

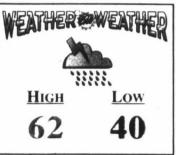


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Opal O. Mahanay, 83, homemaker. Elizabeth McFadden, 89, homemaker.









Officials discuss ambulance options

By MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

City and county officials McCormick, Jeff Andrews, met at 10:30 a.m. today to Faustina Curry and Robert discuss what to do next after Dixon. Rural/Metro Ambulance Service gave notice that they notice that Rural/Metro is not would be closing their Pampa

ends on July 14.

floor city commission chambers at City Hall, was attend-Peet, Precinct 1 County Commissioner Joe Wheeley, County Auditor Elaine Morris, City of Pampa Finance Director John Horst, Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell, Mayor Lonny Robbins, City Manager Mitch Grant, City Secretary Phyllis

Jeffers, City Attorney Don Lane, and City Commissioners Jeff

"We have been served going to be providing their office when their current con- services for our community tract with local government anymore. We are here to consider our options," Robbins The meeting, held in third- said, at the beginning of today's meeting.

Peet said the ambulance ed by County Judge Richard service had confirmed July 14 as their last day of service in talks with county officials earlier this week. The city had also been notified of Rural/Metro's decision earlier in the week.

> "We visited with them the other day. July 14 is the end

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(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

City and county officials meet at Pampa City Hall this morning to discuss ambulance services. Representatives of Rural/Metro Ambulance Service told officials earlier this week that the office here will close on July 14.

receive settlement offers

By MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

Pampa and Gray County have each received a settlement offer from plaintiffs in residents

of the settlement.

County commissioners had he said. the lawsuit brought by Tulia voted in a special meeting Pampa City Manager Mitch total of \$7,000 to \$9,000, deductible of \$10,000. The Associated Press report. according to County Judge total settlement amount is Richard Peet in a telephone \$50,000, with the remaining Amarillo would also disband bust received lengthy sen- according to the Associated "That was not a firm figure. city's insurance carrier, Texas task force, the report said.

local agent for Trident. He not involved in the lawsuit, result of a drug bust in Tulia in filed the suit, were dropped explained that exact figures and referred calls to Melissa July 1999. In the bust, 46 peo- after they provided alibis.

against the Feb. 6 to allow attorneys for were unsuccessful, and she undercover operation involv- the sisters filed their suit. Panhandle Regional Narcotics the county's insurance carrier had not returned calls from ing the community. to mediate for the county in The Pampa News as of this morning. \$5,000 and its insurance com- Grant said Thursday that the hit hardest in the proposed set- visual evidence to corroborate of the Tulia cases. pany Trident Insurance would city's share of the settlement tlement, agreeing to pay \$5 the busts, according to an pay an additional sum for a would be its insurance million, according to an Associated Press report.

were not yet available on the Eastham, an attorney with a ple, 39 of whom are black, Kizzy White spent four years amount of the county's share law firm in Midland which were arrested in Tulia after behind bars and was released represents the city in the suit, former peace officer Tom last June. Governor Rick Coleman, who is white, had Perry pardoned 35 of the Tulia Telephone calls to Eastham worked alone in an 18-month defendants on the same day A total of 26 counties and

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Trafficking Task Force. In the offer, Gray County the lawsuit.

would pay a deductible of interview Thursday.

It was an estimate given to us Management Risk Pool, Grant yesterday," said Ray Duncan said. of Duncan Fraser & Bridges

By MARILYN POWERS

STAFF WRITER

as a candidate in Pampa's May 15

school board and city commission

Independent School District's Board

Current officeholders are Joe

Martinez, board president, Place 6;

that race as of Thursday afternoon.

Jones has not filed for re-election

Candidates for his seat on the

Place 6 and Place 7 on Pampa Library.

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Filing deadline Monday

for city, school election

Monday is the deadline for filing board races. No other offices at

of Education are up for election. city commission are up for election

Martinez has filed for re-election commissioner, has not filed for re-

race.

to Place 6 and is the only candidate in election as of Thursday afternoon.

school board are Kenneth Howard commission seats may file between 8

Cargill, Willie E. Nickleberry and a.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 205 at City

Monday is the first day of spring sioners will be held May 15 at Lovett

break for Pampa schools, but the per- Memorial Library, the same date and

sonnel office at Carver Center, 321 W. place as the school board election.

Gregory Glenn Brown as of Hall, 201 W. Kingsmill.

and Bill Jones, board secretary, Place is unopposed as of Thursday.

Albert, will be open from 8 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. Monday for last-minute fil-

ers to enter one of the two school

Carver Center will be open Monday.

The school board election will be

Ward 2 and Ward 4 seats on the

held May 15 at Lovett Memorial

this year. Faustina Curry has filed for

re-election to her Ward 4 position and

Jeff Andrews, currently the Ward 2

Ray Boring is the only candidate as of

Thursday to be entered in the Ward 2

Prospective candidates for the city

The election of two city commis-

The lawsuit against the task bargains. force and its participating

Insurance Agency, Inc., the said Wednesday that he was 2003 by two women as a White, the two women who be apportioned.

Authorities found no drugs three cities are named in the or money during the arrests, lawsuit. Coleman was tried for The City of Amarillo was and Coleman had no audio or aggravated perjury as a result

All but one of the 46 arrested in the drug bust will receive

Some of the first defen- some portion of the settlement The agreement with dants to go to trial after the money from the lawsuit, \$40,000 to be paid by the the multi-agency narcotics tences, which prompted other Press. One defendant died defendants to agree to plea before going to trial and is not included in the settlement. A

Drug charges against sis- claims administrator will City Attorney Don Lane entities was filed Aug. 22, ters Kizzy White and Tonya determine how the funds will

Homeland Security officials keeping wary eye on Spain

Security officials issued a bulletin paredness plans. advising state officials, police and tranlight of the bombings in Spain.

They were asked late Thursday said.

keeping close watch on developments activities to police. related to the terrorist attacks that riders in Spain.

intelligence "we have no specific indinear term," Roehrkasse said Friday.

The attacks on Thursday have not terror alert level, which remains at yellow, indicating an "elevated" threat.

White House spokesman Scott Department has been working with

"Our efforts have focused on aware-

sit and rail agencies to be vigilant in ness, prevention, response, and recovery to a potential attack." he said.

Amtrak increased patrols of its night to consider additional surveil- police force and canine units, lance and to look out for unattended spokesman Dan Stessel said. bags and backpacks, Homeland Electronic surveillance of bridges and Security spokesman Brian Roehrkasse tunnels was intensified, he said. And the company reinforced its message to Homeland Security officials were Amtrak employees to report suspicious

"That gives you another 20,000 sets killed or wounded about 1,400 train of eyes," Stessel said. The railroad is continuing to review information Based on the current assessment of received from the FBI and the Transportation Security cations that terrorists are considering Administration, he said, but there has such attacks on the United States in the been no credible threat against Amtrak or other railroads.

Acting TSA chief David Stone said prompted the United States to raise its the agency has been working with public transit systems to close security gaps

"TSA is very much involved in all McClellan said the Homeland Security risk mitigation plans with trains, met-(See SECURITY, Page 3)

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POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

Wednesday, March 10

A woman was reportedly assaulted by a motor vehicle in the 900 block of South Faulkner.

A representative for Texas Workforce Commission, 1200 block of N. Hobart, reported terroristic threat.

Police received a report that an aquarium had received \$15 damage in the 1000 block of Huff Road.

Thursday, March 11

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1000 block of West Wilks.

Graffiti was reported at Pampa Middle School, 2401 N. Charles. The incident occurred between March 9 and March 10.

Two dogs were reported stolen from a backyard in the 1300 block of Williston.

Officers reported evading arrest in a vehicle.

A woman reported she had been pushed. Location of the incident was not listed.

A bicycle was found in the 1200 block of East Kingsmill.

Class disruption was reported at Wilson Elementary School, 801 E. Browning.

Leroy Welch, 74, 844 Campbell, was arrested on three charges of non-payment of fine.

Andy Benjamin Lee, 45, 811 E. Kingsmill, was arrested for evading with a vehicle

Kenneth Ray Reed, 21, 1131 S. Wells, was arrested for public intoxication.

Jana Turlington, 29, 1041 Prairie Dr., was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and violation of probation.

Jessica Smith, 23, 1012 Duncan, was arrested on three capias pro fines and possession of a controlled substance over one gram and under four grams.

SHERIFF

No arrests or incidents were reported by Gray County Sheriff's Office by press time today.

FIRE

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

Thursday, March 11 10:29 a.m. - One unit and three firefight-

ers responded to a LifeStar medical helicopter standby at One Medical Plaza.

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents.

Sunday, March 7

12:43 a.m. – A 1999 Chrysler van driven by Lucille G. Patterson, 82, 336 Jean, and a 1997 Chevrolet pickup driven by Adriana Saldierna, 14, 615 N. West and 738 S. Reid, collided in the intersection of Tyng and South Barnes streets. Patterson was cited for unsafe turn - U-turn, and Saldierna was cited for no valid Texas driver's license. No injuries were reported.

1:21 p.m. – A 1999 Dodge pickup driven by Brandon Alton Kane, 17, 321 Rider, and a 1998 Toyota pickup driven by Shawn Jamison Watson, 34, 129 S. Wells, collided in the 600 block of East Frederic. Kane was cited for unsafe turn - left. No injuries were reported at the scene.

Thursday, March 11

12:40 a.m. - An unknown vehicle struck a 2003 GMC pickup owned by Looper Fence Company, 2537 Duncan, legally parked in a parking lot at 855 W. Kingsmill. The unknown vehicle then left the scene.

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OPAL O. MAHANAY 1920-2004

Opal O. Mahanay, 83, of the Meredith of House in Pampa, passed away Wednesday, March 10, 2004, at 2:45 p.m. in her room at Odyssey Hospice of Amarillo, with her daughter Katie Gunter and son Dan Mahanay at her side.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 13, 2004, at Fairview Cemetery, with Rev. Richard Bartel, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Honey Grove, Texas, to George A. and Lona Mae Bynum. She spent her early years in Childress, until moving to Pampa in the late 1930s where she met Daniel Benjamin Mahanay. They were married Dec. 19, 1942, in Denver, Colo., where Daniel was stationed at Buckley Field.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George A. and Lona Mae Bynum; her husband, Daniel Benjamin; five sisters, Corine Bynum

cremated and is consequently not available for

viewing. Memorial services will be scheduled

at a later time. Arrangements are under the

direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

resident, was born May 26, 1914, at Evanston,

Ill., to Francis and Edith Sherer. She married

Delos A. McFadden on April 4, 1938, in

Genoa City, Wis.; he died in 1987.

Directors of Pampa.

ELIZABETH WELLS McFADDEN 1914-2004

MIAMI — Elizabeth Wells McFadden, 89, died Thursday, March 11, 2004. The body was player and enjoyed traveling.

> Dee Dee McFadden Bradley; and a sister, Margie McGreggor.

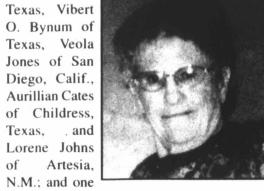
Breeding of Miami; three grandchildren; and Mrs. McFadden, a lifelong Harvard, Ill., five great-grandchildren.

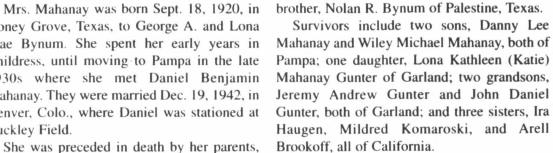
> Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or a favorite charity.

Mrs. McFadden moved to Miami in 1999. www.carmichael-whatley.com.

SERVICES TOMORROW

MAHANAY, Opal O. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery.



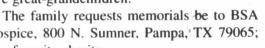


-Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

She was a homemaker, an avid bridge and golf

She was preceded in death by a daughter,

Survivors include a daughter, Edith



-Sign the on-line register book at



WEATHER FOCUS

AMBULANCE

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

Thursday, March 11

12:03 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Price and Alcock and transferred a patient for transport by LifeStar helicopter.

4:19 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of South Reid and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center. 9:42 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Starkweather. No transport

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Today's forecast is calling for mostly cloudy skies, a 40 percent chance of rain, highs in the mid 50s and south winds 15 to 25 mph. Tonight should fall on cloudy skies with a 50 percent chance of rain which should decrease after midnight, lows in the mid 40s and south winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday should be mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 60s. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph. Saturday night, mostly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms then a slight chance of rain after midnight. Breezy. Lows near 40. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph shifting to the northwest 15 to 25 mph after midnight. Chance of showers and thunderstorms 30 percent. Sunday, partly cloudy. Windy. Highs in the lower 50s. North winds 20 to 30 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs around 70. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower to mid 70s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s.

Current account deficit swells to record \$541.8 billion in 2003

The deficit in the broadest measure of trade swelled to a record \$541.8 billion in 2003, according to a government report that comes as trade and the loss of jobs have become major issues in the presidential campaign.

The latest snapshot of trade activity released by the Commerce Department on Friday showed that the "current account" deficit last year was 12.7 percent bigger than the previous all-time high deficit of \$480.9 billion in 2002.

Businesses boosted stockpiles of supplies in January by 0.1 percent. Businesses' sales went up by 0.4 percent.

The increase in inventories in January wasn't as large as the 0.3 percent rise some economists were calling for. While businesses' feelings about the economy have improved in recent months, they are still cautious, especially when it comes to hiring, economists say.

The current account report is considered the best measure of a country's international economic standing

WASHINGTON (AP) - because it tracks not just the That's something that Kerry goods and services reflected in the government's monthly trade reports but also investment flows between countries and unilateral transfers.

The Bush administration says the best way to handle the mushrooming deficits is to get other countries to remove trade barriers and open their markets to U.S. companies. Democrats and other critics point to the deficits as evidence that the president's free-trade policies aren't working and are contributing to the loss of U.S. jobs.

President Bush in speeches this week promoted his free-trade policies and spoke out against economic isolationism — a swipe at presumptive Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry, though Bush didn't mention him by name.

Kerry, a Massachusetts senator, has said he would place all trade deals under a 120-day review and would require companies to provide notice before moving iobs to other countries.

Since Bush took office in January 2001, the economy has lost 2.2 million jobs.

and other Democrats have made a point of emphasizing, and they hope voters will think twice about reelecting Bush when they go to the polls in the fall.

Striking a note of optimism, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, in an appearance on Capitol Hill Thursday, said he believed "employment will begin to increase more quickly before long" as economic output continues to expand.

Job losses have heightened fears that U.S. workers are losing out to foreign competition and has led to proposals to erect protectionist trade barriers, Greenspan said. The Fed chief warned that a "new round of protectionist steps" represented "alleged cures" that he said "would make matters worse rather than better."

The United States' deficit in goods was the main factor in the bigger overall deficit for 2003.

The deficit in goods widened last year to \$549.4 billion, from \$482.9 billion in 2002.

Man stabs himself before police can question him

and didn't come back out.

A man poked his head out

Officers went to check on

The incident is being inves-

Phillips said the cases are

Six of the seven women

whose bodies have been found

along highways or creeks in at

least four states were known

prostitutes. Investigators sus-

the man and found he had

stabbed himself, Phillips said.

tigated as an attempted sui-

But there are parallels.

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) Charles Phillips said. — A man police were trying to question about the deaths of of the sleeper compartment of seven women apparently the truck when officers stabbed himself at a northeastknocked on the door of the side truck stop, investigators cab, but he went back inside said.

The man, whose identity wasn't released, was hospitalized after Thursday's incident but his condition wasn't immediately known, police said.

Vice officers assisting in the investigation were asking questions around the Flying J truck stop at Interstate 35 and N.E. 122nd Street when someone told them to check out a truck that had been sitting in the parking lot for an abnormal length of time, Sgt.

City Briefs

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nected to a single killer.

The first death in the possible series was that of Margaret Gardner, a 47-year-old Tennessee woman who was found in July on an Interstate 40 entrance ramp in West Memphis, Ark.

The tractor-trailer in which the man was found was reported stolen from Arkansas up to a year ago, Phillips said.

The other six were last seen in or were found in Oklahoma.

The most recent victim, Casey Jo Pipestem, 19, is thought to have vanished from an Oklahoma City truck stop at the same intersection where the man stabbed himself.

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of their budget year. They're fairly concrete on the end date," Wheeley said.

"Judge Peet asked what it would take for them to stay, and they were very noncommittal. They made it known that their next closest office was in Abilene.

"They also said that in the last eight months, they have had five negative months and three positive months (regarding income). And that's with our subsidy. They are getting \$144,000 a year subsidy, equally split between the city and county," Wheeley said.

During the meeting earlier in the week with county officials, an ambulance service

representative explained that the service made about \$6,000 during the period under discussion, but that the corporate offices of the service wanted at least a 10 percent profit, of some cities collecting 35 Wheeley said.

"Their uncollectibles were 56 to 58 percent," Wheeley said.

- Pampa and Gray County have more than one choice on how to provide emergency medical services to its citizens. A company can be contracted to provide ambulance services or the county can set up a hospital district which would then be able to provide its own ambulance service. A hospital district would involve taxation and government.

"Cities have a lower collec-

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tion rate (on ambulance service charges) because residents come to consider it a part of their tax rate," Curry said.

Horst agreed that he knew percent of their accounts receivable on ambulance services. Peet said he had contacted

six other counties in the area concerning how they provide ambulance service. Randall County has a contract with Baptist St. Anthony's hospital for ambulance service. Some have hospital districts which provide the service, he said.

Peet also talked to Norm Stephens of Pampa Regional Medical Center concerning the local hospital's possible involvement in ambulance

services. "Their organization typically doesn't operate ambu-

lance services," Peet said. Some independent providers similar to Rural/Metro have already been contacted concerning Gray County's needs for ambulance services, Robbins said. They included Baptist St. Anthony's and Gold Star, which appeared to be the most interested, he said.

City and county officials also discussed firefighters' possibly providing ambulance service. Powell and others said that a 20/80 rule prevented firefighters from spending more than 20 percent of their time on ambulance-type calls.

The cost of providing

ambulance service, including salaries, equipment, liability issues and vehicles was discussed.

"I at first thought it would be a feasible thing to do for the county, but I don't know about the liability aspects. I think since there are interested companies out there, we need to pursue that first," Wheeley said.

"What if we were to put together a joint task force between the county and city? We need to start making inquiries," Robbins said.

"Any task force needs to involve both entities," Peet agreed. "Both entities are obligated to provide for the health, welfare and safety of its citizens."

County commissioners will select four task force members at their regular 9 a.m. meeting Monday in Gray County Courthouse. City commissioners will hold a special meeting Monday afternoon to choose four task force members.

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The task force's job will be to come up with a contingency plan for immediate ambulance needs, pursue a contract with an ambulance service, learn what is needed to provide locally-based ambulance service through the county, and long term goals for future

No representatives of Rural/Metro Ambulance Service attended this morning's meeting.

Tulia civil rights plaintiffs: It wasn't only about money

Kizzie White lost years with her daughter's college education. children when they, along with agent.

On Thursday, they learned important as the money. that they will share a \$5 million settlement in a civil rights lawsuit over the arrests and the multiagency task force that ran the allegedly racially motivated operation will be dismantled.

doesn't make up for the four years." years he spent behind bars, but it

TULIA (AP) — Joe Moore his health, buy a small house in NAACP and attorneys repre- "The city of Amarillo has recog- defendants received long sen- gave during evidentiary hearlost his home and hog farm and the country and fund his grand-

about 40 others, were jailed on the federally-funded drug task trumped-up drug charges force that allowed agent Tom brought by a rogue undercover Coleman to work alone and a victory for the 46 people oversight mechanism." build false cases is equally as arrested in 1999 - most of

job," said White, who was released last June after four years in jail. "No matter how Moore, 61, said the money aren't going to bring back those said Vanita Gupta, an attorney unsettled and the city could not

will allow him to better care for of Amarillo was cheered by the helped represent the plaintiffs.

senting people who were snared nized that federally funded task tences — Moore got 90 years in this Texas Panhandle town by forces are ineffective tools of and others say they pleaded White, 27, said getting rid of Coleman, the task force's only law enforcement and they oper- guilty to avoid harsher punishundercover agent.

whom are black — but also a city attorney, called the settle-"They need to be gone and blow to law-enforcement task ment the responsible thing to do, let the city and county do the forces that they allege allow and added that the city recogpolice misconduct to go nizes the "misjustice" done in unchecked.

"It's not simply that Tom much money they bring, they Coleman was a rogue officer," ble for the task force is very with the NAACP Legal Defense risk a \$30-, \$50- or \$100- mil-The agreement with the city and Educational Fund who

ate as rogue task forces because ment. Attorneys said it was not just they are unaccountable to any

Tulia by the task force.

"The law on who is responsilion dollar judgment," Norris said

Coleman, who is white, said he bought drugs from the defendants, but had no audio or video surveillance to back it up. Some

stand trial May 24 on perjury will retire before the end of the Marcus Norris, Amarillo's charges related to testimony he year.

ings. In a move that Norris said was connected to the settlement,

two Amarillo police officers Coleman is scheduled to who had supervised Coleman



SECURITY

ropolitan transit systems and ports," he said.

In New York, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said authorities had moved to increase security in city subways and commuter trains. Uniformed personnel will be present at subway stations and

made public transit more vulnerable.

"You harden one target and you shift the threat to another," Hoffman said.

Further, he said, the success of the attacks on trains in Madrid may inspire other terrorists to imitate them.

If the TSA gets wind of a trains, on the Long Island Rail threat, the agency's communication system allows it to communicate quickly with companies and cruise lines, officials said. The agency has given \$115 million in security grants to transit systems in the past year.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE airport security may have fixtures that officials thought could be hiding places for bombs. Officials removed trash cans, newspaper recycling bins and newspaper sales boxes.

Mailboxes disappeared from downtown Washington streets as the city tightened its guard against terrorism.

Last month, Homeland Security officials met with a First Call spring sale!

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service.

Road, PATH and Metro-North Rail Road trains. Bomb sniffing dogs will also be in use. transit agencies, railroads, bus around the region.

"We clearly are focusing, as you would expect us to do, even more resources on the New York City subway system," Bloomberg said at a news conference. "It goes to show we still live in a very dangerous world."

Bruce Hoffman, a terrorism expert at the Rand Corp., said it's much harder to secure transit systems than airports because it isn't possible to closely scrutinize every person in such large crowds.

"If terrorists want to kill a lot of people, public transportation is always the preferred target, because you get a lot of people in the same place at the same time," he said.

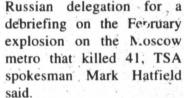
to be an attractive target for terrorists, he said, the U.S. government's tightening of

James Carafano, a homeland security expert with the conservative think tank Heritage Foundation, said-al-Qaida has shown an interest in bridges and tunnels. Major subway systems are now closely monitoring tunnels, he said.

"The major subway systems are better prepared than they were several years ago, and that's encouraging," Carafano said.

Federal Transit The Administration has sent technical teams to transit systems to assess their vulnerability Though airplanes continue and given them grants for training their employees. In Washington, metro sub-

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"You can bet we're going to be talking to our allies in. Spain and try to boil down lessons learned as the investigation into this horrible attack take place," he said.

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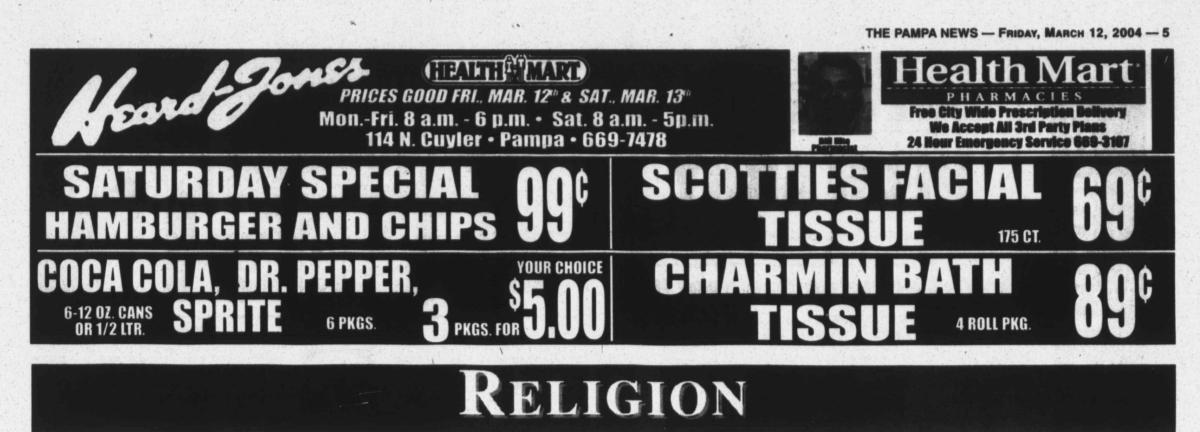
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Best-selling Christian author declares: 'It's Not About Me'

BY BOBBY ROSS JR. **ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER**

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - To millions of readers, he's a homespun writer whose personal anecdotes help connect ordinary Christians to God.

To thousands at his church, he's an honest, humble preacher whose ser- every place. He's really genuine, with- es, allowing only acappella singing. mons bring grace and glory to life.

But to some critics within the it." Churches of Christ, Max Lucado is an errant theologian whose positions on tion his heart. baptism and instrumental music in worship have strayed too far from their literal following of New Testament teachings.

For his part, Lucado — whose Lucado is a longtime friend. more than 50 books for children and adults have sold 33 million copies said he answers only to the elders at things you can say about him," Oak Hills Church, where he has ministered for 16 years.

else. I don't think we're called to do he has said." that," Lucado said in a recent interview to promote his new book, "It's congregations with no central head-Tuesday.

life and ministry.

"It would be easy for it to be about Tenn. him, and I'll just tell you, it's not," out ego, and I don't know how he does

and Family magazine, published by Church of Christ-affiliated Harding University in Searcy, Ark., said

"He is kind and considerate and generous and all those wonderful Norton said. "Having said that ... he has really disappointed a lot of us in "I really gave up on trying to the direction that he has taken the

Churches of Christ are autonomous members nationwide, according to honor. While Lucado's latest book is not "Churches of Christ in the United

verse - friends say the title fits his at Church of Christ-affiliated ACU alumnus in the world today," letin helped form his first book. Lipscomb University in Nashville, Money said.

Most Churches of Christ teach that said Kenny Wilson, an elder at baptism by immersion is an integral Lucado's church. "I've heard him part of salvation - and the vast preach to 50,000, to 10,000, to three in majority believe the Bible prohibits his living room, and he's the same instrumental music in worship servic-

While Lucado views baptism as important, he suggests it's not essen- everything he does and says," Money Lou Gehrig's disease in 1986, Max Even Lucado's critics don't ques- tial for redemption. His church allows said. instrumental music in some services. Howard Norton, editor of Church And in October, Oak Hills dropped the "Church of Christ" from its name ---an effort to reach people hesitant to has jumped to about 4,500, up from attend a Church of Christ, Lucado 3,300, he said. said.

> ored Lucado last month as its 2004 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year, crit- said. "Now, the big issue isn't so much ics again voiced concern.

"A lot of people ... felt like that Buddha." answer to or even please everybody church and in some of the things that came right on the heels of basically a said.

Not About Me," which hits stores quarters and an estimated 1.3 million Money said Lucado deserved the that he attend Abilene Christian.

an autobiography — the theme is that States: 2003" by researcher Mac media figure, a counselor to the presi- Church of Christ in Miami, where the David Robinson joined the church God, not man, is the center of the uni- Lynn, former Bible department chair dent ... he's easily the most recognized columns he wrote for the church bul- last year as "minister at large."

pointment at some of the decisions made by Lucado's church. But he said was a teacher. people can disagree and remain friends.

understand that he has the heart of a missionary. Therefore, that drives

reflects a societal shift. Since the name change, average Sunday attendance

"It just seems like we're in kind of so strong. So, when Church of Christ-affiliat- a post-denominational society that Methodist or Baptist, but Jesus or

Lucado, 49, was raised in the West adults and one or two for children. separation from the church," Norton Texas town of Andrews, the son of an oilfield mechanic and a nurse. His Abilene Christian President Royce conservative Christian parents insisted

He and his future wife, Denalyn, Still, Money acknowledged disap- also an Abilene Christian graduate, started dating in Miami, where she

They later married and moved to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, as missionaries. "To understand Max, you have to They have three daughters: Jenna, 19; Andrea, 17; and Sara, 14.

After Lucado's father died from returned to Texas to be closer to his In Lucado's view, his church mother and focus on writing. The 500member Oak Hills Church of Christ hired him as pulpit minister in 1988.

> Lucado soon gave up his church salary because his book royalties were

"Also, I felt better then because I ed Abilene Christian University hon- those differences are not as important need to take time away from the to people as they used to be," Lucado church work to do the writing," he said.

> Lucado takes off several weeks a year to write at least one new book for

Still, he preaches at Oak Hills about 40 weeks a year.

Inevitably, out-of-town visitors show up to hear him. Ironically, he's After graduation, he was hired as the second most famous minister on "He is a nationally recognized associate minister at the Central staff. Retired San Antonio Spurs star

By RICHARD N. OSTLING AP RELIGION WRITER

Does it matter whether the

republic is "under God"?

In a political sense, the answer is certainly ves. The attorneys general of all 50 states, the Bush administration and many members' of Congress joined briefs backing the current wording, an issue to be argued before the U.S. Supreme Court on March 24.

But the religious answer to faith. the "under God" question is

they're saying.

that the indivisible American and dropping God would separation. rewrite history or threaten reli-Opponents, some of them reli- one of the most militant sepa- Supreme Court's separation or prayer but simply a factual ence." gious believers, argue the phrase violates church-state separation as well as the reli- in asking the court to retain the organizations, meanwhile, for patriotic rather than religious rights of some God reference. Americans - or that it's just a meaningless phrase and possibly demeaning to persons of sion the Jewish congress has recognition of God is the hall-

Formal support for deletion lawyer there, but political real- said. The pledge expresses with certain unalienable more complicated, as indicated of "under God" comes largely ities left no choice. by the unusual lineup of from atheists, secularists,

Pledge proponents think silenced most Protestant and approval on narrow grounds. religion. general acknowledgment of Jewish organizations that nor- Further, he feared that if

rationist groups, joined conser- rulings since 1947. vative religious organizations

Marc Stern calls this the appeal for the pledge. "Jewish "most uncomfortable" deci- tradition teaches that human say. faced during his 27 years as a mark of civilization," they ("endowed by their Creator acceptable to anyone.

groups taking stands and what Unitarians and Buddhists. inevitable, Stern figured, so his shaped by a Supreme Being" College political scientist and Grass-roots sentiment has group should offer a path to but doesn't endorse any one an atheist who accepts the

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motto: 'In God is our trust"').

states would become unconsti-

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Seven Orthodox Jewish nation's past heritage of faith, want to give up the fight. made an openly religious gious reasons. Declaration of Independence a

pledge, such references to God Many pledge proponents are "relatively harmless" Pledge of Allegiance proclaims religion is good for society, mally champion church-state "under God" is banned, public offer secular justifications to because most people think fury might cause a "train fit Supreme Court rulings. they point to "a kind of friend In the biggest surprise, the wreck" - a Constitutional They claim "under God" isn't and counselor, rather than a gion's legitimate status. American Jewish Congress, amendment undermining the any sort of religious exercise commanding judgmental pres-

But pledge opponents don't

"Under God" is a classic example of what scholars call If God is eliminated, they "civil religion" or "ceremonial about the deism," the merest reference to purposely vague deity

That's exactly why the peoples' universal acknowl- rights") or Gettysburg Address pledge is objectionable to Victory for "under God" is e 'ment that "man's destiny is ("this nation, under God, shall believers like Episcopalian have a new birth of freedom") Randall Balmer, a professor of or the full text of the National American religious history at Anthem ("and this be our Barnard College, one of the interfaith religion scholars Proponents also wonder if who filed a brief against the constitutions of the 50 "under God."

> Balmer says such ritual tutional, since all refer to the recitations that mention a generic God "lead to a trivial-To Alan Wolfe, a Boston ization of faith."

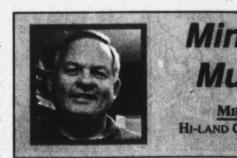


for Lent this year, but maybe this article will help some of you Christians who don't participate in Lent, to decide to do so next year. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, exactly 40 days before Easter, not counting the Sundays; 46 days before Easter, counting the Sundays.

It is not just a Catholic observance; it is a Christian impact on their personal life. observance. More specifically sacrificial price paid by Jesus to the Lord in a special way. for our sins."

we have the perfect right to, so that we might specially focus six Sundays.

do observe Lent make it trite,



The key in Lent is giving up it is a "season of repentance", a something that is "very signifi-"special time to draw near to cant in the individual believer's God with a humble heart", a life" so that they will be con-"chosen time to meditate on the stantly reminded to draw near

At our church we have peo-Most notably it is accompa- ple who have adopted Lent nied by the "giving up" of with their all their hearts and something that is good and that have given up some very peculiar things. I know someone who gave up "eating out at fast on something more important. food restaurants". That sounded The "giving up" is for the 40 kind of trivial when I first heard days of repentance, not for the it, but not when I realize that her work schedule was so tight Many Protestant churches that "fast food" was the only ignore Lent, not seeing the per- way she would normally got sonal significance that it can any lunch. It almost became a have in the lives of every kind of fasting time for her. It believer. And yet some wouldn't have been significant Catholics and Protestants who for me, but it surely was for her. Others in our church have almost a game by giving up given up: Trivial spending,

Minister's Musings imagine my walk with God. MIKE SUBLETT HI-LAND CHRISTIAN CHURCH

something incredibly trivial, soda pop, coffee, ice, all something that makes no sweets, all food, 30 minutes of and make you think each day of sleep, candy, meat, etc. In each what Lent is really all about. of these cases the thing given The Lord will help you know. up was personally chosen by a But don't be surprised at what believer who knew themselves He will prompt you to give up. well and picked something that And once He shows you, you would impact and alter their don't have any choice then. So life on every single day of Lent. begin praying now for a special

Wednesday nears (Feb. 9th), February and March. think about choosing to partici-Do it for yourself! Do it for ml

your family! Do it for your church!

When I moved back to Pampa I didn't have a clue about Lent and now I can't

without it. What should you give up? Spend the year thinking of what would really impact your life So next year in 2005, as Ash time with the Lord next

For more information about pate in this special "season of Lent: http://www.christianityrepentance". Do it for the Lord! today.com/ct/2000/110/33.0.ht

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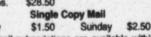
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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Man's Recurring Two-Year Itch Leaves Wife Short of Scratch

mother of three. I have been married to their father, "Carl," for eight years. Every two years, Carl decides he no longer wants to be a family man and packs up and leaves. When he goes, he leaves me destitute. I am a stay-at-home mom with only a high school degree.

Carl feels he should have to give us money only after his own needs and wants have been taken care of, and then only the amount he chooses. The most he will dole out is \$50 to \$100 at a time.

This time when he left, I warned him I'd file for child support. We were on speaking terms, and he said he loved me and wanted us to I comfort my daughter? reunite. That was until he was served with the support papers. Now he refuses to return my calls until I drop the suit. I love Carl, but I can't let him withhold support from our children. He has a good job, so there is no reason for this.

Am I unreasonable? Should I drop the suit? I want our family back together, but I'm afraid he'll leave again. What should I do? -- NEEDS SUPPORT IN TEXAS

DEAR NEEDS SUPPORT: For the sake of your children, do not allow yourself to be manipulated or emotionally blackmailed. Take your cues from your lawyer. Once a fair amount of child support has been established in a court of law or by mediation, offer Carl the option of marriage counseling. If he's sincere about wanting to reconcile, he will agree.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 28-year-old husband, you may need to be the breadwinner. So be prepared. *****

> **DEAR ABBY:** Several months ago I lost my mother to cancer. I am still trying to comfort myself. My four children were close to their grandmother, especially my 6-yearold daughter, "Vicki."

> Vicki comes to me crying and says she misses Grandma. When she does, I comfort her as best I can, but it's hard because I haven't let go and allowed myself to have a really good cry.

> Is it OK for Vicki to see me cry? I'm afraid I won't be able to stop once I start. And if that happens, how can

> Every week, I take fresh flowers to the cemetery. Vicki always wants to go with me, but I've taken her only twice. Do you think it might help her to go with me? I'm worried that taking her to the cemetery will only reopen the wound of losing her grandma. -- WANTING TO GRIEVE

> **DEAR WANTING: You have** my sympathy for the loss of your dear mother. I am concerned that you do not have an outlet for your grief. Please consult your doctor or clergyperson about locating a grief support group to help you through this difficult time.

I see nothing wrong with allowing your daughter to occasionally accompany you to the cemetery. It will teach her that although her grandmother is gone, she is not forgotten. I also see nothing wrong If he returns, I urge you to use with her seeing you cry. However, that opportunity to go back to if you think you might lose control school and prepare yourself to be and be unable to stop, don't do it, *****

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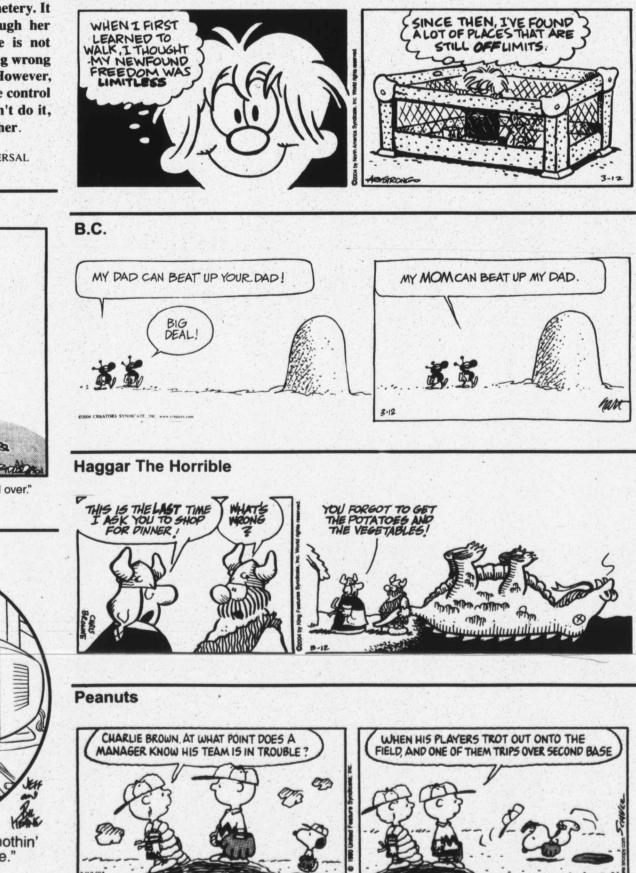






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SPORTS

Lincoln spoils Austin tournament party

Estacado eliminated by Houston Jones, 44-41

Lincoln spoiled the home flavor at the state boys' basketball tournament.

NOTEBOOK

Hidden Hills

Senior Scramble

(March 10)

1. Jim Brashears, Travis

2. Eldon Maxwell, Bob

3. Bill Hammer, Ron Parnell, James Lee and

4. Harley Knutson, B.F.

Closest to pin: Eldon

Closest to pin: Jerry

AUSTIN (AP) — Eric

Morris scored 21 to go with

Shallowater kept alive its

bid for another state basket-

ball title with a 62-46 win

over Clarksville in the Class

Shallowater won the

girls state title last week.

The Mustangs' boys' team

advanced to the state final

for the first time since 1981.

Tyler Dipprey scored 15

and Houston Howell had 13

points and nine rebounds

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2A semifinals Thursday.

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The perennial power Tigers knocked off Austin Johnson 64-62 in the Class 4A semifinals Thursday night, rallying from five points down with 90 seconds left.

Eric Russell's steal and layup in the final 30 seconds sent Lincoln to its second state final in three years. Lincoln won the champi-

AUSTIN (AP) - Dallas onship in 2002 behind Chris Bosh, now a rookie forward with the Toronto Raptors in the NBA. Russell's heads-up play

> came after Bryon Eaton swished a 3-pointer that tied the game at 62. The wily Russell then stepped in front of Johnson's inbounds pass to make the play of the game.

Marshall Brown scored 28 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead Johnson, the first Austin team to make the

^state tournament since 1999. But Brown never touched the ball on Johnson's final possession. Lincoln's' perimeter defense forced Tony Bragg to launch a wild 3-pointer that cleared everything and went out of bounds with three seconds left.

Lincoln (32-5) will face Houston Jones in Saturday's 4A final. Jones (30-5) slugged past Lubbock Estacado 44-41 behind 11 points apiece from Harrison Smith and Jay Jenkins.

In other games Thursday: won the Division I title 53-51

over Morton on Desmond Mays' layup with two seconds left in overtime.

Joseph Jones scored 21 points and grabbed 17 rebounds for Normangee (36-2), which will face Division II champion Lenorah Grady (35-1) on Saturday. Jason Pribyla scored 17 points and grabbed 12 for Grady in a 55-49 win over Neches for the Division II crown.

-In Class 3A, Ashton Hall scored 25 points as Kountze (35-2) ran past Corpus Christi West Oso 74--In Class 1A, Normangee 51. In the other semifinal, Shane McNeely scored 22

Midland for points Greenwood in a 67-56 win over Gainesville.

ended The loss Gainesville's bid to win football and boys' basketball state titles in the same academic year.

In games scheduled for Friday, Shallowater (29-5) faces Clarksville (28-6) and Argyle (32-3) plays Hitchcock (22-9) in the 2A semifinals.

In 5A semifinals, Cedar Hill (34-1) plays Victoria Memorial (33-5) and Houston Milby (37-0) plays Klein Collins (26-10).

Covalt, Rice make all-district

Senior guard Abbi Covalt was a first-team pick on the 2003-2004 All-District 3-4A girls' basketball team. Pampa freshman Britteni

Rice, a 5-7 guard, was named to the second team. The 5-7 Covalt has been on the varsity since she was a sophomore. She averaged 8.5 points per game in District 3-4A and was one of the assist leaders on the team.

Rice averaged 9.9 ppg and was one of the team's top rebounders.



Rice Covalt

2003-2004 All-District 3-4A **Girls Basketball Team**

(Voted on by district coaches)

Coach of the Year: Jim Wilcoxson, Randall. Player of the Year: Carlie Henson, Sr., Hereford.

First Team: Abbi Covalt, Sr., guard, Pampa; Carlie Henson, Sr., forward, Hereford; Chelsea Hartman, Sr., forward, Plainview; Jordan Gore, Jr., guard; Kali Gerber, Sr., post, Hereford; Lindsey French, Sr., forward, Dumas; Jessica Igo, Sr., post, Plainview.

Second Team: Britteni Rice, Fr., Pampa; Addie Lees. Sr., Plainview; Jackie Mondan, Sr.,

PHS boys clinch title

PAMPA _ With one in district to claim the runmatch remaining, the Pampa boys' soccer team has clinched the District 3-4A championship.

title without having to take the field.

Pampa, 8-1 in district, faces Randall today to close the regular season. Palo Duro finished at 7-3 Ratliff Stadium.

Borger (6-4) is the district's No. 3 playoff seed.

ners-up spot.

Pampa is scheduled to EI Paso meet the **Riverside-El** Paso Jefferson winner in the Area round of the playoffs on March 23 in Odessa. That Area match is tentatively set to start 7 P.m. at the soccer complex next to

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HARVESTER LANES **League Standings Celanese Mixed League**

(Week 4) Won Lost 11 Pin Heads WTM&N **Pin Busters** Darcy's Team Week's High Scores

Second-place Palo Duro was beaten by Borger yesterday to give the Harvesters the outright

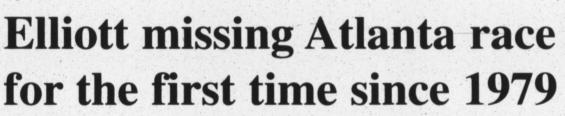
Team Team Eight Team One **Team Five**

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Thiel, Jr., Plainview; Karli Denning, Jr., Dumas; Tamika Daniel, Sr., Palo Duro;

Morgan Smith, Jr., Randall;

Adriene Randall.



tirement so far.

"It's been great watching the right decision. It was the best decision I ever made." He'll be watching Sunday's Golden Corral 500 at Atlanta Motor Speedway from the radio booth, part of an audition of sorts as an analyst for the Performance Racing Network. It's the first time the former champion of NASCAR's top series has missed a race at his home track since 1979. His team, Evernham Motorsports, couldn't put together a sponsorship package to make this event part of his partial schedule. "Bill Elliott brings a timely and unmatched perspective to our broadcast team," lead announcer Doug Rice said. "We are all excited and honored to have Bill join us." Last week at Las Vegas, the 48-year-old Elliott ran his first official event of the year and finished 10th. He was 14th in the Bud Shootout - a nonpoints race — at Daytona in could fix that from the driver's year career on his terms.

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) - February, and he's spent much standpoint," Kahne said. "Bill's Bill Elliott is enjoying semire- of his time helping his team got a lot of knowledge." develop a new style of car.

races," Elliott said. "To tell you able to do. So far, Elliott has a tracks on the circuit and only the truth, I know I made the deal for only one more Nextel about 100 miles south of Cup race, the Samsung-Radio Shack 500 at Texas Motor Speedway on April 4.

That's especially true at That might be all he'll be Atlanta, one of the fastest Pampa Bowling Roundup

Clarksville (28-7).

Shallowater led 24-22 at halftime. Morris hit a 3pointer to open the third quarter and scored on a fastbreak layup and another long jumper in a 12-3 run that opened up a 36-25 lead.

Titus hit a 3-pointer but the Tigers couldn't stem the stampede. Dipprey hit another 3-pointer and Morris struck again from the left wing with 43 seconds left in the period as the Mustangs took a 49-38 lead into the fourth.

Shallowater shot 53 percent from the floor as Morris kept finding teammates for open looks near the basket and on the perimeter. Clarksville shot just 36 percent, including 3of-18 from 3-point range.

HOCKEY

TORONTO (AP) Todd Bertuzzi is done for the season, suspended by an NHL intent on sending the message that it won't tolerate premeditated attacks on the ice.

Vancouver The Canucks' All-Star forward will lose at least \$500,000 in salary and could miss more time next season for the vicious punch that sent Colorado's Steve Moore to the hospital with a broken neck, concussion and other injuries.

The Canucks were fined \$250,000 for the attack, which is being investigated by police.

Flashback

1998: Aaron Whitney pitched a four-hitter as Pampa defeated Dumas 7-3 in a District 1-4A game.

Kaleb Snelgrooes and Enrique Cabrales had 2 hits each to lead the Pampa offense.

Part of what helped his adjustment go so smoothly has been the performance of his replacement, rookie Kasey Kahne. The 23-year-old Kahne has back-to-back second-place finishes and a pole at Las Vegas.

After he narrowly lost to Matt Kenseth at Rockingham, Elliott was one of the first people to call Kahne and congratulate him.

"That meant a lot, that Bill would take time to do that." Kahne said.

It's all part of Elliott's new role as Kahne's mentor. The two worked together at a few preseason tests, and when Kahne had trouble during a session at Atlanta a few weeks ago, he talked it through with Elliott.

Elliott's hometown Dawsonville. In 54 starts, he gave his fans plenty to remember, winning five times, includ-

ing a sweep in 1992. Along the way, the 1988 Winston Cup champion was voted NASCAR's most popular driver 16 times, a record that probably will not be broken. Kahne hopes to get some of those fans by keeping the No. 9 Dodge up front.

"I think there's probably a lot of ups and downs with fans," Kahne said. "Some of them want to pull for me and some don't. If the 9 car is still running good, hopefully we can get more of them."

Getting Elliott more opportunities on the track is the goal of team owner Ray Evernham. His organization debuted three years ago, and Elliott has the only four victories in that span. So Evernham feels a respon-

"He told me things that sibility to help Elliott end a 27-

Men

High scratch game: Carl Cates 277; High scratch sereis: Carl Cates 742; High handicap game: Carl Cates 312; High handicap series: Carl Cates 847.

Women

High scratch game: Anita Davis 176; High scratch series: Jennifer Bailey 489; High handicap game: Joni Davis 254; High handicpap series: Debra Hartman 695.

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A-1 Concrete	1	3
Reed's Welding	1	3
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Men

High scratch series: Morris Long 738; High scratch game: Pete Long 256; High handicap series: Rick Dunn 729; High handicap game: Cody Jones 268.

Women

High scratch series: Peggy Chase 682; High scratch game: Ashleigh Burns 254; High handicap series: Genna Salazar 746; High handicap game: Loretta Thomas 259.

FDA to try to stem sales of sports supplement andro

WASHINGTON (AP) -Worried that children still are imitating slugger Mark McGwire's one-time fondness for andro, federal health officials are moving to end sales of the steroid-like supplement.

The body converts andro, officially known as androstenedione, into testosterone and, to some extent, estrogen, the Food and Drug Administration said Thursday.

That means it poses the same health risks as directly using anabolic steroids, which are controlled substances, the FDA said in warning 23 manufacturers to cease sales or face federal seizure of their products or other penalties.

Among the risks FDA cited are heart and liver damage, and some gender-specific problems: testicular atrophy, impotence and breast enlarge-

ment for males, and facial hair, menstrual problems and increased risk of breast and uterine cancer for females. Children can undergo early puberty and stunting of bone growth.

"These are irreversible, irreversible health consequences," FDA said Commissioner Mark McClellan.

One major supplement company, TwinLab Corp., didn't return a call seeking comment. But some smaller distributors said Thursday they'll comply, reluctantly.

"This is a political way of making hay" because of hysteria over athlete steroid use, said Troy Dickerson of LifeLink in Grover Beach, Calif., who said he sells up to 10,000 bottles of andro annually and has never had a health complaint.

Athletic use of performance-enhancing drugs is drawing harsh political scrutiny, and legislation pending in Congress would formally designate andro and more than two dozen other steroid-like substances as controlled substances just like other anabolic steroids — making them available by prescription only under certain conditions.

The bill also urges tougher sentencing guidelines, so if the legislation passes and athletes take a banned steroid, "we're going to send them to jail," said Sen. Joe Biden, D-

Del., a co-sponsor of the bill. The Bush administration endorsed that legislation Thursday — but the FDA decided it had enough legal backing to begin ending andro sales without waiting for Congress.

The FDA cited a 1994

dietary supplements law that required any dietary ingredient sold after that date to provide reasonable risk of safety to the FDA before selling something no andro maker ever did, McClellan said.

"In short, it's not a legal product," agreed Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, who wrote that supplements law.

"Today, we have hit a home run: Our top health authorities are making clear that andro should not be on the market," he added. "Kids shouldn't be able to buy it. ... Now they won't be able to."

Andro's use soared after McGwire said he used it in 1998, the year he hit a recordsetting 70 home runs for the St. Louis Cardinals. He later said he was quitting andro, citing concern that children copied his use of the pills.

Andro's use has since

plummeted, from \$55 million in 2001 to \$15 million last year, according to the Nutrition Business Journal. But sales of supplement steroid precursors have almost doubled, to \$125 million last year.

The government is investigating a list of supplements and could take additional action, said Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson. But it took several years to clarify andro's risks, McClellan added.

And andro remains popular with kids, said Rep. John Sweeney, R-NY, citing interest among his own children's friends. One government survey found one in 50 high school sophomores and one in 40 seniors had used andro in 2001, the latest data available.

Country star brings baseball crowd to its feet with single

By The Associated Press

Country music star Garth Brooks is used to hit singles.

Now, he can add another to his resume.

Brooks singled in the Kansas City Royals' 10-7 loss to the Seattle Mariners at Peoria, Ariz., on Thursday, getting the fans on their feet and cheering.

Brooks entered as a pinch hitter in the ninth inning. He hit a grounder off deft-hander Mike Myers which shortstop Adam Jones had to cover some ground to field.

First baseman Dave Hansen couldn't make the catch on Jones' throw and it was ruled a hit.

Brooks is now 2-for-42 in spring training games with the San Diego Padres, the New York Mets and the Royals. He's 1-for-3 this spring.

"I was even more surprised than the pitcher," said Brooks, whose only

previous hit was a single off Mike drove in three runs with a homer and Sirotka of the Chicago White Sox on March 21, 1999.

Fans cheered, and someone flipped the ball to the 42-year-old Brooks as he removed his helmet and left for a pinch runner. He was limping slightly, and later said that he aggravated a hamstring he pulled last week.

"He might have a few days in the ice bucket," Seattle manager Bob Melvin said.

Myers was good-natured about giving up the hit.

"He's a friend of mine, from being involved with his foundation," Myers said. "So it was one for charity."

Seattle minor leaguer Luis Ugueto hit a two-run homer, breaking a 6-6 tie in the sixth, then added a two-RBI single in the seventh.

In other games:

Orioles 10, Red Sox 8

At Fort Myers, Fla., Miguel Tejada

a double before leaving with a strained leg muscle. Tejada, who has the longest active consecutive games played streak in the major leagues at 594, said he'll play Saturday at home in Fort Lauderdale against the New York Mets.

Tejada, Jay Gibbons and B.J. Surhoff each hit two-run homers while starter Rodrigo Lopez retired all nine batters he faced for the win. Marlins 5, Twins 4

At Jupiter, Fla., Miguel Cabrera hit his second homer of spring training and Carl Pavano combined with four relievers on a five-hitter. The World Series champions are 7-2, and have outscored opponents 61-26.

Angels 5, Diamondbacks 0

At Tempe, Ariz., Bartolo Colon allowed one hit and one walk in 3 2-3 innings and struck out two. Troy Glaus sprained his right ankle running to third base on Adam

Kennedy's fourth-inning single. Glaus tried to recover and reach third, but pulled up and was tagged out. He walked off the field and is day to day. Vladimir Guerrero was hit by a pitch in the first and left after the inning because of a bruised left forearm. **Reds 6, Blue Jays 3**

At Dunedin, Fla., Ken Griffey Jr. hit his first home run of the spring, a 440-foot drive in the sixth off Jayson Durocher that traveled over the indoor batting cages beyond the fence

in right-center field. **Tigers 3, Yankees 2**

At Tampa, Fla., New York Yankees offseason acquisition Javier Vazquez gave up two hits in four shutout innings, but Bobby Higginson had an RBI double for Detroit.

Cardinals 13, Dodgers 8

At Vero Beach, Fla., Reggie Sanders returned to the Cardinals following the birth of his daughter and homered twice off Kazuhisa Ishii. Astros 5, Pirates (ss) 4

At Kissimmee, Fla., Andy Pettitte faced the minimum nine batters in his second outing of spring training. Pettitte pitched shutout ball, allowing one hit and striking out two.

Devil Rays 5, Phillies (ss) 4, 10 innings

At St. Petersburg, Fla., Robert Fick homered off Dan Giese in the 10th, and Jose Cruz Jr. also homered for the Devil Rays.

Indians 6, Braves 5

At Winter Haven, Fla., Atlanta's Jaret Wright, facing his former team for the first time, struck out six in three innings.

Giants 5, Rangers 3

At Surprise, Ariz., Chan Ho Park gave up a home run and a run-scoring single to Pedro Feliz. Brian Jordan got his first hits since signing with the Rangers, going 2-for-3 with an RBI single.

SCOREBOARD

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First Round	Detroit	
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Stars, Flyers end up in 2-2 tie

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -Robert Esche has made sure he's the No. 1 goaltender in Philadelphia.

Esche made 37 saves, helping the Flyers to a 2-2 tie with the Dallas Stars on Thursday night.

"Esche was great," Flyers coach Ken Hitchcock said. "He is really focused and meeting the challenge."

Esche is 3-0-2 and has allowed 10 goals in five games since returning from a knee injury. The Flyers acquired veteran goalie Sean Burke when Esche was injured, but Esche will enter the playoffs as the starter.

"It doesn't matter who plays in the net for this team," Esche said. "Our defense is that good."

Brenden Morrow's goal with 35 seconds left in regulation helped the Stars earn a much-needed point. Rob DiMaio also scored for Dallas, tonight was really big for us," Morrow said.

Marcus Ragnarsson and Tony Amonte scored for Philadelphia, which moved within two points of Tampa Bay for first place in the East.

Valeri Bure, playing his first game with the Stars, took a slap shot from the point that hit Morrow and slid past Esche to make it 2-2 after Dallas had several chances to tie it seconds earlier during a power play.

"It was tipped on the way to the net, and the rebound hit me in the chest and dropped right at my feet," Morrow said. "Esche was on his toes looking for where the puck went and I just slid it through his legs."

Esche preserved the tie with some outstanding saves in overtime, including a onehanded stab on a shot by Jere Lehtinen.

The Flyers went ahead early in the third period when

"To get that extra point DiMaio's 100th career goal early in the second period. A shot by Pierre Turgeon went through Flyers defenseman Joni Pitkanen's legs, hit DiMaio's skate and went past Esche.

> "This time of year, a lot of goals aren't pretty," DiMaio said.

But Dallas couldn't capitalize on a four-minute power play it received later in the second period when Donald Brashear was called for a double-minor for high-sticking Teppo Numminen. Brashear didn't hit Numminen, who was knocked down by teammate **Richard Matvichuk**.

Amonte's power-play goal gave the Flyers a 1-0 lead in the first period. Amonte took a give-and-go pass from Alexei Zhamnov, and lifted his own rebound under Turco's arm.

Zhamnov has 12 points in 10 games with the Flyers since he was acquired from Chicago

last month to help fill the void

at center created by injuries to

All-Stars Jeremy Roenick and

DePaul 89, TCU 65 Saint Louis 72, Memphis 61 UAB 77, Charlotte 66 **Mid-American Conference** Quarterfinals Kent St. 79, Bowling Green 66 Miami (Ohio) 72, Ball St. 67 Toledo 97. Buffalo 85 W. Michigan 96, Marshall 62 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Quarterfinals Delaware St. 67. Norfolk St. 56 Florida A&M 72, Hampton 71 **Mountain West Conference First Round** BYU 79, Wyoming 74 Colorado St. 60, Air Force 48 UNLV 55, New Mexico 53 Utah 75, San Diego St. 69 **Pac-10** Conference **First Round** Arizona 79, Southern Cal 76 Oregon 87, California 82 Stanford 68, Washington St. 47 Washington 91, UCLA 83 Southeastern Conference **First Round** Alabama 84, Tennessee 49 Georgia 73, Auburn 59 South Carolina 91, Arkansas 81 Vanderbilt 70, Mississippi 50 Southwestern Conference **First Round** Alabama A&M 86, Grambling St. 80 Alabama St. 63, Southern U. 62 Alcorn St. 67, MVSU 66 Jackson St. 71, Texas Southern 62 Western Athletic Conference Quarterfinals Boise St. 71, Fresno St. 54 Nevada 75. SMU 60 Rice 70, Hawaii 68 UTEP 62, Louisiana Tech 55

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Wednesday's Games L.A. Lakers 117, Boston 109 Cleveland 106, Toronto 92 Orlando 108, Washington 99 Detroit 98, Chicago 65 New Jersey 98, Denver 97 Milwaukee 94, Atlanta 80 New Orleans 95, Miami 84 San Antonio 108, L.A. Clippers 90 Utah 91, Golden State 77 Portland 92, Minnesota 79 Thursday's Games Houston 97, New Orleans 86 Sacramento 120, Dallas 102 Friday's Games New York at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Washington at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Seattle at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Memphis, 8 p.m. L.A. Lakers at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Denver at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m. Golden State at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. Utah at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Sacramento at Portland, 10 p.m. Saturday's Games Boston at Washington, 7 p.m. Seattle at Orlando, 7 p.m. Golden State at New Orleans, 8 p.m. Memphis at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Dallas at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Sunday's Games Atlanta at Toronto, 1 p.m. Philadelphia at Detroit, 1 p.m. Indiana at Cleveland, 3 p.m.

New York at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m. San Antonio at Sacramento, 3:30 p.m. Portland at Minnesota, 3:30 p.m. New Jersey at Miami, 6 p.m. Utah at Denver, 10 p.m.

Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

8-1-2 in its last 11 games. The Stars are three points behind Vancouver for fourth place in the Western Conference.

Ragnarsson one-timed a pass from Amonte past Marty Turco for his fifth goal.

The Stars tied it at 1 on Keith Primeau.

Saint Joe's has perfect season ruined

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) -Saint Joseph's had its perfect season ruined on the same court it pulled off one of college basketball's biggest upsets 23 years

Unranked Xavier shot 71.1 percent from the field and never trailed in ending the Hawks' oneweek reign at No. 1 with an 87-67 victory in an Atlantic-10 quarterfinal Thursday.

"It's like I told Coach (Phil) Martelli after the game," Xavier coach Thad Matta said. "We couldn't have played any better than we did today.'

Even the Saint Joseph's coach could appreciate how thoroughly his team was dismantled.

"It's stating the obvious, but the better team won today," Martelli said. "They were hungry and desperate. Their three seniors did what seniors do in the darkest of times. ... If you could step back and watch, you'd almost have to admire it."

In the second round of the 1981 NCAA tournament, Saint Joseph's stunned No. 1-ranked DePaul 49-48 on John Smith's late basket at University of Dayton arena.

This time around, the Hawks came in with a 27-0 record and were three victories from becomenter the NCAA tournament undefeated. But they trailed Xavier by as many as 37 points, and the upset raised questions about how serious a contender the tiny Philadelphia school will be for the national championship.

The rout also tarnished a magical run by a team that was one of the biggest surprises in sports this year, and it could cost Saint Joseph's a top seeding in the NCAAs - although Martelli disagreed.

"The committee will do us right because of our body of work," Martelli said. "Not 40 minutes."

It was the worst loss ever by a No. 1 team against an unranked opponent, and equaled the seventh-biggest loss by a top-ranked team against anyone. A partisan crowd - Xavier is less than an hour away from the arena began rubbing it in midway through the second half, chanting "Sloppy Joe's!"

Romain Sato led Xavier with 24 points and 11 rebounds, Lionel Chalmers scored 23, and Anthony Myles had 19.

Saint Joseph's backcourt stars Jameer Nelson and Delonte West were held to a combined 11-for-

ing the first team since 1991 to 35 shooting, and scored 16 points each. Along with hitting 32 of 45 shots from the field, Xavier (21-10) also held Saint Joseph's to 35.4 percent - its worst performance this season.

"Any loss is devastating, especially when you work so hard," Nelson said. "We take pride in our defense and we let ourselves down with our defense today."

Saint Joseph's, which took over the top ranking spot in the AP poll Monday after Stanford's loss to Washington, was limited to one field goal during a stretch of more than 10 minutes. And the Hawks' biggest weakness, their inside game, was exposed by the Musketeers, who outrebounded Saint Joseph's 43-18.

Xavier, which was ahead 74-37 with 7:56 remaining, has won 11 of its last 12.

"I think we're pretty good," Chalmers said. "We've come a long way since early on. Right now, we're clearly one of the hottest teams in the country."

The Musketeers - who lost at home to the Hawks 81-73 in January with Nelson and West combining for 61 points scored nearly at will from the start, with Sato and Chalmers slashing to the basket.

Domed stadium at Fair Park could lure BCS, bowl group says

DALLAS (AP) -----Constructing a new domed stadium at Fair Park to replace the aging structure there would boost chances of bringing college football's national championship to Dallas, according to the board that manages the SBC Cotton Bowl Classic.

Members of the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association were expected Friday to urge construction of a Dallas Cowboys stadium at the new stadium to do that.

venue for the State Fair of Texas in hopes that the move accelerates plans for a November referendum to finance the project.

"We've played our game there for the last 68 years, and we like to play it there for the next 68 years," Rick Baker, the association's president, told The Dallas Morning News in Friday's editions.

"We're going to need a

We think this is a window of opportunity to make that happen."

Cowboys officials have said they would study the option of building a Fair Park stadium, which would replace the Cotton Bowl where the Red River Shootout between The University of Texas and the University of Oklahoma has been held since 1929.

An agreement announced

this week keeps the annual UT-OU game in Dallas for at least the next five years.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones had earlier urged the construction of a retractableroof stadium as part of a \$1 billion, year-round entertainment development to replace Texas Stadium in the Dallas suburb of Irving.

But Dallas city officials are favoring a new stadium in Fair Park, a location that

Mayor Laura Miller has said would need less public money to develop.

Baker said a new, domed facility would be necessary for the Cotton Bowl Classic to be included in the Bowl Championship Series.

A national championship game might be a huge windfall for the city, bringing thousands of fans and national attention.

The BCS system rotates the college championship

game among four bowls, which are in California, Louisiana, Arizona and Florida.

But the BCS is studying the addition of a fifth location, possibly creating a five-year rotation for the national championship.

"The BCS status would be a tremendous boost for our community and our city." **Dallas City Council member** Leo Chaney said.

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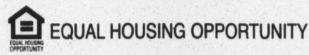
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Reversing plans seems like the natural course of action. Your flexibility is tested, as you need to adapt to others. A trip might suddenly appear plausible. Why not take off for a day trip if you can? A change of scenery helps you recharge your mind and body. Tonight: Opt for unusual.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Investigate with a friend or loved one all that might be interesting to this person. You find that your eyes will open up to a new person. Relate on an individual level. You might want to

change plans and not join friends. Tonight: It's your call. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

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> of you. What you see is a total change in plans and events. What you might realize is that you have not been as observant as possible. Consider learning this skill. Talk with friends and family. Tonight: Go for spontaneous. Opt for crowds.

> CANCER (June 21-July 22) *** Get into a project or hobby that helps you relax, even if it is physically strenuous. You might find that letting go of worrying and overanalyzing is just what the doctor ordered. Use your imagination and creativity with a domestic matter. Tonight: Order in; just don't make anything a big deal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Intensity marks a key relationship. If you are single, be careful who you draw into your life, as this person might be hard to relate to. You might like the hot energy, but ultimately would prefer not to deal with the power plays. Tonight: Dance the night away. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You might be up for rearranging the house, painting a room or perhaps even moving. What might happen could draw others into your undertaking, though tension still surrounds this project. Swing between a discussion and moving your plan along. Tonight: Entertain at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ How you say what you think might have a direct result in what happens. You also could discover that you need to rephrase a statement several different ways before someone gets the gist of your message. Tonight: If need be, make this an early night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

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> bility. Allow lightness in through flirtation and kidding around. Tonight: Make it your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Others find you to be stubborn but changeable. What an odd combination you manifest! Be willing to adjust to a family member who could balk at your strength and direction. Indulge those around you. Tonight: What is it that you really want? CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Slow down and take some time to

handle an important project, which very well could be your taxes. Investigate what someone means rather than taking offense at his or her words. You could be unusually sensitive. Tonight: Choose something quiet and relaxing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Your intuition helps you nail down what could be a tough situation. Relax with what is happening and worry less about the ramifications and simply flowing. A major relationship or friendship could be changing in your life. Tonight: Where your pals are. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Others look to you but could be resentful if you make decisions. You might feel as if you are walking a tightrope right now, as you juggle different demands as well as your own needs. Be direct and ask a question. Tonight: Chill out as soon as you can.

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Musician Adam Clayton (1960), songwriter, singer Neil Sedaka (1939), singer Donald York (1949)

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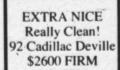
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Pampa High School Senior Haley Bowen was recently named the winner of the Pampa Optimist Essay Contest, according to Sheri Tice, Optimist president.

Haley will receive a \$500 scholarship from the local club and a chance to compete on the district and national levels for additional scholarships.

Haley's essay was selected from 51 entries. The judges were chosen by North Texas Optimist Gov.elect Cassie Shulze of Wichita Falls.

Haley's essay was submitted by Nancy McCall, an English teacher at PHS.

Haley is the daughter of Bryan and Glenda Bowen, She has a sister, Lauren, and two brothers, Bryce and Matthew.

"Being the Best I Can Be" **By Haley Bowen**

Becoming the best that I can be requires many different elements. Through mastering body, spirit, and mind, I have been able to see the best of myself. Each of these areas need to be strong in order to see all the possibilities that I have the potential of becoming.

The physical aspect of becoming the best that I can be can be worked on in many ways. Things such as organized sports, individual workouts and group games



Haley Bowen

can all lead to the physical strength that everyone is searching for. Increasing bodily strength is easily seen on the outside but also reflects the inward person. When my body is physically strong and clean everything functions in an orderly manner. I chose to participate in an organized, team sport that pushes me to do the best I can as well as to learn that there is something more important than just myself. Working toward a common goal with a group of people is something that will benefit me throughout my entire life. My physical strength has helped me set new standards for myself and keep discovering my new best.

Another strength that is necessary is to discovery my spirit within. It can be found and strengthened by such simple acts as attend-

ing church or just listening to how I feel. "Let your conscience be your guide" is a good motto to live by and will bring peace of mind. I have found my spiritual side broadened by a class through church called seminary that begins every morning at 6 a.m. Even though it is a struggle, it sets the tone for the day by teaching Biblical information and trust in a higher power besides my own. I need to be spiritually tough to survive in today's world and get through the difficult times that lie ahead for everyone.

The last element needed to become the best that I can be is to become very sharp mentally. This goal can be accomplished by dedicating myself to school work and choosing challenging courses to enroll in. The Advanced Placement courses I have taken in High School have enabled me to become mentally prepared to attend and more importantly complete college with confidence. Preparation is the key to becoming successful in anything I decide to do.

Mental, Physical, and Spiritual strengths are the basis of becoming the best I can be in any challenge that my future holds. The best I can be will result from hard work and dedication to continually reach higher than I ever thought possible.



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Unprecedented South Korean impeachment supporters uncertainty amid nuclear standoff

state affairs."

next month.

Roh Moo-hyun was stripped of his constitutional powers Friday in an unprecedented impeachment vote that rattled a government

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - President Court, which has 180 days to approve or reject Roh's ouster.

> In a three-line statement issued by Roh's presidential office, the administration said it would sub-

> ject itself to "the judgment of history and the peo-

ple" and hoped that the Constitutional Court "will

make a quick decision to minimize confusion in

hearings would begin. But he called the impeachment

"a matter of grave consequence" and pledged to han-

prepares for nationwide parliamentary elections

ically block the vote by commandeering the

National Assembly podium from which votes are

called, announced that its 47 lawmakers would

international standoff over North Korea's nuclear

weapons development. North and South Korea

have had thousands of troops dug in along their

borders since the end of the 1950-53 Korean War.

persuade North Korea to give up its nuclear

weapons development and is a supporter of his

predecessor President Kim Dae-jung's "sunshine"

ment bill was passed at a time that the economy

faces difficulties," Goh said. "The Cabinet and all

government officials must do all they can to stabi-

lize the people's lives and ensure that the country's

international credibility will not be damaged."

"The people feel unease because the impeach-

Roh believes that dialogue is the only way to

Tensions are running high amid the deepening

dle it "in a speedy and precise manner."

resign en masse to protest.

policy of engaging the North.

Chief Justice Yoon Young-chul could not say when

The impeachment comes as the government

The pro-Roh Uri Party, which had tried to phys-

already struggling with the North Korean nuclear crisis and a struggling economic recov-

The parliament voted to impeach Roh after hours of scuffles and protests that included one Roh supporter setting himself on fire and another man trying to drive his car up the parliament steps and into the building

Prime Minister Goh Kun was to assume Roh's presidential duties, while the Constitutional Court decides whether to unseat the president. The powers include his role as commander in chief of South Korea's 650,000-member military, which faces off against communist North Korea's 1.1 million armed forces across the world's most heavily armed border.

Goh instructed the Defense Ministry to heighten military vigilance along the inter-Korean border, although the ministry said it has detected no unusual military movement.

The vote marked a spectacular setback for the 57-year-old, self-made human rights lawyer who came to office last February on a populist ticket that promised South Koreans better relations with communist North Korea and a more equal footing with the country's biggest ally, the United States.

His 13-month tenure was dogged by corruption scandals. But Friday's vote was a crowning embarrassment for the feisty, independent leader. It was the first time South Korea's parliament has impeached a president.

The matter now goes to the Constitutional

Aristide to visit Jamaica next week, Jamaican leader says

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti ters, Patterson said in Jamaica. (AP) — Ousted Haitian Jean-Bertrand President Aristide will visit Jamaica next week, returning to the Caribbean for the first time since fleeing into exile in Africa, Jamaica's leader said as violence continued in Haiti.

A shootout erupted in Portau-Prince between police and protesters demanding Aristide's return. Two men were killed and seven others wounded.

In Jamaica, Prime Minister P.J. Patterson said Thursday that Aristide, who fled to Africa on Feb. 29 amid a bloody rebellion, would visit his country early next week and stay for eight to 10 weeks.

Aristide, now in the Central African Republic, will fly with his wife, Mildred, to be reunited with their two young daugh-

The girls were sent to New York City for their safety days before Aristide fled with rebels closing in on the capital and the United States and France, Haiti's former colonizer, pressing him to leave.

Trying to shore up a fragile peace, Haiti's new Prime Minister Gerard Latortue began choosing a Cabinet on Thursday.

U.S. Marines also raided a house near the presidential palace in their first action of a mission to disarm Haiti's many rebel factions. The search produced no weapons, but "The message out of this is: We are looking, and we will continue to do so," U.S. Col. Charles Gurganus said.

Latortue, 69, a U.N. career officer and business consultant who arrived in Haiti on

Wednesday after years in exile in Florida, said disarmament, reconciliation and eventually elections are his priorities.

But he wasn't welcomed by everybody.

"They've named a new prime minister who we don't know," protested Enock Lubin, 25. "It's an illegal act."

Hundreds of protesters marched Thursday through the downtown Belair neighborhood yelling, "Aristide has to come back! We don't want Bush as president!"

Shots were fired, some protesters pulled out pistols, police fired tear gas and a shootout between protesters and police ensued, witnesses said.

Two young men were killed and seven others were being treated for shotgun wounds, according to hospital officials

