

## Baghdad sees show of U.S. force

British believe they've found body of 'Chemical Ali'

By MEG RICHARDS smin phes werm

U S. forces barreled into the heart of To the south, British troops gained Baghdad with a dramatic show of force control over much of Basra, Iraq's secBaghdad with a dramatic show of force ond-largest city, and were pressing into en New Presidential Palace and Presidential Palace, and fired heavy Monday and met pockets of fierce the old city where the last paramilitary inside the elaborate compound on the mortar fire and air support. The Tigris
resistance. British officials said troops fighters had retreated. Some Basra res- west bank of the Tigris a winding river at this pint is found a body in southern Iraq that they idents cheered the British, while others that divides the city. The ruling Baath The drive into Baghdad was mean believed was the notorious Iraqi gener- went on a looting rampage, streaming Party headquarters nearby was com- to send a strong signal about the coali al known as "Chemical Ali." out of the Central Bank of Iraq and the pletely destroyed. Up the river at the tion's ability to enter at will. The resist Missiles screamed over the Iraqi bomb-damaged Sheraton Hotel with Old Palace, the sound of explosions ance encountered along the way was capital just after dawn and thunderous chairs, tables, carpets and other goods. and heavy fire could be heard. In the "worthy of respect," Brig. Gen explosions shook buildings as the 2nd Some civilians lashed out at Saddam cehter of the city, U.S. forces used Vincent Brooks sald Monday, though Brigade of the Army's 3rd Infantry loyalists, killing several militiamen explosives to destroy two statues of the lraqi fighters, "may be dying
Division moved north into the city and and a policeman.
Saddam. seized a presidential palace. In south- The U.S. war commander, Gen. ern Baghdad, Iraqi rockets struck a Tommy Franks, visited troops inside diers from rooms inside the Al-Rashid badly damaged, he said, there is only group of Army personnel carriers at the Iraq, including soldiers in the holy Hotel. U.S. tanks returned fire with small amount of communication brigade's field headquarters, according
Shite city of Najaf. Central Command their main guns and 50 caliber between Saddam's remaining for
to a military report. Two soldiers and
Spokesman Capt. Frank Thorp said machine guns, according to military
(See BAGHDAD, Page 3) April 8 program topic
Gray County Extension ing to discuss the Boll Weevil Eradication Program for 7 a.m. Tuesday, April 8, at Gray County Annex in Pampa. Speakers from the Eradication
Foundation will be on-hand to Foundation will be on-hand to discuss a variety of topics. For
more information, contact the Extension office at 669-8033


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## City to take action on new ordinances



## Goode wants what's best for kids

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Pampa Independen School District's Board of Education has set a special session Tuesday, April 8, to discuss construction of a irls' softball field and meet ith superintendent search onsultants.
The meeting begins at 6 Center 321 W Albert The 10 -item age The 10 -item agend irls' softball field at Pampa tigh School and a report on future Title IX compliance Title IX is a federal law mandating equality in public school sports.
Board members plan to neet with Texas Association of School Board superintendent earch consultants. The consultants are expected to eport on the number of applications for PISD superintendent received and he board will decide on the number of ap
interviewed.
The school board also plans to conduct interviews (See SCHOOL, Page 3)

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Obituaries
tracy rena williams
Tracy Rena Williams, 32, of Pampa, died in Pampa and attended McCultough Street Thursday, April 3, 2003. Services will be at 2 Church of Christ.
p.m., Wednesday in Carmichael-Whatley She was preceded in death by a sister, Sheila Colonial Chapel with Frankie Lemons, minister of McCullough Street Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview
Cemetery under the direction of CarmichaelCemetery under the direction of Carm
Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Whatley Funeral Directors of Papmpa.
Ms. Williams was born April 17, 1970, at Pampa. She attended Pampa High School, graduating in 1988 . While at PHS, she played
volleyball, ran track, was a member of the drill volleyball, ran track, was a member of the drril
team and runner-up for homecoming queen. Williams, in 1972. Survivors include a daughter, Sierra
Williams., of the heme Williams, of the home; a son, Jerimiah Williams, of the home: her mother, Fay Jones
of Pampa; three brothers. Phillip Williams of of Pampa; three brothers, Phillip Williams of
Brownwood Michael Willims of Pampa and Brownwood, Michael Williams of Pampa and Quincy Williams of Wichita Falls; and her Hattie Williams of Pampa.
eam and runner-up tor homecoming queen.
She worked for KMart and Country Generia

> ittie Williams of Pampa. Cisn the on-line
maudie marie wheeler
Maudie Marie Wheeler, 82, of Pampa, died great-grandson, Brody Ray Waters in 1997. Sunday, April 6, 2003. Services are pending
under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Survivors include three daughters, Chery Waters and Connie Molitor, both of Pampa, and Vickie Wheeler of Eufaula; two sons, Bill Wheeler of Newcastie, Wyo., and Larry Wheeler of Neosho; nine grandchildren; and ight great-grandchildre
The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Building Fund, 513 E ,
Francis. Pampa. TX 79065 Francis, Pampa, TX 79065 or to Pam
Apartments Activity Club, 1200 N. Wells, Pampa. TX 79065
-Sign the on-line register book at ww.carmichael-whatley.com.
Tomorrow

## MARTIN, Joe Blanche Girouard -2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

## Weather Focus

Pampa
Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph . Wednesday kies, highs in the mid 50 s and northeast winds night, mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s. 10 to 20 mph . Tonight should be mostly cloudy Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in the upper
with a 20 percent chance of snow, lows in the $\begin{array}{ll}\text { lower } 30 \mathrm{~s} \text { and north winds } 10 \text { to } 20 \mathrm{ml} & \text { upper 40s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the }\end{array}$ Tuesday should be partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s. Friday night, mostly clear. Lows in lower 50 s . North winds 10 to 20 mph . Tuesday the upper 40 s . Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs
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Monday.
Mostly cloudy skies were expected early with areas of
fog in deep South Texas. Skies og in deep South Texas. Skies partly cloudy by afternoon with isolated afternoon show-
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possibly severe. Highs were xpected the 82 near the xpected to be 82 near

Wheeler teen dies in boating accident
CLINTON, Okla. (AP) - A
Texas teenager died of apparent
hypothermia following a boating hypothermia following a boating
accident on Foss Lake in western accident on Foss Lake in western
Oklahoma, authonties said Oklahoma,
Monday.


## Statewide

By evening, mostly cloudy skies were expected with scat-
tered showers and thunder storms, some possibly severe.解 68 near the

Sunny skies were expected in far West Texas with highs in the upper 60 s to mid- 70 s . By evening, clear skies were expected with lows in the

In the Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend
area, sunny skies were expected with highs from the mid-50s in the northern mountains to ne
the Rio Grande.
By evening, strong ${ }^{\circ}$ winds were expected in the north with partly cloudy skies with solated showers in the southeast. Lows were expected
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Oklahoma Highwway Patrol said.
Cole and two others were fish-
ing Sunday aftemon when strong
winds developod, they attemped
to retum to a boat ramp, but their
boat capsized in the rough water,
according to the OHP.
The three then began swim-
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Troopers said Cole was in the 55 degree water for two-tothree hours before being recovered. A
second person in the boat is hospisecond person in the boat is hospi-
talized in Clinton with hypothermia, the third person was not maa, the
injured.

## .. Police

 Pampa Police Department todayhe following arrests and incidents. Wednesday, April 2
Violation of a protective order was reported in the 400 block of Magnolia. Friday, April 4
PPD took a report on a possible child endangerment. The report was forwarded to Child Protective Services.
Assault was reported in the $\mathbf{5 0 0}$ block of Roberta. According to the police report only minor injuries were reported. 1000 block of West Wilks 1000 block of West Wiks.
Theft of a hydraulic jack was reported in the 800
$\$ 26$.
Two male juveniles were reported fight ing at Pampa Middle School. According to the police report, no injuries were reported Saturday, April 5
Peter Galaviz Rodriguez, 35, $4051 / 2 \mathrm{~N}$ Frost, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of controlled substance under one gram, penalty group
$\qquad$ Lee Galaviz Rodriguez, 26, 609 Naid was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of controlled sub stance under one gram, penalty group one. Garvin Edward Summers, 38, 80 Jere David Hink, 38, 500 S. Somerville was arrested for evading arrest.
Injury to a child was reported to PPD According to the report, injuries were minor.
A criminal mischief report was taken in A 600 block of North Sloan. A window
was reported shot out with a BB gun. Estimate of damage was $\$ 100$.
1800 block of North Duncan.
Trespass was reported in the 500 block of North Doucette.
Burglary of a building was reported in the 400 block of West Buckler. In a burglay of a greenhouse, it was reported that a lawn edger, weed eater, two one-gallon gas
cans, chainsaw, a 16 -gallon shop vac, cans, chainsaw, a 16 -gallon shop vac, elecric hoe and an extension
Estimate of loss was $\$ 280$
Police investigated a report of a threatened suicide in the 400 block of Eas Regional Medical Center and was released following treatment
Criminal mischief was reported in the valued at $\$ 200$ was reported damaged by an unknown person.
Sunday, April 6
Michael Lavern Supon, 52, 624 S.
Barnes, was arrested for public intoxicaBarne
tion.
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Kermit Kenneth Hartley, 34, 1133 Dwight, was arrested on municipal war-
rants for no seat belt, possession of drug paraphernalia, littering and failure to ppear. Theft of a check book along with credit ard was reported taken from an apartment in the Caprock Apartment co
A residence and yard in of North Hamilton was reported block of North
papered.
Assault on a family member causing bodily injury was reported in the 1900 report, there were only minor injuries.

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| 350-pound lioness that escaped from a wild animal sanctuary was shot dead by Bexar County | ately. She stumbled and then | Ten deputies responded, eting up with six handlers |
|  | fell dead," Sgt. Kenneth |  |
|  | ard told the S |  |
| Sheriff's deputies after beingshot with tranquilizer darts. | Express-News for its Mon | phanage, home to 600 lions, ers, wolves, primates and |
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| once. I don't know how ma shots were fired. But still, |  |  |
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| City Briefs <br> The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement |  | n in a heavy brush, Steward d. <br> "The handlers shot her with |
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|  |  | fect. The lion charged the andler, knocked her down and |
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|  | CLOTHING ROOM |  |
| ATTENTION TANNERS! Clean beds, new bulbs at All About Beauty, 665-1101, 1405 | Mary Ellen \& Harvester Church of Christ (bldg across the street, south of Pampa | then ran off, and we chased her," Steward said. <br> The group found the lioness |
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| About Beauty, 665-1101, 1405 <br> N. Banks. "Reasonable |  | The group found the lioness near the same spot about $1-1 / 2$ |
| Rates" | High Sch.) Tues., Apr. 8th | near the same spot about $1-1 / 2$ |
| CHILDREN'S STYLE Show for St. Matthew's Day |  | ness with a second tranquildart. This time, the lioness |
|  |  | charged the entire entourage of handlers and deputies. |
| 7:00 pm.MK Brown Heritage |  |  |
| Room Clothing by Kid's Stuff in Spearman. Tickets $\$ 4.00$, |  | handlers and deputies. Once the lion began charg- |
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## Bush, Blair to review Iraq, discuss other world conflicts

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITE

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair are grappling with three of the world's toughest conflicts in Bush's 25 -hour visit to Belfast, discussing war and rebuilding in Iraq while trying to revive East.

Bush departed Washington early Monday en route to Belfast for a summit meant primarily to review war progress and to iron out differences a
about how Iraq will be rebuilt when hostilities end. president's advisurs and the United States and Britain. Blair wants deeper U.N. involvement in postwar Iraq than Bush, who seeks a transition-
al governing authority consisting of Iraqi exiles al governing authority consisting of Iraqi exiles and people living in the country now. try for more than six months until a new Iraqi government is in place, Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz said Sunday

ow, of a sort of permanent international admin- stration," he said.

The Bush-Blair meeting is the leaders' thir they-ace session in just over three weeks. They met in the Azores on March 16, along with and Blair held nivister Jose Maria Aznar. Busi Md., presidential retreat March 27

By agreeing to reat March 27. aking the boldest step of his presidency in he decades-old conflict in Northern Ireland Form
rip.
Former President Clinton made three trips to Northern Ireland, the most of any U.S. presi Mitchell, led the envoy, former Sen. George uced the British pelfast negotiations that proaccord of 1998. That pact sought to end thre decades of sectarian conflict in the British terri ory that saw more than 3,600 killings.
Bush has shown less interest, delegating th business of following Belfast developments to senior State Department official, Richard Haas
surengthen his hand when he publishes his gov- that the vast majority of people here have about Thursdes new Northern Ireland plans by what's happening in Iraq," Adams said in Thursday, the fifth anniversary of the Good

A senior administration official said Bush's
signal Bush's in Northern Ireland was meant to
Bush 's backing for Blair's blueprint.
Bush and Blair drew Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern into their talks on Northern afternoon
The location of the summit, Hillsborough Castle outside Belfast, shields Bush from the kind of mass anti-war protests that ave engulfed London and other European ities. Still, members of Sinn Fein, the political arm of the Irish Republican Army, planned
o demonstrate against the war outside le.
Placards in downtown Belfast branded Bush an "international criminal" and urged citizens to oin anti-war protests Monday.
Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams said he was roubled by the "insensitivity here about calling war summit in Ireland.
"t doesit take in. , Belfast's News Letter newspaper. "If I have the opportunity, I have no problem being on an antiwar demonstrat

Bush and Bl fe into the peace process between Israel and the Palestinians. Blair has previously held up progress in Northern Ireland in recent years as a model to inspire peace in the Middle East. White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said here are no plans to release. Bush's long-sought "road ma

The United States, the European Union, the United Nations and Russia have presented Israel and the Palestinians with several drafts. Both sides have made changes, but British and U.S. officials said recently that the final draft would ave to be accepted as is.
The United States and Britain have said the gidelines would be unveiled after the new alestinian prime minister, Mahmoud Abbas, and his Cabinet are sworn in, probably some-

## House committee passes

 $\$ 117$ billion total budgetincludes cuts from education to bealth care was passed early includes cuts from education to health care was passed early Monday by the House Appropriations Committee. House, which is expected to begin days' long debate full House, which is expected 2004-05 budget next week.

House budget writers
House budget writers had been constrained by $\$ 9.9$ billion shortfall and promises of no new taxes from the state's new across state government.
The $\$ 58.6$ billion in state money appropriated in the bill is 3.4 percent less than the $\$ 62$ billion in state money spent in the urrent budget.
When federal and other funds are added, the 2004-05 budgtrecommendation totals $\$ 117.7$ billion, just about even with how the current all-funds spending plan will total when the fiscal year ends Aug. 3
The new budget, if it passed the House and Senate and is gned by Gov. Rick Perry, will take effect Sept. Most of the funds - $\$ 48.8$ billion, or 41.5 percent But there still was slans toges andinarsities. But there stil was slas purchases, the Texas Grant scholarship program and cuts to
retired and active teachers' health insurance. In the $\$ 40.9$ billion health ind insurance
frail and elderly. Texans will lose home sarves area, 56,000 frail and elderly Texans will lose home-care services, 17,000
low-income pregnant women will lose Medicaid and programs such as the Children's Health Insurance Program were scaled back, leaving hundreds of thousands of youngsters without coverage.
Those potentially life-and-death cuts were too much for Rep. Joe Deshotel, one of two Democrats on the GOP-led committee who voted against the bill. Rep. Richard Raymond of Laredo was the other. Eight members were absent.
I couldn't in good conscience go along with this, as hard as we worked," said Deshotel, D-Port Arthur. "I think a statement needed to be made."
Dupdate its tax struct the Democrats who believes Texas needs oupdate its tax structure, which does not have a state income
or property tax.

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## school board with any specific

 goals or agenda in mind, doing everything in my power to provide the best education and as many opportunitiesthrough extracurricular activi ties and sports as I can to prepare the kids for their future.
His son graduated from Pampa High School in 2000.

CITY dumpsters. He said it is less Pampa's goals, extending an contract with Broẃn, Graham dumpsters. He said it is less
expensive to buy dumpsters in quantity than to try to repair gets calls from other cities gets calls from other cities
and companies wanting old dumpsters for parts and repair. dumpsters for parts and repair.
He is requesting that the commission allow the sale of surplus dumpsters on a regular blusis.
The commissioners will also go into executive session for City Manager Mitch
Grant's three month evaluaThe commission's work session at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the main floor conference room of City Hall will include
discussions $\quad$ concerning Pampa's goals, extending an
auditing agreement with auditing $\quad$ agreement
Brown,
Graham
and Company, changes to the city's rabies regulations and a faced with changes in manrequest from the High Plain Horst said dating systems. Cruisers Car Club to use the the contract was opened to parking area of M.K. Brown parking area of M.K. Brow
Auditorium on April 12 . John Horst, director of biding, only Brown, Graham John Horst, director of Moore had bid. Horst said the inance for the city, is asking latter has ceased doing busi-


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## SCHOOL

cants at Carver Center at 5:30 priday April 1, April 10, and Saturday, April 12 Also listed on the agenda for Tuesday is signature approval for personnel

 experiences in business and
working with kids would

business experience for the financial side of it," Goode

association has taught him about dealing with kids and "When I was president, we had 650 kids in the soccer association," Goode said.
Whether it's a soccer prosaid, the kids are the ones that he's concerned about.
what you've got and do the what you've got and do the
best for the kids," Goode said.



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## SPORTS



AUTO RACING
talladega, Ala. (AP) - Dale Earnhard Jr. narrowly avoided an early behind Sunday to win the Aaron's 499, becoming the first driver to win four straight races at Talladega Superspeedway. Earnhardt, who led nine times for 34 laps in a race in which there was a total of 43 lead changes among 16 drivers, fought off challenges at the end from Burton and Matt Kenseth Burton and Mall Kensen th
He fought his way into the He fought his way into the
lead twice in the last four lead wice in the last four
laps, once with a controverlaps, once wina a conrover
sial pass below the yellow line on the track apron. SOCCER

PAMPA - There will a Harvester Soccer Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m.
Tuesday in the Pampa Tuesday in the Pampa High School athletic building. Banquet plans will be

## BASKETBALL

houston (AP) The Houston Rockets brought back the old uni forms and gave their absent coach a milestone victory.
Cutino Mobley scored 23 points and Steve Francis 23 points and Steve Francis
had 21 as the Houston had 21 as the Houston
Rockets beat the Orlando Rockets
Magic 114-93 Sunday night -a win that counts as the 500th of coach Rudy Tomjanovich's career.
Tomjanovich is on a
leave of absence while leave of absence while undergoing treatment for
bladder cancer. Assistant bladder cancer. Assistant
coach Larry Smith is directcoach Larry Smith is direct-
ing the team for ing the team for
Tomjanovich, whose career Tomjanovich, whose caree
record now is $500-495$. record now is $500-495$.
"Rudy's done a lot for "Rudy's done a lot for
this team, and he deserves this "eam, and
it," Smith said
Wearing replicas of the red uniforms from the
1993-94 season when they 1993-94 season, when they
won the first of two straight. Won the tirst of two straight NBA championships, the
Rockets stayed in Westerm Rockess stayed in westem Coniference playoff picture.
"We had a different atti-
. tude, just because of the jerseys," Eddie Griffin said. "We felt different walking out there with them on. You could just tell we had a different attitude. We didn't want to get upset in our jerseys. We just wish we could keep them."
Orlando lost its fourth in a row despite 28 points for Tracy McGrady. He scored 2 . he firist half and sat out the fourth quarter.
"They just outplayed us, Magic coach Doc
Rivers said. "They acted like they're trying to make like they're trying to make
the playoffs, and we played like we're already in. That like
disturbs me, because if we keep fooling around, we won't make it:"
Orlando is seventh in the Eastem Conference, $11 / 2$ games ahead of Milwauke.
The Rockets have 142 record when both Mobley and Francis score in double
figures EAdie Griffin and figures. Eddie Griffin and James Posey each scorred

## Syracuse knocks Texas out of Final Four

NEW ORLEANS (AP) Carmelo Anthony twisted, turned and dunked all over Texas, stealing the show and giving Syracuse another chance to win the national championship in the Superdome all places.

The super freshman scored a season-high 33 points and had 14 rebounds, and the Orangemen's 2-3 zone defense was tough enough for a 95-84 victory over Texas on Saturday night.
"He's a man, mañ," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim knows what to do." Syracuse (29-5) will play
Kansas on Monday night in the


Tyler Doughty had a hit and scored a run in Pampa's win over Caprock.

## From putts to jumpers, title-game coaches keep it in perspective

Kansas, Syracuse meet at 8 tonight for championship
$\qquad$ A-foot putt or the biggest basketball game of their lives, Roy Williams and Jim Boeheim havermade it this far by treating them almost as one and the same.
These golf buddies-turnedcoaching rivals are on the verge of breaking through and winning the national championship that has eluded both over a combined 42 years of coaching.
But they know that win or lose Monday night, life will go on, another chapter will
unfold and another chance to compete won't be far off for these two, probably this summer on the golf course. "Is it more important to me? Yes. Is it more important to you? Yes," Boeheim said, referring to the title game. "But you coach it the same way."
That's not to play down the importance of the game and what a victory will do for the Winner. Williams and Boeheim would agree with the NCAA basketball title is the pinnacle of the sport "When ou esport. When you coach at this level, that's what
do." Boeheim said.
But will they coach differently? Put more pressure on hemselves? Buy, the
they need a championship to validate careers that have "Soen nothing less than stellar? Sure, the game is tremendoust. "Thportant, Boeheim said. "The problem I have,
though, is the thought that all of the sudden, you're a good of the sudden, you're a good
player or a good coach because you win this game.

## Williams agrees.

Both coaches have the resumes to back their confidence.

This season, the 52 -yearThis season, the 52 -year-
old Williams, reached the 400 victory plateau, and he did it faster than all but three men - Adolph Rupp, Clair Bee and Jerry Tarkanian. Williams has guided the Jayhawks to their second Final Four and game in his 15 years at Kansas.
But the numbers don't tell the whole story. He is a coach in much more than ah Xs and Os sense. In the style of his old boss and mentor, Dean Smith, Williams is a mentor, too. He
family.
family
Three years ago, he had a handshake agreement to take the job at his alma mater North Carolina. But he changed his mind when he went to the gym and ran into
three of his former players,

## including Greg Gurle whom had children.

 "Greg said, 'How does it feel to have your grandchildren in the gym with you?",Williams said. "That was Williams said. "That was something that really hit
pretty hard at the time." pretty hard at the time."
Undoubtedly, Will will cry when it's over Monday night - not just Monday night - not just
because of the winning or losing, but because it's the last college game for Kirk Hinrich and Nick Collison.
"I would hate to think that my son played for somebody who didn't care," Williams said. "I do deeply care." " With a $652-226$ record in 27 seasons at Syracuse, Boeheim ranks second in winning percentage among all active coaches. He took the
Orangemen to 10 straight NCAA tournaments from 1983-92, the fourth from streak ever.

## treak ever. Twice, he

Twice, he has taken the Orangemen to the final, only at the Superdome, they lost 74-73 to Indiana on Keith Smart's basket with 4 seconds left.
"I had a tremendous experience for five days, $39 \mathrm{~min}-$ utes and 56 seconds there," Boeheim said. "I want to try to get those other 4 seconds in this time."
The 58 -year-old coach isn't as touchy-feely as his
counterpart, but that shouldn't diminish his real emotions diminish his real emotions.
push me, and he goes about it
Syracuse sophomore forward Hakim Warrick said. "It has helped me. I know he's just trying to
me."
By almost any account, have talent - quite the conoung. young. Freshman of the year Carmelo Anthony, classmate
Gerry McNamara and Werry McNamara and ent of Syracuse's offense. Boeheim has nurtured them and used his tricky 2-3 zone defense more than he rormally would. It's his way of masking inexperienced ings, and ings, and the system has
worked. "At this

At this point in the year, more," McNamara said. Still, Kansas is the more seasoned team. Collison and Hinrich are two top-notch seniors who get significant playing time, something of a rarity in this era of early departures.
While Boeheim calls almost every play for Syracuse, Williams takes pride in not being much of a micromanager; he likes his
players to run and push and players to run and push and
play man-to-man. play man-to-man.

My personality is I want to be a little more aggressive, Whams said. "If yo thing, it's easier to do."
with at least two guys on every
play," Bocheim said. "He was play," Boeheim said. "He was our other guys picked it up.". Anthony, who many feel will leave Syracuse for the NBA after this season, gave the Orangemen their biggest lead of the game with two great plays that showed his versatili-

He hit a jumper from just inside the 3-point line with 7:17
left to make it 76-66. After left to make it $76-66$. After a a two-handed power dunk that a two-handed power dunk that
drew screams from the Syracuse fans in the crowd of 54,432.

We really flinched this time," Texas forward James Thomas said. "That's the first
don't really har's happened. but once they got ahead of us, we couldn't get it back." Still, Texas was not about io go away without a fight and got within 85-81 with 1:06 left. But Syracuse's other freshman, guard Gerry McNamara, made four straight free throws. After Brian Boddicker hit a 3 with 48 seconds for Texas, the points of the geme with points of the game with toward the crowd, which chanted, "One more year." "Carmelo Anthony "Caifmel." Texas coach Rick Barnes said. "They made plays when they needed to make plays."
[Stowers sets] new record DUMAS - Pampa senior Teryn Stowers set a new
record in the triple jump at record in the triple jump at
last weekend's North last weekend
Plains Relays. Plains Relays.
Stowers
Stowers cleared 36-3
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$3 / 4$ to establish the new
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Borger's Leslie Hughes Borger's Leslie Hughe
was second at $36-03 / 4$. was second at $36-03 / 4$.
Stowers also placed ond in the long jump (17

The Lady Harvesters finished with 74 points to take fourth in the team
standings. Palo Duro won standings. Palo Duro won
the team title with 146 the team
points.
Other Pampa winner was Skye Niccum, who won the shot put with a 38 11 throw.
Other
Other Pampa placings
were Angie Comis were Angie Cornish, third,
discus, 108-7; 400-relay, discus, 108-7;
third, 51.80; 800-relay third,
third, $1: 52.97$
third, $1: 52.97$
In the boys' division,
Pampa's Greg Wiley won the 110 hurdles with a time of 14.83. Jesse Tarango was third in the 200 (22.92).

Pampa's 400 relay team
was second $(43.60)$ and the was second (43.60) and the
800 relay team was third (1:33.79).
The Harvesters were fifth in the team standings first with 156 points.

Stars capture season finale best coaching jobs this sea- DALLAS (AP) - Dallas son. It's not that he doesn't goalie Marty Turco laughs at he comparisons to Ted Williams, saying he has a long way to go before his impact on hockey can be
thought of as anything close thought of as anything close accomplished.
But when it comes to major milestones, the two already have something in common
Instead of sitting out the

Tigers off to another bad start


| some of Detroits best leams | Blue Jays 8, Twins |
| :---: | :---: |
| under Sparky Anderson, helped | At Minneapolis, Carlos |
| lead the Tigers to the 1984 | Delgado homered and drove in |
| World Series title. At the helm | four runs, and Cory Lidle (1-1) |
| of a young team hoping to | pitched seven strong innin |
| build for the future, Trammell | Toronto finished a three-game |
| now must get accustomed to | sweep |
| losing. He said he might keep the | Brad Radke (1-1) was hit hard, giving up eight runs on 10 |
| lineup card from his first vic | hits in three-plus innings. The |
| manager - when | eight earned runs tied Radke's |
| finally gets it. <br> "There is still a long way to | career high, set four times previously. |
| " Trammell said. "It's disap- | The Blue Jays swept a three- |
| ting, no question. We' | de |
| to regroup. |  |
| Yankees 10, Devil Rays 5 | second of their consecutive |
| At St. Petersburg, Fla., | World Series championship |
| ger Clemens won his 295t | ve |
| game and Alfonso Soriano | scored only 20 runs in six |
| $k$ Johnson started the | games. |
| ing with consec | Mariners 11, Rangers |
| hom | At Arlington, Texas, Edgar |
| Clemens (2-0) allowed | Martinez homered and Dan |
| ix | Wilson, just off the disable |
| innings. After limiting Tampa | list, hit an RBI single on the |
| Bay to a run and three hits through six, the six-time Cy | first pitch he saw this season as Seattle jumped on Chan Ho |
| Young winner gave up a three- | Park (0-2) early. |
| run homer to Javier Valentin | Freddy Garcia (1-1) |
| the seventh. | bounced back from his poor |
| Bermie Williams also hon | first start, allowing just two |
| for the Yankees, who cos | runs and three hits in 6 1-3 |
| cluded a season-opening road | innings despite six walks |
| 5-1. New York has out- | Athletics 7, Angels 6 |
| homered its opposition 15-2. | At Oakland, Calif., Mark |
| Red Sox 12, Orioles 2 | Ellis had a career-high four |
| At Baltimore, She | hits as the Athletics completed |
| Hillenbrand homered, doubled | a three-game sweep of the |
| ice and had a career- | World Series champions. |
| Rodrigo Lopez (0-1). | gle off Francisco Rodriguez |
| Nomar Garciaparra home- | (0-1) gave the Athletics a 6-5 |
| red, scored four runs and fels | lead in the seventh inning, and |
| single short of the cycle. | Ellis' sacrifice fly provided |
| Bidding to become the 20th | insurance run. He finished |
| Boston player to hit for the | with two doubles, two RBIs |
| cycle,'Garciaparra flied out | and a run scored. |
| the eighth. | Oakland's 5-1 start is its |
| Hillenbrand has 15 RBIs | best since winning five |
| seven games. Manny Ramirez | ight to start the 1992 sea |
| dro |  |
| his hitting streak to 20 g | Tim |
| matching, a career best. | the ninth for Anaheim, and |
| Tim | Brad Fullimer drove |

## White Deer's Knocke wins two events at District 2-1A meet

|  | 2. Sosa, Wellington, 41-11; 3 | Girls |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Okogbo, Vega, 41-8 1/2; 4. |  |
| riple | as, Wellington, 40-6 1/2. |  |
|  | Hector Emilliano, |  |
|  | Mendoz | $7$ |
|  |  |  |
| April 15 in Panhandle. | 4. Guinn, Sunray, 11:46.06. <br> 110 hurdles: 1. Brian | 27; 11. Wheeler 26; 12 Memphis 5. |
| District 2-1A Track Meet | Knocke, White Deer, 15.57; 2 , |  |
|  | erts, Stratford, 15.83; |  |
| Boys | Irby, Claude, 16.28; |  |
| s. | Anderson, Sunray, 16.69 |  |
| 146; 2. Clarendon 113: 3 | 800 relay: 1. Sunray, |  |
| Gruver 69; 4. Wheeler 67; 5 | 1:35.02; 2. Memphis, 1:38 | Clarendon, $32-51 / 2 ; 4$. |
| phis 62; 6. White Dee | 3. Stratford, 1:39.53; | Bumpas |
| llington 39; | Whe | Triple jump: 1.Penny |
| don 32; 9. Vega 21; | 0:1 | Armstrong, White Deer, 32-10 |
| 11. Shamrock | 54.21; 2. Rosales, Booker | 1/2; 2. King, Wellington, 32-5 |
| 12. Claude 12. | 54.63: 3. Okogbo, Vega, 54.92 | 3/4; 3. D. Weatherton, |
| Shot put: 1. Ja | 4. Brad Masters, | ${ }^{\text {C }}$ Clarendon, 32-5 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ 1/2; |
| ams. Clarendon, 61-9, | 54.92 | umpas, Sunra |
| ett. Stratford, 49-10; | 300 hurdles: 1. Jason | 800: 1. Maegan Cartrit |
| ck. | Ashley, Stratford, 42.11 | nray, 2:31.2 |
| Joe Salas, Wheeler, 45-1 1/2. | derson, Sunray, 42.91 | so |
| High jump: 1. Der | Buckles, Stratford, 42.24; | Cassi Brown, Wheeler, |
| arminski, White Deer, 6-7; | Brian Knocke, White | 2;41.52; |
| Reed, Gruver, 5-8; | 44.56 | 2:42.02. |
| Thomas, Memphis, 5-7; | vin | 400: 1. Angel Williams, |
| Sun | ellington, 22.33; | Clarendon, 58.81; 2. Black, |
| Discus: 1. Joe Salas, | Memphis, 23.02; 3. Chris | Claude, 61.93; 3. Sara Smith, |
| Weeler, 157-2 1/2; 2. | allagher, Wheeler, 23.11 | White |
| Williams, Clarendon, 154-1; 3. | Q | Ferguson, Sunray, 6 |
| Everett, Stratford, 146-5; 4. | 00: 1. Manny L | 300 hurdles: 1. Cassi |
| Wagner, Claude, 139-11 1/2. | Gruver, 5:15.58; | Brown, Wheeler, 50.84; |
| mp | Sunray, 5:19.77; 3. Mendo | Weatherton, Clarendon, 51.18; |
| n. Sunray, 209-103/4 | Sunray, 5:21.66; 4. Hector | 3. Skarka, Claude, 51.60; 4. H. |
| an Knocke, White Deer, | Emilliano, Wheeler, 5:31.39. | unray, 52.55. |
| 20-7: 3. Sosa, Wellington, 20-5 | 1600 relay: 1. Sunray, | 1600 relay: 1. Sunray, |
| Scott, Vega, 19-10. | 18.76; 2. Stratford, 3:42.64; | 16.72; 2: Stratford, 4:29.20 |
| Triple jump: 1. Bria | er, 3:43.88; 4. Whee | de, 4;37.69; 4. Wh |
| nocke. White Deer, 42-2 1/2; | 3:46.48 |  |

Longhorns pound Baylor, 11-3
Justin Simmons held Baylor gave up a solo homer in the two batters and making an to three hits over eight first inning, but took the error on a sacrifice bunt
innings in an 11-3 Texas vic- mound in the second inning Trey Taylor (1-3) was the Michael Griffin's two-run Baylor starter, but for the Michael
double. efore being pulled.
fourth time in five starts did


## UConn comes back to down 'Horns

aurasi didn't get a - Diana ow off get a chance to ball and held up her right index moves. This time, she had to grind it out.
Need a key 3-pointer. Give
her the ball her the ball. Need
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Shaking off a stifling defense and her a stifling pains, Taurasi led Connecticut to its third women's national
championship game in four years with a $71-69$ victory over Texas on Sunday night. Her game was off, Taurasi proved again that she's the best player in the country by scoring 26 points to help the Huskies overcome a nine-point deficit in the second half.
As the seconds ticked away, Taurasi stepped in defensively didn't get off a tying or winning attempt.
"She's the player of the year Stephens of Texas. "At the end Stephens of Texas. "At the end
of the game, she took over." of the game, she took over.
Taurasi's 3-pointer fro well behind the arc gave the Huskies the lead for good, 67. 66 , with $2: 07$ remaining.
Texas still had a chance, but from Alisha Sare as the littleused Texas player raced down
the court trying to set up a the court trying to
buzzer-beating shot.

$\qquad$
$\qquad$ Auriemma, who picked up his
500 th career victory. "We have Dee and they don't. That's probal
$\qquad$ Earlier. Tennessee Duke $66-56$ to advance to a with the Huskies.
$\qquad$ everyone's been waiting for," Auriemma said. "Now that it's UCore, let's enjoy it. UConn (36-1) closed the semifinals with an 11-3 run to send home the Longhoms (296), who were in the Final Four for the first time since 1987.
"I was worried "I was worried about just what happened," Texas coach
Jody Conradt said. "You know Jody Conradt said. "You know
when you're playing against a when you re playing against a like Diana, you leave yourself open." Tauras
Taurasi had not practiced much since the regional final in an attempt to heal lingering back and ankle injuries. She had trouble shaking loose from the Texas defenders and didn't get much of a chance to show off her playground moves. But she came through when

With Texas leading 66-60, Taurasi zipped a great no-look pass from outside the are to alone under thett standing alone under the basket, spark ing the game-ending run. On UConn's next posses-
sion, Taurasi sion, Taurasi worked into the
lane, made the shot and drew lane, made the shot and drew play that drew the Husk play tha
closer.
closer.
Finally
Finally, she put them pointer.

The Longhorns went nearly three minuees without scoring, finally breaking the drought on Jamie Carey's 3 That was the last basket. Crockett gave Texas ra chance by missing two free throws with 8.2 seconds left Sare raced up the court and
tried to set up a pass to Carey tried to set up a pass to Carey
in the comer. But the ball tipped away when the bal stepped into Sare's path "I have total confidence that Jamie would have nailed it," Sare said. "I just couldn" deliver it to her."

UConn has defeated Tennes
game.
Last year, the teams met in the semifinals, with the Huskies romping to a $79-56$ 0 season.

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other, increasing your mutual happiness. prised by how someone in charge decides

 ARIES (March 21-April 19) where you'd like to be. Don't daydream; $\star \star \star$ Handle your priorities with make a call. Design weekend plans that
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delightul Consider adding to your home in some way. $\# \star \star$ T Take charge and recognize what Tonight: Happy at your pad. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) onsers expect. A partner might express $\star \star \star \star \star$ Verbalize, and others will lis- caring way, but is absolutely serious
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tion could be developing into a lot more. gracefully.
Relationships on all levels star with hap- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Musician Julian Lennon (1963), actress
Patricia Arquette (1968), first lady Betty piness. Tonight: At a favorite spot. $\quad \star \star \star \star \star$ Others see you in a far Ford (1918)
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## China raises SARS death toll; WHO experts study animal link

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pect the illness originated, with fatalities also coming in Beijing and the Guangxi region On Monday, Chinese state television reported that there were also one SARS death each in the provinces of Shanxi in the north, Sichuan in the we
and Hunan in central China.

Cabinet level peace talks between Koreas canceled

SEOUL, South Korea cancellation and called for a (AP) - Cabinet-level talks prompt resumption of talks. aimed at reconciliation "It is necessary that the South Korea were canceled two Koreas hold talks and South Korea were canceled discuss pending issues in a failed to confirm that the at a time when the world meetings would take place, situation is difficult," the South Korea's Unification ministry said in a statement Ministry said.
Seoul had hoped to use canceled two sets of workthe meetings to persuade its ing-level talks with South communist neighbor to Korea
scrap its suspected nuclear North Korea has repeatweapons program. The can- $\quad$ edly insisted on direct talks
cellation is a setback for
with the United States to South Korean efforts to ease tensions between Washington and Pyongyang.
The cancellation came ahead of a meeting Wednesday of the U.N. Security Council to discuss North Korea's nuclear program.
The council could eventually discuss imposing sanctions against North Korea, if a political solution is not found. China and Russia have sa
North Korea has warned that it would regard international sanctions against its isolated regime as a declaration of war.
The Cabinet-level talks were supposed to take place in Pyongyang from
Monday to Thursday. The two Koreas had agreed to meet during their last round of Cabinet-level talks in Seoul in January. In a telephone message sent to North Korea on Monday, South Korea's Unification Ministry Unification Ministry
expressed regret over the
Replacement found for ineligible candidate FRANKFORT, K. (AP)

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) | attorney for western |
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| A federal prosecutor who | Kentucky, was registered as



Winner of the Gray County 4-H and FFA Youth Livestock Show Raffle was Gary Willoughby. Joining Willoughby for this picture are Gray Co. 4-Hers Meagan Willoughby. Joining Willoughby for this picture
Crawford, Courtney Crawford and Kelby Rucker.

High court upholds ban on cross burning, rejects free speech claim

WASHINGTON (AP) - A divided Supreme Court upheld
a state ban on cross buning a state ban on cross buming,
ruling Monday the history of ruling Monday the history of
racial intimidation attached to racial intimidation atached to it outweighs the free speech
protection of Ku Klux protection of Ku Kux
Klansmen or others who might
A burning cross is an instrument of terror, and government should have the power to stamp out or punish its use, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote in the 5-4 ruling. The protections afforded by the First Amendment "are not absolute," she wrote.
Justice Clarence Thomas, the court's only black member,
dissented, but made clear his dissented, but made clear his
reasons have nothing to do reasons have nothing to do
with protecting free speech with protecting free speech
rights of the Klan. Thomas rights of the Klan. Thomas
said the court didn't even have to consider the First Amendment implications
because cross burning clearly because cross burning clearly is intimidation.
"Just as one cannot burn down someone's house to make a political point and then seek refuge in the First Amendment, those who hate cannot terrorize and intimidate
has culture, cross burnmg has almost invariably meant lawlessness and under-sell-grounded fear of physical violence." At issue was a 50 -year-old
Virginia law that makes it crime to burn a cross as an act of intimidation. A lower court
ruled the law muzzled free speech.
"While a burning cross does not inevitably convey a message of intimidation, often the cross burning intends that the recipients of the message fear
for their lives," she wrote "And when a cross bue wrote. And when a cross burning is used to intimidate, few if any messages are more powerful. Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices John Paul Stevens, Antonin Scalia and Stephen Breyer.
 The Supreme Court historiFirst Amendment rights of unsavory or unpopular groups and causes, including the Klan, flag-burners,
and strippers. and strippers.
More than a decade ago, the in St. Paul, Minn a local law

ed placing symbols including burning cross or a swastika on someone else's property out of racial
bias.
The

The cross-burning case in Virginia evoked a mostly bygone era in the South, when "nightriders" set crosses ablaze as a symbol of intimidation to blacks and civil rights sympathizers. Virginia and other states tried to outlaw the practice, but the laws have run into trouble on free-speech grounds.
During oral arguments in he case in December, Thomas recalled what he called a centurylong "reign of terror" by
the Klan and other white the Klan and other white supremacy groups, and called symbol in our society."
"The cross was a symbol o that reign of terror," Thomas said in apparent exasperation that a government lawyer was providing only tepid, legalistic justification for the Virginia law.

workers started eleaning it
Friday atter the Finnish official Fiday after the Finnish official was confirmed to have SARS.
She wouldn't give her name The visa office of the New Zealand Embassy, located in Zealand Embassy, located in
the same building, was closed Monday as a precaution, said a New Zealand diplomat, Moana George. She said the embassy was discussing with the building management how to ensure any possible infection wouldn't spread through the building.
In Hong Kong, there are fears health system could be
stretched beyond its timits. Dr Lo Wing-lok, in infec
Dr. Lo Wing-lok, an infectious disease expert who also
serves as a lawmaker, said serves as a lawmaker, said
Sunday that Hong Kong's hospitals can only handle about 1,500 SARS patients.

## Blaze kills

 21 Russian school kidsVLADIVOSTOK, Russia (AP) - A fire engulfed an old wooden school in the northern Siberian republic of Yakutia on Monday, killing 21 students and teacher, emergency officials said.
Ten more students were hospitalized with bums and fracared limbs after they tried to ascape the flames by jumping ine windows of the two-story building, said Yelena Mineyeva, pokeswoman for Yakutia's Thergency Situations Ministry. The students were aged $11-18$. Russian President Vladimir utin called the fire a "major calamity" and ordered the federal govemiment to fully cooperate
with authorites in Yakutia, about 0000 miles east of Moscow. He instructed his Cabinet He instructed his Cabinet to "provide help to the republic and the victims," the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.
The fire erupted at the beginning of the school day in a rural chool in the village of Sydybal, said Viktor Beltsov, a spokesman or the Emergency Situations Ministry in Moscow.
The village does not have a fire department, so fire trucks had to travel to the scene from a station located 12 miles away. By the time they arrived, the 1927-era building was engulfed in flames, Mineyeva said. In rural Russian villages,
most buildings are ost bing are woden and depend on heat from stoves, and sometimes safery standards are isregarded as people ty desper tely to keep warm during frigid winters.
Since the breakup of the Soviet Union, Russia has racked fire statistics. Fifty people a day -18,000 a year - die in fires. Most are caused by people smoking while drinking or others who are just plain careless.
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