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**LOCAL**  
**PHS Hall of Fame events planned**

Pampa High School Hall of Fame reception is set for tonight at 7 p.m. in the PHS library. The induction ceremony is to be at 9:30 a.m. Friday, in the PHS Field House. Parking available on Randy Matson Ave.

**LOTTERY**

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:  
 Winning numbers drawn 7-23-30-34-42. Bonus Ball 19. Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball 0.  
 Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$6 million.

**DEATHS**

**Darrell Rex Courter**, 64, retired Phillips field operator.  
**Charles Ray Dwyer**, 51, farmer and rancher.  
**Larry C. Ledford**, 46, OTR truck driver.  
**Audie Alice Vinson Sivage**, 100, homemaker.

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## Water cuts won't affect Pampa now

City officials agree to voluntarily reduce CRMWA allotment by five percent

BY DAVID BOWSER  
 STAFF WRITER

PLAINVIEW - The 11 members of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority this week decided to cut allotments rather than trigger their drought contingency plan.

At their quarterly meeting here Wednesday, representatives of the 11 member cities, including Pampa, that form the water authority agreed to a voluntary five percent cut to the amount of water allotted to each of them.

Kent Satterwhite, CRMWA general manager, said that amounts to cutting

back each community about 71 percent of its maximum allotment of water. He said that none of the member cities have ever used their maximum allowable in the past.

Mitch Grant, city manager of Pampa, said the five percent cut would not be felt in Pampa.

In talking with Richard Morris, Pampa's director of public works, Grant said they had agreed that the city could cut as much as 10 or 15 percent before Pampa's water supply would be threatened.

Satterwhite said the staff recommended the cut to the board of directors because of lingering drought and

falling water levels in Lake Meredith, the primary source of water for CRMWA's cities.

"We have a serious problem at Lake Meredith," Satterwhite said.

The lake level is now about 62.11 feet deep, more than eight feet lower than a year ago, Satterwhite said the lake dropped below its previous all-time low of 63.16 feet on Aug. 18.

While there had been talk about instituting the water authority's drought contingency plan, that won't be necessary with the voluntary reduction in allocations agreed upon Wednesday.

Satterwhite said the cut in alloca-

tions should get the water authority through the drought.

Since the beginning of 2003, Pampa has received 2,275,710 acre-feet of water from CRMWA, or 33.06 percent of its annual allotted amount of 6,883,880 acre-feet.

By contrast Plainview, which has used the most of its water allotment, has received 3,113,340 acre-feet of water, or 77.72 percent of its 4,281,560 acre-feet allotment.

Lubbock has used more than 66 percent of its annual allotment. Amarillo has used more than 67 percent of its allotment.

(See WATER, Page 3)

## Redistricting saga settled

AUSTIN (AP) — House and Senate negotiators working out a new congressional redistricting map reached a final agreement early Thursday, paving the way for a vote on the map by both chambers Friday, said lead negotiator Sen. Todd Staples.

Details of the map were not immediately available, but Republicans Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick were expected to discuss it at a news conference later in the day.

Lawmakers announced Wednesday that a tentative agreement had been reached but said they needed to resolve some minor details. The negotiators reached a final agreement about 2:30 a.m., said

Staples, R-Palestine. The announcement appeared to end weeks of squabbling among Republicans over the shape of West Texas congressional districts. The GOP battle followed months of fighting between Republicans and Democrats, who forced the calling of three special sessions.

Craddick has been adamant about ensuring that his home district in Midland have a congressional seat to represent the Permian Basin's oil and gas industry.

Recent proposals seem to indicate the map will give Midland that district. But that could mean that the farming and agricultural region from

(See MAP, Page 3)

## Harvester Homecoming Court



Members of Pampa High School's 2003 Homecoming Court are, back row, from left: Johnny Story, Jake Hopkins, John Sturgill, Andrew Curtis, Mac Smith; and front row, from left: Abbi Coyalt, Anna Johnson, Tara Jordan, Shelley Smith, and Britny Downey. This year's Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned in a pre-game ceremony before the Friday night football game against Hereford.

## Unknown chemical sends five to PRMC

BY MARILYN POWERS  
 STAFF WRITER

One Gray County sheriff's deputy and four firefighters with Lefors Volunteer Fire Department were transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center last night after responding to a call concerning a smoking substance on Farm to Market Road 2375, approximately one and one-half miles east of the road's intersection with Highway 273.

Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Bruce Burrell went to the scene in response to a call concerning a possible methamphetamine lab in the area. He found a substance on the highway that was smoking and called Lefors Volunteer Fire Department for assistance, said Lt. Heath Cates of the sheriff's department.

A spokesman at Lefors City Hall said seven volunteer firefighters responded to the call, and four were overcome by the smoke and vapors, along with Burrell, Lefors Volunteer

(See CHEMICAL, Page 3)

## Stevens: Makeshift fireplace probable cause of trailer fire

BY DEE DEE LARAMORE  
 EDITOR

A homemade fireplace likely caused the fire in which a Pampa man suffered burns and that destroyed a mobile home on East Frederic Wednesday morning, Pampa fire officials said today.

At 10:32 a.m. Wednesday, six units and 12 firefighters responded to a reported structure fire in the 700 block of East Frederic. Upon arrival, they discovered a mobile home surrounded by elm trees engulfed in flames.

Charles M. Ashley, believed to be 57 years old, lived in the older model trailer house, fire officials said. Firefighters found the man in an outbuilding behind the burning residence, officials said.

Rural Metro Ambulance personnel transported Ashley to Pampa Regional Medical Center emergency room for initial treatment of burns. The injured man was later transported to Lubbock, officials said. His condition was not known at press time.

Pampa police closed off the eastbound lane of U.S. Highway 60 that passes in front of trailer and routed traffic around the fire trucks and water lines needed to extinguish the fire.

"Indications are the fire started near a homemade fireplace in the house," Fire Marshal Gary Stevens said. He described the fireplace as being made of bricks around a metal pan, like you'd get from a vehicle.

Stevens said the mobile home was a total loss.

## Celanese's Ryan earns promotion

Lisa Ryan, site director of the Celanese Chemicals plant in Pampa, has been named Vice President of Global Strategy and Innovation for Ticona, the company's technical polymers business, effective Oct. 1. She will move to Kelsterbach, Germany.

Ryan will report to Lyndon Cole, board member of Celanese AG and president of Ticona, and will serve as a member of the Ticona execu-

tive committee.

Ryan joined Celanese Chemicals in 1981 as an engineer in Summit, N.J. Since that time, she has served in technical, manufacturing and commercial capacities of increasing responsibility at Texas manufacturing, technical and administrative operations in Corpus Christi, Bishop, Dallas and Pampa.

She became site director at Pampa in 2001. She chaired

Pampa's 2002 United Way campaign and was a board member of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

Darren Collins, operations manager at the Pampa plant, will serve as interim site director until a replacement is announced.

Ryan earned a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Tufts University, and a master of science degree in chemical

engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She also holds a master of business administration degree from Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi.

Celanese AG is a global chemicals company with five main businesses: acetyl products, chemical intermediates, acetate products, Ticona technical polymers and performance products.



(Courtesy photo)  
 Lisa Ryan

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**OBITUARIES**

**CHARLES RAY DWYER**  
1951-2003

**SAMNORWOOD** — Charles Ray Dwyer, 51, died Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003, at Shamrock, Texas. Services were Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2003, at 2:30 p.m., in the First Baptist Church in Shamrock, Texas, with the Rev. Dean Driver, pastor of Samnorwood Baptist Church, and Gary Oldham officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, Texas, under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors.

Ray was born Nov. 19, 1951, in Amarillo, Texas, to John and Mary Hess Dwyer. He graduated from Samnorwood High School in 1970 and was graduated from Clarendon Junior College. While in high school, Ray earned his Eagle Scout Badge.

Ray was devoted to his God, his family and his community; he was a man who was always there for his wife and children, grandson and family. He was a friend willing to help in the community; he was a member of Samnorwood Baptist Church,

worked with the R.A.'s and the Sunday School department.

Ray actively participated in the Walk to Emmaus events. He had served as a member and President of the Samnorwood School Board.

Ray was a farmer and rancher in the Abra Community and was working at TDCJ in Childress, Texas. He was a Veteran, having served in the National Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Dwyer, of Samnorwood, Texas; a daughter, Lindsay Dwyer of Amarillo; a son, Landon Dwyer of Fort Worth, Texas; his mother, Mary Dwyer of McLean, Texas; a brother, Nelson Dwyer of Amarillo; a sister, Rose Helen Steel of McLean, Texas; and a grandson, Trae.

The family requests memorials be to Samnorwood Baptist Church Building & Mission Fund, Samnorwood, TX 79077.

**DARRELL REX COURTER**  
1939-2003

**Darrell Rex Courter**, 64, of Pampa, Texas, died Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003, at Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 11, 2003, at the Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Glen Walton, minister of the Bell Avenue Church of Christ in Amarillo, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Courter was born Sept. 1, 1939, in Arkansas City, Kan. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1980. He married Cletis Hukill on April 6, 1982, in Sayre, Okla. She preceded him in death on June 9, 2002. He worked as a field operator for Phillips Petroleum for 23 years, retiring in 2002.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving dur-

ing peacetime. He was a member of the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son, Craig Courter and wife Donna of Pampa; a daughter, Cara Pilch and husband Michael of Liberty, Kan.; a brother, Don Courter of Plano; six grandchildren; a stepdaughter, Katrina Middleton of Houston; four stepsons, Tom Hollis of Amarillo, Johnny Wilsher of Carlsbad, N.M., Norman Wilsher of Idaho and J.R. Hollis of Pampa; 17 step-grandchildren; and two stepgreat-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother and his parents.

The family requests memorials be to Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ Foreign Ministries, 1342 Mary Ellen, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

**LARRY C. LEDFORD**  
1957-2003

**DEWEYVILLE** — Larry C. Ledford, 46, died Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2003. Services are pending with Dorman Funeral Home in Orange, Texas.

Mr. Ledford was born Aug. 17, 1957, at Topeka, Kan. He had been a resident of Pampa from 1967 until 2000. He attended Pampa schools. He married Mashelle Shattuck on May 23, 1998. He was a longtime OTR truck driver.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving dur-

ing peace time, and was a member of United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mashelle Ledford, of the home; a son, Spc. Sam Ledford, serving with the U.S. Army in Iraq; a daughter, Rachel Ledford of Bethany, Okla.; his parents, Wayne and Betty Ledford of Pampa; two brothers, Tony Ledford of Pampa and Ronnie Ledford of Jennings, La.; two sisters, Wanda Videon and Eva Nolan, both of Pampa; and two grandchildren.

**AUDIE ALICE VINSON SIVAGE**  
1903-2003

**WHEELER** — Audie Alice Vinson Sivage, 100, died Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2003, at Wheeler, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 10, 2003, in the Wheeler Cemetery, with family members officiating. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Sivage was born Feb. 24, 1903, in Erath County, Texas. She had lived in the Wheeler area since 1926 and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Wheeler.

She married Louis Vernon Sivage in 1921 in Morgan Mill, Texas. Mr. Sivage died Oct. 3, 1981.

Survivors include a son, Olaf Sivage of Mobeetie, Texas; a sister, Mary Ruth Fryar of Roswell, N.M.; three grandchildren, Gay Hale of Mobeetie, Vernon Sivage of Jinja, Uganda, Africa, and Sue Snider of Houston, Texas; eight great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

**SERVICES TOMORROW**

**SIVAGE, Audie Alice Vinson** — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Wheeler Cemetery, Wheeler.

**ON RECORD**

**POLICE**

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

**Monday, Oct. 6**

Theft under \$50 was reported in the 1600 block of West Kentucky. A billfold and its contents were taken. Estimated loss was \$32.

**Wednesday, Oct. 8**

A runaway was reported in the 800 block of Scott Street.

Theft over \$1,500 and under \$5,000 was reported by Mr. Payroll of Pampa, 309 N. Hobart. Approximately \$2,000 in cash was taken.

An information report was taken in the lobby of Pampa Police Department. The information concerned the 400 block of Elm.

A gas drive-off was reported by Taylor Mart, 1342 N. Hobart. A gold truck was seen leaving the scene, and a witness provided a license tag number for the truck. Loss was \$13.19 in fuel.

Found property was reported in the 500 block of Tignor Street. A driver's license and credit card were found.

A runaway was reported by Genesis House, 615 W. Buckler.

Found property was reported in the 100 block of North Houston. Three credit cards were found.

Michael Joseph Shelton, 20, of 1302 Russell, was arrested for criminal trespass and failure to appear.

Ashley Ragan, 25, of 501 1/2 N. Ward, was arrested for bond surrender on burglary of a habitation.

**ACCIDENTS**

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents.

**Wednesday, Oct. 8**

4:34 p.m. — A 1988 Cadillac Deville, driven by Francis Franklin Winkleblack, 86, of 605 N. Wells, was in collision with a 1992 Ford Tempo, driven by Michael Glenn Lyle, 47, unknown address, in the intersection of South Cuyler Street and East Brown Avenue. Lyle was transported by Rural/Metro Ambulance to Pampa Regional Medical Center with non-incapacitating injuries. Winkleblack was referred to a medical advisory board.

**AMBULANCE**

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

**Wednesday, Oct. 8**

10:32 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of East Frederic and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

1:06 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to the Berger airport.

4:39 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and Cuyler Street and transported a patient to PRMC.

7:27 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Oklahoma and transported a patient to PRMC.

**SHERIFF**

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

**Wednesday, Oct. 8**

Thalamus Pshand Malone, 26, of 509 Harlem, was arrested for no driver's license.

Timothy Dion Jackson, 29, of 512 Harlem, was arrested on a capias pro fine for child support enforcement.

**Thursday, Oct. 9**

Randy Dee Rybold, 50, of 933 S. Faulkner, was arrested for running a stop sign.

**CORRECTION**

In an article about fire safety published Wednesday, Pampa Fire Marshal Gary Stevens was incorrectly identified as the fire chief. Kim Powell is chief of Pampa Fire Department.

**FIRE**

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

**Wednesday, Oct. 8**

8:50 a.m. — Five firefighters in two units presented a fire prevention program at For Heaven's Sake, Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd.

9:47 a.m. — Five firefighters in two units presented a fire prevention program at St. Vincent's Catholic School, 2300 N. Hobart.

10:32 a.m. — Six units and 12 firefighters responded to a structure fire in the 700 block of East Frederic. The trailer's occupant was taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center suffering from burns and later transferred to a Lubbock hospital, officials said. (See related story, Page 1.)

1:40 p.m. — Six firefighters in two units presented a fire prevention program at Lamar Elementary, 1234 S. Nelson.

4:47 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of East Browning.

6:34 p.m. — Four firefighters in two units presented a fire prevention program at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson.

8:51 p.m. — Two units and four firefighters responded to a request for mutual aid on hazardous materials. Firefighters were on standby one and a half miles west of Texas 273 at FM 2375.

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		Atmos	24.58	+0.25
		Pioneer Nat	26.52	+0.09
		JCP	22.37	+0.40
		COP	56.52	+0.28
		SLB	50.17	-0.33
		Tenneco	6.87	+0.29
		CVX	73.53	+0.17
		Wal-Mart	59.00	+0.48
		OKE	21.01	+0.16
		NS-Grp	7.10	+0.26
		New York Gold	375.25	
		Silver	4.85	
		West Texas Crude	29.81	

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

OXY	36.22	+0.22
BP	43.70	+0.04
Celanese	32.33	-0.07
Cabot Corp	29.88	+0.58
Cabot Oil Gas	27.23	+0.01
Coca Cola	44.46	+0.22
VLO	39.21	+0.01
HAL	24.65	-0.61
Trad	32.11	+0.37

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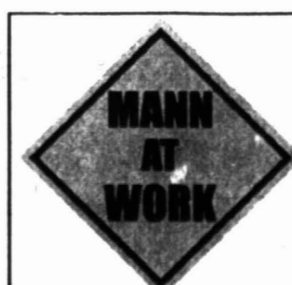
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**WEATHER**

Today's forecast is calling for cloudy to partly cloudy skies, highs in the lower 80s and west winds 5 to 10 mph, shifting to the north in the afternoon. Night should fall on partly cloudy skies with areas of fog after midnight, lows in the mid 50s and east winds 5 to 10 mph. Friday should see partly cloudy skies. Areas of fog in the morning. Highs in the lower 80s. East winds around 5 mph shifting to the southeast 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.



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# House panel debates Bush \$87 billion Iraq plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans, starting to push an \$86.7 billion package for Iraq and Afghanistan through the House, say they should be able to fend off lawmakers trying to turn Iraqi rebuilding aid into loans.

The House Appropriations Committee planned to vote on the measure Thursday. The bill largely mirrors the \$87 billion plan President Bush proposed last month, though it pares his \$20.3 billion Iraqi reconstruction proposal to \$18.6 billion.

Seeking to head off loan supporters, the White House invited numerous committee members for visits in recent days. The lawmakers were briefed by officials including Secretary of State Colin Powell and Condoleezza Rice, Bush's national security adviser.

"I believe we have the votes to maintain the president's position," Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla., told reporters Wednesday.

The House bill proposes \$65.1 billion for U.S. military operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere, and \$21.6 billion in reconstruction aid. The bulk of the money in both categories is for Iraq.

The committee's lead Democrat, Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin, said Wednesday he would propose augmenting the bill's defense expenditures and encouraging more foreign contributions toward Iraqi rebuilding. He would provide no specifics.

Underscoring the momentum against loans, Rep. John Culberson, R-Texas, said he would not offer an amendment requiring Bush to arrange for the entire Iraqi aid package to eventually be repaid. Culberson said he'd had conversations with Rice and L. Paul Bremer, the U.S. administrator in Iraq, but made the decision on his own.

"I came to the conclusion the Democrats would use it as a political weapon," Culberson said.

Democrats have said Bush's plan is too

generous at a time when domestic programs are being squeezed and the government is amassing record budget deficits.

Some lawmakers still believe U.S. taxpayers should not have to foot the bill for rebuilding Iraq. Rep. Zach Wamp, R-Tenn., said he still intends to force a vote on an amendment that would make half the Iraqi aid a loan.

"There's obviously a lot of lobbying going on," said Wamp, who conceded that he would need Democratic support for his amendment to survive.

Administration officials say loans would be a propaganda victory for those who claim the chief U.S. goal has been to control Iraqi oil. It also would place a further burden on that country at a time when it needs all its resources to climb back onto its feet, they say.

The bill includes funds for reconstructing Iraq's water and electricity supplies, oil production facilities, army, police, schools

and hospitals.

But with Democrats painting some of the expenditures as exorbitant — and some Republicans voicing discomfort as well — Young's bill erased several specific items, including spending to restore Iraqi marshlands, purchase \$50,000 garbage trucks, create postal ZIP codes and build two prisons at \$50,000 per bed.

Leaders of the GOP-led Senate, which is taking a recess this week, hope their chamber will complete work on its version of the bill next week.

A group of Republican senators led by Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas would structure the assistance as a loan, but Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., has said he believes he can defeat it.

Young said congressional leaders want to send the final version of the legislation to Bush before a conference of potential donor nations, which is scheduled for Oct. 23-24 in Madrid, Spain.

## Suicide car bomb kills eight in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A suicide driver roared through the gates of a police station in Baghdad's biggest Shiite Muslim slum Thursday and detonated his car bomb in the courtyard, killing eight policemen and civilians and injuring up to 45 people, authorities reported. The driver and a passenger also were killed.

It was the latest in a string of bombings that have rocked Iraq since August, and like the others no one claimed responsibility for the attack.

Also on Thursday:

— A 4th Infantry Division soldier was killed in a rocket-propelled grenade attack on a U.S. convoy northeast of Baghdad, the military reported.

— A Spanish military attaché was shot to death outside his residence in Baghdad in attack by four men, one dressed as a Shiite Muslim cleric, who knocked on his door.

— U.S. civilian administrator L. Paul Bremer marked six months since the ouster of Saddam Hussein by recalling

the fall of the regime as "one of the most dramatic moments in Iraq's history."

The car bombing in the northeast Baghdad slum of Sadr City occurred about 8:30 a.m. as about 50 officers gathered outside the police compound to collect their pay, authorities said. A white Oldsmobile sped up, police opened fire on it, the bomber crashed into a parked vehicle, and the car exploded.

"I ran and got hit in the leg. When I looked back, all I could see was fire," officer Khalid Sattar Jabar said from his hospital bed.

Mangled police cars were scattered around the bomb site and debris filled the courtyard in front of the one-story building. The blast left a crater about 10 feet across and 4 feet deep, a U.S. Army officer said.

Three policemen and five civilians were killed, said Capt. Sean Kirley of the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment. Two people in the car also died, said Iraqi police Capt. Bassam Sami.

Ambulances ferried wounded through the jammed traffic.

Sami said 28 people were wounded. Officials at Qasim al-Mubarka hospital said they had at least nine. Police said they had reports of an additional eight wounded at Ibn Nafees Hospital.

"It was a huge blast and everything became dark from the debris and sand. I was thrown to the ground," said Mohammed Adnan, 35, who sells watermelons across from the station.

The police building has been undergoing repairs, and several dozen workers were believed to have been inside at the time of the blast, according to U.S. and Iraqi officials at the scene.

Angry residents thronged the area after the bombing, and scores of U.S. soldiers surrounded the police building in Humvees. An Iraqi policeman who pushed through the crowd was stabbed in the right arm after being set upon by the mob, which chanted "No no to America!" U.S. military

medics treated him at the scene.

A nearby mosque, meanwhile, blared warnings for people to leave the area for fear of another booby-trapped car.

Some blamed the bombing on ultraorthodox Wahhabi Sunni Muslims, religious enemies of the Shiites; policemen said they had been threatened by a local Shiite imam; and others blamed Saddam's ousted Baathists and the Americans.

"This is all the fault of the Americans. They didn't catch Saddam," said a woman outside the Al-Mubarka Hospital.

Inside, a police sergeant who was wounded in the legs, Saad Drawal al-Dharaji, 29, said an imam had threatened to take action against the police station unless it turned over some officers for "punishment" for having served under Saddam.

"We will have our revenge for this," al-Dharaji said.

He said he didn't know the name of the clergyman. A fellow sergeant, Jassim Mohsen, 31, confirmed that duty officers earlier this week recorded the threats, made in last Friday's sermon and in letters to the police.

Jabar mentioned another possible motive for a bombing: the release of Shiite cleric Moayed al-Khazraji, arrested by the U.S. occupation force Monday and accused of unspecified "criminal and anti-coalition activities." Protesters had rallied at the police station Wednesday to demand his release but dispersed peacefully. "We didn't have the imam," Jabar said.

Sami said the attack was "aimed at obstructing police work at a time when the force was becoming more and more effective in combating crime."

## September sales up

NEW YORK (AP) — Cooler weather and tax rebates gave consumers an incentive to spend freely in September, handing many retailers their third straight month of better-than-expected sales.

Strong sales reports released Thursday came from across all retail categories, and lifted merchants' hopes for a satisfactory holiday season. Some analysts noted that the sluggish job market, although it has shown some signs of improvement, remains a big obstacle to a sustained increase in consumer spending.

Discounters and moderate-priced stores including Wal-Mart and Target again turned in solid results, but

mall-based stores including Limited Brands Inc. and AnnTaylor Stores and department stores such as Federated posted sales that exceeded expectations.

Sears Roebuck and Co., helped by strong sales of its new clothing brands including Lands' End and Covington, also reported results that pleased Wall Street.

"The broad-based improvement is now at hand," said Michael P. Niemira, vice president at the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. "Clearly, the consumer is on the comeback. ... This is an affirmation that this will be a much better holiday season, perhaps the best since 1999."

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### WATER

Grant said that although Pampa has not pursued the idea, it might be able to sell some of the water it has been allotted but not used to other cities on the CRMWA pipeline.

Still, the water authority is looking for more water.

Satterwhite said that without their well field in Roberts County, CRMWA could be facing a difficult time.

Earlier this year, CRMWA invited proposals from

landowners who wanted to sell water near the water authority's Roberts County well field.

Satterwhite said that CRMWA had received proposals for 105,000 acres in Roberts and Hutchinson counties.

The board Wednesday authorized him to review and negotiate with the landowners for some or all of the acreage.

The board also approved a preliminary study on a long-range expansion program.

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### CHEMICAL

Ambulance Service transported the five to the Pampa hospital's emergency room, where they were admitted for observation and later released after treatment, the spokesperson said.

The farm to market road was closed for a time last night, according to a spokesperson

for the Texas Department of Transportation's Pampa office, and a hazardous materials crew was called to clean up and analyze the substance. The highway was later reopened.

The substance may have been dumped out of a vehicle, Cates said. No information on identification of the substance, or the identity of the volunteer firefighters, was available as of press time.

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### MAP

Lubbock to Abilene would lose representation — a move opposed by Lubbock Republican Sen. Robert Duncan. The two chambers have rallied their respective stances, taking shots at each other and refusing to budge.

Wednesday's announcement came as Perry was out of the state touting Texas' economic development programs with several television appearances. U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Texas had spent the past three days in the Texas Capitol, trudging back and forth between the offices of Dewhurst and Craddick in an attempt to broker a deal.

The conference committee agreement still must receive approval from the majority of the House and Senate. The chambers are scheduled to convene again Friday.

There was concern that an

agreement couldn't be voted on before lawmakers left town to attend festivities surrounding the Texas-Oklahoma football game Saturday in Dallas.

Perry is expected to sign the redistricting bill.

"Our goal is to have fair lines that respect communities of interest, that comply with the Voting Rights Act, and I think we'll be delivering that to you in the morning," Staples said Wednesday.

The GOP, which controls the Texas House and Senate and occupies every statewide elected office, says conservative voting trends show Texas should have more Republicans in the congressional delegation.

Democrats, who control the delegation 17-15, want to

keep current district boundaries.

Democrats boycotted the Legislature twice this year to block a quorum and thus kill redistricting bills. House Democrats fled to Ardmore, Okla., in May and stayed away for four days to block redistricting in the regular legislative session.

Senate Democrats went to Albuquerque, N.M., for six weeks starting July 28 to shut down redistricting in a second special legislative session.

The Democrats returned when one of their own party members defected and said he would return to Austin, giving Republicans the quorum they needed to do business.

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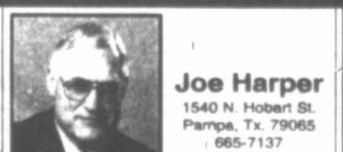
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Reputation for being honest

To the editor:

When I think of someone being honest, I think of someone that's dealt with a lot of people in a lot of different environments; someone that's had a successful business, attended church, is a Mason or belongs to any number of activities, and everyone speaks well of him. In other words, he has earned the reputation of being honest in all his dealings with his friends and others.

George W. Bush was always said to be such an honorable man. The things a remember about "dubya" are:

1. He was a "C" student who got into an ivy-league college because of who his dad was, and he was known as a playboy in school.
2. He spent 20 years as a heavy drinker who had received a DWI.
3. He wouldn't answer questions about illegal drug use.
4. He said himself that he hadn't read a book in 20 years.
5. He was involved in shady business dealings, but wasn't investigated because the people who would have investigated him worked for his daddy in the White House.
6. He joined the Air National Guard during the Vietnam War. The Reserve was full at that time and I don't know if his daddy got him in flight training. I do know that out of a six-year obligation, he was nowhere to be found the last year of his obligation. A lot of these reserve administrators would, for money, count people present. I don't know in this instance if that was the way it was done, but it did occur in some units.
7. About the time he got into politics, to be politically correct, he had a meeting with Billy Graham. During his run for governor and for president, he thumped the Bible and gave his testimony.

Ever since 9-11, all we hear is that "dubya" is honest and wouldn't lie to us about going to war. He gave us 10 or 15 reasons to invade Iraq, such as "he tried to kill my daddy" to mushroom clouds over New York. Now we are losing two or three of our soldiers a week. Nothing has been found about these "weapons of mass destruction." All he's got to say now is "Saddam was a bad guy."

I think the next time we elect someone who brags about how honest he is, we need to look at how he earned that reputation. If I was still a Republican, I would be looking for another "pretty boy" to get behind.

Calvin Lacy  
Pampa

## TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Oct. 9, the 282nd day of 2003. There are 83 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 9, 1888, the public was first admitted to the Washington Monument.

On this date:

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# Friendship: A good defense

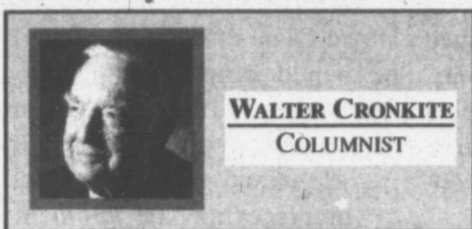
October dawned with dark clouds hanging over the White House, and there was evidence of turmoil in the seat of government.

It was revealed that someone was playing a very dirty game of politics in outing a CIA operative -- endangering her career and life as well as those of her contacts and sources. The White House ordered a thorough investigation, and that presumably is ongoing.

Perhaps even more bothersome to President Bush was a New York Times/CBS poll that showed a drop in his overall popularity and a fading confidence in his foreign policy. This, of course, reflected the high cost of casualties and funding in Iraq and a rapid and frightening deterioration of our position in Afghanistan.

Now the president has brought all of the strings of control related to efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan directly into the Oval Office in the person of his national security adviser, Condoleezza Rice. He endorsed a plan first proposed to him at his ranch last August by Ms. Rice, who has been at his side in the White House since the inception of plans for the Iraqi invasion. Secretary of State Colin Powell, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and CIA Director George Tenet, much of whose responsibility and authority will presumably now be passed to Ms. Rice, were advised of the new chain of command last week.

Meanwhile, last week another story of significant bearing on the White House decision to reconstruct its Iraq-Afghanistan



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policies barely saw the light of day.

Last July, the Bush administration appointed something it called the United States Advisory Group on Public Diplomacy for the Arab and Muslim World. That is a title that will never fit on a theater marquee, but it was meant to reflect an increasing concern in the administration about the growing chasm between the Muslim world and the American people.

Or was that what it was meant to do? It could serve also to blame the failure of our Iraq policy not on its fundamentals but on a simple thing like poor public relations.

It turned out that "Public Diplomacy" is nothing but a fancy title for press agency. The mission assigned to the supposedly nonpartisan panel was to examine what the Arab and Muslim people think of us in the wake of the Iraqi invasion and to suggest what we can do about it. Is it really possible that this learned panel could not have known what the whole world knew the Arabs and Muslims think about us?

At any rate, the panel used strong language in its report. It said that "hostility toward America has reached shocking levels" and "has left us vulnerable to lethal threats to our interest and our safety." It was presumably meant as a wake-up call

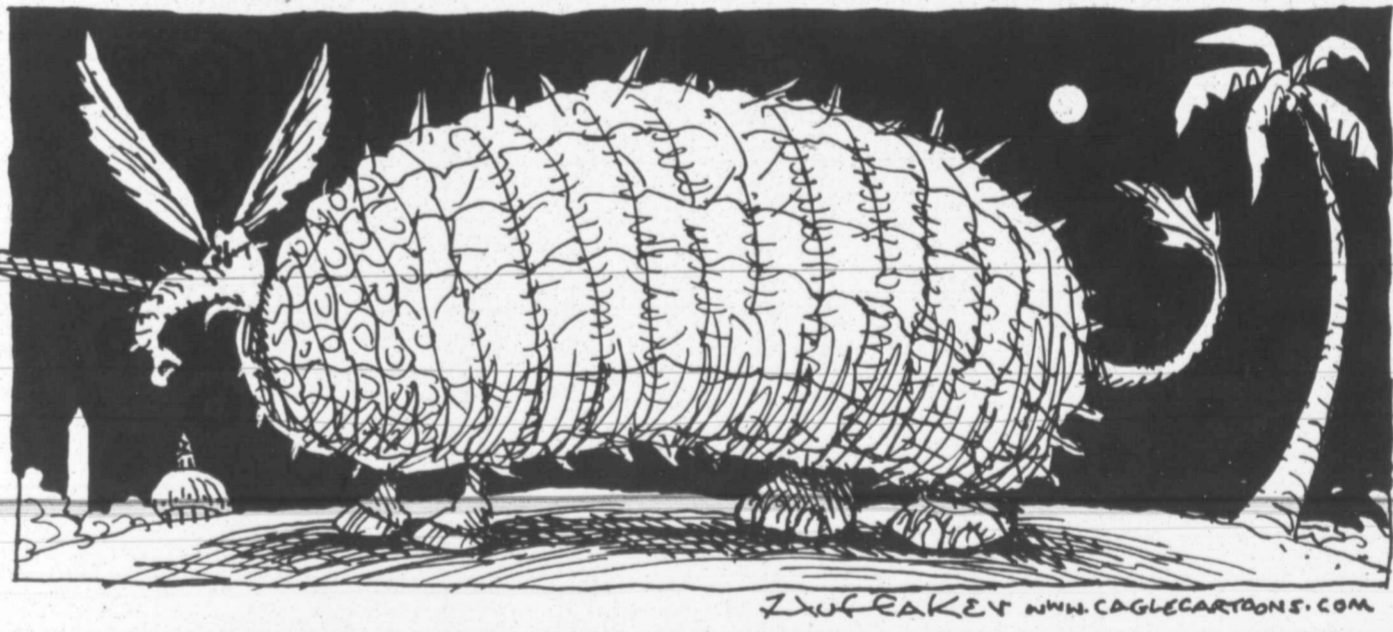
on the order of that delivered by the terrorist horror of Sept. 11.

The panel urged that we get to work on our public relations, heavily increasing our efforts via television, libraries, books and written and filmed material to convince Arabs and Muslims that we really are a great country and how much we want to help them.

All of this is well and good, but, as strong as were the words of the report, they missed the point -- that the way for this nation to win the hearts and minds of those most offended by our Iraqi invasion and occupation is not through press agency and advertising. Rather, it is by proving to them that the American spirit -- which, with good will and unselfish financing, once helped reinvigorate the world after the great wars of the past century -- still exists in America despite the arrogant and bullying tactics with which we have launched the 21st century.

We Americans understand the necessity of a strong defense against our enemies. But we might find that, as well as in the smartest weapons, a large part of that defense can be found in creating friendship where it has never been and reviving it where it recently has been lost. That can be done by extending aid and unselfish help (i.e. without guaranteeing profits for American industry) to improve the living standards in the world's impoverished nations. And this effort to assure a peaceful world can be done at a fraction of our vast expenditure to prepare for pre-emptive war.

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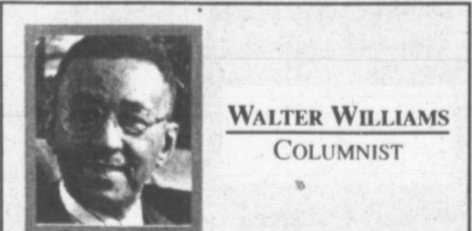
# Assumption of risk lands in trash

For most of our history, we followed the British system of common law, including laws dealing with tort liability. This heritage has been attacked by courts and plaintiff attorneys so much that it is barely recognizable.

One such doctrine of tort liability is the assumption-of-risk doctrine. Simply put, the assumption-of-risk doctrine holds that if the user of a product or service is aware of the danger, and nevertheless proceeds to make use of the product or service and is injured by it, he is barred from recovery. In other words, assumption-of-risk doctrine holds that people bear some accountability for the results of their actions.

As a result of the successful lawsuits against tobacco companies, assumption-of-risk doctrine is a skeleton of its past. For decades, under our traditional tort regime, if a plaintiff knows the risks of smoking, yet still smokes and contracts a tobacco-related illness, he had no claim against the tobacco manufacturer. That's all changed. The courts have all but said that it's the tobacco company, not the smoker, who's responsible for the smoker's plight.

Americans are quite pleased with the success of the political and legal attack against an unpopular industry. They're pleased by smoking regulations and the near confiscatory cigarette taxes levied in the name of protecting children and recouping health-care expenses. In some jurisdictions, taxes have made a pack of cigarettes sell for \$7, and predictively a flourishing black market, along with its



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associated violent crime, has emerged. The question I ask is: Will Americans be just as happy if the cigarette attack is carried to other products?

Sam Katzman, attorney for the Washington, D.C.-based Competitive Enterprise Institute, says, "The tobacco litigation campaign's most significant impact may well be not its effect on the tobacco industry or on smokers, but its creation of a template for attacking other industries."

The tobacco litigation made the case for diminished personal responsibility and the "social costing" of products. In other words, all a lawyer has to successfully argue is that a product such as tobacco, hamburgers, casinos, cars, etc., are addictive. That means individual responsibility for his lifestyle choices is out the window. Lawyers then hire "expert" witnesses to argue that the product imposes costs on society. Attorney generals and politicians come out of the woodwork calling for taxes to recover those costs. The icing on the cake is to somehow argue that America's precious children are harmed by the product. Success is nearly a foregone conclusion.

The nation's tyrants have already begun using the tobacco litigation template

against the food and beverage industries. In addition to obesity lawsuits against McDonald's, Burger King, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Nabisco and others, they're calling for the labeling of fat content. Cowardly executives are complying by providing additional nutritional information and even downsizing some of their products. If they think appeasement will deter the tyrants, who know what's best for Americans, they have another think coming.

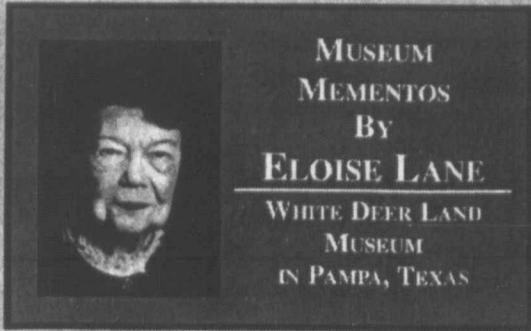
Decades ago, the government conducted costly education campaigns and mandated labels on cigarettes warning about the dangers of smoking. That didn't deter successful lawsuits against tobacco companies and neither will its equivalent, nutritional or fat content labeling, deter lawsuits against the food industry.

Abandonment of assumption-of-risk doctrine means Americans pay more, and will pay even more, for the goods and services. When we ski, we risk breaking a leg -- but since we have diminished responsibility, the higher liability insurance premiums paid by ski lodges translate into higher lift ticket prices.

If food companies are to stay in business, they too will have to pay higher liability insurance premiums and hire teams of lawyers to defend themselves. Who do you think will bear the final burden of these costs? Nullification of responsibility for our actions has had a devastating effect on our economy, not the least of which is international competitiveness. When are we going to call for a halt?

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# Why White Deer Land Museum located in Pampa



MUSEUM MEMENTOS BY ELOISE LANE WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM IN PAMPA, TEXAS

People ask why the White Deer Land Museum is in Pampa instead of being in the town of White Deer. A brief explanation is that the post office at White Deer was established before the bondholders of White Deer Lands moved its headquarters/office to Sutton (Pampa). A longer explanation follows.

An old legend tells that in the days when Apaches, Comanches, Kiowas and Kiowa-Apaches roamed this area, an Indian saw an albino deer drinking at a beautiful creek, and the creek became known to the Indians as "the creek of the white deer."

Early Spanish explorers translated the Indian name into their language, "El Rio del Verando Blanco." The Spanish name was anglicized by American explorers and traders, and that name has been retained. Signs on Highway 152 between Pampa and Skellytown show the name — "White Deer Creek."

White Deer Creek, an intermittent stream, rises in eastern Carson County several miles north of the present town of White Deer. It flows northward for 26 miles to join the Canadian River in eastern Hutchinson County.

White Deer Creek is on land purchased in 1882 by the Francklyn Land and Cattle Co. Charles G. Francklyn of New York and London was president of the company and most of the stock was held by British investors. Col. B.B. Groom, an experienced cattleman from Lexington, Ky., and his son, Harrison T. Groom, managed the Francklyn cattle, branded Diamond F.

Unfortunately, B.B. Groom's vision of the finest and most desirable cattle ranch in the United States did not materialize, and the Francklyn Land and Cattle Co. became insolvent in 1886. The British bondholders foreclosed and organized the White Deer Lands Trust of British Bondholders.

It was appropriate for the trust to take the name of the fertile White Deer Creek valley that had nurtured the Francklyn company throughout its short-lived history. White Deer Lands

consisted of 631,000 acres in Hutchinson, Carson, Gray and Roberts counties.

Because of the Texas Alien Land Law, the actual status of the British bondholders could not be acknowledged publicly. Frederic de Peyster Foster and Cornelius C. Cuyler, lawyers in New York City, became trustees for White Deer Lands and acted as owners.

Foster persuaded his friend George Tyng to become manager of White Deer Lands. One of Tyng's responsibilities was to sell the Francklyn cattle as soon as possible — the bondholders wanted to get out of the cattle business and then to sell the land in such a way that the investors would realize some profit from their investments.

The original headquarters/office for the Diamond F was on White Deer Creek a few miles south of the Canadian River. When Tyng became manager of White Deer Lands in 1886, the headquarters/office was being

moved to a lake in the southwestern part of present-day White Deer.

Tyng moved the headquarters/office to a site two miles east of the present town of White Deer. There, in 1887, he drilled the first successful water well in the area and established a miniature farm to demonstrate that farming was possible in an area that had been considered part of the "Great American Desert."

The same year that the White Deer Lands Trust was formed in 1886, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe announced that its subsidiary, the Southern Kansas Railway Co. of Texas would construct a line from Kiowa, Kan., to Panhandle City. In 1887, the final segment of 50.2 miles from Miami to Panhandle City crossed White Deer Lands on which two stations were designated — Glasgow and Paton. White Deer Lands granted land for these stations.

A post office for the Paton station was

established as Whig on Dec. 17, 1888, and changed to White Deer on Jan. 7, 1889. Later in 1889, Tyng began to urge the bondholders to start a town at Sutton (the railroad had changed the name of Glasgow to Sutton) because he believed that it would help to sell land in Gray and Roberts counties.

After some delay, the bondholders agreed to Tyng's request and he began, in the fall of 1891, to construct buildings for the move to Sutton — a boarding house located at present-day 116 W. Atchison and a company/office at present-day 318 W. Atchison.

During construction of these buildings, materials were often sent to Sutton County in southwest Texas. Tyng complained to the railroad and was told to choose a new name. The chief engineer did not like Tyng's first suggestions. Then Tyng thought of "Pampa" because the level plains in the area resembled the pampas of Argentina.

The railroad changed the name of Sutton to Pampa in early 1892, and later that year, on Oct. 29, the post office at Pampa was established.

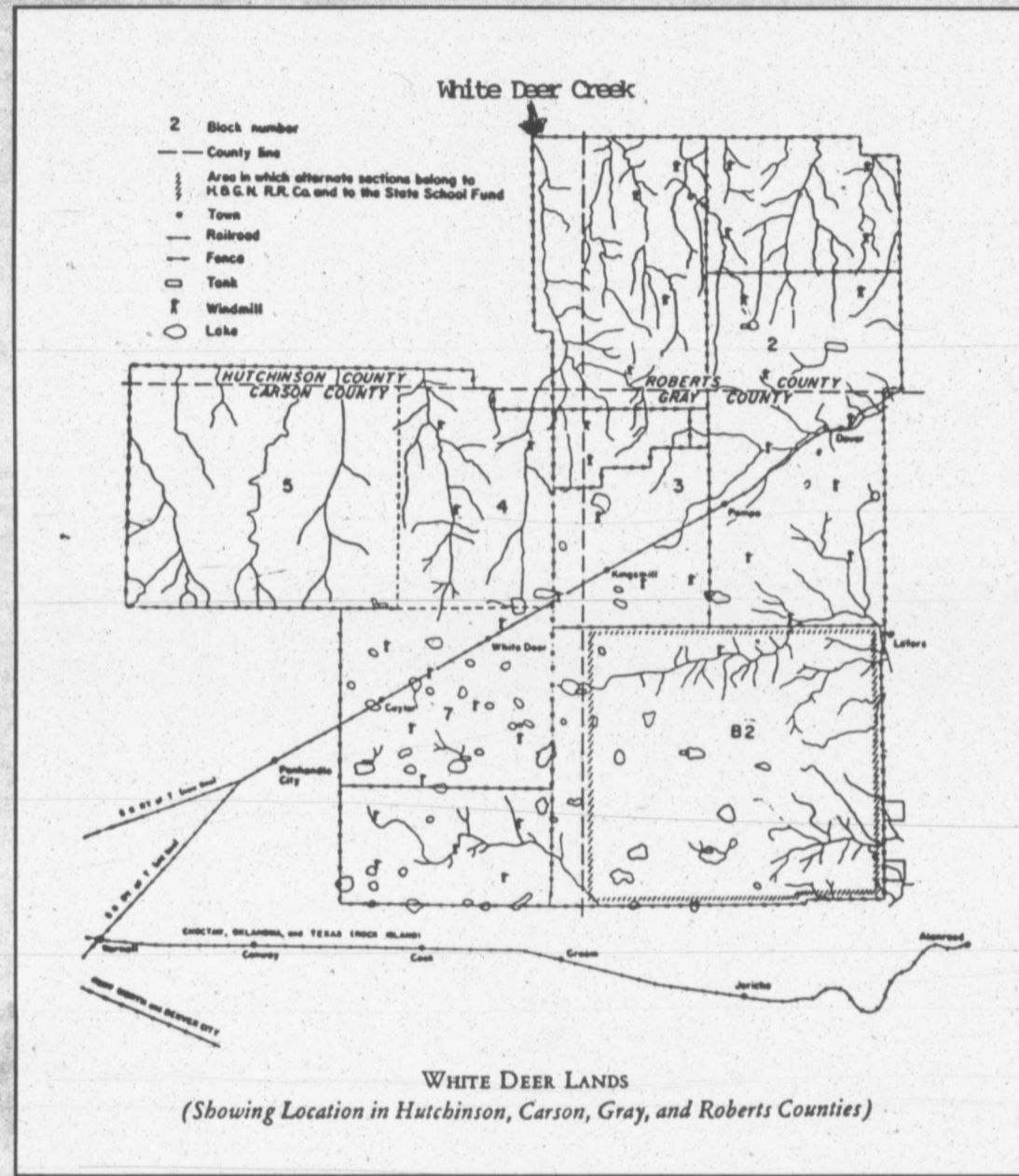
In 1903, Tyng resigned as manager of White Deer Lands and was replaced by T.D. Hobart as agent for the White Deer Land Co. (White Deer Lands). The second land office in Pampa was constructed at 124 S. Cuyler in 1906. The third land office (present-day museum) was constructed at 116 S. Cuyler in 1916.

Hobart resigned in 1924, and M.K. Brown and C.P. Buckler were joint agents until Brown retired in 1935 and Buckler became the sole agent. In 1948, the White Deer Land Corp. was formed to provide ore income for the bondholders.

By 1957, most of the land had been sold, and the bondholders voted to liquidate. Brown made the highest bid for the remaining property which included the White Deer Land Building at 116 S. Cuyler.

Brown and his secretary, Clotilde Thompson, began to plan for the White Deer Land Museum to preserve the history of the area. After Brown died in 1964, Thompson continued to develop the museum where a Texas historical marker was dedicated on Dec. 6, 1970.

Since the museum is housed in the White Deer Land Building constructed in 1916 at 116 S. Cuyler in Pampa, it is appropriate for the White Deer Land Museum to be in Pampa.



## Palestinian parliament prepares to vote on emergency cabinet

By MARK LAVIE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon struck out at Israel's opposition parties, accusing them of trying to bring down his government through "illegitimate means" in an apparent reference to a series of public sector strikes.

Meanwhile, the Palestinian parliament was set for a vote of confidence on a truncated emergency Cabinet, starting new Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia down a bumpy road of dealing with Israeli and U.S. demands to crack down on violent militants while avoiding internal conflicts.

On Wednesday, Qureia presided over the first meeting of his eight-member emergency Cabinet, which in principle can govern for one month. He said that he would

on Thursday seek parliament approval for the ministers, turning them into a regular Cabinet, and that he hoped to broaden his government eventually.

Qureia's success is key to efforts to salvage the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan, which foresees an end to three years of violence and a Palestinian state by 2005. It has been stalled for months, with neither side carrying out key requirements.

The United States and Israel say they will judge Qureia on his ability to try to halt terror attacks. Qureia has said he hopes to begin truce talks with Israel quickly, but that — like his predecessor, Mahmoud Abbas — he will use only persuasion, not force, to get Hamas, Islamic Jihad and other armed groups to halt attacks in Israel.

The violent Islamic groups

are enjoying a surge of support, while the Palestinian Authority, headed by Arafat and Qureia, has been unable to persuade Israel to relax roadblocks, curfews and closures that have decimated the Palestinian economy, costing it popular support.

The Israeli military announced it was extending a lockdown of the West Bank and Gaza, banning Palestinians from Israel and cordoning off Palestinian towns.

Also Wednesday, Sharon saw the first cracks appear in his center-right government, with the National Religious Party threatening to walk out over a religious dispute.

While a decision by the six-strong NRP faction to pull out of Sharon's 68-seat coalition

would still leave the prime minister with a slim majority in the 120-seat parliament, Israeli governments have fallen before over relatively marginal matters, not war and peace.

Later, speaking at a meeting of his Likud party, Sharon attacked the opposition parties, accusing them of trying to "topple the government by illegitimate means," an apparent reference to a series of public sector strikes, protesting austerity measures.

Sharon also accused opposition members of "coordinating their actions with the Palestinians behind the government's back."

Despite the security measures, violence continued Wednesday. Three Israeli soldiers were wounded, one seri-

ously, in a Palestinian shooting attack on a West Bank road near the city of Nablus, rescue services and settlers said.

The army later announced that until Sunday Palestinian traffic would be banned from West Bank roads patrolled by the Israeli military but a spokesman said it was part of a general effort to reduce the danger of attacks, and not directly related to Wednesday night's shooting.

Israel has enforced strict travel bans in the past three years of fighting, though there have been fluctuations.

Blanket closures, including travel bans within the Palestinian areas, are usually imposed during Jewish holidays, and restrictions are eased — though not lifted — once the holidays are over.

The most recent one, Yom Kippur, ended Monday, and the next one, the weeklong Succoth holiday, begins at sundown Friday.

However, Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz ordered the strict lockdown to continue, reportedly at least through Oct. 22, or several days after the end of Succoth. Mofaz reportedly went against the recommendations of security officials who said the level of alerts about possible terror attacks was not unusual.

Mofaz also ordered two more battalions — or about 800 soldiers — sent to the West Bank and Gaza, canceling leaves and training courses for soldiers. Orders for mobilizing reserve soldiers are also being drawn up, the Israeli military said.

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## DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

### Woman Must Start Now To Stop Boyfriend's Abuse

**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend hits me and makes me have sex with him all the time. He says he does this because I make him do it. He tells me he is the only guy who could ever love me. Please tell me what I am doing wrong. I am scared it's going to get worse.

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**DEAR ABBY:** You have done nothing wrong. Your boyfriend is a rapist and an abuser, and he is using a classic abuser's technique — make the victim blame herself. It will get worse unless you put a stop to it. I urge you to pick up the phone and call the police. If you cannot bring yourself to do that, then call the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-7233). There is help for you.

The following warning signs of an abusive partner have been adapted with permission from the Project for Victims of Family Violence in Fayetteville, Ark. Please read them carefully. I'm positive you will recognize your abuser in many of them.

(1) **PUSHES FOR QUICK INVOLVEMENT:** Comes on strong, claiming, "I've never felt loved like this by anyone." An abuser pressures the new partner for an exclusive commitment almost immediately.

(2) **JEALOUS:** Excessively possessive; calls constantly or visits unexpectedly; prevents you from going to work because "you might meet someone"; checks the mileage on your car.

(3) **CONTROLLING:** Interrogates you intensely (especially if you're late) about whom you talked to and where you were; keeps all the money; insists you ask permission to go anywhere or do anything.

(4) **UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS:** Expects you to be the perfect mate and meet his or her every need.

(5) **ISOLATION:** Tries to cut you off from family and friends; accuses people who are your supporters of "causing trouble." The abuser may deprive you of a phone or car, or try to prevent you from holding a job.

(6) **BLAMES OTHERS FOR PROBLEMS OR MISTAKES:** It's always someone else's fault if something goes wrong.

(7) **MAKES OTHERS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OR HER FEELINGS:** The abuser says, "You make me angry," instead of "I am angry," or says, "You're hurting me by not doing what I tell you."

(8) **HYPERSENSITIVITY:** Is easily insulted, claiming hurt feelings when he or she is really mad. Rants about the injustices of things that are just a part of life.

(9) **CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND CHILDREN:** Kills or punishes animals brutally. Also, may expect children to do things that are far beyond their ability (whips a 3-year-old for wetting a diaper) or may tease them until they cry. Sixty-five percent of abusers who beat their partner will also abuse children.

(10) **"PLAYFUL" USE OF FORCE DURING SEX:** Enjoys throwing you down or holding you down against your will during sex; finds the idea of rape exciting.

(11) **VERBAL ABUSE:** Constantly criticizes or says blatantly cruel, hurtful things; degrades, curses, calls you ugly names. This may also involve sleep deprivation, waking you up with relentless verbal abuse.

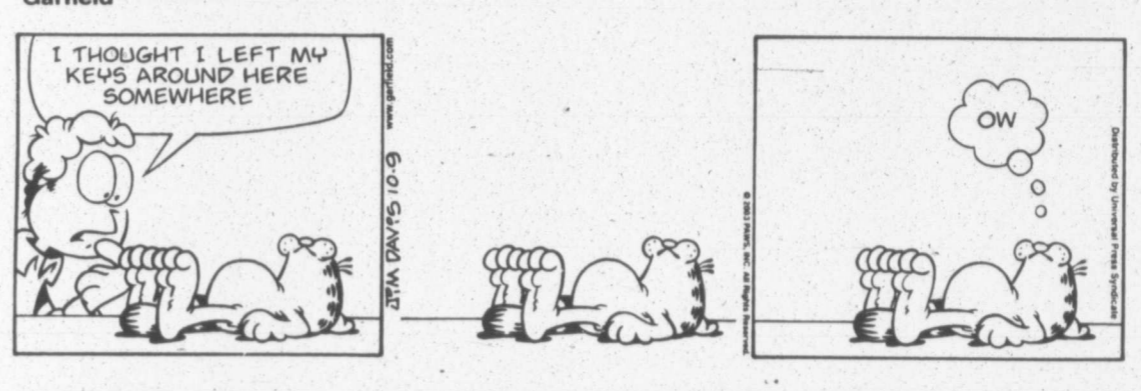
(12) **RIGID SEX ROLES:** Expects you to serve, obey, remain at home.

(13) **SUDDEN MOOD SWINGS:** Switches from sweet to violent in minutes.

(14) **PAST BATTERING:** Admits to hitting a mate in the past, but says the person "made" him (or her) do it.

(15) **THREATS OF VIOLENCE:** Says things like, "I'll break your neck," or "I'll kill you," and then dismisses them with "Everybody talks that way," or "I didn't really mean it."

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.



Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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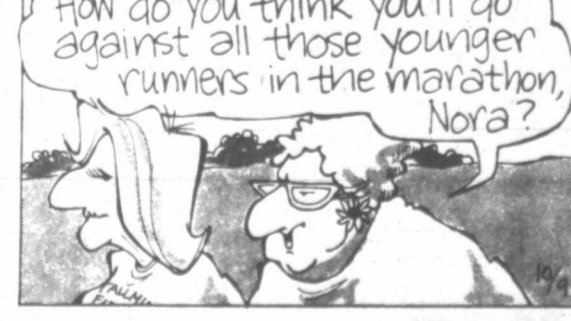
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# SPORTS

## Improving Hereford could challenge Pampa

By L.D. STRATE  
Sports Editor

PAMPA — Pampa coach Heath Parker believes his Harvesters will have quite a challenge on their hands with Hereford as the homecoming opponent Friday night.

"I'm impressed with Hereford, the way they've improved every week. The players didn't meet their new coach until Aug. 11, so they've had to go through some changes," coach Parker said.

Don DeLozier, a Hereford native, is the new head coach. He took over coaching duties in early July when Bryan Gerlich resigned. His wife, Krista, was named assistant women's basketball coach at Texas Tech.

Hereford is 3-3 for the season and 1-1 in district.

"Hereford has the type of team that never gives up. They were down by 18 to Dumas last week and came back to win," Parker said. "They won in overtime against Tascosa. I know we've got an opponent who fight us right up until the end of the game."

Running back Ryan Artho, quarterback Jayden Slentz and center Jody Lawrence are Hereford's main players on offense, according to Parker.

"Artho is a real good runner. He's fast; Slentz has been the difference-maker for them. They didn't get him until week four and he knows how to play quarterback," Parker said. Lawrence is probably their best offensive lineman. He's a strong blocker. He makes it hard for people to get off him when he blocks."

The Whitefaces have six

returning defensive starters with lineman Andrew Witkowski, linebacker Alex Bravo and end James Lucero considered the better players. Witkowski, at 240, is the biggest of the Whitefaces.

"These guys stand out," Parker said. "They really impressed me."

This season's Harvesters are on a record-setting trail. With last weekend's win over Plainview (27-7), they became the first Pampa team since 1952 to go 6-0. Pampa opened the season with back-to-back shutouts over Perryton, 37-0, and Lubbock Estacado, 35-0. The Harvesters hadn't shut out their first two opponents since 1953.

Coach DeLozier sees Pampa as a solid team, both offensively and defensively.

"Pampa is a really good football team. They're reaping the rewards of being able to play so well on both sides of the ball," coach DeLozier said.

This week, Pampa climbed to the No. 12 spot in the Harris Ratings, which also made the Harvesters a 27-point favorite over Hereford. Parker shrugs off those statistics.

"I don't think Hereford is going to forfeit. That ranking is nice for Pampa, but we've got to focus on one week and one game at a time. We don't want to be looking ahead. I've got people coming up and telling me what a great team we have and how great we're doing. It's nice to hear that, but we don't want to slip up now and not make the playoffs. It would be a shame if these guys got to play only 10 games," Parker said.

Pampa certainly looked like playoff-bound material against a

solid Plainview squad, which was sporting a 4-1 record going into last weekend's District 3-4A contest.

Pampa totaled 331 yards of offense — including 140 yards rushing by quarterback Johnny Moore — against the Bulldogs, but it was the Gang Green defense that stole the spotlight.

Senior defensive end Max Vinson and senior linebacker Mac Smith led a Pampa defense that held a potent Plainview offense to 242 yards. Going into the game, the Bulldogs were averaging 428.8 points a game.

Vinson returned an interception for a 12-yard touchdown and had four tackles, including a quarterback sack. Smith led the

team with a dozen tackles.

The Pampa defense almost got its fourth shutout of the season, but Plainview tailback Taber Minner was able to score on a 19-yard run with just 3:22 remaining.

Pampa's defense is ranked second in district in total yards allowed, giving up 212.2 yards per game. Palo Duro is No. 1 at 187.4 yards per game.

Pampa's offense, averaging 381.8 yards per game, is built around the shifty Moore, who is averaging 6.8 yards a carry, and has rushed for a dozen touchdowns. Running back Andrew Curtis is averaging 5.6 yards per carry and has rushed for four touchdowns.

Leading the Pampa receiving corps is Jesse Tarango, who has caught 31 passes for 400 yards and three TDs.

**Pampa Harvesters vs. Hereford Whitefaces**  
(7:30 p.m. Friday at Harvester Stadium)

**Pampa (6-0 overall, 2-0 district)**

Pampa 37, Perryton 0  
Pampa 35 Lubbock Estacado 0  
Pampa 31, Amarillo High 17  
Pampa 32, Borger 0  
Pampa 35, Randall 17  
Pampa 21, Plainview 7

**Hereford (3-3 overall, 1-1 district)**

Hereford 14, Lubbock Estacado 7  
Hereford 28, Tascosa 21 (OT)  
Big Spring 42, Hereford 0  
Frenship 24, Hereford 14  
Palo Duro 37, Hereford 14  
Hereford 32, Dumas 28

### NOTEBOOK

#### VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — The City of Pampa Recreation Department is sponsoring a mixed adult volleyball league. Mixed Competitive and Recreational divisions will be offered. Players must be 14 years old to participate.

Entry deadline is Oct. 29 at 5 p.m., and the season will begin the week of Nov. 4, 2003.

Entry fee (sponsor's fee) is \$150 and player's fee is \$10 per player with a minimum of eight players.

Roster forms, fact sheets and league by-laws are available at the Recreation Office at City Hall, Room 204.

For more information, please contact the Office at 669-5740 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### BASKETBALL

PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Basketball Booster Club meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14 in the PHS library.

EAGLE, Colo. (AP) — When last seen in this small mountain town, Kobe Bryant spent seven minutes in court and uttered just two words. He returns Thursday for an appearance that could be just as brief — but the two words he says might be a lot more significant.

Depending on what strategy his lawyers choose, Bryant could enter a plea of not guilty Thursday to the charge he sexually assaulted a hotel worker. If he does, it will begin the legal countdown to a celebrity trial the likes of which have not been seen since O.J. Simpson was tried on murder charges eight years ago.

Already, a media throng that includes former Simpson prosecutor Marcia Clark is in place for Bryant's second appearance in two months in a courtroom before a judge used to dealing with more mundane matters like petty theft and drunken driving.

A gag order is in place for all participants in the case, but that hasn't stopped some 300 television, print and radio types from gathering to report — and speculate — on what fate awaits Bryant.

Unlike Bryant's first appearance, cameras will not be allowed in the courtroom. And, unlike that Aug. 6 hearing, there is some question just what will go on when the NBA star walks with his lawyers into Judge Frederick Gannett's court this time.

During the August hearing, Bryant only spoke the words "No, sir," when Gannett asked if he objected to giving up his right to have a preliminary hearing within 30 days.

Thursday's session is scheduled as a preliminary hearing, where a sheriff's detective would take the stand and lay out some of the details of what happened between Bryant and the alleged victim the night of June 30 at the Cordillera Lodge.

But legal analysts have speculated that defense attorneys will waive the hearing at the last minute because they have no chance of winning it and little chance of procuring any additional evidence they don't already possess.



(Photo by Billie Dixon)

**Week 6 Players of the Week:** From left - Tyler Doughty, varsity special teams; Chris Veal, varsity scout team; Brad Johnson, freshman; Eric Kingcade, junior varsity; Not pictured is Seth Foster, varsity offense.

## Pitching and power lead Red Sox to victory

NEW YORK (AP) — Tim Wakefield's knuckleball fluttered by the New York Yankees, and home runs by David Ortiz, Todd Walker and Manny Ramirez soared over their heads.

Pitching and power led the Boston Red Sox to a 5-2 victory in the opener of the AL championship series Wednesday night, putting aside all that talk of curses and evil empires.

Instead, the focus was on Wakefield's dancing deliveries and the umpires — New York's Mike Mussina thought he was being squeezed by Tim McLlland, who also reversed a call and awarded Walker a disputed home run.

"I think we're still running on adrenaline now," said Wakefield, thinking back on a five-day span that had seen Boston overcome a 2-0 first-round deficit to beat Oakland, make a pair of cross-country flights and open the ALCS with a big win against its

dominating and domineering Northeast neighbor.

The Yankees were off-kilter from the start — even the bald eagle Challenger went off course, causing manager Joe Torre to duck as the bird circled the infield during the pregame ceremonies. It was an early sign of a fowl night for New York.

Wakefield then befuddled the batters with his knuckler, taking a five-run lead into the seventh before he got wild. Boston's beleaguered bullpen completed the three-hitter.

"He had a good one," the Yankees' Derek Jeter said. "Nobody knew where it was going."

Ortiz, who had been 0-for-20 against Mussina, started Boston's offense with a two-run upper-deck homer in the fourth. Walker and Ramirez added solo shots in the fifth.

"When they get a good pitch, they hit it hard," Mussina

said. "They have a lot of guys who hit .320."

After traveling from Boston to Oakland on Sunday, then winning Game 5 on Monday night and flying back across the country, the Red Sox seemed bleary-eyed when they arrived Tuesday. But when it came time to play, they had the energy and emotion, not New York, which had been off since finishing off Minnesota on Sunday.

Wakefield retired 14 straight batters starting in the second. After the game, he was ready to crash.

"I told all my friends don't call me because I'm going to be sleeping in," he said.

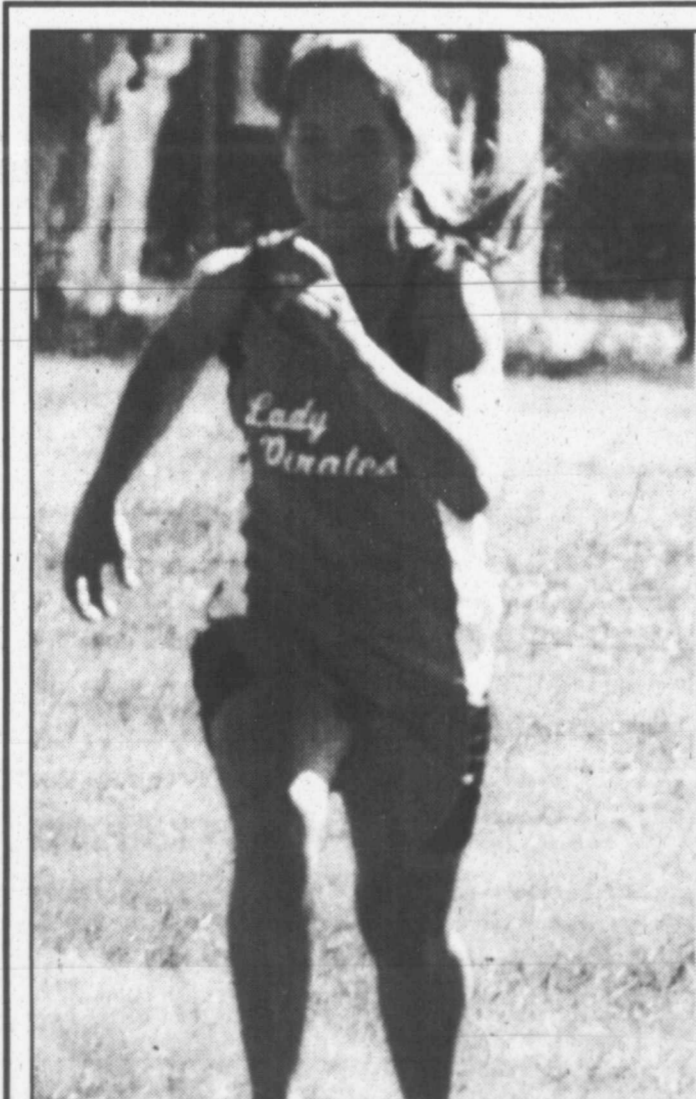
Derek Lowe tries to make it 2-0 Thursday night when he pitches Game 2 of the best-of-seven series against New York's Andy Pettitte.

"Our pitching is our strength and, hopefully tomorrow, Andy will get us back even," Torre said. "We put him in that situation many times and he's come up big for us."

With another win, Boston would be giddy by the time Game 3 starts Saturday at Fenway Park. These teams have been going at each other since December, when the Yankees beat out the Red Sox to sign Cuban pitcher Jose Contreras and Boston president Larry Lucchino called George Steinbrenner's team the "Evil Empire."

After all the Yankees have won the World Series 26 times since 1918, the last time Boston took home the title. The strong-throated New York fans repeatedly reminded the Red Sox of that, taunting with shouts of "1918."

Boston responded with big bats: The Red Sox rapped out 13 hits, including four by Ramirez, who grew up close to Yankee Stadium. And the Red Sox did it on the 47th anniversary of one of the most famous games in the ballpark's history — Don Larsen's perfect game against Brooklyn in Game 5 of the 1956 World Series.




### Closing in on the finish line

Savanah Smith of Lefors closes in on the finish line at the recent Shamrock Cross Country Invitational.

The Lady Pirates tied for third as a team as Rachel Stubbs took first-place individual honors with a time of 11:46. Jonelle Tinney was 9th (12:41), Kayla Andis 15th (13:10), Smith 45th (14:28) and Katie Barnes 50th (14:44) for Lefors.

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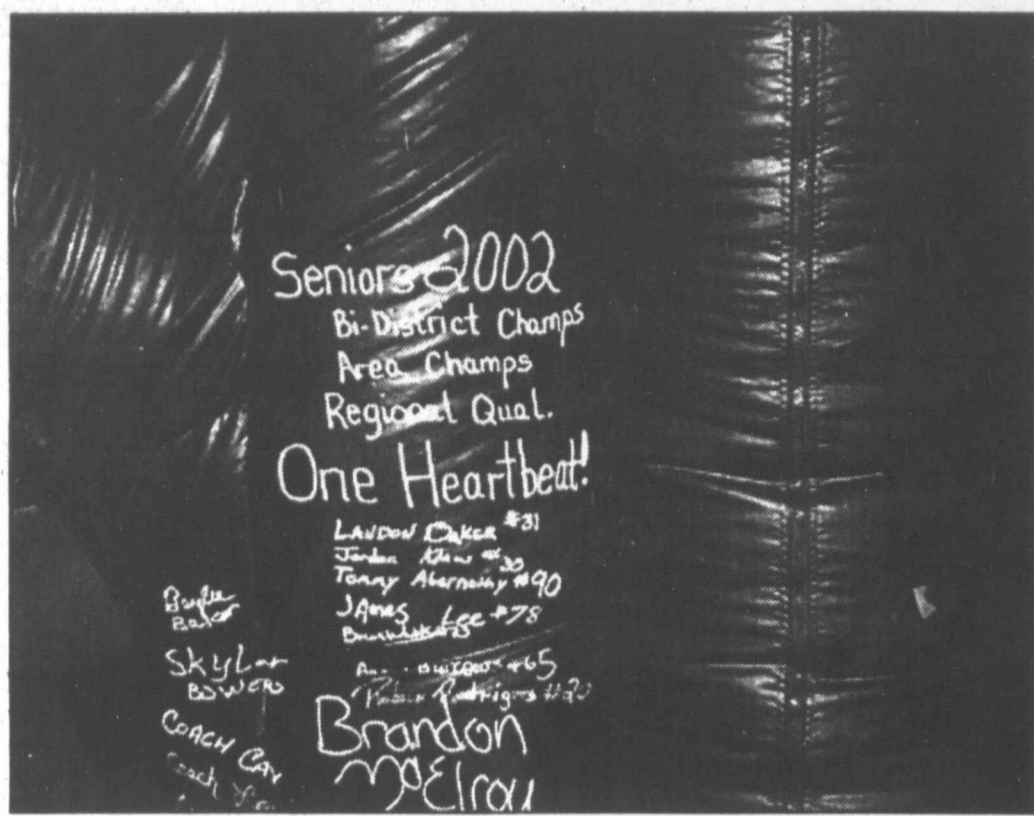


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## Inside the tunnel



(Photo by Ray Boring)

The interior of the Harvester football tunnel is becoming a collection place for autographs, mottos and team accomplishments from the 2002 season. Coach Dennis Cavalier's signature can be seen in the lower left-hand corner.

## Cubs clobber Marlins to even series at 1-1

CHICAGO (AP) — Sammy Sosa and the Chicago Cubs were cruising when Marlins reliever Michael Tejera slipped into the game almost unnoticed in the eighth inning.

Right away, he caught everyone's attention. Tejera slipped on his first pitch and the ball flew crazy, sailing sideways over Florida's first-base dugout.

Considering how the Cubs have been hitting, that was about the safest place for him to throw it.

Sosa struck again Wednesday night, launching a 495-foot shot that highlighted the Cubs' four home runs in a 12-3 romp that evened the NL championship series after two games.

"I've been lucky. I've been seeing good pitches and I've hit them out," Sosa said.

The Cubs put on a startling display of raw power at the plate and on the mound. Alex Gonzalez homered twice and Aramis Ramirez also connect-

ed, and the Cubs built a 11-0 lead after five innings for Mark Prior.

"Playoff games aren't necessarily a chance to work on things. But I got a chance to work on my changeup," Prior said.

Sosa, meanwhile, perfected his power stroke, producing a drive that got Wrigley Field roaring.

"I was so happy that I had a chance to produce," he said. "As soon as I put the swing on the ball, the ball was out of the ballpark."

There was no telling how far it might go as it sailed over the juniper bushes in dead center field. There's no telling how far he might carry the Cubs, either.

"This is the prime time to do it," Cubs manager Dusty Baker said. "He really hasn't had a hot streak all year. It seems when he does, he hits a home run every at-bat."

"I'm hoping it's on the way. Boy, it's coming right on time," he said.

A day after he tied Game 1 with a two-out, two-run shot in the ninth for his first postseason home run, Sosa hit a two-run drive in the second inning that went even farther.

By a lot, Sosa launched a drive that soared over the ivy-covered wall, sailed above the shrubbery that serves as a batter's backdrop and threatened to fly completely out of the park. Only a television camera booth kept the ball from becoming a street souvenir.

Teammate Kenny Lofton, who was on third base, shuddered as he watched it go. Marlins center fielder Juan Pierre didn't even bother to move.

"He hit that a mile. He can do that every once in a while," Gonzalez said.

Asked whether he had reconsidered his strategy about pitching to Sosa, Marlins manager Jack McKeon bucked up.

"Did he beat us? Enough said," he said.

## Texans settling on Mack, Davis to solve dormant rushing attack

HOUSTON (AP) — Mac Davis is a Texas singer-songwriter known for pining about Lubbock in his rearview mirror and how hard it is to be humble.

Mack-Davis is the Texans' two-headed running back that seems to be emerging as the answer to the team's dormant rushing attack.

Stacey Mack remains the nominal starter for Houston, which heads to Tennessee on Sunday at 2-2 after its bye week. But shifty rookie Domanick Davis is becoming a more prominent part of the Texans' attack. In Houston's 24-20 victory over Jacksonville two weeks ago, each had nine carries as they combined for 92 yards and a Mack touchdown.

"We left a lot of yardage out there as a group, and I

think we're going to be better (as we enter) this part of the season," Mack said.

Injuries have affected the backfield's progress. Mack has had sore toes on both feet. Davis missed training camp because of a broken hand. Rookie Tony Hollings is still learning on the job after major knee surgery last year.

Mack, a bruiser assigned mostly to short-yardage duty for four years at Jacksonville, signed with the Texans in the offseason to be the feature back. So far he has only averaged 2.9 yards per run, and his 130-carry fumble-free streak stopped with back-to-back drops against the Jaguars.

Davis, who has more of a scatback's build, was on the field for the Texans' dramatic

final drive against Jacksonville that ended with David Carr's do-or-die sneak as time expired.

Mack said he's comfortable sharing the load depending on the situation, as long as the running back corps performs well as a unit.

"These young guys are learning, and I feel like we're going to get better as a group," Mack said.

A productive running game would open up the passing game for Carr, who was battered last season when teams weren't worried much about the backfield tandem of James Allen and Jonathan Wells. Allen left the team over the summer. Wells is hanging on as the Texans' fourth-string tailback, getting most of his action on kick coverage teams.

## NFL STANDINGS

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New Orleans	1	4	0	.200	87	138												
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**Sunday's Games**  
 Houston at Tennessee, 1 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Dallas, 1 p.m.  
 Carolina at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.  
 Miami at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.  
 Kansas City at Green Bay, 1 p.m.  
 Chicago at New Orleans, 1 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay at Washington, 1 p.m.  
 Oakland at Cleveland, 1 p.m.  
 N.Y. Giants at New England, 1 p.m.  
 Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 4:15 p.m.  
 Baltimore at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh at Denver, 4:15 p.m.  
 San Francisco at Seattle, 8:30 p.m.  
**Open:** Cincinnati, San Diego, Detroit, Minnesota  
**Monday's Game**  
 Atlanta at St. Louis, 9 p.m.  
**Sunday, Oct. 19**  
 Dallas at Detroit, 1 p.m.  
 New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.  
 Green Bay at St. Louis, 1 p.m.  
 Tennessee at Carolina, 1 p.m.  
 New England at Miami, 1 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.  
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 San Diego at Cleveland, 1 p.m.  
 N.Y. Jets at Houston, 4:05 p.m.  
 Chicago at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.  
 Washington at Buffalo, 4:15 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.  
**Open:** Indianapolis, Pittsburgh, Arizona, Jacksonville  
**Monday, Oct. 20**  
 Kansas City at Oakland, 9 p.m.

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## Pampa, Canyon battle to 6-6 tie in 7th grade football

Pampa and Canyon battled to a 6-6 tie in 7th grade football action.

Pampa's touchdown came on a 9-yard run by Hayden Skinner.

Pampa won the B team game 22-6 as Madison

Wright had three touchdown runs of 31, 15 and 63 yards. He also had a 2-point conversion run.

Canyon shut out Pampa 18-0 in the 8th grade game.

Ivan Miranda, Jacob

Davis, Nick Burklow and Ryne Malone all gave an outstanding effort throughout the game for Pampa.

Canyon won the B team 8th grade game 32-6.

Enrique Marquez scored on a 62-yard run for Pampa.

The next games for Pampa will be against Westover Park Oct. at Harvester Stadium.

Game times are 5 p.m. (B team) and 6:30 p.m. (A team).

## Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, Oct. 10, 2003. Take charge of your immediate surroundings, expressing an understanding of what you need to make your life work. You will tend to go overboard financially without intending to. You can make a lot happen very quickly, if you simply go with the flow. Your ability to get past problems will come through hard work and endurance. You will also develop new verbal and communication skills. If single, you will notice that you attract many. You could have a difficult time choosing who, what and where. You will, no matter your status, learn to juggle your needs with others', establishing better boundaries. If attached, there is much caring that exists between the two of you, though you need to learn to act on it more frequently. Share more of your personal life as well. **ARIES** is your friend.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) \*\*\*\*\* This particular Full Moon might make you feel pulled in two different directions at once. You might need to rethink what is happening in a key relationship; be expressive of who you are with a special person or associate in your life. Tonight: Whatever floats your boat. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) \*\* Someone expresses a sweetness that might touch you on such a deep level that you might not be able to express yourself. Actions count more than words. Do something special for this person, if you can. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\*\* Follow your friends, who take you down a unique course right now. Someone has something heartfelt

he or she wants to share, which could involve your work. Your ability to push through this project can make this person's day. Tonight: Where are your friends? Follow them. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*\* Take the lead, and others will follow. Your intellectual viewpoint when expressed with your sensitivity and creativity mix into a brew that spells "winner." Let nothing stop you now. Revamp a work project if need be. Tonight: A must appearance. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Your mind might already be gone for the weekend; now only your body needs to follow! In this unique sense of detachment, you'll gain a perspective on a personal matter as well as a very important relationship. Share your perceptions. Tonight: Do something you have never done before. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Deal with one person at a time, letting someone know how important he or she is to you. A change within you or domestically could help you move emotionally from one point to another. As fall comes on, schedule a checkup for your heating system. Tonight: A close night for two, if possible. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Others want to indulge you while still somewhat challenging you. You might feel as if you are caught in a revolving door! Stop the cycle, and pull back. Don't forget how much you have to offer. Put your best foot forward professionally. Tonight: Go along with another's request. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*\* How you handle a personal or work-related matter might be a lot different right now from usual. You express unusual caring and gentleness toward others. Use this recent gift of charm and

high energy together. Tonight: Put your feet up. Make it a lazy night. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Understanding what others want might be step one in sorting through today's Full Moon. You might not be sure of a loved one. Could this be too good to be true? You recognize what needs to happen here. Tonight: Play the weekend in. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*\* You might not understand what someone is saying to you, or you might not understand why he or she is saying it. Relax with the moment, trying not to jump to judgments. Rather, listen more openly. Tonight: Be spontaneous. Respond to a friend. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\*\* Keep reaching out to others. You finally find that a boss is willing to work with you on a more amiable and easy level. Use special caution with your spending. You might be working through anger in that manner. Tonight: \*\* favorite spot. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*\* How you say what is on your mind has a lot to do with the end response. Check out what might be going on behind the scenes before swallowing office gossip. Verify everything you hear rather than taking it as "right." Tonight: You're treat. **BORN TODAY** Race-car driver Dale Earnhardt, Jr. (1974), actor Ben Vereen (1946), country singer Tanya Tucker (1958) \*\*\*\*\*

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at <http://www.jacquelinebigar.com>.  
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Ruth Hartman with her award-winning Bay Stallion Colt, Mr. Skipper Express.

## Local horses win honors at fair show

**AMARILLO** — Pampa colts turned in some outstanding performances at the Tri-State Fair AQHA Horse Show last month. Based on dual judging Saturday (Sept. 20), three Pampa quarterhorse colts placed first, second and third as well as Reserve Grand Champion in the AQHA Open Weanling Stallions (open class) show at Bill Cody Arena. Sunday's events (Sept. 21), secured first, third and fourth-place honors in the Open Class, Weanling Stallions, in addition to Reserve Grand Champion. Pampa results are as follows: Mr. Skipper Express (Chestnut

Stallion Colt), owned by Kelly and Maxwell Carey. Shown by Kelly Carey, who won first place and Reserve Grand Champion on Saturday. Peponita Bogie (Bay Stallion Colt), owned and shown by Ruth Hartman, who won first place and Reserve Grand Champion on Sunday. James P. Sullivan (Dun Stallion Colt), owned by Ruth Hartman, Shown by Montana Richey, who won third and fourth on Sunday. Pines Diamond Shine (Palomino Stallion Colt), owned by Susan Stephens. Shown by Norman Stephens, who won fourth and fourth place on Sunday.

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## 1 Public Notice

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, in compliance with Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, will receive public comment on the proposed revision of the Rules of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, at a special meeting of the Board of Directors on Tuesday, October 14, at 1:30 p.m., in the Panhandle Groundwater District Office, 201 West Third Street, White Deer, Texas and will consider adoption of proposed rules at a hearing on Tuesday, November 11, 2003, at 1:30 p.m. The deadline for submission of written, public comment on the proposed rules is Monday, November 3, 2003. The following is a brief outline of the most notable changes.

1. The District will require a permit for new domestic and livestock wells on 10 acres or less with existing wells exempt.
2. Procedural changes for acquiring permits.
3. The replacement of high-impact production permits with off-site use permits, and additional requirements.
4. Additional requirements to obtain initial groundwater availability permits prior to application for off-site use permits.
5. Additional requirements for storage of groundwater in a reservoir and transportation of groundwater.
6. Additional limitations on pumping rates for wells.
7. Addition of smaller and larger pump sizes to the spacing rules.
8. Comprehensive revision of the notice and hearing process.
9. The addition of an alternative dispute resolution procedure for hearings.
10. The addition of a rule regarding a water transport fee.
11. Addition to the aquifer depletion rule establishing an acceptable decline rate as a percentage, removal of lower limit on production limitations and changes allowing board discretion in decreasing the time period for limiting production under the depletion rule.

A complete copy of the current Rules of the District and proposed rule changes are available at the District office, 201 W. 3rd St., P.O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas.

## 1 Public Notice

79097, or call 806/883-2501, or Online at [www.panhandlegroundwater.org](http://www.panhandlegroundwater.org)  
D-34 Oct. 2, 9, 2003

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PAMPA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S State Financial Accountability Rating**  
Pampa Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m., 10-23-03, in the Board Room at Carver Center 321 W. Albert Pampa, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Pampa ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.  
D-40 Oct. 9, 20, 2003

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The following storage units will be sold to satisfy landlords lien. The auction will take place October 25, 2003 at 1:00 P.M. Location of auction will be American Self Storage, 2520 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX. Sale will go to highest bidder. Notice published Oct. 9 and Oct. 16, 2003.  
#A2-Wilbanks-Golf clubs, Bedroom dresser & headboard  
#C9-Epperson-Bedroom furniture, Fishing rods & tackle  
#C23-Longoria-Washer, Dryer, Bedroom furniture, Gas cook stove, Refrig.  
#D4-Aldrich-Halloween decorations, Pet carry  
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## 5 Special Notices

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## 10 Lost/Found

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## 14n Painting

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## 19 Situations

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## 19 Situations

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## 21 Help Wanted

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PART-TIME floor man. Apply in person, Coronado Healthcare Center, 1504 W. Kentucky.

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### 69 Misc.

HAVE Broom Weeds/will mow. Call 663-0506  
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### 69a Garage Sales

DEBBIE'S Used Furniture, 507 W. 10th, Borger. We buy & sell used furniture. 274-2505, 273-9767.  
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# After 2003 showing, U.S. dominance of Nobels continues

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — If the Nobel Prizes are a good indicator, Americans are the world's best doctors, physicists, economists and chemists.

They're not as good at writing or making peace though.

Six U.S. citizens were bestowed the top honor in medicine, physics, chemistry and economics this week as the Nobel Prize committees announced the 2003 winners, continuing a trend of American dominance in the science awards.

The literature prize last week went to J.M. Coetzee of South Africa. The peace prize will be announced Friday in Oslo, Norway.

Since the first Nobel Prizes were awarded in 1901, 277 of the 661 winners — or 42 percent — have been Americans. Many of the other winners have been researchers at U.S. universities.

"There's a brutal predominance for the U.S.," said Jonas Foerare, a spokesman for the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, which picks the winners in physics, chemistry and economics. "This shows that the

American investments in their university system are very successful."

Foerare was speaking from experience. He did post-doctoral work in biology at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque.

The academy on Wednesday awarded the chemistry prize to Americans Peter Agre and Roderick MacKinnon for studies of tiny transportation tunnels in cell walls, work that illuminates diseases of the heart, kidneys and nervous system.

American Robert F. Engle shared the 2003 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences with Briton Clive W.J. Granger, the first non-American to win that award since Amartya Sen of India in 1998.

"We don't take into consideration where people are from. It's just that the best American universities are very good and they attract gifted researchers from the whole world," said Lars Calmfors, Professor of International Economics at Stockholm University and member of the committee that selects prize winners in economics.

Calmfors said the Nobel award committees are sometimes criticized by people who believe they should try harder to find laureates outside of the United States.

"But there isn't a widespread dissatisfaction. Everyone is aware of the situation," he said. "They (Americans) have resources and there are opportunities to pay competent researchers high salaries."

Thirty-five of the 56 economists winners have been Americans.

Professor Charles F. Zukoski, vice-chancellor for research at the University of Illinois, said this year's awards show his state in particular is a good example of the benefits of investing in academic institutions.

"Investments made probably 40 years ago built these programs," Zukoski said. "That created an environment where really creative people can do really creative things. It says the educational institutions in this state are very strong."

Alexei A. Abrikosov, a Russian and American citizen

based at the Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois; and Anthony J. Leggett, a British and American citizen based at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, were among three winners of the physics prize.

Paul C. Lauterbur, an American at the University of Illinois, was a co-winner of the medicine prize and even Coetzee, the literature laureate, teaches at the University of Chicago.

There also is a possibility that the final Nobel Prize to be awarded this year will go to an Illinoisan.

Former Gov. George Ryan has been nominated for the

Nobel Peace Prize for declaring a moratorium on the death penalty and commuting the sentence of everyone on the state's death row.

Ryan said he'll be delighted if he receives the award but is not counting on it.

"If it doesn't happen, I'm honored to have been nominated," he said. "I'm not holding my breath."

Americans are not as well represented among peace and literature prize winners, the most well-known to the public.

Last year, former President Jimmy Carter became the 19th American to win the Nobel Peace Prize. There have been

110 laureates in that category.

The worst American track record is in literature, with 11 of 100 winners. The last American to win the literature prize was Toni Morrison in 1993.

The prizes are presented to the winners on Dec. 10, the anniversary of the death of their founder, Alfred Nobel, who died in 1896.

Nobel, the inventor of dynamite, gave the selectors little guidance with his will that established the prizes in literature, physics, chemistry, medicine or physiology and peace, although he said they should be given to those who "shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind."

## Study halted to announce positive results of breast cancer treatment

By TOM COHEN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

TORONTO (AP) — Breast cancer patients who follow up tamoxifen treatment with letrozole, an estrogen suppressor, cut risk of recurrence by nearly half, according to a study published online Thursday by the New England Journal of Medicine.

The study involving more than 5,000 women with the most common form of breast cancer was suspended halfway through its planned five-year timespan because of the surprisingly strong results. The journal also moved up publication of the study, which will appear in the Nov. 6 issue, because of the importance of the findings.

Cutting the study off early prevented more substantive long-term findings but gave all its participants the option of immediately starting letrozole treatment, according to the journal article and two accompanying editorials. Other breast cancer patients also could start on letrozole when they finish tamoxifen treatment.

"It is likely that in the coming months there will be much debate over whether the data and safety monitoring committee made the best decision" in halting the study, said one of the editorials, titled "Letrozole after Tamoxifen for Breast Cancer — What is the Price of Success?" by Dr. Norman Wolmark.

"At a minimum, suitable patients must be apprised of these important observations and must be given the opportunity to receive

letrozole, with an understanding of the limitations of the data," it concluded.

The study found that women with estrogen-sensitive breast cancer who had completed five years of tamoxifen treatment and then took letrozole were about 40 percent less likely to have the cancer return or get a new tumor in the other breast than those who received a dummy pill after tamoxifen.

"The estimated magnitude of the benefits ... was substantially greater than expected," Wolmark wrote.

Estrogen fuels the growth of about half of all breast cancers, especially those in older women. Tamoxifen, the top hormonal treatment for estrogen-fueled tumors, is given to almost all such U.S. patients after surgery to help prevent breast tumors from returning.

In addition, when breast cancer returns and spreads, tamoxifen is the top treatment to stall tumor growth and buy women some time. It prevents estrogen from linking up to a receptor on the surface of cancer cells.

However, a previous study showed tamoxifen's effectiveness ended after five years of use.

Letrozole, made by Novartis Pharmaceuticals, is an aromatase inhibitor that blocks production of estrogen. Side effects include increased risk of osteoporosis, hot flashes, night sweats, and pain in the bones, joints or back.

The study was conducted by 18 doctors from various Canadian, U.S. and European hospitals, universities and cancer centers.

## FIRE STATISTICS

• The Issue:  
Smoke Alarm Neglect

—Although smoke alarms are present in 94 percent of American homes, 20 percent do not work, mostly because of

### Canadian student among 19 vying for 'royalty' at WT

CANYON — Cara Swart, a senior general studies major from Miami, is among 14 women and five men vying for Homecoming royalty at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

The finalists for Homecoming King and Queen will be introduced Friday, Oct. 10, during Pigskin Revue at the WTAMU Event Center, and the winners will be announced during halftime of the WTAMU Homecoming football game, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11 at Kimbrough Memorial Stadium.

Homecoming King and Queen nominees must be enrolled in at least 10 semester hours at WTAMU, be sponsored by a chartered WTAMU organization, maintain and have at least a 2.0 overall grade point average and be at least a junior in standing at WTAMU.

dead or missing batteries, fire officials say. That means roughly 19 million homes are at risk due to non-working smoke alarms and another 6 million homes are at risk due to no smoke alarms. This prevents the U.S. from achieving the full potential of increased fire safety from smoke alarms.

—In the U.S., roughly 80 percent of fire deaths result from fires in homes without working smoke alarms. Half of the home fire deaths resulted from fires in the small percentage of homes (6 percent) without any smoke alarms.

—If a fire occurs, working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in a home fire nearly in half by providing an early warning and critical extra seconds to escape.

—Eighty-three percent of all civilian fire-related deaths are a result of home fires.

—Smoke alarm maintenance is a simple, effective way to reduce home fire deaths.

—The National Fire Alarm Code recommends a minimum of one smoke alarm on each level of a home, including one inside each bedroom for new construction and one outside each sleeping area.

—In addition to changing smoke alarm batteries, smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years, fire officials recommend.

—Education is key. Less than one-quarter of U.S. homes had smoke alarms in 1977. Although several factors such as safer products, building codes and life safety education played important roles, increased smoke alarm usage played a major role in the nearly 50 percent drop in home fire deaths since that time.

—These tips are courtesy of your local fire department.

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