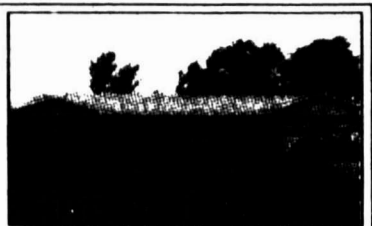


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Wheeler to receive restoration funding

WHEELER — Wheeler Countians will find out more Jan. 30 about the procedure involved to share with 13 other counties in some \$39.2 million in Texas Historical Commission historic courthouse preservation grants. That's when a representative 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 as 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 30-year 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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New look

Post Office to get face lift

By KATE DICKSON
 Associate Publisher

Historic preservation has been of primary concern in developing a project to replace the steps and porch at Pampa's U.S. Post Office building as well as install some limestone panels on the front of the structure.

Postmaster Tim McNair said demolition work is set to begin Jan. 28 on the \$120,000 project that is the outgrowth of a building and safety inspection he conducted last April. Because of shifts in the ground and deterioration some of the steps have become a tripping hazard and some panels are pulling away.

The Pampa post office is on the National Register of Historic Places and the job has received approval from the Texas Historic Commission and has received the ok "all the way to Washington," McNair said.

"We hope that when this is finished no one can tell the difference," he said. "They've been so selective with the limestone (for the building panels) . . ."

The limestone, quarried in South Texas, is being matched to samples that were removed from the post office, he said. The idea is to get stone of the same depth, color and look.
 (See LOOK, Page 3)



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Work should get under way Jan. 28 on a project to replace the front steps and porch and to install some new limestone on the building.

Four charged with organized criminal activity

By KATE DICKSON
 Associate Publisher

Four Pampans remain locked up in Potter and Randall county jails today where a hold has been placed on them for Gray County on charges of engaging in organized criminal activity. Conviction carries from two to 20 years in prison.

Warrants were issued Friday after

noon in connection with last week's burglary at Larry Baker Plumbing, Heating & Conditioning, said Chief Sheriff's Deputy Kelly Rushing. One of the elements of the charge calls for at least three people agreeing to commit a crime and partake of the proceeds.

Taken in the burglary was a 1999 Ford service truck as well as equipment and tools, the chief deputy said.

The truck was recovered in a storage locker in Amarillo and some of the items that had been sold have been recovered.

Charged are Ree Ann Lee Winborne, 21, Jeffery Len Harris, 34, Misty Lee Miller, 22 and Jeremy Len Evans, 28, he said, adding that local street addresses weren't immediately available as the four have been living in the motel where they were arrested.

At the request of Gray County, Amarillo police officers arrested the four about 1 a.m. Friday at American Motel in the 1500 block of the Canyon E. Way, Rushing said.

"There was a lot of hard work put in on this one," Rushing said. "Besides our own deputies' work, we had help from other agencies."

Three of the four had Potter and/or
 (See FOUR, Page 3)

State House passes resolution recognizing county centennial

By NANCY YOUNG
 MANAGING EDITOR

Pampa will celebrate its 100th anniversary this year, and the significance of the observance has been recognized by the Texas House of Representatives.

Darlene Birkes, chairman of the anniversary activities, presented Gray County Commissioners with a resolution Tuesday 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.

Speaker of the House Pete Laney signed the House Resolution 566.

The resolution states:

WHEREAS, Gray 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 contributions they have made to the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, Created in 1876, Gray County was organized in 1902 and Pampa, a railroad 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 irrigation and dryland farming techniques; crops today include wheat, sorghum, hay, corn, and
 (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.

Preparing for 'kirkin'



(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 feels his experience in business and long time community service has prepared him for this task.

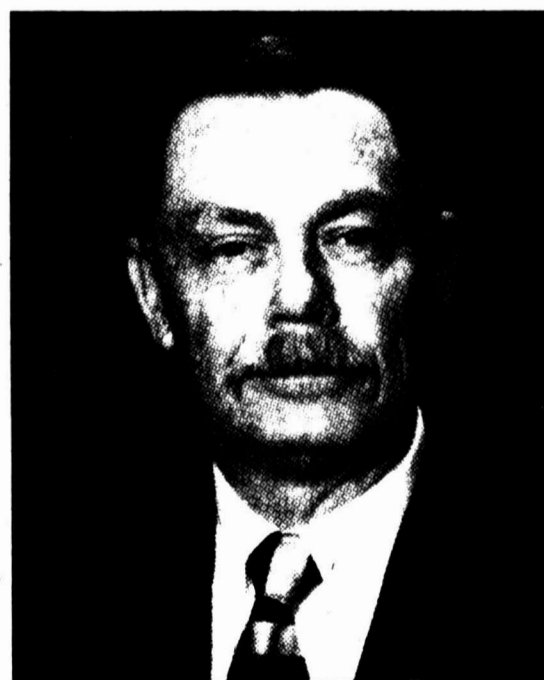
A proud American and native Texan, he and his wife Carolyn have been married for 37 years. They have two daughters and five grand children: Mrs. Guy (Laura) Green and Mrs. Jerrod (Marc) Imel. Laura's children are Eden, Jacob and Jordan. Marc's children are Harley and Tucker. All are Pampa residents, 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 operated 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.

Other organizations Horne has served as an active member include The American



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. In 1967, he graduated from the same university with a doctorate of veterinary medicine.

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Thanks...

Members of Karen Skagg's Food Production class pooled their culinary talents, last week to cook a special thank-you 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)



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COUNTY

and soybeans; and WHEREAS, Gray County 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 enthusiasts, the county offers the McClellan Creek National Grassland, Lake McClellan, a rodeo, golf, and facilities for other sports; on

Labor Day each year, the city of Pampa plays host to a highly popular Chautauqua in Central Park; and

WHEREAS, Gray County 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 hard-working, 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

its 100th anniversary and extend to all its citizens sincere best wishes as they begin a new chapter in their outstanding history.

Birkes said the 100th Celebration will have activities throughout 2002 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.

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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.

Enron chair urged employees to buy stock

WASHINGTON (AP) — Buy the company's stock, Enron Chairman Kenneth Lay urged employees a month after he was warned that the energy-trading giant faced potential accounting scandals.

Lay, who touted Enron's 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

Enron worker on last Sept. 26, three weeks before the company announced a stunning \$638 million in third-quarter losses. Lay's message was part of an electronic meeting with employees on an internal 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.

Enron spokesman Vance Meyer declined comment Friday.

Houston-based Enron, once the nation's seventh-largest 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.

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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.

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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Kennedy's right on fewer tax cuts



KATE DICKSON
Associate Publisher

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.

Did you see where on \$1.7 billion

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 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.

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)

Views expressed on this page are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

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
PAMPA

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 terms 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 Rocky 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 iceberg 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.

CALENDAR ITEMS

AF WEBSITE

Children of Alcoholics Foundation, an education-prevention arm of Phoenix, recently launched a website (www.coaf.org) for children of substance abusers of all ages. The website is designed to help educators, social workers and professionals. The site includes sections for teens and adults who have grown up with an alcoholic or drug addicted parent as well as information for teachers, social workers and others.

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A wide range of free, direct support services is available to residents suffering from multiple sclerosis through the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America. Services include personal information, therapeutic equipment, educational literature, national lending library, no-cost MRIs, coolers, wheelchairs and scooter support groups and more. For more information, contact AA at 1-800-LEARN-MS or access www.msaa.com on the Internet.

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Financial Assistance Network in Washington, D.C., offering the following booklet: "Free & Low Cost Medical Care" and "How to Get Government Help To Pay Your Energy Bills." The first booklet includes information on how and where to get free low-cost medical care under the Federal Hill-Burton program. The second booklet provides information on how and where to get government help pay your heating bills. Consumers can obtain a copy of "Free & Low Cost Medical Care" by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Fulfillment Center East, Overcoming Depression and Anxiety, P.O. Box 3176, Elmira, NY 14905-3176; or Regional Fulfillment Center, Sleep Booklet #143, P.O. Box 692634, Boston MA 02269-2634. For additional information, visit the Council's website at www.FamilyHealthResearch.org

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PIE
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Scholarships are available through National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for children of firefighters who have died in the line of duty. For more information, visit

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PCCA CONCERT
Pampa Community Concert Association will present "Rhythm Kings" Jan. 20 at C. Brown Auditorium. For more information, call 665-3033.

GRAY COUNTY LIVESTOCK SALE
Gray County Livestock Sale will be conducted Jan. 21 at C. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. For more information, call the Gray County Extension office at 669-8033.

ADOPTION SEMINAR
Catholic Family Service, Inc., has a need of applicants for its infant adoption pool of diverse families. An informational meeting will be 7-9 p.m., on Jan. 22. An Adoptive Parent Education Seminar will be held from 8:30-4:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1. There is no fee for the informational meeting; however, there is a \$500 per couple to attend the seminar. Both meeting and seminar will be held at the Street Resource Center, 211 S. Tyler, in the upstairs reference room. Both husband and wife need to attend sessions. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and married for at least two years. For more information, call (940) 345-7908. Reservations required.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN
The Texas Republican Women meet from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Jan. 23 at Furr's Family Dining in Pampa. The guest speaker will be state member Sue Hershey of Pecos.

PACS DANCE
Pampa Area Christians Fellowship dance will be from 8-

11 p.m., Jan. 26 at M.K. Brown Auditorium with Mike Porter. For more information, call 665-7059. Please bring snacks.

PALO DURO HANDWEAVER'S GUILD

Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild 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

(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.

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.

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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.

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

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.

BEEN 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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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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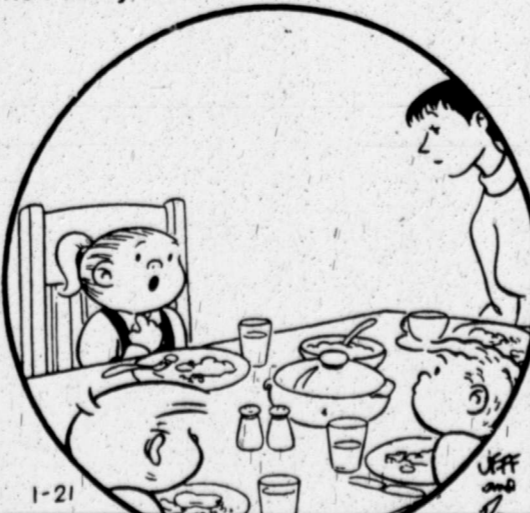
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Study: Vitamin E may counteract some prescription medications

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 for some.

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.

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 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

comparison, 14 percent of 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

cholesterol that appears to be 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

scared to take vitamin E," he 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

condemnation of antioxidants 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.

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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 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 carefully 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 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

ordinary life as they do in formal studies if they are 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 men 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 off 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

BOSTON (AP) — Doctors 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

cases lower their risk of death by 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.

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

should give transfusions if heart-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.

Doctors need to be careful.

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 Godnough and Richard Bach of Washington University.

Menopause hormones linked to dry eye syndrome

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 study found.

In the study of 25,389 women 49 and older, those taking estrogen alone were about 70 percent more likely to have the syndrome than women not using the supplements. Women taking both estrogen and progesterone faced a 30 percent increased risk.

The findings appear in a recent issue of Journal of the American Medical Association.

It is among the first studies linking hormone supplements to dry eye syndrome, said researcher Debra Schaumberg of Harvard University's

Brigham and Women's Hospital.

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, they can protect against osteoporosis. But they have also

been linked to an increased risk of breast cancer.

While the new findings may complicate the already complex decision about whether to take hormones at menopause, Schaumberg said health decisions should not be made "on the basis of a single study."

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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 3-pointer 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.

"We've won because 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

painful way to end the second-longest 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 points, including a key 3-

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 Mookie 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 Quentin Richardson scored 11 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter as Los Angeles beat 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.

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<p>BOWLING Harvester Lanes Individual League Results Week's Top Scores</p> <p>High scratch game: Steve Williams 278; High scratch series: Benny Horton 757; High handicap game: Steve Williams 294; High handicap series: Benny Horton 805.</p> <p>ABC Association Awards: Benny Horton 757 (125 pins over avg.; 150 pins over avg. and 700 high series recognition).</p> <p>FOOTBALL</p> <p>NFL Playoff Glance By The Associated Press All Times EST Wild-card Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 12 Philadelphia 31, Tampa Bay 9 Oakland 38, N.Y. Jets 24 Sunday, Jan. 13 Green Bay 25, San Francisco 15 Baltimore 20, Miami 3</p> <p>Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 19 Philadelphia at Chicago, 4:30 p.m. (FOX) Oakland at New England, 8 p.m. (CBS) Sunday, Jan. 20 Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 12:30 p.m. (CBS) Green Bay at St. Louis, 4 p.m. (FOX)</p> <p>Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 27</p>	<p>NFC Championship 12:30 p.m. or 4 p.m. AFC Championship 12:30 p.m. or 4 p.m.</p> <p>Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3 At New Orleans AFC Champion vs. NFC Champion, 6 p.m.</p> <p>Pro Bowl Saturday, Feb. 9 At Honolulu AFC vs. NFC, 4:30 p.m.</p>	<p>KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Agreed to terms with OF Carlos Beltran on a one-year contract.</p> <p>OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with LHP Mike Venafro on a one-year contract.</p> <p>SEATTLE MARINERS—Re-signed RHP Freddy Garcia, LHP John Halama and INF Charles Gipson to one-year contracts.</p> <p>TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Agreed to terms with RHP Paul Wilson on a one-year contract.</p> <p>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 Ottaviano to a minor league contract with Tulsa of the Texas League.</p> <p>National League ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with RHP Kevin Millwood on a one-year contract. Acquired RHP Kevin Grysowski from Seattle for RHP Elvis Perez.</p> <p>CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Kerry Wood on a one-year contract.</p> <p>CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with 3B Aaron Boone and OF Juan Encarnacion on one-year contracts.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with LHP Odalis Perez on a one-year contract.</p> <p>MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Chad Fox on a one-year contract. Designated RHP George Perez for assignment.</p> <p>MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to terms with C Michael Barrett and RHP Javier Vazquez on one-year contracts.</p> <p>PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with 3B Scott Rolen, 1B Travis Lee and RHP Robert Person on one-year contracts.</p> <p>PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Agreed to terms with RHP Sean Lowe, OF Adrian Brown and OF Abraham Nunez on one-year contracts.</p> <p>SAN DIEGO PADRES—Agreed to terms with OF Ron Gant on a minor league contract.</p> <p>ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Agreed to terms with C Eli Marrero on a one-year contract.</p> <p>SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jay Witasick on a one-year contract.</p> <p>BASKETBALL National Basketball Association TORONTO RAPTORS—Signed G Jermaine Jackson to a second 10-day contract, effective Jan. 20.</p> <p>FOOTBALL National Football League BUFFALO BILLS—Signed WR Reggie Allen, WR Scott Keys and S</p>	<p>CHAD SEARS</p> <p>HOUSTON TEXANS—Named Tom Colt coordinator of rehabilitation and Jon Ishop assistant athletic trainer.</p> <p>MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed TE Matt Cerone, WR Kenny Clark, TE Jeff Kostrewa, DB Mesene Louisdor, OL Mike Malano, RB DeWayne Miles, S Brian Russell and RB James Wofford.</p> <p>HOCKEY National Hockey League CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled LW Oleg Saprykin from Saint John of the AHL.</p> <p>COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Recalled RW David Ling from Syracuse of the AHL.</p> <p>DETROIT RED WINGS—Assigned C Sean Avery to Cincinnati of the AHL.</p> <p>NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Re-assigned D Robert Schnabel to Milwaukee of the AHL.</p> <p>BASKETBALL Friday's Women's Basketball 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</p> <p>SOUTH Charlotte 81, South Florida 78 Memphis 73, Southern Miss. 64</p> <p>MIDWEST No major team scores reported from the MIDWEST.</p> <p>SOUTHWEST No major team scores reported from the SOUTHWEST.</p> <p>FAR WEST Loyola Marymount 85, Portland 77 Montana St. 78, Idaho St. 47 Pepperdine 88, Gonzaga 79 Weber St. 90, Montana 71</p>
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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 game-winners 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 goal at 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 four-game 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 four-game 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;

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.

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

Bradley Bowden
Andrew Hayden Morriss
Spencer Hagen Nicholson
Jeffrey Kyle Smith
Alexis Rae Kathleen Trujillo
Kaittlynne Michelle Porter
Taylor Wayne Ray
Seth Edward Scully
Dennis W. Sprouse
Meira Rhiannon Vaid
Shayley Renee Morriss
Joseph Cameron Barnes
Dani Michelle Law
Haley Jeannette Smith
Brittney Nicole Coombes
Emily Joann Jackson
Ashlynn Denea Johnson
Rebecka Joyce Lawrence
Jacob Rudy Garcia
Lindsay Gail Duckworth
Drake Evan Jackson
Rachal May Stubbs
Trenton Keith Roberson
Katherine Jeanette Barnes
Dennis J. Boyd
Andrew Wiley Klein
Savanah Jeanine Smith
Zachary Levi Lafawn Kidd
Sarah Marie Schwab
Dee J. Preston

AB Honor Roll

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Koltan Spur Morris
Ashley L. Towe
Dustin James Howard
Story Lumae Pairsh
Kambra Jeann Boaz
Matthew Denton
Sharon Brooke Franks
Arthur Allan Gifford
Casey Pine Graham
Stormy Howard
Roger Lee Smith
Keely Shay Callaway
Seth Zachary Fry
Abigail P. Maness
Keena J. Santacruz
James Arun Vaid
Daniel James Wariner
Gage Dane Zeek
Christina Marie Cook
Dustin Ray Forsyth
Kegan Dale Ferguson
Amanda Helfer

Brandon Kyle Mcbee
Summer Morris
Misty Lee Pairsh
Julianna Rebecca Schuneman
Aaron Keith Spotts
Valerie Brooke Willis
Hannah Dawn Maness
Amanda Marie Ponce
Jeremy Lucas Sprouse
Robert Lynn Waller
Chelsea Adkins
Jerad Marshall Andis
Chelsea Michele Cox
Dustin Michael Johnson
Tanner Michael Ray
Kayla Marie Andis
Stacy Lavada Crump

Matthew Taylor Daugherty
Courtney Ann Gee
Jacqueline Jonelle Tinney
Alicia Whitehead
Nicholas Andrew Miller
Gareth Akash Vaid
Erasmus Jesus Soto
Rickey Dee Vaughn
Amanda Lea Daugherty
Joshua Ryan Garcia
Cory Kevin Jackson
Johnathan D. Jennings
Stephanie J. Spotts
Jennifer Lynn Sprouse
Virginia Ginny Nosek
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The family of John Chesher wish to express their appreciation to the friends and relatives who brought food, sent flowers and cards, visited the family, shared our grief and assisted the family during our time of need.



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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 Oklahoma 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 Ryan, 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, 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

planned for the PAMPA CCA. The 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 Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker to Andean Mountain music.

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.

Even the stock market crash of 1929 and 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 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

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 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 continues to be to offer every man, woman and child in the country the opportunity to experience the magic of live performance by bringing artists and audiences together.



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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 Tréylon 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 groomsmen were 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 Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Ebel, all of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa



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.

Gourley-Evans

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.



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Pampa Schools	Senior Citizens
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TUESDAY Breakfast: Breakfast pizza. Lunch: Pigs-in-a-blanket or macaroni/cheese, blackeyed peas, corn, peaches.	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 Breakfast: Cinnamon pastry. Lunch: Spaghetti/meat sauce or steak fingers, green beans, salad, garlic toast, fresh fruit.	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 Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast. Lunch: Chicken fajitas or cheese nachos, refried beans, Spanish rice, tortillas, sliced apples.	THURSDAY Chicken strips or goulash, onion potatoes, spinach, carrots, beans, banana nut cake or blackberry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.
FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Egg rolls or hamburgers, broccoli/cheese, corn, pineapple tidbits.	FRIDAY Catfish/hushuppies or chili and tamales, potato wedges, Spanish rice, beans, red velvet cake or tapioca, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.
Lefors Schools	Meals On Wheels
MONDAY Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Meatloaf, chicken nuggets, peas, salad, fruit, milk.	MONDAY Salmon loaf, macaroni/cheese, Harvard beets, pears.
TUESDAY Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Enchiladas, mini burritos, beans, rice, fruit, milk.	TUESDAY Chopped sirloin, rice pilaf, green beans, plum cobbler.
WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Hot cereal, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: SOS, mini corn-dogs, green beans, fruit, milk.	WEDNESDAY Stew, cornbread, pineapple.
THURSDAY Breakfast: French toast sticks, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken casserole, ravioli, corn, fruit, milk.	THURSDAY Chicken patties, peas/carrots, squash casserole, pudding.
FRIDAY Breakfast: Yogurt, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot dogs/chili, beans, salad, fruit, milk.	FRIDAY Roast, cream corn, baked apples, graham crackers.

CRADLE CALL



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 great-grandson of Joe and Sue Hall, Betty Johnson, Milton and Correy Nichols, all of Pampa, and Jack and Bernice Hefley of Mobeetie; and the great-great-grandson of Naomah Story of Pampa and Opal Hefley of Wheeler.

WEDDING/ANNIVERSARY POLICY

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.
3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.
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By
JOAN GRAY
EXTENSION AGENT

'No Call' lists in Texas effective as of January

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 provides 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.

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

Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild

The January meeting of Timeless Treasures Quilt 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 pre-cut 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

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 Operation Livesaver Program.

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

Officers for 2002 are: Teresa 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.

For reservations, call Nancy Allen at 669-8020 or 669-7229.

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 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 patio. Something rustled deep within the shadowed bushes.

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.

Men-in-Jammies armed



By
KATHY DAVIS
GARDEN WISE

themselves with sticks. Stealthily they prowled the yard, gingerly poking the bushes. At last they found 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 jammies were the hunting

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.

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

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 Defalco's love for nature and the environment.

Each piece has a story 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.

Defalco teaches human anatomy sculpture, and one of the requirements of the

class is to spend one week-end a month picking up trash from the beach and creating a sculpture with it.

"I grew up with a mom who taught us to respect nature," Defalco said.

One of her creations is a 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 was cleaning the floor. Her mother looked up at her and said, "Ruthie, Ruthie girl. Don't you know snakes have hearts too?"

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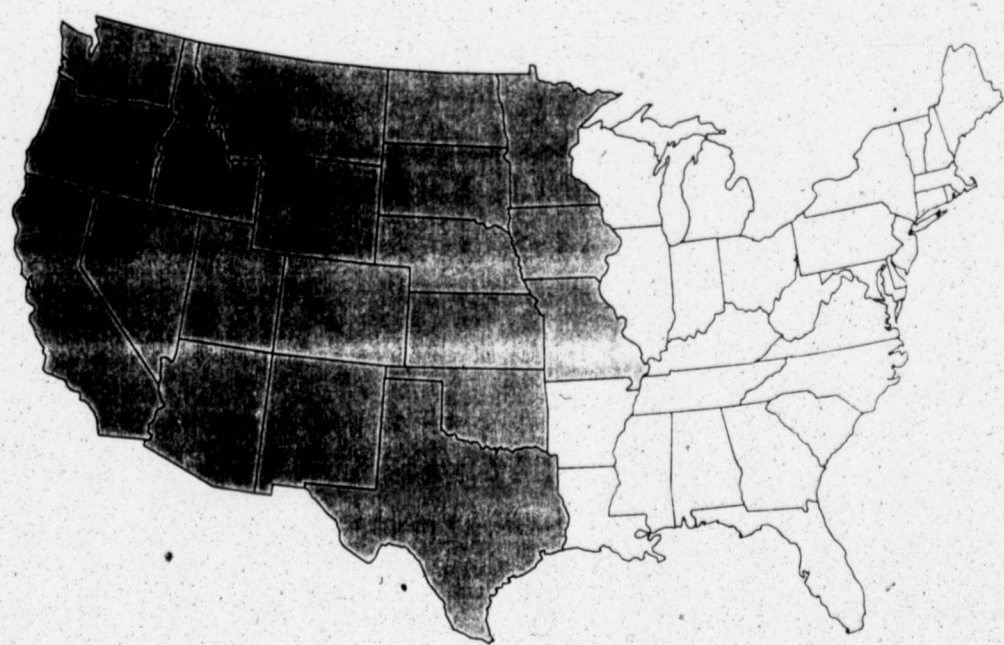
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Texas Bass brothers to sell cattle feeding operation

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — 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

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 feedlots, 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

considerable. I would venture 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

new feedlots is extremely negative, extremely challenging," Kay said. "It is a rare opportunity for a major, multiyear operation to come onto the market, the chance for operators to buy new feedlots. I

imagine they will be snapped up."

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 National Farms once the cattle feedlots are sold.

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 2.60 million acres, up 11 percent from 2000. Yield, at 2,800 pounds per acre, was 616

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 a year ago. U.S. rice production was estimated at 213 million cwt, up 12 percent from 2000.

Gray County Ag Day Jan 23

Registration at 8:30 a.m., meeting at 9 a.m.

The Gray County Ag Day will be held on Jan. 23 to provide current information on hay and silage production. We will meet at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room in Pampa. 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

and the types, quantities and quality of forages required by today's dairy producers.

This will be followed by presentations on corn silage production. Drs. Brent Bean and Ted 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

AUSTIN — The Texas Water Development Board recently approved a \$500,000 loan to the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District (PGWCD) to provide financing for the purchase of

approved agricultural water conservation equipment. The District will utilize the loan proceeds to finance the purchase of center pivot irrigation systems.

The loan is funded through

the Agricultural 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 districts 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 treatment, flood control and agricultural water conservation projects.

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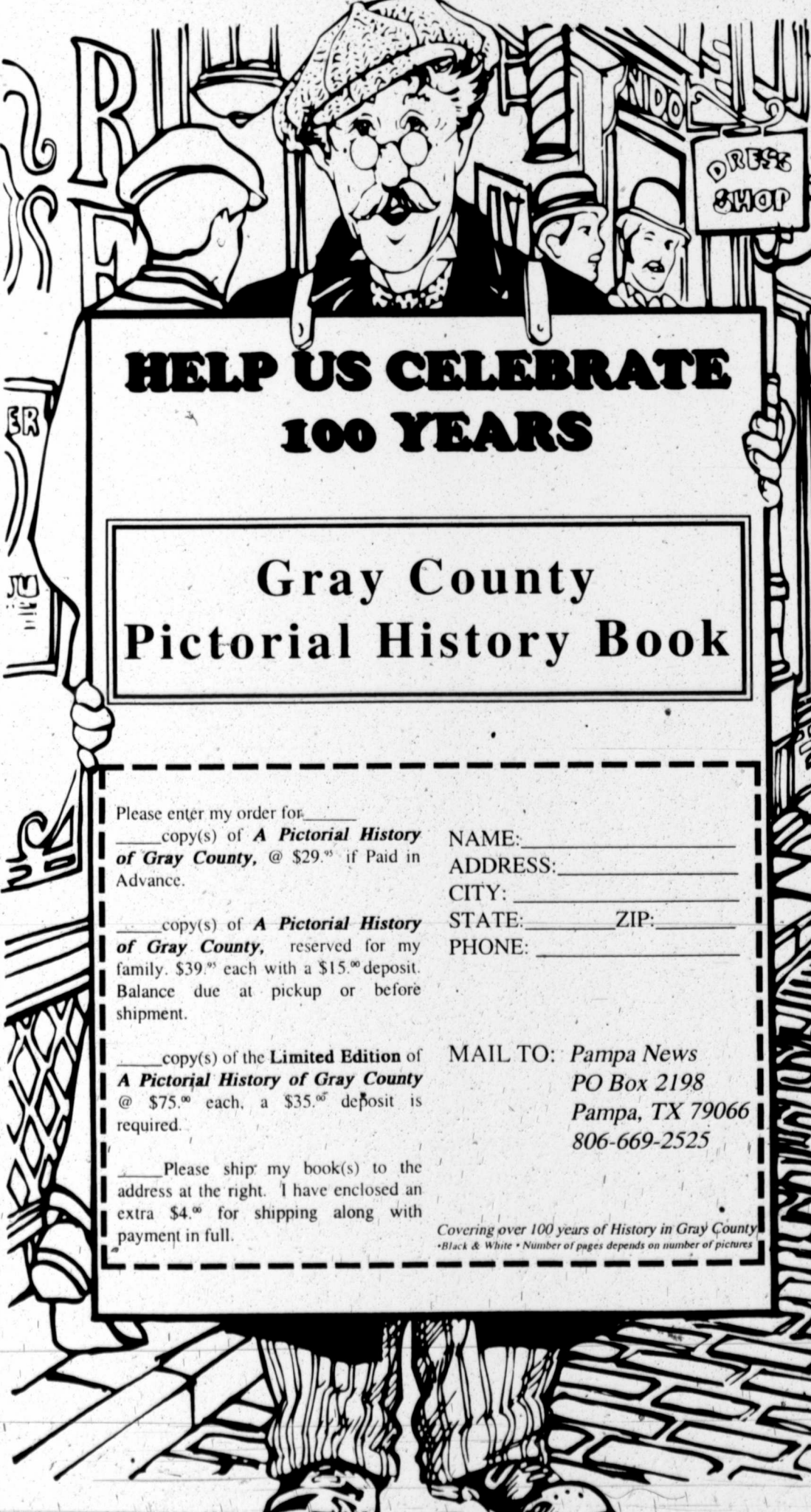


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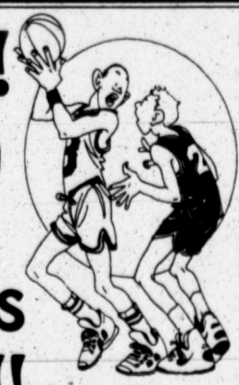
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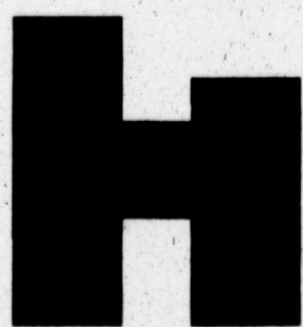
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BILLBOARD MUSIC CHARTS

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard 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. Arista.
 2. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
 3. "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," Shakira. Epic.
 8. "A Woman's Worth," Alicia Keys. J.
 9. "Wherever You Will Go," The Calling. RCA.
 10. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
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The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Weathered," Creed. Wind-up. (Platinum—certified sales of 1 million units)
 2. "(Hybrid Theory)," Linkin Park. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
 3. "Word Of Mouf," Ludacris. Disturbing Tha Peace. (Platinum)
 4. "Silver Side Up," Nickelback. Roadrunner. (Platinum)
 5. "Stillmatic," Nas. Ill Will. (Platinum)
 6. "M!ssundazstod," Pink. Arista. (Platinum)
 7. "Pain Is Love," Ja Rule. Murder Inc. (Platinum)
 8. "Songs In A Minor," Alicia Keys. J. (Platinum)
 9. "Now 8," Various Artists. EMI/Universal/Sony/Zomba/Virgin. (Platinum)
 10. "A Day Without Rain," Enya. Reprise. (Platinum)
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Hot Adult Contemporary

- (Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
 2. "Only Time," Enya. Warner Sunset.
 3. "If You're Gone," match-

4. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA.
5. "Thank You," Dido. Arista.
6. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack. MCA Nashville. (Gold)
7. "All Or Nothing," O-Town. J.
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.
 9. "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. "Where 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," System Of A

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.

7. "I'm Tryin'," Trace Adkins. Capitol.
8. "I Wanna Talk About Me," Toby Keith. DreamWorks. (Platinum)
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. 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)
 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.
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PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. "Skipping Christmas" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
2. "The Millionaires" by Brad Meltzer (Warner)
3. "Basket Case" by Carl Hiaasen (Knopf)
4. "One Door Away from Heaven" by Dean R. Koontz (Bantam)
5. "The Corrections" by Jonathan Franzen (Farrar, Straus & Giroux)
6. "Violets Are Blue" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)
7. "Last Man Standing" by David Baldacci (Warner)
8. "Smoke in Mirrors" by Jayne Ann Krentz (Putnam)
9. "Jackdaws" by Ken Follett (Dutton)
10. "The Best-Loved Poems of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis" ed. Caroline Kennedy (Hyperion)

NONFICTION/GENERAL

1. "Get With the Program!" by Bob Greene (Simon & Schuster)
2. "Bias" by Bernard Goldberg (Regnery)
3. "John Adams" by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
4. "Body for Life" by Bill Phillips and Michael D'Orso (Harper Collins)
5. "Who Moved My Cheese?" by Spencer Johnson (Putnam)
6. "Jack: Straight from the Gut" by Jack Welch with John A. Byrne (Warner)
7. "The Prayer of Jabez" by Bruce H. Wilkinson (Multnomah)
8. "Theodore Rex" by Edmund Morris (Random House) (NF-H)
9. "Guinness World Records 2002" (Guinness Publishing)
10. "The Death of the West" by Patrick J. Buchanan (St. Martin's/Thomas Dunne)

MASS MARKET PAPERBACKS

1. "A Painted House" by John Grisham (Dell)
2. "The Fellowship of the Ring" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Del Rey)
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 Nicholas Perricone, M.D. (Warner)
6. "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant (Picador)
7. "Retire Young, Retire Rich" by Robert T. Kiyosaki with Sharon L. Lechter (Warner)
8. "A Little Magic" by Nora Roberts (Berkley) (F-P)
9. "The Lord of the Rings: Official Movie Guide" by Brian Sibley (Houghton Mifflin)
10. "A Fine Balance" Rohinton Mistry (Vintage)

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