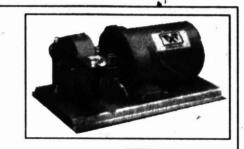


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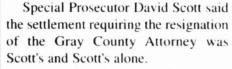
Monday, November 24, 2003

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# Special prosecutor explains actions

BY DAVID BOWSER

STAFF WRITER



Apparently, during a closed-door session of the Gray County Commissioner's Court last week, ques- county attorney's office. tions were raised about the settlement.

about the settlement with Mr. Alvey," Scott said. "I welcome any questions."

Scott, an attorney in private practice Prosecutor by 31st District Attorney gether. Rick Roach following complaints of and bookkeeping irregularities in the theft of money."

David Scott takes responsibility for settlement requiring Alvey's resignation

Scott said that with regard to alleged Gray County Attorney Todd Alvey a jury trial. in Perryton, was named Special from office or to drop the matter alto-

problems in the county attorney's took the money missing from Mr. worth the cost to the county to proseoffice. Earlier this year, Texas Ranger Alvey's office," Scott said. "Every cute a bookkeeping allegation that car-Gary Henderson, now retired, complete ffort was made by the Texas Ranger ried no financial loss to the county." ed an investigation into reports of to uncover evidence of theft. Mr. Alvey missing money from a hot check fund, and his staff are not suspects in the hot checks.

Scott said Alvey appears to have engaged in illegal bookkeeping to keep the public from finding out about the missing funds, but the missing money was replaced by Alvey and the hot check assistant.

"Mr. Alvey did this because he thought that the missing money would hurt his future political ambitions," Scott said.

If charges were pressed against "I have received some questions problems in the county attorney's Alvey, Scott said, Alvey would be entioffice, the options were to pursue crim-tled to a full and fair process like anyinal prosecution, a civil suit to remove one else accused of a crime, including hot checks that have been paid off

> County tens of thousands of dollars," "I have no evidence showing who Scott said. "I did not believe it was reasons.

> > Alvey was also accused of writing

"We interviewed the staff and

Alvey said Scott sent memo saying he wouldn't discuss matter with press.

checked the office records," Scott said "The Ranger interviewed merchants Alvey paid all hot checks that came to our attention. I will not prosecute on

In addition to the bookkeeping alle-"Prosecution would have cost Gray gations. Scott said Alvey wrongfully fired an assistant for non-work related

> The firing resulted in a loss of \$2,000 to the county," Scott said.

The woman lost her job, and Scott said he decided that Alvey should lose his job and pay the \$2,000 that his fir-

(See ACTION, Page 3)

## LOTTERY

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AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1-5-9-26-35. Bonus Ball: 27. Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0.

Number matching five of five: 2. Prize: \$16,215.

Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 17. Prize: \$1,731.

Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$10 million.

### DEATHS

Deliah G. Engle, Pampa native.

Minnie Evans, 93, services pending

David Dale McKnight Jr.. 37, business professional.

E.H. Patton, 78, services pending. Bernice Watson, 91, home-

maker.

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# **Deputy: Lefors** teen's injury not result of 'criminal act'

STAFF WRITER

was airlifted Friday evening to know who made the call. Northwest Texas Hospital in Deputy Bruce Burrell was the Amarillo after he was found first officer on the scene. unresponsive at the Lefors Stanton said. baseball field with a cut on his

unknown at this time, but "at Amarillo hospital. this point, we are pretty satisfied that any injury was not from any act of violence. We caused by a criminal act."

was received by Lefors not the result of a beating or Volunteer Ambulance Service any other criminal act," around 8:15 p.m. Friday, said Rushing said. Linda Stanton, an ambulance call that evening.

Department was also called concerning the injured youth. A 15-year-old Lefors boy but Rushing said he did not

The boy was transported by ambulance to Pampa, and then Gray County Sheriff's to White Deer, where the Department Chief Deputy ambulance was met by a Kelly Rushing said the cause. LifeStar helicopter and the of the boy's injury was youth was then airlifted to the

"Everything points away took statements from a juve-A call concerning the youth nile and from others. This was

The injured youth's condiservice volunteer who was on tion was not known at press time today.

## Another step toward State



(Photo by Ray Boring)

Pampa's Derek Lewis (42) and Tyler Doughty (4) lead the Harvesters out of the tunnel at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium last Friday to meet El Paso-Chapin in the Area round of the football playoffs. The Harvesters won 42-21 to advance one more step toward the State title. They'll go against Aledo in Regionals at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 28, in Memorial Stadium at Wichita Falls.

## **Wal-Mart zoning hearing** set for 4 p.m. on Tuesday

A public hearing concerning a ing budget. rezoning request by Wal-Mart will be Commission chambers.

30th Street, from Agriculture to be located in Pampa. Commercial.

sion will hear the second reading of an ordinance providing for a bus loading Program. zone at Woodrow Wilson Elementary ordinance amending the city's operat-

The commission will also consider at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Pampa City appointing Ellen Malone the Lay Representative to the Texas Panhandle Wal-Mart wants the city to rezone Library System and consider applying about 35 acres of the Westgate to the Texas Historic Commission for Addition, between Pampa Mall and a Regional Texas Plains Trail office to

Commissioners will consider a sub-In the Pampa City Commission lease by McCarty-Hull on the old U.S. meeting that will follow, the commis- Bus building, 822 E. Foster, for a West Texas A&M University Incubator

The city commission plans to School and the second reading of an review a list of bills for October totaling \$836,576.39.

## **Senate advances toward** major Medicare legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) - The the test vote on legislation that has

The vote was 70-29, 10 more than the 60 needed to end a filibuster led by Kennedy, leader of the opposition. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., "Let us not turn our backs on our senand joined by a pair of Democratic for citizens so insurance companies presidential hopefuls eager to share and pharmaceutical companies can the spotlight.

"Today is a momentous and historic prices." day," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said moments before

Senate voted to choke off debate been gridlocked for years. The Monday on a historic Medicare pre- Tennessee Republican accused opposcription drug bill, but die-hard opponents of resorting to "procedural tricks nents vowed one final effort to scuttle to obstruct" passage of legislation the legislation they attacked as a boon making the most sweeping changes in to pharmaceutical and insurance Medicare since the program's creation

"The Senate is on trial." thundered charge senior citizens even higher

Despite the outcome of the first (See MEDICARE, Page 3)

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beginning November 22 at the Recreation Park every evening after dark HRISTMAS PARADE ... "A CLASSIC CHRIST! sponsored by the Pampa Chamber of Commerce • Saturday, December 6th beginning at 1:00PM

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#### **DELIAH G. ENGLE**

LAKE PLACID, Fla. - Deliah G. Engle of past president of Placid Lakes Women's Golf Lake Placid, Fla., died Nov. 21, 2003, at home.

A funeral service will be Monday, 10:30 a.m., Nov. 24, at the First Presbyterian Church Lake Placid, Fla., with the Rev. Ray Cameron officiating. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Chandler Funeral Home.

Born in Pampa, Texas, she came to Lake Placid in 1994 from Boca Raton, Fla. She was a housewife and a member of First Presbyterian Church of Lake Placid. She was

Association.

She is survived by her husband James Engle of Lake Placid, Fla.; one daughter, Brenda Garbinski and husband James of Boca Raton, Fla.; one son, Bradley Engle and wife Michele of Cape Coral, Fla.; one daughter, Ashley of Lake Placid, Fla.; one brother, Claude Bradley and wife Charlene of Waco, Texas; three grandchildren, Emma Garbinski of Boca Raton, Fla., Kaylen and Kelsey Engle of Cape Coral, Fla.

#### E.H. PATTON

1925-2003

E.H. Patton, 78, died Sunday, Nov. 23, 2003, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Patton was born Jan. 12, 1925, at Mobeetie. He married Jean Patton on Sept. 2, 1949, at Groom. She preceded him in death in 1999. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army from 1942 until 1945. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1946. He was the owner and operator of Circulation Incorporated, Rocky Mountain Tank Company, and co-owner of Patton & Patton. He was a member of the Hobart Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Connie Hutcherson and husband Boyd of Pampa; two www.carmichael-whatley.com.

granddaughters, Jamie Groomer and husband Stephen and Lori Giles and husband Chadd, all of Pampa; five great grandchildren, Taylor Giles, Kaylea Giles, Jarren Giles, Jarrod Groomer and Nolan Groomer; four sisters, Claudia Phillips, Betty McKay, Lovella Hollingsworth and Iweta Johnson, all of Amarillo; four brothers, Leroy Patton of Yukon, Okla., Clyde Patton of Belton, George Patton of Salem, Va., and Bob Patton of Carthage.

Memorials may be made to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas, 79065.

- Sign the on-line register book at

#### **BERNICE WATSON**

1912-2003

On RECORD

Springlake, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, in Paducah on June 23, 1934. He preceded her in the Runningdraw Care Center of Olton. Services are set for 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the Earth Church of Christ in Earth with Terry Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Springlake Cemetery at Springlake under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Watson was born July 25, 1912, in children.

**AMBULANCE** 

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the fol-

Saturday, Nov. 22

the 1100 block of Neel Road and transported

one person to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

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5:03 p.m. -- A mobile ICU transferred one

9:47 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the

Sunday, Nov. 23

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at 7 a.m. today.

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Evergreen.

MULESHOE - Bernice Watson, 91, of Paducah. She married Lowell Watson in death in 1989. She moved to Springlake in

> Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Watson of Springlake and Bud Watson of Pampa; five grandchildren and 11 great-grand-

> > **SHERIFF**

ed the following arrests as of 7 a.m. today.

Gray County Sheriff's Department report

Sunday, Nov. 23

Felipa Cano Ramirez, 53, 401 N. Faulkner

David Boyd, 46, Lefors, was arrested by

the Lefors city marshall on a charge of no dri-

CORRECTION

Page 13 Sunday, Danielle Zuniga was incor-

rectly identified as having won Petite Miss of

M.G. Productions at Madeline Graves Dance

and Gymnastics Studio. Miss Zuniga was

In Newsmakers column, published on

#518, was arrested on a motion to revoke

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1934 from Paducah. She was a homemaker

and a member of the Church of Christ.

DAVID DALE McKNIGHT JR. 1966-2003

AMARILLO - David Dale McKnight Jr., 37, of Amarillo, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 25, in Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 S. Georgia St.

Mr. McKnight, Davy to his family, was born Aug. 23, 1966, in Kingsville, the son of David D. and Sandra G. McKnight. He loved his job at the Amarillo Chapter of the United Way where he was responsible for marketing and coordinating charitable events throughout North Texas.

He attended Amarillo Community College, Grayson County College and Southern Utah University and was within one semester of completing a bachelor of arts

His ultimate passion was the theater where he was an accomplished professional within all theatric disciplines including playwright, direction and performance with performance being where he shined brightest.

He had won numerous awards from the National Art Institute, American College Theatre Festival, United States Institute for Theatre Technology, the International Thespian Society, Amarillo College, Optimist International and Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Arts Committee.

Of particular interest was an award received from the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts for his Playwriting of Elsysium Illusions. Shows for which David

had performed and/or participated in are too numerous mention but highlights include "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," "Will Rogers Follies' and "Greater Tuna."

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Dale McKnight; grandparents, Nora and Dale McKnight and Betty and Joe Green; and a great-aunt, Billie Pat Stephenson.

Survivors include his partner, David Carter; his mother, Sandra Bosworth; his father, David McKnight; his stepmother, Helena McKnight; his stepfather, Yates Bosworth; brothers, Joey, Dean and Kevin McKnight and Barry Coe; stepbrothers and sisters, Michael Bosworth, Shannon Herrmann, Sandy Davidson and Randall and Carrie Ellis; nephews, Daniel, Mitchell, Zachary, Tucker and Braden Joel McKnight; nieces, Kassidy and Marrisa Faye McKnight; and numerous other friends and relatives.

The family suggests memorials be to the Amarillo Chapter of the United Way to help those who need it most.

### MINNIE EVANS

1910-2003

Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Evans was born Oct. 7, 1910, in Gageby. She married Nathan Evans on Jan. 30, 1930, in Wheeler. He preceded her in death on April 24, 1966. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1953. She was a homemaker and a Jehovah's Witness.

Survivors include three daughters, Alene George of Pampa, Nathetta Olsen of Boulder, Colo., and Mary Sandlin of Priddy; three sisters, Eunice Seay of Canyon, Ida Mae Sinclair

Minnie Evans, 93, died Sunday, Nov. 23, in of Amarillo and Susie Rhoades of Sulpher Springs; 16 grandchildren 20 great-grandchildren; nine great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Joyce Cornell; two great grandchildren; four sisters, Lorene Lawrence, Melba McCormick, Irene Walker and Augusta Reynolds; and two brothers, Willard Strawbridge and Charlie Strawbridge.

800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas, 79065.

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

## WEATHER FOCUS

#### **PAMPA**

Sunny and warmer today with a high of 50 Sunday was 13. On Tuesday, high will be 60 and southwest winds at 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, with moderate southwest winds. Daytime temclear skies with a low of 28 and southwest winds continuing at 10 to 20 mph. Low through Thanksgiving.

peratures are expected to stay in the 50s

## **STATEWIDE**

### BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cloudy skies were expected across much of Texas on Sunday with lows dipping into the teens by evening in the Panhandle.

In the Dallas-Fort Worth area, cloudy skies were expected with highs in the lower 50s. By evening, lows were expected in the upper 20s.

Partly cloudy skies were expected in the Austin area with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs were expected in the upper 60s. By evening, mostly clear skies were expected with lows near 30.

In the Panhandle, partly cloudy skies were

expected with highs from 34 to 39. By evening, mostly clear skies were expected with lows from 12 to 19.

Mostly sunny skies were expected in far West Texas with highs around 50. By evening, mostly clear skies were expected with lows in the lower to mid-20s.

In deep South Texas, mostly cloudy skies were expected in the morning. Skies were then expected to become partly cloudy with highs expected in the mid-80s. By evening, partly cloudy skies were expected with a 10 percent chance of showers in the evening. Lows were expected in the upper 40s.

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

FIRE

Saturday, Nov. 22

8:39 a.m. - Two units and six firefighters responded to an alarm in the 400 block of North Ward. On arrival they found the alarm had malfunctioned.

Sunday, Nov. 23

10:12 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a hazardous material spill in the 2200 block of Williston. No other details were listed on the report.

## 'Santa Clause' to raise funds for charity

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apply. "The Santa Clause promotion will provide additional visibility and resources to Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies in the targeted communities," said Mack Koonee, executive vice president and chief operating officer for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. "We think it is a win both for the local affiliates offering direct service and the national office," he added.

The campaign, to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle and other local children's charities, will conclude Dec. 31.

For more information, contact the local Dobson Cellular Systems retail location.

## City Briefs

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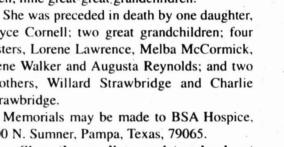
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Scott's comment, Alvey today

said he was told that Scott

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letterhead," Alvey said this

morning, "that he was not

going to talk to the press."

"I have a document on his

Later this morning, Alvey

brought a copy of a fax with a

header that states: "Fax from

David T. Scott Attorney and

Counselor at Law to Rick

Harris Re: State of Texas v.

as follows: "I can not agree to

the confidentiality agreement.

Mr. Alvey is a public official

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Todd Alvey, FROM: DTS"

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"That is a lie," Scott said.

against him.

### ACTION

ing of the assistant had cost the county.

Scott said he considered a civil suit to remove Alvey from office, but a civil suit would be very expensive and could drag on for several years. The evidence did not support a temporary removal so Alvey would have remained in office during the

"Mr. Alvey would be entitled to a jury trial and all of the expense discovery and depositions in a major civil case," Scott said. "I looked for an opportunity to get Mr. Alvey out of office quickly and at the least expense to the taxpayers."

The result was an agreement in which Alvey would resign effective Dec. 31, and not seek reelection.

"I believe that clearing him from office in six weeks was far better than waiting for one to two years for a jury verdict," Scott said. "Again, tens of thousands of the taxpayer's money was saved."

The special prosecutor said "Secondly, I can not guar-Alvey misled the public when anty this type of conduct of he told the Pampa News that other offices and personel. his resignation was not the

"I have no intention of contacting the press or discussing this with them.

"Thank you for your efforts.'

The transmission date on the faxed memo indicated it was sent at 5:35 p.m., Nov. 7,

"I have spoken to the county auditor," Scott said. "She has begun an in depth audit of Alvey's office. Money is removed by her daily."

Scott said the county court has curtailed Alvey's duties in the interim.

"It was my decision to settle the matter by getting Alvey out of office in the quickest and most efficient way possible," Scott said. "I consulted with the appropriate county officials, the fired assistant and the investigating Texas Ranger prior to making this agreement; however, it was my decision alone, and I stand by it."

**Editor Dee Dee Laramore** contributed to this report.

## CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE MEDICARE

vote, the bill's supporters expressed concern about a second procedural vote, expected later in the day. It, too, would require them to amass 60 votes to advance the bill to final passage.

The bill would provide a prescription drug benefit for Medicare beneficiaries for the first time since the giant health care program for seniors was created in 1965, with subsidies to help lower-income seniors pay the premiums and other costs.

It also would provide subsidies to insurance companies in hopes they would offer private coverage to seniors.

The bill cleared the House in a pre-dawn, 220-215 vote Saturday. Senate passage would send it to President Bush, who is eager to sign it into law.

Nine Democrats announced plans to support the measure, as did Sen. James Jeffords, a Vermont independent. Even with the support of all 10, Republicans could afford to lose only one GOP vote to be assured of prevailing on the second test vote.

While Kennedy has led the opposition to the bill, two of the Democratic presidential hopefuls sought a share of the spotlight on Sunday.

"This bill is really about President Bush passing the buck on prescription drug coverage and passing the bucks from seniors to the pharmaceutical industry," Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, who scrapped a series of campaign events to return to the Capitol for his speech and the

Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina likewise flew to Washington, eager to join the fight. "We need to stand up to drug companies and HMOs and stand up for the American people," he said on the Senate

Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut also announced his opposition to the measure, and was expected in the Senate for theday's votes.

Despite efforts led by Kennedy and by Republicans to privatize the system.

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Democratic Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota to scuttle the bill, the list of Democratic supporters grew during the day, and strategists said it was likely to grow

again before the final vote was called. Sens. Dianne Feinstein of California and Ron Wyden of Oregon announced they would vote for the bill, bringing the number of announced Democratic supporters to nine. Republicans control the Senate 51-48 with one independent.

In her speech, Feinstein catalogued a series of provisions that would provide additional funding for her home state, adding: "I intend to support this bill, and not because it is perfect, but because I believe it brings substantial help to people who need that help in my state of California."

Wyden described the bill as something of a mixed blessing. On balance, he said he had decided to vote for it, but call his decision a "very, very tough call."

Republicans expect only a handful of defections.

The far-reaching bill would increase Medicare funding for doctors, hospitals and other health care providers, particularly in rural areas, where reimbursement levels are far below what is paid in other regions of the country. It also provides billions of dollars to companies to encourage them to retain the health coverage they provide their retirees.

For the first time, higher-earning seniors would be required to pay more for their Medicare Part B premiums than other beneficiaries. The measure also retains the current ban on the importation of lower-cost prescription drugs from Canada, and establishes tax-preferred health savings accounts for individuals with high-deductible insurance.

The most contentious provision would take effect in 2010, when direct competition between traditional Medicare and the private plans begins in up to six metropolitan areas. Supporters argue that would help reduce the cost of Medicare in the long run, while opponents attack it as the leading edge of an effort

### On Record, Cont. from Page 2

#### **POLICE**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests as of 7 a.m. today. Tuesday, Nov. 18

Attempted theft by deception was reported in the 1800 block of Fir.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 19

Burglary was reported at Hoagie's Deli, 1201 N. Hobart. Method of entry was unknown. Amount of loss is undetermined at time of report.

#### Friday, Nov. 21

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 800 block of North Nelson. Method of entry was unknown. Taken were a stereo amp, two speakers, a speaker box and approximately 80 compact discs. Estimated amount of loss was \$2,000.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 100 block of North Wynne. Method of entry was unknown. Taken were a video game device and four games. Estimated loss was \$1,000.

Harassment was reported in the 1000 block of Ripley.

Theft was reported at Long John Silver's Seafood Restaurant, 1050 N. Hobart. A banner valued at approximately \$150 was taken.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of East Kingsmill. Approximately \$700 in damage was done to a vehicle's tires and wheel rims.

### Saturday, Nov. 22

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of North Faulkner. Some type of aerosol marker was sprayed on the home. Estimated amount of damage was unknown

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of North Faulkner. An unknown substance was found on the vehicle. No damage was reported.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of North Christy. Yard ornaments were destroyed. Estimated damage was \$150.

Theft between \$100,000 and \$200,000 was reported in the 2700 block of Duncan. Police said cash box containing retirement fund information and investment certificates was reportedly taken from a private residence.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1300 block of Duncan. Forced entry was made through the back door. Taken were two DVD players, a computer, a jewelry box and contents, a video game device and DVDs. Estimated value of loss was \$2,200.

#### Sunday, Nov. 23

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1100 block of Juniper.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of North Hamilton. A car tire was damaged. Estimated damage was \$78.

Credit card abuse was reported by Sands Fabrics, 225 N. Cuyler.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 400 block of North Faulkner. No injuries were reported.

Assault was reported in the 200 block of North West. No injuries were reported.

Theft under \$50 was reported by Family Dollar, 421 E. Frederic. A CD player was taken. Estimated loss was \$18.

Ray Madrid Soto, 39, 318 Hazel, was arrested for public intoxication.

Gonzalo Olvera, 36, 428 Hughes, was arrested on two warrants and for no driver's license. Monday, Nov. 24

Jonathan White, 19, 636 N. Nelson, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart for robbery, resisting arrest and public intoxica-

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## **Professor: Agent convinced him he destroyed vials**

LUBBOCK (AP) — A plague researcher accused of numerous memory of destroying the vials, accidentally destroying them durfelonies related to his work testified Monday that he confessed to convinced him in an interview that accidentally destroying 30 vials of the bacteria that causes the potentially deadly plague, but only after even though I didn't remember an FBI agent convinced him he destroying them," Butler testified did it.

Texas Tech University scientist, said. sparked a bioterrorism scare when he reported the vials missing in January. In a statement written later, Butler said he accidentally destroyed them.

He said FBI Agent Dale Green ing that accident or subsequent Butler indeed had destroyed them.

"He convinced me it happened, Monday. "He wanted the concept, Thomas C. Butler, a renowned 'I had made a mistake," Butler

> Butler said there was an accident involving the plague samples in his lab about 10 days before his Jan. 14 report to police that they were stolen. He said Green told

But Butler, 62, said he had no him evidence pointed to Butler cleanup.

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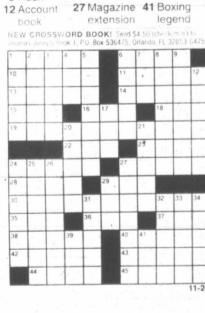
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**MONDAY - NOVEMBER 24, 2003** 

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

## **Pregnant Teen Is Urged To See Adult Guidance**

DEAR ABBY: I was shocked when I read your reply to "Alone and Terrified," the teenage girl from Columbus, Ga. She had just discovered she was . pregnant and was afraid to tell her parents because she was scared of their reaction. You advised her to go to Planned Parenthood. Were you advising her to get an abortion?
APPALLED IN FLORIDA

DEAR APPALLED: No. That's a matter of personal choice. I urged her to confide in her mother or another trusted female adult, and if she could not do that, to consult Planned Parenthood. The worst thing in the world a girl in that situation can do is nothing. I knew that Planned Parenthood would advise her about her entire range of options. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Why did you assume that the girl couldn't trust her father enough to talk with him? In your mind, any trusted female seems preferable to talking to Dad. And what about the prospective father?

DONALD C. HUBIN, PH.D., COLUMBUS, OHIO

DEAR DONALD: If the father was the parent who gave the girl her sex education, then she might feel comfortable confiding in him. However, many young women are self-conscious, and therefore reluctant, to discuss their sexuality with their fathers. Had she felt she could depend on the boy involved, she wouldn't have signed herself "Alone and Terrified."

DEAR ABBY: If that girl aborts her baby, she will most likely suffer for the rest of her life with the guilt she will eventually feel for having chosen abortion.

LISAS., NEW MILFORD, PA.

DEAR LISA: That's not always the case. Reactions can vary. Although some women experience guilt, I have read that many report feeling a combination of regret and relief.

DEAR ABBY: Here in California a girl recently died because rather than going to her parents for help, she went to Planned Parenthood. Secrets should never be encouraged.

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DEAR DANA: All medical procedures, and that includes abortion, carry some risk. According to reports I have read, the girl died of septic shock after taking RU-486. However, abortions are far safer today than they were 10 years ago - and certainly safer than

when the procedure was illegal and performed in back alleys, My heart goes out to that girl's parents, and I agree that parents should be the best option. However, not all families are the kind we saw on "Leave It to Beaver," and many girls are afraid to confide in their parents.

DEAR ABBY: You should read "Grand Illusions," George Grant's expose of the racist roots of Planned Parenthood. Not to have advised that girl to visit her local Crisis Pregnancy Center was misleading.

LENORE IN MANHATTAN, MONT. **DEAR LENORE: Margaret** 

Sanger, who founded the tiny birth control clinic that was to become the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, became a family planning crusader because she felt it was vital for poor women (and that included women of color) to control their fertility and not be forced to have large families they couldn't take care of. A woman who is not in charge of her reproduc-tive life is not in charge of her life. According to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the average woman, without birth control, would have between 12 and 15 pregnancies in her lifetime.

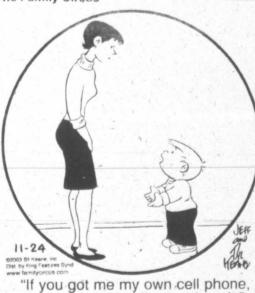
Planned Parenthood's mission is to help women make the right choice for them. For some, that means carrying a pregnancy to term. For others, it means using birth control. And for still others it can mean having an abortion. It is a matter of personal free-

dom and deeply personal choice.
P.S. I would advise women to
go to Crisis Pregnancy Centers if
I were convinced they wouldn't
be forced to watch color videos of aborted fetuses.



"I know there is nothing scary hiding under my bed because Marmaduke sleeps there."

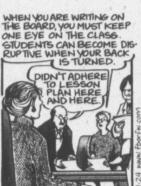
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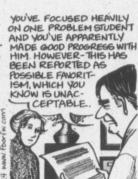


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#### **FOOTBALL**

PAMPA — The Pampa Harvesters meet the Aledo Bearcats at 7:30 Friday night in the regional round of the playoffs at Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium.

Pampa has a 11-1 record and Aledo is 9-3.

#### BASKETBALL

CANYON — Pampa lost to Lubbock Estacado 65-35 last weekend at the WT Event Center.

Louis Rogers was high scorer for Estacado with 17 points.

Andy Rodgers led Pampa with 10 points, followed by Collin Bowers 9.

Both the Pampa boys and girls teams host Borger Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

#### HOCKEY

ST. LOUIS (AP) -After serving a three-game suspension, Keith Tkachuk was back on his game for the St. Louis Blues.

Tkachuk scored his team-leading 10th goal in the second period and missed on a penalty shot 30 seconds later in a 2-1 victory over the Dallas Stars on Saturday night.

"I felt like I was playing my best hockey when I got suspended," Tkachuk said. "It's tough, but you've just got to take short shifts early and just play hard and good things will happen."

Tkachuk was suspended for a cross-check to the neck of Sharks defenseman Rob Davison. The Blues' No. 1 line of Tkachuk, Pavol Demitra and Scott Mellanby played together for only the second game

this season.

Demitra got the gamewinner with his 200th midway career goal through the third period.

Bill Guerin scored his 12th goal, and first on the road, for the Stars. Dallas is 1-6-2 in its last nine games, the lone victory coming Friday night over the Kings.

### VOLLEYBALL

SAN MARCOS, Texas - Heather Bashaw had 15 kills to lead Stephenville to the UIL Class 4A volleyball state title with a 26-24, 25-15 and 25-19 victory over Dallas Highland Park on

Saturday. Mary Irvine added eight kills as Stephenvillle (42-6) overcame a 24-17 game one deficit to win and trailed 11-2 in game three before rallying to win. Tournament most valuable player Adrian Dunson had 25 assists, five kills and seven digs. Bashaw also had 10 digs.

Stephenville won the state title in its first trip to volleyball's final four.

Emily . Ziegler led Highland Park (33-6) with 13 assists and seven kills while Julia Foran added seven more kills.

# Symons breaks single-season passing record

Symons wasn't enjoying sitting atop the NCAA list for on Saturday night.

Earning the Division I record was bittersweet following Tech's 56-25 loss to yards in 1990. No. 1 Oklahoma.

"Right now it's not really too exciting because of the disappointment," Symons said. "The loss hurts a little bit more than the record feels good."

Symons, who came into the game 83 yards shy of breaking the record, got it on

## **Patriots win** in overtime

HOUSTON (AP) -Despite struggling earlier in the game, Tom Brady and Adam Vinatieri came through when the New England Patriots needed them most.

Brady threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Daniel Graham that forced overtime and Vinatieri kicked a 37yard field goal with 41 seconds left in the extra period for a 23-20 victory over the Houston Texans on Sunday.

Brady had two passes intercepted and lost a fumble before his tying touchdown pass to Graham. Before kicking the winning field goal, Vinatieri hit the goal post on one attempt and had another blocked.

Vinatieri couldn't wait to atone for his miscues.

"The whole overtime period seemed like a long 12 minutes," Vinatieri said. "It took a while but our defense did a good job of stepping it up. I just kept thinking, 'Just give me another shot."

It took a dramatic late fourth-quarter drive led by Brady for Vinatieri to get his wish.

Facing third-and-10 with 2:26 to play, Brady hit Graham with a 33-yard completion to the Houston 34 that helped set up the 4-yard touchdown pass that tied the

"Those were really two good plays," Brady said. "(Graham) made the one down the field that really changed the position for us. On the (touchdown) he did a great job of running on the side and cutting back to lose his defender and give me a place to throw it."

The Patriots (9-2) won their seventh game in a row and their ninth in 10

Texas Tech's B. J. Glover with 6:35 remaining in the second quarter. The first-year starter has thrown single-season passing yards for 5,336 yards in 12 games,

an average of 445 yards. BYU's Ty Detmer set the previous record of 5,188

The game against the Sooners was Symons' worst performance of the year. He threw for only 230 yards, a season low, and had five interceptions.

A fifth-year senior, Symons came from virtual obscurity this season, having played backup for the past

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) a 15-yard pass to Nehemiah three seasons while Kliff play. Kingsbury led the Red Raiders' offense. He has passed for more than 400 yards in eight games this

> In Tech's 49-45 win over Mississippi, Symons threw for season high 661 yards.

> Symons has been playing with an injured left knee since Oct. 11, when he hurt it jumping up to celebrate a TD pass he'd thrown to teammate Wes Welker.

Many times early in subsequent weeks, it didn't look like he would be able to

"I never had doubts on Saturday that I was ready to go," Symons said.

Symons' grit and determination didn't slip by unnoticed by Welker and other Red Raiders.

"His toughness is something we really needed," Welker said. "He did a great job fighting through the

After earning an academic scholarship to Harvard, Symons decided to bypass the Ivy League school in favor of playing in the Big

Symons also set a record for total offense in 12 games in a single season.

He needed 2 yards coming into the game and set the record on Tech's third play from scrimmage by completing a 9-yard pass to Glover for a first down at the Sooners 32.

David Klingler Houston still holds the 11game record with 5,221 yards. He did that in 1990.

No player since, regardless of the number of games, has amassed more yardage, thus there being no record for 12 games.

## White Deer's Rapstine places at state CC meet

ROUND ROCK — White grassy starting line with over Deer freshman Becca Rapstine had a strong supporting cast for her debut in the Class 1A State Cross ticing to improve her start Country Meet.

Backed by her immediate family, parents (Chris and Linda Kay Rapstine, brothers Thomas and Jacob) and a large group of other relatives and friends, Rapstine finished in sixth place with a time of 12:29 on the Old Settler's Park course near Austin.

Rapstine was in a special class, joining only a handful of freshmen who are talented enough to qualify for the state meet each season. While she prepared for the two-mile run, there was rainfall before and after the Class 1A meet.

Lining up in her box (her favorite No. 14) on the applause from her fans.

100 athletes, Rapstine was focused on the task ahead.

Rapstine has been pracand it paid off as she jumped ahead at the starting gun into a good position. However, after running past the cones - which marks the starting yardage - she was knocked to both knees. After finding herself with the trailing pack of runners, Rapstine recovered and worked her way back into a competitive position. As she neared the final winding, tree-covered area, she passed a few more run-

In the final chute, Becca sprinted to the finish line and passed two more runners to take sixth place.

At the awards ceremony, Rapstine received her medal from the meet officials and



(Courtesy photo)

White Deer freshman Becca Rapstine brought home first place from the Class 1A state cross country meet.

## Cowboys hang on for another victory

Dallas Cowboys can't be called losers in their first year under Bill Parcells, no matter what happens the rest of the

Dallas is guaranteed at least a .500 season after beating the Panthers 24-20 Sunday. After three straight 5-11 seasons, that's a big accomplishment - especially with five games

"We may not be winners, but we're not losers anymore," Parcells said.

Quincy Carter threw two touchdown passes, then converted two third downs on the final, clock-milking drive to prevent another Carolina comeback.

The Cowboys (8-3) are tied with Carolina, St. Louis and Philadelphia for the NFC's best record. The NFC East

RVING, Texas (AP) — The rival Eagles have won six straight since losing at Dallas.

Carolina is home next week against the Eagles, a week before the Cowboys play at Philadelphia.

And Dallas goes into its Thanksgiving Day game against Miami with eight wins for the first time since 1998. its last winning season.

"We'll see what we can do," Parcells said. "We have a lot of football left, but we're going to be in the hunt for a

while." Carolina has already matched its win total from the last two years combined, but is still short of clinching the second winning season in the nine-year team history. The other was when the Panthers went to the NFC championship game in 1996.

"My confidence is not at all

terback Jake Delhomme, who was just 9-of-24 for 175 yards and a touchdown. "We just didn't play too well, and we know it."

The Panthers had already won six games in the final two minutes or overtime. After John Kasey's 34-yard field goal with 3:47 left, Carter didn't give them a chance to make it seven.

Carolina never got the ball

Carter scrambled for 4 yards on third-and-9 from the 21 before two penalty flags, one a 15-yarder on Brenston Buckner for grabbing Carter's facemask. The clincher was a 13-yard pass to Jason Whitten Carter said. "Our defense has on third-and-8 with 1:39 left.

Carter finished with the pletions (29) of his career, for chance."

shaken," said Panthers quar- 254 yards. His early 24-yard TD pass to Joey Galloway was his longest completion. and he later threw a 5-yarder to Jeff Robinson — whose primary job is deep snapping.

"It's not like he was Joe Montana out there. His receivers made a lot of plays," Buckner said of Carter. "He took the safe 5-yard pass and didn't force anything."

The Cowboys' offense scored three touchdowns. Dallas had just four in the previous four-game stretch that included two shutout losses and a 10-6 win.

"Good teams are going to score points, you have to know that as an offense," carried us for a while. It was important for us to come out most attempts (44) and com- and give the defense a

## lifts Mavericks past Nuggets Third-quarter run

DALLAS (AP) — With leading scorer Dirk Nowitzki struggling to find his shooting touch, the Dallas Mavericks turned to newcomers Antawn Jamison and Antoine Walker

to pick up the offensive slack. Jamison scored a seasonhigh 26 points and Walker added a season-best 25, seven during a decisive third-quarter run, as the Mavericks overcame a sluggish start for a 115-101 victory over the Denver

"They're loaded," Nuggets coach Jeff Bzdelik said. "There's not much else you can say. They're very potent at all positions."

Nuggets on Saturday night.

Steve Nash added 18 points and eight assists as Dallas improved to a leaguebest 7-0 at home. Nowitzki, who started the night as the team's leading scorer at 20.8 points per game, recovered

from a three-point first half to contribute 19 points and 11 rebounds and help the Mavericks win their third straight and fifth in six games. Jamison and Walker are

starting to feel more comfortable in the Dallas rotation after they were acquired in trades before the season got underway.

"In the second half, we stopped their fast break and started playing our brand of basketball," Walker said.

Walker, who had 14 rebounds, six assists and two blocked shots, scored 11 points in the third quarter while Jamison and Nowitzki added eight each in the third.

"With the versatility we have, we're going to have some mismatches," Nash said. "They had their burst, but we hung in there and were able to wear them down."

Andre Miller had 22 points and Jon Barry a season-high 20 for the Nuggets, who had won four of their previous

Rookie Carmelo Anthony, who had 14 points at halftime, finished with 16 points and 10 rebounds for Denver. Anthony went 7-for-18 from the field and missed all six 3-point

The game was even at 77 when Walker hit a 4-footer in the lane to give Dallas the lead for good. Walker added a 3-pointer with 1:43 left in the third quarter, and then converted a layup with 3.2 seconds left in the quarter to complete a 9-3 run that gave the Mavericks an 86-80 edge entering the final quarter.

"We started clicking out there, especially defensively," Jamison said of the thirdquarter run. "That put us in

sively."

Dallas opened the fourth quarter with a 9-2 spurt capped by Nowitzki's 3-pointer from the right corner for a 95-82 lead with 8:52 left and Denver was unable to get closer than nine points the rest of the way.

"We got a little sideways offensively and defensively though certain periods of the second half," Bzdelik said.

Nash had 14 points in the game's first 10 minutes, connecting on all four 3-point attempts as the Mavericks built a 32-25 lead after one quarter.

That helped compensate for a slow offensive start by Nowitzki, who went 0-for-5 from the field in the opening quarter but pulled down seven rebounds. Nowitzki didn't score until he hit one of two

position to get us going offen- free throws with 10:26 remaining in the second quar-

Denver finished the second quarter with a 9-0 run capped by Miller's layup for a 60-54 advantage as the Nuggets took advantage of some lax Dallas defense. Miller had 18 firsthalf points.

"In the first half, they just outran us," Walker said. "We were able to catch ourselves and take control of the game."

Nowitzki didn't get his first basket until there was 5:42 left in the third quarter to cut Denver's lead to 70-67.

Notes: Dallas reserve G Tony Delk returned from the injured list after missing five games due to a strained left hamstring. Delk had six points in eight minutes. ... The Nuggets have lost 25 of the last 30 meetings with the Mavericks, including the last 13 in Dallas.

## Baylor wins first game after difficult offseason

coach Scott Drew found out a lot about the players in his recovering program in just one game.

For one, the Bears won't go without a win this season. And they will play hard, even though the minutes probably will continue to pile up for the starters on an undermanned roster.

After a difficult offseason that included the shooting death of a player and murder charges against a teammate, a coaching change after serious NCAA violations were revealed and the transfers of the top three scorers, Baylor won its season opener. The Bears beat Texas Southern 72-59 on Saturday night.

"You never know in your first game how your team is going to be prepared and how they are going to

WACO, Texas (AP) — Baylor play," Drew said. "They made a month, played 10 minutes and had run and it challenged us and made us see what we were made of. I was really impressed with how we responded.'

> The Bears had a 22-point lead, then withstood a charge by Texas Southern even as they were wearing down. Four Baylor starters played at least 34 minutes, and the other was in foul trouble.

"It was a very realistic game for us for what the rest of the season will be," senior guard Matt Sayman said. "These are the best games to learn from. Blowouts are great and fun, but these are the games you really learn more about your team."

For the opener, there were just 11 players in uniform, and only seven on scholarship. Robbie McKenzie, who joined the team four points and four rebounds.

Drew knows he'll have to depend heavily on his starters, including the three returning seniors — Terrance Thomas, R.T. Guinn and Sayman — who are tricaptains. They'll be on the court a

"I don't think the players will ever tell you they mind playing 30plus minutes," Drew said. "But the key is as long as we continue to play hard during those minutes, that's the big thing.'

Thomas led the Bears with 16 points, 11 rebounds and six assists. Sayman had 15 points and five assists, while Guinn had 13 points and six rebounds.

Texas Southern used an 18-4 run to cut the gap to 54-46. During that after open tryouts on campus last nine-minute span, the Bears made

just two of 10 shots, had four turnovers and four fouls until Ellis Kidd's 3-pointer broke a stretch of straight points by Texas Southern.

Just before tip-off, Baylor took a moment to silently remember slain teammate Patrick Dennehy, whose body was found four months ago just miles from campus after he had been missing for six weeks.

Dennehy had been shot twice in the head, and a former teammate, Carlton Dotson, has been charged in his death.

Dennehy, a 6-foot-11 post player, never played a game at Baylor. He sat out last season after transferring from New Mexico.

The Bears will wear black stripes on the left shoulder of their jerseys this season in memory of Dennehy.

Dennehy's disappearance and death prompted an internal inquiry that revealed serious NCAA violations, including revelations that failed drug tests were suppressed and coach Dave Bliss, who resigned in shame, had paid players' tuitions.

Part of the school's self-imposed probation is a ban on postseason. play, meaning the Bears get only the 29 games on their schedule and won't even play in the Big 12 tournament. Their goal is to win at least 15 games for a finish above .500.

"With no postseason, we really kind of have no fear, nothing to lose," Sayman said. "Every game is our championship pretty much. Every win is so important to us because that's all we have, and that's how we're approaching every game."

## Scoreboard

**VOLLEYBALL** City of Pampa Fall Mixed Volleyball Standings Lost

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**FOOTBALL** This week's Class 4A football playoff

- Standings through Nov. 21.

schedule and results **CLASS 4A DIVISION I** 

Region I

EP Riverside 20, Amarillo Palo Duro 7

North Crowley 30, WF Rider 16 **Quarterfinals** 

EP Riverside vs. North Crowley, TBA.

Region II

Dallas Kimball 37, Richardson Pearce 18

Texarkana 42, Corsicana 14

Quarterfinals

Dallas Kimball (9-3) vs. Texarkana, TBA.

Region III

Beaumont Central 10, Pflugerville Connally 9

Bay City 22, Dayton 16

Quarterfinals Beaumont Central vs. Bay City (11-

1), TBA.

Region IV

Kerrville Tivy 17, New Braunfels 7 CC Calallen 42, Edinburg 11

Quarterfinals

Kerrville Tivy (10-2) vs. CC Calallen (12-0), 8 p.m. Saturday at Alamodome.

**DIVISION II** 

Region I Pampa 42, EP Chapin 21

Aledo 14, Lewisville Hebron 13

Plainview 42, Canutillo 20 Denton Ryan 22, Brownwood 6

Regionals

Pampa vs. Aledo, TBA.

Plainview vs. Denton Ryan, 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Abilene.

Region II

Wylie 42, Dallas Wilson 7

Kilgore 49, Terrell 12

Dallas Highland Park 35, Dallas Lincoln 7

Ennis 49, Hallsville 7

Regionals

Wylie vs. Kilgore, TBA.

Dallas Highland Park vs. Ennis,

Region III

Nederland 28, Richmond Foster 14 La Marque 69, Crosby 14

Waller 27, Port Neches-Groves 26 El Campo 17, Houston King 10

Regionals Nederland (8-3) vs. La Marque (11

0), 7 p.m. Friday, Rice Stadium. Waller vs. El Campo, TBA.

Region IV

SA Alamo Heights 27, Bastrop 6 Gregory-Portland

Brownsville Porter 28

New Braunfels Canyon 28, SA Sam Houston 21

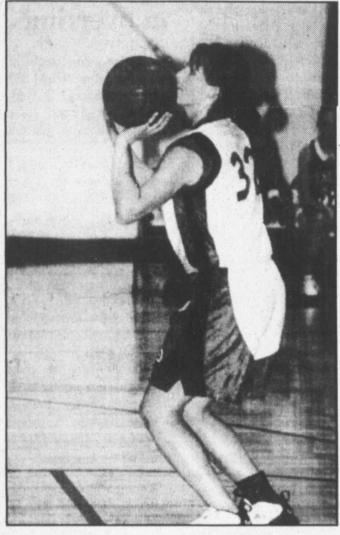
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Regionals

SA Alamo Heights (11-1) vs. Gregory-Portland (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Alamo Heights.

New Braunfels Canyon (9-2) vs. Mission Sharyland (11-1), 8 p.m. Friday at Alamodome.

## **High scorer**



(Courtesy photo)

Senior Katie Barnes (above) was the high scorer with 14 points as Lefors won its season basketball opener against Texline 31-24. Rachel Stubbs followed with 9 points and

Savanah Smith 8.

# OU finishes off 10th unbeaten regular season in 65 years

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) a touchdown in three straight tion. If everyone could run the field on a 13-play drive down between the nation's nation's top-scoring offense. top-ranked offense against the stingiest defense.

B.J. Symons and Texas Tech never had a chance.

Kejuan Jones scored five TDs and Oklahoma's defense intercepted five of Symons' passes, keeping the topranked Sooners on track for a berth in the national championship game with a 56-25 victory Saturday.

"Sometimes I thought we were able to confuse him with our coverages," Oklahoma cornerback Derrick Strait said of Symons. "We knew it for the fourth-straight year. was going to be a long day of work. It's a game where it's up to you to try to stop them."

The Sooners (12-0, 8-0 Big 12) finished off its 10th unbeaten regular season in 65 years and need only to win the Big 12 title game on Dec. 6 in Kansas City to assure a Sugar Bowl bid.

Oklahoma, which last went unbeaten during its national championship season in 2000, has won 13 straight games — the longest current streak in Division I-

Tech (7-5, 4-4) entered the game as the nation's top offense by more than 80 yards, and Symons was poised to break Ty Detmer's 13-year-old NCAA Division I-A single-season record for passing yards.

Oklahoma hadn't allowed

— It was billed as a show- games and boasted the zone against us like OU, they

An intriguing matchup on paper turned into yet another Sooners' rout. Whether it was the

Jason White threw for 394 swirling West Texas wind or yards and four touchdowns, Oklahoma's relentless pass rush, Tech couldn't keep pace the high-scoring Sooners, who surpassed the 50-point mark for a schoolrecord seventh time this sea-

> Oklahoma co-defensive coordinator Mike Stoops, who's rumored to be frontrunner for the head coaching job at Arizona, put the clamps on Tech's pass-happy offense

Symons broke Detmer's mark in the second quarter, but finished with a seasonlow 230 yards on 31-of-53 passing. The 6-foot-1 senior, hobbled by a knee injury, threw 10 interceptions in his final two home games.

"He, along with 12 other people failed to make routine plays," Tech coach Mike Leach said. "Apparently he wasn't coached well enough to do that, at least not this week."

Texas Tech has been held to an average of 16 points and 293 yards in four straight losses against the Sooners, well below its averages of 36 points and 465 yards over that four-year span.

"Not everyone can run the zone as effectively as Oklahoma," Symons said. "They run the zone to perfecprobably would."

Midway through the second quarter, Symons set the Division I mark on a 15-yard completion to Nehemiah Glover that set up a 5-yard touchdown pass to Wes Welker three plays later.

The Red Raiders trailed 14-10, the crowd of 53,135 was buzzing over the potential for a huge upset and Symons had finally found his

From then on, little else went right for Symons or

Oklahoma scored three touchdowns - two following Symons interceptions in less than 2 1/2 minutes to turn the game into yet another rout for the Sooners.

White threw a 28-yard touchdown pass to Brandon Jones to give the Sooners a 21-10 lead with 2:45 left in the half.

Then Symons was intercepted on consecutive plays deep in his own territory, with each turnover followed by Kejuan Jones touchdown runs to give Oklahoma a 35-10 halftime lead.

"Those turnovers were huge," White "Anytime you don't have to go very far to get in the end zone, it's great. (The defense) really came up with some big plays right before halftime."

On Tech's first possession of the third quarter, the Red Raiders marched down

before facing fourth-and-9 from the 13. Symons was then picked

off in the end zone by Strait, who zig-zagged his way through would-be tacklers for a 97-yard return down to the Tech 3. "We probably did get a

little greedy at times," Symons said. "You can always second guess." A few plays later, Jones

down of the day. Tech, however, got off to a surprisingly fast start

rushed for his third touch-

against Oklahoma. The Sooners were forced to punt on its opening possession, and the ball got caught up in the wind gusts swooping through Jones SBC Stadium, going out of bounds at the Oklahoma 45.

Tech went up 3-0 on Keith Toogood's 31-yard field goal about six minutes into the game, only the second time the Sooners have trailed this season but Oklahoma responded

with an 80-yard, seven-play drive capped by White's 28yard touchdown pass to Travis Wilson. On their next possession, the Sooners extended their

lead to 14-3 on Clayton's

14-yard over-the-shoulder

catch from White. This season, Oklahoma beat its five Big 12 South foes - Texas, Texas A&M, Tech, Baylor and Oklahoma State — by a combined score of 291-50.



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you. You also will gain financially this CANCER (June 21-July 22)

this event will be fall 2004. If you are Tonight: Just don't be alone.

attached, you might not always under- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; to get some work done.

card. Stop and get some travel brochures romance to your life.

to flip through with a partner. Trust that LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

you pull yourself out of never-never land SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

your efforts will be appreciated. Tonight: \*\*\* Use the a.m. to express your

does or says. You could be surprised and plish a lot. Tonight: Put your feet up and

work late as a result, but you might not might see the perfect gift for someone

care, either. Tonight: Think "vacation." close. Why not? Catch up on calls and

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You will gain professionally this year if plish more. Tonight: How 'bout dinner easy this morning. Share your affection

year, especially with the quality of work \*\*\* You easily could be distracted Balance your checkbook, whether at

might not be sure who to choose. You loved one or a partner. This afternoon \*\*\* You might need and want some

might date several people before meeting others seek you out. Network, listen and private time with a loved one or a special

your sweetie. The most likely period for share opinions. Brainstorm away, friend. Instead of thinking about what

stand your mate's unpredictability. \*\*\* Your imagination takes you in a Be more upbeat. Tonight: Enjoy the one

mohey and can be quite possessive emo- ment because you're shy. Learn to accept \*\* \* Make the most out of the early

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll must-do's in the afternoon. Tonight: Try attention. Express your feelings. Dig into

\*\* \* Hop on the computer or call up only want to take a half-day at work. \* \* You need to stay on your toes, as

experts if you have a question or prob- When you get into work, allow your a boss might want certain things from

lem. Solutions, as you see, are readily imagination and creativity to flow. You you. Be willing to skip lunch if need be.

available. Your gentleness and caring might be amazed by what comes out. Don't think your performance isn't being

côme out when buying a special gift or Run with surprises. Tonight: Add more noticed. A meeting or group happening

\*\*\* A partner or new sweetie his or her response. Dig into a project in actor Ricardo Montalban (1920), actress

might melt your heart by what he or she the afternoon. You will be able to accom- Christina Applegate (1971)

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deeper feelings verbally or through an BORN TODAY

you put out. If you are single, you might by someone in your immediate environ- home or at work. Tonight: Order in.

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sharing. CAPRICORN helps you make feelings. Don't shut out a caring state- AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

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Kid Scoop winds the time machine dial back to the year 1621 to ask two Pilgrim children, Percival and Priscilla, to talk about their lives and the first Thanksgiving!

# How many children were on the Mayllower?

Thirty-four of the passengers on the ship Mayflower were children. Here is a game to help you remember this curious fact!

1. Take turns placing a marker, such as a button or a pebble, on the numbers on the grid.

2. Add the numbers as they are covered. For example, if the first player covered a 4, the second a 3, and then you covered a 2, your score would be 4 + 3 + 2 or 9.

How many people

saffed on the

Here is a puzzle that

Mayllowar?

will give you the

Start adding the

numbers on the

bottom row of

each group of

two numbers.

answer in the

Write the

circle in

the row

above.

row by

row, until

Look

through the

newspaper

to find:

you get to the top of the barrels!

Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums.

Add the numbers.

barrels. Add

answer!

3. Continue covering numbers until one player can make the numbers add up to exactly 34. If the sum is more than 34, a player is out. 4. To play again, change the game by changing your target number!

## And baby makes 35!

We started out with 34 children on the Mayflower, but before we reached America, a new baby passenger was on board!

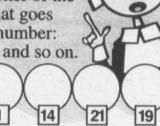
Pilgrim manners were

different than today's manners.

Circle the child who is using

good Pilgrim manners.

To find out what his parents named him, write the letter of the alphabet that goes with each number: A=1, B=2, and so on.





Of course we did!

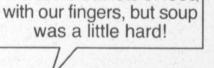
## **Pilgrim Manners**

Children eat standing up. Keep your hat on while you eat. Do not talk unless an adult talks to you.

Eat with your fingers.

Standards Link: History: Understand the

We could eat lots of food



Follow the maze to find

out what some Pilgrims used to eat soup

Hollow Twigs

## Did Pilgrim kids have to go to school?

• the word

• the word

**Thanksgiving** 

are thankful for

something you

turkey or a

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

picture of one

Use the words below to complete the answer.

There were no schools in that first year. Everyone was too busy building a community and planting crops to worry about school. But we did learn to at home.

ANSWER: 132

· a news story to

talk about at

dinner

· a picture of

Thanksgiving

something the

Pilgrims ate

cornfields

read

Children helped the community with many important jobs. Some children watched the Plymouth freshly planted

and threw at any birds or other animals that tried to eat the seeds. roofs

Other times we shelled corn and made mattresses by stuffing linen bags stones

with pine needles, corn husks, or feathers. We also gathered grasses that were used to make thatch for the buildings and dug clams from the mud along the shore.

Standards Link: History: Understand how people lived in times past.

## Double

**MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS** 

SOUP **PLYMOUTH** 

**FINGERS CROPS** 

BABY **PASSENGERS** 

TURKEY **STONES MANNERS** CLAMS

HUNT LINEN HUSKS

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

Clam Shells

THANHUSKSP KTSPORCPCL MURNENILLY AREWOLFYAM NKGSGGBHMO NENRIAPUSU EYIVBIUNNT RMFSENOTSH SREGNESSAP

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

## BEYOND Kid Scoop

## **Pilgrims Today**

Find something in the newspaper that Pilgrims did not have in 1621. Write a letter to Priscilla and Percival Pilgrim giving them details about this item.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write expository essays with details; write informal letters.



ANSWER: Because they never learned good table manners.

# **Weekly Writing**

### Thank You!

Thank you Gary for everything you have done for me. One of the biggest things anyone has every done for me was done by you. You bought me a drum set. You opened up a whole new world to me.

6th Grade

Dear Nancy, thank you for being sweet to me. I want to thank you for being my best friend. I appreciate how you share your stuff with me.

> Rosa, 5th Grade

I want to thank the Phillies for a great season and for being good people.

> Ryan, 4th Grade

I want to thank my sister. Sometimes we fight but she pays me back by doing so many good things for me. When she has lots of homework she still plays with me. I really like hanging out with her. She always takes care of me when I get hurt.

Lauren, 5th Grade

I want to thank one of my teachers. She solves all my problems and really helps me when I am under stress.

> Billy, 5th Grade

Somebody special to me is my mom. She's always there to help me with my homework. She lets a lot of my friends sleep over. She buys me cool stuff. But the most special thing about her is that she loves me.

> Rashed, 5th Grade

Dear Natasha, the first day of middle school was very scary. When you came up to me and started talking to me, I felt like I fit in. You introduced me to all your friends and now they are becoming my friends. You never judge me. I am thrilled

that you became my friend. Karlee, 7th Grade

Dear Grandpa, I want to thank you for helping me in school and inspiring me to do well. You helped me through subjects that I was struggling withand you also gave me confidence which allowed me to do well. You always gave me a little push and told me I could do better. Thank you!

Ashley, 7th Grade

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