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# Local voters say 'no' In the nation to bargaining issue

By MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

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auction for cowboy singer R.W.

Hampton at 6 p.m., Saturday,

Nov. 8, at Boys Ranch to help

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medical expenses. Boys Ranch

tours will also be conducted

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declined to allow Pampa fire- ties for strikes and lockouts." fighters to use collective bargaining, as the issue was as a result of a petition predefeated by a margin of 69 sented to the city by the fire- come up again," said City

which the collective bargain- Relations Act (FPERA). This tion from our voters," he said ing proposition was the only act is part of Chapter 174 of of the petition's defeat. item, drew a total of 955 votes, the Texas Local Government said City Secretary Phyllis Code. Jeffers. Of those, 512 voted against the proposition, and outcome, obviously. We are a professional manner," he 443 voted in favor of it. Early pleased with the number of said. voters who cast their ballots people who turned out to vote last week numbered 214 of the in an election with only this on first Texas Panhandle city

fighters that establishes collec- Local 3293. tive bargaining if a majority of the affected employees favor revisit this. The issues we

Pampa voters yesterday lockouts, and provides penal- and keep the public informed

The election was scheduled said.

"I don't know that we will

representation by an employ- have, have not gone away, and ees association, preserves the we will now try to address prohibition against strikes and those issues in another format on what those are," Pritchett

"I don't know if it will fighters association to adopt Manager Mitch Grant. "We're The special election, in the Fire and Police Employee committed to taking that direc-

> "We are firefighters and are here 24/7 and will continue to "We are disappointed in the serve the citizens of Pampa in

Pampa would have been the the ballot. We were pleased at whose firefighters could The ballot asked for a "for" how close the vote was," said employ collective bargaining, or "against" vote on one Captain Doug Pritchett, presi- according to Pritchett and to proposition: "Adoption of the dent of the 22-member Pampa officials in various cities in the state law applicable to fire- Fire Fighters Association area, as well as Texas Municipal League records.

(See **ELECTION**, Page 3)

GOP wins governor seats in Kentucky, Mississippi

> By ROBERT TANNER AP NATIONAL WRITER

With a presidential campaign only months away, Republicans picked up two governorships in the South, ousting Mississippi's Democratic incumbent and seizing Kentucky's top job for the first time in 32 years.

GOP Washington lobbyist Haley Barbour unseated oneterm Democratic Gov. Ronnie Musgrove, while in Kentucky, three-term Republican Rep. Ernie Fletcher defeated Democratic Attorney General Ben Chandler.

President Bush loomed large in both campaigns, and he's sure to claim a boost from the victories. He stumped for both GOP candidates, while Democrats in Kentucky tied their opponent to Bush's economic policies and Musgrove dismissed his challenger as a "Washington insid-

Barbour, a former head of the Republican National Committee who said his connections would help Mississippi, told a crowd of supporters: "Get ready to accentuate the positive."

With 95 percent of precincts reporting, Barbour got 53 percent, or 449,041 votes, to Musgrove's 45 percent, or 384,693 votes. With 100 percent of precincts reporting in

(See NATION, Page 3)



Alvin Lvnn, left, and Brett Cruse of the Texas Historical Commission, document a cartridge from the Farnsworth Battle during the 20-day exploration east of Lefors last spring. Lynn will review the exploration with slides at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 9, White Deer Land Museum.

# **Archeologist to present** slide show of battle site

White Deer Land Museum.

is open to the public.

This battle, also known as

Alvin Lynn, archeological and traced its progress north- University. He has participated steward for the Texas ward six miles. The Cheyenne in numerous archeological Historical Commission, will warriors led by Gray Beard surveys and test sites and was present a slide review of attacked 26 troopers from the employed by the THC for the explorations made at the U.S. Army 8th Cavalry's H Red River War project. These Farnsworth Battle site at 2:30 Company under the command explorations have included the p.m., Sunday, Nov. 9, at the of Lt. H.J. Farnsworth, Relics first battle of Palo Duro The program, sponsored by Texas Historical Commission Wagon Train, Buffalo Wallow Gray County Historical for research and cataloguing and Sweetwater Creek and Commission and the museum, and will be returned to the Mackenzie's battle in Palo

Armed with a Global the Battle of the Round Positioning System, Brett from Massachusetts where he Timber Creek, was one of the Cruse of the THC was able to was employed to supervise an skirmishes in the Red River mark via satellite within inch- area of the first battle of the War. It took place east of es the location of each car- Revolutionary Lefors in Gray County on tridge found along the route. Lexington. Nov. 6, 1874. The 20-day The archeologists covered the exploration, which confirmed area using metal detectors.

Foundation as well as the University in geology and his famous ride. teaching certificates in science During the exploration on and social studies. He taught Boston archeologists in a private property, the archeolo- in area schools for 31 years, forested area at an air base gists located the Indian village including field geology at which was doing an historical where the running battle began WTSU and Texas Tech assessment.

discovered were sent to the Canyon, Battles of the Lyman Duro Canyon.

Lynn recently returned

"We found rifle balls, bullet molds and shoe buckles," said the location of the battle site, Lynn holds a bachelor of Lynn, adding that they were was finance in part by the arts and master of science exploring across the fence David and Nona Payne degrees from West Texas State from where Paul Revere made

Lynn was working with

# Trial on missing vials of plague continues

BY BETSY BLANEY ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

LUBBOCK (AP) — A Texas Tech University department chairman testified Tuesday that he was "flabbergasted" when researcher Thomas Butler it and filing a false income tax return. told him that 30 vials of the deadly

"What he had told me had so many implications," said Donald Wesson, chairman of Tech's internal medicine department. "All sorts of things were needed to do. I was very alarmed."

stolen, from his laboratory, but he did-

n't want authorities notified.

Butler, 62, is on trial for 69 felony not to call authorities. charges in connection with an incident

Butler reported on Jan. 14 that vials a frantic search for the vials. of the bacteria responsible for the deadly bubonic plague were missing testified that he had immediate doubts

Butler later admitted in a statement that missing. he had accidentally destroyed them.

Among the charges, Butler is particularly upset," Jones said. accused of smuggling the bacteria from

Wesson said Butler made an court evidence. Wesson's calendar would be a big deal," Jones said. showed Butler wanted to talk about

Wesson said after Butler told him going through my mind as to what we about the missing vials, he urged him as a dedicated researcher who was to conduct an internal investigation and doing plague research for the govern-

that created a bioterrorism scare earlier—ties and within hours scores of federal—and Drug Administration. agents descended on the city and began

from a university lab. The FBI said when Butler told him the vials were

"He was fairly calm and didn't seem

There were no signs of forced entry Tanzania, lying to federal agents about into Butler's lab and nothing appeared out of place, he said.

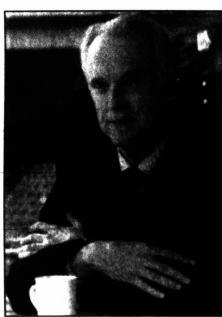
"I said, basically, 'You need to be plague virus were missing, possibly appointment to see him Jan. 14. In sure in fact they are missing because it

Butler, who clenched his jaws fre-"lab research." but Butler's calendar quently throughout testimony Tuesday. noted the meeting was about a "lab took notes and spoke often with his

His defense team has portrayed him ment — aiding the Centers for Disease The university did contact authori- Control, the U.S. Army and the Food

Prosecutors allege that Butler reported the vials as missing in retalia-Lab safety officer Michael Jones tion for and to deflect attention from

(See TRIAL, Page 3)



(Photo by David Bowser)

Dr. Thomas Butler, on trial on 69 felony charges in connection with 30 missing vials of bubonic plague.

**CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS** 

#### **ROBERT LEON BROOMFIELD**

1918-2003

Robert Leon Broomfield died Nov. 3, 2003, Southern in Granbury, Texas, at the age of 85. Services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, in the Chapel of Palms Mortuary in Henderson, Nev.

Mr. Broomfield was born Sept. 8, 1918, to Walsie and Luther Broomfield at Purcell, Okla. He attended the Oklahoma School for the Deaf in Sulphur, Okla.

He married Melba Walls in 1943. He later married Margo Lamphere in 1964. He worked in California and moved to Henderson, Nev., when he retired in 1940.

He became very active in bowling at the age of 33. He reached his lifetime high average of 201 at the age of 39. In 1962, he won the Pacific Coast Deaf Masters in 1962 and 1966 and the National Deaf Masters in 1978. He also won three Southern California Deaf Masters titles, the last one in 1990 at the age of 72.

In 1962, he rolled nine consecutive 600plus series with a high of 730 in a handicap

Mr. Broomfield was selected as Pacific Coast Deaf Bowler of the Year five times and was named to the 1974 All American Deaf Team. He was the first recipient of the

#### **ANITA WEST**

Anita West, 71, of Tuttle, Okla., formerly of McLean, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at Oklahoma City, Okla. Graveside services were to be today, Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2003, at 2 p.m., in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, Texas, with Pastor Erron Mercer, of Grace Fellowship of Wheeler, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, Texas, under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Anita West was born to John A. and Edith E. Wardlaw on Oct. 6, 1932, in Alanreed. She married "Whitey" West on Oct. 24, 1947, in Pampa. While living in the McLean area, she worked at Marie Foundations.

Anita moved her family to Oklahoma in 1978 and worked as a Truck Driver for Safeway for 15 years. She was a resident of Tuttle, Okla., for the past 16 years.

Anita was a loving mother and grand-

California Connie Marchione Award for Handicapped Bowler in 1979. He was inducted in Pacific Coast

Deaf Hall of Fame in 1977

and the National Deaf Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1992.

Mr. Broomfield was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Raymond; his sister, Lillie; his wife, Margo; and a stepdaughter, Barbra Higber of Nevada.

He is survived by daughters, Anna of Pineville, La., Bonnie of Long Beach, Calif., and Roberta of Sanger, Calif.; three sisters, Lillian, Louise and Wanda of Purcell, Okla.; two brothers, Russell of Purcell, Okla., and Luther, Jr., of Pampa, Texas. He has eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

## 1932-2003

mother; she was loved by all who knew her. Anita was preceded in death by her spouse; a son, Troy West, in September 2003; a daughter, Joyce Reese in December 2001; and a sister, Joyce Adamson, in December

Survivors include two daughters and sonsin-law, Olivia and Michael Ciotti of Tuttle, Okla., and Edith and Carl Widmann of Blanchard, Okla.; three sons and daughtersin-law, Leslie and Carolyon West of Pampa, Benny and Kathy West of Tuttle, Okla., and Billy and Misty Christy of Bossier City, La.; a daughter-in-law, Evonda West of McLean; a sister, Dixie Martin of San Antonio; and two brothers, Kenneth Wardlaw of Houston and John Wardlaw of Georgetown; 18 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Diabetes Foundation.

#### FLORENCE COX

1920-2003

Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

1941 in Elk City, Okla. He preceded her in death on Nov. 6, 1955. She later married Roy Ed Moseley on Nov. 17, 1956, in Elk City, Okla. He preceded her in death in September of 1974. She then married L.D. Cox on Dec. 10, 1976, in Clovis, N.M. He preceded her in death on June 16, 2000.

She had been a resident of Pampa since 1957, moving from Elk City, Okla. She was employed as a salesperson for Osgood Lagrone Monument Company since 1975.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Pampa. She was a home-

Florence Cox, 83, of Pampa, Texas, died maker and loved to cook. She was a member of the Skelly-Schaffer Women's Club.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-Mrs. Cox was born May 24, 1920, in Custer law, Leon and Rosalie Brewer of Pampa; a County, Okla. She married Murry Brewer in daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Keith Taylor of Pampa; eight grandchildren, Joy Wilson, Jeremiah Downs, Jason Downs, and April Taylor, all of Pampa, Heather Brooks of McLean, Jeff Brewer of Bryan, Erica Smith of Phoenix, Ariz., and Kevin Winget of Hereford; and six great-grandchildren, Cole Wilson, Clay Wilson, Jesse Downs, and Nathan Lee, all of Pampa, Laura Brooks of McLean, and Joey Smith of Phoenix, Ariz. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lem B. and Nettie Mae Harrell; three brothers; and three sisters.

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

#### **MARY RUTH DEWEY**

1926-2003

Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 2, 2003, at Clark, New Jersey. Services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday at Trinity Fellowship Church in Pampa with Pastor Lonny Robbins, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

Mrs. Dewey was born July 19, 1926, in Dallas, Texas. She married the Rev. Willis L. Dewey on April 22, 1945, at Pampa; he preceded her in death on Jan. 3, 1995.

She has lived in Pampa for the last nine years, moving from Colchester, Ct. She

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First Assembly of God Church in Pampa for many years. She was preceded in death by a son, Loren Dewey.

Survivors include three daughters, Arlene Bratlien of College Station, Texas, Joy Contreras and Melody Clairmont, both of Clark, N.J.; her mother, Minnie V. Cole of

Mary Ruth Dewey, 77, of served as church secretary for Pampa; and nine grandchildren, Marcus Bratlien, Nathan Christopher Clairmont, Bratlien, Joshua Dewey, Contreras-Walker, Angela Natasha Dewey, Nicole Clairmont, Tyler Dewey and Gabriel Clairmont.

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### WEATHER FOCUS

#### **PAMPA**

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies, highs in the mid 50s and northeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight should fall on partly cloudy skies, changing to mostly cloudy later on, with lows in the lower 30s and northeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Thursday should see mostly cloudy in the morning then becoming partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Thursday night, partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Friday, mostly cloudy. Highs around 50. East winds 5 to 10 mph. Friday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Saturday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s. Saturday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Sunday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.

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#### DOROTHY MAE MIXON 1915-2003

LOVINGTON, N.M. — Dorothy Mae and Lloyd Galleher. Mixon, 88, died Monday, Nov. 3, 2003, in Lovington, N.M. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday at Mobeetie Cemetery in Mobeetie, Texas, with Pastor Aaron Laverty of the Gageby Baptist Church in Gageby, Texas, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Mixon was born on March 17, 1915, at Texas; a son, Fred Henderson County, Texas. She had lived in Canadian, Texas, and moved to Mobeetie, Texas, in December of 1935. She later moved to Fritch, Texas, in 1973, then to Happy, Texas, in 1987, and finally to Lovington, N.M., in October of 2000.

She was a member of the Church of Christ. She married John Marion Mixon on Dec. 21, 1935, at Canadian, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charity Riddles and Joseph James Galleher; a stepfather, Henry Walter Riddles; a son, John Henry Mixon in November of 1945; a greatgrandson, Randall James Leavitt, Jr., in July 1994; a sister, Hester Wainwright; and by three brothers, Johnny Galleher, Lawrence Galleher,

Pampa Police Department

today reported the following

Thursday, Oct. 30

vehicle was reported in the

1600 block of North

Nelson. The windows were

down on the vehicle. A cel-

lular phone was taken.

Estimated loss is unknown.

Friday, Oct. 31

A minor in possession of

and a minor driving under

the influence were reported

in the 1600 block of Coffee.

Two minors were cited for

Unauthorized use of a

Burglary of a habitation

in the 1900 block of Lynn.

was reported in the 1200

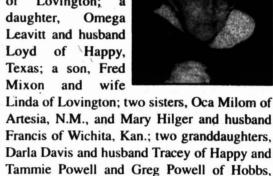
block of Duncan. The bur-

alcohol-related charges.

incidents and arrests.

Survivors include her husband, John M. "Mickey" Mixon of Lovington; a daughter, Omega

Leavitt and husband Loyd of Happy, Mixon and wife



N.M.; three grandsons, Randy Leavitt and wife Lynn of Nazareth, Texas, Micheal Mixon of Lovington and Ricky Leavitt of Happy; and 12 great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to Vista Care Family Hospice, 1515 Calle Sur, Hobbs,

N.M., 88240, or to any hospice or any Meals on Wheels.

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

## ON RECORD

#### **POLICE**

Saturday, Nov. 1

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block reported at Pampa Middle of North Hobart. Tires were Burglary of a motor slashed on a vehicle. Estimated damage was \$80. Criminal mischief over

\$50/under \$500 was reported in the 1100 block of Crane. A vehicle had two windows broken out. Estimated damage was \$200. Burglary of a habitation

alcohol, open container, was reported in the 200 block of North Russell. Means of entry was unknown. Taken were a stereo and two pistols. Amount of loss is unknown.

Found property was motor vehicle was reported reported in the 200 block of Anne. An assortment of clothes, tools and other items was found.

Criminal mischief under glary was reported to have \$50 was reported in the after a domestic assault occurred sometime between 2200 block of North Wells. involving a weapon in the Oct. 1 and Oct. 31. The A portion of a fence had 1100 block of Huff Road report was later proven to been knocked out. Amount The male juvenile was of damage was unknown.

Monday, Nov. 3

Simple assault was School, 2401 N. Charles. Minor injuries were report-

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Several incidents of criminal mischief, all at the same location, were reported in the 600 block of North Frost. Possible suspects have been identified as two female juveniles.

Domestic assault was reported in the 400 block of Magnolia. Both persons suffered minor injuries.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1900 block of North Hobart. Damage was done to the automatic car wash. Estimated dam age was \$2,000.

A juvenile was arrested armed with a knife.

#### **AMBULANCE**

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

be unfounded.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

9:48 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of Canadian and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of North Russell and transported a patient to PRMC.

4:13 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient to PRMC.

7:38 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:36 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Magnolia. No transport.

11:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky and transported a patient to PRMC.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

1:06 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Wilcox. The call was disregarded en route.

### FIRE

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

Wednesday, Nov. 5

3:22 a.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a LifeStar medical standby at One Medical Plaza. The call was canceled.

#### ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following acci-

Tuesday, Nov. 4

7 p.m. – A blue Buick LeSabre four-door automobile, driver unknown, owned by Mable Alice Johnson, Amarillo, collided with a street light pole owned by Xcel Energy in the 3000 block of North Duncan. The driver fled the scene, leaving the vehicle locked and without the keys. Police believe the driver was injured as there was blood on the pavement next to the driver's door, and it appeared that the driver struck the windshield.

#### **SHERIFF**

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

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Kevin Taylor McKnight, 30, 809 E. Craven, was arrested on motion for enforcement of child support. Ryan Todd Schindler, 18, 1301 Terrace, was arrested for

operating a motor vehicle with fictitious license plates. Brandon Alan Smith, 20, 1304 Terrace, was arrested for ille-

gal dumping, failure to dim headlights, failure to report address change, failure to appear, and no seat belt.

# City Briefs

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## 6th Grade Honor Choir



Pampa Middle School's 6th grade Honor Choir performed Saturday, Nov. 1, with the All-Region Choirs at the Amarillo Civic Center, Choir members are, from left, Gabrielle Savior, Erin Buck, Matricia Davis, Tawnee Williams, Mary McKay, Myles Foreman, Garrett Couts, Sami Finney, Whitney Wade, Kimberly Curtis. Not pictured, Tanner Davis

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## **ELECTION**

A spokesperson in the City of Borger's administrative services department said Borger firefighters do not have collective bargaining. John Ward, city manager for Amarillo, said Amarillo firefighters cannot use collective bargaining. Vince DiPiazza,

Dumas city manager, confirmed that collective bargaining was not an option for Dumas firefighters.

The FPERA section of Chapter 174 of the Texas Local Government Code includes both police and firefighters, although Pampa's defeated proposition mentioned only firefighters.

City Attorney Don Lane said that the Pampa petition would only have applied to the firefighters, not to the police.

"The petition would have had to have mentioned the police department for them to be included, or the police would have had to present their own petition for an election," Lane said.

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## TRIAL

difficulties with the university's Institutional Review Board.

The board began an audit of Butler's research in 2002, partly because it was believed he was conducting research for pharmaceutical companies that wasn't approved by the university.

Wesson said he encouraged Butler at least three fraud charges against Butler. times to cooperate with the

board, but Butler wouldn't.

smells bad from someone looking from the outside," Wesson said, referring to federal authorities. "It may appear as an attempt to hide something and this might lead to a lower threshold to investigate you in the future. It's in your best interest" to cooper-

tioned Wesson about the theft, embezzlement and

Butler is accused of

arranging "shadow contracts"

worth more than \$300,000 between 1998 and 2001

Wesson said Tech policies prohibit university employees from receiving reimbursement for clinical research not under contract with the

Butler, who is free on bond Prosecutors also ques- and on paid leave from Tech, faces up to life in prison and \$17.1 million in fines if convicted. Mediation hearings have begun as part of the university's process to dismiss

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NATION

484,931 votes.

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Chandler, polling 55 percent,

or 593,489 votes, to the

Democrat's 45 percent, or

Democrats saw a few bright

Democratic Mayor John Street

handily defeated Republican

businessman Sam Katz, 59

percent to 41 percent. And

Democrats took control of the

New Jersey Legislature, break-

ing a 20-20 tie in the state

Senate and defeating the

Mississippi races, campaigns tried out strategies that could play out in next year's presidential race. And Republicans

But in the Kentucky and

"The Democrat strategy was negative attacks and tying

Ernie Fletcher to President

Bush and making this race a

referendum on the president's

Republican National Chairman Ed Gillespie said. "The

Democrats had their referendum and got their answer."

icized Barbour for his connec-

tions and years spent in

Washington as Bush, Vice

President Dick Cheney and

other top GOP officials came

to campaign for him - and as

Musgrove distanced himself

In Kentucky, party activists

Republicans went into the

argued that a vote for Chandler

would tell the White House its

election holding seven of 11

governorships in the South,

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chief executives in Alabama,

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Schwarzenegger's victory in

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Mississippi Democrats crit-

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Barbour, Republicans will hold 29 governorships nation-Kentucky, Fletcher, a three-

> One more governor will be elected this year, also in the South. The race to replace term-limited GOP Gov. Mike Foster goes before Louisiana voters Nov. 15. Democratic Lt. Gov. Kathleen Blanco will face Republican Bobby Jindal, a former health policy adviser in the Bush administration.

Racial issues flared in both states — Musgrove ran ads reminding voters of a divisive and unsuccessful 2001 referendum to change the state flag to

remove a Confederate emblem, and Election Day brought claims of intimidation at largely black precincts. Kentucky Democrats complained about a GOP plan to observers at black precincts, but no problems materialized.

Musgrove won his seat years four ago in Mississippi's closest governor's race ever. This year's contest broke state records; Barbour raised at least \$10.6 million and Musgrove at least \$8.5 million, with heavy support from national parties.

# Borger Altrusa



Fall Arts, Crafts & Flea Market

Featuring the fine

handicrafts of local artisans

\*Antiques \*Candles \*Clothing \*Woodworking \*Sterling Jewelry \*Collectibles \*Gifts

Date: November 8th & 9th Times: Saturday 9:00 to 6:00

Sunday: 10:00 to 5:00 Place: Borger Dome

Free Admission

## "Your refusal to cooperate with pharmaceutical compa- him. **UNT** pulls request for online education program

AUSTIN (AP) - Amid methods of online educateachers' groups, pulled a request to create the state's first online public

computer-based curriculum, undertaken.' was set to be considered by at this week's meetings.

dards now for acceptable

staunch opposition from state tion," UNT Chancellor Lee the Jackson said in a letter to University of North Texas has Geraldine Miller, chairwoman of the State Board of session this year. Education. "Some carefully established standards, The proposed program, whether legislatively or which would have allowed administratively mandated, students to receive public are necessary before such an education at home with a endeavor can be successfully

Jackson, who wasn't availthe State Board of Education able for comment Tuesday, has said a charter school "Texas has no clear stan- could be beneficial to rural Texas students who live miles

from the nearest school.

The Legislature rejected a proposed charter school measure during the regular

## -Stocks -Bonds



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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

## **Victim of Schoolyard Teasing Has Friend Who Wants to Help**

DEAR ABBY: I am a 12-yearold girl. My friend at school, "Mindy," is being made fun of by her so-called "friends." They tease and tease and tell Mindy they're "just kidding," but I can't help thinking they really are making fun of her. Please tell me how to stick up for my friend.
CONCERNED IN MARYLAND

**DEAR CONCERNED: You are** a supportive friend. Since it's happening at school, report it to the principal — because what those students are doing could be interpreted as harassment.

Kids can be cruel, but it does not have to be tolerated. Your friend — and you — should be able to get an education in a safe environment.

DEAR ABBY: Three years ago, a friend of mine gave me your "Keepers" booklet. I enjoyed it very much. One of my favorite pieces was the poem about guest towels. (My mother. always put out lovely guest towels, but few people ever used them.)

I would like to order a copy of "Keepers" for a friend who is going through a difficult time. I know the holidays will be depressing for her. I think it would inspire her and perhaps give her a lift. The ordering information I have is: "Send a selfaddressed envelope, plus a check or money order for \$5 (U.S. funds) for each copy to: Dear Abby — Keepers, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)" Are the booklets still \$5 and is the address still correct?

JENNIE A., IN LONGVIEW, TEXAS

DEAR JENNIE: Yes, that's still correct ordering information. I'm pleased you enjoyed the poem about guest towels. From time to time, readers have

asked me for copies to display in their powder rooms. Read on:

A GUEST TOWEL SPEAKS by Mabel Craddock

Please use me, guest; Don't hesitate. Don't turn your back Or vacillate. Don't dry your hands On petticoat, On handkerchief, Or redingote. I'm here to use: I'm made for drying

Just hanging here

Gets very tiring.

DEAR ABBY: My teen-age daughter has a close girlfriend who (at 14) started having sex with a 17-year-old "family friend." I happen to know that this girl's mother was a teenage mom, and her goal has always been to prevent her daughter

from repeating the same mistake.

My daughter made me promise
not to "rat" on her friend to her
mother, but I think the girl's mom engaging in sexual relations - as well as the fact that they're not using protection. However, I do not want to betray my daughter's trust. Should I mind my own business, Abby? ANONYMOUS MOM

IN NEVADA

DEAR ANONYMOUS MOM: Absolutely not. A young woman's future hangs in the balance. That mother needs to know her daughter is sexually active. Wouldn't you want to know?

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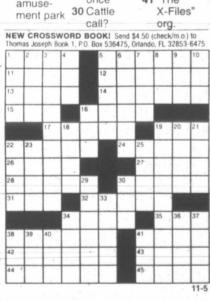
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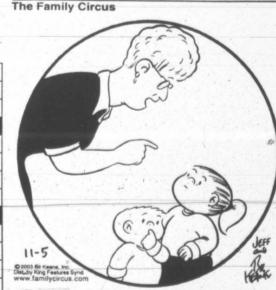
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# **SPORTS**

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) -Seattle outfielders Ichiro Suzuki and Mike Cameron and Mariners infielders Bret Boone and John Olerud won AL Gold Gloves.

All nine winners had previously earned the honor for fielding excellence. There were seven repeat winners from last season - New York Yankees pitcher Mike Mussina and Cameron rejoined the list this year.

Texas shortstop Alex Rodriguez, Oakland third baseman Eric Chavez, Minnesota outfielder Torii Hunter and Anaheim catcher Bengie Molina also were chosen.

A-Rod won for the second straight season. Last year, he broke Omar Vizquel's string of nine consecutive Gold Gloves.

#### **FOOTBALL**

CHICAGO (AP) Shortly after losing five schools to the Big East, Conference USA replenished its league by adding Central Florida, Marshall, Rice, SMU and Tulsa.

Central Florida and Marshall will leave the Mid-American Conference, while Rice, SMU and Tulsa depart the Western Athletic Conference.

The schools officially join C-USA on July 1, 2005.

#### BASKETBALL

DALLAS (AP) -Two-time defending Big 12 champion Kansas has

been tabbed as the favorite to win this season's title in a vote by media who regularly cover the conference.

The media poll released Tuesday differs from last week's poll by the coaches, who picked Missouri as their preseason favorite. It is the first time in seven years that the coaches and media projected different champions.

Missouri was picked second by the media, following by Texas, which returns four starters from its team that went to the NCAA Final Four last season. The coaches had Texas second and Kansas third.

The rest of the media poll, in order, was Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Colorado, Texas Tech, Kansas State, Texas A&M, Iowa State, Nebraska and Baylor. The final nine spots were the same as the coaches.

The media's preseason All-Big 12 team included Texas Tech guard Andre Emmett; along with Kansas teammates Keith Langford and Wayne Simien and Missouri teammates Arthur Johnson and Rickey Paulding.

Media members named Johnson, a 6-foot-9 center, as the preseason player of the year. The coaches chose Emmett, the league's top scorer last season.

# TCU will get shot at OU, but not in BCS

FORT WORTH, Texas Louisville chance to play Oklahoma, but a game between the only two undefeated teams left in major college football will probably have to wait until a scheduled 2005 season opener.

Oklahoma — the No. 1 team in every poll — has stayed undefeated by steamrolling high-quality opponents by an average of 31 points. But the No. 13 Horned Frogs have done just enough to get by in several games despite the 98th-toughest schedule out of 117 teams.

tinuing the debate about whether it deserves to be part of the Bowl Championship comes

(AP) — TCU will get its Conference USA). It's the dream for TCU. only game being played Wednesday night.

> spotlighted in as long as you win," TCU coach Gary beat Louisville all of these that." conversations don't mean

TCU (8-0, 5-0) is No. 9 in the BCS standings, the same spot it reached in 2000 after a 7-0 start. The Frogs would have to finish three spots team from a non-BCS conferof the four BCS bowls.

"The pressure is on TCU," Louisville coach Bobby "It's a great game to be Petrino said. "They're undefeated, and they're trying to be in the BCS picture. Patterson said. "All of that They've got a lot of pressure other stuff doesn't make a dif- on them to win, and we don't ference. I know if we don't have to worry about all of

> came in 1938, when Davey O'Brien was the Frogs' quarterback and before determining a champion was so complicated.

The Cardinals have the C-TCU's biggest test in conhigher to become the first USA's top offense, with 35 points and 470 yards a game. ence guaranteed a berth in one They have won three straight games since a double-over-While Oklahoma has some time loss at South Florida,

(7-1, 3-1 leeway, a loss ends the BCS where TCU had one of its three three-point wins.

> While ranked 31st nationally in total defense, TCU has dropped from fourth after giving up 1,077 yards and 82 points the last two games.

When the Frogs finally broke out offensively, scoring 62 points with a school-record 782 yards their last game at TCU's only national title Houston, they won by just a touchdown.

> "It's been a long time since we've given up that many points. The bottom line is we're finally getting healthy on offense," said Patterson, the defensive coordinator before replacing Dennis Franchione. "We stepped up and did what we had to do."

TCU has won 10 straight

games, one fewer than Oklahoma, and 18 of its last 19 despite injuries to quarterback Tye Gunn and two of its top three running backs. The Frogs also have an 11-game winning streak at home.

Gunn won't play because of a groin injury, but Brandon Hassell threw for 375 yards and four touchdowns at Houston. The Frogs also had 407 yards rushing in that game, their first 400-yard game since LaDainian Tomlinson set a Division I-A record with 406 yards against UTEP four years ago.

"We've overcome the highs and lows and stayed even keel and played with solid confidence," Patterson

## First-place float



The Pampa High School boys' and girls' basketball float (above) won first place at this year's homecoming parade. Both Pampa teams tip off the season Nov. 18 at Amarillo High.

# Pampa favored by 37 over winless Caprock

PAMPA - It's not night's outcome. So has expected to be close when District 3-4A rivals Palo Pampa takes on Caprock to Duro and Plainview, who end the regular season.

Pampa favored by 37 points favored by a touchdown. over winless Caprock in Dick Bivins Stadium on at No. 26 in this week's Friday night.

season. Caprock is 0-5 and Pampa.

58-0 win.

The Harvesters have already secured a playoff charge of the concession spot regardless of Friday stand at the JV game.

clash Friday night in The Harris Ratings has Plainview. The Dons are

Harris has Pampa ranked Class 4A poll. Palo Duro, at Pampa is 4-1 in District No. 22, is the only 3-4A 3-4A play and 8-1 for the team ranked ahead of

The Harvester Booster Pampa has won its last Club will be selling snug three meetings with bags at the Pampa-Caprock Caprock. A year ago, the junior varsity game at 5 Harvesters rolled to an easy p.m. Thursday in Harvester Stadium.

The Boosters will be in

# Aggies trying to upset No. 1 Sooners again

STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M quarterback Reggie McNeal made a big first impression on Oklahoma as a freshman last season when he came off the bench and led the Aggies to their only victory over a No. 1

He's hoping for a repeat Saturday against the No. 1 Sooners in Norman, Okla., but McNeal knows he'll be a marked man.

"That comes with the position," he said Tuesday. "You can't go out there scared. You go out with your head up. I know they're going to be coming after me, coming after us, so it's something we've got to deal with."

McNeal had played little last season when he shocked Oklahoma with four touch-

down passes. He hit 8 of 13 passes for 191 yards and ran for 89 yards on 16 carries as the Aggies improved to 1-8 against No. 1 teams.

McNeal didn't blink before 84,036 fans at Kyle Field as the Aggies sent Oklahoma's national championship dream up in smoke.

Everyone was shocked except McNeal.

"I didn't surprise myself; I might have surprised some of you all," McNeal said. "I felt like I could play with anybody at any time, so I don't think I surprised myself. It was the right time. Everything fell in place for the game. I was just ready to play."

McNeal beat Justin Long for the starting job this season and has made improvements.

"He's more confident and that's gone now." because he's the starter, and I saw that change in him early Murphy got excited when he in the season when that happened," tackle Alan Reuber said. "When you look at him in the huddle he's looking you right back in the eye and you know there's a confidence that wasn't there before.

eome in the huddle, you could ed out of high school." tell he was a little nervous,

Wide receiver Terrence saw McNeal against the Sooners last season.

"I knew he could play, but I didn't know if he was ready yet," Murphy said: "He went out and showed the world that

McNeal has had just one interceptions.

bad game this season. He was 7-of-19 with three interceptions for a season-low 77 yards in a 48-10 loss to Nebraska.

He's been a major reason that coach Dennis Franchione has been able to achieve his goal of having a more balhe was a great player. That's anced offense. McNeal has "Last year, when he'd why he was so highly recruit- completed 93 of 176 passes for eight touchdowns and six

McLean downed Lefors 61-16 in sixman football activity.

James Alexander sparked the Tigers on offense by rushing for four touchdowns and returning a kickoff 79 yards for another TD. Alexander also threw TD oasses to Dusty Moody (19 yards) and

Jay Wallis (7 yards).

Nick Miller, Jessie Soto and ing. Blake King to injuries.

on 4,4, 33 and 45 yards. He finished with 176 yards on 16

Seth Childers scored on a Lefors is 4-2 and 6-3

4-yard run and and Moody It was a bad night for the scored on a 5-yard run to Pirates, who lost starters conclude the McLean scor-

Andrew Jennings scored Alexander's TD runs came on runs of 4 and 41 yards for the Pirates.

> McLean is now 4-2 in district and 6-3 for the season.

# Wheeler closes in on playoff spot

WHEELER - Wheeler rushed for 146 yards 24 carplayoff spot with a 35-7 victory over Wellington last weekend.

The Mustangs improved to 3-1 in District 3-1A and 5-4 for the year.

By halftime, Wheeler was up 28-0 on Wellington.

last weekend in six-man

Freshman quarterback

Shane Barkley led the way

for the Tigers with four

touchdown passes. Barkley

football action.

edged closer to a possible ries, and scored twice on runs of 6 and 4 yards. Quarterback Chapman threw a 9-yard TD pass to Tanner Collins, and Chapman also scored on a 4yard run.

Collins also ran for a 12yard TD. Collins finished Leading the Wheeler with 79 yards rushing on a attack was Josh Miller, who dozen carries.

**Groom pounds Higgins, 59-20** 

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caught a scoring pass from a 30-0 lead at the end of the

first quarter.

4 in district.

GROOM - Groom Cody Schaffer and one to yard kickoff return.

rolled past Higgins 59-20 Kelby Noack. Schaffer also

Noack.

threw three TD tosses to Groom's final TD on a 40- "0-6.

Wheeler racked up 23 first downs and 331 yards total offense. Wellington was held to 97

Wellington falls to 5-4

total yards and four first

and 1-3.

The Skyrockets only score came on a 39-yard fumble recovery run by Tol Coffee.

The Tigers jumped out to

The win lifted Groom's

Higgins falls to 0-9 and

record to 4-5 overall and 2-

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# Pampa cross country runners improve times at district meet

CANYON — All three ous best time by 10 seconds. Pampa runners had their best times of the year at last weekend's District 3-4A cross country meet.

Kori Dunn for Pampa finished 13th in the girls division with a time of 14.33 on the two-mile course at the West Texas A&M Horse

Dunn's teammate, Holly Owens, was 38th with a time of 16:01. She topped her previous best by a minute and 30 seconds.

Dunn is a senior and Owens a freshman.

Guyer was 43rd in the boys Barn. She bettered her previdivision with a time of 22:30

on the three-mile course. He improved by two minutes over his previous best.

The top 10 in each division advanced to regionals.

"All three of our runners worked hard all season long and did a good job at dis-Pampa sophomore Chase trict. They had their best times of the year," -said Pampa coach Mark Elms.

## Canadian turns back Highland Park

Canadian turned Highland Park 21-14 in a District 6-2A football game.

Junior running back Auston English sparked Canadian with a pair of touchdowns on 7 and 57 yard runs.

English finished with 123 yards rushing on 23 carries.

Canadian's other touchdown came on a 34-yard pass from quarterback Riley

Morris to Kobe Looney. for Canadian. back, Morris had 8 of 17 pass attempts for 154 yards.

> Canadian held a 6-0 lead at halftime. The Wildcats were ahead 14-0 after three

> Robert Lamberson scored on a 9-yard run and tossed a 45-yard TD pass to J.D. Littleford for Highland Park.

The Wildcats had the edge in total yardage, 302-298. Highland Park had 16 first downs compared to 9

Highland Park had a pair of turnovers while Canadian played an error-free game.

The Wildcats are now in sole possession of second place in the district standings with a 4-1 record. For the season, the Wildcats are

Highland Park is 3-2 in district and 7-2 for the year.

Canadian closes the regular season at Boys Ranch on

## Spurs win with Duncan on the bench

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Without Tim Duncan, San champions. Antonio had all it could handle with winless Miami. Next up for the Spurs: the unbeaten Los Angeles Lakers.

Duncan will still be sidelined with a sprained left ankle when the undefeated Lakers visit the SBC Center on Thursday night, and the Spurs probably will be without starting point guard Tony Parker, also out with a sprained left ankle.

team they dethroned as NBA

'We have a tough job, but I think it'll be a good game," said guard Manu Ginobili, who led the Spurs with 15 points Tuesday night in an 80-73 win over Miami.

Kevin Willis, at age 41 the league's oldest player, will share the sizable burden of trying to contain Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal.

But the patched-together anybody," said Willis, who Spurs say they'll be as ready scored 13 points in 15 min-

challenge, and I don't mind taking on all challenges."

The Spurs had a challenge on their hands with the Heat, who flew into San Antonio thinking they could win.

Eddie Jones led Miami with 26 points, all but four in the first half, before he fouled out with less than five minutes left. Lamar Odom added 14 points and 12 rebounds.

"I thought coming in that "I won't back down from tonight might be the night for us," Jones said. "I thought we had an excellent chance to

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mon cause. ARIES pitches right in. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) \*\*\* You clear an obstacle with cares about you. Someone finds your \*\* Take your time with a decision flying colors. As you pat yourself on the ideas stimulating and creative. Know that could help you. Take charge and go back, you know which way you are whom to be with! Tonight: Follow anoth- in a new direction. Expenses could go going. Creativity touches you on a new er's lead. level. Deal with others on a one-on-one LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

smiling.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

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level. You get a lot done quickly. Avoid a \*\*\* Others seek you out, and you When you call a halt, you also might difficult associate. Tonight: Keep on have the right to say "nay" or "yeah." need to have a strong discussion. What an interesting position to be in. Present what you want, with full antici-\*\* Slow down and keep smiling. A pation that you will get what you want BORN TODAY child heads in a new direction. You might and need. Your instincts lead you in a Actress Sally Field (1946); actor Ethan want to think carefully before you leap at money decision. Tonight: The only Hawke (1970), musician Glenn Frey

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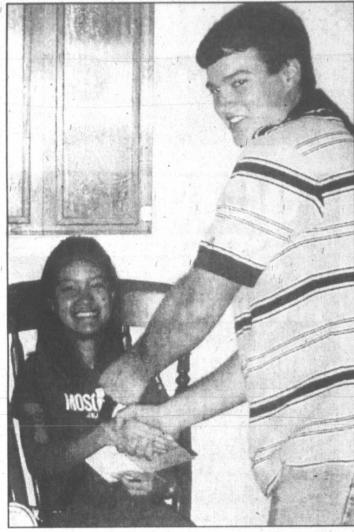
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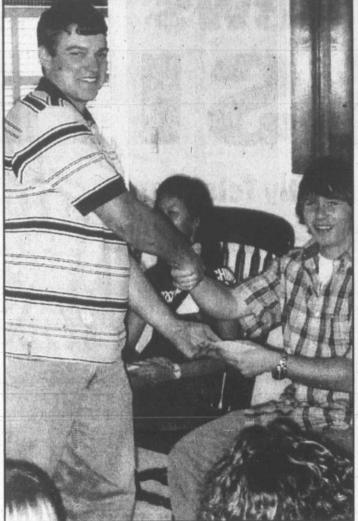
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## **ASTRA Club**



(Courtesy photo)

Jake Hopkins, vice president of ASTRA Club, recently welcomed new member Opal Pimsakul. ASTRA met recently in the home of President Shelly Smith. During the meeting, plans were made for a Halloween party at Pampa Sheltered Workshop and a face painting booth at the upcoming Health Fair, Nov. 10, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Other new members include Alan Arzola, Lauren Denney, Michelle Cox, Allie Garner, Aaron Pepper, Haylee Murry and Kaysha Lee.



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## Strier, videotaped attacker, charged for murder attempt

LOS ANGELES (AP) -A man captured on videotape repeatedly shooting at a lawyer cowering behind a tree has been charged with attempted murder.

William Strier, 64, of Thousand Oaks, also was charged Tuesday with criminally threatening a woman who was the court-appointed manager of his trust fund, according to the Los Angeles County district attorney's office.

According to police, Strier opened fire Friday on 53-year-old Gerald E. Curry, of Simi Valley, as the lawyer left a hearing involving his trust fund. He was being held on \$2 million bail.

The drama was captured by television camera crews covering the murder case against actor Robert Blake.

Curry was shot in the neck, both arms and left shoulder. Footage showed Curry hiding behind a tree as Strier fired a revolver at him from close range.

An off-duty sheriff's reserve officer tackled Strier as he walked calmly from the scene.

Curry, a father of twin 8year-old girls, was released from the hospital Sunday and had surgery Monday to remove a bullet in his arm. Doctors decided to leave a bullet in his neck.

Strier's civil attorney, Steven Trolard, has said his client injured three disks in his back last year in a car accident and won a \$100,000 settlement, which was kept in a trust fund administered by a courtappointed trustee and attor

Strier's doctor recommended surgery to repair the disks, but the trustee, Evelyn Murphy, and Curry, who was Murphy's attorney, would not release the money, Trolard said Sunday in a telephone interview.

At a hearing just before Friday's shooting, Murphy was removed from the case, but not before she and Curry were authorized to withdraw more than \$6,000 from Strier's trust for their work, Trolard said.



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# Sri Lanka in grip of political crisis



Gene McFall

## Dinner club announces next meeting

"The Witty World of Will Rogers," an original oneman show starring Gene McFall, will be the featured program at the next meeting of the Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club slated at 7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 13, at

Pampa Country Club. McFall, a native Kentuckian and a professional actor since 1966, has been in motion pictures and on television, appearing in such shows as "All in the Family" and "Benson." He portrayed Rogers in the Oklahoma Educational Television's acclaimed centennial miniseries "Oklahoma Passage."

McFall has drawn praise in performances from Will Rogers' own children, President George Bush, Supreme Court Justice Byron White. United Nations Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick and scores of others.

He toured as James Whitmore's understudy in "Will Rogers' USA" and was the first person other than Whitmore to tour with that show.

In 1998, he spent hundreds of hours in research, drew upon years of performance as Will and compiled his own show - the one club members will see at the next dinner meeting.

Tickets go on sale Nov. 5 through 12 Wednesday, Nov. 12, at Dunlaps in Coronado Center. Tickets are available to members for \$11.

(AP) — Sri Lanka's political crisis deepened Wednesday state of emergency, but offi-

cials insisted she wouldn't restart a bloody, 20-year civil rebels. Chandrika

Kumaratunga further asserted her power across the troubled island nation as her rival Minister Wickremesinghe was scheduled to go ahead with talks in Washington with President Bush later Wednesday.

The crisis began Tuesday when Kumaratunga - who accuses the prime minister of officially called the Liberation being soft on the rebels fired three top ministers; suspended Parliament and halting the fighting. But they

rebels, who have fought a two-decade war for independence for the country's Tamil peace process. people, but have held to a

The state of emergency was to go ir o effect at midnight Tamil ment "take stock of the security situation," senior presiden-

COLOMBO. Sri Lanka tial aide Eric Fernando told The Associated Press.

It allows the military to when the president declared a enter homes without search warrants, arrest people without reason and hold them for lengthy periods. It also gives war and would honor a shaky the president the power to cease-fire with Tamil Tiger enact laws and extraordinary control over the media, allowing for the tight censorship that was common under earlier states of emergency.

Wickremesinghe was to meet with Bush to secure further U.S. support for his drive to bring a lasting peace in the civil war, which has left 65,000 people dead since

The Tamil Tiger rebels, Tigers of Tamileelam, or LTT, signed a cease-fire in 2002, have since dropped out of peace talks and demanded The emergency order was sweeping administrative powcertain to infuriate the Tiger ers in the Tamil-majority areas of Sri Lanka's northeast as a condition for returning to the

Lakshman Kadirgama, a cease-fire with the govern- top aide to Kumaratunga, said ment for more than 18 the president has no plans to resume fighting the Tigers.

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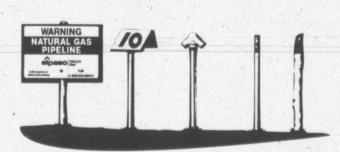
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- See a vapor cloud
- Observe construction or other activity near the pipeline

Please call us immediately at 1-800-334-8047 or call 9-1-1 for emergency services.

# Dig Safely.



Before you begin work near the pipelines, please contact your state One Call center. One Call will inform us of your activity, and we will dispatch a company representative to mark the location of the pipeline in the vicinity at no charge. Your safety is important to EPNG.

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