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**LOCAL**

**Oil & gas forecast topic of API dinner**

Panhandle chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will meet Thursday, Feb. 20, at the Pampa Country Club.

Richard Spears of Spears & Associates, Inc., of Tulsa, Okla., will speak on "2003 Forecast of the Oil & Gas Industry." The meeting is open to members and guests. A.P.I. memberships are available at the door.

Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m., and dinner is served at 7 p.m. An Italian buffet is \$15 per person. Baker Oil Tools of Pampa is donating door prizes.

The March A.P.I. meeting is scheduled for March 20. The annual fish fry is set for April 5 at the Pampa Country Club and on May 2, A.P.I. will host its 51st annual benefit scholarship golf tournament at the Pampa Country Club.

**STATE**

**Perry appoints chair of Board of Education**

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry on Monday appointed Geraldine "Tincy" Miller of Dallas as chairwoman of the state Board of Education.

**DEATHS**

Alva J. Tucker, 97. Bible scholar, Sunday school teacher.

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(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

**Kelly Rushing, chief deputy for Gray County Sheriff's Office, presents the department's 2002 racial profiling report to Gray County Commissioners Court Friday.**

**Election filings open**

By DAVID BOWSER  
 STAFF WRITER

Today is the first day to file an application for a place on the city election ballot.

Election day for mayor and two of Pampa's four city commissioners is May 3.

Pampa City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers said today that while city elections are held each spring, this May's election is particularly important because the mayor's position along with two commissioners positions is up for election.

"That's a majority of the commission," Jeffers said. Unfortunately, she said, usually less than 10 percent of the registered voters turn out for a city election. There are about 12,000 registered voters in Pampa.

This spring's election will be for mayor, presently held by Lonny Robbins, and city commissioners for Ward 1 and Ward 3, presently held by Jeff McComick and Robert Dixon, respectively.

To run for one of the positions, Jeffers said prospective candidates need to come to her office in city hall, file an appli-

cation and designate a campaign treasurer.

"They can be their own campaign treasurer," Jeffers said.

Jeffers said that in Pampa, the mayor and all city commissioners are elected at large, that is, all voters in Pampa can vote for them, but the city commissioners have to live in the ward they represent.

"A commissioner must live in the ward," Jeffers said, "but they are elected at large."

Pampa is divided into four wards, roughly representing the northwest (Ward 1), northeast (Ward 2), southeast (Ward 3) and southwest (Ward 4) quadrants of the city.

March 19, will be the last day to file an application for a place on the ballot, Jeffers said.

Drawing for placement on the ballot will be at 9 a.m., March 20, in the city secretary's office.

March 24, is the last day for a write-in candidate to declare candidacy, Jeffers said.

The last day for a candidate to withdraw from a race is March 28.

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**Racial profiling report: Gray County deputies stop more white males in 2002**

By NANCY YOUNG  
 MANAGING EDITOR

Males are more likely to be stopped for traffic violations by the Gray County Sheriff's Department than women, according to the first racial profiling report in the county.

Gray County Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing explained to the county commissioners court the new data law enforcement agencies are required to compile after a 2001 law enacted.

A total of 286 males were stopped by county deputies in 2002, while 128 females were stopped. Broken down by ethnicity, more white drivers were stopped, he reported.

The following was released by GCSO: white, 323; Hispanic, 54; black, 35; and Asian, 2.

If patrol cars are equipped with video cameras, the report is not neces-

sary, said Rushing. Gray County Sheriff Department will soon have the video cameras in all their patrol units, he said, but they will continue to also compile the reports.

He said the local department has been approved for grant funding and the cameras have been ordered.

Rushing told the commission the data required includes the gender and the ethnicity of persons stopped by officers as well as when vehicles are searched and resulting arrests.

Information required by officers to collect from traffic and pedestrian stops physical descriptions of each person detained as a result of the stop including the gender and ethnicity. Also the street address or approximate location of the stop is recorded as well as the offense or the traffic law or ordinance alleged to have been violated.

County Judge Richard Peet present-

ed Gray County Constable Precinct Two Chris Lockridge's report for 2002.

Traffic stops of white offenders by Lockridge numbered 182. Lockridge's report indicated he issued 118 citations, 10 verbal warnings and 35 written warnings to persons of the white race. He reported two criminal violations for the year.

Lockridge stopped 21 blacks in traffic stops and one in criminal violations. Eleven blacks received citations while two received verbal warnings and five written warnings.

Hispanics were stopped 27 times in traffic stops with 17 receiving tickets, three received verbal warnings and nine written warnings.

One Asian was stopped and received a ticket.

"Race was not used for traffic stops or searching vehicles. Other factors

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**PEDC project review:**

**American Energy sells out, local office to close**

*Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of articles on the progress of the dissolution of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation and status of the PEDC's projects.*

By NANCY YOUNG  
 MANAGING EDITOR

As the Pampa Economic Development Corporation works to clear the accounts of the dissolving entity, the status of each project was reviewed at a recent meeting.

**American Energy**

Board President Doug Locke that the PEDC is obtaining appraisals on the American Energy building and the US Bus building. He said one appraisal has come in on the buildings, and two others are expected in upcoming days.

Board Member Steve Phillips said that American Energy was bought by another company.

"We lost out for no other reason than it was a buy-out," he said. "They've been a very good corporate partner." He said everything is just about gone from the Pampa location.

He said company representatives told him the company has businesses in Oklahoma and at Cisco and the services provided in Pampa will be done at those locations.

"They will pay rent until they are gone,"

said Phillips. He said a sand bin is listed in the PEDC inventory and he believes it has been removed.

The board instructed Vanessa Buzzard, attorney, to contact the company for the return on the equipment and request an environmental audit on the property.

Phillips said it is in the contract that American Energy do diligent environmental work before leaving the area. He said the company has been cooperative with any inquiries or requests.

One crane has been sold from the building and the buyer of that crane has indicated they would like to purchase the second crane, said Locke.

Discussion centered around whether the crane should remain with the building to increase the value of the structure for sale.

Phillips said many people have looked at the building, but no one has wanted to buy it yet.

**US Bus building**

Board members expressed concern that the exterior of the building has fallen in a state of disrepair. Phillips said the area needs to be cleaned with a fence needing repair and weeds cleaned up.

He said security is needed and the utility bills were quite high because people are leaving on lights. The PEDC pays the utilities on

(See PEDC, Page 3)

**Celanese at sunrise**



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Lights twinkle within Celanese Chemical Plant west of Pampa as it's silhouetted against a multi-color sky at sunrise this morning.

**Got goat?**

**Guest of the city headed to auction block Tuesday**

The City of Pampa is trying to find a home for a goat.

"The City of Pampa Animal Control Department is currently in possession of one adult male, white and tan in color, old wither goat and does hereby post and place for public record this notice of sale," is what the notice at city hall said today.

Animal Control Officer Monty Montgomery said the castrated goat was found about 7 p.m., Feb. 4, at Brown and Cuyler streets and has been a guest of the city since then.

The goat will go on the auction block at 9 a.m., Tuesday, at the Pampa Animal Control Shelter in Hobart Street Park.

The minimum bid is \$41.

"Maybe we can find that goat a good home," said Rick Harris, the prosecuting attorney that signed the notice of sale.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

Thursday, Feb. 13

An unattended death was reported near the intersection of 28th and Duncan.

Friday, Feb. 14

A burglary was reported in the 100 block of South Dwight. A front door was broken out to make entry, according to the police report. Numerous tools, including a skills saw, circular saw, 3/8 inch drill, router, heat gun, soldering iron, 10 electric plug adapters, screw gun, a small tool box and a large tool box and a VCR, were reported taken. Loss was \$465.

A park bench in Central Park was reported totally destroyed in a hit and run. Estimated value was \$1,000.

Theft of a mini system radio/TV/VCR was reported stolen at a business in the 1800 block of North Hobart. Estimated loss was \$100.

Saturday, Feb. 15

Donna Gail Mejia, 41, 1214 S. Barnes, was arrested on a Gray County district court warrant for forgery of financial instruments and a Hutchinson County warrant for forgery.

Tobias J. Rich, 22, 800 N. Nelson, was arrested for attempted burglary of a habitation.

Two windows and a glass door were broken out in a criminal mischief in the 700 block of South Cuyler. Estimate of loss was \$700.

Back window of a vehicle was reported broken out of a vehicle in the 2300 block of Cherokee. Damage to window was estimated at \$100. A 10-inch speaker box valued at \$170 was taken.

Stalking was reported in the 1600 block of Mary Ellen.

Report of burglary at a business in the 700 block of West Foster was made. Police report

stated a window valued at \$50 was broken out to gain entry. Woofers, speakers and amplifiers valued at \$735 were reported taken.

Burglary was reported in the 2500 block of Rosewood. A door received \$200 damage. Items reported stolen were an entertainment system, knives, clothes, two radio/TV/VCR systems, 250 videos and a lava lamp. Estimate of loss was \$4,231.

Flower vases were reported damaged at Fairview Cemetery. Estimate of loss was \$20.

Two forgeries were reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Forgery was reported in the 800 block of Locust.

A runaway was reported.

Two bikes were reported taken in the 1100 block of Huff. One bike was recovered.

A purse and contents were reported taken in a burglary of a motor vehicle in the 500 block of North Carr. Loss was \$50.

An offense against family and children was reported in the 400 block of North Starkweather.

Sunday, Feb. 16

Burglary was reported at a residence in the 900 block of Schneider. Back door of a residence was reported kicked in, according to the police report. Items stolen were a single disc CD player, VCR and stereo. Estimate of loss was \$300.

Deadly conduct was reported in the 400 block of Jupiter. A window was shot out with either a BB or pellet gun, according to the police report. Estimate of loss was \$300.

Monday, Feb. 17

Joe Rosalez, 44, 216 E. Tuke, was arrested for a grand jury indictment for driving while intoxicated, a subsequent offense, enhanced, and violation of a protective order.

FIRE

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

Sunday, Feb. 16

3:26 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a vehicle fire at Francis and Wynne streets. The fire was out on arrival.

4:28 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters were called to a grass fire in the 2800 block of Rosewood. A spark from an outdoor grill caught grass on fire in the yard, causing a small amount of damage to the fence.

CARSON CO. SHERIFF

Carson County reported seven persons booked into the Carson County Sheriff's Department during the week of Feb. 10-16. Currently, there are 13 persons incarcerated in this jail and an additional 17 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Feb. 10-16

Arrests made this week:  
Heather Queen, 30, of Kansas City, Kan., conviction on original charge of possession of a controlled substance;

Christopher Cooke, 36, of Panhandle, Department of Public Safety traffic warrants; Derrick Smith, 34, of White Deer, theft more than \$500 but less than \$1,500;

Adam Wolfe, 26, of Chicago, Ill., money laundering more than \$20,000, but less than \$100,000;

Stephen Thompson, 40, of Locust Grove, Okla., driving while intoxicated, first offense; Jonathan Wilson, 21, of Panhandle, warrants out of Knox County, Mo.;

Joe Helms, 47, of Pampa, Lipscomb County theft warrants.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m.

Feb. 15

4 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Lowry; one patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Feb. 16

11:43 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to mutual aid with Lefors EMS; one patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

12:25 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to mutual aid with Skellytown EMS; one patient was transported to PRMC.

2:10 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC; one patient was transported to Baptist-St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

5:07 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells; one patient was transported to PRMC.

10:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells; 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.

Sunday, Feb. 16

Thomas Hargrove, 28, of Perryton, was arrested for public intoxication.

Ricky Joe Pettit, 37, 405 Darby, was arrested on a Texas Department of Criminal Justice blue warrant.

Eugenio N. Gallardo, 34, of Wheeler, was arrested by Department of Public Safety troopers for driving while intoxicated, first offense.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

**TUCKER, Alva J.** — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

ALVA J. TUCKER  
1905-2003

Alva J. Tucker, 97, of Pampa, died Friday, Feb. 14, 2003, at Littleton, Colo. Services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. John Glover, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gober, Texas, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Tucker was born July 27, 1905, in Allen, Okla. She married James Howard "Bud" Tucker on July 28, 1923, in Wichita Falls, Texas. He preceded her in death on July 25, 1954.

She had been a resident of Pampa from 1934 until moving to Littleton, Colo., in 1993. She joined Calvary Baptist Church in 1935 where she taught Sunday School and was an active member of the Women's Society. She later joined the First Baptist Church where she remained an active member until moving to Littleton. She was a Bible scholar, held various positions in the church and was a faithful member.

She was preceded in death by her parents

James T. and Lillie Bell Huey; three sons-in-law, John R. Miller, Leroy Thomas and Carlos Grissom; and a granddaughter, Jamie Kathleen Tucker.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Janice Tucker of Pampa; five daughters and two sons-in-law, Hetty Jo and Richard Bynum of Amarillo, Bonnie Dell Grissom of Bailey, Colo., Patsy Ruth Thomas of Joliet, Ill., Doloris J. Miller of Littleton, Colo., and Marilyn M. and Bob Hulaska of Clyde, N.Y.; a special friend, Hattie Hindman of Pampa; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).



Military recruiters try to drum up morticians

HOUSTON (AP) — Military recruiters are turning their attention to the dead as well as the living in the continuing armed forces buildup for possible war with Iraq, with the Bush administration challenging the dictatorship over weapons of mass destruction.

Offering a \$6,000 enlistment bonus, U.S. Navy and Marine Corps recruiters want morticians for special duty in Houston and several other cities worldwide.

Military recruiting for a volunteer military force, with emphasis on several desired technical areas, has been in high gear since the administration began ramping up for a showdown with Saddam Hussein.

The U.S. Navy Hospital Corps requires mortician applicants to be less than 35 years old and in good health. They also must have graduation credentials from an accredited mortuary school and a funeral director or embalmer license.

Stateside locations where morticians are also needed include New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia and San Diego.

In the military recruitment effort, enlistment bonuses of several thousand dollars are common. Some of the highest bonuses,

some up to \$20,000, are for technical personnel in high demand, such as scientists, engineers and linguists.

The Navy Mortuary Affairs Program, which has worldwide responsibility for final disposition of deceased Navy and Marine personnel and their beneficiaries, promises interesting work and travel for those recruited.

"An enlistment award of \$6,000 is available as well as advanced (salary) rate upon completion of training," a job listing on [www.hotjobs.com](http://www.hotjobs.com) states.

A Navy representative did not return a telephone call early Monday from The Associated Press.

The Internet job posting states that the openings are worldwide and the jobs "will require relocating," possibly within the United States or to Italy, Spain or Guam.

Morticians were part of a national medical emergency system activated by the Health and Human Services Department following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The federal government sent teams of morticians, anthropologists and forensic scientists to New York and the Pentagon to help identify the dead and prepare them for burial. Portable morgues and other emergency supplies were also provided.

WEATHER FOCUS

STATEWIDE

A slight warming trend was expected across Texas under the spreading influence of a high-pressure system.

Skies were mostly clear across North Texas early Monday except for a few high clouds. In the Panhandle, high cloudiness was extensive.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the mid-20s in the Panhandle to lower 30s, with some readings in the upper 30s and mid-40s in the southeast, along the coast and in the Rio Grande Valley.

Extremes were 24 degrees at Denton and 48 at Port Aransas.

Also, it was 27 at Spur and 45 at El Paso and Fort Stockton.

Winds were mostly light and variable, except for southerly conditions at 5 to 15 mph

in the west. A low-pressure trough extended into the region from eastern New Mexico.

Warming conditions were forecast through Tuesday, with mostly cloudy skies across the Panhandle and elsewhere in West Texas.

A slight chance of rain or snow showers was expected across the Panhandle overnight, with a chance of rain on Tuesday.

Daytime highs should range from the 50s to 60s in the north to 70s in central and southern regions.

Lows overnight were expected to be in the 30s in the north and mid-40s in the south.

On Tuesday, highs should climb to 40s and 50s in the Panhandle to 60s and 70s in Central and South Texas, with lower 80s along the Rio Grande.

Potential Democratic candidates test political prospects for 2004

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a half-dozen Democratic presidential aspirants already in the race, potential candidates in the next wave are about to test their prospects with party people and voters.

Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio and former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun say they're filing papers this week to run for president and will see what kind of response they get in the coming months. Retired Gen. Wesley Clark said he's thinking about a presidential candidacy and getting encouragement from others to run, but he has "no timetable."

The Democratic National Committee's schedule for speaking appearances by the candidates appeared to be a catalyst for decisions announced by Moseley-Braun and Kucinich. Only candidates who have said publicly that they're forming exploratory committees are going to be speaking, party officials say.

On Sunday, the 58-year-old Clark said, "Well, I have thought about it and a lot of

people have asked me to think about it."

The former NATO commander said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that he has no timetable for deciding.

Both Kucinich and Moseley-Braun acknowledge they will give their candidacies a few months to see what kind of public response they get.

"It would be a cold day and probably a snowy day in hell before a liberal Democrat could get back to the White House, but it looks like my time has arrived," Kucinich said Sunday while driving on a snow-covered highway to meet with Democratic Party activists in Iowa.

Moseley-Braun said in Iowa: "If the American people respond to my message and respond to my candidacy, then it will be a viable one."

And Clark said he's thinking about running for president because he has worries about the Bush administration's direction in international affairs.

While Clark says he's not a member of a political party, "it

would be hard to conceive of running as a Republican only because the administration's policy is what's causing me to have these concerns."

"We're at a turning point in American history here. We are about to embark on an operation that's going to put us in a colonial position in the Middle East following Britain, following the Ottomans," he said. "It's a huge change for the American people and for what this country stands for."

Already in the race are former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt, Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman and the Rev. Al Sharpton.

Others are maneuvering to keep their options alive.

Aides to Florida Sen. Bob Graham said last week that he's going to be forming an exploratory committee in the next few weeks and will decide in April if he plans to proceed with a candidacy.

Former Colorado Sen. Gary Hart, who ran in 1984 and 1988, is giving four policy speeches around the country through early March and is listening to the response he gets from the public.

And Connecticut Sen. Chris Dodd is reportedly still considering whether he wants to get in the race.

With no clear front-runner in the mix, it is natural for the Democratic field to attract people who want to test how their message will be received.

City Briefs

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# EU leaders struggle to narrow rift over Iraq

By PAUL GEITNER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — A deeply divided Europe struggled Monday to close a rift over Iraq and speak with one voice to Saddam Hussein, though leaders were encouraged after resolving a month-long NATO deadlock on defending Turkey.

With Washington pushing its allies for quick action, differences remained over how much more time to give to U.N. weapons inspectors, whether to threaten war as a last resort and whether to demand U.N. approval before any military action.

French President Jacques Chirac said his country would oppose any effort to draft a new U.N. resolution to authorize war against Iraq at this time.

"There is no need for a second resolution today, which France would have no choice but to oppose," Chirac said as he arrived for a European Union summit.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair, President Bush's closest ally, said that tough language was the best way to avoid war.

"The most important thing at the moment is to send a signal of strength, not weakness, because that is the language Saddam will understand," he said. "That is also our best chance of avoiding war."

Spanish Foreign Minister Ana Palacio also reaffirmed her support for a hard line on Iraq. "It is only by the credible threat of force that we could send the message to Saddam," she said.

Acknowledging the rift, Greek officials were not drafting a proposed statement ahead of the summit, preferring to wait to see what emerges from Monday's discussions. Greece holds the EU's rotating presidency.

The disunity threatened not only U.S. and British efforts to win backing for a possible war, but the EU's nascent attempts to forge a common stand on the world stage that can counterbalance what many Europeans see as U.S. dominance.

"We all know that this is about the question of Iraq, but it's also about the question of Europe," German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer said.

Fischer, whose government has ruled out participating in any Iraq war, said he would not stand in the way of a compromise, even if the language includes allowing force as a last resort. But he felt talks should focus instead on making inspections work better.

"We don't want any military force," Fischer said.

Separately, Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz praised German leaders for their anti-war stance, saying

## Key developments

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Developments in the Iraq crisis:**  
— U.N. weapons inspectors visited three factories involved in missile production as the United States focused on Iraq's missile program as a litmus test of its commitment to disarmament.

— A deeply divided Europe struggled to close a rift over Iraq and speak with one voice to Saddam Hussein. EU leaders held an emergency summit in Brussels, Belgium, amid warnings that continued disagreement could dilute the continent's influence on the world stage.

— French President Jacques Chirac said his country would oppose any effort to draft a new U.N. resolution to explicitly authorize war against Iraq at this time.

— Turkey's prime minister said it would be difficult to persuade parliament to allow tens of thousands of U.S. troops into the country before officials agree on the conditions of the deployment. Parliament had been expected to vote Tuesday and Washington has been warning Turkey that time is running out. A delay could hamper U.S. war plans to open a northern front in an Iraq war.

— Pope John Paul II's envoy to Baghdad said his meeting with Saddam Hussein convinced him that peace is possible and that the Iraqi leader is "very open to dialogue."

they were doing "a good job," Germany's Bild newspaper quoted him as saying Monday.

Aziz called German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder "a clever politician" and said Fischer was doing "a good job" by upholding his country's position in the U.N. Security Council, which Germany is chairing this month.

In Washington, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice said Sunday the administration may ask the United Nations to take up a new resolution authorizing force, but that the action already was sanctioned by the previous resolution.

British Foreign Minister Jack Straw said a U.N. resolution was not strictly necessary before using force against Iraq. However, "in terms of

the others by surprise, he said. "It has sent a signal of division in Europe that has weakened us all."

political desirability we prefer a second resolution."

Ahead of the summit, French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin reiterated the French, German and Belgian position that U.N. inspectors should be given more time. Britain, Italy and Spain, he said, were taking "strictly an American line."

European parliamentary leaders, who met with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan before he entered the summit, said Annan stressed that he did not want the inspections to go on too long.

Britain was leading a push for a deadline, with support from other countries like Spain and the Netherlands.

"The best thing to do is to make a judgment of whether Saddam is cooperating or not," Blair said. "That's why we require a timetable."

Images of millions of people protesting military action last weekend around the world appeared to strengthen the anti-war cause.

"The best allies of our cause are those people," Belgian Foreign Minister Louis Michel said.

He also lambasted Britain, Spain, Italy, Portugal and Denmark for issuing a letter with three east European allies last month rallying behind the United States on Iraq.

The problem was not the content but the fact it caught

the others by surprise, he said. "It has sent a signal of division in Europe that has weakened us all."

The divisions in Europe were reflected across town at NATO headquarters, where Belgium, France and Germany had held out for a month against 14 European allies — as well as the United States and Canada — over starting defensive measures to protect Turkey in case of an Iraq war.

Germany and Belgium dropped their objections for a deal late Sunday, but only after NATO went to its Defense Planning Committee, which Paris withdrew from in 1966. Paris participates only in political consultations.

Failure to work out a common stand on Iraq could exacerbate divisions over the EU's future, especially the drive championed by France and Germany to create a power capable of balancing the United States on the world stage.

The 15-member EU, which expands to 25 in 2004, has struggled to muster political weight to match its economic clout as the world's largest trading bloc.

Yet many EU members are reluctant to surrender their foreign policy independence and are determined to retain strong ties with the United States, which they see as essential to their security.

# Administration considers next move in showdown

By GINA HOLLAND  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is mulling its next move in the showdown with Saddam Hussein, including a possible attempt to push a new United Nations resolution authorizing force against Iraq.

National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice said Sunday it was becoming more obvious that the Iraqi president would not disarm voluntarily, and that the U.N. Security Council was letting him get away with it.

"The Security Council has to be an instrument of peace, but it has to be an instrument of peace that has teeth, or it is never going to be able to deal with the myriad difficult actors out there in international politics who intend to disturb that peace," Rice said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

But the United States has encountered stiff opposition from many of its allies, including France and Germany.

On Monday, French President Jacques Chirac said his country would oppose any effort to draft a new U.N. resolution to explicitly authorize war against Iraq at this time.

"There is no need for a second resolution today, which France would have no choice but to oppose," Chirac said as he arrived for a European Union summit.

The White House had a long holiday weekend to weigh options after being rebuffed Friday as most members of the Security Council lined up behind France's call for more weapons inspections and against military action.

Rice said on "Fox News Sunday" that the administration may ask the council to

take up a new resolution authorizing force against Iraq, although she said that wouldn't be necessary to take action to forcibly disarm Saddam.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said on the same program that the plan being presented this week by America and Britain would likely call for "definitive progress" in the disarmament of Iraq.

"If that's rejected, then I think the United States of America is going to have to make some difficult decisions," McCain said.

Rice said the wording of a new resolution was not finished and that the White House would oppose a new policy statement that amounts to a "delaying tactic."

France has led a formidable bloc calling for extended inspections and wants to wait

on a resolution at least until mid-March. Inspectors report on March 1 to the Security Council.

Meanwhile, the chief U.N. nuclear inspector said Sunday that countries opposed to using force against Iraq could change their minds if Baghdad doesn't show more willingness to reveal evidence of weapons programs.

Mohamed ElBaradei, who heads the U.N. search for banned weapons along with Hans Blix, told The Associated Press that the onus was on Iraq, not the U.N. inspectors searching for weapons of mass destruction, to prove that it had nothing to hide.

In her appearances on the Sunday talk shows, Rice repeatedly said Saddam has weeks, not months, to disarm

or face a military strike.

But former NATO supreme commander Wesley Clark said on "Meet The Press" that the White House should consider allowing inspections to seek out weapons of mass destruction and not follow an "artificial deadline."

"It's unlikely the inspectors will ever find the so-called smoking gun on this. But if it makes our allies more able to go to their publics and justify their support of our operation, then I think that's important," said Clark, who has been mentioned as a possible Democratic presidential contender.

Rice said a confrontation was inevitable with Saddam. "Sooner or later, we believe sooner, the Security

Council is going to have to say that he has not taken that final opportunity to comply, and the Security Council is going to have to act, or the United States will have to act with a coalition of the willing," Rice said on Fox.

She refused to speculate about the vote possibilities for another Iraq resolution.

Christopher Meyer, British ambassador to United States, said on ABC's "This Week" that a decision would be made in the next few days on "the tactics and timing of a second resolution — when to do it, what to put into it, even who's going to table it."

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## PEDC

the city-owned building.

"The building has become a warehouse," he said. Phillips said there were several city vehicles stored in the building.

Board member Bill Allison said, "The building belongs to the city and they need to do the upkeep on it."

City Commissioner Bob Dixon told the board that if the PEDC would tell him what needed to be done, he would see that it was done.

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Voters have until April 3 to submit their voter registration applications for the city election.

Early voting begins April 16, and runs through April 29.

The city commission meets May 6, to canvass the vote, declare the election results and swear in the winning candidates.

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# THE Pampa NEWS COMICS

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## DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

### Family History Of Alcoholism Worries Man Trying To Abstain

DEAR ABBY: My paternal grandmother and grandfather were alcoholics. My father and three of his brothers are alcoholics, and so is my maternal grandfather.

I love alcohol and the way it makes me feel. I got scared, so I stopped drinking. I no longer drink even socially. Is it possible that I could become an alcoholic? How would you define one?

CONCERNED 24-YEAR-OLD

DEAR CONCERNED: Yes, it is possible. There may be a genetic link to alcoholism — and for that reason you are wise to abstain. You say you "love the way it makes you feel." A specialist in addictions once told me that many alcoholics believe alcohol somehow makes them "complete."

How to define an alcoholic? It's a person who cannot control his or her drinking. An example:

DEAR ABBY: Every year for 15 years, I made the same resolution — to curtail my drinking. I knew the only way was to stop completely and I was determined to do it on my own. I had a strong will and didn't understand why I couldn't stop. (At times I thought I really didn't want to stop.) Finally, I checked into a hospital and now attend AA meetings.

At one meeting, I heard a definition of "insanity" as doing the same thing over and over, expecting a different result. It was then that I realized the difficulty I had with battling alcohol was actually my strong will. On one side it was telling me I had to stop (I knew I

had to and wanted to), while at the same time it was telling me I couldn't do without it. See the dilemma?

Please, Abby, let readers know that feeling you have a "weak will" or asking for help is not a sign of weakness. No one will think less of you for asking. For me, it was well worth it. I haven't had a drink for 39 months and am finally able to enjoy life again.

LIVING A BETTER LIFE IN DALLAS

DEAR LIVING: Congratulations on your sobriety and new life. And thank you for a terrific letter. Often the urge to drink isn't the only problem an alcoholic has to overcome. The following letter arrived the same day as yours. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I drink too much. My husband is an enabler with a capital E. He thinks I won't be "fun" anymore if we give up our nightly cocktail hour.

The problem is, I miss my "old self." I feel wretched in the morning. I never wanted to turn out this way. It's a lonely and shameful way to live. Our kids will surely suffer. The guilt is eating me up. Thanks for listening. Can you give me a push?

REACHING OUT IN ILLINOIS

DEAR REACHING OUT: Here it is. You have no reason to be ashamed. Your husband is capitalizing on your illness (alcoholism is an illness) and not helping you to be the strong person and better parent you

aspire to be. It appears that he, too, has a drinking problem that shouldn't be ignored.

It's time to separate your problem from his. A program that has been extremely helpful for women alcoholics is Women for Sobriety Inc. Established in 1976, it is the first national self-help program for women with drinking problems. The address is P.O. Box 618, Quakertown, PA 18951-0618. The phone number is (215) 536-8026. The Web site is [www.womenforsobriety.org](http://www.womenforsobriety.org). It offers hundreds of self-help groups nationwide and abroad. Please don't wait. Tomorrow I'll print the warning signs of alcoholism.

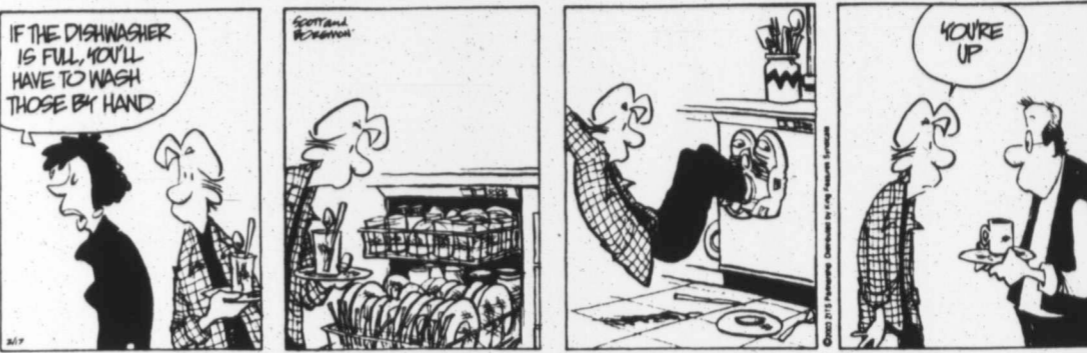
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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# SPORTS

## Tiger Woods returns to the spotlight

Tiger back in the spotlight  
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By DOUG FERGUSON  
AP Golf Writer

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** — Tiger Woods spent two months out of golf recovering from knee surgery, the longest layoff of his career. He needed only four days at the Buick Invitational to show that nothing has changed.

No pain in his left knee.  
No rust in his game.

No problem with Phil Mickelson.

No reason to believe he's any less capable of hitting great shots on demand, and

hoisting a trophy on the 18th green.

Woods was in control to the end Sunday, even conducting his own Q&A.

Yes, he played well. Yes, that was a big birdie putt on No. 5. Oh, it's great to be back and even better to have won against a strong field.

"Any questions?" Woods asked to end his monologue.

No, he answered them all in the final round at Torrey Pines.

With another dominant performance in his first tournament since Dec. 12 surgery on his left knee, Woods closed with a 4-under 68 and

won by four strokes over Carl Pettersson of Sweden.

He can still protect a 54-hole lead better than anyone. Woods is 27-2 on the PGA Tour when he has at least a share of the lead going into the final round.

He's still the man to beat. Ernie Els won for the fourth time this year earlier Sunday in Australia — in fact, Woods watched the highlights before teeing off. They won't play in the same event until the Match Play Championship in two weeks.

Woods can still hit clutch shots, such as the 4-iron from 231 yards on the par-3 11th

that covered the flag and stopped 3 feet short of the hole.

And he still has Mickelson's number.

"I know I answered my questions," Woods said. "Mine was whether this knee would hold up for 72 holes, and would it be sore. On top of that, my competitive feeling on the golf course came back. It was a successful week."

Woods finished at 16-under 272 for his 35th career victory on tour, making it the third time seven years that he has started a season by winning.

Better yet, he left Mickelson in his wake — again.

Mickelson, who a week ago poked fun at Woods by saying he used "inferior" equipment, never challenged in the final group and finished six shots behind with a 72.

"He's just a very impressive player," Mickelson said. "It isn't easy to step in and out of competition, and he never gives anything back. I knew I was fighting an uphill battle."

For Woods, the rush was not just walking up the 18th fairway to the cheers of an enormous gallery.

## Borger edges Pampa in District 3-4A soccer

**BORGER** — Borger edged by Pampa 3-2 in a District 3-4A boys soccer match last weekend.

Chance Craig scored to give Pampa a 1-0 halftime lead, but Borger bounced back to score all three of its goals in the second half.

Marc Garza added another Pampa goal in the second half.

Goalie Carlos Medina had seven saves for the Harvesters.

Pampa is 3-1 in district play while Borger is 4-0.

The Harvesters travel to Randall for a 7 p.m. match Tuesday.

The Lady Harvesters are also at Randall tomorrow with the match starting at 5.

## Waltrip wins Daytona

**DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP)** — Michael Waltrip hoisted the Daytona 500 trophy above his head in a crowded garage surrounded by family, friends, fans and foul weather.

Then he took off running through the rain.

"I don't care if it's raining — we're going to Victory Lane!" he yelled, not bothering to see if anyone was following.

For a driver with as few victories as Waltrip, nothing was going to stop him from making this a celebration to remember.

As black clouds closed in, Waltrip was pulled to the front of the pack by his teammate Sunday to take over the lead in the Daytona 500. When the sky opened up, he retreated under an umbrella with his wife, the two of them wishing the rain would never stop.

It didn't, and Waltrip was declared the winner of the rain-shortened race. In 535 career starts, Waltrip has three wins — all at Daytona and two in NASCAR's biggest race of the season.

Unlike the first win, when friend and boss Dale Earnhardt was killed in a wreck on the last lap, Waltrip was able to enjoy this one.

"I'm at peace with what occurred that day," he said. "But I will never close that chapter. I never want to close a chapter on any part of my life, especially not when it comes to losing my friend like that."

With weather the wild card of this race, Waltrip and his crew had to play a guessing game to win.

Jimmie Johnson got gas only and Waltrip took two tires on what teams expected would be the final pit stop before the rain.

Foul weather had already pushed the start of the event up almost 30 minutes and caused an earlier stoppage of more than an hour, and no one expected the race to be run in its entirety.

Johnson had the lead, Waltrip was in second and time was running out.

Dale Earnhardt Jr., the favorite to win here only to have his chances ruined by a bad alternator and dead battery, helped his friend and teammate take the lead on the last green-flag lap.

Earnhardt, running a lap down, pulled Waltrip past Johnson for the lead.

Caution came out moments later when defending race winner Ward Burton hit the wall, rain began to fall, and the race never resumed, ending 91 laps short of the finish.

"I had a plan," Waltrip said. "I knew what I had to do. I had to get behind Junior. I did that and I was able to squeeze out the win."

Kurt Busch finished second, followed by Johnson and Kevin Harvick. Mark Martin, last year's series runner-up, was fifth, with Robby Gordon sixth and defending Winston Cup champion Tony Stewart seventh.

"Of course I would have loved to race until the end. I felt we had a shot to win the race," Johnson said. "But I'm not disappointed. We never thought we were running an entire race. I just wish I was leading when the rain came."

Waltrip's first Winston Cup victory came in the 2001 Daytona 500, in his first race with Dale Earnhardt Inc. After his latest victory, Waltrip paid tribute to the seven-time Winston Cup champion and Daytona's winningest driver with 34 victories, including the 1998 Daytona 500.

### NOTEBOOK

#### GOLF

##### PLAINVIEW

Pampa boys golf team participated in the Plainview Invitational last weekend and placed sixth with a 659 (319-340). Plainview shot a 612 to win the championship.

There were 19 teams entered in the tournament.

Reid Schindler shot a 78-79 for a 159 to lead the Harvesters. Other Pampa scores were by Gary Utsey 167, Weston Teichmann 168, Daniel Williams 168 and Cooper Brazile 172.

The Harvesters are entered in the Midland Invitational this weekend.

**PAMPA** — Hidden Hills held a senior scramble last week.

Results are as follows:

1. Bill Hammer, Nathan Lancaster, Waldon Haynes and Dale Butler, 64.

2. Kent Olson, Jack Davis, Norman Willingham and J.B. Holt, 65.

3. Jim Brashears, James Lee, Ed Langford and Gene Winegart, 66.

4. Jerry Davis, O.K. Lee, Duane Stiles and Richard Abbott, 67.

Closest to pin: Howard Wells, No. 6.

Closest to pin: Charlie Terrell, No. 15.

#### BASKETBALL

##### EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP)

Seton Hall posted its second major upset in 10 days by beating No. 7 Pittsburgh 73-61 Saturday, with reserve Andre Sweet scoring 15 of his 17 points after halftime.

Andre Barrett added 17 points and John Allen 14 for the Pirates (12-9, 6-4 Big East), whose five-game winning streak includes a stunner against No. 10 Notre Dame last week.

Seton Hall's run is its longest since a seven-gamer in 1999-00, when the Pirates reached the round of 16 in the NCAA tournament.

Jaron Brown had 14 points to lead Pittsburgh (17-4, 7-3), which lost for the third time in five games, all on the road. Chevon Troutman added 12 points, while Brandon Knight, who banged his head hard on the floor in the first half, scored 11.

The Panthers shot 38.5 percent from the field.

#### HOCKEY

##### DALLAS (AP)

Ron Tugnutt and Derian Hatcher didn't like the way they felt after their last game.

So they made sure it didn't happen again.

Tugnutt, making his second start in place of injured All-Star Marty Turco, stopped 19 shots, and Hatcher had his first multi-point game of the season with a goal and an assist in the Stars' 3-1 victory over San Jose on Sunday night.

"Right now, we're at the point that when we lose a game, we take it personally and get mad. We didn't want to get outworked," Hatcher said. "They definitely got the jump on us, but we started to get going and started playing



**Modern Woodmen of America helped raise funds for the Lady Harvester softball team. Front row, l-r, are Autumn Darden, April Amador and Abbi Covalt; Back row, l-r, District representative Grant Thompson (camp 15460), Jackie Gerber, Teryn Garner, Dusti Wilson, Whitney Roden, Stacey Johnson, softball booster secretary; Lisa Darden, treasurer, and District representative Larry Starnes (camp 15460).**

## Chili supper raises \$1,351.66 for softball

**PAMPA** — Local Modern Woodmen of America camp members banded together and extended a helping hand to the Lady Harvester softball team.

With the help of Modern Woodmen's national matching fund program, members from Pampa raised funds through a chili supper.

The fund-raising event was held in January and \$1,351.66 was raised. With \$1,351.66 matched from Modern Woodmen, the camp donated \$2,703.32.

Modern Woodmen members from Pampa are part of a nation-wide network of camps that annually reaches out to people and programs in their communities with various fund-raising activities.

"In appreciation for camp members' hard work, our organization's home office matches funds raised up to \$2,500 on approved projects," says Grant Thompson, Modern Woodmen District Representative. "And thanks to the hard work of members, Modern Woodmen's

is able to make donations totaling nearly \$4 million annually."

Modern Woodmen of America, a fraternal life insurance organization, provides life insurance, annuities and fraternal programs for more than three-quarters of a million Americans. With its home office in Rock Island, Ill., Modern Woodmen has a camp in Pampa that provides a number of volunteer service and social activities for local members.

## Loss to Baylor a blow for OSU

**STILLWATER, Okla. AP** — Suddenly, a rugged stretch of the schedule looks even more difficult for Oklahoma State's basketball team.

The 13th-ranked Cowboys visit Norman on Wednesday to play No. 5 Oklahoma. Then they play home games against Texas and Texas Tech before visiting Missouri.

But first they have to make sense of what happened Saturday night, when Baylor — loser of 22 straight road games — came to Gallagher-Iba Arena and won 74-72.

"That loss hurt," coach Eddie Sutton said. "We'll see how they react."

The Cowboys (19-4, 8 (2)-didn't react well to an early run by Baylor 11-10, 2 (8)-. Sutton called three timeouts in the first 10 minutes, the first during a 12-0 run that gave the Bears a 13-4 lead, another after a fastbreak dunk gave Baylor a 22-9 lead, and the third a few minutes later with the lead still at 13.

"I think the disappointment I had with our basketball team, we let 'em get started," Sutton said. "When you're the favorite in a game

and playing at home, you want to get out and bust 'em and get ahead and make them come to you."

Oklahoma did that to Baylor one week earlier. The Sooners took control of the game from the start and beat the Bears by 49 points, their most-lopsided defeat in 20 years.

But Oklahoma State fell behind by 15 three times in the first half, then twice more early in the second half. Melvin Sanders, who scored a career-high 30, and Victor Williams helped the Cowboys gradually chip away at the lead, and finally they used their defense to drive a 14-2 run that gave them a 68-63 lead with just under five minutes remaining.

"The longer you let a team like that stay in the game, an underdog, the more difficult they are to beat," Sutton said. "But once we got ahead by five points, the game should have been over."

It wasn't. The Bears, who made 14 3-point shots, hit from long range on three of their next four baskets to take the 74-72 lead. Oklahoma

State had four shots in the final 1:54, but missed them all. The last one — a short baseline jumper by Williams in the final seconds — was blocked.

None of his players wanted to talk to the media afterward, but Sutton summed it up.

"I'd say this ranks as one of the 10 worst defeats since I started coaching," he said.

Now the Cowboys have to regroup and try to shake the problems that have dogged them in the past several games.

Oklahoma State has gone 3-3 since winning at Texas Tech on Jan. 26 to get to 16-1 and 5-0. During that stretch, the Cowboys have shot 42 percent and their inside game has continued to struggle. Center Ivan McFarlin is averaging 7.6 points and five rebounds in those games — he had zero points and five rebounds against Baylor.

"I don't know what's wrong with Ivan," Sutton said. "I thought he snapped out of it in the second half at Nebraska, but he's just a shell of himself as far as the way he's playing."

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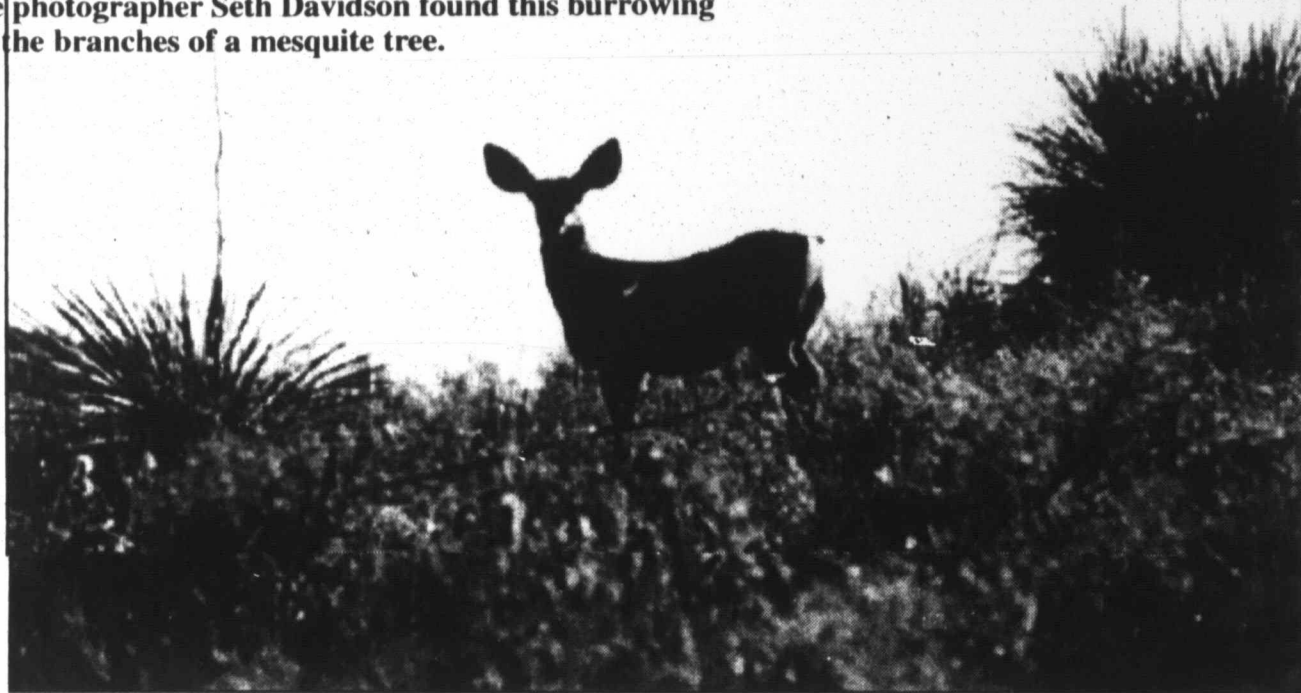
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Nature photographer Seth Davidson found this burrowing owl in the branches of a mesquite tree.



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A mule deer, one of many in the Texas Panhandle, pauses a moment before bounding away across the prairie.

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There will be more than 200 Panhandle representatives on hand to voice our concerns and views. Those going to Austin this year include Mayor Lonny Robbins, City Manager Mitch Grant, Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner, City Commissioner Jeff McCormick, Grant Miller of Pampa Regional Medical Center, Chamber

Chairman Doug Ware, Past Chairmen John Curry and Bill Bridges, as well as me. We look forward to representing Pampa!

Sincerely,

Clay Rice

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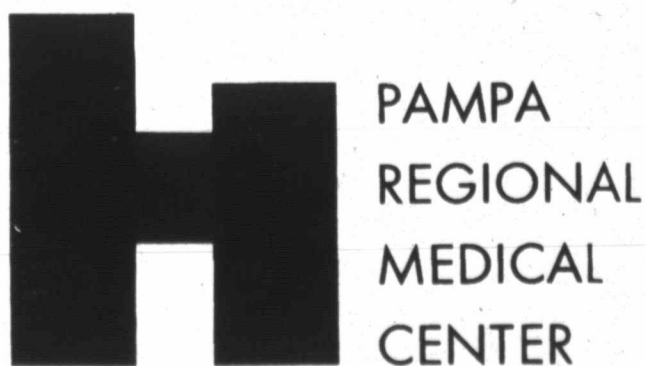
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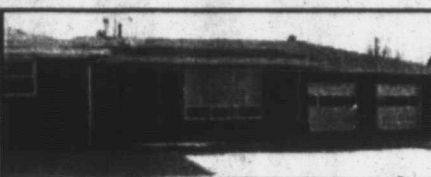
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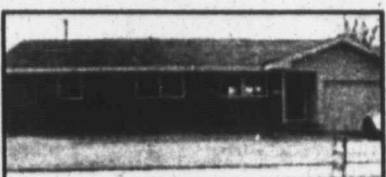
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**1 Public Notice**

Texas, described as follows, to wit: ALL OF LOTS 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47 & 48 IN BLOCK 31 WILCOX ADDITION, AND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF PAMPA, GRAY COUNTY, TX, AS RECORDED IN THE MAP OR PLAT OF SAID ADDITION IN THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF GRAY COUNTY, TX, AND LEVIED UPON AS THE PROPERTY OF HAROLD & JUDY DOUGLAS and that on the first Tuesday on MARCH 2003, the same being the 4TH day of said month, at the Court House door, of Gray County, in the city of Pampa, Texas, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., by virtue of said levy and said ORDER OF SALE, I will offer for sale and sell at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said property, And in compliance with Law, I give this notice by

**1 Public Notice**

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 Witness my hand, this 30TH day of JAN. 2003.  
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**Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003:  
 You might often feel tugged in many different directions. Often, choices could feel overwhelming. You will hit a fork in the road of life this year. Don't hesitate, or both passages could be blocked. You will sometimes feel insecure, as so much heads down your path. Trust yourself. If you are single, a relationship will enter your life late this summer. This person could knock your socks off. If you're attached, you need to keep conversations open, making neither of you right or wrong. Learn the art of communicating rather than disagreeing. VIRGO plays devil's advocate.  
 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)  
 \*\*\* Keep asking questions, with an eye to finding a solution. You could be most uncomfortable with what others share. Pressure might be high, but your ability to diffuse it could be equally as high if you relax more. Take a walk around the block rather than losing your cool. Tonight: Run errands first.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
 \*\*\*\* You might find it difficult to deal with others financially. Things might not be exactly on target or the way you want them to be. You can push and plead, but nothing is going to change. Look to the high road. Consider your long-term gains. Tonight: Do something ultimately for yourself.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
 \*\*\* Others do mean well, though you might have a difficult time seeing what is happening here. You could be clouded by a sense of negativity and looking for answers. Understand more of what you

expect and want from associates.  
 Tonight: Tap into your creative resources.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
 \*\*\*\* You speak your mind, but somehow you are holding back. Evaluate what you think is necessary in order to tell it like it is. Your understanding helps you expose a problem. Tune in to your higher self and, if possible, detach from your emotions. Tonight: Read a good book. Surf the Net.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
 \*\*\*\* Understand the real message behind someone's actions. You might be a bit put out by how someone feels or by what he or she might not do. Think before leaping into action. Later in the day, a conversation could help clear the air. Tonight: At a favorite spot.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
 \*\*\*\* Your efforts do count, even if you feel blocked by a boss or supervisor. Realize more of what you want and expect through an open discussion in the afternoon. Keep a perspective on your finances right now, maintaining an even track. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
 \*\* Stepping back might take some extra effort, not knowing which way to go. Information from a distance could define a work situation. Listen to news from someone far away. Consider a new diet or exercise program. Consider your options before committing. Tonight: Whatever you want.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
 \*\*\*\* Keep reaching out to friends and loved ones. In fact, meetings and groups add to your popularity and power base. A partner could be reactive. Could this involve this person's jealousy or envy? Don't react. Tonight: Follow the action.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
 \*\* You might decide that someone close is a full-scale grump. Focus on work and getting the job done. Even your positive thinking might not shake lose a difficult person. Consider your options carefully. Understand what you can and cannot change. Tonight: Clear out of work as soon as possible.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
 \*\*\*\* Speak truthfully to a loved one or a friend. Gain a different perspective through attempting another approach. Not everyone needs to agree with you. Guess what? They won't. Take an overview and let bygones be bygones. Tonight: Listen to news behind the scenes.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
 \*\*\*\* Someone comes down a bit hard on you. Know that although it might be directed at you, it might not have anything to do with you. Emphasize what you do well, not where there is a problem. Handle finances with your unusually dynamic style. Tonight: Dinner with a friend.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
 \*\* Know when to back down — like now! Do it gracefully, and you'll come out way ahead of the game. Realize when you cannot change a situation. With the passage of the sun into your sign, you will re-energize. Trust your strong instincts. Tonight: As you like it.  
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# London toll charge goes in effect amid opposition

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LONDON (AP) — Drivers heading into central London began paying a hotly debated \$8 toll on Monday, as a small group of people rallied to protest the ambitious attempt to ease traffic gridlock.

London Mayor Ken Livingstone has said the toll could end his political career, but it went into effect at 7 a.m. as promised: All car drivers entering the crowded 8-square-mile area of central London, which includes the bustling financial district, must pay.

Livingstone insists the drastic action is necessary to reduce con-

gestion in the British capital, where traffic moves at an average of under 10 mph during the day and motorists spend half their driving time stuck in jams.

"There will be some problems, but by Easter I'm confident that ... this will have worked," Livingstone told British Broadcasting Corp. radio shortly after the charge came into effect.

But opponents insist it will put further pressure on London's overcrowded buses and creaking subway when thousands of motorists abandon their cars for public transport. They also predicted gridlock on roads surrounding the areas where the tolls would be levied.

But the BBC reported that the main arteries ringing central London were mostly empty. Monday was the first day of a one-week school vacation, which usually reduces traffic by about 20 percent, the Automobile Association said. London Underground said business was normal on the subway, also known as 'the Tube.'

"The traffic looks OK at the moment," Livingstone's managing director of street management, Derek Turner, told television station Sky News. "The test will be later on."

Sky News showed a small demonstration near one of the entry points, which are marked with a

white letter C in a red circle painted on signs and the road. About a dozen protesters waved banners and posters, but cars streamed across the boundary at a steady pace.

Steve Jordan, from Farnborough south of London, said he would do everything he could to avoid entering the zone. "It's another tax on people and we get ripped off enough," he said.

The BBC reported heavier than usual traffic heading into central London before 7 a.m., as some commuters appeared to try avoiding payment by reaching work early.

City Hall says the toll will cut

the volume of traffic in the zone by 20 percent, ease congestion and raise \$208 million a year for public transport investment.

Even so, Livingstone admits that it could be his downfall. "But what's the point of being in politics if you don't do something with your position?" he told BBC.

Critics of the toll say its timing could hardly be worse. The over-stretched London Underground is under added strain after a Jan. 25 crash on the busy Central Line, which remains closed until further notice. During rush hour, Kings Cross and Euston stations are regularly closed because of overcrowding on platforms.

# New policy would deny overseas AIDS money to abortion promoters

WASHINGTON (AP) — By restricting the use of federal AIDS-fighting money by organizations that promote or perform abortions overseas, President Bush is trying to balance his firm anti-abortion policies with his new commitment to battle the AIDS epidemic.

Under the policy, such organizations' family planning operations would be prohibited

from involvement in anti-AIDS work.

The plan drew praise Saturday from anti-abortion forces, but groups that advocate abortion rights and provide health services in poor countries were angry. "They're placing a gag rule on health organizations," said Kirsten Sherk, spokeswoman for international programs at Planned Parenthood.

Outlined by a senior White House official and in a State Department memo, the policy deals with disbursement of federal money under Bush's proposed new \$15 billion global AIDS relief program to social service agencies that promote or perform abortions. To receive the money, they would have to administer AIDS programs separately from family planning, the official said.

Not all the conditions for acceptable compliance were immediately clear.

AIDS and birth control programs run by an organization in different countries probably would meet the test if the program finances were separate, the official said. Also probably OK would be a group's programs operated at distinct sites in a single country.

The intent is to ensure that

abortion services receive no new money, a position demanded by abortion rights opponents, who are strong Bush supporters.

As one of the first acts of his presidency, Bush reinstated the so-called "Mexico City policy" that President Clinton had reversed to allow unrestricted U.S. funding for overseas population control programs. The "Mexico City policy," first

implemented by President Reagan in 1984 at a population conference there, bars U.S. money from international groups that support abortion, even with their own money, through direct services, counseling or lobbying activities.

The White House official described the new policy as consistent with Bush's anti-abortion position while still focusing on his goal of fighting AIDS.

Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee, said the policy is a positive step because it would make sure that U.S. aid would not be used to encourage HIV-infected pregnant women to have abortions.

But Planned Parenthood's Sherk argued the policy is unworkable. Women, especially in poor countries, are unlikely to visit separate facilities to meet different health care needs. Additionally, the costs of setting up separate facilities would be prohibitive for cash-strapped nongovernmental organizations.

# Death count reaches 21 after Chicago nightclub disturbance

CHICAGO (AP) — Hundreds of screaming guests rushed the exit of a crowded nightclub after someone set off a chemical spray, and at least 21 people were crushed to death in the panic, fire officials said.

"Everybody smashed; people crying, couldn't breathe," said clubgoer Reggie Clark. "Two ladies next to me died. A guy under me passed out."

Twenty-one people were confirmed dead, Chicago Police spokesman Pat Camden said.

There were more than 1,500 people in the two-story Epitome Night Club on the city's South Side when someone released pepper spray or Mace into the air sometime after 2 a.m., Fire Commander Will Knight said.

"It appears a disturbance from within led to a mass chaos where people headed for the door. Most of the fatalities appear to have been crushed or had injuries due to suffocation," said police Officer Ozzie Rodriguez.

Cory Thomas, 33, went to the club to pick up two friends. As he waited outside, he saw people inside the club start to back up against the glass front door.

"You could see a mound of people. People were stacking on top of each other, screaming and gagging. I guess from the pepper spray. The door got blocked because there were too many people stacked up against it," he said.

"I saw them taking out a pregnant woman," Thomas said. "She was in bad shape. I saw at least 10 lifeless bodies."

Kristy Mitchell, 22, was one of the people trampled on the stairway.

"People were stomping my legs," she said. "When they pulled me up, I was dizzy and I couldn't breathe."

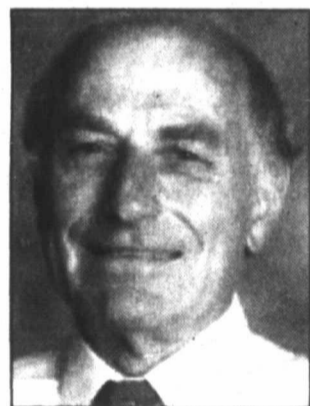
Knight said the total number of injuries was unclear because many of those with minor injuries were being taken to hospitals by family and friends.

Amishoov Blackwell, 30, was checking his coat on the second floor when people started rushing past him. The flow of the crowd pushed him back down the stairs and he fell on top of several people, he said. He was trapped on top of the others until firefighters rescued him about 30 minutes later.

"It wasn't nothing but two girls fighting," Blackwell said. "Why'd they have to spray Mace?"

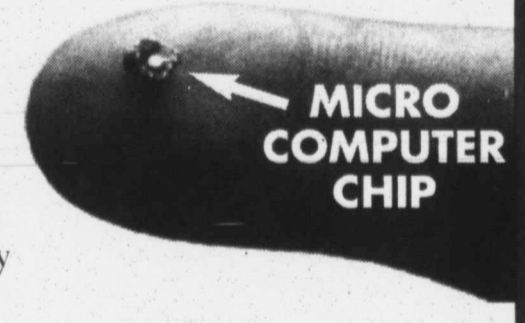
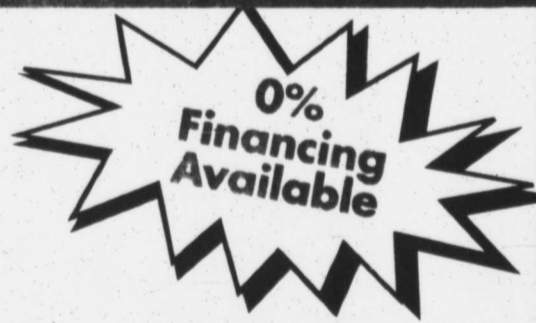
The Rev. Jesse Jackson arrived at the scene early Monday and urged community members to help each other.

"We are asking area ministers to go to hospitals," Jackson said. "My people are overwhelmed with the suddenness of this. At a time like this, you have to lean on your faith."



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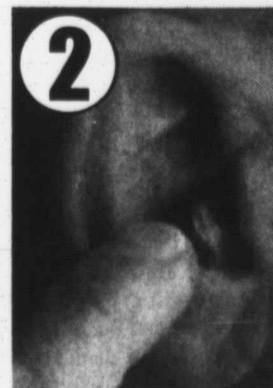
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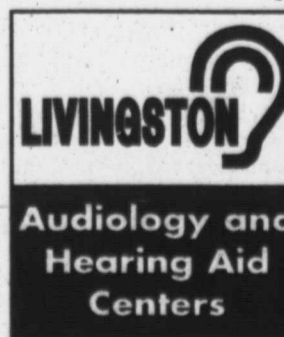
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