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Dallas PD arrests murder suspect Local officers to question "Slim" Young about April 3 death

By NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDITOR

A Lawton, Okla., man, was arrested by Dallas Police tody in that county jail. Department officers early this the murder of Tracy Rena Williams of Pampa on April 3. Department Tuesday morning today. on a warrant out of Pampa

Police Department.

received a telephone call with Williams' death. around 2:30 a.m. today that Young had been arrested by was found lying in a driveway warrant for violating parole. the Dallas PD and was in cus- at 1040 S. Huff Road suffering

morning in connection with Burroughs and Pampa Police Pampa Regional Medical turned himself into the Gray Det. Donny Brown left Pampa Center Emergency Room. early today to go to Dallas to Jimmy "Slim" Young, 21, interview Young, Local police 1016 Huff Rd., and Ongel been released on bond. of Lawton, Okla., was in cus- officials said the officers Kwane Roland, 25, 1308 tody of the Dallas Police would probably return later Garland were arrested Friday,

Three persons have also by Gray County Sheriff's been arrested on felony war- deputies and placed in Gray Gray County Chief Deputy rants alleging deadly conduct County Jail. The charge was Kelly Rushing said he with a firearm in connection filed against Curtis Lee Wine,

Jelani Rashod McNeal, 25, April 25, for deadly conduct deadly conduct charges.

30, 1013 Neel Rd., also, who The 32-year-old woman was in Gray County Jail on a

Nathan Williams, 25, 1045 from a gunshot wound, and Huff Rd., was parrested Gray County Deputy Morse was pronounced dead at Saturday, April 26, after he County Sheriff's Department.

McNeal and Williams have

Paul Andre Brown, 30, of Pampa is also being sought on

Pampa Chief of Police Trevlyn Pitner was not available for comment this morning

Protest erupts in gunfire

Military, protesters give conflicting accounts

Iragis interviewed at the



(Pampa PD photo) **Jimmy "Slim" Young**

Skellytown, Lefors ready for elections

By NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDITOR

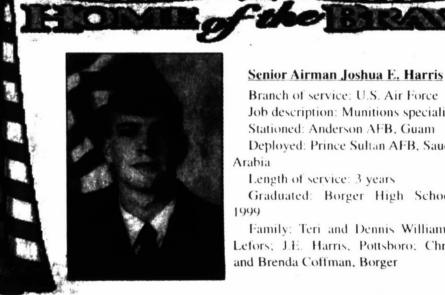
Voters from two area towns will join voters across the state Saturday as they go to the by the council to serve in that polls.

Skellytown and Lefors votdecide who will lead the gov- Brown. ernmental process in their

Johnson when he moved from the community several months ago. Johnson was elected in May, 2002. Hooks, a former councilman, was appointed

position. Also seeking the position ers will hold elections to are Guy McKissick and Larry

The other council position



Nantz.

as scheduled.

47s," he said.

Bray insisted some of them

Branch of service: U.S. Air Force Job description: Munitions specialist Stationed: Anderson AFB, Guam Deployed: Prince Sultan AFB, Saudi

Length of service: 3 years Graduated: Borger High School

Family: Teri and Dennis Williams. Lefors; J.E. Harris, Pottsboro; Chris and Brenda Coffman, Borger

STATE

Minorities call for Tom DeLay's apology

WASHINGTON (AP) -Hispanic and black congressional leaders again called on House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Texas to apologize for comments he made about minority legislators while in his home state.

The four Democratic lawmakers sent a letter to DeLay dated Friday that called his comments "paternalism" and "arrogance."

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town. Three towns - Miami, on the ballot is currently held the races are contested in Jim Davis resigned. those communities.

Council are opposed in their Mills. bid for office.

for the position. Challenging her are Bob Epperson, Mike Chaney and Ralph Tice.

solution.

Capitol.

the position vacated by Chad

House prepares repeal

AUSTIN (AP) - As the House prepared to repeal the

state's school finance law, GOP Speaker Tom Craddick on

Tuesday announced a select committee of 23 House mem-

bers to look for a permanent and equitable school finance

The legislation up for debate on the House floor

Tuesday proposed to repeal Robin Hood by 2005, giving

schools an additional \$1.2 billion in funding to share while

lawmakers figure out a new system. Many lawmakers,

including the Republican leadership, campaigned on rid-

Craddick said that Republican Gov. Rick Perry, who

would appoint four other members to the committee,

would allocate \$1 million in funding to bring in a project

team from the University of Texas Charles A. Dana Center,

an educational research unit, that would be housed in the

The House Select Committee on Public School Finance

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ding the state of the divisive Robin Hood.

of school finance law

McLean and White Deer - will by Reva Williams who was not have elections as none of appointed by the council when

Opposing Williams are All current office holders Glen Smith, Marvin Kramer, on the Skellytown City Bruce Brame and Warren

> In the Lefors City Council tions to be filled.

The three incumbents, Gene Gee, Russell Jackson, In the council races, Claude and Melanie Ray, are chal-Hooks is currently serving in lenged by Kevin Andis and Taylor Brooks.

ers in a town west of Baghdad one was armed or throwing missile programs before Current Mayor Lucille race, five candidates are runafter some crowd members rocks. One wounded 18-year- becoming oil minister. Lawrence has three opponents ning at-large for three posishot at the troops with auto- old man, Aqil Khaleil, said

said Tuesday. A local hospital warning. director said 13 Iraqis were killed and 75 injured.

By NIKO PRICE

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) ----

officials U.S. Hussein's top advisers, who said. served as oil minister and earmissile program, had surrendered. Amer Mohammed Fallujah of U.S. troops. Some Rashid, known to U.N. townspeople, however, said weapons inspectors as the the protest was held by stu- Saddam's "Missile Man," was ranked dents aged 5 to 20 to ask the Industrialization Organization, 47th on the U.S. most-wanted Saddam's inner circle.

The shooting took place Fallujah, about 30 miles from Baghdad in an area where support for Saddam was strong. fire but neither he nor U.S. boisterous events in Iraq. Central Command had definitive casualty figures.

order to protect the lives of our medical crews were shot at

soldiers," said Lt. Col. Eric when they went to retrieve the injured.

Rashid, who surrendered hospital insisted the demon- Monday, is a former general U.S. soldiers fired on protest-stration was peaceful and nor who oversaw Iraq's top-secret

Rashid is married to Dr. matic weapons, U.S. officers U.S. soldiers fired without Rihab Taha, a microbiologist known as "Dr. Germ" who The U.S. troops were head- was in charge of the secret quartered in a schoolhouse. Iraqi facility that weaponized also and some of the protesters anthrax and other toxic subannounced that one of Saddam fired at the building, Bray stances. She also is sought by the United States, and her The crowd of about 200 house in Baghdad was raided lier headed Iraq's top-secret demonstrators reportedly was by U.S. forces last month, but

objecting to the presence in there was no word on her whereabouts. Rashid was a member of

Military soldiers to leave the school so the group responsible for prolist of 55 members of classes could resume Tuesday ducing Iraq's most lethal weapons.

Chief U.N. weapons Monday night in the town of were armed; "Ask them which inspector Hans Blix said last kind of schoolboys carry AK- month that Rashid and his wife would be among "the U.S. soldiers said many in most interesting persons" for Col. Arnold Bray of the 82nd the crowd had AK-47 assault American investigators to Airborne Division said at least rifles and were firing into the interrogate because of their seven Iragis were hit by gun- air — a common practice at familiarity with a range of Saddam's secret weapons pro-Dr. Ahmed Ghanim al-Ali, grams.

director of Fallujah General * Seeking to curtail looting "There was fire directly Hospital, said there were 13 and lawlessness in Baghdad, over the heads of soldiers on dead, including three boys no the U.S. Army announced that the roof. They returned fire in older than 10. He said his it will deploy up to 4,000 addi-(See **PROTEST**, Page 3)

Golfers... be sure to sign up early for the Pampa Partnership Golf Tournament to be held on May 17th & 18th. Maximum of 72 teams. Two players per team. \$65.00 fee per golfer. \$20.00 cart fee. The tournament will be played May 17th at Hidden Hills Golf Course and on May 18th at Pampa Country Club Golf Course.

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	driven by Barbara McClelland, 32, 1157 Starkweather. The accident occurred in the 2100 block of North Hobart.	was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. Gary Michael Loftis, 48, 1144 Varnon	transported. 7:17 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

Monday, April 28

Tammy D. Ryals, 30, 316 S. Gray, was arrested on two capias pro fine municipal warrants for no drivers license.

Terri Ferguson, 29, of Lefors, was arrested for evading.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Crane. Entry was gained through a window which the perpetrators

broke out, according to the police report. Items taken included a radar detector and rearview mirror. Estimated loss was \$450.

Tires were reported slashed on a vehicle in the 1100 block of South Christy. Estimated

loss was \$100. Two rings valued in excess of \$14,000 were reported stolen from a motel room on Highway 70 North. The victim was from Denver, Colo. An unattended death was reported in the 1000 block of North Dwight.

the mid 70s. Northwest winds 5 to 15 mph

shifting to the northeast 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the

upper 40s. Friday, partly cloudy. Slight chance

of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the

mid 70s. Chance of rain 20 percent. Friday

night, partly cloudy. Slight chance of showers

and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s.

Saturday, partly cloudy. Breezy. Slight chance

of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the

lower 80s. Chance of rain 20 percent. Saturday

night, partly cloudy. Breezy. Slight chance of

showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid

50s. Chance of rain 20 percent.

WEATHER FOCUS

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POLICE

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies, chance of showers (rain 30 percent) and thunderstorms – some possibly severe – highs in the lower 80s and south winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to around 45 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight should see partly cloudy skies, chance of showers (rain 30 percent) and thunderstorms, some possibly severe, lows in the mid 50s and south winds 15 to 20 mph. Wednesday should be mostly sunny. Breezy. Highs in the lower 80s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. West winds 10 to 20 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in

cloudy through Saturday, should be clear.

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North and South Texas calls for mostly clear skies west. There will be a slight will be partly to mostly and breezy conditions in the chance of rain every day Panhandle today, partly through Saturday in the with chances of rain most cloudy elsewhere. Some iso- Coastal Bend/Rio Grande days. Deep South Texas lated storms are possible later Plains area, and a better

Drive, was arrested for theft over \$500 and under \$1,500.

CORRECTION

The address for Jackie G. Pierce, whose officials today said the incorrect address was arrest appeared in the Gray County Sheriff's given to authorities at the time of the arrest. arrest report Monday, was incorrect. Sheriff's The correct address is 1906 Williston.

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The Panhandle, South Plains and Permian Basin will see chances of rain today and over the weekend. Southern / West Texas will see chances of rain all week, and the far west should be mostly clear.

Any severe storms should be isolated.

The state saw only scattered showers Monday. Temperatures ranged from 97 at Wink to an overnight low of 49 at Dalhart.

The West Texas forecast

southeast Panhandle, eastern South Plains, low rolling plains, and Permian Basin.

STATEWIDE

Rain is possible each day this week in southern West Texas. On Saturday, rain chances return to the north and near west. Highs will be in the 80s all week. Partly cloudy skies will prevail, but it will be sunnier in the west. South Texas will be partly to mostly cloudy through Saturday, with inland highs in the 80s, warmer in the

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Texas and Southeast Texas. Some severe, isolated storms will be possible. Skies will decrease in the deep south

beginning Thursday. North Texas will see weak weather systems move across the region each afternoon and evening this week, with some scattered thunderstorms. Partly to mostly cloudy skies are forecast, with highs in the 80s, but slightly cooler temperatures are expected at the end of the week.

see increase in first quarter

Economy: Wages, benefits

BY JEANNINE AVERSA ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) -U.S. workers' wages and benefits rose by a brisk 1.3 percent in the first three months of 2003, the biggest increase in nearly 13 years, even as businesses struggled with the lack-

luster economy. The increase in the employment cost index for the January to March quarter was nearly twice as big as the 0.7 rise posted in the fourth quarter of 2002, the Labor Department reported Tuesday.

Consumers were feeling a lot better about the economy in April, buoyed by swift push toward victory in the U.S.-led war in Iraq.

The Consumer Confidence Index rose to 81 from a reading of 61.4 in March, the Conference Board said in a report that offered encouraging news on the mood of consumers, the lifeblood of the economy.

The confidence number registered for April was far better than the reading of 70 that analysts had expected.

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In the compensation report, wages and benefits in the first quarter were growing more quickly than the 0.8 percent advance that economists. expected.

Although companies have been keeping work forces lean to deal with the uneven economy, they are providing workers who are still on the payrolls more generous compensation packages. That's goods news for the ranks of the employed but can be a potential strain on some profit-pressed companies.

The 1.3 percent rise registered in the first quarter was the largest increase since the second quarter of 1990, when compensation went up by the same amount.

The costs of benefits, such as health insurance and vacations, continued to outpace wage gains.

Benefit costs rose by a sizable 2.2 percent in the first quarter of 2003, following a 1.3 percent advance in the prior quarter. The increase in benefit costs in the first quarter was the largest in 15 years.

Wages and salaries rose by a solid 1 percent in the first quarter, twice as fast as the 0.5 percent increase recorded in the fourth quarter. It marked the largest gain in wages and salaries since the first quarter of 2001, when they rose by the same amount.

That's encouraging because income growth is the fuel for future spending by consumers, the main force that has been keeping the economy going. The rebound in consumer confidence in April also may bode well for consumer spending in the months ahead.

Consumers have been keep-

ing their pocketbooks and wallet sufficiently open to support economic growth, but businesses have been cautious amid the muddled economic climate.

Coping with lackluster profits and uneven demand from customers, businesses have been reluctant to increase capital spending and go on a hiring spree, major factors restraining economic growth. Economists believe the nation's unemployment rate will nudge up to 5.9 percent in April, from 5.8 percent in March. The government releases the employment

report for April on Friday. Even if the economy starts improving a bit later this year, the jobless rate probably will creep up because job growth won't be strong enough to accommodate the expectation that an improved climate will attract a lot more job seekers, economists say.

At the White House, President Bush's spokesman, Ari Fleischer, welcomed the day's positive economic reports. But he added that other data continues to show "mixed signals for the econo-

my." "The president welcomes the good news about consumer confidence. The president welcomes good news in the economy. But the president also is concerned about unemployment," Fleischer said.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, who is scheduled to appear on Capitol Hill Wednesday, has expressed optimism that the economy will get back on surer footing once all the uncertainties associated with the war are lifted.

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LEGISLATURE HIGHLIGHTS

AUSTIN (AP) - Women seeking an abortion would have to wait 24 hours before a doctor could terminate the pregnancy under legislation debated by the Texas House.

The bill also would require doctors to offer patients stateproduced literature and color photos of fetal development at two-week increments before the mandated "reflection period."

Bill sponsor Frank Corte, R-San Antonio, said he authored the legislation in an attempt to empower women by making as much information as possible available to them.

The House adjourned early Monday evening, without voting on the legislation.

Rep. Jessica Farrar, D-Houston, tried to amend the bill to exempt victims of rape and incest from the requirement to view the materials, but members rejected the measure.

The legislation also would require written proof, signed by the abortion patient, that she has been offered standard information regarding risks and options available should she decide to carry her pregnancy to term.

The bill also requires that abortions performed after the 15th week of pregnancy can only be performed at an ambulatory surgical center or hospital licensed to perform the procedure.

BUDGET THREAT

Advocacy groups for senior and disabled Texans called on lawmakers Monday to practice "compassionate conservatism" and restore funding for services for the disabled and elderly in the next state budget, in part by forcing more businesses to pay taxes.

The AARP, the Texas Senior Advocacy Coalition, ADAPT and other groups said they would present 5,000 signatures to Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick supporting the groups' call to fund services at the current level over the next two years.

The spending plans in the House and Senate would "balance the budget on the backs of the most vulnerable," said Gus Cardenas, state president of AARP Texas, which has more than 2 million members.

Tightening the state's business taxes to force more companies to pay would find much of the money needed to fund the threatened programs, the groups said. Business groups have vigorously opposed tightening the so-called "franchise tax" and a bill to get more companies to pay the tax has not moved in the House.

Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said he thinks the state should fund those services for the frail and elderly but that it has a limited amount of money. Tax bills must come from the House and he said he doesn't expect to see one this session.

SCHOOL FINANCE

A proposal by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst that would change the way public schools are funded took the form of a Senate bill Monday.

The bill was in rough draft form and was being looked at by potential co-sponsors, Dewhurst spokesman Dave

Gas tanker crashes in Rochester neighborhood; 11 hurt

igniting a fireball that ing. destroyed one home, killed one person and injured 11 others, flames 150, 200 feet high -authorities said.

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Firefighters searching the took firefighters less than an houses found one person dead destroyed house. Eleven other Burning gasoline apparently men, women and children were

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tional military police and infantrymen over the next 10 days.

U.S. Maj. Gen. Glenn Webster, the deputy commander of U.S. ground forces, outlined the plans during a meeting Tuesday with about 50 Baghdad residents to discuss law and order.

He said U.S. soldiers have detained more than 5,000 lawbreaking Iraqis, including looters, in two holding facilities in Baghdad. At another ceremony, Maj. Vincent Crabb, the U.S. liaison to Iraqi police, said joint patrols have detained 1,000 more looters, who are being held in Iraqi jails for 48 hours. He said 13 people had been detained for more serious crimes.

As part of the security initiative, U.S. forces are broadcasting detailed instructions to Baghdad residents. Among the directives: People cannot be in the streets from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.; government employees must return to their jobs; all members of Saddam's Baath Party must identify themselves to coalition forces; and hospitals must stay open 24 hours a day.

In London, curators from some of the world's major museums met to draft a recovery plan for Iraq's pillaged art works. Organized by the British Museum and UNESCO, the meeting drew experts from the Louvre in Paris, New York's Metropolitan Museum of hangar Tuesday after flying from Qatar Art, Russia's Hermitage and the Berlin Museums.

They were hearing a report from British Museum Near East curator John Curtis, who returned Monday after a week in Iraq, and from Iraqi Donny George, director of research at the looted National Museum in Baghdad.

Thousands of items, some dating more than 6,000 years, were stolen from Iraq's National Museum in Baghdad and other cultural institutions.

U.S. military officials said Tuesday that the United States has moved a regional air operations center to Qatar from Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia - the first major step in a postwar reorganization of American forces in the Persian Gulf.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, who was visiting the Prince Sultan base as part of a swing through

the region, has said the United States is refocusing its military relationship with Saudi Arabia to training Saudi forces rather than stationing large numbers of U.S. troops.

Rumsfeld spoke to U.S. troops in a and landing in the middle of a sandstorm. He thanked them for their role in overthrowing Saddam.

U.S. military officials also said Tuesday that the Mujahedeen Khalq, a terrorist group fighting to overthrow the Iranian government from bases in Iraq, will be allowed to keep its weapons and continue fighting the Tehran government under a cease-fire agreement signed with the United States.

The cease-fire, signed last month, doesn't require Mujahedeen fighters to capitulate or surrender to U.S.-led coalition forces - at least for now, said a military official, who spoke on condition he not be identified.

The Mujahedeen Khalq, or Peoples Mujahedeen, "reserves the right of selfdefense against the Iranian regime's attacks," said the official.

REPEAL

will be charged with finding a cost efficient school finance system that supports student success, while overhauling the state tax system.

"Over the last few weeks, several plans have been outlined, but no one has offered a plan that is designed to sustain the next round of education reform," Craddick said. "So that is my No. 1 charge to the committee: Devise a school finance system that promotes success for all Texas children."

again. Craddick said the plan

The Robin Hood repeal legislation by Grusendorf, R-Arlington, does not propose a. new funding formula.

While the share-the-wealth finance law would be axed. the bill would give all school districts \$300 more per student to tide them over until a new system is created.

Grusendorf was expected to accept amendments that would move up the deadline to repeal Robin Hood to August 2004. Other changes he planned would provide \$21 million in additional funding

equal education. Texas prohibits a state property tax and hundreds of schools have reached the legal local property tax limit, making it difficult to raise more money locally for education.

Grusendorf said that reliance on property taxes must go away if the system is to be permanently fixed.

If adopted, the House bill would move to the Senate, where ideas for a statewide property tax also have been batted around.

Dewhurst's and Merritt's for small schools that would plans have encountered resistotherwise lose money and ance from Republican Perry,

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE Craddick said all measures

Beckwith said.

"I expect a super majority will sign on as co-sponsors" to the legislation, Beckwith said.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, chairwoman of the Senate Education Committee, will sponsor the legislation, which would replace the current school funding structure by cutting property taxes in half, expanding the state sales tax and getting rid of the state's wealth-sharing school formula.

The bill was expected to get introduced in the Senate Wednesday. Such a bill typically would be sent to the Senate Education Committee, but Senate leaders are looking at putting it on a fast track by putting it before a full meeting of all the senators.

would include cost adjustments for uncontrollable variations in 'the costs of education caused by geography, scale and student needs.

"This is a great opportunity, we've got to do this," said Rep. Kent Grusendorf, chairman of the House Select Committee on Public School Finance. "There is no more important issue in the state of Texas."

Meanwhile, a school finance plan that mirrors one by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst was set to be heard Tuesday by the education committee.

would be considered, though

he maintained that a state

income tax would be highly

unlikely to pass the House or

The Robin Hood repeal

measure has strong support

from Craddick. It was tem-

porarily stopped last week

because a witness affirmation

form was not completed prop-

erly in the committee where

testimony was taken on the

passed out of the House

Public Education Committee

The bill was later quickly

Senate.

bill.

That proposal by Rep. Tommy Merritt, R-Longview, would lower property taxes while extending the sales tax to some items and services now exempt, such as hairstyling. Food and medicine would be exempt.

would allow the current sysdeadline.

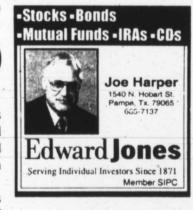
The current system relies mostly on local property taxes. Property-wealthy districts must surrender money - 118 are projected to give up \$1.5 billion this budget cycle - to poorer and rural schools as a way to make sure each student gets access to an

who said he wants lawmakers tem to remain in place if a to take their time to focus on new one isn't created by the school finance in a special session called at a later date.

The regular legislative session ends June 2.

HB 5.

The school finance bill is



Boy found could be child who disappeared in 2000

than two years ago.

The boy shares the same Darold Cox said. DNA samples The boy had been taken into we are just praying that it is," said. state custody in Illinois after she said. "If it's not him, he's the man caring for him raised got a twin." suspicions with workers at a hospital.

2000, with his two dogs. He be hurried. was 4 at the time. The two dogs eventually returned home, but searchers didn't find the boy.

Investigators took a DNA sample from Buddy's mother, Raven, last week and performed a match test Monday, Illinois Department of Child and Family Services spokeswoman Jill Manuel said. It will take four to six weeks to receive the results.

Buddy's aunt, Donna Myers, said local investigators asked her to come to the sheriff's office in Clinton, N.C., on April

disappeared from his family's tives since he was born to a Tristen, who was injured in a disappeared.

Donna Myers, whose house

"It looks like it could be the status of his case.

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — 1 to look at a picture of the boy. him," said Jamie Richmond. Authorities conducted DNA She and her husband had been adding that he was told that Xtests on a boy to determine caring for the boy, who had rays showed the boy had the and Exploited Children after Office Lt. Ricky Mattocks said whether he is a youngster who been living with various rela- same breaks in his leg as the boy could not explain some local investigators hesitated North Carolina home more teenage mother, at the time he car accident less than a year center compared the boy's probefore he disappeared.

facial features, scars and is decorated with yellow rib- man who was taken into cusspeech impediment as Tristen bons, told the Fayetteville tody after he brought the child "Buddy" Myers, Sampson Observer that she was told the to St. Francis Hospital in County (N.C.) Sheriff's Sgt. man called the boy Eli Quick. Evanston and asked doctors to "There are so many things do something about his were taken from him Monday. that point to it being him that "aggressive behavior," Manuel

The hospital staff became suspicious and called police, The boy's cousins in who discovered the man was Sampson County, N.C., said wanted for shoplifting. The Buddy hasn't been seen Tuesday on ABC's "Good man was taken into custody at since he wandered away from Morning America" that they the time on the shoplifting warhis aunt's home on Oct. 5, hoped that DNA testing could rant but Evanston police wouldn't comment Monday on

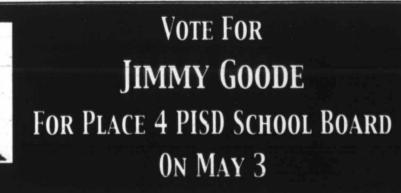


Manuel said she called the Chicago, Manuel said. National Center for Missing "holes" in his background. The file to its database and contact-

The boy had been with a ed police in North Carolina.

Sampson County Sheriff's before releasing information

about the case. "We get a bunch of leads every day," he said. "Stuff The boy has been turned comes in all the time and we over to social workers in waited until we were sure."



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VIEWPOINTS

Russia's place at the table

Moscow, April 18...A week in the Russian capital meeting with the staff of former President Boris Yeltsin and the Russian experts on America makes clear how far President Vladimir Putin has strayed from Moscow's real interests in his misguided policy on Iraq.

In Moscow for the Russian language publication of my book The New Prince, I gave a lengthy interview to Izvestya, the leading Russian daily newspaper, which they ran on page one. I used the opportunity to underscore the error the Russian president had made in siding with the likes of France and Germany rather than deepening and broadening the budding relations between Putin and Bush.

With the end of the economic determinism of foreign policy under President Clinton and the return to the more traditional military and diplomatic motivations for our international relations brought on by the war on terror, Russia has a new role to play. But Putin doesn't get it.

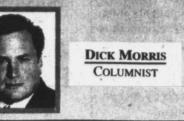
A minor economic power, Yeltsin's and Putin's Russia had to sit on the sidelines as Japan and the European Union took center stage alongside the United States in a new world order founded on neo-liberal economic and trade policies. But now that global economic trade and shared free markets have been increasingly achieved and the threats of terrorism have taken their place as our key concerns, Russia need no longer wait in the wings

With its huge land mass, borders with many trouble spots, its traditional rela-

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tions with problem states like Iran, North Korea, and Syria, its role in the arms trade, and its remaining military and -intelligence powers, Moscow has a future which dwarfs that of either France or Germany. Indeed, in the ruins of the United Nations, one can easily see a return to the Big Three of World War II vintage where the roles of Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill are played by their more prosaic successors: Bush, Putin, and Blair.

It is no longer time for Russia to play for small stakes by co-operating with France in the hopes that some oil contracts will fall from the table. Instead, Putin should seize the opportunity to reassert a role for Russia by taking his seat at a more important table - not the round one of the Security Council where irrelevant nations like France, Germany, Angola, and Chile presume to dictate world affairs, but a triangular table where the Big Three lead the world.

Nor should Putin be overly concerned about opposition by the Russian people to co-operation with the United States in the war on terror. If Russia can re-emerge on the global stage as a major power, rather than a supplicant seeking aid or a scavenger looking for contracts, the

+ Irac's Artist-retraining ministry ...

Russian people will be thrilled and will reward Putin with even higher ratings than the 60% of which he now boasts.

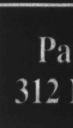
Unfortunately, Putin doesn't seem to realize that the world has changed and that the Russian policy of looking to the United Nations and relying on its Security Council seat as its base of power in a world dominated by the big economies undervalues the potential of Russian power. President George W. Bush likely would, and certainly should, welcome Putin into the Big Three as an ally and partner in the eradication of global terrorism, a goal as important to Russia with its Muslim neighbors as it is the U.S. and the U.K.

Compare the power of Blair and Putin. The British leader, who accepted a seat at the Big Three table, has enormous influence over U.S. policy. Bush would have gone to war a year ago but for Blair's insistence on pursuing U.N. approval. Both because of his nation's contribution and his personal persuasiveness as he sits at Bush's side, Tony Blair is a power on the world stage.

By contrast, Vladimir Putin can get invited only to the losers club with France, Germany, and Kofi Annan. There they can raise alternate toasts of Vodka, wine, and beer to their lost days of world power.

Its time for Putin to realize that he can get back in the game and give Bush a call. Anyway, that's what I said in Izvestya. I hope Vladimir is a subscriber! Copyright 2003 Dick Morris,

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To the editor:

Scots gave us of lasting value was the game of golf, the bagpipes, and fine scotch whiskey; all of which I greatly enjoy.

On the other hand, the French have given us so many really fine ideas and things it would be very hard to list all of them. The very idea of America and what it stands for can be traced to the great French philosopher, Voltaire. He lived from 1694 to 1778 and was a good friend to the great English philosopher, John Locke. Many of the ideas for our form of government can be traced to his friendship with Ben Franklin. Voltaire had a strong abiding belief in justice for every man. He was greatly concerned with the nature of good and evil. He was a man of great ideas.

I would like to see our president send Colin Powell to France to mend fences. They were our first ally in our war for freedom from King George. Let us not forget that when the British Gen. Cornwallis surrendered to Washington's army at Yorktown, it was the French fleet that prevented their excavation by sea. They had helped trap and defeat the British army. And it was Voltaire's ideas that shaped our early government. We give Franklin and Jefferson credit, but I'm sure they were students

In English, Syria means next I told a friend the other day, about the only thing that the

of Voltaire.

Mr. President send Powell to France, not Syria. If you want to send anyone to Syria, it should be our army. Jay Leno joked, "The word Syria in English means next."

John D. Seaman Perryton

It's hard to stay positive

To the editor:

If I offend somebody, I just can't help it. We all hear that, as citizens, too many have a negative attitude. Well, when's the attitude going to change and a reason given to get a positive J attitude?

Is it a positive attitude when a businessman can make a public statement that he can't make it on a million dollars a year \neg and he shouldn't have to pay his bills because he doesn't make enough? And yet there are a lot - a whole lot - of people that are trying to make it on a whole lot less yet they get the shaft. They can do without all utilities. I know I could make it on a million dollars a year and most every citizen in this town could, too.

And to make it worse, all these young people, some from here, are giving up their way of life. No matter what the reason for the war, they are doing for somebody else and should have stars in their crown for helping someone else. Most of the ones that lost their lives are only in their late teens and twenties, and yet doing a little something here for your neighbor takes too much.

People use the war as an excuse for any and everything when these young people are doing things for other people to try to make things better. I's just plain too much trouble for anybody to do a third of that here. How many here go out of their way to help anybody or do any more than they have to?

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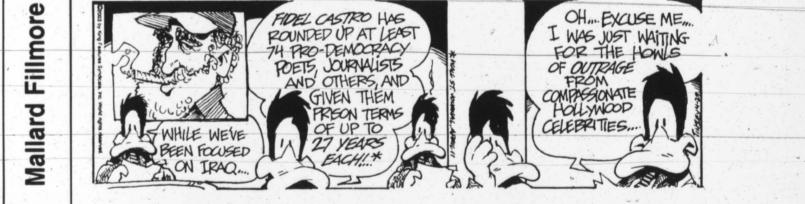
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From homosexuality to incest?

Last week's Washington tempest blew in when Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., said that if the Supreme Court in a pending case rules that homosexual practice is constitutionally protected, "then you have the right to bigamy, you have the right to polygamy, you have the right to incest, you have the right to adultery. You have the right to anything."

Gay advocacy groups quickly made political hay. The Human Rights Campaign expressed outrage that Santorum "compared homosexuality with bigamy, polygamy, incest and adultery" in his "deeply hurtful" remarks. The Center for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights similarly complained that "his remarks show nothing but contempt for lesbian and gay people."

Whoa! Who's showing contempt here? Logical gay groups should applaud Santorum's recognition that a Supreme Court gay breakthrough will also bring liberation for others with non-monogamous sexual interests. Since when do homosexuals look down on others who follow their own bliss? But maybe this is good news: Our headline could read, "Gays join conservative Christians in criticizing bigamy, polygamy, incest and adultery."

The Pennsylvania Gay and Lesbian Alliance unctuously proclaimed, "Discrimination against any group of citizens based on who they are is simply wrong" -- yet the gay lobbies were implicitly discriminating against those involved in consensual incest. "Extremism in the defense of vice is no vice," they should say, and then proceed to the postmodern claim that it's all a



matter of opinion whether a particular act is vicious or virtuous.

But let's move to the politics, since this is all about trying to drive a wedge within the GOP. "We're urging the Republican leadership to condemn the remarks," said David Smith, a spokesman for the Human Rights Campaign. "They're the same types of remarks that sparked outrage toward Sen. Lott."

No, they're not. Trent Lott resigned his Senate leadership post in December after making remarks widely seen as supporting racial discrimination. Lott's words ran counter to the Bible, which is colorblind. Santorum's words reflect the Bible, which says that homosexual practice, like adultery or incest, is wrong. President Bush, who looks to biblical teaching for guidance on important issues, rightly criticized Lott, but he should support Santorum continuing as conference chairman, the third-highest seat in the GOP Senate leadership.

Good politics, good theology, and good constitutional law go together here. The Republican Party should be open to Bible believers, people of other religions and atheists, but if it wants to retain the support of Christians and Orthodox Jews, it should not chastise those who defend biblical truth. Besides, even though the

state of Texas may have been unwise under current social conditions to prosecute a case concerning homosexuality, the Supreme Court should not establish a new, loose constructionist constitutional right.

Some Republicans who covet gay lobby campaign contributions will pressure the president to signal a Santorum sack. Because he spoke out in the Trent Lott controversy, he should not sit this one out; Santorum foes will see silence as consent. This is a crucial political fork in the road, and the George W. Bush -who was tough enough to stand up to supporters of Saddam -- should refuse to be pushed around by supporters of sodomy.

Instead of being defensive, Republicans who are both wise and shrewd will go on offense. They should ask gay interest groups and Democrats to respond to Santorum's challenge: Make a constitutional argument that will differentiate the right to consensual gay sex from a right to bigamy, polygamy, incest, or adultery. Legislatures, of course, have long differentiated among certain acts, but what happens if the Supreme Court tells them to cease and desist?

Republicans (and others) who want to become wiser on such issues should read What We Can't Not Know, a new book by my University of Texas colleague J. Budziszewski. The book is not a Bud Light, but non-professors can readily follow its discussion of "natural law," the "developmental spec sheet" that God has given us. As Santorum knows, once we move off that spec sheet, anarchy reigns. ©2003 Creators Syndicate, Inc.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Life With Perfectionist Is Perfectly Awful For Family

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Tina in Tennessee" brought back memories from my past. Tina was upset because her husband's son had come to live with them, and his messy bedroom made her angry ized the only person I could change was myself, and my harping and She excused herself by saying she complaining only made *me* the pari-was a "perfectionist," waving it like ah in the household. Now I close the a banner, as though it made her behavior OK

I, too, was a perfectionist. I made my four children's lives miserable and "live happily ever after." with my constant nagging and threatening. My crisis came one winter when, in the midst of a snowstorm. I made all of them stand on our windy back porch, strip naked from their wet, cold clothes, and wait until my floor had dried because I had just washed and polished it. It hit me like a ton of bricks!

For years, I had made my entire cleaning. I had been known to wake up in the middle of the night and clean or go outside and do yard work. I always said the clean house was for "them." The truth was, I didn't like myself-1 cleaned house to prove to the world that I was all right.

What really needed cleaning was my spirit, not the house. This may be too long to print, but I wanted to share this milestone in my life — NOT SO NEAT IN N.Y.C. share this milestone in my life the start of my recovery

NO LONGER "MOMMY DEAREST" IN CATHEDRAL CITY, CALIF.

were perceptive to realize that you had turned the "virtue" of cleanliness into obsession and compulsion, to the point that it had become abusive to your family. Read on:

own. His father should rejoice in the DEAR ABBY: I, too, am the stepopportunity to have a relationship parent of a sloppy child. It used to with his son. This is also Tina's drive me to distraction, until I realchance to have a relationship with door to his room and ignore it. When he's grown up and gone, I can

change the carpet, paint the walls MARK IN GARLAND, TEXAS

DEAR MARK: A wise parent (or stepparent) carefully chooses his (or her) battles, because you can't win 'em all. can't win 'em all.

DEAR ABBY: My philosophy on neatness is that I'll never look back on my life and think, "Thank goodfamily miserable with my constant ness I did the dishes every day. I'm glad I spent so much time vacuuming." I will always wish for more time spent with my family and friends, enjoying the things I love. I would hate for that woman to

find herself looking back on her life, regretting a miserable relationship with the boy and his father over dirty clothes and candy wrappers.

DEAR NOT SO NEAT: Your housekeeping may not win any DEAR NO LONGER: You priorities in order.

> DEAR ABBY: "Tina in Tennessee" should count her blessings. She has a wonderful stepson who is being bounced around like a ping-pong ball through no fault of his Marmaduke

the young man. Tell her not to ruin it because of a messy bedroom. Shut the door! A MOTHER IN MINNEAPOLIS **DEAR MOTHER:** Good point. There is so little the boy can con-trol — his bedroom is "his space," and it should not be turned into a battleground. He should be praised for his strong

points and given a little leeway. To quote a reader from Littleton, Colo., "Teens are 'neat' people, and it has nothing to do with the state of their bedrooms."

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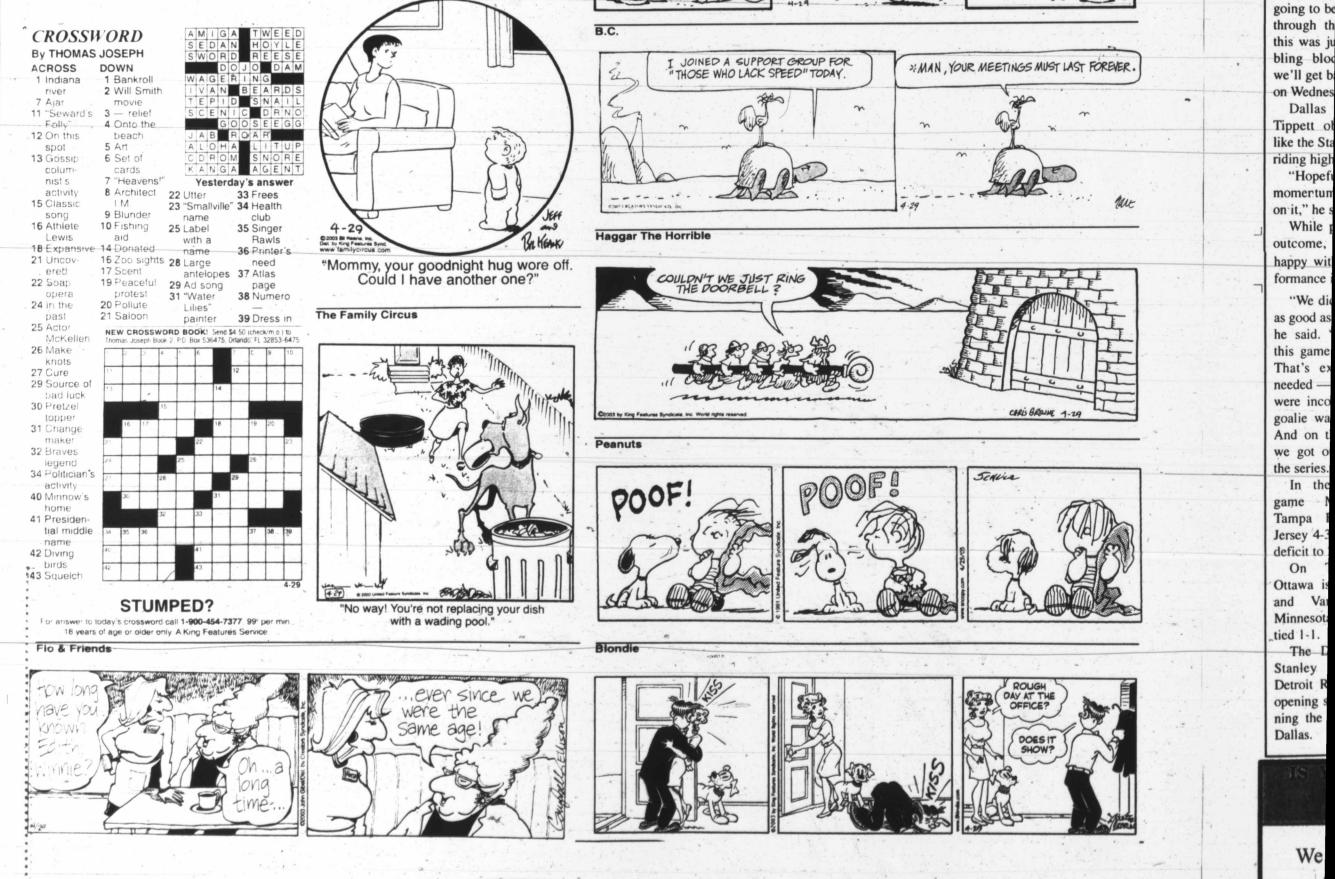
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SPORTS

Parcells making his mark with Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) - His said. hair is a bleachy shade of blond and his clothes prominently feature silver and blue tones.

Everything else is vintage Bill Parcells.

Parcells' impact on the Dallas Cowboys grows every day, from the no-nonsense signs posted around the locker room. to the type of players drafted free agency before then.

On a team that's gone 5-11 plenty of work to be done.

"You just can't immediately tear down what's been kind of also will contribute. built up here. I don't really

"I am hopeful that as time goes on we can integrate slowly to find the next Troy Aikman Denver's Brian Griese and and compete. If I'm really good, and we can work toward the and Emmitt Smith will have to Miami's Ray Lucas, who then you never know," said kind of players that I would like make do with the current Chad played for Parcells with the to have. Is that possible right Hutchinson and Troy Hambrick, New York Jets. away? No. Hopefully we got at least for the time being. some (in the draft) and we'll go

from there." The Cowboys had a second straight solid draft, highlighted this past weekend and signed in by three first-day picks who could all become starters: cor- do is draft a back and then have player in Division I-AA, picked considered fewer players. He nerback Terence Newman, cen- to draft another one next year," the Cowboys over more than 20 three straight seasons, there's ter with Al Johnson and tight he said. end Jason Witten. Fourth-round

Johnson, Witten and James

intend to do that anyway," he all fit the Parcells mold in that Cowboys will sign a veteran

their big and strong.

Dallas fans who were hoping

back in the early rounds just for Eastern Illinois. the sake of replacing Smith.

pick Bradie James, a linebacker, exploring options at quarter- Sean Payton promised he'll back.

who gets released after June 1, making more money, but they with the top candidates being made it clear that I can come in

Parcells said he wasn't plan- arm late Sunday, agreeing to a until the combine. ning on going after a running deal with Tony Romo of

"The worst thing we could Walter Payton Award as the top than in the past," meaning they other suitors because Parcells, flow and efficiency of the draft Parcells said he is still Jones and quarterbacks coach room.

Romo, who broke several of Payton's records at Eastern Dallas did add an undrafted Illinois but didn't meet him

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At Parcells' urging, the Cowboys' draft board was Romo, the winner of the "thinned out a little bit more also praised what he called the

"There wasn't a lot of have a legitimate chance to noise," he said. "It was pretty easy to think and communi-

Pampa girls return lots of depth, experience next year

PAMPA — Even though they lost had two hits each to lead Big Spring. out in the first round of the playoffs, 2004

A perfect day for softball turned into iors. a perfect day for Big Spring, who defeated Pampa 3-0 in bi-district play last weekend in Lubbock. Sophomore pitcher Alex Watkins threw a perfect game at the Lady Harvesters. She third baseman Haley Bowen, left fieldstruck out 15 batters, who had trouble er Teryn Garner, center fielder Abbi catching up to her 55-60 mph fastballs.

Big Spring (18-9) advances to meet El Paso Irvin (22-5) next week.

finished her senior career with a 14-4 Lady Harvesters are coached by Bobbi record, kept her team in the game with Gill in her first year as head coach. another good effort. She went seven Assistant coaches were Dustin Miller, innings, allowing seven hits while Melody Youree and Josh Blackmon. striking out two and walking four. Managers Except for a three-run fourth inning, Winegeart, Brittany Westbrook and Big Spring was held in check by Jennie Waggoner. Wilson.

Harvesters.

Leina Braxton and Heather Vasser the regionals.

The Lady Harvesters' 2003 team the Pampa Lady Harvesters' softball finished with a 22-10 record, and will team have enough depth and experi- return seven fulltime staters and two ence on its roster for a return trip in parttime starters. Wilson and right fielder April Amador are the only sen-

Other team members include catcher Jennie Rogers, first baseman Whitney Roden, second baseman Amy Youree, shortstop Stacey Johnson, Covalt, outfielder-designated, hitter Callie Cobb and outfielder Jackie Gerber. Also on the playoff roster were freshmen Autumn Darden and Whitney Pampa pitcher Dusti Wilson, who Wichert and junior Ashley Francis. The were

This was Pampa second playoff Big Spring hitters were stymied by appearance since the UIL softball prooutstanding defense from the Lady gram started. The Lady Harvesters went to the playoffs in 1999 and lost in

The going theory is that the make the team. "Someone else might be cate."



Pampa High senior Dusti Wilson (above) closed out her career with a 14-4 pitching record

boating.



relations through fishing and

"You will see a national

promotion of this theme,"

says editor Ted Dzialo of

KIDS CLUB

PAMPA - Kids' Club signups will be held from 6 p.m. at 7 p.m. tonight at Baker gym.

The club is open to both boys and girls, kindergarten through the 12th grade.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Basketball Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school athletic fieldhouse. All club members are urged to attend.

HOCKEY

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) - The Mighty Ducks were looking as if they might never lose. They knew better.

Jere Lehtinen scored twice, and Marty Turco stopped 31 shots Monday night as the Dallas Stars defeated Anaheim 2-1 in their Western Conference semifinal series.

The Ducks still lead the best-of-seven series 2-1, with Game 4 on Wednesday night in Anaheim.

"It's a tough loss, for sure. But we didn't think we were going to win 16 straight," Anaheim's Keith Carney said after the Ducks lost for the first time in seven playoff games.

"We knew there was going to be some adversity

through the playoffs, and this was just a little stumbling block for us. But we'll get back on our horse on Wednesday."

Dallas coach Dave Tippett obviously would like the Stars to be the ones riding high.

"Hopefully, we've got momentum and can build on it," he said.

While pleased with the outcome, Tippett wasn't happy with the Stars' performance in Game 3.

"We did not play nearly as good as the first games,' he said. "It's funny how this game goes sometime. That's exactly what we needed - an ugly win. We were inconsistent, but our goalie was the difference. And on the positive side, we got ourselves back in the series."

In the other playoff game Monday night, Tampa Bay beat New Jersey 4-3 to cut the series deficit to 2-1.

On Tuesday night, Ottawa is at Philadelphia and Vancouver is at Minnesota, with both series tied 1-1.

The Ducks swept the Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings in the opening series before winning the first two against Dallas.



Lefors fisherman O.L. Presley shows off the 24-pound catfish he caught 303 fly rod to reel in the big Thursday.

straight first-round sweep, the

Blazers went on a 21-0 run in

the third quarter en route and

won easily, 98-79, forcing a

game in Dallas on Wednesday

"It is still 3-1, and we still

feel confident in what we are

night.

his hands full when he tried pulling a 24-pound flathead from Recreation Park's City Lake east of Pampa.

O.L. Presley of Lefors had

Pampa angler Ron Sinyard, who was also at the lake on Thursday around dusk, helped pull the fish to shore.

The fish spit out the sixinch hook just it was netted, Sinyard said.

"Who says there's no fish in the City Lake,?" he added. Presley was using a Zebco

catfish.

"I fought him for about 40 minutes. I was surprised I got him," Presley said.

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Fishing

National Fishing Boating Week is June 1-8 and most states during this week. will be providing license-free fishing, not only for youngsters, but also for anyone participating in fishing.

The theme this year is the promotion of positive family

magazine. The Splash "National Fishing & Boating Week would be the ideal time to spend more time on the water with family and youngsters. It's a good period to introduce or reacquaint someone to the joys of angling."

He urged all anglers to take somone fishing the week of June 1-8.

series.

one game' just win Cheeks wants Trail Blazers to

DALLAS (AP) - The Portland Trail Blazers avoided elimination, and that has coach Maurice Cheeks thinking conservatively going into Game 5 of , their first-round series against the Dallas Mavericks.

"The message again is just win one game," Cheeks said. "If we can win one game, then maybe we can change this series."

They already have.

When Dallas was leading 52-49 at halftime of Game 4 on Sunday night, the Mavericks could've been excused for thinking ahead. They were two quarters from sweeping the Blazers and having about a week off to rest and reload for the second round.

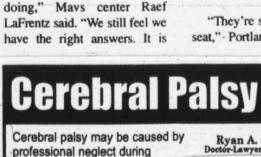
But Portland didn't give up. Instead of succumbing to a third

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tough to overcome, but we look forward to Wednesday."

Dallas is still a heavy favorite. Not only have the Mavericks not lost four straight games all season, no NBA team has ever blown a 3-0 lead in a best-of-seven series.

"They're still in the driver's seat," Portland guard Damon

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Stoudamire acknowledged. "But if we can get this next game, I think the pressure will shift to them a little bit."

The Mavericks wasted a chance to become the only team to sweep in the first round this year. That would have earned them nearly a week off with hopes that Sacramento and Utah would wear each other out in their Western Conference

Instead, they're back to trying to regain the formula that worked so well in the first three games against Portland.

The top priority for coach Don Nelson will be getting points out of Steve Nash. He was scoreless in 21 minutes in Game 4, missing all four shots and not making it to the foul line.

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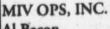


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7. Kelly Timberman, Mills, Wyo. (17), \$22,168

8. Lan Lajeunesse, Morgan, Utah (13), \$21,847

9. Forest Bramwell, Pagosa Springs, Col. (14), \$21,532

10. Darren Clarke, Lewisville, Texas (15), \$17,997

11. Larry Sandvick, Belle Fourche, S.D. (14), \$16,751

12. Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas (12), \$15,211

13. Scott Drennan, Buffalo, Texas (22), \$14,577

14. Chuck Logue, New Braunfels, Texas (15), \$14,531

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10. Camish Jennings, Houston, Texas (11), \$11,716 11. Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash. (9), \$11,465 12. Shain Sproul, Arlee, Mont. (12), \$11,325 13. Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla. (12), \$11,079 14. Trevor Brazile, Anson, Texas (13), \$10,242 15. Nick Sartain, Alva, Okla. (7), \$9,960 16. Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas (13), \$9,635 17. Jimmy Tanner, Tifton, Ga. (14), \$9,500 18. Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas (12), \$8,821 19. Mikey Fletcher Jr., Okeechobee, Fla. (11), \$8,818 20. Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont. (12), \$8,391 TEAM ROPING (HEELING) 1. Patrick Smith, Midland, Texas (13), \$24,379 2. Matt Zancanella, Aurora, S.D. (11), \$23,370 3. Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla. (13), \$18,573 4. Kory Koontz, Sudan, Texas (12), \$17,689 5 Rich Skelton, Llano, Texas (12), \$17,408 6. Michael Jones, Stephenville, Texas (12), \$15,044 7. Allen Bach, Weatherford, Texas (14), \$14,578 8. Clay O'Brien Cooper, Glen Rose, Texas (13), \$12,865 9. Mike George, Oakdale, Calif. (11), \$12,669 10. Zane Bruce, Eldorado, Texas (13), \$12,275 11. Kirt Jones, Piedmont, Okla. (11), \$11,561 12. Mike Beers, Powell Butte, Ore. (9), \$11,465 13. Cory Petska, Lexington, Okla. (12), \$11,079 14. Dugan Kelly, Paso Robles, Calif. (12), \$10,157 15. Shannon Frascht, Alva, Okla. (7), \$9,960 16. Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas (12), \$8;821 17. Travis Woodard, Stockton, Calif. (11), \$8,818 18. Chris Green, Lytle, Texas (8), \$7,820 19. Wayne Folmer, El Paso, Texas (13), \$7,740 20. Dennis Watkins, Bakersfield, Calif. (12), \$7,709 SADDLE BRONC RIDING 1. Glen O'Neill, Didsbury, Alberta (14), \$33,604 2. Rod Hay, Wildwood, Alberta (14), \$27,748 3. Scott Miller, Waco, Texas (18), \$26,590 4. Jeffery Willert, Belvidere, S.D. (16), \$26,131 5. Charles Soileau, Stephenville, Texas (22), \$25,809 6. Dan Mortensen, Billings, Mont. (17), \$25,100 7. Cody Martin, Hatfield, Ark. (23), \$20,931 8. Ira Slagowski, Carlin, Nev. (18), \$20,740 9. Steve Dollarhide, Wikieup, Ariz. (14), \$20,620 10. Mike Outhier, Utopia, Texas (17), \$20,599 11. Cody Demoss, Crowville, La. (12), \$18,977 12. Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D. (18), \$17,930 13. Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas (15), \$17,438 14. Bret Franks, Goodwell, Okla. (14), \$14,128 15. Rod Warren, Big Valley, Ab (14), \$13,639 16. Sam Spreadborough, Snyder, Texas (19), \$13,466 17. Matt Marvel, Battle Mtn., Nev. (13), \$13,225 18. Branden West, Philip, S.D. (14), \$13,086 19. Mo Forbes, Kaycee, Wyo. (15), \$12,972 20. Shane Moran, Dillon, Mont. (15), \$12,676 **TIE DOWN ROPING** 1. Cody Ohl, Stephenville, Texas (13), \$39,933 2. Johnny Emmons, Grandview, Texas (12), \$29,288 3. Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas (13), \$28,224 4. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla. (13), \$24,915 5. Ricky Canton, Cleveland, Texas (14), \$22,946 6. Jade Conner, Iowa, La. (13), \$21,599 7. Houston Hutto, Del Rio, Texas (14), \$20,916 8. Jerome Schneeberger, Ponca City, Okla. (11), \$20,385 9. Trevor Brazile, Anson, Texas (13), \$18,037 10. Mike Johnson, Henryetta, Okla. (10), \$17,688 11. Clint Robinson, Farmington, Utah (8), \$16,954 12. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas (13), \$16,319 13. Coy Kummer, Carr, Colo. (8), \$14,892 14. Brady Brock, Springtown, Texas (9), \$14,740 15. Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.m. (13), \$14,450 16. Trent Creager, Pawnee, Okla. (11), \$13,939 17. Trent Walls, Stephenville, Texas (11), \$13,900 18. Justin Maass, Giddings, Texas (13), \$13,520 19. Stran Smith, Tell, Texas (9), \$12,811 20. Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas (12), \$12,122 **BARREL RACING** 1. Janet Stover, Rusk, Texas, \$32,515 2. Melanie Southard, Cushing, Okla., \$23,299 3. Jackie Dube, Giddings, Texas, \$17,693 4. Tammy Key, Ledbetter, Texas, \$17,237 5. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., \$15,535 6. Kelly Kaminski, Bellville, Texas, \$15,443 7. Kristie Peterson, Chilton, Texas, \$13,745 8. Mckenzie Miller, St. Anthony, Idaho, \$12,461

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Battert hoping for happy ending of Kentucky Derby week

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) ing a great time ... And Laffit As much as he tries, Bob Baffert is having a tough time generating his usual enthusiasm for the Kentucky Derby.

Yes, this is the same happy-go-lucky guy with three Derby victories in the past six years; the same trainer who has visions of yet another win Saturday with Indian Express or Kafwain.

But standing outside his Monday barn morning, Baffert was talking about a few pals he'll miss Derby week - the late Saudi Prince Ahmed bin Salman, injured Hall of Fame jockey Laffit Pincay Jr., and injured 2-yearold champion Vindication.

"It's sad in a way," said Baffert, his wife, Jill, by his side. "The prince would have been here, and we'd be hav-

would be here riding Indian go with what you've got."

The prince operated The Thoroughbred Corp., which owned Baffert's 2002 Derby winner War Emblem and owns Kafwain. Prince Ahmed died of a heart attack last summer at age 43.

Pincay would have been aboard Indian Express — a colt he encouraged Baffert to buy — but the 56-year-old rider is in a California hospital after breaking his neck in a spill at Santa Anita on March

And Vindication, Baffert's star Derby prospect, was knocked off the trail in February with a strained ligament in his left front leg. "It's just depressing to lose such an

exciting horse," he said.

Baffert is likely to cheer up Express. But you just have to as post time nears. He usually does. Plus, he's got other things to think about as his barn has been a beehive of activity the past few days.

> sold Saturday, and the colt Baffert pulled out of Derby contention earlier this month will now run in the race for trainer Paddy Gallagher.

-Baffert still won't rule Senor Swinger out of the Derby. The colt he began training last month is likely to run in a grass race Friday, but Baffert says that could change by Wednesday's Derby post position draw.

-The trainer also unveiled his Derby horse for 2004 — a tall, angular unnamed colt by Menifee. Around the barn,

he's known as Fifty Short ---as in the purchase price was \$50,000 short of \$1 million.

Baffert may not talk up his 3-year-olds this week, but that doesn't mean Indian Express or Kafwain can't win. Last -Domestic Dispute was year, Baffert pooh-poohed War Emblem's chances but had the last laugh when the nearly black colt wired the field to win by four lengths at odds of 20-1.

> Trainer Bobby Frankel holds the strongest Derby hand with expected favorite Empire Maker and second choice Peace Rules, but the best horse doesn't always win the 1 1/4-mile cavalry charge. In fact, the Derby favorite has only one victory - Fusaichi Pegasus in 2000 — since Baffert's best

tough hombre who was third in the Santa Anita Derby on April 5 but finished either first or second in his previous seven races. Kafwain got sick and lost training time after the Santa Anita Derby, but the dark bay colt galloped Monday and is set for his final breeze Tuesday.

"No one ever talks about him, and I never brag on him," said Baffert. "He's just hard knocking, he's got a huge heart and he'll be there at the end. A mile-and-a-quarter probably isn't his cup of tea, but he's been right there every time."

Kafwain has four wins in 11 starts and earnings of \$715,848. He will be ridden Spectacular Bid won in 1979. by Pat Valenzuela, who chance returns to the Derby for the

appears to be Kafwain, a first time in 10 years. Valenzuela, plagued by drug and alcohol problems for years, replaced Victor Espinoza on Kafwain for the Santa Anita Derby.

"I wanted to do something different to try to win," said Baffert. Espinoza was aboard War Emblem, but Baffert was unhappy with the jockey's ride aboard Kafwain in the Louisiana Derby.

Says Valenzuela: "I think we'll win the Derby, no doubt in my mind."

Indian Express, a son of the Baffert-trained Indian Charlie, is a big question mark. The Utah-bred who won his first two races in Panama, was purchased for \$100,000 by Baffert's longtime friend Phil Chess on Pincay's recommendation.

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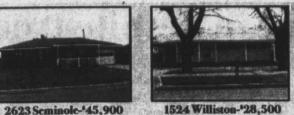
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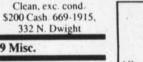
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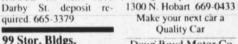
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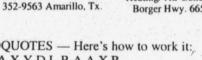
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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

April 30, 2003:

suddenly and from out of the blue. Be hesitate to pull back. Tonight: Do your ready to seize the moment and run with thing. it. Bosses and those in charge could be CANCER (June 21-July 22) testy and difficult. Set goals this year **** Groups rather than individuwith the expectation of accomplishing als open doors. You might feel more in Uproar surrounds a domestic matter or a them. Your security needs to be of high- tune with the many. Keep your objectives real estate investment. Until calm est importance through August. Your in mind. Do not sell out, but pursue a returns, lay back. Tonight: Soak away libido energies soar in September. Give steady course. Not everyone needs to stress. you a problem, and you'll find a solution. agree. You know where you're heading. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you are single, you're one hot number, Tonight: Where the gang is. especially this year. Sort through your LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) choices. You could find someone quite **** Others listen and expect you to when to back out. Be as diplomatic as special. If you are attached, a relation- take charge. Associates push hard for possible, recognizing the impact your ship warms up this year because of your what they want, especially regarding words might have. Use your unique style willingness to drop your defenses. TAU- money and division of labor. State your to express yourself. Your ingenuity RUS is a soul mate.

Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

way that encourages you to handle a mat- take a walk or indulge in a stress-buster. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ter differently. Pressure comes from a Detach, and you'll gain answers. *** * Your unpredictability leads you friend who you might not be ready to Tonight: Return calls. deal with. Time to dip into your creativi- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ty. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

and ready to make a difference that limits. Your nerves might be taking a about. counts. You might shake your head at greater toll on you than you realize. It's what a boss does or thinks. Stay in touch time for a break or vacation. BORN TODAY with your long-term needs. Evaluate Demonstrate realism about your energy. Musician Jeff Timmons (1973), NBA on a pedestal. How reasonable are you clear the air. Get ready! being? Tonight: Whatever floats your SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

long-term gains concerning your abili- like. Let others demonstrate their agen-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, ties. Don't count on what you're hearing, but more on what you know to be true. What you want lands in your lap quite Use your creativity and abilities. Don't

case, but don't be surprised by a touch of makes a difference. Tonight: Take a midflak. Experiment with new ideas. week break. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Tonight: Get home as early as you can. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** * Others press hard, but they ily. Think before you take action or spew

*** Defer to others in the face of a

likely to make a big error. Think about able to have the influence or control you © 2003 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

das. They need to see the end results. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Get your job done. Someone close might easily lose his or her temper.

Could there be a grain of truth to what he or she is saying? Be honest with yourself.

**** Your imagination could lead to a risk. Be involved, but also know

* * * You lose your temper far too easmight not deliver as you would like. Your out words. Be sensitive to others. Don't temper could manifest itself in an odd get locked into a position; leave a way *** Expenses could easily get out manner when dealing with an associate. out. Your understanding does make a difof control. Unexpected news flies your If you feel the heat building, go off and ference. Tonight: Order in. Make it easy.

down a new path. Investigate what someone thinks is a great idea. Don't automat-*** A partner might be more domi- ically nix it. Enlisting others could make nant than you like. Take your time with or break the situation. Don't obsess about *** You're suddenly energized decision-making, and understand your a personal matter. Tonight: Out and

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Airline unions retain some clout in despite troubled economy

By LEIGH STROPE AP LABOR WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) - A bad economy is brutal for unions. Just ask any airline employee.

But unions at American Airlines showed that they've still got some muscle at the bargaining table despite the repeated layoffs and contract cuts their workers have been forced to accept.

Unions' outrage over bankruptcy-proof pensions and huge bonuses granted to American executives, disclosed after workers had agreed to \$1.8 billion in cuts, led to the resignation of Chief Executive Donald Carty last week.

Strength really is in numbers, experts say.

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In sectors where unions are strong, "even if there are serious economic problems, unions still will have power comparable to the market power of the industry they're working with," said Rick Hurd, director of labor studies at Cornell University.

Airlines have been battered by a weak economy, the 2001 terrorist attacks, the war in Iraq

CLUB NEWS

The next and final meeting of the year will be a field trip

and the outbreak of SARS. "It's not surprising the unions have been forced to make concessions because the airline companies have lost

"But at the same time, they concessions," Hurd said.

shorter term for the new contracts. Workers also would get bonuses, like management, if certain operating targets are met.

Following the American agreement, Delta Air Lines pilots, angry over similar retention bonuses and other perks awarded to senior management last year, proposed to curb severance payments for managers and force the company to account for stock options as expenses. The proposals require board approval.

Unions can lose a lot of power when unemployment is high and people are desperate. for work. The nation's unem-

Coloring contest

ployment rate has hovered at an eight-year high for months now

"It's very difficult to engage in strikes when there's a ... ready pool of strike breakers waiting to come in and take your place," said Paul F. Clark, a Penn State professor of labor studies and industrial relations.

As for the \$1.8 billion in annual concessions at American, the unions really had little choice. They stood to lose even more in a bankruptcy. United Airline workers faced the same tough choices several months ago.

Bankruptcy law allows labor contracts to be voided if a

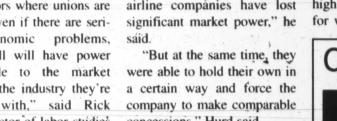
company can prove those obligations are endangering the health of the business.

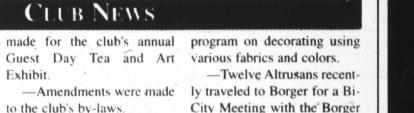
> "Virtually all of the unions are taking one cut after another, and they don't really have the bargaining power to resist that," Clark said.

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Airline officials and unions need to learn from the auto and steel industries, said Robert Bruno, labor professor at the University of Chicago at Illinois.

Relations between management and labor were venomous, but they were forced to work together in the 1980s to salvage their industries from overseas competition.





City Meeting with the Borger Altrusa Club. The meeting was held at the Lone Star Restaurant.

club received -The checks from Altrusa District 9 and Altrusa International in the amounts of \$50 and \$100 for the Mamie L. Bass, Newsletter and Yearbook awards received at the District Conference recently.

1:30 p.m., April 27, at the home of Diann Birdsell, 2329 Chestnut, to prepare snacks for TAKS testing at Lamar Elementary School.

-An Ice Cream Social will be held for the Schneider House residents at 2:30 p.m., on May 3. Members were Attendance asked to volunteer for ice

plan the programs for the

coming year is scheduled at 7

p.m., May 6, at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. The potluck

dinner will serve as a make-up

12 noon May 13 at Pampa

The next meeting will be at_

Besides Carty's resignation, unions were able to win back some of the concessions they had agreed to, including a

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20th Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met April 22 at the home of Myrna Orr with President Louise Bailey presiding. Nine members and two guests were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

-Minutes were approved as read by Secretary Billie Dixon who also called roll and read correspondence.

-Bailey presented committee reports.

to Amarillo scheduled at 9 a.m., May 20.

to the club's by-laws

Altrusa

Exhibit.

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met April 22 at Pampa Country Club with President Anne Stobbe presiding. Kerrick Horton and Judy Warner served as greeters. Stephanie Lowe attended as a guest.

The following business was conducted and announcements made

-The Accent was presented by Billie Sue Evans who reviewed the various Altrusa Committees.

-Perfect Awards for the past year were cream and cookies.

-Members will meet at

-The Planning Meeting to

"I've Got Good News!"

Megan Brock, 5, daughter of Matt and Wendi Brock of Pampa, won the Easter

coloring contest sponsored by The Pampa News. She was a winner in her age

-Vonna Wolf delivered the treasurer's report.

-The program was given by AFCS student Claudio Benassi on his home town in , Italy. Benassi is being hosted by Robert Eskridge and family. Darlene Birkes introduced him and also showed slides.

The next meeting will be in the home of Dixon.

Pampa Art Club

school dollars.

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Pampa Art Club met April 15 at the home of Rue Parks The following business was conducted and announcements made:

-During the meeting, the 2003-04 slate of officers were installed as follows: Parks, president; Pat Kindle, vice president; Kathy Gist, secretary-treasurer; Carol Peet. publicity; and Evelyn Epps. historian.

-Final arrangements were

presented to Billie Dixon, Terry Gamblin, DeLynn Gordzelik, Horton, Dorla McAndrew, Jeanne Mitchell, Mary McDaniel, Stobbe, Brenda Tucker and Pat Johnson.

-Gordzelik and Lori Groenvold of Avenues Interior Design presented a

Country Club.

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meeting.

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