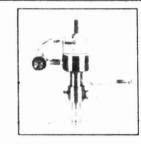
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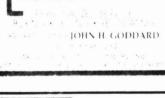
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Radio rage Dispute over CB lands one trucker in hospital, another in the Gray County Jail

By MARILYN POWERS STALL WRITER

A case of "radio rage" night, where he remains today Carson County. with a deadly weapon.

Hollywood. Calif., and where he remains after sur-Manuelito Asuncion, 31. Phoenix, Ariz.. by the stabbing, Rushing said. got into an argument during a Asuncion is expected to make conversation over their citi- a full recovery from the stabzens band radios while drive bing ing westbound on Interstate 40 in Gray County, according Public Safety Troopers to Gray County Sheriff's Dennis Brassfield and Bobby Department Chief Deputy Shields, both of Carson Kelly Rushing.

over and got into a fight." in Carson County. Rushing said, and Jones The troopers arrested Jones allegedly stabbed Asuncion and called Gray County once in the abdomen with a deputies to pick him up, since knife. The stabbing occurred the meident occurred in Gray near Mile Marker 120 or 121. County (near the turn-off to A second driver in Jones' Clarendon). Rushing said.

were arguing about," he said alleged stabbing. Rushing "They didn't know each said.

truckers got back in their rigs cessing of potential evidence.

and continued we abound on 140 Asuncion followed Jones and called 911 to report the incident. He "got to feellanded a North Hollywood, ing bad," Rushing and, and Calif., trucker in Gray County pulled his truck off the high-Jail at about 11 p.m. Saturday way at Mile Marker 108 in

in lieu of \$25,000 bond on a Groom Ambulance Service charge of aggravated assault picked up Asuncion and transported him to Northwest Bryant G. Jones, 38, North Texas Hospital in Amarillo, Ragmagio gery which was necessitated

Texas Department of County, stopp if Jones' truck The two truckers "pulled at the 96 mile marker on 1-40

rig was not arrested but is "We don't know what they considered a witness to the

The mack was brought After the stabbing, both back to Cira County for pro-

Inspecting the damage



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Silhouetted by the flash light he's holding, Vance Ketcherside watches Bob Crawford of Crawford Roofing inspect the Western Auto Store building today after recent heavy rains caused part of the ceiling to collapse. Ketcherside, owner of the building, said when he discovered the damage Saturday morning, there were three inches of water in the store. Barbara Ketcherside said today that the business will be closed temporarily, but plans to reopen soon.

Primary, constable runoffs tomorrow

STAIL WRITER

Runoff elections in the Gray County stable 5 st. Republican Primary will be held voting held last week.

All voters in the runoffs will be able to choose between Victor G. Carrillo and Robert Butler for state railroad commissioner. The office of constable in Precincts 2 and 4 is also up for elec-

Precinct 4 incumbent Frank William Sparling is being challenged by Don Didway

Hetch r for the office of constable, make up the Precinct 4 constable's ter. School Incumbent Chris Lockridge faces ritory. The Precinct 2 constable covers Precinct 4 - Lovett Memorial Chirs Didway for the Precinct 2 con- Voting Precinct 2 only.

Al candidates in Tuesday's runoff. Tuesday's election are those who voted. School tomorrow, with 77 voters already have elected are on the Republican Party on the Republican ballot in the March. Precinct 6 ing marked their ballots during early ticket No Democratic Party runoff is 9 primary, and those who did not cast a School

Pe sens in Voting Precincts 4 and 6 March 9 primary



Lockridge

vote for either political parts in the

The polls will be open from a m to 7 p.m. tomorrow. Voting places are. Precinct 1 - Letors Community

Precinct 2 Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa

Precinct 3 Grandview Hopkins Fletcher

Library in McLean

Registered voters who may vote in Precinct 5 Travis Elementary

Precinct Auditorium





U.S. tries to regain control of supply routes Aware of L. ppings contin holding in Fallujah, but more were released, but an worked on with in inter ening.

armored vehicles and looting a lans supply truck on its way from the the Baghdad airport. The mili said it had e cities of Kut, the insurgents. tary said about 70 Americans. Nasiriyah and 700 insurgents had been control killed this month, the bloodiest since the fall of Baghdad a know who

west of Baghdad, Lt Gen Sanchez s Ricardo Sanchez said Monday

Samelie

commanders said they were captive

Sadi was, but city it talks there between pro-south of Baghdad. Witnesses. Zens to leave Iraq on Monday. he was la shown to be in U.S. Iraqi politicians and city, said three people were killed officials tall through.

n of US forces. The military has been trying *ambushed and set ablaze apture Muqtada to regain control of supply. Monday on the road from after an attack on a convoy al Sadr. H. is our mission," routes after several convoys. Baghdad's airport. Looters were ambushed and at least 10 moved in to carry away goods A tenny is cease the way truck drivers kidnapped. Since from the truck as bain police

Gunmen battered American med with the opture of seven U.S. forces maneuvered into American. Thomas Hamille supply lines Monday, torching. Chinese and two Czech civil- place around the city, and of Macon, Miss. remained a Sunday killed a Romanian

the military not yet ready to negotiate with. On Monday, a convox of my Romania's ambassador to flatbed trucks carrying MII - Iraq said. Two German securi-Hillah under - Fallujah, and the military armored personnel carriers to confidence killed on a has warned it will launch an was attacked and burned on a highly by last week, prompting ed he did not all-out assault on the besieged road in Latifiya. 20 miles. Germany to urge all of its citi-

> Securing roads has now A supply truck was also become a top priority for the military, U.S. Brig, Gen, Mark Kimmitt said Monday

Ther the past 24 hours we have put so arthrant amount of

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Apartments, storefronts damaged in weekend storms

flooding to the Texas Gulf plexes. No injuries were the first floor, told the twister hit the area.

Baseball-sized hail and resulting in downed tree across. limbs

reported

more than 3 inches of rain bat- like a train," said Viola did not have insurance. tered Houston and its suburbs. Motton, who waded through in the weekend storms, flood-water that was a few inches said. "My mom was in here tomers lost power during the crews, residents and business rainfall outside Houston, with ing some low-lying areas, deep in her apartment Sunday, luckily she's OK. I only have storms, Winds gusted up to 50 mph. "And then it was like a bowldamaging storefronts and ing ball moving all the way

Families in Baytown took tenants at Royal Place who Houston reported seeing a tor- Baytown, said Baytown Sun that most of her

my mom."

Business owners and shop-Motton was one of the 16 ping plaza in southwest Wooster Baptist Church in

Theft was reported in the 900 block of

Saturday, April 10

Telephone harassment was reported in the

Family violence was reported in the 1000

Tommy Ray Carver, 47, 901 E. Malone.

block of North Sumner. No injuries were

was arrested at Henry Street and Campbell

Michael Glenn Palmer, 38, Austin, was

arrested for three capias pro fines, failure to

identify as a fugitive from justice, and a blue

Sunday, April 11

A runaway child was reported in the 400

Found property was reported in the 2200

Burglary of a habitation was reported in

block of South Hughes. The child was later

block of North Williston." A bicycle was

the 1100 block of Seneca. No forced entry

Two reports of disorderly conduct/lan-

Aggravated assault was reported in the

900 block of North Gray. Melinda Moreno.

34, 1912 N. Hamilton, was arrested at Florida

Avenue and Gray Street on a charge of aggra-

vated assault with a deadly weapon. No

Josue Ramon Vargas, 24, 1033 S.

Faulkner, was arrested at 1025 Wilks for

capias pro fines on charges of public intoxi-

cation, no driver's license and failure to

arrested at 715 E. Locust for public intoxica-

Isabell Chavez, 17, 1006 Frederic, was

guage by two different complainants were

made in the 1000 block of South Dwight.

was made. Taken was \$3,100 in cash.

South Barnes. A bicycle was reported taken.

No estimated value of loss was reported.

2100 block of Duncan.

Avenue for evading arrest.

warrant for parole violation.

reported found

winds tore the roofs off apart- refuge in a Red Cross shelter had to evacuate because the nado touch down. However, Hubbard, ment buildings as a storm sys- after a storm Saturday tore off roof of the building had been the National Weather Service spokesman in Houston. tem also brought large hail and roofs of two apartment com- torn off. Motton, who lived on was unable to confirm that a

> "When it hit, it sounded belongs were ruined and she disrupted electrical power hail in Missouri City, accord- in Houston, while Hobby throughout the area. More ing to the weather service. "Everything is gone," she than 85,000 electrical cusaccording

> > pers at the Diho Square shop- opened a shelter at the steady rainfall Sunday.

an

diameter fell at Wharton on

On Easter Sunday, city to owners spent much of the day 1.24 inches. CenterPoint Energy officials. cleaning up the damage. The The American Red Cross city was drenched with a 50 percent for Monday morn-

The weekend rainfall total Lichter said.

Russell was more than 3 inches in agency some areas, said Josh Lichter, an NWS meteorologist in Hail up to 1 3/4 inches in League City.

Rain totaled 3.18 inches at High winds and heavy rains. Sunday evening, with 1-inch. Bush Intercontinental Airport Airport received 1.31 inches. Sugar Land received the most

The chance for rain stood at ing, tapering off by evening,

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the area of Alcock and Sumner. following incidents and arrests as of 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, April 3

Found property was reported in the 500 block of East Kingsmill. A silver Xtreme brand scooter and a red Spectra brand bicycle were found.

Sunday, April 4

A traffic stop was made in the 1400 block of North Duncan and a fictitious registration sticker was seized from the vehicle.

Wednesday, April 7 Forgery was reported in the 1000 block of East Frederic.

A runaway was reported in the 400 block of South Hughes

Thursday, April 8

Attempted suicide was reported in the 1000 block of South Christy.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1000 block of East Browning.

An attempted strong arm robbery was reported in the 1800 block of North Banks. Minor injuries were reported. Nothing was reported taken.

Assault by threat was reported in the 400 block of North Zimmers.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of East Francis. A rock was thrown through a house window. Estimated damage was \$40.

Indecency with a child was reported at Pampa High School.

A blue trash can was reported stolen from Central Park. Estimated loss was \$50.

Theft was reported in the 600 block of North Nelson. A purse was taken, with an estimated loss of \$150.

Friday, April 9

Theft was reported in the 300 block of Tignor. A bicycle was taken. No estimated value of loss was reported.

A cell phone was reported found in the

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today

Saturday, April 10

10:31 a.m. - Four units and eight firefighters responded to a roof collapse at the Western Auto Store, 2225 Perryton Pkwy. The collapse was caused by rainwater that had collected on the roof. No injuries were reported.

6:16 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 400 block of North Frost.

Sunday, April 11

11:55 p.m. - A firefighter performed a welfare check at the Schneider House, 120 S. Russell.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests as of 7 a.m. today

Sunday, April 11

Bryant G. Jones, 38, North Hollywood, Calif., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Jaime Ledgerwood, 29, Lefors, was arrested on a bond surrender concerning a charge of theft by check, and two motions to revoke probation on two charges of driving while intoxi-

HAZEL YOUNG

AMARILLO - Hazel Marie Young, 89, of Amarillo, died Thursday, April 8, 2004. Services were to be at 10 a.m., Monday, April 1999. 12, 2004, at Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel, 2800 Paramount Blvd., with the Rev. Mark Zimmerman, minister of pastoral care at Paramount Terrace Christian Church, officiating. Burial was to be at 12 p.m. at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Young was born on Oct. 17, 1914, in Hutchison, Kan., to Alfred and Dora Jewell.

She married Edwin Ray Young on Aug. 1, 1937, in Gruver. He preceded her in death in

She is survived by two sons, Don Young of San Antonio and Kenneth Young of Amarillo; one daughter, Joyce Olson of Denver; two brothers. Paul Jewell of Pennsylvania and William Jewell of Evergreen, Colo.; eight grandchildren, Cheri, Curtis, Steven, Robert, Ronald, Vickie, Donna and Tammy; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas;

Seven Halliburton subsidiary workers missing after attack

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents in Iraq have released last night or today," sharp contrast to official released nine hostages of variasaid Harith, spokesman for the remarks the day before indicatous nationalities, including Islamic Clerics Committee, ing the three hostages were Turks and Pakistanis, a "We know nothing about the about to be freed. Japanese spokesman for Islamic cleries Japanese." who appealed for the releases said Monday.

But Muthanna Harith said released or escaped. he had no word on three

More than two dozen for- of their safety eigners from 11 countries including a Mississippi man Cheney, in Tokyo on a week- Fallujah. The deadline passed whose tate also was unclear have been kidnapped in recent. Minister, Junichiro, Koizumi, on his fate. days by insurgents.

and seven employees of assistance. American contractor Kellogg, convoy near Abu Ghraib, west "Mujahedeen had been abducted.

Eight of the nine freed hostages appeared in a video with no word on their fate. broadcast Sunday on the Arab ately known.

"We believe that nine were

Korean missionaries also were planes ready to bring them

In Tokyo, optimism faded

the United States would "do

The Japanese hostages — Brown & Root, a division of two aid workers and a photo-Houston-based Halliburton, journalist — were being held Iraq from Jordan on Sunday were missing following an by a previously unknown and were taken later in the day attack "two days ago" on a group calling itself the in Fallujah, China's foreign of Baghdad, Lt. Gen. Ricardo which demanded Japan pull its hostages, aged 18 to 49, did Sanchez said Monday. He troops out of Iraq within three not work for China's governrefused to say whether they days or it would burn the three ment or a state company. alive.

ence.

media even reported that the Last week, eight South military was getting transport home.

The American, Thomas Japanese civilians still being that the Japanese hostages Hamill, 43, a truck driver for a held. Also, Beijing appealed would be released quickly after U.S. contractor in Iraq, was for the release of seven Tokyo's top government snatched Friday by gunmen Chinese workers seized in spokesman suggested authori- who attacked a fuel convoy. ties were no longer confident. His captors threatened to kill him unless U.S. troops ended Vice President Dick their assault on the city of long Asia tour, promised Prime Sunday morning with no word

China appealed to Iraqi In addition, two U.S. troops everything we can to be of authorities to release its citizens taken hostage and told Chinese to avoid Iraq.

The seven Chinese entered Brigades," ministry said. State TV said the China has not contributed

The deadline came and went any troops to the U.S.-led military force in Iraq and it was "At one point we were able unclear why the seven were satellite television network Al- to make the judgment from there. But the official Xinhua Jazeera. The eight included various perspectives that they. News Agency described them two Turks, three Pakistanis, a (the Japanese) were safe, but as villagers who went to the Nepalese, a Filipino and an now that's unconfirmed," Middle East on their own from Indian. The identity of the Chief Cabinet Secretary Yasuo a Chinese region with a long ninth hostage was not immedi- Fukuda told a news confer- history of sending migrants abroad to work.

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AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service of Pampa responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, April 10

10:49 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of East Frederic and transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

1:36 p.m. – A mobile ICU· responded to PRMC and responded to PRMC and transferred one patient to Northwest Texas Hospital. Amarillo.

4:59 p.m. – A mobile ICU

Margaret Hill

responded to Pampa Nursing Center and transported one to PRMC

6:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU

responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported one to PRMC 7:04 p.m. – A mobile ICU

responded to PRMC and transferred one to Coronado Healthcare Center.

7:36 p.m. – A mobile ICU transferred one to BSA-West. Amarillo.

Sunday, April 11 12:12 a.m. – A mobile ICU

responded to PRMC and transferred one to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

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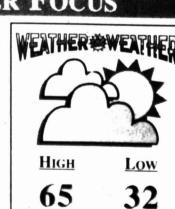
WEATHER FOCUS

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Variable cloudiness tonight with a low of 32 and northwest winds at 5 to 10 mph.

Tuesday, partly sunny and warmer with a high of 65 and winds from the northwest at 5 to 15 mph.

On Wednesday, partly sunny and warmer with a high of 72.



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Three killed Su province, th Fallujah, Monday wi details. An patrol in north of Ba dier from Division ar ers on Suno Kimmitt released the

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combat power on both areas of operation to open up those lines of communication so we can not only resupply our forces in Fallujah, Ramadi and our forces down south, but also make those roads safe for travel," Kimmit said.

"They're at a condition that we would call amber; it is certainly not green yet," he said.

Three U.S. Marines were killed Sunday in Anbar province, the area that includes Fallujah, the military said Monday without giving further details. An attack on an Army patrol in Samarra, 60 miles north of Baghdad, killed a soldier from the 1st Armored Division and injured four others on Sunday.

Kimmitt on Monday released the first full casualty statistics since widespread fighting erupted on April 4.

"The coalition casualties since April 1 run about 70 personnel.... The casualty figures we have received from the enemy are somewhere about 10 times that amount, what we've inflicted on the enemy," he told a Baghdad press con-

About 600 Iraqi dead were recorded by the main hospital

and four clinics in Fallujah, hospital director Rafie al-Issawi told The Associated

About 880 Iraqis have been killed, according to an AP count, based on statements by Iraqi hospital officials, U.S. military statements and Iraqi police.

President Bush prepared Americans for the possibility of more U.S. casualties.

"It was a tough week last week and my prayers and thoughts are with those who pay the ultimate price for our security," Bush said.

Marines on Sunday investigated a bomb-making factory first uncovered three days earlier. Along with five suicide belts found in the initial raid, they uncovered U.S. military uniforms, Lt. Col. Brennan Byrne said.

Sanchez, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, acknowledged that a battalion of the Iraqi army refused to fight in Fallujah.

Asked about the battalion's refusal on NBC's "Meet The Press," Sanchez said, "This one specific instance did in fact uncover some significant challenges in some of the Iraqi security force structures ... We know that it's going to take us a while to stand up reliable forces that can accept responsi-

Some 900 members of the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps are with three battalions of Marines. U.S. forces on Sunday examined a captured insurgent cache of suicide belts.

Bush held out hope for the Fallujah talks, saying the United States was "open to suggestions" on reducing the

Seven Chinese civilians were abducted by insurgents in central Iraq Sunday evening, China's government said. On Monday, Beijing urged Iraq's

In the last week, militants have kidnapped more than 30 civilians from at least 12 coun-

Still unknown was the fate of an American hostage, Thomas Hamill, whose captors threatened to kill him unless the Marines withdraw from Fallujah by early Sunday. Other insurgents promised to release three Japanese by Sunday, but the Japanese Embassy in Baghdad said Monday they had not been

In the south, members of over Iraqis who killed and

the Iraqi Governing Council have reportedly held talks with followers of radical Shiite clerraised a bloody revolt last week and still controls three holy cities, Karbala, Kufa and

One factor that has held off U.S. action to uproot al-Sadr's al-Mahdi Army militia was the presence of up to 1.5 million Shiite pilgrims in Karbala, for Sunday's al-Arbaeen ceremonies, one of the holiest days of the Shiite religious calendar. Most pilgrims had left the city by Monday morning.

U.S. coalition spokesman Dan Senor would not comment leaders to help free the on Iraqi talks with al-Sadr's followers but said, "I would say that our goal is to minimize bloodshed and to head off any sort of conflict.

> "We don't see it as a necessary requirement that any military action has to occur in Najaf," Brig. Cien. Mark Kimmitt told reporters.

> The goal of the separate talks in Fallujah and the south was unclear. U.S. commanders demand that control of Iraqi police and U.S.-led coalition forces in the cities be restored and that insurgents in Fallujah lay down their arms and hand

mutilated four American civilians on March 31

Iraqi Governing Council ic Muqtada al-Sadr. His militia members, who have harshly criticized the U.S. offensive, are seeking a way to extend the truce and resolve the violence.

U.S. troops retook the city of Kut from al-Sadr followers in the past three days, in the first major foray in months by the American military into southern Iraq. Military action to retake the other cities could require fighting near some of Shiite Islam's holiest shrines, raising the possibility of inflaming Shiite anger at the U.S.-led occupation.

In Fallujah, hardly a shot was heard Monday morning. more than 36 hours after insurgents in the city said they were calling a cease-fire. The Marines have halted offensive operations since Friday.

Despite the truce, guerrillas overnight made sporadic attacks, said Byrne. Marines killed two insurgents setting up a machine gun near a patrol and others were fired on by gunmen hiding in a school, he

The bodies of 11 Iraqis were seen brought to a makeshift clinic in a city mosque Sunday.

Byrne said U.S. Marines would not withdraw from their positions Fallujah in "Diplomacy is just talk unless you have a credible force to back it up," he said. "People will bend to our will if they are afraid of us."

Most of the Iraqis killed in Fallujah in fighting that started last Monday were women, children and elderly, said al-Issawi, the Fallujah hospital director.

Byrne cast doubt on the numbers and said he was confident troops in his 1st Battalion, 5th Regiment had not killed any civilians.

"Just because (the Iraqis) say it's so, doesn't meant it's so," he said

Fallujah residents took advantage of the lull in fighting to bury their dead in two soccer fields. One of the fields, seen by an AP reporter had rows of freshly dug graves. some marked on headstones as children or with the names of women. A gravedigger at the site said more than 300 people were buried there.



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Nichols' attorneys seek dismissal of state charges over evidence

McALESTER, Okla. (AP) life in prison, is being tried in state murder case against him Monday, claiming prosecutors failed to turn over information relevant to his defense.

presiding over Nichols' trial, cross-examining Nichols' sec- said. took no immediate action on the ond wife, Marife Torres

Nichols, also convicted of

 Attorneys for Oklahoma state court on 161 first-degree and state prosecutors have with-City bombing conspirator Terry murder charges for the bombing Nichols sought dismissal of the of the Alfred P. Murrah federal building on April 19, 1995. Prosecutors intend to seek the death penalty.

Testimony Judge Steven Taylor, who is Monday with defense attorneys Murrah building," the motion attorneys with documents dis- uments he has received from the

Defense attorneys have selection on March I that he

hold — critical information surfaced over the years that robbers. Timothy McVeigh was aided by persons other than Terry continued Nichols in his plot to bomb the cutors did not provide defense team has been given all the doc-

showing suspects leaving the in the bombing. sought to prove that Nichols was assured that all relevant. Ryder rental truck that delivered the bombing. McVeigh was that if he determined any exculs such video has been shown to

"The federal government enclave in Oklahoma known as office citing possible connecfrom the defense that shows that McVeigh might have received help from people living there.

closed in a series of Associated federal government. The motion claims prosecu- Press stories raising the possi-

helped Timothy McVeigh with to defense attorneys. He said utes before the detonation. No FBI Director Louis Freeh's cers in the bombing.

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District Attorney Wes Lane. whose office is prosecuting the The motion also says prose- case, has said Nichols' defense

Nichols, 49, was convicted Taylor said at the start of jury tors have withheld a video bility of additional accomplices in 1997 of involuntary manslaughter and conspiracy Those documents included charges for the deaths of eight took the blame for others who documents had been provided the bomb just over three min- two 1990s teletypes from then- federal law enforcement offi-

executed after being convicted patory material had been with- exist of federal charges. held, he would dismiss the case. It also claims prosecutors The defense motion said the failed to disclose a phone call federal charges but sentenced to judge was misled. McVeigh made to a right-wing CRMWA board to tour salinity project The Canadian River at the CRMWA office south of review the new Panhandle Municipal Water Authority Logan, N.M. Ground Water Conservation board of directors will head CRMWA's quarterly meet- District rules.

for their quarterly meeting. CRMWA's salinity control N.M. project at Logan, N.M., prior

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The board will review to the meeting. The project is CRMWA's capital expendible convened to discuss the designed to take minerals out ture budget for FY2004-2005, purchase of real estate. The of the water that comes down hear a status report on water water authority has been the Canadian River into Lake storage in Lake Meredith, negotiating for additional Meredith and inject the brine consider additional funding water rights near their Roberts well field and motor status

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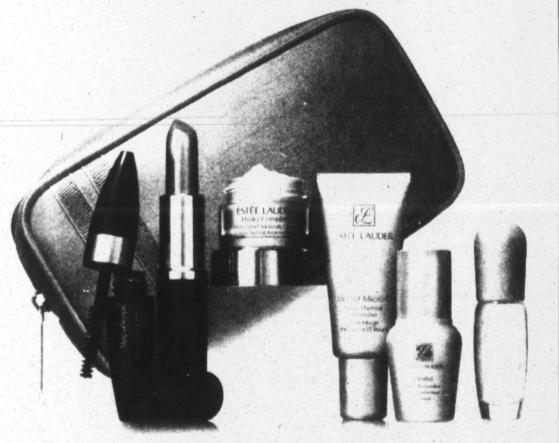
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Allan Needell, the Smithsonian Institutions Apollo curator, will get his first detailed look at the condition of the rocket Monday at JSC

The project to restore the only remaining Saturn V with three working stages was to be funded in large part by a grant from the National Park Service and the National Historic Trust for Preservation.

The \$1.25 million allocated from the Save Americas Treasures program for the rockets restoration is only available if the Smithsonian raises and equal amount on its own.

MONDAY • April 12, 2004

DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Young Couple Feels Stifled by Live-In Father-in-Law

We have one child.

My father-in-law has lived with us for the past three years. I am tired of this situation. I cannot have anyone over later than 10 p.m. or he goes crazy. Lights and TV have to be off by then, too. He lies on the couch all day. He doesn't clean up after himself. On top of that, he walks into our bedroom without knocking, so you can imagine what our sex life is like.

He is not over the hill or ailing. He is 57, and his only health problem is diabetes. We can't go anywhere without him; he even tags along with us when we visit his ex and her husband.

How do I tell him that we need time to ourselves without hurting his feelings? -- HAD IT IN TEXAS

DEAR HAD IT: You should be nominated for sainthood for tolerating the situation this long. Stop. worrying about his feelings; he is certainly not worrying about yours. Set new house rules. Kindly but firmly take care of your own needs and don't apologize for it. Install a lock on your bedroom door. You and your husband are entitled to your privacy and your own life. If he doesn't like it, give him a deadline to be out, and then enforce it.

DEAR ABBY: Lapplaud "Sad and Disgusted in Virginia" for being proactive about protecting children from verbal and physical abuse. I was slapped often by my mother in grocery stores and parking lots. Plenty of people witnessed her tirades; no one would intervene. What they couldn't see was what went on at home behind closed doors. She hit me with her high-

DEAR ABBY: I am 24 years old and heeled shoes, pots and pans, even a have been married for seven years. violin, which shattered when it struck my head. No one ever questioned me about my bruises. I was too weak, scared and under my abuser's control to do anything about my situation.

I endured her beatings until I was 21. They stopped only because I moved to another state to attend graduate school

I no longer have a relationship with my mother. I have often blamed myself for not speaking up about my own abuse. I remember hoping that someone like "Sad and Disgusted" would simply ask, "Are you OK?" That small act might have given me the courage I couldn't muster on my own. -- FREE AT LAST, CHICAGO

DEAR FREE: I am pleased you finally escaped your abuser. I hope you no longer blame yourself for not telling anyone what was going on. The reason many victims do not speak up about their mistreatment is they have been brainwashed into believing they somehow brought it on themselves. One phrase that echoes repeatedly in the mail I get from victims of abuse is, "He/she said I MADE him/her slap me, hit me, choke me, etc." Of course, nothing could be further from the truth. Adults are responsible for their own behavior. We have free will. What we do or refrain from doing is our personal choice.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069

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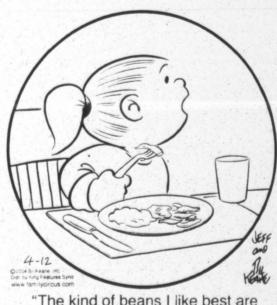
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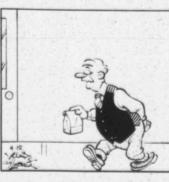






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Florida Panhandle beaches take steps to curb drownings

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

Fla. (AP) — Summer is still long enough you're going to that weeks away, but already the get rescued.' safety of beaches in Florida's Panhandle is a hot topic.

show that they are. The back- of beach. and-forth, instead, is about enough to save lives.

Critics, including relatives 26 miles of beach. of victims, are pushing for tourists that rough surf or rip because of too little time to marine life. currents could kill them.

improvements are helping. Shelton, chairman of a Beach is sticking with three Just three days after the first all-terrain vehicle patrols began here last month, a life- ated after the deaths. guard rescued a 19-year-old the water.

you that we would have had Bob West, Pensacola Beach dren. safety director. "We didn't going home to his mom that's immeasurable."

credit to the new ATV patrols, longer range surf forecasts. but a regional representative stationary guards.

it's a good 45 minutes to an unharmed. Red flags were wants to call it "Larry's hour before that guy comes flying, but the gulf was filled Law,"

back," Bill Soltz said. "If you with people.

Pensacola Beach, where The debate isn't about year, created the patrols by during their vacation or at the whether they're dangerous, adding three lifeguards for a beach, although a sheriff's because the numbers — more total of 26 full-time and deputy drove by. Only later than 40 accidental drownings seven relief positions. They did she find an explanation of in three years — clearly watch over more than 8 miles the red flag at the bottom of a

whether new beach patrols, 50 miles east of Pensacola, rental unit. more warning flags and addi- six people drowned last year. tional lifeguards will be all on June 8. The county still year encourages, but does not

start before the summer But officials say the beach season, said Robert adopted it, but Pensacola Walton County beach safety flags: green, yellow and red. and education committee cre- So is Panama City Beach,

Walton, however, has calm. man who had ignored a red obtained a rescue boat, is warning flag to keep out of putting up more warning said more flags add confu-"I can unequivocally tell tification numbers to the reluctant to pass an ordinance poles and planning a safety to enforce beach closure. our first death already," said awareness program for chil-

and that alone — that boy is planning a study there to and USLA on May 24 in help predict rip currents and Wilmington, N.C., to West gives 'part of the is offering more timely and rent awareness project.

for the U.S. Lifesaving included former CNN property owners and rental Association, or USLA, insists reporter Larry LaMotte, 60, agencies to get signed statepatrols are no substitute for of Atlanta. He drowned while ments from guests confirmtrying to rescue his 12-war- ing they have read and under-"A patrol goes by and then old son, who made it to shore stood safety information. She

just happen to be there when "I would not have let my he's going by or in the vicin- children step toe in that water PENSACOLA BEACH, ity and you can stay alive if I'd had any idea that it was dangerous," LaMotte's widow, Sandee.

She said no one warned seven people drowned last them when they checked in flier on beach rules mixed In Walton County, about with restaurant menus at their

A state law passed last has not one lifeguard for its require, a uniform system of five beach flags: green for Lifeguards are a possible calm, yellow for caution, red even more lifeguards and long-term solution but for danger, two reds for clostronger efforts to warn weren't considered this year sure and purple for hazardous

> Some communities have which flies a blue flag for

Pensacola Beach's West flags and signs, adding iden- sion and local officials are

Lamotte plans to join with the National Oceanic and The University of Florida Atmospheric Administration the National Weather Service announce a national rip cur-

She also is seeking nation-The Walton victims al legislation requiring beach

Israelis exchange fire with armed Palestinians near Gaza settlement

By JOSEF FEDERMAN ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

JERUSALEM (AP) with Palestinian gunmen near ble fourth gunmen. an Israeli settlement in the of the assailants, the army

said. In the West Bank, army of Jenin and Tulkarem, but Palestinian security officials the following day. said.

hotly contested plan to withdraw from the Gaza Strip. The referendum among 200,000 Likud members is to be followed within days by votes in

assured. If he loses the referendum, there would be growing pressure on him to resign.

The prime minister was leaving Monday for the United States where he will meet with President Bush to seek backing for the Gaza plan.

plan would help Israel's secu- Instead, he rity, improve its standing in the international community, boost the economy and lift peace efforts. "There is no doubt that this plan opens a way in the future for a process of peace," he said.

Palestinian militants claim their attacks on Israeli soldiers and settlers in Gaza are driving Israel out.

Early Monday, several armed Palestinians opened fire on Israeli troops near the Israeli settlement of Netzarim in Gaza, the army said. The army confirmed at least three Palestinian gunmen were

killed after drawing return fire Americans will say a final setfrom Israeli soldiers guarding tlement has to be reached the settlement.

The army said troops are Israeli troops exchanged fire searching the area for a possi- on letters of understanding to

With criticism of the Gaza Israeli officials said. Northern Gaza Strip early plan mounting in Likud. Monday, killing at least three Sharon appears determined to Channel 10 TV reported that possible. On May 2, within three days of the referendum, jeeps briefly entered the towns the Cabinet is to vote on the soldiers made no arrests, parliament could hold its vote willing to provide.

The fighting came a day for the plan remains unclear. after Prime Minister Ariel Sharon sent several senior aides Sharon's Likud Party set April to Washington over the week-29 as the date for a vote on the end to work out final details on the agenda of the meeting.

on condition of anonymity, said they hope to win a U.S. promise that Israel would not the Cabinet and in parliament. have to withdraw fully from stalled for months amid Israeli Sharon is taking a gamble the West Bank under a permasince approval is far from nent settlement with the Palestinians. Israel also wants wants to show progress to its assurances that millions of Arab allies in the face of Palestinian refugees and their mornting criticism of its handescendants will be barred dling of the crisis in Iraq. On

from returning to Israel. speaking on condition of Mubarak. Later this month. anonymity, said the Americans Jordanian and Palestinian Sharon said Sunday that his are resisting such assurances. leaders are to meet with White

through negotiations.

The two teams are working be signed during the meeting;

Sunday, On Israel's win approval as quickly as considerable gaps existed between the assurances the Israelis are seeking from the White House and the commitplan, and Israeli media said ments the United States is

The United States has said The extent of U.S. support it supports the idea of a Gaza pullout, but only as part of the internationally backed "road map" peace plan.

The road map calls for an independent Palestinian state Israeli officials, speaking alongside Israel, with the final borders to be negotiated between the two sides. The plan, however, has been and Palestinian violations.

The U.S. administration Monday, Bush is to meet with But a senior Israeli official, Egyptian President Hosni said, the House officials.

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It takes a team



Gray County 4-H Livestock Team won second in Herdsmen competiton at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo recently. The team won \$500 and a trophy. Pictured with Chance Bower's breed champion Hereford is team members (standing, left-right) Courtney Crawford, Emily Nusser, Chance, Collin Bowers, Blake Nusser, Meagan Crawford, Ashlee Lucas, Tyler Morris, Kelby Rucker, Jessica Baggerman, Ryan Baggerman, Ty Baggerman and Renee' Baggerman.

Family of soldier killed in Iraq pleads to keep her two sisters from going back

Witmer had a family Web site days. with photos from Baghdad,

encouragement. almost home!" a recent entry 118th Medical Battalion.

Sunday, carried grim news: days before Michelle's funer- a difference in that culture and "We regret to inform you that al. The Witmers also have two that there was a liberation that Michelle Witmer was killed in sons. action April 9th"

died when her Humvee was to take their appeal to the some of these horrible things ambushed in Baghdad, mak- Pentagon on Monday, that were happening, that ing her the first woman in the Relatives also were seeking thousands of Iraqi people Wisconsin National Guard to help from Sen. Russ Feingold, would suffer from a swift die in combat.

military to stop her sisters John Witmer acknowledged grandmother, told the from being sent back to Iraq after this week's funeral.

Witmer told The Associated Press. "The sacrifice that this they're not going back." family's made can never be can't bear it.'

ter, Rachel, served in the same police unit. unit, the 32nd Military Police

- With three daughters serv- ed to leave Iraq shortly but just their shots with their educaing in Iraq, John and Lori had its duty extended 120 tion," he said. "They were

Charity Witmer, Michelle's notes to home and messages of twin, was sent to Iraq late last whether U.S. actions in Iraq year as a medic with Company were justified, Witmer said it "Keep praying! They're B of the Wisconsin Guard's was a difficult issue to sort

The surviving sisters were Michelle's comments. The top notice, dated expected home Monday, two

The 20-year-old private National Guard leaders agreed had a knee-jerk reaction to and Rep. F. James exit." Her family is asking the Sensenbrenner Jr.

the final decision of whether Milwaukee Journal Sentinel "I can't live another year daughters. But he said they an inkling her unit might soon like I've lived this one," John would have to understand "how terribly we need to know bers were told to tell their fam-

Witmer said he worried ages. understood by someone who about his daughters joining the Michelle's 24-year-old sis- safe, especially with a military

"My daughters wanted the end of the tunnel!"

NEW BERLIN, Wis. (AP) Company, which was expect-freedom of being able to call using that to go to school."

Asked on NBC's "Today" out, but he recalled daughter

"She felt that she had made went on," he said. "She was The family said state also very concerned that if we

Jan Pretzel, the sisters' to return will be up to his that by February, Michelle had ship out of Iraq because memilies to stop shipping pack-

"This is a REALLY GOOD hasn't gone through it... It's a military but felt at the time SIGN!!" she wrote in an eburden I can't bear. My family that duty with the National mail. "The redeployment Guard would be relatively process (though it may be long) is finally beginning! There is finally a light at the



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Mickelson makes Masters his first major victory

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — He acted like a guy who'd done I'm going to be back every it all before.

Phil Mickelson strolled up the 18th fairway at Augusta National with that lumbering walk of his — smiling, waving, working the gallery.

The best player never to win.

You wouldn't have known it Sunday.

Mickelson stepped over an 18-foot putt, calmly rolled it into the cup and forever removed the stigma of all those close calls, all those gutwrenching disappointments, all those squandered chances.

The best player never to win a major?

Not anymore. He's the Masters champion. 67 on the final day. Ernie Els was on the putting green, desperately hoping for a playoff, when the winning putt dropped. Sure, he was disap-

Mickelson his due.

year," he told the Augusta

National members; having

finally gotten a green jacket of

like a guy who was 0-for-42 in

the majors. He shot 31 on the

back nine — the best for a win-

ner since Jack Nicklaus in 1986

- and knocked off a three-

time major champion who shot

Mickelson hardly played

"Phil deserved this one," Els said. "He won it. He didn't lose this one like some of the other

pointed. But he had to give

"Get used to me, because ones. He won this one."

Ah, the other ones. Twice a runner-up at the U.S. Open. Another second-

place finish at the PGA Championship. Four thirdplace showings at the Masters, including the last three years.

With each passing year, the burden became greater: Mickelson hit the ball so far. He could do magical things with his short game. The only thing he couldn't do was win a major.

He doesn't have to worry

about that question anymore.

"It was such a tough quest, such a tough journey." Mickelson said. "It feels that much better now that I finally

Only after it was over after the last putt was made and

the championship was his did Mickelson finally seem to grasp the enormity of his accomplishment. He high-fived the crowd on his way to the scoring hut. He hugged his wife, Amy. And he scooped up his three children, telling 4year-old Amanda the news she was too young to comprehend.

"Daddy won!" he said. "Can vou believe it?"

Els tried to pull away on a dramatic back nine, collecting an eagle, a birdie and a host of clutch pars. But Mickelson, who was 2-over on the front side, birdied five of the last seven holes for a closing 69.

When it was over, 2003 champ Mike Weir slipped the 43-long jacket-Mickelson's shoulders. Sure

carrying on his back for 12

"I feel excited, ecstatic, a little disbelief," he said.

So many times he stood around watching others make the final putt — Payne Stewart at the 1999 U.S. Open, David Toms at the '01. PGA Championship.

On Sunday, Mickelson got the final putt. It rolled toward the cup, swirled around the left edge and dropped in — making him just the fourth player in Masters history to win with a birdie on the final stroke of the tournament.

Mickelson leapt as high as he could and threw both arms in the air, kissed the ball that he plucked from the cup and

beats the other thing he's been tossed it into a delirious crowd.

Even as he sat in fabled Butler Cabin, he was reliving the 12-foot birdie on No. 12the centerpiece of Amen Corner — that kept him close, the 15-footer on 16 that gave him a share of the lead, the final putt that won it all.

"I was very confident today that good things would happen," Mickelson said.

On the final hole, he got some help from his playing partner, Chris DiMarco, who began the final round sharing the lead with Mickelson but faded to a 76.

At 18, DiMarco blasted out of a bunker just beyond Mickelson's ball, giving Lefty a chance to read the line for the winning putt.

Berkman's grand slam sparks Astros' win

MILWAUKEE (AP) Doug Davis made a bad-pitch and Lance Berkman made him pay.

Berkman hit a grand slam and drove in five runs, leading the Houston Astros to a 7-4 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers on Sunday

Berkman's homer was his first of the season and capped a five-run rally against Davis (1-1) in the third inning: The of the season.

'It was a cutter down-andin." Davis said. "You prefer to go up-and-in on him. Lalso think he was sitting on it. I knew it was a mistake and if there was one pitch I could have back it would be that

Brewers manager Ned Yost summed it up.

"He left it over the plateand (Berkman) hammered it

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four RBIs were also his first out," Yost said. "Other than that, he pitched fine.

> It was Berkman's third career slam and first batting right-handed. His last grand slam was June 20, 2002 and was hit in Milwaukee.

"I think I have more power right-handed," Berkman said. "It's just a matter of hitting it with the right trajectory. The ball wasn't carrying that well today, but I definitely felt I got enough of it to get it out."

Roy Oswalt (1-0) gave up runs in the first and sixth innings before being replaced by Brad Lidge to start the seventh. Oswalt allowed seven hits, walked three and struck out six.

"(Oswalt) really seems to have those capabilities when guys get into scoring position to make some good pitches and get out of those jams," Houston manager Jimy Williams said. "And he started a rally with a base hit, so he helped us offensively,

For all the talk about the Astros' pitching with the additions of Andy Pettitte and Roger Clemens, Houston's hitters have been the story early. The Astros are hitting .307.

Even Oswalt contributed at the plate, going 2-for-3 with a double and a single that started the third inning.

With the bases loaded, Craig Biggio scored on a wild pitch with Richard Hidalgo batting. After Hidalgo was intentionally walked to reload the bases, Berkman lofted the next pitch 390 feet for a 5-1

Junior Spivey went 4-for-4 with three doubles, two RBIs, a run scored and a walk for Milwaukee.

April 13, 2004:

Think through decisions this year, even if you have a crew of cheerleaders Your job will be to determine what is and isn't realistic. Think and brainstorm all you want, but ultimately you will command your direction and choose your path. Your responsibilities grow. with many new associates. Work opportunities expand rapidly, especially through 2004. If you are single, close to your birthday next year, someone key will knock on your door. Let her or him in. If you are attached, you will like how your relationship develops with more openness between the two of always a friend.

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

**** Work with others, and you will appreciate the end results. How you use your imagination could change the results, as well as everyone's attimany people. Listen well to a loved one who could be a bit snippy. Don't be reactive. Tonight: Where the action is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You might feel bombarded by another's actions. But you don't realize what is going down on a deeper level with this person. Let him or her express his or her creativity (as if you have a choice). You might feel like you don't want to indulge this person too much. Walk in his or her shoes. Tonight: A must show. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

the North 86-59 in

J.D Lewis led the West with 19 points. High scorers for the North were Layne Grant and Josh Spencer with 60-50 in the finals. 11 points each.

also won the consolation game with a 56-52 win over

Donaldson was big on the boards for the East. She pulled down 13 rebounds, six on the offensive boards. Donaldson, finished with eight points. Canyon's

Fort Elliott's Katie

Jennifer Paetzold was the East's high scorer with 15 points. Hereford's Kali Gerber led the West with 12 points.

The South beat the North

The South's Stephanie In girls' action, the East Sanders of Petersburg led all scorers with 18 points. Taeler Shepherd of Dalhart paced the North with 10.

Bowling HARVESTER LANES League Standings

Lone Star League (Week 19)

Team	Won	Lost			
Harvester Cafe	48	28			
Pampa Transmission 4	6 1/2	29 1/2			
Now & Then	.43	33			
G.B.'s Contractors	41	35			
UMC	38	38			
Whitehead Cattle Co	35 1/2	40 1/3			
B&K Carpentry	34	42			
Week's High	Score				

High scratch game: Ruth Swearingim 181: High scratch series: Sandra Farrington 503: High handicap game: Jan Woods 224: High handicap series: Jan Woods 622 Casino League

(Week 26)

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Team	Won	L
Peggy's Place	27	
Awards & Such	26	
King's Row	25	
Lee Ann's Grooming	. 19	
All Shook Up	1.7	
Ma's Funtime	16	
Gutter Dusters	16	
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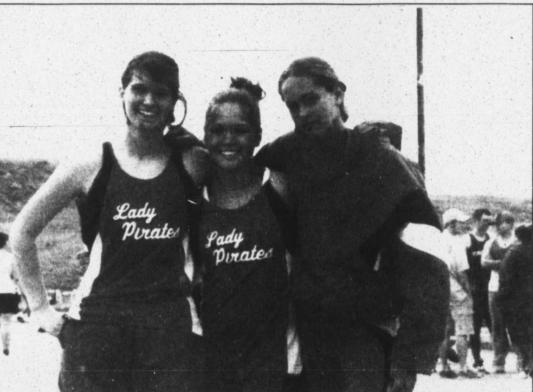
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All-district players



Katie Barnes (left to right) Savanah Smith and Rachel Stubbs of Lefors were named to the All-District basketball team this season. Barnes was also All-Region and Smith made the Academic All-State team. Barnes and Smith are seniors while Stubbs is a sophomore.

Pampa's Bowers helps lead East team to All-Star victory

CANYON — Pampa's with Collin Bowers scored 18 points. points and had a team-high nine rebounds as the East West team beat the South 118-96 in the won consolation game at the champi-Golden Spread All-Star onship Collin Bowers tournament at WT Event defeating

Miami's Jeffrey Saturday's finals. Browning led the East in

scoring with a team-high 27 The East started pulling

away in the second half after leading by only three (54-51) at halftime.

Will Mitchell of Caprock

topped the South scoring **** Express what is on your mind, but with an element of detachment. Someone might be bowled overby a demonstration of an extreme level

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Say what you need to say in order to help someone hear you. Stay on top of information from a vague associate who often seems confused. Very carefully consider options that might be a bit impulsive. Listen well Work as a team. Tonight: Choose yourwords with care.

**** Others might appear to be a you. Agree to disagree. AQUARIUS is bit flaky, and they are. If you think someone might be causing you a problem, think twice. Could you be energizing or encouraging this situation? Evaluate what is going on within a relationship. Let others talk and open up.

*** Be ever playful when dealing with a child or loved one. Be imaginative and direct in your dealings, even in the work arena. Someone understands tude. A small action could mean a lot to you a lot better than you realize. He or she might be pushy at times. Tonight: Choose to relax.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Investigate what might be brewing with a loved one or a dear friend. Think more clearly about a friendship than you have in the past. Are you acknowledging your feelings? Listen more often to a friend's news. Share more with this person. Tonight: Romp all you want.

something different. This person might be more confused than you realize. Discussions bring clarity to mutual issues. Together you'll come up with options. Tonight: Mosey on home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Another's forceful words give you a lead or a new direction. Let others speak freely (you just might not have a choice, anyway). You emerge with a forceful and strong plan because of this process. Tonight: Hang with a favorite person

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Express your financial needs more clearly when deciding what needs to be done. You might have some

expectations that are not realistic. Brainstorming with others points the arrow. Be direct in your dealings, and you'll get the same in return. Tonight: Seek out alternatives. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Your mood might invigorate some, or it might be refreshing to others, and downright irritating to others. Encourage others to talk, as you'll get strong and powerful feedback. Think through a decision with care. Tonight: PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Others might be irritating.

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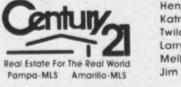
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FBI 'wall' a key to pre 9-11 failures

by al-Qaida inside the United government agents and spies. States before the 2001 attacks.

his inability to track two soon- ber, said Sunday the FBI's lack to-be hijackers known to be in of internal communication, not the United States, wrote in an just the intelligence-criminal "someday someone will die, of this week's hearings. and wall or not; the public will problems.

The Sept. 11 attacks killed almost 3,000 people:

problem. resolved, is expected to be investigations, Gorton said on liberalized rules governing the because officials at the FBI among the topics when current "Fox News Sunday." "I don't FBI's activities are the most National Security Law Unit and FBI officials testify investigations were. Tuesday and Wednesday before the independent com- adviser, Condoleezza Rice, United States. mission investigating the Sept. talked about such investiga-11 attacks.

Robert Mueller are among from Indiana. those scheduled to appear.

attacks, the wall was disman-commission. We've gone that structural problem was that getting the most 'protectled by the Patriot Act and a through literally millions of we did not share domestic and tion."

largely for the government's lance inside the United States offices, Roemer said. failure to grasp the threat posed of suspected foreign terrorists,

Former Sen. Slade Gorton. One FBI agent, frustrated at R-Wash,, a commission mem-August 2001 e-mail that wall, will be the principal topic

> Exhibit A will be President Saturday night, he said.

"The most important feature no knowledge of one. of the PDB ... is the line that the since FBI is conducting 70 full field enforcement officials say the ling to track the two men down and former Justice Department. know where those 70 full field—significant legal changes that decided it had to remain as an

tions Thursday in her appear. that a chief reason the FBI 2001, e-mail to an FBI ana-Former EBI Director Louis ance before the commission, knew so little about al-Qaida's lyst he was working with Freeh, former Attorney General She came under fire from com- presence in the United States wondering how the FBI legal Janet Reno. Attorney General missioner Tim Roemer, a for- was the inability of intelligence decision would be viewed in John Ashcroft and FBI Director mer Democratic congressman agents to share information the event of a catastrophic

"We have done thousands of

The legal wall that for years seek special warrants allowing have found nobody, nobody at make a product for policydivided FBI intelligence and agents to wiretap phones and the FBI, who knows anything makers," Rice testified. criminal agents is blamed conduct other secret surveil- about a tasking of field

> every case the bureau was han-Qaida.

Roemer said the acting FBI Pickard, testified he had not Flight 77 that slammed into the not understand why we were Bush's daily briefing of Aug. 6, issued specific new directives. Pentagon. not more effective and throw- 2001, which the White House regarding the al-Qaida threat ing every resource at certain declassified and made public and special agents in charge of an FBI agent who worked the

> might help prevent another cat-intelligence case. Bush's national security astrophic terror attack in the

> > with criminal investigators.

WASHINGTON (AP) — court ruling allowing the FBI to pieces of paper. To date, we foreign intelligence in a way to

Nowhere was the problem better illustrated than in the Senior law enforcement case of Sept. 11 hirackers officials said the 70 represented Khalid al-Mihdhar and Nawaf al-Hazmi; both were linked by dling that related to terrorism, the CIA to al-Qaida and the including even financial crimes agency knew they had entered and terror groups outside al- the United States in summer 2001

On Sept. 11, they were director at the time. Tom aboard American Airlines

The legal wall, according to field offices testified they had case, prevented New York agents involved in an al-Qaida Because of such lapses, law criminal investigation from try-

The agent, according to congressional investigators, Rice told the commission responded with the Aug. 29, attack, "especially since the "We had a structural prob- biggest threat to us now, In the months after the 11 interviews here at the 9-11 lem in the United States, and UBL (Osama bin Laden), is

What a doll



(Courtesy photo)

Sue Eads holds "Rosemond," a limited edition musical doll by Gorhma Sterling she won during a raffle benefiting the Local Friends of the Library. The drawing was held recently on the final day of the organization's annual library book sale.

Study: IRS performed fewer business audits last year

study of government data

Syracuse V University's Transactional of IRS data, made available Sunday, concluded business organization that passes income and that the audit rate for businesses of all sizes slid. taxes on to its shareholders or partners—an slightly last year to 2.1 audits for every 1.000 - arrangement found to have been improperly businesses, down from 2.2 audits per 1.000 used in some corporate accounting scandals. businesses the previous year.

for individuals increased last year to 6.5 audits audit numbers. for every 1,000 taxpayers.

month show a similar trend.

businesses exposes a flaw in the administra- doesn't tell the whole story." tion's tough stance against corporate wrongdo-

"These and a number of other measures -

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal cate that the actual performance of the IRS dif-enforcement and then I look at these numbers than other corporate returns, and their number

Researchers point specifically to declining

cent more individual tax returns. The audit rate corporate tax evasion does not show up in the Iraq and homeland security." Pingree said.

prised that that's lagging the other indicators. taken against businesses. Researchers said the declining audits of And while I think it's an important indicator, it

Revenue Service audited fewer corporations: fers in significant ways from some of the Bush and say. 'What is he talking about?'" said is growing. small businesses and partnerships last year but administration claims when it comes to crack. David Keating, senior counselor for the more individual taxpavers, according to a mg down on corporate scofflaws," the report National Taxpayers Union. "It really opens up its workload has grown, the IRS said. a credibility gap.

Records Access Clearinghouse, in its analysis audits of the largest corporations and a type of Cause, a government watchdog group, said the study suggests corporations are not paying reversed that practice and expects the agency their fair share.

"This is at a time when taxes have been drastically cut from the wealthiest in the coun-IRS Commissioner Mark Everson said in an try. and there are very heavy, legitimate by the same time next year, he said. At the same time, the IRS audited 14 per-sinterview that the agency's broad attack on demands on our government, between war in

"Am I satisfied with the numbers? No. I the study ignores the reasons for the decline in more attention to customer service. Individual Official audit rates released by the IRS last want to see them go up." he said. "I'm not sur-corporate audits and other enforcement actions and corporate audits slid sharply.

Some advocates said the trend appears trou- which make audits more intricate and time- dence audits, not face-to-face meetings consuming. Tax collectors worked more than between revenue agents and taxpayers. "What struck me first was the commission- 2,200 corporate tax shelter returns in 2003. documented by the agency's own data - indi- er earlier this week said that they'd increased Each takes an average 7 1/2 months longer nature are comparatively superficial."

The agency's work force has shrunk while

The agency has been criticized for shifting Chellie Pingree, president of Common money from tax enforcement to pay for other administrative costs. Everson said he has will have hired 250 more agents by autumn. If the agency gets the budget requested by the president, it will hire an additional 600 agents

Audits and other enforcement activities declined sharply in the late 1990s when In a detailed written response, the IRS said Congress mandated that tax collectors pay

The Syracuse University study concludes The IRS said the decline can be attributed that audits of individuals increased last year. partly to the explosive growth in tax shelters. Much of the increase occurred in correspon-

Researchers said the audits "by their very

Town waits for word on U.S. civilian kidnapped in Iraq

his hometown in eastern Hines said. Mississippi, Thomas Hamill is took a job driving trucks in Iraq mayor said. to make ends meet after his dairy farm took a hit.

who was taken hostage in Iraq. we're doing." Many wore yellow ribbons and scrawled notes of support for his family.

"This is a small town. It hits us hard. God bless him, he's just trying to make a living for his family," said longtime resident Marion Gilbertson.

Hamill, 43, was snatched Friday by gunmen who attacked a fuel convoy he was guarding. one of a string of kidnappings in Iraq.

His captors had threatened to kill him unless U.S. troops ended their assault on the city of Fallujah. A deadline imposed by his abductors came and went Sunday morning with no word of his fate.

"I'm just praying," said his grandmother, Vera Hamill.

Hamill works for the Houston-based engineering and construction company Kellogg, Brown & Root, a division of Halliburton, his wife, Kellie,

told The Associated Press. "We're just all pulling together for this man," said Mayor Dorothy Baker Hines. who attended the vigil. The Hamills have a son, around 13,

known as a good guy — a fam- great help to Kellie Hamill, a briefly a few weeks ago when ing. "I hope to return home one ily man with two children who 911 operator in Macon, the his wife had open-heart surgery.

what she heard about the prayer—without commenting. On Sunday night, several vigil," Hines said Monday, "I., In a videotape of Hamill, sleep," hundred friends and neighbors told her if there was anything broadcast Saturday on the Arab gathered for a vigil outside the she needed to let the community. TV station Al-Jazeera, his country store two weeks ago county courthouse to pray for know. She told me we just need expression was calm but wary. when he was home on emerthe safe return of the civilian to pray for her and that's what A voice-over read by an Al- gency for his wife's surgery. At

James Jones, who went to Hamill as saying he was being Hamill's experiences in Iraq.

MACON, Miss. (AP) - In and a daughter, around 11, high school with Hamill, said treated well. financial reasons prompted his

Jazeera announcer quoted the time, they talked about

"I am in good shape," the The show of support was a friend to go to Iraq. He returned voice-over quoted him as sayday, and I want my family to A Halliburton official left know that these people are tak-"Her spirits were lifted from Hamill's house Sunday evening ing care of me, and provide me with food, water and a place to

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