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Grand jury hands up indictments

By MARILYN **POWERS** STAFF WRITER

> Gray County Grand Jury returned seven indictments Thursday in 223rd Judicial District Court, according to District Attorney Rick Roach.

47, was indicted for enhanced, on May 28. firearm, of enhanced; arrest with vehicle, enhanced; and possession of a controlled substance, enhanced.

of the first-degree felony and bond for the charge

Pampa feels the chill

Bond on the charge was set at \$6,000. The other two charges are seconddegree felonies, enhanced.

Williams allegedly Williams is accused evaded arrest on June 2,

bond of \$4,000 was set for the charge of possession of a controlled suballegedly had less than one gram of amphetamine in his possession on May 29.

Williams was previ-

Billy Don Williams, of stealing a firearm, was set at \$1,500. A ously convicted of the Camp, 34, was indicted felonies of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle trolled substance. Camp on March 12, 1976, in Dallas County; aggravated robbery on Jan. 12, 1978, in McLennan drocodeinone on Feb. County; burglary of a 11. Bond for the thirdbuilding on Nov. 20, 1984, in Gray County; possession of a controlled substance on July was indicted for posses-8, 1986, in McLennan County; and burglary of stance. Pena allegedly a habitation on Oct. 5,

> County Zachary Lee Mears, 23, was indicted for having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility, a third degree state jail felony charge felony. Mears is accused of possession of a conof possessing marijuana trolled substance. On while in Gray County Jail on Oct. 22, 2002. Bond was set at \$4,000.

for possession of a conallegedly between one and four grams of degree felony was set at

Gustavo Pena Jr., 30, sion of a controlled subpossessed less than one 1989. in Navarro gram of cocaine on July 2. Bond for the state jail felony was set at \$6,000

Juan Antonio Parra, 23. was indicted on a July 2. Parra allegedly possessed less than one gram of cocaine. Bond Michelle was set at \$2,000.

Train-van wreck injures two men

By DEE DEE LARAMORE **EDITOR**

Investigating officers still don't know why a van crashed into a BN&SF train Wednesday afternoon at a railroad crossing east of White Deer.

Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper David O'Brien said Thursday afternoon that he's still waiting to speak to the two men injured in the

One of those men, Daniar Onoz, 26, of

ailroad workers uncoupled the train so that emergency workers could cross over to assist the wrecked van which was on the north side of the tracks. The men had to be extricated from the vehicle.

Amarillo, remained in critical condition Northwest

Texas Hospital in Amarillo late Thursday after being transported there from White Deer

in a LifeStar medical helicopter. The other, Donald Roop, 40, of Amarillo remained in Pampa Regional Medical Center where he was "doing okay." O'Brien said.

Onoz was driving a 2002 Chevrolet Van south on Carson Country Road CC when it collided with a westbound BN&SF train, the trooper said, adding that Roop was a passenger in the van. No one in the train was injured, he said.

The intersection of the caliche road and the train tracks was marked with a railroad crossing stop sign, but did not have cross bars, he said.

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O'Brien said the tracks were completely blocked for approximately 30 to 40 minutes and it took about an hour to an hour and a half to clear the

As of late Thursday, the DPS trooper said he did not know why the Amarillo men were traveling on the Carson County road, nor why the van failed to stop for the train.

"I'm still waiting to talk to the ones involved,"

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EATHER WEATHED

Optimist Club plans Christmas party

LOCAL

Pampa Optimist Club's members Christmas party is set for 6:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 15. Meat is provided. Bring the family and a covered dish or dessert. Musical entertainment will be by Lee Cornelison and Brenda Zedletz

For more information, contact David Teichmann at 665-4242.

DEATHS

Nathan Gilmore, 62, longtime Shamrock area resident. Timothy J. Lewis, 43. Pampa native.

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Kids' shopping tour organizers fear weather may dissuade volunteers

A partially frozen pond off Kentucky Street west of Pampa awaits the area's first sig-

nificant snowfall, forecasted for today. Midmorning temperature in Pampa was 21,

BY JOHN W. WARNER FOR THE NEWS

with north winds and a wind chill of 12.

Final plans have been completed for the 2003 Children's Shopping Tour, which will begin tomorrow at 8 a.m. in the Optimist gym, according to General Chair Trevlyn Pitner.

"We are expecting to take about 125 children shopping tomorrow," Pitner said. "They have been screened and invited by the Salvation Army and the Texas Department of Human Services. They are all between the ages of five and 10. They will not buy presents for themselves, but for members of their families."

Shelly Cook, the volunteer if we have bad weather that it may chair, said, "We have about 130 people who have already confirmed as chaperones. We will need about 200 or 250 to help these children. Last year we had lots of are going to help with registration church groups and youth groups who helped. We are expecting a large group from Miami as well as the Harvester basketball team, the Lady Harvester basketball team. the high school choir, ASTRA, the Energizer Sunday School Class from the First United Methodist Church, and youth groups from First Baptist Church, Calvary Baptist Church and the Catholic Youth Organization." She contin-

reduce the number of our volunteers so we really need everybody to come tomorrow. "I have about 20 volunteers who this year," said John Wagner, who is in charge of registration. "We plan to start registering people

around 7:30 a.m." The project is a joint project between the groups listed above and Pampa Optimist Youth Club, Pampa Kiwanis Club, First Presbyterian Church, Pampa Rotary Club, American Red Cross, First Christian Church, Body of Christ Church, St. Matthews Episcopal Church and others.

President Bush to name HUD deputy to head agency

ued, "We are a little concerned that

WASHINGTON (AP) - Alphonso Jackson, the No. 2 official at the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the last three years, will be nominated by President Bush to lead the agency, officials said

If confirmed, Jackson would succeed Mel Martinez. who has resigned to run for a U.S. Senate seat from

Bush was to announce Jackson's selection at a midafternoon ceremony.

Jackson, former chief of the Dallas Housing Authority and former president of a Texas utility company, was confirmed unanimously by the Senate in 2001 to be deputy secretary of housing. His nomination as secretary would have to be confirmed by the Senate, as

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

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TIMOTHY J. LEWIS 1960-2003

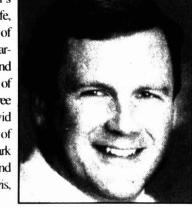
ODESSA — Timothy J. Lewis, 43, died Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at Kermit. Services were held Wednesday, Dec. 10, at Odessa Bible Church with the Rev. Bob Thayer officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Mr. Lewis was born Jan. 13, 1960, at Pampa. He married Jeanette Mims on Oct. 24, 1981, at Odessa. He was self-employed and a member of the NRA. He served as a deacon at Odessa Bible Church where he was very active with AWANA, youth program and music ministry. He was an avid outdoorsman.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents and a niece, Jennifer.

Survivors include his wife, of Odessa; his parents, Ted and Earlene Lewis of Odessa; and three brothers, David M. Lewis of Dallas, and Mark S. Lewis and Stephen A. Lewis,

both of Odessa. The family requests memorials be to Odessa



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City Briefs

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ESTATE SALE December 13, 10a.m. to 6 p.m. Lions Club Building in downtown McLean.. Items added from recently closed estates. Some ques Overflow.

tonight. The forecast today is calling for snow

accumulation of up to 1 to 2 inches, highs in

the upper 20s and northeast winds 10 to 15

mph. Tonight more snow is predicted with

accumulation of up to 1 to 2 inches with a total

of 1 to 3 inches, lows in the lower 20s and

north winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday should see

partly cloudy skies. Highs in the mid 30s. West

winds 5 to 15 mph. Saturday night, partly

cloudy. Lows in the lower 20s. Southwest

winds 5 to 10 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy.

By The Associated Press

Cloudy weather was forecast

for Saturday in much of the

state, with skies expected to

clear up Sunday and tempera-

tures in the 50s and 60s in most

East Texas was forecast to

have cloudy skies and should be

cooler than much of the state

with highs in the lower 40s. A 20

percent chance of rain is forecast

for Saturday, and skies were

expected to clear up Sunday

Along the Texas Coast on

with a high in the mid 50s.

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Jim 669-0468, or Jack 665-7161. Deadline is Dec. 14th.

LETTERS TO Santa!! Knutson 665-4237 or 664-0543 Bring letters by The Pampa News office, 403 W. Atchison, CHRISTMAS SPECIAL 8-5 p.m., or mail to Po Box diamond 1.22 carat Marquise, ters will not be accepted after

> **THERAPY** MASSAGE Special, Christmas gift certificates & essential oils. Call Cathy Potter, 669-0013.

MCLEAN garage sale stuff, lots of half- Club Dance, Sat., Dec. 13th, cle style. Not bulky. Make price items. North Fork Anti- "Plain Country," is playing great gift or for yourself.

VEATHER FOCUS

A snow advisory is in effect today and Highs around 50. Southwest winds 5 to 15

STATEWIDE

Saturday, there will be a 20 per-

cent chance of early morning

showers with winds up to 25

mph. Highs are expected to

reach the mid 60s Saturday and

Sunday. Clouds are expected to

A 40 percent chance of show-

clear along the Coast Sunday.

ers and thunderstorms was fore-

cast for South Texas on

Saturday, along with highs in the

lower 70s. Sunday will be clear

and slightly cooler with highs in

were predicted to reach 55 under

In the Permian Basin, highs

the middle 60s.

NO DANCE Friday Dec.12

PACK-N-MAIL **OPEN** Sat. 13th & 20th, 9-2 p.m. for packing & shipping needs. New shipment of silver jewelry! New location-1320 N. Banks. See our ad in the Feist.

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mph. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the

mid 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Windy. Highs

in the mid 50s. Monday night, mostly cloudy

with a 20 percent chance of light snow. Windy.

Lows in the mid 20s. Tuesday, partly cloudy.

Windy. Cooler. Highs in the upper 30s.

Tuesday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the

lower 20s. Wednesday, mostly sunny. Highs in

the lower 50s. Wednesday night, mostly clear.

Lows in the lower 30s. Thursday, mostly

middle 60s.

partly cloudy skies. Clouds were

expected to remain Sunday with

temperatures warming to the

to see sunshine and highs in the

middle to upper 50s all week-

to be much cooler than the rest

of the state with highs in the

middle to upper 30s under partly

cloudy skies. Temperatures were

expected to warm up to the

lower 50s on Sunday, also under

partly cloudy skies.

Far West Texas was expected

The Panhandle was expected

sunny. Highs in the upper 50s.

NATHAN GILMORE

1941-2003

Nathan Gilmore, 62, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2003, at Pampa. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean with Joe G. Jernigan, pastor of Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, officiating. Burial will be of Murray, Utah, and Devena Phillips of under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors Pampa; and a brother, Truman Gilmore of of Shamrock.

Mr. Gilmore was born Oct. 28, 1941, at Albuquerque, N.M., to Dorsey and Majel Emler Gilmore. Raised in the Shamrock area, he moved to Pampa in 2003.

Survivors include two sisters, Dorothy Frost Shamrock.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Wednesday, Dec. 10

Assault was reported at Pampa Middle School, 2401 N. Charles. No injuries were

Child welfare concern was reported in the 1100 block of Duncan.

Thursday, Dec. 11

Criminal mischief under \$50 was reported in the 700 block of North Banks. A door of a home was kicked in to gain entry. It is unknown if anything was taken or if entry was actually made.

Assault was reported in the 1600 block of North Hobart. Minor injuries were reported.

A white female juvenile, age 14, was reported as a runaway from an address in the 1900 block of Grape. The subject has been entered in the Texas Crime Information Computer and the National Crime Information Computer as a runaway.

Charles Mathis Ashley, 55, 713 Malone. was arrested for public intoxication.

Russell Lance Whitehead, 43, 705 N. Gray, was arrested for two warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection, and two warrants for failure to appear.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Dec. 10

12:40 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th. No transport.

1:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

5:14 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and Farm to Market 2386 and transported a patient to PRMC.

7:55 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Perry and transported a patient to PRMC.

Thursday, Dec. 11

9:36 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

5:33 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of West Brown and transported a patient to PRMC.

SHERIFF

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

Thursday, Dec. 11

Alicia Deann Lunceford, 23, 321 E. Brown, was arrested for failure to identify/fugitive and capias pro fines for expired vehicle registration and no insurance.

Marvin Monrow Finney III, 28, Lefors, was arrested for capias pro fines for running a stop sign and failure to appear.

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following motor vehicle accident.

Thursday, Dec. 11

3:10 p.m. - A 1996 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Kenneth Edward Miller, 39, Lefors, and a 2000 Toyota Camry driven by Sherwynn Callaway McCall, 57, 1111 E. Harvester, were in collision in the 100 block of North Cuyler. No citations were issued.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following call during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Dec. 10

3:11 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to a hazardous material spill in the 600 block of Kingsmill. Firefighters cleaned up a half gallon of oil spilled in the street.

Thursday, Nov. 11

9:09 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to 1 Medical Plaza on a standby for LifeStar helicopter.

10:12 p.m. – Two units and five firefighters responded to Walnut Creek on a natural gas break. The firefighters isolated the leak and stoodby until officials from West Texas Gas arrived.

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Woman jailed on abuse charges again wins custody of her six other children

Southeast Texas woman convicted of beating her 14-yearold son has again won custody of her six other children.

Catherine Kegg and her husband were accused of using a 1-by-4 board to strike the boy more than 60 times on Dec. 10, 2001.

Visiting state District Judge David Dunn drew fierce criticism in June when he first awarded custody of the children, all under age 7, now living with relatives' in

Kegg, who had served eight months of a two-year sentence for injuring her child, was arrested on parole violations a day before the family was to be reunited. She was accused of issuing a bad check for an anger management class and failing to

HOUSTON (AP) — A attend the course. Authorities also said she left the state without permission.

Dunn decided on Dec. 4 to grant Kegg's request to oversee the children with the state after a jury decided that terminating her parental rights was not in the children's best inter-

paroled again on Jan. 16, and the children will be returned to her over the next six months after she finds a home to Kegg. Her seventh child is and a job. She also must find an adult to supervise her until her parole ends in April.

said authorities have conspired to keep his client away from her children by arresting her on flimsy charges.

"But now a jury has clearly spoken and said these children should be returned to their mother," he told the Houston Chronicle for a Friday story.

Children's Protective Services had wanted the jury

to clear the way for the state to place the children up for adoption.

Robert Conlon, the attorney for Children's Protective Services, said Dunn's ruling means Kegg has full parental rights and the state is not required to do any monitoring. He said he has never seen the court grant such an arrangement in a child abuse case, adding that the agency is strongly considering an appeal.

Kegg's husband, Jack Minnesota in 1997.

She is scheduled to be

Kegg's attorney, Ed Lieck,

Anthony "Kindle" Kegg, is serving a two-year sentence for helping his wife beat Tyler. He was previously convicted of malicious punishment of the same child in

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(Courtesy photo)

Ronnie Holmes and Kayla Pursley look over a script for ACT I's next comedy production "The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild". Holmes has agreed to play the role of Carroll Chatham, the local butcher, who also helps in Mildred's movie fantasies, including playing Butterfly McQueen to Mildred's Scarlet O'Hara. A second round of auditions will be Monday, Dec. 15 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the theater on the west side of Pampa Mall. Pursley is directing and still needs to fill one male and two female roles. For more information call 663-0559.

ACT I sets second round of auditions

Area Community Theater, their hardboiled landlady; or volunteered to choreograph the Inc. (ACT I) plans a second the foreman of the wrecking soft shoe numbers." audition for its next play "The crew - Mildred meets each cri-Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild" sis with a hilarious fantasy experience is necessary to join on Monday, Dec. 15, from 7 to scene drawn from her lode of in the fun. Rehearsals will 8 p.m. at their location on the old movies. west side of Pampa Mall.

"This is our second round of play several roles plus a little 28 and March 5-6. auditions," said Kayla Pursley, singing and dancing," says director. "We still have open- Pursley. "I'm so pleased to read the script call Pursley at ings for one man, age 50-70 announce Madeline Graves has 663-0559. (needs to be bald or willing to wear a bald pate) and two female roles, Sister Cecilia and Miss Manley, a television reporter."

The comedy takes place in the tiny living quarters behind the Greenwich Village candy store where Mildred Wild lives with her husband, crowded with her 40 year collection of movie magazines. Mildred has virtually escaped from reality into a dream world conjured up by the 3,000 movies she has eagerly devoured over the years. And when the outside world does intrude - via her husband; his meddling sister;

Former chief agrees to accept subpoena

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas' former police chief has agreed to accept a subpoena next week after city marshals said he had dodged them for weeks.

Terrell Bolton, who was fired as the city's top cop in August, has been subpoenaed by an attorney for a former police officer to testify in a Dec. 18 employment hearing. Bolton's attorney, Bob Hinton, said his client will accept the subpoena on Tuesday.

Documents show city marshals visited Bolton's house a half-dozen times in November and mailed him a copy of the subpoena.

"We have made numerous visits to his home on weekdays. weekends and at various times of the day. When we ring the bell, the occupants lower the TV but will not answer the door," City Marshal Joseph Polino wrote in a Dec. 3 e-mail to Assistant City Manager Charles Daniels.

Bolton was out of town for much of the month and was not avoiding the marshals, Hinton told The Dallas Morning News for a Friday story.



Dec. 12 13 shopping days to Christmas

The director assures that no begin after the first of the year. "Actors will get a chance to Performance dates are Feb. 27-

For more information or to

Pentagon probe finds overcharging, other problems with Cheney's former company

has found Vice President Dick Cheney's former company may have overcharged the Army by \$1.09 per gallon for nearly 57 million gallons of gasoline delivered to citizens in Iraq, senior defense officials say.

Auditors found potential overcharges of up to \$61 million for gasoline that a Halliburton subsidiary delivered as part of its no-bid contract to help rebuild Iraq's oil industry.

But the company apparently didn't profit from the discrepancy, according to officials who briefed reporters Thursday on condition of anonymity. The problem, the officials said, was that Halliburton may have paid a Kuwaiti subcontractor too much for the gasoline in the first place.

A Halliburton statement released Thursday said the Kuwaiti company was the only one that met the Army Corps of Engineers' specifications. "Halliburton only makes a few cents on the dollar when fuel is delivered from Kuwait to Iraq," the statement read.

The Pentagon officials said Halliburton's Kellogg, Brown & Root subsidiary also submitted a proposal for cafeteria services that was \$67 million too high. The officials said the Pentagon rejected it.

The defense officials said they had no reason to believe the problems were anything other than "stupid mistakes" by Halliburton. They said the company and the Pentagon were negotiating a possible settlement of the matter, which could include repayment by Halliburton.

In the statement Thursday, Halliburton chairman, president and CEO Dave Lesar said, "We welcome a thorough review of any and all of our government contracts."

News of the problems came as President Bush worked to justify his decision to limit \$18.6 billion in Iraq reconstruction contracts to companies from the United States or countries that supported the war. The move angered gov-

WASHINGTON (AP) - A Pentagon audit ernments whose firms were cut out of the bidding process, including Canada, France, Germany and Russia.

> Many Democrats also have criticized the Halliburton contracts, suggesting they were a political payoff for a company with strong ties to the GOP and whose executives gave generously to the Bush campaign.

> Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., called Thursday for Senate hearings on the Pentagon's findings.

> "I have long been troubled by the continued growth of the Pentagon's no-bid contract with Halliburton, and the delay in the Pentagon's promise to compete this contract competitively," Lautenberg wrote to Senate Government Affairs Committee Chairwoman Susan Collins, R-Maine.

> Cheney and Pentagon officials deny any political motive for awarding the no-bid contracts to KBR, which has a long-standing relationship with the military as a major Pentagon contractor.

Routine audits by the Defense Contract Audit Agency uncovered the problems.

Pentagon officials said they were concerned about problems with KBR's contracts, which were awarded without competitive bidding for up to \$15.6 billion for rebuilding Iraq's oil infrastructure and assisting U.S. troops there. About \$5 billion has been spent or is obligated to be spent on those contracts so far.

"Contractor improprieties and/or contract mischarging on department contracts will neither be condoned nor allowed to continue," said Dov Zakheim, the Pentagon's budget

The defense officials, who are involved in the audit of the contracts, said the Pentagon was negotiating with KBR over how to resolve the fuel-pricing issue. They declined to name the Kuwaiti subcontractor that provided the fuel, saying that company may not have been notified of the inquiry's findings.



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Chretien steps down as Canada's PM after 10 years

OTTAWA (AP) — Jean Chretien said he was proud of his decade in office as Canada's often combative prime minister prepared to give way Friday to Paul Martin, a conservative former finance minister who has pledged to seek smoother ties with the United States despite strains over Iraq.

Martin, who was being sworn in as prime minister on Friday, has been a powerful figure for years in the governing Liberal Party and overwhelmingly won a leadership election after Chretien announced his retirement plans earlier this year.

Chretien, raised in a Quebec mill town, was one of the longest-serving heads of government among major Western officials. nations. He enjoyed a warm friendship with former President him on Thursday to congratulate

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Osbourne fractured his left

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Clinton, but relations with the him on his career, express thanks er this year by refusing to con-Bush administration have been tense due to Canada's refusal to join the war in Iraq.

Martin, considered slightly more conservative than Chretien on some issues, has expressed interest in improving ties with Washington, for example by forming a Cabinet-level committee dedicated to Canadian-U.S. relations.

However, he spoke critically this week of President Bush's plan to exclude countries outside the U.S.-led coalition from bidding on lucrative rebuilding contracts in Iraq. Bush's decision was "difficult to fathom," said Martin, indicating he would raise the issue with American

Chretien said Bush called

Report: Ozzy quit breathing after crash

Park Hospital in Slough, west

of London. The hospital's med-

ical director has said he expects

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LONDON (AP) — Ozzy in intensive care at Wexham

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newspaper quoted his wife as Sabbath" star to make a steady

for Canada's deployment of troops in Afghanistan and suggest that there might be some flexibility regarding the contract

"He was basically telling me not to worry," Chretien told reporters Thursday after his last Cabinet meeting in Ottawa, the capital.

Chretien, who was sworn in as prime minister in 1993 and turns 70 in January, had planned to retire in February but agreed to leave earlier after pressure from Martin, Liberal Party members and opposition par-

"We had a good kick at the can," Chretien said. "We are proud of what we have done col-

Chretien angered Bush earli-

whether her husband would

there hasn't been any lasting

damage, but until Ozzy can

actually come round and get off

the ventilator and then they will

know," she was quoted as say-

"The doctors are hoping

have any long-term effects.

tribute Canadian forces to the Iraq war, prompting the U.S. president to cancel a planned visit to Ottawa in May. Bush over his unilateral policies; calling the president a "moron."

Bush and Martin could hold their first official meeting at the Summit of the Americas in Mexico in January. Iraq might not be the only contentious Previously, some of Chretien's topic; though the two nations are subordinates publicly ridiculed the world's largest trading partners, they have long-standing one aide was dismissed after trade disputes over lumber and other commodities.

On the domestic front, Martin, 65, is a fiscal conservative credited with balancing Canada's budget during his nine years as finance minister. He is expected to call for national elections early next year and would be the favorite to win a full five-year term over any opposition candidate.



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will be just part of the overall selection which will free.

AMARILLO - On Dec. include wildlife art, historiitems, jewelry, and Native American and military

> "These items you simply can't find every day," Hill said. "And even if you could, you certainly couldn't find them all together in one place at one time like

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RELIGION

Restored, moved St. Anthony shrine stirs faithful

By NICOLE FOY SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS

to the little church of her childhood, the sacred spot that nurtured her family and her faith. When the pinewood planks creaked beneath her now-unsteady feet, the memories came flooding church fell into disrepair. back.

pulled from her purse faded pictures of a smiling young bride and her groom on their wedding day more than 50 years ago.

And there in the background it stands: the 5today on the altar pedestal of the newly restored Adoration Chapel.

choir right up there," Castano said, pointing at joined Archbishop Patrick Flores and hundreds the small wooden choir loft in the back of the of onlookers for a rededication ceremony at the chapel. "This is where some of the happiest chapel.

moments of my life took place. I just can't believe that I'm standing here again."

SAN ANTONIO — Sara Castano returned Heights area, closed in 1957, when the present St. Anthony of Padua Parish church opened.

Over the years, the shrine's white stucco walls began crumbling and the mission-style dows.

The 75-year-old's eyes glistened as she Anthony, the nuns who own the shrine, began a campaign to restore it.

More than a year ago, the fragile building was moved two blocks north off Lorenz Drive and a meticulous restoration effort began to foot-high statue of St. Anthony, just as it looks transform it into a Eucharistic adoration chapel for St. Anthony Parish.

Father Pat O'Shea, pastor of the parish, "I married here and I learned to sing in the helped oversee the project. And on Saturday he

who took their first communions and were bap-The shrine, in what is now the Lincoln tized inside the shrine. Before the ceremony, many stood or knelt silently near the altar. Others gazed almost in disbelief at the vibrantly restored green-and-purple stained glass win-

"It takes your breath away," Hercilia Garcia Then, in 2001, the Missionary Servants of St. whispered to her sister-in-law, Teresa Gomez.

Both women were married at the church about 40 years ago and hadn't set foot in it for about 30 years.

When Castano pulled out her wedding photographs, the three women huddled around them, giggling like schoolgirls over their marriage

"Oh, look, that's Father Wagner! Look how young he is!" Garcia said, pointing at Castano's wedding day pictures.

After Castano's wedding, she and her husband moved in with her parents, who lived in

It was an emotional homecoming for many one of the Cementville cottages the nearby cement company rented to workers for about \$12.25 a month.

> In the shadow of the San Antonio Portland Cement Co. (later Alamo Cement), the small shrine served as the spiritual center for generations of workers and their families.

> The chapel's transformation stands as a testament to those who never gave up hope it would one day be restored, campaign officials said.

> In a letter to parishioners and supporters, Sr. Mary Ann Domagalski said the shrine's history could be a lesson for others.

> "When one thinks of the brokenness, cracks and unstabilization in the lives or relationships in families, churches, societies and the world, one can always visually remember the renovation of the Little Shrine as a symbol of hope,"

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World would be dark without Christ

There is a strange old legend of a world that grew colorless in a single night. The clouds became lifeless, spongy vapors. The waves turned pale and motionless. The fire fled from the diamond and light from every gem. The world turned into a sculptor's world and all was animated stone. Those that dwelt upon it were saddened and bewildered at the change and never ceased to mourn for the beautiful tints of flowers and grasses and the vanished hues of the sunset clouds. All nature was in mourning and wore a leaden-colored robe.



Minister's Musings

JIMMY FLYNN, PHD CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

nor the sun. The world had passed into eclipse - into the Savior? The bright scene will shadow of death.

ble, it suggests to us a picture dark curtain of the thought of of the world without the Christmas Christ. What a dark, dead, dismal world this would thought. Job had it. He saw be. What an awful world it man a sinner and asked how it would be if in total eclipse of a was possible for him to be jus-Nevermore should diamonds Christ-less condition. What if tified before God. The apostle sparkle nor rubies shine nor there had been no Savior? We John had it and said he that world. Lost! dewdrops glisten in the morn-celebrate the day of Christ's believeth not is condemned ing light. Nevermore should birth - Christmas - the glad- already. The writer of the epis- the Christmas message, the there be a rainbow on the dest, brightest, happiest day of the to the Romans had it when cloud or silver in the falling all the year. But will it not be he told of the awful sins of raindrops. The expanse of lake all the happier if we prepare men and added that God or ocean should nevermore for it by at least a little time would render to every man Christ, let Him be your reflect a blue heaven, the stars thinking of what the world according to his deeds. The Savior?

would be if there had been no be all the brighter for having This old legend is a para- in the background this heavy, a Christ-less world.

Others have had this

apostle Paul had it when he told the Ephesian Christians that before they had been quickened by Christ they were "dead in trespasses and in sin." A Christ-less world! If there had been no Savior! No eclipse could be so dark as that.

1. It would mean a heathen world. Read pagan history.

2. It would mean a hopeless world. Christ put hope into the world. Christmas day has well been called the birth day of

3. It would mean a paralyzed world, for where there is no hope there is no action.

4. It would mean a lost

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abuse to say Mass publicly.

Dan Bartley, co-chairman of

Voice of the Faithful, said while

the scheduled Jan. 19 meeting

between the bishop and priests is

"a great thing," he still believes

steadfastly refusing to allow its

members to meet on any church

percent of our members go to

Mass weekly and 34 percent

attend Mass daily," Bartley

-said. "These are the people who

have been banned. We are not

the enemy. If we're the enemy,

then we're all in lots of trou-

"A recent survey showed 92

The bishop has kept Voice of

Murphy should step down.

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Dalana Barsanti Gospel singer to appear at Briarwood Church

vocalist Dalana Barsanti at in Fort Worth. She has also 10:45 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 14.

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Rushing Wind Emmaus Community is meeting Saturday, Dec. 13, at St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 100 Amaryliss St, between Borger and Fritch on Hwy. 136. A covered dish fellowship begins at 6 p.m., followed with worship at 7 p.m. Nursery is provided. Persons interested in Walk to

Emmaus are welcome to attend. First Methodist to present

First United Methodist Church of Pampa will present its 2003 Christmas musical on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. The cantata, "A Thrill of Hope," features soloists, narration and pageantry. It will be presented by the youth and

'A Thrill of Hope" Dec. 14

adult choirs. The public is invited to join the congregation in this celebration of Jesus' birth.

Episcopal leader: Church will resolve crisis

head of the Episcopal Church says the denomination will resolve internal divisions over seas Anglican leaders.

Some U.S. conservatives who are opposed to ordaining ers. gays are building a separate network of Episcopal churches and are appealing to Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams to

NEW YORK (AP) - The provide direct oversight for

Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold sent a letter last Friday, the consecration of its first to American bishops saying that, openly gay bishop without together, they will devise a plan direct intervention from over- providing alternative church leadership for dissenting congregations - not Williams or oth-

> A draft will be considered at the U.S. bishops' next meeting in March.

"I have been in consultation with the archbishop (Williams), and in a conversation earlier this week he made it clear that the responsibility for working out a form of extended episcopal ministry lies within our province," Griswold said.

Williams is the spiritual leader of the 77-million-member Anglican Communion, which is represented in the United States by the Episcopal Church.

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N.Y. (AP) — Nearly two years tinues to call for Murphy's resiginto the clergy sex abuse crisis, nation from the Diocese of sixth-largest Catholic diocese, the Long Island chapter of the Roman Catholic Bishop William Rockville Centre. And a leading child welfare trust and criticism over how he advocate, whom Murphy had has dealt with accused priests in his Long Island diocese and else- addressing the abuse issue, has

recruited for a diocesan team joined in.

The local chapter of the lay cerns about the situation, Murphy is planning to meet next month will all 400 of his priests. But a spokeswoman for Murphy said the bishop has no intention of resigning.

"Of course, he's concerned for the diocese and he's concerned that people have raised objections to him," Joanne Novarro said. "He continues to be out there in the parishes and the bishop is still participating in diocesan works. He thinks the meeting with the priests is a positive step."

Overshadowed in public per-

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, group Voice of the Faithful con- Los Angeles and New York, Rockville Centre is the nation's with 1.5 million parishioners.

Long Island bishop dogged by sex abuse crisis

Murphy became head of the diocese more than two years ago, following a long tenure as the top aide to disgraced Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston, where Seeking to allay clergy con- the abuse crisis began. Murphy the Faithful at arm's length, was called this year to testify before a Massachusetts grand jury investigating whether church leaders violated state law by sheltering abusive priests. No charges were filed.

Last February, a Suffolk County grand jury concluded the Rockville Centre Diocese repeatedly protected and transferred alleged abusers, but filed no indictments because the statute ble." of limitations had expired.

Murphy was not implicated in the report, which dealt with cases before his arrival on Long Island, but has been criticized for allow-

A committee of four priests, who said they represented another "small group of priests," wrote to Murphy seeking next month's meeting. They cited "a general malaise and even an abiding anger" in the diocese.

> The priests said they "perceive a fairly widespread dissatisfaction with the way you have related to some clergy and laity and we sense a certain lack of confidence in your pastoral leadership."

> The priests also noted the shortfall in donations to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, the diocese's main fund-raiser. The diocese set a goal of \$15 million, but Novarro conceded that pledges total just over \$9 million with only weeks before the end of the campaign.



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Israel vice premier speaks out

By LAURIE COPANS ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

JERUSALEM (AP) - If the Palestinians do not act against their militant groups, Israel will dismantle some Jewish settlements and draw a border around the rest in a "comprehensive" far short of the Palestinian step" that may fundamentally change the situation in the Middle East, Israel's vice premier told The Israel captured in the 1967 Associated Press.

In violence early Friday, Palestinian gunmen ambushed an Israeli car, wounding seven passengers, two seriously, in the West Bank city of Nablus, the military said. The ultra-Orthodox Jews had been praying at a holy site where Jews believe the biblical Joseph is buried.

Israel abandoned the site in October 2000, at the beginning of three years of violence, and banned Israelis from going there. Soldiers were sent to recover the wounded.

Vice Premier Ehud Olmert, acknowledging his thinking is along the lines of that of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, told AP Thursday that Israel will impose its own solution without a peace agreement unless the Palestinians finally move against "terror organizations."

Israel, Olmert said, will of time," Olmert said. have to remove a "considerable" number settlements in the West Bank and Gaza and draw a border around the rest to bring about a separation between the Israelis and Palestinians.

Olmert's proposal falls demand for a state in all of the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem, areas Mideast war. Palestinians fear they will end up with much less land than in a negotiated agree-

Without a peace deal, "the fire will burn, the terror will grow," Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia warned in an interview with the Israeli daily Maariv newspaper published Thursday. It would be "a terrible mistake to try to impose a solution on us by force," he said.

But Olmert said it is up to the Palestinians to decide whether they want to negotiate an agreement.

"If they are unable to go ahead and unwilling to fight terror organizations, then there will be a unilateral, comprehensive step taken by the state of Israel and I think that may indeed change fundamentally the situation in the Middle East for a considerable amount

"If there is no agreement, I believe it is incumbent on Israel to take unilateral steps and to create a unilateral separation between us and the Palestinians," said Olmert, a Sharon confidant.

In the most detailed outline yet of a go-it-alone plan, Olmert said "it will be a lot different from the reality that exists today" and most Palestinians would no longer live under Israeli

Israel, he said, will "definitely" not withdraw to the 1967 lines, and will keep united city Jerusalem."

"A considerable amount of settlements and a considerable number of people will have to move into different areas," Olmert said.

A removal of settlements would be a dramatic departure for Sharon, who has been the settler movement's leading patron for a quarter century.

But Sharon has spoken repeatedly about possible unilateral moves, and was to deliver a major policy speech at a conference on national security next week.

"It is an entire policy that is being-planned," said Uzi Arad, the conference organizer and former security adviser to ex-premier Benjamin Netanyahu.

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Felony charges brought against two men accused of running spamming operation

STERLING, Va. (AP) — Using the nation's toughest anti-spam law for the first time, Virginia prosecutors have gained felony indictments against two men that used the America Online prosecution of the case to accused of sending thousands of unsolicited e-mail pitches for investments, software and other products.

Prosecutors said Thursday that an alias of one of the defendants, Jeremy Jaynes, is listed as one of the world's 10 biggest spammers spamhaus.org, a group that tabulates complaints reported to Internet service providers.

The indictments, returned Monday by a grand jury in Loudoun County, Va., are based on Virginia's anti-spam law, which took effect July 1. Prosecutors said it's the first time spamming has brought er crime unit in Kilgore's felony charges.

Jaynes, 29, who uses the aliases of Jeremy James and Gaven Stubberfield, and Richard Rutowski each face four counts of transmission of unsolicited bulk electronic mail. Each count carries up or forged electronic mail

to five years in prison.

Virginia Attorney General Jerry W. Kilgore said the North Carolina men ran a massive spamming operation ceal their identities elevated computer network, which is headquartered in Loudoun County. AOL is a major reason more than half the world's Internet traffic passes through

"This was a very profitable business for these two individuals," Kilgore said, but investigators declined to say how much income they believe the scheme generated.

spam included "penny-picker stock schemes, mortgage interest rate ads and an Internet history eraser," said Lisa Hicks-Thomas, director of Virginia's computoffice.

Between July 11 and Aug. 11, more than 100,000 complaints about spam messages linked to the two men were reported, Kilgore said.

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High Plains Art show in offing

MIAMI — Organizers of from \$250 to \$10. the Third High Plains Art Festival are currently seeking entries for the show slated Jan. 8-20. Roberts County Museum in Miami will host the event.

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The awards ceremony will be from 5-6 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 24, at the museum. A wine and cheese reception will follow at the home of the Philpotts', located caddy-corner from the museum.

Each artist may enter one piece. Any type of visual art is acceptable. Framing is only required for adult entries which must also be ready to

Entry fees are \$5 for youth 18 and under and \$10 for

Five-hundred dollars will be awarded best of show. Lesser awards will be bestowed upon winners in individual categories, ranging

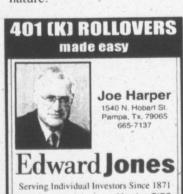
To enter or for more information, contact the museum at (806) 868-3291, call (806) 868-2094 or seth@Wildsteps.com. Deadline for entries is Dec.

by Michael Grauer, curator of Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon.

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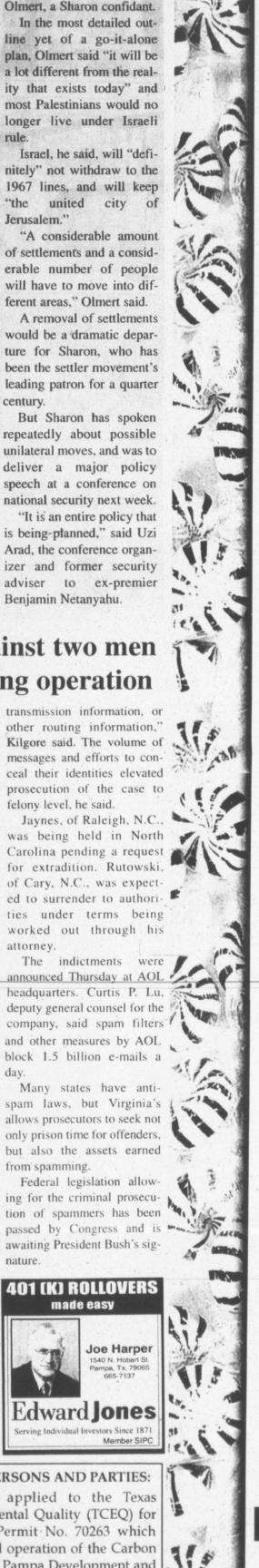


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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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FRIDAY - December 12, 2003

DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Boyfriend's Angry Threats Must Be Taken Seriously

DEAR ABBY: I am a 16-year-old girl with a problem I can't talk to anyone about. I have been with my boyfriend, "Jon," for about five months. He has always been kind of jealous and controlling. Recently my parents told me I couldn't see him anymore.

Jon became furious when I told him how my parents feel, and now he's talking about killing them so we can be together. I know he is serious. I really love Jon. He is the first

boy who has shown an interest in me.

My parents and I have always had a great relationship and my mom is like my best friend. I totally don't want to see them get hurt. I don't know what to do. I can't tell my parents and I can't tell the police. I have tried to talk Jon out of it, and tell him they will learn to accept him over time. He just gets mad and says I am taking their side. Please tell me what to do.

ANONYMOUS IN FORT MYERS, FLA.

DEAR ANONYMOUS: I hope your sense of self-preservation is stronger than your sense of family loyalty. The boy you are involved with appears to have serious mental problems. He desperately needs psychological evaluation and counseling. Unless you do something now, Jon could talk himself into doing something to your parents — and you will be an accessory because you knew it was going to happen and did nothing.

I urge you to warn your parents about Jon's threats, so they can protect themselves — and you. As much as you may love him, you cannot reason with someone who is irrational and possibly homicidal.

P.S. Do not allow Jon to make you feel guilty for wanting to protect your parents. Your first responsibility is the safety of your family. So please don't wait. Tell them now. A good way to begin would be to clip this letter, hand it to them and tell them that you wrote it.

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The Family Circus

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "George" for nine months. Since the day I met him, I knew he was a little odd, but that was one of the qualities that first attracted me to him.

In the last three months, his behavior has become worse. He is now homeless, penniless, jobless, and has problems with alcohol and depression. He was recently diagnosed with schizophrenia.

I love George dearly, but my role in his life has switched from girlfriend to caregiver/provider. I am not sure what to do. He refuses to get help but is stuck to me like a lost child. How can I save his and my life before it is too late?

DESPERATE IN NEW YORK

DEAR DESPERATE: True lovers must also be true friends, and right now George desperately needs one.

Tell him, as a concerned friend, that because you love him, he must get professional help.

If he doesn't have money, he can still find help in New York in a number of places. One of the large academic hospitals might be the place to start.

In any meaningful relationship, both people involved switch caregiving roles at various times. This is called "nurturing." But being made to feel obligated beyond affection is entrapment — and that you must avoid.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Abby shares more than 100 of her favorite recipes in two booklets: "Abby's Favorite Recipes" and "More Favorite Recipes by Dear Abby." Send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$10 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby — Cookbooklet Set, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included in price.)

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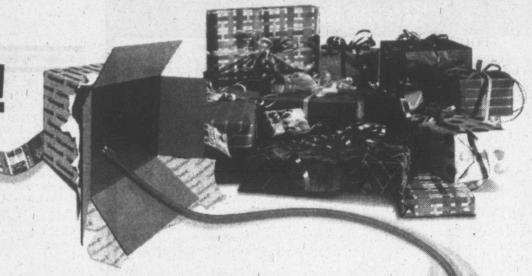
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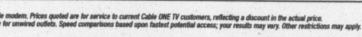
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SPORTS

The puzzling 49ers take on the ex-Bungles

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — There will be a Coaches meeting Sat. Dec. 14 at 2:00 p.m at the Optimist Club for 3rd &4th and 5th & 6th grade Boys Basketball.

Anyone interested in coaching is urged attend.Sign-ups will Dec.16,17 & 18 From 6:00 to 8:00 at the Optimist Gym.

SOFTBALL

AMARILLO - There will be a meeting of current and prospective umpires for the 2004 High School Girls Softball season Wednesday, starting at 7 p.m. in the Kids Inc. Warehouse, located at 2201 East. 27th.

All interested parties should attend this meeting. If you know other persons wanting to become an umpire, please invite them to the meeting.

For questions, call Kevin Cotter at (806) 499-

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — The City of Recreation Department will be sponsoring men's and women's adult volleyball league. Men's and women's 4 x 4 (four players on each team) divisions will be offered. Players must be 14 years old to participate.

Entry deadline will be Jan. 14 at 5 p.m., and the season will begin the week of Jan. 19, 2004.

Entry fee (sponsor's fee) is \$100 and player's fee is \$10 per player with a mini-

mum of five players). Roster forms, fact sheets and league by-laws are available at the Recreation Office at City Hall, Room 204. For more information, please call 669-5740 betweeen 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

By DAVE GOLDBERG **AP Football Writer**

The Cincinnati Bengals are the NFL's feel-good story this

The San Francisco 49ers are the most puzzling team: 6-1 at home, 0-6 on the road.

So it's little wonder that the Bengals are favored by three points — the home-field advantage — when the 49ers come to town Sunday.

Considering the disparity between the way San Francisco plays at home and on the road, that spread isn't much.

In six road losses, the 49ers have allowed an average of 27 points. In seven home games, they've outscored the opposi-

Despite that, San Francisco remains marginally alive for a wild-card playoff berth, although it would have to win its last three games and hope for a lot of help. Two of those games are on the road, which makes the postseason even more unlikely.

The Bengals are still in contention in the AFC North, a game behind Baltimore after their 31-13 loss last week to the Ravens.

"We'll be fine," says Marvin

Lewis, a coach of the year contender after taking over a 2-14 team that had been the NFL's Arizona laughingstock for a decade.

BENGALS, 27-12. Philadelphia (plus 2) at

Miami (Monday night) At least the Dolphins get City warm weather this week after losing in the snow in New England. Jay Fiedler, who reinjured his knee last week, says he can play, but he might be

The Eagles are a tiebreaker ahead of the Rams for homefield advantage in the NFC.

EAGLES, 24-22

Seattle (plus 7) at St. Louis The Seahawks trail the Rams by two games in the NFC West. The Rams are 6-0 at home, Seattle is 1-5 on the road, and the Rams clinch the division with a win.

RAMS, 31-20

Dallas (pick 'em) at Washington The Cowboys have lost

three of four, but Bill Parcells' defense could be a problem for Tim Hasselbeck. COWBOYS, 20-10

Carolina (minus 6) at

PRO PICKS

Yet another shot at the division clincher for the Panthers. PANTHERS, 20-15

Detroit (plus 14) at Kansas

Get-well week for the Chiefs; the Lions tie an NFL record with their 23rd straight foad loss.

CHIEFS, 31-10

Houston (off) at Tampa

The "off" is for David Carr's injury. Carr is getting better, but

BUCS 27-13

Baltimore (minus 6) at

The Ravens beat the Raiders 16-3 in the AFC title game three years ago in Oakland. RAVENS, 16-3.

Atlanta (plus 7 1/2) at Indianapolis Win one for Dan?

Sorry. COLTS, 29-20

Minnesota (minus 1 1/2) at

The Vikings rarely win out-

much about Rex Grossman, who will start at QB for Chicago.

BEARS, 20-19

Green Bay (minus 5) at San Diego

The Packers still have a

PACKERS, 34-17

Jacksonville (plus 7) at **New England**

The Patriots haven't allowed a touchdown in their last four home games.

Byron Leftwich has shown promise, but he hasn't seen a Belichick defense yet. PATRIOTS, 17-2

Buffalo (plus 6 1/2) at 8-8 (straight up) Tennessee

The Bills are back in form, (spread); 118-74 (straight up)

and Steve McNair is limping again. But ... TITANS, 22-17

Cleveland (plus 10) at Denver

Not THAT easy. BRONCOS, 19-13

STEELERS, 26-20

York Jets Which team is more disappointing?

Pittsburgh (plus 3) at New

New York Giants (plus 7 1/2) at New Orleans

The Giants are playing backups for backups. **SAINTS**, 30-7

LAST WEEK: 8-8 (spread); OVERALL: 107-81-4

Senior Golf

Hidden Hills Senior Regular Season 3-Man Scramble

1. Buddy Epperson, Carroll Pettit and Bob Brandon, 63. 2. Bill Hammer, Howard Musgrave and James Lee, 65.

3. Howard Wells, Jack Davis and James Gray, 67.

Closest to pin: Howard Wells, No. 6.

Carroll Pettit, who has been playing golf for a half-century, had his first hole-in-one Wednesday. He used a 5-iron to ace the No. 15, 140yard hole at Hidden Hills. His playing partners in the senior scramble were Buddy Epperson and Bob Brandon.

White Deer cagers post tourney wins

BRISCOE - White Deer cagers opened the Fort Elliott Tournament with a pair of victories Thursday.

The Bucks held off McLean 58-54 in the boys Andrew Parsley led White Deer in scoring with

15 points. Andy Ritchie had 23 for the Tigers. In the girls division, White Deer rolled to a 73-

25 win over McLean. Penny Armstrong topped White Deer in scoring with 15 points. High scorer for McLean was Danielle

Dampier with 8. Other tournament results are as follows:

Girls Booker 54, Hedley JV B - James 21. H - Davis 16. Wellington 79, Higgins 18

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Ledbetter 11. Boys Booker 40, Wheeler 36

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Sunday's Games
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Minnesota at Chicago, 1 p.m.
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Dallas at Washington, 4:15 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at San Diego, 4:15 p.m
N.Y. Giants at New Orleans, 8:30 p.
Monday's Game
Philadelphia at Miami, 9 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Atlanta at Tampa Paul 1:20 p.m.

Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 1:30 p.m. Kansas City at Minnesota, 5 p.m. New England at N.Y. Jets, 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21 Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.r. N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 1 p.m. Detroit at Carolina, 1 p.m. Washington at Chicago, 1 p.m Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m. Cincinnati at St. Louis, 1 p.m. Baltimore at Cleveland, 1 p.m New Orleans at Jacksonville, 1 p.m. San Diego at Pittsburgh, 4:05 p.m. Arizona at Seattle, 4:15 p.m San Francisco at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m Denver at Indianapolis, 8:30 p.m Monday, Dec. 22 Green Bay at Oakland, 9 p.m.

> **BOWLING** HARVESTER LANES

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Church League		
Team	Won	Lost
Two by Two	12	4
Reeborn No. 1	11	5
3 Gals & A Guy	11	5
Ward's For Christ	10	6
Young at Heart	10	6
Carpenter's Creations	. 9	7
Four Him	8	8
Holy Rollers	7 1/2	8
1/2		
Hits-n-Misses	7	9
Reeborn No. 2	6	10
Slider's	3	13
24-7 Christ	1 1/2	10 1/2
Week's High Scores		

Week's High Scores

High scratch game: Raymond Wyant 248; High scratch series: Raymond Wyant 683; High handicap game: Raymond Wyant 279; High handicap series: Raymond Wyant 776.

High scratch game: Tamera Mayo 188; High scratch series: Gay-Lynn Couts 478; High handicap game: Tamera Mayo 240; High handicap series: Kelly

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Team	Won	Lost	
The Woodpecker Shop	34	14	
Beta Tex	28 1/2	19 1/2	
Bob's Bandits	28	20	
Lefors Fed. Gredit Union	25 1/2	22 1/2	
Gutter Busters	24 1/2	231/2	
Chez Tanz	22 1/2	25 1/2	
Team Three	22	26	8
Harvester Lanes	19	29	
Davis Minit Mart	18	30	
Reed's Welding	18	30	
Week's Top Scores			
Men			
High scratch game: Mike	Lane 256;	High sc	rai

series: Mike Lane 748; High handicap game: Mike Lane 267; High handicap series: Mike Lane 781.

High scratch game: Bonnie Clemens 203; High scratch series: Judy Anderson 549; High handicap game: Connie McKinney 251; High handicap series: Judy Anderson 672.

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Boston	10	12	.455	2
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Miami	6	15	.286	5 1/2
Orlando	3	19	.136	9
Central Division				
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Indiana	17	5	.773	_
New Orleans	16	7	.696	1 1/2
Toronto	13	. 8	.619	3 1/2
Detroit	14	9	.609	3 1/2
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San Antonio	14	10	.583	1/2
Minnesota	12	9	.571	- 1
Utah	12	9	.571	1.
Pacific Division				
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Sacramento	14	. 5	.737	3
Golden State	10	10	.500	7 1/2
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Seattle	9	10	.474	8
L.A. Clippers	7	11	.389	9 1/2
Phoenix	. 8	14	.364	10 1/2

Wednesday's Games Boston 126, Seattle 112 Orlando 95, Washington 91 Memphis 103, Atlanta 90 Milwaukee 94, Golden State 89, OT San Antonio 102, Portland 77 Utah 95, New York 73 L.A. Clippers 100, Dallas 99 Thursday's Games Cleveland 95, Detroit 86 San Antonio 71, Houston 67 New Orleans 111, Phoenix 101 Friday's Games Denver at Philadelphia, 7 p.m Minnesota at Washington, 7 p.m. Toronto at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Atlanta at Indiana, 7:30 p.m. Memphis at Miami, 7:30 p.m New Jersey at Orlando, 8 p.m. Seattle at Detroit, 8 p.m. Chicago at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m. Sacramento at Utah, 9 p.m. Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. New Orleans at Golden State, 10:30 p.m. Saturday's Games Orlando at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Boston at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m. Denver at New York, 7:30 p.m. New Jersey at Memphis, 8 p.m. Indiana at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Houston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. L.A. Lakers at Portland, 10 p.m. Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m. Sunday's Games Miami at Toronto, 1 p.m. Milwaukee at Seattle, 3:30 p.m. Utah at Philadelphia, 6 p.m. Washington at New York, 7 p.m Phoenix at Sacramento, 9 p.m. Thursday's Major College Scores

By The Associated Press EAST St. Peter's 80, Yale 78 Stony Brook 69, Army 44 SOUTH Charlotte 76, Davidson 65

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Illinois 85, Md.-Eastern Shore 43 Miami (Ohio) 76, Wright St. 61 SOUTHWEST Oklahoma 47, Purdue 45

FAR WEST St. Mary's, Cal. 88, Sacramento St. 74

Heisman hopefuls struggled in big games

NEW YORK (AP) — Pittsburgh receiver Larry Fitzgerald knows the odds are stacked against him this week in the Heisman Trophy race.

No sophomore has ever won the award, only six winners didn't play quarterback or unning back, and only one of the last 46 winners played for a four-loss team like Fitzgerald's Panthers.

"I still think I have chance," he said. 'They wouldn't have invited me if I didn't."

Fitzgerald sure does. He is considered a co-favorite along with Oklahoma quarterpack Jason White for college football's most prestigious award when it's handed out Saturday night.

Fitzgerald and White will be joined in New York by Mississippi quarterback Eli Manning and Michigan running back Chris

White appeared to be a lock to win the Heisman Trophy until he flamed out in the 3ig 12 title game. Luckily for White, he was

Three of the four Heisman finalists had their worst games of the season with confer-

ence championships on the line. In a sport where late losses often count much more than early ones in the rankings, White, Fitzgerald and Manning hope the same doesn't hold true for individual

White threw at least two touchdown passes every game until wilting against the heavy pressure from Kansas State's defense Saturday in the Big 12 championship game.

White went 27-for-50 for 298 yards, no touchdowns and two interceptions in the 35-7 loss, turning what looked like a Heisman runaway into a potentially close race.

"Some guys are sitting at home relaxing and not playing, and others are playing a championship game against one of the best teams you will play the entire year," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said. "I believe most people will take that into consideration.'

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AVISO DE RECIBO DE SOLICITUD E IN-TENTO DE OBTENER PERMISO DE CALIDAD DE AIRE PERMISO La Calidad Aerea propuesta Permite 70263 SOLICITUD. La Corpo-

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racion de Cabot, se ha registrado con la Comision de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ o Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) para autorizar un Permiso/el carbon la estacion negra del procesao de Calidad de Aire Num. 70263, el cual autorizara la construccion de un (a) el carbon la estacion negra del proceso en un El Desarrollo de Pampa e Industrial Central se localiza a cinco millas oeste de Pampa en la Carretera Highway 60 en el condado gray en texas. La instalacion existente va a emitir los siguientes contaminantes atmosfericos: los compuestos organicos, los oxidos del nitrogeno, el monoxido del

carbon, el asunto de la particula Esta solitud fue sometida al TCEO en El 29 de octubre de 2003. La solicitud esta disponible para revisarse y copiarse en la Oficina Central del TCEQ, en la Oficina Regional del TCEQ en Amrillo, Tejas, yen Municipalidad de Pampa, La oficina de la Administracion de la Emergencia, 200 Fomentan al oeste, Pampa, Tejas 79065 El Condado gray). El archivo del cumplimiento de las leyes de la instalacion, si existe, estara disponible para el publico en la Oficina Regional del TCEQ en (Amarillo, Tejas).

El director ejecutivo del TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud se halla administrativaments completa y conducira un analisis tecnico de la solici-

COMENTARIOS PUB-LICOS / JUNTA PUB-LICA Usted puede comentarios publicos, solicitar una iunta publica, o solicitar una audiencia en controversia sobre esta solicitud a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la direccion a continuacion. El TCEO considerara todos los comentarios publicos en el desarollo de una decision final sobre esta solicitud. El plazo limite para someter sus comentarios es 30 dias despues de la publicacion este aviso. Despues del plazo limite para los comentarios publicos, el director ejecutivo preparara una respuesta a todos los comentarios publicos relevantes v materiales o de otro modo significati-

El proposito de una juta publica es para proveer la oportunidad de someter comentarios, o hacer preguntas sobre la solicitud. Una iunta publica sobre la solifitud se llevara a cabo si el director ejectivo determina que existe un grado significativo de interes publico en la solicitud o si la solicita un legislador local. una junta publica no es considerada una audiencia en controversia. Si solo se reciben comentarios sobre esta solicitud,

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de 30 dias despues de la Indiana. If the unnamed putative father seeks to contest the adoption of the child, the unnamed putative father must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with the IC 31-19-10-1 in the above Despues de que se cierren named court or a putative action under IC 31-14 within thirty (30) days after the date of service of tivo mandara la solicitud this notice. This notice may be served by publi-

If the unnamed putative father: (1) does not file:

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Under Indiana law, a putative father is a person who is named as or claims that he may be the father of a child born out of wedlock but who has not yet been legally proven to be the child's fa-D-66 Dec. 12,19,26, 2003 e terial to the Commission's

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF RECEIPT

OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO **OBTAIN AIR PERMIT** PROPOSED AIR **OUALITY PERMIT** NO. 70263

APPLICATION Cabot Corporation, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 70263 which would authorize continued operation of the Carbon Black Process Station at the Pampa Development and Manufacturing Center. The center is located five miles west of Pampa on U.S. Highway 60 in Gray County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants: organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide and particulate matter.

This application was submitted to the Tceq on October 29, 2003. the application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEO Amarillo regional office, and the Pampa City Hall, Office of Emergency Management, 200 West Foster, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING

You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The

> after newspaper notice is published. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested

deadline to submit pub-

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case hearing. If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. If a hearing request is

timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and . mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will (A) a motion to contest contain the final deadline submitting public

comments

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application. OPPORTUNITY FOR

A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the exec utive director may approve the application. If no hearing request is received within this 30day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and ma-

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decision on the applica tion. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be **

affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, dayphone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief

Clerk, at the address below. If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to dispute issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Com mission's jurisdiction to address in this proceed-

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific applicat ion mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address

INFORMATION Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Texas 78711-Austin 3087. For more informa tion about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at

www.tceq.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from Cabot Corporation, P.O. Box 5001. Pampa Texas. 79066 or by calling Mr. Douglas B. Williams, Environmental Coordinator at (806)661-3130. Issuance Date:December 5, 2003

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gist, or actually sign up for classes or express your dissatisfaction perhaps by CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) seminars on other topics. You gain pro- closing down. Is this the most effective **** Togetherness marks a relafessionally because of your ability to manner? Push yourself to break old pat- tionship. You might not want to do the read between the lines with bosses and terns and talk about what is on your party scene, but simply sit under the others in general. If you are single, you mind. Tonight: As you like it. could meet someone quite exotic, but. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

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partner who is being touchy. Detach from the issue and postpone making a deci-

mistletoe together. Add that touch of romance to your relationship. If you are

*** * Others continue to seek you els. What is wrong with taking a nap? Take care of yourself. You have a lot of

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ficials saying more vaccines on way as flu spreads through states

LAS VEGAS (AP) — With the flu now spread to all 50 states and nearly half of those considered hit hard, the government is scrambling to ship 100,000 vaccine doses to combat shortages, hoping to head off what could become one of the worst outbreaks in years.

The number of states with widespread infections nearly doubled to 24 in the past week, and the season has not yet peaked nationally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said

Worried parents are rushing to find shots even though many local health departments and doctor's offices are either out or about to run out of

"I really was desperate," said Joy Thompson of Valencia, Calif., who recently got the shots for her two young daughters.

She found 300 people waiting to get the vaccine at her daughters' pediatrician's office Saturday, but couldn't endure the three-hour line. She later got the vaccine from her mother, who is a nurse.

Schools have shut down. Emergency rooms have been filled with sick children. And doctors' offices have been forced to turn away droves of people seeking flu shots.

Some experts predict this year's death toll easily could surpass the annual average of 36,000.

Health officials are unsure why the outbreak has hit so early, why it has caused so many problems — particularly in the West — and why it seems to be so lethal in children.

at least 20 children have died nationwide during this outbreak.

Many cases are never classified as the flu, but doctors say they are seeing a clear increase this

"If it were me, I'd be on the phone to your doctor, calling around to see if you could find some" vaccine, said Dr. Randall Todd, Nevada's

Nearly the entire western half of the country — California being the major exception — is now considered to have widespread flu. Last week, 13 states had widespread outbreaks.

Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson said the government had arranged for 100,000 doses of adult vaccine to be shipped from Aventis Pasteur immediately and distributed based on each state's population. In addition, 150,000 doses of children's vaccine are expected to be shipped to the states by January.

The nation's two producers of flu shots reported last week that they had shipped their entire supply of about 80 million doses. However, Aventis had set aside 250,000 doses at the CDC's request last week when it became clear that shortages might develop.

Bianka Ortega, receptionist for After Hours Pediatrics in Las Vegas, has been turning away frustrated parents. The office does have flu vaccines left, but they are reserved for poor patients.

She said parents have been getting "a little bit

Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the CDC, States are not required to track the number of said the center is recommending doctors give flu cases, so the exact total is not clear; however, high-risk groups top priority for shots. That

means the elderly, children under 2, those with Mansfield, Ohio, also closed for the rest of the chronic medical conditions, and women in the second and third trimester of pregnancy.

Around the country, several schools closed because so many students are sick.

In Colchester, Conn., the public Bacon Academy closed Thursday after more than 300 students - more than one-third of the student body — called out. Madison Junior High in

week after 250 of 900 students were out sick Wednesday, principal Timothy Rupert said.

"We've never closed down for flu," Rupert

In Colorado, the good news is that the outbreak appears to be on its way out. State health officials said the flu has reached its peak in the

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FDA advisers urging more explicit fish safety advice on mercury content levels

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government should provide clearer advice on which fish have too much mercury for pregnant women and young children, a scientific advisory panel

Part of the confusion centers on tuna. More expensive canned white, or albacore, tuna contains nearly three times as much mercury as cheaper canned "light" tuna, and women need to understand the difference, the panel told the Food and Drug Administration on Thursday.

"You made a stab at tuna but you didn't quite get it right," said adviser Marion Aller, the Florida Agriculture Department's food safety director.

Fish is very nutritious, containing certain fats that are heart-healthy and important for fetal brain development.

But fish also can harbor mercury, a metal that accumulates in the bodies of fish-eaters over time. At high enough levels, mercury can damage the growing brains of fetuses and young children. About 8 percent of U.S. women of childbearing age have enough mercury in their blood to put a fetus at risk.

Different fish varieties contain more mercury than others. The FDA has long said that women who are or may become pregnant and young children should avoid those with the highest amounts: shark, swordfish, king mackerel and tilefish.

But the FDA in 2001 sparked controversy by saying 12 ounces a week of any other fish is healthy during pregnancy. Critics argued that tuna, with moderately high mercury levels, is eaten so often by pregnant women and young children that it needed a different warning.

So the FDA proposed stressing that the 12ounce weekly quota should come from a variety of fish, not the same type more than once a week, and mentioning that albacore generally contains more mercury than light tuna.

The planned recommendations are still confusing, the FDA's scientific advisers said.

More research is needed to clarify just how much mercury is in different fish and which kinds of fish different populations eat the most, the panel said.

While scientists figure that out, the FDA should create a consumer-friendly list that tells women of childbearing age not just which very high-mercury fish to avoid but which are believed low enough to be good choices, panelists said. They said the list should also include a third

category of fish with medium mercury levels that should be eaten only in small amounts, perhaps once a week. Light tuna would be on the low-mercury list, while medium-mercury albacore should be on the caution list, Aller said.

In addition, the FDA should provide more explicit advice for young children, giving examples of serving sizes for youngsters of various weights, the panel said.

The FDA hopes to issue revised consumer recommendations in the spring.

The tuna industry opposes being singled out. "The message consumers take away is, 'Do not eat seafood," said John Striker of tuna maker Bumble Bee Seafoods Inc.

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Survey: Disabled finding health care hard to afford

WASHINGTON (AP) -Many disabled Americans have trouble paying for health care — skipping medication, doing without needed equipment or postponing care — though most have health insurance, according to a new survey by the Kaiser Family Foundation.

While attention has been focused on older Americans and the choices some face between food and medicine, the survey found that non-elderly adults with permanent disabilities confront similar hardships.

Nearly half said they go without equipment, while more than a third said they postpone care, skip doses or split pills because of cost. A third of those surveyed also said they spend less on such basics as food and heat to pay for health care.

The foundation polled 1,505 adults between 18 and 64 with permanent physical or mental disabilities. It published the findings Friday.

There are about 15.5 million disabled adults across the nation, the foundation said.

"Nowhere is the case for providing adequate insurance for people who need it more compelling than when it comes to people with disabilities," Kaiser chief executive Drew

Altman said. "This study shows that when the disabled fall through the health insurance cracks, they fall hard."

Other studies have found that more than 2 million disabled adults, about 13 percent of that population, are uninsured. Only 5 percent of those surveyed by Kaiser said they lack any insurance.

But among this group, most reported that they have no regular doctor and go without equipment and medication.

The survey findings also pointed up an issue that has

received much attention lately - the gap in coverage under Medicare, the government health insurance program for older and disabled Americans.

The Medicare law signed by President Bush Monday includes a new prescription drug benefit.

Among disabled adults with some insurance, those with Medicare and no supplemental insurance were most likely to have trouble paying health care bills. For example, more than half said they cannot afford their prescriptions.

North Texas charities face gift shortage

DALLAS (AP) Christmas may be bleak for some needy North Texas children if donations don't pick up at several charities. The Salvation Army in

Dallas says it is facing its worst shortage ever, including the lull in charitable giving following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"Each year it's been worse. Last year was worse than 2001, and this year is worse than 2002," said Patrick Patey, public affairs manager for the charity, which sponsors an Angel Tree program in area malls.

The Salvation Army aimed to help 13,518 families with 41,791 children this holiday season. But as of Thursday, projections indicated that more than 13,300 children would be left without Christmas gifts.

"It's important for the community to understand that the Salvation Army isn't sitting here with a big warehouse full of toys,' Patey told The Dallas Morning News for a Friday story. "We don't have a safety net or a fallback plan for these kids."

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