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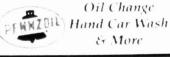


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TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2004

County approves joint EMS venture

By MARILYN POWERS

STALL WRITER

Gray County commissioners voted unanimously this morning to join with the City of Pampa in a partnership to provide ambulance service to Pampa and area residents.

The city and county will contribute a projected \$.40,000 each for start-up costs and funding for the first six months of operation, said Gray County Judge Richard Peet during the county commissioners' meeting which began at 9 a.m. in Gray County Courthouse. The sum includes the cost of buying equipment from Rural/Metro Ambulance Service, which will cease operations in Pampa on July 14.

"It will take 30 days to get a license to operate an ambulance service. That's why June 1 is the cutoff date" for accepting proposals from ambulance service companies. Peet said.

Three ambulance companies had corresponded with members of the ambulance task force, which was created by city and county commissioners when Rural/Metro first announced in (Pampa News photo by David Bowser) March that it would be leaving Pampa.

Peet said GoldStar, based in Port Arthur, was deemed "too costly" by task force members. Another company did not provide the level of service sought by the task force. The third. BSA of Amarillo, told the task force they could not be ready to discuss service in Pampa until the end of July. Peet

subsidy in Pampa this past year, with

(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers) Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell, who will oversee the proposed city/county ambulance service, answers a question from Gray County Judge Richard Peet at this morning's county commissioners' meeting.

the cost split equally between the city and county, according to Precinct 1 County Commissioner Joe Wheeley in a March 12 roundtable discussion attended by city and county officials.

Approximately \$80,000 of the initial start-up funds provided by the city and county will go to buy Rural/Metro's three Pampa ambulances. Peet said. Two of the three have about 120,000 miles each, and the third has even more Rural/Metro received a \$144,000 miles. Peet said, so "we have an idea

(See COUNTY, Page 3)

California fugitive awaits arraignment

By DAVID BOWSER STALL WRITER

remained in Gray County jail today ed when he made the stop. after being arrested by deputies on war-

Michael Masters, who lists his address as Hot Springs. Ark., was district judge, Rushing said, adding that stopped by Gray County Deputy Sonny he did not know when that will take Marasco at 3 a.m. Saturday, May 29 place Until then, he said, Masters will (Pampa News photo by David Bowser) Masters was arrested after a routine stay in Gray County Jail on hold for Taran Thomas, 11, during check revealed that he was wanted in California authorities

"He was stopped for traffic violas tributed to this report.

tions on the west side of town." Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing said.

Marasco said today that he suspect-A 41-year-old California man ed Masters was driving while intoxicat-

Rushing said California law enforcerants out of the Golden State charging ment officials had been notified, but him with assault to commit rape, bat- that he had no information concerning tery, assault with a deadly weapon and idetails surrounding the charges against Masters

The man will be arraigned before a

Editor Dec Dec Laramore con-

(See EVENTS, Page 3) McLean man held on kidnapping charge

BY DAVID BOWSER STALL WRITER

Museum Memorial Park.

By DAVID BOWSER

SIMI WRITER

In his Marme dress blues. Cpl.

Larry Ray played taps over his fallen

comrades as a Texas Panhandle breeze

unfurled the U.S. flags during Memorial Day services at Memory Gardens Cemetery and Mausoleum

light services Monday night.

anniversary of the post.

sented the colors.

Lt. Col. Mike Porter, curator of the

Freedom Museum USA, offered an

opening prayer at the ceremonies.

Pampa's Boy Scout Troop 413 pre-

fail on kidnapping charges.

Department of Public Safety bond until 2 p.m. todas trooper south of Pampa.

A domestic dispute erupted. Peace Kurt Curfman set bond. broken up about two weeks. house on Faulkner Street. a Pampa woman injured and a vated assault with a deadly. Pampa he shared with the will, said Chief Gray County told officers that the pickup McLean man in Gray County weapon, and \$5,000 each on woman and their one-month. Deputy Kelly Rushing charges of kidnapping and old baby girl and moved to. Larly Sunday morning, the Alvarez drove across a pasture Manuel Alvarez. 37, retaliation Judge Curfman McLean where he was report woman told officers that the tolan isolated ranch house

arrested Sunday by a Texas not be eligible to be freed on Pampa nightclub late Saturday. Officials were fold the pick

Gray County officials said deputies said. She left and swerved and rolled completely Gray County Justice of the Alvarez and a girlfriend had. Alvarez followed her to her over, blowing out both front

tires and damaging the driver's came to jest right side up, and

remained in Gray County jail said this morning that he edly staying with his brother suspect had threatened to kill. A ranch hand, awakened by today in lieu of a combined placed a 24-hour hold on. Alvarez allegedly saw the her and himself as they drove the couple about 4.30 a.m. bond of \$17,500 after being. Alvarez and the suspect would. 29-year old. woman, at a south toward Lake McClellan. Sunday, drove the woman

(See KIDNAP, Page 3)





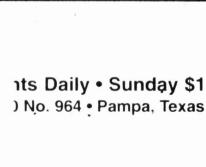






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Monday morning and again at the Freedom Museum USA during candle-Veterans from Pampa's VFW Post 1657 were special guests during the services in the Chapel of Peace Mausoleum Monday morning. Daniel Zumga, general manager of the cemetery, presented the post with a bronze plaque in commemoration of the 75th

> Memorial Day services at Needles, Calif. Memory Gardens.

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OBITUARIES

WILLIAM RALPH MILLIRON

William Ralph Milliron, 91, of Pampa, died Monday, May 31, 2004, in Pampa. Services are pending

Mr. Milliron was born on Oct. 31, 1912, in Downer, Idaho. He received a B.S. degree in civil engineering from the University of California at Berkeley in 1938. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy during World War II. where he was a PT boat commander, and he was a Lt. jg in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

He married Maxine Holt on Dec. 23, 1943, in Sayre. Okla. She preceded him in death on

From 1935-1955, Mr. Milliron was an engineering firms and contractor's field engineer. From 1955-1979, he owned and operated Milliron Engineering, a general construction contracting firm. He was a registered professional engineer and was a member of ASCE. ASSE, and TSPE

He was a member of First United Methodist Church. He was a member of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 and was a charter member of Top Welborn St., Dallas, TX 75219.

O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381.

Consistory, Khiva Borger, Pampa Club. He was a licensed private pilot and was a member of the

Pilots and Association. He was a member of the Downtown Kiwanis Club.

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Survivors include one son, Roy Milliron of Amarillo; one daughter, Marilyn Butler and husband Mike of Horseshoe Bay; one granddaughter, Jennifer Milliron of Amarillo; and a sister-in-law. Betty Simmons of Lafayette, La.

The family requests memorials be to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222

-Sign the on-line register book at Mr. Milliron was a member of El Paso www.carmichael-whatley.com.

MARY E. MYATT

Mary E. Myatt, 76, of Pampa, died Sunday, May 30, 2004, in Pampa. Memorial graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Fairview Cemetery with Butch Shepherd offi-

Whatley Funeral Directors.

Ms. Myatt was born on March 13, 1928, at Iowa Park, Texas. She came to Pampa in 1931 from Vernon, Texas. She was a 1946 graduate of Pampa High School and attended Texas Women's University in Denton.

ciating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-

She was a counselor and recruiter for Texas State Technical Institute in Amarillo for several years.

She was a member of First Baptist Church. www.carmichael-whatley.com.

She was an avid golfer and belonged to several ladies golf associations.

Survivors include one brother, Ed Myatt and wife Rosie of Pampa; three sisters, Jenny Lind Ralls of Converse, Betty Bohlander and husband Merle of Pampa, and Norma Healy and husband Frank of Universal City; and several nieces, nephews, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Cecil and Hattie Myatt; and by a sister, June Kelp.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and Girlstown, 600 W. 11th, Amarillo, TX 79101.

-Sign the on-line register book at

DUB STOVER

Dub Stover, 70, of Pampa, died Sunday, May 30, 2004. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Stover was born May 12, 1934, at Telephone. He moved to Pampa from Sanger in 1999 and was a Baptist.

He married Mildred Huneycutt on Dec. 29,

1976, at Bonham. Mr. Stover was preceded in death by three p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. sisters, two brothers and his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred, of www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Stover, both of Gainesville, and Dean Stover of Marble Falls; two daughters, Lisa Lang and Sandy Hess, both of Gainesville; three brothers, Bobby Stover and R.E. Stover, both of Pampa, and Nelson Stover of Dallas; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Sanger; three sons, John Stover and Ricky

The family will receive visitors from 5-7

-Sign the on-line register book at

Services Tomorrow

MYATT, Mary E. — Memorial graveside services, 11 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

ON RECORD

POLICE

today reported the following reportedly occurred in the incidents and arrests.

Thursday, May 27

Assault involving juveniles was reported in an alley drug paraphernalia was issued behind the 2200 block of in the 600 block of North reported in the 2700 block of North Sumner. No injuries were reported.

the 2300 block of Charles.

Friday, May 28

1300 block of West Kentucky. A vehicle was reported to

be blocking a roadway in the

1100 block of Somerville. Minor in possession of tobacco was reported in the

1200 block of Gwendolyn. A white female was seen stealing a bottle of Mad Dog 20/20 from Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart The suspect reportedly left in a yellow Chevrolet Impala with a black stripe. The woman was identified by an evewitness and police are

A bicycle was reported stolen from the 2300 block of Charles.

seeking a warrant for her

Aggravated assault - injury taken at Pampa Regional

Pampa Police Department Medical Center. The assault 1200 block of North Wells.

Saturday, May 29

A citation for possession of Russell.

Graffiti was reported in the Harassment was reported in 1000 block of Terry Road.

motor vehicle was reported in arrest was in connection with A bicycle was found in the the 100 block of North an earlier domestic assault,

> Criminal trespass was reported at Hastings, 1200 N.

Sunday, May 30

\$50 was reported in the 300 block of Jean. A patio umbrella was broken.

Runaways were reported in

and 1300 block of Garland. respectively. Unattended deaths were

reported in the 1200 block of North Wells and 800 block of North Nelson, respectively

Monday, May 31

Aggravated assault was reported in the 1100 block of South Nelson. The victim was to an elderly person report was allegedly struck in the face 900 block of North Somerville, with a beer bottle.

A bicycle was found in the 2500 block of Mary Ellen.

Theft of \$200 cash was reported in the 1500 block of Dogwood.

An unattended death was North Duncan.

Police arrested a suspect for assault by threat in the 1100 Unauthorized use of a block of South Nelson. The according to the report.

A runaway was reported in the 800 block of Brunow.

Assault causing bodily injury/ family violence was Criminal mischief under reported in the 800 block of Murphy. No injuries were reported. Two persons were arrested.

Paint and supplies were the 200 block of North Wells reported stolen from the 1100 block of Terrace.

> Misty Dawn Jimenez, 33, 843 Murphy, was arrested for assault - family violence.

> Jose Alfredo Jimenez, 35, 843 Murphy, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury family violence.

Tuesday, June 1

Burglary was reported in the nothing was stolen.

Several bicycles were found in the 900 block of

ACCIDENTS

the following motor vehicle accidents.

April 25-27

12 a.m. – Some time between the dates of April 25 and April 27, an unknown vehicle collided with a legally parked 2002 Ford Crown Victoria owned by the City of Pampa in the 1100 block of Juniper.

Wednesday, May 19

9:10 p.m. - A 1998 GMC Yukon SUV, driven by Jose Carlos Torres, 40, 1081 Torres' vehicle, was transported to Pampa by EMS to PRMC with possible injuries.

Pampa Police Department today reported Regional Medical Center with possible injuries. Saturday, May 22

9:55 a.m. - A 1997 Ford F250 pickup, driven by Chad Wilbur Hapeman, 26, 330 N. Davis, collided with a 2001 Ford Explorer, driven by Craig Phillip Croke, 43, of Boise, Idaho, in the 2600 block of Rosewood Drive. Hapeman was cited for backing without safety.

Monday, May 24

7:54 a.m. - A 2002 Ford Focus, driven by Charles John Evans, 66, of Amarillo, collided Varnon Dr., collided with a 1999 Ford F-150 with a 2000 Ford Ranger XLT pickup, driven pickup, driven by Kenneth Wayne Pester, 24, by Arlis Jack Rose, 52, Route 1, Box 95, in 321 N. Gray, in the 600 block of North the 2300 block of North Perryton Parkway Hobart. Torres was cited for failure to control Evans was cited for no insurance and for disspeed. Adam Ross Slater, a passenger in regarding stop/go sign. Evans was transported

AMBULANCE

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

Monday, May 31

7:58 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of North Sumner and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:07 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of North Duncan. No trans-

12:21 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

8:38 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of South Nelson and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

8:38 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of East Craven and transported a patient(s) to PRMC

8:48 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block

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9:53 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Wilks and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Tuesday, June 1

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FIRE

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

Monday, May 31

9:06 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 2700 block of North Duncan. Call was canceled en route.

1:52 p.m. – Two units and four firefighters responded to a grass fire one-half mile west of Pampa at Gray Co. Rd. 4 and Texas 152.

8:44 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of Craven.

9:10 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a controlled burn in the 1800 block of Price Road. The landowner had left the scene, so firefighters extinguished the fire.

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COUNTY

we'd have to purchase a new one after a few years."

.GoldStar had asked for \$120,000 each from city and county government as a subsidy, plus a building, to provide ambulance service in Pampa, said Wheeley, a member of the task force.

The ambulance service may be moved to a building owned by the city or county in order to save on cost of renting a facility, Peet said. The current lease between Rural/Metro and the owner of the ambulance service's office at 120 N. Gray is \$600 per month plus utilities, Peet said, and that building needs roof

"The city will put together a contract establishing an ambulance service under the direction of Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell but separated from Pampa Fire Department." Peet said. The contract will then be submitted to county commissioners for approval.

Peggy Coleman of Rural/Metro may head up the ambulance service and would answer to Powell, Peet said.

"I think that if this happens, there needs to be a board set up to represent the city, the county and the community to set policy," said Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins, who attended the county commissioners' meeting this morning. "It's got to be a joint effort between the city and the county, or it won't even work. And we want to try to reduce possible liabilities to both the county and city."

County Attorney Josh Seabourn was asked about the legality of the proposed joint venture between the city and county.

"I cannot find anything where a city and county set up a joint venture to provide ambulance service. I can't find anything saying 'Yes, you can' or 'No, you can't," Seabourn said.

Precinct 4 Commissioner James Hefley asked if the county would have to pay the city an administration fee for operating

"That's where we'll have to look at the contract." Peet said. Peet said it was possible to create a tax specifically to finance ambulance service, without creating a hospital district. as one way of funding the service.

City commissioners were scheduled to meet at 4 p.m. today in City Hall to discuss the proposed city/county ambulance

In other business, county commissioners approved a contract with the state Bureau of Vital Statistics to gain access to birth certificates for persons born in Texas counties other than Gray County who wish to get a copy of their certificate at Gray County Courthouse. Susan Winborne, Gray County clerk, said. the county has not been able to provide the service, but with Internet access and a printer, they will be able to do so for a cost to the county of \$3.63 per out-of-county certificate.

"We probably have two to four of these requests a week,"

Commissioners also approved a road crossing request by Duke Energy involving Baggerman Road, 200 feet east of its intersection with State Farm to Market Road 2300, and renewed its annual contract with Westlaw for on-line law library service, which Peet said cost less than maintaining a county library with regularly updated books.



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Elsheimer, U.S. Navy; George

Flaherty, U.S. Army; James

Gallaway, U.S. Army; Jess

Haynes, U.S. Army; Clifford

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Marine Cpl. Larry Ray plays "Taps" during Memorial Day services at Memory Gardens on Monday.

EVENTS

Eugene and Deanna Polask led those in the chapel in America singing Beautiful.

The names of veterans who died and were interred during the past 12 months at Memory Gardens echoed through the mausoleum as Zuniga read the list of the 30.

"To those veterans," said Pastor Paul Nachtigall of the Cornerstone Baptist Church, who spoke at the ceremony, "we owe a deep debt of grati-

Nachtigall spoke again Monday night at the candlelight service.

Joe Martinez provided the music.

Local veterans that have died since last year's

WEATHER WEATHER



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser) Floyd Lynch of Pampa, left, and Tom Adams of Lefors

Gardens Cemetery include Cook, U.S. Army; Billy George James Boyd, U.S. Crocker, U.S. Navy; Robert

during Memorial Day services at Memory Gardens. Memorial Day, according to Brown, U.S. Army; J.L. information from Memory Colville, U.S. Army; Darrell L.A. Bivins, U.S. Navy; Counts, U.S. Navy; H.E. Marine Corps; Roscoe Ellison, U.S Army; Gerald

Johnson, U.S. Army; A.J. Ledford, U.S. Army; Larry Ledford, U.S. Army; Connie Lockhart, Texas National Guard; Glenna Matheu, U.S. Force; Raymond McPhillips, U.S. Army; Richard Minton, U.S. Air Force; Duane Nash, U.S. Army; Ray Salsman, U.S. Army; Billy J. Stephenson, U.S. Air Force; Ronnie Stokes, U.S. Army; Woodrow Tice, U.S. Army; Willie Tucker, U.S. Air Force; C.L. Winborne, U.S. Army; and Jesse Wright, U.S. Navy.

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KIDNAP

Alvarez to his brother's home in McLean, Highway 70. deputies said.

Pampa Regional Medical Center for treatment driving his brother's red pickup back toward of minor injuries. Law enforcement officers said the injuries were not life threatening. She was later released from the emergency room this report.

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COWBOY BUT JEANS

and c led the sheriff's office.

Alvarez was arrested just after daybreak back to her house in Pampa and drove near the intersection of Interstate 40 and Texas

Department of Public Safety Trooper David The woman was taken by a friend to the O'Brien pulled Alvarez over as Alvarez was the ranch where officers later found his pickup.

Editor Dee Dee Laramore contributed to

Wild horses, burros to be auctioned in Amarillo

Wild horses go on the block this month in the Texas BLM said the animals will be western states." Tincher said, Panhandle.

Golden Horse Training from 8 a.m. to noon. Center south of Amarillo.

available for preview from 4 "however, due to overpopu-The U.S. Bureau of Land p.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, lation some were removed Management's Wild Horse June 10. The auction begins from these lands." and Burro program will put at 10 a.m. Friday, June 11, Individuals wanting to some 80 animals up for sale and will last through 6 p.m. buy a wild horse or burrow beginning Thursday, June 10. Friday. The auction will conmust meet certain requireand Saturday, June 12, at the tinue Saturday, June 12, ments, Tincher said. There is

"These animals once \$125.

Chris Tincher with the roamed public lands in the

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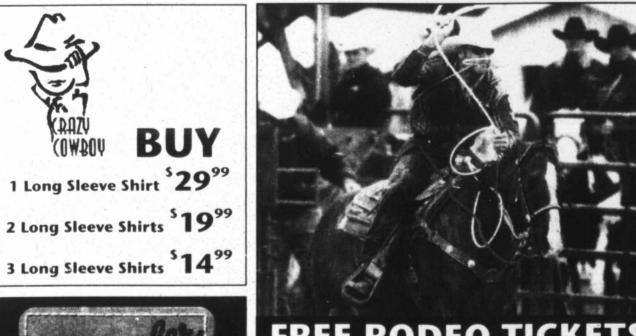
Today's forecast is calling for mostly sunny skies, highs in the lower 90s and south winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight should fall on partly cloudy skies with lows in the lower 60s and northeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Wednesday should see partly cloudy skies. A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the mid to upper 80s. East winds 15 to 20 mph. Wednesday night, partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. East winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday, mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 80s. East winds 10 to 15 mph. Thursday night, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower to mid 60s.

Friday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Friday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower

Saturday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s. Saturday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Breezy. Lows in the lower 60s.



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TEXAS EDITORIAL

Justice for foreign nationals

From the May 26, 2004, Austin American-Statesman:

Osbaldo Torres should have died Tuesday, but instead should awaken today to the prospect of spending the rest of his life in an Oklahoma prison. There is plenty of room for philosophical debate over the justice of it, but it wouldn't alter the results.

Torres took part in the 1993 killings of Francisco Morales and Maria Yanez during a burglary, a crime that netted him the death penalty in 1996. He is not the most sympathetic of characters, but neither are most death row inmates. What Torres symbolizes, though, is the willingness of a state government to recognize that justice demands fair treatment, even for the most egregious crimes and criminals.

Torres, a Mexican national, was not allowed access to a consular officer after his arrest. That omission is a violation of the 1963 Vienna Convention that guarantees that people detained in foreign countries have access to representatives of their home governments. Torres was one of 120 or so foreign inmates on death rows around the country whose death sentences are being appealed because they may not have been notified of their right to-consult with consular officials.

Earlier this year, the International Court of Justice at The Hague, Netherlands, found the United States in violation of the treaty and urged that pending executions of inmates who had been denied their right to consular notification be delayed. The court's authority is more moral than practical, but executions have been halted nonetheless.

It took awhile before Torres' lawyers and families called upon the Mexican government to intervene, but the call was made and the right was asserted. The Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals found that Torres had been denied consular access and that ruling was followed quickly by Gov. Brad Henry's decision to commute his sentence to life in prison without parole.

It was as good a result as was possible under the circumstances. Torres continues to pay for his crime while the United States shows that it can respect the rights of foreigners just as our nation expects foreign governments to respect the rights of our citizens

All the wrangling might have been avoided if the consular notification right had been included in the standard Miranda warning read to suspects upon their arrests. That should give those bothered by Torres staying alive something to think about.

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Drive friendly, but within the law

Texans have always had a reputation for being friendly. Is there anyone who has driven on a state or farm to market highway that has not been waved at by at least one driver? Understand, I'm talking about the kind of wave where your palm faces the person you're waving to, and you have more than one finger showing.

That friendliness is something to be treasured, an expression of the better side of human nature.

Unfortunately, it can also lead to unforeseen and unintended problems.

Take the habit of some people of wanting to give their right of way to the other person who, by traffic law, is supposed to wait for them to do their thing first. A prime example of this is when two drivers face each other across an intersection, and one wants to continue straight ahead while the other wants to turn left.

The person waiting to turn left sees the person across the road waving to them to go ahead and turn left first so as to not have to wait for the 163 cars who are all waiting to go straight ahead. Should the would-be left-turner accept this kind, gracious offer of hospitality, even if it flies in the face of the traffic



MARILYN POWERS STAFF WRITER

dent does this set? In some cases it has deteriorated from a gracious invitation to a speed race to see if a left turn can be completed before the other guy can travel across the intersection. These kinds of left turns are not even invited with a wave, either.

At least once a week, it seems, someone cuts in front of me to turn left, when I legally have the right of way and am going straight. One of these days I'm afraid the impatient driver who cuts in front of me will not move out of the way fast enough, and I will hit them. Who would be at fault?

The Texas Drivers Handbook, issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety and revised in March 2000, states that "when turning left, you must yield the right of way to any vehicles coming straight through from the other direction." This is called the "turn left rule."

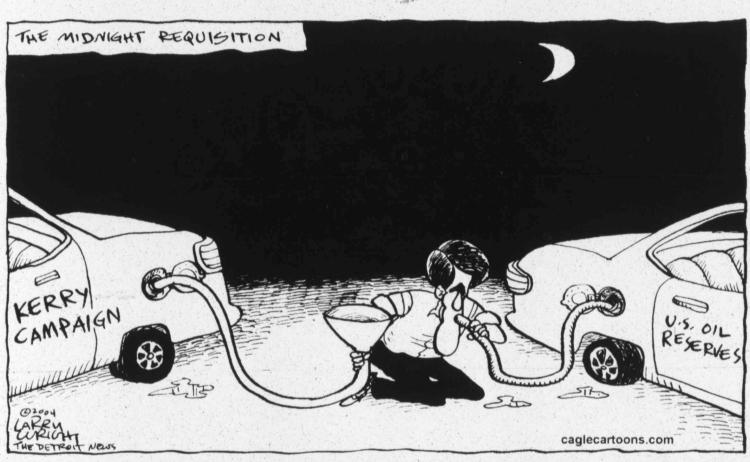
A spokesperson for the DPS Pampa And what kind of dangerous prece- office said that in the situation I have

described above, wherein a friendly driver waves the left-turner to go first, the left-turner who accepts the invitation and turns in front of someone who plans to travel straight through the intersection would be cited for failure to yield right of way, whether or not the other driver invited them to do it. They would also be in trouble if an accident occurred involving their illegal left turn.

The purpose of laws and rules is to protect the public and to prevent chaos. Rules help everyone to know what they are supposed to do in a given situation, and what the other person is supposed to do. When you quit following the rules, you become a danger to yourself and others, because no one can predict what you will do. You become an outlaw.

Don't quit waving to the other guy on the road. That friendly gesture is one small part of what makes Texas a great state. But don't ignore the traffic laws because you think you're doing the other driver a favor. After all, what about the people behind you who are waiting to follow you through the intersection? It's not your job to judge who gets first dibs at the roadway, it's your job to drive friendly and follow the traffic laws.

It would also save on the wear and tear on my brake pads.



War in Iraq could beat Kerry or Bush

Al Gore let Ralph Nader sabotage his presidential chances in 2000 by vacating the environmentalist niche that had sustained him for his entire political career. By sublimating his greenish agenda to more "mainstream" issues like Social Security, Medicare and prescription drugs, Gore invited Nader, the Green Party nominee, to occupy the ground he had vacated.

Is John Kerry making the same mistake?

As outrage grows over the war in Iraq, catalyzed by the shameful and shocking mishandling of Iraqi prisoners of war, the left expects Kerry to step up to the challenge and run against what it perceives to be a latter-day Vietnam. But Kerry, anxious to preserve his centrist credentials and to assure Americans of his toughness in the War on Terror, seems intent on talking about everything but Iraq.

Social Security, health-care costs and education reform dominate his speeches as he seeks to move the agenda back to the domestic-policy issues on which he has a growing lead. That's good campaign strategy, but it opens up a gaping hole on his left flank.

Liberals will want Kerry to take a firm stand against the war in Iraq and back withdrawal of U.S. troops. Howard Dean Democrats won't sit patiently by while Kerry explores the niceties of lowering the costs of prescription drugs. They want their candidate to be their tiger in opposing what they see as imperialism in Iraq.



DICK MORRIS COLUMNIST

Ralph Nader, though struggling to make the ballot in all 50 states, will stride into the breech and speak unapologetically of his opposition to the war in Iraq. Unencumbered either by a need to appeal to the center or a vote in favor of the war, the leftist gadfly will increase his appeal to the left of the Democratic Party, presaging a possible repeat of his 2000 role.

How easy it is to imagine left-wing voters saying the two mainstream candidates offer only a "Tweedledum and Tweedledee" choice of pro-war alterna-

This could help President Bush prevail. Most surveys suggest that Nader would at least win the same 3 percent of the vote he drew in 2000; some put his potential much higher.

Meanwhile, Bush continues to sink deeper. More depressing than his diminished fortunes is the difficulty in seeing how he can emerge. There is no issue on which a majority of voters rate him positively. Bush could once depend on terrorism and Iraq to provide the potential for gains. But in latest Gallup Poll, he gets a 47 percent vote share, but only a 41 percent positive rating on handling the war

in Iraq. And only 44 percent report feeling the invasion was worth it. So the bars Bush could once have grasped to pull himself up and raise his vote share above 50 percent are no longer there.

Bush must choose between insisting on democracy in Iraq and continuing to provide America the leadership it needs in fighting the War on Terror in other places. His commitment to principle and stubbornness may lead him to pursue the democratization of that savage land, but unless he gets a dose of reality soon, it will cost him re-election.

Personally, I care a lot more that America has good leadership over the next four years than I do that Iraq is a democracy. Kerry would bring with him the old, Clintonian view that terrorism is a crime, necessitating massive police action, rather than a threat requiring action against nations that sponsor or harbor terrorists.

Many voters tend to pay little attention to every twist and turn in the political labyrinth. They focus only on the major events and ignore the developments in between. Since 9/11, no event has rivaled that excruciating day in impact and lasting effect. But the Abu Ghraib scandal comes close. Its effect on this election and on our self-image is likely to be considerable unless and until Bush rescues us from his miscalculations

I hope he'll do so in time to give us four more years of his otherwise correct and visionary leadership.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, June 1, the 153rd day of 2004. There are 213 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

History: On June 1, 1813, the com-

mander of the U.S. frigate Chesapeake, "Captain James

Lawrence, said, "Don't give Whitingham, Vt.

up the ship" during a losing battle with a British frigate.

In 1792, Kentucky became the 15th state of the union. In 1796, Tennessee became

On this date:

the 16th state. In 1801, Mormon leader

Lancaster, Pa.

In 1868, James Buchanan, the 15th president of the United States, died near

Monroe was born in Los Angeles.

In 1943, a civilian flight Brigham Young was born in from Lisbon to London was

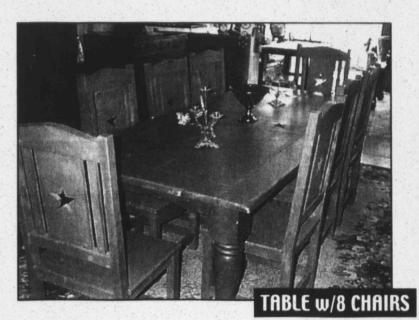
shot down by the Germans during World War II, killing all aboard, including actor Leslie Howard.

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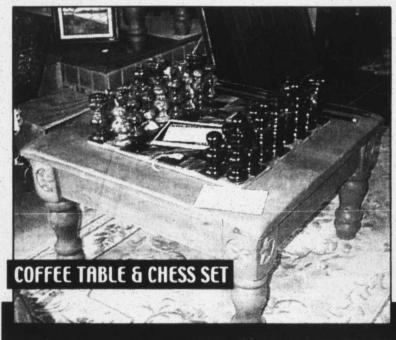


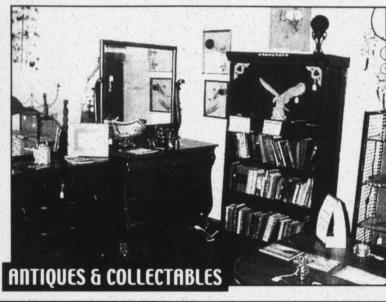


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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

TEENS TOO OLD FOR FOSTER CARE FIND HELP FROM MANY SOURCES

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing regarding the letter you received from "Lost in Alabama," a former foster child who had lived in an emergency shelter for seven months before being placed in a foster home for the week before she turned 18. The girl was allowed to call the shelter for a short time before finally being asked not to call anymore and told to "move on with her life.'

You wisely advised her to contact the YWCA. YWCA associations offer a variety of services, and many of them provide transitional housing . programs. The girl from Alabama can learn about resources provided by her local YWCA by going to the Web site at www.ywca.org.

assistance is available to this population. This legislation allowed states to extend Medicaid coverage up to age 21; permits youth to save money while in care to prepare for independence without their assets counting against their eligibility for foster care funding; provides funding to states for initial and ongoing training of foster parents; and created the Chafee Foster Care Independence Program. This program increased funding to states for independent living activities and offers increased assistance for room and board.

Youth should contact their state's foster care system to get more information about resources. If they have trouble navigating the system, the Child Welfare League of America may be able to assist: www.cwla.org. -- KELLY BELL-McGLOTHAN, YWCA OF FORT WORTH/TAR-RANT COUNTY

ran, I have been told that nearly by calling (571) 203-0270. 25,000 young people "age out" of the foster care system each year --

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and few, if any of them, have the necessary skills to live on their own. I congratulate you for the work you are doing with this underserved population. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Lost" and all other teens in foster care should reach out and ask for help. They don't have to wait until they are 18 to do it. Teens in foster care need adults to step forward and help them reach their goals.

Agencies that can refer young people to help in their local communities include the local CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) programs and Foster Parent Associations. A good online resource is Foster Club (www.fosterclub.com). Casey Family Programs also has a set Since passage of the Foster Care of self-directed planning tools for Independence Act in 1999, more youth at its Web site: www.casev.org/Resources/Tools/Cas evLifeSkills.htm. -- JANIS AVERY. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TREE-HOUSE, SEATTLE

> DEAR JANIS: Thank you for sharing these valuable resources. Several other caring readers also pointed out that Job Corps helps youth between the ages of 16 and 24. Young people can live on-site for up to two years while working on their education and job-training skills. They receive free room, board, medical and dental care in addition to counseling and a small stipend. The Web site is www.jobcorps.org and the toll-free number is (800) 733-5627.

Additional resources for young people in need of assistance include Catholic Charities and the Orphan Foundation of America, which also helps youth in the foster care system. The Orphan Foundation can DEAR KELLY: Since that letter be reached at www.orphan.org or

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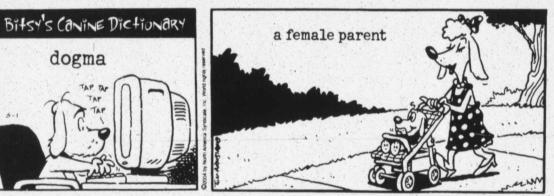
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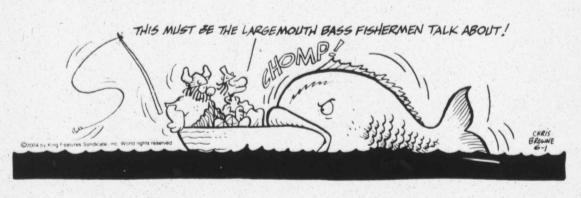
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FOOTBALL

DALLAS (AP) - Shane Stafford threw seven touchdowns to help the Tampa Bay Storm clinch a playoff spot with a 59-51 victory over the Dallas Desperados on Sunday.

Freddie Solomon and David Saunders each caught two touchdown passes for the Storm (9-7), who will be seeded seventh in the play-

Scott Dreisbach was 22of-39 passes for 282 yards, six touchdowns and one interception for Dallas (6-10), which finished the season with seven straight loss-

Jason Shelley had eight catches for 125 yards and three touchdowns for the Desperados, finishing with a league-leading 1,304 receiving yards.

BASEBALL

PAMPA — Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency won a forfeited game over Celanese on Friday night in Optimist baseball action.

Celanese forfeited the game because they had only eight players show up.

Under league rules, a team must have at least nine players to start a game. The game will go down as a 6-0 victory for DFB.

DFB's record is now 9-2-I and they stay in a virtual tie with Glo-Valve for first place.

The Pampa Optimist Club is a Pampa United Way Agency.

BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Kareem Rush just kept firing that smooth left-handed jumper from 3-point

range, and it kept going in. When the biggest game of his life to date was over, with Rush having played a starring role in a playoff game for the first time, he spoke like a grizzled veteran who knew the feeling.

"I'm not a guy who gets overly excited," Rush said. "It's great to be here, but we've got four more games to win, and then I can cele-

After shooting 4-of-16 for 11 points in the first five games of the Western Conference finals, Rush scored a career playoff-high 18 on six 3-pointers in Game 6, leading the Los Angeles Lakers to a 96-90 victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Monday night.

By winning the conference finals 4-2, the Lakers earned their fourth NBA Finals berth in five years. The exception was last year, when Rush was a seldomused rookie and they lost to eventual champion San Antonio in the second round.

Flashback

1953: The Pampa Oilers defeated the Albuquerque Dukes 12-3 in a West Texas-New Mexico League contest.

Second baseman Deck Woldt was 4 of 5 at the plate and lefthander Eddie Hughes tossed a three-hitter for the Oilers.



Rachael Stubbs is an all-district basketball player at Lefors.

Lefors basketball player qualifies for sports festival

outstanding performance meet in Austin. in the USA Junior Nationals All-State High Competition, Lefors sophbeen chosen to participate the Lefors school system. in the prestigious USA Junior Championship Festival.

The festival will be held July 5-11 in Columbus, Ohio.

Stubbs has participated and cross country at Lefors High.

She was all-district in basketball and placed sixth in the state cross country meet and third in

Nationals Pa., the USA Junior level, which is the USA Sports Nationals provides one of Junior National Sports tions in the United States. Ohio. It offers the program to all athletes who have a high interest in basketball and are interested in developin basketball, track, tennis ing their skills and technational and international competition.

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LEFORS — After an the 3200 at the state track out the spring with competitions She has also recently, throughout the south, midbeen inducted into the west, east and west coasts. Basketball National Honor Society. Athletes who demonstrate She is also an active mem- advanced skills, team omore Rachael Stubbs has ber of the one-act play in leadership, competitive spirit and good sports-Based in State College, manship advance to next the top amateur competi- Festival in Columbus,

> Stubbs is the daughter of Bill and Cindy Scully.

Donations are currently being accepted at the Lefors Federal Credit niques through state-wide Union to help Stubbs with her expenses. The address is Lefors FLU, At: Stubbs offers one-day competi- Account, Lefors, Texas

Horns No. 1 seed, six other Texas teams are in NCAA

NCAA tournament Monday, and will be joined in the chase for the field was revealed. Conference national championship by six USA tournament champion other teams from the Lone Star TCU (38-24), Southwestern

The Longhorns (50-13), the Big 12 regular season champion, got the top national seed even without winning their conference tournament title for the first time in three years. Texas had already been named as a host site along with defending national champion Rice (43-12), which is the No. 6 national seed and hosting an all-Texas regional. Texas Tech (38-19) and

when the full 64-team NCAA Athletic Conference tournament winner Texas Southern (18-33) and the Southland Conference's Lamar (41-14) had automatic

The 16 double-elimination, four-team regionals begin

The Longhorns, who won the 2002 national title, will play Youngstown State (22-30), berth by winning the Horizon

DALLAS (AP) — Texas was Texas A&M (39-19) were League tournament. The other awarded the No. I seed for the awarded at-large berths Monday first-round game in the Austin Regional is TCU against Oral Roberts (48-9).

> Texas makes its 47th tournament appearance and sixth in a row. It is the 33rd time since 1947 that a regional will be held in Austin.

TCU's 38 wins match a school record. The Horned Frogs have been to the NCAA tournament only two other times, in 1956 and 1994.

Four of the Texas teams will play at the Houston Regional hosted by Rice. The Owls will which earned its first NCAA play their first game against Texas Southern (18-33).

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Affirmed wore racing's Triple Crown 26 years ago

NEW YORK (AP) — Count Steve Cauthen among the legion of fans rooting for Smarty Jones to win the Belmont Stakes and become horse racing's 12th Triple Crown winner.

Cauthen knows what it takes to win the 1 1/2-mile race. He was aboard Affirmed 26 years ago when they narrowly defeated Alydar in the Belmont and completed a Triple Crown sweep.

Affirmed's Triple Crown came just a year after Seattle Slew — the last undefeated horse to sweep the series - and four years after Secretariat accomplished the feat. Smarty Jones is 8-0 going into the Belmont on Saturday.

"Right after Affirmed won the Triple Crown, people were saying the Triple Crown is getting too easy," Cauthen recalled.

Six times in the last eight years, horses have come to the Belmont with a chance to match Affirmed's feat. None succeeded. Now it's Smarty Jones' turn to try.

"It takes an extra special horse." Cauthen said. "You need good fortune. The training and everything has to go your way."

Cauthen was an 18-year-old kid in 1978 when he got the ride of a lifetime on Affirmed.

The results of the Kentucky Derby and Preakness were close: Affirmed defeated Alydar by 1 1/2 lengths and a head.

"We were frightened to death of him and we knew he was an unbelievable horse," said Patrice Wolfson, who owned Affirmed with her husband.

Affirmed and Alydar's rivalry culminated on a June afternoon 26 years ago when they raced in unison to the wire. This time, Affirmed won by a head.

"I'm always amazed at the young people who write to me that couldn't possibly have known the horse," Wolfson said. "They've read about it or seen him on the Internet."

Affirmed was trained by the late Laz Barrera, a Cuban whose mangling of the English language provided comic relief during the stress of the Triple Crown.

"He was a great team leader," Cauthen said.

Like Cauthen, Stewart Elliott, Smarty Jones' jockey, won the Derby in his first try.

"I have been pretty impressed with the way Stewart Elliott and everybody has handled the whole situation," Cauthen said. "They just seem like they're working as a team."

Team Affirmed did as well. Cauthen's cool professionalism during the three-week buildup between the Preakness and Belmont belied his age and inexperience. The attention didn't bother Affirmed, either.

"He was a very intelligent horse, and he had a great temperament. He walked around most of the time like he didn't have a care in the world," Cauthen said. "But as soon as he walked in that gate, everything changed, and he was focused and ready to go."

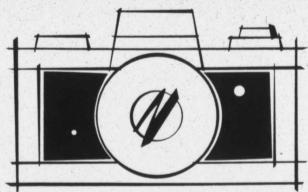
Five horses ran in the 1 1/2mile Belmont, but it came down to Affirmed and Alydar. Affirmed took the lead on the inside. Alydar's experienced jockey. Jorge Velasquez, moved his colt up close on the backstretch.

The two horses ran stride for stride for seven furlongs, noses barely apart, before 65,417 screaming fans. The two horses went through the sweeping turn for home, with Alydar appearing to poke his nose in front for the first time in the Triple Crown.

Cauthen sensed Affirmed was tiring. He switched the whip to his left hand and smacked the colt. Affirmed responded instantly regained the lead.

But Alydar kept shadowing his rival. Affirmed clung to his slight advantage and hit the wire a head in front.

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Maddux leaves with pulled muscle, but Cubs beat Astros, 3-1

By The Associated Press

Mark Prior gave the Chicago Cubs some good news, then Greg Maddux went out and gave them a scare.

Hours after the team said Prior would make his first start of the season Friday, Maddux left Cubs' 3-1 home victory over Houston on Monday because of a mild muscle strain in his right side.

Prior's return is a big boost for Chicago's staff. He has been on the disabled list because of an inflamed right Achilles' tendon and sore right elbow since spring training. The Cubs are still without ace Kerry Wood, sidelined by a triceps injury since May 12.

"It hurts me more than anything to miss two months because you know you are letting your teammates down and your friends," Prior said. "All I know is what I have in front of me and what I control. And that's the next four months."

Maddux (4-4) walked off

Groeschner with two outs in the seventh, but insisted the injury is not serious and that he will not skip his turn in the rotation.

"I'm not worried about it. It's nothing," Maddux said after his 293rd career victory.

"I've done it a lot of times. Last year. A couple of times earlier in the season. Spring training. It's not why I came out of the game. I came out of the game because I was done. I was tired, and I was ready to come

Maddux gave up seven hits, including Lance Berkman's ninth homer in the last 13

In other National League games, it was: Atlanta 8, Montreal 2; New York 5, Philadelphia 3; Cincinnati 9; Florida 7: Los Angeles 3. Milwaukee 2, 10 innings; St. Louis 8, Pittsburgh 3; San Francisco 8, Arizona 4; and Colorado 7, San Diego 1

The Cubs' Moises Alou hit

the mound with trainer Dave his 13th homer, a two-run shot off Roy Oswalt (3-4), to make it 3-0.

> Oswalt, who allowed three runs and 10 hits in six innings, didn't give up a run to Chicago in a seven-inning stint last week.

> Ramon Martinez's RBI single in the second gave Maddux the early cushion, and Joe Borowski — Chicago's fourth pitcher - worked the ninth for his ninth save in 10 chances.

Reds 9, Marlins 7

At Miami, Cincinnati's Ken Griffey Jr. hit his 493rd home run, a three-run shot in the seventh inning, to pass Lou Gehrig for 20th place on the career list.

Griffey's home run off Justin Wayne (3-2) was his 13th

Sean Casey homered twice and raised his major leagueleading average to .394 for Cincinnati, which overcame a 5-0 deficit and stopped Florida's five-game winning

John Riedling (4-0) got the victory. Danny Graves pitched a perfect ninth for his 24th.

Giants 8, Diamondbacks 4 At Phoenix, Barry Bonds homered for the fourth time in six games and San Francisco won its 10th straight, its longest winning streak since 1998, when the Giants won 11 in a row.

Bonds hit his 672nd career home run — 14th this season - leading off the second inning against Casey Daigle (2-3). Michael Tucker had four hits, including a home run.

The Diamondbacks have lost 10 of 12 to complete the worst May in the team's sevenyear history at 9-20.

Kirk Rueter (2-4) earned his first victory in four starts. Braves 8, Expos 2

At Atlanta, Rookie Nick Green's first career homer, a three-run shot off Livan Hernandez (3-5), highlighted the Braves' six-run seventh

Russ Ortiz (6-4) pitched six time in two days, and New

Schneider's two-run homer in the seventh.

Dodgers 3, Brewers 2, 10

At Los Angeles, Cesar Izturis hit an RBI single in the 10th inning off Dave Burba (3-1), and Juan Encarnacion and rookie Jason Grabowski hit consecutive RBI singles in the ninth inning as the Dodger rallied from a two-run deficit.

Eric Gagne (2-0) pitched

one inning for the win. Cardinals 8, Pirates 3

At Pittsburgh, Scott Rolen broke a 2-all tie in the third with a three-run homer off Kris Benson (4-4) that increased the Pirates' sluggers NL-leading RBI total to 53.

Jason Marquis (4-4) allowed three runs and 10 hits in sevenplus innings and also went 3for-4 with a double.

Mets 5. Phillies 3

At Philadelphia, Jason Phillips homered for the third

shutout innings before Brian York ended a four-game losing

Mike Cameron added a tworun double for the Mets in a game twice delayed by rain for a total of 3 hours, 40 minutes.

Orber Moreno (1-1) pitched two innings for his first major league victory, and Braden Looper got his eighth save.

Brett Myers (3-3) and New York's Matt Ginter left after the second delay.

Rockies 7, Padres 1

At San Diego, Jason Jennings held the Padres to four hits in eight innings and Colorado snapped a four-game losing streak.

Jeromy Burnitz hit a goahead, two-run double with two outs in the fifth and Mark Sweeney, a former Padres player, went 3-for-5 with an RBI and a run scored

Jennings (4-5) beat Adam Eaton (1-6) and the Padres for the second time in as many starts. Eaton is winless in his last nine starts.

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Surhoff sparks Orioles by Red Sox Melvin Mora had four Cubillan's wild pitch before

Orioles manager Lee Mazzilli was all set to put Jay Gibbons back in the lineup. That was before B.J. Surhoff went on a hitting

Gibbons will still get his spot in the outfield back as soon as he fully recovers from back spasms. But Mazzilli will try to find a way to keep Surhoff on the field, too.

"When Gibby went down, it's like we didn't lose a step," Mazzilli said after Surhoff had four of Baltimore's 16 hits in a 13-4 victory over Boston on Monday.

Surhoff has gone 14-for-28, hitting safely in all six games since Gibbons went out. Mazzilli said before Monday's game that return Tuesday night against the Yankees, but that doesn't mean Surhoff will have to

"The way he's going, there's no way he's not going to be in the lineup," Mazzilli said.

American League games Monday, Seattle beat Toronto 6-2, Detroit defeated Kansas City 8-4, and Tampa Bay beat Minnesota

Baltimore's Rodrigo Lopez (4-2) had his best start since moving into the rotation, allowing one run, 0 when in the sixth when the four hits and two walks and first seven batters reached striking out seven in 5 1-3 base. innings.

He had allowed 11 runs in 9 2-3 innings in his previous two outings after posting a league-leading 0.33 ERA as a reliever.

"All the time I was in the bullpen, I was feeling pretty comfortable. But I like to thought it would be better for the team."

homer and added three singles, and Baltimore, which leads the AL with a .287 batting average, had at least 13 hits for the sixth consecutive game. The Orioles won their since losing in a row.

RBIs and three hits, including a homer, and Brian Roberts three hits, including a bases-clearing double in the seven-run sixth inning that broke open the game.

"It makes you feel more comfortable on the mound," said Lopez, making his third start since his May 20 promotion "Knowing that they're going to score runs, it makes you more relaxed." Derek Lowe

(4-5)allowed seven runs, eight hits and four walks in fiveplus innings, failing to strike out a batter and losing for the fourth time in his last five decisions. With his thumb bleeding from a cut, he was pulled after allowing the first five batters to reach and a triple and drove in safely in the sixth.

Gibbons could be ready to cut) affected me more than it Hentgen (2-4) was the loser. did," he said. "I'm at a loss for words. It's been a twomonth stretch where I've put myself in a lot of bad situations as far as baserunners. When that many guys get on base, ... it snowballs."

Boston dropped into sec-In the only other ond place in the AL East, percentage points behind the Yankees.

> Surhoff curved one around the Pesky Pole in the second, and in the third Jerry Hairston singled, took second on a sacrifice, stole third and scored on Mora's single. Baltimore made it 9-

> Lowe was lifted after he walked Hairston with the bases loaded. On Lenny DiNardo's second pitch, Roberts doubled into the left-center gap to score three more. Mora then homered to give the Orioles a 9-0 lead.

walked with one out in the Surhoff hit a 310-foot sixth. Jason Varitek's RBI single made it 9-1, but Darwin Cubillan got Kevin Millar on a grounder to third and struck out Kevin Youkilis to end the inning.

Boston scored two more fourth consecutive game in the seventh on Johnny Damon's double and victory.

Eddy Rodriguez, making his major league debut, struck out Ortiz and Manny Ramirez and then got Varitek on a fly ball to end the threat. Kevin Millar led off the eighth with a homer that made it 12-4.

Mariners 6, Blue Jays 2 At Seattle, Ichiro Suzuki was 3-for-4 for the Mariners, giving him 50 hits in May and a .400 average in the month.

Suzuki, who had 51 hits in August 2001, became the first player since Pete Rose to have two 50-plus hit months. Rose had 52 in July 1973 and 51 in September

Randy Winn had a single three runs to help support "I wish I could say it (the Jamie Moyer (4-2). Pat

Vernon Wells and Frank Menechino homered for

Tigers 8, Royals 4

At Detroit, Eric Munson and Carlos Guillen hit two homers each in the first multihomer games of their

Omar Infante also homered for Detroit, which had its first five-homer at Comerica Park. Guillen's second homer was the third insidethe-park homer in the ballpark's five-year history.

Dmitri Young, in his first game since breaking his right leg April 6, went 1-for-3 with a double and a walk. Carlos Pena had a two-run triple for Detroit, which had 14 hits.

Gary Knotts (2-1)allowed three runs and in 6 1-3 innings. Darrell May (2-7) was the loser.

Devil Rays 7, Twins 3

At Minneapolis, Fred Lopez had a four-hit McGriff, making his second start," he said. "We all shutout through five innings start for the Devil Rays but left after David Ortiz since he was brought up from the minor leagues. Friday, homered for the first time since last Sept. 2.

The two-run drive off Seth Greisinger (3-3) was the 492nd of McGriff's career. Rob Bell (1-2) allowed two runs and three hits in seven innings for the

take to go out, execute and

Experienced, familiar faces are a welcome relief for Texans' offense

Houston Texans' offense never did have "Hello, my name is ..." stitched onto its jerseys, although that couldn't have hurt during the fran-

This spring has been different, and David Carr likes it.

chise's first two years.

"We actually feel like a football team now," Carr said. "Every guy in the huddle has been through at least one sea-

HOUSTON (AP) — The son. There's no rookies out

The scene is far different from 2002, when the new team convened at the Reliant Park practice facility chock full of fresh-faced rookies. including Carr. Everyone on both sides of the ball was getting to know one another, but the offense was particularly green with four rookies starting regularly.

Houston went into its second season with more experience, though rookies ended up starting at wide receiver (Andre Johnson) and running back (Domanick Davis), and three-fifths of the offensive line turned over from Year

Heading into the 2004 campaign, only one drafted rookie has a chance to be on the active roster when the sea-

Texas receiver Sloan Thomas makes the team, he should be at the bottom of the depth chart behind an array of veter-

In other words, not only should a rookie not start on offense for the Texans this year, there's a chance a rookie won't even play.

"I have more of a comfort

son starts. And even if former level knowing all these guys have lined up and played," coach Dom Capers said. "You don't have to put a new guy out there. We might switch a position or two, but we've played probably more rookies than anybody in the league in the last two years.

> "What you hope is they the third year and know a lot more about what it's going to blocking scheme

win football games."

The friendly faces don't mean there aren't some changes brewing. Starting right tackle Todd Wade and reserve tight end Mark Bruener are learning offensive coordinator Palmer's system, and new gained experience and go into offensive line coach Joe Pendry is installing a zone POLICIES... responsib tion. Requ reserves t NOTICE... A gal to adv icap, famil tion." Stat advertising

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Unexpected news could toss your frame of mind in the air. Listen more and think about the ramifications of going overboard with work, actions and being overly busy. Sometimes you avoid reflection and deeper thought through activity. Tonight: Do some

mind-wandering TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Do your best to stay on top of what you want, working with others and their needs. You cannot always determine what is best for everyone. In fact, you can only make choices for

Tonight: Dinner for two.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Let everyone else do and say what he or she wants, as long as it doesn't impact you. You could wind up in a power struggle when you least want to.

Do your thing as you loosen up. You

also might want to just hang out.

Tonight: Just don't be alone. CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Dig into work, knowing that soon you will need time to play. Organize, streamline and demonstrate your high level of efficiency. Take frequent exercise breaks (i.e., walking to

the candy machine). Push to complete as much as you can Tonight: Work late. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Ever playful, others might misread the goal-driven Lion. You want what you want and plan to get just that. A friend might care a lot more than he or she is willing to let you know. What are your feelings about this person?

Tonight: Play away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** Basics count. Stay stable and don't push too hard, especially in matters involving bosses, property and family. In fact, you might feel as if you are walking on eggshells (and you very well might be). Delicacy and diplomacy are today's bywords. Tonight: Tiptoe

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** You might feel like saying something rather powerful, but hold back. Why? Sometimes you might be better off expressing your feelings. Return calls and reach out to others. Network all you want. Play away. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ** Examine what is needed to fulfill a financial request; it might be paying

Tonight: Tell it like it is.

days, but you might have difficulty pleasing everyone at one time. Better yet, claim your power when working with the complicated forces in your life. Agree to a late-afternoon meeting. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

baseball game, go bowling or do some

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yourself. Don't push in money matters. your bills. Requests made by a loved one need to be tossed aside until you feel more secure financially, or at least until you have regained control. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You're in one of your power

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You choose (wisely) to say little in today's complicated atmosphere. Others find you unpredictable. Others seem to provide a roller-coaster ride. Go within for answers. Tonight:

Detach:

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** You might want to think before you take a financial leap. because something might be going on that you don't see. Trust your advice and no one else's -- if you're smart. Friends mean well, but they force their choices on you. Tonight: Get into a

other favored activity. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** How you go about certain key matters could irritate someone close. You might want to be a little more careful with the boss or a family member. Those close to you are likely to be far more forgiving. Stay in touch with responsibilities. Tonight: In the

Garden Club officers installed



Pampa Garden Club recently installed the following new officers: (back) Ruth Barrett, president; Thelma Bray, vice president; (seated) Mary Ann Bailey, secretary; and Clara Quary, treasurer.

Majority of Israelis support Sharon

By JOSEF FEDERMAN ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

JERUSALEM (AP) — A. majority of Israelis, including supporters of the ruling Likud Party, support Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's plan to withdraw from the Gaza Strip, a new poll showed Tuesday. the proposal.

The poll in the Maariv daily was published a day after Sharon came under sharp Likud lawmakers. The turbulent meeting was cut short because of the verbal assault on the prime minister.

In new homemade rockets from the Gaza Strip into southern Israel early Tuesday. One of the miles from Sharon's desert, four stages, instead of one. ranch, the army said.

at the time, and no one was injured. Palestinian militants sition, voicing support for a

inaccurate Qassam rockets into neighboring Jewish settlements or Israel but they rarely cause casualties. Israeli media said the rockets used in the attack packed more explosives and had a longer range. than those used in earlier

Sharon has been trying to despite a growing rebellion by push his Gaza withdrawal party legislators opposed to plan forward since Likudmembers resoundingly rejected it in a party referendum last month. On Sunday, Sharon failed to secure a majority in criticism at a gathering of the Cabinet for his Gaza plan and postponed a vote until next week.

Sharon's plan calls for a violence. Strip and from four Jewish said commentator Shimon Palestinian militants fired two settlements in the northern Shiffer on Israel Radio. dum setback on May 2. Sharon has slightly revised rockets hit a building in an the plan; saying he would industrial zone less than two carry out the withdrawal in

Sharon's main Likud rival, Sharon was not at the ranch Finance Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, has led the oppo-

Tuesday's poll, conducted by the Teleseker group, said that 55 percent of Israelis support Sharon's plan, while 32 percent back Netanyahu. Likud supporters also favor Sharon's proposal by a 54-31 margin over Netanyahu, the survey said. It had a margin of error of 4.5 percentage points.

Despite the poll, analysts said Sharon has a tough battle. ahead in trying to get the plan passed by the bitterly divided Cabinet, where he is one vote short of a majority

"He doesn't have any ability to pass his political plan to withdraw from the Gaza Strip full withdrawal from the Gaza despite the public's support,"

> Sharon believes that withdrawing from Gaza would boost Israel's security and help it hold on to parts of the West Bank in a final peace deal with the Palestinians. About 7,500 Jewish settlers live amid 1.3 million Palestinians in Gaza, a crowded coastal strip that borders

Sunni Governing Council chief names new Iraqi president after U.S.-backed candidate refuses

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The U.S. and Saudi-educated head of Irag's Governing Council was named president of the interim Iraqi government Tuesday, after the Americans' preferred candidate turned down

The selection of Ghazi Mashal Ajil al-Yawer to the largely ceremonial position broke a deadlock over the makeup of a new Iraqi government set to assume power June 30. Iraqi leaders said the Americans were trying to force them to accept the U.S.-backed candidate.

The Governing Council then decided to dissolve immediately rather than remain in office until the transfer of sovereignty to the new government, said council member Younadam Kana.

A senior Bush administration official said the council dissolved to allow the new government to begin taking over responsibilities immediately. The U.S.-led occupation authority will continue to run Iraq until June 30, the official said on condition of anonymity.

"We Iraqis look forward to being granted full sovereignty through a Security Council resolution to enable us to rebuild a free, independent, democratic and federal unified homeland," al-Yawer told a press conference.

The prime minister of the incoming government, Iyad Allawi, also announced his 30member Cabinet. The administration official said the new Cabinet would begin negotiations on the status of U.S.-led international forces in Iraq after June 30 "fairly soon."

In those talks, the Iraqis are seeking greater say over the operations of Iraqi security forces as well as the 135,000 American troops and other coalition forces on Iraqi soil.

The new Minister of Industry Hajim al-Hassani told Al-Jazeera that as of Wednesday there would be "no more American coordinators to impose their will on Iraqi ministries."

"The ministries can make use of their not recognize the choice.

available expertise but the final decision will be an Iraqi one," he said.

Al-Yawer, a Sunni Muslim who has. sharply criticised U.S. policy in Iraq, will hold the largely symbolic post of president, while the more powerful position of prime minister goes to Allawi, a U.S.-backed Shiite Muslim with military and CIA connections.

Allawi, whose appointment was announced Friday, was chosen because he was considered the best candidate to cope with the deteriorating security situation.

As word of the appointment was announced, a car bomb blew up outside the offices of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, which is located just outside the green zone U.S. coalition headquarters in central

The Arab language television stations Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya quoted police as saying about 10 people were killed, but the information could not immediately be confirmed. Another blast, followed by gunfire, sent a mushroom cloud billowing into the air. Coalition aircraft could be heard flying over Baghdad.

The PUK is seen as being close to the Americans, and fighters from the party backed American forces in last year's invasion. Under the leadership of Jalal Talabani, the party represented one of the main anti-Saddam forces on Iraqi soil after the Gulf War.

It was not immediately clear if the blast was tied to Tuesday's government announce-

A roadside bomb also exploded near a U.S. military base in the northern town of Beiji, killing 11 Iraqis and wounding more than 22 people, including two U.S. soldiers.

Council members had angrily accused the American governor of Iraq, L. Paul Bremer, of trying to install Adnan Pachachi, a former foreign minister, over their opposition.

Sources had said earlier that the Americans warned that if the members went ahead and voted for al-Yawer, the United States might

in Gaza frequently fire the far more limited Gaza with-Mosque bombings continue in Pakistan

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Police exchanged fire with rioting mourners Tuesday as thousands gathered for the funerals of 20 killed in an apparent suicide bombing at a crowded Shiite Muslim mosque, the latest terrorist attack in Pakistan's largest

About 200 angry Shiites set fire to three buses, a bank, bus company offices and shops housed in one building a few doors down from the mosque hit in Monday's bombing. Hundreds of police fired tear gas at the crowd along a major highway in the southern city.

Fearing sectarian clashes between rival Shiite and Sunni-Muslims, thousands of police and paramilitary rangers were on maximum alert. Police and rioters exchanged gunfire in several locations, witnesses said. There was no immediate word on injuries.

Two processions of thousands of mourners set off in different directions after prayers at the wrecked Imam Bargah Ali Raza mosque. leaving the rioters behind. The

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Musharraf pledged to stem the wave of bloodshed. His options include replacing the leadership of the city or provincial security establishment, or declaring a state of emergency that would give the military a greater hand in running the port city of 14 million people.

The bombing ripped through the mosque during evening prayers on Monday, and the death toll rose to 20

unrest began after the mob Tuesday when four of the injured died of their wounds. At least 75 were injured.

The attack sparked nighttime rioting by hundreds of enraged Shiite youths who burned shops, cars, a bank and a government building and blocked highways and the main rail line. A shootout between rioters and police left three more people dead.

No one claimed responsibility for the bombing.

Nazamuddin Shamzai, that also triggered street battles between youths and police.

BY MONTE HAYES other beauty pageants, but we slapped a tall mannequin ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER QUITO, Ecuador (AP)

Tired but excited, 80 young women from around the world went through their last practice sessions for the Miss Universe pageant, as political turmoil boiled around them in this small Andean nation.

As the contestants prepared for Tuesday night's contest. some 500 Indian demonstrators marched several blocks from their hotel, protesting against the pageant and President Lucio Gutierrez, under increasing pressure to step down.

Miss USA Shandi Finnessey labeled as unfair the criticism that the pageant is frivolous in a world where hunger and war

"With the chaos and trauma in the world right now, I think you need a very strong role model like Miss Universe to travel to countries and spread a message of peace," she said.

Miss Norway Kathrine Sorland agreed, adding: "I know people have criticized Miss Universe, Miss World and

and this is a positive thing. I with branches. have no feelings of guilt, not at

Miss Universe held in middle of chaos

Indian women dressed in multilayered skirts and embroidered blouses wore sashes with phony titles like "Miss War" and "Miss Missile." Carrying ears of corn, they shouted against the government for spending millions of dollars on the event instead of providing support for their crops.

The Indian demonstrators

are a bunch of girls having fun. dressed as a beauty contestant

Gutierrezwarned his critics Monday that they were testing his patience.

"Don't overestimate my tranquility, my patience and my tolerance ... because I will not permit any unconstitutional decisions," he told reporters.

His opponents in Congress have demanded that he resign over a corruption scandal involving his closest aide and have threatened to impeach him





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