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**FFA launches site to attract alumni**

AUSTIN — In observance of its landmark 75th anniversary, Texas FFA Association is launching a new web site located at [www.texasffa.org](http://www.texasffa.org) to reconnect with its former members.

FFA alumni are urged to submit their contact information by clicking on the 75th anniversary logo at the web site.

The state association is initiating the project to reunite former members with the organization, to keep them informed about the organization and to let current members know how FFA can impact their lives through the experiences of others.

The Texas FFA is the nation's largest state FFA association with a membership of 58,753 and 977 local affiliates.

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## Officer testifies in Robinson trial

By DAVID BOWSER  
 STAFF WRITER

Bart Morris' boyish face turned serious today as he described shooting Charles Robinson on a summer's night in 2002.

Charles Emil Robinson, 36, is on trial in 223rd District Court here, facing charges of aggravated assault on a police officer.

Sgt. Keith "Bart" Morris, a five-year veteran of the Pampa Police Department, was the first officer to arrive at Robinson's house at 441 Pitts

about midnight, July 28, 2002, responding to an attempted suicide call.

Morris testified today that attempted suicide calls make police officers nervous.

Under questioning from Assistant District Attorney Lynn Switzer, Morris described what he said every peace officer fears, suicide by cop.

A person wanting to die, Morris said, will threaten an officer by such methods as pointing a gun at the officer in an attempt to get the police officer to arrive at Robinson's house at 441 Pitts

Morris said that after arriving at Robinson's house and talking with Robinson's brother Jack, Charles Robinson had come out on the front porch or at least to the front door three times.

The officer said he did not feel threatened the first two times even though Charles Robinson was holding a shotgun. The third time, however, Morris said Robinson pointed the shotgun at Morris.

"When he pointed his weapon at us," Morris testified, "I thought he was going to shoot me."

Morris said he drew his pistol and fired three times over the top of his patrol car at Robinson.

Morris testified that he had heard a loud bang and thought he had been shot. He said he physically checked himself to make sure he was okay.

Robinson suffered minor wounds to his leg.

Jack Robinson told the jury in Judge Lee Waters' courtroom here Monday and earlier today how he had been awakened by Barbara Mears, his brother's former girlfriend that night, and going to shoot me."

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## County passes raise for constable, paving

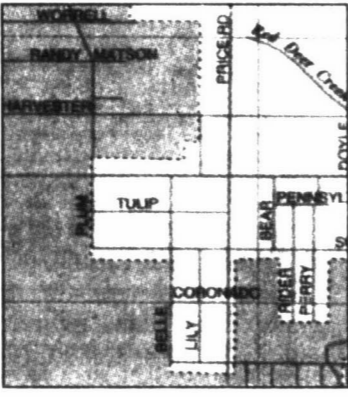
By MARILYN POWERS  
 STAFF WRITER

Gray County Precinct 2 Constable Chris Lockridge received a pay raise as the result of a special session of Gray County commissioners, held at 9 a.m. today in the County Courtroom of Gray County Courthouse.

The raise had been recommended by the county's salary grievance committee, which met at 3 p.m. last Friday to consider a grievance brought by Lockridge concerning his salary.

Lockridge had been earning more than the other county constables, James Lewis and Frank Sparling, until an across-the-board pay raise was granted by county commissioners to Lewis and Sparling but not to Lockridge, in an effort to make all three constables' salaries more equal, said Gray County Judge Richard Peet.

Lockridge had asked the



County commissioners today approved a proposal by citizens to pave certain parts of this area west of Pampa.

grievance committee to consider allowing him the same pay raise that was granted the other two constables. Before the across-the-board raise, Lockridge had been earning almost \$5,000 more per year than Lewis or Sparling, Judge Peet said.

The Pampa News' request for the amount of the three constables' respective salaries had not been answered by

press time today.

The county salary grievance committee is composed of nine members, plus Peet, who acts as chairman but is not a voting member. The committee voted Friday by a margin of six votes for and three votes against to recommend the raise for Lockridge.

If the committee votes by a margin of six to three in favor of an action, the county commissioners must consider the grievance. If the committee votes by a margin of eight or nine in favor of an action, commissioners are required to follow their recommendation, Peet explained.

James Herley, Precinct 4 commissioner, asked if the committee gave any reasons for its vote. Peet replied that they did not, but had asked several questions of Lockridge, who was present at the Friday meeting.

"I would suggest as a possibility that our purpose is to

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## New mayors



(Courtesy photo)

Recent elections were held at Pampa Middle School to elect students for the office of Mayor and Vice Mayor for the fall term of 2003-2004. The two students chosen to lead the PMS student body this fall are Mayor JaCee Villarreal, left, and Vice Mayor Kailee Intemann. JaCee is the daughter of Roy and Mary Villarreal and Kailee is the daughter of Robin and Denise Intemann.

## Let them eat steak



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) members, Garrett Kennedy, Trinidee Talley, Cody Lee, Karli Douglas, Kori Dunn and PHS ag teacher, Randy Dunn, get ready to cook an all-you-can-eat steak dinner as a joint fundraiser with PHS baseball team on Friday, Sept. 26, before the Harvester-Randall High football game. Meal includes steak, baked potato, salad, rolls and dessert and is \$10 for adults and \$5 for age 8 and under. For tickets, contact any FFA or baseball student for tickets. The dinner will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the PHS cafeteria before the game.

## Gas rate hike looms

By DAVID BOWSER  
 STAFF WRITER

Pampa City Manager Mitch Grant said he is reviewing Atmos Energy's proposed rate hike.

Grant said he will recommend that the city commission suspend the natural gas utility rate hike for 90 days.

According to a letter of notification sent to the City of Pampa by C.W. "Bill" Guy, Atmos vice president of rates and regulatory affairs in Lubbock, Atmos intends to increase their rates effective Oct. 16.

The notification indicates

the rate hike will be across the utility's West Texas service area.

Grant said he has been asked to be on the steering committee of cities reviewing and negotiating the rate hike.

Guy acknowledges that the 7.32 percent increase is a major rate hike. He said that it is expected to increase the company's annual gross revenues by about \$408,782.

There are about 8,044 Atmos customers in and around Pampa.

"Atmos proposes to restructure its gas rates to moderate bill variability dur-

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## Ambulance costs go up

The price of medical help just went up.

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service notified the City of Pampa earlier this month that they are increasing their rates and mileage by 3.34 percent, effective immediately.

"According to their contract," City Manager Mitch Grant said, "they are allowed to go up to offset costs."

In a letter, dated Sept. 5,

Michael Collins, Rural/Metro division general manager for Texas, notified the city of the increase and indicated that the increase would also pertain to calls in Gray County.

Grant said that the costs would not impact the city budget but would be borne by the ambulance service patients.

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## ON RECORD

### POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

#### Sunday, Sept. 21

Evading arrest was reported in the 1000 block of Neel Road.

Aggravated assault on a family member was reported at Pampa Police Department. The assault was reported to have occurred in the 800 block of Gordon, resulting in minor injuries.

Criminal mischief was reported at Jay's Drive Inn, 924 W. Alcock. The back door was damaged as it was pried on in an attempt to gain entry. Estimated cost of damage was \$100.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 600 block of North Wells. A hasp on the door of a storage building was broken, and a house was also broken into. Multiple items were taken including household items, decorations, and entertainment items. Estimated value of loss and damage is \$12,700.

#### Monday, Sept. 22

Disorderly conduct was reported at Pampa Middle School, 2401 N. Charles. Two male juveniles were fighting.

Aggravated assault was reported in the 700 block of West Crawford. The victim had minor injuries.

Destruction of property was reported at Hobart Street Park, in the 800 block of South Hobart. A door on the water house was kicked off. Estimated damage was \$160.

Terroristic threats were reported in the 100 block of South Sumner.

Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1900 block of North Dwight.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 1500 block of North Williston. Entry and exit was made through a back door which was forced open. Taken were a jewelry box and contents, with total estimated loss at \$1,000.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 1000 block of West Cinderella. Entry was gained through a back door. A Nintendo gaming system valued at \$240 was taken.

Matthew Brian Driscoll, 20, of 1005 Darby, was arrested for public intoxication.

Rod Lamont Donnell, 27, of 1052 Varnon Drive, was arrested for evading arrest, running a stop sign, no insurance and no driver's license.

David Tyree Robinson, 21, of 1040 S. Banks, was arrested for speeding and failure to appear.

Thomas Randell Townsend, 48, of 520 N. Frost, was arrested for resisting search, no driver's license, expired motor vehicle registration, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

#### Tuesday, Sept. 23

Aaron Acevedo, 19, of 419 N. Wynne, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and theft over \$50. He was arrested while riding a bicycle that had been reported as stolen, and was found to be carrying a criminal instrument.

### SHERIFF

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

#### Monday, Sept. 22

Lindsay Smith, 18, of 961 Cinderella, was arrested for bond surrender for possession of a controlled substance, bond surrender for possession of a controlled substance under one gram, and fine and court costs for seat belt violation.

### FIRE

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

#### Monday, Sept. 22

12:15 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a LifeStar medical helicopter standby at One Medical Plaza.

4:50 p.m. — One unit and four firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 400 block of South Houston.

### AMBULANCE

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

#### Monday, Sept. 22

3:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Dwight and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

7:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Crawford Street and Huff Road and transported a patient to PRMC.

#### Tuesday, Sept. 23

2:45 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Doucette on a call for lifting assistance.

### STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa

KMI	52.98	+0.52
XCEL	15.48	+0.11
Kerr McGee	44.30	-0.07
Limited	15.93	+0.08
Williams	9.42	+0.02
MCD	24.00	+0.37
XOM	36.98	+0.26
Atmos	24.16	+0.08
Pioneer Nat	24.97	+0.04

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa

ONY	35.14	+0.05
BP	42.37	-0.21
Celanese	34.15	-0.38
Cabot Corp	30.18	+0.26
Cabot Oil Gas	26.01	+0.21
Coca Cola	42.50	+0.26
VLO	38.13	+0.38
HAL	24.92	+0.39
Trad	30.80	-0.15
NOI	18.44	+0.08
JCP	22.75	-0.02
COP	55.79	+0.14
SLB	50.83	-0.24
Tenneco	7.18	NC
CVX	72.48	+0.28
Wal-Mart	57.46	+0.39
OKE	21.02	-0.01
NS Grp	7.05	-0.02
New York Gold	386.85	
Silver	5.25	
West Texas Crude	26.96	

## Congressional panel blaming Air Force Academy leadership for string of assaults

WASHINGTON (AP) — Blame for a string of sexual assaults at the Air Force Academy goes all the way to the Pentagon, as officers in the highest levels of the Air Force failed to recognize clear signs that a severe problem existed at the military school, a congressional panel said.

The report, delivered Monday to Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, marked the first time that accountability for the academy's sexual assault scandal was placed anywhere but academy leaders.

The seven-member panel, created by Congress earlier this year to investigate the academy's problems, said Pentagon Inspector General Joseph E. Schmitz should conduct a full investigation to determine which Air Force leaders should be held accountable for the failures.

"While the record is not complete, the evidence before the panel shows that the highest levels of leadership had information about serious problems at the academy, yet failed to take effective action," the report said.

Dozens of female cadets have said academy commanders were complacent about their complaints of sexual assault and in some cases punished them for minor rules violations if they reported they were attacked.

From 1993 to 2002, there were 142 reported sexual assaults at the academy. A survey by the Defense

Department inspector general last month found that nearly one in five female cadets said they had been sexually assaulted since coming to the Air Force Academy. Just 19 percent reported the crimes, fearing punishment or ostracism.

"Academy and Air Force leaders knew or should have known that this data was an unmistakable warning sign and quite possibly signaled an even larger crisis," the report said.

Colorado Sen. Wayne Allard said he planned to make clear to Schmitz when he met with him Tuesday that a full investigation into who should be accountable for the academy's sexual assault problems was crucial.

The actions of previous academy leaders — Lt. Gen. John Dallager, Brig. Gen. S. Taco Gilbert III and Col. Laurie Sue Slavec — who

were reassigned in the aftermath of the sex scandal also were warrant investigation by the inspector general, the panel said.

"General Dallager and General Gilbert failed to exercise the judgment, awareness and resourcefulness necessary to realize that there was a sexual misconduct and social climate problem in their command that directly impacted the welfare and safety of their cadets," the report said.

The panel also was critical of a June report by an Air Force Academy Working Group, led by Air Force General Counsel Mary Walker. The panel said that report attempted to "shield Air Force headquarters from public criticism" by downplaying the information available to Air Force brass that there were problems at the Colorado Springs, Colo., school.

## City Briefs

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## OBITUARIES

### R.A. 'BAKE' BAKER

1905-2003

R.A. "Bake" Baker, 97, of Pampa, Texas, died Sunday, Sept. 21, 2003, in Pampa. Private graveside services will be in Fairview Cemetery with Dr. Edwin Cooley, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Baker was born Oct. 20, 1905. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 1927 and was a member of the Association of Former Students.

He had been a resident of Pampa since 1935.

He married Velma Brecheen on April 7, 1934, in Amarillo. She preceded him in death on July 17, 1980.

He was a vice president of Cabot

Corporation in Pampa, retiring after 29 years of service.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Amarillo.

Survivors include a daughter, Kay House of Carmel, Calif.; a son, Jay Baker of California; a daughter-in-law, Sandra Baker of California; four grandsons, Brad Dick of Rome, Italy, Evan Dick of California, Christopher Baker of Colorado, and Tom Morris of New Mexico; a granddaughter, Melinda Ryan of Colorado; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065, or to a favorite charity.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

## WEATHER FOCUS

### PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies, highs in the upper 80s and southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should fall on partly cloudy skies, lows in the lower 60s and southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Wednesday should be partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the lower 80s. Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph shifting to the northwest 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon. Gusts up to 25 mph. Wednesday night, mostly clear. Breezy. Lows in the lower 50s. Northeast winds 15 to 25 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in the

mid 70s. Northeast winds 5 to 15 mph shifting to the southeast 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 70s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. Sunday, partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the mid 70s. Sunday night, mostly clear. Lows in the lower 50s. Monday, mostly sunny. Highs around 80.

### STATEWIDE

#### By The Associated Press

The first day of fall in Texas was expected to be cloudy and foggy in most parts of the state, with high temperatures ranging from the 80s to 90s.

High clouds from Tropical Storm Marty in the California gulf were streaming rapidly across the entire state Tuesday. Temperatures across the state were mainly in the 60s early in the morning, with 50s in

northwestern part of the Texas Panhandle.

The Panhandle had areas of fog in the early morning hours with dense fog north.

Patches of early morning fog also covered parts of South Texas on Tuesday. A slight chance of rain was predicted later in the day.

Southeast Texas was to be partly cloudy, becoming mostly cloudy at night. Low temperatures were to be in mid

60s inland and mid 70s on the coast.

Mostly cloudy skies and isolated showers were forecast for Deep South Texas. Thunderstorms were expected in the eastern part.

North Texas was to have temperatures near 90 with south winds at 5 mph to 10 mph.

Early morning temperatures ranged from 57 degrees at Dalhart to 79 at Port Mansfield.

## ACLU places Secret Service in cross hairs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union asked the federal courts Tuesday to prevent the U.S. Secret Service from keeping anti-Bush protesters far away from presidential appearances while allowing supporters to display their messages up close.

The civil liberties group filed the lawsuit in federal court in Pennsylvania on behalf of four advocacy organizations that claimed that the Secret Service forced them into protest zones or other areas where they could not be seen by President Bush or Vice President Dick Cheney or be noticed by the media covering their visits.

"The pattern we found was at presidential and vice presidential appearances, protesters were restricted to areas where they were out of sight, out of earshot and often out of mind," said Witold J. Walezak, legal director for the ACLU's Greater Pittsburgh chapter.

"Protecting our nation's leaders from harm is important. Protecting our nation's leaders from dissent is unconstitutional."

Said Secret Service spokesman John Gill: "The Secret Service does not comment on pending litigation. However, we have a long-standing policy of recognizing the constitutionally-protected right of the public to demonstrate and voice their views to their elected officials."

The ACLU complaint lists several incidents where protesters were forced to assemble blocks away from where the president or vice president was speaking, while supporters of the administration's policy could hold their signs up in front of the building. They cited examples across the country, including Philadelphia; Columbia, S.C.; Phoenix; Stockton, Calif.; and St. Louis.

## President appearing more vulnerable in recent polls

By WILL LESTER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush seems to be increasingly politically vulnerable on issues from the economy to Iraq, with the latest polls showing some of the lowest job approval ratings of his presidency.

With the president's standing hovering in the low 50s or just below in some polls, Democrats appear to be in a more competitive position than they have been in months, surveys suggest.

Leading Democratic candidates from newcomer Wesley Clark to Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry to Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman were in a virtual tie with Bush in head-to-head matchups, in the poll conducted by CNN-USA Today-Gallup released Monday. Bush held a slight lead over Howard Dean and Rep. Dick Gephardt in the survey.

In a national poll by the American Research Group of Manchester, N.H., released Tuesday, Bush's job approval was at 47 percent with 48 percent disapproving. ARG typically focuses on New Hampshire but occasionally conducts national polls.

In the Gallup poll released Monday, 50 percent of those surveyed gave Bush high marks for his handling of the presidency with 47 percent disapproving.

Other polls still show the president's job approval in the low-to-mid 50s, far below the high ratings he enjoyed months after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

The public's view of Bush has changed due to growing concerns about his handling

of the economy and Iraq. But they see him as a strong leader, with two-thirds approving of his handling of the campaign against terror.

The slump in the president's public support means that Democrats appear to be in a more competitive position than they have been in months, the Gallup poll suggests.

In head-to-head matchups, registered voters said if the election were held today, almost half, 49 percent, would support Clark, while 46 percent would support Bush, which is within the poll's margin of error.

Kerry had 48 percent to Bush's 47 percent; and Bush had 48 percent to Lieberman's 47 percent. Bush held a slight lead over Dean, 49-45 percent, and had a similar advantage over Gephardt.

Clark, a retired Army general, led all other Democratic candidates in the poll conducted Sept. 19-21, beginning two days after Clark announced he would become the 10th Democratic candidate for the party's nomination.

Among voters who are Democratic or lean Democratic, Clark led all Democratic candidates with 22 percent, Dean had 13 percent, Kerry and Gephardt 11 percent and Lieberman 10 percent. The remaining candidates were in the low single digits.

The battle for the party nomination will be fought state by state, and Clark's strength in early voting states such as Iowa and New Hampshire will be crucial. National polls at this stage tend to reflect name recognition and aren't the most accurate indicator of a candidate's viability.

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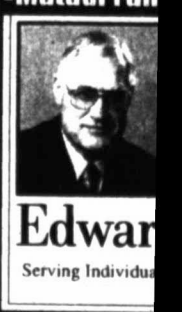
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**COUNTY**

create some kind of equality as far as salary is concerned. We could go ahead and grant the increase this year, and consider the possible solution of making all constables' salaries equal by the time of the next election," Peet said.

Precinct 2 commissioner Gary Willoughby said, "If one receives a pay raise, all should receive a pay raise."

"The only hesitation I have is if you have nine citizens on a committee, they would not know the history, the ongoing month-by-month situations," Peet said.

"My main objection in giving the pay raise is to make it

more of an equal position for all three constable positions," said Joe Wheeley, Precinct 1 commissioner.

Gerald Wright, Precinct 3 commissioner, agreed that commissioners could follow the grievance committee's recommendation concerning Lockridge's salary and then make all three constables' salaries equal at the time of the next election which includes constable positions.

"I do have the state attorney general's opinion that I did present to the committee that salary is based on job performance and longevity. I plan on getting re-elected again. I've been re-elected the last four or five times. I have 24 years' law enforcement experience," Lockridge said.

auditor records.

A budget amendment is required in order to allow another department or agency to pay the bills, Peet explained. The \$600 offered by Roach may come from seizure and forfeiture moneys, which must by law be spent on law enforcement, he added.

The commission voted to accept the district attorney's proposal to provide \$600 to cover Lockridge's unpaid bills for fiscal year 2003, which ends September 30. Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley was the only dissenting vote on the item.

Commissioners unanimously approved allowing county citizens to provide the funds to have portions of

Plum Street and Harvester

Avenue, at Kentucky Acres west of Pampa, to be paved by G. W. James, Inc.

Residents of the area have offered \$7,000 to pay for the strip paving, said Willoughby. The strip paving will be done on Plum Street between Harvester and Kentucky, 22 feet wide by 720 feet long, and on Harvester Avenue, also 22 feet wide, for a distance of 542 feet.

County commissioners are required by law to approve or deny any paving done on county roads, and are required to budget for and perform maintenance of the roads that are paved.

Willoughby said that \$500 to \$600 could be figured into

his budget to cover costs for future patch work that may be needed to maintain the roads. He said that the roads have heavy traffic and that 75 to 100 residents live in the area and use them.

The citizens' \$7,000 will be deposited with the county treasurer before work begins. The bill will be paid by the county upon completion of the paving.

Commissioners unanimously approved a resolution supporting the 2004 Indigent Defense Grant Program. Approximately \$14,000 will be provided to Gray County in return for the resolution, which must be sent in by Oct. 1 to state offices administering the program.

**Texas Democrats say they'll fight redistricting bill**

AUSTIN (AP) — Democrats say they are not going to let the Republican-backed effort to redraw the state's congressional lines get out of the Senate chamber without a fight, even though they admit they do not have the numbers to block the bill.

Redistricting is expected to come up for debate Tuesday on the Senate floor. Republicans have a 19-12 advantage in the chamber.

"I really think the Democrats will fight this on the floor and will voice their constituents' concerns but I think what you'll see is that we're going to be professional. We're going to be respectful," said Sen. Leticia Van de

Putte, chairwoman of the Senate Democratic Caucus.

The Senate Jurisprudence Committee approved a new redistricting map Friday. Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, estimated the map could give Republicans an additional three to four seats in the delegation that is now ruled 17-15 by Democrats.

Democrats have been fighting Republican redistricting efforts since this spring but appear to have hit a brick wall in their effort to block a bill from getting out of the Senate chamber.

House Democrats blocked a bill during the regular legislative session when 51 of them fled to Oklahoma to

break a quorum in their chamber.

During the first special legislative session, Senate Democrats had the votes to prevent a debate and vote on redistricting because the order of bills was arranged so that a two-thirds vote of the chamber was needed to bring the bill up for a debate.

That requirement was dropped during the second special session, so Senate Democrats fled to New Mexico, where they would be out of reach of Texas law officers sent to find them, to block a quorum in their chamber.

They reluctantly returned last week at the start of the third special session.

Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, said he expected a "spirited" debate and hoped that the Senate could take care of the bill in a few hours "but that really depends on our Democrat colleagues."

"I hope that we end up with a map that is fair, that represents the voting trends here in

the state of Texas, in my judgment, that doesn't touch any of our minority districts and leaves intact our communities of interest," Dewhurst said.

Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, said the senators will point out deficiencies in the proposed redistricting map as they debate the bill on the floor.

**Growers, farm workers propose way to ease hiring of immigrants**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The agricultural industry and farm worker advocates have proposed legislation that would allow undocumented immigrants to become legal residents and make hiring them easier.

The groups, which for years have disagreed over wages and working conditions, were planning to announce details of the proposal Tuesday.

The proposal would only apply to agricultural workers. By becoming legal residents, they would be eligible to apply for U.S. citizenship after living in the country for five years.

The legislation is being sponsored by Sen. Larry Craig, R-I.aho; Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass.; Rep. Howard Berman, D-Calif.; and Chris Cannon, R-Utah.

Damon Tobias, a spokesman Craig,

called the agreement "a historic coming together" of the two sides.

Congressional aides said the agreement would also allow growers to freeze worker wages for three years at 2002 levels. During those years, Congress would study appropriate agricultural wage rates.

The proposal would reform the H2A visa program, which allows agriculture employers to hire immigrant workers after showing they can't find U.S. workers. Growers have often complained that the program is too bureaucratic and burdensome.

Undocumented workers already in the United States would be able to qualify for legal status after working a specified period. Then, after a longer period of work, they would be eligible for permanent residency.

Farm worker advocates have pushed

for legalization to help protect workers from abuse and exploitation and to prevent another bracero program, in which workers were commonly abused.

Under that program, the U.S. government imported 300,000 Mexican farm workers to relieve the World War II labor shortage.

Some families still are trying to recoup wages withheld from their checks to be given to them when they returned to Mexico. Many never received the money.

The groups worked out an agreement in 2000, but it was opposed in the Senate by former Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, and died as the session ended.

The U.S. and Mexico had been negotiating a larger guest worker program when President Bush took office, but the negotiations stalled after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorists attacks.

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**TRIAL**

told that Charles Robinson was threatening to kill himself.

When Jack Robinson went to his brother's house, he was told by Charles to go away and leave him alone.

"He was my brother," Jack Robinson told Assistant District Attorney Lynn Switzer from the witness stand. "I wasn't just going to leave him."

Jack Robinson testified that his brother Charles was going through a tough time in his life. Charles Robinson had lost his job and the bank was threatening to take his home.

Monday, Mears told the four woman, eight man jury how she had broken off a relationship with Charles Robinson because of his drinking.

Mears, now a nurse in Beeville, told the court that she had met Charles in 1997 and that they had lived together for about three years. When he drank, she testified, Charles became angry. She said he yelled and threw things, but he never struck her or her children.

Jack Robinson testified that he called police and then went to Charles' house and tried to calm his brother. Jack Robinson said his brother came to the door several times before and after police arrived, cradling a single shot shotgun in his arms.

Jack Robinson said that as he was trying to explain the situation to Officer Tommy Pickering when there was a loud bang followed by three gunshots.

"I freaked out," Jack Robinson said as he described hearing the loud bang. "I thought he'd killed himself."

Jack Robinson testified that about five minutes later his brother came to the door of the house, holding the shotgun up and broken open and told the police officers that it had not been loaded.

Officers told him to surrender the weapon, which he did. Then the officers handcuffed him.

"I didn't know he'd been shot until I saw the ambulance," Jack Robinson said.

In her opening statement, Switzer told the jury that Morris had seen Charles carrying a shotgun. The third time Charles came to the door, Switzer told the jury, Charles had leveled the shotgun at Morris, and Morris had fired his pistol at Charles, hitting him in the legs.

"It doesn't matter if he fired the weapon or not," Switzer said of the shotgun Charles Robinson had been holding.

Holt, however, in his opening statement told the jury that not firing the shotgun was an important issue.

"I will tell you it is of paramount importance," Holt said.

Holt said the officers thought they had been shot at. When they found out they hadn't been fired on, Holt said the officers came up with a story that Charles had pointed the shotgun at them.

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**GAS**

bill variability during the heating season and to increase its revenues from gas service," Guy said in the notification letter. "The company also proposes a new rider to support a Weather Normalization Adjustment for its residential, commercial, public authority and state

institution customers."

The new proposed rate for residential customers is \$11.40 with a commodity charge of 96.500 cents per ccf for all consumption. The customer charge for commercial gas service would be \$17 with a commodity charge of \$1.0675. For small industrial gas service, the customer charge would be \$55 with a commodity charge of 95.5 cents. For public authority gas

service, the customer charge would be \$50 with a commodity charge of 87 cents per ccf. For state institution gas service, the customer charge would be \$45 with a commodity service charge of 87 cents per ccf.

The tax factor on the gas cost adjustment rider would be 1.0526.

Grant said he doesn't know

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**COST**

patients. The rate the ambulance service charges is based on a blended index involving the Medical Consumer Price Index and the Consumer Price Index, Grant said.

yet how many cities are involved in the rate hike. Last time, he said, there were about 66.

"This time," he said, "it's a little different."

Grant said that Lubbock has opted out and the Amarillo may have as well.

The big cost right now, Grant said, is buying natural gas.

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### TEXAS EDITORIAL

#### Aftermath of Proposition 12

From the Fort Worth Star-Telegram:

Now that the voters have broadly expanded the Legislature's power to set caps on non-economic damages in civil cases, no one should believe that suddenly life will be hunky-dory for Texas doctors, hospitals and nursing homes; that health care bills will magically shrink; that health clinics will proliferate in underserved parts of the state; or that dubious-sounding lawsuits will become extinct.

In fact, what voters adopted — by a mere 51-to-49 percent margin — was a greater watchdog role over their elected representatives.

No longer will Texans be able to turn to the courts to argue that the Legislature's collective wisdom is unfairly skewed on what is a reasonable award for non-economic damages, such as pain and suffering, mental anguish, disfigurement or loss of companionship.

Proposition 12 virtually negated any court challenge of limits that the Legislature passed this year for medical malpractice lawsuits: no more than \$250,000 from physicians in a case, no matter how many; no more than \$250,000 per institutional defendant, up to \$500,000.

Economic damages, such as medical expenses and lost wages, would not be capped.

Proposition 12 also would negate a court challenge if the Legislature — by a three-fifths vote of both chambers — decides to limit non-economic damages for injuries caused by, say, drunken drivers, exploding tires or polluting factories.

Therefore, the fights will be in legislative offices, in phone conversations and e-mails, in committee hearings, in hallway conversations, in local eateries and Austin watering holes — anywhere that ordinary citizens and well-heeled lobbyists can bend lawmakers' ears and shape their opinions.

The fights will be in floor debates, conference committee negotiations and whatever back-room nods and winks play into the sausage-making that is legislating.

This, the majority of voters was willing to accept in hopes of bringing down rapidly escalating medical malpractice insurance premiums. The voters have spoken. But they shouldn't stop there.

Apparently the Texas Medical Liability Trust, which insures more than one-third of Texas' practicing physicians, promised that it could lower its rates by 12 percent with Proposition 12 in place.

Physicians, hospitals and nursing homes should insist that their insurers live up to their assurances that this is a necessary fix.

And voters should hold Gov. Rick Perry and other lawmakers who insisted on this amendment accountable for its impact.

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Three items of education news this month may seem to have nothing to do with each other, but let's connect the dots.

The first was a conservative-leaning critique that even liberals like former President Clinton and the president of the National Education Association endorsed, "Education for Democracy," a statement published by the Albert Shanker Institute, complained that too many classroom lessons and textbooks about American history emphasize America's failings.

Report proponent Larry Diamond of the conservative Hoover Institution listed what kids learn about: "Vietnam, Watergate, impeachment hearings, the rottenness of campaign finance, rising cynicism ..." Sandra Feldman of the liberal American Federation of Teachers added, "People have been so anxious to be self-critical ... but we feel that's just gone too far over in that direction. ... Children need to understand and value what has been built here."

"Education for Democracy" also critiqued the lack of awareness evident in a survey of children touring Washington: They knew of Memorial Day only as "the day the pools open." The report stated that education cannot be separated from moral instruction: "The basic ideas of liberty, equality, and justice, of civil, political and economic rights and obligations, are all assertions of right and wrong, of moral values."

A second piece of education news was a September 10 Texas Board of Education public hearing in Austin. The subject: biology textbooks that don't tell



MARVIN OLASKY  
COLUMNIST

the whole story but merely propagandize for Darwinism by including fraudulent drawings (Ernst Haeckel's embryos) and false "proofs" of evolution (peppered moths, finch beaks, and all that jazz).

The little-known back story about evolution is that the theory arose in the 19th century out of an emphasis on the world's failings. As Cornelius Hunter points out in "Darwin's God" (Brazos Press, 2001), some early evolutionists saw much carnage and waste in the natural world and could not believe that a good Creator would have established something so awful. Their solution: eliminate creation.

The September 10 hearing exposed one problem with Darwinian theory: It's full of holes. Baylor Professor William Dembski testified that he "and many other mathematically trained scientists regard claims for the creative power of natural selection as implausible in the extreme." John West of the Discovery Institute pointed out specific textbook errors and asked, "Is it really too much to ask that textbooks cover evolution fully and accurately? I hope not."

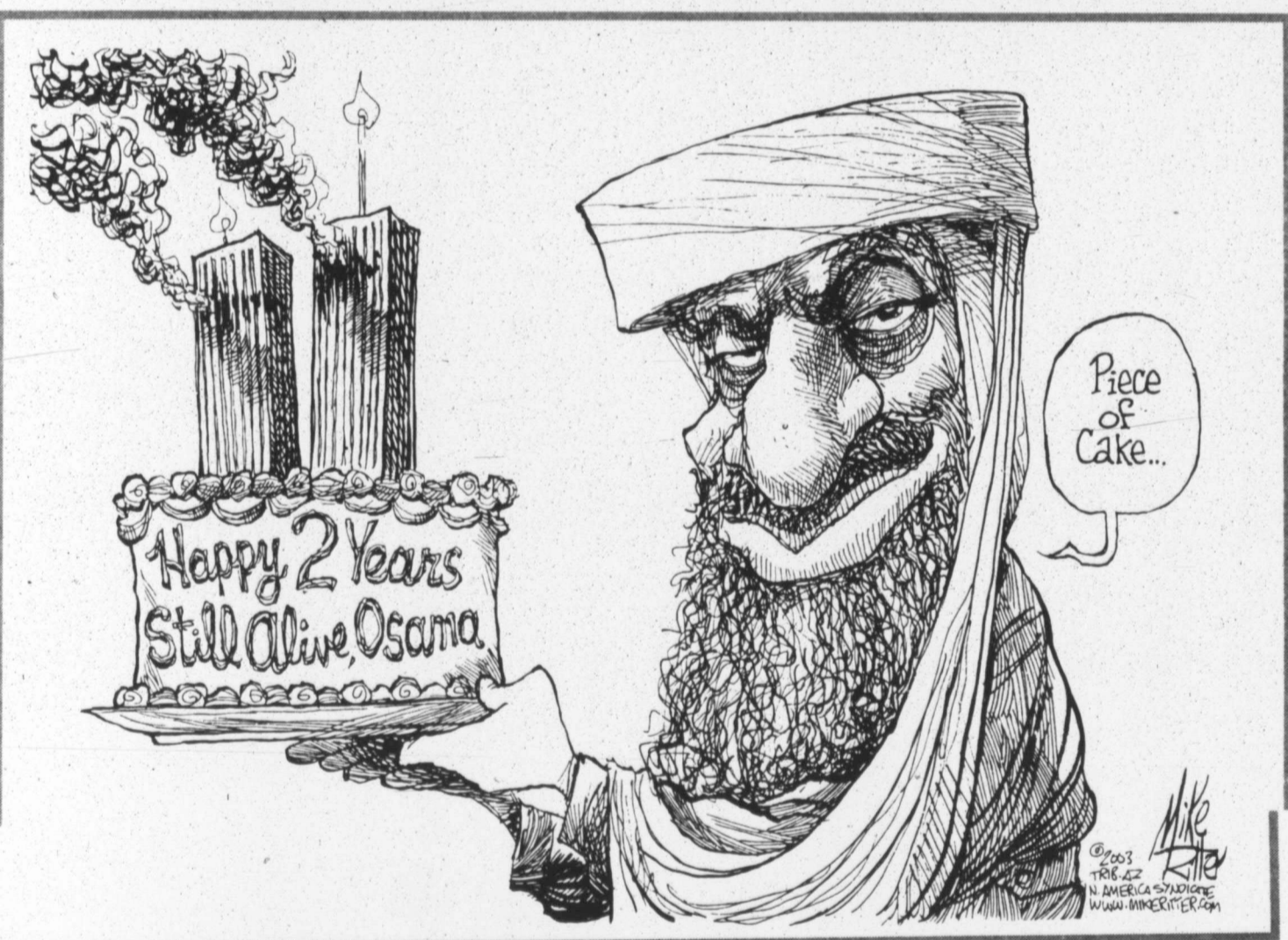
But a second problem with one-sided biology textbooks is parallel to the problem with one-sided American history textbooks: They don't help students to understand and value life on Earth. If

American history in schools becomes a diatribe about the rich and powerful running over the poor, and if history-of-the-universe teaching in biology classes is a similar tale about survival of the fittest and the eradication of all others, then we are educating students not in democracy but in a kill-or-be-killed philosophy.

As Texas textbooks go, so go the nation's because publishers unwilling to lose a big market dance to the Texas Board of Education's tune. Publishers have until early October to propose changes in their textbooks, and the board will vote in November on which textbooks to approve. It's great that Bill Clinton and Co. see the dangers of corrosive history textbooks. It's ironic that most liberals are adamant about defending corrosive Darwinism, even though its lack of scientific standing becomes clearer each year.

And here's the third piece of education news: While the battle for some educational diversity went on in Austin, 100 miles up the road in Waco, the Baylor University faculty senate voted 26-6 that Baylor President Robert Sloan should be fired, and the regents voted 31-4 that Sloan should stay on. The split developed for many reasons, but foremost among them is Sloan's plan to strengthen Baylor's Christian mission, from which the university has strayed considerably in recent decades.

The split sentiment is not surprising given that professors everywhere tend to slide toward secular liberalism—that's how careers flourish. But education for democracy and truth cannot be built on corrosive principles.



## Arnold should drop his celebrity

If Arnold Schwarzenegger is serious about becoming governor of California he had better climb down from his celebrity perch and start acting like a candidate.

When I look at the way he's campaigning on Larry King and on Oprah and Howard Stern it occurs to me, that while he may be reaching a lot of people by doing that, is he really reaching the voters of California? Appearing on such national shows simply doesn't do the job of connecting with the people who count — California's voters.

I've seen this kind of approach before. I saw it in Iowa back in 1980.

At the start of the 1980 presidential campaign, when my Dad, Ronald Reagan was running for the presidency, I got a call from a woman on my Dad's staff who asked me if I would go to Iowa and campaign on his behalf. When I asked her why they needed me in Iowa she said it was because the campaign was not letting my father campaign there.

So I went to Iowa and at the end of two weeks, after attending coffee and donut meetings and luncheons and dinners with Iowans and hearing they wanted my dad to come there, if not to debate George Bush, at least to speak to Iowans.

I called my father and told him that I believed he was going to lose Iowa because the campaign that was being run



MICHAEL REAGAN  
COLUMNIST

on his behalf was running it as if he were already the president of the United States or at least was already the party's nominee. The impression was that he thought he was somehow better than the other man running for the presidency, that is, George H.W. Bush.

I said the impression was that he had forgotten that the people of Iowa wanted to ask him questions about the issues that concerned them. My father told me that he had just gotten off the phone with his campaign staff who told him he was doing a fine job and there was nothing to worry about in Iowa.

I told him that after walking the precincts and meeting the people that he had a lot to worry about and that he was going to get beaten in Iowa because he was not there and George Bush was. He said "Thank you for the information," and he hung up.

As history shows, my father got walloped in Iowa by George Bush and people were concerned that he might not be able to win in New Hampshire two

weeks later.

Two weeks later in New Hampshire, on primary day, my father called me and said "Mike I have a press release I am about ready to give to the media but I want your approval." I asked him why he would need my approval. And he said because I was the only one that would understand it. And he read me the press release that reported he had fired his top campaign staff that morning. I, of course approved it, we both had a good chuckle, and my dad told me he'd win the New Hampshire primary that day.

I recall that story because looking at Schwarzenegger's campaign I realize he hasn't gone to a single debate — now they are putting up empty chairs with his name on it to emphasize his absence — and the only debate he is going to participate in is the one where they'll give the candidates pre-written questions before they walk in the room. Four of the major candidates are going to boycott it for that reason and he's going to be the lone guy out there.

I may be proven wrong, but having been down this road before I think it's important for Schwarzenegger to be involved with all the debates and get out there and talk to people, answer their questions, act like he really wants to become governor, and run like a candidate and not as a movie star.

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# BUSINESS REVIEW

## Innovative Staffing Solutions dedicated to solving staffing needs

Innovative Staffing Solutions, LLC, in Pampa, located behind National Bank of Commerce in NBC Plaza 2, Suite 11, prides itself on providing qualified personnel to a myriad of clients, delivering both temporary and permanent staffing "solutions" to businesses both large and small.

Owner Regina Partain and her partner, the late Dr. Myron McCartor, Ph.D., established the first office in Perryton in 1996. Now Innovative Staffing Solutions has offices in Pampa, Perryton, Hereford and Dalhart, employing approximately 100 employees in total.

"We do all walks of employment basically," Partain said. "There are very few positions that we cannot fill."

Partain holds the prestigious Senior Professional Human Resource certification bestowed by the Society for Human Resource Management.

Since Innovative Staffing Solutions is primarily a staffing agency and its clientele businesses, prospective employees may make application through the agency for free.

Ronnie Lance is staffing manager for the agency. "I tell potential applicants," he said, "We find people for jobs — not necessarily jobs for people."

Partain places particular emphasis on safety and maintaining a safety-conscious staff.

"We have a safety program," she explained. "We work with other safety companies to provide safety training to our employees. We preach safety. In short, we care about our people and want them to be safe."

Other staff members are Deawn Sims, staffing coordinator, and Jamilou Garren, regional personnel consultant.

Innovative Staffing Solutions is also in the business of human resource consulting, conducting seminars for its clients and for groups within the communities it serves including area chambers of commerce.

"We are a community-oriented company," Partain said. "We want to be very involved in the communities we serve and give back what we can. We do that by getting involved in civic organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce."

Some of the topics covered in the human resource seminars, Partain said, include "Hiring Legally and Effectively," "Team Building," "Gender Diversity in the Work Place," "Behavioral Interviewing," and other courses specific to each client's individual needs.

"We can help them (the customer) with their hiring processes," Partain observed. "Through our affiliations with other companies, we can develop hiring systems and teach how to hire legally and effectively."

Partain is a Rotarian, a member of Perryton-Ochiltree Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and of Texas Workforce Commission's Regional Workforce Development Board. She is also a member of, and instructor for, the Leadership Perryton Committee, a community program organized to develop community leaders.

Garren is a Kiwanian and Rotarian, a CASA volunteer, and a football booster at Pampa High. She is chair of the 2003 Country Fair Decorating Committee for Pampa Chamber of Commerce as well.

Both Garren and Sims are natives of Pampa, where they each graduated from Pampa High School.

Innovative Staffing Solutions, LLC, is situated at NBC Plaza 2, Suite 11, 1224 N. Hobart. For more information, call or stop by the local office. The phone number is 665-2991.



▶ (Left-right) Owner Regina Partain and staff members at Innovative Staffing Solutions Jamilou Garren, regional personnel consultant, and Ronnie Lance, staffing manager, will put that "can do spirit" to work to help meet your business staffing needs.



▲ (Left-right) Regina Partain, owner of Innovative Staffing Solutions, confers with staff members Jamilou Garren, regional personnel consultant, and Ronnie Lance, staffing manager.

▶ The helpful staff at Innovative Staffing Solutions, located behind National Bank of Commerce in NBC Plaza 2, Suite 11, is ready to supply your staffing needs. Above, left-right: Ronnie Lance, staffing manager, Jamilou Garren, regional personnel consultant, and Regina Partain, owner.



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## DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

### Amber Alert Jump-Starts Swift Response To Child Abductions

**DEAR ABBY:** Time is the enemy when a child is abducted. To help in the search, communities must mobilize quickly. That is why it's critical that every community have an AMBER Alert plan. Understanding how it works may save a child's life.

AMBER Alert was named to honor the memory of 9-year-old Amber Hagerman, who was abducted and murdered in Arlington, Texas, seven years ago.

Outraged following her brutal murder, the community was determined to fight back. One day, during a local talk radio show, some listeners called in and suggested that radio stations use the Emergency Alert System to warn the public about abductions in the same way they do tornadoes. At that moment, the idea to create an early warning system for child abductions was born, proving that just a few people can make a difference in effecting change.

In 2001, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) launched a campaign to roll out the AMBER Alert program across America. At that time, there were only 27 such programs in the United States. Today, the program has grown to 93 plans, 46 of them statewide. It has also been adopted in parts of Canada and England. One hundred children have been recovered since the program began in 1996.

Today, the AMBER program (which stands for America's Missing Broadcast Emergency Response) has become a successful partnership between law enforcement agencies and radio and television stations to activate emergency bulletins to the public when a child is abducted and believed to be in danger.

I hope you will engage your readers to promote this worthy program in their communities.

ERNE ALLEN,  
PRESIDENT, NCMEC

**DEAR ERNIE:** Thank you for an important letter. If ever a Dear Abby column should be kept in a safe place where it can be immediately accessible in an emergency, this is it. My readers are the most caring, concerned — and engaged — people in the world. I am sure they recognize the importance of the AMBER Alert system. With that in mind, here is what

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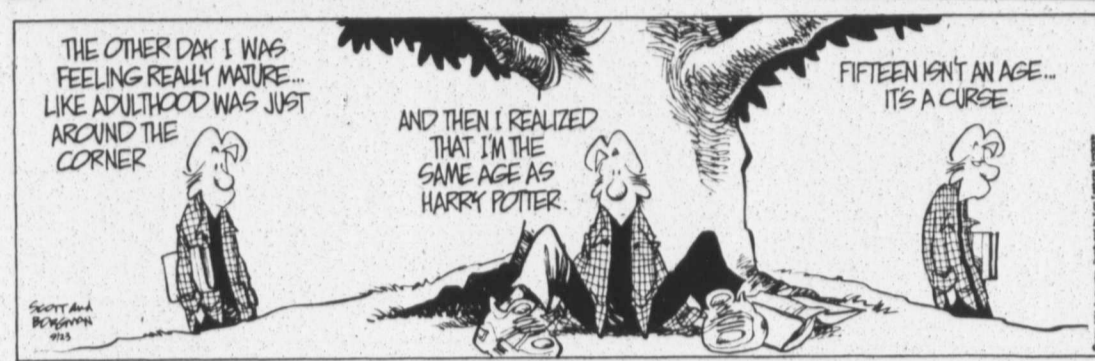
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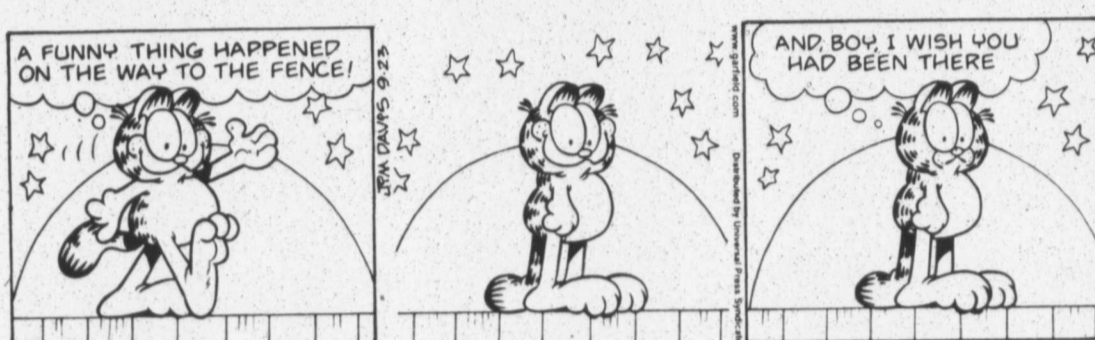
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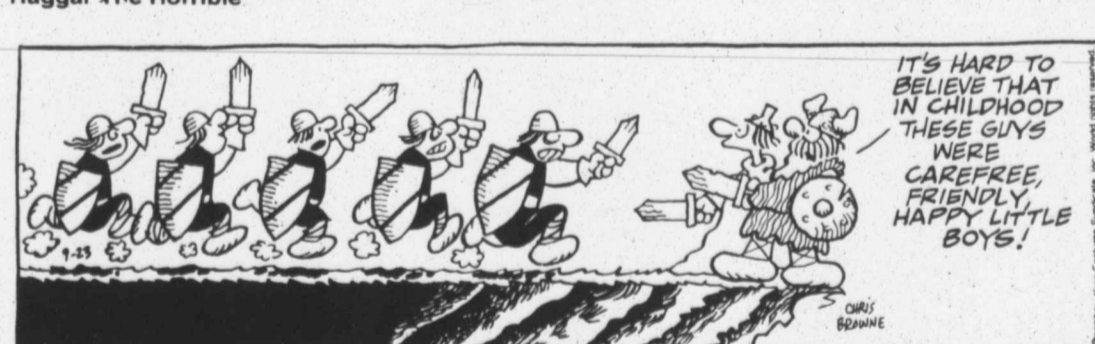
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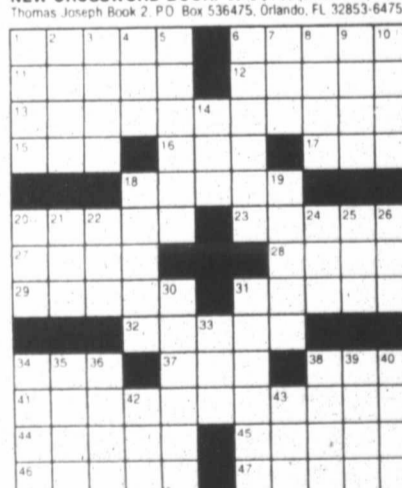
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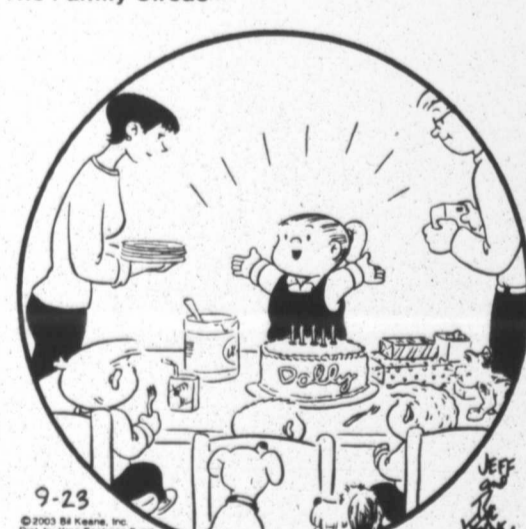


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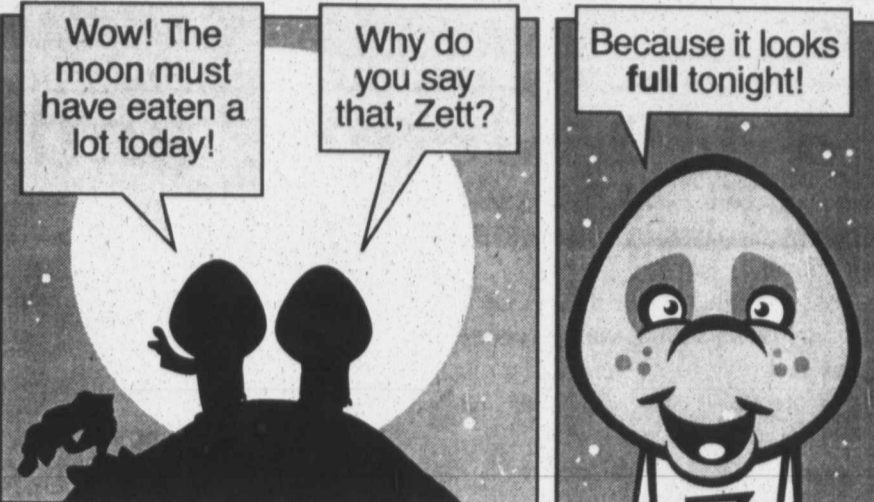
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**This Week: Moons**

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**Weekly Writing Corner**

**Moon Facts**

The dark spots on the Moon's surface — people call them the "Man in the Moon."

*Kenna, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*

The Moon is a satellite of the Earth.

*Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*

Some farmers and sailors sometimes believe that the Moons have an influence on the weather and the tides in the ocean.

*Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*

Jupiter has 16 moons or satellites. One is called Io and another is Europa.

*Megan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*

The Moon is about a quarter of a million miles away from the Earth.

*David, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade*

One of the craters on the Moon is called Copernicus and it is approximately 50 miles across. Some other craters are much smaller.

*Travis, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade*

Rocks collected by the Apollo astronauts who went to the Moon were found to contain no water at all.

*Lauren, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade*

The Moon is covered with mountains and craters. What people sometimes call the "seas" are really craters filled with lava.

*Fritzi, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade*

Neil Armstrong was the first person to set foot on the Moon. That was in 1969. His footprint will probably still be there in a million years because there is no air on the Moon and there are no winds either.

*Chris, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade*

When we can see only a small part of the Moon, we call it a crescent Moon. The Moon looks different every night and each different view is called a phase of the Moon. When we can see more than half of the Moon lit up, it's called a gibbous Moon.

*Donny, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade*

**Write On!**

**Your Opinion Wanted**

When you play a game or a sport, what is more important to you: winning or everyone having fun?

**Deadline:** Oct. 19, 2003  
**Published:** Week of Nov. 16, 2003  
*Send your story to:*

Please include your school and grade.

**Native American Moons**

The people who give months names like September, October and November have only lived in North America for a few hundred years. For *thousands* of years before these people came to North America, the people who lived here had different names for times of the year.

The native people of North America didn't go to a store to get food and supplies. The natural world around them provided everything they

needed. Plants and animals provided food, materials for clothing and shelter, and even tools.

Because the natural world was so important, Native Americans carefully watched its changes and cycles. They saw that seasons of weather repeated, and that within those seasons there were also repeated cycles of the moon. In every year there are 13 cycles of the moon, each with 28 days from one new moon to the next.

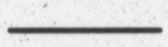


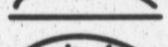
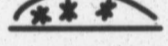


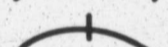

**Moon Seasons**

Each group of Native Americans gave a name to the 13 moon cycles. Draw a line from each moon cycle name to what you think is the season. **HINT:** Think about the things mentioned in each name and what time of the year those things happen where you live.

**Standards Link:** Earth Science: Objects in the sky move in regular and predictable patterns; the Moon's appearance changes during the lunar cycle.

**What time is it?**

To find out, you need to read the poem "The Song of Hiawatha" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Here is how he described the way Hiawatha used pictures to show different times:

- "For the earth he drew a straight line, 
- For the sky a bow above it; 
- White the space between for daytime, 
- Filled with little stars for night-time; 
- On the left a point for sunrise, 
- On the right a point for sunset, 
- On the top a point for noontide, 
- And for rain and cloudy weather 
- Waving lines descending from it." 

Use the pictures above to draw an answer for each of the following questions:

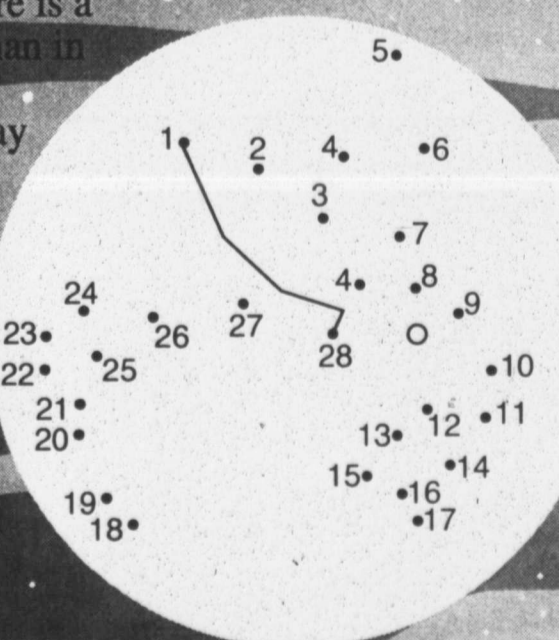
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2. What time do you go to school?
3. What time do you eat lunch?
4. What time do you go to bed?

**Standards Link:** Narrative Analysis: Determine what characters are like by what they do; determine underlying theme.

**A what? In the moon?**

Some say there is a picture of a man in the moon. The French say it is a picture of something else.

Connect the dots to find out what the French see in the moon.



**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

**Double Double Word Search**

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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**Moon Mission**

Pretend you have been selected to take a trip to the Earth's moon. Choose five items in the newspaper to take with you. Write one sentence for each item, explaining why each was selected.

**Standards Link:** Sentence Structure: Write complete and coherent sentences.

**Who was the first man in space?**



**ANSWER:** The Man in the Moon!

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# SPORTS

## NOTEBOOK

### SOCCER

**PAMPA** — There will be a Harvester Soccer Booster Club meeting at 7 tonight in the Ready Room at the high school athletic fieldhouse.

All high school soccer parents are invited to attend.

### BASEBALL

**PAMPA** — The Pampa High baseball program and FFA are jointly sponsoring an all-you-can-eat sirloin steak dinner Sept. 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 in the PHS cafeteria.

Tickets are 10 dollars for adults and five dollars for children under 8. Tickets can be bought at the door or by calling 665-6689 or 665-0618.

### BASKETBALL

**PAMPA** — Pampa Kids & Youth Club will have basketball signups, Sept. 25 through Sept. 27 at Baker Elementary Gym, located at highway 60 and South Barnes Street.

Signup times are from 6 to 8 p.m. Sept. 25-26, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 27. Other signup dates are Oct. 2 through Oct. 4 at Baker Gym. Signup times are from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 2-3, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 4.

The basketball program is for both boys and girls kindergarten through high school senior.

For more information, call 669-0535 or 669-1740.

### FOOTBALL

**SILVERTON** — Fort Elliott was defeated by Silverton 68-37 last weekend in six-man football action.

Silverton's offense leader was Beau Brock, who scored three touchdowns while rushing for 157 yards on 17 carries.

Justin Bryant had a six-touchdown performance for the Cougars.

**HOUSTON (AP)** — The only folks who seemed shocked when oddsmakers installed the winless Jaguars as 3-point favorites Sunday at Houston were the reporters asking the questions this week.

"We have to come out and put on a better showing at home and maybe we'll get some more respect from those guys who make the point spreads," guard Zach Wiegert said. "I don't worry about that stuff. I have enough to worry about blocking my guy."

The Texans are two ugly losses removed from being the feel-good story of the NFL's opening week, when they went to Miami and beat Team September 21-20. They shouldn't be surprised they're home underdogs against a rebuilding team — and they aren't.

The past three weeks have taught the Texans they're good enough to beat anyone, anywhere, when they play relatively mistake-free football.

## Pray for Jennie and Wreck the Raiders

Keep saying those prayers for PHS junior Jennie Rogers, who was seriously injured Sept. 15 in a one-car rollover.

The Pampa High Athletic Department is sponsoring a fund-raising event with proceeds benefiting Jennie and her family. Jennie is an outstanding player on both the Pampa volleyball and softball teams. She was all-district in softball.

The event, "Wreck the Raiders" will be held in the parking lot north of the MPAC building following the pep rally until the Pampa-Randall kickoff at 7:30 Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

The fund-raiser features a van donated by Bill Allison Auto Sales. For two dollars, participants can take three swings at the van with a sledge hammer.

All proceeds go to the Rogers family.

"It's going to be a battle, but it's going to be fun." Those were Heath Parker's comments after his Pampa Harvesters shut out Borger 32-0 last Friday night.

Coach Parker was talking about Pampa's upcoming clash with Randall in the District 3-4A opener at Harvester Stadium. Both teams are unbeaten at 4-0.

It should be the mother of all area high school football games, at least for this weekend. Randall has become to be the school Pampa most loves to beat, more so than either Borger or Amarillo High.

With one of its best teams ever, Randall may be sensing some payback time against the Harvesters. Randall received six votes in this week's Association Press High School Football poll.



BY  
**L. D. STRATE**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Randall has a 14-game winning streak against regular season non-district teams, but the Raiders have been humbled by Pampa for the last eight seasons. Randall ended the losing streak in 1994, but the result wasn't a victory. It was a 3-3 tie against Pampa.

With the homefield advantage, Pampa can keep that win streak going by coming out right from the opening kickoff and taking control early. If they can do that, the Harvesters should win by at least 14 points.

Pampa comes in with wins over Perryton (37-0), Lubbock Estacado (35-0), Amarillo High (31-7) and Borger (32-0). Randall has beaten Canyon (44-17), Lubbock High (28-13), Lubbock Estacado (43-28) and Tascosa (40-13).

There were a half-dozen Harvesters who figured in the rushing total in the shutout win over Borger. Johnny Moore led with 19 carries, 106 yards, followed by Derek Lewis (6-54), Brock Penrod (8-32), Andrew Curtis (9-20), Mark Williams (4-19) and Jesse Tarango (3-6).

Offensive stars are also on the line. Senior guard Alan Curry, senior tackle Greg Wiley and senior center Jarod Carruth delivered some big blocks up front.



Pampa Football Players of the Week are (front, l-r) Bobby Sikes, freshmen; Shea Brown, varsity defense; (back, l-r) Jeremy Pritchett, junior varsity; Alan Curry, varsity offense; Jerrod Carruth, varsity special teams; Michael Shaw, varsity scout team player. The players from Week 4 performances were selected by the high school coaching staff.

## Broncos ride over Raiders

**DENVER (AP)** — A perfect first quarter was all the Denver Broncos needed to embarrass the Oakland Raiders.

Jake Plummer passed for two touchdowns and ran for another in the first period as the Broncos raced to a 21-0 lead en route to a 31-10 victory Monday night.

"We were really efficient," Plummer said.

Denver (3-0) marched 60, 55 and 50 yards for touchdowns on its first three possessions, generating 170 yards total in the quarter and limiting the Raiders to just 7.

"I don't think our first quarter could have been any better," receiver Ed McCaffrey said.

The game was payback for the Broncos, who lost twice to the Raiders last season, including a 34-10 Monday night thumping in Denver when the Broncos were 6-2 and the Raiders 4-4 and on a four-game losing streak. The Broncos went on to miss the playoffs, while Oakland lost

only one game on the way to the AFC championship.

Plummer, showing no ill effects from a slightly separated right shoulder, rolled left and threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to Shannon Sharpe on the Broncos' first series.

Plummer scrambled and hit a wide-open Ashley Lelie for 44 yards to cap the second series. Then, the quarterback bootlegged 6 yards around the left side to make it 21-0.

Plummer's 40-yard scramble — the longest run from scrimmage in Plummer's career and the longest ever by a Denver quarterback — helped set up Jason Elam's 20-yard field goal late in the second quarter for a 24-0 lead.

Mike Anderson, playing most of the second and third periods after Clinton Portis aggravated a bruised sternum, went 44 yards on a cut-back run to the 1 and scored on the next play, making it 31-0 early in the third quarter.

"We made some great

plays early and took them out of their game plan," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said. "Jake made a couple plays in there scrambling that were big-time plays. I thought he played exceptional. And our defense played spectacular the entire game."

## Canadian falls to Perryton

**PERRYTON** — Canadian dropped a 48-27 decision to Perryton in a high school football game last weekend.

It was Canadian's first loss after three victories. Perryton improves to 2-2.

Jake Waide rushed for 133 yards and three touchdowns to lead Perryton.

For Canadian, Tony Livingston returned a kickoff 81 yards for a touchdown, and also caught a 19-yard TD pass from Riley Morris.

Also scoring TDs for the Wildcats were Auston English (6-yard run) and Morris (1-yard run). English rushed for 126 yards on 24 carries.

It's hard to believe, but Wheeler could be eligible to play six-man football next season.

The University Interscholastic League has indicated schools with an enrollment under 100 students will be eligible for six-man football for the 2004-2006 alignments. Wheeler High currently has 91 students enrolled.

It's hard to believe the Mustangs not playing 11-man football. Wheeler won state titles in 1977, 1979 and 1987.

The Wheeler school board is mailing out questionnaire asking fans if the Mustangs should continue to play 11-man or switch to six-man.

Wheeler is in the state's smallest 11-man classification. The problem is the widening gap in student enrollment within Class A, pitting the Mustangs against larger schools in the playoffs.

There may be a solution to Wheeler's problem other than going the six-man route. The UIL is considering a proposal that would send the top four teams from each Class A district to the playoffs. The two schools with the larger enrollments would go into a large school bracket and the two schools with the smaller enrollments would go into a small school bracket.

Another solution would be to revive Class B and move the smaller Class A schools into it.

We don't see Wheeler dropping to six-man unless there's a drastic decrease in enrollment. To much tradition is involved.

## Astros fall into tie

**HOUSTON (AP)** — The Houston Astros usually wilt in the playoffs. Now they're doing it in the pennant race.

Pinch-hitter Pedro Feliz and Ray Durham hit consecutive homers off Billy Wagner in the ninth inning Monday night as the San Francisco Giants beat the Astros 6-3.

Houston lost its third in a row and dropped into a tie for the NL Central lead with Chicago, which did not play. The Cubs hold a share of first place for the first time since Sept. 10.

"We're tied for first and we have six games left," Astros manager Jim Williams said. "That's basically where you want to be at this point. If you have said in the beginning that we'd be in first with six games to go I think we'd all take it."

Marquis Grissom and Andres Galarraga also homered for the Giants, giving the NL West champions a 2-0 lead. Barry Bonds went 0-for-4, ending his streak of reaching base in 58 straight games.

"We're playing against a very good team," Astros star Jeff Bagwell said. "That's why they're the team they are, they keep coming at you. They've got 25 guys who can beat you."

"We've each got six games left. It's a six-game race and may the best team win. The team that executes the best is going to win in this last stretch."

With the score tied at 3 in the ninth, Jose Cruz Jr. singled off Wagner (1-4) with one out. Feliz followed with his 14th homer, and Durham's shot made it 6-3.

Giants manager Felipe Alou picked the right time to send Feliz to the plate.

"He's a guy that so far as I've seen this year is best when used like that," Alou said. "He's a powerful guy when he's fresh. He's got a chance to be an everyday player."

Wagner had allowed only six homers all season coming in. He had not given up a run since July 1 against Milwaukee.

"The guys were playing hard and I came in and gave up three runs," Wagner said. "I can't give up three runs. Tonight was a playoff game. I have to be better than I was. I just wasn't there tonight."

It was the fifth time Wagner has allowed two homers in a game, and the second time he's given up successive shots.

## NFL STANDINGS

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New England	2	1	0	.667	54	57	San Francisco	1	2	0	.333	85	47
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Docket No. 9016  
 In The Matter Of  
 The Estate Of  
 Ivan Leroy Miles,  
 Deceased

In The County Court Of  
 Gray County, Texas  
**PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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 Attorney and Counselor  
 at Law  
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 Suite 1060, LB 228  
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DATED: September 19, 2003  
 Respectfully submitted,  
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 ATTORNEY AND  
 COUNSELOR AT LAW  
 Texas Bar No. 06630900  
 Edith Miles,  
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# U.N. secretary-general urges unity on future of Iraq

By EDITH M. LEDERER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan criticized President Bush's "pre-emptive" attack on Iraq but urged world leaders Tuesday to set aside their disputes over the war and join forces to build a peaceful, democracy in the troubled nation.

While Annan's opposition to the U.S. policy of pre-emptive strikes against perceived threats was likely to anger Bush, his strong appeal for global unity on Iraq's future was sure to win strong American support.

Bush is expected to make a similar appeal for global unity when he addresses the U.N. General Assembly shortly after Annan, during the first meeting of world leaders since the invasion of Iraq.

In his prepared address to Tuesday's opening of the assembly, released in advance, Annan challenged the 191 U.N. member states to re-examine the way the international community is dealing with wars, terrorism, poverty and other threats to international security.

His message was clear: The world should collectively

address the threats, from terrorists and weapons of mass destruction that spur such "pre-emptive" strikes.

As leaders streamed into U.N. headquarters, Annan held a series of early-morning meetings. One was with German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, who told the secretary-general his positions "are very much in congruence with what my government thinks and wants to do."

"We can only say 100 percent agreement and 100 percent of support internationally as far as the United Nations is concerned," Schroeder said.

After the Sept. 11 attacks, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld developed an argument for taking pre-emptive action against enemies who could launch a surprise chemical, biological or nuclear attacks.

Such strikes "could set precedents that resulted in a proliferation of the unilateral and lawless use of force, with or without credible justification."

"But it is not enough to denounce unilateralism, unless we also face up squarely to the concerns that make some states feel uniquely vulnerable, and thus drive them to take unilater-

al action. We must show that those concerns can, and will, be addressed effectively through collective action," he said.

French President Jacques Chirac planned to tell General Assembly that he believes the transfer of sovereignty to the people of Iraq is "indispensable" to the country's reconstruction.

A strong opponent of the war, Chirac was also to insist that the right to use force can only come from the U.N. Security Council.

"No one should be able to accord himself the right to use (force) unilaterally and preventatively," an advance copy of Chirac's speech said.

"In an open world, no one can isolate themselves, no one can act alone in the name of all and no one can accept the anarchy of a society without rules," he said. "There is no alternative but the United Nations."

The French president has said, however, that his country would not veto a planned U.S.

resolution on Iraq aimed at attracting international troops and funds.

Bush will call on the international community to work together "to support the emergence of a democratic, peaceful and free Iraq which is at peace with its neighbors in the Middle East," said U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte.

"We think the international community has a strong interest

in Iraq being a success."

Negroponte said Monday. "None of us want Iraq to fail."

Annan virtually echoed those words in his prepared text.

"Whatever view each of us may take of the events of recent months, it is vital for all of us that the outcome is a stable and democratic Iraq — at peace with itself and with its neighbors, and contributing to stabil-

ity in the region," he said.

Last year, Bush came to the General Assembly to challenge its member states to confront the "grave and gathering danger" of Saddam Hussein's Iraq.

In the months that followed, France, Germany, Russia and others opposed the war and were incensed when the United States attacked Iraq without Security Council approval.

## Moroccan found guilty of aiding 9/11 hijackers

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — A Moroccan who was found guilty of helping the Sept. 11 suicide hijackers told a court Tuesday that his conviction was "unjust" and denied that an al-Qaida cell ever existed in Hamburg.

Mounir el Motassadeq, testifying in the trial of his friend and fellow Moroccan, Abdelghani Mzoudi, cited reports to the U.S. Congress and from German security officials stating the attacks on New York and Washington were planned at al-Qaida training camps in Afghanistan.

El Motassadeq insisted in his 10-minute, prepared statement that the Sept. 11 attackers were all recruited in Afghanistan and denied there was ever a terror cell based in Hamburg, where several of the hijackers attended university with him.

"I was unjustly sentenced to 15 years in prison," el Motassadeq said. "There was no Hamburg cell."

El Motassadeq, flanked by his attorney, did not mention Mzoudi in his statement and refused to take questions from the judges. He shook hands with Mzoudi before leaving the courtroom.

El Motassadeq's attorney, Gerhard Strate, said his client made the statement against his recommendation.

"He thought it was necessary, because he was concerned by the fact that the American Congress was given facts other than what was outlined in his sentence here," Strate said.

The same German court that is trying Mzoudi in February found el Motassadeq guilty of 3,066 counts of accessory to murder and membership in a terrorist organization for helping suicide hijacker Mohamed Atta and other members of the Hamburg al-Qaida cell evade authorities.

Mzoudi faces the same charges and up to 15 years in prison, if found guilty.

Prosecutors trying to convict Mzoudi are working witness-by-witness to first paint a picture of the terror organization, then the Hamburg cell, then its intentions, and finally of Mzoudi's role in supporting it.

Andreas Schulz, who represents relatives of Sept. 11 victims who joined the trial as co-plaintiffs, said el Motassadeq's testimony had little relevance to the trial.

"It was false testimony," Schulz said.

Unlike el Motassadeq, who testified on his own behalf and often questioned witnesses during his trial, Mzoudi has opted against saying anything to the court and has left questioning to his defense team.

## Report: Grand jury issues indictments for club deaths

CHICAGO (AP) — A grand jury has handed down manslaughter indictments against four people linked to a stampede at a nightclub earlier this year that left 21 people dead, according to newspaper reports.

Charged are nightclub owner Dwain Kyles, his alleged partner Calvin Hollins Jr., and party promoter Marco Flores, the Chicago Tribune and the Chicago Sun-Times reported in Tuesday editions. The Sun-Times identified Hollins' son, Calvin Hollins III, 29, a manager at the club, as the fourth defendant.

The men were expected to appear in court Tuesday for bond hearings. Involuntary manslaughter carries a penalty of up to five years in prison.

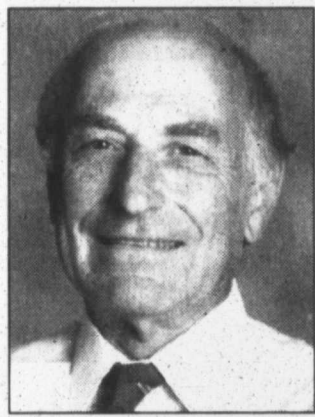
Cook County State's Attorney Richard Devine's office declined comment about the reports to The Associated

Press. Attorneys for the defendants did not immediately return calls to the AP.

The Feb. 17 stampede at the E2 nightclub started after someone used pepper spray to break up a dance-floor fight. Patrons fled for the doors, crushing each other in a narrow staircase.

The complaint alleges the owners violated a July 2002 court order demanding the building's second floor be closed. Their attorneys have argued the order referred only to balconies above the second floor and have repeatedly said the case should not be handled in criminal court.

Flores controlled Envy Productions and Entertainment, the company that ran the ill-fated party at E2. Calvin Hollins Jr.'s attorney, Thomas Royce, has repeatedly said his client had no link with the company that owned and operated E2.



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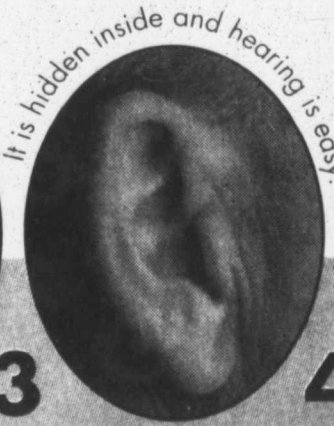
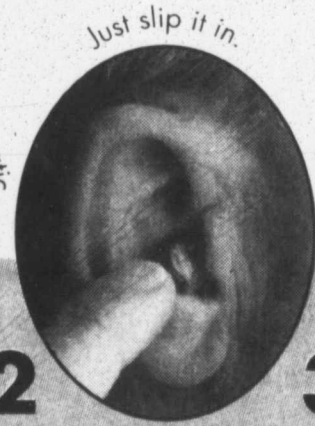
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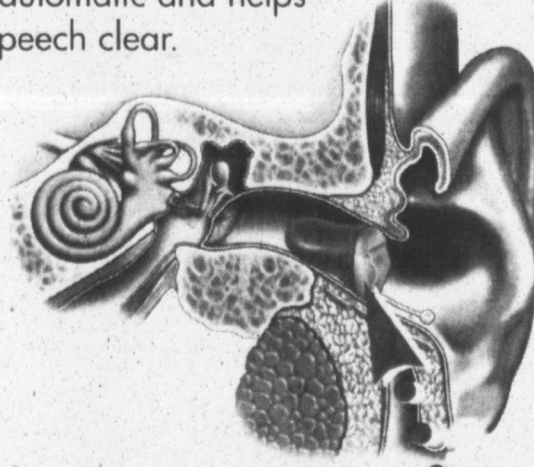


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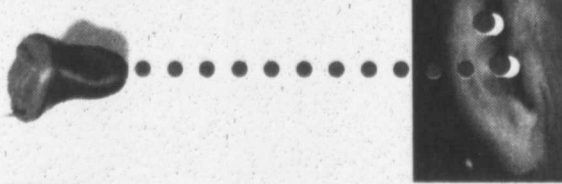
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