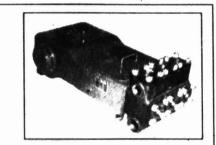
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Special session on school finance opens

a fix for Texas' ailing school schools in poorer areas finance system.

to replace the so-called Robin tax at the local level.

Lawmakers convened at the property taxes from property replaced with various sin taxes,

far to replace the system, but it committee Monday. His plan-At Perry's direction, a 30-day statewide business property tax plan and support seemed scarce

With no consensus on an adult entertainment establish- scorn from Perry's office on politically motivated. Republican Gov. Rick Perry alternative plan. Perry laid out ments and state-taxed video. Monday She accused the goverhas offered the only proposal so his own suggestion to a joint gambling at racetracks. has little support from lawmak - would replace the share-the- no lawmaker in either chamber, huge property tax cuts and a big - said 60° percent of school diswealth system with a lower had filed a bill carrying Perry's boost in school spending.

The lower rates would be from business property.

Criticism from a fellow Capitol on Tuesday in pursuit of wealthy districts to help pay for including a \$1-per-pack ciga- Republican. Comptroller Carole. Strayhorn's prediction "fuzzy rette tax, a \$5 "admission fee" to Keeton Strayhorn, brought math" and said her attack was nor of using "smoke and mir-But, on the eye of the session, rors" to promise Texans both with Robbin' Everybody." She

special legislative session began—and a lower residential property—for his "constitutionally linked". Perry's plan would create a \$10—wealthiest districts would benetax, which divides residential billion budget deficit over the

Perry's office called

Strayhorn said Perry's proposal "replaces Robin Hood tricts wouldn't get more money Strayhorn said Gov. Rick while several of the state's

City gearing up for rabies drive

requirements on its policy regulations stipulate the vaccimandating annual rabies shots nation interval may vary for dogs and cats, the threat of between one or three years. rabies remains a constant for depending upon the need of household pets and the people—each individual pet.

and 3. Local veterinarians will—istered a year later. be offering the rabies vaccine for animals at reduced prices been a documented case of during this time period.

will be Easley Animal said, then the city ordinance Hospital, 8741 N. Loop 171, requiring yearly vaccinations Gray County Veterinary Climic, may be relaxed to meet TDH 1329 S. Hobart, and Royse standards Animal Hospital, 1939 N.

director of Pampa Animal pets and other animals and cau-Control, the state standard on tioned that rabies-carrying rabies vaccinations is once wildlife can get into people's every three years. Local ordi- houses. Some animals, she nances, however, call for rabies—said, such as bats, can get into vaccinations once every year. even a tiny crack or crevice.

Cities and counties in Texas may have vaccination require—importance, as required by law. ments that require annual vac- of keeping tags on dogs and cinations despite the Texas cats to verify they have been Department of Health's three-vaccinated. This also helps year requirement.

were required to receive annu- owner, she added.

While the state has loosened—al rabies vaccinations. Current

Texas law requires dogs and Local veterinarians are cats statewide receive an initial gearing up for this year's annus - rabies vaccine by the time the al rabies drive that kicks off animal is 4-months-old and a April 30 and continues May 1 booster shot should be admin-

Burns said there has not rabies in the city since last Participating in the drive June. If this continues, she

Burns said that the yearly vaccinations help "build strong According to Sandy Burns, "immune systems" in household

Burns emphasized the authorities identify a lost pet Previously, dogs and cats, and unite it with its rightful



"Scotty," a Sheltie belonging to Pampa Animal Control Director Sandy Burns, looks the other way as Pampa veterinarian, Dr. Brian Gordzelik, prepares to vaccinates him for rabies.

Proposed skate park on agenda for April 22 parks board meeting

By MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

agenda of the Parks. Recreation and Stokes said Some systems are in the \$20,000 Auditorium Advisory Board meeting, 5:30 to \$30,000 range, while more complex units p.m. Thursday, April 22 in third-floor city—can cost 890,000 or more, he said. commission chambers at City Hall.

the skate park on its agenda, and a standingroom-only crowd voiced their support for the proposed park. Adults and children as young skateboarders Roper Barr. 14, and Rodee as 8 years old spoke in favor of the park, city. Barr, 10, would like to see the skate park officials said.

Pampa city water at their homes and busi- oftense. nesses may elect to donate \$1 per water bill superintendent, said the donation funds could an interview April 12. be used toward financing the proposed skate park if the city decides to install one.

Possible skate park sites include izens request.

Recreation Park and Central Park, Stokes said in an interview earlier this month. A variety of ramp systems is available from A proposed skate park will again be on the manufacturers in a wide range of prices.

Some Pampa skateboarders currently The March meeting of the board included skate at Coronado Center, Pampa High School and Pampa Middle School. Some parents, including Pam Hathcoat, mother of become a reality so that her sons would have Also on the April 22 agenda is a water bill—a safe place to skate where they would not be donation fund review. Persons receiving trespassing or otherwise committing an

"As a mother. I don't think it's safe for to be used by the Parks and Recreation, them to skate down the streets and at public Department. Shane Stokes, city recreation places because of traffic." Hathcoat said in

> Other agenda items include staff reports by Stokes and Kimberly Lineveomb, and cit-

Congress questions U.S. policies in Iraq

top-level Bush administration. weapons of mass destruction questioned sharply by a con-U.S. campaign with mounting face-offs Congress scheduled casualties in Iraq, asserted for administration officials Hussein was a brutal dictator. Capitol Hill about the course of who had to be deposed.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy interrupted Deputy Defense statement focusing mostly on Secretary Paul Wolfowitz's administration claims about the statement at a contentious hear abuses of Iraqis under ing of the Armed Services Saddam's rule. Committee, calling the

including its allegations that ereignts

WASHINGTON (AP) - A Saddam had an arsenal of

The hearing was among a gressional panel on the difficult host of question-and-answer anew Tuesday that Saddam amid increased anxiety on the war.

Wolfowitz gave a half-hour

As Wolfowitz testified on Defense Department official's Iraqi operations before the testimony somewhat disin. Armed Services panel, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Kennedy, D-Mass, faulted Chairman Dick Lugar criti-Wolfowitz for offering testimo - cized the administration, at ny that focused on life under another hearing, for the Saddam's rule rather than the Pentagon's refusal to testify administration's rationale for later this week on the planned going to war in March 2003. June 40 transition to Iraqi sov-





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GARNER W. 'RICH' RICHARDSON

AMARILLO Mr. Garner W "Rich" Richardson, 83, of Amarillo, died Sunday, April was preceded in 18, 2004. Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 21: 2004, at Coulter Road Baptist Church The Rev. Gary Ashlock and the Rev Ron Whitt will be officiating. Burial will. Diane York, his parbe at Memorial Park Cemetery. Arrangements are with Memorial Park Funeral Home

Mr. Pachardson was born to Samuel and Jeanett Richardson on May 26, 1920. He married Vivian Barton at Raton, New Mexico, on Sept. 28, 1946. He attended Texas Tech and ters, Jackie Ashlock and husband Gary of was a souted States Navy veteran. He was a natural gas plant production supervisor for Pampa, two sisters, Melrose Perkins of Dallas Colorado Interstate Gas, formerly known as Coastal, and is now El Paso Natural Gas. Mr. Richardson was past president of the local bridge club, a member of the VFW, and was also a Mason. He was a member of Coulter Road Baptist Church

Mr. Richardson death by his wife; daughters. Sondra Milford and ents; and two broth-Vasel Richardson and S.C.

Richardson, Jr. Mr. Richardson is survived by two daugh-Amarillo, Linda Nowell and husband Bobby of and Mildred Harper of El Paso; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one greatgreat granddaughter, and a very special friend, Bettye Miller, of Amarillo

The family requests memorials be made to Odyssey Health Care.

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Kid Pony Show registration begins



Advertising the upcoming Top O' Texas Rodeo Association's annual Kids Pony Show is (left-right) Mackenzie Parks, Kameron Parks, Heather Parks and Janell Parks. This year's show will be conducted at 7 p.m., nightly, June 7-9 at Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. Chute Dogging instead of bull riding will be offered this year for boys between the ages of 14 and 15. Entries for mutton busting are also open to children 7 and under; however, the event will be limited to the first 18 contestants, so entry is on a first come/first serve basis. The deadline for entry in the Kid Pony Show and related events is 5 p.m. Friday, June 4. All the necessary forms are available at the rodeo office at 200 N. Ballard.

Auditions set for ACT I comedy

at 7 p.m. at the theater, locat- await the arrival. ed on the west side of Pampa

auditions who can't be there from the script either time can call for a private audition.

Area Community Theater of two women waiting for a be done in May," says Smith. Inc (ACT I) will have audi-visit from a man they both had "June 14, we will begin a tions for Noel Coward's com- an affair with before they mar- steady rehearsal schedule. I edy "Fallen Angels", directed ried their current spouse. Fear, need people who are interestby Karen Smith, on Sunday anticipation, and guilt are just ed in being a part of the tech April 25, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. and a few of the emotions the crew to come to auditions, Monday, April 26, beginning women experience as they too.'

three women and three men, nician, sound technician and The show will open July ranging in age from 30s to properties manager. Crew 16-17 and play for two week- 50s. No prepared material is members don't have to ends. Anyone interested in needed, auditioners will read rehearsal quite as long as the

"Preliminary rehearsals last two weeks of rehearsal. including read through, block-"Fallen Angels" is the story ing and set construction will tact Karen Smith, 665-9733.

Crew members include a Cast requirements are for stage manager, lighting techcast but need to commit to the

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RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department entry was made through the incidents and arrests.

Friday, April 16 A bicycle valued at approx-

imately \$300 was reported stolen in the 300 block of North Nelson. The bicycle was later recovered in the 700 block of North Nelson, A juvenile has been charged with the theft.

Saturday, April 17

\$1,500 was reported in the 1800 block of Lea. Taken were 63 compact dises, a tackle box full of fishing gear and two videocassettes Estimated loss is \$1,300. Sunday, April 18

Aggravated assault with a knife was reported in the 1200

Theft over \$500 and under \$1,500 was reported in the 400 block of Red Deer. Between 30 and 40 brass radiators, valued at approximately \$500, were taken.

were reported.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 800 block of East Kingsmill. Forced

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today reported the following front door. Taken were a reported at Pampa High PlayStation 2, a game, memory card and controller. Estimated loss was \$304.

> Found property was reported in the 400 block of North Starkweather. Found were a television/videocassette recorder and a PlayStation.

Burglary was reported in the 2700 block of North Hobart. The incident report-Theft over \$500 and under edly occurred in the 1100 block of Terry Road. Two 1308 E. Francis, was arrested oxygen bottles and a cart were taken, for an estimated loss of \$250.

Monday, April 19

Attempted suicide was reported in the 300 block of North Ward.

Theft from a mailbox was block of Garland. No injuries reported at the police department. The incident reportedly North Dwight.

Gang affiliation was School, 111 E. Harvester.

Criminal mischief to a vehicle was reported in the 700 block of West Browning. A tire on a vehicle was cut. Estimated loss was \$150.

Class disruption was reported at Pampa High School. One male juvenile was arrested and taken to the Juvenile Probation Office.

Mary Helen Rossiter, 49, at 600 N. Wells for a motion to revoke probation on a charge of theft by check, and no insurance.

Assault causing bodily injury was reported in the 1200 block of Duncan. Possible injuries were reported. Carl Wayne Dunn, 49, 1108 Prairie Drive, was occurred in the 1900 block of arrested at 1100 Varnon in connection with the incident.

SHERIFF

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

Monday, April 19

Laura Lynn Ledford, 54, 2747 W. Harvester, was arrested for theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Shawn Alan Hartman, 20, Fritch, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for a Potter County parole violation on a charge of evading arrest. Tuesday, April 20

Steven Ray Crawford, 25, Dalhart, was arrested for speeding and failure to appear.

FIRE

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

Monday, April 19

2:59 p.m. - Two units and eight firefighters responded to a reported structure fire in the 1900 block of Beech. Smoke from the city's program to check sewer lines had entered the home, possibly from a sewer leak

CORRECTION

The public forum concerning proposed reorganization of the Pampa offices of Texas Department of Human Services and Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services will be 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 30 at Lubbock Memorial Civic Center in Lubbock, according to Beth Miller of the Pampa DHS office, which serves clients in Carson, Gray, Hemphill, Roberts and Wheeler Counties.

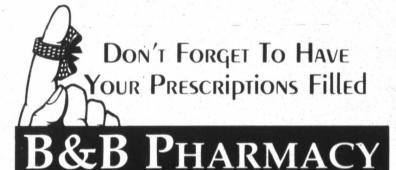
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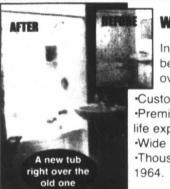
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TEXAS EDITORIAL

Gov. Rick Perry's school funding plan misses mark

From The Bryan-College Station Eagle:

Sorry, Mr. Governor. Not even close. No cigar for you, which is good since you would probably want to slap a huge tax hike on

On April 8, Gov. Rick Perry revealed his way to "improve" public school funding, cutting property taxes slightly, shifting some local taxes to the state and increasing so-called sin taxes significantly. He said his plan would trim property taxes by some \$6. billion — \$3.3 billion now, the rest over the next biennium while increasing state funding for public education about \$2.5 billion. The governor's new math doesn't compute, but that is far from all that is wrong with his plan.

Perry wants to increase the state cigarette tax by \$1 to \$1.41 per pack. He would impose a \$5 admission tax to adult entertainment. Would that raise the price of a ticket to "The Passion of the Christ" by \$5 because it is rated for adults only? Further, the governor would legalize and tax video lottery terminals at race tracks.

Is that really the way we want-to pay to educate our children? Sorry, we can't hire more teachers because fewer people are smoking or going to dirty movies?

Perry's plan would reduce residential property taxes from a maximum of \$1.50 per \$100 assessed valuation — a cap already reached by most school districts in Texas — to a maximum of \$1.25. That would be a welcome \$375 savings for the owner of a \$150,000 home.

At the same time, the governor would reduce business property taxes by 10 cents, to a maximum of \$1.40 per \$100 assessed value. He also would shift collection of the commercial property tax from local school districts to the state — apparently requiring a constitutional amendment allowing a statewide property tax.

The governor's plan would do away with the hated share-thewealth Robin Hood system in place for the past decade. That plan, designed to equalize per-pupil spending across the state, forces "rich" districts such as College Station to send some of their local property tax dollars to "poor" districts such as Bryan.

Perry also would close business franchise tax loopholes and what some see as loopholes in the automobile tax.

Perry says his goal — a fine one, to be sure — is to halve property taxes to a maximum of 75 cents, making up the differences from future state surpluses. Good luck.

The governor is convinced he can "reform our school finance system without a major tax hike, without a broad-based business tax, and without an across-the-board rate hike on the existing sales tax base."

Through some legerdemain, the governor says the state can cut taxes to homeowners without adding or raising business taxes that could hurt Texas companies.

He said, "I will further protect Texans by opposing a personal income tax in any shape or form — to the disappointment of those who are calling for one.'

The Eagle is among those calling for a state income tax as the fairest, most equitable way to fund education. At the very least, it should be on the table for discussion, if only our elected leaders had the political courage to do so.

No question, Robin Hood must go. But any system that continues to rely primarily on a property tax — or even an increase in the state sales tax as some have suggested — does not address the fundamental problem of fairness — for Texas schoolchildren and for those who pay the bills.

If this is the best the governor can do, then there seems little point in calling a special legislative session that isn't likely to come up with anything better.

The vacuum in leadership in Austin continues to suck the life out of public education. We pay dearly for that void today, and we will pay even more in the decades to come.

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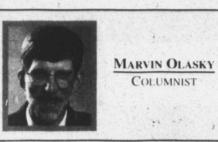
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Oliver Stone versus the truth

HAVANA - HBO last week gave director Oliver Stone a forum to kiss up to Fidel Castro. Tom Jicha, TV writer for the (Fort Lauderdale) Sun-Sentinel. described Stone's interviews of Castro this way: "His questions are so soft they would embarrass Larry King. Stone basically fills the role of the straight person in an infomercial, asking the host to explain why the product is so great.... Stone essentially gives Castro an open microphone to make outrageously disingenuous statements (such as) 'It's the people who are in power... My constitutional powers are highly limited."

What I've heard from Cubans in communications and while on a humanitarian mission here is very different. A Cuban typically doesn't even refer to Castro by name – he moves his hand under his chin as if stroking a beard - but he knows that the dictator's attempt to impose communism has crashed, and that "the beard" is becomes more apparent.

they break the law by buying needed food on the black market, or by paying for medical care when the state health system fails them. The Castro regime's powers in practice are unlimited - 75. more people who crossed Castro were jailed last year and given prison terms that average 18 years - so anxiety is always present. I've seen dire poverty in Stone, desperately tries to avoid facing



India and political oppression in the old Soviet Union, but Cuba's combination of poverty plus nagging fear under sunny skies is extraordinary.

One expression often heard in Havana is no es facil (it's not easy). Every aspect of life, from gaining basic material sustenance to traveling across town to remaining psychologically relaxed when any neighbor or associate might be an informer, is difficult. A second expression heard around Havana, ni comen ni dejan comer (they don't eat, neither do they let others eat) comes because churches are ready and willing to do betbecoming more furious as his failure ter than the government in helping the poor and particularly the elderly. The people" are in power only when Officials, though, turn down church requests to build old age homes and even citizen attempts to organize the collection of rotting garbage.

That's because ideologically the state is responsible to provide all social services. Everything compassionate people do is an indictment of government failure and 77-year-old Fidel Castro, like Oliver

the truth. Many Cubans agree with the beard's favorite slogan, un mundo mejor es possible (a better world is possible), but add one caveat: Only when Castro is

Right now, many Cubans are resigned to peddling in a peleton like those in the Tour de France, with all the cyclists riding together and thinking about when to try a breakaway – but in this case, no one knows where the finish line is. Many Cubans expect real upheaval - furious cycling - to come when Castro dies, but they know that they could end up in prison if they push hard prematurely.

So the waiting game goes on in ways large and small. One young man in eastern Cuba would love to travel abroad and become a great cook, but the best he can do now is short-order work in eastern Cuba. He once got hold of a bag of 20 frozen crawfish and experimented on cooking each one like a lobster, developing recipes that he hopes to use when things open up.

One of Havana's many ironies is that just across Havana harbor from Habana Vieja (the Old City) stands a 48-foot-tall statue of Christ, unveiled on Dec. 25, 1958, just one week before Fidel Castro triumphed. Church attendance is growing in Cuba, particularly in casas cultos (house churches), as many Cubans with insufficient faith in either Fidel Castro or Oliver Stone pray for God's grace.



Peace in Iraq may prove elusive

President Bush had a narrow brush with disaster last week as the casualties mounted amid escalating Iraqi violence. The daily tracking polls of Scott Rasmussen show that 10 days ago Bush was three points ahead of Kerry. His attack ads had the Democrat reeling. Then, from April 3-7, Bush fell by nine points and ended his crash trailing Kerry by six.

Only Condoleezza Rice's testimony stopped the bleeding. By two to one, testimony while they rated her antagonist Richard Clarke, negatively by 27 percent to 42 percent. So, by this past weekend Bush had again moved ahead of Kerry, this time by two points.

But it was a close call. The bloodshed in Iraq has left Americans unsure of Bush's leadership. Only 48 percent now believe we're winning the War on Terror, down six points from last week. More seriously, Bush's lead over Kerry on the question of who would do better at handling the War on Terror dropped from 54-36 to only 51-40. Almost half of Americans now give Bush a negative rating on handling Iraq.

Bush will be in real trouble if the situation in Iraq deteriorates. The reported boast of one anti-American demonstrator that he and his ilk "cannot drive America out of Iraq, but we can drive Bush out of the White House, like we did to Carter" is not far-fetched.

So what is Bush to do?

Procedurally, the June 30 deadline for handover of power to the Iraqi government looks like an essential element in the president's escape from political danger. But behind it must lie a humil-



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ity and a realization of our limited means and the even more attenuated patience of the American people.

We were willing to support Bush in voters were favorably impressed by her . Afghanistan and over the Patriot Act. We backed the invasion of Iraq and agreed that Saddam needed to be removed. Even when no weapons of mass destruction turned up, the American people still supported Bush.

But last week's polling suggests that Americans are not prepared to sacrifice their sons and daughters to assure democracy in Iraq. That nation, which has never known freedom, may or may not be able to achieve democracy. But Americans are not willing to bet our children on the outcome. Nor should Bush wager his presidency.

As long as Saddam Hussein and his Ba'athist Party is out of power - and does not return - the United States will have accomplished its essential objective in Iraq. Saddam is an evil man. His villainy, coupled with his access to oil wealth, made him a potent threat to peace and freedom. He had to go.

To make sure he remains out of power, we must keep a large garrison, safely ensconced at a secure base, in Iraq once we hand over power to the Iraqi Governing Council.

But democracy may be a bridge too far in Iraq; even peace may be elusive.

We must heed the lessons of Nixon's successful disengagement from Vietnam. As Nixon did, we must turn the war over to the locals, a process he called Vietnamization.

But, this time, we must not let the Democrats in Congress tie our hands. We've got to retain the freedom, flexibility and logistical ability to intervene again if the forces of evil come back to

If Bush hangs on in Iraq, insisting on "nation building," he will leave public opinion behind. The resulting bitter alienation will cripple our ability to act against terror in other places, cost him the presidency and probably make future intervention in Iraq impossible.

Bush is leading America in a crucial crusade to rid the world of terrorism. He needs an energetic, committed and largely united nation behind him. He must not squander those priceless assets in a dead-end pursuit of an ideal Iraq. A Saddam-less one is enough for one administration to achieve and to be thankful for.

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, April 20, the 111th day of 2004. There are 255 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Five years ago, on April 20, 1999, the Columbine High School massacre took place in Littleton, Colo., as students Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold shot and killed 12 classmates and one teacher before taking their own lives.

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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Daughter Yearns to Drive Despite Mom's Trepidation

DEAR ABBY: My 14-year-old one-year license. daughter, "Michelle," wants to take driver's education next year when she's in the 10th grade. Most of her friends will be taking the class, I explained to her that I'm so afraid something will happen while she's behind the wheel, I don't want to sign for the class or her permit.

Michelle has assured me that she's responsible and would never drive without my consent. She says I should trust her. She's a great child -- a straight-A student and very trustworthy. I do trust her, but I can't get over my fear of losing her. She says she understands, but I see the hurt in her eyes whenever she tries to talk to me about it.

Yesterday a boy in a nearby city, driving with only his permit, was in an accident that killed seven children -- ages 15 and under. I'm sure the boy's parents trusted their son or they wouldn't have signed for his permit. Now they have to live with I incur not covered by insurance. this. I don't think I could handle the guilt. I'm afraid if I sign, Michelle may drive the way that boy did and wind up in a fatal accident. Children aren't perfect. Sometimes they do things they shouldn't.

Am I doing the right thing? Please help me, Abby. -- PROTECTIVE MOM, GLEN, MISS.

DEAR PROTECTIVE MOM: Much as you might wish to, you cannot "protect" a child by keeping her ignorant. In her driver's education class she will learn basic rules of the road, including how to safely operate an automobile under strict supervision. After that, some states, including your P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA own, place significant restrictions 90069. on teenage drivers. Only at age 18 is a person entitled to apply in Mississippi for a full, unrestricted

If you wish to add restrictions of your own, the option is yours, particularly if the car is yours. I suggest making a contract with her that stipulates what grade average she must maintain to keep her driving privileges, limiting the number of passengers she can transport, and also setting distance limits. A version of the following contract has appeared in my column before:

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(2) I agree to pay for damages that

(3) At no time will I ever drink alcoholic beverages and drive, nor will there ever be any in the car.

(4) I will not drive the car until I and all passengers have buckled up.

(5) I will keep the car I drive clean, inside and out, be aware of its needs for gas, oil, etc., and wax it as

I have read the above agreement and sign it in accordance with the

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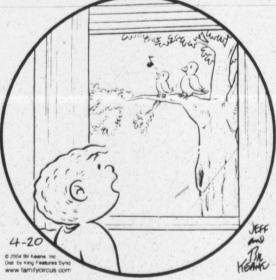
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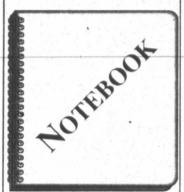
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Lakers take 2-0 advantage over Rockets



BASEBALL

HOUSTON (AP) - Roger Clemens walked off the mound to a standing ovation after a series of blistering fastballs.

Clemens had just fanned his last batter of the day, an appropriate way to exit his 313th win. Not bad for a 41-year-old pitcher who briefly called it quits.

The Rocket still has plenty of fuel left, perhaps enough to get the Houston Astros to the World Series for the first time in the franchise's 42-year history.

"The thing that I'll take from today ... was that I didn't get winded this time." Clemens said after beating the Milwaukee Brewers 6-1 on Sunday . "I got a second wind and got a little stronger as I went.

Clemens (3-0), struck out seven in seven innings, giving up just one run and four hits to lead the Astros to their seventh win in eight games. The win moved Clemens within one of Gaylord Perry for 15th on the career list.

FOOTBALL

CINCINNATI (AP) -

Running back Corey Dillon was traded to the New England Patriots for a second-round draft pick, ending his stellar and stormy career with Cincinnati.

During his seven seasons in Cincinnati, Dillon became one of the NFL's top running backs and one of its most enigmatic figures. He complained from time to time about being on a losing team, but changed his mind and agreed to a five-year, \$26 million deal before the 2001 season.

Heading into last season. Dillon already was the Bengals' career rushing leader and one of only four players in NFL history to run for 1,000 yards in each of his first six seasons.

Last year, while the Bengals staved in playoff contention. Dillon lobbied for a trade.

BASKETBALL

SAN ANTONIO (AP) So far, the Memphis Grizzlies' first postseason trip hasn't been much fun.

After a blowout loss in their first game, things were looking better for the Grizzlies. Then came a late collapse that gave San Antonio an opening, and the Spurs beat Memphis 87-70 to take a 2-0 lead in the best-ofseven series.

Game 3 is Thursday night in Memphis.

"We are frustrated right now," said Pau Gasol, who led the Grizzlies with 20 points and 11 rebounds. "We played so well in stretches, but we just were not ambitious enough ... We didn't play well when it counted the most."

Memphis, which trailed by 11 at halftime, made its push to open the third quarter. Mike Miller, scoreless in Game 1. scored nine quick points, and a pair of free throws by Stromile Swift cut the difference to 55-

"If you watched any Memphis Grizzlies basketball this year, that's how we play,' Miller said.

But Robert Horry answered on a pair of 3-pointers and a putback to swing the game's momentum back to the Spurs, who had a 14-0 run early in the fourth.

LOS ANGELES (AP) - play good defense, but they there tonight I didn't know if dence. We defended, also." Shaquille O'Neal had a game called a couple of wrist fouls we were going to have to forget.

The Los Angeles Lakers will remember it as a victory.

O'Neal had the lowestscoring playoff game of his career, but Kobe Bryant and Karl Malone picked up the slack as the Lakers beat the Houston Rockets 98-84 on Monday night for a 2-0 lead in their first-round playoff series.

O'Neal played 33 minutes and was in foul trouble most of the way.

"I had to turn my aggression level down a little bit." O'Neal said after getting just seven points and seven rebounds. "I was trying to

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At A Glance

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh 8 N.Y. Mets 1

Philadelphia 5, Montreal 4

Houston 6. Milwaukee 1

Colorado 8 St. Louis 5

Cincinnati 11. Chicago Cubs 10. 10 innings

San Diego 6. Arizona 5

Los Angeles 7 San Francisco 6

Monday's Games

Chicago Cubs 8. Cincinnati 1

N.Y. Mets 4. Montreal 1

San Francisco 4, San Diego 3

Tuesday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 1-0) at Pittsburgh (Vogelsong 1-1).

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San Diego (Lawrence 1-1) at San Francisco (Hermanson 1-0)

Wednesday's Games

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St Louis (Morris 2-1) at Houston (Redding 0-2), 7.05 p.m.

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Atlanta (Ramirez 0-1) at Cincinnati (Harang 1-0), 7 10 p.m.

Arizona (Johnson 1-1) at Milwaukee (D. Davis 1-2), 7:35 p.m.

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on me. But overall, the team played well and stepped up.

O'Neal, who scored two points in 14 first-half minutes. third quarter with the game

"I really don't know how Shaquille O'Neal got himself behind the eight-ball, but he did," Lakers' coach Phil Jackson said.

With backup Slava Medvedenko sidelined by a strained right Achilles' tendon. Jackson had no choice but to leave O'Neal in.

It paid off.

Major League Standings

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White-Hucks advance in tennis

SAN ANGELO — Pampa's Cayla Herold and Valerie Porte of

Britton White and Tanner Hucks Wichita Falls High 6-1, 7-5 in

Wednesday's Games

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enough players," Jackson said. "We were able to get a Medvedenko was injured

picked up his fourth foul less late in the second quarter. than three minutes into the Jackson said afterward he didn't know the extent of the

Bryant scored 17 of his 36 points in the third quarter, and Malone had 17 points and eight rebounds for the Lakers. who won by outscoring the Rockets 54-38 in the second

"When Shaq picked up. those fouls, everyone realized what they had to do," Malone said. "We made some shots. "There were times out We shot the ball with confi-

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American League

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Sunday's Games

Cleveland 9. Detroit

Chicago White Sox 5, Tampa Bay 0

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Minnesota 8, Kansas City 3

Seattle 4: Texas 2

Monday's Games

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Seattle 2. Oakland 1, 14 innings

Tuesday's Games

Boston (PMartinez 1-1) at Toronto (Halladay 1-2), 7 05 p.m.

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Oakland (Harden 0-1) at Seattle (R Franklin 1-0), 10.05 p.m.

Detroit (Johnson 1-2) at Minnesota (Silva 1-0), 8:10 p.m.

Texas (Rogers 2-0) at Anaheim (Ra Ortiz 0-1), 10:05 p.m.

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NY. Yankees (Vazquez 1-1) at Chicago White Sox

Boston (Wakefield 1-0) at Toronto (Lilly 0-1): 7:05 p.m.

Oakland 7. Anaheim

The best-of-seven series

moves to Houston for Games 3 and 4 Friday night and Sunday afternoon.

In the only other action Monday night, the San Antonio Spurs went on a 14-0 run early in the fourth quarter and held Memphis without a field goal for nearly 11 minutes in an 87-70 win for a 2-0 lead in their first-round series.

Three games are scheduled Tuesday night — New York at New Jersey, Boston at Indiana and Dallas at Sacramento. The home teams lead 1-0 in each of those series.

In the Lakers' 72-71 victory in Game 1. O'Neal had 20 tried to do the little things.

points and 17 rebounds and made the winning basket. Bryant, meanwhile shot 4-of-19 for 16 points and Malone was 3-of-14 for seven points.

It was a much different story this time, with Bryant shooting 9-of-20 from the field and 16-of-17 from the foul line. Malone shot 7-of-12, and O'Neal was 3-of-9.

Derek Fisher scored 11 points and Kareem Rush had 10 for the Lakers, who shot 45.3 percent after being held to a season-low 32.9 percent in the opener.

"That's the sign of a good team, (winning) when one of your big dogs is in single figures," O'Neal said. "I just

Pampa run-rules Hereford, 16-6

HEREFORD — Pampa Derek Lewis (RBI single). run-ruled Hereford 16-6 in contest Saturday

With the score tied 5-5. the Harvesters struck for nine runs in the fourth inning on five hits. The big blow came from designated three-run homer to give hit. Pampa a 10-5 lead.

Story had three of Pampa's 15 hits, including a run-scoring double and single.

Tyson Hickman also had three hits, including a double, two singles and two RBL Winning pitcher was

Tyler Doughty, who gave up six hits while striking out four and walking one in going the distance.

Others with hits for the Brown (RBI single, single). Jed Martin (RBI double, single). Tyler Doughty (RBI single, single), Dusty Lenderman (RBI single). Seth Foster (single) and

Pampa is now 5-4 in disa District 3-4A baseball trict play and 12-10 for the season

> Pampa was defeated by Plainview 8-6 in an earlier district contest.

Nick Story's double was hitter Nick Story, who hit a Pampa's only extra base

Pampa was leading 4-2

after three innings when Plainview went ahead with a three-run fourth. With the score tied at 6-

plated what what would be the winning runs in the sixth inning Plainview hurlers Adam Petrosa and Todd Jeffress

·6 after five, the Bulldogs

combined to pitch a four-Pampa is tied with Harvesters were Shea Dumas for the third place playoff spot with a 5-4

> Randall (8-0) and Plainview (7-1) held down the top two spots in the district standings

record.



a run-batted in against the Whitefaces.

State Champion



Pampa wrestler Steven Botello added another trophy to his collection when he won first place in the Division 3, 95-pound Division at the Texas Youth State Championships in El Paso.

have advanced past the first two first-round action. In girls singles, Pampa's Tara Jordan fell to Christina Amo of White and Hucks opened the North Crowley 6-3, 6-3 in the first

tournament Monday with a 6-1, 6- round. Both White-Hucks, Vinson-Robert Brewer of Fort Worth Long went into the tournanment Arlington Heights. They followed as District 3-4A champions. with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Straw Jordan was district runnerup.

The regional semifinals and In girls doubles, Myca Vinson finals are set for today at and Lacie Long of Pampa lost to Brentwood Country Club.

Two Harvesters named to all-district golf team

PAMPA — Pampa sophomore to the Second- Team All-District Besides 3-4A boys golf team.

Teichmann was seventh overall in the individual standings with a 154. He missed qualifying for regionals by only two

Taylor Fatheree, another Pampa sophomore, was named honorable mention. He tied for 11th overall at 160.

The Harvesters completed the second and final round of district with a 669 total for two rounds. The first round was played at Commanche Trails and the second round at Palo Duro Creek in Canyon.

Plainview won the district title with a 604, followed by Randall 617, and Hereford 667.

Weston Teichmann was named underclassmen this season, two-round scores in district Wesley Brogdin was a junior 183; Pepper 101-96-197.

The Harvesters were all and Pepper a freshman. Final Teichmann and were Teichmann 77-77-154; Fatheree, there was Braydon Fatheree 82-78-160; Barker Barker, also a sophomore, 86-86-172; Brogdin 87-96-

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Deal with matters directly. Your more possessive streak emerges despite yourself. You need to re-evaluate just how much you offer. Be willing to work with other like-minded individuals. Teamwork and communication mix well. Tonight: Chat over dinner. You'll enjoy catching up on recent

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** You make an impact. Your ideas carry more punch than you realize. Listen well to someone's suggestions. A person who ranks as flaky in your life could be very inspiring with his or her ideas. Brainstorm away. Tonight: Do some shopping for yourself. Don't you deserve to be spoiled? GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

** Hold back until the late afternoon before making any announcements. Information might be vague, but it seems to be very good news. Go behind

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CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Focus on what you want, rather than being distracted by those around you. Someone means well and wants to contribute. Consider an adjustment to your professional image. Think "success." Slow down late this afternoon. Don't move too quickly. Tonight: Take some dream time or do something just for yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** You are the chief right now, and others finally acquiesce to your desires. Your creativity and dynamic thinking help draw others and their consent. Don't lose sight of your long-term goals. A meeting develops into fun. Tonight: Let your hair down with a couple of friends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Do your homework before you plunge ahead with a project or longterm desire. Others will work well with you. Find experts and get different opinions. A well-groomed idea has strongmoneymaking potential. Tonight: Make a must appearance. You're the leader of the gang right now

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Qthers approach you in a style and manner that you cannot say "no" to. You will open up to new possibilities by being more "real" or authentic. Someone shares a great deal of information. You quickly learn a lot. Investigate different routes to where you are heading. Tonight: Buy a new CD. Give your mind a break. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

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*** You inspire others to a new level, and they respond positively. Creativity and brainstorming allow new options professionally and in your daily. life. Find a shortcut. You will like networking, talking and visiting today. Tonight: Go along with others' plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** You have the drive, follow through and inventiveness to find solutions. Others could be baffled by what looks easy but isn't. Build for the future. without taking a risk. Leave some time for a meeting. Tonight: Off to the gym,

or find a good stress-buster. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You might want to play a situation cool but cannot, despite what is happening. You might say too much or reveal more than necessary. Learn to muzzle yourself sometimes. Take your time rather than jumping in. Tonight: Romp the night away. Be a kid again. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** What you say might have more implications than you realize.

Choose your words with care. If you have a strong intuitive feeling, follow it. Just don't spend more than you can afford to lose. Think about curbing your impulsiveness. Tonight: Happy at home.

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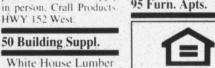
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Standards Link: Vocabulary Development: Recognize and use



Weekly Writing Corner

My Favorite Tree

My favorite tree is a palm tree. Most palms grow in the tropics like Hawaii and the Bahamas. There are more than 2,800 types of palms. Can you imagine all those trees? Some palms grow a fruit called coconuts and some don't have fruit at all.

> Kelsea, 5th Grade

My favorite tree is the weeping willow tree. Did you know that its scientific name is Salix Babylonica and that the willow was native to China and has been introduced to other parts of the world? The willow also lives a shorter time than most other trees.

> Katherine, 6th Grade

I like the sycamore because it is unique. The sycamore is a large tree with patchy, peeling bark of varying colors of white, gray, green and brown. Sycamores are found throughout the eastern states. It is the largest deciduous tree in the United States, but not the tallest.

> Saegan, 6th Grade

My favorite tree is the dogwood tree because they make straight arrows. They can grow up to 35 feet tall. Its berries provide food for birds and mammals and they have large, beautiful vellow and white blossoms.

> Royce, 4th Grade

I like mango trees because mangoes are my favorite food. Mango trees provide good shade on hot days. When I was a baby we lived in Maui and I used to swing in a mango tree.

> Rhiannon, 3rd Grade

My favorite tree is a maple tree. I like it because it is light brown and pretty. Maple syrup comes from the sap of the tree. Before they put it in bottles they add sweet stuff to the sap.

Stephanie,

3rd Grade

My favorite tree is called a redwood. It is tall, like me. I also like the magnificent red color of the bark.

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