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Texas merchants stalk state's wildlife hunters

BANDERA (AP) — Texas merchants are stalking a lucrative prey: the state's hunters. Hunters poured more than \$1.46 billion into the Texas economy in 2001, the latest year for which figures were available, said Steve Lightfoot of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. This year, Lightfoot said, each hunter is expected to spend about \$1,300 on the hobby. "It's not just bullets and guns," said Johnny Boyle, owner of a hardware store and a liquor store in Bandera County. "It's the lodging, the gas. They create a demand for all the services."

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- Bennie Ammons, 87, homemaker.
- Eleanor Talley Gill, 88, hospital volunteer.
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To bargain or not to bargain

Nov. 4 election will decide whether firefighters can have collective bargaining

By MARILYN POWERS
 STAFF WRITER

Pampa residents will vote Nov. 4 in a special election on whether to approve collective bargaining between the City of Pampa and Pampa Fire Fighters Association Local 3293. Early voting ended at 5 p.m. Friday at the polling place in Room 205 on the second floor of City Hall. Total number of early ballots cast was 214, said

Phyllis Jeffers, city secretary. Registered voters living inside city limits who have not already cast their ballots in the early voting period may vote Tuesday between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium, 1000 N. Sumner. The ballot asks for a "for" or "against" vote on one proposition: "Adoption of the state law applicable to firefighters that establishes collective bargaining if a majority of the

affected employees favor representation by an employees association, preserves the prohibition against strikes and lockouts, and provides penalties for strikes and lockouts." The election was scheduled as a result of a petition presented to the city by the firefighters association to adopt the Fire and Police Employee Relations Act (FPERA). This act is part of Chapter 174 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Information on the FPERA provided by Don Lane, city attorney, states, "Section 174.002 provides in part that the FPERA was passed so as to permit fire fighters and police officers the right to organize for collective bargaining in order to determine compensation and other terms and conditions of employment." The printed information provided by Lane, who was out of town and (See ELECTION, Page 3)

Clinic closing doors due to funding cuts, officials say

By MARILYN POWERS
 STAFF WRITER

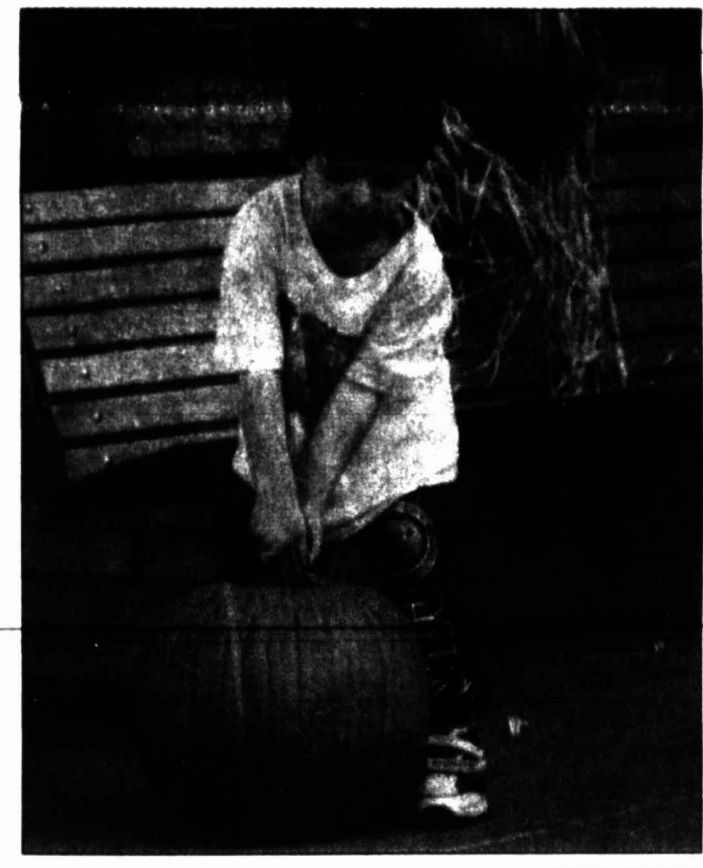
Planned Parenthood clinic at 408 W. Kingsmill will close Wednesday, Nov. 19, for financial reasons, according to Claudia Stravato, chief executive officer for Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle, in Amarillo. "We are the Title X and XX contractor for the Texas Department of Health in the Texas Panhandle, and the amount of funding we receive has not increased in over 15 years. This failure to increase funding makes it impossible to continue to operate on the same scale because of inflation and normal increases in the cost to do business," Stravato said. Title X, or the U.S. Family Planning Act, was passed in 1969 to provide confidentiality and funding for family planning, Stravato said. Title XX concerns the same services but provides funding in a different way. State and federal funding covers the cost of a complete physical, diagnostic laboratory services and contraceptives for

approximately 8,000 uninsured women in the Texas Panhandle. "We routinely see around 10,000 to 12,000, for which we have to raise private funds to cover the costs for the number over 8,000. Even though we have closed 14 outlying clinics over the past five years, we still saw the same number of patients in 2002 that we saw in 1993, which was 10,500," Stravato said. In order to qualify for services provided by Planned Parenthood, a woman must have a certain family size and income level. All teenagers can receive the agency's services for free, Stravato said. "The Texas Department of Health says that there are 32,000 women in the Panhandle who qualify for our services," she said. It costs \$12 to provide the complete history, physical and lab tests for one average patient. "A woman's health clinic opened in Pampa this past year and hopefully it can serve the uninsured women in the Pampa area," Stravato said. "We will cooperate in every way possible to see that our (See CLINIC, Page 3)

Pumpkin pickers



(Photos by David Bowser)



Though Halloween has passed, there's still a need for pumpkins for fall decorating and for Thanksgiving pumpkin pies. LeAnn Williams, above, picks through the pumpkin patch at a local supermarket recently, looking for the perfect holiday pumpkin. In the end, she found two.

At right, Blake Williams, 4, tries to lift a pumpkin, but ended up letting his mother make the choice when the ones he found were a little too heavy.

Bush: Now's not the time to leave Iraq

By DFR RIECHMANN
 ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CRAWFORD (AP) — An upsurge in violence will not cause America to leave Iraq prematurely, President Bush said Saturday in insisting that U.S.-led forces are rounding up insurgents despite the new attacks. "The United States will complete our work in Iraq," Bush said in his weekly radio address. "Leaving Iraq prematurely would only embolden the terrorists and increase the danger to America. We are determined to stay, to fight and to win." Bush, spending time at his Texas ranch this weekend, was responding to an upswing of ambushes and bombings by resistance forces, who now are striking almost three dozen times a day, mostly in central Iraq. "Some of the killers behind these attacks are loyalists of the Saddam


regime who seek to regain power and who resent Iraq's new freedoms," he said. "Others are foreigners who have traveled to Iraq to spread fear and chaos and prevent the emergence of a successful democracy in the heart of the Middle East." On Friday, troops cordoned off the village of Uja — about five miles south of Tikrit — where deposed President Saddam Hussein was born, on suspicion the village is a secret base for financing and planning assaults against coalition forces. Citing unidentified senior officials, The New York Times reported Friday that Saddam himself might be playing a significant role in coordinating and directing attacks by his loyalists. Secretary of State Colin Powell said he could find no basis for that report. Saddam may have survived, Powell said on ABC's "Nightline," but "We really don't have the evidence to put together a claim that he is pulling all the strings

among those remnants in Baghdad and other parts of the country." In Washington, the State Department noted the increased violence and, updating a travel warning issued Oct. 2, admonished Americans to avoid visits to Iraq, especially Baghdad. "There is credible information that terrorists have targeted civil aviation in Iraq," the warning said. "In addition, there have been planned and random killings, as well as extortions and kidnappings." It said travel at night is extremely dangerous and warned against patronizing restaurants, hotels and locations with expatriate staff. "All vehicular travel in Iraq is extremely dangerous, and there have been attacks on civilian as well as military convoys," the statement said. "Grenades and explosives have been thrown into vehicles from overpasses." A roadside bomb killed at least two U.S. soldiers Saturday in Mosul, Iraq's

third-largest city. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld says the attacks are practically inevitable as long as Saddam remains at large. White House spokesman Scott McClellan said Saddam's role, if any, is unclear. "He's been removed from power," McClellan said. "It's just a matter of time before he is brought to justice as well as other remnants of the regime." That, too, was Bush's message on the radio. "The terrorists and the Baathists loyal to the old regime will fail because America and our allies have a strategy, and our strategy is working," Bush said. Outlining that strategy, the president said coalition forces were implementing a plan to transfer sovereignty and authority to the Iraqi people and were training an increasing number of Iraqi police officers and troops, border guards and civil defense workers.

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SERVICES TOMORROW

GILL, Eleanor Talley — 2 p.m., United Methodist Church, Miami.
JOHNSON, Neil — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

ELEANOR TALLEY GILL 1915-2003

MIAMI, Texas — Eleanor Talley Gill, 88, of Miami, died Monday, Oct. 27, 2003, at Canadian, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 3, 2003, at the United Methodist Church in Miami with the Rev. Don Kinder, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Gill was born June 1, 1915, in Miami where she had been a lifelong resident. She was a graduate of Miami High School. She married Herchel Alonzo Gill on June 7, 1936, in Miami. He preceded her in death in 1960.

She was a homemaker and a member of the United Methodist Church of Miami. She volunteered many thousands of hours for the hospital auxiliary at Highland General Hospital, Coronado Hospital and Pampa Regional Medical Center in Pampa.

Survivors include two sons, Ronnie Gill and

wife Dee of Miami and Mike Gill and wife Vicki of Fort Dodge, Iowa; a daughter, Margot Thompson and husband Paul of Washington, D.C.; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a grandson, John Gill, in 1991.

The family requests memorials be to United Methodist Church, 201 S. Main, Miami, TX 79059; or to a favorite charity.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.



NEIL JOHNSON 1931-2003

DALLAS, Texas — Neil Johnson, 72, died Monday, Oct. 27, 2003, at Dallas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 3, 2003, at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa, Texas, with the Rev. Barry Owens, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Johnson was born July 12, 1931, at Pampa, to Owen and Cleo Johnson who owned Johnson's Café for 48 years in Pampa. He was a 1949 graduate of Pampa High School and held a degree in business from West Texas State University. He moved to Dallas in the 1950s and sold insurance

there for 20 years. He later worked at a jewelry store and as a medical courier.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving for two years.

Survivors include a daughter, Jill Mara of Coppell; a brother, Dan Johnson of Amarillo; a sister, Clo Ann Bynum of Dumas; and two grandsons, Matthew Mara and Ian Mara, both of Coppell.

The family requests memorials be to National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 6222 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, TX 79109.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

BENNIE AMMONS 1916-2003

Bennie Ammons, 87, of Pampa, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, in Pampa. Services are pending.

Mrs. Ammons was born on Feb. 27, 1916, in Haskell, Texas, and was a graduate of Haskell High School. She married Carl O. Ammons in 1934, and he preceded her in death on July 21, 1988.

She was a homemaker and a member of Hobart Baptist Church, 1100 W. Crawford, Pampa, TX 79065.

Survivors include a daughter, Dianne Studebaker and husband Harold of Alanreed; a

son, Darryl Ammons and wife Dot of Perryton; five grandchildren, Derek Studebaker, Bruce Ammons and wife Ruthie, Greg Ammons and wife Tinesa, Shanda Wilkins and husband Scott, and Shawn Ammons and wife Cheryl; and 15 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by four brothers and four sisters.

The family requests memorials be to Hobart Baptist Church, 1100 W. Crawford, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., Saturday.

Friday, Oct. 31

Jeffery Baker, 38, 1612 N. Sumner, was arrested on a capias pro fine for speeding.

Marisa Ramirez, 23, homeless, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation for a theft by check charge.

Saturday, Nov. 1

Crispin D. Montero, 24, 940 S. Faulkner, was arrested for no valid driver's license and was held over for the INS.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., Saturday.

Friday, Oct. 31

Ada Mae Armendarez, 43, 812 Monroe, was arrested by the Department of Public Safety for GCSO for forgery of a financial instrument.

Steven Vaughn Bracwell, 21, Birmingham, Ala., was arrested for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

AMBULANCE

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

Friday, Oct. 31

9:59 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

11:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2800 block of Rosewood on a call for lifting assistance.

11:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to BSAW.

Saturday, Nov. 1

1:46 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a call at Finley and Craven, but reported no patient.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., Saturday.

Friday, Oct. 31

3:05 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a gas leak at 17th and Evergreen. A gas meter was hit by a backhoe, fire officials said. The firefighters stood by until representatives from the gas company arrived.

10:53 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a call for medical standby for LifeStar helicopter at Pampa Regional Medical Center. The call was canceled en route.

WEATHER FOCUS

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The forecast today is calling for mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of showers, patchy fog in the morning, highs in the lower 70s and

south winds 10 to 15 mph with higher gusts. Night should fall on mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of showers, lows in the lower 50s and south

winds 15 to 20 mph. Monday should see partly cloudy skies. Highs in the lower 70s. South winds 15 to 20 mph. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. Election day, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Wednesday, sunny. Highs in the mid 60s. Wednesday night, mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s.

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unavailable for comment at press time, is titled "Things You Should Know About the Election to Adopt the Fire and Police Employee Relations Act." It defines collective bargaining as "the process whereby the City would be required by law to negotiate with the Association over compensation and other terms and conditions of employment. Certain topics such as policies and procedures affecting the fire department are considered mandatory subjects of bargaining and cannot be instituted unilaterally by the City without negotiation and agreement by the Association."

The 22-member Pampa Fire Fighters Association drew up the petition concerning collective bargaining and

presented it to the city as a result of budget options considered by Pampa city commissioners.

Commissioners, in an attempt to balance the city budget, had in the past mentioned the possibility of eliminating as many as nine fire fighters and closing Pampa Fire Station 2, located at 321 17th Ave.

"That's 38 percent of our staff and 50 percent of the staff available for a structure fire," said Captain Doug Pritchett, president of the fire fighters association. "There's better ways of cutting the budget and dealing with this problem."

The idea, which has been brought up more than once, caused a backlash from fire fighters and the public, who have spoken at commission meetings and displayed yard

signs expressing support of the fire department.

"We've been accused of going after higher wages. That is not what motivated us to get this started," Pritchett said. If wages had been the motivating factor, he said, "we would have done this years before."

The fire fighters association has written two letters to the public concerning the Nov. 4 election. "Our main objective is to meet with the commission and work together to find equitable solution to the problems that our community is faced with. We understand the financial constraints our city is faced with and believe there is a better way to solve these problems than to cut emergency fire protection," Pritchett said in one of the letters.

The first letter, mailed

after the petition on collective bargaining was presented to city commissioners, was sent by bulk mail. The return address on the bulk mailing showed "Pampa Chamber of Commerce" above the fire fighters association's name and mailing address.

Clay Rice of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce explained that the fire fighters had asked to use their bulk mailing permit for a mailing. The chamber of commerce allows organizations, chamber members and others to use the permit as a community service.

"Our name has to be on the first line of the return address" when the chamber's bulk mailing permit is used by anyone, Rice said. "It's required by the U.S. postal service."

"We are an apolitical

organization. We are not making a statement or endorsement either way" concerning Tuesday's election, Rice said.

Anyone using the chamber's bulk mailing permit must pay for their own mailings and fill out a form provided by the chamber, which is turned in at the post office at the time of the mailing.

Passage of the collective bargaining proposition Tuesday would not allow strikes by fire fighters.

The FPORA in Chapter 174 of the Texas Local Government Code prohibits strikes and slowdowns by employees, and lockouts by employers.

If both parties are unable to agree on an issue, they may either use mediation or an arbitration board to resolve the problem.

Passage of the proposition

would not guarantee that Fire Station 2 on 17th Street would remain open, or that a certain number of fire fighters would be maintained in the city's fire department, according to the information provided by Lane.

Anyone interested in reading Chapter 174 may pick up a copy of the state statute at the City Secretary's office on the second floor of City Hall, or may go to the Internet website www.capitol.state.tx.us and click on "Texas statutes," then click on "local government codes."

Information on the Fire and Police Employee Relations Act is also available at the City Attorney's office at 600 W. Francis. Pampa Fire Fighters Association Local 3293 has a website at PFPA@pan-tex.net.

PMS choristers perform at All-Region



(Courtesy photo)

These Pampa Middle School Choir students were among 280 vocalists chosen to participate at the All-Region Concert and Clinic at the Amarillo Civic Center, Saturday, Nov. 1. Left-right top row: Chelsie Kyle, Lindsey Riley, Layce Beesley, Erin Hall, Ashleigh Young, Ashley Brown, JaCee Villareal, Kailee Intemann, Lydia West, Jordan Dodge, Oscar Retana, Nicki Cole, Jessica Baggerman, Rikki Beesley, Anna Hillman, Claire Boyd, Jennifer Huffhines, Diana Mechelay, Brenna Albracht, Daryl Moore, Bernardo Casanova, Morgan Reagan, Lateasa Wheat, Yesenia Flores, Caitlin Hampton, Tonya Kiper, April Silva, Mikah Howard, Coleby West, Solomon Cruz, Marque Johnson Not pictured: Kamy Miller, Jordan Eakin, Nolan Burr, Michael Fernuik, Nikki Jones. The All Region Auditions were Oct. 25 at Canyon Junior High.

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Active patient files from the Pampa clinic will be available in the Borger Planned Parenthood office at 100 N. McGee. Inactive files will be maintained in the Amarillo Downtown Clinic location.

Both the Amarillo and

Pampa clinics opened in 1968. Planned Parenthood eventually had 14 clinics across the Panhandle.

After the Pampa office closes, the four offices left

will be in Amarillo, Borger, Dumas and Tulia.

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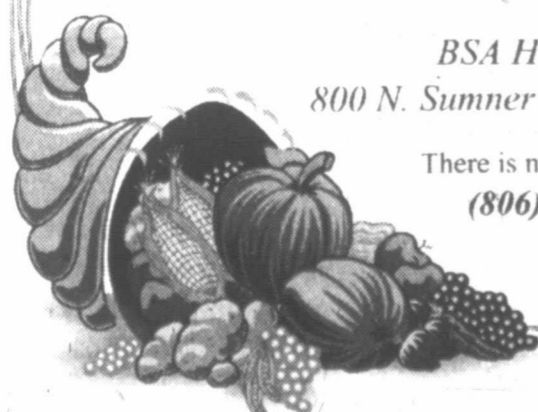
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Drug-resistant infections kill three children

HOUSTON (AP) — A hard-to-treat skin infection has killed three children in four months and critically sickened a dozen others, officials at Texas Children's Hospital said.

The infections were caused by methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus, or MRSA, a bacteria once caught only in hospitals by patients already sick.

Doctors have seen an increasing number of cases among people who have had no contact with hospitals. Outbreaks of the bacterial infection have popped up locally and across the country, including the athletic teams of several Texas schools.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A different point of view

To the editor:

Due to family matters beyond my control, I have just completed a backlog of mail, correspondence and reading old newspapers when I read the article in my local paper regarding the restoration of the Gray County Court House. I would like to offer a different point of view.

As a graduate of Pampa High School, a former resident of Pampa and an employee of Gray County, I was offended that some of the residents were offended by the true facts of our history as it relates to the Gray County Court House Restoration Project.

American Black history would be unbalanced if we educated our children only of the accomplishments and contributions and not include the sacrifices, struggles and the conditions that were imposed upon us in order to obtain a better way of life. For years, the history of Black Americans was buried (in the basement), misinterpreted and omitted and now that the story can be told and recorded correctly, some of us would like to keep the real truth from our children and ourselves. If we are going to keep the doors with the words "Colored Only" printed on them in the basement, then we need to eradicate Goray Island, the Lorraine Motel, Memphis, Tenn., and other black historical edifices and monuments that remind us of the ugly faces of slavery and a segregated past.

I understand that some of us do not need to be reminded of the past because most of us lived through segregation. However, history is not written for my generation or me. I am one of the characters that they are writing about. I am here to see to it that the script (lines/facts) are correct and that all children know the unsanitized history of America, both the good and not so good events.

I appreciated the fact that there were residents in the community that were willing to open a dialogue regarding race relations. Now it is time for the Gray County Commissioners Court, the Gray County Historical Society and an ad hoc committee consisting of community residents to keep this dialogue open and to tell the factual history as it relates to Gray County. Commissioner Wright was "right on track" when it was determined to place a plaque with the quote: "Those (children) who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

H. Dean Williams

Midland

Don't throw rocks if house is made of glass

To the editor:

Whew, Mr. Lacy, is there a halo over your casa at nighttime? My brother and I have now read two nonsensical diatribes over those Republican-type folk. What's the saying, "People who live in glass houses should not throw rocks?" Get ready Mr. Lacy, it's time to go apopleptic with all that time on your hands since you can't listen to Rush for awhile.

Where do we start, hmm, let's begin with Oklahoma City and then go east to New York City. Terrorism within our borders, close to four thousand dead in the two cities. I do recall Mr. Clinton attempted to bomb Bin Laden twice, and failed, letting George Bush inherit the nightmare. I believe the term is called "failure" by Mr. Clinton. A known fact is JFK was a pain pill muncher due to his war injury to his back, and his weren't prescribed until he became President. His philandering with women during his marriage and presidency were well known (Marilyn Monroe). I wonder if we will ever know the true cause of Ms. Monroe's death? Oh, dear little brother Teddy; that's a bridge I don't want to cross. I'll drink to that Sen. Kennedy! LBJ, how did all those dead folk get to the polling place down there in South Texas? My my, Billy Clinton and Monica and the infamous "I didn't have sex with that woman!" Oh, pardon me, it's just us "publicans" that are on the dishonest side.

Mr. Lacy, find something to do with your time. Help Pampa get an EDC that will work; stop Wal-Mart from building the proposed "supercenter" that will ultimately close more Pampa businesses; help work with the trash problem in Pampa; get active toward the threat to the Ogallala; or continue sitting on your patootie while waiting for Rush to return to the air.

Dennis and John Palmittier

Pampa

Primaries foreshadow election

The Democratic presidential races usually feature a thematic competition that foreshadows the earliest of primaries and determines the eventual nominee. The tough part is figuring out what this pivotal contest is about. Often, it is only apparent after one candidate has won it.

For example, Mike Dukakis won the 1988 nomination because he proved that he could raise more money than any of his rivals. By beating Dick Gephardt, Al Gore, Jesse Jackson and the others in the financial primary, he was able to pile up victories in the various key states and secure the nomination.

In 1992, Bill Clinton won the image primary. A party adrift, lacking confidence in its ideas, found the "new" Democratic Party heralded by the moderate governor from the Democratic Leadership Council most attractive. By offering a way out of the liberal dogma that had doomed Jimmy Carter, Walter Mondale and Dukakis, the three previous nominees, Clinton turned on the party's thinkers, writers, and movers with his pledges to "end welfare as we know it," to support a "middle-class tax cut" and to back capital punishment.

In 2000, Al Gore defeated former Sen. Bill Bradley in the audition primary, waged largely in their debates, where the two competed to see who could be more aggressive and forceful in attacking the Republicans. Bradley's diffidence and restraint, contrasted with



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Gore's tough attacks, made the former athlete seem too weak to take on Bush.

In 2004, it appears that the activist primary is the key. By using the Internet to mobilize hundreds of thousands of cyber-roots volunteers and donors, former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean has staked out an early lead that is likely to hold up and give him the nomination. Using his 500,000 online supporters to raise \$15 million in the past quarter (three times his nearest rival's take), Dean has built up a substantial national base while challenging Gephardt in Iowa and John Kerry in New Hampshire.

Dean realizes that four years of GOP rule have left Democrats angry, frustrated and determined to lash back. By opening his Internet portal to these militants, he has offered a living, interactive campaign where ordinary men and women can make a difference.

In the Gephardt or Kerry campaigns, you are invited to write a check. In the Wes Clark campaign, one can tune in and watch the candidate on television. But Dean urges activists to bring in their family and friends, clicking on the Web

as they migrate to his candidacy. As a result, the Dean campaign is just larger than anybody else's - more donors, more workers, more activists.

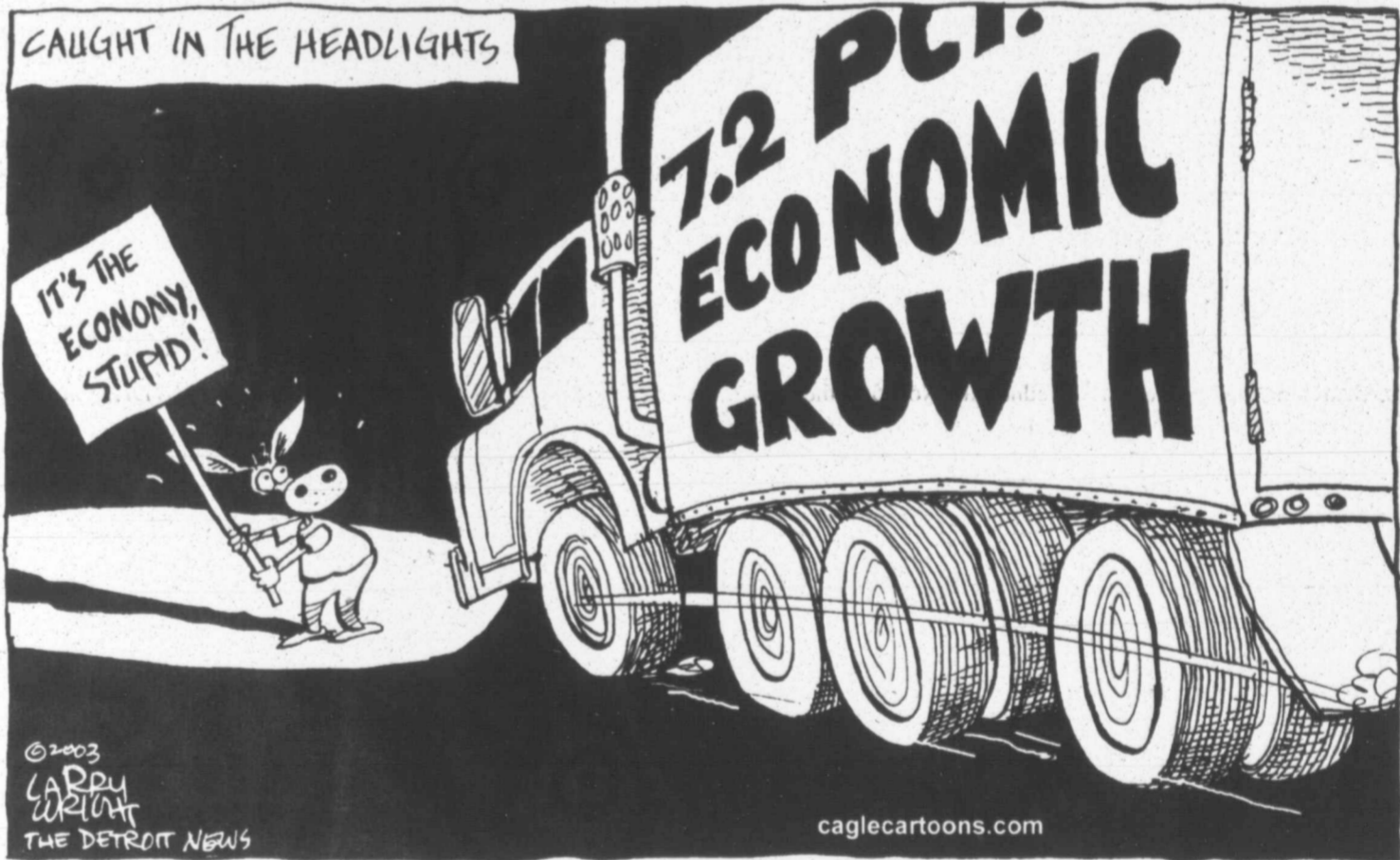
Clark thinks he is still back in 1992, using the Clinton playbook to win the image primary. He hopes that by tapping into the historical paradigm of the general-as-a-man-of-peace, he can score where past generals have.

He's read his history. Ulysses S. Grant was elected president not only for his military prowess, but for his words at Appomattox: "Let us have peace." Dwight D. Eisenhower surged to victory in 1952 not only by summoning the memories of D-Day, but also by pledging "I shall go to Korea" to end the sanguinary stalemate that drained more than 40,000 American lives.

Clark has won his image primary and Dean has won the activist primary. No candidate can match the attractive image Clark has created as the general-as-a-man-of-peace, nor can any come close to equaling the swelling ranks of the Dean campaign.

Kerry, Gephardt, Joe Lieberman and John Edwards have lost out on both counts - their images attract no coverage and their campaigns get few volunteers.

In a sense, Clark vs. Dean is the classic confrontation of the TV-image candidate vs. the party activists' choice. It's either the first battle of the post-TV era or the last hurrah of media power. My bet is that it is the herald of the new age.



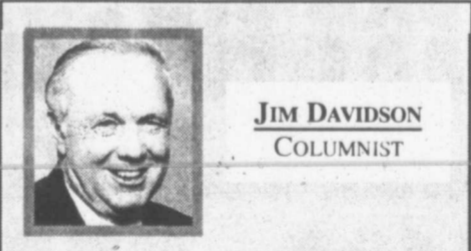
Wilda would give her last lump of coal

In the year 1909, William Howard Taft was President of the United States of America and James S. Sherman was Vice President. The year's top news stories: Robert E. Perry's expedition is first to reach the North Pole and U.S. troops withdraw from Cuba. The U.S. population was 90,490,000. A three bedroom brick home had an average cost of \$2,575. The annual average income was \$518; a new Ford automobile cost \$950, a dozen eggs 32 cents, a one pound loaf of bread, 5 cents, and milk was 32 cents a gallon. The 1909 World Series, Pittsburgh over Detroit. Music heard at the time: "By the Light of the Silvery Moon," "I Wonder Who Is Kissing Her Now" and "Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet."

On Saturday, April 10 that same year, Wilda Scott Witt made her entrance into the world at Parrottsville, Tenn., in Cocke County. When both of her parents passed away in 1913, Wilda was placed in the Holston Home located in Greenville, Tenn., where she grew up. Life was not easy for Wilda and she went through many trials and tribulations, but in 1995 when the orphanage was having a 100-year anniversary, they contacted her about coming and giving a speech about the home. The Governor of Tennessee was supposed to be the main speaker, so she accepted. Of course the local television station and other members of the media were to be there.

At the last minute they found out the Governor couldn't be there, and Wilda found herself in the center of the spotlight. Without notes, she knocked their socks off and they gave her a standing ovation.

This is a little background about my



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friend Wilda Witt, who now lives in Bluefield, W.Va. Soon after my column began to run in the Bluefield Daily Telegraph, she wrote me a letter and we have corresponded a number of times since then. I can tell you this for sure: Wilda makes some wonderful apple butter. The reason I have decided to tell you about this dear lady is because she is past 90 years of age and she is still interested in people and is sharp as a tack. One of her daughters, Cecile Barrett, was once mayor of Bluefield and now takes care of Wilda in her home.

Back on July 20, 2002, the family was planning a big reunion and they asked Wilda to write down some words that would give the younger members some ideas about what had happened to family members over the years. Much of the information I have shared with you can be found in this small book titled, "Wilda's Words," but I was really impressed by the introduction written by one of her grandsons, Jack. He begins, "Wilda, Mom Maw as we know her, has been my grandmother for more than 53 years. She has never been afraid to try something new or to learn something new. Later I learned to appreciate the joy of giving that she holds so dear. I have never known anyone who would so willingly give her last dollar to help someone in need of coal."

To be sure, people who live in this

coal mining area of our country can appreciate what I am saying. On those cold winter days when the snow and biting wind made life miserable, and the coal pile was low, to have someone who cares about you so much they would give their last lump of coal, well, that expressed more than words could say."

As I think about Wilda Witt and the life she has lived, I see someone who has gone through tough times and who came out on the other side with grace, dignity and charm. A person whose values place others above herself. A person who will leave this world a little better than she found it. I thank God that we still have lots of people in this great nation with these kinds of values. This is what has made America the greatest nation on earth. Wilda Witt has touched my life and I am grateful. Hope you have been blessed as well.

(Write to Jim Davidson at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, Ark. 72034.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Sunday, Nov. 2, the 306th day of 2003. There are 59 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 2, 1976, former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter became the first candidate from the Deep South since the Civil War to be elected president. He defeated incumbent Gerald R. Ford.

On this date:

In 1783, Gen. George Washington signed his "Farewell Address to the Army" in Monmouth, N.J.

In 1930, Haile Selassie was crowned emperor of Ethiopia.

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UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

STORY TIME

Starting Sept. 16 and continuing through Dec. 16, Lovett Memorial Library will host its fall "story time" at the library for children 18 months to 5-years of age. Shanla Brookshire, children's librarian, will read stories and prepare crafts for participants. All story times are free and require no registration. A Halloween party is scheduled Oct. 28 and a Christmas party Dec. 16. For more information, call Lovett Memorial Library at 669-5780.

PCCA

Pampa Community Concert Association's 2003-04 concert series includes the following programs: Lee and Suits Duo - 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 30, M.K. Brown Auditorium; "Guthrie in Dance and Music" - 3 p.m., Jan. 20, M.K. Brown Auditorium; "The Woods Tea Co." - Feb. 15, Heritage Room, M.K. Brown Auditorium; and Cantus - 7:30 p.m., April 26, Borger High School Auditorium. Memberships/tickets are available at the door. For more information on any of these events, contact Ronnie Holmes, PCCA president, at 665-2631.

TDHS VOLUNTEERS

Texas Department of Human Services is seeking volunteers for its Texas Works Services Program. Tasks are varied and placement is based upon the volunteer's interest, capability and availability of openings. Hours are flexible. For more information, contact Beth Miller at 665-1863.

FALL COMPUTER CLASSES

Lovett Memorial Library will offer three separate computer classes to the public this fall. The classes are "Computer Comfort," a basic course geared toward absolute beginners; "Searching the Internet," a comprehensive two-part course that covers using a Web browser, understanding Web pages, using Web addresses, using search engines and various aspects of Microsoft Word such as typing, correcting, printing and saving; and "Using Free E-Mail," a class structured to explore electronic messaging. All classes are hands-on and limited to 10 students apiece. No fee is involved but registration is required. To receive a schedule of classes or for more

information, call the library at 669-5780.

ACT I

ACT I of Pampa will present "Murder in Green Meadows" by Douglas Post Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, 7-8, at its theater in the Pampa Mall. The production will be under the direction of Rochelle Lacy and will star Joshuah Ellis, Michele Dabbs, Tim Andorfer and Jo Scott. Season tickets are now on sale. For more information, call 665-9369.

CRAFT BAZAAR

The sixth Annual Benefit Craft Bazaar will be held from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1, in the Commons Area of Guymon High School at Guymon, Okla. The event will feature booths with a variety of wares and concessions.

ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Pampa Fine Arts Association will hold a reception to honor Artist of the Year Kathy Gist from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 2, at White Deer Land Museum.

BOTANICAL GARDENS

Amarillo Botanical Gardens in Amarillo is accepting orders for holiday treats/gourmet entrees and floral quality poinsettias. To order or for more information, call (806) 352-6513. Deadline for orders is Nov. 3 (Holiday Treats) and Nov. 6 (poinsettias).

TURKEY DINNER

McLean First United Methodist Women will host a "Turkey Dinner" from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Nov. 4, in fellowship hall of First United Methodist Church, 219 N. Gray, McLean. Six dollars covers the cost of a meal and a drink.

CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER

The Annual Christmas in November sponsored by Ochiltree County Extension Education Clubs will be held from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the Expo Center in Perryton. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. The event will include demonstrations with Dorothy File of Follett and Liz McBee, Extension educator of Beaver County, Okla., and much more. The clubs will offer a salad luncheon for \$4 at 12 noon. For more information, call (806) 435-3831.

GRIEF WORKSHOP

BSA Hospice will present "Grief and the Holidays," a free workshop designed to help

individuals who are grieving the loss of a loved one through the holidays, from 3-5 p.m., or from 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 6, at the hospice's Pampa facility, 800 N. Sumner. To register or for more information, call 665-6677 or 1-800-658-6985.

ST. VINCENT SCHOOL FUND-RAISER

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will hold a special fundraiser with food, gifts, games and a silent auction from 6 to 10 p.m., Friday, Nov. 14. Chili and potato will be served from 6-7:30 p.m., with adults eating for \$5 and children between the ages of 5 and 12 for \$2.50. Children 5 and under eat free. Besides the silent auction, scout booths and gift items will be featured along with a cake walk, face painting, bouncy booths, prizes and more. The silent auction will close promptly at 9:30 p.m.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church will be the site of a Scholastic Book Fair Nov. 10-14.

CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Amarillo College Theatre School for Children will present "How to Eat Like a Child and Other Lessons in Not Being a Grownup!" at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14 and 15, and at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 16, at Ordway Auditorium, 22nd and Washington, Amarillo. For reservations, call (806) 371-5353. The production is under the direction of Linda Dee Hughes, Texas Artist in Education, Texas Commission on the Arts.

ACT

College-bound high school students wishing to take the ACT test for college admissions have two chances to register before the Dec. 13 national test date. The postmark registration deadline is Friday, Nov. 7; however, the final registration deadline is Nov. 20 (an additional fee is required for late registration.) For more information, contact your high school counselor or log onto www.act.org.

CINDERELLA PAGEANT

The Texas Cinderella Scholarship Program is coming to the area Nov. 22. The competition is open to young ladies between 0 and 26 years of age and young men between 0 and

6 years of age. In its 28th year, the program has awarded over \$100,000 in college scholarships and other prizes annually. Contestants will compete in Group Interview, Casual wear, Party wear, Photogenic and Talent (optional/ages 7-up). Local winners will have to opportunity to advance to the Texas pageant. A free modeling workshop is provided prior to each preliminary pageant and no pageant experience is necessary to compete. For more information, visit www.texas-cinderellapageant.com on the Internet or call Sandra Murrell at (806) 684-2389.

CRAFT/BAKED GOODS AUCTION

Priest Park Church of God will hold a Craft & Baked Goods Auction and a stew, chili and Frito pie luncheon at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 23, at 833 W. Foster.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

Starting the weekend after Thanksgiving, Celebration of Lights will open every evening after dark during the holidays at Recreation Park.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., Nov. 5 and 19, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; 10 a.m.-1 p.m.,

Nov. 12, Wheeler School, Wheeler; 10 a.m.-12 p.m., and 1-3 p.m., Nov. 13, Lefors School, Lefors; and 9:30-11:30 a.m., Nov. 20, Groom Elementary School, Groom. The following flu clinics will be offered in November as well: 9:30-11:30 a.m., Nov. 3, Groom School, Groom; and 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m., Nov. 7, McLean School, McLean.

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Pampa Garden Club will hold its annual Festival of Trees from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 6, and from 12 noon-4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 7, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Contact Debbie Davis at 665-0123 for more information.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade, themed this year "A Classic Christmas," will begin at 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 6.

SNACKS WITH SANTA

At 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 6, Shephard's Helping Hands will present "Snacks with Santa" at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.


CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Moonlight Extension Education Club will host its 25th Annual Christmas Bazaar on Dec. 14 at Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum at Muleshoe. Booth space is available until Dec. 8. To request an application, write to Linda Huckaby, 902 W. 8th St., Muleshoe, TX 79347.

USS SPERRY

The USS Sperry Association is seeking former shipmates who served between 1942-82 for a reunion celebration. For more information, call (517) 784-7810; write George Gallas, secretary, USS SPERRY (AS-12) Association, Jackson, MI 49203-1521; or e-mail georgecarole@modempool.com.

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Fear Not Foundation. The Fear Not Foundation offers free to the public Lee Crull's "Ten Golden Rules for Safety," a "kidnap-proof" set of guidelines to help children protect themselves from would-be predators. Crull is an elite ex-commando, former undercover agent, and professional bodyguard. For more information, send a business size SASE to: The Fear Not Foundation, P.O. Box 403, Syracuse, NY 13215; or go on-line to www.GoodForYouAmerica.com and click on The Fear Not Foundation to link to the "Ten Golden Rules."

FEI Booklet. The Free Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., is offering the booklets "The 100 Most Popular Government Giveaway Programs" and "Directory of Micro Loan Sources." Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Free Enterprise Institute, 100 Government Giveaways - Dept. 100GG-0110 or Micro Loan Sources - Dept. DMLS-0313, P.O. Box 96071, Washington, DC 20090-6071; by calling (202) 595-1031; or by visiting www.FreeEnterpriseInstitute.org on the World Wide Web.

FHRC Booklet. Family Health Research Council offers the booklets "Overcoming Depression and Anxiety" and "Getting the Sleep You Need." The booklet gives information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs to treat depression and anxiety. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Fulfillment Center

East, Overcoming Depression and Anxiety, P.O. Box 3176, Elmira, NY 14905-3176; or Regional Fulfillment Center, Sleep Booklet #143, P.O. Box 692634, Boston MA 02269-2634. For additional information, visit the Council's website at www.FamilyHealthResearch.org

Fit. Foundation for Intercultural Travel is seeking host families for exchange students: Students bring their own spending money for clothes, entertainment and other expenses and provide their own medical insurance as well. Host families agree to room and board and to include the exchange student in the family. For more information, call (877) 439-7862.

FSA. USDA's Farm Service Agency has launched a redesigned website located at www.fsa.usda.gov on the Internet. The redesign includes user-friendly features and easily accessible on-line FSA forms.

Heifer Project International. First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, is currently accepting aluminum cans for recycling. Proceeds will benefit Heifer Project International, an Arkansas-based service organization which provides live-stock (chickens, pigs, sheep, cattle) along with training and support services to families and communities worldwide. For a limited time, donations will be matched 3-1 by a private foundation. HPI is a non-denominational not-for-profit agency. For more information, call the church office at 665-1031. Office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Friday and before 10:45 a.m. Sunday. For more information

about HPI, call 1-800-422-0474 or visit <http://www.heifer.org> on the Internet.

HFA Publication. Hospice Foundation of America has published "Caregiving and Loss: Family Needs, Professional Responses." The book offers insight and practical suggestions for those assisting family caregivers as they respond to the challenges of caregiving, make critical end-of-life decisions and cope with grief. For more information, call 1-800-854-3402 or visit www.hospicefoundation.org on the World Wide Web. HFA also offers the following pamphlets: "Supporting Your Friend Through Illness & Loss," and "Caring for Someone Who is Dying."

International Library of Photography. ILP holds several free photography contests throughout the year for amateur photographers. For more information or to stay abreast of upcoming shows, visit www.picture.com on the World Wide Web.

National Academic Scholarship Source Guide. This annual guide, made available through the National Academic Funding Advisory, provides information on financial aid processes, scholarship tips, "10 Essential Steps to Scholarship Success," key resources and web sites for additional funding information and ways to identify relevant scholarship sources. To receive the NAFA College Financial Aid publication including a listing of important academic funding programs, send a #10 SASE, along with \$2 to cover handling, to NAFA, 188 Summer St., Dept. F03, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

National Arbor Day Foundation. The National Arbor Day Foundation is offering "What Tree is That?," a 72-page tree identification guide book. The book is free of charge and may be obtained by sending your name and address to: "What Tree is That?," The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410. Also available is a "Conservation Trees" booklet with colorful photos and illustrations and easy-to-understand descriptions to help people plant and care for trees. To obtain a booklet, send name and address to: Conservation Trees, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

NESRI. A booklet, "Nuclear, Biologic and Chemical Attack — Survival Resource Guide," is being offered through New Era Survival Research Institute. To receive the free booklet, consumers must send five first-class stamps for postage/handling to: New Era Survival Research Institute, NBC Survival Booklet Offer #NBC0924, P.O. Box 60944, Washington, DC 20039-0944. Additional information is available by calling (202) 882-9000 or via the Internet at www.NewEraSurvival.org.

NFFF SCHOLARSHIPS. Scholarships are available through National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for children of firefighters who have died in the line of duty. For more information, visit www.firehero.org and look up scholarships. To receive a free information packet, call 1-877-453-FIRE.

NIA Guides. National Institute on Aging is offering "Talking with Your Doctor: A Guide for Older People." The 30-page booklet is available in single or bulk copies. Also available through NIA is the 36-page booklet, "Who? What? When? Resources for Women's Health and Aging" to help women as they age. For more information, call the NIA Information Center weekdays between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., toll-free at 1-800-222-2225 or TTY at 1-800-222-4225.

PETFINDER.COM. Petfinder.com, the Internet's largest and oldest virtual animal shelter, is available to those seeking to adopt a pet. The Internet service includes a multitude of shelters in Texas and nationwide. The website allows users to search by kind of animal, breed, gender, size and age. Results of the search are ranked in proximity to the user's zip code.

PIE. Pacific Intercultural Exchange is seeking host families for foreign exchange stu-

dents. The students, age 15-18, have spending money and carry accident and health insurance. PIE reps match students with host families through an informal in-home meeting. Host families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes. For more information, call 1-800-631-1818.

PRS. Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services conducts a monthly informational meeting for individuals interested in becoming a foster or adoptive parent every second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m., at its office (6200 I-40 West) in Amarillo. Contact Darla Ingram at (806) 354-6230 for more details.

School-to-Career Program. Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

SHARE. SHARE! High School Exchange Program, sponsored by Educational Resource Development Trust, is seeking host families for foreign exchange students for a semester or for a year. The hosts must provide housing and meals. The students are covered by medical insurance and have their own spending money for personal expenses. For more information, call Yvette Coffman at the Southwest Regional Office, 1-800-941-3738.

Stuttering Foundation. Stuttering Foundation of America is offering a free copy of its brochure "The Child Who Stutters at School: Notes to the Teacher." For more information, contact the non-profit foundation by mail: Stuttering Foundation of America, P.O. Box 11749, Memphis, TN 38111; or phone 1-800-992-9392. The brochure is also available at www.stutteringhelp.org on the World Wide Web.

TCA Web site. A list of "10 Hot Summer Cultural Events" can be accessed via the Texas Commission on the Arts web-

site at www.artonart.com — the most comprehensive arts calendar on the Internet in Texas. Visitors to the site can search the database by city, region, date, topic or organization name as well as access a travel planner section that allows visitors to hyperlink to vendors to rent a car, make airline reservations or book hotel rooms.

TG Web Site. Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corp. (TG) has revamped its website at www.tg.org — the most comprehensive arts calendar on the Internet in Texas. Visitors to the site can search the database by city, region, date, topic or organization name as well as access a travel planner section that allows visitors to hyperlink to vendors to rent a car, make airline reservations or book hotel rooms.

Tuition Assistance. U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance — College Bound is an organization with a listing of over 700 different private scholarship sources for college students. Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; other can be applied towards tuition, living expenses and/or other fees. Most scholarships can be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4-year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools. For more information, send a SASE (business size, #10) to: The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

World Heritage. World Heritage, a non-profit student exchange program, is currently seeking a local community representative to provide high school exchange students with program support. For more information, call Ande Bloom at 1-800-888-9040 or visit www.world-heritage.org on the World Wide Web.

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82nd Airborne. The 82nd Airborne Division Association is seeking new members. Airborne is the only requirement for membership. The Association holds a national reunion each year plus many mini-reunions, picnics and dinner dances. For more information, write AIRBORNE 2001, 5459 Northcutt P. Dayton, OH 45414-3742; or call S.R. Gossett (WWII) at (937) 898-5977.

Freedom Museum USA. Freedom Museum, USA, 600 N. Hobart is open from 12-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Revolutionary War to Kosovo. All branches of service are represented. For more information, call 669-6066.

Harrington House. The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Pat Landergerin, the house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Don and Sybil Harrington. The hour-long tours are conducted from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information call (806) 374-5490.

The Old Guard. Current and former members of the U.S. Army's oldest Infantry Regiment, the 3d U.S. Infantry or "The Old Guard Association" (also known as TOGA) are being sought for membership in the association. For more information, write to: Membership Committee, The Old Guard Association, 1000 Winchell Rd., Drawer 22, Aurora, OH 44202; or visit www.old-guard.org on the Internet.

Old Mobeetie Jail Museum. Old Mobeetie Jail Museum in Mobeetie offers various volunteer opportunities to interested individuals. For more information, call (806) 845-2028.


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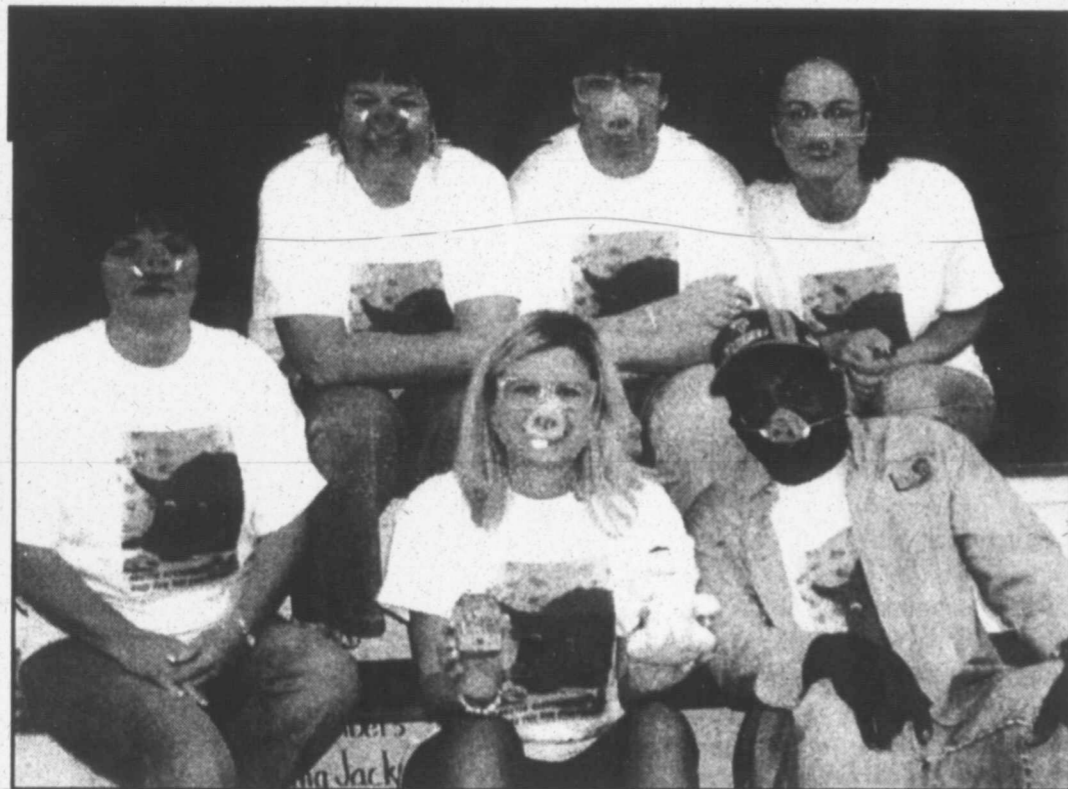
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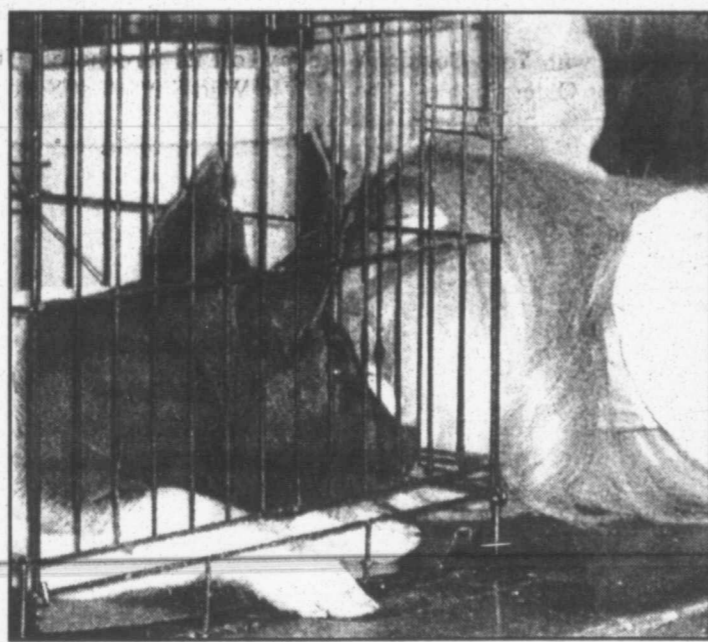
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Kiss a Pig Contest



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A "Kiss a Pig" contest was recently staged at Austin Elementary School, culminating with Principal Ms. Beverly Owen, right, "puckering up" at an early morning assembly witnessed by students and faculty. The pig squealed for joy, and the students cheered. Above: Mrs. Rebecca Lewis, Mrs. Kelly Porter, Owen, Mrs. Marie Hickman, E.W. Osby and Mrs. Misty Alvey.



TCE to offer computer seminars

LUBBOCK — Farmers and ranchers wishing to improve their financial records and record-keeping skills are urged to attend two upcoming software seminars, according to Texas Cooperative Extension Economist Jackie Smith.

Each seminar will include two classroom sessions. The first, Excel with Agricultural Applications, is set Dec. 4, 2003, and March 25, 2004. The second seminar, QuickBooks, is set Dec. 11, 2003, and Jan. 15, 2004. Each seminar will run from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., at Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, north of Lubbock.

Both seminars are designed for those with basic computer skills and some general computer experience.

Smith will teach the Excel seminar. The QuickBooks seminar will be conducted by Jay Yates, Extension risk management specialist.

"Excel is a spreadsheet program that enables you to do basic financial planning and budgeting. It is especially useful for agricultural enterprises," Smith said. "We will provide instructions on how to set up useful spreadsheets with basic formulas, and demonstrate how to use

these tools in different operations."

"This seminar is for those with basic computer skills and some general computer experience," Smith added.

"QuickBooks is a powerful, user-friendly record keeping program used by many farmers, ranchers and other businesses," Yates noted.

"We will include a comparison of QuickBooks and QuickBooks Pro, and demonstrate how to use Easy Step Interview to set up a new farm-ranch enterprise on the computer," Yates said. "We will also demonstrate how to create a chart of accounts and how to use them to generate management reports."

"We will also cover management of loan and asset data for at-a-glance enterprise reports; how to track income and expenses for each enterprise; cash flow management; making payroll and generating financial reports. This seminar is designed for new and novice QuickBooks users."

Seminar registration costs \$30 per person for each individual seminar. Lunch will be provided for all classes. For more information or to register, call Smith or Yates at (806) 746-6101 or contact your local Extension office.

TPMHMR Board convenes October meeting

AMARILLO — Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation Board of Trustees recently convened for its October meeting. Former Chairman of the Board Dean Copeland was recognized for 18 years of exemplary service to the agency. A resolution was presented in his honor.

A "Risk Management and

Liability" board training program was presented by Pamela Beach, attorney with Texas Council Risk Management Fund. Tim Bowles, director of Planning and Public Information, presented the 2004-05 Local Service Area Plan for the board's approval.

In other business, two new members — Ms. Sharon Braddock of Pampa and Ms.

Patty Hamm of Amarillo — were ratified. Braddock was appointed representative of the Eastern Panhandle counties.

Amarillo City Commission appointed Hamm to the board.

The agency received a grant from Mary E. Bivins Foundation in the amount of \$24,100 to purchase two new vehicles.

Marketing workshops to explore futures, options

LUBBOCK — Farmers and ranchers can gain a better understanding of futures and options, and how to effectively use them as marketing tools at two one-day workshops slated in December 2003 and in March 2004 at Texas A&M's Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock, said a Texas A&M agricultural economist.

"Each workshop will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.," said Dr. Jackie Smith, Texas Cooperative Extension agricultural economist-marketing specialist of Lubbock. "Registration costs \$30 per person for each workshop."

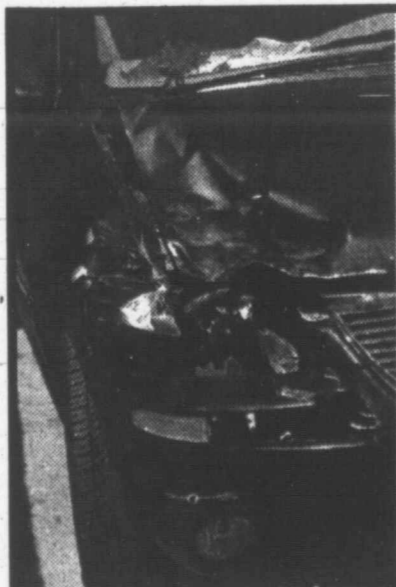
Smith will conduct both workshops which are designed for those with a beginning knowledge of the futures market.

"These workshops are designed to help producers improve their pricing and marketing strategies through the study of futures and options," said Smith. "In order to take advantage of profitable pricing opportunities, producers must know how to evaluate market alternatives."

"These workshops will focus on evaluating price alternatives. All pricing alternatives are directly or indi-

rectly linked to the futures market. So, we will be closely studying the basics of futures and options, fundamental and technical analysis, and pricing strategies using these tools."

Producers can register, or get more information, about these workshops by calling Smith at (806) 746-6101 or by contacting their local Extension office.



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Scientists working on pill to help prevent hearing loss from noise

By MALCOLM RITTER
AP SCIENCE WRITER

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have been accumulating evidence in lab animals for years that a pill might be able to reduce the damage loud noise does to your hearing. Now they're sending in the Marines.

Starting in a few months, a group of 600 Marines at Camp Pendleton in California will face rifle training with not only foam plugs in their ears, but also a drink that tastes very much like Wild Berry Zinger herbal tea.

They'll take it with every meal during their two weeks of the noisy training, an experience that normally erodes a bit of hearing ability from about 10 percent of trainees. And if all goes as hoped, hearing tests will show that a substance dissolved in the drink made a difference.

It's the latest wrinkle in research toward finding a pill that will help protect and even treat hearing loss from exposure to loud noise. While the effort is hardly new, experts say it has picked up steam in just the past few years.

Nobody is saying such a pill could replace earplugs and other mechanical ear protection. It's clear that the standard protections so far haven't prevented a wide-ranging problem.

Noise-induced hearing loss is one of the most common occupational diseases and the second most self-reported occupational illness or injury, the federal government says. About 10 million Americans have permanent hearing loss from loud noise, either a long-term exposure or in a sudden burst like an explosion. And an estimated 30 million people are thought to be exposed to hazardous levels of noise at work, such as in mining, construction, manufacturing and agriculture.

Professional musicians

must take care as well. Jim tenBensel, a freelance musician in Minneapolis, packs a pair of earplugs in his trombone case. Not long ago, during a big-band-style performance when he wasn't wearing them, he found himself ducking and putting his hands over his ears when a trumpet behind him started wailing.

"It hurt," recalled tenBensel, 62. "It was just a knee-jerk reaction."

The trumpet player scolded him and tenBensel learned to put in his earplugs before that number came up in later concerts.

"I think I'd rather protect my ears than anything," said the trombonist, who's not above sticking rolled-up paper napkins in his ears if proper plugs aren't available.

Nor is the problem just in the workplace. Hobbies like recreational shooting, motorcycling and snowmobiling pose a risk, too.

Earplugs and specialized sound-deadening earmuffs are clearly helpful, but they're not always enough. Some sounds overwhelm them. Some people don't wear them when they should, and other people are unusually susceptible to hearing damage. And some sound levels can damage hearing by going through the skull, no matter what's protecting the ears.

"Noise-induced hearing loss is such a common cause of hearing loss, and we haven't been very effective in ways to manage it," said Sharon Kujawa, director of audiology at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

"For as much government regulation as we have for noise exposure on the job, it's a very difficult thing to get

people to comply, and also to carry that out in their leisure activities," she said.

Scientists have pursued a variety of approaches toward an ear-fortifying pill. In 1994, for example, Israeli researchers reported that magnesium supplements helped military recruits avoid hearing loss over two months of noisy basic training. These days, much of the work focuses on antioxidants, the chemical class that most famously includes vitamins C and E.

That's because loud noise doesn't always damage the delicate inner ear immediately just by brute force. Rather, in most cases it provokes the inner ear into making harmful oxygen molecules called free radicals. Antioxidants neutralize free radicals, and the ear naturally has such defenses. But with enough noise, the ear's antioxidants are overwhelmed.

In that case, damage from the free radicals leads to death of the ear's sound receptors. So it makes sense to try to build up the ear's antioxidant defenses as a preventive step, and as a fast treatment after noise exposure.

Animal experiments in prevention look promising, and "people are getting very excited about applying this to protection against noise exposure in humans," Kujawa said.

"I think it's very exciting," said Brenda Lonsbury-Martin, director of research at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. "Noise damage is an area (that has) plodded along for decades without any big advances."

Now "this whole new pharmacological pre-treatment and post-treatment area that's opened up has just given the field ... some real hope we can

actually conquer this."

Antioxidants should work best if given prior to noise exposure, but animal work suggests it might reduce permanent hearing loss substantially if given within four to eight hours afterward, said researcher Col. Richard Kopke.

"That's pretty quick, but it's doable if you're prepared for it," said Kopke, of the Naval Medical Center in San Diego. Other animal work suggests positive results even two days later.

One pioneer in the field of using antioxidants for hearing says he's seen some effect in people. Dr. Michael Seidman of the Henry Ford Medical Center in Detroit got a patent in 1999 for a nutritional supplement he has recommended to several hundred patients for hearing loss caused by noise or aging.

The patients have noticed an improvement in their hearing or a slowing in the progression of their hearing loss, Seidman said. For most with a moderate to severe hearing loss, that hasn't been enough to let them throw away their hearing aids, but it's often enough to let them turn theirs down or switch to a smaller and less powerful model, he said.

Kopke, who's involved in the test with the Marines, and other scientists have gotten encouraging results in animal work from a variety of antioxidant compounds. Kopke is focusing on one called N-acetylcysteine or NAC, which is already approved by federal authorities for treating overdoses of the painkiller Tylenol.

NAC not only neutralizes free radicals but also bolsters the ear's own antioxidant defenses. In Kopke's animal work, NAC has reduced hearing loss when given before or right after exposure to loud

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Hospital study finds unnecessary accidents costing over \$9 billion

CHICAGO (AP) — Postoperative infections, surgical wounds accidentally opening and other often-preventable complications lead to more than 32,000 U.S. hospital deaths and more than \$9 billion in extra costs annually, a report suggests.

Researchers from the U.S. government's Agency for Healthcare Research analyzed data on 18 complications sometimes caused by medical errors. They found that such complications contribute to 2.4 million extra days in the hospital each year.

The findings greatly underestimate the problem, since many other complications happen that are not listed in hospital administrative data, the researchers said.

The study follows a 1999 Institute of Medicine report that said medical mistakes kill anywhere from 44,000 to 98,000 hospitalized Americans a year. That report focused national attention on the problem and led to numerous recommendations for improving safety.

The new report, based on data from 994 hospitals nationwide in 2000, provides a more detailed look at

specific complications and the costs associated with each one.

Many of the 18 complications, including medical objects left inside patients after surgery, are preventable medical errors. Some, like bleeding after surgery, might not always be avoidable, said Dr. Chunliu Zhan of the U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Zhan did the research with Dr. Marlene Miller, now at Johns Hopkins Children's Center.

The study was published in a recent Journal of the American Medical Association.

"Given their staggering magnitude, these estimates are clearly sobering," Dr. Saul Weingart and Lisa Iezzoni of Harvard's Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center said in an accompanying editorial.

The most serious complication was post-surgery sepsis — bloodstream infections — which occurred in 2,592 patients. Sepsis resulted in 11 extra days of hospitalization and \$57,727 in extra costs per patient, plus a 22 percent higher risk of death.

Perry proclaims nurse practitioners week

AMARILLO — Understanding the vital importance of nurse practitioners in the health care system, Gov. Rick Perry declared Nov. 10-14 as Nurse Practitioners' Week in Texas. Nurse practitioners are registered nurse (RNs) with advanced education and experience who diagnose illness, prescribe medicine and provide health care in a variety of specialty areas such as family care, women's health, gerontology and adult/pediatric care.

"We applaud the Governor's recognition of the critical importance of nurse practitioners in providing health care

services in our state," commented Ginger Frazier, local nurse practitioner of Amarillo, said. "Nurse practitioners have been in existence since the mid-1960s, and are an excellent way for individuals to receive cost-effective, personalized and specialized care in a streamlined manner," she added.

During Texas Nurse Practitioners Week, a variety of national, state and local initiatives are planned. Over 75 percent of Texas nurse practitioners hold a masters of science in nursing or a masters of nursing degree.

Texas Nurse Practitioners (TNP) represents nurse practitioners throughout the state. The mission of TNP is to promote accessible and quality health-care to the people of Texas by promoting the professional growth and welfare of nurse practitioners. For more information on nurse practitioners in your area or throughout the state, contact TNP at (817) 573-6586; info@texasnp.org; or www.texasnp.org.

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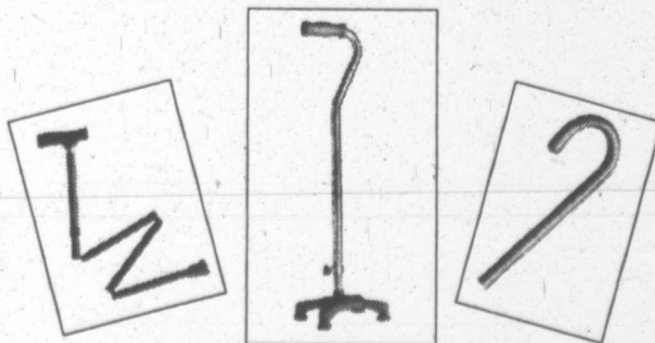
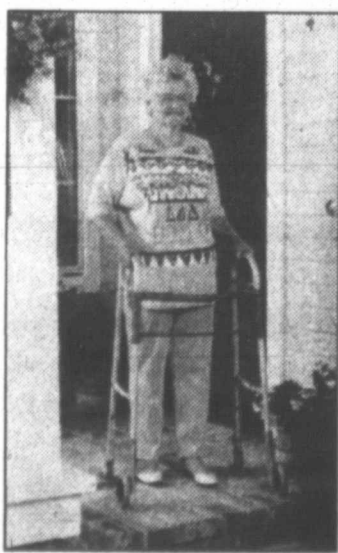


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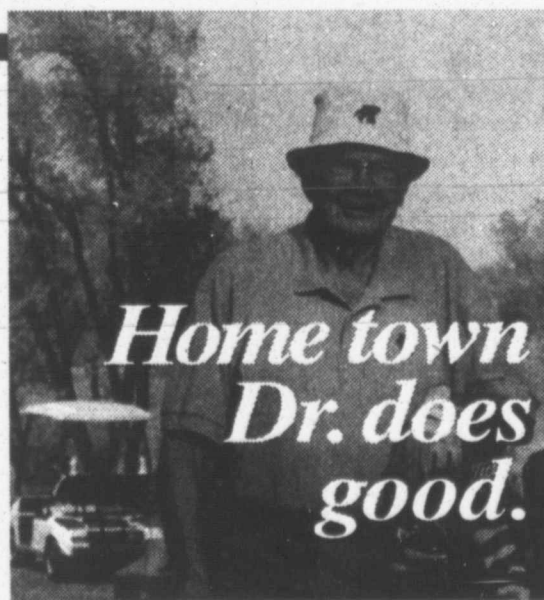
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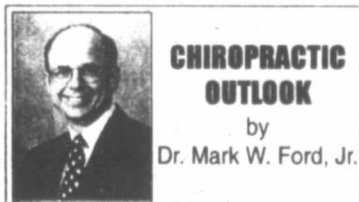
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The combination of both high and low exertion levels that tennis offers can provide a very worthwhile exercise experience, as well as tremendous health benefits, say Doctors of Chiropractic. In addition to helping reduce your risk of heart attacks, playing tennis can also tone the muscles of the upper and lower body, burn calories and improve balance, hand-eye coordination and agility.

As with any other sport, however, it is very easy to become injured or sore if you do not follow healthy procedures. Stretch before and after the game, build up the amount of playing time if your body is unprepared for the exertion, use correct body posture and movement, and purchase equipment that is best for your body form.

Even when the best preventive measures are followed, injury can be an unfortunate side affect with any sport. Common conditions include tennis elbow, shoulder injuries, low back pain and turned ankles and knees. If you experience pain beyond simple muscle soreness, make a Doctor of Chiropractic your first choice. He/she cannot only eliminate your pain, but show you ways off preventing similar problems in the future.

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The Hanging: WT awards gala in offing

CANYON — No gallows will be in evidence, but this year's winners of the faculty and staff excellence awards at West Texas A&M University are headed to a hanging.

The Hanging, hosted each fall by WTAMU's Office of Communication Services, the Hanging is from 2:30-4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5 in the Mary Moody Northern Hall Atrium. Environmental photographs of the 2002-2003 excellence award winners will be hung in the Faculty/Staff Excellence Display Case across from Northern Recital Hall.

Dana Olmstead, director of communication services, said the idea behind the Faculty/Staff Excellence Display was to give the winners some well-deserved recognition.

"We always enjoy hosting the hanging," Olmstead said. "It's a wonderful opportunity to gather the University community and to recognize our fac-

ulty and staff excellence award winners."

Friends, family and colleagues of the recipients are invited to the come-and-go reception.

Admission is free; refreshments will be provided. The WTAMU Alumni Association, Faculty Senate and Staff Council are co-sponsoring the event.

The 2002-2003 Faculty and Staff Excellence Award winners are as follows:

Dr. Barbara Biehler, associate professor of nursing—Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award

Dr. Bruce Brasington, professor of history—Research/Creative Excellence Award

Dr. James Calvi, professor of political science—Teaching Excellence Award

Dianna Gheer, accounting assistant in Office of Accounting and Business—Staff Council Excellence Award

Dr. Richard Kazmaier, assistant professor of biology—Research/Creative Excellence Award

Dr. Sean Kelly, assistant professor of English and philosophy—Teaching Excellence Award

Don Lefevre, associate professor of music—Teaching Excellence Award

Marilyn McMillen, secretary in Department of History and Political Science—Clarence E. Thompson Staff Excellence Award

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Lynda Robinson, admissions counselor in Division of Nursing—Staff Council Excellence Award

Don Taylor, executive director of WTAMU's Enterprise Network—University Excellence Award, Alumni Association

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NOISE

noise. Translated to humans, the effect could mean the difference between needing a hearing aid or not, Kopke said.

In the upcoming federally funded experiment with the Marines, half will get NAC in their flavored drink and the other half won't. Then researchers will see if the first group fares better.

Some experts are cautious about the antioxidant approach. It makes sense the substances could reduce hearing loss if given before noise exposure, but the animal studies so far haven't varied the combination of noise levels and antioxidant doses enough to indi-

cate how useful that might be in people, said Ed Rubel of the University of Washington.

"It's a hot topic," said Dr. George Gates, medical director of the Deafness Research Foundation. There are "snippets of information from experiments that suggest maybe it's a good thing, but in terms of clinical application to humans, it is uncertain."

He says, "it's a promising lead. And if you can find a way to do it safely, nobody's got a better idea."

Then there's the Finnish disco study.

Late last year, 20 healthy young people took either an antioxidant or placebo before

entering a disco in Turku, Finland. After they came back out, those who'd taken the antioxidant seemed to show less hearing loss and recovered faster, although such a small study really provides only a hint of possible benefit, said hearing researcher Josef Miller of the University of Michigan.

Besides, the experiment didn't go exactly as planned, said Miller, who helped design the study and analyze the results.

"The manager of the disco heard there were going to be some university investigators looking at the effects of noise damage, and preceding the performance that night, he turned the

amplifiers down. Unfortunately, he screwed up the experiment."

Miller is planning a prevention study with an antioxidant in the Swedish military later this year, and he notes that recent guinea pig research supports the idea that a pill might work for treatment, too.

"I think it's within our grasp," Miller said, "and I don't think we could have said that five-plus years ago."

So while the research goes on, should people take antioxidants like vitamins A or E to protect their hearing from noise damage?

Kujawa recommends waiting for results of the new research. Miller said it's a tough call.

Harp, clarinet duo to perform in free concert at middle school

Chanté Duo, a harp and clarinet duo, will appear at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3, at Pampa Middle School auditorium. The concert is free and open to the public. Funding is provided in part by Texas Commission on the Arts and local organizations.

Martha MacDonald and Delaine Fedson have been performing together since 1989 as members of Austin Chamber Ensemble, touring throughout Texas, France and Germany as well as giving regularly scheduled concert series in Austin.

In addition to repertoire suited for the concert hall and smaller chamber music venues, the pair has prepared programs suitable for school presentations and retirement communities.

MacDonald holds degrees from Baylor University, the University of Michigan and The University of Texas. An active chamber musician, she has performed extensively throughout the United States and Europe as a clarinetist with Austin chamber Ensemble and Trio Contraste, a violin, clarinet and piano trio.

She has taught woodwinds formerly in the Detroit and Houston areas and at American

School of The Hague, The University of Texas and St. Stephens Episcopal School in Austin. She is executive director of Austin Chamber Ensemble, president of Austin Young Artists' Concerts and maintains a private music studio of clarinet, flute and piano students.

Fedson holds degrees from the University of Northern Iowa and The University of Texas. She is a harp instructor at both UT and Southwestern University of Georgetown. She is principal harpist for Waco Symphony and performs frequently with Dallas Opera Orchestra, Austin Symphony and Austin Lyric Opera.

She has served on the faculty at Baylor University and has performed in Europe with Austin Chamber Ensemble, at National Flute Association and American Harp Society conventions and in Carnegie Hall with Texas Suzuki Tour Group. She founded the first Texas Suzuki Harp Program and is a frequent clinician at Suzuki music institutes nationwide.

Her recordings include "Enchanted Dawn" and "Musique de Noel."

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NOTEBOOK

PHS VOLLEYBALL
PHS Volleyball Booster Club will meet to discuss banquet plans and to turn in yard signs at 8 p.m., Monday, Nov. 3, in the PHS library.

PHS BASKETBALL
Harvester Basketball Booster Club Meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 4, 7 p.m., at the PHS library.

HOCKEY
ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Restricted free agent Marian Gaborik signed a multiyear deal with the Minnesota Wild, four days after the sides traded terse statements suggesting a long impasse might continue.

Gaborik was initially represented by Allan Walsh, but on Oct. 13 he instructed Walsh's partner, David Schatia, to take over the negotiations. Two days later, Gaborik left his native Slovakia for Minnesota hoping a deal could be done.

He switched agents again this week, choosing Ron Salcer — who works for another firm.

Salcer, Schatia and Walsh did not immediately return messages, and neither did Wild general manager Doug Risebrough. ESPN.com reported that Gaborik signed a three-year deal worth \$10 million plus bonuses.

Gaborik led the Wild with 30 goals last season, his third in the NHL.

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Blackhawks signed free agent defenseman Bryan Berard to a one-year deal.

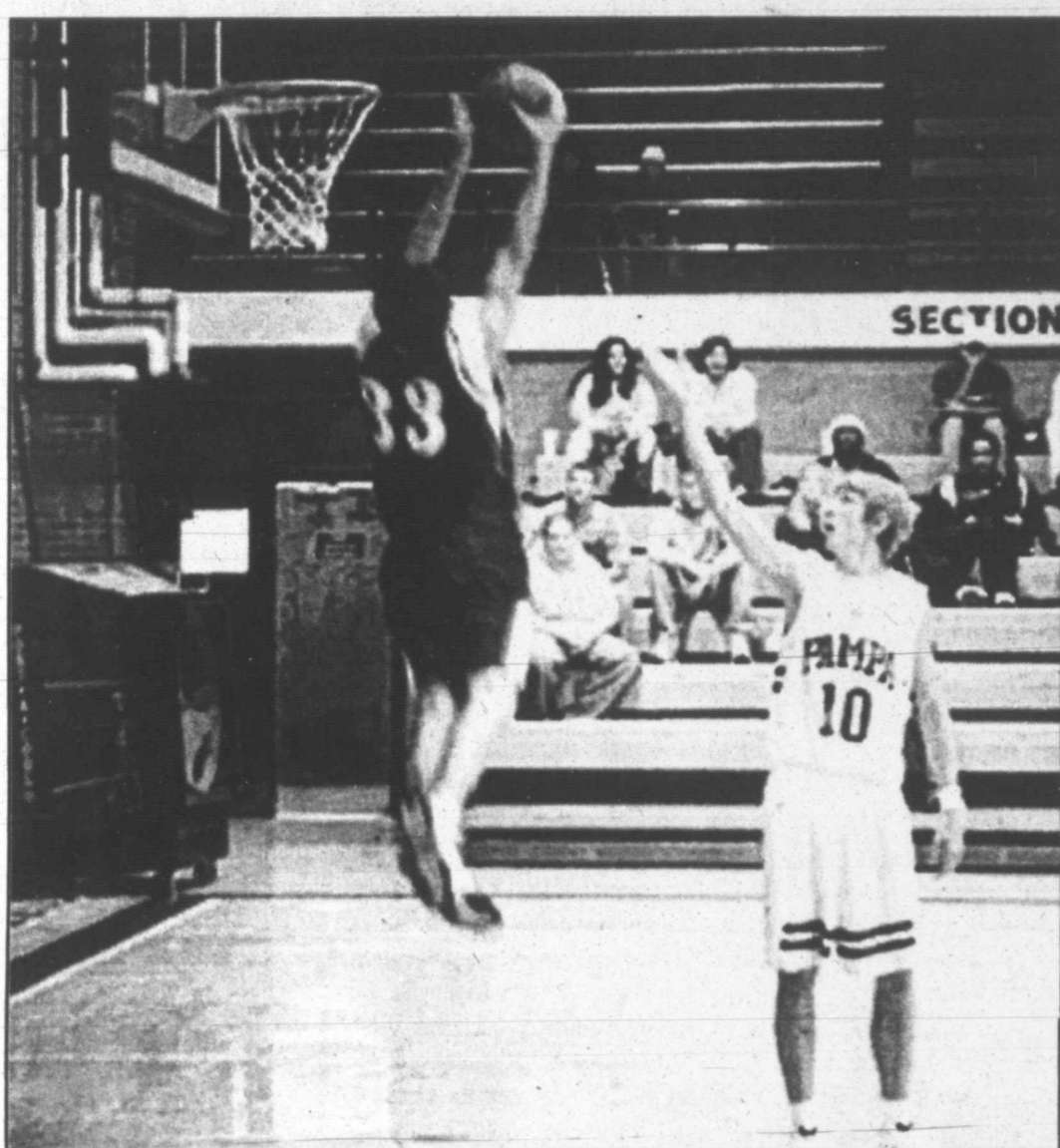
The former Calder Trophy winner as NHL rookie of the year will earn \$2.01 million this season.

BASEBALL
NEW YORK (AP) — Sammy Sosa decided stay with the Chicago Cubs and not test the free agent market, preferring to keep a contract that guarantees him \$33 million over the next two years.

Across town, the White Sox decided to exercise Esteban Loaiza's \$4 million option rather than let the 21-game winner shop for offers.

As the first week of the offseason ended, the New York Yankees turned down options on left-hander Gabe White (\$3.5 million) and right-hander Antonio Osuna (\$2.8 million), and the St. Louis Cardinals said no to a \$7 million option on former Yankees left-hander Sterling Hitchcock.

Meet the Harvesters



(Pampa News photo by Ben Briscoe)

Pampa Harvester varsity player Brandon Johnson aims for the hoop during "Meet the Harvesters" Friday night at McNeely Fieldhouse. The 2003-2004 PHS basketball team were introduced to the fans and players gave a skills demonstration as part of the one-hour event. Players also autographed miniature basketballs for the youngsters showing up in Hallween costumes. The Harvesters basketball season opens on Nov. 18 at Amarillo High.

Vancouver retains win streak

By MEL REISNER
AP SPORTS WRITER

PHOENIX (AP) — The only figure Todd Bertuzzi is concerned with is the number of wins earned by the Vancouver Canucks.

He is tired of hearing comparisons between the four-year contract extension that will pay him \$27.9 million and his goal total this season of one. Sure he hasn't scored in 10 games, but the Canucks haven't lost in the past seven. Vancouver kept its streak going Friday night with a 4-1 victory over the Phoenix Coyotes.

The Canucks relied on Dan Cloutier for 23 saves and received offense from Trevor Linden, Jiri Slegr, Brendan Morrison and Markus Naslund, who all had goals.

Bertuzzi, who had career highs of 46 goals and 97 points last season, had two assists, his sixth and seventh. But he hasn't scored a goal since the opener against Calgary.

Afterward, he lashed out at writers who pushed the subject. "I'll bet you you've gone 10 stories in a row without having a good one," Bertuzzi told one reporter. "What do you do? You keep working at it."

Naslund thought the focus

should be on Bertuzzi's overall contribution.

"He's doing so many good things, and he's creating room for other guys," Naslund said. "He's setting up goals and getting hits and stuff like that, so he's still valuable. I mean, he's doing things so we can win."

In the only other NHL game Friday night, the Washington Capitals edged the Atlanta Thrashers 2-1.

Marek Malik and Magnus Arvedson also had two assists for the Canucks, who became the second team in NHL history to score first in its first 11 games. Linden gave them a 1-0 lead 8:16 in.

The Canucks would tie the 1985-86 Philadelphia Flyers if they score first on Monday at home against Detroit.

"Especially on the road it's huge that your team gets a nice lead like that," said Cloutier, who made 37 saves Thursday night in a 3-1 win at Los Angeles. "Usually in the first period on the road they come out hard at you."

Slegr made it 2-0 at 9:07 with a power-play goal.

The Coyotes responded 1:05 into the second period when Ladislav Nagy reached into the crease for a rebound and backhanded a shot into the net.

But Vancouver quickly restored the two-goal lead.

Bertuzzi began the play low and ended up in the circle, where defenseman David Tanabe knocked him off the puck. But Bertuzzi started it in motion toward Morrison, who swept it into the goal 6:08 in.

"I didn't expect him to make a pass," said Burke, who went out to challenge Bertuzzi. "You know, I expected him to come in and try to do something one-on-one. When he made that pass, obviously I was out of position."

Canucks coach Marc Crawford said his team, which took only 15 shots against the Kings, played one of its best games. The Canucks put 31 shots on net against Burke, a Vezina Trophy finalist two years ago.

"We were a lot better tonight," Crawford said. "We started right from the get-go. There was a determined group of athletes out there."

Naslund added his team-high sixth goal 5:13 into the third.

Capitals 2, Thrashers 1
At Washington, Alexander Semin scored his first NHL goal and Olaf Kolzig made 19 saves to help the Capitals snap a six-game losing streak.

The Capitals won for the first time in three weeks, ending an eight-game winless streak (0-7-1). Their other win was a season-opening home victory over the New York Islanders.

Houston views Super Bowl as image builder

By MARK BABINECK
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

HOUSTON (AP) — The Super Bowl isn't just about the money to the Houstonians planning for the big game in three months.

They anticipate a boon to local businesses, a nice bump to the tax base and an economic impact in the nine-figure range. But all those rewards won't amount to much more than a blip in a city the size of Houston.

It's the intangibles — exposure, publicity and image — that are exciting to Super Bowl host committee chairman Chuck Watson.

"I think the real impact for Houston, Texas, is branding," he said. "We've taken a few hits the last few years. Think about on Monday morning (after the game). You're on the front page of every newspaper in the world. It's about putting Houston in a positive light."

It's been a long time since Houston took its turn as America's "in" place. In the late 1970s, urban cowboy culture was the rage, the oil boom sent thousands of Rust Belt refugees flocking south and the Texas port city became one of the nation's largest.

Then the oil industry soured. In the 1980s, Houston was at the center of the savings and loan scandals. More recently, Enron Corp. has become synonymous with corporate malfeasance. In between the scandals was the 2000 presidential election, where Democrats made Houston's smoggy summer air an issue against former Gov. George W. Bush.

Watson, who ran Dynegy Inc. until he resigned in May 2002, said Houston's history of success has made it ripe for attacks.

"Other cities are going to get jealous and they're going to pile on if they see the slightest chance," Watson said. "You know what? This city's pretty resilient. We've come back before and we're coming back now, and when the people come for the Super Bowl they're going to see an incredible Houston. They're going to want to come back, and I think it's going to help our image around the world dramatically."

To that end, the committee isn't leaving much to chance. For instance, Watson said he expects road construction that has snarled downtown streets for years to be cleared up by January.

And the expected 100,000 visitors before the Feb. 1 game

will be funneled to and through the most eye-pleasing parts of town. Massive cleanup projects already have begun, again focusing on areas most apt to be seen by visitors. Watson said 38 communities will be cleaned by volunteers before Jan. 1, then another major sweep will take place just before game week.

"The master plan for all of Houston is, we want our guests to see everything that's great about Houston and hopefully we'll avoid some areas that may not showcase as well as we'd like," Watson said.

A visitor's guide also will highlight a list of businesses owned by minorities and women in hopes of giving them a boost during the big week and beyond.

"We're thinking it will be a really big opportunity to introduce our business to more people in our city," said Denise Taylor, owner of Cayenne's Hot Wings and Bayou Cafe who hopes to open a second location near Reliant Stadium this year.

Organizers believe Houston's trump card could be food. Houston's broad mix of cultures, combined with the fact that a survey has found Houstonians eat out more than residents of any other city, has produced a variety of restaurants.

"The culinary capability in this town is very underestimated," Watson said.

Watson believes visitors will spend more than \$300 million in restaurants, hotels, clubs, stores and elsewhere.

But the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority, which will use hotel and rental car taxes to pay down \$1 billion debt on the city's three new sports venues, isn't doing cartwheels despite what promises to be a big weekend.

"The Super Bowl and the (2004 baseball) All-Star Game are nice, and our projections get a bump from those," said Oliver Luck, chief executive officer of the sports authority. "But we live and die with conventions and regular business travel."

That's the kind of repeat business they hope to generate through the Super Bowl, which Watson said will attract the top echelon at several major U.S. companies who might consider Houston for meetings, vacations or even relocation.

"This is a world-class platform on which Houston can capitalize, with all these important people who are coming and make the rest of the world say, 'I've got to get to Houston, Texas.'"

Transactions

BASEBALL
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Exercised their 2004 option on RHP Esteban Loaiza.
DETROIT TIGERS — Claimed LHP Cliff Bartosh off waivers from the San Diego Padres.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Signed Tony Pena, manager, and Allard Baird, senior vice president and general manager-baseball operations, to two-year contract extensions through 2006. Promoted Muzzy Jackson to vice president-assistant general manager of baseball operations and Shaun McGinn to director of player development.

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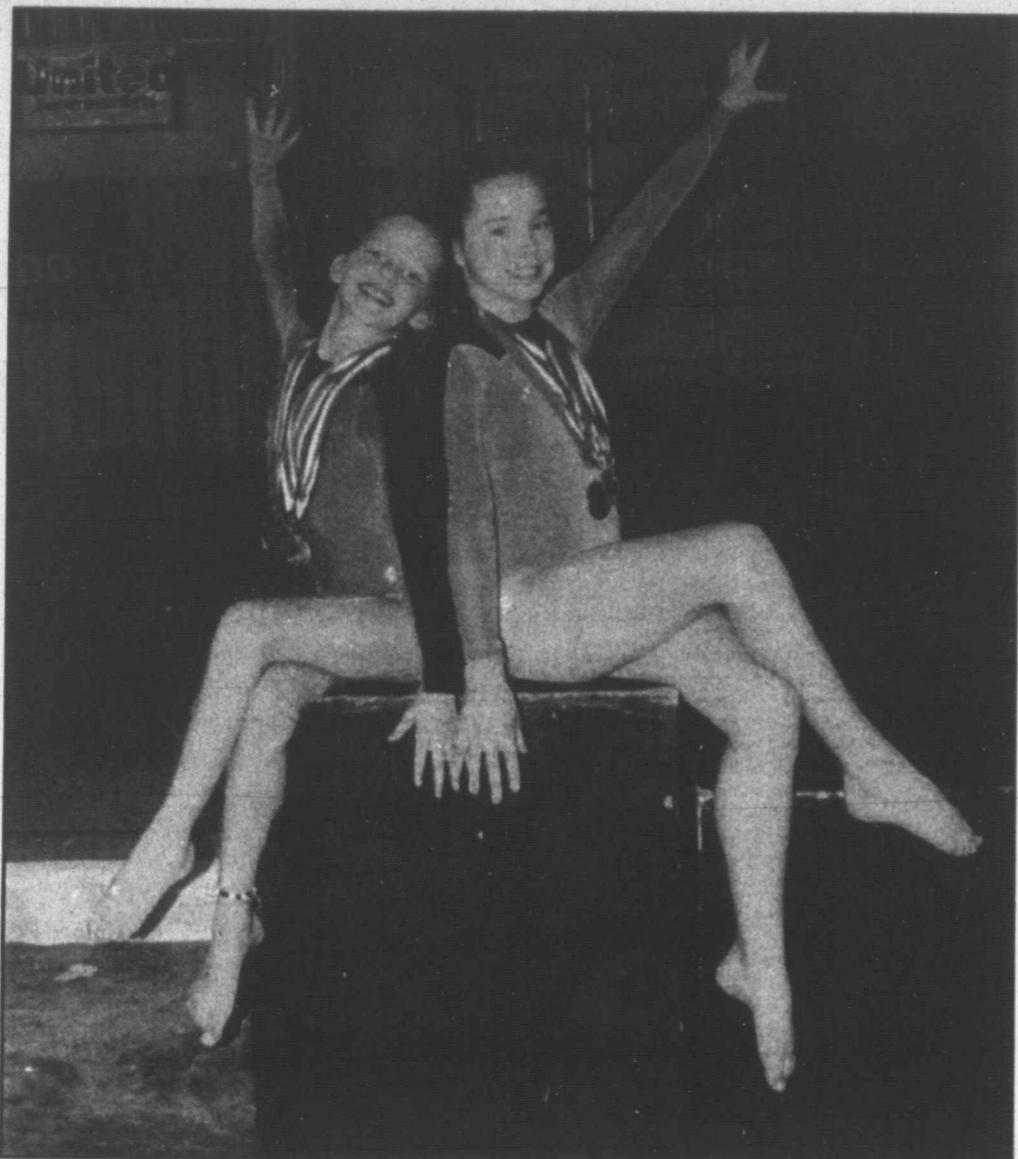
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Heading to state semi-finals



(Courtesy photo)

Madison Fatheree, 9, and Rebecca Taylor, 12, are competing at the North State Semi-Finals meet in Plano this weekend. The Level 6 gymnasts qualified by winning District Championship All Around titles in their respective age groups at the recent District 1 Championships. The gymnasts, along with 150 other girls from the northern half of Texas, will be vying for a trip to the Texas Level 6 State Championships.

Lewis shakes off aches and scores 50 in Japan

By IRA PODELL
AP SPORTS WRITER

Aches, pains and an early start time couldn't slow down Rashard Lewis. The Los Angeles Clippers offered little resistance as well.

Lewis scored a career-high 50 points Saturday in Japan to lead the Seattle SuperSonics to a 124-105 victory over the Clippers.

"I felt sore when I woke up this morning," Lewis said following the game, which started at noon. "I wasn't really thinking about the points, but more about by how much we were up."

Seattle swept Los Angeles in the two-game, season-opening series at Saitama Super Arena. Lewis had a big hand in both victories.

"It just comes down to a lot of hard work over the summer," Lewis said. "I am one of the go-to guys on this team and it all comes down to making the right decisions and not making bad shots."

In other NBA games on Friday night, it was Toronto 82, Washington 79; Detroit 93, Miami 81; Milwaukee 93, Indiana 79; Boston 93, Memphis 91; New Jersey 84, Minnesota 61; Chicago 100, Atlanta 94; and Sacramento 100, Philadelphia 89.

Lewis, who led the Sonics with 25 points in Thursday's 109-100 win, scored 26 points in the first half Saturday and nearly matched that total after the break.

He made 18 of 25 shots from the field, 4-for-7 from 3-point range, and was 10-of-13 at the foul line. His previous career high was 37 points, set last season.

"Obviously, it was not a good game for us," Clippers coach Mike Dunleavy said.

"Rashard Lewis had an incredible game. We tried to double-team him late but he got hot and stayed hot all game."

Ronald Murray had 22 points, and Brent Barry added 14 for Seattle, which had five scorers in double figures.

Seattle used pressure defense to force several turnovers and open up a 17-point lead with just over 10 minutes left in the game.

"Defense was a big key," Sonics coach Nate McMillan said. "We didn't play well defensively in the first half when we scored 66 points but gave up 58. We talked about that at the break and improved a lot in the second half."

Corey Maggette led the Clippers with 26 points, and Quentin Richardson was next with 19.

Pistons 93, Heat 81
At Miami, Chauncey Billups scored 27 points, and Detroit beat winless Miami.

The Heat fell to 0-3, losing their home opener under new coach Stan Van Gundy.

Richard Hamilton added 24 points, including Detroit's final 10 after the Heat closed to 83-76. Coach Larry Brown earned his 880th career victory and his first with the Pistons, his seventh NBA team.

Detroit 18-year-old forward Darko Milicic made his NBA debut with 1:23 left, finishing with two rebounds, two turnovers and a foul.

SCOREBOARD

Sorted high school football scores

By The Associated Press

CLASS 5A
A&M Consolidated 28, Copperas Cove 24
Abilene Cooper 21, Abilene 12
Aldine Eisenhower 50, Aldine MacArthur 14
Allen 46, Rockwall 20
Amarillo High 13, Amarillo Tascosa 3
Arlington Bowie 55, FW Paschal 7
Arlington Lamar 34, Arlington Martin 10
Arlington Sam Houston 41, Arlington 21
Austin Akins 35, Austin Crockett 21
Austin Johnson 37, Austin Travis 30
Austin Westlake 44, Austin 14
Baytown Lee 35, PA Memorial 28
Beaumont West Brook 35, Baytown Sterling 21
Belton 29, Waco 10
Brazoswood 47, Alvin 14
Buda Hays 38, Seguin 10
CC Carroll 58, CC Miller 13
Cedar Park 16, Round Rock Stony Point 8
Clear Lake 33, Clear Brook 3
Cy-Fair 35, Houston Langham Creek 0
Dallas Carter 28, Dallas White 27
Dallas Samuel 14, Dallas Molina 0
Dallas Sunset 21, Dallas Adams 7
Deer Park 59, South Houston 35
DeSoto 70, Mansfield 10
Donna 48, Brownsville Hanna 13
Duncanville 51, Cedar Hill 22
Edinburg Economedes 24, Rio Grande City 22
EP Americas 24, EP Eastwood 9
EP Andrews 47, EP Socorro 7
EP Coronado 62, EP Hanks 37
EP Montwood 36, EP Bel Air 20
Euler Trinity 63, Haltom City 7
Flower Mound Marcus 52, Lewisville 7
Fort Bend Bush 13, Sugar Land Clements 10
Galena Park North Shore 77, Pasadena 0
Galveston Ball 38, Clear Creek 10
Garland 14, North Mesquite 0
Garland Naaman Forest 34, Garland Lakeview 7
Grand Prairie 38, Carrollton Creekview 24
Grapevine 50, Saginaw Boswell 13
Hartlingen 50, Weslaco 15
Hartlingen High 57, Weslaco 15
Houston Bellaire 35, Houston Madison 28
Houston Lamar 55, Houston Westbury 18
Houston Memorial 42, Houston Northbrook 0
Houston Sam Houston 38, Houston Chavez 13
Houston Washington 44, Houston Milby 14
Houston Yates 48, Houston Austin 0
Humble 37, Humble Kingwood 6
Hurst Bell 34, Keller 7 (corrected)
Irving 10, South Grand Prairie 0
Irving MacArthur 24, Carrollton Smith 21
Irving Nimitz 44, Carrollton Turner 10
Katy 38, Alief Elsik 34
Keller Fossil Ridge 24, Colleyville Heritage 7
Klein Oak 28, Klein 12
La Joya 26, Edinburg North 0
Laredo Alexander 16, Laredo Martin 7
Laredo United 36, Laredo Cigarroa 6
Longview 22, Tyler Lee 21
Lubbock Coronado 43, Lubbock High 30
Lufkin 15, Tyler John Tyler 7
Mansfield Summit 45, Burleson 21
McAllen Rowe 27, McAllen 14
Mesquite 33, North Garland 0
Midland High 42, Odessa High 28
Odessa Permian 26, Midland Lee 19
Pflugerville 20, Round Rock Westwood 10
Plano East 28, Plano 3
Plano West 31, Lake Highlands 3
PSJA North 21, McAllen Memorial 7
Richardson Berkner 48, McKinney 16
Round Rock McNeil 20, Georgetown 13
SA Clemens 31, SA Chappell 13
SA Harlandale 45, SA Brackenridge 18
SA Holmes 46, Del Rio 7
SA O'Connor 41, SA Warren 13
SA Reagan 31, SA MacArthur 24
SA Southwest 27, SA Highlands 7
San Marcos 31, Austin Bowie 28 (ZOT)
South Garland 22, Rowlett 19
Southlake Carroll 52, The Colony 13
Spring Westfield 35, Conroe 0
Sugar Land Hightower 28, Fort Bend Austin 14
Temple 24, Bryan 21
The Woodlands 28, Klein Forest 28

CLASS 4A
Aledo 23, Stephenville 0
Alice 42, Robstown 21
Alvarado 52, Cleburne 22
Amarillo Palo Duro 20, Canyon Randall 18

Andrews 25, Wolfforth Frenship 14
Austin Anderson 27, Austin McCallum 25
Austin LBJ 42, Austin Lanier 7
Azle 27, Lewisville Hebron 24
Bastrop 45, Lake Travis 31
Bay City 49, Angleton 7
Beaumont Central 28, Lumberton 21
Beaumont Ozen 46, Little Cypress-Mauriceville 7
Beville 41, Floresville 21
Big Spring 27, Lubbock Estacado 21 (ZOT)
Birdville 13, Frisco 7
Brazosport 28, Calhoun 27
Brenham 10, Rosenberg Terry 9
Brownsville Lopez 26, Weslaco East 14
Brownwood 20, Granbury 14 (ZOT)
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Denton 34, Justin Northwest 7
Denton Ryan 45, Richtland 14
Dripping Springs 23, Del Valle 7
Dumas 34, Amarillo Caprock 7
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Ennis 42, Corsicana 10
EP Bowie 28, El Paso High 6
EP Burges 25, EP Austin 6
EP Chapin 48, EP Irvin 14
EP Parkland 32, EP Del Valle 21
EP Riverside 12, EP Mountain View 0
EP Ysleta 15, Clint 8
Fabens 11, San Elizario 6
Fredericksburg 42, Boerne 37
Friendswood 25, Channelview 21
FW Arlington Heights 20, FW Wyatt 6

FW Brewer 29, FW Crowley 21
FW Dunbar 51, FW Polytechnic 6
FW Southwest 44, FW South Hills 35
FW Trimble Tech 34, FW North Side 6
Hallsville 34, Longview Pine Tree 10
Harker Heights 21, Pflugerville Connally 20
Houston Davis 17, Houston Wheatley 7
Houston King 21, Galena Park 7
Houston Waltrip 36, Houston Jones 26
Kerrville Tivy 41, Medina Valley 12
Killeen 44, Marble Falls 7
Killeen Shoemaker 39, Killeen Ellison 20
La Marque 42, Santa Fe 0
Lancaster 9, Red Oak 7
Lancaster 19, Mount Pleasant 7
Mesquite Horn 48, West Mesquite 26
Mesquite Poteet 32, Richardson 14
Midlothian 40, Waco Midway 36
Mission 24, Roma 0
Nacogdoches 56, Whitehouse 41
Nederland 42, Silsbee 15
New Braunfels 17, New Braunfels Canyon 13
New Caney 56, Caney Creek 3
Palestine 65, Athens 28
Plainview 52, Hereford 36
PSJA Memorial 21, Mission Memorial 14
Rockport-Fulton 36, CC Flour Bluff 26
SA Alamo Heights 35, Uvalde 13
SA Fox Tech 48, SA Burbank 7
SA Jefferson 27, SA Memorial 8
SA Sam Houston 40, SA Edison 14
SA South San 56, SA McCallum 35
SA Southside 20, Pleasanton 13
San Angelo Lakeview 28, Levelland 27 (OT)
Sherman 35, Greenville 28
Springtown 30, Burkburnett 2
Sulphur Springs 21, McKinney North 0
Taylor 33, Lampasas 10
Terrell 74, Mabank 0
Texas 21, Kilgore 20
Texas City 35, Dickinson 20

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PAMPA MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Pampa Middle School recently announced its honor roll for the first six-weeks grading period of the 2003-04 school year.

A HONOR ROLL

Sixth Grade. Evan Gary Aderholt, Lauren Ashley Akins, Brooklyn Shay Barker, Rebekah Lynn Bartel, Kristin Joy Charee Bivins, Erin Elizabeth Buck, Justin Marshall Carlton, Alexander Clendening, Corbin Brady Clifton, Cheyanne Wendy Collins, Garrett Evan Coutts, Kimberly McCall Curtis, Matricia Ann Davis, Klarisse Espiritu-Santo, Robin Fernuik, Samantha Lee Finney, Myles Till Foreman, Mikala Brianna Furgason, Megan Elizabeth Gragg, Rachel Elizabeth Heuston.

Alyssa Marie Hoelting, Lauren Renee Jacoby, Ryan Alexander Jimenez, Hannah Elizabeth Lane, Landon Christopher Long, Kallie Lynn Marak, Mary Kathryn McKay, Ashlyn Janae McNeely, Treva Beth Miller, Samantha Pearson, Britney Marie Poulin, Gabrielle Marie Powell, Shannon M. Rex, Savannah Smith, Fabiola Soria, Rebecca Nicole Taylor, Emilie Taylor Troxell, Serina Gail Wagner, Kayla Joan Ware, Kelsey Nicole Watson, Shelby Delise Watson, Paige Nicole Whitmore, Leah Mae Wilson, Kaitlin Paige Winegeart.

Seventh Grade. Taylor Blake Aderholt, Brenna Danielle Albracht, Kathryn Miranda Aler, Preston Tucker Brown, Gage Evan Carruth, Tryniti L. Chaney, Keisha Leigh Crowell, Kamie Erin Doughty, Mary Elizabeth Dyson, Eric Michael Freelen, Cole Allen Guyer, Andrew Ashley Hatcher, Ashley V. Hernandez, Michael Allen Kelley, Courtney Renee Linn, Taylor Ray Daniel Little, Luis Omar Martinez, William Rex McKay, Diana Renee Mechelay, Justin David Romero, Shawna Marie Salazar, Blake Ryan Sieck, April Rose Silva, Matthew Thomas Smith, Joe Anthony Solis, Chandler Vicary Talley, Jeremy Zellefrow.

Eighth Grade. Layce Khrystine Beesley, Kristopher Neil Boyd, Scotty Wayne Brown, Jennifer Lauren Cox, Andrew Michael Dunn, Kristen Lea Dunn, Colden Trey Fortenberry, Stephanie Hassell, Anna Elizabeth Hillman, K'lyn Brook Holmes, Kailee Bri Intemann, Mitchell Dwain Kelley, Ray Angel Lerma,

Jeremy Michael Loner, Lacy Elizabeth Loving, Elizabeth Marie McGrath, Joshua Lynn Mulkey, April Michelle Newsome, Angelica DeJesus Pena, Joshua Wesley Pryor, Manuela Retana, Bricawna Richards, Lindsey N. Riley, Monica Renee Schepp, Veronica Solorzano, Mary Lillian Street, Justin Wayne Strickland, Jacee Danae Villarreal, Lydia Joy West, LaTeasa Leigh Wheat.

AB HONOR ROLL

Sixth Grade. Hilary Acker, Richard Ethan Addy, Brittany Nicole Bennett, Jessica Chyne Brown, Amanda Castleman, Margarita Cervantes, Charles Calib Chandler, James Matthew Clark, Rylan Marshall Clark, Harold Ryan Conner, Timothy Craig Conner, Bridgett Nichole Cox, Kristie Rachelle Davis, Tanner Lee Davis, Reuben Jacob Day, Uriel Diaz, Amanda Karen Evans, Ashley Marie Facio, Mikaela Mercedes Flores, Axl Storm Free, Cristina Idali Garcia, Mireya Granillo, Trisha Dawn Harkins, Christina Marie Hart, Bryce Daniel Hendricks, Edwin Gomez Herrera.

Savannah Jane Hoover, Braden Dale Hunt, Andi Brooke Hutto, Brianna LaNell Jackson, Katelyn Nicole Jones, Susanne Rose Kane, Phoenix Dawn Keeter, Mitchell Ryn Killgo, Audriana Denise Leal, Eric Christopher Lewis, Lariat Kay Lowrey, Mary Elizabeth Mariner, Laura Louise Mcgrath, Cindy Rueda Meza, Ashley Nicole Miller, Bethney Ariel Mosteller, Jonathan Luke Murray, Aleah Kirsten Noble, Brittney Pritchard, Allison Kae Ramey, Erik Ramirez, Jessica Ramirez, Lauren Roberts.

Andrew Joel Rodriguez, Gabriel Rodriguez, Vanesa Rodriguez, Kristin Nicole Roy, Agapito Salazar, Delissa Marie Salazar, Cristal Silva, Nathan Lynn Smith, Seth Ray Starbuck, Kara Cylynda Stephens, Kelly Turner Stoffle, Lauren Sutherland, Carlyn Teichmann, Tracy Danay Torres, Whitney Morgan Wade, Shayla Sharon Wagner, Miranda Gail Waldrop, Tessa Leigh Walker, Luke Randall Watson, John Caleb West, Brittany Wheeler, Ashley Rose Williams, Tawnee Renee Williams, Vanessa Denise Williams, Terral Kade Wilson, Kaytlyn Ashton Wright, Raul Zarate.

Seventh Grade. Paegge Ryan Alvey, Jessica Baggerman, Ryan Baggerman, Senecia Becker, Rikki L. Beesley, Cody Allen Bowers,

Whitney Brummett, Nolan Ryan Burr, Jeremy David Busse, Kenzie Nicole Carter, Bernardo Casanova, Carl Castagnetta, Olivia Maury Chairez, Amber Crystal Chavarria, Nicki Cole, Jonathan M. Cook, Brittney M. Cottrell, Lauren Ann Coutts, John Luke Covalt, Teddi Lee Cowan, Raymond Franklin Cox, Luis Alberto Cruz, Michael Wayne Davis, Nathan Colby Dennis, Kelby Jordan Doughty, Amber Cene Ebenkamp, Destiny Renee Fitzer, Amanda Haylee Francis, Thomas Lee Fraser, Terri Lynn Frazier, Codi Lane Guthrie, Amanda Lynn Harkins, Christa Dawn Holt.

Hannah Beth Hopkins, Mikah Kathleen Howard, Alexandra Renae Hutto, Chaney Ashton Jones, Tyler Daine Jones, Tonya Lynn Kiper, Daniel Shane Kirkland, Kara Leigh Lane, Scott Lindon Langford, Melissa Nicole Leal, Rachel Arae Lee, Zachary Allen Licklider, Sean Wesley Malone, Kamy Lynn Miller, Nicholas Jacob Millikan, Jessica Erin Miner, Tina Marie Ming, Daryl Scott Moore, Shelby Lynn Needham, Dayla Renea Newman, Cody Ryan Newton, Karlie Kay Novian, Jonathan Alan-lee Olson, James Darren Parker, Teysha Rashon Parker, Lillian Grace Price.

Tristin Janae Reeves, Oscar Retana, Carley Jo Richardson, Brandon Rodgers, Norman William Rodgers, Erika Salazar, Belinda Saldierna, Manuel Sanchez, Alyssa Florence Seitz, Lauren Danielle Smith, Victoria Lakyn Srygley,

Stephanie Stephens, James Keith Stevens, Courtney Sabrina Stone, Katherine Gaile Stuck, Jessica Lynn Tabor, Hilary Colleen Thomas, Katelin Shay Wall, Chelsea Cecilia Wallin, Cameron David Webster, Whitney Colette Webster, Abigail Grace West, Jacob Adam Wichert, Holly Ann Winegeart, Shelby Ann Wisdom.

Eighth Grade. William Gilbert Aguilar, Robert Andrew Akins, George Timothy Albear, Lucas Alfonso Almanza, Adam Charles Anguiano, Brittany Ann Balay, Megan N. Barnett, Rachel Colleen Bartel, Sean Paul Beedy, Crystal Blanco, Christopher Don Boren, Claire Elizabeth Boyd, Ashley Nichole Brown, Taylor Dean Busse, Chelsea Rachele Cain, Brenden Carpenter, Bethany Caviness, Hall David Christopher, Tanner Mar Cochran, Amy Diane Coil, Stevie Shane Contreras, Colby Aaron Copeland, Justin Ryan

Cottrell, Jimmy Lee Craig, Meagan Crawford, Julie Ann Crossman, Amber Mae Davis, Jacob Rush Davis, Shane Randell Davis, Annie Jo Day, William Tyler Dodson, Nicholas James Dudley, Tanner Dell Dyson, Garrett Glen Eggleston, Michael Glenn Fernuik, Jesse T. Finney, Yesenia Flores, Sara Jane Foster.

Larri Donn Golleher, Chad Raymond Griffith, Erin Nichole Hall, Aida Zulema Hernandez, Stevan Hernandez, Kenneth Alan Hightower, Caleb Martin Hill, Dane Edward Howard, Aaron Nathaniel Hudson, Joshua Daniel Humphrey, Jessica Nacole Irvin, Kambra Nicole Jimenez, Cory Dale Johnson, Joseph Wayne Johnson, Brittany Nichole Jones, Haili Ann Kotara, Chelsie Lee Kyle, Kaci Marie Maddox, Ryne D. Malone, Travis Lynn Marsh, Matthew Martin Martinez, Logan Ashley McDonald, Shealyn Blaire McGahan, Kayla Diane

Mendoza, Brian Benjamin Miller, Ivan Miranda, Jasmine Moore, Trisha Renee Moore, Conrado Munguia, Rachel Larissa Nunn, Monique Nicole Oliver.

Jerid Daniel Oxley, Brandy Renee Parks, Laura E. Parnell, Cristina Liset Perez, Frank Meredith Pitmaa, Sydnee Danielle Porter, Krystal Ramirez, Morgan Rhea Reagan, Isela Resendiz, Marisela Rodriguez, Andrew David Roy, Valerie Jyl Rushing, Brody Reece Russell, Lidia Salazar, Aaron Sanders, Erica Nicole Schepp, Sarah Catherine Smith, Tyler Miller Vargas, Carizama Delaluz Soto, Kayleen Stallings, Kathryn Stevens, Mark Richard Stone, Samantha Sutterfield, Lilian Vargas, Elizabeth Joy Wade, Gregory James Wariner, Jamie Lynn Welch, Krissa Nichole Whittley, Deidra Joyce Williams, Kelli Marie Wilson, Tyneshia W. Wilson, Emily Faith Woodruff, Ashleigh Shaude Young.

LOST ... FOUR SOULS

Something important came up; he does not remember what, but he decided it would not hurt to miss church this once. He had been taught differently, but he missed anyway. She hated to go without her husband, the two children were difficult to manage without help, so she missed too. Their conscience worked on them, but to no avail. A short time later they decided to go on a Sunday out-of-town trip and missed again. Conscience spoke again, but its voice was softer this time. With each succeeding absence their spiritual appetite diminished. Fellow Christians were concerned and came to call. At first their excuses - out of town, didn't feel well, etc. - and then resentment because such concern made them uncomfortable. It has been many years since they were active in the Lord's work. Their hearts are stirred occasionally by nostalgic memories of a better yesterday, but God seems far away. No one ever goes back to see them. Many have tried, but their interest was not welcomed. They are now left alone in their sin and their darkness. Their loss is sad enough, but the loss of the two children, now teenagers, is even more tragic. They never had a chance. The mother and father did have the privilege of knowing the Lord, but they rejected Him. The children never knew him. It is a tragic story. The story is four lost souls on a one-way street to somewhere they don't want to go. The parents are driving - the children are being taken for a ride. It all began with the mistaken idea that it wouldn't hurt to miss "just this once!"

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TRAVIS HONOR ROLL

Travis Elementary School recently announced its honor rolls for the first six-weeks grading period of the 2003-04 school year.

THIRD GRADE

A Honor Roll. Kelsey Benson, Tiffany Britton, Rebecca Corbitt, Dallan Poole, Allen Osborn, Taylor Ranney, Christian Williams, Alison Alexander, Jessica Hooker, Libby Howard, Raul Lara, Ryver Nunn, Josh Owen, Heather Parks, Talia Poe, Sheldon Reeve, Chris Rivera, Taylor Woods, Elyxcus Anaya, Matthew Arnold, Holly Lane, Bailey Read, Alexis Urquhart.

AB Honor Roll. Trysten Plunk, Sydney Starks, Karli Harden, Nicholas Johnson, Bryce Parker, Chrissy DiTirro, Brittney Bengel, Lino Alcaraz, Zane Robles, Miranda Beedy, Keva Dallas, Jordan Shook, Madison Brass, Ryan Bromlow, Nicholas Pletcher, Michael Green.

FOURTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Thania Gaytan, Margo Mendoza, Teaira Jordan, Alana Stevens, Nakayla Hardman, KeEra Busse, Miranda

Patterson, Janelle Parks, Stephanie Allen, Kendall Aikin, Jessica Covil, Jacob Frost, Marco Garcia, Laci Hernandez, Ashley Stucker.

AB Honor Roll.

Brandon Yates, Colten Adams, Garrett Davis, Dylan Hooker, Jose Cabrales, Mary Jo Collier, Kendle Kamey, Laura Kirkland, Kolbi Furgason, Megan Porter, Braden Russell, Shane Smith, McKinlee Stokes, Reid Miller, Chris Nesbit, Schrade Thompson, Shelby Worthington.

FIFTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Erica Blaine, Brittany Covil, Tyler Malone, Cassie Rigney, Madilyn Shults, Kayla Hughes, Jordan Hukill, Jenna Munsell, Emily Nicklas, Colton Sweatt, Alex Collins, Taryn Eubank, Rebecca Porter, Danielle Wall, Kylee Wyatt.

AB Honor Roll. Brittney Clark, Carla Dominguez, Kyle Kieth, Emita Mungia, Rhett Skinner, Hayley Steger, Zoie Baten, Haley Clark, Curston Finney, Cali Gibson, Hannah Lake, Monica Pairsh, Amanda Bennett, Brent Green, Dale Montgomery.

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NEWSMAKERS



Matthew Smith

WASHINGTON — **Matthew Smith** of Pampa was recently selected to attend the Junior National Young Leaders Conference held this past week (Oct. 25-30) in Washington, D.C. JrNYLC is a unique leadership development program for middle school students.

Themed "The Legacy of American Leadership," JrNYLC strives to teach young people about the rich tradition of leadership throughout American history, while helping them develop their own leadership skills.

Smith will participate in educational activities and presentations given by individuals in positions of leadership. In specially-designed small groups, students will also visit historic national landmarks, including Colonial Williamsburg.

"While most students read about leadership in books, Matthew Smith will actually walk along the same paths and hallways as some of our country's great leaders," said Mike Lasday, executive director of Congressional Youth Leadership Council, the organization that sponsors the conference. "The leadership exercises developed by the Junior National Young Leaders Conference will challenge the students to think and act strategically when it comes to teamwork, problem-solving and setting goals."

In addition to examining notable U.S. leaders and historic figures, Smith will study the impact of leadership throughout critical periods of American history, including the Civil War and Reconstruction, World War II, the Great Depression and the Civil Rights Movement.

The goal at the conclusion of JrNYLC is that students take home a greater understanding of the role of individuals in American democracy as well as the responsibilities of being a leader.

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Army Pvt. **Luke A. Bailey**, son of Deborah L. and John E. Bailey of Pampa, recently graduated from basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

In 2003, Bailey graduated from Pampa High School.

AMARILLO — **Charles Nix**, of Pampa, was recently among 65 new members inducted into Beta Eta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Amarillo College.

PTK is an international honor society of community colleges. Its mission is to promote scholarship, leadership, fellowship and service.

CANYON — The West Texas A&M University speech team brought home a second-place overall finish from the Central States Swing Tournament recently in Kansas City, Mo. Students from 25 colleges and universities competed at the event.

In the first swing of the tournament, the WTAMU team placed third in sweepstakes. WTAMU students who placed in the finals of the first swing included **Lindsay Wakefield**, a senior speech communication major of Shamrock who placed second in Communication Analysis and sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking.

In the second phase of the swing tournament, the WTAMU team took second place in sweepstakes to give them a second-place overall finish. During this phase, Wakefield placed third in Persuasive Speaking and sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking.

The WTAMU speech team is coached by Connie McKee, instructor of speech communication.

JALAPENO CORNBREAD SHORTCAKE with Black Bean Chili

This savory cornbread shortcake is fun to serve and easy to make.

The chili gets its zesty flavor from bottled salsa and the cornbread shortcake is made with a cornbread mix.

Cornbread Shortcake

Ingredients:

- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 (6-oz.) pkg. Martha White(R) Cotton Pickin'(R) or Buttermilk Cornbread Mix
- 2/3 cup milk
- 1/2 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1 to 2 tablespoons chopped pickled jalapeno peppers

Chili

Ingredients:

- 1/2 lb. lean ground beef
- 1 1/2 cups chunky salsa, divided
- 3/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 (15-oz.) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- Salt to taste, if desired
- 2 tablespoons chopped cilantro, if desired

Toppings: Sour cream, salsa, cheese and/or sliced green onions

Directions:

Preheat oven to 450° F. Place 8-inch cast iron skillet in oven for 6 to 8 minutes or until hot. In medium bowl, combine egg, cornbread mix and milk; mix well. Stir in cheese and jalapeno peppers. Pour into hot skillet. Bake at 450° F. for 13 to 17 minutes or until golden brown and center is firm.

Meanwhile, in medium skillet, cook ground beef over medium heat until no longer pink; drain. Stir in 1 cup salsa, water, chili powder, cumin and water. Reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes or until slightly thickened. Stir in black beans and remaining 1/2 cup salsa; cook and stir until thoroughly

heated. Before serving stir in salt and cilantro, if desired.

Cut cornbread into 4 wedges; split each wedge horizontally. Place bottom of each wedge on a serving plate. Top each with about 3/4 cup chili and top of wedge. Add toppings, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Tip: This recipe may be easily doubled. Double filling ingredients and bake a double batch of the cornbread shortcake in a 10 1/2-inch cast iron skillet. Bake as directed above.

CORNBREAD DRESSING 101

Old South Herbed Cornbread Dressing For Pan or Pones

If you like the crisp outside edges of cornbread dressing, you'll love this dressing made into individual servings.

Cornbread

Ingredients:

- 1 egg
- 1 1/3 cups milk
- 1/4 cup oil
- 2 cups Martha White(R) Self-Rising Corn Meal Mix

Dressing

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup finely chopped onion
- 1/2 cup finely chopped celery
- Crumbled cornbread from above or about 6 cups leftovers
- 2 cups dry bread cubes or crumbled toasted biscuits
- 2 teaspoons dried sage leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 egg, beaten
- About 2 cups chicken broth

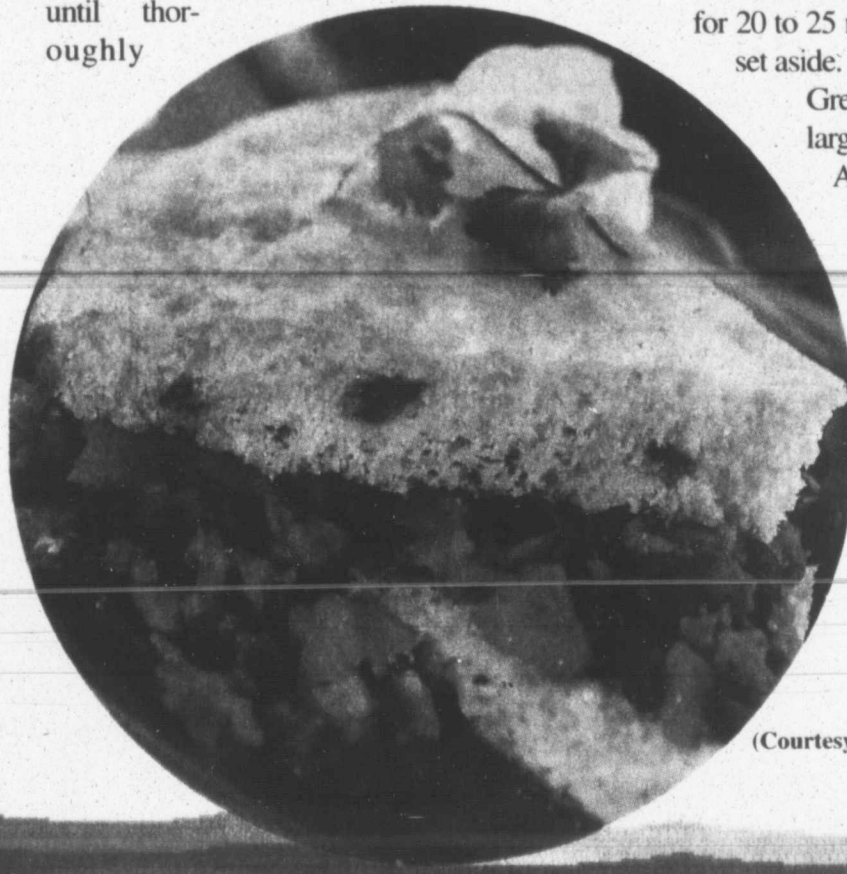
Directions: Heat oven to 450°F. Grease 10 1/2-inch cast iron skillet. Place in oven to heat. In large bowl, beat egg. Add remaining cornbread ingredients; mix well. Pour into hot skillet. Bake at 450°F. for 20 to 25 minutes. Cool cornbread; crumble and set aside. Reduce heat to 425°F.

Grease 13 x 9-inch baking dish or pan. In large skillet, melt butter over medium heat.

Add onions and celery; cook and stir until vegetables are tender. In a large bowl, combine vegetable mixture, crumbled cornbread and remaining ingredients; toss gently to mix.

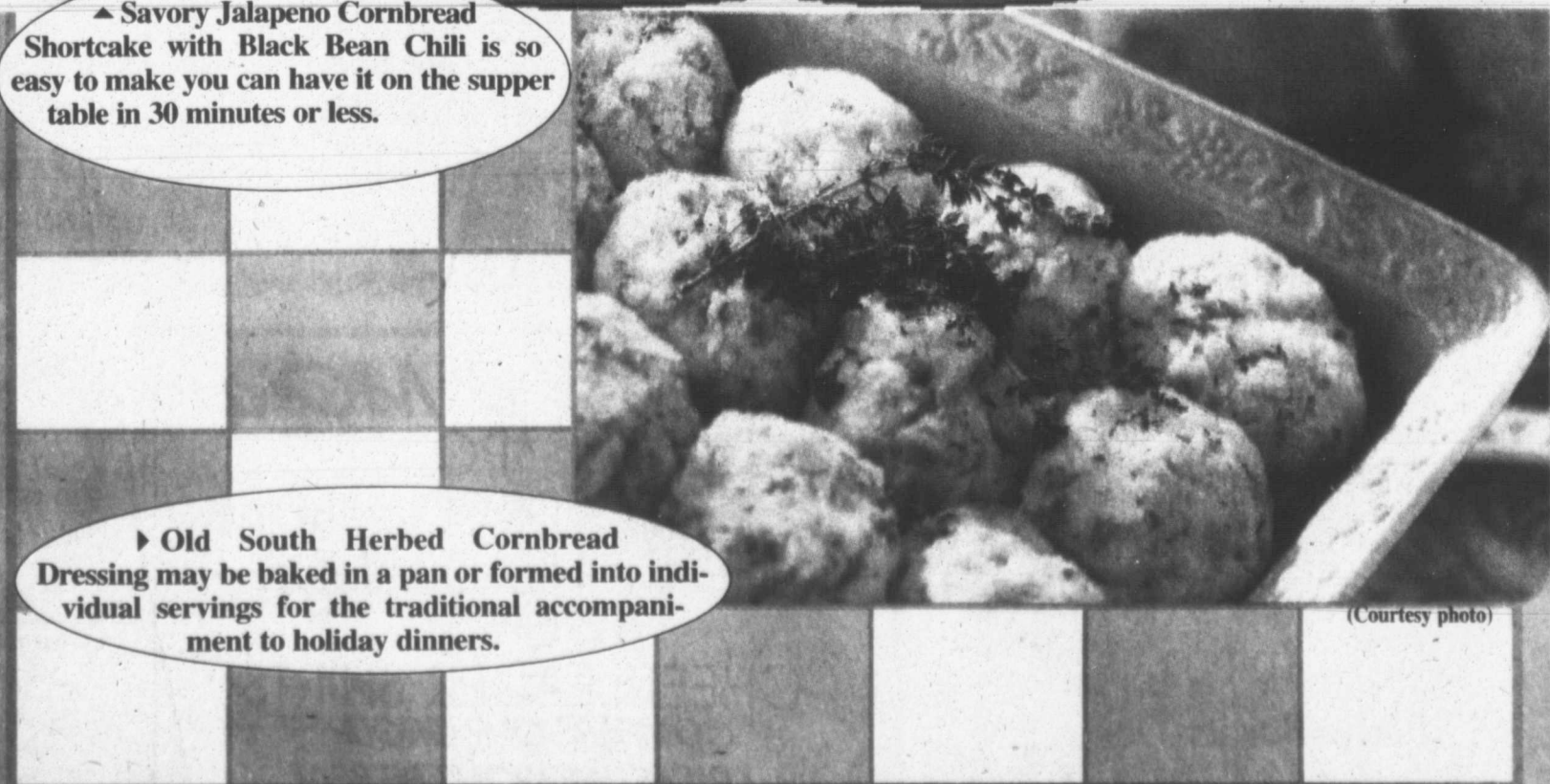
Add enough broth to make mixture very moist. Spoon into greased baking dish or form into 12 oval cakes or pones; place in greased baking dish. Bake at 425°F. for 30 to 35 minutes or until golden brown.

Serves: 10 to 12



(Courtesy photo)

▲ Savory Jalapeno Cornbread Shortcake with Black Bean Chili is so easy to make you can have it on the supper table in 30 minutes or less.



(Courtesy photo)

► Old South Herbed Cornbread Dressing may be baked in a pan or formed into individual servings for the traditional accompaniment to holiday dinners.

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LIFESTYLES

ENGAGEMENTS

Davenport -McGee

Shelly M. Davenport and Wayne M. McGee, both of Lubbock, plan to wed Saturday, Dec. 20, at St. Elizabeth's University Parish in Lubbock.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Roger and Shari Davenport of Miami. She holds a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from Southwestern Oklahoma State University (2000) and a master of science degree in mathematics from Texas Tech University (2002).

She is currently a mathematics instructor and research assistant at Tech where she is also working towards her doctor of philosophy degree in applied mathematics.



Shelly M. Davenport and Wayne M. McGee

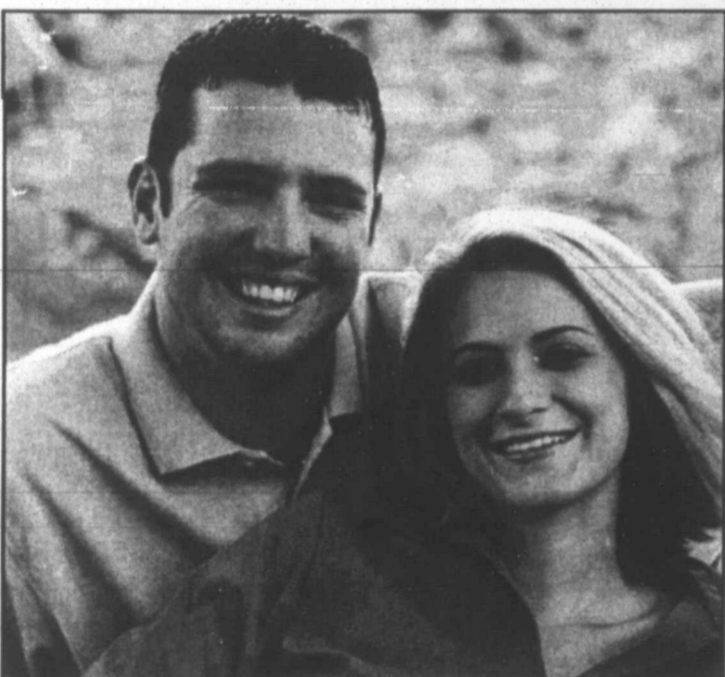
The prospective groom is the son of Richard and Ann McGee of Fort Stockton. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from Texas A&M University (2000) and a master of science degree in mathematics from Tech (2003). He is currently a mathematics instructor at TTU where he is pursuing a doctor of philosophy degree in applied mathematics.

Kindle- Stark

Brittany Kindle and Joshua Stark, both of Amarillo, plan to wed Jan. 3, 2004, at Briarwood Full Gospel Church in Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Eddie and Starla Kindle of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in May 2002 and is currently enrolled at West Texas A&M University where she is pursuing a bachelor's degree in early childhood education with plans to graduate in May 2005. She is employed by Trinity Lutheran Preschool.

The prospective groom is the son of Steve and Mandy



Joshua Stark and Brittany Kindle

Stark of Kress. He graduated serving aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt in the Persian Gulf. He is currently employed at Pantex.

LIFESTYLES POLICY

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
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WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3-7

Pampa Schools

MONDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.

Lunch: Fish strips or macaroni/cheese, potatoes, English peas, mixed fruit, rolls.

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits; gravy.

Lunch: Ravioli or chicken nuggets, green beans, salad, fresh fruit, rolls.

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: French toast sticks.

Lunch: Toasted cheese sandwich or pizza, tomato soup, green beans, peaches.

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast.

Lunch: Soft chicken taco or chef salad, pinto beans, Spanish rice, applesauce.

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, sausage.

Lunch: Pizza dippers or hamburgers, French fries, salad, peanut butter bars.

Lefors Schools
MONDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast pockets, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Pizza, mini corn-dogs, blackeyed peas, carrots, peaches, salad bar, milk.

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Hot/cold cere-

al, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Charbroiled patty, fried chicken, potatoes, brown gravy, corn, biscuits, pears, salad bar, milk.

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Pop Tarts, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Lasagna, chicken patties, green beans, oranges, salad bar, milk.

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Sausage, eggs, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Corn dogs, ravioli, peas, tator tots, pineapple, salad bar, milk.

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Pancakes, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken soup, stew, cornbread, apples, milk.

Senior Citizens
MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or chicken/dumplings, mashed potatoes, cream corn, beets, beans, peaches and cream cake or blueberry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY
Roast pork or chicken/stuffing, potato salad, carrots, spinach, beans, snickerdoodle cake or bread pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY
Meatloaf, potato casserole, broccoli, blueberries.

THURSDAY
Soft taco, pinto beans, Spanish rice, peaches.

FRIDAY
Oven-fried chicken, black-eyed peas, tomatoes, jello.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, fried okra, buttered squash, beans, chocolate marble cake or cherry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or liver and onions, mashed potatoes, macaroni/cheese, peas, beans, strawberry applesauce cake or chocolate pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or taco salad, potato wedges, cheesy hominy, beans, brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels
MONDAY

Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cookies.

TUESDAY

Chicken spaghetti, pickled beets, peas, pears.

WEDNESDAY

Soft taco, pinto beans, Spanish rice, peaches.

FRIDAY
Oven-fried chicken, black-eyed peas, tomatoes, jello.

ANNIVERSARIES

Carpenter anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Don Carpenter of Pampa celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 27 at First Baptist Church of Pampa. Children of the couple hosted the reception.

Don Carpenter and Carol Ruth Combs were married Sept. 26, 1953, at Community Baptist Church in Skellytown. They have been Pampa residents for 50 years and are members of First Baptist Church.

Mr. Carpenter retired from Cabot in 1998, after 30 years of service. He holds membership in Masonic Lodge #966, Scottish Rite, Shriners and Optimist Club, where he coached Tiger League Football for 28 years.

Mrs. Carpenter retired in 1999. She worked for Gray County Tax Office for 10 years and Security Federal/First American Bank for 20 years. She holds mem-



Mr. and Mrs. Don Carpenter

bership in Beta Sigma Phi and Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club. Both are involved in American Cancer Walk, Knife and Fork Club and enjoy family, camping and bus tours. Children of the couple are Donna Porter of Duncan, Okla., Rick Carpenter of Lovington, N.M., Cathey Bell of Pampa and Randy Carpenter of Granbury. They have 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Orvel Brewer

Brewer anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Orvel Brewer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, Oct. 31. Orvel Brewer and Rosa Augustin were married Oct. 31, 1953.



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Boring-White

Bonnie Catherine Boring and Joshua Brady White were wed Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Inn at Craig Place in San Antonio. A reception followed the ceremony at the Inn.

The maid of honor was Crissie Boring, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were Katy White and Hilary White, both sisters of the groom.

The best man was Roger Nicholas. The groomsmen were Chris Knight and Presley Watkins, all of Abilene.

The bride is the daughter of Cathy and Ray Boring. She graduated from Texas Tech High School in 2000 and is currently employed by TSU.

The groom is the son of Lynn and Frank White of Big Lake. He is currently attending McMurry University



Bonnie Catherine Boring

where he is a student coach. He is planning a career in coaching.

The newlyweds honey-

mooned in San Antonio and Fredericksburg. They intend to make their home in Abilene.

Aleman-Sublett

Julia Anna Aleman and Corey Brandon Sublett, both of Kirkland, Wash., were wed Saturday, Sept. 20, at Cottage Lake Assembly of God Church in Woodinville, Wash., with the Rev. Phil Ruiz officiating.

The maid of honor was Becky Aleman, sister of the bride of Salem, Ore. The bridesmaids were Ashley Hannah and Jill Sublett, both sisters of the groom of Tucson. The flower girls were Lilly Jamison and Jordan Johnsen of Kirkland.

The best man was Benjamin Hannah, brother of the groom of Tucson. The groomsmen were Aaron Beach of Kirkland and Nathan Dudley of Vancouver, Wash. The ring bearer was Paul Allen Ropp of The Dalles, Ore.

The ushers were Jonas Johnsen of Kirkland, Josh Stewart of Monroe, Wash., and Bobby Znak of Carnation, Wash. The candlelighters were Carrie Aleman, mother of the bride, and Karen Hannah, mother of the groom.

The Lasso Ceremony was performed by the grandparents of the groom, Martha and Norman Sublett, Pampa, Texas.

Music was provided by musicians David Beach of Kirkland and Nathan Norton of Seattle, Wash.

A reception, hosted by Kevin and Jessie Gallo, was held in the Gallos' home in Woodinville.

The bride is the daughter of Jorge and Carrie Aleman of McMinnville, Ore., and is the granddaughter of Maria Aleman of McMinnville.

She graduated from McMinnville High School and earned a degree in behavioral science from Northwest



Corey Brandon Sublett and Julia Anna Aleman

College of Kirkland. She is currently employed by Friends of Youth.

The groom is the son of Karen and Adrian Hannah of Tucson, Ariz., and the late Norman Larry Sublett and is the grandson of Martha and Norman Sublett and Lois and Don Thompson, all of Pampa, and Earlene Hannah, of The Dalles.

He graduated from Juanita High School in Kirkland and attended Shoreline Community College in Seattle. He is cur-

rently an inventory control specialist for Costco.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Las Vegas, Nev., and intend to make their home in Kirkland.

Also attending the wedding were Debby and Robert Howard, aunt and uncle of the groom, Linda Luman, cousin of the groom, all of Amarillo, Texas; Darrel and Jane Sublett, uncle and aunt of the groom, Dallas, Texas; and Jessica Sublett, cousin of the groom, Lubbock, Texas.

CLUB NEWS

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

Altrusa

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met Oct. 28 at Pampa Country Club with President Billie Sue Evans presiding. Janet Bilyeu served as greeter.

The following guests were among those present: Thelma Bray, Nancy Coffee, Vernelle Houska, Edna Hickman, Mary Lou Lane and Altrusa District Gov. Martha Hardwick Hofmeister.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—The Accent was delivered by Penni Pftizner who defined the word "Reunion" in observance of the club's reunion meeting. Pftizner also welcomed former Altrusans and other guests.

—The School Health Fair is scheduled at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 10, at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

—Schneider House Project is scheduled at 11 a.m., Nov. 15.

—Pampa Sheltered Workshop Volunteer Appreciation Reception is scheduled at 7 p.m., Nov. 13.

—Brenda Tucker conducted new member initiation for Beth Miller and Cindi Aler.

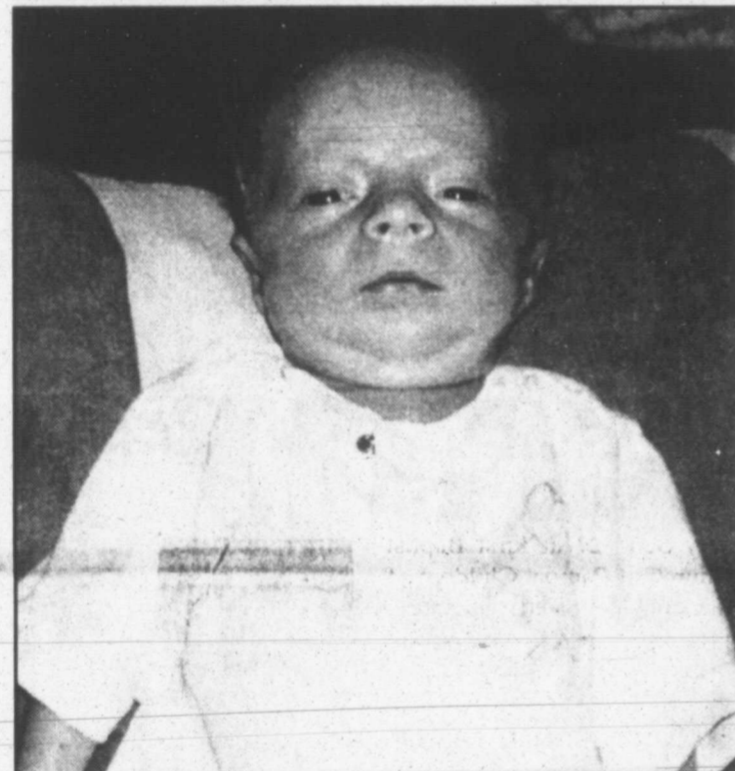
—Tucker introduced Altrusa District Nine Gov. Martha Hardwick Hofmeister. Hofmeister, a Dallas attorney, has been an Altrusan for 17 years. She was complimentary of the local club's community serv-

ice projects and encouraged attendance at the Fall Leadership Event next month in Austin.

—Birthday wishes went to Mary McDaniel, Dorla McAndrew, Tucker, Susan Winborne, Gaye Whitehead and Mary Wilson.

The next meeting will be at 12 noon, Nov. 11 at Pampa Country Club.

CRADLE CALL



Trent Mayfield

Trent Mayfield

Trent Mayfield was born at 4:37 p.m., Sept. 17, at St. Joseph in Bryan, to Kevin and Jodi Mayfield of Courtney.

The infant weighed 3-pounds, 13-ounces at birth and was 17-inches long.

He is the brother of sister, Jacey, of the home. His grandparents are Virginia and Bob Maples of Lefors, Eddie and Carol Mayfield of Panhandle and Garvin and Debbie Cannon of Tennessee Colony, Texas.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Girl's Sticky Fingers Could Soil Her Friend's Reputation

DEAR ABBY: A close friend of mine — I'll call her Jane — is a thief. (She is 15 and I am 14.) Although her thefts are small, I know that petty thefts can turn into big ones.

Jane steals food from snack machines at school and loose change and small bills from people's purses in town. When I tell her to stop because it's wrong, her reply is, "I can't help it — it's in my blood. I won't take anything big."

My biggest fear is that Jane will steal bigger stuff, because when I first noticed her taking change, it happened maybe once a month. Then it increased to once a week. Now it happens every day.

I care about Jane. She's sweet and funny. But I don't know how to get her to stop. How can I help her? Should I tell someone? Please help, Abby.

SCARED AND HELPLESS

DEAR SCARED: If you are present when Jane steals, you become an accessory to the crime. For your own sake, as well as hers, tell your parents. They should alert Jane's parents to the fact that their daughter has a serious problem. Also, until she overcomes her compulsion to steal, it is vital that you limit your contact with her. As it stands, she is jeopardizing not only her own reputation and future, but yours as well.

DEAR ABBY: My parents died in a car crash when I was a little boy. I am now 14 and live with my grandfather and "Uncle Paul." My grandfather isn't able to work, so Uncle Paul is the only breadwinner in our home.

The problem is, when Uncle Paul gets drunk, he physically attacks my grandfather and me. I love my grandfather and don't like to see him hurt. But I don't want us to end up on the street, either. What can I do to make my uncle be nice to us?

BLACK-AND-BLUE IN VIRGINIA

DEAR BLACK-AND-BLUE: Your uncle's drinking is out

of control. What you have described is both elder abuse and child abuse. You can get help, but only if you get into the social services system. One way to do that would be to tell a trusted teacher or counselor at school what is going on. Do it now. Please don't wait until your uncle loses control to the point that he seriously injures you or your grandfather. Please do not be afraid that you will be "out on the street." Your grandfather may qualify for a small pension, and you should be eligible for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC).

DEAR ABBY: My son, "Justin," attends every birthday party he's invited to. I respond in advance and purchase nice gifts. When Justin's birthday came, 10 children said they were coming, but not one showed up. It broke my son's heart, and mine.

Abby, how would you handle this? **UPSET MOM IN MANCHESTER, N.J.**

DEAR UPSET MOM: I'd call each and every one of the parents involved and ask if they were aware their child had accepted your son's birthday party invitation. Let them know that 10 children did — and no one showed up, which is very hurtful. Then stop talking and listen.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$5 (.S. funds) to: Dear Abby — Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included in the price.)

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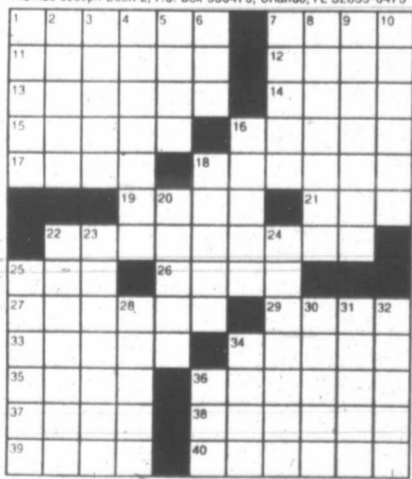
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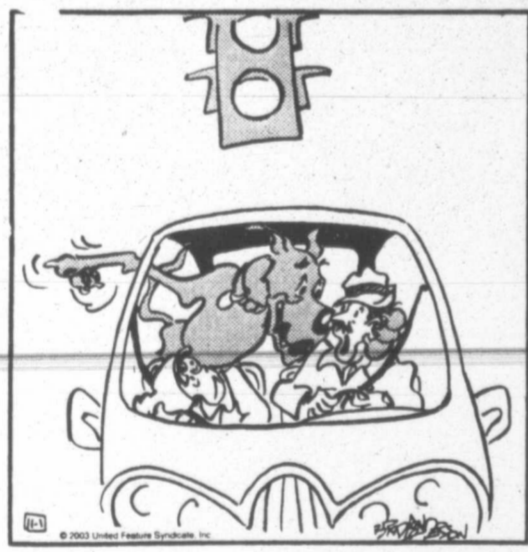
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Barry Haenisch
Superintendent of Schools

November 2, 2003

Dear Pampa Citizens:

It is my honor and privilege as the new Pampa Independent School District (PISD) Superintendent of Schools to invite you to join me for an informal get-together called a "Community Meeting." The purpose of the "Community Meeting" is for us to visit and get to know each other. You need to know me and I want to know you, the people of PISD.

We will have an informal discussion about the strength of the Pampa schools and the challenges you would like to see addressed in the future.

There are six meetings scheduled throughout Pampa in hopes that you will find ONE meeting convenient for you to attend. All meetings will be translated in Spanish and refreshments will be served.

Monday, November 3

- 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Pampa Chamber of Commerce Building, 200 N. Ballard
(use south entrance off of Kingsmill)
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Pampa Optimist Club, 601 E. Craven
- 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus, 318 N. Cuyler

Thursday, November 6

- 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Southside Senior Citizen's Center, 438 Crawford Street
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd Street
(use west side entrance next to Parish Office)
- 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Pampa Learning Center, 400 N. Faulkner (use east entrance,
located in the former Horace Mann Building)

Please join me at one of the "Community Meetings." I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,
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BILLBOARD MUSIC CHARTS

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Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

HOT COUNTRY SINGLES AND TRACKS

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Who Wouldn't Wanna Be Me," Keith Urban. Capitol.
 2. "I Love This Bar," Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
 3. "Tough Little Boys," Gary Allan. MCA Nashville.
 4. "I Melt," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
 5. "This One's For the Girls," Martina McBride. RCA.
 6. "Wave on Wave," Pat Green. Republic.
 7. "Cowboys Like Us," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
 8. "Walk a Little Straighter," Billy Currington. Mercury.
 9. "What Was I Thinkin'," Dierks Bentley. Capitol.
 10. "Chicks Dig It," Chris Cagle. Capitol.
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TOP COUNTRY ALBUMS

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Greatest Hits Volume II and Some Other Stuff," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. (Platinum)
2. "Martina," Martina McBride. RCA (Nashville).
3. "Up!," Shania Twain. Mercury (Nashville).
4. "Unleashed," Toby Keith. DreamWorks (Nashville). (Platinum)

5. "And the Crowd Goes Wild," Mark Wills. Mercury/UMGN.
6. "American IV: The Man Comes Around," Johnny Cash. American (Gold)
7. "See If I Care," Gary Allan. MCA Nashville.
8. "Melt," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street. (Platinum)
9. "Totally Country Vol. 3," Various Artists. Warner Bros.
10. "From There to Here: Greatest Hits," Lonestar. BNA/RLG.

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HOT R&B/HIP-HOP SINGLES AND TRACKS

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports and radio playlists)

1. "Stand Up," Ludacris (feat. Shawna). Disturbing the Peace.
 2. "Rain on Me," Ashanti. Murder Inc.
 3. "Baby Boy," Beyonce (feat. Sean Paul). Columbia.
 4. "Holidae In," Chingy (feat. Ludacris & Snoop Dogg). Disturbing the Peace.
 5. "Damn!" YoungBloodZ (feat. Lil Jon). So So Def.
 6. "Step in the Name of Love," R. Kelly. Jive.
 7. "Walked Outta Heaven," Jagged Edge. Columbia.
 8. "The Way You Move," OutKast Feat. Sleepy Brown. Arista.
 9. "Get Low," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Ying Yang Twins). BME.
 10. "Thoa Thoin," R. Kelly. Jive.
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TOP R&B/HIP-HOP ALBUMS

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1. "ChickenNBeer," Ludacris. Disturbing the Peace.
 2. "Loon," Loon. Bad Boy.
 3. "Speakerboxxx/The Love Below," OutKast. Arista.
 4. "Hard," Jagged Edge. Columbia.
 5. "MH," Marques Houston. T.U.G.
 6. "The R. in R&B Collection: Volume One," R. Kelly. Jive.
 7. "Too Hot For T.V.," Bad Boy's Da Band. Bad Boy.
 8. "Comin' From Where I'm From," Anthony Hamilton. So So Def.
 9. "Jackpot," Chingy. Disturbing the Peace. (Platinum)
 10. "Grand Champ," DMX. Ruff Ryders.
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HOT RAP TRACKS

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1. "Stand Up," Ludacris (feat. Frankie J). Disturbing the Peace.
 2. "Holidae In," Chingy (feat. Ludacris & Snoop Dogg). Disturbing the Peace.
 3. "Damn!" YoungBloodZ (feat. Lil Jon). Arista.
 4. "Get Low," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Ying Yang Twins). BME.
 5. "The Way You Move," OutKast (feat. Sleepy Brown). Arista.
 6. "Right Thurr," Chingy. Disturbing the Peace.
 7. "Wat Da Hook Gon Be," Murphy Lee Feat. Jermaine Dupri. Fo'Reel.
 8. "Can't Stop, Won't Stop," Young Gunz. Roc-A-Fella.
 9. "Pass That Dutch," Missy Elliott. The Gold Mind.
 10. "Shake Ya Tailfeather," Nelly, P. Diddy & Murphy Lee. Bad Boy.
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HOT DANCE MUSIC CLUB PLAY

(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)

1. "What U Do 2 Me (Remixes)," Boomkat. DreamWorks.

2. "This Beat Is," Superchumbo. Twisted.
 3. "A Better World," AgeHa (feat. Jocelyn Brown & Loleatta Holloway). Gate.
 4. "Fly Again (Scumfrog Mixes)," Kristine W. Tommy Boy Silver Label.
 5. "Stand (Remixes)," Jewel. Atlantic.
 6. "Just So You Know (Remixes)," Holly Palmer. Warner Bros.
 7. "Send Your Love (Remixes)," Sting. A&M.
 8. "Lei Lo Lai," The Latin Project. Electric Monkey.
 9. "Bringin' On the Heartbreak (Remixes)," Mariah Carey. MonarC/Island/IDJMG.
 10. "You Promised Me (Tu Es Foutu)," In-Grid. ZYX.
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HOT LATIN TRACKS

(Compiled from national Latin radio airplay reports)

1. "Hoy," Gloria Estefan. Epic.
 2. "Te Necesito," Luis Miguel. Warner Latina.
 3. "Antes," Obie Bermudez. EMI Latin.
 4. "Un Siglo Sin Ti," Chayanne. Sony Discos.
 5. "Nomas Por Tu Culpa," Los Huracanes del Norte. Univision.
 6. "Mientes Tan Bien," Sin Bandera. Sony Discos.
 7. "Quiero Perderme En Tu Cuerpo," David Bisbal. Vale/Universal Latino.
 8. "Fotografia," Juanes (feat. Nelly Furtado). Surco.
 9. "Ave cautiva," Conjunto Primavera. Fonovisa.
 10. "No Hace Falta," Cristian Ariola.
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TOP LATIN ALBUMS

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "La Historia," A.B. Quintanilla III & Kumbia Kings. EMI Latin.
2. "33," Luis Miguel. Warner Latina.
3. "De Durango a Chicago," Grupo Montez de Durango. Disa.
4. "Un Dia Normal," Juanes. Surco. (Gold)
5. "En Vivo: Juntos Por Ultima Vez," Vicente Y Alejandro Fernandez. Sony Discos.
6. "De Viaje," Sin Bandera. Sony Discos.
7. "Por Ti," Banda El Recodo. Fonovisa.
8. "Sincero," Chayanne. Sony Discos.

9. "No Es Lo Mismo," Alejandro Sanz. Warner Latina.
 10. "Proyecto Akwid," Akwid. Univision.
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BILLBOARD HOT 100: TOP 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Baby Boy," Beyonce (feat. Sean Paul). Columbia.
 2. "Stand Up," Ludacris (feat. Shawna). Disturbing the Peace.
 3. "Holidae In," Chingy (feat. Ludacris & Snoop Dogg). Disturbing the Peace.
 4. "Get Low," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz feat. Ying Yang Twins. BME/TVT.
 5. "Here Without You," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
 6. "Damn!" YoungBloodZ (feat. Lil Jon). So So Def.
 7. "Rain on Me," Ashanti. Murder Inc.
 8. "Shake Ya Tailfeather," Nelly, P. Diddy & Murphy Lee. Bad Boy/UMRG.
 9. "Why Don't You & I," Santana (feat. Alex Band Or Chad Kroeger).
 10. "The Way You Move," OutKast Feat. Sleepy Brown. Arista.
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THE BILLBOARD 200 TOP ALBUMS: TOP 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Measure of a Man," Clay Aiken. RCA.
 2. "As Time Goes By...The Great American Songbook Vol. II," Rod Stewart. J. Eagles. Warner Strategic Marketing.
 3. "The Very Best of," "Speakerboxxx/The Love Below," OutKast. Arista. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
 4. "ChickenNBeer," Ludacris. Disturbing the Peace.
 5. "Loon," Loon. Bad Boy.
 6. "Life for Rent," Dido. Arista.
 7. "Hard," Jagged Edge. Columbia.
 8. "The Movie Album," Barbra Streisand. Columbia.
 9. "Everything to Everyone," Barenaked Ladies. Reprise.
 10. "The Way You Move," OutKast Feat. Sleepy Brown. Arista.
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HOT ADULT CONTEMPORARY

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Drift Away," Uncle Kracker (feat. Dobie Gray). Lava.
2. "Forever and For Always," Shania Twain. Mercury.
3. "Unwell," matchbox twenty. Atlantic.
4. "Calling All Angels," Train. Columbia.
5. "I Can Only Imagine," MercyMe. INO.
6. "Big Yellow Taxi," Counting Crows (feat. Vanessa Carlton). Geffen.
7. "Have You Ever Been in Love," Céline Dion. Epic.
8. "Dance With My Father," Luther Vandross. J. simplyred.com/Red Ink.
9. "Sunrise," Simply Red. simplyred.com/Red Ink.
10. "Look Through My Eyes," Phil Collins. Walt Disney/Hollywood.

TOP GOSPEL ALBUMS

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Smokie Norful: Limited Edition (EP)," Smokie Norful. EMI Gospel.
2. Soundtrack: "The Fighting Temptations." Music World.
3. "Throne Room," CeCe Winans. PureSprings.
4. "I Need You Now," Smokie Norful. EMI Gospel. (Gold)
5. "Bringing It All Together," Vickie Winans. Verity.
6. "WOW Gospel 2003," Various Artists. EMI Christian. (Gold)
7. "Donnie McClurkin... Again," Donnie McClurkin. Verity.
8. "Byron Cage," Byron Cage. Gospo Centric.
9. "Shirley Caesar and Friends," Shirley Caesar. Word-Curb.
10. "Let It Rain," Bishop Paul S. Morton & The FGBCF Mass Choir. Tehillah/Light/Compendia.

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3. "Someday," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
4. "Liberate," Disturbed. Reprise.
5. "Still Frame," Trapt. Warner Bros.
6. "Show Me How to Live," Audioslave. Interscope/Epic.
7. "Faint," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
8. "Serenity," Godsmack. Republic.
9. "Away From Me," Puddle of Mudd. Flawless/Geffen.
10. "Falls on Me," Fuel. Epic.

MODERN ROCK TRACKS

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1. "Weak and Powerless," A Perfect Circle. Virgin.
2. "So Far Away," Staind. Flip.
3. "Still Frame," Trapt. Warner Bros.
4. "(I Hate) Everything About You," Three Days Grace. Jive.
5. "Numb," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
6. "Faint," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
7. "Someday," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
8. "Feeling This," Blink-182. Geffen.
9. "The Hardest Button to Button," The White Stripes. Third Man.
10. "Away From Me," Puddle of Mudd. Flawless/Geffen.

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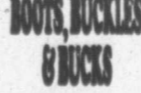

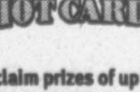
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# Decades after segregation, 'passing for white' remains

By DAVID CRARY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NEW YORK (AP) — America is more diverse than ever and racial pride is strong, yet a new movie and book are highlighting a phenomenon that seems like a relic of the segregationist past — black people passing as white.

The film, "The Human Stain," is an adaptation of Philip Roth's novel about a classics professor, played by Anthony Hopkins, who conceals his racial background.

The book, "Passing: When People Can't Be Who They Are," by Brooke Kroeger, includes a sympathetic profile of a black man who passed as a white Jew during the 1980s and '90s.

Kroeger, a New York University journalism professor who spent four years researching her book, said "passing" has a profound resonance for many black Americans.

"Over and over, I'd hear personal stories about members of their family who didn't return for reunions, who led clandestine lives," she said in an interview.

"Traditionally, the attitude toward passing

was you accepted it, you never exposed a passer. Post-1960s, when people are so proud of their racial and ethnic identities, it seems more like cultural treason, yet still people don't give passers up."

Paul Johnston, a retired X-ray technician, knows of passing firsthand. His parents, Albert and Thyra Johnston, passed as white along with Paul and his three older siblings while the family lived in two New Hampshire towns during the 1930s and '40s. Albert was a physician in the community.

The truth of the Johnstons' background came out in 1941, when Albert was rejected as a Navy officer. But despite the family's fears, townspeople in Keene, N.H., were generally receptive to them even after the news spread, and the Johnstons' experience was movingly depicted in a 1949 film, "Lost Boundaries."

Paul Johnston, 68, is now married to a woman of Irish descent who has nine children from a previous marriage.

"Some of the kids were pretty prejudiced, but they grew to like me," he said in a telephone interview. "They thought it was quite

fascinating that something like this (his family's passing) would happen."

Johnston, who says some of his relatives continue to pass for white, lives in a predominantly white town on Cape Cod.

"Almost nobody knows of my background, not because I've kept it a secret, just because I haven't talked about it much except to a few people in my church," he said. "I don't think it would make any difference to people, but you never can tell."

Like Johnston, psychologist Juanita Brooks lived for years in a predominantly white community, knowing that most of her acquaintances in Melbourne Beach, Fla., were unaware of her background.

The daughter of a white woman and black man, Brooks describes herself as a biracial person with a white appearance; she has been married to a white man for 16 years.

Though she is proud of her heritage, and once rejected a prospective employer's offer to classify her as white, Brooks didn't make her background widely known until 2001. Then, she decided to cooperate with a local newspaper that wrote about how the 2000 census had given her the option — for the first time — of listing herself as both African-American and white.

"It felt like I was coming out," she said. "Not that I ever passed for white, but there were assumptions my acquaintances made ... I was allowing people to believe whatever they wanted to believe, unless race came up in a conversation."

Brooks, 56, said she grew up assuming she had no choice but to consider herself black.

"The word 'multiracial' was not in our vocabulary back then," she said. "You had to choose — society made you choose." Now racial lines are less stark, she said, and it "feels wonderful."

In "The Human Stain," Philip Roth's fictional protagonist, Coleman Silk, was loosely modeled on the late Anatole Broyard, for

many years a prominent literary critic for The New York Times.

Broyard was born to a black family in New Orleans and grew up in a black section of Brooklyn, but as a young man stopped seeing relatives and friends from his past and lived the rest of life as white. A handful of people knew the truth, but even his own adult children were not among them.

In a 1996 magazine article detailing Broyard's deception, black scholar Henry Louis Gates Jr. suggested that the critic wanted to escape racial labeling — to avoid being typecast as a "black" writer.

However, Gates made a powerful case that Broyard's decades-long repudiation of his background was the pivotal factor in his inability to complete the novel he long dreamed of writing.

Anna Deavere Smith, a black actress, plays the mother of the young Coleman Silk in the film, which intrigued her partly because she had a light-skinned great-aunt who occasionally passed for white.

"She told me she had passed as Spanish so she could be a dancer," Smith said. "Even in the segregation era, she never sat in the colored section. She used it to get ahead."

Smith said her judgment of "passers" depends in part on what they do with their lives, and whether they work for social justice.

"Lying about your identity is very disturbing to many of us," she said. "I don't think Coleman Silk should have done what he did. He was needed in the black community."

Passing may also have a positive legacy, according to Kroeger, who writes in her book that it "upends all our tidy little methods of recognizing and categorizing human beings."

"If revealed, an act of passing can force those in the passer's wake to rethink what made the passing necessary in the first place," Kroeger writes. "It's not too much of a stretch to see passing as an instrument of social change."

On the Net: "The Human Stain": <http://www.miramax.com/the-human-stain/>  
Brooke Kroeger's book: <http://brookekroeger.com/passing/passing.html>

## Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Nov. 3, 2003:

You might not always understand where you are going and what you want, yet you act assured and often drive a hard bargain. If you do your research, you'll get the job done and feel good about the end result. Thoroughness counts this year. Networking and meetings bring unusual success. You make many new friends and connections, whom you'll certainly enjoy. Discuss feelings more openly, and you'll discover that loved ones and children share more. If you are single, you'll meet someone very special this year who just might be Mr. or Ms. Right. If you are attached, you're likely to head in a new direction as a couple and be unusually happy. PISCES understands you and can be a lot of fun.

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)

\*\*\*\*\* You might want to think carefully about others' motivations. Others will let you know if something doesn't work. Discuss options with your immediate advisers. Know when to defer and head in another direction. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Aim for more of what you want and desire within your immediate circle. You might want to think through a decision in a more creative mode. Evaluate what might be going on with a friend or child who is acting weirdly. Tonight: Go for what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Take charge and exchange your point of view. Excitement surrounds a project. You might want to smile

through a problem and/or check in with your advisers. You might not exactly agree with others, but you get powerful feedback. Tonight: Listen to someone's opinion.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Reach out for someone close whom you care about. You might want to question more of what is going on within a friendship. Think twice about what immediately feels like a good idea. Work with those in charge. Tonight: Flow with the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* You think one thing, someone else has a total reversal or a different thought. Your ability to get past an immediate issue takes you elsewhere. Help others follow your dynamic thinking. Working as a team proves to be fruitful. Tonight: Go along with a loved one's request.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Reach out for others. You might be surprised by what goes on around you. Be direct in your dealings with a loved one. Discussions add a new flavor to a relationship. Keep communication rolling. Your smile proves to be a winner. Tonight: Say "yes."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Often, you might wonder about those around you. Keep wondering and ask for more information if you would like. Your laughter takes you in a new direction. Carefully think through a decision that revolves around a child or loved one. Tonight: Weigh the pros and cons.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* Question more of what you want. Let your creativity move in a new direction. Request more information if possible. A friend or associate delivers in an unprecedented manner. Think of what

you want, and head for just that. Tonight: Play away.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* Stay on top of work, knowing what needs to get done. Laugh and enjoy yourself as you rarely have with a family member, getting to the bottom of a problem. Keep information flowing. A partner's steadiness does make a difference. Tonight: Out and about.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\*\* Your creativity takes you in a new direction. Extremes surround conversations, taking you to a new level. You learn a lot if you are willing to listen. Be imaginative in your choices, and another will demonstrate his or her caring. Tonight: Meet friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Discussions with a partner prove to be fruitful and significant. You might want to share more of your feelings with a loved one or a partner. Your finances vary because of a partner's or associates' recent dealings. Tonight: Balance your checkbook.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Let your personality flow. Your vision of what might be possible could change a lot after a discussion with a partner. You might not agree with an idea at first, but sure enough, you get talked into it. Work with others. Tonight: Say "yes" to a special invitation.

BORN TODAY

Singer Adam Ant (1954), actor Charles Bronson (1921), actor Dolph Lundgren (1959)

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## Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Nov. 2, 2003:

You have two major concerns this year — your home life and self-expression. If you are an artist, how you express yourself could radically change. Your libido activates, providing much imagination and energy to nearly any project you take on. If you are single, you could tumble into the romance of your life. Are you ready for this? You might give yourself some time to make sure this is what you want. If you are attached, you are likely to consider having a child, or, surprise of surprises, you could become a grandparent. If you like neither choice, be careful, as there will be many amorous moments. Remember the role of free will here. Use a natural talent to help you make money. PISCES helps you see the other side.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have:

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\*\*\* Unexpected events once more set you back. You appreciate someone's self-expression but wonder if it is necessary to go through all the ups and downs. For now, assume a detached point of view. Say little, observe much. Tonight: How 'bout some downtime?

This Week: Though you might "choose" to maintain a low profile, you come out like a veritable tiger (oops, Ram) on Wednesday. There is no stopping you now!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\*\* A parent or someone in charge could jolt you. You also can handle what is being said. Gain a perspective through a key conversation with a loved one you care about. Join your pals as soon as possible. Extremes mark what goes on. Tonight: So what if it will soon be Monday?

This Week: Aim for more of what you want. Listen well to another's sharing if you really want to get there. Let others display their true colors.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* You might opt to land a bit faster than you originally intended. Too much seems to go on way too fast. Sit back and think about an older relative who needs and wants your attention. Realize your limits with this person at the same time. Tonight: A must show.

This Week: Stay on top with work if possible. By Wednesday, you will need to scatter left and right. Call it networking if you must.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\*\*\* One-on-one relating proves to be difficult and enigmatic right now. Someone around you is full of surprises. You might wonder what you are doing with this person. A good question. Kick back and detach. The answers will unfold. Tonight: Listen to a preferred piece of music.

This Week: Read between the lines through Wednesday. You might opt to do your own research. Take a stand once you have the facts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Recognize someone's stab for attention for what it is. Perhaps you need to give this person a bit more recognition. Reach out for loved ones in general, but especially a certain person. Deal individually with those you care for in order to get the reactions you desire. Tonight: Togetherness works.

This Week: A partner might have a lot stronger impact on you than you anticipated. Listen, but know that you are your own person. On Wednesday, research decisions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Get errands done in the morning, even if it means not reading the morning paper or calling a family member. By afternoon, everyone wants you. Respond accordingly. Socialize to your heart's content. Tonight: Play away.

This Week: Listen to a child or loved one carefully. At least this person "thinks" he or she is right. Make your own call from Wednesday on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Knowing when to stop romping might be more important than enjoying yourself. Someone might share something with you that you feel is a bit too far out. Help this person relax through a hobby or taking a walk together, enjoying the fall foliage. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

This Week: Dig in and get the job done. You're able to accomplish a lot more than you originally thought possible. By Wednesday a major distraction appears.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* You might want to stay close to home, but for some reason, the fates intervene. Go with impulse and listen to a loved one more carefully. Use the frivolous tone to do something just for you. Find a favorite playmate. Tonight: Consider taking tomorrow off.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* News jolts you as the day begins. You wonder how and why. Remain affectionate with those around you. Venus moves into your sign today, only adding to your desirability. You will start to notice the difference. Tonight: Try a lazy night.

This Week: Investigate what your boss wants before you make a decision. Now, that is more like it. Examine your goals carefully.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\*\* Your expenses could surprise you, or suddenly you could find you have the winning lottery ticket. You pull the wild card. Find your friends and share some good times, even if it is at a preferred restaurant, close to home. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

This Week: Speak your mind in meetings. Seek out answers. You will like what comes down your path if you stay open. Stay secure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* You might even surprise yourself with your own spontaneity. Laugh and relax with chosen friends. Someone comes through for you in a big way. Accept a gift from a friend or a loved one. It comes from the heart. Tonight: Enjoy.

This Week: Making money needs to be your highest priority. You know what you are doing. Take action on Wednesday. The world is your audience.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Use the morning for an easy, lazy few hours. Count on that when someone whistles for you, you will respond. Getting together with others is up your alley. Suddenly, you are the personality kid on the block. Relish the moment. Tonight: It's your call.

This Week: You have a way of being playful and happy. Communicate your essence, wherever you are. You'll get what you want.

BORN TODAY

Actress Stephanie Powers (1942), conservative commentator Pat Buchanan (1938), bass player Reginald "Fleedy" Arvizu (1969)

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# Texas textbooks at center of debate over evolution

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas will be under the microscope next week in the fight over teaching evolution in public schools as the State Board of Education votes on adopting biology textbooks that have been at the center of the debate.

The board meets Thursday and Friday and is set to consider proposed changes submitted by 11 publishers. The board's decisions — which could determine which textbooks publishers offer to dozens of states — will end a review process that has been marked by months of heated debate over the theory of evolution.

Religious activists and proponents of alternative science urged publishers to revise some of the 10th-grade books and want the board to reject others, saying they contain factual errors regarding the theory of evolution. Mainstream scientists assert that Charles Darwin's theory of evolution is a cornerstone of modern research and technology.

Board members can only vote to reject books based on factual errors or failure to follow state curriculum as mandated by the Legislature.

"There's a bait and switch going on here because the critics want the textbooks to question whether evolution occurred. And of course they don't because scientists don't question whether evolution occurred," said Eugenie Scott, executive director of the California-based National Center for Science Education.

Among those questioning the textbooks are about 60 biologists from around the country who signed a "statement of dissent" about teaching evolution and said both sides of the issue should be taught. Several religious leaders also testified against teaching evolution.

Any changes to the textbooks will have implications across the country.

Texas is the nation's second largest buyer of textbooks, and books sold in the state are often marketed by publishers nationwide. Texas, California and Florida account for more than 30 percent of the nation's \$4 billion public school book market. Three dozen publishers invest millions of dollars in Texas.

One of the most vocal advocates of changing the textbooks is the Discovery Institute, a nonprofit think tank based in Seattle. Institute officials have argued at board hearings that alternatives to commonly accepted theories of evolution

should be included in textbooks to comply with a state requirements that both strengths and weaknesses are presented.

"These things are widely criticized as being problematic. They aren't criticisms we made up; they're criticisms widely held in scientific community," said Discovery Institute fellow John West.

Steven Schafersman, president of Texas Citizens for Science, said there are no weaknesses in current textbooks' explanation of evolution. Publishers are required to cover evolution in science books.

The institute has referred to a theory dubbed intelligent design — a belief that life did not evolve randomly but progressed according to a plan or design. No book on the mainstream market presents the intelligent design theory of evolution.

"We know that this is a very contentious issue. We know that, but the sorts of things we were proposing we thought were moderate," West said.

Samantha Smoot, executive director of the Texas Freedom Network, which monitors religious activists, argues that the Discovery Institute's arguments are rooted in religion. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1962 that the teaching of creationism in public schools is a violation of the separation of church and state.

"It says that the theory of evolution can't explain the diversity of life on this planet and that there must have been a designer," Smoot said. "That is a very valid and commonly held religious perspective, but not one that is upheld by scientific evidence. Therefore it's not one that belongs in science classrooms."

The Discovery Institute has maintained that its arguments have no religious foundation, but Smoot disagrees.

"The concept of intelligent design was crafted specifically to get around legal prohibitions against teaching religion in public schools," she said. "And as long as proponents of intelligent design deny that they're referring to God when they talk about the designer, they hope to be able to pull this off."

At least one publisher has submitted changes in line with the institute's recommendations.

Holt, Rinehart & Winston has submitted a change that directs students to "study hypotheses for the origin of life that are alternatives" to the others in the book. Students also are encouraged to research alternative theories on the Internet.

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**1 Public Notice**  
**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
 The Gray County Commissioners Court will accept bids for new 2004 full size, 4 door sedan, Police type vehicles at 10:00 a.m. On December 1, 2003. Bids should be presented to the County Judge's Office, Gray County Courthouse, Pampa, Texas 79065. A detailed bid specification may be obtained from the County Judge's office (806-669-8007) or from Sheriff Don Copeland (806-669-8022). The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
 Richard Peet Gray County Judge.  
 D-43 Oct. 26, 2003  
 Nov. 02, 2003

**5 Special Notices**  
**ADVERTISING Material** to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

**7 Auction**  
**CLUB Madrid, 422 N. Main** in Borger to be auctioned at Stinnett Courthouse on Nov. 4th @ 10am. Contents and building financial available.  
 806-274-4746.

**10 Lost/Found**  
**LOST red female Boxer, "Lady."** Green collar. Call 665-6036 or 898-5235.

**11 Financial**  
**NEED Cash?** Convert the payments you receive from your seller-financed note to lump sum cash. How much? Toll free 1-866-295-3714.

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 At THE CASH STORE, we make cash advances from \$50 to \$3,000 in minutes, with no credit required.  
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 Loans provided by Bryant State Bank, Bryant, SD. Actual terms and loan amounts may vary. See store for details.

**13 Bus. Opp.**  
**ABSOLUTE GOLDMINE!**  
 60 vending machines with exc. locations, all for \$10,995. 800-234-6982

**14b Appli. Repair**  
 GET your oven fixed for the Holidays, now!  
 Williams Appliance  
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 CUSTOM homes, additions, remodeling, residential / comm. Deaver Construction, 665-0447.

**ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs.**  
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**14e Carpet Serv.**  
**NU-WAY** Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

**14f Inter. Decorating**  
**HOMESOWNERS, Apt. Mgrs., Realtors:** Custom Painting & Wallpaper, 25 yrs. exp. 866-856-1145.

**14h Gen. Serv.**  
**COX Fence Company.** Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

**IS your House or Foundation Settling?** Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Childers Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo, Tx.

**14n Painting**  
**INT./EXT. painting, mud tape.** 35 yr. exp. References. Call Gene Calder 665-4840.

**14r Plowing/Yard**  
**HEDGE Trimming, Lawn Mowing, Weed Eating, Edging, Leaf Removal, Rototilling.** 665-3039, or local cell # 440-1304.

**14s Plumbing/Heat**  
**JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115.** faucets, plumbing supplies, new constr., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC  
**Larry Baker Plumbing**  
 Heating/Air Conditioning  
 Borger Hwy. 665-4392

**21 Help Wanted**  
**PRs**  
 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PROTECTIVE AND REGULATORY SERVICES  
 Protective Services Specialist II-IV  
 C-01-03-990  
 Responsible for providing child Protective Services for a large rural area and to work with various child welfare boards. The position interacts routinely with TDPRS staff, law enforcement agencies, juvenile and adult protection staff; various community agents from schools and other community members, therapist. Court Appointed Special Advocates volunteers, foster parents and all types of clientele from rural communities. Minimum Qualifications: Graduation four-year college or university. Preferred Qualifications: Travel 40 percent of time. Salary: \$2409.75-\$2718.45 Vacancy location: Amarillo area.  
 For a copy of the complete job announcement for an employment application you may visit our web site at www.sdpr.state.tx.us/interact/job.asp or call (512)719-6135. Interested applicants should submit a State of Texas Application for Employment at the address below or fax the application to (512)719-6167.  
 The Texas Department of Protective & Regulatory Services  
 Human Resources Office, Suite 450  
 8100 Cameron Road  
 Austin, TX 78764

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 Apt. Mgr. Good salary + bonus. Great security. Lifetime opportunity. 669-1616 for interview.  
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**McLean Care Center**  
 has the following immediate openings for CNA's & LVN's  
 2.0 p.m. shift  
 Benefits incl. paid vacations, 401K, health ins. avail.  
 Contact  
 Billy Ray Johnston  
 at 806-779-2469  
 or come by 605 W. 7th for more info.

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**DRIVERS NEEDED**  
 Exp. Full-Time Drivers needed. Must have 2 years exp. in DOT & Drug Screen. Tanker or MAT endorsement required. Must be able to pass a DOT & Drug Screen. Shift work. \$5500 Bonus. Opening Pampa area. For cation, please call 451-1931 or 2571. Plains M.L.P. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

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**FAMILY SERVICE DIRECTOR IMMEDIATE OPENING**  
Memory Gardens Cemetery of Pampa will hire a mature person to assist families in making pre-arrangements in the Pampa area. This position requires an independent, competitive and service oriented person. Full fringe benefits are available. On a national basis, persons working in this position have established an annual income of \$35,000 per year. If you have a sales personality and desire an above average income. Please call 806-665-8921.

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TEXAS Rose is now taking applications for kitchen help. No Phone Calls Please!  
NOW accepting resumes for CFC Certified Tech. Must have 3 yrs. exp. Send resumes to Po Box 672, Pampa, TX. 79066  
**KAINS & Sons Trucking (Navajo)**  
\$300 Sign on bonus  
Paid 2nd week  
Insurance 50%,  
Dental Avil  
Vacation  
Rider policy  
NO TOUCH FREIGHT  
All hoods  
Call Tammy, Ralph or Janda at 800-547-5074

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CNA'S, Laundry and Housekeeping, and Dining Room Hostess & Server needed at Edward Abraham Memorial Home. benefits include paid holidays, vacation and insurance allowance. Apply at 803 Birch, Canadian, or call 323-6453.  
PHARMACY Tech, will train. Keyboarding a must, honest, dependable. Apply at Heard-Jones, downtown Pampa.  
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**69 Misc.**

ARTS & Crafts booths for Christian Mother's Holiday Bazaar for The Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Nov. 23, from 11-2. If interested call Kathleen Barkley at 248-7070.  
HOLIDAY Items & Gifts. New Cup & Saucer Dolls, Trains, Wreaths & More. 1431 N. Hobart, Booth 37  
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**75 Feeds/Seeds**  
RED TOP CANE, round bales, \$35 in field. Call 806-669-1111.  
**80 Pets & Suppl.**  
7 week old Red Heeler puppies for sale, 3 female \$50. Call Jason Abraham 806-323-8260.  
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3 BDR, 2ba., 2 Living areas, cellar. \$500 mo. + 1 mo. dep. 2117 Coffee 665-0398 or 662-7296.  
3 br 420 N. Wynne \$265, 1 br appliances, garage, 421 Magnolia \$275, 665-8925  
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SALE or rent 3 bdr, 1 bath, Cp w/ hardwood floors in Travis School Dist. Call 669-6094.

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WHITE Deer-701' Pop-ham, OWC, 3-2, large lot, \$1,000 down, \$320-5yrs, \$200-10 yrs, 848-2517, 662-8566

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|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 2700 Duncan            | \$289,000 | 4/2.5/2 - 3830 SF/Guest House        |  |
| 2376 Beech             | \$149,000 | 3 or 4/2, .75, 5/2 - 2964 SF/GCAD    |  |
| 2370 Beech             | \$167,000 | 4/1, .75, 5/2 - 2424 SF/GCAD         |  |
| 2128 Christne          | \$145,000 | 3 or 4/2, .75, 5/1 - 2881 SF/GCAD    |  |
| 2637 Evergreen         | \$130,000 | 4/2/2 - 2239 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 1301 Mary Ellen        | \$125,000 | 3/2.75/2 - 2900 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 2630 Fr.               | \$124,900 | 4/2.5/2 - 2279 SF/GCAD               |  |
| 1611 Grape             | \$115,000 | 4 or 5/2.75/2 - 2400 SF/GCAD         |  |
| 1024 Mary Ellen        | \$110,000 | 4/2/2 - 2819 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2417 Duncan            | \$109,000 | 3/2.75/2 - 1964 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 2431 Evergreen         | \$102,500 | 3/2/2 - 2220 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2510 Evergreen         | \$89,900  | 3/2/2 - 1806 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 1900 Evergreen         | \$89,900  | 3/1.75/2 - 2057 SF & Apartment       |  |
| 2410 Fr.               | \$78,000  | 3/2/2 - 1611 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2401 Mary Ellen        | \$74,900  | 3/1.75/2 - 1846 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 2131 Chestnut          | \$69,000  | 3/1.75/2 - 1414 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 1704 Holly             | \$60,000  | 3/2/2 - 1675 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2121 Chestnut          | \$57,500  | 3/2/1 - 1332 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2222 Perryton Pkwy.    | \$56,000  | 252'3" Vacant Lot                    |  |
| 2226 Duncan            | \$55,000  | 2 or 3/2/1 - 1637 SF/GCAD            |  |
| 818 N. Somerville      | \$52,500  | 3/2/2 det - 2032 SF/GCAD             |  |
| 701 E. 14th            | \$52,000  | 3/1.75/2 - 1643 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 1533 Williston         | \$49,900  | 2/1/1 cp - 1677 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 1712 Chestnut          | \$49,500  | 3/1.75/1 cp - 1305 F/GCAD            |  |
| 1900 Hamilton          | \$47,900  | 3/1.75/2 - 1520 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 526 N. Gray            | \$45,000  | 3/2/1 - 1451 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 1115 Charles           | \$45,000  | 3/1.75/1 cp - 1008 SF & 1008 SF Bmnt |  |
| 2236 Dogwood           | \$45,000  | 3/1.5/1 - 1264 SF/GCAD               |  |
| 2423 Mary Ellen        | \$44,500  | 2/1.75/2 - 1128 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 1316 Mary Ellen        | \$39,500  | 2/1/1 - 1030 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 1710 Beech             | \$39,000  | 3/1/1 - 1170 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2126 N. Russell        | \$38,000  | 2/2/None - 1485 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 2247 Mary Ellen        | \$35,000  | 3/1/1 - 1078 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 711 E. 14th            | \$33,000  | 3/1.5/1 - 1032 SF/GCAD               |  |
| 2314 Mary Ellen        | \$32,500  | 3/1/1 - 1148 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 1534 Hamilton          | \$32,000  | 2/1/1 - 1293 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 716 E. 14th            | \$29,900  | 3/1.5/1 - 1052 SF/GCAD               |  |
| 1013 Mary Ellen        | \$29,500  | 2/1/1 - 1280 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2239 N. Russell        | \$29,000  | 2/1/1 - 948 SF/GCAD                  |  |
| 2630 Seminole          | \$28,500  | 2/1/None - 1020 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 408 Harvester          | \$25,000  | 3/1/1 - 1064 SF/GCAD                 |  |
| 2747 Aspen             | \$25,000  | Vacant Lots                          |  |
| 2726 Duncan            | \$25,000  | Lot 1 & 2 Vacant                     |  |
| 2213 Williston         | \$24,900  | 3/1/1 - 964 SF/GCAD                  |  |
| 2601 Aspen             | \$22,500  | Vacant Lot                           |  |
| 1230 N. Russell        | \$15,000  | 2/1/1 det - 760 SF/GCAD              |  |
| 1801 Williston         | \$7,500   | Vacant Lot                           |  |
| 1415 Evergreen         | \$6,500   | Vacant Lot and Foundation            |  |

| LAMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT |          | South West              |  |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 310 N. West           | \$67,500 | 4/1.75/2 - 1917 SF/GCAD |  |
| 304 N. West           | \$49,500 | 2/2/CP/Beauty Shop      |  |
| 325 N. Christy        | \$13,900 | 3/1/1 cp - 1056 SF/GCAD |  |
| 128 S. Faulkner       | \$13,900 | 2/1/1 det - 780 SF/GCAD |  |
| 310 N. Faulkner       | \$12,000 | 2/1/None - 966 SF/GCAD  |  |

| TRAVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT |          | West and North West       |  |
|------------------------|----------|---------------------------|--|
| 2120 Lea               | \$82,500 | 3/2/1 - 1593 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1713 N. Zimmers        | \$69,500 | 4/2.5/1 - 1863 SF/GCAD    |  |
| 1908 N. Zimmers        | \$66,750 | 3/1.75/2 - 1633 SF/GCAD   |  |
| 1817 N. Zimmers        | \$59,900 | 3/2/2 - 1368 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1024 Sierra            | \$59,900 | 3/2/2 - 1274 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 931 Cinderella         | \$55,500 | 3/3.75/2 - 1198 SF/GCAD   |  |
| 600 E. 17th            | \$55,000 | 4/1.5/2 - 1290 SF/GCAD    |  |
| 1027 Sierra            | \$52,500 | 3/1.75/2 - 1304 SF/GCAD   |  |
| 2120 N. Christy        | \$49,900 | 3/1.75/1 - 1381 SF/GCAD   |  |
| 1140 Willow Rd.        | \$48,900 | 3/2/2 - 1402 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2209 N. Dwight         | \$45,000 | 3/1/1 - 1040 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2131 N. Nelson         | \$39,900 | 3 or 4/1/2 - 1725 SF/GCAD |  |
| 1828 N. Wells          | \$39,900 | 3/1/1 - 1108 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 817 N. Wells           | \$35,000 | 3/2/2 - 1116 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2701 Rosewood          | \$34,900 | 3/1.5/1 - 1299 SF/GCAD    |  |
| 809 N. Dwight          | \$31,000 | 3/2/1 - 1269 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1800 N. Faulkner       | \$29,900 | 2/1/1 - 1405 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1818 N. Faulkner       | \$29,500 | 2/1/1 - 1026 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 704 N. Wells           | \$27,500 | 3/1.75/1 - 1100 SF/GCAD   |  |
| 217 N. Faulkner        | \$26,200 | 3/1/1 - 1020 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1000 N. Dwight         | \$15,360 | 2 Vacant Lots             |  |

| WILSON SCHOOL DISTRICT |          | East and South East      |  |
|------------------------|----------|--------------------------|--|
| 106 S. Cuyler          | \$87,500 | 3/2/2 - 3500 SF/GCAD     |  |
| 1200 S. Finley         | \$27,000 | 2 or 3/1/1 - 875 SF/GCAD |  |
| 500 Magnolia           | \$20,000 | 3/1/None - 1208 SF/GCAD  |  |
| 1001 E. Foster         | \$19,900 | 3/1/1 CP - 1220 SF/GCAD  |  |
| 922 E. Frederic        | \$15,000 | 2/1/1 - 1068 SF/GCAD     |  |
| 523 S. Ballard         | \$15,000 | 2/1/None - 960 SF/GCAD   |  |
| 700 Doucette           | \$15,000 | 2/1/1 - 786 SF/GCAD      |  |
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|-------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|--|
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| 105 W. Summit, Miami    | \$192,000 | 4/2.75/2 Alt. 1 Det - 4138 SF/RCAD |  |
| 8582 County Road 10     | \$131,000 | 3/1.75/None 9.5 Acres              |  |
| #7 Yucca, Stinnett      | \$114,500 | 4/2/None - 3753 SF/HCAD            |  |
| 1 Kiowa, Miami          | \$65,000  | 3/1.75/2 CP - 2968SF/RCAD          |  |
| 1708 W. Kentucky        | \$55,000  | Hi-Land Mobile Park                |  |
| 1121 N. Frost           | \$40,000  | Office Building 1805 SF/GCAD       |  |
| Rt. 2, Box 371C         | \$35,000  | 4/2/Barn & Corrats - 1064 SF/GCAD  |  |
| 509 Williston, WD       | \$34,500  | 3/1/2 - 1257 SF/GCAD               |  |
| 8311 Cole Road          | \$27,000  | 3/1/1 CP - 1416 SF/GCAD            |  |
| 917 Elmore, Berger      | \$25,000  | 2/1/1 Det - 824 SF/GCAD            |  |
| 109 W. Thut, Lefors     | \$24,000  | 2/2/1 - 1666 SF/GCAD               |  |
| 501 E. 5th, Lefors      | \$19,900  | 3/1/None - 1372 SF/GCAD            |  |
| 406 W. 6th, WD          | \$19,000  | 3/2/None - 1412 SF/GCAD            |  |
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# Franklin Ranch rich in history, ownership

(This article is part one of a two-part series.)

Many Pampans have memories of Louise Franklin who died on Feb. 14, 2002. She was the wife of H. Joe Franklin and the mother of Larry Franklin and Jean Anne (Mrs. Mike) McComas, all of Pampa.

A cookbook dedicated to Louise, "The Cross F Collection," has been published recently by Yvonne Franklin of Amarillo. Yvonne is the wife of James B. Franklin (a brother of Joe), and they are the parents of Ann Franklin Austin and Jane Franklin Austin — two Franklin sisters married two Austin brothers.

Yvonne explains that the cookbook was originally intended to be a compilation of two cookbooks she had hand printed for her daughters in the early 1980s with recipes she had used when they were growing up in Amarillo. Then she decided to use recipes from the Franklin Ranch, and her cookbook, like Topsy, just "grew."

She has written the history of the Franklin Ranch and also the history of each family who has lived on any part of the ranch, and she has included recipes from all of their families — beginning with the LeFors family in 1878.

The Franklin Ranch consists of 14 sections in Block A-6 of the Houston and Great Northern Railway Survey. Excavations have revealed that a Pueblo Indian culture existed which preceded the advent of the Plains Indians by several hundred years, and that there are similarities to the Navajo cultures which still exist in New Mexico and Arizona.

In June 1852, Capt. Randolph Barnes Marcy passed through the area when he was sent to explore the Red River to its headwaters. A historical marker near the ranch commemorates the "Battle of North Fork" which occurred on Sept. 29, 1872.

In an attempt to keep the Indians on the reservations, a military post was established on a creek several miles north of the North Fork of the Red River. On Feb. 3, 1875, the site was designated as Cantonment North Fork Red River.

Eleven miles northeast, a new site which became Fort Elliott was established and troops transferred there between June 5 and June 19, 1875, leaving only the name "Cantonment" to the creek in Gray County. Both East Cantonment Creek and West Cantonment Creek flow through the ranch and merge at the southern border of the ranch before flowing two miles south into the North Fork of Red River.

The first persons, other than Indians and soldiers, known to live on the ranch were Gus Hartman (a buffalo hunter on West Cantonment), a Mr. Wells (who had squatter's rights on East Cantonment) and F.A. Ward (who raised potatoes and other crops on West Cantonment).

It is thought that the original ranch headquarters as built by Charles J. Spittel who owned several sections of land in the early 1890s and early 1900s.

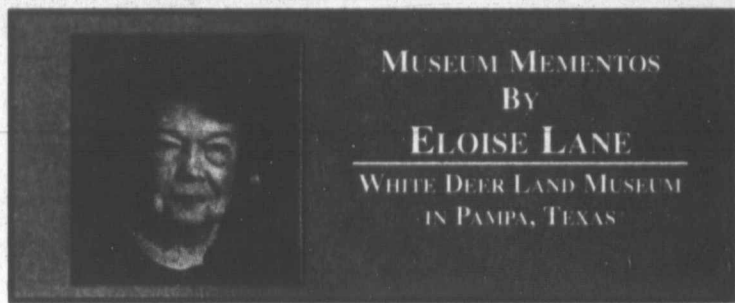
The first family to live on what is now part of the Franklin Ranch was that of James J. LeFors, who, urged by his son Perry, brought his family in 1878. After he exchanged two saddle horses for Wells' squatter's rights, the family lived in Wells' dugout until a picket house with adjoining corral could be built.

Perry was foreman of the Diamond F Ranch when he met Emma Lang, younger sister of Anna (Mrs. Henry Thut, Sr.) and Lena (Mrs. Alex Schneider, Sr.) Perry LeFors and Emma Lang were married on Jan. 15, 1887, at Mobeetie.

Perry bought several sections of land, including some from Gus Hartman in 1882, and he built a camp on the old Travis Leach place for a stage stop between Tascosa and Mobeetie.

On Oct. 12, 1892, a post office was established at the stage stop with the U.S. Postal Service requiring that LeFors should be written with a small "F" instead of the capital "F."

Perry LeFors was instrumental in having Gray Co.



organized on May 27, 1902, with LeFors as the county seat. Perry, stricken with typhoid fever, died on Sept. 6, 1909, and by Oct. 26, four of his daughters had died also. His son, Emmett, who was away from home at the time of the tragedy, lived to be 104-years-old. Shortly before his death, he dedicated a statue in memory of his father at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville streets in Pampa.

Although the C.H. and Marie Sohns family never resided on any part of the Franklin Ranch, their home place was located within a quarter-mile of the Franklin property.

The Sohns were close neighbors to the Perry LeFors family and were invaluable to them during the tragic deaths of Perry and his daughters. They kept the youngest daughter, Molita, to prevent her from contracting typhoid.

The second family to settle on land that was later to be part of the Franklin Ranch was the family of Joseph Wilson and Emmogene Harrah. In 1881, the Harrahs settled on land where F.A. Ward had raised potatoes.

In 1884, the Harrahs hired Henry Weckesser of Miami to build a home for them about a mile from their first home on West Cantonment. This was the first rock house in the area and was to be their home for the next 16 years.

After they moved into their new home, the first of many social occasions was the house warming and all-night dancing that took place. Perhaps the best known occasion, occurring in 1886, is related in the well-known story, "Christmas in Cantonment," by Laura V. Hamner.

On June 26, 1901, A.B. McAfee acquired from Charles J. Spittel 10 sections that are now part of the Franklin Ranch. A.B. and Ariana Bush McAfee and their four children — Alfred, Ophelia, Ariana and Frank — moved into the original headquarters ranch house.

Around 1905, they moved to Miami where they lived until they settled on the McAfee Ranch 13 miles east of Pampa. Ariana McAfee married W.S. Tolbert of Miami, and they were the parents of Mildred, Burton and Frances Tolbert. In 1941, Burton Tolbert married Jeff Bearden of Pampa.

W.W. (William Washington) Mars was the first person to put together the complete 14 sections that later became the Franklin Ranch.

Just when Mars and his wife, Sarah Elizabeth, first came to

Gray Co. is unknown, but it is known that in the fall of 1905, he shipped cattle to the Mars ranch located 18 miles north of McLean. It was at that time he hired W.S. (William Silas) Copeland from Commerce, Texas, as foreman.

In December of 1905, Mars returned to Commerce and brought Copeland's wife, Rosalette, and four daughters, Nettie Lee, Dollie, Sybil and Kathleen, back to McLean with him. He then arranged for other transportation to take them to the ranch. The Copelands moved into the rock house that had been built for the Harrah family, and it was there that Frances Marie and Faytie Belle were born.

At a Fourth of July picnic in LeFors, Copeland was encouraged to file as a candidate for the nomination of sheriff and tax collector of Gray Co. in the Democratic Primary. He won the election and served three consecutive terms. For several years, Faytie Belle Copeland Porter Barton served as curator of the McLean/Alanreed Museum in McLean.

After Mars moved from the ranch in 1912, the Copelands moved across the creek into the original headquarters house. For a time, the rock house was then used as a schoolhouse. In 1914, Copeland resigned from his work with Mars and the family moved to LeFors.

During the Depression beginning in 1929, Mars and Mars Cattle Co., owned by Mars and his son Bert, had financial as well as personal problems as Mrs. Mars died in Denton, Texas, on July 15, 1930.

Mars later used the ranch as collateral for loans from the First National Bank in Fort Worth and as liens to other creditors. Before Mars died in 1935, the bank had foreclosed on the property which, in December 1936, was purchased by Dr. and Mrs. O.M. Franklin.

White Deer Land Museum in Pampa now has copies of "The Cross F Collection" available for purchase.

—Yvonne Franklin and Larry Franklin assisted in preparing this article.



(Jacket cover courtesy of Yvonne Franklin)

Above: Upper left, Anne Ohlsen Franklin and Dr. Oliver Morris Franklin; upper right, original headquarters ranch house; middle left, reflection of Franklin Ranch house in pool; middle right, cattle being branded Cross F; lower, Franklin Ranch headquarters since 1951.



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