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Winborne, 21: Jettery Len Harris, 34. Misty Lee Miller, 22 and Jeremy Len on this one," Rushing said, "Besides Evans, 28, he said, adding that local our own deputies' work, we had-help

"There was a lot of hard work put in

Three of the four had Potter and or

(See FOUR, Page 3)

tive group will meet in Austin in connection with the project that is expected to take about 18 months. No start-up date has been set.

The goal is to return the courthouse to its original state. Work would include removing drop ceilings and tile floors, removing and rebuilding walls, restoring the courtroom and balcony was well as installing new heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems.

The money makes up the third round of grants made available after the Legislature in 1999 passed the preservation program with an initial \$50 million appropriation.

Class of '72 reunion meeting set Jan. 24

Pampa High School Class of 1972 will conduct a 30year reunion organizational meeting at 7 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 24, at First Christian Church library, 1633 N. Nelson. Enter through north doors. For more information, contact Cindy Gindorf, 665-6996.

DEATHS

Roxie May Hanks, 88 former Wheeler resident. Mary Opal Thornburg. 80, former Pampa resident. Julia Eleanor Slough VanBebber, former area resident.

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Conviction carries from two to 20 years in prison.

Warrants were issued Friday after- ment and tools, the chief deputy said. In the motel where they were arrested

with at 1000 Ford service truck as well as equip- available as the four have-been living

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State House passes resolution recognizing county centennial

By NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDHOR

Pampa will celebrate it's 100th anniversary this year, and the significance of the observance has been recognized by the Texas House - tions they have made to the Lone Star State; of Representatives.

Darlene Birkes, chairman of the anniversary activities, presented Grav County adopted by the Texas Legislators on May 6. 2001

Birkes said State Rep. Warren Chisum of Pampa was instrumental in getting the resolution adopted by his colleagues. He presented it this week to Gray County Judge Richard Peet.

House Resolution 566.

The resolution states:

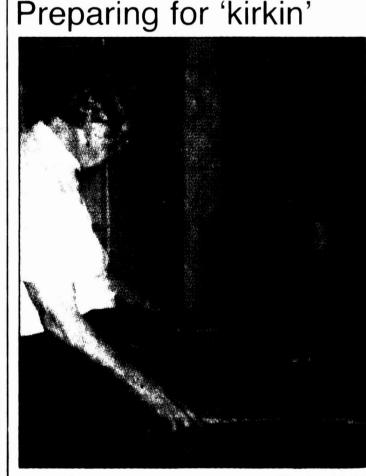
WHEREAS, Grav County, situated in the central Panhandle on the eastern edge of the High Plains, celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2002, and the citizens of this productive county are to be commended for the many contribuand

WHEREAS, Created in 1876, Gray County was organized in 1902 and Pampa, a railroad Commissioners with a resolution Tuesday town founded in 1887, was named its county seat in 1928; the grasslands that had supported the buffalo attracted ranchers as early as 1877: and ranching has continued to be a mainstay of the economy; and

WHEREAS. Farming became securely established in the early 20th century, aided by Speaker of the House Pete Laney signed the - irrigation and dryland farming techniques: crops today include wheat, sorghum, hay, corn, (See COUNTY, Page 3)

(Courtesy photo)

State Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, presents Gray County Judge Richard Peet with a resolution recognizing Gray County's 100th birthday.



(Courtesy photo) Betty Henderson, left, and Carolyn Kessel work on the MacLeod tartan banner which will be part of the "Kirkin' o' the Tartan' service at First Presbyterian Church this Sunday.

Horne files for Prct. 2 spot

A longtime Pampa businessman, M.W. (Bill) Horne, has filed for County-Commissioner Precinct 2 in the March 12 Republican Primary.

Horne said he desires to serve the community and people he loves in a way that will be most beneficial and helpful to them. He teels his experience in business and long time community service has prepared him for this task.

A proud American and native Texan, he and his wife Carolyn have been married for 37 years. They have two daughters and five grandchildren: Mrs. Guy (Laura) Green and Mrs. Jerrod (Marci) Imel. Laura's children are Eden. Jacob and Jordan. Marci's children are Hailey and Tucker. All are Pampa residents, and are active in their church and community.

The Hornes are active members of the Bible Church of Pampa where Bill serves on Elder Board.

From 1971 to 1998, Horne owned and oper ated the Gray County Veterinary Clinic. In 1998, he sold this clinic to Brian Gordzelik, DVM, but he still works there on a part-time. basis.

Horne is an active member of the Pampa Lion's Club and serves as chairman of the Gray County Junior Livestock Show. He also has served 17 years in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

active member include The American sty with a doctorate of veterinary medicine.



M.W. "Bill" Horne

Veterinary Medical / Association, Texas Veterinary Medical Association and High Plains Veterinarian Medical Association.

He was raised in Big Spring, and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1962. He graduated in 1966 from Texas A&M University with a bachelor's degree in veterinary science Other organizations Horne has served as an In 1967, he graduated from the same universi-



OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

Services today

THORNBURG, Mary Opal - Vigil services, 6:30 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Services tomorrow

DAVIS, Aaron Dale - Memorial graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

GASSETT, Robert — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pamp

THORNBURG, Mary Opal — Graveside services, 9 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

JULIA ELEANOR SLOUGH VANBEBBER

CLEMSON, S.C. — Julia Eleanor Slough VanBebber, former resident of the Texas Panhandle, died in Sunday, Jan. 13, 2002. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 17 in the chapel of Brown-Sisson Funeral Home in Perry, Okla. Burial was in Grace Hill Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later time in Ducket Funeral Chapel in Clemson. Mrs. VanBebber, the second daughter of pioneers Frank and Sally Elizabeth Slough, was born in Portales, N.M. She was a teacher, writer and educator. She graduated from Wellington High School at Wellington, Texas, and earned a bachelor of arts degree from Texas Tech University and a master's degree from West Texas State University.

She taught English, speech and journalism in McLean and Dumas schools for 34 years. She also did freelance writing and contributed to "The Texas Outlook," "Grit," "Farm and Ranch," "National Poetry Anthology," the Amarillo News and numerous other periodicals. In addition, she belonged to, and was active in, many literary organizations. In 1939, she married Jack VanBebber, the 1932 Olympic Welter Weight Gold Medal Winner in wrestling. During her husband's service in the Pacific with the U.S. Army during World War II, she taught hydraulics at Amarillo Air Base. She later published a book, "A Distant Flame," based on her husband's wrestling career. They resided in McLean, Dumas and Pampa, Texas, and on retirement moved to Perry. After her husband's death in 1986, Mrs. VanBebber moved to Clemson to pursue her writing.

She was predeceased by her parents; her husband; two brothers, Roy Slough of Wellington and Ben Baldwin of Fort Worth; and a sister, Gladys McMillan of Lubbock.

Survivors include a sister, Mildred Lavcock, of Pampa; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Clemson, First Baptist Church of Perry, the National Wrestling Hall of Fame at Stillwater, Okla., or Cherokee Strip Historical Society in Perry.

ROXIE MAY HANKS

1913-2002

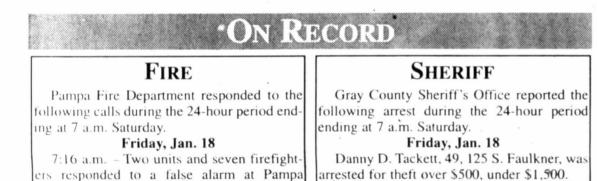
WHEELER — Roxie May Hanks, 88, died Thursday, Jan. 17, 2002, at Amarillo. Services were Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Harold Moore of Wellington and Dr. Toby Henson, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Hanks was born Sept. 22, 1913, at Thomas, Okla., to James and Daisy Thomas. She married Bill Hanks on Jan. 18, 1931, at Elk City,

Okla.; he died in 1979. A longtime resident of the Wheeler area, she was employed at Koshare Shop in Wheeler for many years and at Wheeler Library. She belonged to First Baptist Church. She moved to Amarillo in 1999.

She was preceded in death by a son, Doyle Hanks, in 1999.

Survivors include a brother, Milton Thomas of Nampa, Idaho; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.



MARY OPAL THORNBURG 1921-2002

IRVING - Mary Opal Thornburg, 80, died Thursday, Jan. 17, 2002. Vigil services will be at 6:30 p.m., today in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel in Pampa. Graveside services will be at 9 a.m., Monday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. John Valdez, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church of Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Thornburg was born Oct. 17, 1921, in Slapout, Okla. She married Ellis Morgan Thornburg on July 29, 1948, at Follett; he died in 1963. She had been a Pampa resident from 1951 until moving to Irving in 1995.

She was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa.

Sunday, Jan. 13, 2002, at Austin, Texas.

Memorial graveside services will be at 10

a.m., Monday at Memory Gardens Cemetery

in Pampa with the Rev. Jim Powell, pastor of

the Hobart Baptist Church of Pampa, officiat-

ing. Local arrangements are under the direc-

tion of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors

Wheeler. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy,

serving from 1961 until 1965. He was

employed by Sperry Univac for 19 years and

He was preceded in death by his parents,

Wylie and Cleo Davis; a sister, Wylene Lee;

Texas Meter and Device for six years.

Mr. Davis was born Sept. 9, 1940, in

of Pampa.

AARON DALE DAVIS 1940-2002

AUSTIN - Aaron Dale Davis, 61, died and a nephew, Lavoe Lee.

Survivors include his wife, Marlene Davis, of the home; two sons, Brandon Davis and Duron Davis, both of Austin; a stepson, Chase of Denver, Colorado; five sisters, Cleta Trimble, Joy Haynes and Sharon Brown, all of Pampa, Nellie Williams of Sudan and Glenda Pecka of Tucson, Arizona; two brothers, James Davis and Melvin Davis, both of Pampa; and five grandchildren, Valerie, Jacob, Aslan, Lukus and Pykasu.

The family requests memorials be to Hobart Baptist Church, 1100 Crawford, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Hospice of Austin, 4107 Spicewood Springs Road, Austin, TX 78759.

He was a member of Briarwood Full

Survivors include his wife, Edna, of the

home; a stepson, Joe Chapin of Molena, Ga.;

two stepdaughters, Marie Stevenson of

Kellogg, Idaho, and Joyce Minor of

Lewisville; three brothers, L.D. Gassett of

Wharton, John Gassett of Tulsa, Okla., and

Henry Gassett of Shawnee, Okla.; seven

grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a

Briarwood Full Gospel Church, 1800 W.

The family requests memorials be to

Maj. Pierre Pinchart, the military attache at

the Belgian embassy in Kigali, Rwanda, said the

ROBERT GASSETT 1916-2002

Gospel Church.

great-great-grandchild.

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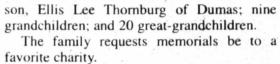
Robert Gasseit, 85, of Pampa, died Thursday, Jan. 17, 2002. Services will be at 10 a.m., Monday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, and the Rev. Gene Allen officiating. Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery in Borger under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

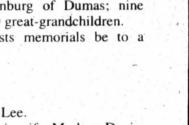
Mr. Gassett was born Nov. 25, 1916, at Bridgeport, Okla. During World War II, he was employed by the government, building airport runways. In 1981, he retired from Phillips Petroleum after 32 years of service.

Volcano erupts in Congo; 40 dead

GOMA, Congo (AP) — A river of lava flowed through the center of Goma on Saturday and burned everything in its path, killing up to situation could become a major humanitarian 40, creating a five-foot-high wall of cooling disaster, with two infants already dead from starstone and leaving a half-million people home- vation and dehydration. He said Goma's water

ceded in death by a grandson, Matthew Thornburg, in 1986. Survivors include two daughters, Donna Glover of Irving and Verna Price of Yale, Okla.; a





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Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza

9:11 a.m. - Two units and seven firefight ers responded to a false alarm at Pampa Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza.

10:05 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 1900 block of Duncan.

3:45 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Hobart and Duncan streets.

7:18 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a false alarm in the 1200 block of Kentucky

Saturday, Jan. 19

1:24 a.m. - Two units and seven firefight ers responded to a false alarm at Pampa Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza.

3:32 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a false alarm at Pampa Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza. Maintainance staff said they were disconnect ng the malfunctioning alarm for repairs.

less. The 130-foot-wide path of molten rock made

POLICE Pampa Police Department reported the folowing arrest during the 24-hour period end-

Friday, Jan. 18

ing at 7 a.m. Saturday.

John Russell Childress, 42, Canadian, was arrested for public intoxication.

AMBULANCE

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday. Friday, Jan. 18

3:39 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Harvester streets. The call was

cancelled before arrival. Saturday, Jan. 19

5:57 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Malone and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

WEATHER FOCUS

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northwest. Sunday night, mostly clear. Lows 50. Thursday, mostly cloudy. Lows in the midmostly clear. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Lows in to 55.

Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs 50 to 55. the upper 20s and highs 60 to 65. Wednesday, Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph, becoming mostly cloudy. Lows around 30. Highs near near 25. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, mostly dle 20s. Highs in the upper 40s to around 50. sunny. Highs 55 to 60. Monday evening, Friday, partly cloudy. Lows near 25. Highs 50

Iraqis fear they'll be U.S. targets

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Baghdad print shop owner Abdel Hakim Loqman believes his country could again be the target of U.S. bombs, but says his fears have nothing to do with whether Iraq sponsors terrorists or is building a nerve gas arsenal.

The (Iraqi) leadership is working on liberating Palestine and uniting the Arab nation and this is something the enemy does not want," Logman said after Friday prayers in the Sheik Abdel Qader al-Qeilani mosque, one of the biggest in Baghdad.

"As long as Iraq continues these things, I expect an attack if not this month then the next month; if not this year then the coming one," added Loqman, who'd just heard a sermon that spoke of U.S. "savageness" in Iraq and the Palestinian territories and called on Arabs to

unite against the enemies of Islam.

Few people in Iraq would express criticism of a regime known for brutally punishing dissidents. But the sentiments expressed by Iraqis Friday reflect those heard across the region since Sept. 11: Many view President Saddam Hussein as a hero and see the United States as an oppressive presence.

In the West, it may be easy to make the case that Saddam is a threat that must be contained. But at home — and elsewhere in the Mideast many see him as a champion of Arabs and Muslims. If Washington wants to move against him, it will have to take into account whether Arab states it counts on as allies can afford to support the campaign in the face of popular support for Saddam.

Washington hasn't said what military options, if any, it has in mind for Iraq.

David Mack, a former Iraqi officer at the State Department, said in a telephone interview from Washington that the next U.S. move in the war against terror will focus on diplomatic efforts and international cooperation to battle terrorists. "The United States does not want to go from country to country using military action," Mack, now the vice president of the private Middle East Institute, said in a telephone interview from Washington.

But some in the U.S. administration and in the Iraqi opposition have been pressing for U.S. military action to topple the Iraqi regime, saying it is as dangerous as the Taliban regime U.S. bombs helped push from power in Afghanistan last year.

a fishhook pattern as it rolled down Mount Nyiragongo, 12 miles north of Goma, passed through the central business district and flowed into Lake Kivu, sending sulfuric smoke and steam into the air.

Later Saturday lava began pouring out of what appeared to be a new fissure, 6 miles east

of Nyiragongo, authorities said. Many of those left homeless fled east into

neighboring Rwanda. U.N. officials reported at least 40 deaths. Hospital officials in Gisenyi, Rwanda, recorded 16 deaths but said a definitive count was not possible because of the chaos.

Dr. Cedrique Abeli of Gisenyi Hospital said the 16 dead included two infants and two elderly burn victims.

Abeli and four colleagues struggled to treat the injured as hospital wards filled with dozens of burn victims and women who suffered miscarriages from stress.

Dawn broke in Gisenyi with the sound of hundreds of crying, hungry children. Refugees bathed in the lake, the water putrid from the lava.

"There is no food, no water, no sanitation. We are here like animals," said Richard Mwambo, a teacher who fled Goma and was preparing to board a dangerously overcrowded ferry to Bukavu, a four-hour trip down Lake Kivu. "(We are) afraid of dying. If we are to die, it is better to die in Congo, not Rwanda."

City Briefs

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purification system had been destroyed and refugees were drinking lake water, which could trigger a cholera epidemic.

"The lake water is poison, because everything from the city is going in the lake," Pinchart said,

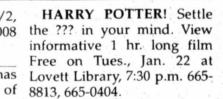
A Belgian relief plane would bring water purification systems to Gisenyi on Sunday, he said.

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw and French Foreign Minister Hubert Vedrine will visit refugees when they travel to Rwanda next week, part of a previously planned trip to central Africa. Earlier Britain pledged nearly \$3 million in emergency funding for volcano victims.

More than a dozen earthquakes shook the region every hour, some of them severe enough to send people running into the street in panic. Hundreds of thousands of Goma residents, ordered to abandon their impoverished city as it burned, slept outdoors in Gisenyi, seeking shelter under porches.

More than half of Goma was consumed by lava. A fire crackled at the art deco Black and White Dance Club and propane gas tanks exploded throughout the town. Only a handful of police patrolled the otherwise empty city.

The night sky glowed scarlet from the fires, and international aid workers withdrew 30 miles from the city out of fear that large quantities of methane gas existing naturally in the lake would explode or bubble up, killing people close to shore.



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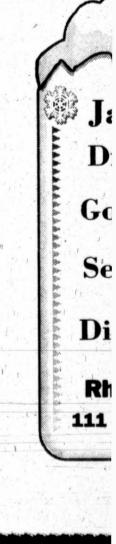
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of Pampa plays host to a high-

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and soybeans; and WHEREAS, Gray County ly popular Chautauqua in Central Park; and WHEREAS, Gray County

its 100th anniversary and Labor Day each year, the city extend to all its citizens sincere best wishes as they begin. a new chapter in their outstanding history.

Enron chair urged employees to buy stock

WASHINGTON (AP) -Buy the company's stock, urged employees a month

Enron worker on last Sept. 26, three weeks before the compa-Enron Chairman Kenneth Lay ny announced a stunning \$638 million in third-quarter losses.

Lay's message was part of an

electronic meeting with

employees on an internal

Meyer declined comment Friday. Houston-based Enron,

Enron spokesman Vance

Members of Karen Skagg's Food Production class pooled their culinary talents, last

week to cook a special thankyou dinner for the Pampa school board. January is School Board Appreciation Month.

At left, Olga Mejia, Ashley Freeman, Lindsay Carroll, and Betsy Crossman prepare the Mexican dishes, while Justin Lemons, center, in right photo, serves school staff, Mark McVay, left, and Evan Smith, right. (Pampa News photos by Dee Dee Laramore)



also derives income from another immensely important resource, the Panhandle oil field; petroleum, first discovered in the county in the 1920s, and petrochemical industries have added another major dimension to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, Museums in the county feature U.S. military and local history, and Pampa can claim the. Panhandle's only National Register of Historic Places District; for the outdoors and sports enthusiast, the county offers the McClellan Creek National Grassland, Lake McClellan, a rodeo, golf, and facilities for other sports; on

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has been home to such noted individuals as folk singer Woody Guthrie, shot-put Olympic champion Randy Matson, opera singer Mary Jane Rose Johnson, and Miami Dolphin foot star Zach Thomas; and

WHEREAS. The hardworking, generous, and creative citizens of Gray County are proud of their heritage and relish the freedom of their wide open spaces, and they are looking forward to meeting the challenges of the new century; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the

House of Representatives of the 77th Texas Legislature hereby honor Gray County on

Birkes said the 100th Celebration will have activities throughout ?002 to commemorate the event. The people of Lefors and McLean are also planning celebrations in those county communities.

She said several days of celebration are planned in the Fall around the Pampa High School Homecoming, but said no date has been set.

after he was warned that the energy-trading giant faced

stock and future prospects with an evangelist's fervor, assured employees that the energy company's finances were sound and its books in good shape.

"The third quarter is looking great," Lay messaged an

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LOOK

"It's such a beautiful building," McNair said of the structure that was built in 1934.

The architect on the job is Tim White of Amarillo and The Ritter Company, Amarillo, is the contractor, the postmaster said.

For a three-week period during the work, McNair said the only entrance available to the lobby will be via the handicap ramp. And on President's Day weekend (Feb. 16-18) there will be no admission to the lobby until Tuesday morning once the post office closes at noon Saturday, he said. That's so concrete can be poured and allowed to dry.

potential accounting scandals. Lay, who touted Enron's

company Internet network. In one exchange, Lay brushed aside an employee who asked bluntly what would happen when questionable

Enron accounting practices "come home to roost" in the next 10 years. "I would guess 10 years from now our net income will

be four-to-six fold what it is today and our market (value) will be eight to 10 times what it is today," Lay replied.

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once the nation'sy seventhlargest corporation, slid into the biggest bankruptcy in U.S. history on Dec. 2. Thousands of employees lost their jobs and many saw their retirement accounts - predominantly in Enron stock - essentially wiped out.

"My personal belief is that Enron stock is an incredible bargain at current prices and we will look back a couple of years from now and see the great opportunity that we currently have," Lay messaged another employee.

Randall warrants outstanding when they were arrested and the fourth was charged with possession of stolen property, Rushing said. One of them, Harris, is also being held on a parole violation stemming from a burglary conviction.

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For that reason, those counties will have first crack at disposing of their cases against the four before they are turned over to Gray County, the chief deputy said.





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VIEWPOINTS

Kennedy's right on fewer tax cuts

Some of you may be surprised by your feelings but you just might think more of Ted Kennedy after you read this.

Kennedy said last week that he'd like to see \$350 billion of President Bush's tax cuts postponed to pay for national priorities ranging from health care to education. What he's talking about are cuts planned for the most wealthy ... if you make under \$130,000 a year your cuts won't be affected.

President Bush disagrees. He wants to go ahead with all of the 10-year \$1.35 trillion tax cut ... most for the wealthiest Americans. That's a fact.

To me, that's irresponsible. We've been there. Done that.

Was it Harry Truman who said if you want to live like a Republican you need to vote Democrat?

But I digress and I'm going to do it again.



income (I don't know if that was for one year or four) that Enron paid no federal income taxes from 1996 to 2000 AND got a \$381 million refund.

I bet you didn't get a tax break like that. That really ticks me off that the fat cats (General Motors and Pfizer are another two) get all this help and small business and the 'regular' working folks get

Back again.

Sure enough, now we've returned to where we were before the gains made Did you see where on \$1.7 billion during the Clinton administration's time

.. we're back into deficit spending.

But whether you agreed or not with any of this before Sept. 11, one thing is for certain ... we're in a different time now.

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Not all of Kennedy's fellow Democrats agree with him on scaling back the cuts in order to bring some neglected issues back to the forefront but news reports last week show him to be undeterred.

In his speech, he said the big tax cut was enacted before an economic recession began eroding the budget and prior to the Sept. 11 terror attacks that prompted a raft of new defense and security spending.

"Whatever the merits or demerits of last year's tax bill, it was enacted in what now seems a very different and distant time," Kennedy said.

I think he's right.

(Kate Dickson can be reached at kbd@pan-tex.net)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Veterans stand united

To those of you who are veterans of the armed forces, do heed these words! There comes a time at one point of our lives when we must involuntarily step out of the working world. This usually is associated when one becomes ill with a disease or serious injury.

I remember when I was a young man in the early '60s while serving our country in the U.S. Navy, i was informed that when the time came for me to have the necessary help to sustain me, it would be given without hesitation. I'm sure there are many of you vets out there that were told likewise.

Now the V.A. can take away your benefits without any due warning.

To get right to the core of the matter, my benefits were taken away from me, only after one year of having them. I was disabled by the V.A. in 1998 for Crohn's disease which is a disease of the lower intestinal tract. This hinders my ability to hold down a steady job or do any physical work which I once was involved.

I have tried going through the V.A. system but to no avail. The V.A. representative in Amarillo told me I would never get them restored. At the present time I draw social security disability, but it does not allow me to have enough money to meet my monthly obligations. It seems only service-connected vets get to keep their benefits.



I know other vets, such as myself, who have had their benefits taken away after receiving them for a short time.

Even our representatives do not take time to aid us in this matter. Mr. Thornberry who is our representative in this particular area should do more to help us retain our benefits.

If there are any of you out there having problems in this area, then let's get together and show strength. Individually, I cannot get anything done, but by uniting in numbers, we may get better results.

Johnny R. Arnold Pampa

County-wide vote needed

In a recent edition of the Amarillo Globe-News, that newspaper sent out a clarion editorial call to let the residents of Pampa and environs become observant pig sloppers.

How magnanimous of them! Two counties away, generously usurping the right of Gray County residents, not all of whom are residing in the immediate Pampa area.

A county-wide referendum would establish the will of the county on the issue of whether large captive hog feeding operations should be permitted. An up or down vote would negate multiple meetings, arguments, studies and commissions studying the projects.

Let the people of Gray County speak. Foreign voices should not attempt to disenfranchise Gray County voters.

The appearance of large hog facility operators was sort of like the "you may have already won Prize Patrol" when we hadn't entered the contest. Gray County was not selected because of her beauty but because she is easy and can be head because of weak environmental laws.

Those who court her may have been the objects of denial and rejection in similar courtship efforts elsewhere.

Never has having a headache been more desirable and appropriate. A couple of pounds of solid waste per hog per day with 50,000 to 80,000 hogs in the immediate area could indicate the county is just about "dung" for.

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GUEST COLUMN

It's about pigs, Pantex and all of Texas

By LINDA OLSON РАМРА

The overriding issue is far bigger than just "pigs and Pampa." It's pigs and the Panhandle of Texas. It's Pantex and the Panhandle of Texas. It's pigs, Pantex, and all of Texas.

All of Texas? Surely Not! But then again, maybe so... As metroplex areas such as Dallas/Ft. Worth, austin, and Houston continue to explode with population growth, these cities are already scouting new resources for water. Ironically, it seems that the oft-forgotten "Crown of Texas - The Panhandle" might just be the most abundant water resource in the state of Texas. Projects are already under way to figure out just how to pipe Panhandle of Texas water to cities in central and south Texas.

Well, folks, when you look at it that way, the popular state and federal policy of approving potentially dangerous project sites, and locating them in sparsely populated, low-voter density areas may just end up affecting everyone in the entire state of Texas. "Potentially dangerous" will be defined in terins of health risks and environmental pollution.

The danger is already being documented. An article in the Jan. 5 edition of the Amarillo Globe-News, titled "Sick Pantex Worker gets \$150,000" states that "seven current Pantex workers and one former. have been diagnosed with chronic beryllium disease." This is only the tip of the iceberg. The bottom layers of the nuclear, weapons iceberg can, and do, include a nightmare of toxic pollution messes ranging from contamination of persons to contamination of soil and water.

Article after article in The Denver Post has reported the

full range of dealing with a nuclear weapons facility -Rocky Flats - which is located 16 miles northwest of central denver. All of these articles can be accessed via Internet. Go to www.denverpost.com. Then click on "Archives." Type in "Rocky Flats" for the topic. Check out the articles from 1995 to 2001. A warning: This is not bedtime reading.

But what does the Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant have to do with Pantex, Amarillo, and the Panhandle of Texas? I will briefly quote from one article: Source - The Denver Post, Page B-04, April. 10, 1997.

"AMARILLO, Texas -Transfers of weapons-grade plutonium have begun into the Pantex Plant, the U.S. Dept. of Energy said Wednesday. The first shipment of weapons components, called pits, arrived last month from the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site in Colorado, Pantex spokesman Tom Walton said. Walton refused to specify when the first shipment arrived, how large it was, how many more was planned, and when they're scheduled."

So the bottom line is that we got what Rock Flats had and that is not good news.

Now, however, in addition to all of that, we are now threatened with pigs, thousands of pigs, in pig factories which are being approved by the TNRCC (Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission). In just 10 years, the Panhandle of Texas has gone from supporting eight percent of the pigs in Texas to 85 percent of the pigs in Texas. Numerous studies in other states have confirmed soil, air, and water pollution from the pig factories.

We need to be asking some questions:

1. Why are our protective

agencies, specifically, the federal level, EPA and the state level TNRCC not protecting citizens in the areas of health, water, air and soil purity? A partial answer is that their hands are tied. They can only carry out the wishes of the legislators - our elected officials.

2. Are local, state, and federally-elected officials "chasing the buck" too hard at the expense of the safety of their constituents?

3. Is it discriminatory for state and federal officials to approve potentially dangerous projects and sites in primarily sparsely populated areas with low voter density?

4. Shouldn't individual rights in America be maintained across the board, not dependent upon the physical location in which a particular person has chosen to live?.

5. Shouldn't the people who live in those affected areas get to vote on these issues rather than have small committees who live far from those areas make the decisions? Dream on, huh?

For those of you who go to the internet site and check out The Denver Post articles, it will appal you to read about:

 Former janitors at Rocky Flats suing for \$15 million because they have beryllium disease, an incurable and sometimes fatal disease which saps the ability to breathe;

· Rocky Flats subcontractors pleading guilty in federal court and assessed \$18.5 million in fines;

· Seven tons of improperly stored plutonium;

· Moisture moving plutonium through soil;

· Tons of radioactive waste being trucked down interstate highways:

· Illegal withholding of documents by Rocky Flats for three years before complying with requests made by The

Denver Post using the Freedom of Information Act;

 The need for a \$24.8 million construction project to prevent Rocky Flats run-off from contaminating a lake which supplies drinking water for 200,000 residents;

• 55,000 pounds of uranium buried in drums that are no leaking; and

· Colorado grand jurors who say federal prosecutors blocked their efforts to indict federal and corporate officials for alleged environmental crimes at Rocky Flats.

I hope all this will not happen in connection with Pantex, but the article about the Pantex workers developing chronic beryllium disease just seemed like de ja vu.

That was the tip of the ice-berg at Rocky Flats, Colo. Is it the tip of the iceberg at Pantex? Do we have to rewrite the book on nuclear toxic messes in Texas? Do we have to rewrite the book on pigs and soil, air, and water contamination in Texas, when other states have already gone through the lawsuits and the studies verifying problems?

I hope not, but it sure looks like we are going to do just that.

The Denver Post did a terrific job of keeping readers informed. It looks like the Amarillo Globe News may be stepping up to the task, also. The power of the press and their investigative skills can prove invaluable, in these type of situations. Informed, rather than apathetic citizens, can make a difference.

Our legislators need to "step up to bat" for their constituents. I don't think that is currently happening right now, but we can always hope.

Many elections in Colorado hinged on the legislator's response to the Rocky Flats issue.



AF WEBSITE

Children of Alcoholics ndation, an education-pretion arm of Phoenix ise, recently launched a site (www.coaf.org) for dren of substance abusers all ages. The website is gned to help educators, sicians, social workers and r professionals. The site udes sections for teens and Its who have grown up 1 an alcoholic or drug icted parent as well as rmation for teachers, al workers and others.

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www.FinancialAssistanceNet work.org.

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site www.FamilyHealthResearch.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET

The Cost Containment Institute Research in Washington, D.C., recently published at 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers Hosting

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CALENDAR ITEMS

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

American International Youth Student Exchange Program is seeking American high school students, ages 15-19; to participate in its foreign exchange program. Students will spend a semester or year with an European family or participate in a 4- to 6-week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened by AIY-SEP school counselors and educators in local schools. To qualify, students must have evidence of maturity, superior character and knowledge of English and a foreign language. For more information, call 1-800-347-7575 or visit www.aise.com on the World Wide Web. CASE

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(haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics: The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Jan. 23, Groom School, Groom; 1-3:30 p.m., Jan. 23, McLean School, McLean; and 11 a.m.-12 p.m.; 1-4 p.m., City Hall, Canadian.

exchange student in August 2000 is like bringing the world to your doorstep. U.S. Government sanctioned, CSIET listed non-profit educational organization is seeking families of all types; retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples. Students will be arriving from various counties, ALL of whom speak English. You can choose a male or female between the age of 15 and 18. You will have the support of a LOCAL Area Representative with you throughout the exchange. Students arrive sometime in August (depending on when school starts). Your new son or daughter will attend your local high school for either 5 or 10 months. All students have their own med ical insurance. As a host family, you agree to provide room and board and to include your student as a member of your family. For information, contact Joyce toll-free at 877-846-5848.

WORLD HERITAGE

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

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

NFFF SCHOLARSHIPS Scholarships are available through National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for children of firefighters who have died in the line of duty.

www.firehero.org and look up scholarships. To receive a free information packet, call 1-877-453-FIRE. **MS SOCIETY**

The Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a monthly program for people with MS every third Thursday of each month. Some of the topics covered include: "Moving Forward: A Program for People Newly Diagnosed with MS," "When MS Progresses," "Intimacy and MS," "Life after Diagnosis: A Wellness Approach" and much more. A transcript is provided at the site after each program. For more information, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or (806) 468-7500

or contact the National MS website at www.nmss.org and select Educational Programs. EMF

Educational Merit Foundation, a non-profit, Texas-based, student exchange organization, is seeking host families for high school students from Europe. For more information, call (972) 495-3868 or 1-800-467-8363. AYA

Academic Year in America program is seeking host families for international exchange students between the ages of 15-18 1/2. For more information, call Danielle Carpino at 1-800-322-4678 ext. 5146.



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SEMINAR holic Family Service, Inc., 1 need of applicants for its int adoption pool of

roved families. An inforional meeting will be 7-9 ., on Jan. 22. An Adoptive ent Education Seminar will held from 8:30-4:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1. There is no for the informational meethowever, there is a \$500 per couple to attend the inar. Both meeting and inar will be held at the r Street Resource Center, S. Tyler, in the upstairs ference room. Both hus-1 and wife need to attend essions. Applicants must t least 21 years of age and ried for at least two years. more information, call) 345-7908. Reservations

equired. REPUBLICAN WOMEN

O' Texas Republican Women meet from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., 23 at Furr's Family Dining in pa. The guest speaker will be ziate member Sue Hershey of nillo.



will meet at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 31 in Amarillo. Individuals interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts is welcome. For more information, call Becky Martin at (806) 358-2765.

FIRST AID CLASS The local chapter of the American.Red Cross will offer a community CPR and first aid class from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 2 at its office on 108 N. Russell. To register or for more information, call 669-7121.

TRALEE PROGRAM

Tralee Crisis Center in Pampa will present a special volunteer training from 6-9 p.m., Wednesdays beginning Feb. 6 at 310 S. Cuyler. Participants must RSVP by Feb. 1. For more information, call 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Jan. 22, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, Pampa. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The Arbor National Day Foundation throughout this month. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Jan. 31, 2002.

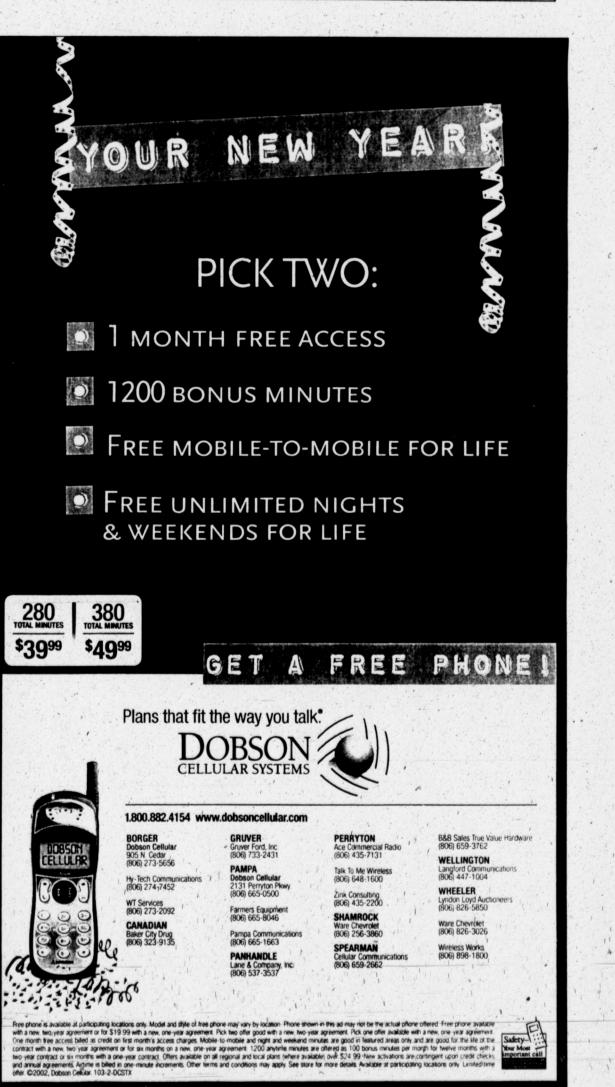
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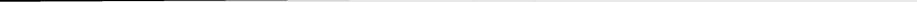
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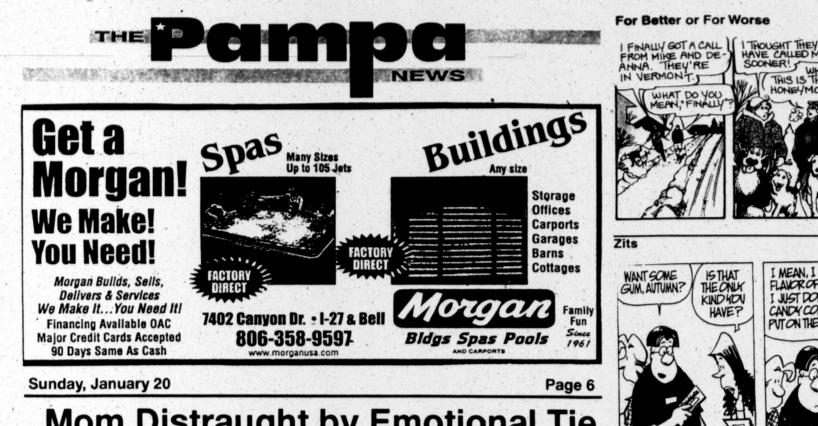
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THEY DON'T HAVE TO CALL HOME, CONNIE. I JUST LIKE THEM

Mom Distraught by Emotional Tie to Son's Teen-Age Friend

DEAR ABBY: I have had an unusually close bond with my son's best friend, "Chad." We talk several times a week and enjoy each other's company. Chad is 17. I am 45. He has always made me feel special.

-Recently I chaperoned a school dance, and he was there. While checking the back hallway, I saw him kissing a girl. I was stunned by my reaction. I broke down in front of them. I sobbed like a teen-ager whose boyfriend was cheating on her. Other students and adults also witnessed my unfortunate display of emotions. Now I am afraid to talk with Chad - and he's made no effort to call me.

Abby, I honestly don't know how to explain myself. I am afraid this will affect Chad's friendship with my son, as well. I do not want to lose my relationship with this wonderful young man, whom I dearly love. What do I do now?

EMOTIONAL MOM IN PASADENA, CALIF.

DEAR EMOTIONAL MOM: I think you have done enough. It's time to put some distance between you and this lad. You didn't mention whether or not you have a husband. If you are single, it's time to concentrate your energies on someone closer to your own age.

alcohol? Has this affected your sleeping habits? (Do you pass out, get a drink in the middle of the night, or wet the bed when you sleep because of alcohol?)

There are many "working" alcoholics and many who don't work mostly women - because they are financially able not to. I know, because between parents, a husband and a good friend, I have experienced it all.

Please rethink your test and add these questions.

BÉEN THERE IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR BEEN THERE: I'll do that. And thank you for the valuable input.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to add a thought to David Broome's words of encouragement to "Scared About the New Job." He said, "Never be afraid to try something new. Remember, amateurs built the ark. Professionals built the Titanic.'

While I appreciate his sentiment and completely agree with his contrasting the success of the ark to that of the Titanic, I must point out that the success of the ark was not due to its contractor, but to its architect.

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DEAR ABBY: The "Are You an Alcoholic?" test you printed listing 12 questions was good as far as it went - but it didn't go far enough. I'm sure that anyone who was raised by, or married to, or has a friend who is an alcoholic cringed when they read it.

Where were these questions: When you take one or two drinks, can you stop and walk away? Have you ever embarrassed yourself or someone else when drinking? Do you drink every day? How many times in the last month have you awakened with a hangover? Do you spend money you don't have on

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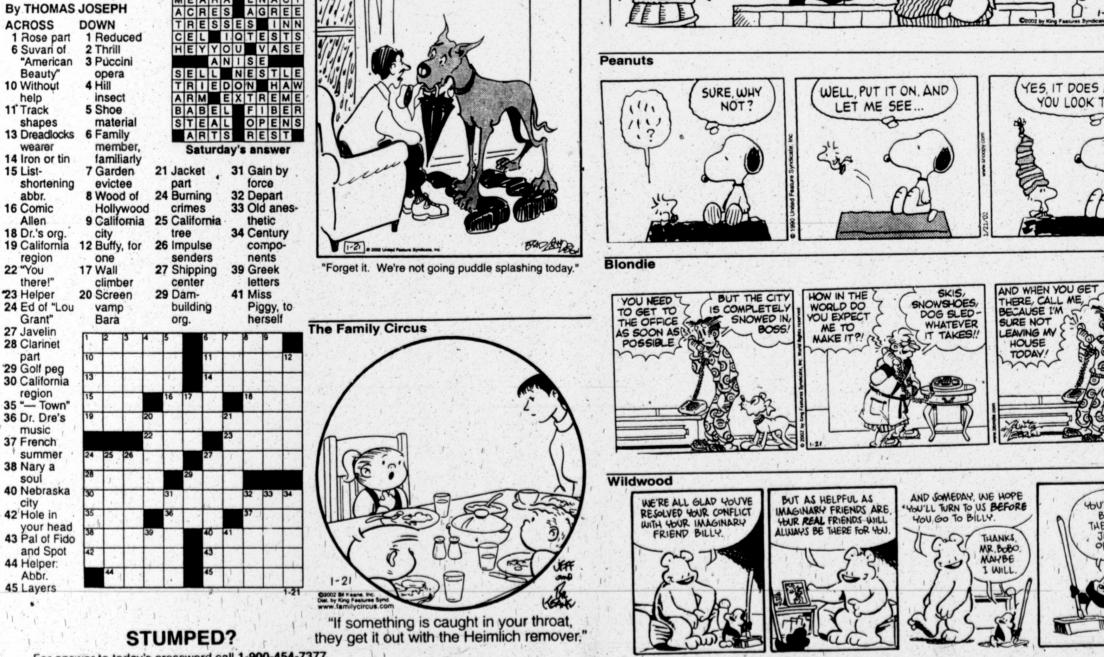
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Study: Vitamin E may counteract some prescription medications

BOSTON (AP) Loading up on vitamin E and other antioxidants is probably worthless for heart patients and may even interfere with widely used cholesterol-lowering drugs, a study found.

Antioxidant nutrients, especially vitamin E, were widely recommended a few years ago as a promising way of keeping the heart healthy. However, several recent large studies that tested the idea failed to show any benefit, and now a new one raises the possibility that the pills might even be harmful forsome.

The latest study is relatively small and leaves some questions unanswered. Nevertheless, it is one more bit of discouraging news for what once seemed like a cheap, simple way of warding off heart trouble.

The study suggests that antioxidants may blunt the benefits of statins and niacin, which are used to lower LDL, the bad form of cholesterol, and raise HDL, the good kind of cholesterol that keeps the arteries flowing smoothly.

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Antioxidants are "not proven to be of any value. In fact, they interfere," said Dr. B. Greg Brown of the University of Washington.

Statins — sold under such brand names as Zocor, Pravachol, Lipitor, Mevacor and Lescol — are taken by millions of Americans and are recommended for millions more.

Antioxidants theoretically protect the heart's arteries by blocking the damaging effects of oxygen. The approach works in animals, and studies show that healthy people who eat vitamin-rich

comparison, 14 percent of cholesterol that appears to be scared to take vitamin E," he condemnation of antioxidants those who added antioxidants to their drugs had these bad outcomes.

Buildups in the patients' arteries actually shrank slightly in the patients on Zocor and niacin, while they increased minimally in those who also took antioxidants.

Brown attributed the poorer outcome in those on antioxidants to a smaller rise in their HDL-2, a fraction of the HDL

especially protective. Dr. Eric Rimm of the

Harvard School of Public Health, who found an apparent benefit of vitamin E on healthy people in a study eight years ago, noted the latest study's small size and the fact that it didn't sort out the effects of various antioxidants, which may differ.

"I don't think it is so compelling that people should be

said, although "the weight of the evidence suggests there probably is not a benefit in

> people with existing coronary disease.' Dr. Norman Krinsky of Tufts University, who headed an Institute of Medicine panel on antioxidants, said the study "raises a real question" about the possible interference of the nutrients with cholesterol

drugs. But he said "a-blanket

for prevention may be premature."

A second study in the journal, conducted by Dr. Guido Schnyder of the University of California at San Diego, found that another vitamin cocktail is good for people undergoing balloon angioplasty. The combination of folic acid, vitamin B12 and pyridoxine reduced the risk that arteries will clog up

again from 22 percent to 11 percent.

The treatment apparently works by lowering levels of homocysteine, an amino acid long implicated in heart attacks.

Medical Editor Daniel Q. Haney is a special correspondent for The Associated Press.

On the Net: Journal: www.nejm.org

Cholesterol drugs may look better on paper than in practice

By DANIEL Q. HANEY AP Medical Editor

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Two-thirds of people taking widely prescribed cholesterol-lowering. medicines drugs do not get as much benefit as drug company statements suggest they should, a study found.

Although the reasons for this are not entirely clear, researchers suspect a simple answer: Patients do not take their pills as diligently as they should.

"It's extremely difficult to get people to do anything on a routine basis," said lead investigator Dr. Dennis L. Sprecher, whether it's taking pills, eating healthier food or getting more exercise.

All of these things can help people bring down dangerously high cholesterol levels. However, over the past decade, cholesterol-lowering drugs have become an increasingly important part of this combination as research demonstrates how they ward off heart attacks and death.

These benefits of the pills, known collectively as statins, have been proven in earefully conducted large studies. Sprecher and colleagues at the Cleveland Clinic set out to learn whether they work as well in ordinary practice as they do in those formal experiments.

He presented his results at the opening of the American Heart Association's annual scientific meeting in Anaheim. They were based on a follow up of 375 patients who began statin treatment at ordinary life as they do in formal studies if they are the Cleveland Clinic.

The doctors checked whether the prescriptions had lowered the patients' levels of LDL, the bad kind of cholesterol that increases the risk of heart trouble. After at least one follow-up visit, they found that 66 percent of them benefitted less than would be predicted by the so-called "package insert," the instructions for doctors that are written by drug makers and approved and edited by the Food and Drug Administration. Parts of these instructions are included in drug advertising .:

Eighteen percent of patients showed no change in their LDL levels or had even worse readings than when they started.

Dr. Valentin Fuster of Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York City said the new research "says that those inserts have nothing to do with reality."

Predictions in the package inserts are based on the findings of studies in which patients are carefully chosen and frequently reminded to take their pills as instructed. In ordinary life, however, people are typically told once by doctors why they need the medicines and then sent home with their prescriptions.

Sprecher said his research shows that occasional prompting can be helpful. Compliance improved 25 percent when high school students were hired to call patients once a month and remind them to take their statins.

He said there is no biological reason to suspect that the drugs fail to lower cholesterol as well in taken properly.

In May, the federal government's National Cholesterol Education Program issued new guidelines for who should take statins. At the meeting Sunday, Dr. Gilbert J. L'Italine of the University of Maryland said this increases the number of Americans who would benefit from the drugs from about 15 million to 36 million. Sixty percent are meh and 40 percent are women.

Dr. Robert Corti of Mt. Sinai also presented new evidence of how statins protect the heart. His group used magnetic imaging scans to look at the same buildups in patients' hearts over two years while on the drugs.

He found that these lumps, called plaque, began to shrink after one year and were about one-quarter smaller after two years. Perhaps even more important, however, was evidence that they had grown harder and less likely to break.

Experts believe that plaque rupture is the main underlying cause of heart attacks, since this triggers the formation of blood clots that choke of the heart's internal blood supply. Firm lumps are considered much less dangerous than soft, squishy ones.

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Treating anemia attributed with saving lives after heart attacks

food as well as take some antioxidant supplements seem to have less heart disease.

However, only one major study set up to rigorously test the theory in people who already have heart disease has shown a benefit. Several others - including a British study of 20,000 patients released earlier this month have found no effect at all.

Brown's research was conducted on 160 people with heart disease whose LDL levels were normal but HDL was low - under 35 in men and 40 in women. This is a common situation, affecting about 40 percent of people with heart disease.

Doctors tested the effects of a combination of Zocor and niacin, which is vitamin B3 but not an antioxidant. Some also got large doses of four antioxidants - vitamins E and C, beta carotene and the trace element selenium.

The latest results of the study, funded by the National Institutes of Health, were published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine. The report adds detail to an earlier version carried in the August issue of Atherosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology.

After three years, just 3 percent of the people getting Zocor plus niacin suffered new heart attacks or strokes, had died, or needed bypass surgery or angioplasty. In

BOSTON (AP) - Doctors cases lower their risk of death by can save the lives of many elderly heart attack victims by quickly giving blood transfusions to those who have even mild anemia, a study found.

Researchers said this advice, if widely adopted, could save thousands of people in the United States each year. Taking care of anemia is probably as important as giving aspirin, beta blockers or clot-dissolving drugs, which are already standard care for heart attacks.

The size of the benefit depends on how anemic people are. But even those with mild

CHICAGO (AP)

Hormones taken by millions

of women at menopause can

increase the risk of dry eye

syndrome, which in severe

cases can affect vision, a

In the study of 25,389

It is among the first studies

linking hormone supplements

to dry eye syndrome, said researcher, Debra Schaumberg

of Harvard University's

study found.

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one-quarter during the first month of recovery if they get transfusions. The risk falls by two-thirds among the severely anemic.

Anemia is common among the elderly, and doctors routinely check for it. There is no consensus about how to use the information, and willingness to give transfusions after heart attacks varies widely among doctors.

"There is very little evidence about the role of anemia in patients having heart attacks or when you should give them blood transfusions," said Dr.

Menopause hormones linked to dry eye syndrome

Hormone supplements

relieve symptoms such as hot

flashes and night sweats that

happen when women's bodies

stop making natural estrogen

and progesterone. In addition,

Hospital.

Harlan Krumholz of Yale University.

His study confirmed the link between anemia treatment and survival in a review of 78,974 Medicare patients treated for heart attacks in 1994 and 1995. The results were published in the New England Journal of Medicine.

Doctors test for anemia by measuring the percentage of oxygen-carrying red cells in the blood. Typically, patients are considered to have anemia if red cells make up less than 39 percent of their total blood.

The latest study found doctors

While the new findings

may complicate the already

complex decision about

whether to take hormones at

menopause, Schaumberg said

health decisions should not be

risk of breast cancer.

attack victims' readings are below 33 percent. In their study, 10 percent of patients had percentages this low.

In general, they found that the greater patients' anemia, the more likely they are to get transfusions, but many doctors treat only relatively severe cases. Overall, about one-quarter of those with readings under 33. percent got extra blood.

should give transfusions if heart not to administer blood needlessly. The study raised the possibility that giving transfusions to those with levels over 36 percent might actually be harmful.

"A substantial number of lives may be saved when transfusions are administered to patients" with heart attacks who have red cell levels below 33 percent, concluded an editorial by Drs. Lawrence Goodnough and Richard Bach of Doctors need to be careful. Washington University.

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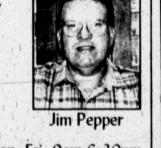
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PAMPA - There will be

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Monday night in the Pampa

Parents of softball players

LA QUINTA, Calif. (AP)

- Duffy Waldorf, playing the

Bob Hope Classic just to tune

up his game, shot an 8-under-

par 64 on to grab a share of the

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SPORTS



By FRED GOODALL AP Sports Writer

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - Ten years later, Bill Parcells' response to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers was the same. Thanks, but no thanks.

The two-time Super Bowl champion coach on Friday night turned down an offer to return to the sideline with the Buccaneers, saying he wasn't committed to doing what is necessary to lead the team to a championship.

The move left owner Malcolm Glazer and his sons scrambling to come up with an alternative to the only candidate under consideration to replace. Tony Dungy.

"Bill Parcells, early this evening, told us that he would not be returning to coaching," Bucs executive vice president Joel Glazer said in a one-paragraph statement.

"In our continued pursuit of a championship, we remain confident that our new coach

that we have built to achieve our goals.' It's not the first time Parcells

has rejected the Bucs. He also did it after the 1991 season, when Tampa Bay thought it had an agreement only to be disappointed at the last minute.

The 60-year-old Parcells called the current Tampa Bay job one of the most appealing he's ever been offered. But he said the opportunity just didn't feel right.

"I didn't want to go down there for one or two years, and then not be able to follow through with what I know to be the type of effort that has to be in place in order to succeed in this competitive industry," Parcells said on Sporting News Radio, which carries his weekly show

"I'm finished coaching. There aren't going to be any more rumors about me coaching. I just feel like I couldn't make the commitment to do it. ... You just can't kid yourself, you got to know that."

The Bucs fired Dungy, the

team's 26-year history, Monday night — two days after a 31-9 loss to Philadelphia in the first round of the playoffs.

Dungy was 54-42 in six seasons, and Tampa Bay is one of just three teams to make the playoffs each of the past three McKay as Tampa Bay's primaseasons. But two years removed from an appearance in the NFC Championship game, Glazer felt a change was necessary to tion of team president, but get to the team to the Super Bowl.

There were rumors all season that Parcells was preparing to come out of retirement with Tampa Bay, which overcame a slow start to make the playoffs for the fourth time in five years. When Parcells spurned the Bucs 10 years ago, then-owner

Hugh Culverhouse said he felt like "we've been jilted at the altar." This time, the news struck some as poetic justice the team that they could be punbecause of the messy way the team handled Dungy's firing. The first sign that the plan to

hire Parcells was falling apart came when the Jets announced

will utilize the solid foundation most successful coach in the thought to be Parcells' handpicked choice to be Tampa Bay's new general manager, was remaining in New York.

Tannenbaum, who interviewed with the Bucs on Wednesday and Thursday, would have replaced Rich ry player contract negotiator and salary cap expert.

McKay was offered the posiwanted to wait until after Parcells was hired to decide whether to stay with the organization.

that he's not going to be the coach after everything that has been said and done in the past few days," Pro Bowl linebacker Derrick Brooks said.

Earlier Friday, the Bucs confirmed receiving a letter from the NFL warning Parcells and ished for attempting to assemble a staff that included people still under contract to other teams.

Friday that Mike Tannenbaum, Bowls with the New York I'm just not doing it any more."

Giants and rebuilt New England and the Jets into title contenders before walking out on each of those teams.

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Uncertainty about his desire to coach again has had an impact on the Pro Football Hall of Fame ballot the past two years.

He was a finalist for election last January and is among the 15 finalists again this year. But because a coach isn't eligible while he is still working, he would be removed from the ballot if he came out of retirement.

After failing to be elected a "It's hard for me to believe year ago, Parcells suggested one reason was the voters thought he might return to coaching. The ballot was released later than usual this year because Hall of Fame officials were concerned that he might take the Tampa Bay job.

Parcells said the issue did not affect Friday's decision. He also was adamant that will not change his mind.

"Absolutely not. I'm done," he told CNNSI.com. "This was Parcells won two Super the last job I will ever consider.

and McKenzie Tabor 11 to lead the Lady Whitefaces.

Scoring for Pampa were Lindsey Narron with 5, Valerie Velez 4, Randa Morris 4, Abbi Covalt 3, Cali Covalt 3, Stacey Johnson 2, Jennifer Lindsey 2 and Jenny Waggoner 1.

GROOM - Groom swept past McLean in a pair of District 3-1A basketball games Friday night.

. . . .

Groom built an early lead enroute to a 56-40 win in the boys' game.

Doug Fields and Clay Britten each had 15 points for

three rounds of the 90-hole Pappas, a South African who is a forther roommate of John Daly at the University of Arkansas, shot a third-round 63. Triplett, whose Nissan

Open victory two years ago is the only win of his 12 years on the tour, had a 64. Second-round leader John

Senden had a 69, which left him one shot behind the leaders. Also at 198 were last week's winner in Hawaii, Jerry Kelly (65), Cameron Beckman (64), and Brandel Chamblee.

KAUPULEHU-KONA. Hawaii (AP) - Tom Kite had two eagles in a courserecord 9-under-par 63 to take a three-stroke lead in the Senior PGA Tour's season-MasterCard opening Championship.

Kite, who eagled Nos. 4

Whitefaces edge out Harvesters, 41-38

HEREFORD - It was a close contest all the way Pampa and between Hereford, but at the end the Whitefaces were able to pull out a 41-38 victory Friday night.

Both clubs were tied at 3-3 going into the District 3-4A game, which ended the first round of district play.

Pampa trailed by one (22-21) at halftime and took the lead by three (35-32) going into the fourth quarter. Neither team had more than a six-point lead.

all, Dustin Johnson hit a free while the Whitefaces are 10throw to give Pampa a onepoint advantage. It looked like that might be the end of the scoring as both teams suffered a cold shooting spell. However, Andrew Carnahan's basket put Hereford in front to stay with less than two minutes remaining. Carnahan's two free throws with 23 seconds to go pushed Hereford's lead to 41-38. The Harvesters had a cou-

High School Basketball

Carnahan, a 6-7 post player, led all scorers with 17 points. Russell Carr added 8. Chadd Platt led the Harvesters with 11'points and the 6-2 senior also pulled down a half-dozen rebounds. Max Simon and Ryan Zemanek added 10 points

apiece. Pampa did have a 27-25 edge in rebounding.

The Harvesters have a 12-With the score tied at 37- 14 record for the season 14 overall.

and 7 and added five birdies in the bogey-free round, hit 17 of 18 greens in regulation on the Hualalai Golf Club course.

Defending champion Larry Nelson opened with a

Doug Tewell, who had a hole-in-one, was another stroke back along with Bob Gilder and Jim Colbert in the tournament limited to tour winners in the last two years and major champions in the last five.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) Sandeep Grewal, the 20year-old Englishman making his second European tour start, shot an 8-under 64 for a share of the lead in the Dunhill Championship.

Grewal had a 10-under 134 total to match South Africa's Roger Wessels (66). U.S. Open champion Retief Goosen of South Africa and Anthony Wall of England, the 2000 Dunhill winner, were a stroke back after 67s

BOXING

ROCKVILLE, Md. (AP) - Mike Tyson's second wife has filed for divorce, accusing the former heavyweight boxing champion of adultery.

Monica Tyson seeks an unspecified "reasonable sum," according to divorce papers filed Thursday in Montgomery County Circuit Court.

Mike Tyson countered Thursday by suing for divorce in Las Vegas, claimincompatibility, ing spokesman Scott Miranda said.

FIGURE SKATING

LAUSANNE Switzerland (AP) - Maria Butyrskaya won the short program at the European Figure Skating Championships, skating cleanly while Irina Slutskaya fell and finished third.



Pampa's Max Simon scored 10 points against Hereford.

(Pampa News photo)

point.

ple of 3-point shots at the basket, but couldn't convert night. as time expired.

Adam Rodgers had 6 points and 6 rebounds for the Harvesters. Johnson had 1

Pampa travels to Dumas for another District 3-4A meeting Tuesday night. Dumas fell to Palo Duro 99-85 Friday night. Pampa and Dumas finished the first round of district tied for fifth place.

Pampa lost to Hereford 60-24 in the girls' game Friday

Sara Griffin had 12 points

Jay Wallis had 12 points and Terrance Fite 11 for McLean.

Groom rolled to a 71-18 victory in the girls' contest. Amanda Conrad was high

point scorer for Groom with 17 points. Nichole Barnett and Candace Bohr added 13 points each.

Danielle Dampier had 7 points for McLean, followed by Randi Riley and Nikki Hefley with 4 each.

Both Groom teams have 3-1 district records.

In the men's doubles,

defending champion and top-

seeded pair Jonas Bjorkman

and Todd Woodbridge lost 6-3,

6-4 to Tomas Cibulec and

Daniel Vacek of the Czech

Capriati, Safin advance in Australian Tennis Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — A change of clothes and attitude helped defending champion Jennifer Capriati advance in the Australian Open.

Capriati lost her opening service game in each set, but held on to. beat Eleni Daniilidou of Greece 6-2, 3-6, 6-1 in the third round of the Australian Open on Saturday.

The 19-year-old Daniilidou, playing in her third Grand Slam event, built a two-game lead before the top-seeded Capriati won six consecutive games to clinch the first set.

After breaking Dahiilidou's serve to close within 2-1 in the second set, Capriati needed her left thigh taped. She said the new tape was just for "cosmetic" reasons because the existing tape supporting her right, injured hip was rubbing her skin and causing rash.

Capriati lost that set and, then changed her clothes during a bathroom break, swapping her pink and white twopiece outfit for a blue dress that ushered a new attitude.

She lost her opening serve in the third set on a close call, then won the next six games and served out with an ace on her first match point.

"In the third set, I don't think I let her play any more. I stepped it up and got real aggressive there," said Capriati, who lost just six

points in the last five games. "This is good for me, to have this kind of match. I didn't think I was going to win the whole time, but I still felt confident even though I lost that second set."

Capriati assessed her defense of her first major as "so far, so good."

Eighth-seeded Pete Sampras faces No. 30 Nicolas Escude on center court later Saturday.

In other men's matches, No. 9 Marat Safin beat fellow Russian Mikhail Youzhny 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 to move into a fourthround showdown against the Sampras-Escude winner.

Safin, the 2000 U.S. Open champion, and Sampras, the winner of a record 13 Grand Slam titles, have become the favorites since the top five ranked players either lost or pulled out of the tournament because of injury.

The 21-year-old Safin closed out Youzhny with an ace — his 12th — and had 36 winners compared to his opponent's 16.

No. 11 Roger Federer defeated Germany's Rainer Schuettler 7-6 (6), 7-6 (5), 6-4. No. 23 Nicolas Lapentti rallied for a 4-6, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4 victory over Argentina's Gaston Gaudio in a match that lasted 4:11. Former No. 1 Marcelo Rios produced the shot of the tournament with a behind-the-back return in his

Alberto Martin. Rios, a finalist here in 1998, played a cricket-style shot to a half-volley that Martin smashed at his feet to get match point in the tiebreaker and then sealed it when the Spaniard netted a forehand return.

"Everything is so fast you do it and you haven't got time to enjoy it, you got to play the next point," Rios said. "I got to see on TV, when they put it Points of the Day, I'm going to enjoy it then."

Martin, who eliminated No. 1 Lleyton Hewitt in the opening round, said Rios seemed more relaxed than ever, but still has some incredible shots. that's above the average of

other players, and that's why he was No. 1," he said. In women's matches, Germany's Marlene

Weingartner upset No. 10 Meghann Shaughnessy 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

Weingartner broke serve in the eighth game of the final set and then served out the match with two aces, a forehand winner and a forehand miss by Shaughnessy, who walked off and hurled her racket down in disgust.

Shaughnessy Weingartner 10 break chances in the final set, and she converted two of them. No. 4 Kim Clijsters beat

6-4, 6-3, 7-6 (3) victory over Australian wild-card entry

Cindy Watson 6-1, 6-2; No. 7 Amelie Mauresmo, the 1999 runner-up, saved two set points in the first set and ralin the fourth round. lied to beat Tamarine Tanasugarn of Thailand 7-6 (3), 6-1.

No. 12 Elena Dementieva beat No. 23 Magui Serna 6-1, 6-2; No. 20 Rita Grande beat No. 16 Iroda Tulyaganova 6-3, 5-7, 6-4; and Janette Republic in the second round.

Rolen gets \$8.6 million as 32 players in arbitration settle

than half the players who entered salary arbitration this week already have settled.

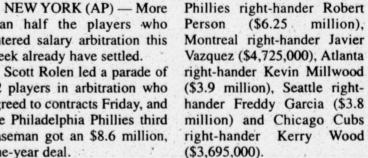
Scott Rolen led a parade of "He has an innate talent 32 players in arbitration who agreed to contracts Friday, and the Philadelphia Phillies third baseman got an \$8.6 million, one-year deal.

> Just 42 players exchanged figures with their teams from among the 93 originally in arbitration on Tuesday. The other 51 already have deals.

> Rolen, eligible for free agency after this season, refused Philadelphia's attempts to negotiate a multiyear contract.

'We'd still like to have him gave be a Phillie for his entire career," Phillies general manager Ed Wade said.

Other players who got big deals were Boston reliever Ugueth Urbina (\$6.7 million),



Baltimore right-hander Jason Johnson got the only multiyear deal, a \$4.7 million, two-year contract.

Among the players who exchanged numbers, the Yankees' Jorge Posada asked for the most, \$7.75 million. New York offered \$6.7 million to its All-Star catcher, who is negotiating a five-year contract at about \$50 million.

Shawn Estes, the left-hander acquired by the Mets from San Francisco during the offseason, had the second-highest filing at \$7.1 million. The Mets offered \$5.8 million.

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Husarova defeated No. 24 Ai Sugiyama 6-2, 6-3. Capriati faces Grande, and Mauresmo plays Weingartner

Marbury hits clutch shot to lift Suns by Wolves, 103-100

By The Associated Press

Stephon Marbury wants to take the big shots even when it's not his night.

Marbury overcame a poor shooting game by hitting a 3pointer with 4.5 seconds left in overtime Friday to give the Phoenix Suns a 103-100 victory over Minnesota, snapping the Timberwolves' nine-game winning streak.

"Every shot that I take, I think I'm going to make it," said Marbury, who shot 7-for-28. "I don't ever think that I'm going to miss. That's just my nature. If you don't have enough confidence in your shot, you shouldn't shoot the ball."

The Timberwolves made critical mental mistakes at the end of regulation, when they failed to call a timeout to set up the game-winning shot, and at the end of overtime. when they had a foul to give but allowed Marbury to get off

his 3-pointer. because "We've won

we've been smart," Minnesota coach Flip Saunders said. "Tonight we weren't smart. We made stupid plays, and our shot selection was terrible."

In other games, it was Sacramento 121, Golden State 97: Milwaukee 115, Orlando 110; Toronto 89, New Jersey 77; Houston 104, Boston 101; Detroit 96. Indiana 93; Denver 96, Seattle 90; and the Clippers 109, Cleveland 103. Shawn Marion had 26

points and 10 rebounds for host Phoenix. Bo Outlaw had a season-high 12 points, including four points and a crucial steal in the overtime.

Kevin Garnett scored 24 of his 32 points in the second half but none in overtime. Chauncey Billups scored 26 but only six after halftime. Wally Szczerbiak added 22 points for Minnesota.

Garnett said it was a points, including a key 3-

painful way to end the secondlongest winning streak in franchise history.

We win when we execute. We run our sets, we set picks, we take quality shots," Garnett said. "That's what we do. Coming down the line tonight, we didn't do that." Kings 121, Warriors 97

Chris Webber had 26 points, eight rebounds and six assists before fouling out as Sacramento became the first team to win 11 straight games this season.

The Kings have won 15 consecutive games at Arco Arena, where they are an NBA-best 22-1. It was Sacramento's seventh straight win over the Warriors, who have lost eight of nine games.

Peja Stojakovic had 20 points for the Kings, who had all five starters and two reserves in double figures. Bucks 115. Magic 110

Sam Cassell scored 26

pointer and four free throws in the last minute, to give host Milwaukee its sixth straight win

Ray Allen led the Bucks with 28 points and Tim Thomas added 22. Mike Miller led Orlando with 25 points and Tracy McGrady added 22.

Raptors 89, Nets 77

Vince Carter scored 23 points, including six straight late in the fourth quarter, as Toronto ended visiting New Jersey's six-game winning streak

Antonio Davis added 17 points, Dell Curry had 15 and Keon Clark had 13 rebounds and 10 points for the Raptors, who have won three straight and five of six.

Rockets 104, Celtics 101 Steve Francis had the fourth triple-double of his career and Moochie Norris hit a critical 3-pointer with 27 seconds left as Houston won

at Boston.

Francis, who missed Houston's previous game with migraine headaches, had 26 points, 14 rebounds and 10 assists.

The Celtics were led by Paul Pierce with 38 and Antoine Walker with 25. Pistons 96, Pacers 93

Jerry Stackhouse scored 32 points and Cliff Robinson added 27 as Detroit beat Indiana to snap an 11-game road losing streak.

Robinson put the Pistons ahead on a jumper with 30 seconds left that gave Detroit a 91-89 lead. The Pacers cut it to 94-91 but Reggie Miller's 3-point attempt was blocked by Ben Wallace with six seconds left.

The Pacers got the ball back and Miller again tried to tie it with a 3. This time, he was fouled by Wallace and the referee said he was inside the 3-point arc. Miller made both free throws but Stackhouse added two free throws and the Pistons held on.

Nuggets 96, SuperSonics 90 Ryan Bowen had 12 points during a 38-7 run that helped rally Denver past visiting Seattle.

Voshon Lenard finished with 27 points. Bruce Bowen had a career-high 18 points and 12 rebounds, and Avery Johnson also had 18 points. Gary Payton led Seattle with 25 points.

Clippers 109, Cavaliers 103

Elton Brand scored 24 points and Ouentin Richardson scored 11 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter Los Angeles beat as Cleveland.

Michael Olowokandi added 19 points and 11 rebounds for the Clippers, who returned home from a 1-5 road trip and improved their home record to 17-7.

Lamond Murray and Andre Miller each scored 24 for the Cavaliers, who lost their ninth straight.

James Madison 66, N.C.-Wilmington

William & Mary 75, Drexel 71

Marquette 65, Saint Louis 50

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(CBS) Green Bay at St. Louis, 4 p.m. (FOX)

Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 27

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TRANSACTIONS **Friday's Sports Transactions** By The Associated Press BASEBALL

Major League Baseball MLB-Named Wayne Mathis scout for Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska and Cal Webster scout for Southern

California. American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS-Agreed to terms with RHP Al Levine or year contract

BALTIMORE ORIOLES-Agreed to terms with RHP Jason Johnson on a two-year contract. BOSTON RED SOX-Agreed to terms with OF Trot Nixon and RHP Ugueth Urbina on one-year contracts. DETROIT TIGERS-Agreed to

terms with RHP Jeff Weaver on a oneyear contract.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS-Agreed to terms with OF Carlos Beltran on a one-year contract. ATHLETICS-OAKLAND Agreed to terms with LHP Mike

SCORD

Venafro on a one-year contract. MARINERS-Re-SEATTLE igned RHP Freddy Garcia, LHP John Halama and INF Charles Gipson to one-year contracts

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS-Agreed to terms with RHP Paul Wilson on a one-year contract. TEXAS RANGERS—Signed RHP Hector Carrasco, RHP Jim Brink and 3B Sean McNally to minor league

contracts with Oklahoma of the PCL and 1B-OF Tom Ottavania to a minor league contract with Tulsa of the Texas League. National League

ATLANTA BRAVES-Agreed to terms with RHP Kevin Millwood on a one-year contract. Acquired RHP Kevin Gryboski from Seattle for RHP Elvis Perez.

CHICAGO CUBS-Agreed to terms with RHP Kerry Wood on a oneyear contract

CINCINNATI REDS-Agreed to terms with 3B Aaron Boone and OF Juan Encarnacion on one-year contracts

FLORIDA MARLINS-Agreed to terms with RHP Ryan Dempster, 1B Derrek Lee, 2B Luis Castillo, C Mike Redmond and SS Alex Gonzalez on

one-year contracts LOS ANGELES DODGERS-Agreed to terms with LHP Odalis Perez on a one-year contract

MILWAUKEE BREWERS-Agreed to terms with RHP Chad Fox a one-year contract. Designated

RHP George Perez for assignment. MONTREAL EXPOS-Agreed to terms with C Michael Barrett and RHP Javier Vazquez on one-year contracts. PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES-Agreed to terms with 3B Scott Rolen 1B Travis Lee and RHP Robert Person

on one-year contracts. PITTSBURGH PIRATES-Agreed to terms with RHP Sean Lowe. OF Adrian Brown and OF Abraham Nunez on one-year contracts.

SAN DIEGO PADRES-Agreed to terms with OF Ron Gant on a minor league contract.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS-Agreed to terms with C Eli Marrero on a one-year contract

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS-Agreed to terms with RHP Jay Witasick on a one-year contract. BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association **TORONTO RAPTORS-Signed** G Jermaine Jackson to a second 10day contract, effective Jan. 20.

FOOTBALL National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS-Signed WR Reggie Allen, WR Scott Keys and S Chad Sears HOUSTON TEXANS-Named 56 Tom Colt coordinator of rehabilitation and Jon Ishop assistant athletic trainer

MINNESOTA VIKINGS-Signed TE Matt Cercone, WR Kenny Clark, TE Jeff Kostrewa, DB Mesene Louisdor, OL Mike Malano, RB DeWayne Miles, S Brian Russell and **RB** James Wofford.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League CALGARY FLAMES-Recalled LW Oleg Saprykin from Saint John of the AHL

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS-Recalled RW David Ling from Syracuse of the AHL.

DETROIT RED WINGS-Assigned C Sean Avery to Cincinnati of the AHI

NASHVILLE PREDATORS-Reassigned D Robert Schnabel to Milwaukee of the AHL.

BASKETBALL

Frida's Women's Basketball

SOUTH

Major Scores By The Associated Press EAST

Fairfield 77, Niagara 73 George Washington 54, Temple 53 Iona 76, Canisius 71 Siena 79, Rider 56

St. Bonaventure 51, Fordham 48 St. Peter's 71, Manhattan 57

Houston 71, Louisville 68 TCU 73, Cincinnati 57 . . FAR WEST Long Beach St 83, CS Northridge 61 Montana 76, Weber St. 59 Montana St. 81, Idaho St. 67

Pacific 72, UC Irvine 40 Friday's Men's Basketbal

Major Scores By The Associated Press

EAST Dartmouth 77, Albany, N.Y. 56 Iona 90, Fairfield 79 New Hampshire 75, Stony Brook 68

Seton Hall 81, West Virginia 67 SOUTH

Charlotte 81, South Florida 78 Memphis 73, Southern Miss, 64 MIDWEST

No major team scores reported from the MIDWEST

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Montana St. 78, Idaho St. 47 Pepperdine 88, Gonzaga 79 Weber St. 90. Montana 71

Hull watches two of his records fall in Detroit

By URSULA REEL AP Hockey Writer

Hall of Famer Bobby Hull offered a cigar to Luc Robitaille for breaking his record.

He had something more substantial for his son.

Robitaille scored his 611th goal and Brett Hull scored his 99th game-winner, leading the Detroit Red Wings to a 3-1 victory over the Washington Capitals on Friday night.

Bobby Hull finished his career, with 610 goals and 98 game-winners.

In the Detroit locker room after the game, Bobby gave a cigar to Luc.

"I didn't know who to give it to, Brett or Luc," Bobby Hull said. "I'll give Brett my love."

Robitaille's goal 1:50 into the game gave him the most goals of any left wing in NHL history, passing Hull

"He gave me a cigar and said, 'I've been holding this a long time. It's about time I got rid of it," Robitaille said.

In other games, it was

Minnesota 3, Columbus 1; Chicago 2, Tampa Bay 2, tie; Florida 3, Dallas 2; and

Edmonton 3, Anaheim 1. Robitaille also had an assist and Sergei Fedorov, who assisted on Robitaille's goal, added a third-period goal for the Red Wings.

After his goal with 45.3 left broke a 1-all tie in the second period, Brett Hull moved into sole possession of third place on the gamewinners list.

Brett seemed happier for Robitaille.

"I didn't realize there was a record for me to break," he said. "I'm excited for Luc. For you to go by someone of that status and legendary stature, it's great."

Robitaille, who has played 1,172 games in his 16 seasons, also moved into 10th place on the career NHL goal list.

Robitaille already held the NHL single-season records for goals (63) and points (125) by a left wing. Both of those marks came in 1992-93 with the Los Angeles Kings.

Bobby Hull, who played 1,063 regular-season games in 16 seasons in the NHL, also had 303 goals in 411

games with the Winnipeg Jets in the WHA.

"What are records for?" the elder Hull asked. "And I'm glad to see these young guys set them."

Washington had tied the game with a power-play goalat 9:36 of the first period. Peter Bondra got his 25th goal of season by one-timing a cross-ice pass from Adam Oates past Dominik Hasek.

"We had a great effort, but we didn't finish the first period off," Washington coach Ron Wilson said.

Wild 3, Blue Jackets 1

Filip Kuba had two power-play goals and Manny Fernandez stopped 25 shots as Minnesota won in Columbus.

Marian Gaborik also scored for the Wild. Espen Knutsen scored for

Columbus.

Blackhawks 2, Lightning 2 In Tampa, Martin St. Louis had both Lightning goals as Tampa Bay and Chicago tied.

Steve Sullivan had a goal and an assist for Chicago, and Tony Amonte also scored.

Panthers 3, Stars 2

Marcus Nilson and Niklas Hagman scored in a 5:36 span in the second period, and Florida snapped a fourgame losing streak in Dallas.

Viktor Kozlov also scored for the Panthers, who had been shut out in their last two games and in three of their previous six.

Kirk Muller and Sergei Zubov scored for the Stars.

Oilers 3, Mighty Ducks 1

Tommy Salo made 36 saves and Ryan Smyth's short-handed goal in the second period was the winner as Edmonton beat visiting Anaheim.

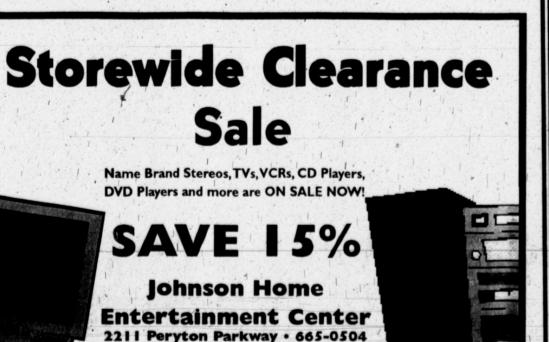
Daniel Cleary and Mike Comrie also scored for the Oilers, who snapped a fourgame winless streak. Patric Kjellberg scored for

the Mighty Ducks.

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(Photo by Judy Elliott)

Eleven youth from Gray County recently participated the Texas Cooperative Extension Panhandle District 4-H Food Show at Westover Park Intermediate School. Above: Jessica Baggerman, Gabriel Miller, Sarah Schwab, Emily Elliott, Tammy Syfrett, Nicholas Odom, Amanda Fricks, Anna Shackelford, Drake Jackson and Cory Jackson.

District 4-H Food Show

The Texas Cooperative Extension Panhandle District 4-H Food Show was staged recently when 130 youth from 21 panhandle counties gathered at Westover Park Intermediate School in Amarillo. Eleven youth from Gray County participated.

4-H members prepared a dish, served it to a panel of adult judges, and answered questions in an interview format concerning the preparation skills needed to make their dish, the food safety concerns in preparation and storage of their dish, the nutrients in the product and how the nutrients affect their bodies.

Competing from Gray County and placing in the "Top Four" in the Junior Division (ages 9-11) were Jessica Baggerman, Prime Time 4-H Club, in the Fruits and Vegetables category; Gabriel Miller in the Breads category and Emily Jackson in the Nutritious Snacks category, both of Lefors 5-H 4-H Club.

Placing in the "Top Four" in the Senior Division (ages 14-19) was Sarah Schwab of Super Clover 4-H Club in the Breads category. Placing first and qualifying to compete at State Roundup in College Station in June was Emily Elliott in the Nutritious Snacks category, also of Super Clover 4-H Club.

Other Gray County participants included: (Junior Division) Tammy Syfrett, McLean 4-Clover 4-H Club, Main Dish; (Intermediate Division) Nicholas Odom, McLean 4-Clover 4-H Club, Main Dish;

The Texas Cooperative Extension Panhandle Amanda Fricks, Breads; and Anna Shackelford,



(Photo by Judy Elliott)

Emily Elliott accepting award from Donna Brauchi, current District Extension director with the Panhandle District.

Nutritious Snacks, and Drake Jackson, Fruits and Vegetables, of Lefors 5-H 4-H Club; (Senior Division) Cory Jackson, Main Dish, 5-H 4-H Club.





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LEFORS ISD HONOR ROLL

Lefors ISD recently announced its honor roll for the third six-weeks grading period of the 2001-02 school year.

A Honor Roll

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AB Honor Roll

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COMMUNITY A

NEWSMAKERS



Keely Topper



Wade Bruce

CANYON - Keely Suzanne Topper and Wade Landon Bruce recently earned bachelor degrees from West Texas A&M University.

Topper received a bachelor of science degree, cum laude, in interdisciplinary studies. She was also selected for membership in Gamma Beta Phi and Kappa Delta Pi honor societies.

Bruce earned a bachelor of business administration degree in computer information systems. He is the son of Wayne and Teresa Bruce of Pampa and is the grandson of Wallace and Doreen Bruce and Dale and Elnora Haynes, all of Pampa.



ALVA, Okla. Northwestern Oklahoma State University recently announced its Vice President's Honor Roll for the 2001 fall semester.

To be eligible for the Vice President's Honor Roll, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include: Jaimie Reed of Pampa.

NORMAN, Okla. - The University of Oklahoma at Norman recently announced students named to 'its fall 2001 honor roll.

To be eligible for the honor roll, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students in the College of Architecture are recognized with a 3.3 or better, and students in the College of Engineering are recognized with a 3.0 or better. Students named to the list include: Courtney Marie Lang of Pampa and Robin Kristine Miranda.

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. -Gardner-Webb University recently announced its Dean's List for the 2001 fall semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.7 grade point average while enrolled in 15 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include: Janetta Nicole Watson of Pampa.

WEATHERFORD, Okla. Southwestern Oktahoma State University recently announced its President's and Dean's Honor Rolls for the 2001 fall semester.

To be eligible for the President's Honor Roll, a student must maintain an A average while enrolled in 15 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include: Glenda Janell Dukes of Allison; Angie Michelle Davenport of Miami; and Courtney E. Finsterwald of Wheeler.

To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must maintain a B average while enrolled in 15 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include: Daniel Clint Miller of Allison; Karen Kaye Moore of Canadian; Mary Margaret Ashwood, Stephanie Dawn Kidd and Krissy Renee Rvan, all of Shamrock, and Jennifer Dawn Johnson of Wheeler.

SAN ANGELO - Angelo State University recently announced its Dean's List for the 2001 fall semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Students named to the list include: Kimberly Darlene Grice.

(Courtesy photo)

Manhattan Rhythm Kings will be delighting the audience this afternoon at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium in Pampa. Specializing in American Pop Music from the 20s, 30s and 40s, MRK has outstanding reviews. Experienced performers, the group has a long list of credits. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Manhattan Rhythm Kings to perform in Pampa today

By NANCY YOUNG MANAGING EDITOR

Rhythm. That's what the Manhattan Rhythm Kings will present in a performance at 3 p.m. today (Sunday), Jan. 20, at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium.

The Manhattan Rhythm Kings will be the second performance sponsored by the Pampa Community Concert Association in the current season.

Winners of the 1990 Backstage Magazine Bistro Award for Cabaret Excellence and of the 1992 Manhattan Association of Cabarets (MAC) Award for the best vocal group, the performers have a long list of credits.

From Broadway to Concerts to television. Mountain music. orchestra and nightclubs, the performers are guaranteeing a memorable afternoon.

Manhattan Rhythm Kings provide audiences with a large dose of nostalgia. First rate musicians, they are unabashedly of another era, say many of their followers.

Specializing in American Pop music from the '20s, '30s, and '40s, audiences often want to sing and whistle along with them.

Many of the numbers are based on big band radio, elaborate tap routines after the manner of Astaire and Kelly, and comic repartee rooted in vaudeville into a style that is unique and extremely entertaining.

Crooning into the 21st Century, the performers have a delightful performance

Manhattan Rhythm Kings' highly entertaining shows have gained a large and enthusiastic following across the country.

Tickets for individual performances may be purchased at the door. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Ruth Riehart, association president, at 665-3362; or Lilith Brainard, membership secretary, at 665-4579.

Festival of Four includes award winning recording artist Richard Patterson joining forces with one of America's leading flute soloists, Viviana Guzman, to present an array of musical delights ranging from Tschaikovsky's Nuteracker to Andean

The concept for Community Concerts began in 1927, with touring groups taking the professional entertainment to smaller towns and cities so the residents may enjoy. the arts in their home towns.

Dust Bowl Days of the 1930s did not keep people throughout the country from enjoying the performing arts in their home towns.

In the Dust Bowl towns, some families could not afford the fifty cents to attend the concert, but were carried by loans from continues to be to offer every man, neighbors or by the local association itself.

Following World War II, community concerts expanded rapidly. The number of community associations climbed to an all time.

planned for the PAMPA CCA. The high of 1.008 between 1945 and 1950.

While the number of associations has declined in recent years, the local associations and others in the Texas Panhandle are still active.

Pampa CCA has reciprocal agreements with the Community Concerts in Borger, Hereford and Plainview

Today's concert is jointly sponsored by Borger.

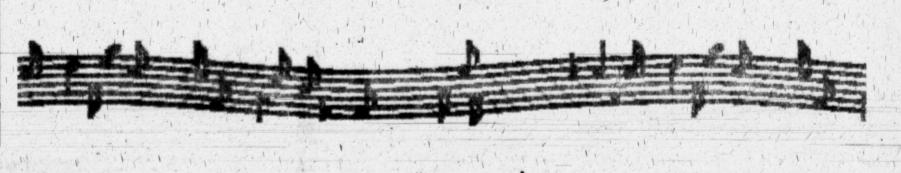
These concerts remain a vital force in the arts world today.

With the reciprocal agreements in communities other than their hometown, concert association members are able to attend fifteen or more concerts a year with only the price of one membership.

Some of the artists who have performed on the tours are the Von Trapp Family Singers, Van Cliburn, Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops, the London Symphony Orchestra with Andre Previn, Alvin Ailey Even the stock market crash of 1929 and Dance Troupe and a wide and impressive variety of others.

> The concerts continue to be of the highest quality as well as a mix of major stars and performers seeking prominence.

The goal of the Community Concerts woman and child in the country the opportunity to experience the magic of live performance by bringing artists and audiences together.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kemph-Perry

Britany Kemph of Pampa and Tristan Perry were wed Dec. 22, 2001, in Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa with the Rev. Melvin Harris, of Priest Park Church of God in Pampa, officiating.

The matron of honor was Brandy Adamson, sister of the bride of Amarillo. The maid of honor was Kimberly Thomas of Chattanooga, Tenn. The bridesmaid was Stephany Frasier, cousin of the bride of Groom. The flower girl was Kayla Perry, niece of the groom of Pampa.

The best man was Jeff Lofton of Pampa. The groomsmen were Jason Burklow of El Dorado Springs, Mo., and Taylor Harris of Lubbock. The ring bearer was Treylon Perry, nephew of the groom of Pampa.

The ushers were Michael Galloway and Wes Martin, both of Pampa. The candlelighter was Moriah Thomas of Chattanooga. Registering the guests was Nerissa Perry, sister of the groom

of Pampa. Music was provided by pianist Heather Robben of College

Station.

During the ceremony, the bride lit a candle in memory of her lifelong friend, Geneva Tidwell.

A reception and dance was held following the service in M.K. Brown Heritage Room. Music was provided by RT the D.J. and the photography by Ray Adamson, Jr., brother-in-law of the bride. Serving the guests were Heather Parry and Kimberley Menefee, both of Pampa, and Jessica Ledford of Oak Grove, Ky.



Britany Kemph and Tristan Perry

The bride is the daughter of Doug and Cindy Kemph of Pampa. She is a 2000 honor graduate of Living Heritage Academy and is currently employed as a pharmacy technician at Heard-Jones Drug.

The groom is the son of Roy and Eula Perry of Pampa. He is a 2000 honor graduate of Pampa High School, where he played football for four years, and is currently employed at Hoagies Deli.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Orlando, Fla., and intend to make their home in Pampa.

Ebel-Roark

Kelleen Patricia Ebel of Pampa and Jason Michael Roark were wed Dec. 29, 2001, at Fairlanes Baptist Church in Borger with Chad Chaddick, of the church, officiating.

The matron of honor was Kitzi Weller of Pampa. The bridesmaid was Summer Roark, sister-in-law of the groom of Amarillo. The flower girl was Hannah Roark, cousin of the groom of Garland.

The best man was Justin Roark, brother of the groom of Amarillo. The groomsman was Jason Burklow of Pampa. The ring bearer was Taylor Roark, cousin of the groom of Garland.

The ushers and candlelighters were Braden Suttle and Bobby Lacher, both of Pampa.

Registering the guests was Kayla Conner, sister of the bride of Pampa.

Music was provided by vocalist Christopher Crow of Amarillo.

A reception was held following the service in fellowship hall of the church with Jeri Montgomery, aunt of the bride, Michele Good, cousin of the bride, both of Dumas, Dianna Thompson, aunt of the groom of Fritch, and Rebecca Blackman, cousin of the groom of Breckenridge, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Johnsoh and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Ebel, all of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa

Gourley-Evans



. Kelleen Patricia Ebel and Jason Michael Roark

High School in May 2001 and attended Angelo State University, later transferring to Amarillo College. She is currently employed in the pharmacy at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Roark of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in May 2001, attended Angelo State University and transferred to Amarillo College. He is currently employed in the pharmacy at Northwest Texas Hospital.

The couple planned a honeymoon in Amarillo and intend to make the city their home.



WEEK OF JAN. 21-25 Pampa Schools Senior Citizens

MONDAY Holiday. TUESDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza. Lunch: Pigs-in-a-blanket or nacaroni/cheese, blackeyed peas, corn, peaches. WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Cinnamon pastry. Spaghetti/meat Lunch: auce or steak fingers, green beans, salad, garlic toast,

fresh fruit. THURSDAY Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast. Lunch: Chicken fajitas or

cheese nachos, refried beans, Spanish rice, tortillas, sliced apples.

FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Egg rolls or hambroccoli/cheese, burgers, corn, pineapple tidbits.

Lefors Schools MONDAY

Breakfast: Cold cereal. oast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Meatloaf, chicken nuggets, peas, salad, fruit,

milk. TUESDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Enchiladas, mini burritos, beans, rice, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY

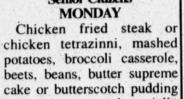
Breakfast: Hot cereal, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: SOS, mini corn-

dogs, green beans, fruit, milk. THURSDAY Breakfast: French toast sticks, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken casserole, avioli, corn, fruit, milk. FRIDAY

Breakfast: Yogurt, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk ...

Lunch: Hot dogs/chili, beans, salad, fruit, milk.



potatoes, broccoli casserole, beets, beans, butter supreme cake or butterscotch pudding cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread. TUESDAY

Taco salad or kraut and sausages, cheese potatoes, turnip greens, cheese grits, beans, dump cake or chocolate icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread. WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans, cream corn, beans, devilsfood cake or pineapple squares, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or goulash, onion potatoes, spinach, carrots, beans, banana nut cake or blackberry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or combread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or chili and tamales, potato wedges, SPanish rice, beans, red velvet cake or tapioca, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or combread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Salmon loaf. macaroni/cheese, Harvard beets, pears.

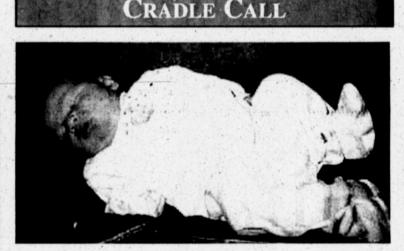
Chopped sirloin, rice pilaf

WEDNESDAY

Stew, combread, pineapple. THURSDAY Chicken patties, peas/carrots

squash casserole, pudding.

FRIDAY Roast, cream corn, baked apples, graham crackers.



TUESDAY

green beans, plum cobbler.

Rhonda Gourley and Derahian Evans, both of Pampa, were wed Dec. 16, 2001, at Sandals Resort and Spa in Negril, Jamaica, with Cephas Stern of Jamaica officiating.

Attending the bride was Shernette Davis of Jamaica. The best man was Machel Hading. A reception will be held at 3 p.m., Feb. 10, at Pamcel Hall in

Pampa.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Shirley Gourley of Howardwick.

The groom is the son of Nancy Evans of Pampa. The couple honeymooned at Negril and intend to make their home in Houston.



Derahian Evans and Rhonda Gourley

Alexander Neil Johnson

Alexander Neil Johnson was born at 6:30 p.m., Dec. 20, 2001, to Bryan and Tiffany Johnson of Lubbock. He weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces and was 20-inches long.

He is the brother of Alexis Nicole Johnson; is the grandson of Jerry Hall of Aztec, N.M., Mark and Melissa Hampton of Wheeler, and Chris and Rose Johnson of Pampa; the greatgrandson of Joe and Sue Hall, Betty Johnson, Milton and Correne Nichols, all of Pámpa, and Jack and Bernice Hefley of Mobeetie; and the great-great-grandson of Naomah Story of Pampa and Opal Hefley of Wheeler.

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On Jan. 1, Texans were given a way to reduce unwanted telemarketing calls. The Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) produced two "no call" lists for consumers. The first list is a general "do not call" list. Every telemarketing business in Texas is given a list of customers who do not wish to be solicited; however, non-profit and charity organizations, telemarketers who already have a business relationship with a customer, or companies attempting to collect a debt are exempt from the system.

By paying a \$2.25 fee, consumers will be eliminated from receiving the calls from unwanted Texas telemarketers for three years. The second list, called the "electric no call" list applies only to retail electric providers and the consumer's electric service. A \$2.55 fee is placed on this service.

Consumers can sign-up at www.TexasNoCall.com. Utilize the Internet for an easy, automated method that proyides instant registration. The site is available 24-hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. To register by mail, use the printable registration form. at www.TexasNoCall.com, or request a registration form by calling 1-866-896-6225 or writing: Texas No Call, P.O. Box 313, E. Walpole, MA 02032. To register by phone, call toll-free 1-866-896-6225.

On-line and telephone registrations must be paid by credit card. Mailed applications may be paid by credit card or by check made payable to Texas No Call. Residential customers may register for both "No Call Lists" at a cost of \$4.80.

Companies that conduct telemarketing activities should call 1-866-896-6225, or read the Telemarketing FAQ for compliance information and additional details regarding Texas' "No Call Lists."

CLUB NEWS

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m.,

Club will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 22 at Pampa Country Club. Guest speaker will be Jerry L. Rector, spokesman for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway's

Pray for rain, and don't trim the roses!

Hunters are a fascinating group of humanity. Many hunters require special clothing, fancy guns and trained, expensive dogs. And some don't. These are stories of two men in pajamas equipped with sticks and a woman with a broom.

Within the confines of a well-manicured yard, a commotion arose. The bushes. At last they found small fluffy dog inside the home alerted her human. authorities. The lights in the house flicked on room by room as the dog led her masters to the pation Something rustled deep within the shadowed bush-

The cautious creature scurried deeper for cover in the dense ivy along the fence. A break in the foliage illuminated the furry backside of a large animal. A quick call summoned neighborly, pajama-clad reinforcements.

Artist uses medium to education viewers about the environment

By CARLA GILLOGLY Galveston County Daily News

GALVESTON, Texas -The sculptures take on different forms through wire, copper, bronze, wax or wood. An eagle sits perched on welded metal as if ready to take flight. Three sandpipers stand on one foot as if huddled for protection. An injured seagull is rescued by someone, healed and set free. All of these sculptures show Ruthie Defalcos love for nature and the environment.

behind it. Defalco is a keen observer of the environment and is trying to raise awareness for helping to clean our beaches and water. The perched bronze eagle sculpture represents the malformed birds that would hatch after being exposed to poison meant for coyotes. Another piece called "Messy: The Gulf Mess Monster" was constructed from trash collected from beaches at Bolivar Peninsula. Cigarette lighters make the monster's teeth and discarded fishermen's rubber gloves make the monster's scales. The monster was a project of her sculpture class.



Stealthily they prowled the yard, gingerly poking the the beast causing the ruckus. Playing possum in the tangled ivy, was ... a possum.

In the glaring light of the patio and the thin light of a silvered moon, the neighbors realized that sticks might not be the appropriate tools to catch a possum. Then there was one other problem. If we catch the possum, what do we do with it? Doubled over laughing, I did not catch the ending of the possum story.

Since sticks and flannel Men-in-Jammies armed jammies were the hunting

"I grew up with a mom

One of her creations is a

class is to spend one week end a month picking up trash from the beach and

creating a sculpture with it. who taught us to respect nature," Defalco said. tribute to her mom: a cobra in copper. Her mother was afraid of snakes, and one day when Defalco was a little girl, she learned if you pick a little snake up and hit it against a tree, it dies right away. After trying this, she proudly brought the lifeless snake to her mother who

Each piece has a story was cleaning the floor. Her

gear of choice, I think the possum is alive and living well somewhere else. Just to be safe, I avoided the stew at the fountain today. Schnauzers are tenacious dogs, intrepid beyond reason. Their masters sometimes share these qualities.

Toby, the Schnauzer, dragged himself home, slashed and bleeding. The vet patched him up the best he could. His master, a petite woman with a matching spirit, followed a bloody trail down the fence line. The attack occurred at the opening of a massive badger den.

Choosing valor over caution, she tromped home, grabbed a broom and stormed back to the badger hole. Driving home from work, her husband stopped her on the road. He asked what she was doing with the broom. Her reply indicated she was badger hunting.

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A few days later, the husband pulled into the driveway and brought Toby's master to the pickup bed. The woman recoiled at the monstrous creature sprawled lifelessly across the tailgate. The badger, with grizzled fur, lethal claws and hideously long fangs, fueled her fright. She had never seen such a beast.

"What is it?" she cried. "That," her husband drawled, "is what you were hunting with a broom."

Pray for rain! Don't trim the roses yet. Water the trees.

"I have yet to see any problem, however complicated, which, when you looked at it, in the right way, did not become still more complicated." -Paul Anderson



Huesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

Timeless Treasures Ouilt Guild

The January meeting of Timeless Treasures Ouilt Guild is scheduled at 10 a.m., Jan. 26 in the Methodist Family Enrichment Center in Guymon. Guests are invited to attend.

Anna Mayer of Guymon will be presenting a morning program entitled "Color Magic."

The afternoon workshop will be conducted by Helen O'Hair and Temple Reed. They will present "No Peek Nine Patch." Participants are urged to bring their machines and their precut fabric and whip up something carefree. Bring the finished tops next October and see which quilt will get a special prize.

For more information or a supply list, call Mary Jane Fast at (580) 338-6488.

Desk and Derrick Club The Desk and Derrick Operation Livesaver Program.

Operation Lifesaver is a national non-profit organization promoting public safety at highway/rail grade crossings.

Officers for 2002 are: Terresa Snow of Adobe Operating Co., president; Linda Slaybaugh of First Christian Church and Bulldog Electric, vice president; Nancy Allen of Gray County Tax Department, secretary; Esther McAdoo, treasurer; and Rae Bagley of Oilwell Operators, Inc., immediate past president and parliamentarian.

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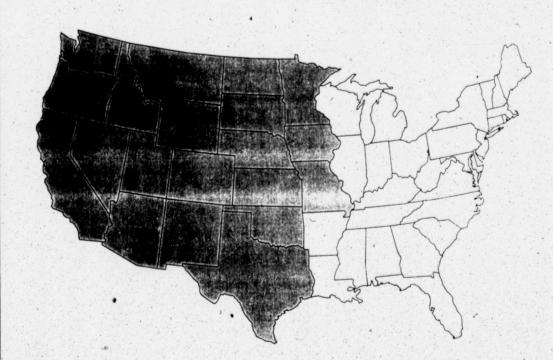
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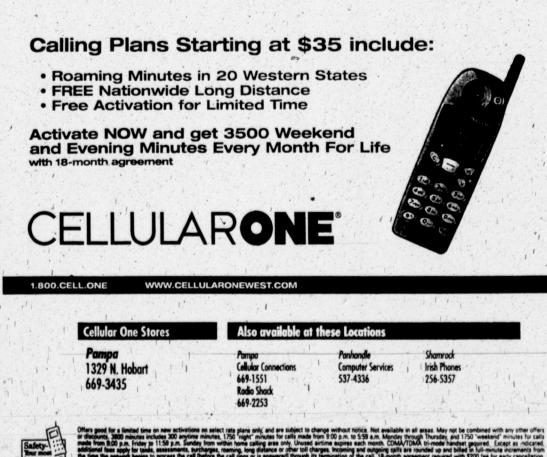
mother looked up at her and said, "Ruthie, Ruthie girl. Don't you know snakes have hearts too?" (See, ARTIST, Page 17)

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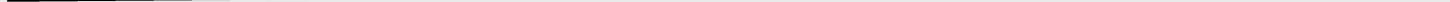
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AGRICULTURE

Texas Bass brothers to sell cattle feeding operation

- One of the nation's largest cattle feeders, National Farms, plans to sell its seven feedlots after members of the owning family decided they want out of the beef business.

National Farms, based in Kansas City, has six feedlots in the Kansas Flint Hills and one in Greeley, Colo. The lots combined can hold 270,000 head, making National Farms the country's sixth largest feeder by capacity.

The company, owned by the Bass brothers of Fort Worth, Texas, is also considering selling its 40-acre development in Kansas City's West Bottoms warehouse district.

National Farms chief executive officer Bill Haw said. plunging cattle prices had

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) nothing to do with the family's decision. Two of the four Bass brothers had decided they no longer liked dealing in cattle, he said.

> "We have always really made more money selling businesses than operating them," Haw said. "Production agriculture is a tough business. It was a strategic decision within the Bass family that it is time to do something different."

Haw said it had not been decided whether the Kansas City development would be sold or rolled into another Bass brothers entity. The development is home to a recently completed a \$26 million, 160,000-square-foot headquarters building for Butler Manufacturing.

The decision to sell the considerable. I would venture new feedlots is extremely negfeedlots, whose fixed assets alone are worth \$50 million, was made Jan. 9, Haw said, and already there is interest in them. He said he recently showed the Greeley feedlot to four sets of potential buyers.

After a couple of good years, cattle prices tanked during the summer, when a glut of cattle hit the market. The situation worsened after the recession and the Sept. 11 attacks depressed the travel and restaurant businesses.

"I estimate the cattle feeding industry may have lost about \$3 billion in equity sense then," said Steve Kay, publisher of Cattle Buyers Weekly. "The average loss could be as high as \$75 to \$100 a head, which is very

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losses will continue for another few months."

Kay said there will be big interest within the industry in buying National Farms' feedlots.

"The climate for building

ative, extremely challenging,"

Kay said. "It is a rare opportunity for a major, multiyard operation to come onto the market, the chance for operaimagine they will be snapped feedlots are sold.

Haw said that the company had sold its hog raising operations in the past few years and that he was not sure whether there is a next step for tors to buy new feedlots. I. National Farms once the cattle

Report: State ends year with mixed crop yields

AUSTIN — The end-of-year crop estimates for 2001 released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service show that yields for many crops improved yields from 2000, but variable conditions throughout the state resulted in lower yields and large abandonment in many areas due to poor growing conditions.

The 2001 Texas Upland cotton crop totaled 4.15 million bales, 5 percent above 2000. An estimated 4.2 million acres were harvested, 5 percent fewer than in 2000. Planted cotton acreage totaled 6.0 million acres, 6 percent fewer than in 2000. Harvested acreage produced a yield of 474 pounds per acre, compared with 430 pounds last year.

Corn production was estimated at 167.6 million bushels, down 29 percent from 2000. Statewide yield was estimated at 118 bushels per acre, 6 bushels fewer than in 2000. Harvested acreage was estimated at 1.42 million acres, down 25 percent from 2000.

Texas peanut production was estimated at 855 million pounds, up 22 percent from last year. Statewide yield, at 2,850 pounds per acre, was 310 pounds above 2000.

Sorghum production was estimated at 72.8 million hundredweight (cwt), 9 percent below 2000. Harvested acreage was estimated at a year ago. U.S. rice production was estimat-2.60 million acres, up 11 percent from 2000. ed at 213 million cwt, up 12 percent from Yield, at 2,800 pounds per acre, was 616 2000.

pounds lower than the previous year.

Rice production totaled 14.5 million cwt, 1 percent more than the previous year. Statewide yield averaged 6,700 pounds per acre, tying the record set a year ago.

The 2001 Texas soybean crop was estimated at 5.67 million bushels, down 19 percent from the previous year's production. Harvested acreage was estimated at 210,000 acres, down 19 percent; yield was estimated at 27 bushels per acre, the same as in 2000.

Production of all hay was estimated at 10.8 million tons, 22 percent more than in 2000. Harvested acreage was up 27 percent, and yield was estimated at 2.07 tons, compared with 2.16 tons last year.

United States corn production, at 9.51 billion bushels, was down 4 percent from 2000. Yield was estimated at 138.2 bushels per acre, 1.3 bushels from a year earlier. The U.S. sorghum crop was estimated at 288.1 million cwt, up 9 percent from 2000. The U.S. Upland cotton crop totaled 19.4 million bales, up 16 percent from 2000. Soybean production was estimated at 2.89 billion bushels, up 5 percent from 2000. The U.S. peanut crop was estimated at 4.24 billion pounds, up 30 percent from

Gray County Ag Day Jan 23 Registration at 8:30 a.m., meeting at 9 a.m.

23 to provide current information on hay and required by today's dairy producers. slage production. We will meet at the Chamber ** This will be followed by presentations on corn of Commerce meeting room in Pampa. silage production. Drs. Brent Bean and Ted Registration will open at 8:30 a.m. Presentations will begin at 9 a.m., and the meeting will adjourn around 3:30 p.m. A sponsored lunch will be provided. Certified Crop Advisors can receive five CEUs from this meeting. The meeting will also provide two CEUs for pesticide applicators. Hay and silage production are an integral part of panhandle agriculture. Traditionally, beef cattle production has been the primary use of the feeds. However, the dairy industry continues to expand into the region and provides an additional market for hay and silage. Dr. Sandy Stokes, TCE Extension dairy specialist, will begin each program with an overview of dairy production

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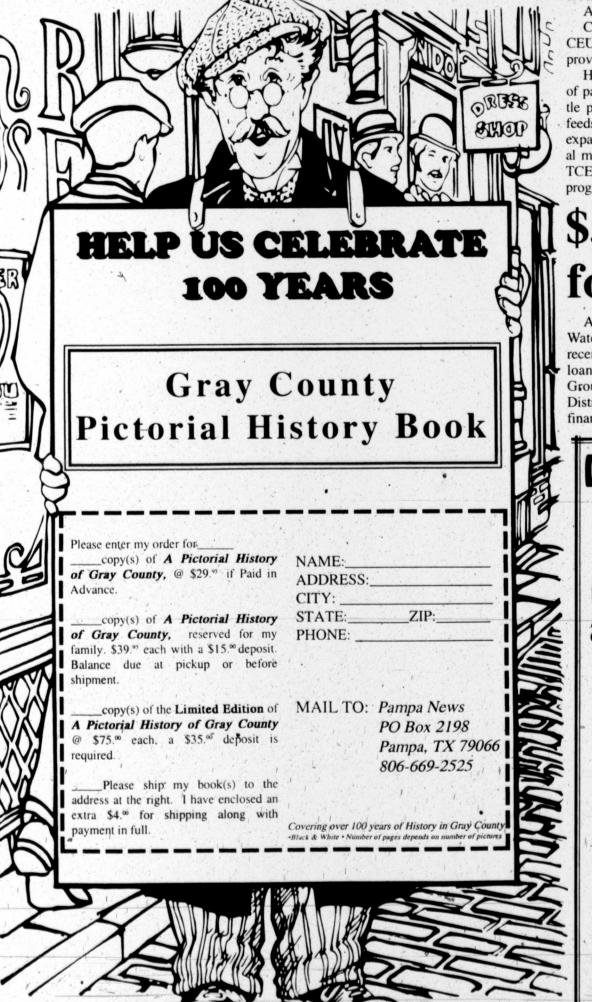
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McCollum, TCE Extension agronomist and Extension beef cattle specialist, will discuss sorghum silage and hay production, including results from recent variety trials in the panhandle.

Dr. Brent Bolsen of Kansas State University will address silage and hay production from small grain crops. In addition, Bolsen will review current information on harvesting, processing and storage silages and hay. Dr. Steve Amosson, TCE Extension farm management economist, will close the day with a discussion of economics of silage and hay production.

For more information, contact the Gray County Cooperative Extension office at 669-8033.

\$500,000 in loans available for center pivot irrigation

Water Development Board conservation equipment. recently approved a \$500,000 loan to the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District (PGWCD) to provide financing for the purchase of

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Water Conservation Loan Program (AWCLP). Under the AWCLP, the TWDB makes loans to borrower and lender districts, such as soil and water conservation districts, irrigation districts and underground water conservation districts. Borrower dis-tricts use loan proceeds for district irrigation system improvements. Lender districts make loans to individual borrowers to purchase and install more efficient irrigation equipment on private property.

The District jurisdictional area covers all or part of nine counties in the Texas Panhandle — Gray, Carson, Donley, Roberts, Armstrong, Potter, Hutchinson, Hemphill and Wheeler. The area covers 5,433-square miles (33,477,130 acres). The District has 967,000 cultivated acres of which 281,000 are irrigated. Principal crops grown in the area include wheat, grain sorghum, corn and sunflowers.

The TWDB is the state agency charged with collecting and disseminating water-related data, assisting with regional' planning and preparing the State Water Plan for the development of the state's water resources and administering cost-effective financial programs for the construction of water supply, waste water treat ment, flood control and agu cultural water conservation minerts



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BILLBOARD MUSIC CHARTS

By The Associated Press

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

Billboard Hot 100: Top 20

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

1. "U Got It Bad," Usher. Ansta

2. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.

"Always On Time," Ja Rule (feat. Ashanti). Murder Inc. -4. "Get The Party Started," Pink. Arista.

5. "My Sacrifice," Creed. Wind-up.

6. "Family Affair," Mary J. Blige. MCA. 7. "Whenever, Wherever,"

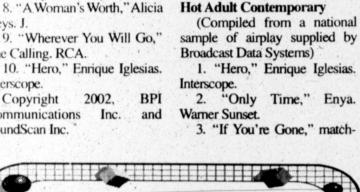
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5. "Thank You," Dido. Arista. 6. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack. MCA Nashville. (Gold)

7. "All Or Nothing," O-Town.

8. "There You'll Be," Faith Hill. Hollywood.

9. "Drowning," Backstreet Boys. Jive. 10. "Simple Things," Jim Brickman (feat. Rebecca Lynn Howard). Windham Hill.

Mainstream Rock Tracks

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

1. "My Sacrifice," Creed. Wind-up.

2. "How You Remind Me." Nickelback. Roadrunner. 3. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd.

Flawless. 4. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.

5. "Wasting My Time," Default. TVT. 6. "Alive," P.O.D. Atlantic.

7. "Too Bad," Nickelback. Roadrunner.

8. "Fade," Staind. Flip. "Defy You," The Offspring.

Columbia. 10. "For You," Staind. Flip.

Modern Rock Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems) 1. "Blurry," Puddle Of Mudd.

Flawless. 2. "In The End," Linkin Park.

Warner Bros. 3. "My Sacrifice," Creed.

Wind-up. 4. "Alive," P.O.D. Atlantic.

5. "Wish You Were Here," Incubus, Immortal

6. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.

7. "Wasting My Time," Default. TVT.

8. "Crawling In The Dark," Hoobastank. Island.

9. "Chop Suey," Sustem Of A Down. American.

10. "Defy You," The Offspring. Columbia.

Hot Country Singles and Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems) 1. "Where Were You (When The World Stopped Turning)," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville. 2. "Good Morning Beautiful,"

Steve Holy. Curb. 3. "Run," George Strait. MCA Nashville.

4. "Where The Stars And Stripes And The Eagle Fly," Aaron Tippin. Lyric Street.

5. "Wrapped Up in You," Garth Brooks. Capitol. 6. "Wrapped Around," Brad

Paisley. Arista Nashville.

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

John Grisham (Doubleday) Meltzer (Warner)

Hiaasen (Knopf) 4. "One Door Away from Heaven" by Dean R. Koontz (Bantam)

Jonathan Franzen (Farrar, Straus & Giroux) 6. "Violets Are Blue" by

7. "Last Man Standing" by David Baldacci (Warner)

8. "Smoke in Mirrors" by Jayne Ann Krentz (Putnam)

(Dutton) 10. "The Best-Loved Poems of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis" Caroline ed.

Kennedy. (Hyperion)

NONFICTION/GENERAL

1. "Get With the Program!"

·2. "Bias" by Bernard

7. "I'm Tryin'," Trace Adkins. Capitol. 8. "I Wanna Talk About Me,"

Toby Keith. DreamWorks. 9. "Bring On The Rain," Jo Dee Messina With Tim McGraw. Curb.

10. "The Long Goodbye," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville. Copyright 2002, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

Top Country Albums

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan) 1. Soundtrack: "O Brother,

Where Art Thou?" Mercury. (Platinum) 2. "Scarecrow," Garth Brooks.

3. "John Adams" by David

4. "Body for Life" by Bill

6. "Jack: Straight from the

7. "The Prayer of Jabez" by

8. "Theodore Rex" by

9. "Guinness World Records

10. "The Death of the West"

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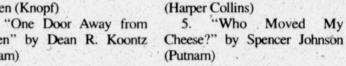
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Grisham (Dell)

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Goldberg (Regnery) 1. "Skipping Christmas" by McCullough (Simon

2. "The Millionaires" by Brad Schuster) 3. "Basket Case" by Carl Phillips and Michael D'Orso



5. "The Corrections" by Gut" by Jack Welch with John A.

James Patterson (Little, Brown)

Edmund Morris (Random House) (NF-H)

9. "Jackdaws" by Ken Follett 2002" (Guinness Publishing) by Patrick J. Buchanan (St. Martin's/Thomas Dunne)

by Bob Greene (Simon &Schuster)

Ring" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Del Rey)

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Capitol Nashville. (Platinum) 3. "Pull My Chain," Toby Keith. DreamWorks. (Platinum) 4. "Set This Circus Down," Tim McGraw. Curb. (Platinum) 5. Soundtrack: "Coyote Ugly," Curb. (Platinum)

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6. "Greatest Hits," Martina McBride. RCA (Nashville). (Gold)

7. "The Road Less Traveled," George Strait. MCA Nashville. (Gold)

8. "Steers & Stripes," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville. (Gold) 9. "Ameri Club," Hank Williams Jr. Curb.

10. "Blue Moon," Steve Holy. Curb. Copyright 2002, BPI

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3. "The Hobbit" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Del Rey)

4. "The Two Towers: The Lord of the Rings Part 2" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Del Rey) 5. "The Return of the King: The Lord of the Rings Part 3" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Del

Rey) 6. "Black Hawk Down" by Mark Bowden (Signet)

7. "Plain Jane" by Fern Michaels (Zebra) 8. "Dream Country" by

Luanne Rice (Bantam) 9. "Heaven and Earth" by Nora Roberts (Jove) 10. "The First Counsel" by

Brad Meltzer (Warner Vision)

TRADE PAPERBACKS

1. "A Beautiful Mind" by Sylvia Nasar (S&S/Touchstone) 2. "The Lord of the Rings" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Houghton Mifflin)

3. "The Fellowship of the Ring" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Houghton Mifflin)

4. "The Four Agreements" by Don Miguel Ruiz (Amber-Allen)

5. "The Wrinkle Cure" by

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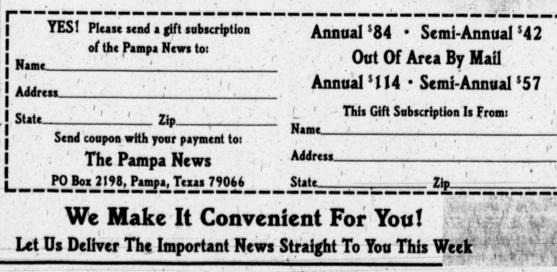
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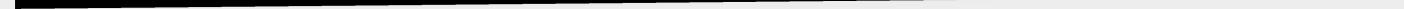
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Prolific writer says he's inspired by angels

By CAMILLE WHEELER AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN

AUSTIN - At 8 o'clock on a December night 14 years ago, Austin author Bud Shrake wrote the last word of a book on a yellow legal pad, stood and stepped outside his house. He walked down a short flight of wooden stairs and stopped on the landing, breathing in the cool air of the navy-blue night.

While he looked at the lights of town, a rush of pleasure hit him as he realized that "Willie," a biography of local singer Willie Nelson, was done.

Then, whoosh! Something flew over his shoulder, something big enough and fast enough to spook him and make his heart race.

"I was standing on the landing to the staircase," Shrake remembers, "and then something went THUP, THUP, THUP. I thought I saw something go like this," and he flaps his mammoth hands like wings. "I swear I felt it," he says. "It was like an explosion on my right shoulder."

It could have been a real bird, Shrake says, maybe a nighthawk.

But he believes it was an angel. Or two.

Little did Shrake know that the angels would return to help him finish his newest novel, "Billy Boy."

In Shrake's feel-good tale published in October, an angel named John Bredemus - based on the real man who designed Fort Worth's Colonial Country Club in the 1930s - befriends 16-year-old Billy Boy in the cowboy-tough world of 1951 Fort Worth.

Shrake knew of Bredemus, the eccentric golf-course designer who traveled alone with a sack of books and a checkerboard.

"It's amazing that Bredemus did everything that he did, in so many areas," says Shrake, a novelist, screenwriter, playwright and former Sports Illustrated writer. "You can't find one person in a million who's heard of him. I thought, 'My Lord, why hasn't anybody written a book about this guy?' "

Starting his new book, Shrake or baseball bat.

was over," he says. "I couldn't imagine writing without a cigarette burning in the ashtray and another one in my mouth and without booze to look

forward to." Shrake gave himself a tough task: Write a novel, on an old, beat-up Smith Corona Skywriter typewriter, without drinking or smoking. He produced "Night Never Falls," about the French Wars in Indochina and Algeria. The book, which got good reviews but was largely ignored by the public, looked at what Shrake describes as the future of war - terrorism. Shrake's self-doubts resurfaced two years later when Nelson asked Shrake to write his biography. Shrake had never written a long, nonfiction book.

"It occurred to me that I know how to do this," he said, recalling his magazine experience with long, firstperson profiles. Shrake said, "I went to a psychic, and she said, 'Your guardian angels are . . .' and she named them for me and said they're going to guide you through this."

His confidence renewed, Shrake resumed work, this time writing on yellow legal pads. He finished 'Willie" that December night in 1987, then walked outside. "It didn't scare me, but it startled me," he said of the creature - or creatures - that flew over his shoulder. After a few moments, he felt calm.

"It dawned on me, those are the angels taking flight," he said. "They've finished their work."

To believe in angels

Like the fictional Billy Boy, Shrake was raised by an alcoholic father. Edwin was a handsome, genial and successful cattleman who taught Bud's younger brother, Bruce, how to play golf. He bought Bud his first horse, "Pet," which Bud rode to school when he missed the bus.

But Edwin Shrake turned mean and abusive when he drank, and Bud and Bruce used to lie awake at night listening to their parents fight. As Bud grew older, he fought with his father, getting smacked in the mouth and responding with a croquet mallet day after another.

"I was fairly sure my writing life thing like 'damn.' I couldn't talk to my father because he wouldn't listen.'

> Yet Shrake was not unhappy, saying his childhood seemed very ordinary. "It was pretty rough, but I didn't know it," he says. "I was a disassociated little boy. I've never in my life felt lonely because I entertained myself. Imagination rules the world. It's always been my best friend."

On a recent sunny Sunday morning at a West Lake Hills coffee shop, the 70-year-old Shrake ponders a question. Has his creative well ever run dry?

"Not yet," he says, rapping his big knuckles twice on the table and flashing a broad smile. More than an hour into the conversation, he's taken only a couple of bites of his raisin muffin, and his cup of decaffeinated coffee has grown cold.

"I've got so many things I want to do," he says. "I thought when I reached this age I'd be certified to be a mummy, but it's just the opposite."

Shrake wears his age as comfortably as he does his loafers without socks. The reddish-brown hair of his youth now is grayish-white, as thick as ever, and it gently curls around his ears. His wild, bushy eyebrows sprout over his burning greenishblue eyes, and the lines under his eyes crinkle when he smiles.

He is tall - 6 feet 6 inches - and when he stands, it seems he never will stop rising.

Since 1989, he has "kept company" with former Texas Gov. Ann Richards, whose charisma and wit are a perfect match for his energy and charm. They travel together, eat out, go to plays and — their favorite activity - go to movies and eat popcorn (but no butter, please).

"This is the only relationship I've ever had in my life that was completely guilt-free," says the 68-yearold Richards. "Each of us is totally free to live our lives and do the things we want to do without the other feeling that it intrudes or takes. up space.'

For Shrake, life is one delightful

"I'm very happy," he says. "I'm alive, I'm healthy, I'm functioning. I love my house and my dog and my cat, and I love my friends. I've been very lucky. I'm a lot happier now than I was in my 20s, 30s and 40s."

with the Fort Worth of the 1950s. "He just wrote it like that. It was already that precise," she says. "This book just came out perfect. It came out complete."

Years ago, as a young sportswriter and police reporter at the Fort Worth Press, Shrake learned to write fast, to stay ahead of the assignments stacking up on the spike on his editor's desk. He also learned to drink fast; he and Gary Cartwright, his police beat competitor at the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, drank beer at the Office Lounge, the bar across the street from the police station. The copy boy would summon them when a big story was breaking.

From the Press, Shrake went to the Dallas Times Herald and then The Dallas Morning News. As the sports columnist there, Shrake learned to write even faster, churning out six columns a week and outracing the terror that asked, "What am I going to write about tomorrow?"

"He's going to write, no matter what," Gent says. "It's because he was a newspaper reporter. He's never missed a deadline, since I've known him, of any kind." Shrake became a novelist during his newspaper days, getting up at 2 or 3 a.m. to work on his first book, published in 1962, "Blood Reckoning."

By 1992, he was a successful writer - relatively well-known and comfortable. He became famous by writing "Harvey Penick's Little Red Book," still the best-selling sports book of all time.

Shrake's discipline is evident not only in his writing habits. He lifts weights three days a week at a local gym. He gets up at 7:30 a.m., reads the paper and eats breakfast. He takes Feeney and Merlin - his black Labrador retriever and Norwegian Forest cat - for daily walks. After lunch, he works until the evening news comes on TV. Work might be writing, taking notes, perfecting a piece of dialogue or staring out the window and daydreaming.

"Every day, I try to do something that furthers the process," he says.

project, a play titled "Benchmark"

but it's hard to leave his company. His speech is smooth and pleasant, like the gurgling of a mountain stream, and his constant eye contact lets you know he's really listening.

"Somehow you think that Bud knows the answer, whatever that might be," Richards says. "And if you could just be with him long enough and be around him long enough, you'd know what the answer is, too. He has a certain inner security and a sort of aura that attracts people to him. In the old political days we called that charisma, but with Bud it's more mystical."

Shrake says the best way to contact angels is to be quiet and listen. At the coffee shop, he weighs another question. Are your angels with you today?

"Yes," he immediately answers. How do you know?

"I just know."

The angels, he says, help him over the humps. "I think they change places with me," he says. "There's not one that stays with me. Different angels seem to come for different things I'm working on."

But for the humble writer, nothing is ever perfect.

On a sheet of white paper next to the computer in his office is this Mark Twain quote: "The difference between the right word and almost the right word is the difference between lightning and a lightning bug.'

"I'm not a fan of mine," Shrake says. "When I read something I write, the first things I see are ways it could have been a lot better."

Yet Shrake has many fans, including the writers who have taken refuge under his expansive wings and then soared into their own successful careers.

In 1958, Shrake helped Cartwright land a sportswriting job at the Fort Worth Press.

"Bud knew he was going to be a writer, and ! didn't," says Cartwright, now a novelist and longtime Texas Monthly writer. "But through his friendship and encour-Now, Shrake is deep into his next agement, I dared try it."

> St. Louis author Michael MacCambridge says Shrake is "sort of this quiet patron saint of writers." 1988, Shrake In gave MacCambridge a gentle nudge, encouraging him to write a book about Sports Illustrated and introducing him to an agent. "He does a lot of quiet things that you figure out later were very important," MacCambridge says. "It's just something he does, not to show off, but because he truly likes good writing.

decided Bredemus would be Billy Boy's mentor. There was only one problem: Well into the book, Shrake learned that Bredemus died in 1946 and Shrake's story was set in 1951.

"I thought, 'How can he be dead?' " Shrake says. "I see him so clearly in this story. Then, like Billy Boy, I realized Bredemus must be an angel."

In many ways, "Billy Boy" mirrors Shrake's life. It's a story of redemption, of integrity, of finding the courage to quiet the demons of doubt that cruelly whisper, "You can't be true to yourself."

And like Billy Boy, Shrake found redemption in angels.

In 1985, after 30 years of hard drinking, Shrake's kidneys and liver were failing and he had been diagnosed with diabetes. An Austin doctor told Shrake he would be dead in six months if he didn't stop drinking and smoking. He quit both that summer day.

Although his health improved, Shrake feared his creativity had died.

Edwin Shrake's drinking eventually left his family penniless, and at the age of 11, Bud started working at a grocery store.

Like Billy Boy, Shrake also grew up working on ranches - he spent summers on the Rathgeber Ranch near Waco and the Lake Ranch in Pecos — digging post holes, testing wild horses and learning the complexities of golf swings and beautiful girls. And like Billy Boy, Shrake learned to believe in angels. In Fort Worth, Shrake's mother dragged him to the Baptist church services he despised, but he was greatly affected by her deep spiritual beliefs.

"It never would have occurred to her to question the presence of angels," he says. "They talked to her, and she talked to them."

Shrake emulated his mother. "I've had conversations with angels from time to time in my life," he says. "As a little boy, I was a loner and spent as much time talking to angels as anybody else. I couldn't talk to my mother. She was so devout, I might slip and say some-

Talking with angels

"Billy Boy" balances sweetness with meanness, mysticism with cynicism and heavenly golf shots with shanks.

"He didn't make it seem goofy or New Age," says Bill Wittliff, screenwriter of the movie "The Perfect Storm" and Shrake's friend for more than 30 years. "It's just matter of fact. It doesn't put on airs."

As a result, conversations with angels flow naturally. Billy Boy talks to Bredemus. Renowned Texas golfer Ben Hogan, who also takes Billy Boy under his wing, converses with an angel named Hennie Bogan. And late in the book, Bredemus helps Billy Boy make peace with his father, who has been killed. Jody Gent, Shrake's assistant for 16 years, says the first draft of "Billy Boy" was close to being the finished version because of Shrake's familiarity

that he co-wrote with London theater director Michael Rudman.

"We joke that Bud is a hermit," Richards said. "He sits out there on that hill with an owl on his shoulder and is wise. In truth, he's working. He's like a little writing factory. He keeps churning it out, either a play or new book or relooking at a screenplay. I'll be gone on a trip and come back and say, 'How are things, Bud? What happened while I was gone?' He'll say, 'A lot has happened, but nothing has changed.'

Expansive wings

So much has changed in Shrake's life, and so much has staved the same for the man who calls himself a Christian Rosecrucian Buddhist Unitarian. He says he believes in one God, and that's good enough for him.

Shrake calls himself a retired reverend: Decades ago, he became a certified minister by mail-ordering a license from the Universal Life Church and performed five wedding ceremonies.

Shrake's life is much quieter now,

Shrake is puzzled by the praise. "I was just doing what comes naturally," he says.

There's just a dollop of self-deprecation in Shrake's words, refreshing perspective from a respected author who says if he works real hard, someday he'll be a good writer.

"Bud is a very deep well," his friend Wittliff says. "There's good water down there."

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Fort Worth rodeo embraces Mexican heritage

BY ANGELA K. BROWN ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

FORT WORTH (AP) - Rosie Tobar had never been to Fort Worth's rodeo until this year, when her young children could see cowboys wearing sombreros and hear the announcer's booming voice in Spanish.

She wanted her family to see what her aging relatives had described about Mexican rodeos, in which riders use two hands to hold onto bucking broncos and boisterous bulls as a mariachi band plays.

Tobar's family saw that and more at "Exhibicion Charra Mexicana Y Concierto," a show performed twice last week at the 106th Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, which runs through Feb. 3.

"Sometimes you get so involved in your own life that you forget your heritage, especially the kids," Tobar said. "I think this is great to see events celebrating the Hispanic culture in a new way."

Mexico's rich history of rodeo, in which pageantry trumps competition, dates back to the 17th century. But some say the culture has faded

from modern-day rodeo events, where American cowboys seem to be motivated more by prize money than carrying on the riding tradition as an art form.

"A lot of people have lost the foundation of it and don't know how much Mexico was part of rodeo," said acclaimed trick rider Gerardo "Jerry" Diaz, who produced the Mexican rodeo exhibition in Fort Worth. "I do this to show beautiful. intricate moves with horsemanship and bring a little bit of heritage with it?

Through the years the Hispanic culture has had a growing influence on the Fort Worth stock show and rodeo, rich in its own traditions since it started in 1896 on a creek bank.

Delbert Bailey, who has been in charge of publicity for the event since the late 1960s, said a Hispanic group approached him about 20 years ago and asked to be included in special events.

This year marks the 19th annual "Fiesta Nite at the Rodeo," sponsored by the Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, which usually sells all its 800 tickets for one regular rodeo performance, dinner and dance.

"It's all about who we are, because Latinos are here to stay," said Denise Botello, the group's economic development manager. "It's a wonderful way that people can learn more about the Mexican culture."

Rodeo officials wanted to keep fiesta night, held the first night of Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association-sanctioned rodeo competition, but add events to attract more Hispanic visitors.

This year's stock show and rodeo started a week earlier than usual to accommodate additional livestock show entries and exhibits, so organizers decided to have two nights for entertainment by Diaz of New Braunfels.

He had performed during previous Fort Worth rodeos but never done his full, 90-minute production with nearly 70 performers. When offered the chance, he didn't hesitate.

"It's a colorful festival in the style of Old Mexico," said Diaz, a fourth-generation charro, or Mexican-style cowboy. "There are

people and families who are hungry for this."

Crowds cheered as bareback riders tried to stay on bucking horses and bulls in an event, the bilingual announcers explained, that was about form and poise rather than length of time on the animal.

In another event called "paso de la muerta" - pass of death - a rider jumped from one fast-moving horse to another.

national champion The Escaramuza Charra professional ladies sidesaddle riding team, Las Potrancas del Valle, or Fillies of the Valley, wore dresses with ruffled petticoats while steering their galloping horses in various formations.

The main attraction was Diaz atop his equine showing off intricate footwork, including forward and backward high-stepping, prancing while moving sideways and an elegant bow in which the horse rested one of its knees on the dirt floor.

"This was great, and it teaches those not in this nationality about Mexican rodeos," said DeeAnn Torres, who attended one of the shows. "I think it'll help in the understanding between cultures."

Fort Worth rodeo boasts rich history

Some key events in the rich history of Fort Worth's stock show and rodeo, compiled by the Southwestern Exposition Livestock Show and Rodeo:

1896: Fort Worth hosts first stock show, in March on the banks of Marine Creek

1901: Event officially named "Texas Fat Stock Show"

1907: First admission charged, 25 cents

1908: Newly built Northside Coliseum, site of the show, billed as "the most opulent and dynamic livestock pavilion in the entire Western Hemisphere." Show opens under new name, "National Feeders and Breeders Show

1913: Show's evening performance opened by President Woodrow Wilson pushing a button in the White House, which "turned on" the coliseum's electric lights

1918: "Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show" becomes official name. Northside Coliseum hosts first indoor rodeo as "strictly a contest" with events including ladies' bucking bronco, junior steer riding, men's steer riding and bucking bronco

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* * * Could too much be happening too quickly? Only you know for sure. Understand if you cannot keep your normal organization; you might want to pull back and accept less commitment. Do what you do 100 percent. Don't do anything halfway! Tonight: Relax at home. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★ ★ Your mind works on overdrive, though you might have difficulty expressing all that you are thinking. Perhaps you need to slow down or close your door. Put some organization into your day-to-day planning. You easily could be overwhelmed. Tonight: Meet a friend after work and relax.

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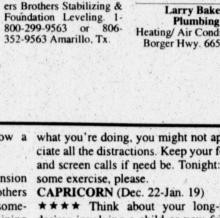
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> *** Your efforts go up in smoke your direction. You can't change what it is, but you can make decisions as to how to prevent a flub-up like this one in the future. A co-worker means well. Tonight: Relax. Surf the Net.

* * * * Deal with someone on a oneon-one level. You find distraction to be a problem. A certain person might feel unduly jeopardized by your response to someone else. Curb your flirting and keep business your highest priority. You will have plenty of time for fun later. Tonight: Play like you're a kid again.

★ ★ ★ ★ Someone has more control over your day than you might like. Personal and domestic matters need to go on the back burner so you can meet someone's demands. You might be overwhelmed by expectations. Follow someone's lead. Tonight: Out and about.

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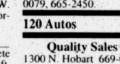
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