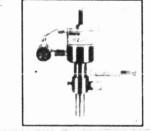
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For CASA, an increase is bad news

By MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

Pampa's court-appointed special advocates (CASA) program executive director, Janet Watts, is chagrined that demand for her agency's services is on the increase.

"Thank goodness we're here to serve these kids. Unfortunately, it's so sad that we're needed to serve these kids." Watt said. "Our goal is to not be needed. What's best for kids is to grow up in their own homes, safe and pro-

CASA is a group of trained volunteers who act as advocates for children in child abuse and neglect cases in which the child is removed from their home. They review all material in a Child Protective Services case file on the child, monitor the family's compliance with a CPS service plan, visit with anyone who can give them information about the child, visit with the child if the child is old enough to respond, and prepare reports for each court hearing involving the child.

include recommendations on what they Pampa's CASA territory. feel is in the best interest of the child.



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

Janet Watts, director of the Pampa area Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program.

The caseload has grown for the The CASA program in Pampa agency, which last year served 121 because some had been in care for a

began 10 years ago. Eight volunteers children of the 128 in CASA's seven served 14 children from five counties counties who were the legal responsiin the first year. The original five counbility of CPS, Gray County represented They are also required to see the ties were Gray. Hemphill, Lipscomb, the largest percentage of that total, child monthly if the child lives within a Roberts and Wheeler. Ochiltree and with 113. The next highest client count 150-mile radius. Their court reports. Hansford counties were added later to in the seven counties is. Wheeler County.

"We didn't serve all 128 last year

long time," Watt said. CPS has created a permanency plan for those children which will likely not be changed until the children reach legal adulthood.

It has been a challenge to have enough volunteers to cover the caseload. CASA currently has 39 volunteers, including seven who completed training in February. All seven were immediately assigned cases. Watts

"Right now we have four new cases, all babies, that we don't have volunteers for. Our biggest increase is in newborns. Most of the babies have been removed from the hospital where they were born, due to the mom or baby testing positive for drugs. Of our kids, 63.5 percent are age six or younger," Watts said.

The agency tries to limit each volunteer's caseload to one case, but some have two cases, especially if one of the two is a case that is about to be dismissed or transferred into permanent managing conservatorship, in which the child will remain the legal responsibility of CPS until adulthood.

"Our volunteers can devote a lot more of their time and attention to each family, where a CPS worker may have 40 families to deal with. The way we are unique is our focus only on the

(See CASA, Page 3)

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arrests of more than 40 people tee — most of them black — in

the now-discredited busts. hearings before the commit- 1999 following one undercov-

"We want to get a better cuted. idea from people who are directly involved with what Liberties Union and the

AMARILLO (AP) — A went on in Tulia, and how that NAACP Legal Defense and member of the House occurred through a program Educational Fund, both of Judiciary Committee is calling that was run with federal fund- which have been active in the for hearings on funding for ing," said Keenan Keller, fight against Texas' drug task drug task forces such as the counsel to Conyers, the rank- forces, brought the issue to one in Tulia that led to the ing Democrat on the commit- Convers' attention. Keller

them black, were arrested in U.S. Rep. John Convers, D- the small, mostly white Michigan, is calling for the Panhandle town of Tulia in tee, where oversight of feder- er agent's 18 month operation. ally funded programs will be a In August, Gov. Rick Perry pardoned most of those prose-

> American Civil The

said. Keller hopes hearings Forty-six people, 39 of will begin in the next few

> Vanita Gupta, an attorney with the defense fund who represented many of the Tulia defendants, said the federal Byrne grants that fund such task forces lack oversight and accountability.

(See HEARINGS, Page 3)

Spring forward!

Set clocks ahead one hour Sunday

WASHINGTON (AP) — It'll be a sleepy Sunday morning for millions of Americans, who will lose an hour's sleep this weekend with the return of daylightsaving time.

Officially, clocks for most of the country change at 2 a.m. Sunday. People who fail to spring forward will be an hour late for church, work or other activities.

Daylight-saving time brings an extra hour of evening sunshine until Oct. 31, when standard time returns.

Safety advocates say it's also a good time to replace batteries in smoke detectors.

Some parts of the nation don't observe daylightsaving time. They include Arizona, Hawaii, the part of Indiana in the Eastern time zone, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and American Samoa.

Muslim cleric condemns mutilations, but doesn't criticize killing Americans

soldier and a Marine.

In the capital, a roadside bomb killed an American soldier and said earlier that U.S. soldiers had wounded another early Eriday in the been in the town hall, but al-Jabouri city's Mansour district. A U.S. Marine also died as a result of hostile Fallujah is the most populous city.

Near the northern city of Kirkuk. three people were killed after a bomb they were planting exploded prematurely on Friday, police said.

FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP) — At The three were planting the bomb weekly prayers on Friday, a cleric at the entrance to a town hall in condemned the mutilation of four Rivadh, 16 miles west of Kirkuk, slain American contractors in this police Col. Ivad al-Jabouri said. conservative city, but did not criticize. Earlier, police had said a suicide the killings. The U.S. military bomber detonated explosives at the announced the combat deaths of a town hall entrance, killing himself and two other people

A police official in Kirkuk also said no soldiers were in the building.

In Fallujah, Sheik Fawzi Nameq action west of the capital a day earli- addressed 600 worshippers gathered er, the military said. The Marine was at the Hmood al-Mahmood Mosque, killed in Anbar province, of which which is opposite the mayor's office and a few blocks from the scene of the deadly ambush Wednesday.

> "Islam does not condone the mutilation of the bodies of the dead," the

(See CLERIC, Page 3)



It's her weeding day



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Amanda Wolfe of the city's Parks and Recreation Department weeds the flower bed at Von Brunow Park on the corner of Foster and Cuyler streets this morning.

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

CABRALES, Gregorio — Funeral mass, 10 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.

DRAKE, Liyndell Eugene — 2 p.m., United Methodist Church, Vici, Okla. **HERLACHER**, Ruth Estes — Graveside services, 10:30 a,m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

WEST, Ralph E. — Celebration of life services, 2:30 p.m., Harvester Lanes, Pampa. **WINEGEART,** Laura Gertrude — 2 p.m., Central Baptist Church, Pampa.

LAURA GERTRUDE WINEGEART

1915-2004

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a daughter, JoAnn

Ring of Oklahoma;

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Orchard, Wash., and

Dorene Young of

Pampa; nine grand-

Doris

Port

Laura Gertrude Winegeart, 88, of Pampa, died Thursday, April 1, 2004. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Central Baptist Church of Pampa with Pastor Norman Rushing of Childress officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home of McLean.

Mrs. Winegeart was born June 29, 1915, at Wellington, to A.F. and Docia Null. She attended a country school named "Wilnulcer" near Wellington.

She married George E. Winegeart in 1933. They were married for 69 1/2 years and lived in Lefors and Pampa.

She was a homemaker and a member of Central Baptist Church.

Mrs. Winegeart was preceded in death by her husband, George; her parents, A.F. and Docie; two daughters, Colleen Lowe and Patricia Jones; a grandson, Gary Timmons; three brothers, George Null, Fred Null and Ray Null; and a sister,

children; 19 greatgrandchildren; and four great-great-grandchil-

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX, or to Odyssey Health Care, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., today at the funeral home in McLean and 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Survivors include two sons, Eagl Winegeart of Saturday at Central Baptist Church of Pampa.

LIYNDELL EUGENE DRAKE

72, farmer and rancher, died Wednesday, March Burial will be in Harmon Cemetery under the 31, 2004, at Vici, Okla. Services will be at 2 p.m. direction of Shaw Funeral Home of Vici.

HARMON, Okla. — Liyndell Eugene Drake, Saturday in United Methodist Church of Vici.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests. Friday, March 26

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the

800 block of South Gray. A Loran 25 automatic pistol, valued at approximately \$125, was

Wednesday, March 31

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1100 block of West Sierra.

Family violence was reported in the 1100 block of North Starkweather. No injuries were reported.

Thursday, April 1

Starkweather.

A bicycle was reported found in the 400 block of North Zimmers.

Found property was reported at the Best Western Northgate Inn, North Highway 70. A small black bag, possibly containing a white powder, was found.

Joshua Magana, 17, 436 Hughes, was arrested at 1300 N. Russell for evading

Kathleen Lee Laycock, 48, 312 S. Barnes. was arrested at 500 N. Stakweather for possession of a controlled substance less than one

Jeremy Dean Cook, 21, 1713 Coffee, was Possession of drug paraphernalia was arrested at 1200 N. Hobart for three warrants reported in the 100 block of North on charges of no liability insurance, minor in possession of alcohol and failure to appear.

FIRE

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

Thursday, April 1 12:01 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a minor motor vehicle colli-

Thursday, April 1

Poindexter Friend, 81, 100 E.

A 1998 Ford Ranger pick-

accidents.

sion at Kentucky and Hobart streets.

3:27 p.m. – One unit and four firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1300 block of Hamilton.

6:39 p.m. – Two units and seven firefighters responded

Hamilton, collided in the

intersection of Hobart Street

and Kentucky Avenue. No

was cited for failure to yield

to a reported structure fire at the Shrine Sportsman Club,

12:46 a.m. – Two units and seven firefighters responded to a reported structure fire in the 1000 block of South Dwight. Sparks were coming from a ceiling fan that had shorted out, but there was no

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RALPH E. WEST

1952-2004

Ralph E. West, 51, of Pampa, died Goldcoats, was an Wednesday, March 31, 2004, at Amarillo. The body was cremated and consequently is unavailable for viewing. Celebration of life services are scheduled at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Harvester Lanes with Benny Horton officiating. A Special Olympics fund-raiser will be held at Harvester Lanes immediately following the funeral service. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

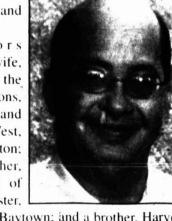
Mr. West was born Sept. 29, 1952, at Beaumont, where he graduated from Forrest Park High School in 1972. He married JoAnn Casciola in February of 1978 at Beaumont and moved to Pampa in 1998 from Lake Jackson.

He was branch manager at Warren Electric and owned-operated Harvester Lanes and Trash and Treasure Shop.

He was dedicated to Special Olympics and Pampa Youth Bowling Association. He was a

avid golfer and loved animals.

include his wife, JoAnn, of the home; two sons, Cory West and Gordon West, both of Arlington; his mother, Maurine West of Baytown; a sister,



Mary West of Baytown; and a brother, Harvey Gordon West of Fairfax, Va.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Special Olympics, P.O. Box 375, Pampa, TX 79066-0375, or to Pampa Youth Bowling Scholarship Fund, 100 Peaceville Rd., Pampa, TX 79065.

-Sign the on-line register book at member of Pampa Chamber of Commerce www.carmichael-whatley.com.

JOY CLICK GRAHAM

1933-2004

Thursday, March 25, 2004. The body was cremated and is consequently no available for viewing. Memorial services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Sunday in Central Baptist Church in under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Graham came to Pampa from Canadian in Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106, or to BSA 2003. She was a member of Grace Baptist Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065. Church.

Mrs. Graham married E.E. "Slim" Graham www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Joy Click Graham, 70, of Pampa, died on Aug. 18, 1950, at Meredian.

Survivors include her husband, Slim, of the home; a son, Bill Mike Graham of Pampa; a daughter, Kandy Kay Nelson of Stephenville; her mother, Dixie Click of Stephenville; two Canadian with the Rev. Rick Timmons, pastor, brothers, Kendall Click of Stephenville and officiating. Cremation arrangements were Lew Click of Bluff Dale; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Don & Born Dec. 12, 1933, at Waples, Mrs. Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace

-Sign the on-line register book at

ANABEL G. SIMMONS

1930-2004

Anabel G. Simmons, 95, of Pampa, Texas, Joyce Elaine died Thursday, April 1, 2004, at Pampa. Gilliam; and Services are pending with Carmichael- her husband, Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Simmons was born May 13, 1908, on Block 4-T, T&NO Ry Survey in Ochiltree County, Texas, to H.T. (Bud) and Alice Amanda Forbes Gilliam of Wawaka, Texas. Anabel accepted Christ as her Savior when she was nine years of age, and lived an exemplary Christian life for her entire lifetime.

On Sept. 7, 1930, she married Edwin Evans Simmons at Gruver, Texas. The couple made their home in Ochiltree County until 1939 when they moved to Amarillo.

They were residents of Amarillo until 1945 then moved to Pampa, Gray County, Texas, A host of friends mourn her death. where they continued to live until her death. Anabel and Edwin had one child, Paul Simmons

She was preceded in death by her parents:

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She is survived by her son. Paul Simmons and wife Ione of Pampa; two grandchildren, J.



Vondel Stevens and husband Scott of Canyon and E.P. Simmons of Chicago, Ill.; one great-grandson, Timothy Stevens of Canyon; and one niece, Rubyjo Wilbanks and husband J. D. of Spearman.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79056 or to a favorite charity.

-Sign the on-line register book at her only brother, James P. Gilliam; a niece. www.carmichael-whatley.com.

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AMBULANCE

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

Thursday, April 1 12:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Kentucky and Hobart. No transport.

1:19 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient(s) Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

2:23 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Hamilton and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

4:34 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to NWTH.

Friday, April 2 5:18 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Magnolia. No transport.

SHERIFF

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

Thursday, April 1 Bernard Kenner, 61, 2622 Navajo Rd., was arrested for non-payment of fines.

Misty Minyard, 31. Amarillo, was arrested for four warrants out of Amarillo, forgery and forgery of a financial instrument out of Randall County, and violation of probation on a charge of forgery.

Kevin Feltner, 18, Lefors, turned himself in on a motion to revoke probation.

Marisa Ramirez, 24, 1601 Somerville, was arrested for failure to appear on a charge of failure to identify.

City employee retires



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

Susan Crane, left, visits with City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers at Crane's retirement party last Wednesday at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. Crane retired Wednesday after 21 years as a purchasing agent for the City of Pampa.

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CLERIC

cleric said.

"Why do you want to bring destruction to our city? Why do you want to bring humiliation to the faithful? My brothers, wisdom is required here," said Nameq, who refrained from making a judgment on the killings. Clerics in Fallujah strongly oppose the U.S.-led occupation and often use sermons to criticize American authority.

The charred remains of the four Americans were dragged

through the streets for hours after insurgents ambushed their vehicles at the heart of Fallujah. Two of the corpses were hung from a bridge as people beat them with shoes and a pole. Iraqi police eventually collected their remains at the request of American troops.

Senior Fallujah cleric Sheik Khalid Ahmed had said that Muslim preachers in mosques across the city would tell their followers in Friday sermons that the mutilation of the bodies was wrong.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA - Today's forecast is calling for mostly cloudy skies with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms' in the afternoon, highs in the upper 60s and east winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should see lows in the mid 40s, east winds 10 to 20 mph and a 60 Lows in the upper 30s. East percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Saturday Chance of rain 30 percent.

should be mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 50s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph, Saturday night, mostly cloudy. A chance of rain then a slight chance of rain after midnight. winds 10 to 15 mph and gusty.

Holy Week

Saint Matthew Episcopal Church 727 West Browning

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Wednesday ... April 7 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Unction Service 7:00 pm Tenebrae

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Friday ... April 9 12:00 Noon Good Friday Service

Saturday ... April 10 10:00 am Holy Saturday Liturgy 3:30 pm Easter Egg Hunt 7:00 pm Easter Vigil-Holy Eucharist

Sunday ... April 11 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Brunch ... Hosted by Katie Cree, Beth Hale, Sissy Curtis and Cindy Holt

Honor High School Graduates... Megan David, Matthew Kirkpatrick, Mary Susan McGarr and Jewel Lee Ward 10:30am Holy Eucharistic and Baptism

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CASA

child.

"Our volunteers are an extra set of eyes and ears for the judge," Watts said.

Court reports prepared by the volunteers include outlines of their contacts and information learned concerning the child, plus their recommendations on what they feel is in the best interest of that child.

Legal cases involving CPS and CASA volunteers, except for those in Hansford and Ochiltree counties, are heard by Judge Phil Vanderpool of the Northern Panhandle Child Protection Court.

"A CASA report is considered very closely by the complete required training.

HEARINGS

"We think it's time to take a

systemic look at how the

Byrne grant funding is being

used," Gupta told the Amarillo

Globe-News in Thursday's.

editions. "I think once people

really come to understand

what happened in Tulia and

what's going on in other parts

of the country, people are

going to want to have systemic

Byrne grants were estab-

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Abuse Act to help fund state

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Edward Byrne: According to

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Justice, which supervises the

program, Byrne grants for fis-

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judge," Watts said.

"There are only two times we've been the only ones opposed to a child going home, and both of those times, the kids were sent home and wound up back in substitute care," she said?

In addition to the volunteers, there are three salaried staff members. Funding for the agency comes from the United Way and state grants.

The need for more volunteers has prompted the agency to plan another training schedule. Those interested in becoming CASA volunteers may attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 5 at Cornerstone Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks. They must

which includes the initial meeting such as the one scheduled for Monday.

Potential volunteers also must fill out an application, provide three references agree to a criminal history check and CPS background check, and answer questions in a personal interview. Training sessions are usually held two nights a week for two weeks, plus one Saturday in between.

Volunteers average eight to 10 hours per month on each case, "and that's usually at the beginning of a case to learn the case," Watts said.

For more information, call 669-7638. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer may attend Monday's meeting.

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\$500 million.

Texas' share of that money was around \$31 million, some of which went to the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. Tom Coleman, the undercover agent in the Tulia busts, was assigned to this task force.

Coleman, who is white, is no longer in law enforcement

and next month is set to stand trial on perjury charges related to testimony he gave in 2003 hearings related to the

Last month, the city of Amarillo agreed to pay \$5 million and disband the task force to settle a civil rights lawsuit filed by two of those arrested.





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Police storm disputed Jerusalem holy site, tense standoff with thousands of worshippers ensues

Israeli police in riot gear stormed a disputed holy site Friday, firing tear gas, stun grenades and plastic bullets to disperse Muslim worshippers throwing stones and shoes at them.

Palestinians barricaded themselves in two mosques in the walled compound for about two hours, before police agreed to let them leave without threat of arrest.

More than 20 Palestinians were hurt and at least nine arrested in the most violent confrontations at the Al Aqsa Mosque compound, known to Jews as e Temple Mount, since the outbreak of Israeli-Palestinian fighting in September several hundred, and worshippers also 2000.

Hours earlier, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said in published interviews that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Lebanese guerrilla chief Hassan Nasrallah could become targets for assassination. Sharon's threats were the most explicit yet against his arch foes.

Sharon said he would withdraw from all of the Gaza Strip and the West Bank settlements of Ganim, Kadim, Homesh and Sanur, for the first time revealing the scope of his unilateral "disengagement" plan. His spokesman confirmed the remarks. Sharon said the withdrawal would be under way within a year.

Commenting on the bribe-taking suspicions against him. Sharon said: "My

JERUSALEM (AP) — Hundreds of hands are clean." Israel's chief prosecutor has recommended he be indicted, but the final decision is up to the attorney general who is expected to rule by the end of May.

The confrontations at the Jerusalem After the initial clashes, thousands of holy site revered by both Muslims and Jews erupted after Muslim noon

> Initially, several Palestinian youngsters threw stones at police deployed nearby. In response, hundreds of officers with helmets and plastic shields burst into the walled compound, shooting tear gas, stun grenades and plastic bullets, witnesses said.

> The crowd of stone throwers grew to threw shoes at the baton-wielding officers. More than 20 Palestinians were injured, Muslim clerics said, and police said they arrested nine Palestinians. An Associated Press Television News cameraman was injured in the ear when a stun grenade went off nearby, and he required stitches.

> After the initial clashes, thousands of Palestinians barricaded themselves in two mosques in the compound. The Islamic Trust, which administers the Al Agsa Mosque composition with police to allow worshippers to leave. After about two hours, the standoff ended peacefully.

Sharon's interviews with the Maariv, Yediot Ahronot and Haaretz dailies, given ahead of next week's Passover holiday, were seen as the opening of his campaign for the withdrawal plan.

Maariv quoted him as saying Israel would withdraw from all of Gaza, only retaining control over a patrol road between southern Gaza and the Egyptian border, to prevent weapons smuggling. "He said very clearly we are not going to stay in Gaza," Sharon's spokesman Raanan Gissin said Friday.

Sharon initially considered retaining three settlements in northern Gaza. There had also been debate over how many West Bank settlements to evacuate, and it appears Sharon settled for the smallest proposed number of four.

"We need to get out of Gaza, not to be responsible any more for what happens there," Sharon told Maariv. "I hope that by next Passover we will be in the midst of disengagement, because disengagement is good for Israel."

The prime minister told Yediot that after the withdrawal Israel would consider cutting off water and electricity to Gaza if attacks against Israelis continue.

Asked by Haaretz whether Arafat and Nasrallah are targets for assassination, Sharon said: "I wouldn't suggest that either of them feel immune ... Anyone who kills a Jew or harms an Israeli citizen, or sends people to kill Jews, is a marked man. Period."

Sharon told Maariv that Arafat "has no insurance policy." Sharon added that "today, everyone knows Arafat is the obstacle (blocking) any progress."

Woman, four children found beaten to death in Detroit house; suspect in custody

DETROIT (AP) — A 13year-old girl escaped from the house where a woman and four children were tied up and beaten to death, and led authorities to a suspect in the

A 33-year-old woman, a 16-year-old boy and three girls, ages 9 to 14, were found dead Thursday in this city, which already had been shaken by a surge of killings this year.

Officers arrested a man seen running through a vacant lot across the street from the house. Investigators were interviewing him Thursday evening but he had not been charged, Sgt. Eren Stephens

Police gave no motive for the slayings and released no other information on the victims or the suspect, but relatives said he was the father of one of the victims.

Deputy Chief Cara Best said police found the weapon they believe was used, but she would not say what it was.

Family members and friends of the five killed trickled to the gray bungalow throughout the morning and early afternoon, weeping as they learned of their loved ones' deaths. Paramedics were summoned to treat at least two women who collapsed.

One young man ran across the field yelling, "Where's my sister? Where's my sister?" After talking briefly to a group of people near the police tape around the scene, he threw himself on the wet grass and sobbed.

Officers draped a white sheet across the porch of the house and loaded the bodies from the house to a van.

William Parker Sr., who showed up at the scene, said three of the children killed were his: William, Wanee and Wrandell Parker. He said the other child was the suspect's daughter.

Police said they did not know when the killings occurred.

Tyann Shelton said the 33year-old victim was her sister, Lisa Shelton, and that the 13year-old survivor Christina Knott, also their sister. She said police told her the victims were beaten with a pole.

"We have no money to bury them," Shelton said.

The girl who survived told the Detroit Free Press she was shut in a closet, where she listened to the cries of her sister and nieces and nephews.

After nearly two days trapped in the house, she said she kicked open the closet door, which had been blocked with a chair, and escaped.

West Texas A&M altering course-numbering system

Eac new academic year in number of changes, but next fall students at West Texas A&M. has by the second digit. But the main reason for going with University will see a change in the numbers.

Beginning with the fall 2004 semester, West Texas A&M University will change its course-numbering system to comply with the Texas Common Course Numbering System to help facilitate transfer of freshman- and sophomore-level academic work.

TCCNS is a voluntary, co-operative effort among Texas community colleges and universities to provide a shared, uniform set of course designations for students and their advisers for determining course equivalency and degree applicability of transfer credit on a statewide basis.

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For more information about registering for classes a. West Texas A&M University - including Summer Session I, for which registration is June 1 - contact the Office of the Registrar at (806) 651-4911.





New allies join NATO talks mitment nations can under-BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP)

 Soldiers from seven Eastern European countries raised their national flags outside NATO headquarters Friday in a ceremony marking the biggest expansion of the alliance in its 55-year history.

Foreign ministers from Romania, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Lithuania, Slovenia, Latvia and Estonia joined their colleagues from the other 19 allies as a NATO honor guard played the newcomers' national anthems.

"From now on, 26 allies will be joined in a commitment to defend each other's security and territorial integrity," said NATO Secretary General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer. "This is the strongest, most solemn com-

take."

NATO's expansion will be followed in a month by the European Union's absorption of 10 new members — twin moves seen as representing an end to decades of Cold War division in Europe.

"This morning a dream has been fulfilled ... This is truly a moment to be enjoyed like no other," said Foreign Minister Rihards Piks of Latvia. "Now Latvia stands shoulder to shoulder with 25 other nations ... sharing values and ideas that unite us.

The seven new NATO members have been under the alliance's collective defense umbrella since they formally joined on Monday in a ceremony in Washington.







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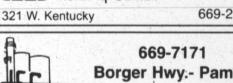
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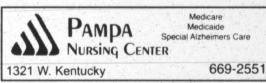
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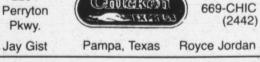
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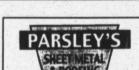


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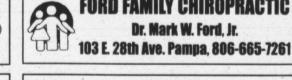
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RELIGION

EASTER WEEK IN PAMPA

Editor's Note: This is a compilation of local Easter Week services made available to The Pampa News by press time.

First Baptist Church

Sunday, April 4

11 a.m. - "Lift Up Your Eyes," cantata featuring FBC adult choir and orchestra.

6 p.m. - Lord's Supper Sunday, April 11 11 a.m. - Easter Service

First Christian Church

Sunday, April 4

10:50 a.m. - Palm Sunday worship, followed by "CPR" fundraising dinner

Wednesday, April 7

7 p.m. – Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 8 7 p.m. - Maundy Thursday service

Friday, April 9

7 p.m. – Good Friday, "It Is Finished," by FCC youth.

Sunday, April 11

7 a.m. – Easter sunrise service 10:50 a.m. - Easter worship service

First Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, April 7

12 noon - Stations of the Cross, Kelley Chapel

Thursday, April 8

7 p.m. - Maundy Thursday service

Friday, April 9

Office closed. All day meditation in sanctuary or chapel

Sunday, April 11

6:30 a.m. – Easter sunrise service

9 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

10:45 a.m. - Easter Worship Service

St. Matthew Episcopal Church

Monday, April 5

7 p.m. - Taize

Tuesday, April 6

7 p.m. – Flute and Healing and Unction

Wednesday, April 7

10 a.m. - Holy Eucharist and Unction service

7 p.m. – Tenebrae

Thursday, April 8 7 p.m. - Maundy Thursday service, foot washing

Friday, April 9

12 noon - Good Friday service

Saturday, April 10

10 a.m. - Holy Saturday Liturgy

3 p.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

7 p.m. - Easter Vigil, Holy Eucharist

Sunday, April 11

8 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

9 a.m. - Brunch, hosted by Katie Cree, Beth Hale,

Sissy Curtis and Cindy Holt

Honor High School Graduates - Megan David, Matthew Kirkpatrick, Mary Susan McGarr and Jewel Lee

10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharistic and Baptism

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

Palm Sunday, April 4

9:30 a.m. & 12 noon - Gathering of the faithful in the gym for blessing of and procession to church

Thursday, April 8

7:30 p.m. - Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper Friday, April 9

7:30 p.m. - Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's **Passion**

Saturday, April 10 9 p.m. - Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 11

9:30 a.m. - Easter Sunday Mass

Easter Egg Hunt after 9:30 a.m. Mass

12 noon - Easter Sunday Mass (Spanish)

Zion Lutheran Church

Palm Sunday, April 4

10:30 a.m. - Palm Sunday service

Holy Monday, April 5 - Holy Wednesday, April 7

12:15 p.m. - Holy Week services

Maundy Thursday, April 8

7:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday service Good Friday, April 9

8 p.m. - Good Friday Tenebrae

Easter Sunday, April 11

7:30 a.m. - The Resurrection of our Lord

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'Radio' offers lesson in priority-setting By the time that this article. runs in the paper I'm sure that most of you will have seen the

movie "Radio". But just in

case you haven't go rent it

ASAP. I promise that it will bless your life.

Near the end of that movie there is a scene which takes place in a local barbershop. Now I won't tell you too much so as to spoil watching the movie, but I will mention just this one thing. In that meeting what happens. the main character, Coach important, push everything posed to be.

else to the side and go after it." cult decision between two it isn't God who boo-booed. the Lord than sacrifice. things - one is the love of his

Minister's Musings

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right." How could he possibly dom. Though it cost all you

But this does bring up the like this: "When I was a young we deal with things that are man listens to advice. man I had a football coach "the most important." Here are to have the right priorities. that give God's opinion of with injustice. Once you know what is really what our priorities are sup-

In the movie the coach has yourself if these are really to make an unbelievably diffi- your priorities? If they aren't, and just is more acceptable to find the right thing to do, may

life and the other is "what is supreme; therefore get wis- more desirable than great rich- do it. God bless.

give up the dearest thing in his have, get understanding. heart for "what is right?" Well, Esteem her, and she will exalt we prove what they really are. watch the movie and you'll see you; embrace her, and she will Would your family faint if honor you.

Harold Jones, says something subject of priorities and how seems right to him, but a wise ties? Does God almost faint

who said, 'Boys, its important a few scriptures from Proverbs righteousness than much gain reveal what our priorities real-

- 19:1: Better a poor man whose walk is blameless than As you read them, ask a fool whose lips are perverse. - 21:3: To do what is right

- 4:7-8: Wisdom is - 22:1: A good name is whatever price is necessary to

es; to be esteemed is better

than silver or gold.

isn't #1 in your life.

Is God really #1 in your life? If He is, then these verses describe many of your pri-·orities. If these aren't some of your top priorities, then He

Isn't it funny how with our words we say what our priorities are, but with our actions they heard you say that they - 12:15: The way of a fool were one of your top prioriwhen He hears you say that - 16:8: Better a little with He is? Our actions always ly are.

May we all examine our lives and see if He really is #1. And may we follow in Coach Harold Jones' shoes: When we we always be willing to pay

FUMC plans live presentation of Last Supper

Methodist Church of Pampa to the crucifixion, will be in Thaddeus, Jerry Lane as community at 6:30 p.m., ed by Christy Smith. Thursday, April 8.

members as Jesus and his dis- Zealot, Breck Penrod as James Bill Hightower as Thomas, invited to attend.

Members of First United ciples in the Upper Room prior the Younger, Joe Wheeley as and David Hampton as Jesus.

The service is called will bring a live presentation the sanctuary at 201 E. Foster. Andrew, Chris Bell as "maundy" from the Latin word of Christ's Last Supper to the Special music will be present- Matthew, Stuart Smith as mandatum meaning mandate Judas Iscariot, Joe Kyle Reeve or commandment and comes Cast members include as Philip, Jim Morrison as from Christ's words to his dis-The Maundy Thursday Jason Pooley as Nathaneal, Simon Peter, Kent Dyson as ciples: "Do this in remem-Service, featuring church Terry O'Neal as Simon the James, Jarren Long as John, brance of me." The public is

Westside Church of Christ to host Bible study

Westside Church of Christ, 1612 W. directed by Robert Archer of The study will meet Monday through Kentucky, is hosting a Gospel Meeting Lewisville. during the week of April 4-9. Topics include "Grasshoppers or ?,"

The public is invited to bring a Bible "True Worshippers," and "Count It All Scriptures," "Prayer of Jabez," and attend a special study, "Growing in to Joy," on Sunday at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 "Relationships," "Cities Without the Grace and Knowledge of Christ," a.m., and 6:30 p.m.

Friday at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

The topics are "God Breathed Walls," and "Heaven Is Our Goal."

RELIGION NEWS IN BRIEF

Pope recalls genocide

Paul II called for greater inter- deals. national efforts to bring peace to Africa's Great Lakes region Former seminary student as he marked the 10th anniversary of the genocide in

Rwanda. 1994, between Hutus and because he is homosexual. Tutsis, in which "barbarically hundreds of thousands of peo- out of Baylor's George W. ple were killed."

such a tragedy never repeats tors confronted him about his itself," he said.

"To you dear people, to you financial aid. religious and civil leaders, the word of the Lord," he said. for gay students.

More than 500,000 people were killed during Rwanda's God made me that way," Bass 100-day genocide, most of said last Saturday. them minority Tutsis and politically moderate members of the Hutu majority.

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of civil war; fighting continues ROME (AP) — Pope John in eastern Congo despite peace

organizes gay-rights rally WACO (AP) — Nearly 200 people attended a gay rights During his weekly appear- rally organized by a former ance last Sunday in St. Peter's Baylor University seminary Square, the pope recalled that student who lost his scholarfighting broke out April 7, ship to the Baptist university

Matt Bass said he dropped Truett Theological Seminary "We pray to the Lord that in December after administrasexuality and then revoked his

Bass and other homosexual and to all of you in the inter- students and alumni say they national community gener- have faced discrimination at ously committed to bringing the university. They say they peace in the beloved Great don't expect the private school Lakes region, I say: Don't get to abandon Baptist belief that discouraged! Be builders of a gay sex is a sin, but they want civilization of love, filled with an anti-discrimination policy

"I believe I am gay and that

Oklahoma outdoor event brings Easter story to life

The Easter story will retold again at the 53rd annual Easter Pageant near Kenton, Okla., on Saturday, April 10, and Sunday, April 11. Services are set for 7 p.m., Saturday, and 7 a.m., Sunday.

For more than 50 years, Kenton Easter Pageant has presented the Good Friday (portrayed on Saturday) and Resurrection Morning services. The public is invited to come see the story taken from the King James version of the Bible, from the Last Supper to the Ascension. The pageant

takes place on the rugged countryside near Kenton, Okla. Meals will be served following each performance at \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

For information about lodging, contact Fanny Mae Jones at (580) 261-7479. Camper hook-ups are available at Kenton and Lake Etling. Kenton is located in northwest corner of the Oklahoma panhandle.



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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

School Lunch is no Picnic After Girlfriends Break Apart

together. We'll be going to different high schools in the fall.

"Allie," "Betty," "Carol," "Diane," Emma," "Fran," "Gail," "Hannah," "Ivy" and I sit together at lunch. The table is pretty crowded, so we took a vote that two people should leave the circle. Allie and Betty had to move to marry Stan because of my fear of living another table. After lunch. Carol said she didn't think it was fair to vote HOMESICK IN OHIO friends out of the circle. I realized she was right, so I passed a note to Diane about not wanting to break up the circle and what Carol had said. I said we should all sit at the same table again. Diane said OK

The next day, we all got together at our regular table, but Emma and Fran got into a fight. No one liked anyone anymore. The circle was officially broken. Now four of the girls sit at the original table; the rest of us sit at a picnic children sometimes having difficulty table. I'm the only one who's friends with everybody from the circle.

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DEAR ABBY: My 7-year-old son was adopted when he was 3. He'd had a difficult life until then. My wife and I had read stories about older adopted bonding to new families, and this was a concern for us.

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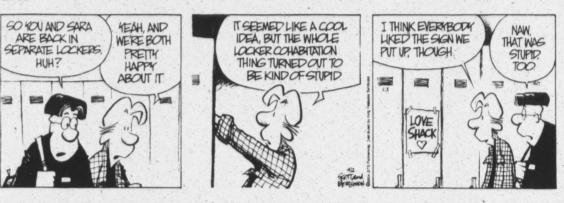
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VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA— Pampa Junior Volleyball 3 week Mini League at Pampa Middle School for 3rd & 4th grade girls will begin on Tuesday, April 20 and finish on Thursday, May 6.

Sign-ups are April 5 - 8 at Pampa Middle School Girls' Gym from 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$25 CASH ONLY!! (includes tshirt, volleyball basics, games and ribbon).

Practice days are Tuesday & Thursday, April 20 & 22 at 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday, April 27 8: 29 at 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., and Tuesday, May 4 at 4:00 -5:30 p.m. Game day is Thursday, May 6 at 4:00 -5:30 p.m.

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Interested persons can contact Kevin Davis at 665-7843 or Sherri Tice at 665-3505.

FOOTBALL

IRVING, Texas (AP) -

Dallas Cowboys offensive lineman Larry Allen is reportedly a no-show two weeks into the team's offseason program.

Even though participation at the Cowboys' Valley Ranch headquarters is voluntary, Allen's absence hasn't gone unnoticed.

Team vice president Stephen Jones, at the National Football League méetings in Palm Springs, Fla., told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in Friday's editions the Allen has not attended the off-season workouts.

"We don't get into who shows up and who doesn't. It stays in-house," said team spokesman Rich Dalrymple.

Allen repeatedly clashed with Cowboys coach Bill Parcells during training camp last season over his conditioning and even contemplated retirement.

And for some time, it's been known that the Cowboys might have to make decisions about highpriced veterans such as Allen.

He received a \$13 million signing bonus as a part of a six-year, \$37 million contract extension in 2002. His cap figure for 2004 is \$5.5 million, including a \$3.5 million base salary.

Five Harvesters named to all-district team

PAMPA — Rugged play inside Event Center in Canyon. If the by the Bowers twins, Chance and East wins, they will play again at Collin, helped Pampa reach the bas- 8 p.m. April 10. If they lose, they ketball playoffs this season.

The Bowers brothers, both 6-1 seniors, were honored for their accomplishments by being named to the second-team All-District 3-4A Team by district coaches.

Senior guard Jed Martin, junior forward Brittin East and junior guard Clayton Hall represented Pampa on the honorable mention list.

The Bowers both averaged around 10 points and 7 rebounds per game in district action. They will be competing for the East team in the Golden Spread All-Star Games April 8 at 8 p.m. in the WT

play at 4 p.m. on April 10.

Martin and Hall gave Pampa stability in the backcourt. Martin was an accurate 3-point shooter who averaged around 12 points a game. Hall was the assists leader, and averaged about 7 ppg.

East, a 6-2 muscleman off the football team, averaged 5 points and 5 rebounds.

The Harvesters finished third in the district race this season to qualify for the playoffs.

The Harvesters will honored at the annual basketball awards









Clayton Hall



Jed Martin



Brittin East

Chance Bowers Collin Bowers First Baptist Church-Fellowship Hall.

> 2003-2004 All-District 3-4A Basketball Team

(voted on by district coaches)

Boys Coach of the Year: Jeff Evans, Palo Duro. Player of the Year: Austin Johnson, Jr., Palo

First Team

Austin Johnson, Jr., Palo Duro; Will Mitchell, banquet at 7 p.m. April 6 at Sr., post, Caprock; Parker Hammons, Sr., for- Pampa; Clayton Hall, Jr., Pampa, Brittin East, jr.

ward. Dumas: Dave Smith, Jr., guard. Plainview Jamar Wall, Soph., guard. Plainview: Kyle Shields Sr., guard, Palo Duro; Justin Mason, So., wing, Palo

Second Team

Collin Bowers, Sr., Pampa; Chance Bowers, Sr. Pampa: Cheston Mitchell, Sr., Caprock: Landon Gamblin, Sr., Dumas: Nathan Maxwell, So., Randall; Jeremy Alexander, Jr., Plainview.

Honorable Mention (Pampa): Jed Martin, Sr.,

Pampa Green takes second at Extreme Classic

BORGER — The Pampa Green, a group of 5th the first quarter. and 6th grade boys, recently placed second in the annual Extreme Classic Basketball Tournament.

On Friday night, defense was the name of the game as Pampa crushed the Perryton Warriors 65-

On Saturday, Pampa won a close game against the Amarillo Bulls 41-35. Pampa led by as much as 12 points early in the fourth quarter, but a late run by the Bulls brought them within four points with a little more than a minute to play. But thanks to some outstanding defense near the end, Pampa held on for the six-point victory.

Pampa would not be as fortunate the next game. Playing against an aggressive Borger team, the Green team found themselves trailing 12-0 early in

Pampa played hard, but Borger was too much and they pulled away for a 50-38 victory. That loss dropped Pampa into the loser's bracket, which led to a game against Grover.

Grover had the lead most of the way, but with under a minute to play, a 3-pointer by Pampa's Alex Clendenning tied the game. Grover in-bounded the ball, drove to half-court and called a time out hoping to set up a final shot. But the in-bounds was intercepted by Clendenning, who drove in for a layup, giving Pampa a 47-45 lead with 20 seconds

Grover had one final chance to tie things, but failed to convert and Pampa walked away with the two-point victory that would set up a rematch against Borger for the championship.

In the championship game, Pampa played hard and kept the score close, trailing by only three at halftime. But the rested Borger team came out aggressive in the third quarter and pulled away in the second half and won the title 47-32.

Pampa Green is coached by Ben Martinez. The team is entered in the Panhandle Tournament this

Pampa Individual Statistics

Player Alex Clendennin Ryan Jimenez Braden Hunt Jesse Jimenez Zach Murray Taylor Jordan

Extreme Classic Tournament Points Assists Rebounds Steals

Transfers find home with Sutton at Oklahoma State

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Eddie Sutton was a fallen coach and recovering alcoholic when he arrived at Oklahoma State almost 14 years ago.

He found a program that needed rehabilitation almost as much as he did.

Sutton eventually turned the team around in Stillwater, utation by welcoming players year ban on NCAA tournament at Oklahoma State. in search of a second chance just like the one given to him. It's a philosophy that has served him and Oklahoma State well over the years.

The Cowboys, a team with seven transfers on its roster, have advanced to the Final Four with a hodgepodge of talent most elite programs have little use for. Connecticut, Duke and Georgia Tech have a total of four transfers among them, and only two see any significant playing time.

Oklahoma State (31-3) will face Georgia Tech (27-9) on Saturday in the first semifinal. Connecticut meets Duke in the other game.

"I think he's never going to hold mistakes against people, especially someone who makes one at a young age," said Sean Sutton, his middle son and assistant coach at OSU. "He thinks that people who make mistakes shouldn't be penalized for the rest of their life, or even later in life.

guys a second opportunity, a second chance."

Eddie Sutton understands the importance of starting over the past decade have rescued BYU after spending two seabetter than most.

He was forced out at Kentucky in 1989 after an NCAA investigation uncovered 17 violations, resulting in three appearances. His final season, 1988-89, concluded with a 13-19 mark — Kentucky's first losing record in 61 years.

He battled a drinking problem during that time, too. He was treated at the Betty Ford Center and was out of coaching for a year, hoping he'd get an opportunity to coach again.

Sutton wound up at his alma mater, which had been to the NCAA tournament only once in the previous 25 seasons. Since then, the Cowboys have gone to the tournament in 12 of the past 14 years, including the 1995 Final Four.

Sutton knows his past struggles helped Oklahoma State become a haven for transfers. Those problems and the plane crash in 2001 that killed 10 members of the school's basketball family changed his outlook on life.

"I think the fact that some of us had gone through the tragedy with the airplane, my personal problem, what we had

maybe able to relate to" them, Sutton said.

Dozens of transfers during their careers under Sutton players such as Brooks Thompson from Texas A&M, Doug Gottlieb from Notre Dame and Victor Williams rebuilding it and his tainted rep- years of probation and a two- from Illinois State became stars

> The team's preseason media guide even dedicates a page to the 17 Division I transfers who've came through Sutton's

"We've had great success in getting those players," Sutton said. "If we could recruit all the high school players, like Mike (Krzyzewski at Duke) does, we wouldn't go after junior college players, we wouldn't go after transfers.

"But we don't have that luxury of being able to compete at the national level with high school players. So we have an open door. It's amazing how many transfers call us and want to come, and we turn down a lot

This year's starting lineup has only one player who didn't start his college career elsewhere — fourth-year junior Ivan McFarlin.

John Lucas III wanted to escape the scandal-plagued Baylor program. Joey Graham and his twin brother, Stephen,

"It's always about giving at Kentucky, I think that I was left Central Florida hoping for a chance at a high-profile program with better fan support. Daniel Bobik transferred from sons on the bench and two years on a Morman mission. Leading scorer Tony Allen arrived at Oklahoma State after spending time at two junior colleges.

turned the Cowboys into the unlikeliest of Final Four teams - preseason media and coaches polls picked the Cowboys to finish fifth in the Big 12.

Instead, Oklahoma State relied on its experience and maturity — the average age of the starters is 22 — to clinch its first outright conference title since 1965 and first-ever Big father to a lot of us."

12 tournament championship.

"Everybody coming from different backgrounds and the different places that they've played, we adapt because we have so many different and versatile players on our team," Joey Graham said. "It makes it easier when it comes to a game

Of course, the one who That medley of transfers has brought them together was Sutton. The best way to repay the 68-year-old Sutton for the opportunity, they say, is to win him his first national championship.

"We have so much love and respect for him and the coaching staff," Bobik said. "There's no doubt we want to win it for him. He's kind of a second

Crappie plentiful at McClellan

Even though the water level is still low, there's plenty of crappie in Lake McClellan, according to lake manager Terri Walker.

"It's been good fishing for all kinds of crappie, but the catfish have been slow. We still have water below the dam, but not enough to support fish." Walker said. "We are expecting more rain, and hopefully, that will build it back up."

Walker speculated that the additional crappie were coming from farm ponds since the lake hasn't been stocked by fisheries

Walker said the lake is currently open for business, but customers need to use the pay station to gain entry.

"We don't have a bait license vet, so people will have to get their license somewhere else."

Lake McClellan is located 25 miles south of Pampa in southern Gray County. Besides fishing. facilities are also provided for picnicking, camping, fishing and

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All-District soccer team is announced

championship team have been named to the All-District 3-4A boys' soccer team.

Senior forward Sammy Silva was a unanimous firstteam pick for the Harvesters. Silva finished with the season with 11 goals and 1 assist.

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Sophomore mid-fielder

scored 4 goals.

Making the honorable mention list were senior goal keeper Carlos Medina (80 saves, 1 goal, 1 assist), senior mid-fielder Justin Jouett (2 goals, 1 assist); senior mid-Senior defender Jason fielder Eddie Palma (2 goals), Brown was also a first-team junior defender Andrew Fraser and junior defender Adam Brown (1 assist).

Luis Garcia of Palo Duro of the year.

Three players off Pampa's Nick Robbins was named to was named player of the year. the second team. Robbins PD's Eddy Turner was named coach of the year.

Three Pampa players made the girls' all-district team. Katlin Passini was a firstteam pick. Kori Dunn and Adeena Dallas were named to the second-team.

Troy Nolte of Randall was named player of the year. Richie Sanchez of Caprock was named coach

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Team Eleven	1.3	1.5	
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Bowling Roundup With McCarville, Minnesota's getting plenty from the post

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) McCarville has become one of the best post players in country, and Minnesota probably wouldn't be headed to the Final Four without her huge contributions in the NCAA tournament.

"The way she's playing right now, nobody can stop her," teammate Shannon Schonrock said.

The attitude adjustment McCarville made at the beginning of last season has been a major factor in her success, as Minnesota's.

"It took her a few months," coach Pam Borton said. "But she finally bought in to what we were trying to do with her."

Minnesota (25-8), which plays two-time defending champion Connecticut in the national semifinals Sunday night in New Orleans, was given a No. 7 seed after a late-season slump caused mostly by the absence of star guard Lindsay Whalen.

One the tournament began, the Gophers beat the top three seeds in the Mideast Region - Duke, Kansas State and Boston College. That's mainly because Whalen is back in form after a broken hand, but McCarville's performance has been just as critical.

In four games, the 6-foot-2 junior is averaging 19.8 points, 17 rebounds and 4.8 assists. In the regional semi-

Women's **Final Four**

final victory over Boston straight. College, McCarville had seven blocks and four steals.

"She's unbelievable," Whalen said. "We always knew she had it. She would dominate in practice all the time. Now she's taken it to the national level."

McCarville, from Stevens Point, Wis., was the Big Ten's Freshman of the Year in 2001-02 under Brenda Oldfield, who's now coaching at Maryland under her maiden name, Frese.

When Borton was hired as Minnesota's next coach, she immediately began challenging McCarville - to improve her defense, to become more of a power player than just finesse and flash and to be more committed to conditioning.

The admittedly stubborn McCarville met Borton's edict with skepticism.

"Why do I need to change? Why do I need to do anything different, because I was already successful." Borton said, summarizing McCarville's reaction. "Well, you've got to take that next step as a player, and I think that's what we were trying to get her to do."

McCarville, also affected last season by a hip pointer, would often call home to complain. It was her mother, Bonnie, who helped set her

"She brought me back down," McCarville recalled. "Moms know best."

Bonnie was diagnosed with colon cancer in August, and the bond with her daughter has since grown. Janel has a small tattoo of her mother's initials - "BDM" - on the inside of her left forearm.

The whole family is headed to New Orleans this weekend.

"This is as good treatment for her as any," McCarville said. "She's always sitting up there in the stands with a smile on her face. Well, maybe not in close games. She's probably biting her

McCarville showed up this fall considerably lighter and in much better shape. Having a solid season until Whalen got hurt, McCarville found the absence of the Gophers' senior leader difficult for a few games.

It took another deep discussion with the head coach to set things straight.

"I just felt like there was a lot on me," McCarville said. "I felt like everybody needed me to step up."

She has, indeed, and Minnesota is a dangerous. team now that Whalen has returned.

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"If people were surprised, they haven't seen me before," McCarville said.

No, McCarville has never been short on confidence or personality. 40

Her teammates call her "Shaq," and on Thursday someone asked if her recent rebounding prowess should suggest a nickname more along the lines of a different NBA great — like Charles Barkley.

"I'm making a name for myself, pretty much," she said with a smile. "I want to rebound like Janel."

Plainview is early golf leader

Plainview is the early leader in the District 3-4A boys' golf tournament. The Bulldogs shot a first-round 292 yesterday at Comanche Trail to lead second-place Randall by 13 stokes.

Pampa shot a 332 to hold down sixth place in the 13field. Weston Teichmann led the Harvesters with a 77, followed by Taylor Fatheree (82), Braydon in Canyon.

Barker (86), Wesley Brogdin (87) and Aaron Pepper (101).

Randall's Cole Young is the individual leader with a 71. Plainview's J.J. Brumley is one stroke behind.

The second round of the district tournament will be played Tuesday at Dumas, with the final round set for April 13 at Palo Duro Creek

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Economy: Hiring going at rapid rate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate bumped up to 5.7 percent in March while companies added 308,000 new jobs — the most in four years, providing long-awaited evidence that the weak jobs market may be gaining steam.

The Labor Department report released Friday showed widespread hiring in industries across the economy at a time when President Bush's re-election campaign, counting heavily on a pickup in hiring, jumped into high gear.

For the first time in 44 months, the nation's factories did not shed jobs. But they weren't hiring either. March's figures show zero gains and losses for industries hammered by the economic downturn that began three years ago. The only sector losing jobs last month was information services, where companies cut about 1,000 jobs.

Revisions to payrolls showed a stronger jobs market than previously thought. Companies added 205,000 jobs in January and February, instead of the 118,000 reported last month.

The civilian unemployment rate, however, ticked up 0.1 percentage point from 5.6 percent in February. That occurred because more job seekers renewed their searches last month, but were unsuccessful.

The health of the nation's economy, especially the job climate, is a major issue in this year's presidential race. The economy has lost almost 2 million jobs since Bush took office in January 2001.

The economy rebounded strongly after the 2001 recession and terrorist attacks.

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Twelve fifth-graders at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School were recently selected by their teachers and school lunchroom staff for a special, three-course meal served in the "Starlight Dining Room." The matre' d, above, was Principal Tommy Lindsey.



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Condoleezza Rice to testify before Sept. 11 panel on April 8

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Sept. 11 commission will hear next week from National security adviser Condoleezza Rice as she tries to defend the Bush administration against criticism for how it handled the terrorism threat before the 2001 suicide hijackings.

The commission also wants an explanation as to why President Bush has refused to allow the panel's investigators to examine thousands of pages of classified and counterterrorism documents from the Clinton administration.

The panel hopes its 2 1/2hour session next Thursday
with Rice will provide added
insight into what Clinton
administration officials told the
incoming Bush White House

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Clinton's records to the panel.
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about al-Qaida, as well as what the new administration did with the information.

"We really want to find out about the transition, what they learned, and what changes in policy the Bush administration decided and what focus there was on terrorism," Thomas Kean, the commission chairman, said in an interview.

But Bruce Lindsey, former President Clinton's legal representative for records and a long-time confidant, told. The Associated Press that the commission's attempt to get a full picture of Clinton's terrorism policies has been hampered because the Bush administration won't forward all of Clinton's records to the panel.

Lindsey said the White tion prior to Sept. 11 did not

House has turned over only 25 percent of the 11,000 records requested by the commission.

The White House says it has fully met the panel's information requests.

"Whether documents from the Clinton administration or the Bush administration, we have worked to ensure the commission has all the information it needs to get its job done," Taylor Gross, a White House spokesman, said Thursday.

Rice's testimony could have enormous implications for Bush's re-election campaign, which rests significantly on his national security credentials. Bush's former counterterrorism chief, Richard Clarke, testified last week that the administration prior to Sent. II did not

consider al-Qaida an urgent threat despite his repeated warnings.

Citing legal concerns, the White House had insisted that Rice would only meet privately with the commission, but it relented to mounting political pressure after assurances that the appearance of a senior presidential adviser would not set a precedent applicable to other congressionally appointed panels.

In related developments Thursday:

—The White House released portions of a top-secret document, finalized Sept. 4, 2001, that directed the Pentagon to draw up plans for attacking al-Qaida and Afghanistan's ruling Taliban.

The National Security
Presidential Directive called on
Defense Secretary Donald H.
Rumsfeld to plan for military
options "against Taliban targets
in Afghanistan" and recommended plans "against al-Qaida
and associated terrorist facilities in Afghanistan, including
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logistics facilities."

—The State Department's counterterrorism coordinator testified on Capitol Hill that Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida organization "has been put under catastrophic stress." Cofer Black told a House International Relations subcommittee that 70 percent of al-Qaida's leadership was dead, under arrest or in detention.



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