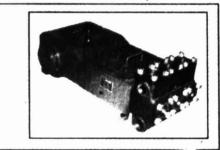
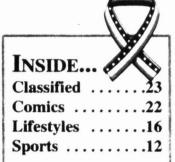
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Pampa ISD top students announced

Superintendent of Pampa schools, Barry Haenisch, and principal of Pampa High. Evan Smith, announce 23 students from the class of 2004 are honor graduates. To qualify as an honor graduate, a student must rank in the top 10 percent of their class.

Class valedictorian Shawn DeBarge Goodin received an States Military Academy at West Point while salutatorian Jacob Lee "Jake" Hopkins made Superintendent Scholar.

To be a Superintendent Scholar, Hopkins scored 1300 or better on the SAT or 29 or better on the ACT in addition to completing four or more Advanced Placement classes.

The honor graduates were recognized during an Honors Banquet at Pampa Country Club recently.

The PHS Class of 2004 appointment to the United honor graduates are as fol-

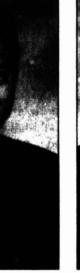
4.3347 grade point average. His honors, activities and accomplishments National Honor Who's Who Among American High School Students, Bausch and Lomb Science Award. Academic National Honor United Achievement award, varsity wrestling captain, ASTRA Club, PHS Political Symposium, math. Goodin, son of Eric and science and social studies UIL. Riza Goodin and Joe and Academic competition and Colorado School of Mines and DeDe Barnes, ranks third

plans to major in civil engineering at the academy and serve as a commissioned officer in the combat engineering division of the U.S. Army.

Hopkins, son of Marshall and Kim Hopkins, carries a 4.263 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments by or civil engineering at Rotary Leadership Award. Optimist goal is to work in research and Club Excellence in Education Award, 2003 Homecoming ceutical manufacturer. King, PHS Student Council, Charlene Martinez, carries a theater technician. Goodin Excellence in Math and

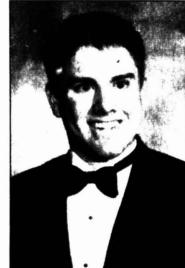
American Revolution Good Citizen Award. Society. Farmers of America, Student Council, junior varsity basketball and ASTRA Club. He plans to major in pre-pharma-Texas Tech University. His development or for a pharma-

Ryan Barnes, son of Terry (See GRADS, Page 5)



Shawn DeBarge Goodin Jacob Lee Hopkins





Ryan Barnes



Joshua Jed Martin



Shelley Elizabeth Smith

Instructional Leadership Council meeting May 11

Pampa Independent School District will host a District Instructional Leadership Council meeting at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 11, in the Carver Center board room, 321 W.

All parents, community members, organizations, law enforcement agencies, mental health agencies, and other interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

Pampa ISD officials will be discussing and planning the federal programs for the upcoming school year, 2004-2005. For more information, contact Tanya Larkin at 669-4700.

Pentagon failed to appoint lawyer to advise prison unit

By MATT KELLEY

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITET

WASHINGTON (AP) Army plan last year to send an the Army probe. experienced military lawyer member of Congress to help oversee the unit blamed Baghdad.

That left the prison complex, which holds up to 7,000 Iraqis, without an onsite lawyer to guide interrogations firmed there was no onsite and treatment of prisoners.

The top lawyer for the 800th Military Police Brigade, the Army unit in charge of detainees at Abu Ghraib, later came under fire requests for comment at the in an Army report about the end of the week. Bryan abuse for being ineffective and "unwilling to accept. Defense Secretary Donald H. responsibility for any of his. Rumsfeld, referred questions actions."

The rejected lawyer. Rep Steve Buyer, R-Ind., and of the Iraq war and a lieuother experts say having had a

lawyer at the prison might have prevented or at least mitigated the beatings, sexual humiliation and other abuse Pentagon officials rejected an detailed in photographs and

"It's always good to have a — who is also a Republican—lawver around so you've got a conscience for the command and an opportunity to vet for prisoner abuse at the Abu questions," said retired Army Ghraib complex outside Maj Gen William L. Nash, who commanded an armored brigade during the 1991 Gulf

Pentagon officials conlawyer at Abu Ghraib, but spokesmen for Army Secretary Les Brownlee and Pentagon personnel officials did not respond to repeated Whitman, a spokesman for to the Army

Buyer, a strong supporter (See PRISON, Page 2)





◆ Seaman Apprentice Reed DeFever

Branch of Service: U.S. Navy Joined: January 2004 Stationed Great Lakes, III.

Family, Parents, Lance and Brook DeFever, Cindy and Mike Bledsoe, brothers, Spencer, Ethan, Will. Nicholas, Stephen and Chris. Grandparents. Jane Adams. Rodney DeFever, Merle and Anna Spence. John Lee and Anita Bell. Gene and Linda Miller, and Jim and Carol Bledsoe

Hospital Corpsman Will

Branch of service: U.S. Navy Joined August 2003 Stationed Camp Pendleton.

Family Parents, Brooke and Lance Delever, Kent and Jolynn Vise, siblings, Reed, Spencer, Ethan, Kelby, Madison; grandparents. John Lee and Anita Bell. John C. and Rosemary Vise, Jane Adams, Rodney Delever, and Jean Ellis



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tenant colonel in the Army

Reserves, had volunteered to

go to Iraq shortly after the inva-

Friday with The Associated

Press. Buyer said military offi-

cials all the way up to the Joint

Chiefs of Staff had approved

his assignment to the 800th

Military Police Brigade, which

has handled Iraqi prisoners of

war since the beginning of the

and Brownlee rejected the

assignment, saving the Army

could fill the requirement

another way. Brownlee also

wrote to Buyer that his high-

profile status could bring dan-

Buyer said he objected to

David Chu, the Pentagon's per-

sonnel chief, and Charles

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Abell, Chu's deputy.

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Pentagon personnel officials

In a telephone interview

PRISON

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to ask, when you had a quali-

fied officer, and the civilian

leaders. Dr. Chu and the secre-

tary of the Army, said no, who

Brigade have been accused not

only of abusing prisoners in

Abu Ghraib but also detainees

at the Camp Bucca POW facil-

ity near Basra in southern Iraq.

The military also is investigat-

ing a dozen prisoner deaths in

Afghanistan and Iraq, some of

them in facilities run by the

a prisoner of war camp run by

the 800th Brigade during the

first Gulf War. His duties,

Buyer said, included helping

the International Committee of

the Red Cross monitor condi-

tions and ensuring guards fol-

lowed international law such

as the Geneva Conventions.

some Iraqis suspected of war

Buyer served as a lawyer at

800th Brigade

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treatment or maltreatment of

prisoners. It never happened.

They had excellent leader-

Ghraib by Army Maj. Gen.

Antonio Taguba found serious

problems with the brigade's

leadership, including its com-

mander, Brig. Gen. Janis

after the abuse at Camp Bucca

in May 2003, Karpinski did

not give the unit proper train-

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detainees," Taguba wrote.

"I could find no evidence

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Karpinski.

last five years. He was a Baptist

Leah Bell Van Natta, 76, of Pampa, died Manyard of Borger, Vickie Lynn of Borger, Saturday, May 8, 2004, at Amarillo, Services Mary Davis of Pampa, Patty Kennedy of are pending under the direction of Hooker, Okla., and Georgia Garrard of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Stinnett: three sons, Chester Van Natta Jr. of

Hodgeman County, Kan. She came to Pampa David Kreger of Houston: 20 grandchildren; in 1975 and was a homemaker.

She was a cook at Pampa Senior Citizens Center and was a member of Borger American Cancer Society in care of Clint Pentecostal Church.

on July 26, 1945, at Jetmore, Kan.; he died Dec. 29, 2003.

Survivors include five daughters, Sherry www.carmichael-whatley.com.

McLEAN — Bobby Eugene Blaylock, 72, Blaylock of Houston, Texas, and Ronny of McLean, Texas, died Saturday, May 8, Blaylock of McLean; five sisters, Debbie 2004, at McLean. The body was donated to Blaylock of Aspen, Colo., Wanda Sharp of medical science and a memorial service will McLean, Hazel Turnbush of Altus, Okla., be held at a later date. Arrangements are by Lucille Stacker of Pampa, and Helen Mann of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Monahans, Texas; one brother, Jack Blaylock of Amarillo; two sister-in-laws, Joy Blaylock Mr. Blaylock was born July 15, 1931, in of Alanreed and Jo Blaylock of McLean; and McLean. He was a resident of McLean for the two grandchildren.

-Sign the on-line register book at Survivors include two sons, Donny www.carmichael-whatley.com.

LEAH BELL VAN NATTA

Tulsa, Okla., Jack Van Natta of Pampa and Mrs. Van Natta was born Sept. 5, 1927, in Ronald Van Natta of Gore, Okla.; a brother, and 50 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Caylor, Memorial Chair, 2130 Charles St., Mrs. Van Natta married Chester Van Natta Pampa, TX 79065 or to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

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

Friday, May 7

Catherine Ann Watie, 36, of Pampa, was arrested on a bond surrender for burglary of a building.

Richard Anderson, 22, 518 N. Russell, was arrested for theft by check.

Saturday, May 8

Jason Sprowls, 17, 424 Dwight, was arrested for minor in possession of alcohol and for possession of marijuana under 2-ounces.

Undral Dewayne Jernigan, 21, 1108 Prairie Dr., was arrested for possession of a controlled substance less than 1-gram and for possession of marijuana under 2-ounces.

Teri Lynn Ferguson, 30, homeless, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and for capias pro fines for possession of drug paraphernalia and for violation on a promise to

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday

Friday, May 7

Rogelio Beltran Rosalez, 43, 1027 S. Clark. was arrested on a motion to revoke on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense

FIRE

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

Friday, May 7

7:54 a.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to Highway 60 and 70 where a bottle of marker dye had been spilled. The firefighters washed down the spill. 1:13 p.m. - One unit and three firefight-

ers responded to the 2100 block of North Hobart on a minor vehicle accident.

2:57 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded three-miles west on the railroad tracks where a crosstie was smoldering.

7:25 p.m. – Two units and six firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident, one-mile west of 2300 on Baggerman Road. The call was disregarded as the unit arrived on the scene.

9:36 p.m. – Two units and four firefighters responded to an address on County Road H 1/2 on a small fire which burnt the roof of a deck.

Saturday, May 8

12:12 a.m. - Three units and nine firefighters responded to a structure fire on County Road H 1/2. No further information was available at press time.

1:28 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 2100 block of North Nelson. The call was disregarded upon

Judge denies request to table some asbestos suits

Harris County judge has rejected requests by companies being sued for asbestos poisoning to. create a separate docket dealing only with cases in which plaintiffs are sick.

State District Judge Mark Davidson told more than 100 lawyers in his courtroom that the creation of an "unimpaired docket" would violate the Texas Constitution.

"At some point in the future. the number of cases filed which

HOUSTON (AP) — A could qualify for assignment to involving plaintiffs with the an unimpaired docket could result in a denial of right to court access to other cases in which impairment is agreed to exist." Davidson wrote. "It cannot be said that this is the case at this time for cases filed since Sept. 1, 2003."

> cases filed after Sept. 1. More than 300 asbestos cases have been transferred to Davidson's court.

Defendant companies. including DuPont, General Electric Dow Chemical, Union Carbide and CenterPoint Energy, argued that a separate docket would push cases most serious illnesses to the front of the line.

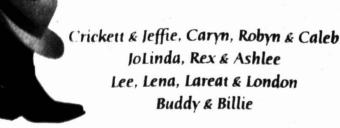
Their lawyers said people placed on the inactive docket would maintain their legal cases but wouldn't be able to proceed with their lawsuits until they developed asbestos-The ruling applies only to related sicknesses.

> But lawyers for the plaintiffs said the delays would deny their clients constitutional access to the courts and a trial

Davidson told the defendants' attorneys they could ask the Texas Supreme Court for an order that would compel him to create the separate docket.

To all our friends who brought food, sent flowers. memorials, cards and all the prayers during our difficult time. Thank you for so many loving & kind words and support given to the family of

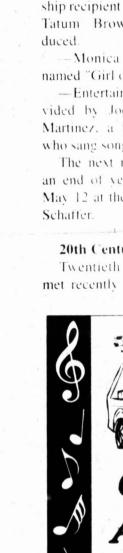
> **Ethan Lowrey** "Our Cowboy Angel"





"I expressed the importance He said he also questioned







Kid's exhibit



(Courtesy photo)

Taylor Smith and Kara Stobel, both students with "Kay's Kreative Kids," 'mix it up' with paint and brushes. Kay's Kreative Kids will exhibit their artwork from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, May 16 at White Deer Land Museum in Pampa. The display is open to the public

Railroad Commission sets May gas production allowables

Commission recently set May 2004 natural gas. production allowables for prorated fields in the state to meet market demand of 27,121,406 Mcf (thousand cubic feet).

For these fields, the May 2004 allowable represents a decrease of 1,460,749 Mcf when compared to actual production of 28,582,152 Mcf in May 2003. In setting the May 2004 allowable, the Commission used historical production figures from May 2003 and producer forecasts for the May 2004 demand, and then adjusted the figures to account for such factors as well capability, new wells in a field, etc.

Texas natural gas storage reported by the Commission for March 2004 is 167,810,877

AUSTIN - The Texas Railroad Mcf compared to 103,031,457 Mcf in March 2003. The April 2004 gas storage estimate is 185,609,894 Mcf

Gas well gas from prorated fields accounts for 9 percent of total gas well production in

Preliminary statewide production reported for February 2004 is 27,412,338 barrels of crude oil and 362,087,932 Mcf of gas well gas.

The Commission's estimated final production for this month can be obtained by multiplying these preliminary production totals by a production adjustment factor of 1.0364 for crude oil and 1.0970 for gas well gas. (These production totals do not include casinghead gas or condensate.)

Kentucky horse industry battling competition

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Saying that Kentucky's status as a leader in the horse industry is in danger, several powerful farm owners and breeders formed a new group to promote its economic importance in the

Backers of the group, the Kentucky Equine Education Alliance, said Kentucky's horse industry has slowly given ground to other states that have incentives for thoroughbred owners and breeders.

The last two Kentucky Derby winners — Funny Cide and Smarty Jones - were sired in Kentucky but foaled in other states.

John Gaines, a member of the new group, said Wednesday that Kentucky faces a concerted effort by other states to subsidize "and otherwise enhance their state's horse industries, with the clear goal" of replacing Kentucky as the industry leader.

Gaines, the founder of the Breeders' Cup, the Kentucky Horse Park and the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, said 626 thoroughbred stallions lived in Kentucky in 1986.

Now there are 386, he said, and those stallions each generate \$8.5 million per year toward the state's gross domestic prod-

Other prominent horsemen associated with the group include Bill Casner, co-owner of WinStar Farm in Versailles; Robert Clay, owner of Three Chimneys Farm in Midway: and Bill Farish of Lane's End Farm in Versailles.

Casner is part of a group that owns Distorted Humor, the sire of Funny Cide, winner of the 2002 Kentucky Derby. Distorted Humor was bred to Belle's Good Cide at WinStar Farm, and Belle's Good Cide was shipped to New York to give birth, qualifying Funny

Funny Cide's first two career wins came in races exclusively for New York-breds.

"We've sent mares to New. York to take advantage of the New York breeding program," Casner said, "We're business-

Cide as a New York-bred horse, men. We've placed a large investment in this state, but ultimately, it has to be a profitable business for us. When we have a horse that goes to stallion, we have to make a decision where to send that

Pow! Right in the kisser



Have you ever wanted to smack your boss in the face with a pie? That's exactly what happened at a recent meeting at Pampa Nursing Center. As a fund-raiser, employees purchased a ticket for a chance to "smack" Janice Cunningham, right, PNC administrator, or Betsy Vick Don, in the kisser! "Pies were flying everywhere!" said Kristie Fuller, PNC activity director.

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CLUB NEWS

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a memorial to Lovett Coffee. Dues are payable at Preceptor Theta Iota Memorial Library in the name the luncheon and the followof Edith Rankin, a former ing officers for 2004-05 will

The following business the program on the history of Bailey, secretary; Dixon, music recording.

held in the home of Dixon. reporter.

After the usual order of business and committee reports, The following business Chleo Worley delivered the program on "Texas Music."

Another meeting was held —Roll was taken. Minutes—in the home of Louise Bailey. Nancy Coffee delivered the program on "Baroque Music

The next meeting will be a Spring Salad Luncheon" -Members voted to make May 11 at the home of be installed: Fay Harvey, -Billie Dixon presented president; Orr, vice president; treasurer; White, parliamen-A previous meeting was tarian; and Vonna Wolf,

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Patriot Act: Should we continue, change or abolish it?

The Patriot Act – continue, change or abolish? This question can be answered by determining the character of those for and against

Against: Pornographers, white collar criminals, illegal drug dealers and users, organized crime individuals, illegal gamblers, commercial suppliers of contraband to enemy nations, incountry subversives, the non-religious affiliated who fear exposure to a positive religious experience, ACLU - fearing their ability to suppress liberty might be threatened, politicians whose lifestyles will not allow public scrutiny.

For or neutral: Common ordinary working families and individuals whose lifestyles feel no threat from the Patriot Act, people who want a safer, more secure environment for their children and value this more than the liberties espoused by the lib-

It will be interesting to see how a current study of The Patriot Act actually plays out in Congress.

Bill Reeves McLean

Today in History

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Sunday, May 9, the 130th day of 2004. There are 236 days left in the year. This is Mother's Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

Two hundred and fifty years ago, on May 9, 1754, a cartoon in Benjamin Franklin's Pennsylvania Gazette showed a snake cut into sections, each part representing an American colony; the caption read, "Join or die."

On this date:

In 1502, Christopher Columbus left Cadiz, Spain, on his fourth and final trip to the Western Hemisphere.

In 1913, the 17th amendment to the Constitution, providing for the election of U.S. senators by popular vote rather than selection by state legislatures, was ratified.

In 1926, Americans Richard Byrd and Floyd Bennett became the first men to fly over the North Pole.

In 1936, Italy annexed Ethiopia.

In 1945, U.S. officials announced that a midnight entertainment curfew was being lifted immediately.

In 1960, the Food and Drug Administration approved a pill as safe for birth control use. (The pill, Enovid, was made by G.D. Searle and Company of Chicago.)

In 1961, Federal Communications Commission chairman Newton N. Minow condemned television programming as a "vast wasteland" in a speech to the National Association of Broadcasters.

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee opened hearings on whether to recommend the impeachment of President Nixon.

In 1978, the bullet-riddled body of former Italian prime minister Aldo Moro, who'd been abducted by the Red Brigades, was found in an automobile in the center of Rome.

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Remember soldiers' families

I recently attended the Fixed Wing Army National Guard Aviation Training Site in Clarksburg, W. Va. I was attending a course to learn how to fly the C-23 Sherpa, large airplane, designed to fly troops, cargo, or do para-drop operations. We lovingly call it the recreational vehicle with wings because it is so boxy looking.

The weather in West Virginia is wet and rainy in the spring, and there are days that some mission training cannot be performed. On those days, we would conduct academic training, reviewing regulations, aerodynamics and all of the mandatory subjects a pilot must master.

On one particular non-flying day, at lunchtime, I asked if anyone in the class was in the mood for Chinese buffet. A young first lieutenant from Alaska said he would be happy to go with me for the Chinese buffet.

A soldier never passes up an opportunity to eat. When an opportunity to eat presents, a soldier always eats as much as possible because the soldier never knows when the next opportunity will be. The lieutenant and I proudly upheld that tradition on that day, as we each made several trips to the buffet. After filling ourselves shamelessly, we chatted and drank coffee.

The lieutenant and I discussed the war situation. We asked each other questions of what the other had heard about deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. Typical soldier talk, and our pay grades are not



high enough to know exact details of specific units, dates, or places, but we still kept our voices low. Nonetheless, someone did overhear our conversation about going to Iraq.

I noticed a young man, about 17 years. of age, sitting with a woman at a table across the aisle from us. The young man and I had made eye contact at the buffet and greeted each other with a nod. I noticed that the young man and his companion were getting up from their table to leave, which reminded me that we should be leaving to get to the classroom on time.

I asked the waitress for our checks. She replied that the young man I had noticed was paying our checks. I called out to him to wait. He and his companion stopped. I wanted to tell him that it is not necessary to buy our lunches. Before I could get the words out, I looked into his watering eyes, and he said, "Thank you for going." At this time, his companion, the young man's mother, said, "His father is in Iraq and we are so lonely without him because we don't have anyone else here. We want to thank you for serving our country, too."

Several other customers say this event and began applauding. I was embarrassed at first. However, I believe the applause was as much for the young man and his mother, as for the lieutenant and me. This made me feel a lot better, as the young man was obviously full of emotion over his father being in harm's way.

This event reminded me that the loved ones left behind by service members need comfort and support. Family support groups work well near military installations, but in communities away from military installations, family members left behind rarely have the same support.

I came to realize community outreach is needed for those loved ones left behind to give them the support and comfort they need. A caring community shouldn't allow a service member away from home worry about his or her family feeling lonely or forgotten. I didn't just get a free meal on this day. I got an eye-opening that needs to be passed along.

Until my next correspondence with you, I will leave you with a quote from President John F. Kennedy, "Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure the survival and success of liberty."

Gregg C. Dunham is a former Pampan and Pampa High School graduate.



Terrible actions of a few cost us all

Thanks to a small handful of misguided idiots the United States is being forced to confront an angry Muslim world outraged at allegations of torture of Iraqi detainees at the hands of American soldiers.

The price we are paying for this sad chapter in our military history will be calculated in American lives lost along with the good will the nation has earned over the years as a result of our being in the

forefront in the struggle for human rights. As a result of the inexcusable behavior of these men and women, we are now being forced to stand before the world. accused of actions we have condemned when done by others. In the very same notorious prison where Saddam Hussein's henchmen inflicted the most unspeakable tortures on their fellow Iraqis, members of our armed forces subjected Iraqi detainees to humiliating treatment that involved both torture and threatened rape.

With insurrections against coalition forces increasing in both numbers and violence, when all our attention should be focused on the need to enlist the Iraqi people in the struggle against the murderous Islamic thugs killing coalition soldiers and Marines and their fellow Iraqis, the U.S. is being forced to defend itself against charges of inhuman conduct directed against helpless prisoners.

As a result of the growing scandal and the accusations that the U.S. is conducting a war not against terrorists but instead against Middle Eastern Muslims we have been forced into a position by just 13 soldiers where:

The President of the United States had



hand, to apologize for the behavior of our

An administration that should be engaged in winning a war is instead being forced to circle the wagons in an attempt to minimize the damage being done by the

American and coalition forces now face the prospect of increasing attacks against them, including being shot down and killed on the streets of Iraqi cities in response to the allegations of torture. More Americans will die as a result.

The huge public outcry being fed by both the U.S. and foreign media is escalating the damage being done to our cause not only in the Middle East but throughout the world.

Instead of being able to explain to the American people and the world all of the good constructive things we have been doing to rebuild Iraq and help the Iraqi people get back on their feet and participating in the benefits of living in a free society, we are being forced into a defensive position. The great and good work of some 150,000 American troops is being overlooked all because something like 13 of their fellow soldiers acted like thugs.

That the entire scandal is being overblown by the media, much of it clearto appear on two Arab TV stations, hat in ly motivated by their anti-Bush senti-

ments, does not of course diminish the guilt of those who were involved. But it needs to be made clear that when the first allegations of torture and mistreatment surfaced, the Army launched a thorough investigation of the whole sordid affair and has made public the results of that probe.

The details are more than merely shocking. According to Major General Antonio M. Taguba, who headed the investigation, they included such outrages as threatening detainees with loaded automatics, beating detainees with a broom handle and threatening male detainees with rape. According to Gen. Taguba, the offenses were "intentionally perpetrated" by several members of the 372nd Military Police Company at the Abu Ghraib

These poorly trained soldiers, the General reported, were acting under instructions by military intelligence operatives conducting prisoner interrogations to "soften up" the prisoners and make them more cooperative during interrogations.

The fact that must not be overlooked is that the Army moved quickly to deal with the problem and made no attempts at a

If there is a bright side in this picture it is that the Iraqis and the entire Muslim world will be able to see that when confronted with offenses committed by our own people, the United States wastes no time in identifying, trying and punishing the guilty - unlike the failure of their own governments to come clean when similar or worse offenses are committed by their Tara Jo GR

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GRADS

in his class with a 4.225 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments include Distinguished Achievement Program, Who's Who Among American High School Students, USAA National Honor Roll, USAA Leadership Merit Award. USAA All-American Scholar, Optimist Award for International Academic Excellence, National Honor Society vice president, Outstanding Student Awards in chemistry, U.S. history, world geography, multimedia, health and food science, Student Council secretary and treasurer, baseball, Drug Free Youth in Texas (D-FY-IT), UIL math and science, and volunteer with Celebration of Lights, Salvation Army and Pampa Regional Medical Center. He plans to pursue a degree in prepharmacy or chemical engneering at Texas Tech University. He sis currently employed at Pampa Country Club as a golf course attendant.

Joshua Martin, son of Ricky and Jana Martin, ranks fourth in his class with a 4.098 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments include Academic All-State Basketball, Heisman nominee, All-District basketball. Who's Who in Sports and Academics, Pantex Award of Excellence in Mathematics, vársity baseball, varsity basketball. National Honor Society and Body of Christ Youth Group. He plans to attend Texas A&M University in College Station.

Shelley Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Duane and Evan Smith, ranks fifth in her class with a 4.097 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Texas All-State Band years). Homecoming Court, National Honor Society, Amarillo Symphony, Youth Orchestra, PHS Band Sweetheart, tennis, Latin Club, Concert Choir, Symphonic Band and ASTRA Club. She plans to major in biology and minor in music at McMurry University and eventually to attend medical school

to study ophthalmology. Tara Jordan, daughter of Royce and Kim Jordan, ranks sixth in her class with a 4.046 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Attitude Leadership Tennis Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All-American Scholar Award, All-District Tennis, Harvester Tennis Most Valuable Girl (two years), varsity tennis, varsity basketball, National Honor Society, Concert Choir and D-FY-IT. She plans to pursue a degree in biology at Texas



Natalie Nicole McVay

Tech University and one day become a dentist. She is currently employed as a waitress and a hostess at Dos Caballeros. Natalie Nicole McVay,

daughter of Mark and Ginger

McVay, ranks seventh in her class with a 3.917 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Who's Who Among American High School Outstanding Students, Sophomore Choir Member, Rotary Youth Leadership Award, Algebra Award of Excellence, PHS Leadership Award, cheerleading senior captain, choir historian, Student Council senior representative, National Honor Society and D-FY-IT. She plans to pursue a degree in psychology at Texas Tech University. She is a lifeguard at Pampa Youth and drama, speech and debate, band,

Briana Nicole Russell, daughter of Bobbye Russell and Richard and Anita Russell, ranks eighth in her class with a 3.884 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Chemistry I Honors Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All-

Community Center.



Briana Nicole Russell

Outstanding Sophomore in Women's Choir, PHS Leadership Award, National Honor Society secretary, choir, Show Choir, freshman volleyball and Latin Club. She plans to pursue a degree in physical therapy at Texas Tech University. She is currently employed in a clerical position at United Medicorp.

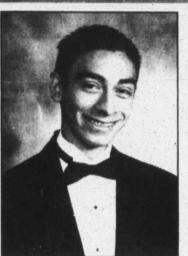
Evelyn Rose Jasso, daughter of Cruz Jasso, ranks ninth in her class with a 3.877 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Academics, National Honor Society, Technology Students Association Awards, Who's Who Among American High School Students, USAA National Minority Leadership Award, UIL Academic Team, Color Guard and ASTR \ Club. She plans to major in theater arts at the University of North Texas in Denton. She is employed at Cabot and NOI Employees Credit Union in a clerical position.

Demetrio Martinez IV, son of Demetrio Martinez III and Consuelo Martinez, ranks 10th in his class with a 3.876 GPA. Scholar, His honors, activities and



Evelyn Rose Jasso

accomplishments include Regional, State and National DECA qualifier, Technology Students Association Awards, UIL Academics Regional Qualifier, National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School DECA, Students, UIL Academic Team, Technology Students Association. speech/debate and soccer. He plans to pursue a degree in watchmaking and micro technology at Oklahoma State University in Okmulgee. He wants to eventually work for a company such as Rolex. He has served as an apprentice at Gold Kraft Jewelers since he was 10years-old.



Demetrio Martinez

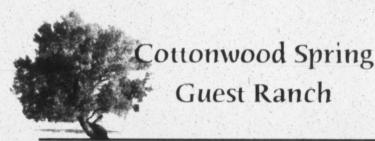
Brianna Rachelle Bailey, daughter of Nathan and Robin Bailey, ranks 11th in her class



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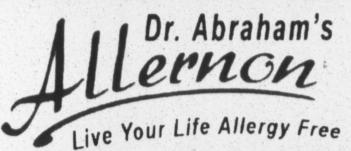
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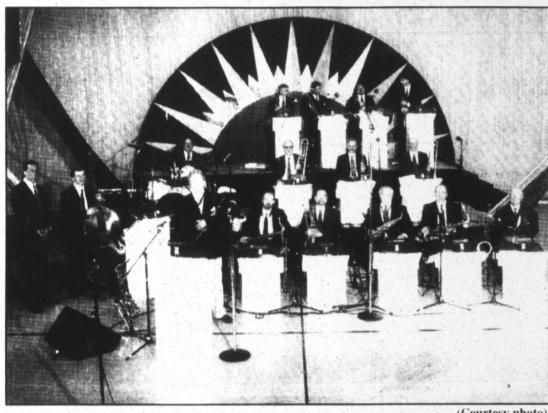
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Community Concert Association



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"Pampa Community Concert Association 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 until June. Among the upcoming performers will be The Artie Show Band, a musical group that entertains with a big band and jazz sound. The group is fronted by Dick Johnson since 1983.

U.S. Department of Agriculture announces date for soybean request for referendum

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Agriculture recently announced that it will offer soybean producers the opportunity to request a referendum on the Sovbean Promotion and Research Order as authorized under the Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act.

The request for referendum will be conducted at USDA's county Farm Service Agency offices. To be eligible to participate, producers must certify and provide documentation that shows that they produced soybeans and paid an assessment on the soybeans during the period of Jan. 1, 2002, through Dec. 31, 2003. Only those producers who desire a referendum on the order will participate.

Beginning May 3, 2004, and continuing through May 28,

form to request a referendum from county FSA offices either in person or by sending a request by mail or facsimile. Forms may also be obtained via the Internet

http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/m pb/rp-soy.htm.

Individual producers and other producer entities may request a referendum at the county FSA office where their administrative farm records are

For the producer not participating in FSA programs, the opportunity to request a referendum will be provided at the county FSA office where the producer owns or rents land. Mail in requests must be postmarked by May 28, 2004, and received in the county FSA office by June 7, 2004. All other

2004, producers may obtain a requests made by facsimile or in person, must be received in the county FSA office by May 28,

> USDA will conduct a referendum on the order if a least 10 percent of the 663,880 soybean producers request a referendum. provided that no more than onefifth be producers from one

> The request for referendum is mandated by the act. The act requires that the secretary of agriculture conduct a request for referendum every five years after the initial referendum.

which was conducted in 1994. USDA monitors activities of the United Soybean Board. The mandatory program is financed by an assessment of one-half of I percent of the net market value of the soybeans.

Notice of the soybean request for referendum will be published in the March 25, 2004, Federal Register.

Ranch estate planning seminar slated at College Station Center

"A properly drawn estate plan may save many ranch families over \$200,000 in estate taxes," said Wayne A. Hayenga, Texas Extension economist and attorney, referring to a couple with a ranch worth \$1 million or more who want to pass it on to their children.

Many people only worry about estate planning if they hear of a friend's "problem" in selling a ranch or in paying estate

"But," Hayenga said, "for many families the estate tax savings are not as large as income tax savings if they have a properly prepared estate plan."

A seminar discussing these complicated tax topics is scheduled Aug. 4 and 5 at the College Station Conference Center at Texas A&M University, College Station. The seminar is being planned in conjunction with the Annual Beef Cattle Short Course.

The seminar is structured to help ranchers learn how to lower their tax burden and ease administrative burdens that affect passing their estates on to their loved ones. In addition to discussing estate planning systems, tax savings possibilities will be addressed using corporations, partnerships and trusts when family members are involved in the business.

Making gifts to avoid estate taxes will also be addressed.

"There are three problems with making gifts - the first is dying poor; the second is the adverse income tax consequences the gift can cause the recipient; the third is when somebody other than your intended beneficiary ultimately gets the gifted property."

Two problems that affect family operations - planning for inflation and growth needs of the business - will be explored as will how to be fair with your heirs when one child is interested in the property and the others are not.

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Hayenga will conduct the seminar. He is a professor and Extension specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension. He works extensively with farmers, ranchers and family-owned firms in financial, business and estate tax planning.

Hayenga is a member of Texas and American Bar Associations and American Agricultural Law Association. He is active in Agricultural Law Committee of the State Bar of Texas.

The registration fee for the seminar is \$100 and includes materials, lunches and refreshments. For more information, call or e-mail 845-2226 wehring@tamu.edu.

Modern Woodmen offers children's programs to schools, organizations

As summer and the end of the traditional school year approach, kids across America will spend more time outside. Modern Woodmen of America, a national provider of fraternal financial services and programs will offer two free programs to help kids become more aware of their surroundings and stay safe during these summer months and the entire year.

Modern Woodmen's Ecology Awareness Program helps kids gain an understanding of the part people play in the environment. The program leads young people

choices, while learning a fun, common sense approach to preserving our environment.

The organization's Safety and Life Skills Program helps kids learn a safer, smarter way of living, and prepare for the dangers and stresses that confront them. Topics covered include stranger danger, Internet safety, fire safety and bullying.

Both programs, which have recently been enhanced to help meet national education standards, teach kids through fun, interactive exercises. Each child receives several free, take-home souvenirs to reinforce learning.

The programs are two of six free Youth Educational Programs Modern Woodmen offers to schools, homeschoolers and youth groups nationwide.

Woodmen's "Modern Youth Educational Programs are comprehensive programs that teach kids skills they can use throughout life," said local representative Larry R. Starnes. "Teachers don't always have the time or budget to develop new programs these days. The Ecology Awareness and Safety and Life Skills Programs are educational, fun for the kids, easy to implement and completely

Teachers, principals, youth leaders and homeschoolers can contact Starnes at 665-8863 for more information or to order the programs for their schools or organiza-

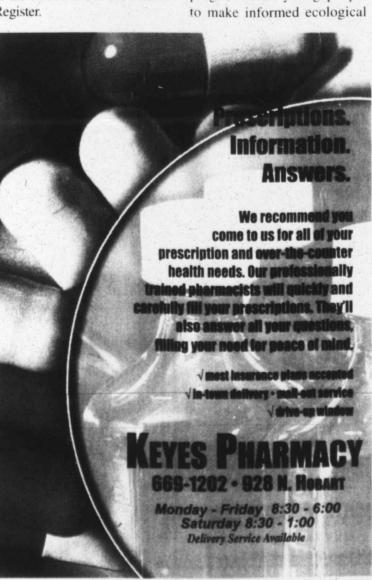
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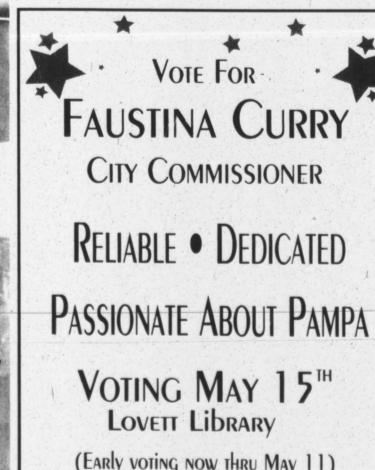


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PRS. Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services conducts a monthly informational meeting for individuals interested in becoming a foster or adoptive parent every second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m., at its office (6200 I-40 West) in Amarillo, Contact Darla Ingram at (806) 354-6230 for more details.

School-to-Career Program. Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

SHARE! High School Exchange Program, sponsored by Educational Resource Development Trust, is seeking host families for foreign exchange students for a semester or for a year. The hosts must provide housing and meals. The students are covered by medical insurance and have their own spending money for personal expenses. For more information, call Yvette Coffman at the Southwest Regional Office, 1-800-941-3738.

Stuttering Foundation. Stuttering Foundation of America is offering a free copy of its brochure. The Child Who Stutters at School: Notes to the Teacher," For more information, contact the non-profit foundation by mail: Stuttering Foundation of America, P.O. Box 11749. Memphis. TN 38111; or phone 1-800-992-9392. The brochure is also available at www.stutteringhelp.org. on the World Wide Web.

TCA Web site. A list of "10 Hot Summer Cultural Events" can be accessed via the Texas Commission on the Arts website at www.artonart.com — the most comprehensive arts calendar on the Internet in Texas. Visitors to the site can search the dataaccess a travel planner section that allows visitors to hyperlink to vendors to rent a car, make airline reservations or book hotel

TG Web Site. Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corp. (TG) has revamped its "Adventures in Education" website located at http://www.adventuresineducation.org or http://www.aie.org on the Internet. Although the site is targeted to middle school, high school and college students as well as high school counselors. each section can assist parents in helping their children prepare for college. TG is a public nonprofit corporation that helps create access to higher education for millions of families and students through its role as an administrator of the Federal Family. Education Loan Program. Its mission is to provide information to help families and students realize their educational and career

Tuition Assistance. U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance - College Bound is an organization with a listing of over 700 different private scholarship sources for college students. Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; other can be applied towards tuition, living expenses and/or other fees: Most COMMUNITY, CHURCHES scholarships can be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4-year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools. For more information, send a SASE (business size, #10) to: The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

World Heritage. World Heritage, a non-profit student exchange program, is currently seeking a local community representative to provide high school exchange students with program support. For more information, call Ande Bloom at 1-800-888-9040 or visit www.world-heritage.org on the World Wide Web.

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Harrington House. The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Pat Landergin, the house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Don and Sybil Harrington. The hourlong tours are conducted from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information call (806) 374-5490.

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Old Mobeetie Jail Museum. Old Mobeetie Jail Museum in Mobeetie offers various volunteer opportunities to interested individuals. For more information, call (806) 845-2028.

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

White Deer Land Museum. White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) winter visiting hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No charge for admission; elevator provided

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; e-mail 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

Geezer.com. Green Thumb, Inc., the nation's oldest and base by city, region, date, topic or organization name as well as largest provider of training and employment for mature workers, now offers consumers Geezer.com, an on-line service featuring the handiwork of seniors from across the country. The site is a must for shoppers looking for distinctive, often one-ofa-kind 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:

> Tetra's Virtual Acquarium. Tetra's Virtual Acquarium is located at www.tetra-fish.com on the World Wide Web.

TEXAS Vacation Packages. The Musical Drama "TEXAS" is continuing its fall, winter and spring vacation packages showcasing area attractions such as Amarillo Rattlers, Amarillo Opera, Amarillo Symphony, Lone Star Ballet, American Quarter Horse Association and much more. The packages include hotel/motel accommodations, dining in the best western tradition and one-stop shopping. For more information, call 1-800-655-2181 or visit www.texasmusicaldrama.com. on the Internet.

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:

Boy Scouts. Boy Scout leaders meet at 6:30 p.m. the 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. Church of the Brethren hosts country singing and regular fellowship at 7 p.m., every Monday

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 more information, call 665-2514. Office hours are 11:30 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 second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the 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 the citizens of Pampa — churches, schools, etc The prayer services are open to everyone. For more information, call 665-4926.

Pampa Area Literacy Council. Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331

Pampa Masonic Lodge #966. Pampa Masonic Lodge #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 respond during times of crisis in Pampa and other parts of 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 informational 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.

Story Hour. Lovett Memorial 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.

Texas Department of 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. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1567 meets at 7 p.m., the second 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 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 available for \$1 each.

Downtown Business Association. Pampa Downtown Business 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

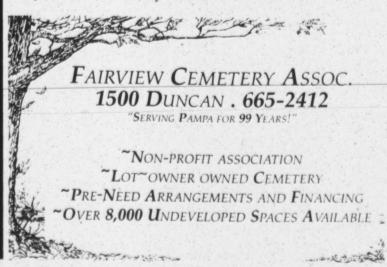
Golden Spread Coin Club. Golden Spread Coin Club. originally Amarillo Coin Club, meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month. GSCC is a member of American Numismatic Association. For more information, call (806) 352-8281 or (806) 342-9536

Gray Co. Ass'n for Retarded Citizens. Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of every month at Pampa Sheltered Workshop.

Gray Co. Extension Education. Gray County Extension Education meets at 1:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Gray County Courthouse Annex.

Gray Co. Genealogical Society. Gray County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month in the Gray County Sheriff's Department classroom. (Enter through the north door of the jail building.) For membership inquiries, contact Harley Madison at 669-6294.





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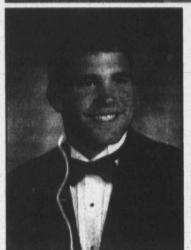
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include Who's Who Among American High School Students, USAA All-American Scholar, IPC Award, Lions Club Sweetheart, UCA All-Star Cheerleader, cheerleading senior captain, choir activities director, Show Choir, Student Council senior representative and National Honor Society. She plans to attend Texas Tech and major in pre-pharmacy. She helps students with homework and fine art activities at Create-A-Beat!

James Mac Smith, son of David and Myrna Smith, ranks 12th in his class with a 3.787 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments include 2004 Harvester Football Fighting Heart Award, Student Body president, PHS Homecoming Court, Who's Who Among American High School Students, football, track. National Honor Society, Student Council, and D-FY-IT. He plans to major in biology and history at Pepperdine University.

Kori Dunn, daughter of Randy and Brenda Dunn, ranks 13th in her class with a 3.766 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Texas State FFA Lone Star Farmer Degree, Soccer All-District honors (four years), Cross-Country Most Valuable Runner (two years). Top O' Texas FFA District reporter, senior class vice president, varsity soccer, varsity cross-country, FFA, and National Honor Society. She plans to major in animal science at Texas Tech University and eventually become a dentist. She is a student manager at West Texas Snow Company during the summer.

Stephanie Ann Nelson, daughter of Ron' and Robin Nelson, ranks 14th in her class with a 3.732 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include All-American Scholar, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Outstanding Choir Member (junior year), Lions Club Sweetheart, PHS Leadership Award, National Honor Society, choir president. Show Choir, tennis and ASTRA Club. She plans to study child development therapy at Blinn College in Bryan. She is employed at The Coffee Shop.

Erica Paige Cox, daughter of

Air, corvette show slated

AMARILLO -Saturday, May 22, the first Top of Texas Wings and Wheels Extravaganza will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Tradewind Airport in Amarillo. This air and corvette car show is being brought to the area by Commemorative Air Force and

Amarillo Area Corvette Club. The show will showcase vintage aircraft from World War II and one-of-a-kind corvettes. Participants will see a full collection of Callaway Corvettes as well as the flying Tiger, BaBa Black Sheep, Pitts Stunt Plane and C45 Beach Baby along with

the Flying Farmer air clown. There will be Beat the Heat Cop Rods, drag cars, a corvette racing a cop rod, children's activities. Amarillo Gorillas, concessions, souvenirs and more.

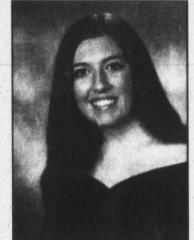
Space may be available for additional corvette entries. To find out more, call (806) 374-

The gate fee is \$5 per person. Children 5 and under are free.



Kori Dunn

Leroy and Barbara Cox, ranks 15th in her class with a 3.722 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Who's Who Among American High School Students, Math and Art Academic Award (sophomore year), U.S. Academic Achievement, National Honor Society; track, basketball, cheerleading and FCA. She plans to attend Amarillo College of Beauty. After she receives her cosmetology license, she plans to major in photography at a university and eventually own her own photography studio. She has worked at United Supermarket for two years.



Stephanie Ann Nelson

Abbi Covalt, daughter of Monte and Laura Covalt, ranks 16th in her class with a 3.707 accomplishments include All-Who's Who Among American High School Students, Best All-Around Volleyball Player (two years), First Team All-District in volleyball, basketball and soft-MVP (2003-04), Concert Choir Business Professionals of and National Honor Society. She plans to major in pre-communication at Texas Tech and eventually pursue her masters degree in speech pathology. She degree in clinical/child psychol-



Erica Paige Cox

Summer Snack Shack in the summer

Cara Marie Pryor, daughter GPA. Her honors, activities and of Randy Pryor and Deidra Cain, ranks 17th in her class American Scholar Award, with a 3,688 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include National Honor Society. Who's Who Among American High School Students, National Honor Roll, yearbook editor-inball, Lady Harvester Basketball chief, Who's Who Award for America, Business

Professionals of America, tennis, softball and Symphonic Band. She plans to pursue a manages the cash register at ogy. Her ultimate goal is to



Abbi Covalt

therapist-psychologist. She is a

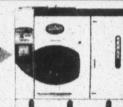


Cara Marie Pryor

become an outpatient clinical purchasing/engineering VOE student at Celanese where she (See GRADS, Page 10)

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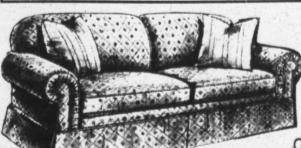
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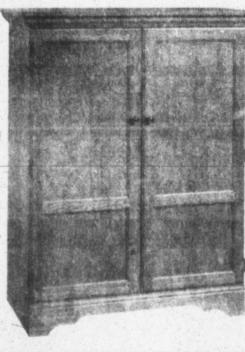


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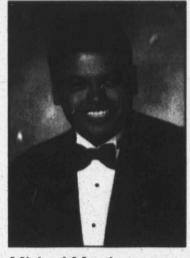
Tatum Rae Brown, daughter of Don and Darla Brown, ranks 18th in her class with a 3.676 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include UIL Sports Photography Award, Outstanding Yearbook Student, Outstanding Geometry Student, Miss Teen Dance, Novice Jazz Award in Competition Solo, yearbook editor/reporter. National Honor Society, D-FY-IT Advisory Board, Career Day instructor, geometry tutor and dance student and instructor. She plans to attend the University of North Texas and



Hunter Craig

major in psychology. She also plans on becoming a UNT dancer. Her goals are to become a clinical psychologist while pursuing a career in dance and modeling. She has modeled in Amarillo, Los Angeles and New York.

Hunter Craig, son of Larry and Melany Craig, ranks 19th in his class with a 3.673 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments include Who's Who Among American High School Students, National Honor Roll, U.S. Achievement Academy, Chemistry Award of Excellence, baseball, participant in Shattered Dreams and PHS teacher's aide. He plans to



Michael Martinez

pursue a degree in petroleum engineering at Texas Tech and has been employed at Quality Auto Sales.

Michael Anthony Martinez,

son of Joe and Charlene Martinez, ranks 19th in his class with a 3.673 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments include National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, National Honor Roll, U.S. Achievement Academy awards, USAA National Minority Award, varsity swim team, Concert and Show Choir secretary. The Symposium, D-FY-IT and ASTRA Club treasurer. He plans to major in



Cristina Rene Elliott

chemistry at Baylor University. He hopes to enter pediatrics upon graduating from Baylor Medical School or Baylor Dental School. He works as a lifeguard during the su er and teaches swim lessons acr the American Red Cross.

Cristina Rene Elliott, daughter of Dean and Deborah Elliott, ranks 21st in her class with a 3.648 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include numerous UIL awards, Color Guard captain, Area Band, National Honor Society, PHS Pride of Pampa Band, yearbook and UIL Academics. She plans to major in anesthesiology at



Johnny Lee Story

West Texas A&M University. Johnny Lee Story, son of

Rodney Story and Denise Daves, ranks 22nd in his class with a 3.614 GPA. His honors, activities and accomplishments include PHS Homecoming Court, National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All-Region Jazz Band (bass guitar), area champions in soccer, PHS Marching Band, Symphonic Band, video technician and video editor for Shattered Dreams. He plans to pursue a degree in education at the University of North Texas and become a soccer coach.

Krissy Anne Holman,



Krissy Anne Holman

daughter of Dennis and Kim Holman, ranks 23rd in her class with a 3.598 GPA. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include Who's Who Among American High School Students, PHS Leadership Award, Outstanding Freshman Award, National Society of High School Scholars, National Leadership Forum Medicine, cheerleading senior captain, varsity golf, choir, Show Choir, D-FY-IT co-president and National Honor Society. Krissy plans to attend the University of Oklahoma and major in pre-medicine. Her goal is to become a pediatrician.

AUSTIN ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the fifth six-weeks grading period of the 2003-04 school year. SECOND GRADE

A Honor Roll. Destry

Gymnastics recital

Baten, Paul Cuellar, Tre Dildy, Mattie Eldridge, Kaylie Evans, Brandon Gage, Taylor Giles, Trae Hannon, Joshua Hernandez, Madison Joyce, Klayton Miller, Taylin Neff,

(Courtesy photo)

Kiersten Newton, Cager Osborne, Michael Parnell, Paronto. Jacob Ashlyn Sexton, Kelly Silva, Taylor Smith, Emily Terry.

AB Honor Roll. Courtney Baker, Fernando Castillo, Savannah Davis, Bailey Dixon, Jessie Dixon, Christian Free, Russell Harvey, Hunter Hughes, Alexa O'Brien, Korbin Ramirez, Cindy Schepp.

THIRD GRADE

A Honor Roll. Patterson Alvey, Rachel Andrews, Jocelyn Brady, Bethany Casas, Jonathan Cox, Ryne Davis, Robin Doan, Caleb Dunham, Kate Ellis, Madison Nelson, Arin Rice, Austin Starbuck, James Thompson, Chevenne Young.

AB Honor Roll. Andrew Brown, J.T. Brown, Makayla Hampton, Caitlin Pruitt, Ryan FOURTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Libby Aler, Shawn Armstrong, Brendon Burrell, Treyci Carroll, Autumn Chidester, Delaney Clendening, Heather Coffee, Latigo Collins, Cole Engle, Tara Garcia, Callie Hampton, Zac Hernendez

Harley Jacobs, Taylor Kennedy, Kirsten Kuhn, Tierra Lewis, Matthew Pearson, O'Rear, Ryan Kaitlynn Ramirez, Caitlin Sieck, Elizabeth Terry, Kailyn Troxell, Jessica Zellefrow, Justin Zeta.

AB Honor Roll. Talor Bowen, Jessica Butler, Fatheree, Rachel Jones, Magely Cerda, Logan Karbo, Michael Landsverk, Nicholas Shannon Leigh, Ty Linder, Kade Morse, Megan Pirtle, Nate Towry.

FIFTH GRADE

A Honor Roll, Payton Alvey, Kim Bronaugh, Karina Cabrales, Brandon Chairez, Nicholas Collins, Haley

Copeland, Katie Dunham, Lane Dyer, Brenna Ellison, Garrett Ericson, Chase Ferguson, Holly Gage, Lynsie Guyer, Ashlee Holland.

Paige Holt, Jackie Karson, Evan McElwain, Trevor McVay, Jonathan Polasek,

Shaylie Thompson, Careron Wall, Stephanie Danielle Zuniga. AB Honor Roll. Emily

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Barrett, Hudson Bentley, Cori Cook, Erika Dodge, Natosha Hayes, Gavin Jimenez, Dillon Tyler Rabel, Garrett Sewell, Kyle, Sissy Palmer, Brenden Rice.

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Those interested can sign up for the Digital Value Pak by calling Cable ONE at 665-2381.

Hoover VFD



(Courtesy photo)

Members of Hoover Volunteer Fire Department recently attended National Fire Academy classes in Wheeler. Among those attending the four-day course were (front) Jeffrey Sweeney, Bud Rose, Trent Price, Wayne Hinds, (back) Scott Hahn, Joe Millican and James Powell.

BELL MART

Gymnastics of Pampa students (back, left-right)

Taylin Neff, Marlee Richardson, Alyssa Parks,

Kenzie Roberts, Shelby Langley, Hailee King,

(middle, 1-r) Jacey Montgomery, Katelyn Peters,

Ally Roberson, Samantha Clancy, Kaylan Smith,

D.J. Ford, (front, 1-r) Jimmy Townsen, Jordan

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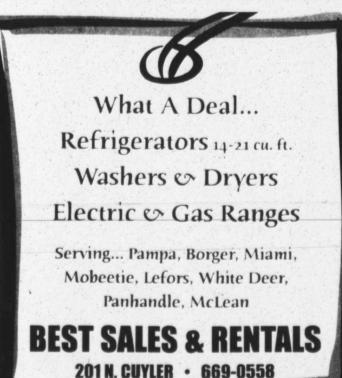
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UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

PCCA PRESENTS 'LIVE ON STAGE'

Pampa Community Concert Association Presents "Live on Stage" 2004-05 concert series includes the following programs: Artie Shaw Legacy, Rhythm in Shoes; Southern Fried Jazz Band; and pianist Richard Glazier. 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.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a community CPR class from 6-10 p.m. May 3; a community first aid class from 6-10 p.m., May 10 and 1-4 p.m., May 13; and a baby-sitting class from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., May 8 and 22 (students are required to come for both sessions). The baby-sitting class is open to students 11 years of age and older. They will be trained in CPR and first aid. For more information or to register for any of these classes, call 669-7121 or stop by the ARC office at 108 N. Russell.

CONCERT OF PRAYER

Moms In Touch International, local chapter, will host a "Concert of Prayer" from 1-2 p.m. Thursday, May 6 in the M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The event is being held in conjunction with National Day of Prayer. All mothers, grandmothers, aunts and friends are invited to come pray for the nation, the state, the county, our city, our schools and our military forces.

ACTS PRODUCTION

Association will present the Tony Award-win- and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may ning musical "Annie," based on the "Little Orphan Annie" comic strip, at 7:30 p.m., May 6-8 and at 2:30 p.m. May 9. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. For more information, call (806) 371-5355.

PAMPA BOOK CLUB

Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 12 at Lovett Memorial Library. The group will discuss "Liar's Club," "Honk & Holler" and other books by Billy Letts. Visitors are welcome.

COVERED DISH DINNER

Pampa Community Concert Association Presents "Live on Stage" will host a covereddish dinner for those involved in its membership campaign and their spouses at 6 p.m., Tuesday, May 18 at Calvary Baptist Church (east entrance).

WINGS AND WHEELS EXTRAVAGANZA

Top of Texas Wings and Wheels Extravaganza is planned from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., May 22, at Tradewind Airport in Amarillo. The extravaganza is a special air show and corvette car show put on by Commemorative Air Force and Amarillo Area Corvette Club. Gate entry is \$5 per person. Children under 6 get in free

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The Roger Miller Museum Board will present "Dang Me – The Roger Miller Story" at 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 28 and at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 30, in the newly renovated grade school auditorium in Erick, Okla. The play will highlight the life of hometown boy, Roger Miller. and will be held in conjunction with Erick's alumni reunion Memorial Day weekend. Tickets are currently available for purchase for \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. For more information, call (580) 526-3332.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus).

also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., May 5 and 19, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; from 12:30-4 p.m., May 10, City Hall, Canadian; and from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., May 12, Wheeler . School, Wheeler

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: April 27. Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, Pampa; April 6, Family Care Clinic, Shamrock: April 7 and 21, Hemphill 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 self-examination. 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;

LECTURE SERIES

Harrington House Connoisseur Lecture Series will begin Tuesday, June 1 at Harrington House in Amarillo. "Couture Designers: Mrs. Harrington's Collection" will be showcased. Two identical lectures will be offered at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. with each limited to 10 people. The series will be offered the first Tuesday of each month June through October. Regular hours of the house will not be scheduled on this day. For more information or for reservations (required), call (806) 374-5490.

ACT

The next ACT Assessment test will be administered nationwide Saturday, June 12. Collegebound high school students must register for the college admissions exam by May 4, the Amarillo College Theatre School and Dr. Neil Whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, postmark deadline. The late postmark deadline. Jackson, MI 49203-1521; or e-mail georgeand Lisa Veggeberg High Plains Rehabilitation mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) is May 21 and includes an extra fee. For more carole@modempoolcom.

information, contact your high school counselor or go on-line to www.act.org.

WINE&CLAY FESTIVAL

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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on the World Wide Web.

USS Long Beach CGN-9 Association, Inc., is planning a reunion Sept. 13-19 at Hilton San Antonio Airport, 611 NW Loop 410, San Antonio. For more information, contact Don Shade, 299 Kiantone Rd., Jamestown, NY 14701-9370. 1-866-352-2469, LBCGN9@aol.com or www.usslongbeach-

WORKING RANCH COWBOYS RODEO

Working Ranch Cowboys Association Ninth World Championship Ranch Rodeo will be staged Nov. 11-14 in Amarillo. Cowboys from working ranches across the Northern Hemisphere will compete for the title of "Best in the World.

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 SPERRY (AS-12) Association,

WTAMU to conduct 'New Student Conferences' for beginning freshmen

freshmen at West Texas A&M students learn the campus, 3 at the Jack B. Kelley (JBK) dents will meet with faculty University can get a taste of meet friends and discover. Student Center Commons. college life during the resources available at the University's New Student Conferences. The conferences are set for June 3-4, June 24- Thursday, May 27. Those housed in Jones Hall. During Conference will register for offers information on services the WTAMU campus. A one- ed admission requirements— students will have the oppor- late registration. Students regfor June 19.

University. Registration deadline for the first conference is to stay on campus and will be don't attend a New Student New Student Conference day conference is scheduled application for admission, tunity to reserve a parking istering during late registra-The conferences offer ori- school transcript and THEA, schedule appointments for entation and preregistration scores or proof of exemption, advising and meet with the

Students attending the twoday conferences are required ACT or SAT scores, high permit, tour the campus, tion will be charged a \$4 per opportunities for incoming Check-in for the first confer- University's various depart-

advisers and register for fall

credit hour late fee.

Cost of each of the two-day conference dates is \$50 for students and \$15 for each parent or family member attending. The \$50 student registration fee includes an overnight stay on campus, two meals, a conference T-shirt and conference materials. The \$15 parent fee includes two meals and conference materials.

Cost of the one-day conference is \$35 for students and \$15 for each parent or family member attending. Reservations for each of the

CANYON - Beginning freshmen and will help new ence is 9 a.m. Thursday, June ments. On the last day, stu- five sessions are taken in the answers any questions parents order they are received.

Parents of beginning freshmen are encouraged to attend. Beginning freshmen who A parent program during the

have about may University

For more information about the WTAMU New Student Conference, call 806-651-2833 or 806-651-5287 or 25, July 8-9 and July 29-30 on attending must have completed the first day of the conference, fall classes Aug. 19-20 during and programs available and visit www.wtamu.edu/new-

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TPMHMR to offer 'Family Partners'

AMARILLO — Carol Ann Vaughn is currently leading an on-going free family support group called "Family" Partners," for family of youth Rule 37 affected by mental illness. Family Partners is offered from 12-1 p.m. each Friday, at Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation's Children's Services, 1500 S. Taylor, Amarillo.

Lunch will be served to participants of the program.

"The fact that one in five children have a diagnosable mental health problem, but less than a third receive care is cause for alarm," said Michael Faenze, president and CEO of National Mental-Health Association. "Promoting mental health awareness and knowing the warning signs are essential to improving and even saving young people who may be at risk for depression and other mental illnesses.

The National Institute for Mental Health reports that serious untreated mental disorders themselves negatively effects brain development. Early identification, diagnosis and treatment helps children reach their full potential.

To register or for more information, call (806) 349-5663.

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Lost marques of the auto industry

CANYON — The third phase of "Let the Good Time Roll" will open May 15 at Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon. This portion of the exhibit will showcase the "lost margues" of the automotive industry such as the Studebaker, Edsel, Sears, Hudson, Auburn and Cord.

In the car dealership, a 1932 Auburn will be exhibited. Other cars in the entry area will include a 1931 Hudson Boattail Roadster. A 1951 Frazer will highlight a 1950s diner, a 1958 Edsel two-door Stationwagon will be on display in the drive-in movie area and the motor court features a 1933 Terraplane:

The automotive industry has seen many makes and models come and go. As early as 1908, it was estimated that 515 models had gone into production and more than half had failed, according to museum information. Between 1930-1941, 44 marques were lost.



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More results will be available in Monday's edition of the Pampa 16.11

Gymnasts compete in Classic | Andrews blanks Pampa

Gymnastics of Pampa level 4 vault (9.55), floor exercise (8.55) FEGA Winter Classic in Lubbock.

Leading the Level 4's was firstyear competitor Natosha Goode. outstanding 34.2 score?

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tean) members competed in the and balance beam (8.2). She received a red ribbon on bars with a 7.9 score.

The Classic meet also honored who finished sixth overall with an the top athletes in each event and in the All-Around out of all Level 4's competing. Natosha tied for ances carned her a blue ribbon on sixth on vault and placed sixth on



Level 4 Gymnasts: Front, I-r. Kaylene Wyant, Robin Doan and Victoria Saiz; Back, I-r, Karami Rice Natosha Goode and Alexis Urquhart.

balance beam and All-Around.

Victoria Saiz received blue ribbons for vault (9.5), balance beam (8.450, and on floor exercise (8.4). She earned a red ribbon on bars (7.4) and had an excellent All-Around score of 33.75. Victoria earned third-place honors on balance beam in the Classic.

Robin Doan had solid performances to earn a blue ribbon on vault with a 9.1 score. She received red ribbons for balance beam (7.75), floor exercise (7.7) and bars (7.7). Her All-Around score was a 32.25. Robin is a firstyear Level 4.

Karami Rice, another first-year Level 4 competitor, had a solid meet. She earned blue ribbons for vault (9.2) and floor exercise (8.0), and won red ribbons on bars (7.2) and Beam (7.2). Her All-Around score was a 31.6.

Alexis Urquhart had good performances in her first-ever Level 4 meet. She won blue ribbons on vault with an outstanding 9.6 score, where she finished in third place out of all Level 4's. She also earned a blue ribbon on beam (8.0). She received a red ribbon for her floor routine (7.65) and a yellow on bars (5.6). Her All-Around score was a 30.85.

The Level 4 Team and other Gymnastics of Pampa students will be putting on the "Island Adventure" Recital on May 17 at gymnasium north of the city.

dropped a 4-0 decision to in the fifth. Andrews to open the best of three bi-district series Friday at O'Banion Field.

Andrews hurler Brent Villa held Pampa to three hits in throwing a complete game shutout.

Jeffrey Killo knocked in two of the four Andrews runs with an RBI single and a sacrifice fly.

Cassidy Hamilton and Matt Gardner each had two

Tyler Doughty went the distance for Pampa and held the Mustangs scoreless the first three innings. Andrews scored a run in

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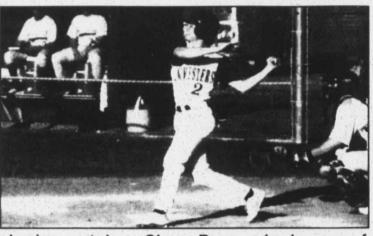
The Harvesters had runners on base in six of the seven innings, but Villa was always able to pitch out of trouble.

Pampa had a first-inning single by Shea Brown, a fourth-inning single by Jed Martin and a seventhinning triple by Tyson Hickman.

Pampa fell to 14-12 with the setback while Andrews improved to 22-5.

Game two was played at noon Saturday.

A third game, if necessary, was to follow.



Junior catcher Shea Brown had one of Pampa's three hits.

Pistons take 2-0 lead over Nets in Eastern Conference semifinal

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. semifinal. have pushed the New Jersey. New Jersey. Nets into unfamiliar territory.

The Detroit Pistons - / Game 3 is Sunday night in trailing 2-0.

Chauncey Billups scored Lastern Conterence champi-28 points and had a career ons are down 2-0 in the East playoff-high 13 assists Friday of or the first time since adding night to help give the Pistons Jason Kidd before the 2001- snapped the Nets' streak of a 95-80 victory and a 2-0 lead = 0.2 season. Just seven teams = 14 | postseason | victories in the Eastern Conference in NBA history have won against Eastern Conference Collins, who had eight points and Kittles were 5-for-22.

best-of-seven series after teams, dating to the first and 10 rebounds

"We've had some success, The Nets, the two-time now this is a bump in the road and we'll see how we handle it." Kidd said.

round last year. The streak included a sweep of the Billups' backcourt partner, Pistons in the conference also scored 28 points, and

"They did their job and Detroit's Game 1 victory won two games at home. Now we have to do our job,"

Richard Hamilton, Detroit's guards outscored New Jersey's - Kidd and Kerry Kittles - 56-14.

Billups and Hamilton said New Jersey's Jason made 18 of 33 shots. Kidd

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) — he played professionally. He's million. All soccer, all the time on a IV network in the United

No American businessman vas willing to try it, so former international soccer star Enzo Francescoli took a shot at it with Golf V's launch one year

Thanks in part to a serendipitous move by soccer megastar David Beckham, Trancescoli isn't complaining about GolTV's reception thus far or its potential for growth despite being sold to a country that still widely regards prosoccer as an afterthought.

GolTV remains a bit of a secret across much of the nation: It reaches about five million satellite and cable TV subscribers - available in cable markets that include parts of Dallas, Los Angeles, Miami, suburban New York, Francisco Washington D.C

At a national cable TV convention in New Orleans this past week, the network sought to get more major cable executives' attention with a mini soccer field and a sleek booth laden with high-definition "IVs showing game high-

Francescoli, a Uruguayan national, is a household name icross south America, as well is in France-and Italy, where been recognized by FIFA, soccer's international governing body, as one of the top 100

players ever.

But at the convention, starstruck looks from passers-by were rare. Rather, he was the one looking to grab the attention of anyone who'd listen about the potential of a network dedicated to what, for the foreseeable future, seems destined to remain no better than the fifth-most popular professional team sport in the United States.

"It was a risk, but a calculated risk — much lower than it seems," says Francescoli, who maintains a slender athletic build and thick crop of black hair. "Hispanics were absolutely underserved ... English-speaking population in America that likes soccer. It's growing fast. The U.S. team has done well in the World Cup, the women's team has been world champions, you have soccer moms for the K-through-12 kids who are playing."

Based in Francescoli's adopted home town of Miami. GolTV is broadcast in both English and Spanish — its Spanish version giving it an instant market with America's Hispanic population, now believed to be well over 35

Can all-soccer, all-the-time TV make it in U.S.?

The Dish Network and sevcable companies (Cablevision, Comcast and Adelphia) include the Spanish version of GolTV in Spanish language packages, while giving viewers who buy sports packages the option of receiving the network in either language.

While its chief competitor, Fox Sports World, broadcasts the English Premiership as well as selected games from top French, German and Dutch leagues, GolTV brings viewers the top Spanish and Italian leagues.

"The American public recognizes very well good soccer," said Constantino Voulgaris, a network executive. "They love to watch the Second, there's a huge Italian league and Spanish league.

Voulgaris added that the move last year by Beckham - one of the world's most popular athletes - from Manchester United to Real Madrid helped the network get access to some cable markets.

GolTV also broadcasts numerous matches from Central and South America, while other programming includes documentaries and instructional videos and international matches such as the UEFA Cup.

is in negotiations with several other cable companies, which he declined to name.

Former Uruguayan soccer stars Francisco Casal and Nelson Gutierrez helped Francescoli get the network off the ground.

Francescoli played forward for Uruguay when it qualified for the 1986 and 1990 World Cups and won three Coppa America tournaments. His pro career included a stint with Olympic Marseilles in the French league.

As for scoring victories with American viewers, Francescoli said playing soccer at a worldclass level "was easier, but hopefully that will change."

Clifton Supply has 3-0 record

PAMPA — Clifton Supply improved their record to 3-0 with two more victories in the Optimist Pitching Machine League.

Last week. Clifton defeated Thompson Parts 9-2. Every hitter for Clifton got on base at least once and the team played solid defense.

On Thursday, Clifton defeated Mon-Corp 9-1 as the team continued to hit the ball well and play strong defense.

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Glo-Valve Service rallies for 6-4 victory over D.E. Chase

Service came from behind with three runs in the sixth inning to edge D.E. Chase Inc. 6-4 in Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken action Thursday.

Anthony Allen got things going for Glo-Valve in the top of the sixth inning with one out with a Texas League single to right field. A wild pitch and a passed ball put him on third. Four pitches later, Kade Wilson lifted a Texas Leaguer to left field scoring Allen and knotting the score at 4-4. The ball seemed to have eyes for Glo-Valve as Tyler Malone followed with a bad hop single past the shortstop sending Wilson to second.

Wilson racing to third and, three hits, one run and one

PAMPA — Glo-Valve onto home when the ball went into left field. Malone never slowed down and also scored on the play.

> Alex Clendening was the winning pitcher. He relieved in the fourth inning with the bases loaded, the score tied and one out. A passed ball allowed a runner to score.and give Chase the lead at 4-3. Clendening proceeded to strike out eight in a row before he walked a batter with two out in the bottom of the sixth. He retired the last batter on a come-backer to the mound on which he made the play at first unassisted.

Malone was the leading hitter for Glo-Valve for the A short passed ball sent second game in a row. He had

RBI. Wilson made two runs on two hits and had one RBI. Allen had two hits, including a double, two runs scored and one RBI.

Shane Smith with two singles and one RBI, and Matt Bowen with a double in his only plate appearance had the only hits for Chase.

Glo-Valve took the lead in the top of the first inning when Wilson was safe on an error. He went to second on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Malone.

In the bottom of the third inning, Bowen led off with a double and went to third on a wild pitch. Kelby Rucker was hit by a pitched ball and was forced at second on a ball hit

scored on the play. Canyon Dougherty was safe on a fielder's choice sending Mechelay to second. A fielder's choice on a ball hit by Conner Craig forced Mechelay at third. A solid single by Smith plated Dougherty to give Chase a 2-I lead, but a relay throw from Evan Meschke in center to Malone at second to Travis Chester at third cut down

Glo-Valve edged back into the lead in the top of the fourth. Micheal Fisher singled and went to second and third on wild pitches. A double to left field by Allen plated Fisher. Allen went to third on a wild pitch and scored

Conner ending the inning.

by Joseph Mechelay. Brown when Wilson was credited with a single after the Chase right fielder was unable to hold onto the ball after a great effort on a long run.

Two walks and a fielder's choice loaded the bases for Chase in the bottom of the fourth with one out. Allen hit the next batter, Rucker, forcing in the tying run and bringing in Clendening to finish out the game and collect his first win of the season.

Malone pitched the first two innings for Glo-Valve. He permitted one hit and no runs. He struck out three while walking one. Allen relieved in the third inning and was touched for two hits and three earned runs. He walked two, hit two and struck out one.

Conner pitched the entire game for Chase. He struck out 11 and walked three while surrendering 10 hits. He gave up only three earned runs.

Rucker made the outstanding fielding play of the game for Chase by running back in center field and making a jumping catch of a line drive to rob Malone of an extra base

The win pulled Glo-Valve into a first-place tie with Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency. Both teams have three wins and one loss.

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Texans' Jason learning about new league, outside linebacker position

Babin learned something about an NFL playbook before he even cracked it 3-4 set

"They give you the playbook and I said, 'Man, this is the playbook?" Babin said, noting it was much bigger than the one he had at Western Michigan. "And they said, 'Oh, this will be about four times as big when you come back for regular camp."

The learning process for Babin and 26 other rookies began on the field Friday when the Houston Texans opened rookie minicamp. The difference for Babin and a few teammates is that along with coach Dom Capers' thick playbook, they're also trying to figure out new positions from their college days.

Babin was a defensive end

HOUSTON (AP) — Jason at Western Michigan, but the a second-, third- and fourthfirst-round draft pick is an outside linebacker in Capers'

> Capers is accustomed to training college defensive ends to be linebackers. Two lower draft picks, Charlie Anderson of Mississippi and Raheem Orr of Rutgers, were going through the same conversion as Babin.

"You have to be patient, because most of these guys making the transition have had their hand down and are used to rushing up the field, so you know that they're more skilled in rushing than they are in dropping back," Capers said. "If guys are good athletes, they'll start to get a feel for it and make the transition."

Capers and general manager Charley Casserly have a lot riding on Babin. They traded round pick to AFC South rival Tennessee to get Babin, who will be expected to challenge for a starting outside linebacker job sooner rather than

Babin looked smooth dropping his 260-pound frame back into coverage. Then again, there are barely enough offensive players among the 27 in camp to conduct fullscale drills and no tight ends to catch passes against him.

Babin confided that some nifty footwork in practice came from personal workouts where he's been drilling himself on covering receivers.

"My expectations are just to learn as much as possible," Babin said. "I'm trying to come out here with a clean slate and an open mind and whatever they put down, I just try to make happen."

Houston's other first-round or not. I might be a lot skinpick, cornerback Dunta Robinson, also found he had some learning to do. Where his South Carolina coaches had him backpedaling only a few yards, Texans coaches expect cornerbacks to stay with a receiver on the backpedal for much longer.

"It's like being a freshman all over again," Robinson

One thing Robinson won't have to adjust to much is the weather in Houston, where afternoon temperatures were in the low 80s, considered perfectly pleasant for May

Babin, on the other hand, is coming from Kalamazoo. Mich., where it was in the low 60s Thursday

"This is July Fourth weather in Michigan," Babin said "I don't know if I'm looking forward to midsummer here

nier the next time you see

Notes: S Glenn Earl's first pro practice got off to a rocky start. Earl, recovering from knee surgery, immediately got on a stationary bike as his new teammates hit the field. A coach who wanted him out there, too, yelled, "There's only one person in Texas who pressed into duty.

does that, and his name is Lance Armstrong." Because only rookies were allowed at the practice, special teams drills were shaky without a long snapper. Nate McKinney, trying to make the roster as a punter, was forced to field snaps above his head, off to the side or on the ground from a lineman

Tigers defeat Rangers, 8-7

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) Ivan Rodriguez helped the Texas Rangers win a lot of games and three division titles. Now, he's beating his former team.

Rodriguez hit a two-run, tiebreaking homer in his return to Texas, and the Detroit Tigers won 8-7 on Friday night to snap a fourgame losing streak.

"It's good to win as many games as we can," Rodriguez said. "I know that we're here in Texas, but now we came from behind and played a good game and got the win."

The Tigers trailed 4-0 after the first six Texas hitters, but came back to tie it at 5 with a pair of homers.

Big haul



Pampa fishermen Ben Woodington (left) and John Wagner hauled in 25 crappie at Lake McClellan during a four-hour period. Lake McClellan, located in the eastern Panhandle, has been a hot spot for crappie and catfish for several weeks.

Red Raiders rally past Missouri

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) Mense scored on a ground-Cody Fuller had a two-RBI triple in the bottom of the eighth to lift Texas Tech to a 7-5 come-from-behind win over Missouri on Friday.

Texas Tech (32-13, 12-6 Big 12) fell behind 4-0 early after Missouri got two runs in the first inning and added one apiece in the fourth and sixth innings.

The Red Raiders comeback began in the bottom of the sixth when Michael Mask had a two-RBI double to cut the lead.

Josh Haney tripled to send Mask home, before a Missouri error allowed him to tie the score.

Missouri (27-18-1, 6-12) regained the lead in the top of the seventh when Hunter

four and allowing only one hit in one and two-thirds innings.

the win after striking out

Tech tied the score one

last time later in that inning

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Woods shoots 66, his best round since February

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) -Tiger Woods says his game is starting to come around, and not many doubted him Friday in the Wachovia Championship.

Woods made every putt

inside 20 feet and one from nearly 50 feet

It led to his best round since February, a 6-under 66 at sunbaked Quail Hollow that gave him a two-shot lead going into

the weekend.

Woods was at 9-under 135. two shots ahead of Kirk Triplett (73), Notah Begay (70) and Arron Oberholser (68).

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Cali Covalt

Cali Covalt of Pampa was recently awarded the Jack and Cora Lee Hamilton Scholarship for the 2004-05 academic year. In the amount of \$600, the award is bestowed in recognition of high academic achievement and university and community involve-

Covalt is a junior human development and family studies major at Texas Tech University's College of Human Sciences.

The college will award approximately 228 scholarships for the 2004-05 academic year, totaling a little more than \$200,000.

Covalt is the daughter of Monte and Laura Covalt and is the granddaughter of Charles and Mary Miller, Una Covalt and the late Larry Covalt.



Lori Lindsey

Lori Lindsey graduated May 8 from the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center. She received a bachelor of science degree in nuclear medicine with a minor in psychology.

She is currently employed in Nuclear Cardiology at Integris Baptist Medical Center in Oklahoma City.

She is the daughter of Tom and Susie Lindsey.



Heath Bentley

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced that Heath Bentley of Pampa has been named an All-American Collegiate Scholar.

USAA established the All-American Collegiate Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines

To be eligible for the honor, students must earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school official or other qualified sponsor are accepted. USAA All-American Collegiate Scholars are named in the All-American Collegiate Yearbook, published nationally

The scholars are also eligible for other awards given by USAA.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history," said Dr. George Stevens, USAA executive director. "Certainly, winners of the All-American Collegiate Awards should be congratulated and appreciat-

(See NEWSMAKERS, Page 17)

Local Baby's Coming Shop gets new home

BY JUDITH LOYD VISTA VOLUNTEER

2CARE for Moms & Babies recently received a grant from the M.K. Brown Foundation in Pampa to help promote the program locally.

2CARE for Moms & Babies is a two-part incentive program for infant/maternal health. The portion of the program that focuses on "moms" encourages expectant mothers to begin prenatal care during the first 12-weeks of their pregnancy.

The expectant mothers are encouraged to be consistent in scheduling and keeping prenatal visits throughout the term and to make healthy lifestyle changes, especially cessation of smoking and/or exposure to second-hand smoke.

Women are made aware of educational opportunities in the community such as GED and ESL classes, childbirth instruction, Lovett Memorial Library and its many resources. Nutrition classes through WIC and the county Extension service are noted as well as any available parenting classes or other. classes to assist in growing good parenting skills.

Dr. Scott Ellis, a Pampa obstetrician who opened the Texas Plains Women's Center in 2003, enthusiastically supports 2CARE for Moms & Babies. He sees it as a good service to the community. In an interview about the impact he sees with women in his practice, Dr. Ellis commented that "bringing in the card is a great motivating tool for prenatal visits. I wish we had had something like this in the military.'

The portion of the program focused on babies is to promote well baby check-ups and to help parents learn the importance of regular assessments of development and progress. Following scheduled immunizations and breast feeding through the first 12 months are recommended as well

The program promotes participation of the father, beginning with prenatal visits and continuing through labor and delivery. Being more involved with the health care of the infant is also encouraged. Points are earned for various aspects of each portion of the program with additional points being available for the father's involvement.

At the completion of each part of the program, the gift card is taken to a Baby's Coming Shop, a specialty redemption shop just for those moms participating in the program, to be exchanged for items stocked in the shop.

The main Baby's Coming Shop is located in Amarillo with satellite shops throughout the Panhandle. Pampa has a permanent display kiosk located in the north Medical Office Building at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Thanks to the recent grant from the foundation the satellite shop has been relocated to a permanent location in the Hughes Building, Suite 433.

An open house is planned from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Tuesday, May 11. We will be having our annual Community Baby Shower. Service organizations, businesses and community members are invited to come see our new location and to bring a gift to help restock the roomy new Pampa shop. All donated items will remain in the local shop to be available to participants in Pampa and surrounding communities.

The Pampa shop is looking for volunteers to help staff the shop and to offer regular, consistent hours when moms can visit. At the present time, a participating mother must make an appointment with a VISTA volunteer working the program in order to redeem her card.

As many of our participating mothers come from surrounding communities having regular hours would make it easier to visit during a trip to Pampa for other activities.

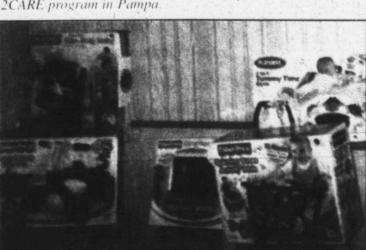
The Baby's Coming Shop is a baby boutique offering all kinds of baby goods - from diapers to strollers, swings and cribs. There are also many toddler books, games and toys. For anyone with a love of babies and a few hours to volunteer weekly, daily or monthly, the Baby's Coming Shop would be a fun place to work. Please call 664-2459 for further information and to sign up as a volunteer.

The foundation grant is also making possible a display in the ground floor windows on the south side of the Hughes Building. A sampling of gift items will be on display along with information on the shop location. In addition, we are promoting car seat safety education and check-ups for parents and others transporting children. A car seat display will be part of the window display as well.

During the upcoming year, we will be focusing on tobacco awareness education and tobacco cessation programs, especially for moms and others living with infants and young children. The grant will enable us to more aggressively promote these programs.

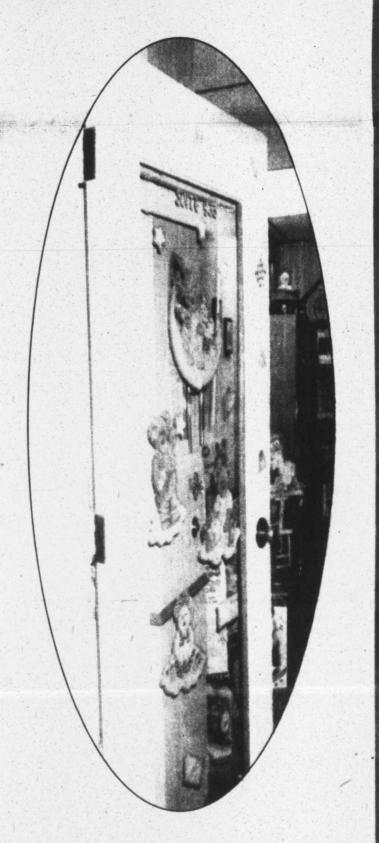
For further information, call our Amarillo office at 1-888-892CARE and ask for Holly Hancock, program director. For further information about 2CARE for Moms & Babies and/or the Pampa Baby's Coming Shop contact me, Judith Loyd, at

-Judith Loyd is the Americorps*Vista volunteer with the 2CARE program in Pampa.



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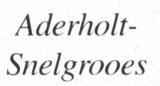
ENGAGEMENTS

Reeder-Kirkpatrick

Naomi Reeder Matthew Kirkpatrick plan to wed July 10 at First Baptist Church in Round Rock.

The bride-to-be, currently of Abilene, is the daughter of Philip and Janis Reeder of Round Rock. A registered nurse, she is presently employed at Hendrick Trauma Center in Abilene.

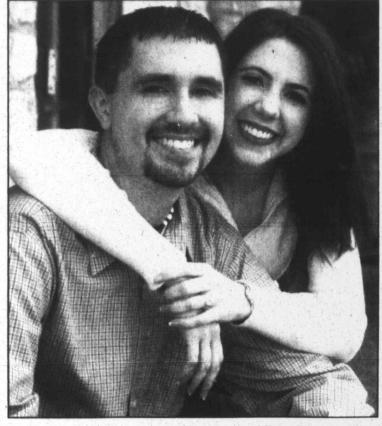
The prospective groom is the son of Reed and Chris Kirkpatrick of Pampa. A graduate student seeking a master's of arts degree in history, Kirkpatrick is scheduled to graduate with his MA in May. He then plans to pursue a Ph.D. at the University of Arkansas in August.



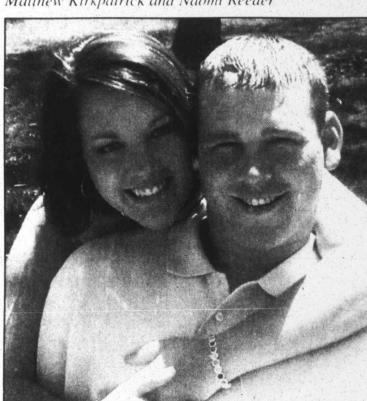
Becky Aderholt of Amarillo and Kaleb Snelgrooes of Canyon plan to wed Saturday, Aug. 7, in First Baptist Church in Pampa.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Pat and Nita Aderholt of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 2000 and holds a bachelor of science degree in education from West Texas A&M University (2004).

The prospective groom is the son of Steve and Alicia Snelgrooes of Pampa. He graduated from PHS in 2000 and is currently pursuing a degree in sports and exercise science at WTAMU.



(Photo by Focal Point Photographics) Matthew Kirkpatrick and Naomi Reeder



Anniversaries

Magrum-Knott

Bernadette Magrum and Dale Knott plan to wed Saturday, May 29 at Trinty Vineyard in Borger.

The bride-to-be. Marana, Ariz., is the daughter of Leonard C. Magrum and Geraldine Magrum, both of Marana. She graduated from Marana High School and from Texas Maximum Security School in Houston. She has worked in the field of security most of her adult life.

The prospective groom is the son of Ralph and Mary Knott of Eleva, Wis. He grad-

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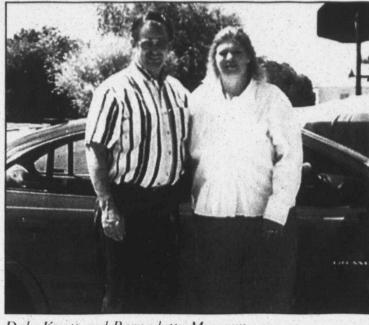
Richard William Conner plan

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Richard W. Conner and Maegan N. Dyer

MENUS

WEEK OF MAY 10-14

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THURSDAY

Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast,

Lunch: Sack lunches, fruit,

FRIDAY

Senior Citizens

MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or ham

salad, mashed potatoes,

spinach, beets, beans, butter

pecan cake or chocolate pie.

slaw, tossed or jello salad,

hot rolls or cornbread.

sauce, salad bar, milk.

juice, milk.

No school.

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Pampa Schools MONDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits. Lunch: Mini corndogs or macaroni/cheese, potato rounds, spinach, pineapple. TUESDAY

Breakfast: Cinnamon tas-

Lunch: Ham/cheese sandwiches or chicken nuggets, green beans, carrot sticks,

WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Cheese omelet.

Lunch: Crispitos or pizza, corn, salad, applesauce, gela-

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Danish rolls. Lunch: Barbecue on a bun or beef/cheese nachos, potatoes, salad, peaches

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

Lunch: Bean/cheese burrito or hamburgers, French fries, corn, apricots.

Lefors Schools MONDAY

Breakfast: Pop Tarts, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Baked potatoes, burritos, chili, broccoli, cheese, salad bar, peaches,

TUESDAY

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

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Lunch: Fried chicken, steak fingers, mashed potatoes, corn, rolls, salad bar, fruit,

WEDNESDAY

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

Lunch: Hot pockets,

TUESDAY

Baked cod/rice or hamburger steak/onion gravy, au gratin potatoes, Italian green beans, hominy, beans, orange streusel cake or cherry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, cabbage, succotash, beans, peaches and cream cake or apple/raisin

(See MENUS, Page 17)

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 self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

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

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

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

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7. Birth announcements will only be published for 0- to 3-month-olds. (See form for more details.)

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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).

Becky Aderholt and Kaleb Snelgrooes

Barton anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Barton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, May 1 with a dinner party at Pampa Country Club. Children and family members hosted the recep-Emmett L. "Bart" Barton

and Vera Mae Stevens were married May 8, 1954, at Holy Souls Catholic Church in Pampa. The Bartons have been Pampa residents since 1950 and belong to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

Mr. Barton retired in 1991 42 years of service.

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Mrs. Barton retired in 1992 from the county judge's office where she served as court coordinator for Judge Carl Kennedy. She was chief deputy in the Gray County Clerk's office for several years prior to transferring to the county judge's office.

Children of the couple are Kip S. Barton of Dallas and Dr. Mary Edna Barton of



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NEWSMAKERS

ed for their dedication to excellence and achievement."

Bentley is the husband of Angela Murray Bentley; is the son of Harold and Jan'na Bentley of Pampa; and is the grandson of James and Joan Braxton of Pampa and Sue Bentley of Russellville, Ark.

SEABROOK — Dr. Brett Folmar, DCH, was recently invited to join the Back and Neck Pain Relief Clinic in Seabrook

Folmar, a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School currently of Seabrook, holds a doctorate degree in clinical hypnosis, a bachelor of science degree in psychology from the University of Houston Clear Lake, and an associate of artsdegree from San Jacinto College.

He is a member of Hypnosis Institute of Houston and is a board certified and registered doctor of clinical hypnotherapy, American Board of Hypnotherapy and Hypnosis Institute of Houston; has a CPR certification; is a registered massage therapist; and is a certified personal trainer.

Dr. Folmar owns-operates Gulf Coast Myotherapy Center in Houston and continues to take graduate courses for fitness and human performance at

A former airborne ranger, U.S. Army, Folmar was honorably discharged to combat stress.

Folmar is the son of Judy and Jay Riley of Pampa and the late Tom Folmar of Houston and is the grandson of the late Don and Dorothy Stephens and Marshall and Susie Folmar of

AMARILLO — Amarillo College recently honored more than 400 students at its annual Honors Convocation at Amarillo Civic Center Heritage Room.

Students achieving the all state and all-USA academic team, outstanding majors, academic excellence, who's who, those in honor societies as well as those receiving special awards and scholarships were announced.

Students from Pampa taking home honors included John Chaney and Joshua Cummings, both for membership in Phi Theta national honor society.

Special recognition went to Cummings as one of two students honored for achieving the All-USA and Texas All-State Academic Team Award.

Cummings was also in the Honors Program and was recognized for inclusion in Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. He received Outstanding Major award in liberal arts.

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MENUS

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Chicken strips or liver and onions, curly fries, macaroni/tomatoes. carrots. beans, strawberry shortcake or banana pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or burritos/chili/cheese. wedges. California blend. beans, brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Sloppy Joes, tater tots, pork beans, cherries

TUESDAY Chicken pot pie, pickled beets, com, pudding

WEDNESDAY Eggs/bacon casserole, hash-

browns, biscuits, gravy, peach-THURSDAY

Corndogs, macaroni/cheese, peas/carrots, applesauce. FRIDAY

Swiss steak, mashed pota-

toes, green beans, jello.

Kristina Porter and Nathan Sprinkle were recognized for achieving Academic

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Brent Eakin earned Outstanding Major award in vocational nursing.

Excellence:

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Lisa Butler, a Pampa High School graduate, recently graduated from The Bryman School of Phoenix with a diploma in dental assistant.

CLARENDON

Clarendon College recently inducted 28 students into the Iota Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society for the spring 2004 semester.

Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for community and technical colleges.

To be a member, students are approved by a faculty committee and have a 3.25 grade point average as they work toward an associates degree.

The new inductees include Lena Mendoza and Jason Stephenson, both of Pampa.

ABILENE - McMurry University recently recognized students during its 2004 McMurry Student Awards Ceremony and has announced academic award-winners from its campus.

Kelley Stowers of Pampa was recognized as a member of McMurry 101 Peer Leaders at the awards ceremony.

The university also reports Lance Burton of Pampa is among 41 McMurry students named for inclusion in the 2004 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Isaiah W. Manzanares and more than 2,200 Marines and Sailors assigned to the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp, the dock landing ship USS Whidbey Island and the amphibious transport dock ship USS Shreveport, are currently in the middle of a routine, scheduled deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf regions.

Manzanares' unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment.

MEU's are built around a reinforced infantry battalion, a combat service support element, a reinforced helicopter squadron and a command ele-

With its complement of fully integrated air and ground forces, Manzanares' unit is ready to conduct real-world operations including boat raids. tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel, noncombatant evacuation operations and humanitarian assistance operations.

Manzanares, a 2001 graduate of Pampa High School, is

the son of Joe H. Manzanares of Pampa and Sylvia M. Manzanares of Perryton.

CANYON Department of English and Modern Languages at West Texas A&M University announced its scholarship winners for 2004-05 during an awards luncheon held recently on campus.

Among the scholarship recipients were Elizabeth Ashwood, freshman undeclared major, and Zackary Coleman, junior education major, both Mabel Hare Award recipients, both of Shamrock.

CANYON — The College of Education and Social Sciences at West Texas A&M University recognized outstanding students and faculty during an ice cream social recently. Scholarship recipients also were recognized.

Students receiving recognition included Hayle Monds, senior education major of Pampa, Arnold Gentry Attebury and Vivian Dunn Attebury Memorial Scholarship recipient; Sandra Reyes, sophomore education major of Canadian, John and Jo Mozola Scholarship; Kaylie

Kellie M. Davis

at 7:37 p.m. March 25 at

Amarillo, to Ryan and

At birth, the infant

Deborah Davis of Pampa.

James, freshman psychology major of Miami, Sally Ingerton Psychology Scholarship; and Keith Larkin, senior criminal justice major of Skellytown, John B. and Mary O. Coleman

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Pickens College of Business recognized outstanding graduates and announced scholarship recipients for the 2004-05 academic year during its annual Convocation recently.

Students recognized at the convocation included George G. Eggleston, a junior computer information systems major. Malouf and Iris Abraham Business Scholarship recipient; Ashlei P. Jordan, a junior general business major, Mildred Bassett Business Scholarship; Ashley D. Knipp, a senior general business major, Sharon Brown Scholarship; Sammie J. Parsley, a junior accounting major, Levi and Margaret Cole Scholarship, all of Pampa.

Derek R. Maupin, a senior finance major of Canadian. Amarillo Life Underwriters Scholarship; and Cheryl M. Herpich, a junior business education major of Miami, Bob Chester Scholarship.

CRADLE CALL



Talon R. Clark

Talon Clark

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was 20-inches long.

Mikaela Clark of Pampa; Ponca City, Okla.

Talon Ray Clark was born grandparents. Jimmie and at 2:01 p.m., Feb. 22 at Pampa Carol Clark, Mike and Leigh Regional Medical Center to Ann Crain and Dan and Jason and Mandy Clark of Brenda Tucker, all of Pampa; and great-grandparents. Betty At birth, the infant weighed Tucker. Billy and Bobbie 7-pounds, 13.5-ounces and Waggoner, Gene and Leta Jeffers, all of Pampa, and Relatives include a sister. Dean and Mary Ann Crain of



Lucas M. Clifton

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Lucas Mason Clifton was born at 1:14 p.m. April 16 at Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City. Okla., to Deena and Rusty Chitton of Oklahoma

At birth, the infant weighed 7-pounds, 15-ounces and was 20 1/2-inches long. Relatives include grandpar-

ents Sharon Bridges of Pampa and Max Bridges of Dallas.



Kellie Davis

Kellie Mae Davis was born and was 20 1/2-inches long.

Baptist-St. Anthony's in ents, Lewis and Debbie Davis of

weighed 7-pounds, 14-ounces and Bill Cash, all of Pampa.

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MEDICAL

New knee surgery gets patients on feet faster

By LAURAN NEERGAARD AP MEDICAL WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) - Just nine hours after Grover Thomas had his knee replaced, he hobbled home from the hospital. Five days later, he was walking unassisted, no crutch or cane in sight.

Some 300,000 Americans a year have total knee replacements, and many might be green with envy upon reading this: The operation usually requires several days in the hospital and weeks on crutches, not counting arduous physical therapy.

Now, a small but growing number of surgeons are implanting the manmade joint with less of that — through a mere 3-inch incision and without cutting a muscle and tendon that are crucial for knee flexing. The changes promise less pain and faster recov-

Dr. Richard Berger even offers it as outpatient surgery, so far sending Thomas and 22 other patients home within hours of the operation.

It's "a little like building a ship in a bottle," says Berger, of Chicago's Rush University Medical Center. "It takes a little bit of practice and a little bit of skill."

Patients recover three times faster than with standard surgery, says Dr. Alfred Tria of New Jersey's Robert Wood Johnson

Medical School, who pioneered the new method and has used it on 140 patients.

It's not suitable for everyone, Tria cautions: People who are obese, over age 80, have had other nonarthroscopic knee surgery or are very knock-kneed or bowlegged don't qualify.

But Tria predicts that within five years, the minimally invasive method will account for about 40 percent of total knee replace-

"Other patients that are in (physical) therapy at the same time I am are eight weeks out and still on crutches," says Thomas, 59, an insurance company chief executive in Lake Forest, Ill., who wore out his natural knee running marathons.

In contrast, Thomas went on a half-hour outdoor bike ride just three weeks after his Feb. 3 surgery.

He's not completely recovered — the knee still is tender, and he's still in physical therapy. But "no one that sees me can believe it" is a brand-new knee, Thomas

People undergo total knee replacement when arthritis or injury erodes the joint's natural cushioning to the point where it's hard to walk even short distances without severe pain. A recent analysis commissioned by the National Institutes of Health said the treatment gives tremendous relief and a much-improved quality of life. Still, the operation and recovery can be

Traditionally, surgeons make a 12-inch incision in the front of the knee, peel back the kneecap, and cut through the quadriceps muscle and a tendon that attaches it. That

allows open access to the thigh and shin bones, which are cut to fit the metal-andplastic joint implant. It is healing of the muscle and tendon that causes much of the pain during recov-

ery, as patients must stretch those injured

parts to regain knee motion. With the new procedure, doctors make a 3-inch incision slightly to the kneecap's side, and slide under the muscle and tendon to get to the bones that need cutting. Then the same artificial joint is squeezed into

Key was creating specialized surgical instruments that could allow bone-cutting in such tiny quarters. Tria and Dr. Thomas Coon of Redding, Calif., developed the method and asked joint manufacturer Zimmer Inc. to make the instruments.

"We get essentially the same bone cuts as you used to get with the knee wide open," says Tria. "The principles of the operation have to remain exactly the same."

around the country, from \$22,000 to

\$39,000, usually covered by insurance. The new method's shorter hospital stays could cut the bill by 30 percent, Tria says.

He hospitalizes patients for two days instead of the standard operation's four, saying the stay "probably is a little bit of emotionalism on our part and a little bit of safety the patients like." Other surgeons keep patients only overnight. Chicago's Berger, best known for developing minimally invasive hip replacement, is believed the first to offer the outpatient option. Surgeons have been inching toward less invasive knee replacement, and this method "is reasonable," but there aren't yet studies proving that knees implanted this way are as durable, cautions Dr. Clifford Colwell, president of the American Association for Hip and Knee Surgeons. Interested patients should question surgeons carefully about their experience.

The less-invasive operation is more difficult for surgeons, who train on cadavers, and takes about 30 minutes longer to complete, says Tria, who will teach the technique at this week's meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Lauran Neergaard The cost of knee replacement varies covers health and medical issues for The Associated Press in Washington.

Health professionals preparing for major children's medical study

WASHINGTON (AP) — Does a pregnant woman's exposure to certain chemicals put her child at risk of learning disabilities? Do genetics and pollution interact to cause asthma? What's the real impact of TV on tod-

The government is preparing the largest study of U.S. children ever performed — it will track 100,000 from mothers' wombs to age 21 — to increase understanding of how the environment affects youngsters' health.

It's called the National Children's Study, and pediatric specialists say it is coming at a crucial time. Rates of autism, asthma, certain birth defects and other disorders are on the rise, as is concern about which environmental factors play a role. And technology has finally advanced enough to allow study of multichemical and gene-environment interactions that might explain why some children seem at greater risk.

The study "really represents



CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

Dr Mark W. Ford. J

A SHANY STRCK OF BLOCKS WILL BREAK

the spine as a stack ,a

each disc is a complicated system of nerves that carry sensory information

and regulate muscles. When this col-

umn moves or bulges forward, the

back sides of each block are pushed

closer together If the disc holding

each block apart gives way, the

back sides of the blocks not only

become closer but also put pressure

on the nerves. This causes pain and

muscle spasms and the lower part o

the spine to sag forward and strain.

This stack of blocks must also carry

the weight of the whole body, but be

lexible enough to turn and twist in a variety of ways Most of this move-

ment occurs in the neck and lower

back, which puts extra force on the

part of the body that is already strainng Some people react to this prob-

em by altering their body posture.

which is not healthy for the spine. In other cases, the body rebels with

such conditions as a ruptured disc. intense pain in the back of the leg,

chronically sore back or stiffness in

Doctors of chiropractic are thor-

oughly trained to treat such back ail-

ments. If the patient comes in early

enough, the chiropractor can right

the column of blocks with gentle,

hands-on manipulation: If the prob-

lem is already advanced, further

treatment may be required.

However, when the final session is

completed, the patient can know

that the blocks are once, again

stacked in his/her favor

the neck.

our generation's best hope of coming to learn the environmental causes of these conditions." says Dr. Philip Landrigan, an expert on children and the environment at New York's Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

It's a quest to prove both what's harmful, and what's not.

There are things we probably should be worrying about that we're not worrying about enough, and there are things we're worrying about too much," adds Landrigan, who is advising the National Institutes of Health on the study's design.

The study, ordered by Congress in 2000, is in its late planning stages. Enrollment of pregnant women is set for 2006, although proponents hope three pilot sites could begin work late next year. Already, families alerted by interested patientadvocacy groups are asking how to participate.

The question is money. Scientists say they need \$27 million to \$50 million next year to ramp up, including hiring a laboratory big enough to store more than 2 billion anticipated biological and environmental samples - from participants' blood and DNA to dust from their houses, soil from their yards and air from their neighborhoods.

agiess has provided roughly \$12 million annually for three years of study preparation.

budget constraints have lawmakers indicating they're unlikely to provide more.

A partnership of strange bedfellows is lobbying for more. The industry's American Chemistry Council, which expects the study to vindicate some of its products, is pairing with environmentalists and patient and doctor groups, who argue that the study will help fight diseases that cost billions every year.

decades: \$2.7 billion.

The last major child-health study, in the 1960s, tracked the children of 55,000 pregnant women until age 7 to learn the causes of cerebral palsy. It also

same amount for next year, and eries, such as that doctors at the time weren't properly treating infants' fever-caused seizures.

> The National Children's Study is to be far more encompassing. Among its overall aims, says director Dr. Peter Scheidt of NIH's National Institute of Child Health Development:

—To measure environmental exposures of concern and hunt differences by degree of expo-

Its ultimate cost over-two the list. Scheidt cites a Minnesota study that found signs of pesticide exposure in the urine of 85 percent of children tested, but does exposure equal harm? Another example: chemicals such as phthalates, yielded other important discov- which soften plastic, may affect stances can harm a developing. Scheidt says.

hormones to cause male birth defects or encourage early

Other environmental influences studied may include day care, diet, early-life infections

—To study health problems specifically suspected of environmental links, in hopes of pinpointing risk factors.

For example, studies of genetically identical twins show when one twin gets Type 1, or Chemicals and pollutants top juvenile, diabetes, the other has just a 50 percent of getting it. Genes put these children at risk, but something else, perhaps a virus, pushes them over the edge.

> Brain development is another huge concern, and some sub

brain in subtle ways and tiny amounts. Only recently have scientists learned to measure lowlevel contaminant exposure and to show not only that a person was around something toxic, but it actually absorbed into their DNA. And then there are windows of vulnerability: An exposure may harm during one month of pregnancy but not

—Storing genetic and other health and exposure data long-term to test future questions without starting from

The kinds of information we'll be collecting ... will provide an enormously valuable resource for doing this kind of research for decades to come,"

Hospitals learn simple steps to help prevent infections

BELLEVUE, Wash. (AP) — To prevent Scott Adams' knee surgery from getting infected, doctors at Overlake Hospital Medical Center didn't need fancy new medicine or expensive equipment.

Instead, they took simple steps that are proven to prevent infection. They kept Adams warm during surgery, clipped his leg hair instead of shaving it, and adminis-

biotics at the right time. Easy, cheap and effective but many hospitals fail to take

percent of the 30 million U.S. surgeries each year result in infection, the cost of treating it raises the cost of hospital care and insurance.

And the stakes are even higher: getting a surgical infection doubles a patient's chance of dying.

A national survey of 39,000 operations in 2002 found that nearly half the patients didn't get antibiotics at the correct time, prevent infection.

Health care leaders are trying these steps. Although fewer than 3 to reduce infection risk. By concentrating on simple preventive measures, 56 hospitals that took part in a government-sponsored project last year succeeded in cutting their overall surgical infection rate by 27 percent.

dramatic at Overlake Hospital, a 337-bed community hospital in suburban Seattle. Overlake recently took part in a 13-month surgical drugs. And doctors and nurses

by Qualis Health, a Seattle-based health care quality improvement organization. The hospital cut its number of surgical infections by more than half, from 12 in 2002 to five in 2003. The hospital performs more than 14,000 operations annually.

Adams, a jovial 31-year-old engineer who blew out his knee which is one of the best ways to playing flag football, noticed the emphasis on preventing infec-

"Pretty much anybody who put a needle in me talked about the risk of infection," he said.

His leg hair was clipped instead of shaved because shaving causes tiny skin abrasions that can let in infection. He got antibiotics The results were even more exactly 20 minutes before his surgeon made the first cut, the optimum time for getting the most hospital bill. infection-fighting power from the

infection prevention program run kept him warm, which helped his body fight infection.

> Adams particularly enjoyed the "bear hugger," a comfortable puffy blanket filled with warm air, that he wore during surgery.

> "I've got to get one of those for me at home," Adams said. He was recovering comfortably and infection-free a few days after his anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) reconstruction surgery.

"I'll be back playing football again next year," he predicted.

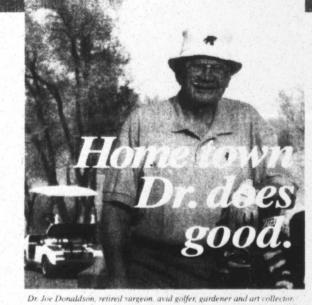
About 780,000 surgeries lead to infections in the United States each year, about 2.6 percent of the

A 1992 analysis published in the medical journal "Hospital Infections" found that a surgical infection adds an average of \$3,152 to the infected patient's

Other studies estimate that 40 percent to 60 percent of surgical infections are preventable. The most powerful preventive medicine is antibiotics, given within an hour of incision. Give the drugs too early or too late, and they'll either wear off or won't get into the bloodstream fast enough to

This isn't new information. Studies dating back to 1957 have told doctors about the need for well-timed antibiotics. So what's the holdup?

"There are problems translating good research into actual practice," said Dr. Dale Bratzler, principle clinical coordinator for the Oklahoma Foundation on Medical Quality and a leader of the national Surgical Infection Prevention Project. He's working with the authors of major antibiotic studies to set consistent national guidelines.

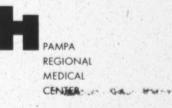


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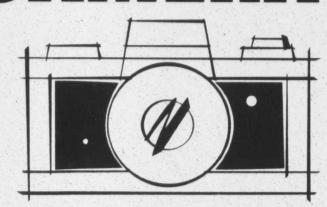
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SUNDAY • May 9, 2004

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Woman Whose Child Died is Still a Mother in Spirit

DEAR ABBY: Today is Mother's Day and I'm feeling rather down. Eight years ago. I found out the joyous news that I was expecting. Following that, a devastating thing. happened in my life. I was brutally raped. I gave birth prematurely -- at 5 1/2 months - and my daughter passed away three hours later.

Abby, I feel that although I didn't have the joy of raising my daughter. I am a mother nonetheless. She has a name and I think of her daily, A good friend of mine disagrees. She says I'm not a mom because I have no living children to show off. She has told some of our mutual friends that I'm "not all there" upstairs.

Could you tell me how to dealwith this tactfully? I would also like to wish a Happy Mother's Day to all those who have lost children to misearriage and stillbirth. - STILL A MOM IN ALBUQUERQUE

DEAR STILL A MOM: Clip this letter and give it to your "friend," who doesn't sound like much of a friend to me. You ARE a mother -- you're the mother of an angel.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to acknowledge all mothers on this Mother's Day. It astounds me that motherhood remains one of the least respected occupations in our society. Mothers are on call 24/7. and their job encompasses more professions than any other I can think of.

My mother excelled in many roles, including plumber, porter and, at times, platoon sergeant, Toget a snapshot of her career. I created the following job description that ranges from A to Z:

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-- Electrician

-- Financial adviser

-- Grief counselor

-- Health-care practitioner

-- Interior decorator - Judge

-- Kitchen Manager

-- Lender

-- Mediator

-- Nutritionist -- Office clerk

-- Psychic

-- Quartermaster -- Restaurateur

-- Supervisor

-- Taxi driver -- Underwriter

-- Victim's rights advocate

-- Weightlifter

-- X-ray vision expert (OK, but for years I THOUGHT she had it!) -- Yard maintenance assistant

-- Zookeeper

If you print this, please do so in honor of my mother. Barbara Irgens. Thank you, Mom. for choosing to be one! -- LOVE. HEIDI

DEAR HEIDI: Motherhood from A to Z. I love it! I'm pleased to print your job description, knowing mothers and children of every age will relate to it.

Happy Mother's Day to birth mothers, adoptive and foster mothers, and stepmothers everywhere -- and especially to my own beautiful mother, Pauline Phillips, in Minneapolis.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, May 9, 2004:

You are able to understand others better than you have in a long time. Opt to take the high road this year, and don't be so reactive. This change in behavior doesn't mean holding in your feelings, but expressing them after you've thought them, through, Communication will flourish much better as a result. You need to say what you feel, though how you say it could make all the difference in how your message is received. Some of you will opt to travel, whereas others might go back to school. Be open to change. If you are single, romance will enter your life. This person could be very important to you. He or she is quite special. If you are attached, your relationship will bloom with care and openness. Share more of your intimate thoughts. Plan that special trip together. AQUARIUS can push you hard.

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)

** A must appearance or having to go into work could cause you some stress. You might not be happy about this responsibility, but don't take your mood out on everyone else. Do what you need to do. Late in the afternoon. kick back and enjoy. Tonight: Celebrate with friends.

week you might need to do some heavy concentrating

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Your perspective might be confusing or could cause you to worry. Seek out experts and find other ways to look at a situation. Remember, you create your own thoughts! Call friends and family at a distance. It is time to catch up on news. Tonight: Relax with a movie or some music

This Week: Others dump responsibilities on you. You come through like an

ace. Enjoy your success. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** A friend might waffle. You also might want to pull out of a gettogether. You want special time with one person who means a lot to you. Go off and share with this person whom you care so much about. Your bond becomes dreamy. Tonight: Try

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, May 10, 2004:

Be careful how you verbalize your ideas, especially to bosses and those might not hear you properly, and might put their own slant on your words. Learn to confirm your message to make sure the totality of the meaning is received. You might even want to take a class in good communication this year. You will be in a position of power, and often others will look to you for nity leadership appealing. If you are single, check out your choice carefully. You might discover that he or she isn't emotionally available. You will meet someone who could be perfect if you take your time. If you are attached, and ideas your relationship will bloom if you give LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) it plenty of private time. The two of you will bond with frequent getaways together. AQUARIUS pushes you hard.

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)

**** Visualize and create. Your perceptions could be extraordinarily insightful, not only for you but for all those in your immediate orb. Listen well to what someone shares, even if you believe it is off-the-wall. Understand that imagination breeds new ideas. Tonight: Socialize all you

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Stay on top of what you want. Think "success," but be prepared to take the lead. How you handle a personal matter could make a big difference in how you handle another situation. A boss might not be clear, but he

some foreign cuisine.

This Week: Pull a problem apart and see how you can solve it. Take charge Wednesday, once you have your

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Others seek you out. You might disappoint an older relative or family member when you decide to socialize with your friends more. Remember, you give enough time to your family. Sometimes you need to be more frivolous. Tonight: Just don't

This Week: Deal with associates individually through Tuesday. Stay in your head from Wednesday on. Do research. Find experts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Emphasize what you need to get done, be it lawn work or painting a room. You will find that relaxing in this manner allows you to feel more open. Join others late in the afternoon. No one wants to be without a Leo for long. Tonight: Where the crowds are. This Week: Others seek you out. Listen and allow others to lay their

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You could wake up on the wrong side of the bed. You don't need to carry this mood into your day. Others appear jovial and want to be more playful. Do something you love, and invite a child or loved one along. Tonight: Slow down some.

cards on the table. You will gain, ulti-

This Week: Take off Monday if you This Week: Charge into work. some socializing, or shall we say networking?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** You might really play it a lazy day at home. What is wrong with that idea? You relax reading the paper or watching a favorite TV show. By later in the afternoon, you will want to join friends or a child. You're up for socializing. Tonight: Do you really care that tomorrow is Monday?

This Week: Use your ingenuity, and you'll delight associates. Take your work to a new level.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Your vision of what might be a good idea -- be it a project or something basic -- could conflict with those of others. Avoid the hassle and choose to do something you like. Get together with others, making the most of this lazy afternoon. Tonight: Wind down at

or she is full of ideas. Tonight: Work as late as you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** You might need to clear the who have an impact on you. They air some, as another might not see eye to eye with you. Know that this person isn't always practical, but could stimulate many ideas. Brainstorm away. Look for solutions that are out of the

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Work with one other person. guidance. You find politics or commu- keeping in mind what you need to do in order to make headway. Together you'll come up with unusual ideas. Share something that you haven't up till now. as you were worried about another's

**** Others might delight you. with their imagination and forthright attitude. Now ideas can flow left and right. You might want to carefully rethink a plan or idea that revolves around another key player in your life. Tonight. Let go and relax.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Your ideas are well-regeived by both bosses and those close to you. You seem to have the wherewithal to convince others of the correctness of your ideas. Deal with work, health and day-to-day matters. Your creativity obvious. A financial investment in your emerges and delights others. Tonight: Take a walk after dinner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** You're full of play and happiness. You might not be able to settle in because all you can think about doesn't involve work. Understand this fact. Consider taking a personal day. You will settle in later in the week. Tonight: Make light.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

This Week: Move slowly into the week, solidifying a personal matter first. Your ideas offer tremendous merit, even if a boss doesn't listen.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Investigate what you think would be a hoot to do but still could be a risk. You might opt to back off; just be ready if you encounter another's natural reaction. Can you afford that Can you handle the emotional consequences? Tonight: Chat away. Enjoy. This Week: Return calls; handle emails. Communicate on Monday and Tuesday. The remainder of the week. close your door if you want to accom-

plish anything. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Use the high energy that surrounds you to do something you have been putting off. It might be as simple as a day trip or as complicated as making a move on that special person. Just do it early in the day Tonight: Your treat.

This Week: Handle finances with your natural expertise Monday and Tuesday. Put your best foot forward Wednesday. Touch base with key peo-

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

** If you want to mellow out or vanish, do just that. You are an extremely gregarious sign and sometimes need a break from all the friends, chatting and socializing. Don't even answer the phone if you don't want to. Tonight: Now you sparkle.

This Week: You hit your monthly can, because the remainder of the Monday Wednesday, you are up for power days Monday and Tuesday. Use them well. From Wednesday on, deal, with finances. An associate could be quite generous.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Join friends and worry less about funds. Others are simply happy to have you along. Let someone treat you; you will have your turn to do the same soon enough. Let go of worries. Just be open and fresh. Tonight: Head home early.

This Week: Lie back until Wednesday. when you bloom like a rose. You can have it all from that point on.

BORN TODAY

Singer Billy Joel (1949), actress Candice Bergen (1946), actress Glenda Jackson (1936)

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*** Your ambition emerges, but you must handle a personal or real estate matter first. What you believe could be a moneymaking idea is. Take your time investigating the pros and cons. You won't make a mistake that way. Tonight: Order in

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Slow down and don't take a leap box Tonight. Find experts. Hop on the of faith. Understand the dynamics within certain key relationships, not only yours but also those of others. You will learn a lot by sitting back and observing more. Zero in when you are ready Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan, 19)

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Muslim tradition older than faith of Mohammed keeps generations wired

By MATTHEW ROSENBERG ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

buzzing by the time the evening call to earners, Bariu says. prayer begins echoing from a nearby for Mahdi this night.

khat, a semi-narcotic leaf that has wired daily shipments. Arabian Peninsula.

Outlawed in the United States and Health Organization, khat remains a legal Ethiopia are sowing their fields with khat. and cherished pastime in Kenya.

too — just separately.

These days, khat has become an bringing him \$260 a year. unlikely cash crop, with exports to year into Kenya's struggling economy.

green of saliva and chewed khat, also decade. known as miraah in Kenya.

ago it spread south to Kenya and Somalia from inland tribes. and east to Yemen.

48 hours of being picked, when the leaves watchmen in Nairobi munch it to stay a naturally occurring chemical similar to crime-ridden capital. amphetamines.

Casual users say khat increases selfmuch like chewing tobacco.

reedy young Somali shoots out thoughts. Administration says. in rapid-fire bursts, one moment discussing the politics of Somalia, his law-nonsense. less native land, the next rhapsodizing of the Kenyan coast. "So beautiful — only if they take off addict," he says.

their hijabs!" cackles the 21-year-old,

"drug of abuse" in 1980, the Kenyan govi energy. ernment takes a hands-off approach to monitoring the use and export of khat. despite its growing economic value. Kenyans first began exporting khat to on khat

was a relatively small-time affair until 1/02032/02032.html about a decade ago. Since then, exports have grown more khat: than 50 percent, says Leandro Bariu.

Europe in the late 1970s, but the trade

Association, the country's largest khat industry group.

These days, khat exports bring in about MOMBASA, Kenya (AP) — Deep \$250 million a year, making the leaf one into his stash of khat, Ibrahim Mahdi is of the country's largest foreign exchange

Most of the 150 tons of khat exported mosque. There will be no Muslim prayers a week from Kenya goes to Somalia and to European countries like Britain and the He is in thrall to another tradition, one Netherlands, where khat is legal and large as old and, in these parts, as widespread populations of Yemeni, Somali and as the faith of Muhammad. Mahdi chews Kenyan immigrants eagerly await their

generations of Muslims from the coast of ___ A growing local market also helps supeastern Africa to Yemen at the tip of the port the 500,000 Kenyans who depend on khat for their livelihood. Bariu says.

With world coffee prices at an all-time declared an addictive drug by the World low, some coffee farmers in Kenya and

On his small plot outside Meru, a town Each night in this Indian Ocean port, in central Kenya, farmer Fredrick men young and old gather to chew, shar- Ntongomdu says he earns \$390 a month ing gossip and debating politics or simply from khat — not bad in a country where dreaming up a better life. Women chew, more than half the people live on less than a dollar a day. Coffee, in contrast, was

In Ethiopia's Harrerghe zone, south-European countries like Britain, where east of the capital, Addis Ababa, khat large East African immigrant communi- trees now cover about 370,000 acres, cofties legally chew. The business reportedly fee just a third of that, says Zenebe pumps hundreds of millions of dollars a Woldu, a researcher at the Ethiopian government-run Institute of Biodiversity "It is little bit of magic from Allah," Conservation and Research. He estimates says Mahdi, stuffing fresh leaves in his khat 'production in the region will mouth, his teeth and tongue coated in a increase by 700 percent over the next

While khat chewing is still largely an Khat (pronounced cot) is the stems and affair of coastal Muslims and the Meru leaf of the Catha Edulis plant, a shrub tribe in central Kenya, it appears to be native to Ethiopia, from where centuries gaining popularity among other Kenyans Luos from western Kenya chew it on

Adherents say it is best chewed within the shores of Lake Victoria. Kikuyu nightare still fresh and packed with cathinone. alert through the dangerous nights in the Not everyone is taken with the plant.

Although khat "is often used in a social

confidence, promotes clear thought and context similar to the manner in which alleviates fatigue. The leaves and stems coffee is consumed, chronic khat abuse resemble tea and are held in the cheek. can result in symptoms such as physical exhaustion, violence and suicidal depres-It certainly has Mahdi going. The sion, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Bariu derides talk about addiction as

"I myself have chewed for 30 years. about the wonders of the Swahili women. But I only take a little bit each day after breakfast, lunch and dinner — I am not an

"I tell people that the best time to first referring to traditional Muslim head take it is after breakfast - have a few sticks and then brush your teeth and go to Given WHO's designation of khat as a work," he adds. "You will have a lot of

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Series HH savings bonds being discontinued

The U.S. Treasury Department has announced it will stop issuing Series HH savings bonds this summer as part of its plan to eventually move to a paperless, electronic account system encompassing all of the Treasury's retail securities

After the close of business on Aug. 31. owners of Series EE and E bonds will no longer be able to exchange them for HH bonds, and owners of matured HH/H bonds will no longer be able to reinvest their holdings in HH bonds; however, investors holding HH bonds on that date will continue to earn interest until their bonds reach final maturity 20 years after the issue.

Issued since 1980, HH bonds, which are available in multiples of \$500, are current income securities. They provide owners of EE/E bonds with a means to defer reporting the accrued interest on those bonds for federal income tax purposes, while earning interest income semiannually on both the principal and interest of the E/EE bonds. Income taxes on the deferred income become due when HH bonds are redeemed or reach maturity.

HH bonds pay interest income to owners semiannually on their face value. This interest is taxable in the year received. They cannot be purchased with cash, but are acquired only in exchange for Series E and EE bonds or by reinvesting the proceeds of matured HH//H bonds.

Relatively few people have invested. in HH bonds over the years. Today, there are only little more than 607,000 owners, compared to the tens of millions of individuals who own at least one savings bond. HH bonds make up 13.3 bil-they're still available.

lion worth of the more than \$200 billion invested in savings bonds, representing just 7 percent of the market.

"Even after the discontinuance of the HH bonds, U.S. Savings Bonds willcontinue to be a flexible, low-risk and practical investment for long-term financial goals, such as retirement and college expenses, for people at all income levels," says Stephen Meyerhardt, public affairs officer for the Bureau of the Public Debt. "We're simply consolidating the bonds we offer as we move to make it easy for Americans to purchase, manage, and redeem bonds online through our Treasury Direct account system."

With the end of new Series HH issues just a few months away, there are several things to consider. First, there is no effect on HH bonds issued before Aug. 31, 2004. Investors can hold onto these bonds, which will continue to earn interest until the end of their 20-year life. The annual interest rate for new HH bonds is now 1.5 percent, but HH bonds issued (or having entered their second 10 years) between March 1994 and December 2002 earn 4 percent until they are 10-years-old, at which time the rate. will change for their next 10 years, or stop if the bonds have reached final

defer taxes by purchasing HH bonds when their E/EE bonds matured, they have only a limited time to make an exchange. But they, too, must carefully weight the tradeoffs of exchanging higher-interest E/EE bonds, which may be earning as much as 6 percent, in order to

Owners of E/EE bonds who want to purchase HH bonds before the August deadline should fill out an exchange application and submit it with bonds being exchanged to a qualified savings bonds agent. Financial institutions that serve as agents are able to help customers fill out the application form and forward appropriate materials to a Federal Reserve processing site or the Bureau of the Public Debt.

After August 31, when the last HH bonds will be issued, investors can still opt for I and EE bonds. I bonds currently pay an interest rate of 2.19 percent, composed of a fixed rate of 1.1 percent for 30 years and an inflation rate that is adjusted semiannually.

EE bonds, which are guaranteed to reach face value in 20 years and earn interest for a total of 30 years, earn interest tied to 90 percent of the average return on five-year Treasury marketable securities.

U.S. securities can be compared online at www.treasurydirect.gov, where investors can open an account to buy savings bonds directly over the Internet. Investors can track and manage their holdings online, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, from anywhere they have Internet access: There are no charges or fees, and you can buy paperless bonds in As for investors who had planned to penny increments ranging for \$25 to \$30,000 each year.

> The site is ideal for small savers and investors because you don't need to have \$1,000 or \$5,000 or an even larger amount to use the site.

More information about savings bonds ad exchange transactions can be gain the benefits of HH bonds while found on the U.S. Treasury's web site, www.treasurydirect.gov.

Pampa Lions queen



Pampa Lions Club recently chose Anna Johnson, right, to represent it at District Convention as its 2004 Queen. Brianna Bailey is runner-up. Each month the Lions select one senior girl at Pampa High School to be sweetheart of the month. At the end of the year, the Lions select a queen from among the slate of monthly honorees. Johnson is the daughter of Jay and Linda Johnson. Bailey is the daughter of Nathan and Robin Bailey.

Texas Grain and Feed Association Board elects new directors, officers

FORT WORTH — Texas Grain and Feed Association recognized newly elected officers and welcomed three incoming directors during its annual conference held recently in Forth Worth.

Shannon Himmango, The Titan Company, Levelland; Keith Smith, Crossroads Inc., Lockhart, who will serve Winters; Mark Green, Feed Grain, Inc., LaWard; and Mac as second vice-chairman; and Weber, DSM Nutritional John Culmer, Cargill, Inc., Randy Robbins, Hi-Pro these individuals will serve maintain a strategic plan and tives; and make decisions.

elected to serve three-year terms as directors, representing the membership of TGFA.

These officers join Don Gilbert, Imperial Sugar Co., Sugarland, who will serve as first vice-chairmen; Burt Livengood, Livengood Feeds, Alderman-Cave

newly elected chairman of the TGFA's board of directors.

Past chairman and continuing directors include Bailey Renolds, Animal Science Products, Nacogdoches, past chairman; Charles Allcorn, Feeds. Services, Inc., Lubbock;

Antonio; Barbara Goldfield, Nathan Segal and Co., Houston; Shawn Griffin, Griffin Industries, Bastrop; Dennis Sigler, Martindale Feed Mill, Valleyview;

Products. Fort Worth, were Channelview, who is the Feeds, Ada, Okla.; Jim Sharp, three basic functions: To oversee programs Pioneer Flour Mills, San approve outcomes to be accomplished; to make sure outcomes are being achieved; and to ensure that resources necessary for achievement are available and used efficiently.

> The TGFA Board serves a adjudicatory role. The corpo-

resources of the association. The legislative role allows the board to establish operation policy and approve positions on issues of interest to the membership. The adjudicatory role allows the board to Stephen Smith, ADM, Fort corporate, legislative and choose between presented positions; make choices; com-As officers and directors, rate role allows the board to promise and create alterna-



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