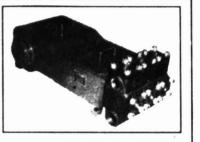
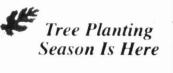


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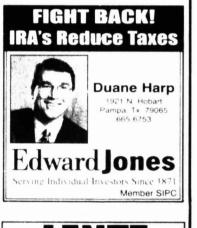
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Pampa's DHS office in limbo

By MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

The Texas Department of Human Services and Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, both of which have offices in Pampa. are in the midst of a major reorganization and scaledown, and the future of the Pampa offices is Stephanie Goodman of the communications office of the Texas Commission in Austin.

Gray County Judge Richard Peet said at the county commissioners' meeting April 15 that "there is a strong possibility" that the Pampa offices would close due to statewide cutbacks and reorganization. Surplus office desks and filing cabinets Peet said.

"We don't know yet." Goodman said in a telephone interview April 16 when asked employees. They serve over about the future of the Pampa - 1 000 people in Carson. Grav. offices. "We propose a major and Roberts counties," Peet redesign of the entire eligibility said last week system, focusing on increased use of technology, and that will mean closing some offices. Right now we have 381 field offices. We would reduce that to Goodman said. "One of our 164. We don't vet know which offices would close." Texas Department of Human Services administers the state's public assistance programs for for clients and potential clients economically needy persons and families, including assistance with food, housing and health care. The Department of Protective and Regulatory Services includes Child

Protective Services, which offers services when children have been abused or neglected

by their families, and Adult Protective Services for the elderly and disabled who have been abused or neglected.

There are currently 211 DHS offices in hospitals. Goodman said, and these would likely be kept open. Four mobile units undecided. according to would be created for use in rural areas of the state, she said.

Public forums will be held Health and Human Services across the state on April 30 to get the public's input on the subject of office closings before final decisions are made on which offices to close. Goodman said. The nearest forum for Pampa would be the Lubbock meeting, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Peet said at the in the state offices in Pampa - commissioners' meeting that he may be donated to the county plans to attend the April 30 for an auction to be held May 7, forum in Lubbock and speak against closing the Pampaoffices

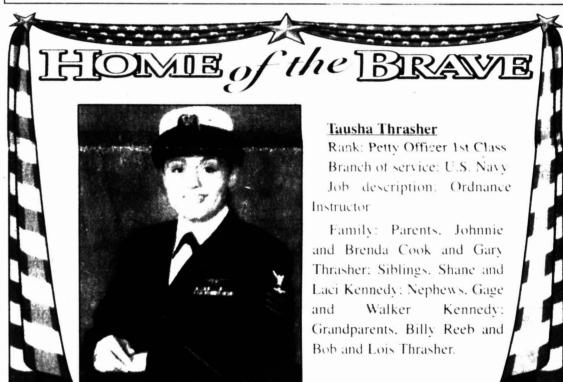
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Serving up lemonade



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

Ed Kinsey stops Friday atternoon for a glass of free lemonade provided by Linda Smith, center, and Ashley Ethington of the Gray County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office. The two set up shop outside the south doors of the county courthouse at about 11 a.m. Friday to receive property tax payments and process vehicle registration renewals. In their first one and one-half hours, the pair had collected taxes on three properties and processed a dozen vehicle registration renewals. They also handed out free Popsicles. "I've always wanted to do this," said Gaye Whitehead, county tax assessor-collector. Plans are to have another "outdoor office" some time in May.





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"Our goal is to make it easier to access services and not have to go to several locations to get services, and also to find all the services they may be eligible for in one place." she said.

(See AGENCY, Page 3)

The Beetles are coming

By DAVID BOWSER STAFF WRITER

visitors are expected at Lake Meredith next month to deal tem and provide more water. with an old problem.

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(Pampa News photo by David Bowser) A view of Lake Meredith.

About a 1,000 salt cedar leaf beetles will be introduced to the shores of the lake as part of a SANFORD -- Some new biological control plan to control salt cedar, improve the ecosyszens interested in a prison chapel here. (See BEETLES, Page

Jordan Chapel Builders bringing chapel builder here for address

On Tuesday, April 20, a are finished, and the cost pro- of Dallas, became involved in man who has helped build

seven chapels for Texas prisons will be in Pampa to share his experiences with area citi-

Pampa's Jordan Chapel Builders is bringing Frank Graham of Chapel of Hope Ministries to Pampa to unveil the next phase of the proposed chapel for the Jordan Prison Unit, east of Pampa, in a public meeting at 7 p.m. in St. Matthew's Upiscopal Church Parish Hall, 727 W. Browning. All persons interested in building a prison chapel here. are invited to attend, group members said.

After three years of chapel prayer, research and blessings. we are about to enter a new phase of the proposed Jordan Chapel," said Ron Easley, president of the Chapel the lives of many lexas prison munities to begin the process Builders, a non-profit organization formed of local citi

Frank Graham

must now bring our community of faith together to achieve this mission by building in the TDCJ, Graham was able

Graham will illustrate the difterence the seven chapels he helped construct have made in mmates

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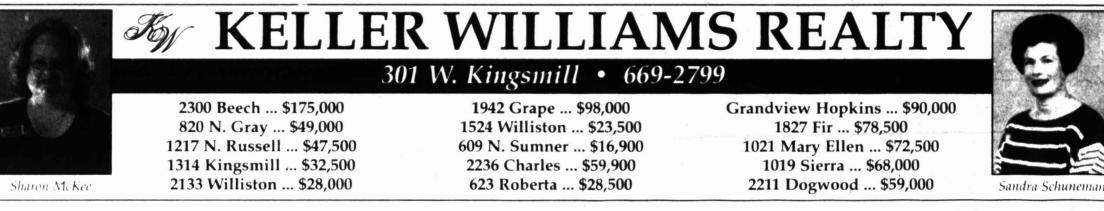
In January 1993, a chaptain at the Michael Unit confided of the need for chapel space. Graham had seen inmates being turned away from the chapel at every service because of inadequate space. He also saw the need for more space to teach life enrichment programs for the inmates.

After policy changes withto begin organizing the con-In his presentation, struction of seven chapels in various TDCJ units. His accomplishments have inspired more than 20 comof raising funds for and build-Graham, a lay leader at ing prison chapels in their









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SERVICES TOMORROW

Services Monday

HUBBARD, Lucretia Inez — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa

LOWREY, Ethan — Memorial services, 6 p.m., First Christian Church, Pampa.

WARD, Vi – 2 p.m., Church of The Nazarene, Hereford.

LUCRETIA INEZ HUBBARD

AMARILLO — Lucretia Inez Hubbard, 83, Church in Amarillo and was a former member died Friday, April 16, 2004, in Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, April 19, 2004, at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Hubbard was born on Nov. 6, 1920, at Twitty, Texas, and had been a resident of Amarillo since 1965. She was a former longtime Pampa resident. She married William Lewis Hubbard on June 19, 1942, in Wheeler. He preceded her in death in 1961.

She worked for the Soil Conservation Service in both Pampa and Amarillo, and she retired from the research station at Bushland in ity. 1983

She was a member of San Jacinto Baptist www.carmichael-whatley.com.

ON RECORD

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, April 16

3:15 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1100 block of Terrace on a service call. A dog had its head stuck in a tire. The call was disregarded en route by animal control.

3:17 p.m. - Three units and five firefighters responded to the railroad on a service call. Firefighters shut down the engine of a semi-trailer that was being carried on a railway car. The trailer had been giving off smoke.

3:53 p.m. - One unit and four firefighters responded to the 900 block of Hobart on a vehicle accident. One patient

of Central Baptist Church in Pampa.

Survivors include two daughters, Kaye Ramey and husband Bob of Dumas and Sue Hagar and husband Roger of Hedley; one son, Billy Hubbard of Bartlesville, Okla.; one brother. Milton Gierhart of Shamrock; four grandchildren, Randy Ramey of Dumas, Kelly Patton of Hedley, Staci Kidd of Vega, and T.J. Hubbard of Denton; and three great-grandchildren, Javda Cae Ramey of Skellytown, Miles Patton and Wesley Scott Patton, both of Hedley

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POLICE

Police Pampa Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

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HEREFORD — Vi Ward, 76, of Hereford, Clovis, N.M.

Mrs. Ward came to Deaf Smith County from Olton, Texas, in 1962. She was affiliated with the Christian church and was employed in Monday in Hereford Church of The Nazarene * retail clothing.

Survivors include her husband, Charles, of Hereford; a son, Joe Ray Hysinger Jr. of Amarillo; two daughters, Renee Coker of Amarillo and Vickie Bolz of Pampa; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Heart Association. The family will receive visitors from 2-4 p.m. today at the funeral home.



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with Pastor Ted Taylor, of the church, officiat-

ing. Interment will be in Rest Lawn Cemetery

under the direction of Gililland-Watson

Mrs. Ward was born Nov. 27, 1927, at

Clarendon, to Herbert Albert Ziegler and

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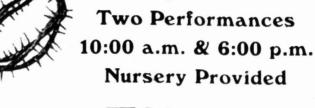
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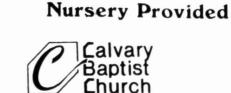
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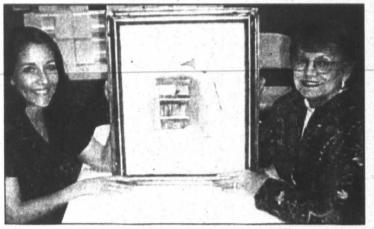
The Tri-County Division of the American Heart Association will host its sixth annual Heart Gala Saturday at 6:30 p.m. April 24, at Pampa Country Club. The theme of this year's fund-raiser is "Treasure Your Heart."

This year's event will include a new activity, a "Buried Treasure Dig," for a \$1,000 jewelry gift certificate courtesy of Graham Brothers. All participants in the dig will discover a prize inside a golden egg.

Additional activities will include a live art auction, a silent auction and a casino.

AHA's mission is to reduce disability and death from cardio-

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vascular diseases and stroke, which, the local AHA says, is the number one and number

(Courtesy photo) three cause of death in the

United States. calling Veronica Kirkwood at Tickets to the gala are \$20 665-3816.

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PISD support luncheon

Another goal of the reorganization and downsizing is to save money, Goodman, said. The upheaval in DHS and

DPRS offices began with the passage of Texas House Bill 2292 in May 2003. The bill consolidates the duties and functions of 12 existing state agencies into one new Health Human Services and Commission, with four departments.

The Health and Human Services Commission will include Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, family violence services, refugee services, nutrition programs and early childhood coordination programs. Full consolidation of these services into HHSC is scheduled for June 4. Eligibility determination for many health and human services programs currently administered by several agencies will also come under the HHSC umbrella.

The four departments will be the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS). Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS)

and Department of State Health Services (DSHS). DFPS is the equivalent of

the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, and includes Child Protective Services, Adult Protective Services, Child Care Licensing, and Prevention and Early Intervention offices. DFPS is already in place as of February 2004. DARS, scheduled to begin

operations in January 2004. is comprised of the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

Commission for the Blind, Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and the Interagency Council on Early Childhood Intervention.

DADS, which is slated to operations begin in spring/summer 2004, will consist of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, community care and nursing home services of DHS, and aging services programs of the Texas Department of Aging. DSHS, also to begin oper-

ations in spring/summer 2004, will absorb the Texas Department of Health, the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, and the Texas Health Care Information Council, plus mental health community. services and state hospital programs operated by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Pampa's Artist of the Year,

and Veronica Kirkwood,

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The increased emphasis on technology will mean that clients could apply for state services over the Internet, by phone and by fax or mail, as well as in person. The state would establish call centers to receive and process applications, and consumers would be able to track the progress of their applications through an automated phone

At least \$389 million is expected to be saved in operation costs by implementing this system, according to Goodman. The number of workers needed to provide services would drop from the current 7,864 to 3,377.

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BEETLES

Fred Nibling with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation said the program was part of a demonstration and study being done by a coalition of some federal and state agencies and cooperating universities from across the country.

A mature salt cedar can use as much as 200 gallons of water a day under the right circumstances. Using the beetles to suppress the invasive shrubs could increase the amount of water in Lake Meredith.

Nibling said salt cedar was introduced from Asia to New "targeted plant," Nibling said. York in 1823. Within a few years, it could be found in California. Today, he said, it is abundant along rivers and streams throughout the western United States:

cedar has deeper roots than most native plants and denies them water. At the same time it exudes salt, essentially sterilizing the ground around it and crowding out native said that they hope to get beeplants.

Speaking to a group at the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority offices here general manager, said there Thursday night, Nibling said neither wildlife nor livestock 10,000 acres of salt cedar will eat the plant, but salt along the Canadian River cedar leaf beetles will.

He said there have been a number of successful tests in Texas, California, Colorado, the beetles requires special Nevada and Utah where the beetles have controlled salt cedar.

been very positive." Nibling be on federal lands in consaid.

He said that mechanical removal, digging up the expects the beetles to be plants with bulldozers, and, made available to ranchers spraying them with chemicals who might want them within can be expensive. Fire is not three to five years.

effective in controlling salt cedar. Using the beetles has proven to be much less expensive, although it takes longer. He said it usually takes two to three years to see a major change. The time frame is based on how rapidly the beetles multiply and how aggressively they attack the plants:

The beetles that will be released around Lake Meredith the first week of May, he said, are from Greece and eat only salt cedar and a few plants related to the salt cedar. He terms the beetles the best control device he's seen.

"They damage only the "They eat mainly salt cedar although they nibble on plants related to salt cedar. They can't survive on another plant

John Williams, a consult-Difficult to control, salt ant for CRMWA, said that the program is designed to control. not eradicate the salt cedar around the lake.

> Eventually, Rod Goodwin, CRMWA's salt cedar expert, tles up river all the way to Ute Dam near Logan, N.M.

Ken Satterwhite, CRMWA are an estimated 5,000 to between Ute Lake and Lake Meredith.

Nibling said that releasing permits. Once released, they will be closely monitored.

While the demonstration at "The results so far have Lake Meredith will initially junction with the National Park Service. Nibling said he







Miami ISD board to meet Monday

Teacher and coaching contracts and teacher budgets are on the agenda for Miami Independent School District's board of education meeting. at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 19 in the school administration office.

Other topics included in Monday's meeting are:

· Review bills and fund balances

· Cafeteria, transportation, tax and other reports

• Approve transfer students for 2004-05 school year

· Appoint textbook custodian

· School board training at West Texas A&M University and Summer Leadership institute in San Antonio

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taries at Pampa High School celebrating the upcoming Pampa Independent School District's Administrative Support Day Luncheon on Wednesday, April 21. At the luncheon, school administrators and program directors plan to thank support staff for their dedication and work to help students at Pampa's public schools.



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The 9/11 Commission is not doing its job.

It is ignoring a document that shows that President Clinton was alerted in 1996 about the possibility of 9/11 style attack, while instead focusing on the August 6 Presidential Daily Briefing (PDB).

Having harassed the Bush administration into declassifying the August 6 PDB. the Commission must now demand that a PDB from the Clinton administration also be declassified. Unlike the August 6 document which had no information about hijacking jets to crash into U.S. targets, the 1996 PDB gave specifics about al Qaeda plans to carry out exactly thatkind of attack.

Sometime in the summer of 1996, President Clinton was given a PDB. which described in chilling detail an al Qaeda plot known as Operation Bojinka (Arabic for "Loud Bang"). It involved using hijacked jet planes to crash into The Pentagon, the White House, the World Trade Center, and other buildings in the U.S.

The PDB was based on information from Philippine authorities who broke up an al Qaeda cell in Manila that, among other things, had been plotting to fly explosives-laden planes into the Pentagon, and possibly some skyscrapers.

According to Allan J. Favish writing in the Oct. 14, 2003, FrontPageMagazine (frontpagemag.com), the CIA knew about the plot and so did the FBI. "We told the Americans about the plans to turn planes into flying bombs as far back as 1995." a Philippine official said: "Why didn't they pay attention?"

The plot was never implemented

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because the terrorist network was unable to find the pilots needed to carry it out. That problem was later remedied when al Qaeda sent operatives to U.S. flight schools after giving them thorough fraining abroad in hijack techniques.

Sometime in the summer of 1996, the Operation Bojinka information was communicated to President Clinton in a PDB. according to now retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel Robert "Buzz" Patterson. Patterson was a military aide to Clinton from May 1996 to May 1998, one of five officers entrusted with carrying the bag containing the codes for launching nuclear weapons.

On page 139 of Patterson's book "Dereliction of Duty - The eyewitness Account of How Bill Clinton Compromised National Security" published in March 2003, he wrote:

"During the summer of the 1996 attacks, I myself learned first-hand that the administration knew that terrorists were plotting to use commercial airliners as weapons. The president received a Presidential Daily Brief, or PDB, every morning. It contained the president's daily intelligence update from the NSC. A senior NSC representative normally delivered it to the president. On weekends, at Camp David, and on vacations, the military aide was responsible for delivering and retrieving the brief.

"One late-summer Saturday morning,

the president asked me to pick up a few days' worth of PDBs that had accumulated in the Oval Office. He gave them to me with handwritten notes stuffed inside the folders and asked that I deliver them back to the NSC

"Lopened the PDB to rearrange the notes and noticed the heading "Operation Bojinka." I keyed on a reference to a plot to use commercial airliners as weapons and another plot to put bombs on U.S. airliners. Because I was a pilot, this naturally grabbed my attention. I can state for a fact that this information was circulated within the U.S. intelligence community, and that in late 1996 the president was aware of it.

What happened as a result of this shocking PDB? Col. Patterson recently told me that the information was relayed to the intelligence community and Clinton formed a White House Commission on Aviation Safety & Security, chaired by Vice President Gore.

In the spring of 1998, the group made several recommendations, among them improving airport security and establishing a system for profiling passengers. The FAA chose not to comply because they feared profiling on the basis of ethnicity would violate civil liberties. Another recommendation involved interagency cooperation between the FBI, the CIA and the FAA on suspected terrorists.

The findings were never implemented by the agencies involved. Had the Gore recommendations been followed in 1998, Sept. 11, 2001, might never have occurred.

Why isn't the Commission asking Al Gore and the FAA why they never acted? Why haven't they called Col. Patterson?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Be thankful for what you have

To the editor:

In Gray County, it seems the perception is that employment offered by the schools, other state jobs, and employment offered by private industry and service organizations is offered in order to flesh out personal expenses for the prospective job. holder.

The employment offered is in the hope that competent and capable people will apply who can and are willing to make a significant contribution to the mission statement of the hiring organization. The benefits accruing to the job holder are secondary, except in a Socialist regime.

Competence, enthusiasm and diligence are attributes rarely encountered in employees. There are exceptions. In Pampa and Gray County there are bright spots, however, they are difficult to find in the law enforcement and justice areas. The poor and the unconnected do not fare well in Pampa.

Personal experiences in the medical, dental, hospital, rehab and pharmacological areas shine through the murky fog of the actions of our elected officials. Doctors, surgeons, internists,

bone and cardiology specialists are as good and competent as you will find anywhere. The dentists, at least those who don't insist introducing you to all their professional dental friends, do excellent work. The pharmacists we use are the best to be had in any city, any size.

Be thankful, you who live in Pampa. We drive 78 miles, round trip, to reach what you have at your back door, and we are thankful and glad to do it.

Bill Reeves McLean

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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Sunday, April 18, the 109th day of 2004. There are 257 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 18, 1775. Paul Revere began his famous ride from Charlesto acto Lexington, Massa warning American colonists that the British were coming.

On this date:

n 1906, a devastating earthquake struck San Francisco, followed by raging fires. About 700 people died.

In 1921, Junior Achievement, created to encourage business skills in young people, was incorporated.

In 1923, the first game was played in Yankee Stadium. The Yankees defeated the Boston Red Sox, 4-1

In 1942, an air squadron from the USS Hornet led by Lt. Col. James H. Doolittle raided Tokyo and other Japanese cities.

In 1944, the ballet "Fancy Free," with music by Leonard Bernstein premiered.

In 1945, famed American war correspondent Ernie Pyle, 44, was killed by Japanese gunfire on the Pacific island of le Shima, off Okinawa.

In 1946, the League of Nations went out of business.

In 1978, the U.S. Senate voted 68-32 to turn the Panama Canal over to Panamanian control on Dec. 31, 1999.

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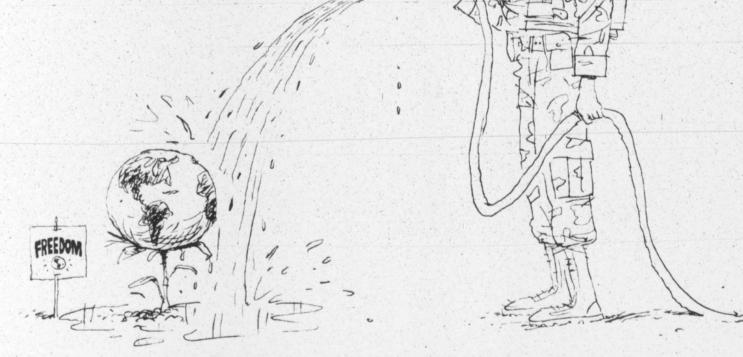
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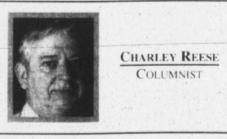
I was reading a smear job the other day about the League of the South which, by the by, is not racist, white supremacist or subversive. What amused me was that the person doing the smearing said that some members of the League believe in secession, as if that were akin to child molestation and murder

Alas, never have so many known so little about the origins of their own country

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During the first 40 years of the republic, the majority consensus was that, of course, any state could secede. After all, the states were sovereign entities, and they had formed the union, not the other way round. For a time, some of the New England states even considered secession. In those early years of the republic, no one spoke about "the" United States. The phrase in use was "these United States.

Unfortunately for the Southern politicians, by the time they got around to finally seceding, the national consensus had changed, and most Americans were much more nationalistic. What the War Between the States proved was that the North was stronger militarily than the South, and that therefore secession was sappractical. It did not mean that secession violated the Constitution or that it. was philosophically defective. Abraham Lincoln's mystical notion of an indivisi-



ble union was just that - a mystical notion that had no foundation in history or the Constitution. Mystical notions, like Manifest Destiny and the union, can certainly move people to action.

The proposition that if two or more states decide to form a confederation they can never afterward undo it is simply irrational. The union was formed voluntarily, and some of the states spelled out in their ratification motions that they reserved the right to withdraw the powers they were delegating to the new confederation. During the debate about ratification of the Constitution, George Washington most often described it as merely a "stronger confederation."

At any rate, it's a moot point, except that nobody should be as ignorant of American history as to think that "secession" is a dirty word. Most Americans today can hardly name the capital of their state and would no more entertain a notion of secession than they would of banning baseball.

As for the League of the South, advocacy of secession back in the 1990s was 2446, Orlando, FL 32802)

originally done simply as a publicity stunt to attract media attention. And it did, especially in Great Britain. But nobody I know in the League has ever for one minute thought that secession was practical, short of some future catastrophic change in the thinking of the American people.

My own thinking is that if secession ever rears its head again, it will be in California, where the northern part of the state might one day wish to secede from the southern part, which some folks now çail "Mexifornia."

But the real problem we face is not division but homogenization. Thanks to national chains, it's getting increasingly harder to tell where you are in the United States by what you can see and what you can get to eat. The nation is being McDonald's-ized or Wal-Marted.

In the bad old days when I was a political hired gun. I had a stretch of travel that carried me from airports in New Hampshire to New York to Atlanta to New Orleans, and I swear it was like an existential hell. Everything looked and smelled the same.

I don't advocate secession, but can we not at least preserve our regional cuisines? I know American history is politically incorrect, but surely a little variety in the diet is not.

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Local community concert association holding its annual membership drive

"Pampa Community Association Concert Presents 'Live On Stage' has announced an "outstanding" series of concerts for the 2004-05 season. The concert association's annual membership drive is currently under way and will officially kick-off with a "Workers Brunch" at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 24 in the parlor of First United Methodist Church.

The local association enjoys reciprocal agreements with community concert associations in Borger and Plainview. Bookings in these communities will be reported to the local membership at a later date. The reciprocal agreements allow local members to attend 12 or more concerts this season on the basis of only one the National Federal of membership.

Several professional performances await members of the Pampa association



(Courtesy photo)

Lilith Brainard, left, secretary, and Howard Graham, board member, both of "Pampa Community Concert Associations Presents 'Live On Stage' " discuss plans for the concert association's annual membership drive. Board members and campaign workers will be honored at a kick-off brunch at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 24 in the parlor of First United Methodist Church.

degree in piano performances and is the recipient of many artistic awards such as the Deutscher Akademischer Austaushdienst grant and Music Clubs Young Artist Competition grand prize winner. In 1998, he was chosen to record a tribute to including the Artie Shaw Gershwin in honor of the American music, dance-Band, Richard Glazier, Gershwin Centennial for-swing tunes, tap, hoedowns

AMARILLO — A special "Agricultural Diversification: Sustaining Rural Economies and Lifestyles" conference will occur May 5-6 at the for businesses. Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. The conference is being offered as part of a twoyear project initiated by Texas Department of Agriculture in tive partnership with USDA

Natural Resources Conservation Service to assist rural communities and rural businesses, particularly natural resource based businesses.

According to a press from release Texas Cooperative Extension, Gray County, the conference is open to landowners, farmers, ranchers, counties, communities, chambers of commerce, economic development corporations and members of the public.

The conference, the release said, will cover a variety of topics related to establishing and operating a small business as well as "specific information on diversification options." Discussion will center on small business planning, development and

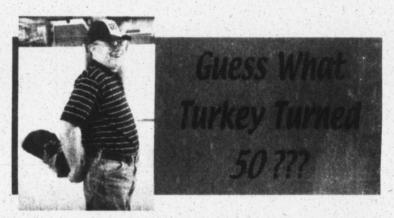
financing opportunities. landowner liability issues. risk management planning and basic marketing concepts

Economies and Lifestyles' conference in offing

The second day of the conference will cover customer service and will include break-out sessions on alternalodging. hiking/biking/birding trails. alternative crops, marketing materials, web site design, business structure, horseback riding trails, photography, the film industry, and hunting and outfitters.

As an additional benefit for attendees, the release said, an exhibit will be erected in the hotel atrium to enable area businesses, agencies and

chambers of commerce to showcase their services. Vendors will be recognized at a reception Wednesday evening. For more information about the vendor exhibit, contact Dee Dee Autry, exhibit coordinator, at (806) 664-8477 or via e-mail at deedee@barhduderanch.com. Cost of the conference is \$60 per person and includes luncheons, refreshment breaks and a reception. Registration is due by April 30. To obtain a registration form and an agenda, contact Sheila Martin at (806) 358-7285. e-mail her at Sheila.martin@agr.state.tx.us or contact the local Extension office at 669-8033.



Southern Fried Band and Rhythm in Shoes.

The Artie Shaw Band recreates the big band sound and the jazz era. The group is fronted by Dick Johnson of "Dixieland delight." The since 1983.

Indiana University School of Music and Cleveland Institute of Music. He holds a doctorate of musical arts

PianoDisco company's and clogging to create their Artist Series.

An eight-member Dixieland band, Southern Fried Band offers up a slate band includes three horns, Glazier is a graduate of four rhythm instruments and a female vocalist, all led by veteran trumpeter Don Edwards who has led some

varied repertoire. The joint presentation between Pampa and Borger concert associations will be held at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. For more information

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about joining the concert association, contact Ronnie Holmes, president, at 665-2631.

Bob Wills Foundation gearing up for 33rd annual Bob Wills Day at Turkey, Texas

of Dixieland's greats such as

Foundation in Turkey is once again gearing up for its annual "Bob Wills Day" on Saturday, April 24 in Turkey. Festivities will begin the evening of Thursday, April 22 and continue Friday and Saturday. According to a press release from the foundation. Dr. Charles R. Townsend will be present as M.C. for the afternoon program Saturday

Townsend, the press release says, is a Grammy Award winner and author of "San Antonio Rose," about the life of Bob Wills. The press release said the book has been purchased by a movie studio and Townsend is to be a consultant on the movie.

The release also boasts "there will be thirty-five to forty of the most famous and talented musicians in the Country present this year ... The program will consist of former Texas many Playboys/Playgirls. This will be one of the largest groups of Texas Playboys ever assembled at one time

Entertainment will include a concert at 6:30 p.m. Thursday featuring the South Plains Cowboys from Levelland and Lanny Fiel and the Ranch Dance Fiddle Band from Lubbock. Proceeds from these performances will go in part towards special scholarship funds, the release said.

A dance is scheduled at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Other activi-

TURKEY — Bob Wills ties include a pancake breakfast at 6 a.m., a parade at 10 a.m., a barbecue lunch at 11 a.m., an Old Fiddlers Contest at 12 noon and a "midnight breakfast" at 11 p.m., all Saturday.

For more information, call (806) 423-1033 or e-mail turkey@caprock-spur.com. Bob Wills Foundation is a nonprofit organization operated solely by volunteers.



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6 - SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2004 - THE PAMPA NEWS Metcalfe Museum, Break O' Day Farm begin new season

By DAVID CUNNINGHAM METCALFE MUSEUM

DURHAM, Okla. - The Metcalfe Museum and Break O' Day Farm has begun its 2004 season and is open now through Nov. 30. The museum showcases the work of "Sagebrush Artist" Augusta Metcalfe whose unique paint-

ings and sketches depict vivid re-created buildings. The Wilberforce of Canadian, unique glass-painting techscenes of early pioneer life along the upper Washita River of western Oklahoma. The works of local and regional artists are also regularly exhibited at the museum. In addition to the art muse-

um, the Break O'Day Farm houses numerous historical artifacts in several authentic and

Metcalfe also offers miles of nature trails that wind along the scenic Washita River and red sand hills, providing excellent opportunities for easy walks, rigorous hiking or wildlife yiewing. The Metcalfe has scheduled

> a full slate of events for spring and summer, beginning with "Women Artists: Past and Present." This exhibit showcases the works of Metcalfe and four outstanding female artists from western Oklahoma, including Eileen Johnson, Chelsea Thomas, Melba Thomas and Romona White. The exhibit ends May 29.

On May 15, the Metcalfe will be the site of a photography workshop taught by renowned animal photographer Richard

Texas. Wilberforce, who will exhibit his photographs at the Metcalfe in the fall alongside those of Augusta Metcalfe, Steve St. Clair and Wildon Teague, specializes in the photography of dogs, horses cattle and wildlife.

set, the workshop will likely include a slide presentation, lunch and photo safari. For more information, contact the Metcalfe Museum at (580) 665-4467 or e-mail metcalfe@dobsonteleco.com for details.

On June 26 and 27, the Metcalfe will host a two-day mural workshop. The workshop. will be conducted by muralist Elisabeth McCool, a graduate of the Central School of Art in London and originator of a

nique. McCool has created murals and shown her paintings throughout the United States and has exhibited at St. Martin's-in-the-Field at Trafalgar Square and at Westminster Abbey. The cost for the two-day ses-

While the agenda is not yet sion, which will include all supplies and lunch, is not yet set. Contact the Metcalfe for more information.

> conclude with "Mail Call," an come together. Museum hours exhibit featuring hundreds of rarely-seen postcards and letters personally illustrated by Augusta Metcalfe. Landscapes, wildlife and World War II are www.metcalfemuseum.org to but a few of the subjects find out more.

brought to life in these artistic gems. Many of the wartime artifacts belonging to the Metcalfe family will also be displayed in this exhibit which will run from June 1 though Aug. 31.

Whether examining the artwork, exploring the historic farm or enjoying the trails, the Metcalfe has plenty to offer everyone this spring and summer. Visit the Metcalfe The summer season will Museum where art and nature are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, March through November. Visit web site

Prospective upland cotton acreage showing increase

ers intend to plant more acres ers, at 50,000 acres, is down 15 of cotton and soybeans in 2004. Acreage of corn, sorghum, peanuts, oats and at 6.1 million acres, is down 8 sunflowers are expected to decrease.

Based on results of a survey conducted the first two weeks of March by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, down 9 percent from 2003. Upland cotton acreage is forecast at 6.1 million acres, up 9, percent from last year. Planting of Pima cotton is expected to total 16,000 acres, down 20 percent from 2003.

1.75 million acres of corn, down 4 percent from last year.

"This report is an early indication of producers' intentions to plant," cautioned State Director Robin Roark. "Actual planted acreage may vary depending on weather, producprices at harvest."

2.8 million acres of sorghum during 2004, down 12 percent from a year ago.

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through May 6.

AUSTIN - Texas produc- acreage intentions for sunflowpercent from last year.

Texas winter wheat planted, percent from a year ago and 2 percent less than the January estimate.

Planted acreage for peanuts is forecast at 250,000 acres,

Texas harvested acreage for all hay is estimated at 5.3 million acres, up 1 percent from last year.

United States Upland cotton producers intend to plant Growers intend to plant. 14.2 million acres, up 7 percent from last year; 76 percent of these acres are expected to be planted to biotechnology varieties. Prospective corn acreage, at 79.0 million acres, is up fractionally from 2003; 46 percent of the acreage may be tion costs and anticipated planted to biotechnology varieties. Sorghum acreage is Producers intend to plant expected to decrease 9 percent to 8.6 million acres.

Winter wheat planted for the nation is estimated at 43.4 milsoybean lion acres, down 3 percent acreage, at 270,000 acres, is up from the previous year's

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AMARILLO - The local any combination of the USDA Rural Development above on one application."

The amount awarded can office in Amarillo is currently taking applications for be no more than 50 percent Section 533 Housing of the Texas State Allocation Preservation Grant Program of \$484,959, the release said. for non-profits, public body For more information, call organizations and eligible (806) 468-8600 ext. 121 or American Indian tribes, (254) 742-9712, go on-line bands, groups or nations to www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/ e-mail or According to a press clyde.jenkins@tx.usda.gov.

The deadline for . the release from USDA Rural Development, the objective statement of activities postof the program "is to either ed for public comment is repair or rehabilitate individ- April 20. The deadline for ual housing, rental proper- the receipt of application in ties, or cooperative housing the USDA RD local office, projects owned and/or occulocated at 6565 Amarillo pied by very low- and low- Blvd. West, Suite C, income rural persons, but not Amarillo, is May 6.

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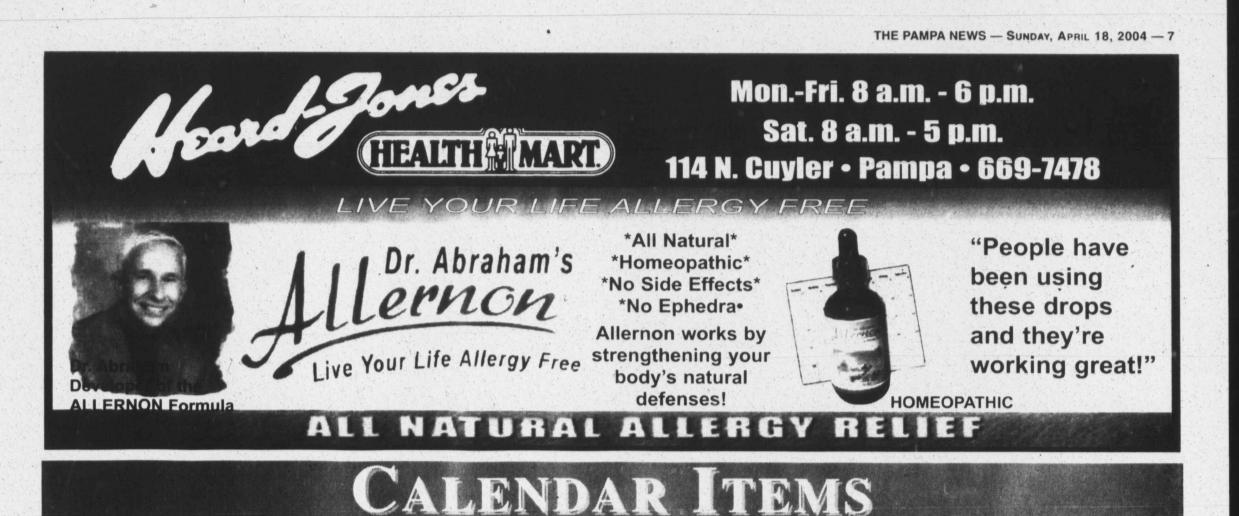
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PPHM Story Time. Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will present "Story Time" at 2:30 p.m. every second Saturday of each month except December and January on the second floor of the museum. For more information, contact PPHM at (806) 651-2244

USS Columbus. USS Columbus Veterans Association is seeking Navy and Marine Corps shipmates who served on the USS Columbus (CA-74/CG-12) 1944-1976 and the USS Columbus (SSN-762) past and present. Contact Alvin S. Lewis, president, 726 E. Covina Blvd., Covina CA 91722-2955; (626) 339-3568; e-mail homeport@lewisengraving.com

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COMMUNITY, CHURCHES

ACCORD. Gray County Chapter of Active Citizens Concerned Over Resource Development in Agriculture, Inc. (ACCORD INC.), meet the first and third Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., at the Lovett Memorial Library. For information, call 665-8516 or 665-7659.

leaders meet at 6:30 p.m. the Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) first Thursday of each month at First Presbyterian Church of Pampa. The Golden Spread Council of Boy Scouts of America is open to boys between the ages of 6 and 18 and includes a 27-county area in the Texas Panhandle. The BSA program includes Club Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing, a new program for /14- to 20-year-old boys and girls. For more information, call (806) 358-6500. Celebration of Lights. The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session. Church of the Brethren hosts country singing and regular fellowship at 7 p.m., every Monday at its location at 600 N. Frost.Public invited.

more information, call 665-2514. Office hours are 11:30 Vacation a.m.-3:30 p.m.

> Eastern Star. Pampa-Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each. month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

> Fellowship of Christian Cowboys. The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact Jim Greene at 665-8067 and Bill Kidwell at 669-6347. For memorials or donations write Fellowship of Christian Cowboys, P.O. Box 91, Pampa, TX 79065.

Girl Scouts. Pampa Girl Scouts meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Pampa Girl Scout House on Kingsmill,

Gospel Singing. First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every

#966 meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at 420 W. Kingsmill, stated meeting is the third Thursday of each month at the same time.

Pampa Ministerial Alliance. Pampa Area Ministerial Alliance meets the first Monday of every month. Location changes monthly.

Pampa Prison Ministry. The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

RCIA. St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church hosts Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) beginning at 7:15 p.m., Wednesdays at 2004 Williston. For more information, call Aloise Martin at 883-4901 or Peggy Rodriguez at 669-2683.

Red Cross. Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers from the community, to second Sunday of the month. respond during times of crisis. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Boy Scouts. Boy Scout Pastor Albert Maggard and the in Pampa and other parts of 1567 meets at 7 p.m., the sec-

Human Services. Texas Department of Human Services is seeking volunteers for its Texas Works Services Program. Tasks are varied and placement is based upon the volunteer's interest, capability and availability of openings. Hours are flexible. For more information, contact Beth Miller at 665-1863.

Veterans. To recognize the contributions Texas veterans have made to the liberty we enjoy, Memory Gardens Cemetery is assigning grave spaces to honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. If you are a veteran, you may be qualified for free burial space. However, you must register to obtain the free plot and you must show proof of honorable discharge. A number of veterans' spaces are available. Certificates will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, call (806) 665-8921

VFW & Ladies Auxiliary.

Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open one hour early. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Edgar D. Carson, 669-0853 or 669-1264.

CLUBS, ASSOCIATIONS, ETC. American Legion.

American Legion Post 334 meets at 7 p.m., the third Thursday of each month at Freedom Museum, 600 N. Hobart

Butterfly Garden Club. The Butterfly Garden Club of America offers free butterfly garden seeds (with growing instructions). To receive a packet, send a long SASE with two stamps to: The Butterfly Garden Club of America, P.O. Box 629, Burgin, KY 40310. Limit one free packet per household. Additional packets are avail-

able for \$1 each. Downtown Business Pampa

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Museum. White Deer Land winter visiting hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No charge for admission; elevator provided.

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Ballroom Dancers. United States Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association is seeking support for a chapter for beginner social or recreational ballroom dancers in the Amarillo area. If enough interest is expressed, a local steering committee will be formed to guide the project and enroll members. For more information, call 1-800-447-9047; ea USABDACENT@aol.com; or write: USABDA, P.O. Box 128, New Freedom, PA 17349.

Clarendon VFW Bingo. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7782, Hwy 287 east, Clarendon, hosts charity bingo every Saturday. Doors open at 6 p.m. with games starting at 7 p.m. Ten games are played per session. For more information, call 874-VETS. The maximum award is \$750 per game and \$2,500 per session.

Geezer.com. Green Thumb, Inc., the nation's oldest and largest provider of training and employment for mature workers, now offers consumers Geezer.com, an online service featuring the handiwork of seniors from across the country. The site is a must for shoppers looking for distinctive, often one-of-akind gifts. Geezer.com includes scores of artisans and craftspeople with more than 2,000 hand-wrought products in more than a dozen categories - apparel, art, doll houses, home and hearth, music and videos, pet store, sports, recreation, toys and games, yard and garden and more.

Virtual Tetra's Acquarium. Tetra's Virtual Acquarium is located at

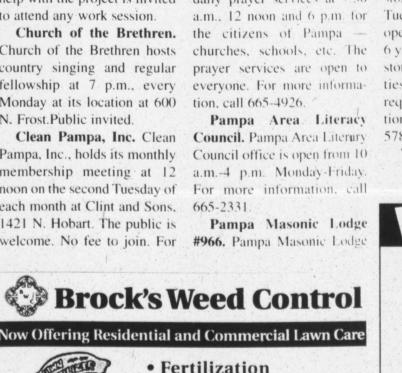
Clean Pampa, Inc. Clean Pampa, Inc., holds its monthly membership meeting at 12 noon on the second Tuesday of each month at Clint and Sons. 1421 N. Hobart. The public is

welcome. No fee to join. For

congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

Highland Baptist. Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, will host prayer time from 11 am.-2 p.m., each Thursday with a special time of prayer from 12:15-12:30 p.m. For more information. contact the church office at 669-6509.

Macedonia Baptist Church. Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, will hold daily prayer services at 7:30 a.m., 12 noon and 6 p.m. for





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the county. As well as personal satisfaction, volunteers learn how to protect themselves and cope with disaster by planning ahead, particularly essential during tornado season. In addition, ARC is willing to deliver information-

al discussions on disaster preparedness to area church or community organizations. For more information, call (806) 669-7121

St. Mark CME Church. St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted

Hour. Lovett Story 1emorial Library will offer a story hour at 10 a.m., every Tuesday. The free program is open to children 18 months to 6 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

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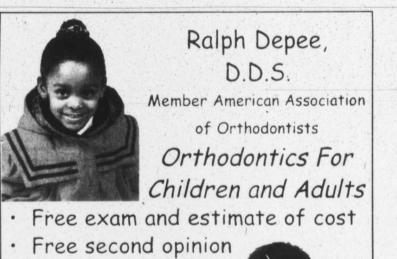
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ond and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the VFW Hall, 105 S. Cuyler. The VFW Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m., the second Tuesday of the month at the VFW Hall.

VFW Bingo. Veterans of

Association meets at 8:30 a.m., the second Tuesday of the month at The Coffee Shop on Cuyler. For more information, call Chase Roach at 665-1251



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MEDICAL

Eye disease could be checked with earlier exams

By LAURAN NEERGAARD AP MEDICAL WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP)Millions of middle-aged and older Americans unknowingly harbor one of three eye diseases that could blind them - diseases that could be detected in time to save at least some sight if they got regular eye exams.

Glaucoma, macular degeneration and diabetic retinopathy all sneak up on their victims, destroying vital eye cells before the person is aware there's anything wrong.

Risk increases with age. Indeed, the government predicts the number of people left blind or seriously visually impaired is likely to double in 30 years as the baby boom generation grays.

The elderly are most at risk of these diseases, but people in their 40s can get them, too.

Vision specialists say far too few people get regular comprehensive eye exams - not where you read the "E" on an eye chart, but where your eyes are dilated so the optometrist or ophthalmologist can spot any disease deep inside.

Now, the government has awarded the eye charity Prevent Blindness America a five-year grant to help fight age-related eye disease by funding free screenings for older people around the country. For locations, check http://www.preventblindness.org.

And a coalition of eye doctors and geriatric advocates has begun a campaign to teach people about who's at risk.

Eye exams aside, among the advice: Protect your eyes from sun; don't smoke, which damages

here are no national figures on how many people over 40 follow guidelines to get a comprehensive eye exam every year or two. Diabetics and others considered at high risk, such as those with affected relatives, are urged to get annual exams.

eyes, too; and eat lots of vitaminpacked dark, leafy vegetables. Those steps may help prevent these diseases from ever forming, says Northwestern University ophthalmologist Dr. Susan Taub, who chairs the Better Vision Institute.

There are no national figures on how many people over 40 follow guidelines to get a comprehensive eye exam every year or two. Diabetics and others considered at high risk, such as those with affected relatives, are urged to get annual exams. Such exams cost about \$125, and insurance seldom pays for middle-aged healthy people.

Some sobering statistics suggest skipping those exams costs vision. Glaucoma, for instance, affects more than 2.2 million Americans, half of whom are unaware they have it, according to the government. Up to a fifth of the nation's 13 million-plus type 2 diabetics already show signs of sight-stealing retinopathy at the time their diabetes is diagnosed, says the American Diabetes Association.

And while 1.7 million Americans have lost vision to

advanced-stage macular degeneration, another 7.1 million are at very high risk because the disease has reached intermediate stages without symptoms, says the National Eye Institute.

Worse, a startling study of Medicare beneficiaries last year found that even people already diagnosed with these eye diseases skip exams: Over half had at least one 15-month gap between doctor visits.

Dr. Frank Weinstock, a geriatric ophthalmologist in Canton, Ohio, personally telephones diabetics and other high-risk patients who skip his exams.

"I may not be able to solve your problem, but if I don't see you, I don't stand a chance," he tells them. "I'm not trying to scare you, but you won't notice (vision loss) until it's too late."

The three diseases all blind differently:

-Age-related macular degeneration, or AMD, steals vision from the center of the eye outward.

Age aside, people with lightcolored eyes are most at risk, because the sun's damaging ultra-

violet rays can penetrate the retina at the back of the eye more easily.

There are two types. In 'the "dry" form, light-sensitive cells in the macula, the center of the retina, gradually break down. The "wet" form is less common but causes more rapid damage, as blood vessels leak behind the retina.

Patients with intermediate-stage AMD can slow the damage by taking high doses of antioxidant vitamins plus the mineral zinc. Also, laser therapies can seal off the wet form's leakage; there is no treatment specifically for the dry form.

-Glaucoma steals vision from the outside in, with gradual damage to the optic nerve that first destroys peripheral vision.

Here, for unknown reasons, people with darker eyes are most at risk, as are blacks and Hispanics, and diabetics.

Lost vision can't be restored but after diagnosis, eye drops or laser therapy almost always preserves remaining sight.

-Diabetic retinopathy is a diabetes complication in which retinal blood vessels break, leak or become blocked, causing spotty vision. It can affect young people who have had diabetes from birth, but most diabetics are middle-aged or older and retinopathy risk increases with age. Lasers can seal off blood vessels about to harm vision, making close monitoring crucial.

EDITOR'S NOTE - Lauran Neergaard covers health and medical issues for The Associated Press in Washington.

National Minority Cancer Awareness Week now

Racial and ethnic minorities, as well as other medically underserved Americans, have not benefited equally from recent improvements in cancer prevention, early detection and treatment, a press release from American Cancer Society says. In fact, according to the press release, these groups bear an unequal burden. cancer which includes higher risks of developing cancer and poorer chances of early diagnosis, optimal treatment and, ultimately, survival.

Economic, social and cultural factors all play a role in creating cancer disparities, the ACS release says. The ACS is taking a variety of steps to help overcome these disparities. The society will bring attention to this issue when it recognizes National Minority Cancer Awareness. Week April 18-24 along with health care providers, community organizations and state and local agencies throughout the country.

"We know that poverty is a critical factor affecting health and longevity in this country," said John Hornaday, chairman of the board of the ACS's Texas Division. "But along with lack of access and ability to pay for care, there are factors related to diminished access to information as well as environmental and lifestyle issues which have prevented ethnic and racial minorities from benefiting equally from recent improvements in cancer incidence and survival rates. We must address every one of these issues to ensure that all Americans receive the same quality of information and care." "The American Cancer Society is fighting to help minority and medically underserved groups overcome barriers to information and support on many fronts," said Elmer Huerta, MD, MPH, founder and director of the Cancer Preventorium, Washington Center Institute, and a member of the society's National Board of Directors. "On the advocacy front, the Society works, both independently and collaboratively with others, to help create, change and influence public policies and legislation that can help reduce cancer disparities, such as a better (See ACS, Page 9)

TDH urges use of repellent to protect against West Nile

AUSTIN - Dust off the repellent that lasts much encephalitis and meningitis," an infected mosquito.

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insect repellent. It's mosquito time in Texas.

And with the mosquitoes West Nile virus once again will be circulating in the state. according to the Texas Department of Health. One of the first lines of defense against getting the illness. health officials say, is using repellent containing DEET.

"DEET is an effective

longer than other repellents,' said Joe Garrett, a veterinarian with zoonosis control at TDH. "It's safe for children if used

according to directions." According to TDH, 77 percent of the people who got the more serious forms of West Nile infection in 2003 did not use repellent.

Anyone can become infected with West Nile virus, but people over 50 are at greatest

lent with DEET. Avoid going out from dusk to dawn when mosquitoes are most active, and drain standing water from

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Garrett said. "Many of the West Nile virus infections fatal cases in Texas occurred in the elderly population." symptoms including fever. While not every mosquito headache, sore throat, body carries the virus, avoiding any aches and fatigue. Symptoms of more severe West Nile mosquito bite is key to preventing West Nile illness. Health officials advise wearing long sleeves and long pants and using insect repel-

infections are headache, high fever, stiff neck, disorientation, tremors, convulsions, counties. muscle weakness, coma and symptoms, contact your health care provider right away.

human cases of West Nile illness than we had in 2002." Garrett said. "The increase was probably not due to any change in the disease itself. but because the disease had finally covered the entire state. There were more people exposed to the virus and therefore, more people infected with it." So far this year. West Nile animal.

virus has been detected in three horses in Fort Bend, La Salle and Montgomery counties and in five birds in Harris County.

In 2003 TDH recorded 434 human cases of West Nile in 86 Texas counties, including 36 deaths. In comparison in 2002, the state listed less than half that many cases - 202 - in 37 counties with 13 deaths.

The 36 deaths last year Web were in residents of Angelina.

Cherokee, Crosby, Dallas (4). usually are mild with flu-like Denton, Ellis, El Paso (3), Hale, Harris (3), Hidalgo (2), Lubbock Floyd, (2), Montgomery, Parmer, Potter, Randall (2), San Patricio, Smith, Taylor, Travis, Wharton and Wichita (2)

West Nile virus has spread paralysis. If you have these steadily westward across the United States since 1999 when New York first reported 62 "In 2003, we had a lot more human cases. Human cases of West Nile illness have now been reported in all states Oregon except and Washington. Crows, jays, sparrows and cardinals are among the birds most likely to carry the West Nile virus. The disease is transmitted when a mosquito bites a bird that is carrying the virus and later bites a human, horse or other

> This year, state health officials are working to improve tracking West Nile virus. One technique is to test birds in the field, a method that provides results in 15 minutes rather than waiting several days for laboratory findings. With this method, communities can respond quicker.

For more information on West Nile virus, visit the TDH site at www.tdh.state.tx.us.

ACS offering 2004 golf pass

Tired of getting mom another bottle of perfume for Mother's Day or dad another shirt or tie he may never wear for Father's Day? If you're looking to make this Mother's or Father's Day special, try "American Cancer the Society Texas Golf Pass' available now for \$35.

The Texas Golf Pass offers over 703 rounds of golf at 274 participating courses throughout the state. It's the perfect gift for parents, grandparents, friends. spouses and golfers of all ages.

All proceeds benefit ACS's programs of research, education, advocacy and patient services. To order a 2004 Texas

Golf Pass, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or go on-line to www.texasgolfpass.com.

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OUTLOOK DIABETIC SHOE FAIR Hosted by: RIGHTWAY MEDICAL & **TENNIS SERVED WITH A SMILE** he weather is getting warmer Thursday, April 22nd and it is time once again for out-Pampa Senior Citizens Center

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door sports. If you have not played tennis all winter, Doctors of Chiropractic warn that it is very mportant to get the body back ir shape with exercise and stretch ng. A thorough warmup will prepare the body and help prevent injuries such as tennis elbow Without the proper exercise, the muscles and tendons will be tigh and stiff. A limited flow of blood to the forearm area can result in a lack of oxygen and nutrients for the muscles.

Tennis elbow, or lateral epicondulitis, is a condition when the outer part of the elbow becomes painful and tender, usually as a result of a strain, overuse, or a direct hit. Normally it comes from overuse of the muscles that pull the hand backwards, extending the wrist's capabilities. All the extensor muscles of the hand attach to the elbow at the outer part of the lateral epicondyle. It they are strained they become inflamed, causing swelling, pain and tenderness to touch

It is wise to have an annual checkup with your chiropractor before starting any sport or strenuous activity. If you have any subluxations or misalignments of the vertebrae, the condition can worsen as you play. The doctor can give you a complete diagnosis and ensure that you are i proper form to win the game.



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UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

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Pampa Community Concert Association's 2003-04 concert series includes the following programs: Lee and Suits Duo -7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 30, M.K. Brown Auditorium; "Guthrie in Dance and Music" - 3 p.m., Jan. 20, M.K. Brown Auditorium; "The Woods Tea Co." - Feb. 15, Heritage Room. M.K. Auditorium; and Cantus - 7:30 p.m., April 26, Borger High School Auditorium. Memberships/tickets are available at the door. For more information on any of these events, contact Ronnie Holmes, PCCA president, at 665-2631

BABY'S COMING SHOP The Moms and Babies Coming Shop in Pampa is looking for volunteers to help man the shop. For more information. call 664-2459.

TDHS VOLUNTEERS Texas Department of Human Services is seeking volunteers for its Texas Works Services Program. Tasks are varied and placement is based upon the volunteer's interest, capability and availability of openings. Hours are flexible. For more information, contact Beth Miller at 665-1863.

CAPROCK CANYONS Caprock Canyons State Park & Trailway will host the following events in April: 8 a.m., April 3, Volunteer Day; 7:30 p.m., April 17, "Butterflies & Moths of Caprock Canyons State Park." For more information on any of these programs, call (806) 455-1492.

RUSH MEETING Amarillo Panhellenic will host a Rush Information Meeting at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 18 in the Social Hall of Polk Street United Methodist Church in Amarillo. All interested high school senior women are encouraged to attend the meeting to receive their Rush pack- several childhood diseases Nebraska City, NE 68410, by ets and deadlines. For more including polio, diphtheria, April 30. For more informainformation call (806) 374- lock jaw (tetanus) whooping tion, check out the founda-

one. The program is free to amount charged will be based open house and a banquet. residents of Pampa and the surrounding area. Hospice officials recommend participants wait three months after the death of a loved one before April 7, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, are welcome. Donations may joining such a group. For more information, call 665-6677 or 1-800-658-6985.

CATTLEWOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS

Brown Several scholarship opportunities are currently available to Cancer Center has announced area high school seniors through Top O' Texas CattleWomen. Awarded will be one \$500 scholarship and two \$250 scholarships. Applications for these scholarships are due April 23 and may be obtained through your high school counselor. All scholarship applications must be returned to Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, TX 79096. For more information, contact Christner at (806) 826-3572.

PAS DANCE

Pampa Area Singles Dance will be from 8-11 p.m. Saturday, April 24 at M.K. Brown Auditorium with Indian Summer. Admission is \$6 per person. No smoking or alcohol allowed. Attendees are encouraged to bring snacks. For more information, call 665-7059.

AHA HEART GALA

The Tri-County Division of American Heart the Association will hold its annual Heart Gala at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, April 24, at Pampa Country Club. The event will include a "Buried Treasure Dig," a live art auction, a silent auction and a casino. Tickets are available for \$20 apiece by calling Veronica Kirkwood at 665-3816.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against Canadian.

CANCER CENTER The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington The Devil's Rope Museum in and musical) and its seventhe following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: April 27, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, Pampa; April 6, Family Care Clinic, Shamrock; April 7 and Hemphill 21. County Hospital, Canadian; and April 30, Parkview Hospital, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast selfexamination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free shade trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout this month. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The 10 trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting in April and May with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Free Shade Trees. Arbor Day National Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave.,

on family income and size. Members of the 17 posts that and the ability to pay. The fol- comprise the area's District 9 lowing clinics will be offered: as well as the state command-9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., er will be invited. Donations Pampa; and from 12:30-4 be sent to Veterans of Foreign p.m., April 12, City Hall, Wars of the U.S., Pampa Post #1657, P.O. Box 2684, Pampa, TX 79066.

> DEVIL'S ROPE MUSEUM McLean will host its annual Barb Wire Show April 1 and 2 in the Western Heritage Room of the museum, located at 100 Kingsley. The show will feature various types of barbed multitude of other items. The m public.

GINDERELLA PAGEANT The North Texas Cinderella Pageant will be staged April open to girls between 0 and 2 years of age and 3 and 26 years of age and boys between 0-6-years of age. For more information, call (806) 684-2389.

COLGATE YOUTH SERVICE CONTEST Local Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts,

Boys and Girls Clubs, Girls Inc., Camp Fire and 4-H organizations are invited to enter their best community service projects in the 2000 "Colgate Youth for America" campaign. Cash grants of up to \$2,000 will be awarded to the most creative and best executed projects from local clubs and troops. Local club and troop community service programs running between March 1, 2003. and March 1, 2004, are eligible for the contest. Entry forms are available through regional offices of the national organizations or by sending a SASE to: Colgate Youth for America Campaign, P.O. Box 1058, FDR Station. New York, NY 10150-1058.

Deadline for entry into this year's program is April 30, 2004. Forms are also available on-line at www.youthforamerica.com.

THEATRE SCHOOL

Circle in the Square Theatre School in New York will hold auditions on May 1 in Dallas as part of its Professional Two Year Workshops (both acting. week Summer Workshops Library of Photography, Suite (acting and musical). For more 101-2619, 3600 Crondall information, call (212) 307-0388; write: Admissions; Circle in the Square Theatre School, 1633 Broadway, New wire and fencing tools plus a York, NY 10019-6795; or ea event is free and open to the circleinthesquare@att.net. For , a downloadable application.

visit www.circlesquare.org on the World Wide Web. WINE&CLAY FESTIVAL 18 at Childress. The pageant is Llano Estacado's Seventh Annual Wine & Clay Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13 at Llano Estacado Winery, 3.2 miles east of US87 on FM 1585. Demonstrations are planned throughout the day. Admission is free. Hours are

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, and 12 noon-5 p.m., Sunday.

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USS SPERRY

The USS Sperry Association is seeking former shipmates who served between 1942-82 for a reunion celebration. For more information, call (517) 784-7810; write George Gallas, secretary, USS SPER-RY (AS-12) Association: Jackson, MI 49203-1521; or e-mail georgecarole@modempoolcom.



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GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP Starting April 20, BSA Hospice will offer a grief education and support group from Flu vaccines may also be 7 to 8:30 p.m. every Tuesday offered at designated clinics. for six consecutive weeks at The TDH will charge money 800 N. Sumner for individuals to help with the cost of keepsuffering the death of a loved ing the clinic open. The Freedom Museum USA, an

rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella).

cough (pertussis), measles, tion's web site at www.arborday.org on the Internet.

VFW ANNIVERSARY Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657 will celebrate the 75th anniversary of the local post on April 3. The celebration will include a parade, tours of

Free international adoption seminar set May 1

AMARILLO - Little Miracles International, a non-profit organization located available for adoption. in Amarillo, will hold a free seminar for prospective parents interested in learning more about international adoption. The seminar is scheduled from 1-4 p.m., Saturday, May 1, at MORE Church, 1619 S. Kentucky in Wellington Square.

The seminar will address the following topics: -The requirements and procedures of adopting a child internationally;

-Paperwork, costs and types of children

Participants will also view a special video presentation on an adoptive family. To sign-up for the seminar or for more information, call (806) 351-1100 or go on-line to www.littlemiracles.org.

Little Miracles specializes in placing children from 10 countries with adoptive parents. The 10 countries include China, Russia, Guatemala, Kazakhstan, Bulgaria and Ukraine.

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insurance coverage of cancer through screening and treatment. In addition, for several years we have focused research efforts the appearance-related side on cancer in the poor and effects of treatment that underserved, and we have includes cosmetic offerings reached out to racial and ethnic groups with culturally sensitive programs and serv-

ices. The ACS in Texas offers the a special "survivor's" network in three languages; provides content in Spanish and English with some material in Asian languages on the ACS's web site www.cancer.org; has reached more than 200 staff and volunteers through its Diversity Development and Education Programs: partners with a variety of faith-based and community organizations; has awarded over 20 percent of current research funds to projects involving poor and underserved populations; has joined with Univision.com to be the major sponsor of cancer information in Spanish

the "Enterate": offers a program that helps women cope with for African-Americans and is available in Spanish; and

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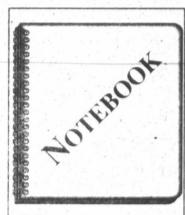


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SPORTS



BASEBALL

PAMPA — Pampa High School Baseball Boosters plan a work day at Harvester baseball field at 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Everyone is encouraged to come help.

PAMPA — There will be an Optimist Work Party for all baseball and softball leagues on April 24.

Starting time is 9 a.m. both days

All coaches and volunteers are welcomed to attend

For more information, call Ronnie Haynes at 665-6859

BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- Nobody seems to know

how the Los Angeles Lakers are going to perform in the playoffs.

That includes the Lakers themselves.

And that's no surprise considering the way they played during the regular season

"That wasn't a pretty 82 games for a lot of reasons. We've proven we can crack." forward Rick Fox said Friday at the team's practice facility in suburban El Segundo.

"I think we're all excited, because we don't know what to expect - we don't know how good we can be." teammate Derek Fisher said.

PHS swim program honors its seniors

PAMPA -- Pampa High swimmers said farewell to. their graduating teammates at the annual senior banquet held last week at the Pampa Country Club.

Seniors Jessica Hall, Alan Arzola, Michael Martinez and Joe Johnson were honored for being part of the swim program since middle school.

They are the heartbeat of our team," said coach Greg Miller, "They have been examples to all the young swimmers with their hard work, good study habits, and loyalty to teammates and friendship to all. The seniors will be missed in the years to come, but because of the outstanding example they set, the team will remain strong and stay a power in 4A swimming and diving in West Texas and soon in the state."

Awards presented went to:

Alan Arzola, Harvester Team Spirit: Kandice Maddox, Harvester Team Spirit; Kirby Broaddus, Most Improved Female Swimmer: Russell Anglin, Most Improved Male Swimmer: Whitney Penrod, Most Valuable Female Swimmer Diver: Joe Johnson, Most Valuable Male Swimmer.

Special guests at the banquet were School Board President Joe Martinez. Superintendent of Schools Barry Haenisch. High School Principal Evan Smith, plus parents and guests of the swimmers.

Coach Miller extended a special thanks to Mrs. Charlie Martinez, Mrs. Jim Sealy and Mrs. Waller for organizing the

banquet.

Seniors (left to right) Joe Johnson Michael Martinez, Jessica Hall and Alan Arzola with head coach Greg Miller at the Pampa High Swim Banquet.

AntoineWalker accepts new roles for Mavericks DALLAS (AP) - When seasons in Boston, and they're Pierce were their only offen- successful," Finley said. said. "I started to see we could

Dallas midway through training camp, it was only the start of a season filled with changes.

the first or second option on offense. It took half the season for him to accept being the third, fourth or sometimes fifth option on the Mavericks.

Coach Don Nelson struggled to find the best place to play Walker, shifting him from power forward to small forward, sometimes turning him into a point forward running the offense while starting point guard Steve Nash rested. The latest switch was to

slumping Sacramento. Game 1 is Sunday.

"If we weren't winning. He knew the minute he left that would make it a lot hard-Boston that he'd no longer be er, but we're winning at a very high level," said Walker, who also has dropped the celebratory shoulder shimmy that was his trademark while with the Celtics.

> season. This is what all the trades and everything has been made for, to see what can happen in the playoffs. I want to make the most of this opportunity.'

Antoine Walker was traded to on a roll going into a first-sive threats. Incoming boss round playoff series with Danny Ainge considered him a me-first, out-of-control player and dealt him to Dallas with Tony Delk, basically for Raef LaFrentz and a firstround pick.

The Mays already had Dirk Nowitzki, Michael Finley and Nash as the focal points of their offense. They'd also recently traded for Antawn "Now we're into a new Jamison. Making it more confusing, Nowitzki, Jamison and Walker all played the same position — and the same style.

Nowitzki is the team's unquestioned star, so his role Walker averaged 14 points, wasn't going to change. American Red Cross will ber of flights will be based 8.3 rebounds and 4.5 assists Jamison willingly agreed to hold its annual golf scram- on entries. per game this season, far come off the bench and below the totals he had in wound up becoming a leading candidate for the Sixth Man time All-Star. But it's worth award. As for Walker, well, noting he also played seven that's where all the uncertainty came from. "In Boston, he had to shoot the court, with the ball in his and make plays on a consishands, because he and Paul tent basis or they wouldn't be

score from a lot of positions." "Here, he has enough guys The biggest change in around him that that responsi-Walker's game is how he bility isn't put on him every tamed himself behind the 3time down the court. He's a professional. He figured that point line. After leading the league in

out himself." It took almost half the season. The turning point was the 37th and 38th games, when he had consecutive triple-doubles and the Mays began a nine-game winning streak, their longest of the season.

"That's when I realized just how deep we were," Walker epiphany.

Red Cross scramble is May 1

son to 3.7.

County Chapter of the mum team total. The numble May 1 at Hidden Hills. It will be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

PAMPA - The Gray will be allowed, 45 mini-

3-point attempts each of the

last three seasons, Walker did-

n't even lead the team this

season. His per-game average

plummeted from 7.5 last sea-

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The Lakers, who open the

playoffs Saturday night against the Houston Rockets. are battle-tested, having won three straight championships before being eliminated by eventual champion San Antonio in the second round last May.

center, making him the 6-foot-9 post man in a new small-ball lineup.

Walker and Nelson squabbled over playing time along the way, but everything is fine now. Very fine. The Mays won 52 games, more than Walker ever won during seven

Pampa Harvester

Sports Schedule

BASEBALL

TUESDAY • APRIL 20

Pampa vs. Palo Duro • 4:00 pm at Pampa

SATURDAY • APRIL 24

Pampa vs. Dumas • 1:00 pm at Dumas

SOFTBALL

SATURDAY • APRIL 24

Pampa vs. Caprock • 2:30 pm at Pampa

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a lightning rod. Boos, taunts, singsong chants, Yankees' side. echoing around every crooked corner of the old ballyard. And that was just fine by Alex Rodriguez. "Anytime you have this much

interest, it tells you the game is at its pinnacle." he said early Friday night.

BOSTON (AP) — From the the Boston Red Sox stepped In the sixth inning, he reached on moment he stepped on the field smack into baseball's biggest at Fenway Park, A-Rod became rivalry for the first time, joining Derek Jeter on the New York

> A husky man standing in a third-base box made him feel welcome during batting practice. "Hey, A-Rod! What's it like

to be Jeter's backup?" the guy shouted.

The Fenway faithful had a field day as Rodriguez went hit-The All-Star who nearly less and made a baserunning wound up playing shortstop for blunder in the Yankees' 6-2 loss.

an error by shortstop Pokey Reese that was originally scored a hit, but was thrown out trying to steal third.

Rodriguez said after the game. "It was very intense out there."

Fans spent all winter revving up following a flurry of major offseason moves by both teams, sniping over the Rodriguez trade and a bit of name-calling between owners George Steinbrenner and John Henry.

"It's the Evil Empire from the Bronx, right?" said Eric Wellmann, one of the Red Sox rooters perched in the seats atop the Green Monster. "I think it's all goodhearted. It's more meanspirited down at Yankee Stadium, I think.

Yawkey Way was packed several hours before the start of baseball's most-hyped April series in recent memory, the scent of grilled sausages wafting outside the third-base grandstand.

each had a double for the

Tyler Doughty, Hickman

Raymond Fluentes hit a

Pampa is 4-4 in district and

11-10 for the season. Caprock

is 1-6 in district and 4-15 for

and Martin pitched for Pampa

with Hickman receiving credit

home run for the Longhorns.

Harvesters win, 30-21

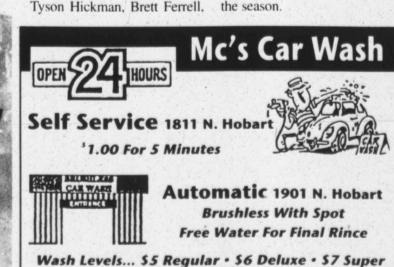
Harvesters.

for the win.

AMARILLO - It was a Jed Martin and Nick Story football-like score of 30-21, but Pampa came away victorious over Caprock in District 3-4A baseball action Thursday.

The Harvesters compiled 22 hits, one more than Caprock. Pampa's Derek Lewis had a big day with two home runs. and five runs batted in. Dusty Lenderman chipped in a pair of doubles.

Seth Foster, Shea Brown, Tyson Hickman, Brett Ferrell,



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A-Rod, Yankees renew baseball's best rivalry at Fenway Park

"It was a bit of a letdown,"

Pampa Takedown Club wrestlers crowned state champs

should have the opportunity to

showcase their talents. This year is

proof positive that our kids will

State Tournament

Pampa results

Novice State Finals

(1st & 2nd year wrestlers)

Champion: Krysten Miller.

Rookie State Finals

(1st year wrestlers)

Runner-up: Carleton Patton.

Fifth place: Brantley Swires.

State Finals

(All wrestlers)

Runner-up: Carleton Patton,

Champion: Zachary

Champion: Steven

Division 2, 115 pounds.

Division 3, 95 pounds.

Division 1, 60 pounds.

Champion: Jason

Division 3, 110 pounds.

Division 1, 38 pounds.

Division 1, 50 pounds.

make the most of that opportunity."

AUSTIN - Four wrestlers in the Pampa Takedown Club were crowned champions at the State Wrestling Tournament last month.

Krysten Miller, Jason Martinez, Zachary Bradley and Steven Botello won championships in their respective division.

"The kids did a fantastic job this year. They have spent hundreds of hours practicing and competing to be ready for the state competitions," said coach Rick Urguhart.

Coaches Carlos Regaldo and Mike Bradley stated that all the wrestlers wrestled like champions, Urquhart added.

"We are very proud of the way the wrestlers went into the tournament. We worked out extremely tough at the end of the season to prepare for the state finals, and it paid off big for the wrestlers. Our feeder program is starting to show up in the school programs. What we as coaches try to do is give the kids a solid foundation to build on so coach (Josh) Cadenhead (high school coach) can fine-tune their skills in the middle school and high school programs."

Urquhart said the wrestlers are

improving every year.

"Zachery Bradley is a three-time state champion, Steven Botello won his first state title, Krysten Miller took second in rookie state last year, won the novice state title this year and took second in the open state championship. Carleton Patton took second in the rookie and the open tournaments, Jason Martinez pulled third in the rookie tournament and sixth in the open, Zack Burnett placed in his first state tournament taking sixth," Urquhart said.

Pampa's business people through their donations have made it possible for these wrestlers to see their dreams come true, he pointed out.

"Without their help, none of this would be possible. Wrestling affords kids of all sizes to go out and prove their skills. Many of these athletes would not be able to compete in other sports due to their size, but wrestling affords an athlete of smaller stature to compete on an equal playing field," Urquhart said. "It s for this reason alone that these coaches dedicate their time and efforts into these kids.

We believe that all the kids Division 1, 38 pounds.

UConn calls news conference; Okafor expected to enter draft

STORRS, Conn. (AP) -Connecticut called a news conference for Friday amid speculation junior Emeka Okafor is set to enter the NBA draft.

led the Huskies to the NCAA ahead of schedule. title is expected to announce at Gampel Pavilion he'll skip his final year of eligibility.

Okafor will graduate with a The All-American center who degree in finance in May, a year

He was present Wednesday when junior guard Ben Gordon announced that he was making himself available for the draft. Okafor, a potential No. 1 pick.

hasn't confirmed his plans.

Bradley,

Martinez,

"I'm still researching it, wrestling with my decision and going through all kinds of internal turmoil right now." Okafor was quoted as saying.

Gordon wins nother pole

MARTINSVILLE, Va. P) — Jeff Gordon insists fidence from past sucat Martinsville edway is his only advane on the trickiest track in k car racing.

There's no secret formula strategy. Only results.

'It's nice when you come a track like Martinsville you've got confidence our driving and the team confidence in setting up

Runner-up: Krysten Miller, Division 3, 110 pounds.

Sixth place: Zack Division 2, 93 pounds.

Sixth place: Jason Martinez, Division 4, 80 pounds.

shuts out Mariners ark

early lead, Chan Ho Park rewarded the Texas Rangers with one of his best outings.

Park pitched seven scoreless innings, and Hank Blalock and Laynce Nix got the Rangers' offense off to a quick start in Texas' 5-0 win over the manager Bob Melvin said. "There's Seattle Mariners Friday night.

"The early scores helped me a lot." Park said. "I was able to relax and make good pitches

Blalock hit a solo homer in the first and an RBI double in the second, when the Rangers roughed up Mariners starter Gil Meche for four runs. Nix's two-run homer in the second was a 417-foot shot to center.

"We jumped on Meche early with Botello, five runs," Blalock said. "That will make it easy on any pitcher. We didn't score any more after that, but Chan Ho pitched a great game. A shutout is ball.

SEATTLE (AP) - Backed by an about as much as we can ask of a pitcher. It was a really nice win."

> The Mariners fell to 2-8, matching the 1990 team for worst start in franchise history. Seattle has dropped all four games at Safeco Field this season.

"I'm real frustrated," Mariners not one guy in that clubhouse who's not frustrated with what is going on. It's getting old. It's been old."

Park (1-2) allowed eight hits over seven innings. He struck out five and walked John Olerud three times. Seattle left 10 runners on base against Park.

Park was at his best in the fifth after putting runners on first and second and falling behind in the count to Raul Ibanez 3-0. After Ibanez hit a long foul

ball to bring the count full, Park struck him out with wicked two-seam fast-Adi's Angel Danielle Zelaya, playing for Adi's Angels approaches the ball during Under 6 action in the Pampa Soccer Association.

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Seventh place: Brantley Swires,

Seventh place: Cody Schiffman,

Curtis takes lead at MCI Heritage

HILTON HEAD ISLAND. S.C. (AP) - British Open champion Ben Curtis shot a season-best 5-under-par 66 to take a onestroke lead over Heath Slocum after two rounds of the MCI Heritage.

Curtis finished 36 holes at 8under 134. He was in front for only the second time since winning last July at Royal St. George's

Slocum had a 67 to stand second for the second day in a row.

Ted Punty also had a 67 and was two strokes off the lead. Darren Clarke (66), Patrick Sheehan (66). John Huston (N), notice Kevin Na (68) and Jay Haas (69) are three strokes behind



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car." Gordon said Friday er winning his third ight pole at the track.

It just makes the chemy click that much better."

Gordon will not only t first today in the vance Auto Parts 500. irtesy of a lap at 93.502 h, but he'll be seeking third consecutive victory the track and sixth over-

While starting out with a t setup as a baseline. rdon's team used two irs of practice to fine e his Chevrolet.

We came with our basic up that we sat on the pole e the last time with and had to make some istments," Gordon said. e tweaked on it and at the of practice. I felt like hit on some things."

Texas Tech defeats Kansas, 8-3

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) Friday.

Texas Tech (22-12, 4-5 - Josh Haney and Jose Big 12) led from the outset Delgado each hit a home run after an RBI-single by Josh to lead Texas Tech to an 8-3 Brady and a two-run homer win over Kansas State on by Haney in the first inning.





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12 - SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2004 - THE PAMPA NEWS Alamo' filmmakers too timid, film falls short of promise



I wanted "The Alamo" to be brilliant because it was acquaintances that were in it. defending the Alamo. This and most importantly. I'm a moves Gen. Sam Houston to Texan. It's not brilliant. For the most part it is mediocre. but there are a couple great performances and a few inspired moments.

big heroes, and we all know. filmmakers didn't take any what happens, or at least risks. They did enough to



ANITA

bravely lead his men into battle and win independence from Mexico.

One of the major things I expected from this film was 'Alamo" focuses on four some riveting action, but the

vaguely remember what we show that a battle is taking learned in seventh grade place. The soldiers go Texas history class. Santa through the motions, but

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pense. The audience should be sitting on the edge of their seats, but instead is very detached.

As far as acting goes, a couple of the major actors hit it dead on and a couple went way overboard. Dennis Quaid as Gen. Sam Houston is one whose performance goes awry. Houston is a bit of a drinker, so Quaid unfortunately does a whisky voice that takes on a life of its own. It and his flippy hair distract from the rest of his performance.

Jason Patric, who plays Jim Bowie, gives the worst performance I've seen since. well, his role in "Speed 2: Cruise Control." He actually leans partly off his sick bed in a fetal position. It's like he really wants to make the audience cry, but he's trying way too hard.

There are two great performances in "Alamo" though - Billy Bob Thornton as Davy Crockett and Patrick Wilson as William Travis. Thornton lucked out by getting to be a character that was very well written. Crockett has flaws and insecurities.

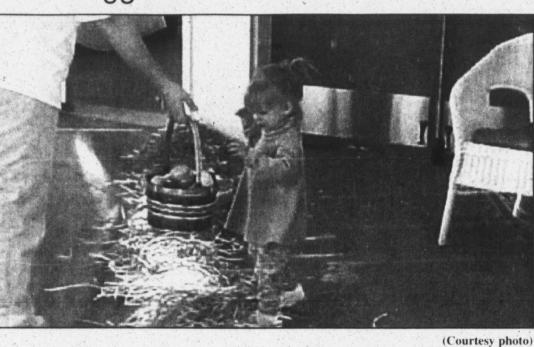
well. Wilson, as a relative newcomer, is the surprise hit of the movie. He plays Travis with doubts and naiveté, but is still strong and capable.

The best scenes unsurprisingly come from these two characters. Col. Travis gains respect from his men and Crockett stirs up the monotony of waiting for battle. They

Easter egg hunt

there is no emotion or sus- and he captures that very are great cinematic moments where you really feel something.

> A lot of effort was put and raised in Pampa. into "The Alamo," but the struggle of getting the movie made is apparent onscreen. It has a lack of vision and focus. As a Texan. I was entertained. As journalism major in her third a film geek. I left the theater year at the University of wanting something more.



Skye Gandy participated in an Easter egg hunt at Calvary Baptist Church recently.

Cable One increases Internet speed, three times faster

CableOne.net, a local high Harris, general manager. to recent improvements.

by 300 percent," said Terry response times.

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users can take advantage of significant savings on both Digital Television and High-Speed.

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Anita Hacker was born

graduated from Pampa

School in 2001 and is a read

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Scholarship. She's now a

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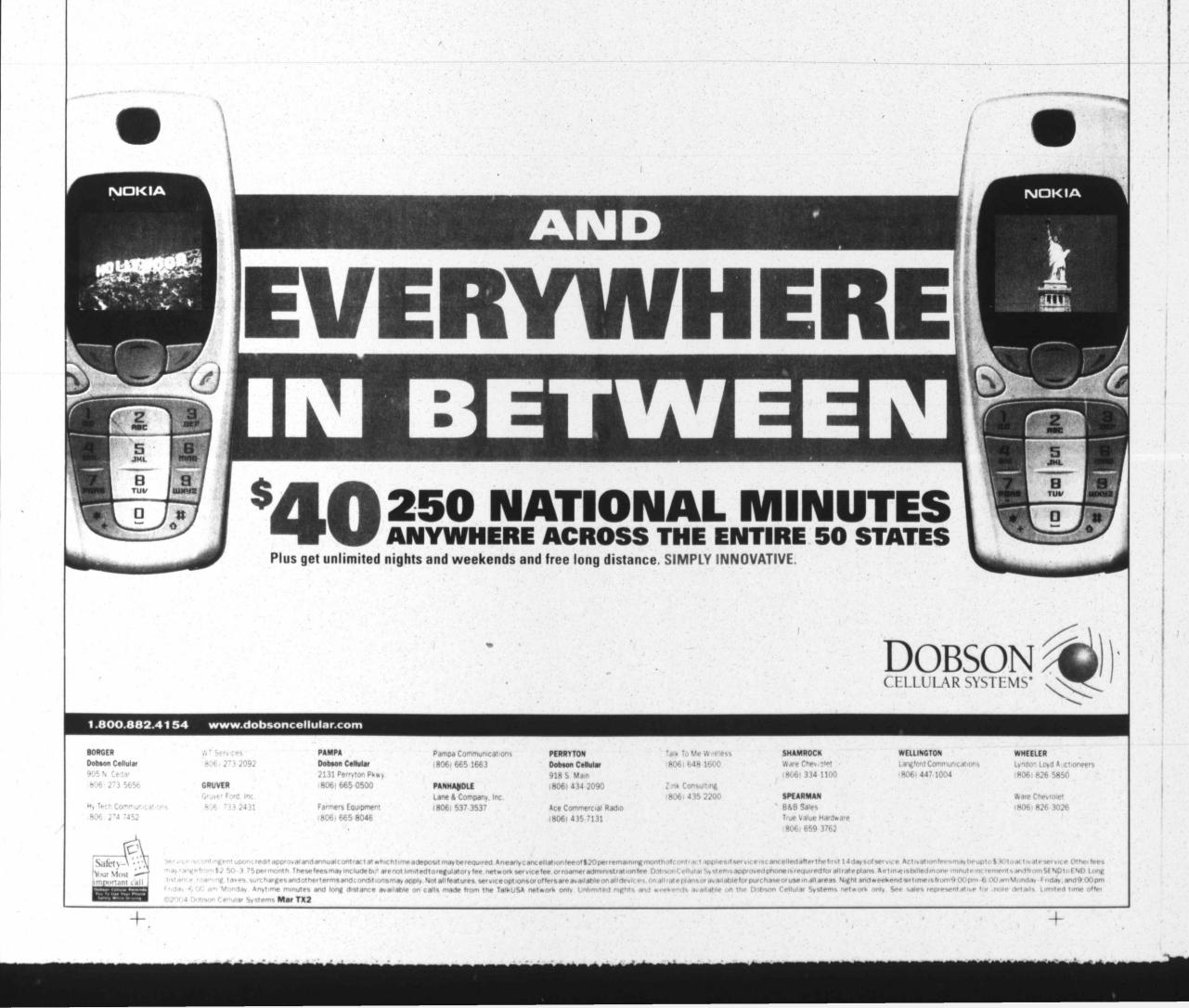
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Harris said. "And with our Company, operates 52 call



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NEWSMAKERS

by staff members were in the "previously published" competition, and one award was. earned during onsite compe-Jeff Davis, a junior sociology major from Pampa, won Corps School, Great Lakes.

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WEEK OF APRIL 19-23

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awards at the

Intercollegiate

standings.

Prairie," West Texas A&M

University's student newspa-

per, recently garnered 13

Association convention in

Austin and placed sixth over-

all in Division 3 sweepstakes

peas, potatoes, apples

Breakfast: Donut holes.

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

corn, salad, pears.

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bar, milk.

fruit, milk.

Breakfast: Egg patties, biscuits.

salad, fruit, cornbread muffins.

Breakfast: French toast sticks.

toes, English peas, peaches, rolls.

cheese, peaches, salad bar, milk.

rolls, salad bar, fruit, milk.

lettuce/tomatoes, pineapple, gelatin dessert.

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Pampa Schools

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

Lunch: Cheeseburgers or pizza, French fries,

THURSDAY

Lunch: Steak fingers or beef/cheese nachos, whipped pota-

FRIDAY

Lunch: Mini burritos/cheese sauce or hot dogs/chili.

Lefors Schools

MONDAY

Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, cold cereal, toast, juice,

Lunch: Baked potatoes, burritos, chili, broccoli,

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Cinnamon pastry, cold cereal, toast, juice.

Lunch: Pizza, cheese sticks, corn, salad, oranges, salad

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, cold cereal, toast, juice,

Lunch. Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, green beans,

THURSDAY

Lunch: Ravioli, corndogs, blackeyed peas, spinach, salad bar.

Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY

Lunch: Pizza dippers or macaroni/cheese, English

Breakfast: Blueberry pancakes, sausage-on-a-stick.

Texas tition at the convention:

second in picture story.

GREAT LAKES, III. wide range of medical proce-Twelve of the awards won Navy Hospitalman Recruit dures used to provide first aid

William J. Vise, son of and to assist Navy doctors skills and knowledge will Dr. Duane J. Rosa, Alpha Chi Lynda B. DeFever of Pampa and nurses. Recruits also and William K. Vise of received an introductory Wheeler, recently graduated instruction for service in a and Marine Corps personnel WTAMU. from Basic Hospital Corps variety of medical environ-School at Naval Hospital ments, from fleet hospitals and shipboard medical During the 14-week departments to fleet Marine course, the recruit learned a forces and medical administration offices.

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Vise can work in several

pharmacy and laboratory

analysis, patient transportation and food service inspec-

the Navy in August 2003.

A&M University's Chapter

of Alpha Chi National Honor

is by invitation only and is

limited to juniors and seniors

with an overall grade point

average of 3.5 or higher who

rank in the top 10 percent of

Graduates' newly acquired

faculty sponsor and director enable them to help provide quality health care to Navy of planning and analysis at

The following students Vise's first assignment will were among the recent involve direct patient care: inductees: Alicia Ingram, however, with is training, Ashlei Jordan, Ashley Kiper, Valerie Molone, areas including first aid and Randa Morris and Molly assisting with minor surgery. Williams, all of Pampa; and Lindsey Been of White Deer.

> WAXAHACHIE Chancey Aaron

Vise, a 2003 graduate of Williamson, a 2000 graduate Pampa High School, joined of Pampa High School, is scheduled to graduate from Southwestern Assemblies of CANYON - West Texas God University on April 30.

Williamson received his credentials for ministry in Society recently inducted 114 May 2003 from West Texas District Council of Membership in Alpha Chi Assemblies of God.

> He is currently children's youth pastor at New Life Fellowship Assembly of God Church in Denton.

Williamson is the son of L.D. and Carol Vincent of The purpose of Alpha Chi Fritch, is the grandson of is to recognize students who Mildred Pierce and is the have maintained a high level brother of Sheryl Garth and of scholarship, according to Brian Snapp, all of Pampa.

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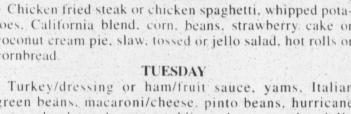
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potatoes, fried okra, squash casserole, beans, pineapple cake or chocolate pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY.

Chicken strips or barbecue beef/onion rings, potato salad, spinach, beets, baked beans, milk chocolate cake or pineapple squares, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or Swiss steak, potato wedges, brussels sprouts, beans, carrot cake or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.

Pork roast, broccoli, pears, cornbread salad.

Chicken spaghetti, pickled beets, peas, apricots.

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WEDNESDAY

Sausage/cabbage, blackeyed peas, fried potatoes, blueberries

THURSDAY

Oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, jello. FRIDAY

Soft tacos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, salad, peaches,

rots, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Corn chip pie or chicken nuggets, pinto beans, toes, California blend, corn, beans, strawberry cake or coconut cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY Breakfast: Pop Tarts, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Hot pockets, chicken nuggets, French fries, car-

Senior Citizens

MONDAY

Turkey/dressing or ham/fruit sauce, yams, Italian green beans, macaroni/cheese, pinto beans, hurricane oatmeal cake or banana pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, whipped

TUESDAY

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

The Power of a Volunteer **Celebrating National Volunteer Week April 18th-24th** A special "Thank You" to all of the volunteers who donate their time at Pampa Regional Medical Center 11,203 Hours Donated This Past Year

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LIFESTYLES

ANNIVERSARIES

Frels anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Frels recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a cruise to Hawaii.

Mark Frels and Rhonda Koog were married April 14, 1979, at First Baptist Church in Bishop. They have been Pampa residents since June 1979.

Mr. Frels is plant infrastructure section leader at Celanese.

Mrs. Frels is a second grade -teacher at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School.

Children of the couple are Brian, Michael and Kevin Frels:



Mr. and Mrs. Frels

ENGAGEMENTS

White-Van Houten

Jessikah White and Chris Van Houten plan to wed May 15 at Central Baptist Church in Pampa.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of William and Darla White of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School and is currently employed at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

The prospective groom is the son of Don and Cheri Van Houten. He also graduated from PHS and is currently employed with Titan.



Jessikah White and Chris Van Houten

Rice-Roschetzky

Heather Dawn Rice and

strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limiweek for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holiand Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

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LIFESTYLES POLICY

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a selfaddressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa

CLUB NEWS

Club news is published Extension Education Club met April 8 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center for a lunchtations. The deadline each eon. Helene Baumgardner afternoon program. served as hostess.

days such as Thanksgiving ducted and announcements present at the luncheon. made:

> -Upcoming were discussed including a plant sale April 29 through May 1. Dream candles will also be sold. Achievement Day and Spring Fling dates will be announced at a later Preceptor Theta lota time

Gawthrop and Ruth Barrett served as voting delegates to

the District meeting in Canyon recently.

-Joan Gray delivered the

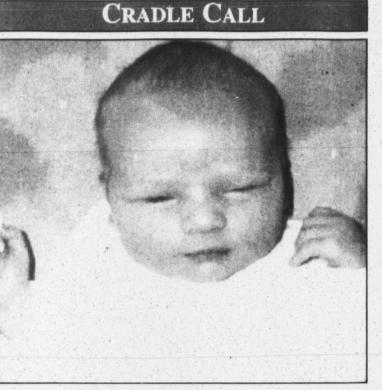
-Vegetable brushes and During the luncheon, the refrigerator thermometers following business was con- were distributed to the 12

-A large gift basket was activities arranged for the silent auction at the district meeting.

> -Hostess gifts were won by Leny Howard and Betty Buckingham.

Preceptor Theta Iota -June Rowan, Madeline Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met April 12 in the parlor of

(See CLUB, Page 17)



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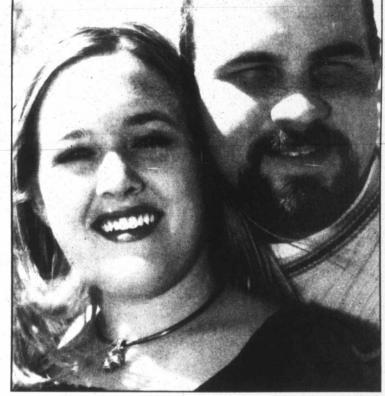
Ethan Edward Via was grandparents, Rick and born at 8:55 p.m. March 23 at Debbie Bullard of Pampa, BSA Hospital in Amarillo, to Gary and Marcia Coberley of Darin and Brandie Via of Amarillo and Ronnie and Canyon.

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Sheila Via of Tulia; and his At birth, the infant great-grandparents, Melva weighed 7-pounds, 14 1/2- Downs and Doris Coberley of ounces and was 21 1/4-inches Pampa and the late Jesse Downs and the late Lelan

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Heather D. Rice and Gary W. Roschetzky

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Gary Wayne Roschetzky plan to wed July 17 at San Jacinto United Methodist Church in Amarillo.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Dwight and Debora Rice of Abilene and is the granddaughter of Ray and Loveta Pope of Pampa, Joyce and Raymond Bryant of Miami and the late Clifford Rice.

Heather graduated from Miami High School in 2000 and is currently enrolled in the dental hygiene program at, Amarillo College where she is scheduled to graduate in the spring of 2005.

The prospective groom is the son of Carl and Carolyn Roschetzky of Amarillo and is the grandson of Gemma Giles of Amarillo. Gary grew up in Odem and graduated from Calallen High School in 1996. He is currently pursuing a degree in agricultural education at West Texas A&M University and plans to graduate this May.

April 1st - April 30th, 2004

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News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.

Anniversary 6. announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date. 7. Birth announce-

ments will only be published for 0- to 3month-olds. (See form for more details.) 8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru

Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

9. Two anniversary pictures may be placed for a \$25 charge or four extra lines may be added to announcements for \$25 (\$50 for both).

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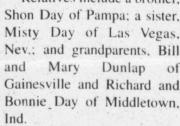
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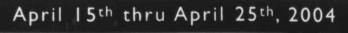
Mathew Day

Mathew Ryne Day was born at 7:46 p.m. March 4 at Pampa Regional Medical Misty Day of Las Vegas, Center, to Mike and Becky Day of Pampa.

8-pounds, 1.8-ounces and was Bonnie Day of Middletown, 20 1/4-inches long.

Relatives include a brother, Shon Day of Pampa; a sister, Nev.; and grandparents, Bill and Mary Dunlap of At birth, the infant weighed Gainesville and Richard and



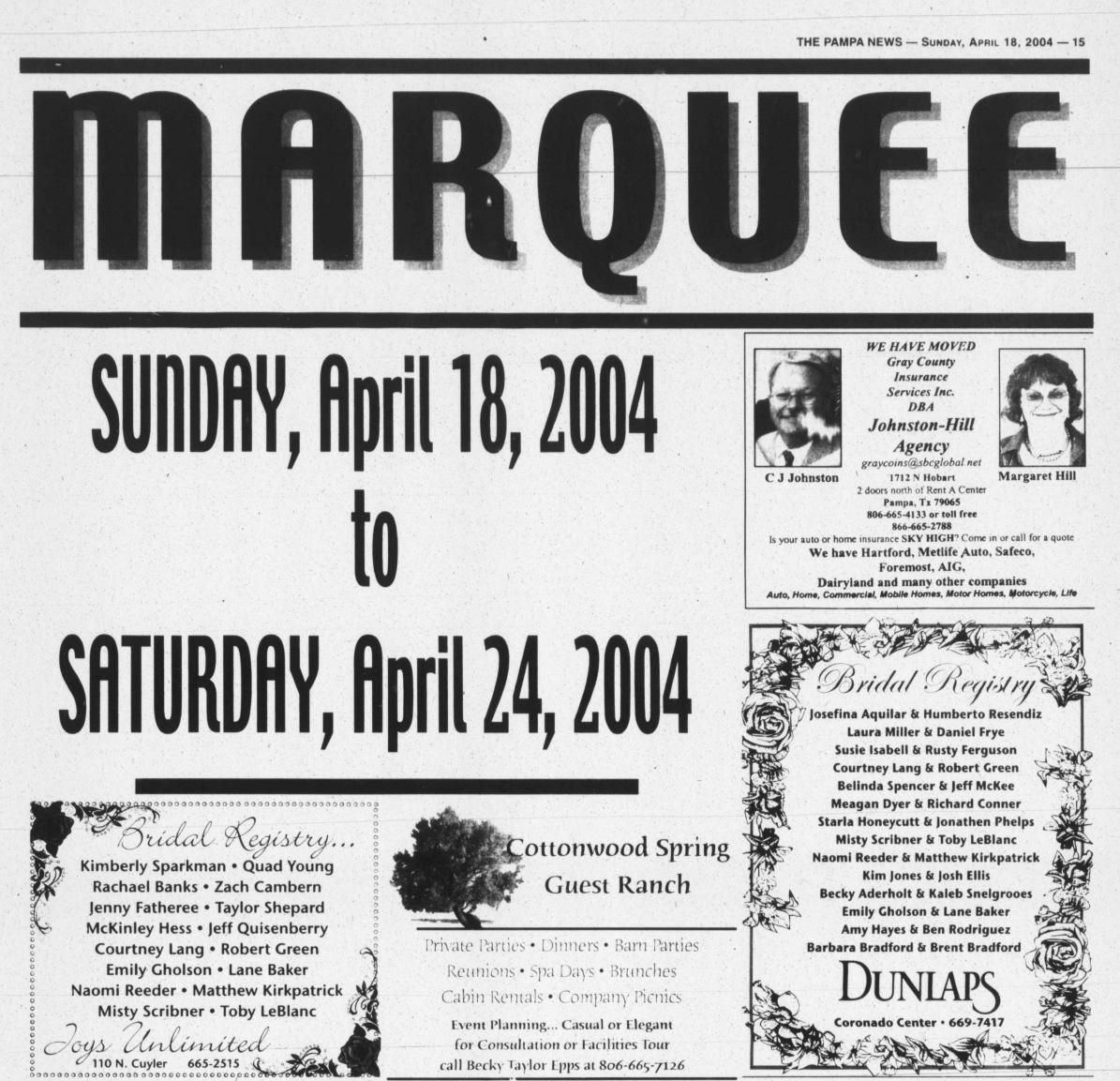


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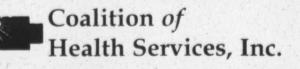
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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Woman is Drowning in Sorrow After Traumatic Swimming Party

DEAR ABBY: I am so mad! My huswith their parents, and his grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins,

ran smack into a burglar. He tied me up me to have one of our own. However, he with cords from the window blinds, then he used one of my husband's ties to gag me and left me squirming on the floor. I was bound so tightly l'couldn't work my way out of the room.

I figured someone would come looking for me. I am an extrovert, and I was sure my absence would not go unnoticed. I wriggled around for what seemed like an eternity before anyone came looking for me. In reality, it was 45 minutes of misery. before my husband walked in, trailed by our children.

My family and our guests had not noticed I was missing for all of that time! Abby, I was crushed. They have tried to explain it away, but I am mortified. I can't seem to get over this. My family thinks I am making too much of it, but I find myself breaking down in tears all the time. What do you think I should do to get over this and get my life back on track? -- AEL TIED UP IN PALM SPRINGS

DEAR TIED UP: You have my sympathy, and there is a name for what you are experiencing: It is post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). It often occurs in people who have survived a disaster, such as an earthquake, flood, car accident or being a victim of a crime. The feelings of anger you are aiming at your family and friends should appropriately be aimed at the burglar who invaded your home, hog-tied you and violated your sense of security.

Before any more time elapses, I urge you to ask your doctor to refer you to a psychotherapist who specializes in PTSD. Please don't wait to make the call, because it's the quickest way to Phillips. Write Dear Abby at resolve your anger and feel better.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Danny,

(and acts like she's his, too). If Danny band doesn't understand my feelings and doesn't see her often enough, he says he's told me to write and ask for your opinion. in "withdrawal." She doesn't live near us, We threw a swimming party for our . so it's expensive getting her here. Danny is son's fifth birthday. We invited a few of his out of work at the present time, and doesclosest friends from kindergarten, along in't consider the fact that I'm the one earning the money

I have an older child from another rela-I went inside to change my clothes and tionship, and I would love for Danny and says we can't afford another child. It hurts me that he wants his cousin's child, but not mine

> Danny accuses me of being jealous. Am I overreacting? -- RESENTFUL IN ILLI-NOIS

> **DEAR RESENTFUL: Money may be** tight now, but you and Danny could benefit from marriage counseling. Your questions are valid, but the person providing the answers should be your husband -- in the presence of a referee. His attachment to his niece does seem excessive. (Could the child really BE his daughter?) *****

DEAR ABBY: My live-in boyfriend of 12 years won't let me visit my never-married girlfriends on the East Coast. He says they're man-haters, which has some validity. But these are long-time friends who share intellectual interests he and I do not. How can I manage his feelings and have my ireedom, too? -- MANAGING HIS FEELINGS

DEAR MANAGING: You're asking the wrong question. His feelings are his feelings. His insecurities are his insecurities. You can't fix him; only he can do that.

He is only your live-in -- not your husband and not your warden. The question you should be asking yourself is why you are allowing him to dictate who you can and cannot visit.

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

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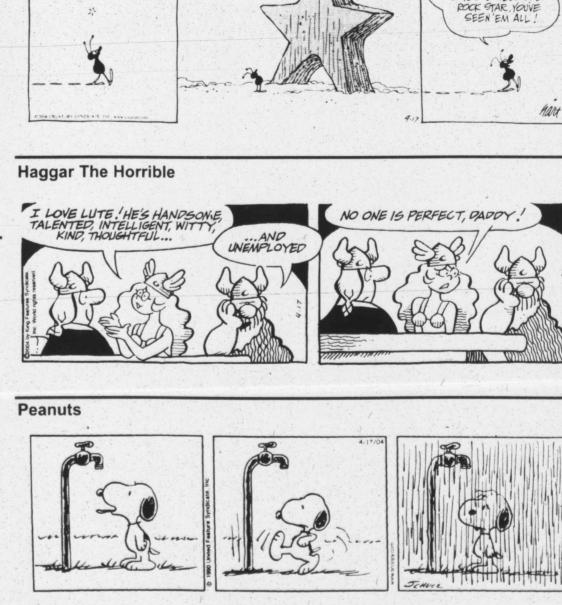
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Lack of jobs reflects companies doing more with

Rust Belt machinists. Over the high gear. past three years, their jobs --installment in "Help Wanted," lack of new employment. an ongoing series by The how people are struggling to by changes at companies such return to work when many as ITW, is more complicated. both workers and employers, jobs simply aren't coming back.

BY ADAM GELLER AP BUSINESS WRITER

— Shouting over the whine of people. pneumatic screwdrivers. ing to thaw.

time off without pay, man- lost. agers have posted eight hours Businesses also are expenses without any addition overtime on the scheduling responding to increasing to payroll. The company's noboard for the coming demand by relying more on hire policy is at least partly Saturday. At stations along- temporary workers, free- rooted in its effort to boost the side Patrick, a handful of tem- lancers and contract workers. running tally of revenue-perporary workers have been Many work off payroll and employee that it shows added as orders for the plant's without benefits. cordless nailguns climbed. full-timers.

to a workbench where she's without hiring. testing motors in the partially assembled nail guns.

Chicago, is good news in an economist at Standard & the recruiter told her he had economy that has been very Poors in New York. "That's plenty of other takers. slow to generate new jobs. It what this really is - I use the comes with a big asterisk: workers when I need them. I months, what do I do?," Shea Those are about the only new don't use the workers when I says. "You don't just pick up jobs that Paslode's parent, a 'don't need them." anytime soon. three years.

Southern textile workers, hiring decisions in an econo- about the solidity of the Mexico early last year. Silicon Valley programmers. my that by most measures is in rebound.

and those of millions of other heat up, much of the public's likely to convert some of the Americans like them - have attention has focused on "off- jobs now staffed with temps to vanished. This is the first shoring" as the culprit in the full-time positions. But the

Associated Press examining supply of new jobs, hinted at nent, analysts say.

In a nutshell, businesses although the two groups see it have figured out how to do through different lenses. more with fewer full-time workers. Even as the economy Peggy Shea, a project managgrows, many companies are er and graphic artist who lost reaping the benefits in part by her job in a layoff at Cisco LIBERTYVILLE, III. (AP) rethinking the way they utilize Systems more than a year ago.

Phyllis Patrick points to sending some of the work they to find a new full-time job changes in the assembly line do to firms and workers who despite an exhaustive search. that twists around her, evi- will do it cheaper, both inside dence of a labor market start- and out of the country. Some she's logged roughly 16 weeks economists estimate outsourc- of work as a freelancer for a In a plant where workers ing overseas accounts for per- company whose own staff is were asked last year to take haps 10 percent of the jobs overwhelmed, but whose

Employers also are har-And now word is spreading nessing technology, streamlin- contract jobs through agencies down the line that ITW ing and automating operations that supply companies with Paslode is set to hire 14 new to reduce the need for labor, short-term workers. Several and some are pushing remain- agencies have urged her to "We could always use a ing workers to do more. Those consider picking up for threefew more," the safety-goggle- changes mean they often can to-six month assignments out clad Patrick says, turning back respond to increased demand of state, including one that

really discovered is ... you can promised no long-term hiring The pickup at Paslode's have just-in-time employ- commitment and no benefits. plant, 45 minutes north of ment," says David Wyss, chief She turned down the job, but

conglomerate that prides itself sustaining an economy that is months. on running lean, sees adding far from static. The United The evaporation of once-States needs to gain about dependable jobs and the "Why would you be hiring 150,000 jobs each month just uncertainty built into new hirpeople right now?" says John to keep pace with the growth ing practices have encouraged Brooklier, vice president of of the labor force, economists many workers to retrain. investor relations for the par- say. Since the economy began Unlike in the late 1990s when ent company, Illinois Tool losing jobs in early 2001, acquiring computer skills was Works Inc., which has shrunk about 2.8 million people have seen as a sure bet for landing a its U.S. payroll from about joined the labor force, includ- job, figuring out where the 36,000 to 28,000 in the past ing new college and high new opportunities will be now school graduates and immi- feels like a gamble to many. go before (manufacturing) The economy has added factory worker, will graduate capacity is filled," he says, jobs for seven consecutive in July with a two-year degree "where are the jobs going to months, but the March gain is in business administration the first time it has significant- from Mitchell Community Variations of that question by outpaced that break-even College in Mooresville, N.C.

new approach to employment The truth behind the short is likely to be more perma-

The change is evident to

Consider the experience of Shea, who lives in Scotts. Part of that is outsourcing, Valley, Calif., has been unable

> Since the start of the year, budget allows only outside investors, she says.

Shea has also been offered urged her to sell her home "What employers have even though the position

"OK, at the end of six like a vagabond or a gypsy \$10 billion manufacturing New jobs are essential to and move around every six

Agnes Feldman, a former

Feldman lost a job on the

Those concerns will ease graduation, wondering what the old ones? As election-year politics over time, and employers are she'll find out there, trying to

EDITOR'S NOTE — over the logic of employers' well as lingering concerns Eaton Corp. shifted work to answer the very question that up, but yet, there are still a lot brought her to this point: Will of people who are not finding Now she's looking ahead to there be new jobs to replace jobs," Feldman says. "Right

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You have a lot going on this year, with many different forces and components pushing you toward your long-term goals. Do avoid becoming overly self-involved, which could easily happen while juggling and handling the many options on your plate. As of October, others seek you out: work on your listening skills. Professionally, you cannot help but gain, especially as you develop your problem-solving skills. You are also willing to work hard. If you are single, don't question your desirability: simply enjoy it to the max. You will be meeting a person who will be key to your life in 2005. If you are attached, be sensitive to your mate's desires and wishes. ARIES works well with you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** You wake up on the right side of the bed, but understand that others might not be quite as perky as you are right now. Adapt plans with an eye to not only yourself, but those you like to be with. Take in a movie or go listen to music. Tonight: Just be vou

This Week: Drained by an eclipse in your sign, you might have a difficult time energizing until Thursday. Do vour best!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** Take your time dealing with others right now. If you need some time for yourself, don't be shy -- just do it. You'll be a lot friendlier as a partner or friend later on as a result. A conversation with an older relative might be important. Tonight: Don't push it.

This Week: You might feel as if someone took the pop out of your soda on Monday. You recoup quickly fortunately for you and others. On Tuesday, you're back to the old Bull. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Friends seek you out, and you might be overwhelmed by all the options you have. Whatever you plan to do, make it a group happening, whether it is a ballgame or just hanging out at a favorite place. Tonight: Where the action is.

This Week: A friend proves to be an

enormous disappointment. You could brood about this issue most of the week. On Thursday, you return to the norm

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** A boss or parent might appeal to you for attention. You know intuitively how to make this person happy. Why not do it? You can put off a project for a while. After all, people are what really count in your book. Tonight: Slow down,

This Week: You feel the Solar Eclipse on Monday. Eye your priorities, and you'll recharge what you thought was a dving battery. Success follows. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Visualize what might be fun, even if it is a bit offbeat. There is no reason why you cannot do just that. A male friend could give you strong input. Remember that it is your life: make choices for you. Split for the day, if you want. Tonight: Opt for different

This Week: Drained on Monday, you have a difficult time recuperating, but you will. Each day gets better and

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Someone might have an expectation that you might not want to meet, mainly because of how demanding he or she might be. Spend time with a valued friend, even if it means changing your plans. Remember that this is your Sunday, too. Tonight: Play it quiet.

This Week: A financial matter could plague you if you're not careful. Detach and evaluate your choices carefully. Take charge on Thursday. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Others seek you out., You might decide to split for the day and relax in your own way. A change of plans might be necessary. Grab a favorite friend or two. You will have more fun that way. Let your playfulness out. Tonight: Be your friendly self with whomever you want.

This Week: Others flake out on Monday Choose to surround yourself with only those you can count on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You find someone close to be extraordinarily demanding. Don't ask too many questions; just clear out what must be done. Think through a decision with care, especially if it involves a relationship. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep. This Week: Even with your energy.

you get depleted sometimes. "Defer and delegate" needs to be your motto for the next few days SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** You will need to sort through your many invitations or promises you have recently made for today. You might TRY to meet all of them. On the other hand, you could be happiest being with the person you want to be with. Tonight: Don't feel obligated.

This Week: A problem forces creativity, though you could be most uncomfortable. Concentrate on each task at hand. You gain as a result.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** You might want to rethink your plans, as something or a project becomes demanding or can no longer be put off. You might relax more than you think, focusing on this task. Take some time to put your feet up. Tonight: At home

This Week: You might need a few days off, even if you are the workhorse of the zodiac. Do take them. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Be spontaneous, and don't worry about everyone else's reac tions. You might have a friend who wants one thing from you, whereas a child or lover wants another. Fortunately you juggle well, listening to your priorities. Tonight: So what if the weekend is ending?

This Week: Investigate options while others flake out. You mull over many ideas before you choose your direction.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Finances could star in your day's preoccupations, though you

would prefer they didn't. You might think about putting in some overtime. despite loving to snuggle in and have a day off. Know what you must do first. Tonight: A light dinner.

This Week: Stop. Look at your finances before making any commitments. You work hard all week while others seem to go out to lunch.

BORN TODAY

Actress Havley Mills (1946), actor Christian Slater (1969), comedian Conan O'Brien (1963)

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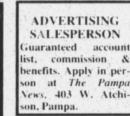
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, GEMINI (May 21-June 20) April 19, 2004:

A lot will change this year. You will grow in many ways and encourage others to become closer. Willingly shed defense mechanisms and learn to be more open and forthright. Express your unusually insightful views with diplomacy. Security becomes a high priority. Many of you might experience an identity crisis in the process of transforming your style. Some will feel the impact professionally: others will experience it personally. Learn to follow your own advice. You have an unusual ability to communicate and get to the bottom of problems. Your work will flourish from October on Know what you want, even if it might mean going back to school. If you are single, that status could rapidly transform this year. If you are attached. work on being less me-oriented and more sensitive to your sweetie. Your popularity soars around the holidays. Look to TAURUS for anchoring.

The Stars Show the Kind of Dov Vou'll Average: 2-So-so; 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** A Solar Eclipse in your sign pushes the issues of relationships and independence forward. Growth within your personal relationships will begin in the next six months. You might experience a setback or two, but you'll end up quite happy. Tonight: Balance your budget.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** You experience a sense of depletion and fatigue early today, but by midafternoon, the Sun moves into your. sign, energizing the Bull. You meet hurdles with ease. Follow the unexpected path to success. A' meeting has a unique quality. Tonight: Do what you want. Quit catering to others.

**** Aim for what you want early in the day. Though you might not get a straight answer immediately, know that your situation will transform in the next six months. Romance and relationships could become exciting. Tonight: Slow down and rest. Everyone needs a timeout

CANCER (June 21 July 22)

**** Events propel you into the limelight. Though you might-prefer not to assume this responsibility, you will anyway. The work arena could become . intense and demanding: You can turn failure around into good news. Remember that today. Tonight: A meeting proves to be important.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ What appears to be a smashing idea today could go up in smoke before you realize it. Be open to a boss's perspective as well as the perspective of experts. You are only making your project more complete, thus more successful. Express an openness to suggestions. Tonight: Work as late as need be. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Deal with a partnership directly. You might not be comfortable with

everything that comes up, but know that you will have to deal with these issues. Detach and seek out experts in the next few weeks. Once more, you prove to be a winner. Tonight: Start researching a project.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Put on your brainstorming hat and know that you are the source for solutions. Success arrives when you work with individuals rather than groups. A partner or associate gives you enormous insight into an emotional and/or financial matter. Tonight: Be happy with that special person. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

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> *** You might be a little tired, and acknowledging that fact might be the best way to go. A change in routine or your work could help you revive your energy. Partners start seeking you out. Decide who and where. Tonight: Go with a spontaneous invitation. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

> ★★★★★ Let go of a problem and let events just happen. You might not have the control you want, but know that you are in control of yourself. Emphasize work and accomplishment. Unexpected developments and realizations toss in a new perspective. Tonight: Put your feet

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** You come to a strong realization that events surrounding your domestic life will change in the near * future. Do not project, just go with the flow. Emphasize creativity, romance and greater enjoyment of life. Tonight: Let your hair down.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ A fast-moving pace might cause you more problems than you wish to deal with. You will have time to adjust. Rome was not built in a day. Emphasize security and maintaining a low profile. Extra work goes home. Tonight: Take it easy. Don't play superman or superwoman

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Know that you might be hitting a hard spot financially in the next few months. Someone does care, though he or she treads very carefully. You will need to encourage this person, as he or she is shy. Build a friendship first. Tonight: Hang out.

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