japanese chain,

said Thursday the deal will

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Mart Stores, which made its competition as domestic

was sold by a former Halliburton subsidiary.

The lawyer said he dropped out of negotiations this week but was briefed Wednesday. He said a major stumbling block was that Halliburton wanted to delay paying claims that Harbison-Walker had already settled but not paid — before going into bankruptcy this year.

"While I believe a deal is likely to get done, I believe it's likely that certain lawyers, including myself, will oppose it," Kraus said. "I don't think it's good for the most seriously injured, the cancer victims. They would fare better in the court system with their right to a jury trial."

Halliburton officials have said they would aggressively defend the company against asbestos-related claims and lawsuits. Faced with investors worried by the potential liability, company officials say they have settled more than 200,000 claims over 25 years for less than \$800 per claim.

Earlier Wednesday, the company issued a statement confirming that a conference on the status of the Harbison-Walker bankruptcy case had been continued until Friday.

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## **Fund-raising document schools** candidates in donor psychology

WASHINGTON (AP) -Why do people give to political campaigns? The Ohio Republican Party counted the reasons and came up with seven big ones, among them fear, favor and access.

It turns out that actually believing in the cause or the candidate — surely the purest reason for getting involved in a campaign — counts for something, too, according to

"It counts for fifth place.

The list came out as part of a lawsuit over the nation's new campaign finance law. Jason Mauk, speaking for the Ohio GOP, said it was used at candidate training schools in the 1998 elections to offer politicians and fund-raisers insights into what works when asking people for money.

Habit is the No. 1 reason people give to a campaign, the research found. "Most people set aside money for a select number of causes," the paper says. "They will give to these causes over and over.'

Personal relationships are the No. 2. reason. "People will give if someone they know asks for them to as a personal

favor," the list says. So it seems from another GOP document from 1998. In a note, GOP Chairman Bob Bennett asked then-Gov. George Voinovich to help solicit \$100,000 contributions from four people, including Richard Jacobs, a former Cleveland Indians owner; and the late Al Lerner, former owner of the Cleveland Browns.

"I know that, because of your relationship with each of these individuals, we have a good chance of securing these contributions," Bennett wrote. "I will be happy to make the request of each of these individuals if you would make contact in advance of my call encouraging them to be helpful to the Party this year."

Mauk declined to say whether the four contributed. Voinovich, now a senator, doesn't remember whether he made the calls, said spokesman Scott Milburn. Jacobs couldn't be reached.

After personal relationships on the list comes the expectation that by giving money to a campaign, people will get something back.

"This is one thing to watch out for," the training paper says. "Never promise anything in return for a contribution. It may come back to haunt you."

The No. 4 reason for giving is similar: access. "People give to political candidates because they want the ability to have their phone call returned by this person."

Mauk said many people have tried to make the case Former Rep. Robert that the list is an example of

"pay to play" but it isn't. "There's no doubt that some people participate in the political process financially because they expect access to elected officials, but that is not something we promise in exchange for financial support," he said.

Ohio Republicans found that "issues and ideology" or supporting candidates or causes in line with their valued — was the fifth most important reason for giving.

"Fear of the other side" came next. These people were motivated less by liking Republicans than by disliking Democrats.

And, finally, a phenomenon the list delicately calls CYA. Many people give to both sides so they will have access no matter who wins.

One way of describing that is Cover Your Access.

Walker, R-Pa., a Washington lobbyist, said the Ohio list sounded about right to him, including the emphasis on personal relationships. He said that with a safe district, he did little fund raising for himself, but did raise money for his party.

"I usually had a fairly elaborate background on the person I was calling," Walker said. As House Science Committee chairman, he was often asked to call people he knew in science and technolo-

Now Walker is asked to give. When he does, No. 2 — 'personal relationships," is usually why, he said.

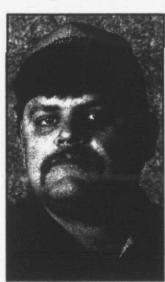
Democratic Longtime donor Peter Buttenwieser said he had his own reasons for

## Panhandle man named new Pampa TxDOT supervisor

Lloyd A. "Pete" Hare, Jr. was recently appointed maintenance supervisor of Department of Transportation (TxDOT) office in Pampa. Hare began his TxDOT career in 1982 as a sign technician in Panhandle. He was appointed to his current position of assistant supervisor of the Panhandle Office in 1992.

Hare will oversee the roadway maintenance and construction activities for the more than 770 lane miles of TxDOT highways in Gray and parts of Roberts counties.

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