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Six charged in fatal shooting

Managing Editor

Authorities now have arrested all six men sought in connection with the April 3 fatal shooting of Tracy Rena Williams of Pampa.

Harlem, was arrested Tuesday night on the deadly conduct charge and evading arrest in a vehicle. He was the sixth person arrested in connection with the 32-year-old woman's death.

Precinct Two Justice of the Peace morning of \$25,000 on the deadly conduct charge and \$5,000 bond on jail at press time.

after going there in response to the that Dallas PD will keep Young in meanor possession of marijuana was pronounced dead.

Paul Andre Brown, 30, 512 arrest of Jimmy "Slim" Young. 21, by custody in that city until those charges Dallas PD Monday night on a Pampa are taken care of.

Williams' death. Kurt Curfman set bond Wednesday Dallas again on Thursday and said he released on bond. expects to question him.

Jelani Rashod McNeal, 25, 1016 warrant for murder in connection with Huff Rd, was arrested Friday on dead-Brown said he did not get to see ly conduct charges. Bond of \$7,500 Young during the Tuesday trip to was set by Precinct 1 Justice of the Dallas. He said he would be going to Peace Joe Martinez. He has been victim was caught in the crossfire of

Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner said Garland, remains in jail after being the evading charge. He remained in when Young was arrested on the arrested in connection with the Pampa Pampa warrant by Dallas PD Monday woman's death. Martinez set bond on was transported to Pampa Regional Pampa Police Det. Donny Brown night that the Pampan also was arrest- the deadly conduct charge at \$5,000. returned from Dallas Tuesday evening ed on drug charges. He said it appears Bond of \$2,000 was set on a misde-

charge. Roland remains in jail on a violation of parole warrant.

Curtis Lee Wine, 30, 1013 Neel Rd., also, was charged with deadly conduct. He remains in Gray County Jail on a warrant for violating parole.

Nathan Williams, 25, 1045 Huff Rd., was arrested Saturday after he turned himself into the Gray County Sheriff's Department. He was released later Saturday after Judge Martinez set a bond of \$5,000.

Chief Pitner said the 32-year-old shooting at a south Pampa residence. Ongel Kwane Roland, 25, 1308 She was found lying in a driveway at 1040 S. Huff Rd. suffering from a gunshot wound. The young woman Medical Center Emergency Room by Rural Metro Ambulance where she

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Fire hero would save again, despite capture

HIGH

ABILENE (AP) — The smoke burned Kris Leija's lungs. He could feel the heat from the flames licking at the apartment complex. He didn't care about himself, just the children who needed his help.

He didn't hesitate to become a rescuer even with the possibility that police might recognize him as a probation violator. They did, and after a few television interviews to describe his Sunday morning heroics, Leija finds the duties upon the redoing courtroom ceilings. himself sitting in the Taylor County Detention Center.

"I didn't even think about myself," Leija said Tuesday in the visitors' area of the jail. "I thought about the victims who lived there. I didn't care about what happened to me. I felt like God put me there for a reason."

DEATHS

Darold Haddican, Jr., 27, PHS graduate.

Adolph Novotny, 97, retired pumper, bus driver. Bob Pomerhn, 53, Cabot Corp. health & safety director.

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Whitehead to be sworn in on May 1 Gaye Whitehead, longtime tion from the Gray County

office, will be sworn-in as Tax on the board. Assessor-Collector during the Commissioners Court.

temporary county courtroom tract on restoration will be at 315 N. Ballard.

announced retirement of Tax Morris.

The commission will con- a.m. sider Whitehead's request to appoint a new chief deputy in ered include budget amendthe tax office and a request by ments, treasurer's report and her to hire a new employee.

In other action, the com-Judge Richard Peet's resignable approved.

employee in the Gray County Appraisal Board and the Tax Assessor-Collector's appointment of a replacement

Several items concerning 9 a.m. meeting Thursday, the move back into the newly-May 1, of the Gray County restored courthouse are also on the agenda. An extension The meeting will be in the of audio-visual system conconsidered along with a Whitehead was appointed change order on ventilation in by the commission to assume computer server closets and

Bids on moving the county Assessor-Collector Sammie offices back into the courthouse will be considered at 11

Routine items to be considintrabudget transfer requests. Bills and salaries okayed by mission will consider County the County Auditor will also

PFC Ricky Conner II

Rank: Private first class Branch of service: U.S. Army Job description: Army engineer Stationed: Colorado Springs, Colo.

Deployment, pending: Iraq Graduate: Pampa High Schoo!

Family: Ricky and Diane Conner of Pampa; Kimberly and Samantha

Local civic leaders plan 'Day of Prayer' gathering

Pampa citizens will observe National Day of Prayer, a time to pray for the country and its leadership, with a gathering in front of Pampa City Hall at 12:15 p.m., Thursday, May 1.

This year's National Day of Prayer theme is "Righteousness exalts a nation," said Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church. The gathering is not sponsored by any specific organization, but by a group of citizens, he said.

"Our country needs this right now and Pampa needs this right now," Nachtigall said.

Pampa High School show choir members, directed by Fred Mays, are to perform patriotic songs for the event. After presentation of the flag, specific prayers are to be said for the city, state, nation, military and churches. Nachtigall plans to begin by praying for Pampa. Rev. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church, will pray for Texas, followed by Mike Subjett, minister of Hi-Land Christian Church, praying for the nation. Leland Lewis, paster of First Assembly God, will pray for the military and Rev. Doug Yates, pastor of Church of the Nazarene, will finish by praying for the churches.

The public is invited to share in the non-denomination-

Early voting shows strong interest in May 3 election

By NANCY YOUNG Managing Editor

ing early voting is an indicator, there's likely to Rummerfield; and Norman Stephens. be a heavy turnout for Saturday's city/school

city commission races and one contested Dixon, incumbent, is challenged by Ed school trustee race seemed to have generated a Robinson. high interest among Pampa voters for the May

voting was conducted.

voters cast ballots in that election by appear- Auditorium.

Four candidates are challenging Mayor Lonny Robbins for the mayoral-position. They If the number of voters who cast ballots dur- are Jeff Andrews, John Goddard, Mike

Incumbent City Commissioner Jeff McCormick is being challenged by Doug Five candidates for mayor, two contested Locke for the Ward 1 position while Bob

In the school race, incumbent Nancy Coffee is challenged by James Goode and Charles Pampa City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers said Smith for the Place 4 position as trustee. Board this morning that 591 voters cast ballots in the President Lee Porter is seeking to be returned city election during the two-week period early to the Place 5 position. He is running unop-

Kaye Roberts in the personnel office at Balloting for both elections will be from 7 Pampa Independent School District said 280 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, at M.K. Brown Civic

Soldiers again fire on anti-American protesters; Rumsfeld visits Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) wounded. Defense Secretary Baghdad's airport. Donald H. Rumsfeld became Saddam Hussein's ouster.

For the second time this week. Rumsfeld taped a broadcast diers. U.S. soldiers fired on anti-message to Iraqis saying the protesters. United States is eager to return. have "unleashed events that Wednesday in the city of the country to their control. He will unquestionably shape the Fallujah; the mayor said two also paid in-person tribute to course of this country." people were killed and 14 U.S. troops gathered at

the first top Bush administrato live in freedom so they can age countries to turn over tion official to visit Iraq since build a future where the Iraqi wanted Iraqis to U.S. authorileaders answer to the Iraqi ties, and that some nations are Operating out of a Baghdad people rather than killing

palace once used by Saddam, them," Rumsfeld told the sol-

He told the troops they

Rumsfeld also said the Bush administration is using "We want the Iraqi people diplomatic efforts to encour-(See IRAQ, 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.

later date. Mr. Pomerhn was born July 18, 1949, at Ebenezer, N.Y. He held a bachelor's of science degree in chemical engineering from the State University of New York in Buffalo and did post graduate work at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville, Fla.

He married brigett Schwin on Aug. 7, 1998, at North Collins, N.Y.

He moved from Orange Park, Fla., to Pampa on June 1, 1999 and worked for Cabot Corporation as health and safety director from 1999 until his death.

He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Kairos Prison Ministry of Pampa, American Society of Safety Engineers, the local Emergency Planning Council and Cabot Community Relations Team.

He supported Area Community Theater and Pampa Fine Arts Association.

Survivors include his wife, brigett Pomerhn, of the home; a daughter, Brooke Pomerhn of Tampa, Fla.; two sons, Brent Pomerhn of Orange Park and Richard Anderson, Jr., of the home; his mother, Betty Pomerhn of North Collins; a brother, Bill Pomerhn of Buffalo; a sister, Carol Moody of Buffalo; and a grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Zion Lutheran Church, 1200 Duncan St., Pampa, TX

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WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for mostly sunny skies, highs in the mid 80s and southwest winds 20 to 30 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight should be mostly clear with lows in the lower 50s and southwest winds 20 to 30 mph shifting to the west 10 to 15 mph. Thursday should be partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph mid 80s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Windy. shifting to the northeast. Thursday night, part- Lows in the mid 50s. Monday, partly cloudy. ly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. East winds Highs in the upper 70s. Monday night, partly 10 to 15 mph. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. Tuesday, partly the upper 70s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s. Friday night, partly cloudy. 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. Sunday, partly cloudy. Windy. Highs in the

STATEWIDE

will continue through the week in North Texas and for a will be sunny to partly cloudy few more days in South through the weekend. Highs

North and South Texas willbe partly to mostly cloudy through the weekend. North Texas will see chances of rain each day beginning in the afternoon. South Texas is likely to see some rain through

strong weather Wednesday night, and a suspected tornado damaged the far west. homes near Mission.

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The risk of severe storms and west, creating a heightened fire risk. Otherwise it will range from around 80 in the far west, to the mid 80s in the Panhandle, to around 90 in

the south and near west.

A chance of showers and storms will be in the forecast in southern West Texas through the weekend, and Thursday. West Texas should some storms may develop be free of rain through the today in the Permian Basin. It weekend except for southern will be cooler in the Panhandle on Thursday. North Texas experienced Windy conditions are likely again Sunday in the Panhandle, and all weekend in

In South Texas, a chance of showers and storms will continue through Thursday in south central and Southeast conditions today in the north Texas. The best chance for severe weather in central Texas will generally be west Pon" Forget Day! of I-35" Southeast Texas will see the best chance for severe

weather late Thursday.

Skies will be partly to mostly cloudy through Thursday, sunnier south. Highs will be mostly in the 80s, reaching the 90s in the west. Friday through Sunday should be free of rain, with partly cloudy skies over the region. Sunday, clouds and a chances of rain return to southeast and south central areas. Small craft warnings may be posted this weekend on the lower coast.

North Texas will be partly to mostly cloudy today. Skies should decrease some beginning Thursday, clouding up again on Sunday. Afternoon, evening and nighttime rain is possible through the weekend, with some severe storms possible.

The best chances today will be generally north of I-30, with some tornadic conditions possible. Highs through the weekend will be in the

'Robin Hood' faces repeal

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's divisive Robin Hood system of school finance seems to be on its last legs.

Blooming Plants House lawmakers on Tuesday tentatively approved legislation that would repeal **Bedding Plants** Robin Hood, just hours after GOP Speaker Tom Craddick announced a select committee Perennials of 23 House members would look for a permanent and Vegetables equitable school finance solution. The House was expected to give the bill final approval on Wednesday.

> The measure, by Rep. Kent Grusendorf, R-Arlington, would repeal Robin Hood by 2004, and would give schools an additional \$1.2 billion in funding while lawmakers figure out a new system, likely to be decided during a special session called by the governor. Many lawmakers, including the Republican leader-

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ship, campaigned on ridding the state of the contentious Robin Hood.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst also was expected to announce his highly touted alternate plan on Wednesday, 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

"We've lived with Robin Hood for a decade and we know it's a failed system and it needs to be reformed," said Dewhurst spokesman Dave Beckwith.

The so-called Robin Hood school finance system has drawn fiery debate in the decade since its inception for its share-the-wealth method of funding the state's education system that takes money from property-rich districts and gives it to property-poor

Schools in low-income areas have benefited, but many poor schools say they continue to lag behind and need more money to provide a basic education.

The state's wealthier districts are also pleading poverty. Many have raised local property-tax rates to the legal limit.

Rep. Dan Branch, R-Highland Park, called the measure "critical to the school children of the state.'

DAROLD HADDICAN, JR. 1975-2003

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — Darold Haddican, Jr., 27, died Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2003, at Sioux Valley Hospital following a brief illness. Memorial services were held Jan. 19 at Miller Funeral Home. Arrangements were under the direction of Miller Funeral Home in Sioux Falls. Burial will be at 9 a.m., Friday, May 2, in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa.

Mr. Haddican was born May 2, 1975, at Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1994. He moved to Sioux Falls in 1999 and enjoyed reading, computers, and studying 17th century art and architecture. He was preceded in death by his mother,

Shirley Haddican. He is sorely missed by so many friends

and family.

Survivors include his father, Darold Haddican, Sr., of Sioux Falls; a sister, Kelly of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a step-sister, Karla Hollaway of Colorado Springs; a stepbrother, Jon Haddican of Sioux Falls; and a step-mother, Rickey Haddican of Sioux

ADOLPH NOVOTNY

1906-2003

SKELLYTOWN — Adolph Novotny, 97, died Tuesday, April 29, 2003, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Novotny was born April 8, 1906, at Pawnee, Okla. He married Alta Smith on June 21, 1947, at Hoisington, Kan. He moved to Skellytown from Great Bend, Kan., in 1948. He was a bus driver for Kansas State Institute in Larned, Kan., for several years and had worked as a pumper for Drilling and Exploration Oil Company for 16 years.

He retired as a bus driver from Skellytown Independent School District in 1972, after eight years of service.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of Skellytown and held membership in Woodmen of the World for 63 years.

Survivors include his wife, Alta, of the home; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Skellytown.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

the following arrest and incidents.

Saturday, April 26

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 1900 block of West Alcock. Tools valued at \$850 were reported stolen.

Tuesday, April 29

Paul Andre Brown, 30, 512 Harlem, was arrested for deadly conduct and evading arrest with a vehicle.

Theft of a wedding ring set was reported in the 2100 block of Mary Ellen. Estimated loss

Two pistols, one video camera, two stereo speakers, flip-up camera, miscellaneous toys and eight sets of children's clothes were reported stolen in a burglary of a habitation in the 700

Pampa Police Department today reported block of North Banks. According to the police department, there was no forced entry.

> In an incident involving two minors, two pair of eye glasses were broken out in the 100 block of North Wells. Estimated loss was \$300.

> Harboring a runaway was reported to the police department.

> A simple assault was reported in the 1100 block of North Cinderella. According to the police report, injuries were minor.

A runaway was reported.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1800 block of Grape. According to the police report, there was no forced entry and nothing was taken. The report also said there were minor injuries.

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AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., today.

Tuesday, April 29

5:15 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells; no patient was transported.

SHERIFF

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

Tuesday, April 29

Christopher Dale Shouse, 26, 313 N. Sumner, was arrested on bond surrender charges for unauthorized use of a motor vehi-

Regelio Jimenez Valenzuela, 33, 1041 Cinderella, was arrested on Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace warrants for no driver's license and open container.

FIRE

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

Tuesday, April 29

4:12 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a report of power lines down in the alley of the 1000 block of North Wells. Telephone and cable lines, but no power lines, had been struck and pulled down by a vehicle in the alley.

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BEIJING (AF new mayor denie that the Chines about to be se admitted Wednes tals were over SARS cases. In some patients ! relapses days declared them re

Throughout of new deaths from respiratory syr reported. India new SARS case that raised fears break.

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China, which SARS announced 16 cases of infection half of the new Beijing where Qishan told a ence: "The panio tor among the ge a really big issue Seven new reported in Hor

IRAQ

no longer takin The shooting in miles west o occurred less the after gunfire duri stration Monday r pital officials sa Iragis.

About marched down th street Wednesday earlier incident, front of a battalion of the U.S. A Airborne Division office of Saddam's





Silvio, played by Teddy Tolleson, in a fit of anger threatens Natwick, played by Kasey Presson, with a knife. The two young Vietnam veterans recover in an army hospital in the play "Pvt. Wars" playing Friday and Saturday night at the ACT I theater located on the west side of Pampa Mall. Also on the bill for the evening is the comedy "Next" starring Debra Sandefur and Jimmy Lindsay. For reservations call 665-3820.

Trail ride benefits S

Funds raised by the annual event go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., America's research center.

As in the past, the ride will or take place at Bill and Greta Arrington's ranch, west of 152. Registration starts at 8 a.m. Each rider needs a mini-

Riders will return to the hospital. A fund is also avail- "Saddle Up."

annual St. Jude Benefit Trail cue lunch with all the trimprizes will be awarded for those raising the most money. The ride will finish at approximately 4 p.m.

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Saddle up for the 12th trailers at 12 noon for a barbe- able for families unable to pay the costs of coming to the Ride, Saturday, May 18, at the mings. Prizes will be given hospital and room and board Rock Chair Ranch, west of away at this time. Special while they are there for treat-

At St. Jude, scientists and physicians work side by side to find not only better treat-For entry forms or to spon- ments, but also causes, cures leading childhood cancer sor a rider, call Sharon and prevention of such dis-Williams at (806) 669-0176 eases as leukemia, Hodgkin's disease, sickle-cell anemia, and pediatric AIDS. These findings are shared with doc-Pampa off Texas Highway Research Hospital provides tors around the world to care and treatment to all ensure children everywhere patients without regard for the will benefit from the work mum donation of \$15 and family's ability to pay. All being done at St. Jude must provide a current nega- costs of treatment beyond Hospital. Funds to support tive Coggins certificate dated those reimbursed by third this battle against childhood within the last 12 months for party insurers, and the total catastrophic diseases come each horse participating in costs for families who have primarily from public donano insurance are paid by the tions through events like

Mayor says SARS outbreak still severe in China's capital

BEIJING (AP) — Beijing's two in Taiwan. new mayor denied speculation tals were overloaded with check their temperatures twice overwhelmed 21 Beijing hossome patients have suffered SARS. relapses days after doctors declared them recovered.

that raised fears of a wider outbreak.

the highly contagious respira- his predecessor was accused of tory disease was at least 375, mishandling the crisis and been reported in about 20 countries.

SARS announced 166 additional at night. cases of infection. More than half of the new cases were in decisions," he told reporters. Beijing where Mayor Wang Qishan told a news conference: "The panic and fear factor among the general public is a really big issue for us."

reported in Hong Kong and police set up roadblocks to toll of 157, officials were

In Singapore, children must SARS symptoms. that the Chinese capital was now pack thermometers in about to be sealed off, but their school bags along with by a senior Chinese official, admitted Wednesday its hospi- pencils and books so they can Wang said the outbreak had SARS cases. In Hong Kong, a day for early detection of

Chinese officials, earlier there were not enough beds. accused of covering up the Throughout east Asia, 20 extent of SARS, are now bat- at designated hospitals, not all new deaths from severe acute tling rumors that they might respiratory syndrome were impose sweeping authoritarian reported. India reported 10 measures to control the illness ly manner," he said in a written Pune said nine staffers have new SARS cases, a sharp rise that they say has killed 159 people.

> Wang was appointed million people would soon be importance." closed off from the rest of the

present situation."

isolated and martial law on Wednesday.

pitals that have been designat-

"Due to a shortage of berths suspected SARS patients can be hospitalized there in a timestatement distributed at a news conference.

Wang said the SARS out-The global death toll from Beijing mayor last week after break "remains severe" and the number of cases in the city was still high. He described the More than 5,400 cases have quit. He denied the city of 13 coming week as "of critical

Beijing has reported 1,448 China, which reported 11 world or dusted with anti- SARS cases and 8,924 people sealed off last week to contain fatalities, SARS medications by aircraft quarantined. Nine of the new the spread of SARS. Another deaths reported Wednesday in Taipei hospital was evacuated "We haven't made any such China were in the capital."

> A special 1,000-bed SARS and patients quarantined. "There is no issue of sealing isolation unit is under conoff the city, according to the struction north of the city, and patient at a psychiatric hospital Wang said the first 195 Fears that Beijing might be patients were to be moved in

Seven new deaths were declared spread last week after In Hong Kong, with a do th

were struck down by it again.

University of Hong Kong tion since Sunday. microbiologist Malik Peiris causes SARS.

In India, a quarantined more than 2,000 visitors daily. 69 U.S. cents. hospital in the western city of tested positive for SARS bringing the country's caseload to 19, none of them

In Taiwan, the two people whose deaths were reported Wednesday brought the island's toll to three. They had been staying at a hospital for disinfecting and its staff

In Malaysia, a second

check people in vehicles for "very concerned" that 12 peo- died after displaying SARSple earlier diagnosed as having like symptoms. The hospital in get back to normal after the In a rare public admission recovered from SARS later Kuching on the island of World Health Organization Borneo has been keep in isola- lifted a travel advisory that had

In the Philippines, which SARS outbreak. said relapses are "not a good has reported three SARS cases ed for SARS treatment and thing," but they weren't sur- - two fatal - the U.S. sold out a game against the prising given how little is Embassy began screening peo- Texas Rangers on Tuesday known about the virus that ple for the disease. The night by pricing about 34,000

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no longer taking in fugitives. The shooting in Fallujah, 30 miles west of Baghdad, occurred less than 48 hours after gunfire during a demonstration Monday night that hospital officials said killed 13 Iragis.

About 1,000 people marched down the city's main street Wednesday to protest the earlier incident, stopping in front of a battalion headquarters of the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne Division — a former office of Saddam's Baath Party.

American officers at the scene, and U.S. Central Command in Qatar, said U.S soldiers in the compound and in a passing convoy opened fire in response to rock-throwing and

"The evildoers are deliberately placing at risk the good civilians," said Lt. Col. Tobin Green of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment. "These are deliberate actions by the enemy to use the population as cover."

During the march, and for hours afterward, U.S, Apache attack helicopters circled the site, barely skimming the tops

of the tiled-roof minarets of Fallujah's mosques.

Fallujah's mayor, Taha Bedaiwi al-Alwani, said two people were killed and 14 wounded, and he asked for an investigation and compensation for the victims. He added that U.S. soldiers have been asked to stay away from mosques, residential areas and other sensitive places; the Americans agreed to study the request.

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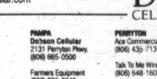
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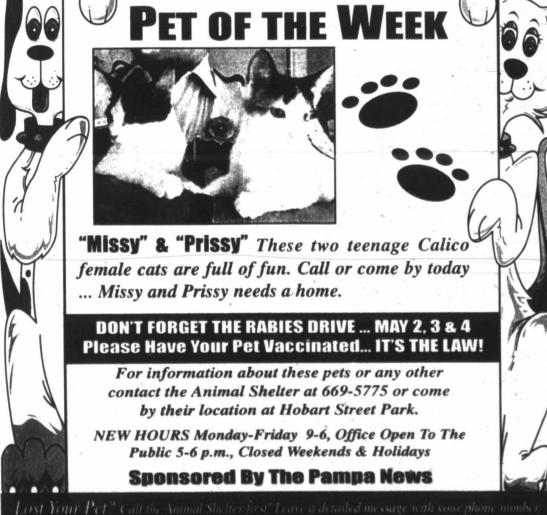
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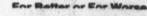
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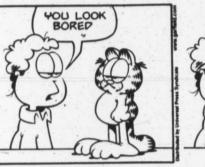








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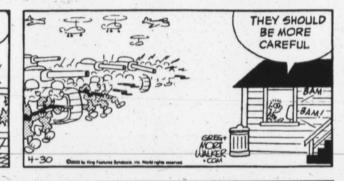






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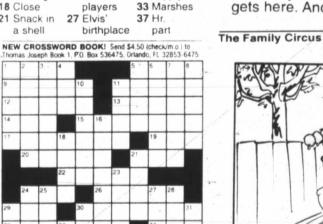




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PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Basketball Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school athletic fieldhouse.

All club members are urged to attend.

PAMPA — Applications are drawing to a close for the Pampa boys head basketball position, left vacant by the resignation of Jerry Schaeffer.

PHS Athletic Director Dennis Cavalier said about 25 application have been received. Applications would probably stop being taken by the end of the week, he added.

Schaeffer completed his fourth season as head coach and guided the Harvesters to their first playoff berth in seven years.

"I hate to see him go," Cavalier said. "He did a magnificent job of getting our basketball program back on track."

Golf

PAMPA - Hidden Hills held a four-man scramble last weekend.

Results are as follows: 1. Elmer Wilson, Travis Johnston John McGuire and Jim Osborne, 64. 2. Bill King, Larry Heard, J.B. Holt and Jim Jenson, 65.

3. Harley Knutson, Morris Driver, Jerry South and Calvin Lacy, 67. 4. Jim Batton, Glen Downs, Jack Davis and Glen Lusk 67

Glo-Valve launches 15-hit attack in Optimist win PAMPA — Glo-Valve the complete game victory. Brett in the bottom of the first, Tye and advanced home on a double got his second hit. Mark Ruth

Stillwagon pitched for DFB. Kade Wilson, pounded out 15 hits while pitcher Heath Skinner Glo-Valve got off to a fast scattered six hits in an 11-3 vic- start as Heath Skinner slammed tory over Duncan, Fraser & a single to left on the second Bridges Insurance Agency last pitch of the first inning. Wilson knocked the next pitch into right Friday in an 11-12 Cal Ripken League game at Optimist Park. field, sending Heath Skinner to Riley had three hits and two third. Hayden Skinner walked RBI. Wilson scored twice on to load the bases. Lane three hits and one RBI. Tye Douglass followed with a sacri-Powell had two hits and a run fice fly to left, which was scored to lead Duncan, Fraser & Bridges in hitting. Craig Comer had a triple and a run scored, Ramirez was credited with an and Brett Powell had a double RBI for the second run of the inning by being hit with a pitch. with a run scored for DFB. Martin Avila and Chad Rushing Heath Skinner allowed only

after a half- inning of play.

pitch and scored on an infield out.

Glo-Valve picked up in the second inning where they left off in the first. With one out, Heath Skinner walked and took second on a wild pitch. Wilson slammed his second hit off the pitcher's glove, sending Heath Skinner to third. Wilson was permitted to take second. Heath dropped to allow all runners to Skinner scooted home on an by Tye Powell in left field, fired advance a base. Freddie infield single by Hayden to Hayden Skinner at second, Skinner, who was allowed to take second on the next pitch. Douglass singled to left to plate Hayden Skinner was forced at both Wilson and Hayden home, but Douglass scored on a Skinner. He continued to sec- in the fourth inning. After wild pitch to make the score 3-0 ond on the attempt to cut off the Conners had rubbed out a Glo-

Service, led by Nick Riley and Powell, Conner and Nathan Powell singled, went to second by Mark Ruth. Ruth scurried on a passed ball, to third on a wild home on Riiley's first single to unsuccessfullly tried to get the give Glo-Valve an 8-1 lead.

Conner opened the bottom of the second for DFB with a triple and scored when Zach Winborn bounced a single off the pitching rubber. Winborn went to second on a wild pitch, but was thrown out at home on Glo-Valve's defensive play of the game. Riley picked up a single who relayed to Wilson, who blocked home plate and made the tag for the third out.

Glo-Valve widened its lead run at the plate. Douglass Valve runner by starting a 1-6-3 Opening Day barbeque and cere-

grounded to the shortstop, who speedy Ramirez at second. Riley stroked his second RBI single of game, sending Ramirez home. Ruth stopped at third, but scored on a wild pitch moments later to up Glo-Valve's lead to 10-2.

A double by Heath Skinner and a single by Wilson provided Glo-Valve its last run in the fifth inning. DFB scored again on a sixth inning double by Brett Powell and two passed balls.

After the first week of play, Glo-Valve stands 2-0. DFB, Rotary Club and Celanese Corporation are tied at 1-1.

The Optimist Official DFB got one of the runs back moved to third on an infield out double play, Freddie Ramirez monies will be held Saturday.

Report: Ford to enter NBA draft

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas sophomore point guard T.J. Ford reportedly plans to leave the Longhorns and enter the NBA draft.

made the other hits for DFB.

one earned run while striking out

12 and walking one to pick up

The All-America player' was expected to announce this week, most likely on Thursday, that he will become available for the draft on June 26, a source close to the team told the Houston Chronicle in Wednesday's edi-

"When you get to where you can't improve your position, you almost have to go," said the source, who spoke on condition of anonymity. "His stock can't get any higher than it is now. You have to support that."

Sources close to the Longhorns program told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and Houston television station KRIV that Ford would hold a news conference to make it official. KRIV reported the news_conference would be

Thursday in Austin.

"He has to go," the Star-Telegram quoted its source as saying. "He's going to be a top-10 pick. After the season he's had, he could only hurt (his standing) by staying another year."

Ford, a former Houston Willowridge High standout, was unavailable for comment. His father, Leo, would not speculate on his son's decision.

"I have no comment whatsoever on that," Leo Ford said Tuesday night.

The elder Ford did not return a telephone call from The Associated Press on Wednesday.

His son said during the season that he was "110 percent sure" he would return for his junior season, but after the season he began hinting that he might leave for the NBA.

"I cannot confirm that for you," Longhorns basketball spokesman Scott McConnell told the AP. "He has not informed us of any decision."

Soccer award winners



(Pampa News photo by Tess Kingcade)

Rampa seniors (from left) Leslie McWilliams, Stefani Goldsmith and Sarah Porter received special awards at the recent soccer awards banquet.



SAN ANTONIO (AP) — and grabbed 17 rebounds for which San Antonio team will show up for Game 6 against Phoenix: the cohesive one that built a 24-point halftime lead the clumsy one that almost ters. squandered it.

The Spurs saw their advantage trimmed to six points with 1:49 left, but Tim Duncan made all six of his free throws in the final minute rebounded them 31-11. and San Antonio held on for a 94-82 win Tuesday night to Antonio take a 3-2 lead in the best-ofseven playoff series.

The next game will be in Phoenix on Thursday.

"There's no way they're taking it." going to lay down for us," said Duncan, who scored 23 points with the performance.

tough all series long. We don't think (Thursday's game) is going to be easy."

Game 5 was easy for the against the Suns in Game 5, or Spurs for the first two quar-

> They shot better than 50 percent from the floor and excelled at the free-throw line. On defense, they allowed the Suns only 10 baskets and out-

"It was really a clinic," San David center Robinson said. "We moved the ball around. We went highlow, we went baseline. We had the size and we just started

Phoenix was impressed

Even the Spurs don't know the Spurs. "They've been come out with a lot of energy," Suns rookie forward Amare stretch to secure the win. Stoudemire said. "Not only did they do that, but they shot the ball well, too."

> That energy seemed to dissipate during the break.

The Suns, who wiped out big leads in their victories in Games 1 and 4, made the second half worth watching. They opened the third quarter with a 19-5 run that cut San Antonio's lead to 59-49, but of baskets to restore their lead

close as 85-79 on a driving concentrate a little bit more." basket by Stephon Marbury.

"We expected them to rienced foul-shooting lapses in rebounds, while Shawn that happen (again)." the series, hit them down the

> Marbury, averaging 25.3 points in the first four games, was scoreless in the first half. He finished with 13 points on 5-for-18 shooting.

The point guard has been bothered by a shoulder injury that makes his right arm numb. He said the ailment made him tentative, but he'll be ready Thursday.

"I'll be all right the next the Spurs put together a string game," he said. "I know the adjustments I have to make.

Marion paced Phoenix with 22 points.

Led by Rose, San Antonio's bench outscored the Phoenix reserves 42-17.

"When our bench plays that strong, it means we're really passing the ball well," said Robinson, who scored 10 points and had nine rebounds.

Rose said the Suns' focus on stopping Duncan created chances for him, and the Spurs will push hard to clinch the series in Phoenix.

to 19 by the end of the period. As far as to be able to shoot this past week that we should expected to play Thursday. ... Phoenix charged again in the ball, I know I have to use have won, but we let it slip Suns coach Frank Johnson the fourth quarter, pulling as my legs a little bit more and away," he said, referring to was called for a technical Game 4, when the Spurs blew foul in the second quarter for Reserve Malik Rose led the a 12-point lead in the fourth arguing with referee Sean

Notes: The Spurs have had the stingiest defense of the 16 playoff teams, holding the Suns to an average of 85.2 points. ... Before the opening tip, NBA deputy commissioner Russ Granik presented San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich with the Red Auerbach Trophy for being the NBA's coach of the year. ... The Spurs' Stephen Jackson strained a tendon in his right ankle and did not "We had a game up there play in the second half. He is

But the Spurs, who have expe- Spurs with 27 points and 13 period. "We're not going to let Corbin. Senators win in overtime; Stars look to even series against Ducks

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The way Roman Cechmanek was stopping shots in overtime, the Ottawa Senators needed a break

Wade Redden scored 6:43 into the extra period, lifting the Senators to a 3-2 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers on Tuesday night.

"It's not always a pretty play that does it." Redden

Cechmanek, coming off a brilliant 33-save performance in a 2-0 road victory Sunday night, stoned Marian Hossa on a breakaway early in overtime. Minutes later, he made another outstanding save on a shot by Karel Rachunek.

But Redden Cechmanek, "flipping a shot from near the left circle that third. slipped inside the near post.

"In overtime, you want to put everything at the net," Redden said. "He-made some great saves. There was some traffic there and obviously he didn't see it."

Ottawa leads the Eastern Conference semifinal series 2-1. Game 4 of the best-ofseven series is Thursday in

In the other NHL playoff game Tuesday, the Vancouver Canucks took the lead in their Western Conference semifinal series with a 3-2 road victory over the Minnesota Wild in Game 3

BASEBALL

The Tampa Bay Lightning will try to even the other East, semifinal 2-2 when they face Cechmanek stopped 24. the New Jersey Devils at home Wednesday night. The Dallas Stars can do the same in the West by beating the Mighty Ducks in Game 4 at Anaheim.

The Senators trailed 2-1 entering the third period, and had been 0-22 in playoff games when trailing after 40 minutes. Philadelphia was 35-0-3 when leading after two periods this season, including 5-0 in the playoffs.

"We can't afford to come back more against this team because they don't give you too many opportunities," said Hossa, who tied it with a power-play goal early in the

Daniel Alfredsson also had a power-power goal for

John LeClair and Sami Kapanen scored for the

"The difference was when it was 2-1, we just weren't able to extend the lead." Flyers coach Ken Hitchcock said. "We had lots of possession time, but we weren't able to generate any second opportunities."

Tony Amonte had a breakaway on Patrick Lalime shortly after Cechmanek stopped net. Rachunek in overtime, but he lost control of the puck going

for a backhander.

Lalime had 20 saves, and

"I'm kicking myself right now," said Amonte, who has just one goal in the playoffs. "I wish I would've just shot it." He's a big goalie, so you think you can get around him, but a shot on net is better than a puck in the corner."

The Senators tied it at 2 on Hossa's fifth goal just 22 seconds into the third. A holding penalty on LeClair late in the second gave Ottawa the power play. Cechmanek lost his stick just before Hossa

"He got tied up somehow. I saw that he was halfway out of the net so I came around," Hossa said.

Kapanen scored his fourth of the playoffs, giving the Flyers a 2-1 lead with 7:14 left in the second. He only had four goals in 28 regular-season games after coming to the Flyers in a trade with Carolina.

Amonte, standing behind the net, took a pass from Marcus Ragnarsson and sent it to Kapanen, who one-timed a shot from inside the left circle. Lalime stopped the shot with his glove, but the puck bounced high in the air, off Lalime's back and into the

LeClair gave the Flyers a 1-0 lead just 4:35 in on his

Atlanta at Houston, 8:05 p.m

second goal of the playoffs Jeremy Roenick set it up with fin the first round last year, a nifty pass to Amonte, who scoring a record-low two great opportunities." slipped and took a shot while on his knees. Lalime stopped Amonte's shot, but LeClair, skating in from the bench, tapped the rebound into an empty net.

Alfredsson tied it at 1 during a four-on-three 1:06 into the second. An interference penalty on Claude Lapointe gave the Senators a power play, and Alfredsson scored 24 seconds later.

goals in five games. Philadelphia played the equivalent of nine games — seven games and seven overtimes - in its first-round victory over Toronto.

Ottawa, which beat the New York Islanders in five games in the opening round, has never advanced past this round, losing twice before.

game went on," Senators second time this season.

The Flyers lost to Ottawa coach Jacques Martin said. "In overtime, we had some

Canucks 3, Wild 2

At St. Paul. Minn... Vancouver scored three power-play goals and Dan Cloutier made 16 saves as Vancouver took a 2-1 series

The Canucks got goals from Brendan Morrison, Ed Jovanovski and Daniel Sedin as the Wild allowed three "We got stronger as the power-play goals for only the

Rangers place Park on disabled list

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) Struggling right-hander Chan Ho Park was placed on the 15-day disabled list Tuesday by the Texas Rangers because of a strained lower

The move was retroactive to Monday, a day after Park (1-3, 7.16 ERA) allowed five runs on four hits and five walks in four innings against the New York Yankees. He threw more balls than strikes (48-44) in the game the Rangers came back to win 10-7 after falling behind 5-4.

The Rangers, who opened a three-game series Tuesday in Toronto, also recalled infielder Mike Lamb from Triple-A Oklahoma and called up infielder Donnie Sadler.

Catcher Chad Kreuter, signed by the Rangers during the offseason to be Park's personal catcher like he had been with the Los Angeles Dodgers in 2000 and 2001, was released Monday. He started only six games, Park's six starts, and hit just .111 (2-for-18) in seven games overall.

Park never went on the disabled list in six-plus seasons with Los Angeles before signing a \$65 million, five-year contract with the Rangers in December 2001. Last season, Park started

the opener and then went on the DL for six weeks with a strained right hamstring. Later in the season, he went on the DL again for two weeks with a blistered finger.

Park has been bothered by

stiffness in his back since the end of spring training, and had the same problem some last season.

Instead of making the team's trip to Toronto and Cleveland, Park stayed in Texas to undergo treatment and receive further evalua-

Park this season lost his first two starts for the first time in his career, and had an 15.88 ERA after allowing 10 runs in just 5 2/3 innings. It is the only time he has ever gone three innings or less in consecutive starts.

The Rangers said Tuesday that Kreuter had cleared waivers and would have 72 hours to accept an outright assignment to Triple-A

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

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10:15 p.m. Thursday's Games Montreal at Milwaukee, 1:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, 1:10 p.m. Cincinnati at Colorado, 3:05 p.m. Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m

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Seattle 6, N.Y. Yankees 0

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Tampa Bay (McClung 2-0) at Minnesota (Radke 1-3), 8:05 Oakland (Mulder 3-1) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 2-3), Thursday's Games

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Unheralded pitcher beats Yankees

By the Associated Press

With all eyes on Hideki Matsui, Ichiro Suzuki and Roger Clemens, an unheralded pitcher stole the show at Yankee Stadium.

Gil Meche took a three-hitter into the eighth and extended his scoreless streak to 16 1-3 innings as the Seattle Mariners beat the New York Yankees 6-0 on Tuesday night.

Suzuki and Matsui, Japan's biggest baseball stars, were both held in check in their first matchup in the major leagues. Clemens (4-1) failed to get his 298th win.

"This is probably the biggest night of my baseball career, here, beating a Hall of Famer," Meche said.

Of course, the game was broadcast live in Japan, starting at 8:05 a.m. local time Wednesday. But Godzilla vs. Ichiro, Japan's premier slugger vs. its best contact hitter, turned out to be a bust.

Suzuki, who in 2001 became the first Japanese nonpitcher to earn a regular job in the majors, was 1-for-5 with a bunt single and scored in the seventh inning.

Matsui, who joined the Yankees this season, was 1-for-4 with a ninth-inning single off Japanese reliever Shigetoshi Hasegawa.

Japanese fans were evident in the crowd of 38,724, and Tshirts with pictures of the two stars were on sale in the stands for \$22.50.

"Usually before an away

game, visiting players don't get cheered," Suzuki said through a translator. "This time, I felt a little strange, awkward, because I felt cheering from the

In other AL games, it was: Oakland 3, Chicago White Sox 2; Texas 16, Toronto 11; Boston 7, Kansas City 2; Anaheim 10, Cleveland 1; Baltimore 11, Detroit 3; and Minnesota 5, Tampa Bay 3.

Bret Boone, Ben Davis and Edgar Martinez homered for Seattle, which has won 12 of its last 13 regular-season games at Yankee Stadium.

Because they played in different leagues, 'Matsui and Suzuki didn't come across each other much in Japan. They spoke briefly - "Just greet each other," according to Matsui, who said the pregame hype wasn't a factor.

Hasegawa didn't want to talk about it, at all. After the game there were signs in his locker saying: "Leave me alone" and "I will not talk about Matsui."

In the first meeting of the season between the division leaders, New York (20-6) lost consecutive games for the first time this year and was shut out for the first time since an 8-0 loss against Oakland last Aug. 10.

Suzuki predicted all Yankees-Mariners games will probably cause a stir. "As far as the Japanese

media is concerned, it isn't going to die down," he said. Meche (3-1) allowed six hits in 7 2-3 innings, striking out four and walking two. Arthur Rhodes and Hasegawa finished with one-hit relief.

New York had homered in 14 straight games. "If I can pitch better than

this, I can't wait for that day," Meche said. Yankees closer Mariano

Rivera, sidelined since spring training with a right groin injury, was activated but did not pitch.

Athletics 3, White Sox 2

At Chicago, Chris Singleton had a pair of RBIs against his old team, and Barry Zito (4-2) outpitched Bartolo Colon (2-2) to lead Oakland to its fifth straight win.

Keith Foulke, facing his former team for the first time since Chicago and Oakland swapped closers in December, pitched a perfect ninth for his seventh

Rangers 16, Blue Jays 11 At Toronto, Juan Gonzalez and Carl Everett each homered twice for Texas.

A crowd of 48,097, the largest since opening day, turned out at SkyDome after the Blue Jays offered \$1 tickets in an effort to show Toronto remains vibrant despite SARS.

Alex Rodriguez and Todd Greene also homered for the Rangers, who have won a franchise-record nine straight against the Blue Jays.

Rodriguez is 9-for-11 with nine RBIs in his last two games. He reached base with a hit for the seventh straight time with his ninth homer of the season in the



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5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; late. Have:

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) be a problem is the manner in which a vacation. friend or associate presents an issue. This LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Tonight: Stick to your budget.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) resolution or do something that might think. Tonight: Go for some closeness. BORN TODAY benefit you. What is it you want? Let SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) someone in charge. Tonight: Just ask.

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attached, be more sensitive to your direction if you so choose. Use your abil- of trouble. Tonight: So what if it's sweetie. September on could be unusual- ity to motivate others to get the job done. Thursday? ly romantic. TAURUS understands you. A partner might not exactly understand AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

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** * * Reach out for others. If you lution, especially concerning your home have been dreaming about going back to and personal life. Not everything is as-*** The New Moon on Monday school, now is the time. You might want you think it is. Tonight: Put your feet up. could charge your finances if you decide to increase your expertise in your field. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

highly imaginative. Use your sources, sion involving a partnership. Even by life, Make a phone call to a sibling. Take *** A New Moon in your sign what you want to do. An emotional or up a storm. encourages the Bull to make a needed financial risk might not be as clear as you

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what you are saying, but he or she could * * * * You can be sure that you're The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll be enthusiastic anyway. Tonight: Work not getting the whole story. Of course, if you walk around with rose-colored glasses on, you might misjudge. Make a reso-

to use the energy properly. What might Trust in your abilities. Tonight: Think *** * How you say what you think might have more to do with how this information is received. You might want person's thinking could be distorted or *** * You will make a needed deci- to pay more attention to this area of your making no decision, you're making a off your rose-colored glasses, and you'll decision. Defer all you want if that is see life in a different way. Tonight: Yip

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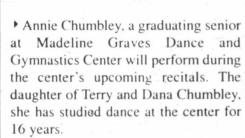
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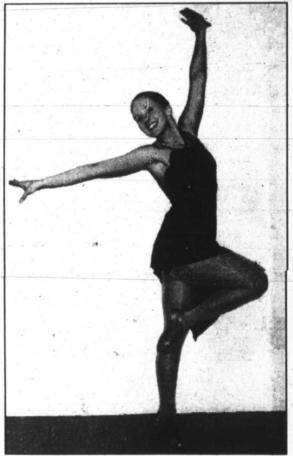
Members of Madeline Graves Dance Company, above, will be performing a jazz routine to "Tonight is What it Means to Be Young" from the movie "Streets of Fire during its 37th annual spring dance recital, entitled this year, "Follies Fever" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 3 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Its spring gymnastics recital will be staged in two segments, one at 6 p.m. and another at 7 p.m., on Friday, May 9, at M.G. Gymnastics Center. The students are taught by Madeline Graves and Shauna Munsell. Above: (front row, leftright) Elysa Clements, Stephanie Ronquillo, Abbey Rios, Danielle Zuniga; (second row 1-r) Klarisse Espiritu-Santo, Jacklyn Cargill, Allison Cooper, Kimberly Curtis; (back row 1-r) Caylee Stewart, Monica Schepp, Lauren Denney, Heather Wiley, Abby Weaver, Angel Villarreal and Jenna Munsell.



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→ Students of Madeline Graves Dance and Gymnastics Center will perform in upcoming recitals. The center's 37th annual spring dance recital will be held at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 3 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Its spring gymnastics recital will be staged in two segments, one at 6 p.m. and another at 7 p.m., on Friday, May 9, at the center. Above: (front row, left-right) Kimberly Curtis, Abbey Rios, Allison Cooper, Monica Schepp; (seond row) Danielle Zuniga, Bethany Strange, Jenna Munsell; (back row) Caylee Steward, Elysa Clements, Lauren Denney, Heather Wiley, Jacklyn Cargill, Klarisse Espiritu-Santo, Ashley Stark, Kylin Sinclair and Jonah Munsell, all contest winners and/or runner-ups.





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Oil company negotiating to end hostage crisis on oil rigs in Nigeria

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) -Oil company officials were negotiating with labor leaders on Wednesday to try to convince Nigerian strikers to release 97 foreign hostages, including 17 Americans, that they are holding aboard oil platforms.

About 100 strikers have prevented the oil workers from leaving four offshore rigs owned by Houston-based Transocean since April 19. The rigs are some 25 miles off the West African nation's coast.

The foreign hostages also included 35 Britons. Another 170 Nigerian workers from other companies were also being prevented from leaving.

The hostage takers have blocked access to helicopter landing pads and docks on the rigs to protest a company decision to use boats instead of helicopters to ferry Nigerian staff from shore. They are also angry over company moves to dismiss five oil union members.

Some of the hostages said they fear their captors will kill them or blow up the rigs if authorities try to free them with armed raids. Their conditions were unclear, although no injuries or deaths had been reported.

"Make no mistake of the danger we're in," one hostage said in an e-mail message read by Jake Molloy, general secretary of the Offshore Industry Liaison Committee, an Aberdeen, Scotland-based labor union that has members among the hostages. "If they have lost everything, they will make sure we lose everything. And that means our lives."

Company officials dismissed reports that any oil workers had been threatened.

The rigs, owned by Houstonbased Transocean, were drilling wells on behalf of oil multinationals Royal/Dutch Shell and TotalFinaElf.

National leaders of Nigeria's

largest oil union, which is not officially supporting the strike, were meeting Wednesday with Transocean executives and the strikers' chosen local union representatives in a bid to end the impasse.

The meeting was being held in Nigeria's commercial capital of Lagos.

"We hope to resolve the problem today," said Elijah Okougbo, deputy secretary-general of the National Union of Petroleum and Natural Gas Workers of Nigeria.

Many of the strikers had signaled a willingness to end the standoff but wanted assurances they wouldn't lose their jobs, Molloy said.

Sabotage and hostage takings by-community activists, labor groups and thugs demanding compensation for land use and alleged envignmental damage are relatively common in the Niger Delta, where nearly all of Nigeria's oil is drilled. Hostages rarely are harmed.

Thirty-one people were allowed to leave two rigs by boat on Monday, Transocean spokesman Guy Cantwell said. Two were Transocean employees, while the others worked for third-party service companies.

A British hostage told his wife early Tuesday that the hostage-takers were threatening to blow up the rigs if anyone tried to storm them, Molloy said.

The woman, whom Molloy declined to identify, said her husband did not believe the strikers had explosives. Molloy did not know if the strikers had guns, although he said some hostages said their captors were armed with firefighting axes.

Cantwell said the 100 striking workers were being served court injunctions. He said the situation was calm and the company hoped to resolve the impasse peacefully.

Art exhibit



(Courtesy photo)

Art students of Kay Crouch will present an exhibit at Lovett Memorial Library from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, May 4. Pictured above are Crouch and Shawn Taylor. Students taking part in the show include Cale Brown, Thomas Rapstine, Michael Landsverk, Daniel Zumstein, Taylor Smith, Kelsey Watson, Mary McKay, Trent Carter, Emily Nicklas, Alex Collins, Rachel Andrews, Elizabeth Terry, Emily Terry, Amber Bradford, Stephen Taylor, Ashley Stucker, Kristen Bivins, Jacee Smith, Rebecca Bartel, Ryan Thompson, Lindsey Thompson and adult students Carol Peet and Rebecca McGivern.

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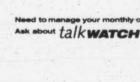


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