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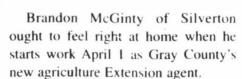
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McGinty cottons to new position

STAFF WRITER



"The main focus up there right now is cotton, and I've got a pretty good background in cotton. I have experience with cotton growing, both in my current position and in my previous position," he said in a telephone interview Wednesday with The Pampa

McGinty, wife Lori, and daughter Nikalyn, 18 months, are in the process in tourism development as it relates to of moving to Pampa from Briscoe agriculture.

County, where he has been county Extension agent since November 1999. Before his posting in Briscoe County, Brandon McGinty of Silverton McGinty was county Extension agent in Howard County from August 1997 to November 1999. Both counties, he Panhandle nowadays is hunting and said, are strong cotton growers.

"In the adult ag program, I hope to expand their knowledge of cotton production and brush control techniques, which deals with wildlife and livestock grazing," McGinty said of his plans for Gray County. In addition to cotton, he is familiar with wheat, grain sorghum and corn crops.

McGinty also has some experience

development here, with Caprock Canyons State Park. We've looked at doing some hunting.

"A major role player in the Texas bird watching, in terms of ranchers looking for extra income. We will look at what's in place and try to expand on

McGinty will also work with youth programs in Gray County, especially 4-

"I think there's lots of room to grow in Gray County, especially with someone new bringing in new ideas and suggestions," he said.

(See McGINTY, Page 3)

PISD board sets '04-'05 calendar

By DEE DEE LARAMORE above the 22 credit minimum **EDITOR**

Brandon McGinty

District's board of education Thursday approved all action agenda, including the 2004-2005 school calendar and dents will be required to take a professional contracts.

the 2004-2005 school calendar will be required to have three as presented. The calendar credits each in math and scireflects the school closing ence beginning with the class Dec. 20-31, 2004, for of 2006. All student requests 14-18, 2005 as spring break. Two snow days have been set aside on April 29 and May 6, 2005. School will start on Aug. 16 and end on May 26 and graduation is set for Saturday afternoon, May 28.

Other highlights of the calendar include ending the first semester before the Christmas holidays and ending school in May on a Thursday so the staff will not need a Saturday work day after school is out.

Additional staff development days are included in the calendar, so the board approved an expedited waiver for this in addition to approving the calendar.

Revisions to PISD's graduation policy was also passed. Distinguished Achievement program and a policy on reading credits was deleted. The minimum graduation requirements were upgraded to 26 credits, four

required by the state. The new requirement becomes effec-Pampa Independent School tive with the graduating class

According to the new poliitems on the 16-item meeting cy, beginning with the sophomore class of 2004, all sturenewal of several teacher and math and science class in eachof their freshman, sophomore Board members accepted and junior years. Each student Christmas holiday and March to waive this requirement during the school year must be presented to the campus principal who will approve on an individual basis.

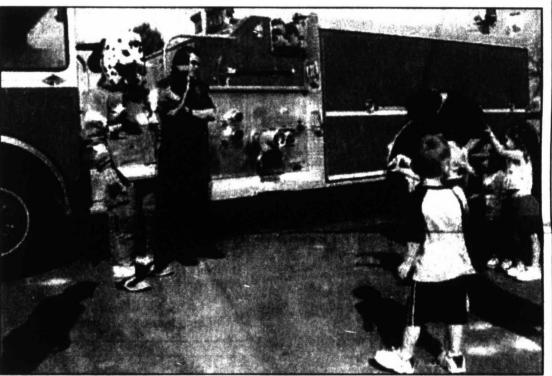
An architectural plan for the MPAC building was among the items meeting the board's approval Thursday night also.

For some time now, a group of citizen volunteers and sports boosters have made it their goal to finish the inside of the Multi-Purpose Activity Center located at Pampa High School near the football stadium. The project is one of several that are being completed as a memorial to the late Athletic Director Dennis Cavalier.

While the group is soliciting funds and providing labor for the project, the work must be done according to school district regulations and with the school board's approval.

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Day schoolers meet Sparky



(Pampa News photos by Marilyn Powers)

"Sparky the Fire Dog," (Brad Boman) and Tim Roberts of Pampa Fire Department's Central Fire Station visit with children at Community Day Care Center this morning. Vickie Bolz, right, a teacher at the center, said the children learned about firemen this week. Captain Mike Day, not shown, also with Central Fire Station, brought coloring books for the children



Azden Arreola, in blue, and Jarren Slagle, in red, meet Sparky the Fire Dog at Community Day Care Center this morning. Day care center teachers standing with them are Tamra Luna and Dreamia Tucker, in cap.

Fetus rights bill seen as conservative victory

of the unborn by making it a through Congress. separate crime to harm a fetus woman.

Violence Act cleared the pregnant mother, such as ter- with the president's signature, Kate Michelman, said it would

WASHINGTON (AP) — In Senate on a 61-38 vote rorist attacks, drug-related "our nation will be one giant be the first time ever in federal a major win for social conser- Thursday, a month after the shootings or attacks on federal step closer to rebuilding a cul- law that an embryo or fetus is vatives, Congress is sending to House passed the bill and five lands or military bases. But ture of life, where every child, the president legislation that years after conservatives first proponents on both sides of born and unborn, is given the would expand the legal rights tried to move the legislation the fetal rights and abortion protections they so clearly

The measure is limited in quences. during an assault on a pregnant scope, applying only to harm to a fetus while a federal crime the conservative Family The Unborn Victims of is being committed against the Research Council, said that NARAL Pro-Choice America,

Tony Perkins, president of to his desk

issue saw far-reaching conse- deserve." President Bush has urged Congress to send a bill

But the president of

recognized as a distinct person, separate from the woman. "Much of this is preparing for the day the Supreme Court has a majority that will overrule Roe v. Wade," the 1973 Supreme Court decision

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Wednesday, March 24

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the lobby of the police department. The incident occurred in the 1000 block of Wilks. A cell phone was taken from an unlocked

vehicle. No estimated loss was reported. Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1000 block of Somerville. Method of entry is unknown. Taken were four birth certificates and two W2 forms. Estimated value of loss is unknown.

Thursday, March 25

Aggravated assault was reported at Pampa Middle School, 2401 N. Charles. The incident reportedly occurred on March 24.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 100 block of Osage. A door was pried open on a storage building. Taken were an antique fire extinguisher, and antique fishing tackle box and an antique hall tree. Estimated loss was \$850.

Simple assault was reported in the 800 block of North Christy. Minor injuries were reported.

Wendy Gammage, 21, 812 Brunow, was arrested at her residence for three municipal warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia, minor in possession and failure to appear.

Howard Santacruz, 17, 713 Locust, was arrested in the 900 block of Somerville for failure to yield right of way at an intersection, no insurance, failure to produce driver's license and disorderly conduct/language.

Jessica Leeann Beck, 20, 1334 N. Coffee #1, was arrested at her residence for no driver's license, no insurance and unsafe back-

FIRE

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

Thursday, March 25

2:37 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

4:33 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist on East Highway 60.

5:03 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to clean up a hazardous material spill from a minor motor vehicle collision at Hobart and Somerville streets.

6:55 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to a small grass fire in the 1300 block of Rham.

7:08 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 1100 block of Terry Road.

Friday, March 26

1:12 a.m. – Two units and six firefighters responded to a report of a smoke odor in the 200 block of Tignor. No source of the odor was found.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 24

7:55 a.m. - A 1997 Chevrolet Monte Carlo, driven by Kimberly Ann Huot, 38, 1815 N. Chestnut, and a 1999 Ford F-150, driven by Becky Lynn Ramey, 35, 1515 N. Sumner, collided at the intersection of North Russell and West 18th streets. Huot was cited for failure to yield row-stop sign.

Thursday, March 25

4:30 p.m. – A 2001 Ford F-150 pickup, driven by Derrick Leon Eldridge, 41, 1401 N. Russell, and a 1994 Ford Ranger pickup, driven by Christina Louise Hoskins, 42, 1120 S. Sumner, collided in the 1300 block of North Hobart. No citations were issued.

4:52 p.m. - A 1992 Ford F-150 pickup, driven by Howard Alexander Santacruz, 17, 713 N. Locust, and a 1993 Ford Probe, driven by Pamela Kaye Davis, 34, 1008 S. Farley, collided at the intersection of West Somerville and North Hobart streets.

Davis was cited for expired motor vehicle registration, no insurance and failure to change/add on driver's license.

Santacruz was cited for failure to display driver's license, no insurance and failure to yield right of way at an intersection.

AMBULANCE

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

Thursday, March 25

1:10 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

2:22 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of North Duncan and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

3:06 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

4:32 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 east and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

5:39 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to NWTH.

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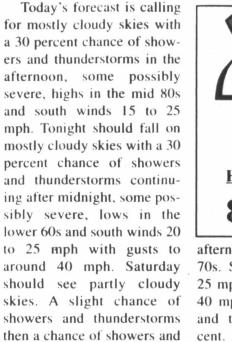
Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests.

Thursday, March 25 Houston, was arrested for appear.

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LOCAL FORECAST



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noon. Breezy. Some thunder-

Low **HIGH** 85 60 afternoon. Highs in the upper 70s. Southwest winds 20 to 25 mph with gusts to around 40 mph. Chance of showers and thunderstorms 30 percent. Saturday night, partly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms then a storms may be severe in the slight chance of showers and

thunderstorms after midnight. Breezy. Lows in the mid 40s. Northwest winds 15 to 25 mph. Chance of showers and thunderstorms 30 percent. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s. North winds 15 to 20 mph. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Tuesday night, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Wednesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s.

CRIME STOPPERS

Caller #4545. Please contact Crime Stoppers at 662-1022.

Perry wants to exempt area from pollution regs

weaken clean-air efforts around the nation.

The proposal follows efforts by U.S. Rep. Joe Barton to help the cement makers that produce much of the industrial emissions from the county just south of the Dallas-Fort Worth area avoid stricter permit requirements and possibly much higher pollutioncontrol costs that would come if the county were designated a smog-violation area.

Mike Leavitt, head of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Republican governor want to group the heavily industrial northwest corner of Ellis County with the DFW Metroplex. Industries there would have to significantly reduce pollution, but the rest of the county would be shielded from severe sanctions, including the loss of millions in federal highway transportation

"It's outrageous that it's just one small portion of the county, and it allows the rest

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - Gov. of the county to be developed," Tom Rick Perry wants to exempt most of Ellis "Smitty" Smith, director of the Texas office County, which is home to large cement of government watchdog group Public kilns, from a plan to curtail pollution in Citizen in Austin, told the Fort Worth Star-North Texas. Critics say the proposal could Telegram in Friday's editions. "The state has consistently failed to require Ellis County to do its fair share to clean the air."

Environmental groups worry that exempting parts of counties would set a dangerous precedent and encourage industries to simply move outside the boundary.

Officials in other states have been denied permission to create such "partial designations," with the EPA insisting that entire counties be included in what are known as regional ozone nonattainment zones.

Scientists have argued that Ellis County is North Texas' center of heavy industry, accounting for about 40 percent of the region's industrial emissions and contributing greatly to smog in the DFW area.

All of Ellis County must be included in any plan to improve air quality, said Collin County Judge Ron Harris. Otherwise, he said, Dallas-Fort Worth leaders must consider suing the EPA.

City Briefs

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OBITUARIES

HILL, Patricia Joann Ward — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley F uneral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

> MARY FRANCIS MUSGRAVE 1915-2004

Mary Francis Musgrave, 88, of Pampa, Musgrave and Texas, died Thursday, March 25, 2004, at wife Bernice, Pampa, Texas. Services will be at 10 a.m. and Howard Monday, March 29, 2004, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Carl both Novian, associate pastor of the First Baptist Pampa; one Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Jean I. Sperry Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. of Pampa; one Graveside rites will be courtesy of Pampa brother, Chapter #65 Order of the Eastern Star.

in Farmersville, Texas. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1938. She married Leander Musgrave on Nov. 16, 1930, in Sayre, Okla. He preceded her in death in many great-grandchildren and great-great-1960. She was a member of the Pampa Chapter

#65 Order of the Eastern Star, and she helped found the Top O' Texas Chapter #1064 Order of the Eastern Star, and she served four times as worthy matron for both chapters.

She was a member of the First Baptist ty

Survivors include two sons, Paul A.

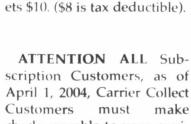
E. Musgrave, of daughter, James Jett of Mrs. Musgrave was born July 29, 1915, G r a n d

Rapids, Mich.; two daughters-in-law, Karen Musgrave of Lewisville and Melba Musgrave of Pampa; 12 grandchildren; and grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Earl Musgrave and Dewey Musgrave; and two brothers, Waldo Jett and Raymond Jett.

The family requests memorials be to Odyssey Healthcare, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101; or to a favorite chari-

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Pampans to roll up sleeves for M*A*S*H Blood Drive

On Saturday, March 27, Pampans will roll up their 17 years of age, weigh a minsleeves for the 14th annual imum of 110 pounds and be Pampa M*A*S*H Blood in general good health. The Drive at the Texas National total donation experience Guard Armory, 12067 E. takes approximately one Frederic.

The drive, sponsored by to 5 p.m., Saturday, with all donors receiving speciallydesigned M*A*S*H T-shirts.

Each month, more than 2,000 units of blood are necessary to meet the needs of Panhandle, according to a news release from Susan tion." Leary, Coffee Memorial marketing and communications needed, especially O-posidirector.

"Simply put," she said, tive. "that means over 2,000 faithprecious blood. Without volunteer blood donors, many patients and their families would face an even bigger crisis. Blood comes from blood drive are The Pampa only one source - volunteer News, blood donors. If you're not a blood donor, please consider becoming one."

Volunteer donors must be hour, Leary said.

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Redonn Woods, Pampa News advertising manager; Richard Stowers of Culberson Stowers Inc., and Jimmy Stone of First State Bank of Miami -Pampa Branch, left to right, display the 2004 M*A*S*H T-shirt to be given to donors during the 14th annual M*A*S*H Blood Drive set for Saturday, March 27, at the National Guard **Armory on East Highway 60.**

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PISD

The plan, submitted by White Architecture Associates, shows the existing building divided into two dressing areas for women and men with showers and toilets, two offices, a laundry room and training room, in addition to bathroom areas that were already in place in the building. An outdoor concessions stand is attached to the building with a four foot overhang and concrete pad.

Bids for fall sports was approved, as were the bids of \$100 and \$200 respectively for tax delinquent properties at 514 N. Wells and 825 S. Talley. Both bids were submitted by James and Sabra Stone. The board also okayed February receipts and disbursements.

Board members discussed the budgeting process for the 2004-2005 school year and less-than-annual appraisals for PISD teaching staff. However, no action

was taken on either subject.

After meeting in executive session from 7:40 p.m. until 9:03 p.m., the board reconvened and approved teacher contracts as presented by Supt. Barry Haenisch.

Austin Elementary was featured during Academic Spotlight portion of the meeting. Erika Dodge presented her first place science project using Kool-aid to separate colors. She is a student in Louise Raegan's

Nicholas Collins, Aaron Silva, Evan McElwain and Kailyn Troxell demonstrated speed stacking which they learned in Kelly Porter's PE class. Students use cups to stack in different methods in pyramids as fast as possible. They then unstack the cups as fast as they can. Speed stacking uses the left and right side of the brain is believed to help eye-hand coordination while reinforcing the left-right eye movement that is used in reading.

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McGinty

He also hopes to get involved with other youth groups such as Future Farmers of America in Pampa and McLean high schools, and Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

He is not, however, aiming to change everything in which the Extension office participates.

"I don't want to come in and change everything," he said. "We're looking forward to moving up to Gray County and getting involved in the county and area as a whole, and getting to work with the people."

McGinty, 30, is a native of Plains, southwest of Lubbock. He received a bachelor of science degree in agriculture sciences and development from Tarleton State University in Stephenville in 1996, and a master of science degree in agriculture services from West Texas A&M University in Canyon in 2003.

Event to highlight Crime Victims Rights Week AMARILLO - A ceremony Courts Building, 501 S.

honoring crime victims, their Fillmore. families, friends and support-April 18, in the Central Jury Victims Rights Week in the Room of the Potter County United States.

This year marks the 24th ers, is set for 6 p.m., Sunday, year to celebrate Crime

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affirming a woman's right to end a pregnancy.

BILL

The legislation earlier in the day came within one vote of failing, when the Senate voted 50-49 to defeat an amendment by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif. Her provision would have increased penalties for attacks on pregnant women, including bringing murder charges against an assailant whose attack results in the termination of a preg-

nancy. But the proposal also focused on the harm to the pregnancy rather than attempting to determine when life begins.

"Clearly, there is a concerted effort to codify in law the legal recognition that life begins at conception," she said. "If we allow that to happen today, or in any other law, we put the right to choose squarely at risk."

The legislation defines an "unborn child" as a child in utero, which it says "means a member of the species homo sapiens, at any stage of development, who is carried in the womb."

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., Bush's opponent this fall, interrupted his campaign schedule to vote yes on the amendment. He voted no on final passage.

Supporters of the legislation insisted it had nothing to do with abortion rights, and cited language in the bill that specifically states that lawful abortions are not subject to prosecution.

"It does not affect abortion rights whatsoever," said Sen. Mike DeWine, R-Ohio, a chief sponsor. "This bill recognizes that there are two victims," he added. Americans, he said, "intuitively know that there is a victim besides the

Supporters of the bill have named it after Laci Peterson and her unborn child, Conner, victims in a highly publicized

murder case in California. She was eight months pregnant when she disappeared in December 2002. Police found the bodies of her and the baby months later in the San Francisco Bay.

California, one of 29 states with an unborn victims law, is trying Peterson's husband, Scott, on double murder

Laci Peterson's stepfather, Ron Grantski, said at a Capitol Hill news conference that he and Laci's mother had received several hundred thousand sympathy cards and "they all mourned our loss of Laci and Conner — not Laci and the fetus."

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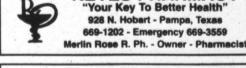
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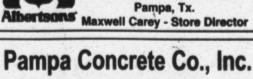
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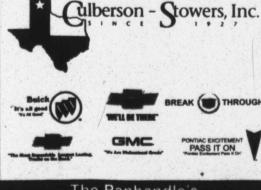
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By DAVII ASSOCIATED

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RELIGION

Christian radio, NPR battle for the airwaves

BY DAVID DISHNEAU ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) -One morning last month, WJTM-FM began the day with its usual fare of Christian some longtime listeners find

had been taken over by WYPR-FM, a Baltimorelower end of the radio dial.

the public radio promotes a association in Manassas, Va. liberal agenda, are competitors for the relatively small Lawhorn said the competition Corp., a Wisconsin-based

stations, the other sizable group of not-for-profit broadcasters, typically lack funds to fight aggressively for licenses.

Religious broadcasters preaching and prayer. But that have won some battles. In afternoon, the programming Lake Charles, La., the changed to something that Christian broadcasting company American Family Radio offensive - National Public knocked two NPR affiliates off the local airwaves in 2001 WJTM, a station reaching by obtaining a full-power Arbitron and NPR. 1.2 million listeners on the license that overpowered the Baltimore and Washington, stations — a tactic permitted by federal law.

"As the media markets based NPR-affiliate. The have grown, the competition change, which has been chal- for those frequencies has lenged by two congressmen increased and those licenses and dozens of listeners, represented by space on the reflects a battle being waged broadcast dial are becoming nationwide for ears at the more and more valuable," said the Rev. Frank Wright, presi-NPR and religious broad- dent of the National Religious

NPR spokeswoman Jenny number of noncommercial FM has prompted initiatives by the owner of stations devoted to another NPR station because

91.9 megahertz. College radio Broadcasting and its support- \$1.2 million. ers to help public broadcasters acquire frequencies and expand their offerings. She denied the liberal-bias charge.

Religious broadcasters have led in station numbers since a 1990s growth spurt, with more than 1,800 AM and FM outlets compared with 772 mostly FM National Public Radio stations, according to

But NPR has become a licenses since 2001, when the federally funded Corporation for Public Broadcasting helped establish an organization to broker and finance station acquisitions.

based Public Radio Capital, helped negotiate the \$5-million deal that created WYPR Joy Public Broadcasting

frequencies between 88.1 and Corporation for Public Christian programming, for people can get it," said Rep.

Joy sold WJTM "to solidify tion," said Thomas Bush, a awaiting Federal Communication Commission agreement has allowed WYPR to assume operations before

the sale is completed.

The transaction has stirred protests because it replaces also can be heard in Frederick. http://www.npr.org northwestern outskirts of low-budget NPR translator more aggressive bidder for Frederick County's only locally based Christian station with programming that duplicates some material already heard in the area on three other NPR stations originating Washington That organization, Denver- Virginia. Popular programs including "Morning Edition," "All Things Considered" and "Car Talk," can now be heard two years ago. It also was the on four stations in Frederick, a casters, some of whom believe Broadcasters, a 1,700-member intermediary in WYPR's city of 53,000 about 45 miles agreement to buy WJTM from from both Baltimore and the nation's capital.

"I don't think we need

and Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., because WYPR is the area's some of the financial condi- whose district is within only NPR station featuring an tion of the rest of the corpora- WJTM's 40-mile range, have all-Maryland local news asked the FCC to meet with report. He called it "unrealis-Joy board member. The deal is local listeners to discuss the tic" for lawmakers to interfere ownership change.

> Your Public Radio Corp., network. WYPR's owner, noted that several Christian radio stations originating elsewhere

"This is not about us trying to displace Christian broadcasting," he said.

Brandon said the acquisi-Roscoe G. Bartlett, R-Md. He tion is in the public interest in the transaction, part of Anthony Brandon, presi- WYPR's plan for building a approval, but the purchase dent and general manager of statewide public broadcasting

> On the Net: National Public Radio: **National** Religious Broadcasters:

> > http://www.nrb.org

CHURCH BRIEFS

Methodist Church sponsoring fajita dinner

WHITE DEER - The United Methodist Church is sponsoring a fajita dinner from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the White Deer Community Center. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for chil-

Single parenting topic of Amarillo seminar

AMARILLO - Paramount Terrace Christian Church Singles Ministry will host a seminar to help single parents cope with the experience of building healthy and happy homes on Saturday, April 24.

The seminar, "Straight from Heaven: Down to Earth Discipline," will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. that Saturday at the church, 4000 Mays. The seminar, which offers Godly rules and guidelines for single parenting needs, is open to anyone, regardless of religious affiliation. Adult workshops and children sessions are planned. Child care is available by reservation

For child care reservations, call Marie at (806) 353-6615 or to reserve a place at the seminar, call Penny at (806)353-6615. Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, April 14.

Fellow citizens with God's people



Minister's Musings

JIMMY FLYNN, PHD CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

be granted citizenship in the (Ephesians 2:19) The Word United States of America. teaches that we do not merit Many have died seeking to this citizenship. Instead we come to our shores where lib- have been "adopted" by God's erty is protected as an inalien- "glorious" grace" through able right Constitution.

Christ have been granted in United States of America. God's heavenly kingdom.

citizenship in Israel and for- cally-elected without God in the world," abortion,

What a feeling it must be to zens with God's people." (Ephesians 1:4-8)

been given their citizenship, the United States, under cer- world." (Matthew 5:14) We especially after toiling under tain conditions and circum- have hidden our light from the totalitarian repression, are the stances, are able to become citmost enthusiastic defenders of izens of America. In a sense, the liberty most of us take for they too have been adopted - (Matthew 5:16) We have not granted. A naturalization cere- not on the basis of anything mony is a dramatic reminder they have done, in most cases of the citizenship believers in - but by the grace of the

Instead of being "separate have the right to play a part in Lord. (John 5:24-30, John from Christ, excluded from the decisions our democratigovernment

Clearly, these ills would not be way to change America is to as prevalent if more Christians change Americans. understood Christ's commands to be the "salt of the earth" fighting the moral decay of our society. (Matthew 5:13) Claiming our rights as Americans, Christians could do much to make our society better by becoming involved in our government.

However, there can be little doubt that our nation's moral climate would be vastly under our Christ's work on the cross, enhanced if more believes were following Christ's com-Invariably, those who have Similarly, non-citizens of mand to be the "light of the world instead of letting our "light shine before men." shared the good news that God offers an abundant new and eternal life to those who will turn from their sin and accept As American citizens, we Jesus Christ as Savior and

While Christians must fuleigners to the covenants of makes. Many vexing moral fill our biblical duties as citipromise without hope and problems face our nation - zens of our government by homosexuality, advocating godly laws (Ephesians 2:12), as followers pornography, corruption in (Romans 13), the most effecof Christ, we are "fellow citi- government, to name a few. tive and eternally significant

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Pakistan's city of culture whirls with the fervor of Islamic mystics

LAHORE, Pakistan (AP) mystical, or ecstatic, move-— Whirling in a ritual reverie, ment within Islam. the Sufi drummer looks dance and shout around him.

Pakistan's city of culture and Muslim men have packed the dingy courtyard outside the love for their favored saint, ramshackle Baba Shah Jamal shrine for the weekly ritual.

Pappu Sain, the renowned and ies. rotund Sufi drummer who leads the spectacle every Thursday with a lion-like roar and an enormous beard. He Muslim world and in Germany, Switzerland and Britain. His followers say he has no equal.

As his hands bang a double-sided drum he wears slung over his shoulder, dancers vie to get as close to him as possible, stomping their feet and shaking sweat-soaked hair in rhythm with the beat. The closer to Pappu, the closer to

Sufism is the venerable

toward the sky and knocks out Pakistan and elsewhere, devoa feverish beat. The bearded tees believe that ordinary peo- tion on saints as un-Islamic men in bright traditional robes ple are too sinful to address and the widespread use of God directly, and must instead hashish by practitioners. It is midnight in Lahore, make their requests through mysticism, and hundreds of Sufis. They believe the dance more hardline strains of Islam, is a way of expressing their and performers say they experience an ecstasy that lifts They have come to see them out of their earthly bod-

Islamic world, Sufism is particularly popular among the poor. Orphans and beggars has performed throughout the surround most Sufi shrines, yard. Followers pray to him seeking handouts of rice or for a better job, a healthy spare change.

The mystic nature of believers' faith is frowned on In the folk form common in by conservatives, many of whom oppose the concentra-

The rich music and colorful pure and learned saints, or robes also runs counter to the like the one practiced by the former Taliban regime in Afghanistan, neighboring which banned all music.

At the shrine in Lahore, Shah Jamal — a 19th century Practiced throughout the saint who preached Islamic ideals through dancing and drum beating - is buried in a crypt upstairs from the courtchild, a good marriage.

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DEAR ABBY: While I was still married, I began dating "Alvin," a man I met

DEAR ABBY: For a grandmother through work. I then divorced my husband -- the marriage wasn't good anyway -- and moved in with Alvin. It meant giving up most of my friends and also my lifestyle.

Alvin gets mad if I wear something he thinks is "too tight" or "too revealing," He goes wherever he wants when-We encourage our nation's citizens to ever he wants, but he gets upset if I even visit my parents. He is nasty to one of my children, and I feel like I'm constantly defending my child.

To make a long story short, our lease is up in a few weeks, and Alvin's been hinting that he and I will be moving separately.

I have a chance to rent a wonderful apartment, and I am starting to think I should take it no matter what happens with Alvin, but I'm scared to death to be on my own.

Should I cut my losses and move on with my children? I hate to say this, but I think I still love Alvin and the security he provides.

I have no clue what to do, but I do know I am afraid. -- NEVER BEEN ON

DEAR NEVER: The security he provides? It sounds more like "maximum security" to me. You are living with a man who is controlling, abusive to your child and hinting that he's through with you. You may be afraid, but it's time to move out and move on. It's better for everyone's sake. You'll find emotional support if you look for it. Join Parents Without Partners (800-637-7974 or www.parentswithoutpartners.org) or join the YWCA. Emotional support is available if you make up your mind to reach out for it.

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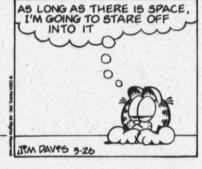




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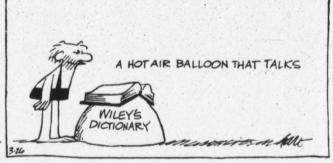
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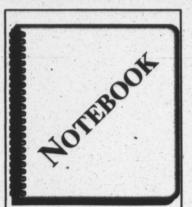
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BASKETBALL

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Jameer Nelson, Delonte West and Saint Joseph's aren't ready to pack it in quite yet.

With No. 1 nemesis Billy Packer watching from the front row and their fans chanting his name in the final minute, the Hawks showed they were a worthy No. 1 seed. Nelson and West each scored 24 points Thursday night, keying an 84-80 victory over Wake Forest in the semifinals of the East Rutherford Regional.

Despite all the back-andforth buildup between coach Phil Martelli and Packer, the CBS analyst and former Wake Forest star who doubted the Hawks, this game was decided solely by the nation's best backcourt.

"To me, it's about the kids and how tough they've been. It's really not about sticking our chests out," Martelli said. "We're one of the best teams in the country and the best story in college basketball."

AUTO RACING

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) -Elliott Sadler remembers being in Victory Lane at Bristol Motor Speedway as if it just happened.

"It was a feeling you don't forget and one that you want to repeat over and over," Sadler said. "Unfortunately, that hasn't happened and we think we're overdue."

The only NASCAR Cup victory for the 28-year-old Virginian came in the spring of 2001 on Bristol's fast, .533mile oval, where he will race again Sunday in the Food City

It hasn't really been the best venue for Sadler, whose only other top-10 finish was seventh in August of 2000.

In 11 races here, he has finished better than 21st only three times, yet still feels good about the place.

"I love Bristol," Sadler said. "Don't get me wrong, I have had my share of bad luck on that cereal bowl of a racetrack, but I have also had some good times here."

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Pampa matched with EP Bowie in regionals

Saturday at Ratliff Sports Complex the district-champion Harvesters (12-10-1) will take on 1-4A victor Bowie High at Odessa's Ratliff Sports Complex.

The Bears (17-5-0) are coming off a 2-0 beating of Gainesville High.

Coach Arnold McElroy got goals from Juan Corunel in the 20th minute and Daniel Hinojos in the 38th minute to take a 2-0 lead at the half that would last for the rest of the game.

"We played pretty well. I'd give us an A-minus," McElroy said in an interview with the El Paso Times. "I'm proud."

"Bowie is small, but quick. They like to swarm around the goal," said Pampa head coach Byron May. "Bowie's not real powerful. They go more for quality instead of quantity."

Bowie also made the regional quarterfinals last year but lost to Jefferson. Though this is the Bears' fourth consecutive playoff appearance, McElroy was pleasantly surprised.

"I knew we could make the playoffs, on Tuesday. but I'm surprised we won (District 1-4A). We had lost five seniors," he said.

The Harvesters are making their first visit to the regional quarterfinals in the history of the program.

"I'm just real happy with our

progress. We started out the season not having a whole lot of offense, but when district started we started scoring more goals," coach May said.

Pampa's probable lineup aganst Bowie will have Carlos Medina at goal keeper, Sammy Silva, Johnny Story, Dannie Meza, Nick Robbins, Eddie Palma and Justin Jouett at forwards; Robin Bittner, Adam Brown, Jason Brown and Andrew Fraser in the back.

The winner of Saturday's game awaits the outcome of Aledo-Lewisville-Hebron, which took place last night at the Fine Arts Complex in

Every other team remaining in the 1-4A bracket has earned a district championship, except for the Bearkats and the

Saturday's game is set for 4:00.

After a ten day layoff, it didn't take long for the Harvesters to get back on track at Odessa's Ratliff Sports Complex

At the 3:27 mark, senior defender Jason Brown scored on a flying header off an Eddie Palma corner kick, which proved to be the only score the Harvesters (12-10-1) would need.

The game did have several high-

lights, including a crushing shot by senior Sammy Silva at point-blank range, only to be stopped by the Riverside

Goalkeeper Carlos Medina came within a hair of scoring his second goal on the season by launching one of his punts into the stout West Texas wind.

Coach May noted the exceptional effort of sophomore Nick Robbins, who showed a tremendous amount of hustle on both ends of the field.

The Harvesters have earned a birth into the Regional Quarterfinals, and the Riverside Rangers finished 16-8-0 on the season.



(Photo by Ben Briscoe)

Senior forward Eddie Palma (9), pictured in a recent district match, had the assist for Pampa's winning goal against EP

Harvesters set to take on Plainview in second district clash of season

— Tyson runs. PAMPA Hickman, who belted a grand slam home run in the District 3-4A opener against Randall, is the scheduled pitcher when Pampa travels to Plainview for the second district clash of the season at 1 p.m. Saturday.

District action kicked off Tuesday afternoon with Randall coming to town to take on the Harvesters.

PHS coach Dennis Doughty knew the Raiders would be loaded with experience and talented seniors, and sure enough Randall opened a quick lead in the top of the first, scoring three ners.

The Harvesters would not be intimidated, however, as Hickman hit a bases-loaded homer over the right fence in the second inning to tie things at 4-all.

Randall didn't miss a beat though and pounded out 11 timely hits throughout the game and left with a 10-4

Pampa almost matched Randall in the hit category, collecting 10.

Randall, though, was able to turn more of its hits into runs-batted-in, while Pampa stranded too many baserun-

Hunter Craig led all hitters, going 3 for 4 as the Harvesters' leadoff man. One of his hits was a solid double.

Hickman added a single to go along with his grand slam.

Tyler Doughty took the loss, but pitched a complete game, striking out four and walking four.

Harvester fans can tune into KGRO radio (1230 AM) to listen to the Pampa-Plainview game. Donnie Hooper and Ray

Boring will be doing the play by play. Plainview beat Dumas

12-5 in its district opener.

Oklahoma State outlasts Pitt; UConn breezes

N.J. (AP) — Oklahoma State took Pittsburgh's pushes, shoves and banging for 33 minutes and then delivered a knockout blow that sent longtime coach Eddie Sutton to his sixth regional final.

Tony Allen keyed a late 17-5 spurt when secondseeded Oklahoma State solved Pittsburgh's tenacious defense and beat the third-seeded Panthers 63-51 on Thursday night.

Oklahoma State (30-3) will face either Saint Joseph's or Wake Forest on Saturday in the East right to go to San Antonio the for the Final Four.

Allen lead the Cowboys with 23 points in a game that Regional.

EAST RUTHERFORD, was much closer than the final score.

Carl Krauser had 15 points and Jaron Brown 11 for the Panthers (31-5), who lost in the regional semifinal for the third straight year. Connecticut 73, Vanderbilt

PHOENIX (AP) Connecticut hit from outside, pounded the ball inside and just plain dominated Vanderbilt most of the night.

Now the Huskies are a win from becoming the Final Four team they were expected to be.

Ben Gordon had 20 points, nine rebounds and Rutherford Regional for the five assists and UConn beat cold-shooting Commodores in the semifinals of the Phoenix

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Lubbock Christian bows out in NAIA tourney

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) points, including 10 in a row late in the game, in leading unseeded Westminster, Utah, to a 74-65 win over 12thseeded Lubbock Christian in over the last 3:45. the first-round of the NAIA Division I men's basketball tournament.

Lubbock Christian used an 11-0 run midway through the Friday night.

second half to take a 53-50 - Adam Hiatt scored 32 lead with 8:15 to play. But Westminster went ahead for good in a back-and-forth game with 6:41 remaining, and Hiatt got his 10 straight

Nick Booth had 18 points for Westminster (24-10), which plays Georgetown, Ky., in a second-round game

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and the Longhorns have four

that figure prominently in the

backcourt by fellow senior

Romain Sato, and both aver-

age more than 16 points.

They'll face Ivey and

Brandon Mouton, the leading

scorer for Texas at 13.6 points

Chalmers is joined in the

onghorns are doing just fine without former leader Ford

ATLANTA (AP) — T.J. Ford seemingly did it all in his brief stay at Texas.

Last season, the All-American point guard won the Naismith and Wooden awards as the national player of the year as a sophomore. He also led the Longhorns to their first Final Four in 56

He then left school early for the NBA, but in his absence, his former teammates are doing just fine.

"He still calls us to check in, just asks us how we're doing," guard Royal Ivey said Thursday. "He really misses being here, more than we miss him."

Longhorns (25-7) are back in the round of 16 for the third straight season, one of only five schools to do that. They meet seventh-seeded Xavier (25-10) in the semifinals of the Atlanta Regional on

Top-seeded Duke (29-5) takes on No. 5 Illinois (26-6) in the other game, and the winners play Sunday for a spot in the Final Four.

Before the current streak, Texas had reached this level only three times in the previous 34 years.

"It's great to be here during this run," forward Brad Buckman said. "We have Dayton.

third-seeded gone from being just a place on the map to playing teams like North Carolina and Duke. We are truly becoming a national program."

> To get that matchup with Blue Devils, the Longhorns will have to beat the hottest team left in the tournament.

> The Musketeers have won 15 of their past 16, including a rout of previously undefeated Saint Joseph's in the Atlantic 10 tournament.

A loss at · George Washington in January actually spurred this spurt for Xavier, even though it lost again three days later to

"That was an embarrassment to Xavier, both the team and the university," senior forward Anthony Myles said of the game against George Washington. "We're not used to losing like that, especially to George Washington.

"I'm not trying to dog them, but that was an embarrassment."

Since then, the Musketeers have been hard to beat. Their only loss in that stretch was at home to lowly Duquesne, but they won four games in four days to win the A10 tournament, including that 20-point defeat of Saint Joseph's.

"At the point of the Saint Joe's game, I think that we were clicking very well," Xavier guard Lionel Chalmers said. "I think we .The Musketeers start three, were ready to play whoever, and we weren't worried about who we were playing, just what we needed to do to win."

They had some help from coach Thad Matta, too.

"I think Coach challenged us to step it up, and we really bought into what he was saying," forward Justin Cage said. "We started competing harder in practice and the seniors really stepped up.

"They knew it was their last go-around and everything."

Both Xavier and Texas rely heavily on seniors, which is of 4.2 assists. "It's going to be a chal-

Ivey dishes out an average

lenge, but it's a challenge we embrace," Mouton said. "We love to compete against the best of the best."

-Same swing, different result: Scott, Woods go opposite directions

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Their swings are strikingly similar. Their resumes have very little in

Adam Scott took a baby step toward changing that on Thursday, while the guy who seemingly invented that greatlooking swing, Tiger Woods, was in danger of missing the cut after the first day of The Players Championship.

Scott, the 23-year-old, onetime winner on the PGA Tour, shot 7-under-par 65 to take a one-stroke lead after the first round. That's 10 strokes ahead of the world's best player, who stood in 108th place and needs to lift his game Friday to extend his record of 119 tournaments without missing

"I didn't think I played that

poorly," Woods said. "I made nothing starting out. I put myself in position to make putts and I made nothing."

Scott, meanwhile, had a very different experience.

Playing in the group ahead of Woods, Scott put on a show reminiscent of Tiger. Taking advantage of good conditions in the morning, the Aussie made six of his birdies from inside 6 feet, closing out a superb round with a 9-iron

"Any morning tee time you've got in the first two days, it's always good to take advantage of it," Scott said.

Duffy Waldorf and Kevin Sutherland were tied for second after shooting 6-under 66 on a relatively peaceful day on the Stadium Course. Also in contention were Thomas

Bjorn (67), Sergio Garcia (68) and even John Daly (69), who needs to finish in the top 19 to qualify for the Masters and made it through the round without a bogey.

"Bogey-free, that doesn't happen too many times for me out here," said Daly, never better than a 16th-place finisher in this event. "I made some good pars, and good putts. I didn't shoot myself in the foot, anyway."

Woods was 46th at Bay Hill last week, his worst finish in five years. But as is customary with the world's No. 1 player, he was thinking more about winning the event than failing to hang around for the weekend.

"If I get in red figures, I'll be all right," he said.

Also in danger of missing

the cut was defending champion Davis Love. He strained his back while warming up on the driving range and finished at 5 over, a far cry from last year when he won by six strokes.

"I'd like to get out there, get five birdies in a row like I did last year," he said. "If you can get to even-par before the weekend, you might have a chance."

Scott, who stands 18th in the world rankings and has won four times in non-PGA Tour events, works with Butch Harmon, the wellknown swing instructor with whom Woods cut ties last year. Woods claims he doesn't need Harmon, although there are many in golf circles who think his recent struggles could be cured with Harmon's touch.

Woods appeared to be struggling on No. 17, the famous island hole, where he flew the green and plunked the ball into the black lagoon. Surprisingly, Woods called that shot his best swing of the

"That's what happens when you catch the wrong wind," he

Scott had no such troubles, patiently working his way around one of the toughest courses in golf. He took the lead with a 9-iron into 4 feet on No. 7, hit a 4-iron into 3 feet on the par-3 eighth, and stuck a 9-iron into 6 feet on No. 9.

His only bogey came from the middle of the fairway on No. 15, when he hit wedge into the bunker, but he closed with birdies on 16 and 18 and

found land on 17 to make par.

"I've worked on my game a lot," he said. "My swing is better than it's ever been, I think. I think I'm getting it in really good position, and it feels really natural."

Also in contention are Ernie Els (69), who chipped in from the rough on No. 9 for birdie, and Phil Mickelson (70), who chipped in from the fringe for birdie on No. 17 with his foot nearly hanging over the edge of the island.

"The score doesn't reflect how well I actually played," said Mickelson, who struggled with his putter on greens that grew increasingly slick as the day wore on.

"This is the first week on tour where the green speed really picks up for you," he said.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ A money issue or situation with a partner could be difficult to resolve. You might need and want to play it conservative for a while. Your instincts serve you well. Do research. At the same time, if you haven't already, do your taxes. Tonight: Rest, because comorrow you will need all your ener-

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** You can avoid a power play by not playing. Of course, you could leave the other party a bit miffed, to say the least. An invitation involving friends might be perfect. Go for some light and easy entertainment. Tonight: Whatever makes the Twin content. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

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Iraq: EU leaders call for resolution

BRUSSELS. (AP) - European Union leaders Friday called for a new Security Council resolution to support an increased U.N. role in Iraq, although they did not directly link it to supplying peacekeepers.

The EU leaders said they "look forward to the U.N. playing a vital and growing role endorsed by the U.N. Security Council in the run-up to transition and beyond."

Spain's incoming prime minister, Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, has made it clear he will pull his country's 1,300 peacekeeping troops out of Iraq by June 30 unless the United Nations takes control of the postwar occupation.

The leaders also agreed to relaunch stalled talks on an EU constitution, with a new deadline of June 17.

The 25 European leaders on Friday discussed ways to create jobs and make European business and workers more competitive, with pledges to implement more reforms.

Britain, France Germany were pushing for a new "super EU commissioner" responsible for boosting industry and jobs at the EU's

British cavers

across border

CUETZALAN DEL PRO-GRESO, Mexico (AP) — Six British explorers surfaced after more than a week trapped in an underground

cavern, but they faced captivity by Mexican immigration authorities amid questions about whether they had permission for their expedition.

emerged unharmed from the flooded cavern in central Mexico on Thursday, will be sent to an immigration deten-

tion center in the capital along with the six others in their team, Assistant Interior Secretary Armando Salinas

The men were trapped deep underground on March 17 when rising water flooded the entrance to the Alpazat cavern

system in the state of Puebla. The explorers rationed their

food, fashioned maps into playing cards and kept in radio contact with team mem-

But the explorers, who included four members of

Britain's military, inflamed

bers on the surface.

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in hot water

Belgium executive office, the European makes up one of the largest Commission.

> In draft conclusions, the leaders made only a vague reference to supporting their "competitiveness agenda" in the next commission, which takes office in November.

They also acknowledged they were in danger of missing their goal of making the EU the most competitive economic bloc in the world by 2010.

"The credibility of the process requires stepping up the pace of reform," leaders said. Luxembourg even suggested pushing the deadline back to 2012, diplomats said.

Leaders condemned the "extra-judicial" killing of Hamas leader Sheik Ahmed Yassin, whom Israel held responsible for dozens of suicide attacks that have killed hundreds of Israelis.

EU leaders urged the United States to ensure better security in Iraq, condemning recurring deadly attacks against civilians and humanitarian aid groups.

Zapatero's plan to pull Spanish troops has alarmed Washington and London, but puts Madrid in line with Germany and France.

Spain's troop commitment department.

coalition contributions in Iraq.

Other European nations who have sent peacekeepers and police to Iraq include Poland, Britain, Italy, Portugal, the Netherlands, Denmark, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Slovakia, Hungary and the Czech Republic.

On terrorism, the leaders approved a 15-point action plan in the wake of the March 11 bombings in Madrid.

There is a "very strong sense of unity in Europe at the moment for very obvious reasons," British Prime Minister Tony Blair said.

The leaders picked former Dutch government official Gijs de Vries as the bloc's first anti-terror czar to bolster the continent's defense.

De Vries's job will be to ensure anti-terrorist measures are correctly implemented by the EU's foreign affairs, finance and interior depart-

De Vries, a former deputy interior minister who was born in New York but lived most of his life in the Netherlands, will start work Monday and report to Javier Solana, who heads the EU's foreign and security

Altrusa Style Show



(Courtesy photo)

Barbara Pipkin shows spring fashions from Dunlaps for the upcoming Altrusa Style Show slated March 27 at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Mexican sensitivities by refusing help from local rescuers — prompting suspicions that the team was involved in an unauthorized military or **Education Conference**

"We have reason to suppose that their actions could touch on our immigration law," Salinas said in Mexico City. "Their stay was legal as tourists, but there are indications that their activities were not of this type."

British authorities on Friday denied that the men violated the terms of their tourist vistas.

"We undertook the trip in good faith as we have done for 20 years without any problems using the same visa that we have always used," a Ministry of Defense spokesman said. "However, if there is a problem, that is something we are willing to discuss with the Mexican authorities."

Thursday's rescue featured Mexican experts as well as two British divers. Wearing equipment designed to squeeze through the tight crevasses of the cave, the divers escorted the explorers one-byone through a flooded passage.

The last caver was plucked from the ground as the sun was setting.

University to sponsor Peer

A&M University's Peers, Understanding, Listening, Speaking and Educating will host the 10th annual Regional Peer Education Conference April 1-3.

The conference will begin at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 1 with registration in the Commons at the Jack B. Kelley Student Center. Gerry Kelly, a certified hypnotist and certified practitioner of neuro-linguistic programming, will kick off the conference with a comedic hypnosis stage show at 8 p.m. in the Legends Club at the JBK sponsored by Student

"The rest of the weekend will consist of a series of sessions and keynote speeches on social awareness," Prairie Burgess, assistant director of the JBK, said. "Mr. Kelly and WT's Dr. Russell Lowery-Hart, assistant professor of speech communication, will present two separate keynote speeches on Friday."

The conference gives stu-

CANYON — West Texas dents from 15 universities and colleges in and around Texas the opportunity to share effective campus programs with each other, according to Burgess.

> "All of these schools have great programs, and this is a wonderful opportunity to share ideas and programs," Burgess said. "WT will be presenting during two sessions."

> The conference will conclude at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 3 with lunch and an awards ceremony in the Alumni Banquet Facility.

> "Awards will be given to the organization, program, adviser and peer educator of the year during lunch on Saturday," Burgess said. "Because the conference is being hosted at WT in its 10th year, we will be honoring Mary Hill, WT's former dean of students, for her influence, assistance and support to start this regional conference and to keep it going."

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