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## Coalition's confidence growing

By MEG RICHARDS ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

bombs aimed at Saddam power." Hussein and his two sons

Iraqi forces staged a councapital city's southeast corner. fighters across the Tigris River said Brig. Gen. Vincent assault on Baghdad, a lone B-

Bush, at a joint news conto take on U.S. troops guard-Brooks of U.S. Central 1B bomber carried out a masference with British Prime ing a key intersection. U.S. Command. On the way, the sive strike on what the coali-Minister Tony Blair, said "I troops strafed the Iraqis from Marines fought and defeated tion described as a "leadership With U.S. forces in central don't know" whether Saddam planes overhead and with mor- heavily armed Iraqi forces in target" in the upscale al-Baghdad and coalition confi- survived an attack on a build- tar and artillery fire. At least tanks and armored personnel Mansour neighborhood where dence growing, President ing in Baghdad. "The only 50 Iraqi fighters were killed carriers, before moving on to senior Iraqi officials, possibly Bush said Tuesday it was pos- thing I know," Bush contin- and two U.S. soldiers were the military airfield. sible that bunker-busting ued, "is that he's losing wounded, one seriously, by rooftop snipers.

The could have killed the Iraqi terattack in the capital shortly Expeditionary Force moved to high-ranking Iraqi officials, said American intelligence president. Marines moved into after dawn Tuesday, sending capture Rasheed Airport in the Brooks said. a key military airfield in the buses and trucks filled with southeast corner of Baghdad,

help-secure the Iraqi capital, meeting, U.S. officials, speak-Marine and prevent the escape of ing on condition of anonymity,

In the midst of Monday's ing Monday morning.

including Saddam and his two Taking the airport would sons, were believed to be learned of the high-level meet-

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## Art and history join at rededicati

BY DARLENE BIRKES SPECIAL TO THE PAMPA NEWS

Paintings by local artist Grant

Johnson of the buildings in the National Register of Historic Places LOCAL district in Pampa will be displayed at the Gray County Courthouse rededica-**Public invited to** tion Saturday, April 12, from 10 to 12 **Hardin-Simmons** a.m. The oil paintings were commischoir performance sioned by the Centennial Committee as

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Hardin-Simmons

Christian Church, 1633 N.

The 37-member choir,

directed by Dr. Loyd

Hawthorne, is stopping in

Pampa as part of its spring

tour through the Texas

Panhandle and West Texas,

said Fred Mays, Pampa High

School choir director. The

choir plans to perform selec-

tions of sacred music, he said.

home overnight after the concert may contact Mays at 669-4800, extension 130, for

DEATHS

72, services pending.

Georgia Mae Marshall,

Maudie M. (Granny)

Wheeler, 82, homemaker,

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Anyone interesting in hosting choir students in their

University Concert Choir of Johnson chose the winter months of November through March to do the Abilene are to present a free paintings. concert for the public at 7 p.m., Friday, April 11, at First

a gift to Gray County.

"The colors are more subtle when the sun is lower in the horizon. The buildings gain a more true color without as much glare," he said. "Each building is unique. Each has its own character. There is a subtle difference in brick colors, earth reds, earth tones such a warmth to the buildings."

He used complimentary colors as the White Deer Land Museum terra him to suggest the paintings.



(Courtesy photo)

Artist Grant Johnson, right, with stepson Miah Ebel, selects frames for the oil paintings he has completed of the Pampa buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

golden ochre, terra cotta with the con-rosa, Johnson's favorite color. It was trast of shades of blues in the windows. the museum which attracted him to the dued," said Johnson. "There's an inter- White Deer Land Managers George City Hall includes yellow ochre and project in the first place and caused play of line and shadow." He had to use Tyng, T.D. Hobart, C.P. Buckler and

a ladder six to seven feet off the ground

to get the right perspective angle for that complex office building with the many windows that proved to be a challenge.

The historic buildings painted by Johnson reflect the oil boom in the 1920s, beginning with the erection of the Schneider Hotel in 1927. All but the Schneider Hotel were designed by the W.R. Kaufman architectural firm in Amarillo. Gray County Courthouse was completed in 1929, City Hall and Central Fire Station in 1930 and the Combs-Worley in 1931.

White Deer Land Building (now Museum) was the first, completed in 1916 and reflective of the English style preferences of the managers. It was the last building of the land company, which was organized after the foreclosure on the Francklyn Land and Cattle Co. with land amounting to some 631,000 acres in four counties. Land sales continued from 1886 to 1957. "The Combs-Worley is more sub- The museum was organized in 1970.

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LCPL Isaiah Manzanares

Branch of service: U.S. Marines Rank: Lance corporal in Light Armor Recon Battalion Detachment A, 2nd Marine Division

Years in service: 2 Stationed: Camp Lejeune, N.C. Deployed: Iraq

Family: Mother, Sylvia Mazanares, Perryton; father and stepmother, Joe and Robin Manzanares, Pampa, brother, A.J. Manzanares, Pampa.

Yellow ribbons popping up

### **Chamber offers** city and school candidate forum on Saturday night A candidate forum sponsored by the Greater Pampa

Chamber of Commerce will be held at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 12, at the M.K. Brown Room at the Pampa Community Building, 209 N. Ballard.

Candidates for both Pampa City Commission and board of trustees for the Pampa Independent School District in the May 3 election have been invited to give a short presentation.

After the presentations, there will be an opportunity for citizens to present written questions to the candidates.

All expiring positions on the city commission are contested with five candidates on the ballot for the mayoral

Current Mayor Lonny Robbins, who is completing his first term, has four challengers. They are Jeff Andrews, John Goddard, Mike Rummerfield and Norman Stephens.

Ward 1 Commissioner Ward 1 Jeff McCormick is challenged by Doug Locke while Ward 3 Commissioner Bob Dixon is challenged by Ed Robinson.

Place 4 PISD board members Nancy Coffee has two challengers. They are James Goode and Charles Smith.

Lee Porter, Place 5 board member, is unopposed in the May election.

The chamber encourages all citizens interested in the future of the City of Pampa and the school district come and hear the candidates' vision for the future of Pampa and Pampa's schools, and how they plan to achieve their objec-

### **WEST TEXAS** LANDSCAPE

It's Tree Planting Season ... **120 S. HOBART** 669-0158



### **By NANCY YOUNG** Managing Editor

Yellow ribbons are popping up all over Pampa as local residents show their support for the United States military troops in Iraq and all over the world.

Many residents are working to get the town covered with the ribbons in time for the Patriotic Rally planned at 7 p.m. on Thursday and sponsored by the local American Red Cross.

All residents of Pampa and the area are invited to attend the rally to show support to

(See RIBBONS, Page 3)



**Chamber Of Commerce Sponsored** CANDIDATES FORU

Saturday, April 12th from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building. The Public Is Invited.

### Connor: High court not overreaching in death penalty cases

WASHINGTON (AP) - The court has examined the conduct of Supreme Court has no "overarching objective" when it comes to the death penalty, despite a large number of recent cases wrestling with the way capital punishment is carried out, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor says.

O'Connor was in the majority last year when the high court outlawed capital punishment for the mentally retarded, but in the minority when justices ruled that juries, not judges, must make the crucial decisions that can lead to a death sentence.

"We aren't here trying to develop something in the sense of where the country should go with this issue. We're a reactive institution," O'Connor said in an Associated Press interview Monday. "We proceed case by case as they come to us, and not with any overarching objective that the court itself' has developed.

In other recent cases, the high ment of U.S. law.

lawyers assigned to represent poor the court helps the public accept people charged with murder, but Supreme Court rulings, O'Connor O'Connor said it is not for the Supreme Court to outline just what lawyers ought to do.

court for nearly 22 years. She is one of the oldest and longest-serving justices, and there is speculation that she may be ready to step down this year.

"I have no current plans," to retire, O'Connor said in the interview for her forthcoming book. "The Majesty of the Law; Reflections of a Supreme Court Justice" is dedicated to O'Connor's law clerks, "past, present and future."

The book, published this month by Random House, is partly a personal account of her experiences as the first woman named to the high court and partly a historical look at the develop-

Having women and minorities on court in 1981. She drew on her expesaid in the AP interview.

"It's not for me to say," whether racial, ethnic or gender diversity on O'Connor, 73, has served on the the court should be a goal, she said. "But I think it's been desirable from the standpoint of public perceptions of fairness to see a court that includes women and minorities."

> O'Connor is widely expected to be the deciding vote when the court rules later this year on the constitutionality of affirmative action in college admissions, but her remarks were not made in the context of any specific

> The high court currently has six white men, one black man and two white women.

O'Connor was a politician and a state trial judge in Arizona before President Reagan chose her for the

rience as a judge for a section of the book dealing with juries.

urors ought to be free to take notes during a trial, and even pose written questions, O'Connor said. Only some states and courts allow such departures from custom.

O'Connor tried to instruct her juries about the law at the beginning of the case rather than at the end, she

"It seems to me when I listen to complicated things it helps me to know ahead of time what I'm supposed to decide," O'Connor said. "T can hear the arguments to better effect, and I think jurors can hear the facts more effectively if they know ahead of time what specifically they have to decide."

Her book contains some strong criticism of the way juries are now chosen, including the reliance on outside jury consultants that sor ple who fit the ideal demograp

Even so, O'Connor said in the interview, she does not blame lawyers for using whatever tools are

available to them.

'Yet people who can't afford it a not going to have that benefit, and you get a little nervous about how that might play out in terms of fairness," O'Connor said.

One of the court's two swingvotes, O'Connor often sides with more conservative justices as she did in the Bush v. Gore ruling in 2000. Although some lawyers and Republicans have said that ruling did not really decide the election, O'Connor does not mince words in a brief reference to the case in her

### ON RECORD

#### **AMBULANCE**

Rural/Metro Ambulance responded to the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today

Monday, April 7

11:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Jordan Unit east of Pampa and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

#### **POLICE**

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

### Friday, April 4

Theft of gas was reported in the 100 block of South Starkweather. Estimate of loss was

PPD received a report that a complainant in a recent criminal mischief case was contacted by the suspect who tried to persuade the complainant to drop the charges.

#### Monday, April 7

Emmanuel Eugene Wine, 22, 1124 Vacnon, was arrested for forgery of a finan cial instrument.

Robert King Parks, 24, of Lefors, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia. Criminal mischief was reported when a fence was damaged in the 2200 block of North Wells. Estimate of damages was \$75.

Illegal use of a credit card was reported to PPD. Estimate of loss was \$3,650.

Minor in possession of tobacco was reported at Pampa Middle School

Beer valued at \$21.20 was reported stolen at a convenience store in the 1300 block of North Hobart

A local convenience store in the 1000 block of West Wilks reported the theft of beer valued at \$38.58.

### FIRE

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

### Monday, April 7

7:15 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a gas leak in the 100 block of North Faulkner. A car had struck and damaged a gas meter. Gas was turned off to the meter. No injunes were reported

WASHINGTON (AP) —

Gasoline prices will contin-

ue to decline through the

summer because of falling

crude oil prices and opti-

mistic expectations for the

war in Iraq, the Energy

energy forecast said gasoline

prices likely would average

\$1.56 a gallon during the

vacation driving season, a

substantially more optimistic

forecast than was issued a

month ago. Then, the depart-

ment expected motorists to

pay more than \$1.70 a gallon

The report by DOE's

Administration cautioned

that prices are likely to range

Information

throughout the summer.

Energy

The department's summer

Department said Tuesday.

Gas prices will continue

decline, DOE official says

### **SHERIFF**

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

#### Monday, April 7

Delbert Lynn Thompson, 37, 416 Magnolia, was arrested on Justice of the Peace warrants for no drivers license and municipal warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Ronald Clark Woolums, 55, 533 Roberta, was arrested following court action in 223rd District Court. Custody of Woolums was transferred to Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

### CORRECTION

In a photograph titled "Cute little bonnet" published in the Friday, April 4, edition of The News, Bailey Joyce, the child in the picture, was wrongly identified.

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### **OBITUARIES**

#### **SERVICES TOMORROW**

WHEELER. Maudie M. "Granny" — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa. Burial, 2 p.m., Washita Cemetery, Hemphill County. WILLIAMS, Tracy Rena - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

#### **GEORGIA MAE MARSHALL**

Georgia Mae Marshall, 72, of Pampa, died Funeral Directors of Pampa. Monday, April 7, 2003. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley

-Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

### MAUDIE M. (GRANNY) WHEELER

1921-2003

Maudie M. (Granny) Wheeler, 82, of Pampa, Texas, died Sunday, April 6, 2003, at Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of the Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at the Washita Cemetery in Hemphill County under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Wheeler was born April 3, 1921, in Plumlee, Ark. She was the daughter of Maude and Adam Fawcett, a Baptist preacher. Her life was simple as they moved from place to place, following her father's ministry. Rev. Fawcett brought his family back to Jasper, Ark., as the final homestead until his death. She married Melvin Wheeler on July 30, 1940, in Miami,

They lived in the Canadian area until 1962: Neosho, Mo., from 1962 until 1966; Highmore, S.D., from 1966 until 1976; and Eufaula, Okla., from 1976 until moving to Pampa in 1982.

She was a member of the Pam Apartments Activity Club and Sunday School class.

Maudie's gentle spirit and optimistic attitude has left a lasting impression and influence on her family and friends. She leaves behind a loving family who will remember her for her strength, courage and passion for life. They are bound together not only by God, but by roots that have been firmly planted by Maudie, or lovingly known as "Granny."

She is survived by two sons: Bill Wheeler and his wife, Lavonne of Newcastle, Wyo., and Larry Wheeler and his wife, Gloria Neosho, Mo.; three daughters, Cheryl Waters and her husband Speck and Connie Molitor her husband



Randy, all of Pampa, and Vickie Wheeler of Eufaula, Okla.; nine grandchildren, Tena Martin, Roy Waters, Michelle Sampson, Terrica Garcia, Monty Waters, Shanna Stribling, Justin Molitor, T.J. Wheeler and Bryan Wheeler; eight great-grandchildren, Brandon Martin, Brooke Hopkins, Monty Cole Waters, Caitlynne Weatherly, Jack Sampson, Rylee Waters, Stori Stribling and Makenna Molitor; and her dearest friend, Deca Dalton. She was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Fawcett; a sister, Adeline Youngblood; a son, Melvin Ray Wheeler in 1943; and a great-grandson, Brody Ray Waters

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Building Fund, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065, or to Pam Apartments Activity Club, 1200 N. Wells, Pampa, TX

The family will be at 2108 Lynn Street in

-Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

### WEATHER FOCUS

### **PAMPA**

Today's forecast is calling for mostly sunny, highs in the lower 50s and north winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should be mostly clear with lows in the upper 20s and north winds 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday should be sunny. Highs in the lower 60s. Light and variable winds shifting to the southeast 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday night, clear. Lows in the upper 30s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Thursday, sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday night, clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Friday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Friday night, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Saturday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows in the lower 50s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the lower 80s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Breezy. Lows in the lower 50s. Monday, partly cloudy. Breezy. Highs in the lower 80s.

### **STATEWIDE**

Unseasonably chilly temperatures will spoil otherwise beautiful weather today, as skies across Texas should be mostly sunny through the weekend. No rain is forecast A warmup will begin

Wednesday, highs will tomorrow, and by Thursday daytime highs around the state will be in the 70s and Temperature extremes in the last 24 hours ranged from 88 degrees at Del Rio to an

overnight low of 25 degrees at West Texas will be mostly sunny this week, with no rain in the forecast through Saturday. Chilly temperatures

are forecast today, with highs in the mid 50s in the Panhandle, mid 50s to lower 60s in the South Plains and the near west, and lower 60s south and far west. Lows tonight will be around freez-

warm about 10 degrees compared to today's highs: pleasant temperatures in the 60s and 70s. The warming trend will continue, with highs reaching the low 80s by Saturday.

South Texas will be mostly clear this week. Highs will be in the 60s today except 70s in the northwest. By Thursday highs should warm to the 70s,

with some areas in the west seeing the low 80s. These temperatures should continue through Saturday. No rain is in the forecast.

North Texas will be windy today, with highs ranging from the mid 50s to mid 60s, resulting in unseasonably chilly conditions.

Winds should subside Wednesday with highs in the 60s over the region. Otherwise it will be sunny through Saturday with no rain in the forecast, and temperatures will slowly warm. Highs will be in the 70s Thursday through Saturday, with some areas topping 80 this week-

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#### widely in different parts of the country. It said gasoline prices in California, for example, are expected to be about 50 cents a gallon higher than the national average.

EIA Administrator Guy Caruso said the summertime anticipated average of \$1.56 a gallon is still 17 cents a gallon higher than last summer but close to the prices that motorists paid at the pump in the summers of 2000 and 2001 Gasoline prices dropped

nearly a dime in the last three weeks when the nation al average was \$1.73, the highest motorists ever have paid for gasoline. The EIA reported a price of \$1.63 a gallon on Monday The report said the gaso

line price drop reflected the dramatic decline in crude oil prices in recent weeks. The price of crude, which hit a high of nearly \$40 a barrel on Feb. 27, was around \$28 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange on

Despite the optimistic forecast, Caruso said there is an urgent need to increase gasoline inventories, which continue to be at levels below average

### City Briefs

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ATTENTION TANNERS! Clean beds, new bulbs at All About Beauty, 665-1101, 1405 N. Banks. "Reasonable Rates"

BARN DANCE, Apr. 11th, Grandview-Hopkins Gym, live band "The Adams Brothers" from Clarendon, 7 p.m.-? \$1 ea. Silent Auction.

**BRANDON'S FLOWERS** For every Occasion! 665-5546, 2143 N. Hobart (by Subway)

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KNIGHTS OF Columbus Fish Fry, Apr. 11, 6-8 p.m. \$7, \$3-6 yr. & under, all you can eat. KC Hall, 318 N. Cuyler.

SPRING HAS Sprung! Spring clothing arriving daily., Wonderful selection. Twice Is Nice.

### Bush says it's unclear whether Saddam survived attack

HILLSBOROUGH. Northern Ireland (AP) -President Bush said Tuesday that Saddam Hussein is losing his grip on power "finger by finger" and he may even be dead after a massive bombing strike. Looking beyond the war, **Bush and Prime Minister Tony** Blair pledged to give the United Nations a role postwar Iraq.

At a joint news conference with Blair, Bush said it was unclear if Saddam were alive after a U.S. warplane dropped four-bunker busting bombs Monday afternoon on a western Baghdad restaurant where he with his sons. "I don't know whether he survived," the president said.

"The only thing I know is said at a joint news conference with the British prime minister after a meeting at Hillsborough Castle outside Belfast.

"The grip I used to describe

Talking of the Iraqi people, Bush said: "We will not stop until they are free. Saddam Hussein will be gone. It might have been yesterday."

that Saddam had around the in three weeks, Blair and Bush in reconstruction and governloosening. I can't tell you if all but finger-by-finger it's coming Ireland.

And then, as if talking directly to the Iraqi people, of allied attacks in Iraq. Bush added: "We will not stop until they are free. Saddam Hussein will be gone. It might have been yesterday."

Divisions in public opinion was believed to be meeting were present. Some 100 antiwar protesters blocked traffic in central Belfast a dozen miles from the 18th-century castle where Bush and Blair conthat he's losing power," Bush ferred, shouting slogans, banging drums and carrying signs sympathetic to the Iraqis such as "You dare to call them terrorists as you bomb their homes."

Holding their third meeting

Blair said Saddam's regime is collapsing under the weight

"In all parts of the country our power is strengthening, the regime is weakening, the Iraqi people are turning towards us," Blair said. "The power of makeup of the authority. Saddam is ending.'

two leaders looked ahead to the postwar period and sought to minimize splits on who should

A key component of the talks was U.N. resolutions that

throats of the Iraqi people are offered personal assessments of ing. Blair sought to downplay the war. They also sought to the divide, in which the British ten fingers are off their throats. boost peace talks in Northern leader seems to want a more influential U.N. role than Bush

Bush has said he supports a U.N. role and the creation of an interim governing authority for Iraq. But he has not provided key details, such as the exact nature of the U.N.'s role and the

"There will be a vital role for military progress in Iraq, the of Iraq," Blair said. "But the key is that Iraq in the end will be run by the Iraqi people."

Questioned for details on govern and rebuild the country. that "vital role," Bush said the body could provide humanitarian assistance, collect donations would define what role the and make suggestions about the international body would play makeup of the interim authori-

mandate sought by some allies, and could undermine Blair's

Bush added a complex set of issues by heeding Blair's call to meet in Northern Ireland and by backing Blair's peace blueprint, due out later this week. Blair has won political IOUs from Bush by backing the president on Iraq in the face of hope from that." fierce opposition at home.

"I support and my govern-In addition to showcasing the U.N. in the reconstruction ment strongly supports their crater several stories deep and Ireland to seize this opportunity determine Saddam's fate. for peace."

Ahern, the three leaders issued a statement emphasizing the need for the outlawed Irish Ireland's myriad other armed gangs to demonstrate they were of anonymity. going out of business.

Northern Ireland for paramilitary activity and capability," the Hussein will be gone. It might statement said.

State Department official Richard Haass said critics who have called Bush hypocritical for telling the IRA that violence doesn't pay while waging war liberation and not conquest," in Iraq are comparing fundamentally different situations.

"The United States only used force in Iraq after more Iraqi people."

than a decade of diplomacy," he told reporters traveling on Air Force One with Bush back to Washington. "Saddam Hussein had every chance to avoid a

Blair said progress being made toward peace in Northern Ireland would have a positive impact on the Middle East peace process.

"To those who can sometimes say that the process in the Middle East is hopeless," he said, "I say we can look at Northern Ireland and take some

The bombs targeting Saddam blasted a smoking efforts," Bush said. "This is a destroyed at least three buildhistoric moment. I ask all the ings. U.S. officials were sifting communities of Northern through the rubble to try to

A U.S. official familiar with After a lunch that included the latest military intelligence Irish Prime Minister Bertie said coalition forces were trying to confirm whether Saddam was killed.

"There's lots of digging and Republican Army and Northern DNA tests involved," the official said, speaking on condition

Talking of the Iraqi people, "There can be no place in Bush said: "We will not stop until they are free. Saddam have been yesterday."

> Both leaders sought to rebuff comments that U.S.-led forces were planning to occupy Iraq.

> "This was indeed a war of Blair said. "Our enemy in this conflict has always been Saddam and his regime, not the

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Teachers are asked to do the follow-

· Have students write their letters or

• Deposit letters in a box in the school

· Have volunteers pick up the letters

on the 12th and deliver them to the Red

Cross office, 108 N. Russell, The Red

Cross will send forward the letters to the

Collect any mail sent back and pro-

Gregory listed the following benefits

from participating in Operation Enduring

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cards on the 11th of each month. Do not

### **RIBBONS**

the many servicemen and women from the local area and across the nation.

Patriotic music is planned at the rally, said Executive Director Jana Gregory. She said anyone wanting to assist with the event should call her at 669-7121.

It will be held in front of the American Red Cross building at 108 N. Russell.

Yellow ribbons are available from Harvest House, 736

Students write letters on the 11th of

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the toll could be as high as 14.

ty measures; a reporter was

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Iraq's ambassador to the

United Nations, said Tuesday

the Iraqi government was still

in control of the country. He

also said that he believes

the site is still in Iraqi hands,

coalition forces would likely visit it soon. He added that it

would take some time and perhaps detailed forensic

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S. Cuyler. More than 10,000 vards of ribbon were ordered to cover the town of Pampa.

Carolyn Stroud, who is coordinating the project, said the response has been good.

"We've had a lot of people come by and get ribbon for their houses," she said. "We've also got people putting ribbons out. We welcome anyone to come by and get rib-

Harvest House hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Volunteers are also working on getting packets to each military member from the area or who has connections in the Pampa-Gray County area.

"We need the servicemen and women's addresses written out and given to us," she said. "We want to get these sent to them."

The packet will include a phone card, copy of the Serenity Prayer, a copy of the 91st Psalm, a patriotic picture colored by a Pampa elementary student, a letter from the

Harvest House and a letter from Mayor Lonny Robbins thanking all the military members for their service.

Cost of each packet is \$11, and the volunteers are taking donations to defray the cost of the project.

"This is not a Harvest House project," Stroud emphasized. She said it is a group of volunteers from throughout Pampa who welcome anyone who wants to participate in these efforts to contact them.

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### ART

M.K. Brown had a profound influence on the settlement of the area and Pampa.

A Pampa native, Johnson has been painting for almost 20 years. He is primarily a portrait artist and also teaches classes and workshops. He is internationally recognized as a portrait painter with art in Germany, Australia and County Canada. His new project Commission will supervise involves painting portraits of the paintings during the open the survivors of the Vietnam car. He will be painting the portrait of a veteran selected by Veterans Administrations in each state, while his wife Kelly documents the story of each of the veterans before, as well as after, the war. Kelly has four books to her credit and three others under consideration for publication. The Johnsons' plan is to incorporate the paintings plus biogra-

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have no plans to pull back, Army Col. David Perkins said Tuesday. They now control most of the west bank of the Tigris, which divides the city, and they plan to join up with U.S. forces at the international airport, farther west. The Marines are advancing from

"We survived the first night, and that's usually the most difficult one," said Perkins, commander of the 3rd Infantry Division's 2nd Brigade.

The soldiers hunkered

down in the sprawling, blueand-gold-domed New Presidential Palace, where Saddam once slept, and patrolled neighborhoods in the city's center. At least a dozen Iragis were held in a hastily erected holding pen on the grounds.

As American and British forces advanced, their politi-There were no unusual securical leaders met in Belfast, Northern Ireland. It was the third summit for Bush and Blair in three weeks.

> "This work, when the war is finished, will not be easy, but we're going to see it through. A free Iraq will be ruled by laws, not by a dictator," Bush said. "A free Iraq will be peaceful ... A free Iraq will set itself on the path to democracy."

> > DAVID P. WILLIS

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A key component of the talks was U.N. resolutions that would define what role the international body would play in reconstruction and governing postwar Iraq. Both leaders sought to rebuff comments that U.S.-led forces were planning to occupy Iraq.

"This was indeed a war of liberation and not conquest," Blair said. "Our enemy in this conflict has always been Saddam and his regime, not the Iraqi people."

As airstrikes continued Tuesday, Arab satellite network Al-Jazeera reported its office was bombed, killing one staffer. While the network's cameras rolled, a second bomb fell in the same neighborhood on the Tigris, where a number of TV chan-

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Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf was speaking to reporters outside the hotel when it was hit. He dismissed a question on whether Iraq would surrender.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### 'Chicks' beyond local control; focus on supporting the troops

To the editor:

In response to Shirley Stephens' letter to the editor concerning the playing of the Dixie Chicks on the local radio station, I would like to correct her misinformation and clarify the station's position on this matter.

First, the station's owners do not live in Denver, Colo., and so they were not the ones that hung up on her. She was given the number of Jones Satellite Network, a music service provider that the local AM/FM station is affiliated with. It is also affiliated with ABC, TSN, and Paul Harvey. All of these come through via satellite. There are no live disc jockeys at the (local) station. All media, whether radio, newspapers, or television, have to broadcast a wide variety of unpopular and popular opinions and it is up to each citizen what he decides to listen to, watch, read or buy.

Stephens did not mention how the television national news commentators, some politicians, and most of the movie stars downgrade our president, our troops and our country each day. Nothing was said about stores that sell the Dixie Chicks CDs and videos or rent and sell the movies of the people who insult our country year after year. But an immature singer makes a horrible degrading remark and Stephens wants to ax the local

The staff and management of KGRO/KOMX have proven year after year that we do care for the citizens, the community, the area, our country and most certainly our men and women serving our country. We too have family members in harm's way. We care enough to risk our lives during bad weather for the citizens of this area, to broadcast games and graduation ceremonies of our youth, to inform the area of local news and obituaries important to our citizens, and to even add entertainment for the community with the Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Madness and the radio auction.

We regret the Dixie Chicks comments but unfortunately we ☐ are unable to control the big radio networks just as television stations are unable to control the programs the networks feed. Most patriotic Americans understand that the Dixie Chicks have sealed their own fate. And certainly everyone's main focus, thoughts, and prayers should be on the men and women of our armed forces fighting for the freedoms we all enjoy.

Linda Sehorn Pampa

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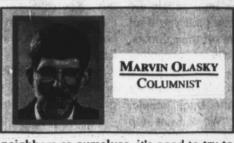
### Loving the Iraqis as ourselves

The Rev. Bob Edgar, general secretary of the liberal National Council of Churches, is equating clergy who have supported the war in Iraq to the Pharisees 2,000 years ago who wanted Jesus put to death. Edgar says many then didn't understand Jesus' commands to love our enemies and care for those in need, and that if we followed those words now U.S. forces would not be in Iraq.

Edgar has it backward. Loving Iraqis means deposing the criminals who held them down for a quarter-century. When one angry reader of this column asked recently, "Would you want to see the U.S. treated as Americans are treating Iraq?" I responded, "Absolutely: If the United States were ruled by a totalitarian torturer who used poison gas on the citizens of Michigan and helicopter gunships to mow down rambunctious Texans, I would pray that a coalition of the willing would liberate us.'

"What is your Golden Rule, Marvin?" complained another reader. "What part of 'thou shalt not kill' is unclear to you? Does your Bible have an asterisk?" Actually, any translation that uses the word "kill" should employ asterisks, because the key Hebrew word in that commandment means "murder," not kill.

Killing in self-defense, if necessary, is biblically justified. No one who loves himself wants to be murdered, so if we follow the Golden Rule and love our



neighbors as ourselves, it's good to try to keep them from being murdered. Saddam Hussein is said to have murdered 2 million of his countrymen. How many more should we have let him kill?

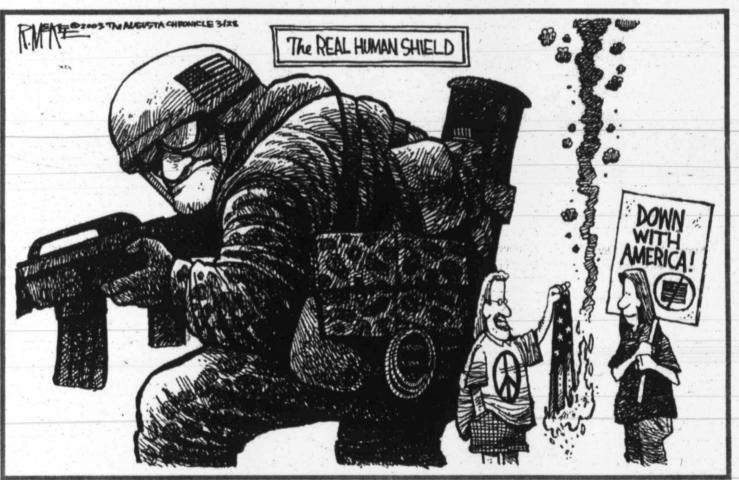
Should? None. Would? Probably millions more, if we hadn't worried about Iraqi-allied terrorists and weapons of mass destruction hitting us. Let's admit it: the United States can't be "the world's policeman." We're fighting in Iraq not only to deliver Iraqis from evil but ourselves as well. We can't liberate everyone -- but when loving others is the same as loving ourselves, we're finally jolted out of passivity.

As we acknowledge that war is hell, we should also note that the policies of Saddam's regimes led to an average of perhaps 200,000 Iraqis dying per year through brutal repression, slaughter by chemical weapons, government-forced poverty and so forth. It's right to ask about war, "What is it good for?" It's wrong to conclude, "Absolutely nothing." Regime change could save lives and allow oil-rich Iraq to prosper.

Three University of Chicago professors -- Steven Davis, Kevin Murphy and Robert Topel -- recently published a study concluding that Iraqi income per person has fallen by at least 75 percent since Saddam Hussein came to power in 1979. One chunk of that decline is due to United Nations sanctions imposed after the 1991 war. (Those would have been lifted had Saddam kept his promise to disarm.) But dictatorial policies were the main contributor to Iraq's transition from upward mobility to poverty.

For reasons of personal liberty and societal progress, many Iraqis have preferred a month of danger to more decades of Saddam & Sons. But most liberal clergymen in the United States would rather preserve an ungodly status quo than work to deliver people from evil. Some talk about having a prophetic voice, and then try to turn God into the stereotypical conservative intent on maintaining present conditions and avoiding risks.

Of course, regime change will hurt many people, and not all of them are French. Saddam since 1991 apparently built 50 new palaces for himself and his entourage, at a cost of \$2.5 billion. Those who specialized in installing gold faucets in those lavish digs will have to look elsewhere for work, as will Saddam's "internal security" spies. But those willing to risk much to care for those in need will rejoice.



### Watch the polls, not the television

Don't get too worried by the absurd media gloom about the war: The American people aren't listening, and neither should President Bush.

Even if Bush were somehow inclined to bother with The New York Times, any competent political adviser will surely tell him just what I would in these circumstances: Just relax, and win this war.

Inside the White House, the media cacophony gets to you. Closely monitoring the news clips, policy makers and political leaders can become almost paranoid watching their every move be second-guessed.

The Fox News/Opinion Dynamics poll of March 25-26 shows that they shouldn't worry. They should just relax and go win the war. The American people, in fact, approve of the way the war is being waged (76 percent), expect it to take months or longer (74 percent), anticipated this level of Iraqi opposition (70 percent), feel we are not being too



**DICK MORRIS** COLUMNIST

aggressive (87 percent). Even if we need to attack civilians being used as human shields to save American lives, voters would understand and approve by 65-

I would always show President Bill Clinton the polls showing how strongly the public backed him even in the worst of firestorms. Especially during the government shutdowns of 1995-96, the polls would calm him down even if he had been bouncing off the walls reading the clips and the innuendo.

If I worked at the White House now, I'd bring the polls to Bush even though he doesn't believe in polls - to show how

off base the media is in its criticism and speculation about what the Times called the "fickleness" of public support.

The polling should also persuade the Defense Department and the Pentagon that they can do what they need to do to win the war without worrying that Americans are about to walk out on

Scarred by Vietnam, the military can be overly concerned with keeping public support. They need to understand that Americans aren't going anywhere. The public isn't plagued by doubt or ambivalence: It backs what the military is doing. Civilians see this war as selfdefense and are willing to tolerate whatever burden they must to win it.

There is no fragility or tentativeness in Americans' support, but rather a maturity that can set aside media doubts and affirm their strong support for the war and the military's courage and determination.

### Today in History

### By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, April 8, the 98th day of 2003. There are 267 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight History:

Thirty years ago, on April 8, 1973, artist Pablo Picasso died at his home near Mougins, France, at age 91.

On this date:

In 1513, explorer Juan Ponce de Leon claimed Florida for Spain.

In 1935, the Works Progress Administration was approved

by Congress. In 1946, the League of Nations assembled in Geneva

In 1950, ballet dancer Vaslav Nijinsky died in London.

for the last time.

In 1952, President Truman seized the steel industry to avert a nationwide strike.

In 1970, the Senate rejected President Nixon's nomination of G. Harold Carswell to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1974, Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves hit his 715th career home run in a game against the Los Angeles

Dodgers, breaking Babe Ruth's record.

In 1981, Gen. Omar N.

Bradley died in New York at

In 1990, Ryan White, the teen-age AIDS patient whose battle for acceptance gained national attention, died in Indianapolis at age 18.

In 1994, Kurt Cobain, singer and guitarist for the grunge band Nirvana, was found dead in Seattle from an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound; he was 27.

Ten years ago: The U.N.

General Assembly admitted the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia as its 181st member. Singer Marian Anderson died in Portland, Ore., at age 96. President Clinton unveiled his \$1.52 trillion budget for fis-

cal 1994.

Five years ago: The nation's major cigarette makers withdrew support for a historic tobacco settlement, saying Congress had twisted their offer to help cut teen smoking into a harsh attack on their industry and sharp tax increases for American smokers.

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### Dictator's government being widely denounced

HAVANA (AP) Human rights activists and the U.S. government condemned Cuba for sentencing critics of the regime to long prison terms in a crackdown that showed communist leaders were more worried about internal control than international contempt.

Fidel Castro's government sentenced activists, journalists and an economist to up to 27 years in prison Monday for allegedly collaborating with U.S. diplomats to undermine the socialist state.

"We are witnessing the harshest political trials of the past decade," said veteran human rights activist Elizardo Sanchez, one of the few leading opponents of the regime not arrested after the crackdown began last month.

Sanchez's non-governmental Cuban Commission on Human Rights and National Reconciliation said prosecutors originally sought life sentences for a dozen of the dissidents, among 80 facing closed trials that began Thursday.

It was unclear how many dissidents have been sentenced so far, but activists have been unable to confirm any life sentences. The shortest sentence was 15 years.

"The Castro government is persecuting journalists for acting like journalists," State Department spokesman Philip Reeker said. "They're persecuting economists for acting like economists, and peaceful activists for seeking a solution to Cuba's growing political and economic crisis."

The longest sentence confirmed by Monday was 27 years for independent journalist Omar Rodriguez Saludes. A familiar figure in the dissident community, Rodriguez Saludes often rode his bicycle to news conferences, a camera dangling from a strap around his neck.

Opposition political party leader Hector Palacios, among those originally recommended for a life sentence, received 25 years, said his wife, Gisela Delgado.

Palacios is a leading organizer of the Varela Project, which gathered more than 11,000 signatures supporting a referendum on new laws guaranteeing civil liberties such as freedom of speech and private business ownership. The island's parliament shelved the request.

Palacios was among the dissidents who met with former President Jimmy Carter, who visited the island in May and used a live speech to the Cuban people to bluntly describe the country as undemocratic and to publicize the Varela project.

"This is an injustice," Delgado said after learning of her husband's sentence Monday morning. "We are as Cuban as members of the Communist Party."

The communist government accuses the dissidents of being on Washington's payroll and collaborating with U.S. diplomats to harm Cuba and its economy.

### Altrusa fund-raiser



(Courtesy photo)

Janet Abbe, center, won the door prize at the Altrusa Style Show fund-raiser recently. Altrusan Brenda Hampton, left, presented Abbe with the package.



Kathryn Campbell modeled an outfit from Wal-Mart during the Altrusa Style Show fund-raiser held recently at M.K. Brown Heritage Room.

### Three journalists killed in U.S. bombing raid, tank fire

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — An American tank fired at the Palestine Hotel, where several hundred journalists have been staying, killing two cameramen and wounding three other journalists Tuesday. U.S. officials said the tank had taken fire from the area of the hotel.

Less than a mile away, another journalist died when an al-Jazeera television office was hit from the air in a U.S. bombing run, the network said. An Abu Dhabi TV office in the area was

Asked about damage to the al-Jazeera office, Brig. Gen. Vincent said, "This coalition does not target journalists."

"We don't know every place journalists are operating on the battlefield. It's a dangerous place indeed," Brooks said.

Frightened reporters in flak vests could be seen carrying wounded colleagues to the lobby of the 18-story Palestine Hotel, where foreign reporters and camera crews have been covering the war from balconies and rooftops.

The tank shell hit balconies on the 14th and 15th floors of

### **Debate wages** in serial killer investigation

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) - Speculation that a serial killer stalking southern Louisiana could be gaining the trust of his victims by wearing a uniform has prompted calls for police officers to undergo DNA

Authorities say there have been no signs of forced entry where the victims were murdered or abducted. That has led to speculation the murderer could be anyone from a delivery man to a police officer - a man using a uniform to get to the women.

Rep. Yvonne Welch said taking cheek scrapings or saliva swabs for DNA testing from the police could at least clear law enforcement of suspicion, if it doesn't catch the murderer. DNA linked one man to the five murdered women.

"Women have told me they're afraid to stop when it's a police officer. The women ought to be able to feel safe that the police are the ones that are protecting them," Welch said.

But police, the governor and the mother of one of the victims said such a step could divert time from more important investigative work in the

"I don't know if it's a waste of time. I don't want to tie up resources on speculation," said Police Chief Pat Englade. "We don't want to get into the business of randomly swabbing everybody in Baton Rouge."

the hotel, spraying glass and shrapnel. A spokeswoman for the

Reuters news agency said Ukrainian cameraman Taras Protsyuk, 35, was killed there and three of its staff members were injured. Spanish television network Telecinco said its cameraman, Jose Couso, 37, hit in the leg and jaw, also died after surgery.

"Clearly the war, and all its confusion, has come to the heart of Baghdad," said Reuters Editor in Chief Geert Linnebank. "But the incident nonetheless raises questions about the judgment of the advancing U.S. troops who have known all along that this hotel is the main base for almost all foreign journalists in Baghdad."

Speaking Central Command headquarters in Doha, Qatar, Brooks told reporters initially that the U.S. forces had been fired on from the hotel lobby. But he later corrected his remarks to say "I may have misspoken on exactly where the fire came from."

The tank that fired on the hotel was attached to the 3rd Infantry Division.

U.S. Army Col. David Perkins, commander of the 3rd Infantry Division's 2nd Brigade, said Iraqis fired rocket-propelled grenades at tanks from in front of the hotel, and the military, scanning the area for observation posts, saw the binocular and fired. The tanks were also taking fire from mortars.

He said the military regrets what happened and was order-

ing troops not to fire on the hotel, but he placed the blame squarely on Saddam Hussein.

"By militarizing these areas, Saddam is putting these people at risk," Perkins said. "The soldier's primary responsibility is to protect himself and his crew."

About 1,000 yards to the

west, across the Tigris River, an earlier U.S. bombing run struck an al-Jazeera office in a residential area, the network said. The two-story house is on a road along the river that links the Information Ministry with the

old palace presidential compound.

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### DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

### **Couple Should stand Firm Against In-Laws' Ultimatum**

DEAR ABBY: I just finished the letter from "Marriage Bound and in a Bind," the young Catholic woman who is engaged to Harvey, the Jewish gentleman whose parents refuse to attend their wedding if a priest is present.

Abby, this is not a problem that requires counseling as you advised. The issue here is whether this young woman is marrying the right man - a man who will stand with her against opposition from the outside. There doesn't need to be any "meeting of the minds" with regard to the parents and the couple. The engaged couple should make their own decisions jointly and stand united against any opposition from either set of parents.

If Harvey and his bride have decided to marry with a priest and a rabbi in attendance, that is their every December — blue lights on a decision. Were we faced with the Christmas tree and red and green same quandary, my husband's and candles on the menorah? How my response to anyone who tried to about a Passover bunny? And bed-blackmail us with, "We won't come time prayers? The possible conflicts if ... " would be, "Then we will miss are endless you on our special day.'

Harvey's parents have put him into the position of having to choose. My guess is that it is not the first time it has happened, nor will it be no amount of compromise on "In a parents may be angling for. Bind's" part will make them happy,

because she's the "wrong" religion. back down now, his parents will run Jewish man, please suggest that she their life. They'll tell them where to obtain three copies of Cokie and live, where to work, how to raise their children ... the list goes on and on. Now is the time for "In a Bind" and one for the couple. The book to discover if she's engaged to the right man. Somehow, I doubt she is. description of their Jewish-Catholic

WON'T DO IT AGAIN IN BRIDGEPORT, CONN. marriage (with kids).

DEAR WON'T DO IT AGAIN: I was hoping the young couple could make his parents see have heard the book is wonderreason by being conciliatory. ful, but one copy for "In a Bind" However, a slew of readers would be enough. Her parents agreed with you. Read on: DEAR ABBY: You advised "In a appear to be open to any opin-

Bind" to get both sets of parents ion other than their own. They together socially, and that she and her have my sympathy, by the way, fiance seek premarital counseling preferably from a nondenominational feel the greatest threat to counselor I disagree!

If that young man can't stand up to his parents for one day - his own wedding day - how will he handle their demands over the next few decades? Will there be a battle

OLDER AND WISER IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR OLDER AND WISER: I see what you mean. Of course, the last. Mama and Papa want Har- that wouldn't happen if she vey to marry a nice Jewish girl, and converted - which is what his

DEAR ABBY: Regarding the Take my word for it, if these two young Catholic woman marrying the Steve Roberts' book, "From This Day Forward," one for each set of parents

TRYING TO HELP IN RENO

DEAR TRYING TO HELP: I seem to be accepting of the union. And his parents do not because many Jewish people assimilation.

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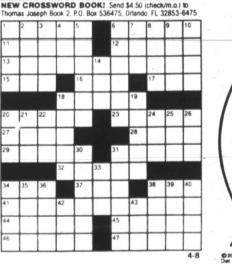
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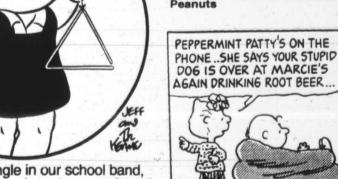




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### **SPORTS**

#### BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) Despite producing 592 victories, 14 NCAA Tournament appearances, five trips to the Final Four and a bevy of NBA stars, former Houston coach Guy V. Lewis again missed the Basketball Hall

"I feel like I should be able to get in, but (voters) don't think so," Lewis, accompanied by his wife Dena, told reporters after hearing the bad news from New Orleans. "That's all right with me."

of Fame on Monday.

Lewis had the backing of several prominent coaches and, after 17 seasons in retirement, was thought to have a good chance at finally joining basketball's other elité at age 81.

Instead, he'll wait another

#### **FOOTBALL**

WACO, Texas (AP) Mike Singletary won't be going into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame this month because he'll be busy working with the Baltimore Ravens on the day of the ceremony.

The induction is April 26, the same day as the NFL draft. Singletary was hired as the Ravens' linebackers coach in January.

"This honor is one of the greatest that I have received and I am deeply disappointed ... that I cannot attend the this banquet year," Singletary said in a statement released Tuesday.

Singletary already is a member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame for his dominant career with the Chicago Bears and is one of the greatest players ever at Baylor University, which is located across the street from the Texas Sports Hall of Fame. The high school hall is part of that building.

### BASEBALL

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Red Sox picked up Pedro Martinez's \$17.5 million contract option early after deciding that keeping him happy was worth the risk he would get

"I am thankful and glad that they picked up the option," Martinez said Monday after the team exercised an option for the 2004 season seven months before a Nov. 5 deadline.

"I'm also thankful that we both left the door open negotiations in November after the season. Hopefully, then we can get something done," he said in a statement released by the team. "I am glad that it's over. Now I want to focus on baseball."

The -31-year-old Martinez is 0-0 with a 0.60 ERA this season after two stellar starts that were squandered by the bullpen. The three-time Cy Young Award winner is second in the AL with 14 strikeouts.

Martinez was 20-4 and led the AL with a 2.26 ERA last season while staying off the disabled list for the first time in four seasons.

### Syracuse captures NCAA championship

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Jim Boeheim insisted his long-awaited national titledidn't make him a better

Wearier? Maybe so.

In a riveting game that would make any coach go the Syracuse gray, Orangemen finally delivered the championship Boeheim has sought during his 27 seasons at the school.

They defeated Kansas 81-78 in the NCAA final Monday night behind big games from freshmen Carmelo Anthony and Gerry McNamara and a late clutch block by a forward nicknamed "The Helicopter."

"I might be getting old or

**Fastball** 

something," the 58-year-old said. Boeheim said. "I didn't used to get this tired."

After this game, he certainly deserved a good night's

Shaking and baking with an in-your-face offense straight from the playground, the Orangemen (30-5) took an early 18-point lead.

They led 53-42 at halftime - setting a record for firsthalf points in the final.

But the determined Jayhawks (30-8) rallied, and the outcome was in doubt until the buzzer sounded.

"We played the best first half we could play, and then we just hung on," Boeheim

Pampa pitcher Max Simon delivers a fastball to a Caprock hitter in a District 3-

4A game Saturday. Simon pitched a three-hitter while striking out 15 as Pampa

Court rulings highlight rainy day

While the skies were still

dark and threatening, the rain

held off Tuesday morning.

Fans were allowed inside and

the course opened for prac-

The Masters begins

Thursday. Burk is planning

to protest Augusta National's

all-male membership during

Women's Organizations,

wanted to post 24 demonstra-

tors outside the front gate of

Augusta National and 200

But Sheriff Ronald

more across the street.

Burk, who heads the

Council

the third round Saturday.

tice rounds.

National

run-ruled the visitors 10-0. The Harvesters host Randall at 4:30 today.

Trailing 81-78 in the final minute, the Jayhawks had three chances to tie. With 18 seconds left, Kirk Hinrich missed a 3-pointer that went halfway down the basket before rattling out.

The Jayhawks fouled Hakim Warrick, who missed both free throws with 13.5 seconds left. Kansas got the ball to a wide-open Michael Lee in the corner; but from nowhere, Warrick appeared and swatted the ball out of bounds.

At that point, his nickname — "Helicopter" for his 7-foot armspan - never seemed more appropriate.

"I definitely wanted to go

(Pampa News photo)

authority over public

protests, told Burk and other

groups they must gather at a

5.1-acre site nearly a half-

traffic

Washington Road, which

runs in front of the club, to

A group headed by the

Rev. Jesse Jackson also has

been approved for a second

site even further away from

lenged the ordinance, saying

it gives the sheriff too much

power to approve or deny

protests and dictate their

ACLU lawyers chal-

the club's main entrance.

Strength said there's too

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much

out there and make a play after missing those free throws," Warrick said. "I saw a guy open in the corner and I knew they needed to hit a 3, so I just tried to fly at him."

With 1.5 seconds left, Hinrich put up a desperation heave that found nothing but air. At the buzzer, the Orangemen mobbed the court to celebrate the program's first title

"Last year, this time, I'm playing in high school for a championship," McNamara said. "Now, you know, we're national champs. That's hard to believe."

It was a great basketball game - a well-timed tribute to the excellence this sport

can provide after a season filled with embarrassing scandals at Georgia, Bonaventure, Fresno State and elsewhere.

Boeheim's milestone win denied Roy Williams his first title in a 15-year career at

"Jimmy Boeheim hasn't gotten the respect he deserves," Williams said. "I'm happy that I think he'll get more of it now. I hate that it was at our expense."

The coach was choked up, not only by the loss, but the knowledge he'll never again coach Hinrich or fellow senior Nick Collison, who finished with 19 points and 21 rebounds.

### Pampa girls rout Herd

PAMPA — Facing a mustwin situation, Pampa came through with a solid 13-3 win' over Hereford in District 3-4A softball action Monday at Recreation Park.

The Lady Harvesters, now 6-2 in district, had lost three of their lost four games going into yesterday's contest.

Pampa put together three runs in the first inning to take a 3-1 lead. Jennie Rogers led off with a second, stole second, advanced to third on a groundball and scored on Abbi Covalt's flyball to center, which was dropped to put Covalt on first with only one out. Clean-up hitter Stacey Johnson delivered with a single to score Covalt, who had stolen second base. Whitney Roden smacked a triple to left center field to score Johnson.

Pampa's big inning was the fourth when eight runs crossed the plate. The score was tied 3-3. when the Lady Harvesters responded by sending 13 batters to the plate. Rogers had a leadoff single, but was caught stealing. Amy Youree walked, Covalt with a run-scoring single. After Duro for a 4:30 game today.

Roden walked, Haley Bowen had an RBI single. Teryn Garner, who just recovered from a hand injury, drew a base on balls. Jackie Gerber was hit by a pitch and after Callie Cobb struck out, Rogers delivered her second hit of the inning that scored two more runs. Youree reached on an error and Covalt's second hit made it 11-3.

The Lady Harvesters added two more runs in the fifth. Roden led off with her third hit of the game and Bowen's bunt put two runners on with no outs. Gerber's groundball scored Roden to give Pampa a 12-3 advantage. Pampa needed one more score to end the game on the run-rule. After Gerber fouled out, that brought up Cobb, the freshman designated hitter. With the count 0-2, Cobb doubled to center field to score Bowen and end the game. It was Cobb's first hit of the game and her first extra-base hit in district play.

Winning pitcher Dusti-Wilson is now 10-2 for the sea-

The Lady Harvesters, 19-8 singled and Johnson followed for the season, travel to Palo

### Ford named athletic trainer of the year

Kelley Ford, daughter of Society.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ford, Pampa, was recently named daughter of Wesley Athletic Trainer of the Year and Doris Braddock in The Texas Panhandle.

Ford has been head athletic trainer at Randall High School the past three years. She graduated from West Texas A&M in Canyon in 2000 with a Master's degree in Sports Medicine.

The annual Trainer of the Year award is presented annually by Healthsouth of Amarillo and Texas Panhandle Sports Medicine Kelley Ford

Ford is the grandof Clarendon.



### Strength, who has broad during Masters week since J&J Globetrotters win

Borger tournament

PAMPA — The Pampa J&J Globetrotters recently won the Borger Extreme Basketball Tournament. The Trotters, a sixth-grade boys' travel team, Jeff Skinner. went undefeated in the tournament with a 4-0 record.

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) --

On the first day of Masters

week, there was more action

A federal judge turned

down Martha Burk's request

to protest outside the front

gate of Augusta National

Golf Club. Burk, who wants

the club to admit its first

female member, will be

restricted to a site about a

half-mile from the main

Meanwhile, heavy thun-

derstorms kept golfers from

getting on the course

Monday. The gates never

opened to fans, either — the

first time that's happened

entrance.

in court than on the course.

The Trotters defeated Spearman 37-15 and Perryton 39-14 in the first two games of the tournament. They beat previously-unbeaten Gruver 49-19 and then downed Borger 51-34 in the finals.

Mathew Smith led all Pampa scorers with 63 points in the tournament. Heath Skinner followed with 50 points, while Casey Trimble had 24. Hayden Skinner 21. Thomas Fraser 12, Madison Wilson 6 and John Luke

"The whole team played great defense, but Wilson and Covalt played exceptional on the defense end," said coach

The Globetrotters placed fifth out of 18 teams in the Elk City Bi-State Shootout early last month.

The Trotters won a tournament in Wheeler two weeks ago by outscoring their opponents by an average of 42 points per game.

Skinner and Monte Covalt coach the team.

Also, Blake Sieck played the Trotters in the Elk City and Wheeler tournaments.

The Trotters are entered in the Dan Lynch Memorial AAU Tournament this weekend in Amarillo.

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Philadelphia	3	3	.500	1			
Atlanta	3	.4	.429	1 1/2			
Florida	2	5	.286	2 1/2			
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Pittsburgh	5	1	.833	_			
Houston	4	. 1	.800	1/2			
St. Louis	3	2	.600	1 1/2			
Chicago	3	3	.500	2			
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Los Angeles	3	5	.375	4 1/2			
San Diego	· 3	5	.375	4 1/2			
Arizona,	2	5	.286	5			

Sunday's Games Atlanta 13, Florida 4 Montreal 8, N.Y. Mets 5 Cincinnati-5, Chicago Cubs 4 Pittsburgh 2, Philadelphia 0 San Francisco 5, Milwaukee 0 Houston at St. Louis, ppd Colorado 8, Arizona 3 Los Angeles 4, San Diego 3, 13 innings Monday's Games Montreal at Chicago Cubs, ppd., snow Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain Atlanta 3, Florida 0 San Francisco 7, San Diego 4 Arizona 6, Los Angeles 4, 12 innings **Tuesday's Games** 

Montreal (Day 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (Clement 0-1), 2:20 Milwaukee (Rusch 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Wells 0-0), 6:05 N.Y. Mets (Leiter 1-0) at Florida (Redman 1-0), 7:05 p.m. Atlanta (Marquis 0-0) at Philadelphia (Wolf 1-0), 7:05 Cincinnati (Dempster 0-0) at Houston (Oswalt 1-0), 8:05 St. Louis (Simontacchi 0-0) at Colorado (Cook 0-0), 9:05 Arizona (Vilkarreal 0-0) at Los Angeles (Ishii 0-1), 10:10 San Diego (Peavy 1-0) at San Francisco (Moss 1-0), 10:15

Wednesday's Games Montreal (Vazquez 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (Prior 1-0), 2:20 San Diego (Bynum 0-0) at San Francisco (Jensen 0-0), Arizona (Kim 0-1) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 0-1), 4:10 p.m. N.Y. Mets (Trachsel 0-1) at Florida (Burnett 0-0), 7:05

Milwaukee (Ritchie 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 1-0), 7:05 Atlanta (Maddux 0-2) at-Philadelphia (Padilla 0-1), 7:05 Cincinnati (Ji Anderson 0-1) at Houston (W.Miller 0-0),

-St. Louis (Tomko 0-0) at Colorado (Cruz 1-0), 9:05 p.m

#### American League At A Glance By The Associated Press

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Minnesota	3	3	.500	2 1/2	
Cleveland	2	3	.400	3	
Detroit	0	6	.000	5 1/2	
West Division					
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Oakland	5	1	833		
Seattle	3	3	500	2	
Anaheim	2	4	333	3	
	7.00				

Sunday's Games N.Y. Yankees 10, Tampa Bay 5 Boston 12, Baltimore 2 Toronto 8, Minnesota Cleveland at Kansas City, ppd., rain Chicago White Sox 10, Detroit 2 Seattle 11, Texas 2 Oakland 7, Anaheim 6 Monday's Games Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, ppd., snow Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, ppd., snow

Tuesday's Games Chicago White Sox (Colon 0-0) at Cleveland (Ric.Rodriguez 1-0), 3:05 p.m. Minnesota (Mays 1-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 1-0), 4:05

Anaheim (Ra.Ortiz 1-0) at Seattle (Moyer 1-0), 5:05 p.m Boston (Lowe 1-0) at Toronto (Hendrickson 0-1), 7:05

Kansas City (Affeldt 0-0) at Detroit (Bonderman 0-1), 7:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Daal 0-1) at Tampa Bay (Parque 0-1), 7:15 Oakland (Zito 1-0) at Texas (Thomson 0-1), 8:05 p.m Wednesday's Games

Kansas City (Asencio 0-0) at Detroit (Bernero 0-1), 1:95 Boston (Fossum 1-9) at Toronto (Sturtze 1-0), 7:05 p.m

Minnesota (Lohse 1-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 1-0). 7:05 p.m Chicago White Sox (Garland 0-0) at Cleveland

(B.Anderson 1-0), 7:05 p.m Baltimore (Helling 0-1) at Tampa Bay (Bierbrodt 0-1)

Oakland (Mulder 0-0) at Texas (Valdes 1-0), 8:05 p.m. Anaheim (Appier 0-1) at Seattle (Pineiro 0-0), 10:05 p.m

### TRACK

District 1-1A Track Meet at Miami **Boys Division** 

Team totals: 1. Lefors 159; 2. Fort Elliott-150 1/2; 3 Channing 92; Miami 57; 5. Follett 21; 6. Texline 8; 7 Adrian 5; 8. Allison 2 1600: 1. Jeffrey Browning, Miami, 4:55.72; 2.

Thompson, Hartley, 5:13.77; 3. Alvarez, Channing, 5:19.53; 4. White, Hartley, 5;19.53. 1600 relay: 1. Lefors (Trent Roberson, Jesse Soto,

Nick Miller, Buddy Murry), 3:48.77 2. Fort Elliott; 3. Texline, 4:03.20; 4. Channing, 4:03.26.

Discus: 1. Layne Grant, Channing, 125-11 1/4; 2. Jesse Soto, Lefors, 106-10 1/4; 3. T.J. Black, Hartley, 103-7 3/4; 4. Hal Rogers, Miami, 98-6 3/4.

High jump: 1. Kelsey Garrison, Channing, 6-4; 2. Seth Meadows, Fort Elliott, 5-6; 3. (tie) Jeffrey Browning, Miami, 5-6; Ian Miller 5-6.

Long jump: 1. Wes Hathaway, Fort Elliott, 18-9 1/4; 2. van Alvarez, Channing, 18-3 1/2; 3. Junior Newman, Fort Elliott, 18-2 1/2; 4. Jeffrey Browning, Miami, 17-10 1/2. Pole vault: 1. Josh Jackson, Lefors, 10-6; 2. Blake ing, Lefors, 10-0; 3. Dusty White, Fort Elliott, 9-0; 4.

Seth Meadows, Fort Elliott, 8.0.

Shot put: 1. Grant Layne, Channing, 42-0; 2. Zach Kidd, Lefors, 40-3 3/4; 3. Hal Rogers, Miami, 38-0; 4. Larry Horn, Fort Elliott, 37-5. Triple jump: 1. Ivan Alvarez, Channing, 37-11; 2.

Jonathan Davis, Channing, 37-11; 3. Seth Meadows, Fort Elliott, 37-0 1/2; 4. Brazen White, Hartley, 36-8 1/2. 3200: 1. Jeffrey Browning, Miami, 11:04.19; 2. Ivan Alvarez, Channing, 11:02.06; 3. Jonathan Davis, Channing, 11:56.50; 4. Casey Powers, Channing,

110 hurdles: 1. John Stamper, Lefors, 16.93; 2. Trent 3. Caleb Kirkpatrick, Fort Elliott, 20.53; 4. Jason

Hathaway, Fort Elliott, 21.78. 100: 1. Newman, Fort Elliott, 11.32; 2. Barth Follett, 11.91; 3. Willie Hathaway, Lefors, 11.91; 4. Heard, Channing, 12.00. 300 hurdles: 1. Stamper, Lefors, 42.68; 2. Roberson, Lefors, 46.55; 3.Kirkpatrick, Fort Elliott, 48.97; 4.

Hutchison, Miami, 50.54. 400: 1. Barth, Follett, 55.06; 2. Murray, Lefors, 54.44; 3. Horn, Fort Elliott, 55.06; 4. Wade, Channing, 56.77. 200: 1. Newman, Fort Elliott, 23.43; 2. Jackson.

Lefors, 24.37; 3. Hathaway, Lefors, 24.37; 4. Hillard, 800 run: 1. Thompson, Hartley, 2:08.07; 2. Tinney, Lefors, 2:16.24; 3. Miller, Miami, 2:17.06; 4. White,

Hartley, 2:20.01: 400 relay: 1. Fort Elliott (Kade Zybach, Larry Horn, Wes Hathaway and Junior Newman), 45.36; 2. 800 relay: 1. Fort Elliott (Kade Zybach, Larry Horn, Wes Hathaway and Junior Gonzales), 1:41.11; 2. Lefors, 1:44.82.

- The top four in each event qualify for the Area Meet April 15 at Panhandle.

#### SOFTBALL City of Pampa Softball

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Dobson Cellular	0	0
A.S.S.I.	0	. 0
The End Zone	0	0
WW Sports Bar	0	0
City of Pampa	0	0
Division Two		
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Pole Cat-Don Nan	2	0
Domino's	2	0
Curtis Well Sérvice	1 1 %	- 1
Jerry's Remodeling	1	1
Pop's Boys	1	1
Southwest Collision	0	2
Cabot	0	2
Mixed Open		
Division One		
Team .	Won	Lost
Pampa Cyber Net	0	0
Miller Insurance	. 0	0
Keller-Williams	0	0
Albertson's	0	0 -
Easy's	0	0
Karen's Kitchen	0	0.
Division Two		
Team	Won	Lost
DK Glass	2	0
Subway	2	0
Tuttle's Tree Service	2	0
Just Ask Rental	1	- 1
Celanese	0	2
Spearman Cattle/Co.	0	2
Six S Energy	0	2
— Standings as of April 4		

#### BASKETBALL National Basketball Association At A Glance

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Atlantic Division

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	x-Philadelphia	45	31	.592	2 1/2
	Boston	41	36	.532	7
	Orlando	39	38	.506	9
	Washington	35	41	.461	12 1/2
	New York	34	43	.442	14
	Miami	23	55	.295	25 1/2
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	x-Detroit	47	29	.618	
_	x-Indiana	46	31	.597	1 1/2
	x-New Orleans	42	35 *	.545	5 1/2
	Milwaukee	38	40	487	10
	Atlanta	31	45	.408	16
	Chicago	27	50	.351	20 1/2
	Toronto	24	52	.316	23
	Cleveland	15	61	.197	32
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	x-San Antonio	57	20	.740	1/2
	x-Minnesota	48	30	.615	10
	Utah	45	32	.584	12 1/2
	Houston	40	37	.519	17 1/2
	Memphis	26	51	.338	31 1/2
	Denver	17	60	.221	40 1/2
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	x-L.A. Lakers	46	31	.597	9 1/2
	Phoenix	40	36	.526	15
	Seattle	38	38	.500	17
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Monday's Games

Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Wednesday's Games Boston at Washington, 7 p.m. Toronto at Orlando, 7 p.m. New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m Chicago at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Milwaukee, 8 p.m. Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m Cleveland at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.

Houston at Utah, 9 p.m.

Dallas at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Minnesota at Seattle, 10 p.m

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### Rangers similar to last year

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— Texas manager Buck Sholwalter

ARLINGTON, (AP) — One week into a new season with a new manager and plenty of new players, things are pretty familiar for the Texas Rangers.

They're 2-4 and last in the AL West, their finishing spot each of the past three left. years.

The similarities don't end

there The Rangers led the majors in home runs the past two seasons, and they still bash the baseball. Alex Rodriguez, Juan Gonzalez and Hank Blalock are tied for the league lead with three homers, and 22 of Texas' 25 runs have scored on long balls.

And, worst of all, the pitching hasn't changed a bit. Texas has a 7.27 ERA; only Tampa Bay's is worse among the 30 major league teams. Starter Chan Ho Park is 0-2 for the first time in his eight-year career.

"Hopefully it will get better," new manager Buck Showalter said. "Certainly, we'd like to see a little more productivity.'

Texas started the season against World Series champion Anaheim and Seattle, a team that won 300 games the past three seasons. Now the Rangers get to face AL West champion Oakland, which comes to town Tuesday for a three-game

"It's not like we're playing bad teams," Rodriguez said.

The only problem is that those are the same teams Texas has to try to get past in the AL West.

Showalter is well aware of the "Here we go again" thoughts that must be dancing in fans' heads. He insists there is a "sense of urgency" in the organization to make things better.

"Where it takes us record-wise, we're as curious as everybody else," Showalter said. "But the focus and approach should never waver, and it won't." He took the New York

Yankees and the expansion Arizona Diamondbacks to the brink of championships both won the World Series the season after he

So there's no question he can get teams going in the right direction.

Along with general manager John Hart, Showalter set out to change the culture of the Rangers. Spring training was more structured and the clubhouse at The Ballpark in Arlington was remodeled to promote team

Still, some things haven't changed, even with just nine players back from the 2002 opening-day roster. With baseball's unbalanced schedule making teams play more games against division rivals, the Rangers have put themselves way behind in April the last two years.

In last season's 19-game opening stretch against the AL West, Texas went 5-14, falling 9 1/2 games out of first place. They went on to finish 72-90, 31 games behind Oakland, and manager Jerry Narron was fired.

In 2001, Texas started 10-10, dropping 5 1/2 games back. Less than two weeks later, that deficit had doubled, and manager Johnny Oates resigned under pressure at 11-17.

Sure, it is a long season and there are 156 games left. But April sets the tone.

Park has pitched just 5 2-3 innings in his two starts, allowing 10° runs (15.88 ERA), 11 hits, six walks and hitting three batters. He was 9-8 in an injury-plagued 2002 season, his first in Texas after signing a \$65 million, five-year deal to be the Rangers' No. 1 starter, a role he relinquished to Ismael Valdes this spring.

John Thomson, given the No. 3 spot in the rotation after pitching for the Rockies and the Mets last season, gave up six runs on 10 hits, including two homers, in 4 1-3 innings against Anaheim in his only start. He goes against AL Cy Young Award winner Barry Zito on Tuesday.

As bad as the team has looked so far, there have been a few promising signs:

- Colby Lewis, still considered a rookie even though he made 15 appearances in three Texas stints last season, gave up just three runs and struck out eight in 6 2-3 innings in an 8-4 win over

- Hank Blalock is hitting .500 (12-for-24) and has homered in three straight games. As a rookie last season, an early 0-for-17 slump led to a return to the minors.

- New closer Ugueth Urbina saved both victories.

### HH holds benefit scramble

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### Pampa Junior Varsity split games

and Caprock in junior varsity baseball play.

Pampa had a 12-hit attack in defeating Frisch 9-4. Tyson Hickman was 3 for 4 at the plate while Eric Kingcade, Jake Craig and Ricky Gattis had two each. Trevor Day, Seth Foster and Dusty

Lenderman had one hit each. Pampa's defense turned in a triple play in the sixth inning. Frisch had runners on first and third and the batter hit a flyball to Lenderman in shallow center field for the first out. Kingcade tagged the runner at second base after

PAMPA — Pampa split the cutoff throw went from weekend games with Frisch first to second. Kingcade, the second baseman, threw a strike home to Day the catcher for the third out when the runner tried to score from third. Kingcade, Foster and Q.B. Cobb played outstanding defense.

Lenderman started on the mound and pitched five innings, giving up six hits while striking out three and walking four. Hickman went the final two innings, giving up one while striking out one and walking one.

"We played a complete game today. We hit the ball great against some good pitching. Our defense played its best game as well," said Pampa JV coach Troy Owens. Pampa fell to Caprock 13-

Pampa had five hits with Craig and Lenderman getting two each. Gattis had one hit.

Jerrod Busse, Foster, and Day played outstanding

Gattis, Craig and Day were the pitchers.

"The kids played hard and did their best. We just couldn't get anything going," coach Owens said.

Pampa JV (3-4) hosts Randall JV at 5 p.m. Thursday.

### UConn, Tennessee meet for women's title

ATLANTA (AP) Games between Connecticut and Tennessee are always lively, no matter how many times they face each other.

UConn coach Geno Auriemma is making sure the NCAA championship game is no different.

The top programs in women's college basketball will meet in the title game for the third time Tuesday night, the latest installment in the sport's hottest rivalry. Connecticut (36-1), the defending champion, is going for its fourth title, while Tennessee (33-4) is after its seventh. Between them, they've won six of the last eight championships.

Auriemma stirred the pot for this latest meeting long before it was realized when he called Tennessee coach Pat Summitt and her program the "Evil Empire."

Just part of his schtick, insisted Auriemma, a consummate needler and master of the sound bite.

"When I first started playing them, I never brought the needle out. That only came along later," Auriemma said. "Because I don't want people to get bored with us playing Tennessee. You just keep things light and lively. I know you guys love that stuff."

To be sure, things are never boring with Auriemma. On Monday, he spoke about

topics ranging from male coaches in the women's game to moving back the 3-point line. He even talked about Tuesday night's game from time to time.

Invariably, though, the talk always got back to his relationship with Summitt, the stern disciplinarian with the icy glare who is so revered by her players that they consider her a surrogate mother.

"You've got two programs that think they are the best in the country," Auriemma said. "They think they are the best. We think we are the best. We don't have six national championships, though. They do. I'm jealous of them. So I make fun of them."

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IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF DEBRA JEAN BROCK AND SIDNEY LEROY BROCK

the nature of which suit is a request to DIVORCE The Court has authority in this suit to enter and judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you. ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) You discover that this saying might be creativity surge. Tonight: What is it you \*\*\* Your lighter side helps a boss more than true right now. Reach out for want? unusual sources. Seek out information LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

to share more of what is happening with- You have the privilege of choice. BORN TODAY in yourself. Talk to a trusted friend or Tonight: A must show. loved one. Sharing helps to clear the air. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Get past a liability through openness. \*\* \* \* Investigate what might be Magazine Hugh Hefner (1926) GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

son. Think carefully about an emotional office plumber. Tonight: Work late.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, situation. How important is it to be part SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) of the gang? Take better care of yourself \*\* \* You have a way of turning situ-Understanding might help you get past a ultimately. Tonight: Your treat. family issue or a personal resistance. You CANCER (June 21-July 22)

might want to visualize more and walk ball. Dig right in and handle your work. person. others step by step through different con- Your ability to get the job done makes CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) cepts. You demonstrate the ability to you a star. Tonight: As late as you need grasp unusual concepts. Travel and edu- to be. cation could play significant roles in LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

4-Positive; VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Dance to a new tune. See what personally. Play it nice and easy. Get works for you. Recognize that what your work done and refuse to socialize or might be OK for you could be a liability get distracted. Return calls. Interesting \*\* Basics count, especially as pres- for someone else. Do a better job of lis- news surrounds you. Tonight: Put your sure builds. Sometimes you cannot tening to a touchy partner. You will find feet up. please all of the people all of the time. answers, for they lie within you. Let your PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

that might help resolve a problem. \*\*\* Deal with issues in a more have a solution. Don't underestimate Tonight: Turn on your answering basic and direct manner. Regroup and where you are heading. Keep finances a think through a situation more clearly. high priority before OK'ing a child or Change your direction. Feel what the loved one's plans. Tonight: As you like \*\* Keep reaching out for others in possibilities are. Others present you with it. your immediate environment. You need a plethora of news and ideas. Now what?

Forget worry. Tonight: Speak your mind. happening on a deeper level. Youwant to get past others' viewpoints and root out a \* Expenses could go overboard, espe- work or money issue. You will be a lot Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at cially if you follow group concerns. You happier as a result, as will others. http://www.jacquelinebigar.com. need to pull away and be your own per- Sometimes, symbolically, you're the

ations inside-out. Others might be overwhelmed by your thinking and by how you zero in on a problem. You have an a broader look. Not everyone needs to is on your mind. A boss appreciates what admirer who's quite close to you. This see life as you do; learn to share your you do for him or her, but know when to person likes your style and manner of visions without threatening others. You pull back and let this person run with the handling life. Tonight: Be with a favorite

\*\* \* You might be overwhelmed by what goes down in your immediate circle. Say little and observe a lot. A change your life. If you are single, you will want \*\* Know when to nix plans. Be wise of pace could make a substantial differa major relationship, which is likely to about your choices; you'll be much hap- ence in how you feel. Don't think that become a reality before September. If pier as a result. News from a distance you need to do anything right now. you are attached, you will want to spend might not be accurate, but in some way, Tonight: Kick back over dinner. Keep

You'll get honest feedback. Tonight: ★★ Pace yourself and get ahead of a

project. Your humor helps you see a friend's point of view without taking it

through a quandary. Though you might not have the right answer, you certainly

Actor Austin Peck (1971), actor Dennis Quaid (1954), founder of Playboy

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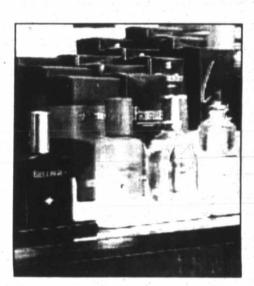
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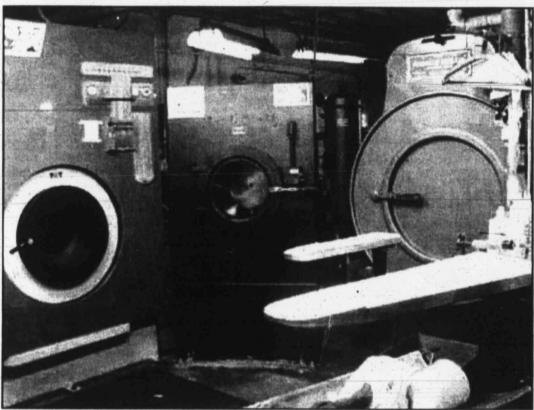
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