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Iraqis head toward U.S. troops tiamen also faced a local uprising. The right now," said Lt. Col. B.T. McCoy in strong and significant numbers,"

BY DAVID CRARY ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

A large contingent of Iraq's Republican Guard headed south under cover of blinding sandstorms in a residential area, killing 14 people.

fought on the fringes of the belea- opposition. guered city of Basra, where Iraqi mili-

weathering a blinding sandstorm in its letting them take the cheap shots." trip north from Kuwait.

racing to Baghdad, some units were 2,000 more were seen south of Kut. In the far south, British forces moving slower to clear out pockets of

first substantial relief convoy reached of 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines. "We're said Navy Capt. Frank Thorp, a the Iraqi port of Umm Qasr after going to start hunting down instead of spokesman at U.S. Central Command

Cobra pilots resupplying Marines in Word of the Iraqi advance came as central Iraq cited military intelligence to Republican Guards but Iraqi forces. 1,000-vehicle convoy Wednesday U.S. units in central Iraq appeared to reports that columns of 3,000

> seen reports of Republican Guards cantly reduced the number of flights "We're going into a hunting mode coming south in significant numbers,

in Qatar.

Thorp later said he was not referring Coalition forces may find it difficult toward central Iraq. In Baghdad, Iraqi be shifting their strategy because of the Republican Guard troops were moving to attack the columns because sandofficials said two cruise missiles hit a attacks from Iraqi militia. Instead of from Baghdad to the city of Kut, and storms sweeping across Iraq for a second day have grounded helicopter "I don't have a number, but we have flights throughout the area and signifi-

(See WAR, Page 3)

Business as usual

City commissioners fill most board vacancies

BY DAVID BOWSER STAFF WRITER

Various Pampa advisory boards and commissions have a few new members, several veteran members and some vacancies today.

Gene Willis, Rusty Neef and Kenneth Strickland, leaving one place vacant, were reappointed to the Parks and Recreation Board Tuesday evening by the Pampa City Commission.

The commission, at their regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday, also appointed Rodnie Winborne, Kent Olson and Wayne Jones to the Hidden Hills Golf Advisory Board, leaving one place vacant.

Sara appointed to fill the unexpired term of Virginia Green pointed to the Board of on the Lovett Memorial Adjustment. Lyndon Field and

(Pampa News photo) Richard Morris, director of public works, discusses rotors from the waste water plant to be designated surplus.

Carmichael was Library Board.

Cleo Meeker was reap-

Kevin Hunt were also appointed to the board.

Annie Swaney, Bob Curry and Charles Buzzard were reappointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Darville Orr was appointed to join them.

Commissioners approved the second and final reading of an ordinance eliminating the Traffic Commission.

The commission deferred action on appointments to the Cable Advisory Board and deferred action on an ordinance that would eliminate the M.K. Brown Auditorium Advisory Board.

During their pre-meeting work session, commissioners talked about eliminating the M.K. Brown board and merging it into the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

City Manager Mitch Grant

(See CITY, Page 3)



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Dr. Tim Powers, assistant superintendent, explains an architect's drawing of the proposed Pampa High School girls softball field during last night's school board meeting. Board members plan to take action on the project at an April meeting.

First results

88% of Pampa third graders pass first TAKS reading test

BY DEE DEE LARAMORE for everyone involved.

EDITOR

In Pampa Independent off," she said. School District, 86 percent of third graders passed the first school principal presented a administration of the Texas summary report of the first in Assessment of Knowledge' a three-part phase-in of the and Skills (TAKS) reading new assessment system which exam. Acting Superintendent replaces the TAAS (Texas Jane Steele told school board Assessment of Academic members Tuesday.

"We were very pleased with the scores," Steele said. "Fourteen percent (not passing) - this is a doable number unable to pass TAKS exams for us to remediate."

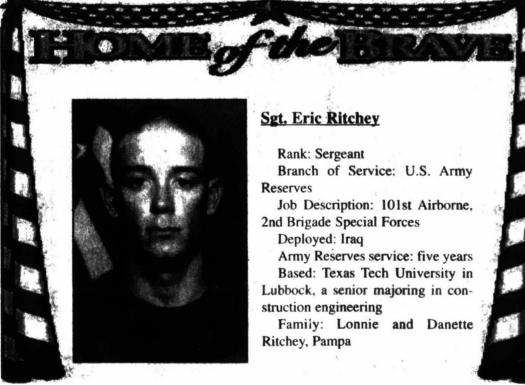
ulations to students and teach- dates. ers, saying that preparing for the TAKS has been stressful

"This is one of those times stress and worry really did pay

Each PISD elementary Skills) test at the school board meeting in Carver Center Tuesday evening.

Third grade students will not be promoted to fourth Steele offered her congrat- grade, according to state man-

> Steele said the final (See TAKS, Page 3)



Not interested? Sign the Texas No Call List

By NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDITOR

way to stop them. If you haven't placed your Monday, March 31.

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on state Do Not Call lists The Electric No-Call list across the country, as of March their name, phone number and Tired of those aggravating they register by Monday, will prevent retail electric 15th. Almost 900,000 of those address on the lists by using telemarketing calls? There's a according to the Public Utility providers and telemarketers numbers come from Texas resone of three methods:

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George Earl Winegeart died Monday, March 24, 2003. Services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, March 27, 2003, at Central Baptist Church in Pampa, Texas. Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa, Texas.

George Earl Winegeart was born in Collingsworth County on Nov. 12, 1913. He married Laura Gertrude Null in October of 1933.

George worked in the oilfield for 45 years and retired in 1978. George served as a deacon and songleader at Central Baptist Church. He enjoyed RVing and fishing for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents David Paul and Annie Winegeart; six brothers and five sisters; a daughter, Colleen Lowe and a grandson, Gary Dean Timmons.

He is survived by his wife, Gertrude, of 69 1/2 years, Pampa, Texas; two sons, Earl Winegeart of Pampa, Texas, and E. Don Winegeart of Lefors, Texas; two daughters, Joann Ring of Pampa, Texas, and Patsy Jones



of Port Aransas, Texas; a sister, Dovie Gilbreath of California: six grandsons, John Earl "Bud" Lowe, Steve Timmons, David Winegeart, Winegeart, John Ronnie Tubbs, Donnie Winegeart; three granddaugh-

ters, Linda Smith, Donna Timmons and Sabrina East; 19 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and a number of nephews and nieces and many friends.

Memorials: Central Baptist Church, Pampa, Texas, and Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

Visitation: Wednesday, March 26, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., at Bailey-Ware Funeral Home in McLean, Texas.

CARSON CO. SHERIFF

reported there were 10 persons booked into

the Carson County Jail during the week of

March 17-23. Currently, there are 13 persons

incarcerated in this jail and an additional 19

March 17 through March 23

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Joan Campbell, 23, of Casa Grande, Ariz.,

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sion of a controlled substance less than one

Joshua Gardiner, 18, of Panhandle, pos-

session of marijuana less than two ounces,

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Carlos Salazar, 28, of Espanola, N.M.

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Tuesday, March 25

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the 1300 block of Coffee; one patient was

10:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded

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Carson County Sheriff's Department

SERVICES TOMORROW

WINEGEART, George Earl — 2 p.m., Central Baptist Church, Pampa.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

Sunday, March 23

A stolen vehicle was reported recovered. The in-dash stereo/CD player was taken. Estimated value was \$500.

Tuesday, March 25

Zachary Lee Mears, 23, 1000 S. Nelson, was arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia and burglary of a building.

Riordon Lynn Hill, 19, 923 S. Wells, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces and burglary of a building.

Alicia R. Caviness, 24, 1000 S. Nelson, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.

An information report was taken in the 400 block of North Sumner.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Dwight. Damage to a mini-blind was estimated to be \$10.

Theft of a bicycle was reported in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.

Two juveniles were arrested in the 1500 block of Coffee for unauthorized use of a vehicle.

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accident.

Tuesday, March 25

3:58 p.m. — Heather Nicole Hall, 17, 1001 E. Darby, was driver of a Ford Tempo which was pulling out of a private parking lot in the 1400 block of North Banks when it struck a 1999 legally parked Ford Taurus SE owned by Betty Jo Orr, 1209 E. Foster. According to the police report, Hall told officers she was leaving the parking lot and unable to see an oncoming vehicle from the north, and said she swerved to the right striking the Taurus. She was cited for failure to yield right of way.

SHERIFF

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

Tuesday, March 25

Andrea Ann Rodriguez, 24, of Amarillo was arrested for violation of probation. Original charge was delivery of a controlled substance.

Scott Lee Baker, 40, 530 N. Gray, was arrested for violation of probation. Original charges were possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana.

Billy Ray Swanson, 35, 532 N. Wynne, was arrested for theft over \$500 and under \$1,500

FIRE

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

Tuesday, March 25

5:05 p.m. - Two units and six firefighters responded to a report of smoke at Banks and Ripley streets. None was found

8:05 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 800 block of North Dwight.

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly sunny skies, breezy and warmer conditions with highs in the upper 70s and southwest winds 10 to 15 mph increasing to 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph in the afternoon. Caution is advised on area lakes through Friday. Tonight should be partly cloudy and breezy with lows in the mid 40s and southwest winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Thursday should be mostly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the mid 70s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph _ shifting to the northwest 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Windy.

Slight chance of showers. Lows in the mid 30s. North winds 20 to 30 mph with gusts to 40 mph. Chance of rain 20 percent. Friday, partly cloudy. Windy and cooler. Highs in the lower 50s. North winds 20 to 30 mph with gusts to 40 mph. Friday night, mostly clear. Breezy. Lows in the lower 30s. Saturday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 50s. Saturday night, mostly clear. Lows in the lower 30s. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. Sunday night, mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Monday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. Monday night, mostly clear.

Ribbons, vigil show town's support for missing soldier

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PALESTINE, W.Va. (AP) — The father of a U.S. Army supply clerk missing in Iraq his daughter is alive and will West Virginia home to fulfill her dream of becoming a schoolteacher.

missing," Gregory Lynch Sr. at his Wirt County home. "There has been no new word boring Palestine. since they told us she has been missing."

seen since her 507th Maintenance Co. convoy came under attack in Iraq on Sunday. The 19-year-old supply clerk is among about a dozen soldiers reported miss-

Jessica joined the Army as a way of financing her goal of becoming an elementary school teacher. Her older brother, Greg, and younger sister, Brandi, both joined the military because jobs are scarce in rural Wirt County. Brandi, a 17-year-old high school senior, enlisted through the military's delayed entry program.

"We kind of stand behind them because we know the community doesn't have that many jobs," Lynch said. Wirt County's 15 percent unemployment rate in January was among the state's highest.

Lynch told reporters that the family hasn't monitored the war since being notified that Jessica was missing. "We haven't kept in touch with the news after that."

Jessica's status has been the focus of many of the county's 5,800 residents since the news began to spread on

"Everybody knows everybody. They either know Jessie personally or her mother or father or brother," said Teresa Toney of Elizabeth, who works at the Wirt County Courthouse.

family members and residents mother. Wyomena Lynch of of the community gathered for Palestine. "I don't know if a candlelight vigil Tuesday night. Residents lit candles, sang songs and prayed for population 994.

and front porch banister along said during a news conference a stretch of state Route 14 between Elizabeth and neigh-

Lynch's daughter, Pfc. Jessica Lynch and her fami- is a Marine stationed in Jessica Lynch, hasn't been ly." Businesses displayed "We Kuwait. support our troops" signs festooned with ribbons and Neal said. "It could have been American flags.

"The whole community is home."

More than 300 friends, with Jessie," said her grandthere are words to express

Local pastors read from the said Wednesday he believes Jessica and other troops in a book of Psalms and led in the service never before seen in singing of "Amazing Grace" eventually return to her rural the county seat of Elizabeth, and "America the Beautiful." When family pastor David Bows have been attached Morris asked how many to nearly every street and believe Lynch will return "We still believe she is business sign, telephone pole home safely, each person lifted his candle and exclaimed "Alleluia!"

> Elizabeth resident Angela Neal's son, Tommy Karr, Church signs throughout graduated from Wirt County town read, "We support High School with Lynch and

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List of Texas casualties, POWs, MIAs

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

List of soldiers with Texas connections who have been killed, missing or captured in the war against Iraq. Sources: U.S. military and relatives. Hometowns may be those of family.

- Marine Staff Sgt. Phillip A. Jordan, 42, formerly of Brazoria and now of Enfield, Conn.; one of nine Marines killed in fighting Sunday near An Nasiriyah after they encountered Iraqi troops pretending to surrender.

- Marine Cpl. Brian Matthew Kennedy, 25, of Houston; one of four Marines and eight U.K. servicemen killed Friday in a helicopter crash in Kuwait.

CAPTURED:

- Chief Warrant Officer David S. Williams, 30, of Orlando, Fla.; Chief Warrant Officer Ronald D. Young Jr., 26, of Lithia Springs, Ga., pilots from the 1st Battalion of the 227th Aviation Regiment, stationed at Fort Hood near Killeen. Their Apache helicopter was forced down Sunday in southern Iraq. Williams' wife and two children live at Fort Hood.

- Spc. Edgar Hernandez, 21, of Mission; Spc. Shoshana Johnson, 30, of El Paso; Spc. Joseph Hudson, 23, of Alamogordo, N.M.; Pfc. Patrick Miller, 23, of Park City, Kan.; Sgt. James Riley, 31, of Pennsauken, N.J. All were members of the 507th Maintenance Company from Fort Bliss in El Paso and were captured Sunday after their convoy was ambushed near An Nasiriyah. Johnson has a 2-year-old daughter who is staying with her parents in El Paso.

- Spc. James Kiehl, 22, of Comfort; Pfc. Jessica Lynch, 19, of Palestine, W.Va.; Pfc. Lori Piestewa, 22, of Tuba City, Ariz.; Pvt. Brandon Sloan, 19, of Bedford Heights, Ohio. All members of the 507th Maintenance Company, Fort Bliss. The names of the others missing in the same attack have not been disclosed. Iraqi television has shown four bodies it said were Americans from the attack.

Spring growth will hurt search for more debris from Columbia

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Teams searching Texas and Louisiana for debris from the space shuttle Columbia have only a few more weeks before spring growth of brush and trees makes it difficult to find more pieces, NASA officials said Wednesday.

About 5,700 people are still searching the primary debris field, an area that stretches about five miles by 250 miles across the two states, for parts from the shuttle. The Columbia broke up on reentry Feb. 1, killing all seven crew members.

Officials studying videotape of the shuttle's destruction believe other debris may have fallen in the snowy mountains west of Texas, though no shuttle debris has yet been found

"Our intention is to press on and not worry much about conditions," Mike Rudolphi, deputy director of Stennis Space Center in Mississippi and leader of NASA's efforts to recover debris, told members of Columbia Accident Investigation Board.

The board met for a second day of hearings Wednesday at Cape Canaveral.

About 54,000 pounds, roughly a quarter of the orbiter's weight, has so far been recovered. Of the 45,000 pieces, only about 1,400 pieces, have been laid out in place on a grid in a hangar at the Kennedy

Workers hope to make a two-dimensional reconstruction of the shuttle with the parts to help investigators understand what happened to Columbia.

Parts from the shuttle's left wing get top priority, said Steven Altenus, shuttle test director at Kennedy Space Center, who is in charge of the reconstruction.

Investigators believe a section of the left wing was breached by fiery gases during Columbia's re-entry. Little of the left wing structure has been recovered.

One theory investigators are

exploring is that the wing may have been damaged by foam insulation falling from the external fuel tank during liftoff on Jan. 16.

The director of the Kennedy Space Center said Tuesday he never thought foam debris posed a threat to the safety of the space shuttle fleet.

"If I thought it was a severe safety issue, certainly I would engage in recommending that we stop flying until we fixed it," Roy Bridges told the board. "To be honest I did not think that the ... foam coming off had caused any significant damage in the program to date."

City Briefs

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accountability score will come from the third administration of the exam. She said PISD has asked for a waiver to administer the exam on June 25, at the end of summer school.

Pampa third graders must also undergo a TAKS test in mathematics, which has not been given yet.

Of the 235 third graders tested, 44 achieved "commended" meaning they missed two or less questions on the test. The majority of those students - 28, attended Austin Elementary School

One hundred percent of the 38 gifted and talented students scored 100 percent on the read-

ing test, according to the reports. When divided by race, 63 percent of African American, 87 percent Hispanic and 94 percent of white students passed the exam.

"We do have an area we need to work on, especially the African American," Steele said.

Only 76 percent of the economically disadvantaged students passed the exam, as well.

"That means there is a quar-

"That means there is a quarter (of economically disadvantaged students) we need to focus on," she added.

Limited English proficiency and knowing English as a second language did not appear to have a major affect on the third graders' scores overall. Eightytwo percent of the 17 limited English and English as a

Second Language students mastered the exam, according to the report.

"This is not far off the district total," Steele pointed out.

Slightly less than three-quarters of the 95 at-risk students passed the TAKS reading, also.

"Every point, every figure represents a child," said Principal Ron Warren of Austin Elementary School, adding that Austin teachers are focusing on building a child's confidence and self esteem.

Overall, 89 percent of Austin third graders passed, but only 64 percent of the economically disadvantaged succeeded accounting for half of the eight students who failed the first test, Warren said.

"This is an area we are look-

ing at very strongly, *especially in our staffing," he said.

Cay Warner, principal at Lamar Elementary, reported that 71 percent of the students met the TAKS standard there. She explained that 90 percent of the Lamar student population is economically disadvantaged.

"Our danger areas are low socioeconomics, African American, and the language factor," she said.

Warner said she has already called parents and plans to meet with children regarding the test.

Principal Doug Rapstine of Travis Elementary reported 89 percent of third graders there passed the exam with 79 percent of economically disadvantaged and at-risk students passing. He said that 25 students made a perfect score on the critical thinking segment of the test and 70 percent passed the basic understanding portion.

Travis' goal is 90 percent, a goal they intend to reach,

Rapstine said.
"We're already doing a lot

of tutoring," he said.

Tommy Lindsey, principal at
Wilson Elementary, said he was

Wilson Elementary, said he was "very pleased" with Wilson third graders' scores. At Wilson, 88 percent of the students met TAKS standard in the reading exam. "If we were still under TAAS standards, we would have been 94 percent," he said.

He said he would like to improve the number of students who reach "commended." Only two students missed two or less of the questions at Wilson.

Of the 50 Wilson students tested, six did not pass and one was not tested, he said.

Economically disadvantaged, 86 percent, and at-risk students, 81 percent, scored comparably with the overall score. Wilson The nine ESL and limited English proficient students scored 100 percent on the exam. "We need to keep working," Lindsey said. "We have lots of work ahead."

Steele said that if PISD is to meet the exemplary standard set by the school board, the district must "look for commended students."

"The way I see it, we have two jobs," she said. "To bring students up and extend above and beyond."

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CITY

staff had trouble finding people to serve on the cable board. There was some discussion during the work session of cutting the number of people on the board from seven to five.

The commission approved a \$1 increase in the landfill fee, bringing it to \$24.50 per ton, for non-residents and commercial interests.

In other business, city commissioners declared equipment, some rotors, from the waste water treatment plant as surplus.

Richard Morris, Pampa's public works director, said that a city in California had expressed interest in buying the rotors.

The commission also accepted the 2002 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and audit of the city 2001-2002 fiscal year by Gary Brown of Brown, Graham and Company, certified public accountants.

Brown commended Pampa's financial director, John Horst, for being awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the previous fiscal year.

"This is good acknowledgment of what John and the accounting staff does,"
Brown told the commission-

Brown noted a series of changes Horst and his staff have already taken in their Comprehensive Annual Financial Report in preparation for new requirements in reporting standards for cities next year.

During their work session, the commissioners reviewed a proposal from the PEDC concerning the U.S. Bus Building at 822 E. Foster.

On March 10, the PEDC board voted to turn the building over to the city with the provision that if the building is sold, any money in excess of the money owed the Texas Capital Fund will go back to the PEDC.

Grant said the building was bought using a \$250,000 revolving loan from the Texas Capital Fund. About \$180,000 is still owed. About \$70,000 can be forgiven, but the PEDC used \$38,000 of that for a loan to Cross Calf. That company, Grant said, is current on their loan.

"This gets a little complicated," Grant said.

The repayment of the \$38,000 loan goes back into the revolving loan fund, he said.

"The issue is who's going to pay the utilities," said Doug Locke, president of the PEDC. "Realistically, it's unlikely that we're going to sell the building in the next couple of years."

Pampa High School student Tess Kingcaid, editor of the Little Harvester, the school newspaper was awarded a certificate of appreciation by the commission for an editorial she wrote urging students to become involved in civic activities.

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LIST

tration form by calling the toll-free number or by downloading and printing a form from www.texasnocall.com. Payment may be made with MasterCard, Visa or by mailing a check or money order to TEXAS NO CALL, P.O. Box 313, E. Walpole, MA 02032. In order to get on the next do not call list, forms must be mailed early enough so they are received by March 31, 2003.

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Any company, in-state or out of state. calling a consumer registered on the Texas No-Call list, is subject to a \$1,000 fine per violation.

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WAR

off carriers in the Persian Gulf and eastern Mediterranean.

The blinding storms also hampered resupply efforts. Most aircraft have been grounded since Tuesday morning, including helicopters bearing food, water and ammunition. Some helicopters that were able to fly on Wednesday picked up casualties.

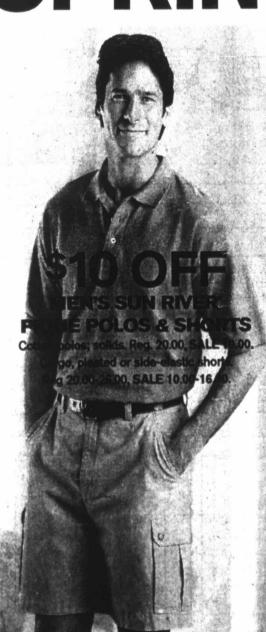
The 3rd Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division was within striking distance of Baghdad but was stalled by the storms, said its commander, Col. Michael Linnington.

"We are one tank of fuel from Baghdad," Linnington said. "The 101st is grounded and were not doing what we do best which is air assault operations and attacks. So we're waiting for a weather break."

President Bush, speaking at the headquarters of Central Command at MacDill Air Force Base in Florida, said Republican Guard troops are under "direct and intense attack" from coalition forces.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Woman Hopes Fling With Boss Becomes Steady Commitment

DEAR ABBY: I'm kinda involved with this guy at work. He's my boss and he's really hot. "Rod" and I lem is he says he can't "be" with me, advice are welcome — but no medbecause he can't give me what I dling. This worked well for us until

fulfill my physical needs.
So, in my head I'm saying, "OK, that's better than nothing." Rod bought me a car and has been generous in the money department. But a couple of months ago, he started seeing this other girl. I refer to her

as the "Sexless Unwilling Virgin." Rod says he loves her, but he still wants to sleep with me. I don't understand why he doesn't love me, and I can't figure out why he's never taken me out on a real date. Lately he only stays overnight when he doesn't have anything else to do. I know he cares for me, and that

we have a history he doesn't have with the "S.U.V." Should I keep sticking it out? I can't stop hoping that one day we'll end up being a real couple. Rod means the world to me. I'd do almost anything for him. What do you think?

IN LOVE WITH THE HOT ROD

DEAR IN LOVE: Idle your motor. The man you have described appears to be fulfilling your material and physical needs - but not your emotional ones. It's up to you to decide how long you can live with two out of three. I hope you'll soon wake up to the fact that you dling. It's a bracing dose of the are being used, and that it will truth, and a glimpse of what lies spur you to find a man who

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DEAR ABBY: My mother and I started sleeping together almost a have always agreed that we don't year ago, and he's told me all along interfere with each other's decisions. that he cares a lot for me. My prob- Emotional support and tidbits of

deserve emotionally — he can only she met "Don" nine months ago. They're currently living together and plan to be married this summer. Don spends his afternoons at the

> neighborhood bar, has worked only two weeks since Mom has known him (he was fired for stealing), has been arrested for shoplifting, and lies about his "war experience" in hopes of gaining sympathy. (He never served a day in the military. I

then her life has been anything but normal and stable. My sister flatout told her how she feels about Don ("Dump the loser") and now they're not speaking. I don't want to harm our relationship, but Mom constantly asks me for money I don't have. What am I supposed to say to her, Abby?

TOO EXASPERATED FOR WORDS IN ARKANSAS

DEAR EXASPERATED: Tell her no, and tell her why. Explaining that you have no intention of supporting her freeloading fiance is not med-

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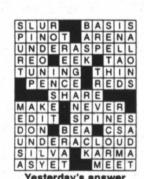
DEAR ABBY: I have a beautiful double strand of pearls I'd love to wear, but it was a gift from my exhusband. Can I wear the necklace while out with my current husband?
NEW WIFE IN GUAM

DEAR NEW WIFE: As long as our current husband doesn't object, I see no reason why not. Sometimes a string of pearls is only a string of pearls.

Mother is one of those women who are incapable of living alone. Her second husband of eight years died suddenly last year, and since

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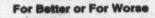
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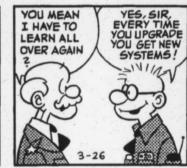






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North Korea calls off UN meeting, convenes its parliament

PANMUNJOM, (AP) — Accusing the United States of planning an invasion, North Korea on Wednesday cut off the only regular military contact with the U.S.-led command that monitors the Korean War armistice.

The move will further isolate the communist North amid tensions over its suspected nuclear weapons programs.

South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun on Wednesday dismissed as "groundless" allegations by the North that American forces may attack.

"There will be no war on the Korean Peninsula as long as we do not want a war," Roh was quoted as saying by his office, adding that Washington has repeatedly pledged to resolve the crisis peacefully

U.N. envoy Maurice Strong said that North Korean officials told him in meetings in Pyongyang last week that they

Army sent a telephone message to the U.S.-led U.N. Command saying it will no longer send its delegates to the liaison-officers' meeting at the inter-Korean border village of Panmunjom.

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reprocess their spent fuel rods

that experts say could yield

enough plutonium for several

atomic bombs within months.

Such a move would spike ten-

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"It is meaningless to sit together with the U.S. forces side to discuss any issue as long as it remains arrogant," the North's official news agency KCNA quoted the North Korean message as say-

North Korea claimed again Tuesday the United States may

attack the communist state "reserved the right" to after the war in Iraq and spark a "second Iraqi crisis." It pledged to beef up its defenses.

> The U.N. Command, which has monitored the armistice since the end of the 1950-53 war, had no immediate comment. Without a peace treaty, the Korean Peninsula is still technically at a state of war.

> U.S. officials representing the U.N. Command have met North Korean officers at Panmunjom almost weekly since the end of the war.

In Japan, space agency officials were preparing to launch their first spy satellites into orbit on Friday. North Korea has condemned the move, prompting fears it may retaliate and test-fire a long-range missile.

In the North's capital,

Pyongyang, lawmakers convened the rubber-stamp parlia-

North Korean Finance Minister Mun II bong said that the 2003 budget will increase 14.4 percent from last year, according to KCNA.

The North Korean government will allocate 15.4 percent of the budget for national defense, up from 14.9 percent last year, Mun said.

"This year.. the state will give top priority to the production of quality raw and other materials needed for increasing the combat power of the people's army and the national defense industry so as to boost the capability of the revolutionary armed forces in every way," he said.

North Korea accuses Washington of inciting a dispute over its alleged programs to develop nuclear weapons to create an excuse for invasión. President Bush has branded the North part of an "axis of evil" with Iraq and Iran.

Washington says it seeks a diplomatic solution to the crisis - but Bush has said that if diplomacy fails a military solution may be considered.

South Korean Foreign Minister Yoon Young-kwan left Wednesday Washington to discuss North Korea with Secretary of State Colin Powell and other U.S. officials.

During his four-day visit, Yoon also hopes to arrange a summit in the United States between presidents Roh and Bush, which he said would take place in late April at the

Member of Troop 413 to host M*A*S*H drive for Eagle Scout project

Scout, Boy Scout Troop 413, will host - for his Eagle Scout project - a M*A*S*H Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, March 29 at Clarendon College-Pampa Center in Pampa.

The blood drive is being sponsored by Coffee Memorial Blood Center of Amarillo.

"We all know that blood is a necessary part of our lives," Chase said. "You may one day find yourself in need of blood due to a severe accident or even surgery. One out of every 10 people who go into surgery will need a blood transfusion.

"It is estimated that 60 percent of the population is eligible to donate," Chase stated, "but only about 5 percent actually go through the donation process.

"Anyone who is in good health, at least 17 days. A unit of blood is equal to one pint.

"When you donate one unit of blood, you could be helping one- to three-people. For example," Chase observed, "if you started donating blood at the age of 17 and donated every 56 days until you were 76, you would donate about 48 galcould help anywhere from, at the event.

Chase Guyer, Life 384 people to 1,152 people. "Red blood cells must be used within 42 days from the time they were donated and platelets must be used within five days. There is no substitute for human

blood," Chase said.

"Blood Centers need people to donate regularly, so there will be an ample supply of tested blood ready at all times. CMBC must collect 600 units of blood a week in order to meet the needs of their which service area, includes Pampa.

"In addition to community needs, CMBC has entered into a national agreement with the U.S. Department of Defense to supplement any need that might arise as a result of the conflict in the Middle East.

"CMBC would be asked to supply blood," Chase explained, "only if the military could not fulfill their years of age, and weighs blood needs through miliover 110 pounds may be tary donors. If the need eligible to donate. A should arise, CMBC would donor can give every 56 be notified by this region's Hub center, which is Carter Blood Care in Dallas, Texas.

> "A Hub is like a support system for all of the member blood banks. This makes the need for donors even greater," Chase concluded.

All donors will receive a free M*A*S*H T-shirt, and lons of blood, and that refreshments will be served

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Ethics panel issues charges against Kentucky governor

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Gov. Paul Patton has less than 20 days to respond to a state ethics panel's allegations that he did favors for his lover by intervening to make her construction company more likely to get state aid.

If the four charges filed Tuesday by the Executive Branch Ethics Commission are upheld after a hearing, Patton could face a \$5,000 fine and a public reprimand.

Under state law, Patton has 20 days to respond to the charges. He can present evidence to a hearing officer who then would make a recommendation to the ethics commis-

Patton said he would vigorously defend himself. He has acknowledged having an affair with nursing home owner Tina Conner but has denied her allegations that he used his office to help her during the affair and hurt her after their breakup.

"I have made mistakes in my private life, but I have not abused my office. I am confident that when the commission's hearing is completed, that fact will be clear to the citizens of Kentucky," Patton

The commission said it found probable cause to believe Patton intervened to get certification as a "disadvantaged business" for a construction company owned by Conner and her husband, Seth

Such a designation entitled the company, ST Construction, to preferential treatment in the awarding of state highway contracts. No contract was actually awarded, according to the administration.

The commission also said Patton influenced a decision by the state's vehicle enforcement agency to promote a friend of Tina Conner. The other charges allege that it was because of the affair that Tina Conner was appointed to the Kentucky Lottery Corp. board of directors and Seth Conner was appointed to the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.

State and federal prosecutors are also investigating the

Tina Conner told WHAS-TV in Louisville on Tuesday she has been honest with the ethics commission and the public, and she hoped the governor would take responsibili-



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links illness in China to mystery disease

Organization for the first time has linked a pneumonia outbreak in China to a mystery flu-like illness that has hit other countries on three continents. The global death toll from the combined outbreaks climbed to 52 on Wednesday.

Chinese authorities said the disease has killed at least 34 people in China since November — 31 in the south and three in Beijing. Hundreds have been infected. Previously, they said only five had died in southern Guangdong province.

World health officials later said the symptoms of the Chinese illness are consistent with those for severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, which has sickened nearly 500 people and killed 18 elsewhere.

Singapore announced its fatality Wednesday, and ordered all schools shut as a health precaution. More than 700 people in

BEIJING (AP) - The World Health the city-state have been ordered to stay home not been clear and the period of risk for the under quarantine or face fines.

> "Everything we've seen so far indicates it's the same disease," said Dr. Meirion Evans, a member of a WHO team that has studied the cases in southern China, but not yet those in Beijing.

> "We're getting a more complete picture," Evans told The Associated Press. "It's certainly been one of the objectives of the mission to clarify whether the outbreak in China was the same disease as what's been seen outside of China.

> "It's not good news for the patients, but it's helpful in our understanding of the disease." The WHO has called on Beijing to be

> more cooperative. Taiwan also urged China on Wednesday to

> be more forthcoming. "Because the mainland is not sharing

information, the source of the contagion has

outbreak has been lengthened," said a report from 'Taiwan's Mainland Affairs Council, which handles the island's relations with rival China. "This hasn't helped us protect ourselves from an epidemic."

Singapore's closure of schools, from day care centers to junior colleges, will keep a half-million students temporarily out of class.

"On purely medical grounds, there are currently no strong reasons for closing all schools," said Teo Chee Hean, Singapore's education minister.

"However, principals and general practitioners have reported that parents continue to be concerned about the risk to their children in schools."

In Hong Kong, where numerous citizens are going about town in masks, media reported that about 60 schools have been closed as a precaution.

The Hong Kong Education and Manpower Bureau would confirm only five closures but officials acknowledged some schools were closing at their own initiative.

Health officials said Tuesday they had quarantined about two dozen possible carriers of SARS in Canada after the number of probable cases in Ontario jumped from 10 to

The disease is believed to have spread to Singapore, Vietnam and Canada by people who caught it while spending time last month on the ninth floor of the Metropole Hotel in Hong Kong, where an infected mainland Chinese medical professor was a guest.

The South China Morning Post in Hong Kong reported early Wednesday that the professor had been treating atypical pneumonia patients in the mainland before he came to Hong Kong. The professor died here in early March.

Bankruptcy judge approves claim settlement between Kmart, Fleming

CHICAGO (Dow. Jones/AP) — A bankruptcy court judge has approved a settlement between Kmart Corp. and Fleming Cos., slashing Fleming's \$1.5 billion claim in the retailer's bankruptcy case to \$385 million.

The resolution of the feud Tuesday lifted a cloud hanging over Kmart's plans to emerge from bankruptcy later this spring. Both sides in the days leading up to the hearing said that without Judge Susan Pierson Sonderby's formal approval, litigation on the matter could have gone on for months. Sonderby is at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

The retailer remains on track to have a confirmation hearing on its reorganization plan on April 14. Kmart of Troy, Mich., filed for federal

bankruptcy protection in \$292.8 million investment. January 2002.

Fleming, a wholesale food distributor based in Lewisville, Texas, provided groceries and related supplies to Kmart stores. Kmart terminated the Fleming contract in January, much to Fleming's surprise.

Kmart lead attorney Jack Butler said in open court that as part of the settlement, Fleming, once Kmart's largest supplier, would immediately sell the \$385 million allowed claim to ESL Investments Inc. for \$22 million. He said the \$22 million price was less than what Fleming would have received had it held out for redistributions of new stock for the claim under the retailer's reorganization plan. ESL, together with Whitman's Third Marty Avenue Fund, previously agreed to fund Kmart's emergence from bankruptcy with a

Separately, Judge Sonderby denied a motion by a former executive who was seeking a payment under a previous agreement. employment Former senior Vice President Hector Dominguez, who left the company in February 2002, had asked the court to compel Kmart to hand over a \$200,000

severance payment.

Kmart attorney Charles Smith said that "unusual circumstances" were present at the retailer at the time that Dominguez's contract was finalized.

Former senior vice president of human resources Timothy M. Crow and his boss, former executive Vice President David

the company for allegedly granting cash bonuses to employees without proper authorization. Crow and Rots- by Dominguez. oversaw Dominguez's contract, Smith said.

Kmart's Smith said Dominguez's employment contract "was the only one of its kind" among similar execu-

P. Rots, both were fired from tives at the company and that a number of the anonymous letters that the company received alleged specific wrongdoings

> Dominguez's attorney Michael Zousmer said Kmart had not yet made any determinations about wrongdoing and that the retailer's actions constituted a "witch hunt."

Sears may sale credit card division with its 25 million active accounts

CHICAGO (AP) - Sears, Roebuck and Co. said Wednesday it is considering selling its credit card division, considered one of the top customer databases in the retail industry with about 25 million active accounts.

The division was once a major earner for Sears but a number of cardholders who have not been paying their bills has become a growing problem.

The recent credit division difficulties have driven Sears' stock price down from a high of \$60 last year to \$21.45 Tuesday. Sears on Tuesday also announced a pending round of layoffs at its corporate headquarters.

Sears CEO Alan Lacy said Wednesday he believes the value of

the credit operation is "not reflected in today's market valuation of Sears."

Selling the operation would assist the company's cost-cutting attempts after 18 months of slow sales.

Likely bidders for the operation include major credit card issues such as Citigroup Inc., Bank One Corp. and Bank of America Corp., The Wall Street Journal reported in Wednesday editions. Both The Wall Street Journal and the Chicago Tribune, citing unidentified sources, said Sears had already decided to sell.

The Chicago Tribune said sources estimated the company could get as much as \$6 billion to \$7 billion for the credit card



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Smallpox vaccine bad for problematic hearts

ommending that people with heart disease not get vaccinated against smallpox as authorities investigate a possible link between the vaccine and heart problems.

The vaccination has never been associated with heart problems before, but the warning and the investigation came Tuesday, after a Maryland woman died of a heart attack and six others became ill after being inoculated.

"I think we want to err on the side of safety," Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the federal Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, said Tuesday.

Gerberding emphasized that officials do not know whether there is a connection and said the national vaccination program, off to a slow start, must move forward to prepare for the possibility of a bioterror attack with smallpox.

"The potential for terrorism has probably never been higher," she said.

Three of the seven people under investigation suffered heart attacks, including the Maryland woman who died, another woman who is now on life support and a third woman who was hospitalized and released. All three were health care or public health workers in their 50s.

Two other people developed angina, or chest

All five of these patients had risk factors for heart heart failure, previous heart attack and angina

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health officials are rec- disease before the vaccination, such as diabetes, obesity, hypertension or use of tobacco, Gerberding said.

> The other two patients under investigation suffered from heart inflammation.

Gerberding said she does not expect to find a link between the heart trouble and the vaccine but wants further study before ruling it out.

"It could be entirely coincidental," she said. "Coronary artery disease is a very common condition in our society."

The vaccine carries well-documented side effects, but they have never included heart problems. Still, the data were gathered during a time when most people being vaccinated were young children not likely to have heart trouble, Gerberding

The CDC planned to gather cardiac experts on Wednesday to consider whether something in the vaccine might be triggering heart problems in people who already have risk factors.

Health officials also plan to compare the rate of heart problems in the pool of smallpox vaccine recipients with the rate expected in a similar population of people who have not been vaccinated.

Under the new, temporary guidelines, people who have been diagnosed with serious heart disease such as coronary artery disease, congestive are being told not to get the vaccine.

Gerberding said she expects the new guidelines, which are being delivered to the states immediately, to eliminate fewer than 10 percent of potential vac-

The woman who died; a hospital worker in Salisbury, Md., was vaccinated a week ago. She died five days later, on Sunday, in Arlington, Va., state officials said. An autopsy was performed Tuesday.

Her death is the first associated with either the civilian vaccination program that began two months ago or the military program launched in December.

As of March 14, states had vaccinated 21,698 civilians, mostly in public health departments and hospitals. Concerns about the vaccine's risk have helped keep the numbers well below the 450,000 initially expected.

The military program, where vaccinations are mandatory, has vaccinated "well over" 100,000 soldiers, the Pentagon said.

Based on studies in the late 1960s, experts estimate that one or two people out of every million being vaccinated for the first time will die. The death rate for those being revaccinated was lower: Two people died out of 8.5 million who were revaccinated in a 1968 study.

Additionally, 14 to 52 people out of every million being vaccinated for the first time are expected to suffer life-threatening side effects.

Agents arrest ambassador

NEW YORK (AP) - The former Bosnian ambassador to the United Nations said he would fight extradition to his home country, where he is accused of stealing more than \$2.4 million.

Muhamed Sacirbegovic, 46, was arrested Tuesday. He said through his court-appointed attorney that he was eager to "establish his innocence."

The Bosnian government has accused him of stealing more than \$2.4 million about \$1.8 million from the nation's Investment Fund Ministry and more than \$600,000 from the account of Bosnia's representation at the United Nations.

The alleged theft meant Bosnia could not pay some of its bills to the United Nations. including rent and telephone bills, the U.S. Marshals Service said in a statement.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Debra Freeman said an extradition hearing would be held

Federal prosecutors said they would move for Sacirbegovic's extradition to Bosnia-Herzegovina, where a judge issued a warrant for his arrest in December 2001. His attorney, Steven Statsinger, said he planned to fight extradition_because his client "has very strong ties to this coun-

He is married, lives on Staten Island and had recently started a business, Statsinger said outside court. He declined to describe the business.

"In April 2001, during regular work reviews, the Foreign Ministry found some irregularities and submitted a criminal complaint," the Bosnian Foreign Ministry said in a statement Wednesday.

Mid-eastern nuclear rivals tease each other by test-firing missiles

NEW DELHI, India (AP) India test-fired a short-range missile capable of carrying a nuclear weapon on Wednesday, and neighbor Pakistan immediately announced it had tested a similar missile.

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The nuclear-armed rivals often conduct such tit-for-tat tests of missiles capable of reaching parts of the other's territory.

The launches came as India

repeated assertions Pakistan was to blame for the recent massacre of 24 Hindus in Kashmir, the Himalayan province claimed by both South Asian rivals.

With the United States and the international community consumed by the war in Iraq, there are fears the nuclear rivals might carry out provocations so as to keep some of the

world's attention on their dispute over Kashmir.

Pakistan complained that India didn't notify it in advance of its test.

"The common practice is for each country to inform the other before conducting a test, but this time we were surprised," said Aziz Ahmed Khan, Pakistan's foreign ministry spokesman.

Prithvi missile from its Chandipur testing range in Orissa state. The missile has a range of 95 miles. Baljit Singh Menon, a defense ministry spokesman, said the test was Pakistan tested one of its

India successfully fired a

Abdali missiles, which can carry both nuclear and conventional warheads and has a range of less than 132 miles. Khan would not say where the missile test was conducted, or whether it-occurred before or after the Indian

"Pakistan has also test-fired a missile today, but we informed India about it," Khan

Tensions have increased

the village of Nadimarg. The victims, which included two children and 11 women, were upper-caste Hindus known as Kashmiri Pandits. A group of armed men dragged them out of their homes and shot them at close range, police and witnesses said.

since the massacre Monday in

Police said they believed the gunmen were Islamic militants, who have been fighting for Kashmir's independence from India since 1989. "The pattern, methodology

and the nature of targets of these acts of terror are all too familiar and therefore the culpability of Pakistan is all too clear," said Navtej Sarna, a spokesman for India's foreign ministry.

Science Fair winners



(Courtesy photo)

Travis Elementary School recently posted its science fair winners in the various age divisions and categories. Above: Braden Hunt was a first place winner, Collin Pursley, a second place winner, and Courtney Honeycutt, a third place winner, all of Mrs. Wyatt's class.

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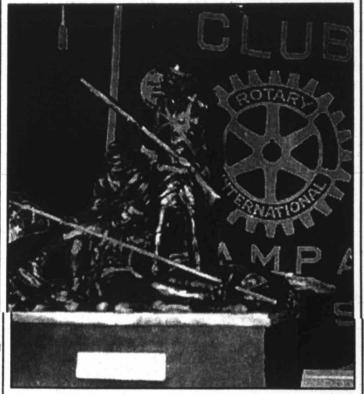
Air Force to replace four top leaders at academy, Senator says

WASHINGTON (AP) - A planned change in leadership of the Air Force Academy is a positive step, but the Air Force needs to do more to assure the academy takes reports of rapes and sexual assaults seriously, according to a former cadet who says she was raped at the academy.

"They need to rebuild the system. There is a combination of too many bad things going on, and they can't just come up with a quickie solution," said Jessica Brakey, 23.

Four top officers at the academy will be replaced, at least two of them by women, Air Force Secretary James Roche told senators Tuesday. A fifth will be allowed to retire as planned this summer. The Air Force is investigating allegations that female cadets were

Rotary Club



(Community Camera photo)

Artist Gerald Sanders recently spoke at a Rotary Club meeting in Pampa. This is a mock-up of a sculpture Sanders is currently working on for the Shiloh Battlefield Monument in Tennessee. When completed, the sculpture should stand 9-feet and will

be finished in bronze.

ostracized or reprimanded for reporting rapes and sexual assaults. Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., said it will take a culture change at the academy to root out the problems that have existed

for years — long before the current leadership. "Cadets have to realize they owe their allegiance to the values

of the Air Force and the country they are preparing to represent and defend, and there has been quite a bit of evidence that the camaraderie of the cadets has taken precedence over stopping inappropriate behavior or reporting criminal act and that has to end," she

Fifty-six cases of rape or sexual assault have been reported at the academy since 1993. Colorado Republican Sen. Wayne Allard says 50 cases have been reported to his office, many by women upset with the way the academy handled their complaints and a significant portion occurring within the last two years.

"The evidence indicates now that we need to have some changes in leadership at the top," Allard said. "I think they're moving in the right direction."

Roche, who is scheduled to announce the changes Wednesday, would not answer questions as he left the Senate briefing.

A congressional aide familiar with the planned changes said the four who will be replaced are Brig. Gen. S. Taco Gilbert III, the commandant of cadets and second in charge at the academy; Col. Steve Eddy, vice superintendent; Col. Bob Eskridge, vice commander; and Col. Sue Slavec, training group commander and the academy's highest-ranking woman.

Lt. Gen. John R. Dallager is expected to remain as superintendent and the top official at the 4,100-cadet institution until his scheduled retirement in June.

Gilbert, who declined to comment, is scheduled to leave the academy this summer after completing a standard two-year tour.

The Rocky Mountain News and The Denver Post reported that Maj. Gen. John W. Rosa Jr., deputy director of current operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will replace Dallager and that Brig. Gen. Johnny Weida, a 1978 academy graduate, will replace

The papers also reported that Col. Debra D. Gray will become vice commandant of cadets, and that another woman, Col. Clada Monteith, also will be among top officers. The News said Monteith will replace Slavec as training group commander.

Brakey said simply reassigning the officers is inadequate pun-

"They've proven they're ineffective leaders, and a little slap on the wrist isn't enough," she said. "As far as I know they were covering up crimes. Isn't that a crime?"

Rep. Joel Hefley, R-Colo., said command changes alone are not sufficient, but he is confident that other changes at the academy will help fix the problems.

"My fear was at the outset that they would find somebody to be the scapegoat and then say everything is fine and everything is not fine. There's a cultural problem there that needs to be changed,"

The other changes, he said, include clustering female cadets' dormitory rooms and providing round-the-clock security; training medical personnel to respond to sexual assault cases; offering amnesty to cadets raising sexual assault allegations; and expelling cadets for underage drinking or providing alcohol to an underage

FERC to decide power refunds, long-term contracts

WASHINGTON (AP) - Two years market. The energy crisis cost the brought a quick end to the energy criafter Californians faced soaring power prices and rolling blackouts, the state still is seeking nearly \$9 billion in compensation from energy companies it says took advantage of, or perhaps caused, the power crisis.

California and other western governments also are seeking to force companies to renegotiate long-term contracts for power that were signed during the height of the crisis.

On Wednesday, federal energy regulators were expected to rule on both issues, and release a final investigative report about the manipulation of the price and supply of power by Enron Corp. and other companies.

In addition, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has said it will make public reams of documents California filed to support its allegations of widespread manipulation and rebuttals by energy companies. Those pressing for \$9 billion. documents were filed under seal in early March.

part of FERC's effort to start closing California's deregulated electricity other changes in June 2001 that power plants use natural gas.

state as much as \$45 billion over two years in higher electricity costs, lost business due to blackouts and a slowdown in economic growth, according to the Public Policy Institute of California.

Energy companies also are looking for an end to the uncertainty hampering their business while California's claims have been pending, said Julie Simon, vice president of the Electric Power Supply Association, Washington trade association.

"There has been a \$9 billion cloud hanging over the industry's head," she said. "We need to get this behind us and move on."

Both sides do not expect FERC's decisions to be the final word. Richard Katz, a senior adviser to California Gov. Gray Davis, said the governor has told him to continue

The cluster of California issues is tomorrow," Katz said Tuesday.

its review of what went wrong in prices across the West and instituted drive up prices. Many California

sis. A FERC administrative law judge has since found that California was overcharged \$1.8 billion for power.

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FERC Chairman Pat Wood ordered an investigation in February 2002 after California officials repeatedly charged energy marketers of gouging California's utilities and its cus-

Two months later, FERC obtained an internal Enron memo that described trading strategies, including sham transactions and other schemes, aimed at creating congestion on the Western power grids and forcing up prices. Two former Enron traders have pleaded guilty to federal charges stemming from the trading strategies.

The memo indicated that other companies had similar strategies, but provided no details. Energy companies have largely denied wrongdoing.

Separately, California last week "We are hopeful, but not overly magreed to a settlement with El Paso optimistic, that FERC will hear us Corp., for \$1.7 billion, ending a dispute over whether the company with-FERC capped wholesale power held natural gas from California to

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SPORTS

BASEBALL

PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Baseball Booster Club meeting at 7 Thursday night in the high school athletic office.

All club members are urged to attend.

TENNIS

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla (AP) — Andre Agassi beat Mark Philippoussis 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 in the fourth round of the Nasdaq-100 Open.

Agassi converted only four of 14 break-point chances, but he remained until patient Australian's game began to unravel. Philippoussis finished with 28 winners but also 38 unforced errors.

Top-seeded defending champion Serena Williams and No. 3 Kim Clijsters easily advanced to a showdown in the women's semifinals.

HOCKEY

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Scott Young had a timely answer to stopping the Vancouver Canucks' top line.

Todd Bertuzzi Markus Naslund took turns setting each other up to tie the game in the third period, but Young scored his second goal on a power play with 4:31 left as the Dallas Stars Vancouver 4-3 on Tuesday

"Timely goals, that's what he does," Stars coach Dave Tippet said.

Young's first goal, which gave the Stars a 3-1 lead 3:45 into the third, could have been enough. But Naslund answered just 61 seconds later and Bertuzzi tied it with his NHL-leading 46th goal on a power play at 12:58.

"It looks like we're in control and the crowd's kind of out of it and then they come storming back," said Young, who also added an assist. "All the momentum was in their favor. It was unfortunate we let them back into the game, but fortunately we got that power play."

Trevor Linden was penalized for tackling Derian Hatcher after a questionable hit on Naslund and Young restored the lead for good after a perfect cross-crease feed from Mike Modano.

"I wasn't sure if I had an angle to put it in or not so I thought I'd try it and it ends up going straight in," Young said.

Canucks coach Mark Crawford was upset Young even got the chance.

"To fight through all ... we had to fight through it's unfortunate a game is decided on a blown call," Crawford said of Hatcher's hit after Naslund had passed the puck. "It was a late hit and regardless of whether it was late, it was a high hit. Was Trevor's a penalty? Yes, but we shouldn't have been in that predicament because two officials shouldn't have missed that."

ady Raiders reach Sweet 16 round

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) "I was proud of her offense, - Spurred by coach Marsha Sharp, Texas Tech looked a lot more energetic Tuesday night in beating UC Santa Barbara 72-68 for a fifth straight trip to the round of

After beating Southwest Missouri State on Sunday, Sharp criticized her team's backcourt play as "lazy."

There was none of that as Jia Perkins scored 23 points in the second round of the Midwest Regional.

"We couldn't have won without her making big plays both directions," Sharp said.

but she did a great job defensively, and we're going to have to have that from her."

The second-seeded Lady Raiders (28-5) advanced to play sixth-seeded New Mexico in Albuquerque on Saturday night.

"We made plays when we had to," Sharp said. "We talked about how important that is this time of year, the plays you have to make. I thought we focused better trip after trip, although there were a couple of points where we were a little bit wild."

Lindsay Taylor had 26

average, to lead the seventhseeded Gauchos (27-5).

Tech led most of the way, but Santa Barbara overcame a 15-point first-half deficit to make it close. The Gauchos tied it on a 3-pointer by Jess Hansen with 12:32 remaining, and after that there were three ties and eight lead changes.

"I felt as the game ticked down, the pressure went completely to Texas Tech because they were expected to win at home," Gauchos coach Mark French said. "Their superstars stepped up, Pierson and

Pierson really made some great plays down the stretch when she needed to.

"That's what great teams have, great players who step up when they need to."

Plenette Pierson scored five — three on free throws — of her 15 points in the final 27.7 seconds to help Tech put it away. She had struggled throughout the game to score.

"I was just thinking I had-

n't hit anything all night, maybe I'll hit these," Pierson

Taylor, the Big West Perkins. Perkins was just a Conference player of the year, 38-30 halftime lead.

points, 10 above her season rock the whole game, and picked up three fouls in the first 10 minutes and sat on the bench for the final 7:33 of the half. She came back with 11 points over about the first seven minutes of the second half to help the Gauchos rally.

> Jess Hansen added 17 points for Santa Barbara.

The Lady Raiders jumped to a 15-4 lead before the Gauchos came back, getting: within four on Hansen's sec-: ond straight 3-pointer. But: Perkins scored eight of her 15. first-half points in the final; five minutes to give Tech a:

Optimist baseball program has 337 players signed up

PAMPA — Registration for Optimist baseball reached 337 Tuesday, according to Optimist 2003 Baseball Commissioner Kevin Davis. More are expected as sign-ups and tryouts continue today through Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

"We have 42 registered in the Babe Ruth League with a complete team from Clarendon coming in a day or so," Davis said.

The 11-12 Cal Ripken League has 51.

"We have enough for four Pampa teams and one from Lefors," said Ronnie Haynes, the 11-12 Cal Ripken Commissioner. "We would like to field at least one more team from Pampa in this age group."

Registration has been heavy in the 9-10 Cal Ripken League with 79 players signed up. There are 62 players in the 7-8 Pitching Machine League and 85 in Tee Ball, including a team from Miami.

"We have almost enough players from Miami for a Pitching Machine team," said Sandy Carr of the Miami Area Youth Organization. "Several players from Miami are going to go through the draft and play on Pampa teams."

Teams will be formed on Thursday and Friday with practice to start Monday.

Little League Girls Softball will field 17 teams, but there is still room for more players.

Call Commissioner Sheri Tice at 665-3505 for more information.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way Agency.

Doubles partners



PHS seniors Vanessa Orr (left) and Abby Bradley placed second in girls' doubles at a Pampa Quad tennis meet last weekend. More details on the Quad will be published in Thursday's Pampa News.

NFL working on last year's problems

TCU women fall to UConn

STORRS, Conn. (AP) -The Connecticut Huskies found themselves in the unusual position of trailing at halftime. So naturally they turned to Diana Taurasi.

While her teammates struggled, the junior Ali-American scored a career-high 35 points to lead the top-seeded Huskies to an to an 81-66 win over stubborn Texas Christian in the second round of the East Regional on Tuesday night.

Taurasi scored 10 points in an 18-2 run to open the second half, erasing a two-point halftime deficit. UConn (33-1) has only trailed three times in the last 87 games, and for most of the first half, the Huskies' home winning streak of 62 games appeared in

"The NCAA tournament is usually won by really talented individuals who make big plays in tough spots, and we happen to have the best player in the country, I think," UConn coach Geno Auriemma said. "I think she proved it tonight. Without her, I'm not sure we win the game."

A day after winning the Naismith Award, Taurasi showed her entire repertoire of shots, from a reverse scoop to backbreaking 3s.

"I don't go into games wanting to score a lot of points," Taurasi said. "It just comes in the games and you have to do it. I had to take a little more respon-

Connecticut will play Big East rival Boston College in the East semifinals on Sunday in Dayton, Ohio. It's the 10th straight year UConn has advanced to the round of 16.

Against the ninth-seeded Lady Frogs (20-14), UConn ran into a team just as big and fast. Its problems started in the middle against center Sandora Irvin, who led TCU with 19 points and nine rebounds.

The school's all-time leader in blocked shots, Irvin dominated inside, putting UConn defenders in foul trouble early. The 6-foot-4 sophomore got solid help on the perimeter as Tricia Payne hit a pair of 3s, and Tiffany Evans added another in the first three minutes of the

"We came out ready, and it didn't matter who we were playing," Irvin said.

Taurasi brought the defending national champs back with consecutive 3s to tie it at 8-8, but the Lady Frogs' hustle and size inside kept the Huskies on their heels, and TCU stretched the lead to seven twice in the half.

With Irvin out late in the half with foul trouble, UConn found more success inside and got a spark off the bench from Ashley Battle, who converted consecutive steals into layups.

"She saved us the first half," Auriemma said. "Without her, we're probably down doubledigits in the first half. "

PHOENIX (AP) - The The three that are rated at the allowed New York a second NFL has a new remedy for the officiating problems that plagued last season's playoffs.

Instead of putting together crews of all-star officials for playoff games, the league will rate cohesive crews and have the highest-rated groups work the postseason.

It was a radical change made Tuesday at the NFL owners meeting, promulgated by the league's officiating department at the instigation of commissioner Paul Tagliabue. "The commissioner said,

'We can't stay status quo," director of officiating Mike Pereira said. "One way of doing it is to revamp the evaluation

Two other issues — whether to give each team at least one possession in overtime, and whether to add two more teams to the playoffs — might be decided on Wednesday. It's possible a vote on both issues will be deferred.

"They're the kind of things that we often want to discuss a second time before we do them," said Tampa Bay general manager Rich McKay, cochairman of the competition committee.

The new postseason policy on officials calls for the eight highest-rated crews to officiate the 11 playoff games, two fewer crews than in the past.

top will do two games - a wild-card or divisional-round game, plus one of the divisional championship games or the Super Bowl.

The result is that 56 of the 119 officials will work the playoffs instead of 70.

In the past, crews were put together for the playoffs based on the ratings of each official. These all-star crews, though, sometimes lacked cohesion.

"We have always hammered home the importance of being a crew, of teamwork," Pereira said. "But the ultimate reward, the playoffs and Super Bowl, was individual. We think this system reinforces what we want to do."

The change was motivated in large part by Tagliabue's rare public criticism of the officiating. It came following San Francisco's 39-38 wild-card victory over the New York

With 6 seconds left, the Giants lined up for the winning field-goal attempt, the snapwas botched and holder Matt Allen threw a desperation pass downfield. The Giants were called for an illegal receiver downfield, but replays showed the 49ers should also have been called for pass interfer-

That would have resulted in offsetting penalties and shot at the winning field goal. The next day, Tagliabue issued his statement.

The crew involved in that game was made up of officials from different crews and included two of the three second-year officials received playoff assignments. Normally, first- and secondyear officials are not included in the playoffs.

That policy will continue under the new rules. First- and second-year officials on crews that qualify for the postseason will be replaced by veterans who score the highest at the various positions. That will lead to only one or two changes per crew, Pereira said.

Also, no official with less than five years' experience works at the Super Bowl. That means that if a crew advances that far, its officials will be replaced for the playoffs.

Still, most of the teams would remain intact, said Pereira and Larry Upson, the director of officiating opera-

Pereira said the policy goes beyond the playoffs.

"What we really want to improve are games 1 to 256," he said. "We think this will provide incentive for crews to work together to get things right so they can qualify for the playoffs as a unit."

Caprock hands Pampa girls second district loss

PAMPA — Pampa's Lady Harvesters sustained their second straight district loss as Caprock went away with 6-3 victory Tuesday at Recreation Park.

Starting pitcher Dusti Wilson and reliever Chelsey Davis both had outstanding outings, but five errors were made behind them. The Lady Harvesters also strand-

ed nine runners.

Abbi Covalt had two of

Pampa's six hits. Jennie Rogers, Amy Youree, Stacey Johnson and Callie Cobb had one hit

Johnson also had a sacrifice fly RBI.

Wilson (9-1) took the mound loss while giving up only two earned runs in four

innings.

She allowed eight hits while striking out three and walking one. Davis went the final three innings and didn't allowed an earned run while giving up one hit and walking one.

Caprock's Sofia Fuentes (10-7) picked up the pitching win.

striking out three, walking error. four and hitting two batters in going the full seven

innings. Caprock left 12 runners

Griego and Laura Contreras had two hits each for Caprock.

The Lady Longhorns' She gave up six hits while defense committed only one

Pampa has now made nine errors in its last two

Pampa is now 17-7 for the year and 4-2 in district. Branda Ingalls, Valerie Caprock is 11-9 overall and also 4-2 in district.

> Pampa hosts Randall at 1 p.m. Saturday at Recreation Park.

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SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL NCAA Tournam At A Glance By The Associated Press EAST REGIONAL At Pepsi Arena Albany, N.Y. Friday, March 28

Oklahoma (26-6) vs. Butler (27-5), 7:10 p.m. Syracuse (26-5) vs. Auburn (22-11), 9:40 p.m. At Pepsi Arena Albany, N.Y.

Sunday, March 30 Oklahoma-Butler winner vs. Syracuse-Auburn winne

> SOUTH REGIONAL At The Alamodo San Antonio

Friday, March 28 Connecticut (23-9) vs. Texas (24-6), 7:27 p.m. Maryland (21-9) vs. Michigan State (21-12), 9:57

p.m. Championship At The Alamodo San Antonio Sunday, March 30

Connecticut-Texas winner vs. Maryland-Michigan State winner Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodo Minneapoli Thursday, March 27

Wisconsin (24-7) vs. Kentucky (31-3), 7:10 p.m. Marquette (25-5) vs. Pittsburgh (28-4), 9:40 p.m. Championship At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome

Minneapolis Saturday, March 29 Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL Semifinals At Arrowhead Pond Anaheim, Calif. Thursday, March 27 Notre Dame (24-9) vs. Arizona (27-3), 7:27 p.m. Duke (26-6) vs. Kansas (27-7), 9:57 p.m Championship

At Arrowhead Pond Anaheim, Calif. Saturday, March 29

At A Glance By The Associated Press All Times EST EAST REGIONAL First Round

NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament

Saturday, March 22 **At Constant Convocation Center** Norfolk, Va. Boston College 73, Old Dominion 72 Vanderbilt 54, Liberty 44

At Mackey Arena

West Lafayette, Ind Virginia Tech 61, Georgia Tech 59 Purdue 66, Valparaiso 51 Sunday, March 23 At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion

Storrs, Conn. Connecticut 91, Boston University 44 Texas Christian 50, Michigan State 47 At Bramlage Coliseum Manhattan, Kan. Notre Dame 59, Arizona 47 Kansas State 79, Harvard 69

Second Round Monday, March 24 **At Constant Convocation Center** Norfolk, Va. Boston College 86, Vanderbilt 85, OT At Mackey Arena

West Lafayette, Ind Purdue 80, Virginia Tech 62 Tuesday, March 25 At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion Storrs, Conn. Connecticut 81, Texas Christian 66 At Bramlage Coliseum

Manhattan, Kan. Notre Dame 59, Kansas State 53 Semifinals Sunday, March 30 At University of Dayton Arena

Dayton, Ohio Connecticut (33-1) vs. Boston College (22-8), Noon or 2:30 p.m. Purdue (28-5) vs. Notre Dame (21-10), Noon or 2:30

p.m. Championship Tuesday, April 1 At University of Dayton Arena Dayton, Ohio Semifinal winners, 7 p.m

MIDEAST REGIONAL First Round Saturday, March 22 At The Coors Events & Conference Center Boulder, Colo.

North Carolina 72, Austin Peay 70 Colorado 84, Brigham Young 45 At Thompson-Boling Arena Knoxville, Tenn Tennessee 95, Alabama State 43 Virginia 72, Illinois 56 Sunday, March 23 At The Lloyd Noble Center

Norman, Okla Villanova 51, St. Francis, Pa. 36 George Washington 71, Oklahoma 61 At The Bryce Jordan Center State College, Pa. South Carolina 68, Chattanooga 54 Penn State 64, Holy Cross 33 Second Round

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Tennessee (30-4) vs. Penn State (26-8), Noon or 2:30 Villanova (27-5) vs. Colorado (24-7), Noon or 2:30

> p.m. Monday, March 31 At Thompson-Boling Arena Knoxville, Tenn.

Semifinal winners, 7:30 p.m. MIDWEST REGIONAL First Round Saturday, March 22 At The Pit Albuquerque, N.M.

Mississippi State 73, Manhattan 47 New Mexico 91, Miami 85, OT At Stegeman Colises Athens, Ga. Rutgers 64, Western Kentucky 52

Georgia 80, Charlotte 61 Sunday, March 23 At Reynolds Coliseum Raleigh, N.C. Utah 73, DePaul 64 Duke 66, Georgia State 48

At United Spirit Arena Lubbock, Texas Texas Tech 67, Southwest Missouri State 59 UC Santa Barbara 71, Xavier 62 Second Round

Monday, March 24 At The Pit Albuquerque, N.M. New Mexico 73, Mississippi State 61 At Stegeman Coliseum Athens, Ga. Georgia 74, Rutgers 64 Tuesday, March 25 At Reynolds Coliseum Raleigh, N.C. Duke 65, Utah 54 At United Spirit Arens Lubbock, Texas

Texas Tech 72, UC Santa Barbara 68 Semifinals Saturday, March 29 Atbuquerque, N.M. Duke (33-1) vs. Georgia (21-9), 9 or 11:30 p.m.

Texas Tech (28-5) vs. New Mexico (24-8), 9 or 11:30 p.m. Championship Monday, March 31 At The Pit Albuquerque, N.M. Semifinal winners, 9:30 p.m.

WEST REGIONAL First Round Saturday, March 22 At McArthur Court Eugene, Ore. Wisconsin-Green Bay 78, Washington 65 LSU 86, Southwest Texas 50 **At Maples Pavilion** Stanford, Calif. Minnesota 68, Tulane 48 Stanford 82, Western Michigan 66 Sunday, March 23 At Shoemaker Center Cincinnati Texas 90, Hampton 46 Arkansas 71, Cincinnati 57 Ruston, La.

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At Shoemaker Center Cincinnati Texas 67, Arkansas 50 At The Thomas Assembly Center Ruston, La.

Louisiana Tech 74, Ohio State 61 Semifinals Sunday, March 30 At Maples Pavilion

Stanford, Calif. LSU (29-3) vs. Louisiana Tech (31-2), 7 or 9:30 p.m. Minnesota (25-5) vs. Texas (27-5), 7 or 9:30 p.m. Championship

Tuesday, April 1 **At Maples Pavilion** Stanford, Calif. Semifinal winners, 9 p.m

TRACK North Plains Relays **Girls Division**

1. Clarendon 122; 2. Shamrock 105; 3. Claude 104; 4. White Deer 80; 5. Wheeler 74; 6. Wellington 67; 7. Memphis 2.

Shot put: 1. Wright, Shamrock, 32-9; 2. Bond, Wheeler, 32-5; 3. Archie, Wellington, 31-1 1/2. Discus: 1. Bond, Wheeler, 90-5; 2. Davis, White Deer, 85-3; 3. Klinger, Wellington, 72-10.

Triple jump: 1. Weatherton, Clarendon, 33-2; 2. Shelton, Clarendon, 32-1 3/4; 3. Armstrong, White Deer, 31-4 1/2.

800: 1. Brown, Wheeler, 2:41; 2. Finsterwald, Wheeler, 2:43; 3. Mitchell, Claude, 2:46 Burrell, Claude, 18.53; 3. Elliot, White Deer, 20.66

100 hurdles: 1. Williams, Clarendon, 16.32: 2. 100: 1. Ledbetter, Shamrock, 12.97; 2. Armstrong White Deer, 14.03; 3. West, Wellington, 14.05 400: 1. Williams, Clarendon, 60.03; 2. Black, Claude, 61, 43; 3, Ball, White Deer, 67, 75.

300 hurdles: 1. Weatherton, Clarendon, 50.50; 2. Brown, Wheeler, 51,81; 3. Thomas, Clarendon, 54.19. 200: 1. Wright, Shamrock, 2. Armstrong, White Deer; 3. Caldwell, Shamrock, 28.97 1600: 1. Finsterwald, Wheeler, 6:17; 2. Brannon, Claude, 6:29; 3. Martinez, Wellington, 6:34.

Boys Division Team Totals: 1. Wheeler 140; 2. Wellington 84; 3. mphis 60; 4. Shamrock 79; 5. White Deer 56; 6. Claude 47; 7, Clarendon 34. Shot put: 1. Williams, Clarendon, 49-11 1/4; 2...

nrock, 47-3; 3. Salas, Wheeler, 43-1. Discus: 1. Williams, Clarendon, 154-0; 2. Salas, Wheeler, 136-6; 3. Dean, Shamrock, 125-4. Long jump: 1. Sosa, Wellington, 20-0 1/2; 2. Knocke, White Deer, 19-6; 3. Newsome, Memphis, 19-

Triple jump: 1. Sosa, Wellington, 42-4; 2. Knocke, White Deer, 41-7; 3. Thomas, Wellington, 40-7 1/2. High jump: 1. Warminski, White Deer, 6-7 (meet record); 2. Irby, Claude, 5-6; 3. Chapman, Wheeler, 5-

3200: 1. Emiliano, Wheeler, 11-13; 2. Kirkland, Shamrock, 11:43; 3. Benton, Shamrock, 12:00. 800: 1. Allred, Wellington, 2:16.7; 2. Britt, Wheeler, 2:16.8; 3. Penny, Shamrock, 2:22. 100 hurdles: 1. Knocke, White Deer, 16.15; 2. Irby, Claude, 16.38; 3. Chapman, Wheeler, 18.41.

3. Wheeler, 1:39. 400: 1. Salas, Wheeler, 53.16; 2. Masters, Wheeler, 55.56; 3. Outley, Wellington, 56.47. 300 hurdles: 1. Castillo, Memphis, 45.09; 2. Chapman, Wheeler, 48.69.

800 relay: 1. Memphis, 1:35; 2. Wellington, 1:36;

200: 1. Thomas, Wellington, 23.34; 2. Gallagher, Wheeler, 23.37; 3. Salinas, Memphis, 24.25. 1600: 1. Emillano, Wheeler, 5:10; 2. Benton, Shamrock, 5:30; 3. Kirkland, Shamrock, 5:41. 1600 relay: 1. Wheeler, 3:44; 2. Wellington, 3:50;

4. Claude, 3:54.

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N.Y. Rangers	31	33	9	3	74	196	214	
Pittsburgh	25	41	6	. 5	61	179	238	
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y-Ottawa	48	20	8	1	105	247	174	
x-Toronto	40	27	7	3	90	221	197	
Boston	35	29	. 8	4	82	229	221	
Montreal	28	32	8	9	73	194	221	
Buffalo	23	35	9	. 8	63	170	200	
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Nashville	27	30	13	6	73	179	191	
Chicago	27	33	11	5	70	184	208	
Columbus	27	39	7	3	64	196	242	
Northwest Division								
	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA	
x-Vancouver	43	21	12	1	99	250	198	
x-Colorado	37	18	13	8	95	227	182	
x-Minnesota	39	26	10	1	89	186	166	
Edmonton	34	25	8	9	85	210	211	
Calgary	26	34	12	4	68	172	214	
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Colorado 2, Ottawa 2, tie Toronto 3, Carolina 3, tie Detroit 4, Minnesota 0 Washington 4, Montreal 3, OT Philadelphia I, Nashville I, tie N.Y. Islanders 9, Chicago 2 Dallas 4, Vancouver 3 Columbus 2, Los Angeles 1, OT Wednesday's Games Florida at Buffalo, 7 p.m. Carolina at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m. St. Louis at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

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Herd hands Pampa first district setback

HEREFORD — Hereford loss 8-0 Tuesday as Whitefaces' pitcher C.J. Berryman tossed a three-hit-

Both Pampa and Hereford are 2-1 in the District 3-4A standings.

Two of Pampa's three hits were by sophomore second baseman Tyler Doughty. Tyson Moree had the other

Max Simon started on the mound for the Harvesters and went 5 2/3rds innings before being relieved by Johnny Moore, who finished the game.

Hereford had six hits, including two each by Anthony Ramirez and Stuart

Carr. Ramirez' sixth-inning handed Pampa its first district triple was the game's only extra-base hit.

Berryman went the distance for the Whitefaces. He struck out six and walked four.

Pampa's defense was charged with six errors.

Palo Duro slipped by Dumas 11-10 and Plainview downed Caprock 10-7 in other district contests Tuesday. Three teams, Pampa, Hereford Plainview, are deadlocked for first in the district race.

Pampa hosts Palo Duro at 4:30 p.m. Friday. The Harvesters play at Dumas on Saturday with the game starting at 1.

Hereford 012

Texas women turn back Arkansas, 67-50

CINCINNATI (AP) — Arkansas helped set a killer pace. But very shortly, only Texas could sustain it.

"When the game was 18-17, I would have loved to have been a fan, watching two teams just execute," said Arkansas coach Gary Blair. "I thought that's the way the game would go the whole way."

But Arkansas could not keep up, and Texas pulled away to win 67-50 Tuesday night in the second round of the West Regional.

The second-seeded Longhorns (27-5), making their 19th appearance in the NCAA tournament, will play Minnesota in the round of 16 Sunday in Stanford, Calif.

"We started out scorching, and so did they," said Texas coach Jody Conradt. "We were really pushing the tempo."

Texas made its first five shots, and Arkansas kept pace because of its 3-point shooting. Three 3-pointers by India Lewis and two by Shameka Christon gave Arkansas a 15-14 lead in less than five minutes.

"We had to take what was working for us early," Blair said. "We're not a great 3point shooting team, but we're a streaky 3-point shooting team."

When Heather Schreiber hit a jumper to give Texas the lead for good at 18-17 with 14:01 left in the half, the Longhorns started pulling away and there was little Arkansas could do.

"Ultimately, the game was probably won in the paint, and we've got to give the nod to Stacy Stephens," Conradt

and 14 rebounds and Schreiber added 20 as Texas won its 15th straight game.

"Heather and Stacy com- last three.

plement each other very well," Conradt said. "It's hard to defend both of them.

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"Stacy was so tough. She amazes me how physical she can play." Christon led seventh-seed-

ed Arkansas. (22-11) with 16

points, and Lewis added 11. Texas led 38-29 at halftime. Jamie Carey opened the second half with a 3-pointer to give the Longhorns a 12point lead, and Arkansas never got closer than eight

points after that. "It seemed like they out-

battled us," Lewis said. "But we played hard. They just out-hustled and got a few more rebounds than we did, and they wanted it just a little bit more than we did tonight and it showed."

After hitting five 3-pointers in the first five minutes, . the Lady Razorbacks hit only two more the rest of the

"I didn't think 3-pointers were going to carry us," Christon said. "We needed more inside."

That's where Stephens and Schreiber ruled. Texas got 38 points in the paint to 18 for Arkansas, and the Longhorns had a 52-36 edge in

"We knew they were a physical team, a good rebounding team," Blair said. "I think we turned them into great rebounding team tonight."

He said Stephens was the key, hustling for every rebound and loose ball.

"It wasn't easy at all," Stephens said. "It was a total team effort. I was trying to hit the boards hard."

The two schools, rivals in old Southwest Stephens had 16 points Conference, had not met since 1991. The win gave Texas a 21-3 series edge, after Arkansas had won the

Spurs defeat Bucks, 107-94

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — David Robinson is thinking about getting the San Antonio Spurs to the playoffs, not his retirement at the end of the

"We have so much work left to do," Robinson said. "We're in the middle of a battle to catch Dallas. We have a long way to go. I've been trying so hard not to think about

It might have been hard not to, with the outpouring of appreciation Tuesday night as the San Antonio Spurs beat on David Robinson Night. Tim Dyncan scored 31

points in 36 minutes, and added 10 rebounds. Robinson contributed 10 points and added five rebounds in 20 minutes

He was honored at halftime and after the game by the Spurs' organization and play-

A video capturing highlights of his career was shown and a gift of \$100,000 was given to the Carver Academy. a school Robinson created and supported with \$9 million of his own money.

Cowboys unveil their plan for new stadium

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have unveiled their plan for a new stadium, a place they envision will be busy all year long — not just when the team

plays. "It has to be more than a stadium," Cowboys vice president Stephen Jones told The Dallas Morning News in Sunday editions.

piece of a billion-dollar develop-

a hotel and playing fields. The Cowboys are presenting the new stadium as the center-

ment. The concept features a retractable-roof stadium that brings skateboarding and other attractions to open end-zone areas. It flows outward into a Cowboys-themed development that includes entertainment venues, restaurants, office buildings,

By building a major tourist attraction, the Cowboys hope to solve the most perplexing problem with new football stadiums: They are getting too expensive to use just a few times a year.

Jones and his project team told the newspaper they hope to bring the issue to Dallas County voters as early as November. They're aiming for a post-2009 opening, but the project can stay on schedule if the process takes longer,

The Cowboys said they would build the stadium and surrounding development concurrently, avoiding the uncertainty and delays of the proposed Victory development around the twoyear-old American Airlines Center near downtown Dallas. The project calls for 200 to

300 acres of land. While the Cowboys haven't identified a site, they said they are looking at two focations, one in downtown Dallas and the other in Irving's Las Colinas developthe Milwaukee Bucks 107-94 1 Public Notice

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March 27, 2003: Friendship extends all through your life this year. Read between the lines when dealing with loved ones. Often, you might take what others say personally when they didn't intend their message to be that way. You could be misreading others' intentions. Aim for what you want more often. Others will be responsive, espécially when you involve them in the scope or the details. Your verbal beginnings become possible through networking and relating. Others break patterns as a result. If you are single, a relationship will build in significance. You might have already met this person. If you are attached, the two of you will

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

more. AQUARIUS really enjoys you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

that you might feel as if extremes punc- one expresses his or her diligence and PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) tuate your life. You can choose a course caring. Please notice. Please respond What will get you where you want to be? Off to the gym. Follow that course. Tonight: Follow the LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) crowds.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Though you might be some- on the creative front. Allow your imagiwhat taken aback by what you hear, your nation to rock 'n' roll. You'll come up BORN TODAY intuition feeds your decisions. You might with unusual solutions as a result. Singer Mariah Carey (1970), actor see a new friend as more than just a Associates, friends and partners give you Michael York (1942), actress, Gloria friend. Be careful about just how much feedback of all kinds. Tonight: Get into Swanson (1899) you push this person. You're in the lime- weekend mode light forging new ground. Create more of SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) what you want. Tonight: Where your *** Get in touch with your feelings Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at friends are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** Don't hesitate to reach out for might be surprised by what is going on.

search the Yellow Pages, find experts. change. A relationship could be warming Do not settle for half an answer. Your up. Tonight: Happy at home. imagination might distort some of what SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) you hear. Be willing to break ground and ★★★★ Reach out to those in your head in a new direction. Tonight: Listen immediate circle. You're in the mood to to a favorite piece of music.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) immediate issues allows greater flow and CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

best friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Deal with others directly, or matter. Financial matters add to your they will deal with you directly! Form a security and well-being. Tonight: enjoy each others' company more than plan more to your liking, discussing Balance your budget. ever before. Party and enjoy each other options with a close friend or associate. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Confirm all agreements in writing, as ** Consider options that surround an confusion could hit even when everyone idea. Brainstorming with those in your has the best of intentions. Tonight: Go immediate environment brings surprising

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

* * You might want to deal with others more directly, especially regarding direction. Tonight: Laugh. Be with *** You have so many options your work situation. A partner or loved

*** Reach out for others; be more matter what you do. Tonight: Take a deep

nurturing. Listen well to what is going on breath.

take off your rose-colored glasses. You

make a difference. Others discuss what is on their mind. Take advantage of the *** Others have plenty to say, moment to express your deeper feelings. whether you want to hear it or not. Your Your intuition leads you in the right ability to clear out problems and get past direction. Tonight: At a favorite spot. skills come into play as a result. New 'creativity. Someone could be distorting a *** How you actually follow money situation. Be sensitive to a loved through on a decision could be a lot dif-

one at a distance. Tonight: Listen to your ferent than you realize. You demonstrate your unusual savoir-faire and sense of diplomacy. Experiment with a money

> results. Stop and buy something special for someone who means a lot to you.

> Your sense of humor takes you in a new

whom you want to be with. *** Determine more of what you in the middle, if you want. Revise your accordingly. A brilliant financial idea think might ultimately be important. decisions surrounding your desires. takes you in a new direction. Tonight: Express your softer side. Your charisma draws others to you. Your instincts come through for you in a big way. Trust, no

on a deeper level. Stop pretending and http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

Friends of the Library



(Courtesy photo)

Tammy George, Wal-Mart assistant manager and community coordinator, left, watches as Nancy Easley, Wal-Mart associate and volunteer (center) presents a check in the amount of \$1,000 to Ed Marshall, president of Friends of the Pampa Library (right) to be used in the Lovett Library Summer Reading Program sponsored by the Friends of the Pampa Library.

High court hears new test of bans on homosexual sex

gay-rights case before the Supreme court tests how times have changed for the country and for the court itself, which was widely criticized for a ruling 17 years ago that upheld a ban on homosexual sex.

The court could reverse course and declare a similar ban unconstitutional.

A large crowd gathered outside the court Wednesday in hopes of hearing oral arguments in one of the court's biggest cases this year. A knot of protesters stood apart, holding signs that read "AIDS is God's revenge," "God sent the sniper" and other messages.

Lawyers for two Texas men arrested in their bedroom are asking the court to overturn their convictions for sodomy under a state "Homosexual Conduct" law. The law unfairly treats gay men and lesbians differently from heterosexuals who may engage in the same kinds of sex acts and violates privacy rights, the opponents argued in court filings.

State anti-sodomy laws, once universal, now are rare. Those on the books are infrequently enforced but underpin other kinds of discrimination, lawyers and gay rights supporters said.

"We truly hope the Supreme Court in its wisdom will remove this mechanism that has been used for so long to obstruct basic civility to gay and lesbian people," said Elizabeth Birch, executive director of the gay rights organization Human Rights Campaign.

In 1986, a narrow majority of the court upheld Georgia's sodomy law in a ruling that

DUI coordinator charged with DUI

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP) -A DUI coordinator in a Georgia court has resigned after being charged with drunken driving, officials said.

Police said Brian P. Harrell, 24, was arrested Friday in Athens after being stopped about 1:30 a.m. while driving without his headlights

Harrell - who has worked for two weeks as coordinator for the Chatham County State Court's newly developed DUI program — said he had been drinking but "not much," police said.

Tests indicated Harrell's blood-alcohol level was 0.13. The limit in Georgia is 0.08.

The State Court DUI program is a pilot project intended to help offenders avoid. incarceration by following probation.

WASHINGTON (AP) - A became a touchstone for the growing gay rights movement. Even then the court's decision seemed out of step and was publicly unpopular, said Harvard law professor Laurence Tribe, who argued on the losing side of the case.

> "We're now dealing with a very small handful of statutes in a circumstance where the country, whatever its attitudes toward discrimination based on sexual orientation, (has reached) a broad consensus that what happens in the privacy of the bedroom between consenting adults is simply none of the state's business."

> As recently as 1960, every state had a sodomy law. In 37 states, the statutes have been repealed by lawmakers or blocked by state courts.

Of the 13 states with sodomy laws, four — Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma Missouri — prohibit "deviate sexual intercourse," or oral and anal sex, between same-sex couples. The other nine ban consensual sodomy for everyone: Alabama, Florida, Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Utah and Virginia.

An unusual array of organizations is backing the two Texas men. In addition to a long list of gay rights, human rights and medical groups, a of conservative Republicans and the libertarian Cato Institute and Institute for Justice argued in friend of the court filings that government should stay out of the bed-

Survey: One-third of federal workers thinking of leaving

By JONATHAN D. SALANT ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) More than one-third of federal employees say they are thinking about leaving their jobs as the Bush administration considers allowing private industry to bid for more government work, a survey shows.

While most federal workers like their jobs and say pay and benefits are OK, 35 percent of respondents said they might leave anyway. Critics of the administration's policy said the workers fear that their jobs won't was among the tools being be around.

"Basically, you might like your job but you might not have your job for another year," said Paul Light, a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution and professor of public service at New York University. "There's a lot of anxiety in the federal government."

Kay Coles James, director of the federal Office of Personnel Management, said the survey did not look at whether efforts to shift government jobs to the private sector were causing some employees to consider quitting. But she acknowledged that the findings were a "red flag" for the agency.

More than 100,000 federal workers answered OPM questionnaires for the survey released Tuesday, the largest such sampling ever taken. They represented more than half of the 200,000 surveys sent to government employees.

The survey found that 56 percent of workers were very pleased with their pay

with benefits. A 1998-99 OPM survey of private companies found just 44 percent of employees were satisfied with their pay.

But fewer than half of the federal workers - 41 percent - said outstanding employees receive timely recognition. Only 27 percent said disciplinary steps are taken against workers who can't or won't do their jobs, and just 36 percent said their agencies' leaders motivated employees.

The margin of error for the survey was plus or minus 5 percentage points.

James said the survey used to find ways to attract and retain quality workers. "Our goal is for the federal government to be a worldclass employer," she said.

Diane Witiak, spokeswoman for the American Federation of Government Employees, said the Bush administration's interest in shifting many federal jobs to the private sector contributed to so many people saying they are considering leaving their jobs.

"Employees are leaving the federal government because it is perceived to be an employer that is determined to privatize as many services as possible, no matter the critical nature of the work or the ultimate higher costs to taxpayers," she

In response, OPM officials pointed to survey findings that 66 percent felt their agencies could do as well as any private company, and 60 percent felt their agencies were good places

Last fall, President Bush

easier for private companies to bid on maintenance, construction, secretarial and other jobs. And in June, Bush quietly signed an executive order stripping air traffic controllers of guaranteed government jobs, though officials said there were no plans to turn those positions over to the private sector.

In addition, at White House insistence, workers in the new Homeland Security Department were not given the same civil service protections as other federal employees. Officials said they needed flexibility to change assignments to respond to terror threats.

Citing the new Homeland Security Department as an example, an independent commission chaired by for-Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker recommended in January that other federal departments should be reorganized and receive more flexibility to hire, fire and promote work-

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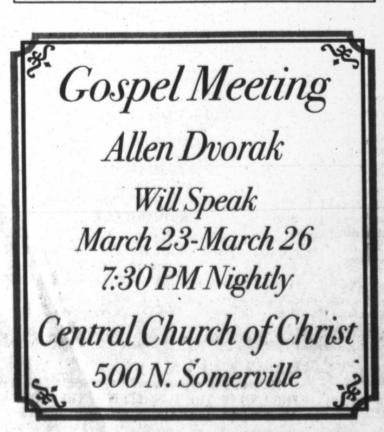
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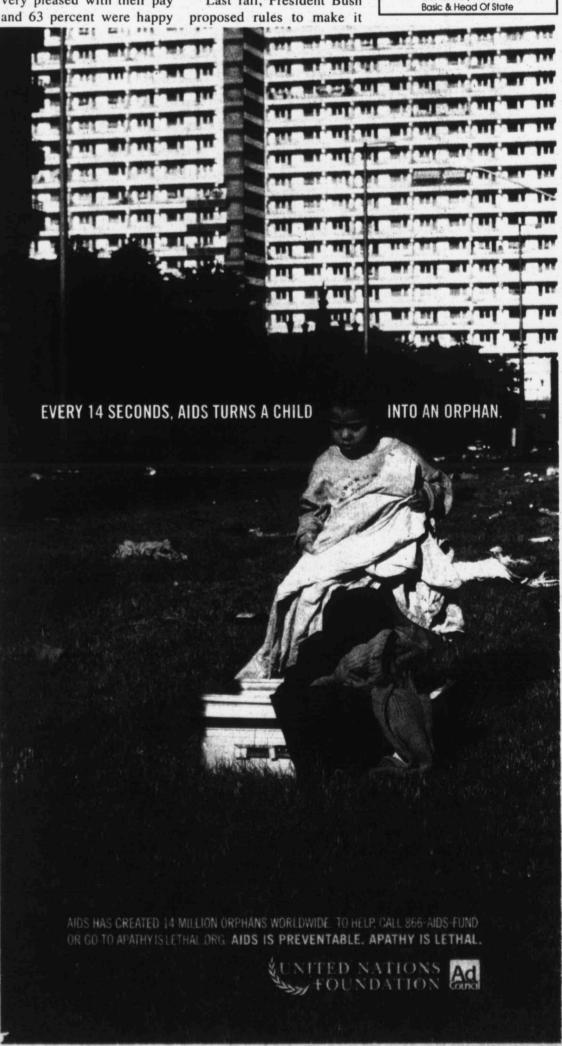
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Brenda Humphreys dons an ensemble from Dunlap's department store earmarked for inclusion in the Altrusa Style Show fund-raiser slated at 10:30 a.m., March 29 in M.K. Brown Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.





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Citizen of the Year Award is upon us. Even as we look forward to this festive event, our thoughts and prayers are with our government leaders and troops as they deal with the situation in Iraq. Hopefully, our banquet next year will find the U.S. safe, secure and at peace.

Looking back at 2002, our Chairman, John Curry, led us in many successful events and programs. Much of our development was in foundational growth including three great websites highlighting the community, the Chamber and our members, our area wildlife and the Red River Indian War history. New literature was also introduced and greater knowledge of our assets was gained. Be sure to check out each of our websites: www.coc.pampa.com; www.redriverwars.pampa.com; and www.naturetrails.pampa.com.

Partnership Golf Tournament, the Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament, our quarterly Prayer Breakfasts, the monthly luncheons, and goldcoatings. Chairman Doug Ware, along with numerous volunteers, put together another outstanding Country Fair. In addition, the Christmas Parade and 'Come Back to Christmas' events were immensely fun and successful.

Former Amarillo Mayor Kel Seliger delivered a dynamic speech on what our efforts can produce for the community in the future. And, in a stirring finale to the banquet, one of our truly great citizens, Paulette Kirksey, was named the 2001 Citizen of the Year.

Looking ahead to 2003, we have many of the same events coming up this year as last year and we expect equal or greater success. We are portive, progressive and excited about moving forward. 2003 should be _ moving ahead with plans to promote Pampa and our surrounding area in an exciting year. familiar as well as in innovative ways.

The Tourism committee is in the process of choosing sites and layout \neg for billboards at two locations on major highways. Again, we will continue to develop our websites and produce new literature. One of the most interesting promotional projects that we will embark upon this year is the production of a five to six minute television segment focusing on Pampa and the surrounding area. This segment will air on the Travel Channel, as well as various other outlets to potentially millions of people internationally. We expect to film this project in early June. The more

The 74th Annual Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Banquet and people that we can expose to our region, the greater our chances are of being chosen as a place for businesses and individuals to move to.

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Another interesting project that we expect to be involved in is the creation of a business incubator that will be part of a program being initiated by the West Texas A&M Office of Business Services. This project has the potential to help entrepreneurs bring their ideas to market. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

As always, we look forward to working with the City of Pampa, Gray County, the Pampa Industrial Foundation as well as other entities throughout the year. We deeply appreciate their enthusiasm and eagerness to include us in their plans as we also include them in ours.

Before closing there are a number of things that I would like to make sure that you are aware of. First, our Chamber Chairman for 2003 is There were many highlights during the year including the Pampa Doug Ware, CPA with Brown, Graham and Co. Our Chairman Elect is Gladys Vanderpool of National Bank of Commerce. Bill Bridges of Duncan, Fraser & Bridges is President of the Goldcoats for 2003 and June Beyer is Chairman Elect. Paula Goff of Clean Pampa takes over as Tourism Committee Chairman with Mark Taylor, owner of Texas Printing Co. to follow as chairman in 2004. Chuck White remains as Chairman of the Chamber Membership Committee and Promotion Another big highlight of the year was last year's Chamber Banquet. Committee. Bob Marx, owner of Nu-Way Cleaning, is back this year as Retail Committee Chairman. We are currently in the process of putting together a Transportation Committee to interface with TxDot. Also, Greg Brown of A.G. Edwards has graciously agreed to organize our quarterly Prayer Breakfasts for the fourth year.

Finally, I want to thank our Board of Directors who are always sup-

Sincerely,

Clay Rice **Executive Director**

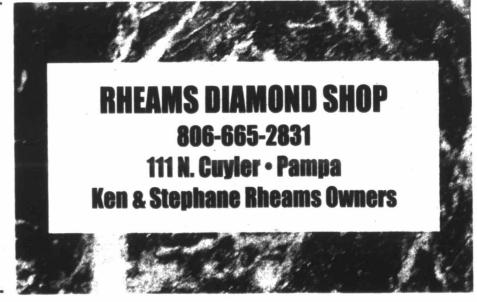
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Kenneth L. Chambers



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A crowd of Pampa residents gather for the 2002 Chamber Banquet and Citizen of the Year Award.





State Representative Warren Chisum For 88th District





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Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins, left, congratulates Paulette Kirksey, right, on receiving the "Citizen of the Year" award for 2002



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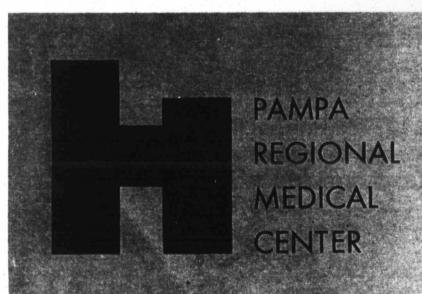
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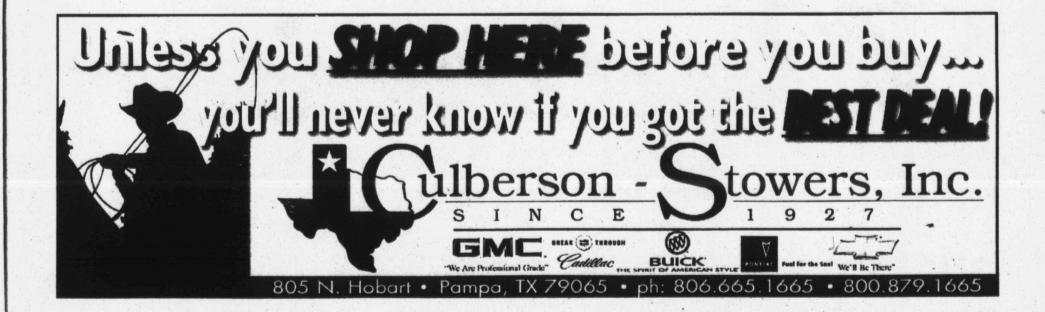
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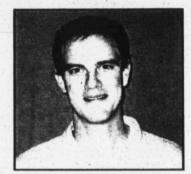
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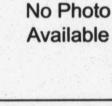


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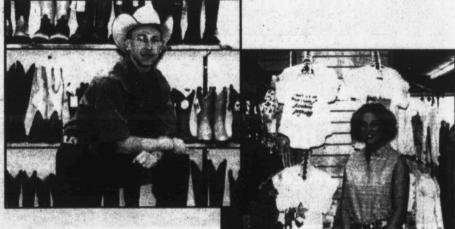
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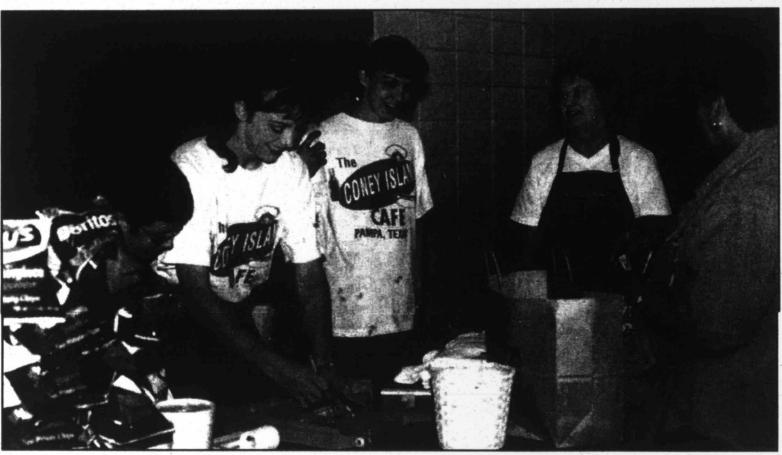
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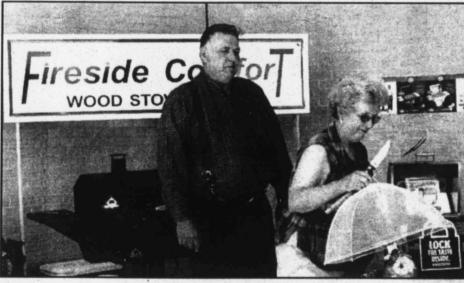
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