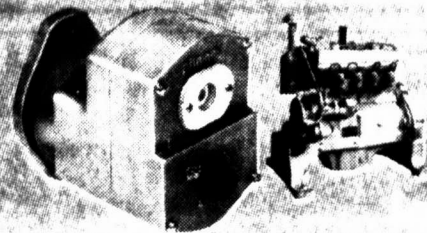


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Pampan waits 62 years to get diploma

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Sixty-two years after he would have received his high school diploma with his classmates, Dale Robbins of Pampa attended graduation ceremonies this spring at Felt High School in Felt, Okla., wearing his mortarboard and tassel.

Robbins left high school in 1941 to enlist in the Air Force. He came to Pampa Army Air Field to enlist and serve his country during World War II, but was not accepted. He worked between 1941 and 1943, when he was drafted and served 23 months on a ship in the Pacific Ocean as a Marine.

"I was at sea for 23 months, and participated in 11 campaigns," Robbins said. During his shipboard service, at least two Japanese planes flown by kamikaze, or suicide, pilots passed overhead.

The end of World War II did not mean the end of Robbins' military career. He was in the Coast Guard during the Korean conflict, and later transferred to the Navy Reserves. He retired from military service in 1963.

Robbins' non-military career

also had ties of service to his country. He is a retired Pantex employee. Pantex, located between Panhandle and Amarillo, is one of the country's nuclear weapons assembly disassembly sites.

'I was at sea for 23 months, and participated in 11 campaigns.'

— Dale Robbins
World War II veteran

receive an official diploma from their high school, provided they had completed the coursework since leaving high school or earned a GED.

"I got my GED after coming back from World War II. I later went to college classes at night and earned about 50 hours of college credit," Robbins said.

"I wanted to give him his diploma for Christmas, but I couldn't find out how to do it. I called a relative of his in Felt. She made some calls, and the next day the head of the state's education department in

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Dale Robbins recently attended graduation ceremonies at Felt, Okla., High School, where he was awarded his diploma 62 years after his classmates. Robbins received an autographed photo of President George W. Bush congratulating him on the occasion. Robbins interrupted his schooling to seek action in World War II, and earned his high school equivalency, or GED, after the war.

Court asked to take up first 'detainee' cases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Human rights lawyers filed court challenges on behalf of nine Guantanamo Bay detainees as of Friday, citing this week's Supreme Court ruling and pressing the government to justify its detention of the terror suspects or let them go.

A federal court was urged to rule that the nine detainees were being

unlawfully held at the military prison in Cuba. They were the first cases filed since the Supreme Court's ruling this week that the prisoners may use U.S. courts to contest their detentions.

"This is the beginning of trying to enforce precisely what the Supreme Court mandated as a way to obtain justice," said Jeffrey Fogel, legal

director of the New York Center for Constitutional Rights. "The first step is that the government has to respond."

Challenges were filed on behalf of two British citizens, three French citizens, a German Turk, a Jordanian Palestinian refugee, an Iraqi refugee and a Canadian.

They question whether some of

the men are in poor mental health after long stretches of being held in isolation.

More lawsuits are expected on behalf of other prisoners. About 600 men from more than 40 countries are being held on suspicion of links to al-Qaida or the fallen Taliban regime

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BUSINESS

N&T thinking of going 'international'

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

A start-up company in west Pampa is not only looking to expand, they're thinking international.

While N&T Specialty Welding and Manufacturing, Inc., can fabricate or repair most any kind of metal item, their main focus is on ASME (American Society of Mechanical Engineering) code certified pressure vessels.

"We're looking at international markets," said Larry Norton, one of the principals in the business.

They've already provided vessels to companies who work in foreign markets as well as the domestic market. "Some of the items we've



Pampa News photos by DAVID BOWSER

The staff of N&T Specialty Welding and Manufacturing, Inc.

built go to South Africa, China, Mexico and all parts of the United States, especially in the oil fields," said Neal Hoelting, N&T sales

manager. They've bid on work in India, Hoelting said, but they haven't heard anything back on that.

Hoelting describes the vessels as big filtering systems. He said they can make vessels that take string wound filters, pleated paper, bags or other types of filter cartridges.

"They're used in refineries, water treatment plants, any where you need to filter," Norton said.

N&T is making the world a cleaner place to live, Hoelting said, explaining that the system filters out impurities, such as gas, which might have water in it.

Their vessels, Norton said, are for industrial use, mainly in the petrochemical industry. Much of their work goes toward the Gulf Coast area, particularly the

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Agency head expected to be named soon

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is getting close to naming a CIA director as counterterrorism officials warn of a heightened risk of election four months away.

The agency's current head, George Tenet, leaves his post a week from today, the seven-year anniversary of his swearing in. Poised to take over as acting director is his deputy, John McLaughlin, 61.

A senior administration official said White House aides expect the announcement of the next CIA director could happen soon.

The official and others with knowledge of the process, who did not want to

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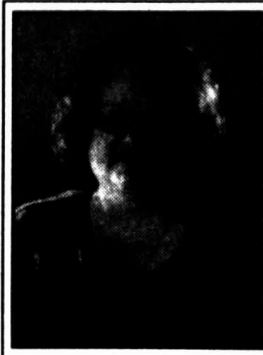
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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department on Saturday made the following arrests, according to Gray County Sheriff's Office jail records.

Friday, July 2

Ashley Finck, 20, 501 Magnolia, was arrested for theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

Richard Burton Junior Palmer, 40, 111 N. Sumner, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, penalty group 1, less than 1 gram.

Saturday, July 3

David A. Sigala, 20, 1704 McCullough, was arrested for criminal mischief, failure to appear-bond jumping, running a stop sign, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and on *capias pro* fines for disorderly conduct-obscene language and for assault.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office on Saturday reported the following arrests.

Friday, July 2

Matthew Bolch, 22, 501 Magnolia, was arrested for theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

Joanne Catherine Warehime, 53, Spokane, Wash., was arrested by Department of Public Safety for possession of a controlled substance over 400 grams.

Ambulance

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

Friday, July 2

12:17 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Williston. No transport.

11:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of North Hobart. No transport.

2:11 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and Sumner. No transport.

5:09 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Somerville. No transport.

7:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of South Hobart. No transport.

Saturday, July 3

1:39 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Montague and Russell streets and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

5:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of South Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Fire

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

Friday, July 2

8:40 a.m. — Four units and eight firefighters responded to the 1300 block of Duncan on a smoke scare. Firefighters found a smoking oven but no fire and ventilated the house.

2:12 p.m. — Two units and five firefighters responded to Somerville and Hobart streets on a minor motor vehicle accident.

Obituaries

Bonnie Vick Gutierrez, 44

Bonnie Vick Gutierrez, 44, of Pampa, Texas, died Thursday, July 1, 2004, at Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2004, at Memory Gardens West Mausoleum with Pastor Lonny Robbins, of the Trinity Fellowship Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.



Gutierrez

Mrs. Gutierrez was born July 20, 1959, in Shamrock. She was reared in Pampa and attended Pampa schools. She married Peter Gutierrez on Aug. 13, 1993, in Canadian. He preceded her in death on Aug. 14, 2001.

She was a member of Trinity Fellowship Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Lee Ann Scoggin and husband

Adam, and Misty Brittain, all of Pampa; two brothers, Jesse Vick and Johnny Vick, both of Pampa; three sisters, Carolyn Purvis and Juanita Smith, both of Pampa, and Helen Poole of Hobbs, N.M.; and four grandchildren, Isabella Wilson, Marcella Wilson and Ezekiel Scoggin, all of Pampa, and Hunter Brittain of Palestine. She was preceded in death by her parents.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Joyce Mae Wileman, 79

DOWNNEY, Calif. — Joyce Mae Wileman, 79, died June 22, 2004, at Downey, Calif. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, 2004, at the Miami Cemetery in Miami, Texas, with Pastor Lance Wood, of the First Baptist Church of Miami, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa, Texas.

Wileman was born Sept. 20, 1941, in Erick, Okla. He preceded her in death on Oct. 29, 2002.

She was the first woman in California and the third woman in the United States to pass the test to become an EEG technician.

She was a Baptist. She was a member of the Downey Women's Club.

She held an amateur radio license for 50 years and held her advanced license, using the call letters W5EEG.

Survivors include one son, Ronald Wayne Wileman and

wife Kathleen Patricia of Dana Point, Calif.; two grandsons, Steven Dennis Wileman and Jay Thomas Wileman; and four great-grandchildren, Ashley Nicole Wileman, Brittney Lauren Wileman, Cayla Brooke Wileman and Austin Ty Wileman.

The body will lie in state from 8 a.m. until 12 noon Tuesday, July 6, 2004, at the funeral home.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Diploma

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Oklahoma City called and wanted to know if Dale wanted just the paper or to participate in the graduation ceremony, too," said Robbins' wife Doris.

Staff at the Felt school

system told others about Robbins' planned graduation, and "five others wound up graduating, too, under the same conditions," Robbins said.

"It was a very patriotic ceremony," Doris Robbins said.

"Felt is a town of about 30, and that includes the dogs and cats. They had to

move the graduation ceremony to a larger space, and it was standing room only at the ceremony," Robbins said. His children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren attended.

Robbins has been a Pampa resident since 1956, and his wife is a lifelong Pampa resident.

Welding

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refinery belt around Lake Charles, Baton Rouge and New Orleans, but they have also done work for Cabot and National Oil Well in Pampa.

"I worked for National Oil Well for 31 years," Norton said.

A 1964 graduate of Pampa High School, Norton is the N in N&T.

"I went to school here," Norton said. "I was born in Oklahoma."

The T is Jimmy Townson, a 1988 PHS graduate and Norton's son-in-law.

"I met Larry through his daughter," Townson said. "His oldest daughter and I have been married for 14 years."

The families are also involved together in N&T Production and NTP Trucking.

The production company

started out by renting gas compressors, Norton said.

"We had to have trucks to haul them so we started the trucking part of it," he said.

They generally use their own trucks to haul their vessels.

"Whenever we can," Norton said.

Keeping up with the different facets of the business is a chore, Townson said.

As a small and growing business, everybody on the management team does a little bit of everything, but to a great extent Norton oversees the manufacturing process while Townson deals with the trucks and their scheduling.

Right now Hoelting said their welding and manufacturing shop is staying busy.

"It's picking up all the time," Hoelting said.

N&T Specialty Welding and Manufacturing employs 14, while there are five employees at the trucking company, Hoelting said, plus some part time employees.

With Norton's experience

in welding, when the opportunity came up, he said, they started N&T Specialty Welding and Manufacturing.

"This is a coded vessel shop," Norton said.

The company is also certified to work on tank trucks, perform U.S. Department of Transportation tests on them and certify them as meeting Department of Transportation standards.

"We can test them and fill them," Norton said.

The Department of Transportation requires testing on tank trucks every two years.

"There are a lot of different people who do welding, but not everyone has that certification," Hoelting said.

The companies that N&T supply need the necessary certifications, whether it's the tank trucks or the American Society of Mechanical Engineering.

"That ASME certification is not cheap," Hoelting said. "That comes with a big commitment."

Gray County Weather

Independence Day: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms before 7 a.m., then a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms after 2pm. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent. Partly cloudy, with a high around 95. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 67. South wind around 15 mph.

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Court

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of Afghanistan. Some of the detainees have been at the prison for more than 2 1/2 years, with little or no contact with the outside world. Just four have had access to lawyers.

Attorneys for the nine detainees said in court filings Friday that the government has exceeded its constitutional authority and asked the court to "declare that the prolonged, indefinite, and restrictive detention of (the detainees) is arbitrary and unlawful."

The Bush administration contends the men are "enemy combatants" who

pose a threat to America and can be held without legal rights.

The Supreme Court rejected the administration's argument that the detainees could not take their complaints to U.S. courts.

"No decision has been made on how we are going to comply with the Supreme Court ruling," said Maj. Michael Shavers, a Pentagon spokesman. "The ruling wasn't simple and while we certainly will comply, the exact manner is still being discussed."

A half-dozen law firms worked on Friday's filings, along with the Center for Constitutional Rights, the nonprofit legal organization which had represented two Australian detainees in the

case that led to Monday's Supreme Court ruling.

The justices said federal courts can hear the cases of Guantanamo Bay detainees, but did not describe a process.

On Thursday, the human rights group wrote to Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, asking for access to 53 prisoners held at the naval base.

The lawyers involved haven't been able to meet with any detainees in Cuba, but Fogel said they had authorization from prisoners' families. He said the detainees are:

—British citizens Moazzem Begg, who was captured in Pakistan, and Feroz Abbasi.

—Murat Kurnaz, a Turkish citizen with German residency captured in Pakistan.

—French citizens Mourad Benchallali, Nizar Sassi and Ridouane Khalid, all captured in Pakistan.

—Jamil El-Banna, a Jordanian/Palestinian refugee residing in the United Kingdom, captured in Gambia, and Bisher Al-Rawi, an Iraqi refugee residing in the United Kingdom, captured in Gambia.

—Canadian Omar Khadr, who was 15 years old when captured two years ago in Afghanistan.

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Panhandle Regional Housing Finance Corporation returns mortgage credit certificate program to area

The Mortgage Credit Certificate Program, which makes buying a home more affordable to more residents, is being returned to the area through the efforts of Panhandle Regional Housing Finance Corporation.

"We are very excited and pleased to be able to announce that we have received an allocation that is available to residents of four cities and also 21 counties in the Panhandle region," said PRHFC President Gary Beddingfield at its board of directors meeting recently.

Beddingfield said that all area lenders are urged to participate in the MCC program. More than 20 lenders participated in the last program. Both the larger bank mortgage departments and the smaller mortgage loan companies will have an equal opportunity to use the program with the MCC's issued on a first come, first serve basis.

"I expect the funds will go quickly," Beddingfield said.

"Income and price limits have been increased by the Federal government and the MCC rate has been set at 50 (percent)," explained Beddingfield. "Although it provides opportunities for home buyers in much of the Panhandle, the program is not available within the city limits of Amarillo," he added.

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— Gary Beddingfield
PRHFC President

Beddingfield said the new program, coupled with the income and price changes and other down payment assistance features, should be of particular interest to individuals and families who are interested in buying a home for the first time and saving money using the program.

The MCC rate has the effect of reducing a mortgage payment by returning 50 percent of the purchaser's interest in the form of a direct federal income tax credit — up to

\$2,000 per year. It gives qualified first-time home buyers the opportunity to receive a 50 percent dollar-for-dollar income tax credit on the interest of their mortgage loan for the life of the loan.

Beddingfield said that for families or individuals desiring to purchase their first home, the program provides an excellent vehicle to accompany a regular VA, FHA, or conventional home loan.

The program being introduced by PRHFC will include the following income limits:

—The maximum income for two or fewer persons is \$53,000; and

—The maximum income for families of three or more persons is \$60,950.

In targeted areas that include Carson, Hartley, Ochiltree and Roberts counties the income limits are somewhat higher. The new sales price limits for both new and existing homes is \$189,682.

The program is offered to residents of the following Texas counties: Carson, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter (excluding the City of Amarillo), Randall, Roberts, Sherman and Wheeler. Also included are the cities of Booker, Darrouzett, Follett and Perryton.

Under the MCC program, the tax credit generally lasts for the life of the loan, as long as the purchaser resides in the home and makes the loan payments. Historically, tax credits have shown to result in approximately \$100 in monthly savings or \$1,200 a year in most cases. However, federal guidelines allow up to \$2,000 for those participating in the program.

In order to be eligible for the program, home buyers may not have owned a home within the past three years and must meet the income and purchase price guidelines as well as regular home loan requirements.

A mortgage interest deduction differs from a mortgage tax credit in a number of ways.

For example, all home buyers, regardless of income, may take a mortgage interest deduction, whereas mortgage tax credits are available only to holders of MCCs.

The dollar value of a mortgage interest deduction depends on the homeowner's tax bracket. That means if the home buyer is in the 15 percent tax bracket, he/she will save \$0.15 in taxes for each dollar of mortgage interest paid. With this program, the savings would be \$1 for each dollar of credit received.

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City preparing to spray for insects

The City of Pampa has begun fogging the city for mosquitoes and insects for the second time this year.

City officials want to remind citizens that if they do not wish their property to be sprayed they should call 669-5760, ext 3.

The city will be dispersing a product called Biomist through an "ultra low-volume" sprayer.

Larvicides will be applied to Red Deer Creek as soon as it stops running. The larvicide does not kill adult mosquitoes, only the larvae.

Class of 1969 reunion

Pampa High School Class of 1969 invites all its friends from school to join in its 35th class reunion July 10.

Sign up will be Saturday, July 10, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. in the library at PHS.

city officials said. The product used in this process will be Bacillus thuringiensis, Serotype H-14.

The products Roundup and Pendiflex, both herbicides, are being applied to grass and weeds on the city

streets.

Citizens are encouraged to keep their grass cut and empty any containers of water around their property as stagnant water and high grass areas are breeding grounds for mosquitoes.



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The law firm of Waters, Holt & Fields announces the retirement of senior partner, Bill W. Waters, from the active practice of law, following a distinguished career of almost fifty-five years of service to the citizens of the Texas Panhandle.

The law firm will continue its practice under the name Waters, Holt & Fields.

Clients wishing to inquire about files handled by Bill W. Waters may contact the offices of the firm at 505 Combs-Worley Building, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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Viewpoints

Freedom comes from within ourselves

For months now, I've searched for a book I received as a graduation gift — a long time ago.

Quotes from the book — *The Prophet* by Kahlil Gibran — kept popping into my consciousness, especially the one about children: "Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself. They come through you but not from you, and though they are with you yet they belong not to you."

I found the book last weekend in a box of books we had stored away. As I flipped through the worn pages, I read again the wisdom Gibran's prophet

shared with the people before leaving on a long journey.

He spoke of freedom, too. As I read the prophet's words, the truth of what he said settled on me like a warm blanket.

As we celebrate our nation's freedom this weekend, we speak of the great sacrifice made by so many to preserve it. We honor our forefathers who forged the concept into a way of life that has never been experienced in known history.

Without apology, I am fiercely patriotic.

Despite its flaws, I love the freedom embodied by this country. If I am called to do so, I will fight for it and I

will die for it.

What the prophet said reminded me of freedom's essence.

"...You can only be free when even the desire of seeking freedom becomes a harness to you, and when you cease to speak of freedom as a goal and a fulfillment.

"You shall be free indeed when your days are not without a care nor your nights without a want and a grief.

"But rather when these things girdle your life and yet you rise above them naked and unbound.

"In truth that which you call freedom is the strongest of these chains, though its links glitter in the sun and dazzle your eyes."

Gibran, born in Lebanon in 1883, wrote *The Prophet* in light of World War I. He wanted to take part in the war to help his native country free

itself from Ottoman rule. However, a childhood injury to his shoulder and his wife Mary's adamant stance against him going to war kept him from serving. He died in the United States in 1931 at age 48 — my age.

What he wrote and what biographers say about his life seem to reflect my own inner battle when I think about freedom.

I would willingly fight for it and yet I know that freedom ultimately comes from within me.

No matter where I live or what political philosophy drives the world around me, I will not be free until I let go of the fetters I allow to bind me.

The full truth of this hit me one day when I felt as though I had lost everything.

People who have experienced this can understand what I mean. If they haven't, they never will.

In that moment, I realized

that nothing else in this world counted but my relationship with God. My country, my possessions, my accomplishments, even my family could be taken away in an instant.

Me and God. That's all that's left, for now and for all eternity.

With that realization came an unexplainable sense of freedom that has never left me.

I cherish my family. I love my country. I enjoy my possessions. But I don't feel entitled to them. I don't feel that I must hold on to them at all cost.

These are gifts, wonderful presents — the icing on the cake of life.

Dee Dee Laramore
Editor



Texas Thoughts

Amarillo Globe-News on Oklahoma eyes state-run lottery:

The Texas Lotto's recent \$145 million jackpot had Texans all across the state salivating.

The whopping bundle had a few Oklahomans drooling as well.

Dry up, it's time to get a bib.

More than \$27.6 million was wagered on the jumbo jackpot.

Political effects of the staggering payout rippled into Oklahoma, where voters will decide in November whether to approve a similar state lottery.

If history is any indication, Oklahoma voters are rolling the dice.

Pending voter passage, State Question 705 will create the Oklahoma Education Lottery Act, a state-run lottery with the funds earmarked for public education.

This sounds all too familiar to Texans, who tend to ignore their own state lottery — that is unless it reaches near-epic multimillion-dollar proportion.

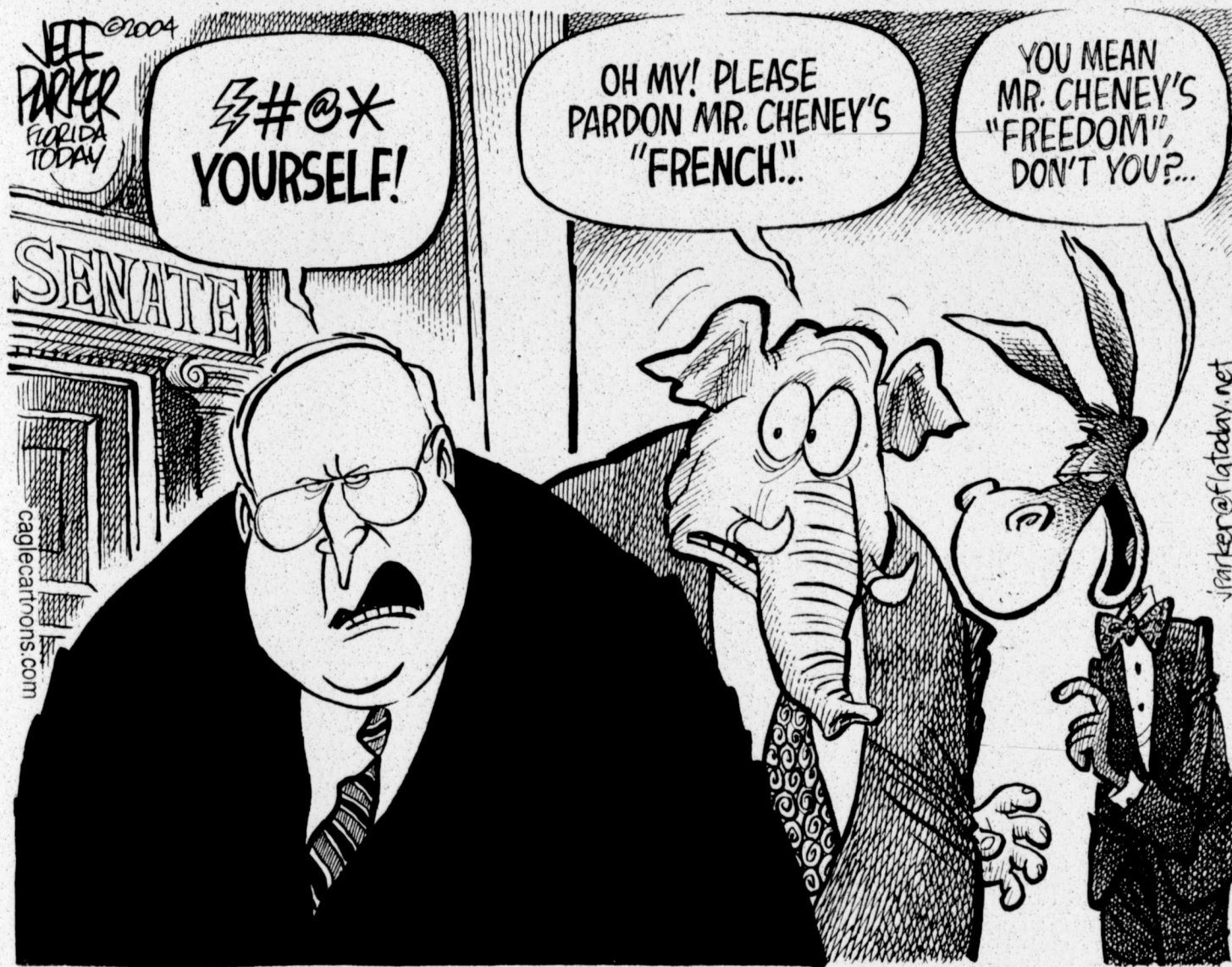
The Texas Lotto was hailed as the cure for public education funding.

We have since learned that is not the case, with the Texas Legislature about as successful at crafting meaningful public school funding plans as the average Texan is at actually winning the lottery.

Texas' lottery has done little, if anything, to help state budgets.

A \$9.9 billion deficit in the last regular legislative session is proof of that.

Oklahomans might have been wide-eyed at the \$145 million bonanza, but in the long run, voters shouldn't bet on a lottery paying off for state government.



Not a campaign, a hate crime

America is witnessing one of the most despicable political campaigns in our long history — a presidential race filled with lies, distortions and outright hatred — and the offender is not the mythical Republican attack machine the Democrats keep talking about, it's the national Democrat party itself.

If anybody doubts the truth of this, I invite them to look at one Michael Moore — slime master extraordinary, a practiced prevaricator, hater of America and radical socialist who has produced what nobody can deny is nothing less than a Democrat

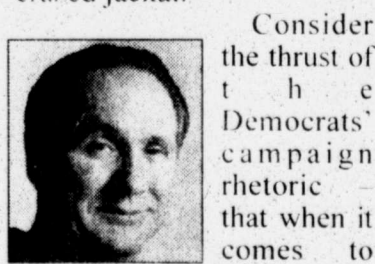
campaign commercial masquerading as a documentary.

Moore, however, is simply a symbol for an angry party gone mad.

Utterly convinced of the fiction that President Bush stole the 2000 election from Al Gore who by divine right as a Democrat was entitled to occupy the White House

which his party regards as their private property, the Democrats are in a state of

uncontrolled rage. The symbol of the Democrat party is no longer a donkey, it's a crazed jackal.



Michael Reagan
Columnist

Consider the thrust of the Democrats' campaign rhetoric — that when it comes to the president, to his administration, and to Iraq there is no such thing as good news. To them, the only good news is bad news for America. They want us to fail in Iraq so they can blame the president.

They want the economy to go into the tank so they can blame the president.

Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, they bash the president no matter what he does. They don't, of course, tell you how they'd do things differently, they only tell you that everything President Bush does is wrong and then assure us that they could do it better. They demand that the president pay more attention to the U.N., for example, and when he does work with the U.N., they give him no cred-

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Today in History

(AP) — Today is Sunday, July 4, the 186th day of 2004. There are 180 days left in the year. This is Independence Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence.

On this date:

In 1802, the United States Military Academy officially opened at West Point, N.Y.

In 1804, 200 years ago, American author Nathaniel

Hawthorne was born in Salem, Mass.

In 1826, 50 years to the day after the Declaration of Independence was adopted, former presidents John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died.

In 1831, the fifth president of the United States, James Monroe, died in New York City.

In 1845, Henry David Thoreau began his two-year experiment in simpler living at Walden Pond, near Concord, Mass.

Senate no place for bad language

You've probably heard by now that the vice president, Dick Cheney, used the "F-word" in the Senate, addressed to Vermont Sen. Patrick Leahy. Cheney has refused to apologize and, on the contrary, said on national television that it made him feel much better to tell Leahy to go F-himself.

Call me old-fashioned, but I don't believe the Senate should be used for barroom language, any more than I think the Oval Office should be converted into a whorehouse. I know these are decadent times, but if the politicians in Washington don't return to traditional

civility, they're not likely to get much done that is worthwhile. We pay them way too much money to tolerate that.

Cheney and George W. Bush are both arrogant men. It's characteristic of arrogant men to disdain people who disagree with them. Bush seems to add a touch of paranoia and sees people who disagree with him as "enemies." His performance in the recent NATO meeting showed his arrogance. Twice

he spoke publicly about something that is none of his business — whether Turkey should be admitted to the European Union. The Europeans were naturally riled up.

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Northern Iraq make a move toward independence. The Turkish army would be on them like a fox on a mouse. He also wants to put more American troops in Turkey.

Much later rather than sooner, Bush will eventually figure out that the only powerhouses in continental Europe are France and Germany, the two NATO allies he seems to enjoy insulting. Leave France and Germany out of the fray and there isn't another country on the continent that could even whip Syria, much less a more powerful country like

that the Turks can cause a lot of trouble if the Kurds in

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Clarendon College to offer entrance exam for vocational nursing program

CLARENDON — On Wednesday, July 7, an entrance exam will be offered to individuals interested in applying for admission in the vocational nursing program at Clarendon College.

The exam, the Test of Essential Academic Skills, will be conducted in the Vocational Nursing Program classroom, 313 S. Kearney.

Achieving a passing score on the exam is a requirement for admission into the program. Individuals may take the

test no more than two times. Cost for the exam is \$40. Additional test dates are July 13 and Aug. 23.

Upon completion of the one-year program, a student is awarded a certificate of completion from CC and qualifies to take the State Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners examination to become a licensed vocational nurse in the State of Texas.

To register for the test or for more information, call Sharron at (806) 874-3571.

Club News

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

Magic Plains
 Magic Plains Chapter of the American Business Women's Association met June 14 at Clint & Sons Smokehouse in Pampa with President Jan Allen presiding. Estelle Malone and Eltha Hensley served as hostesses. Eleven members and two

guests, Jolene and Jennifer Davis, were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Jolene Davis, a chapter scholarship recipient, delivered a short program on her progress at college this past year. She attended Wayland Baptist University and plans to transfer to San Angelo in the fall. She is the granddaughter of Hensley.

—Jowannah Shackelford gave a report from the membership committee. A party is planned at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 9. Members were asked to bring summer dishes for the party. Pat Winkleblack will check on a place for

the party and notify chapter members. Spouses are invited. The new executive board will be installed at the July meeting and will take office in August.

—An auditing committee, which included Winkleblack as chair along with fellow members Ann Gordy and Marie McCathern, was appointed by Allen.

The committee will be in charge of auditing the books for the year and present a report at the next meeting.

—Shackelford and Evelyn Boyd won door prizes.

The next meeting is scheduled Monday, July 12, at Clint & Sons Smokehouse.

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be identified because of the sensitivity of the selection process, said President Bush has not made a final decision and is unlikely to do so over the long holiday weekend.

Officials close to Bush have said more than one person is under consideration to

take over direction of the CIA and the 14 other agencies that make up the nation's intelligence apparatus.

House Intelligence Committee Chairman Porter Goss, R-Fla., is said to be on the list. Washington insiders have speculated for a month about who else may be: Deputy Secretary of State Richard L. Armitage; former Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga.; Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif.; former National Security

Agency director, retired Adm. William O. Studeman; and perhaps McLaughlin.

Among factors the White House must weigh when deciding whom to name and when is whether a confirmation process before the election would draw attention to intelligence failures and how it would be perceived should an attack occur this summer with only an acting director in place.

With his experience as a CIA case officer in the 1960s

and as House Intelligence Committee chairman for nearly eight years, Goss has been considered the front-runner.

A senior intelligence official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said harsh criticism of intelligence agencies contained in a recent House budget bill that Goss oversaw did not go unnoticed by rank-and-file or senior intelligence personnel.

Hate

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it. They demand that the President turn Iraq over to the Iraqis, and when he does they growl and mutter because he didn't do it the way they say they would have done it — but they won't tell us how they would have done it.

They are giddy over Michael Moore's hate film. Yet they have the nerve to claim that the discourse in politics is getting meaner and meaner and they point their fingers at the Republicans as the culprits.

It's not the Republicans, however, who are supporting films such as Moore's incredibly deceptive "Fahrenheit 9/11," filled with false charges and cleverly distorted images such as showing President Bush interrupted by reporters during a golf game allegedly attacking terrorism when he was really talking about the

Palestinian bombings.

But the Democrats so hate George W. Bush that they are willing to believe anything negative about him, even to the extent of supporting Moore in his exercise of slander and deceit when they should be condemning it and disassociating themselves from the film as decent people would do when confronted with its deceptions.

The fact is, it has never been about truth with the Democrats — it's always been about lies because they still believe the Bush-stole-the-election canard, and as a result they are willing to believe anything about the president even if it goes beyond the realm of reason, as Moore's film does.

Face it, Michael Moore hates America. He goes abroad and tells the people in Europe that we are the dumbest people on earth.

"We Americans suffer from an enforced ignorance," he told the British press.

"We don't know about anything that's happening

outside our country. Our stupidity is embarrassing."

He explained 9/11 by blaming the United States: "We, the United States of America, are culpable in committing so many acts of terror and bloodshed that we had better get a clue about the culture of violence in which we have been active participants."

He insisted that the terrorists currently killing our soldiers in Iraq can be compared to our Revolutionary War heroes who fought off British oppression:

"The Iraqis who have risen up against the occupation are not 'insurgents' or 'terrorists' or 'The Enemy.' They are the Revolution, the Minutemen, and their numbers will grow — and they will win."

This goes beyond hate crime — it is nothing less than treason. And the Democrats by aiding and abetting and praising this traitorous person, share his guilt.

That's how far their hatred has taken them.

Civility

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Iran. Historically, these countries have been rolled over by France, Germany or Russia as if they didn't even exist. That's why Bush's so-called coalition is such a joke.

Well, he's certainly not a diplomat. He wanted troops, debt reduction and money from NATO allies, and all he got was a vague promise to train some Iraqi security people.

I sort of think the man no longer enjoys being president. If you watch him while he's walking or just sitting somewhere, unaware of the camera, more often than not he wears a frown as if he were angry or annoyed. That's too bad. I would think being president would be a fun job, but perhaps he'd rather be back at his ranch.

At any rate, civility, or the lack thereof, is a serious matter. Civilization is a thin veneer. We all have a bit of

the beast lurking just below the surface. That's why it takes a deliberate effort to remain civilized, and a huge part of that is courtesy.

Courtesy is like the oil of human relations. It allows us to mix together and get our business done without having four fistfights and shootouts every week. You don't have to like somebody to be courteous. You don't have to agree with the person. In the Old South, men would be courteous to each other even when one of them was challenging the other to a duel to the death.

Perhaps we ought to res-

urrect those ancient concepts of lady and gentleman. A little more formality wouldn't hurt us, because heaven knows we're about as informal as a people can be without walking about nude and sharing fire hydrants with dogs.

I don't know if Cheney should apologize to Leahy, because I don't know what, if anything, Leahy said to provoke him.

But the vice president ought to apologize to the American people for demeaning the office. After all, the office belongs to the people, not to Cheney.

Community calendar

• Gray County American Red Cross

and the City of Pampa will be offering 30-minute swimming classes in two-week sessions throughout the summer. Class levels range from one all the way up to level five with one open to children between 3 and 5 years of age. The first two-week session will be offered between June 14 and 25. The second session is scheduled from July 12-23 and the third from Aug. 2-13. Classes are at different times for different levels. Each two-week session will be \$35. To register and pre-pay, stop by the local Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. For more information, call 669-7121.

• 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), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may 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., July 7 and 21, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; and from 12:30-4 p.m., July 12, City Hall, Canadian.

• Red Hat Dollies Society will meet from

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. July 15 at The Coffee Shop in downtown Pampa. The group will visit downtown businesses following luncheon.

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TMA speaker: Patients just want doctors to listen

AUSTIN — Patients want the power to make decisions that determine the direction of their health care. Roy Martin, D.Min., assistant professor for clinical ethics at the University of North Texas Health Sciences Center, told physicians during the 137th Annual Texas Medical Association conference recently, that "patients want and expect to be heard. If we've learned anything in the last 30 years, it is that."

The creation of such a dialogue in a world of informed consent and compliance requires both practitioners and regulators to do a better job of listening to the patient.

"I am convinced all will benefit — especially patients — from a dialogue that does not begin with complaint and investigation, but with deliberate collaboration and frequent, clear communication," he told physicians attending TexMed 2004.

The Rev. Martin quoted a cancer patient who said he wanted "to be a subject, not an object, to be moved by reasons and purposes that I don't understand, not the causes outside of me."

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He encourages physicians not only to ask patients questions with "yes and no" answers, but to ask them to repeat information, so that practitioners are assured of understanding what has been said.

He posed the dilemma of adhering to the wishes of a terminal patient who wishes no more treatment, only that his pain be managed. Yet, he said practitioners and regulatory boards must begin or continue a dialogue that addresses the struggle with respect to the wishes of the patient. Issues are compounded in situations when patients are temporarily or permanently unable to make decisions about their medical treatment.

The autonomy of the patient is increasingly significant as practitioners are given more options and patients are living longer, the Rev. Martin said.

"Sometimes assigning meaning to symptoms doesn't offer a scale of pain," he added, emphasizing that practitioners

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Growth in health care spending drops

NEW YORK (AP) — The rate of growth in health care spending fell for the second year in a row in 2003 as demand for health services dropped because workers were forced to pick up more of the tab for their care and a surge from a change in managed care policies ebbed.

However, experts said costs are still outpacing inflation and remain a grave concern as more people can't afford health care.

Health care spending per privately insured person increased 7.4 percent last year, down from a 9.5 percent rise in 2002 and 10 percent gain in 2001, according to a report released recently by the Center for Studying Health System Change, a public policy research organization in Washington D.C.

The growth rate is still historically high. The inflation rate in 2003 was 1.9 percent. And the gap between the rise in health spending and Gross Domestic Product, which was 3.8 percent last year, widened to 3.6 percentage points, compared with a 30-year average of 2.5 percentage points.

"The bad news is this is still a high rate of increase, and the fact that it is lower than last year doesn't mean it has gotten easier to find affordable health care," said Paul Ginsburg, the center's president.

The cost shifting was most prevalent in prescription drug plans, Ginsburg said.

More health insurers are instituting three-tiered drug plans, which force employees to pay more for brand name drugs, making cheaper generic medicines more popular. That's a major reason pharmaceutical spending rose 9.1 percent, down from the 12.3 percent rise in 2002.

According to pharmacy benefit manager Express Scripts Inc., the average price of a prescription drug

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before discounts rose 7.9 percent last year, down from a 13.1 percent spike a year earlier. The company cited increased use of generic drugs.

The Center for Studying Health System Change study also said that drug price inflation shrank to 3.1 percent last year, down from just over 5 percent a year earlier.

Spending on hospital outpatient centers rose 11 percent—the largest jump in the study. A year earlier, spending in that sector increased 12.9 percent. Ginsburg said spending in such centers is growing because advances in technology allow more procedures to be conducted outside the hospital.

The 6.5 percent increase in spending on hospitals worried Ginsburg because it resulted from higher costs, not more utilization. In fact, utilization was up only 0.9 percent last year. Hospital prices for both inpatient and outpatient care increased 8 percent in 2003, com-

pared with a 5.2 percent jump in 2002.

Ginsburg said utilization of various health services was beginning to normalize as managed care policies that restricted use of doctors and hospitals in the late mid-1990s were abolished and paved the way for explosive, pent-up demand in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

But Ginsburg said hospitals realize that health plans need broad networks to satisfy customer demand and are using that advantage to raise prices.

"Hospitals have more bargaining power now. They are playing catch-up," said Ginsburg.

But hospital executives insist they are faced with rising costs, especially for labor and new devices and technology. Shortages of several kinds of health professional such as nurses and pharmacists mean they can demand and receive higher salaries.

"All progress comes at a price and sometimes we forget that," said Caroline Steinberg, vice president of trends and analysis for the American Hospital Association.

Dr. Spencer Foreman, president of the Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, said it is unfair to criticize hospitals for aggressive pricing when other players in the health care system, such as drug companies and health care firms, earn huge profits. Twenty-nine percent of hospitals lose money, according to the hospital association.

"I'm not an apologist because it isn't wrong or bad," said Foreman. "The way the system is structured is bad."

Spending on physician care increased 5.1 percent in 2003, compared with a 6.5 percent increase in

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Gene variant may reduce risk of heart attacks, stroke

By LINDSEY TANNER
AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Researchers have identified a genetic variation in some people that appears to reduce their chances of a heart attack or stroke — even in those with high blood pressure, high cholesterol or other risky conditions.

It is unclear how common the variation is, and some experts said it too soon to say whether routine screening for it would be worthwhile. Other gene variants have been linked with an increased risk for heart attacks and premature heart disease.

In patients with heart-endangering conditions including high blood pressure and high cholesterol, those with the newly identified gene variant face up to a 67 percent reduced risk of having a heart attack or stroke, the researchers said.

The study was done on patients in Italy and was published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

The variant reduces the activity of a gene involved in producing an enzyme called cox-2 that triggers inflammation, and it is much more common in people who have never had heart attacks or strokes, said study leader Dr. Francesco Cipollone of the G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti, Italy.

The study involved 864 patients who had had a heart attack or stroke and a comparison group of 864 patients who had never had either ailment. Similar numbers of people in both groups had conditions that raise the risk of a heart attack or stroke, including high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, obesity and smoking.

Blood tests showed one form of the gene variant was more

than twice as common in the comparison group than in the heart and stroke patients; a less common form was almost six times more prevalent in the comparison group.

Overall, almost half the comparison-group subjects had the variant, compared with less than 20 percent of the heart attack-stroke group.

The variant was especially common in those over 70, suggesting that people with it are more likely to stay healthy as they grow old, the researchers said.

The variant might be more common in Mediterranean areas than in northern Europe and might help explain regional differences in the incidence of heart attacks, the researchers said.

It is unclear how prevalent the variant is in Americans, since none were studied. But the researchers noted that previous research found the variant was relatively uncommon in the United Kingdom.

Doctors not involved in the research said it would be premature to suggest that people with the variant could ignore the usual heart-healthy advice like eating a sensible diet, getting exercise and avoiding smoking.

"Just because you have this doesn't mean everything else is OK ... that you can abuse yourself and not care of yourself," said Dr. Michael Sloan of Rush University Medical Center in Chicago.

American Heart Association spokesman Dr. Richard Becker noted that people with the variant did not have zero risk, and said it is too soon to say whether they should receive different prevention and treatment advice.

He also said the results are too preliminary to recommend routine testing for the gene variant.

The Cleveland Clinic's Dr. Eric Topol said the study adds to data linking various genes with heart disease risk and provides important information about the link between cox-2 and artery disease.

The cox-2 enzyme suppressed by the gene variant plays a role in inflammation. Doctors believe inflammation in the bloodstream contributes to the rupture of fatty buildups inside arteries, which can lead to clots that cause heart attacks and strokes.

The cox-2 enzyme also is believed to play a role in arthritis, and it is targeted by the arthritis drugs Celebrex and Vioxx.

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Statins may help lower cancer risk, according to new data

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Medical Editor

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — People taking statins to lower their cholesterol and ward off heart attacks may have even more reason to keep swallowing their medicine: New data suggests the drugs also may fight off cancer.

The latest evidence, released recently at a large cancer conference, found that people who took statins for at least five years appeared to cut their risk of colon cancer in half. Earlier work has shown reductions in breast and prostate cancer as well as across-the-board cancer risk.

Experts have other reasons to think the statins might be cancer fighters. Experiments involving lab animals and cells growing in test tubes both suggest a possible role for statins.

However, researchers seem unanimous in saying the evidence is still too weak to recommend taking statins for cancer-prevention alone, although they acknowledge those on the pills for other reasons may be getting a big bonus benefit.

The data so far "fit with what we know

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— Dr. Stephen Gruber
University of Michigan

from the lab," said Dr. Monica Morrow of Northwestern University. "But we can't say this is enough proof for people to go out and take statins."

To be convinced, doctors say they would need to see a carefully controlled experiment designed specifically to show that statins reduce cancer risk. The data so far are based largely on watching what happens to people who go on statins for reasons that have nothing to do with cancer.

The latest of these studies, directed by Dr. Stephen Gruber of the University of

Michigan, was presented at a meeting of the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

His team, working in Israel, looked at 1,708 people who had colon cancer and 1,737 who did not. Those on statins for at least five years had about a 50 percent reduction in the risk of this malignancy.

Adjusting for other factors that could possibly explain the difference, such as better health habits, did not change the strong link between statins and lowered risk. Also, those who took other varieties of cholesterol drugs had no cancer protection.

"I think these data are very exciting and potentially good news for future studies that will allow us to come up with clinical recommendations," Gruber said.

However, experts have been misled by such data in the past. For instance, based on similar studies, doctors long believed that taking estrogen supplements after menopause would lower women's risk heart attacks.

A careful experiment eventually proved this wrong, and it is still unclear why the estrogen users seemed to have less risk.

If statins do lower the risk of cancer, sci-

entists say it may have nothing to do with their effect on cholesterol. One theory is that statins could ward off the disease by lowering inflammation.

Another is that their primary job — reducing an enzyme called HMG CoA — could block the working of some cancer-causing genes.

One concern of suggesting statins to prevent cancer without definitive proof of their worth is the risk of exposing people to possible side effects, even when the risk is small. Statins can cause muscle and liver problems.

"The consensus is yes, this agent does have the ability to reduce the incidence of breast cancer, but the risk of blood clots needs to be kept in mind," said the study's director, Dr. Silvana Martino of the Cancer Institute Medical Group in Santa Monica, Calif.

Medical Editor Daniel Q. Haney is a special correspondent for The Associated Press.

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New stem cell lines could help genetic disease research

By LINDSEY TANNER
AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Scientists at a private Chicago fertility clinic say they have isolated 12 new stem cell lines from genetically flawed human embryos — an advance that could help research into cures for devastating inherited diseases.

The cell colonies came from unused embryos donated by couples who underwent prenatal genetic screening at Reproductive Genetics Institute, clinic president Yury Verlinsky said Wednesday.

The embryos had gene mutations for two forms of muscular dystrophy, certain blood diseases and a cause of mental retardation — seven diseases in all.

Because of stem cells' unique properties, isolating and studying the cells from those embryos could help researchers better understand genetic diseases and develop new treatments or cures, experts said.

While dozens of other stem cell

lines have been developed from from disease-afflicted human embryos, these are the first to be created from embryos with specific diseases, said Dr. Leonard Zon, president of the International Society for Stem Cell Research.

"This is a significant advance for the field," said Zon, a stem cell researcher at Boston's Children's Hospital. "We may learn a lot about the biology of basic diseases by having those lines available."

The colonies are among 50 new stem cell lines isolated by clinic researchers, said Verlinsky, who will present details at the society's annual meeting in Boston this week. At least two other groups also plan to report that they have created new stem cell lines

research is controversial because the extraction procedure kills the embryo.

Because of that, President Bush in 2001 restricted federal research funding to experiments involving only the 78 cell lines already in exist-

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ISSCR president

tence at the time. Northwestern University ethicist Laurie Zoloth said using genetically defective embryos does not erase the moral objections some groups have raised about embryonic stem cell research.

Verlinsky said his research makes good use of embryos that would otherwise be discarded. "We feel that to throw away the embryo that can give us a lot of good information is not a good idea," he said.

He said the new stem cell lines have mutations for two forms of muscular dystrophy that affect children and adults, thalassemia, Fanconi anemia, Fragile X syndrome, Marfan syndrome, and a type of neurofibromatosis.

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CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by
Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.

DON'T GET THE COLD SHOULDER

Do you have difficulty lifting your arm above your head, reaching across your body or back, or making similar motions? You may have frozen shoulder. This is a severe inflammation known as adhesive capsulitis. Doctors of Chiropractic, especially those in sports medicine, regularly treat patients with musculoskeletal problems. They are thoroughly trained and experienced in relieving painful trigger points between the spine and shoulder. They can easily help with this shoulder problem. The shoulder has twenty different muscles. These muscles can become tight or weak with misuse. This will cause dysfunction in the normal joint mechanics. This condition can occur when someone overuses the shoulder participating in a sport such as tennis or golf or with other repetitive activities that strain muscles. People sitting in a slouched position, or with shoulders held forward may also develop shoulder problems. Frozen shoulder develops in slow states. First, the individual starts feeling pain at night, and one arm begins to lose range of motion. Next, the pain may subside somewhat. However, the range of movement with the sore arm can be as much as 50 percent less than with the other. Finally, with rest, the person experiences gradual improvement. The entire process can take well over a year. Chiropractic care can significantly reduce treatment time. The doctor can use gentle manipulations and suggest exercise routines and changes in habit so the problem is eliminated and does not return.

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must pay more attention to expressions of their patients.

He added that "a poor working relationship between physicians and boards will lead to an absence of understanding, an absence of trust."

Education is a key component to the process of understanding that Martin recommended.

"Boards and practitioners must mutually engage in a

better standard of pain education for students, board members, and practitioners," he said.

"I'm not a physician or clinician, but an observer of the work they do. Nobody knows everything about pain and nobody knows enough not to learn more. I want to make sure that happens in a clinical way and also ethical one."

The Rev. Martin proposed "ground rules" for creating a dialogue between practitioners, regulatory boards and patients.

He said such a process is unlike a visit to an emer-

gency room. "This is not a crisis intervention," he said. "It's an ongoing conversation where both parties are assumed to possess some autonomy and power and some common values. Neither practitioners nor regulators are asked to deny either."

A dialogue is this ongoing process and assumes both parties have something to learn and something to teach."

He said both groups have something to say and something to hear. "Listening is often more important than talking," the Rev. Martin

said. "But both are essential."

He cautioned both practitioners and regulators that the process is not one of exhibiting authority, but "enabling respect that binds us together."

"Is this possible? I don't know. But I do think it's reasonable to propose an effort to improve the dynamics of this necessary and important relationship. If those who practice and those who regulate could give informed assent to such a dialogue, our patient's consent might be better informed and our treatment of their pain more

trusted. Those who begin to look at conflict and uncertainty and decision making with the absolute assurance they're right will have a difficult time finding collaboration for good care. We get to decide whether we'll use value differences to destroy each other or to find collaborative care to teach each other."

The Rev. Martin's presentation was organized by the Texas Pain Society and the Texas Cancer Pain Initiative.

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2002. This was the slowest-growing category of health spending for the third year in a row.

Ginsburg said the slowdown in spending is another example of the transition to looser forms of managed care.

The study said fewer authorizations to get access to specialists led to an increase of such services in 2001 and 2002. But now that the less-restrictive plans are the norm, it is reasonable to

expect smaller increases in usage.

The fall in health care spending is reflected in smaller rises in health care premiums.

A report by consulting firm Towers Perrin found that premiums for active employees increased 12 percent this year, down from 15 percent in 2003.

And as companies begin to negotiate health maintenance organization rates for 2005, a recent report from consulting firm Hewitt Associates said, the average increase offered by insurers is 13.7 percent.

At this time last year, when companies were negotiating 2004 rates, the average proposed jump was 17.5 per-

cent. After companies negotiated and changed their plan designs, last year's average HMO rate increased turned out to be 13 percent.

That's down from 16.6 percent in 2003.

The Center for Studying Health System Change study was done using data from the Milliman USA Health Cost Index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Towers Perrin 2004 Health Care Cost Survey and the Ninth Annual National business group on Health/Watson Wyatt Survey.

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Swastika once symbolized well-being, good fortune

By Eloise Lane
Museum Momentoes

(The museum appreciates the information provided by Diane Veledey from the Chamber of Commerce in Raton, N.M., for this article.)

A recent visitor to the White Deer Land Museum was very agitated because he had seen a swastika in this area. Like those whose memory goes back to World War II, he associated the swastika with the hate, anti-semitism, death and murder of Adolph Hitler's Nazi Party.

But the swastika — with an entirely different meaning — has been known and used by many cultures around the world for many years. Artifacts, such as pottery and coins from ancient Troy, show that the swastika was a commonly used symbol as far back as 1000 BC.

The original word is "svastika," a word in Sanskrit, the carefully constructed classical language of the Hindus. The "av" means "good"; "asti" means "to be"; and "ka" is a suffix. The swastika, meaning "well being," has been used for more than 3,000 years to represent the sun, power, strength and good luck.

The form of the swastika is an adaptation of the Greek cross which has an upright and a transverse shaft equal in length and inter-

secting at their middles.

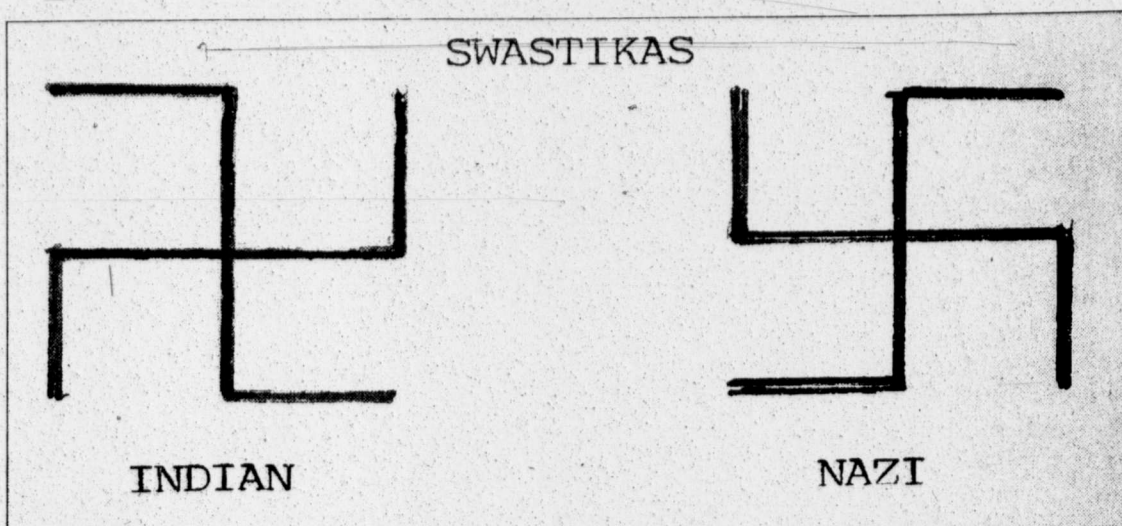
The swastika has each of its four arms bending at midpoint and extending at right angles, all in the same rotary direction. The bent arms may extend clockwise to the right or counterclockwise to the left. If the bent arms extend counterclockwise, the swastika looks like a formation of four capital Ls.

In the mid-19th century, German nationalists began to use the swastika because it had Aryan/Indian origins. This symbol became the official emblem of the Nazi Party on Aug. 7, 1920, at the Salzburg Congress.

But even in the early 20th century, the swastika was still a symbol with positive connotations. It was a common decoration on cigarette cases, postcards, coins and buildings.

During World War I (1917-1918), the swastika could be found on the shoulder patches of the American 45th Division. The symbol was used by the Finnish air force until after World War II (1941-1945).

The swastika, meaning "good fortune," was widely used by the Indians in New Mexico as a means of giving directions. In 1919, a post office was established at Swastika, a coal-mining town five-miles west of Raton in Dillon Canyon. The Gardiner-Swastika branch of Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad once extended



from Dillon to Swastika.

In the 1930s, people from this area became interested in the scenic attractions of New Mexico, particularly around Eagle Nest. They frequently stopped at Raton and became aware of the swastika and its Indian meaning of "good fortune."

Some thought that this symbol was appropriate to use when constructing their houses. Records in Wheeler County, Texas, show that the counterclockwise swastika was recorded as a cattle brand in 1936.

By 1940, swastikas had almost completely disappeared in the southwestern United States. The name of the coal-mining town of

Swastika was changed to Brilliant in 1940. The swastika cattle brand in Wheeler Co. was rearranged to form the initial capital letter of a family name. However, a Swastika Hotel still (as of 2004) exists in Raton.

It is very sad that the swastika which originated as a symbol of well-being and good fortune has become a symbol of hate and death.

There is a movement to differentiate between the two meanings of the swastika — the clockwise Nazi version to mean hate and death and the counterclockwise version to represent the ancient meaning of the symbol, well-being and good fortune.

TFS announces okay for managed CRP haying, grazing

Cutting hay and grazing livestock on land enrolled in USDA's Conservation Reserve Program, in the absence of a weather-related emergency, is now an option for Texas producers, according to Gray County Farm Service Agency officials.

Matthew C. Street, county executive director for Gray County FSA, announced recently that managed haying and grazing is allowed

on CRP lands. Haying is approved in Texas July 2 through Sept. 29, and grazing is approved July 2 through Oct. 29.

The starting date for both haying and grazing is tied to the end of the primary nesting and brood rearing season in the state. Prior to the 2002 Farm Bill, commercial use of CRP land was generally prohibited except for weather-related emergencies such

as droughts.

To take advantage of haying and grazing options, producers must modify existing conservation plans for the CRP acreage to include managed haying and grazing practices. The plans must be developed in conjunction with USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service or one of its technical service providers.

Producers must also agree

to certain terms and conditions including signing an agreement to re-establish, at the producer's own cost, any cover destroyed or damaged as a result of haying or grazing and to remove all hay within 10 days of being notified that the managed haying and grazing season has ended.

Street emphasized that for acreage that is hayed or grazed, annual rental pay-

ments producers receive for enrolling land into CRP will be reduced by 25 percent.

Under this enhanced CRP provision, producers can cut hay or graze livestock on a given acre no more than once every three years after the vegetative cover is fully established. An area hayed or grazed this year, for example, may not be hayed or grazed again until 2007. CRP participants can choose

to hay or graze their entire CRP acreage in the first year, or only a portion of their CRP acreage each year. Producers may not harvest hay and graze livestock on the same land in the same year.

"The managed haying and grazing option provides producers latitude when making land management decisions regarding their operations.

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West Texas A&M University gearing up to host 52nd Annual Band Camp

CANYON — Everything from drums to horns will be heard across the West Texas A&M University campus when the Department of Music and Dance hosts the 52nd Annual Band Camp July 11-23.

Students won't be the only ones making music. The WTAMU band camp will feature Jim Walker, an internationally renowned classical and jazz flute virtuoso, as its artist-in-residence. Walker, a Yamaha performing artist, will take part in camp rehearsals, direct master classes and perform.

Walker, coordinator of flute at the University of Southern California Thornton School of Music, has conducted flute master classes and clinics across the country and in Europe, South America, Korea and Japan. His flute solos can be heard on numerous movie soundtracks including *A Beautiful Mind*, *Titanic*, *Nell* and *Ice Age*. He also has garnered a reputation as a jazz artist as a member of the jazz/classical quartet *Free Flight*.

The camp continues to be the only two-week band camp in the state of Texas, and the teaching staff represents WTAMU faculty as well as high school and middle school band directors from across the region.

"We have 880 students expected this year," Don Lefevre, camp director and associate professor of music, said. "We're at capacity. We're full."

The two-week camp will kick off with auditions on Monday, July 12. The campers will audition for placement in one of nine different bands — five for high school players and four for middle school students. The campers will be divided by age and ability and rehearsals will begin immediately. They will spend hours in rehearsal and in sectionals as well as master classes. In addition to the camp's rehearsal sched-



Jim Walker

ule, the campers also will get the chance to participate in a variety of recreational activities in the Amarillo/Canyon area.

Each of the nine bands will perform in concert on Saturday, July 17 and on the camp's final day on July 23. Walker also will perform with various groups during the camp. He will play in a student woodwind choir concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 20. On Wednesday, July 21, he will perform in a percussion, brass choir and director's jazz band at 7 p.m., and he will close out his camp performances with director's band concerts at 3 and 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 22.

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RRC calls for July 4th cook-out safety

AUSTIN — Fourth of July cookouts are a Texas tradition requiring more than just a little propane gas and burgers to fire up a celebration — Texans also need to remember a little safety.

“Celebrating Fourth of July with a barbecue is a great way to enjoy American Independence, but be sure to do it safely,” said Railroad Commissioner Victor G. Carrillo. “Remembering the Commission’s top 10 propane safety tips can save you and your family from a grilling accident.”

‘Remembering the Commission’s top 10 propane safety tips can save you and your family from a grilling accident.’

— Victor Carrillo
RRC Commissioner

Propane gas grills have overtaken charcoal in popularity, with 61 percent of American backyard cooks choosing propane over charcoal. Propane grills also help the environment, by cutting down on volatile emissions from lighter fluid.

“It is important to always keep the safety of our friends and family in mind, especially in times of celebration where we occasionally get overtaken with the fun and festivities,” said Commissioner Charles Matthews. “We should remember that it is always a good time for taking careful consideration for safety when grilling.”

A complete list of safety tips for all propane uses can be viewed or downloaded by going “online” at www.rrc.state.tx.us. Click on “Propane/LP-Gas” and select “Propane Safety Tips.” Or, you may get a copy of the safety tips by calling (800) 64-CLEAR.

“Propane grills are a cleaner alternative to charcoal,” said Commissioner Michael Williams. “Every little bit helps, and propane helps reduce emissions of carbon monoxide.

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Hallmark store to participate in holiday ornament premiere

Santa will arrive early this year, spreading joy from around the world at Julie’s Hallmark, 125 W. Kingsmill, in Pampa.

On Saturday, July 10, more than 200 new collectible ornaments will be unveiled during Hallmark Keepsake Ornament Premiere. It’s an annual holiday unveiling that gives consumers a first chance to purchase Keepsake Ornaments from the all-new 2004 line. Ornament enthusiasts can buy the latest addition in their favorite collectible series, snag that all-important first ornament in one of three brand-new series debuting this year, or simply find a special ornament that touches the heart.

“Keepsake ornament enthusiasts tell us they can’t wait for the fun and festivities of Ornament Premiere,” said Melissa Fiene-Helgesen, associate product manager. Keepsake Ornaments. “They really enjoy stopping by the stores to celebrate the event and purchase the new ornaments they need to add to their collections, and to be the first to

COLLECTIBLES

• In addition to the three new collectible series, which includes “Father Christmas,” first in a series of Santas; “Majestic Lion,” first in the Carousel Ride series and “Downhill Delivery,” first in the Nick and Christopher series, consumers can find the new “Santas From Around the World” collection.

see the new Keepsake Ornaments.”

Ornament enthusiasts have been eyeing the 2004 collection in their Dream Books, which were mailed to Keepsake Ornament Club members in March, and online at Hallmark.com since January.

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These eight ornaments feature materials and design styles that reflect the arts and crafts of each country including Russia, Mexico

and Ireland. And during Ornament Premiere weekend, an Ornament Wreath, perfect for displaying the Santas From Around the World collection, will be available for a special price.

The magic of Disney’s never fails to delight the collectors. Traditional classics such as Winnie the Pooh and Mickey Mouse make an appearance as well as newer favorites such as “Amazing Number 53” from Walt Disney’s Herbie, the Love Bug, and “Ariel” from Disney’s “The Little Mermaid.” In addition, a Mickey Mouse treat jar will be part of a special promotion.

Julie’s Hallmark will join nearly 4,200 Hallmark Gold Crown stores nationwide participating in the Keepsake Ornament

Premiere. A register-to-win promotion allows customers the opportunity to win one of eight specially selected Keepsake Ornaments.

Many collectors have more than one tree to display their ornaments during the holiday season. Enthusiasm for collecting is not only based on the investment value, but also on emotional appeal, according to Hallmark research.

In 1973, when Hallmark introduced six glass ball ornaments and 12 yarn figures as the first collection of Hallmark Keepsake Ornaments, a new tradition of Christmas decorating was started and a new collectible industry was born. When the first line was introduced, they were unique in design, year-dated and available only for a limited time innovations in the world of ornaments.

Since 1973, Hallmark has introduced more than 3,000 different Keepsake Ornaments and more than 100 ornament series, groups of ornaments that share a

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The periodic disturbance of vegetative cover under managed haying and grazing will increase the diversity and quality of the cover and improve wildlife benefits,” said Street.

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Believe it or not, the Boston Red Sox found another agonizing way to lose in extra innings.

Relief ace Keith Foulke squandered a one-run lead in the 10th inning Friday night, and the Atlanta Braves beat the visiting Red Sox 6-3 in the 12th on Nick Green's three-run homer.

Just one night before, the reeling Red Sox couldn't hold a 4-3 lead in the 13th inning of an epic 5-4 loss at Yankee Stadium.

"It doesn't matter how you lose or how long it takes you to lose, but it's frustrating," Johnny Damon said.

Green hit a tying sacrifice fly off Foulke in the 10th, then homered against Anastasio Martinez (2-1) in the 12th.

Boston, which trails New York by 8 1/2 games in the AL East, has dropped four straight and nine of 12 to fall to 27-30 since April.

"I'll feel sorry for them when they leave here," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said.

In other interleague games, it was: San Francisco 7, Oakland 3; Chicago Cubs 6, White Sox 2; Anaheim 7, Los Angeles 3; Montreal 2, Toronto 0; Baltimore 7, Philadelphia 6 in 16 innings; New York Mets 11, Yankees 2; Cleveland 15, Cincinnati 2; Tampa Bay 4, Florida 2; Houston 7, Texas 5; Colorado 9, Detroit 8 in 10 innings; St. Louis 11, Seattle 2; and San Diego 7, Kansas City 5. Arizona fired manager Bob Brenly, then lost 6-5 to Minnesota.

In the National League, Pittsburgh swept a doubleheader from Milwaukee, 8-1 and 13-2.

Chipper Jones and J.D. Drew homered to help the Braves win for the seventh time in nine games.

David Ortiz connected for the Red Sox, who got AL batting champion Bill Mueller back from the disabled list but placed reliever Scott Williamson on the 15-day DL.

Nomar Garciaparra, who didn't play Thursday because of his ailing right foot, was back in the lineup and went 3-for-5. But he also grounded into an inning-ending double play in the 10th after Manny Ramirez put Boston ahead 3-2 with an RBI single.

Foulke allowed a leadoff double to Rafael Furcal in the 10th, but he said the more crucial mistake was throwing a wild pitch that set up Green's sacrifice fly.

"That's the way it's going right now," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said. "There are always tests, and we're definitely going through one of those now."

Ramirez struck out four times, ending the top of the 12th by fanning against Juan Cruz (2-0) with two on. Boston fell to 3-5 in extra-inning games.

Bonds hit his 22nd home run of the year and No. 680 of his career. He sent a 3-2 pitch from Mark Redman (6-5) over the wall in left-center for a solo shot. Bonds has four homers in five days following a 12-game drought.

Orioles 7, Phillies 6, 16 innings
At Philadelphia, Miguel Tejada's RBI single in the 16th lifted Baltimore out of last

place in the AL East with its third straight win.

Mets 11, Yankees 2
At New York, Kaz Matsui homered twice and drove in five runs at Shea Stadium to help the Mets stop Mike Mussina's eight-game winning streak.

Twins 6, Diamondbacks 5
At Phoenix, Danny Bautista's error allowed Luis Rivas to score in the ninth inning, spoiling Al Pedrique's debut as Diamondbacks manager after Brenly was fired.

Angels 7, Dodgers 3
At Anaheim, Calif., Aaron Sele (5-0) pitched seven solid innings, allowing just a solo homer by Alex Cora and a two-run shot by Paul Lo Duca. Cubs 6, White Sox 2

At Chicago, Carlos Zambrano benefited when umpires reversed a call at Wrigley Field.

Zambrano (9-3) allowed a two-run double in the first to Ross Gload. One pitch earlier, he nearly had a grand slam when his drive to right was initially ruled fair, then overturned.

Indians 15, Reds 2
At Cincinnati, Ronnie Belliard hit the first of Cleveland's four homers, clearing the way for Japanese college star Kazuhito Tadano to win his first start for the Indians.

Devil Rays 4, Marlins 2
At Miami, Aubrey Huff hit his 11th homer and drove in three runs. Huff's two-out, two-run shot off Carl Pavano (9-3) broke a 2-all tie. Mike Lowell hit his 19th homer for Florida, which has lost 10 of 14.

Astros 7, Rangers 5
At Houston, Morgan Ensberg hit a two-run homer in the eighth, his first of the season.

Carlos Beltran had an RBI in his home debut for the Astros, and Roy Oswalt (7-6) earned his 50th win.

Rockies 9, Tigers 8, 10 innings
At Denver, Charles Johnson's three-run homer off Ugueth Urbina tied it with two outs in the bottom of the ninth, and Colorado scored twice in the 10th on bunt singles to end a five-game losing streak.

Expos 2, Blue Jays 0
At San Juan, Puerto Rico, Livan Hernandez (6-7) pitched a four-hitter for his fourth complete game of the season. Tony Batista drove in two runs.

Padres 7, Royals 5
At San Diego, Phil Nevin homered in consecutive at-bats and Humberto Quintero, Brian Buchanan and Brian Giles also connected for the Padres.

Cardinals 11, Mariners 2
At St. Louis, Woody Williams (6-6) came back stronger after a two-hour rain delay and combined with three relievers on a six-hitter.

Pirates 8, Brewers 1; Pirates 13, Brewers 2

At Pittsburgh, Jason Bay had an eight-RBI game for the second time in less than a year and the Pirates ran their winning streak to seven by sweeping a doubleheader.

Tony Alvarez's grand slam supported another strong start by Oliver Perez in the opener, an 8-1 Pirates victory that ended Milwaukee's five-game winning streak. Perez (4-4) struck out 11 in seven innings.

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CF, Boston Red Sox

Major league leaders

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING—Bonds, San Francisco, .353; Casey, Cincinnati, .352; Helton, Colorado, .350; Rolen, St. Louis, .342; JWilson, Pittsburgh, .338; Overbay, Milwaukee, .336; J Estrada, Atlanta, .333.

RUNS—Pujols, St. Louis, 68; BABreu, Philadelphia, 64; Bonds, San Francisco, 63; ARamirez, Chicago, 60; Helton, Colorado, 59; JDrew, Atlanta, 58; Clayton, Colorado, 56; LGonzalez, Arizona, 56.

RBI—Rolen, St. Louis, 77; Castilla, Colorado, 62; Overbay, Milwaukee, 59; Berkman, Houston, 59; Burrell, Philadelphia, 58; Thome, Philadelphia, 58; ARamirez, Chicago, 56.

HITS—JWilson, Pittsburgh, 110; Casey, Cincinnati, 101; Loretta, San Diego, 101; ARamirez, Chicago, 100; Overbay, Milwaukee, 98; Pierre, Florida, 97; Beltre, Los Angeles, 96; Biggio, Houston, 96.

HOME RUNS—Thome, Philadelphia, 27; Dunn, Cincinnati, 24; Bonds, San Francisco, 22; Pujols, St. Louis, 20; Cabrera, Florida, 19; Lowell, Florida, 19; JDrew, Atlanta, 19; Beltre,

Los Angeles, 19; SFinley, Arizona, 19; Griffey Jr., Cincinnati, 19.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING—IRodriguez, Detroit, .376; Mora, Baltimore, .347; VGuerrero, Anaheim, .342; MRamirez, Boston, .338; Harvey, Kansas City, .332; CGuillen, Detroit, .326; MYoung, Texas, .325.

RUNS—VGuerrero, Anaheim, 67; Mora, Baltimore, 60; Lawton, Cleveland, 59; Crawford, Tampa Bay, 58; CGuillen, Detroit, 58; Damon, Boston, 57; MYoung, Texas, 56; ARodriguez, New York, 56.

RBI—DOrtiz, Boston, 76; VGuerrero, Anaheim, 69; Tejada, Baltimore, 67; MRamirez, Boston, 63; VMartinez, Cleveland, 60; Blalock, Texas, 57; CGuillen, Detroit, 57; JGuillen, Anaheim, 57; IRodriguez, Detroit, 57.

HITS—MYoung, Texas, 112; ISuzuki, Seattle, 110; IRodriguez, Detroit, 108; VGuerrero, Anaheim, 107; Crawford, Tampa Bay, 101; Blalock, Texas, 100; Lawton, Cleveland, 99.

HOME RUNS—DOrtiz, Boston, 22; MRamirez, Boston, 22; Blalock, Texas, 21; Konerko, Chicago, 20; VGuerrero, Anaheim, 19; ARodriguez, New York, 19; Thomas, Chicago, 18.

Woods keeps cut streak intact

LEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Tiger Woods glanced over at the whooping, cheering, Sunday-sized crowd and couldn't help but grin.

Once in danger of seeing his extraordinary cut streak end, he not only made it to the weekend, but still has a shot at winning the Western Open.

"I just hope the leaders don't go off and hide," Woods said. "If (they don't) do that, there are a lot of guys right there with a chance."

He shot a shot a 2-over 73 on Friday to make the cut by a stroke with a 1-over 143 total.

Woods is still seven shots behind leaders Charles Howell III (67), Matt Gogel (64) and Steve Lowery (68). But the eight-time major champion went from flirting with the cut line to kissing the trophy before, and after Friday's round, anything is possible.

Beginning the day at 1 under and with the cut projected at 1 over, Woods got in trouble on the par-4 No. 3, his 12th hole.

Using an iron off the tee, he hit his drive way left and into the rough. He appeared to rush his second shot, and it clipped a large willow and gave him with an even worse lie, in a gully of rough behind another tree. "My adventures began from there," Woods said.

A vicious hack moved his ball a few measly feet. He finally punched out on his third try, then chipped onto the green and made a 10-foot putt for the double-bogey. Fans gave him encouraging cheers, but he hit his next tee shot left and into the rough again.

He still had a chance to save par, but his 19-foot putt rolled about 18 inches past the hole. That left him at 3 over for the tournament — two shots below the cut line.

"No," Woods said when asked if he'd ever thought about missing the cut. "I've experienced it once. Didn't like it very much."

Woods holds the PGA Tour record for consecutive cuts, a mark that stands at 126.

Dusters top Odessa

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Something had to give Friday night in Odessa when the Amarillo Dusters blew into town to face the Roughnecks in an Intense Football League meeting.

Both teams have high scoring capability. Both were looking to take sole possession of second place in the IFL prior to the All Star game. It should have been an explosive start to the Fourth of July weekend.

It was.
With less than 14 minutes left in regulation, the Dusters found themselves down 54-33. Amarillo then roared back with 33 unanswered points to take a 66-54 lead with just 3:41 left on the game clock. In arena-style football, that's plenty of time to score.

Odessa managed two more touchdowns and reclaimed the lead. But in doing so left just over one minute on the clock. And what a minute it was.

By the time the scoring stopped, Amarillo managed an amazing 80-75 win and stands alone in second place in IFL standings.

According to their website, Dusters running back Dewayne Miles did set a new arena-style single season rushing record. He needed just 53 yards to do so entering the game.

The IFL All Star game is scheduled to be played July 11, in Corpus Christi.

PHS boosters to meet

The Pampa boys basketball booster club will hold a planning meeting Tuesday, 7p.m. in the athletic building on the campus of Pampa High School.

The meeting is to go over the upcoming MAYB tournament scheduled for July 16, 17 and 18 in Pampa.

All those participating in basketball are encouraged to attend.

For further information, please call Terry Hall at 669-1154.

OLYMPIC SECURITY

Port security wants impregnable fortress

PIRAEUS, Greece (AP) — Greece's best-trained commando units want to turn this port near Athens into an impregnable fortress during the Olympics, with particular focus on the cruise ships that will serve as floating hotels, security officials say.

The concentration of forces planned for Piraeus reflects the concern that luxury liners present tempting targets for terrorists who may try to attack the Aug. 13-29 Games.

The vessels — and other special yachts — will become home to some of the games' most prominent guests, including heads of state. Security experts around the world have also put more attention and resources on ports and shipping lanes, fearing al-Qaida's next attack attempt could come by sea.

On Monday, the final pre-Olympic security drill will focus on port security in both the busy commercial section and at the docks for cruise ships in the seaside city, about six miles south of central Athens.

During the Olympics, the port will be encircled by almost wartime measures: thousands of special forces soldiers, barbed wire fences fitted with motion sensors, surveillance cameras, X-ray machines and detectors for radiological, chemical and biological material. Gunboats and helicopters will be on constant patrol.

"Our first priority of course are the cruise ships. In Piraeus, we will have the best from our special forces and our best equipment," Coast Guard Capt. Nikos Voulgaris, the officer in charge of Olympic port security, told The Associated Press.

Giorgos Vlachos, general secretary of ports at the Merchant Marine Ministry, said the goal is to transform the port zones into a fortress.

The shortage of top-grade hotel rooms in Athens pressed Piraeus' port into service.

About 15,000 visitors, state officials and dignitaries will be aboard at least eight cruise ships, including the world's largest passenger ship, the Queen Mary 2. At least three "luxury yachts" are also expected. For more than two weeks, one section of the port will host the world's largest concentration of major passenger ships.

Authorities have refused to say which VIPs will stay in the port, but the first President Bush — who will lead the

American delegation — is expected to stay aboard one of the vessels.

Buckingham Palace says no members of the British royal family will come to the Olympics in an official role, but it's possible that some could attend in other roles. Princess Anne, for example, is an IOC member and is almost certain to attend.

The Queen Mary 2, which can accommodate more than 2,600 passengers, is scheduled to arrive in Piraeus on Aug. 12 at the end of a 10-day Mediterranean cruise, said Jean-Baptiste Charrier, a spokesman for the company that owns it, Cunard Line.

Other cruise ships on the list include the Rotterdam, Aida Aura, the Oosterdam, the Amsterdam and possibly the Silver Wind.

The tight security is a wise precaution, experts said.

"We deem that there is serious danger that maritime terrorism will become a high priority for al-Qaida," said Dominic Armstrong, director of research and intelligence at the London-based Aegis Defense Services.

He noted that maritime terrorists have already struck with deadly force, on targets including the USS Cole in Yemen in 2000 and the French oil tanker Limburg in 2002 off the Yemeni coast.

"The problem, as I think it was demonstrated by the Madrid train bombs, is that Europe is very much in the target sight of al-Qaida and other Islamist groups," Armstrong said, referring to the March 11 blasts in Madrid that killed about 200 people.

Plans to safeguard the games are the most expensive in Olympic history. Athens is spending more than \$1.2 billion on security for the Olympics — more than three times higher than Sydney's security budget four years ago.

According to plans, security for the cruise ships starts before their arrival at Piraeus with the screening of all passengers and crew.

Armstrong, whose security firm has been advising the Lloyds underwriting community on insurance for the games, believes that "They are a terrorist group."

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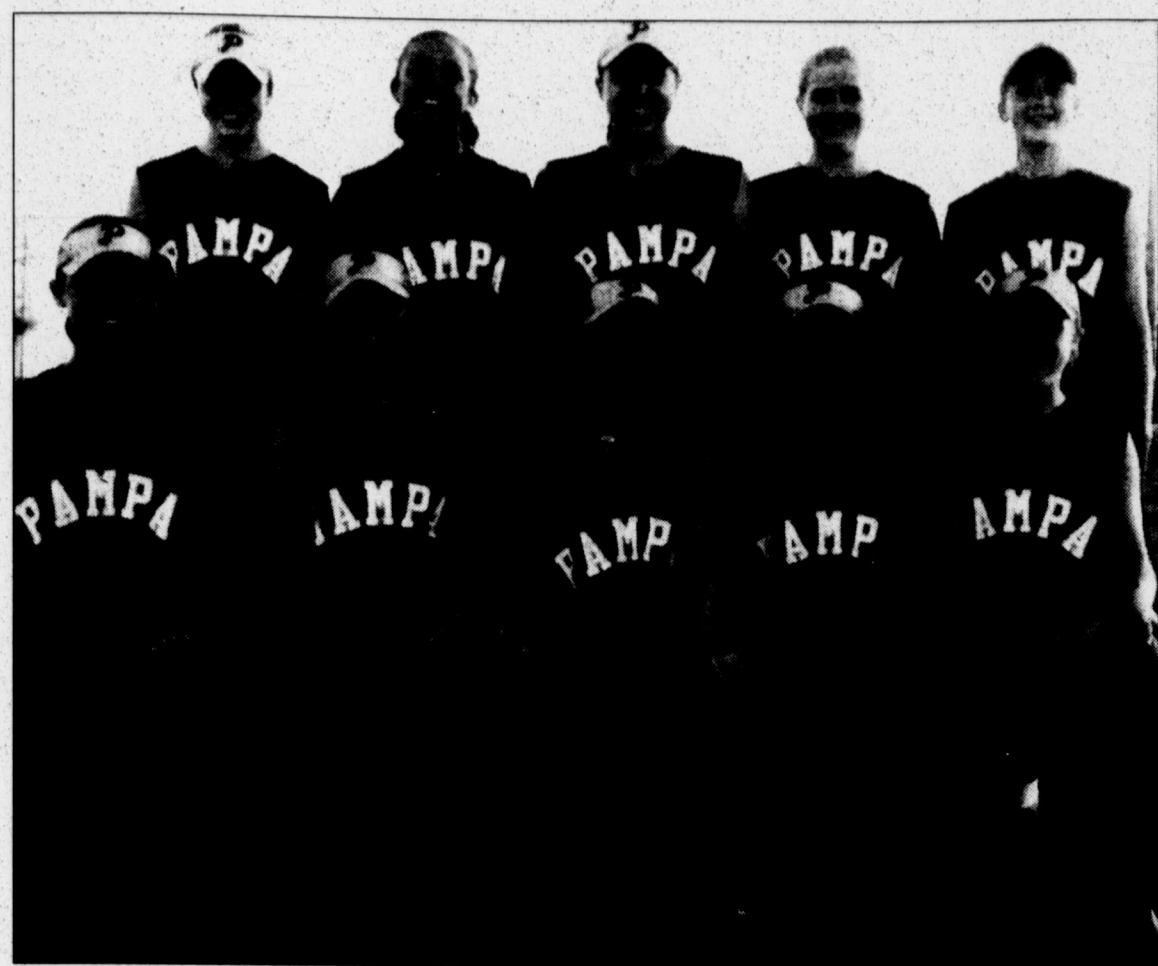
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The Pampa Xtreme fastpitch softball team is gearing up for a couple of big tournaments. The team is, from left to right, front row- Kara Stephens, Kamie Doughty, Katelin Wall, Shelbie Watson and Kelby Doughty. Back row- Libby Dyson, Ashley Facio, Brooklyn Barker, Sammie Pearson and Emilie Troxell.

Dancing for Xtreme dollars

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa Xtreme fastpitch softball team is hosting a fundraiser on July 9 at the MPAC building.

The dance, featuring RT the DJ, is for middle school students and will help raise

revenue prior to the team taking part in the USSSA U12 state tournament and the World Series fastpitch softball tournament.

The dance is scheduled to last from 8p.m. to 11p.m. Cost is \$3 per person.

Water bottles will be sold for \$1 per bottle.

Sharapova wins Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Maria Sharapova won Wimbledon at age 17 Saturday, defeating two-time defending champion Serena Williams 6-1, 6-4.

Sharapova became the first Russian to win a Wimbledon singles title, and the third-youngest women's champion in history.

After Williams hit a forehand into the net to end the 73-minute match, Sharapova dropped to her knees at the baseline and covered her face with her hands. She raised her arms and walked to the net, where Williams greeted her warmly.

Sharapova pumped her fists, whacked a ball into the stands and climbed into the guest box to hug her father, Yuri. She pulled out a cell phone and tried to call her mother but couldn't get through immediately.

Sharapova accepted the winner's trophy — the Venus Rosewater dish — from the Duke of Kent.

"I want to cut up this trophy and give it to everybody, this whole crowd," she said.

Turning to Williams, Sharapova said, "I have to take this trophy from you for one year. I'm sorry. ... I'm sure we're going to be here one more time and hopefully many more times in other Grand Slams and fight for the trophy. Thank you for giving me a tough match but I'm sorry I had to win today."

On the men's side, defending champion Roger Federer and Andy Roddick each won their semifinal matches Saturday to set up a championship showdown between the top two seeded players.

Sharapova, playing in her first Grand Slam final, put on a virtuoso performance against the six-time Grand Slam winner. She showed no signs of nerves and kept Williams on the defensive, hitting 17 winners and only 11 errors.

"It wasn't my day," a gracious Williams told the Centre Court crowd. "Maria played a really good match. Congratulations on your first Grand Slam."

Federer needed 29 minutes and four match points to complete a 6-2, 6-3, 7-6 (6) win over Sebastien Grosjean, extending his grass-court winning streak to 23 matches.

Roddick beat 20-year-old Mario Ancic, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5, 7-5 to reach his first Wimbledon final and second Grand Slam championship match. He won last year's U.S. Open.

It will be the first Wimbledon men's final between the top two seeded players since 1982.

"I'm excited," Roddick said. "He's the best and I want to go for a match up against him. We're both going to come out firing. I can't wait."

Sharapova is the youngest women's champion since Martina Hingis, who was 16 when she won in 1997. The youngest champion was Lottie Dod, who was 15 when she won the 1887 title.

Sharapova halted Williams' bid to become only the third woman in 35 years to win three consecutive titles. She also ended the Williams family's four-year hold on the trophy. Venus Williams won in 2000 and 2001, while Serena beat her older sister in the final the next two years.

Sparks take SilverStars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mwadi Mabika scored 12 of her 23 points in overtime, and Lisa Leslie added 23 points to lead the Los Angeles Sparks to an 87-80 victory Friday night over the San Antonio Silver Stars.

Mwadi made all four of her shots in overtime, including a 3-pointer, and made three free throws to give the Sparks their third consecutive victory and eighth in 10 games.

Los Angeles moved within percentage points of first-place Seattle in the WNBA's Western Conference.

Shannon Johnson scored 20 points and Margo Dydek added 14 points and 10 rebounds for the Silver Stars, who lost their third straight game and 11th in 13.

Marie Ferdinand, San Antonio's leading scorer, dislocated her right elbow after running into teammate Latoya Thomas and left the game with 16:23 left.

The Sparks held a 71-67 lead with 2:14 to play when the Silver Stars used a 6-0 spree to take a 73-71 lead with a minute left.

But Leslie forced overtime by making a layup with 46.7 seconds left.

Armstrong looks to silence doubters

LIEGE, Belgium (AP) — The Tour de France began Saturday with Lance Armstrong looking for an edge in the prologue time trial, an early indication of how he might fare in his bid for a record sixth straight title.

An Armstrong victory in the race against the clock through this Belgian city, featuring hairpin turns over a quick 3.8-mile route, would send a powerful psychological message to his rivals.

"While it's not a true test, a hard test, it's at least some indication," Armstrong said. "I feel stronger and healthier than last year."

A loss for Armstrong in the prologue would hardly be devastating. If history is any judge, he most likely will wait until the mountains and later tougher time trials to make his move.

The prologue appeared wide open. World time trial champion David Millar was barred from the Tour after becoming embroiled in a doping scandal last week involving his Cofidis team.

Cofidis received another blow Saturday just hours before the prologue when Australian rider Matthew White crashed and broke a collarbone. His last-minute replacement was Peter Farazijn of Belgium. It will be his eighth Tour; it was to have been White's first.

White crashed while checking the route, hitting an obstacle and going over his handlebars. He needed stitches to close cuts to his head, organizers said.

"I can't believe what happened," Australian teammate Stuart O'Grady said. "It was a freak accident. ... The poor guy!"

Riders set off one by one, under sunny skies but in a strong wind. Armstrong, as reigning champion, was going last among the 188 competitors. He planned to forgo his

right to wear the leader's yellow jersey, saying he hasn't earned it yet.

Armstrong and his U.S. Postal Service team, among others, cruised through the flat Belgian countryside under cloudy skies Friday for a final warmup.

Australia's Bradley McGee won last year's prologue, almost the same distance as this year's, and could be a threat. Armstrong came in seventh then after an admittedly poor start out of the gate.

There is also Italian speed demon Alessandro Petacchi, who won four stages last year — ahead of a pack of riders in final sprints.

Jan Ullrich, the 1997 Tour winner and a five-time runner-up, played down his chances of winning Saturday's race. Armstrong has repeatedly said the German rider for T-Mobile is his biggest Tour threat.

"Even if I were at 100 percent, I don't think I will be able to win, but it'd be nice to gain some time early on the others," Ullrich said.

Armstrong won last year's Tour, finishing just 61 seconds ahead of Ullrich. Contenders like Tyler Hamilton of the United States and Iban Mayo of Spain hope to exploit any weakness shown by Armstrong.

"I'm here to win," said Hamilton, leader of the Phonak team and a former Armstrong teammate. "A lot more riders now believe they have a chance."

Armstrong says the shakiness of his win last year — by far his narrowest yet — is motivation to do better in this year's 2,100-mile race.

"You should never take your position as last year's champion for granted," said his coach, Chris Carmichael. "So many things could happen."

'While it's not a true test, a hard test, it's at least some indication, I feel stronger and healthier than last year.'

— Lance Armstrong
5 time winner

Rosales leads SoCal reunion at the top

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass. (AP) — Jennifer Rosales finally figured out how to win on the LPGA Tour. Now she's trying to win the most prestigious women's tournament of all.

Two months after her breakthrough victory in the Chick-fil-A, the 25-year-old Filipino star shot a 4-under 67 on Friday to take the second-round lead in the U.S. Women's Open.

"It gave me confidence I can win out here with some of the top players," Rosales said.

She opened with three straight birdies and closed with a 12-foot birdie putt for a one-stroke lead over fellow University of Southern California alums Candie Kung and Kim Saiki.

Kung and Saiki, the Rochester LPGA winner last week, shot 68s.

Rosales had a 5-under 137 total to top a major championship leaderboard for the second time in a month. She also

led after the first round of the LPGA Championship, but couldn't keep up with Annika Sorenstam the rest of the way.

"Hopefully, this weekend will be different," said Rosales, the 1998 NCAA champion.

Sorenstam (68), Carin Koch (67) and Michelle Ellis (69) were two strokes back at 3 under, and Rachel Teske (69) and Moira Dunn (67) followed at 2 under on the Orchards Golf Club course.

No one had a wilder time Friday than 14-year-old Michelle Wie. She hit a spectator with her tee shot on No. 10 and had to play out of poison ivy after driving into the woods on No. 14.

But she compensated with enough dynamic shots for a 70, leaving her only four strokes back in a group that included 17-year-old amateur Paula Creamer (69).

Brittany Lincicome, the 18-year-old Florida amateur who led an after opening 66, dropped six strokes back after a 77.

Major league soccer standings

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1.H&GN, PD 15000'.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., Waterfield, for the following wells:
 #15A, 2640' from North & 1867' from West line, Sec. 15.A-1,H&GN, PD 15000'.
 #1601, 660' from North & 1320' from West line, Sec. 16.A-1,H&GN, PD 14000'.
ROBERTS (WEST SHREIKEY Granite Wash) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #1036 Byrum, 467' from South & East line, Sec. 36.M-2,H&GN, PD 10700'.
Amended Intention to Drill
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #3016 Campbell, 567' from North & 1100' from East line, Sec. 16.1,I&GN, PD 14000'. Amended to change well location
Oil Well Completions
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #14 Hazel, Sec. 4,X-02,H&OB, spud 1-10-04, drlg. compl 1-14-04, tested 4-27-04, pumped 1.2 bbl. of

40 grav. oil + 53 bbls. water, GOR 32500, TD 3650', PBT 3280' —
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A47 Herring 'A&B', E. Almaguie Survey, spud 3-30-04, drlg. compl 4-2-04, tested 5-25-04, pumped 3.4 bbl. of 39 grav. oil + 60 bbls. water, GOR 22647, TD 3650', PBT 3594' —
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A48 Herring 'A&B', E. Almaguie Survey, spud 4-4-04, drlg. compl 4-8-04, tested 5-26-04, pumped 3 bbl. of 39 grav. oil 68 bbls. water, GOR 48333, TD 3650', PBT 3587' —
ROBERTS (COURSON RANCH Upper Morrow) Range Production Co., #2 A.C. McGarraugh, Ashley Cooper Survey, spud 2-9-04, drlg. compl 2-20-04, tested 6-10-04, pumped 25 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + no water, GOR 3360, TD 9253', PBT 9073' —
Gas Well Completions
MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Pioneer Natural Res. USA, Inc., #A12 Sneed, Sec. 7,B-10,EL&RR, spud

4-20-04, drlg. compl 5-1-04, tested 5-12-04, potential 1361 MCF, TVD 3000', MD 5296' — Horizontal Recompletion
WHEELER (MO-TEX Meisner) Cambridge Production, Inc., #1 Craddock, Sec. 23.A-5,H&GN, spud 2-12-04, drlg. compl 3-22-04, tested 5-14-04, potential 161 MCF, TD 13404', PBT 12800' —
Plugged Wells
GRAY (PANHANDLE) N and T Production, #1 Fannie Fern, Sec. 173.3,I&GN, spud 4-23-84, plugged 1-13-04, TD 3578' (injection) — Form 1 in El Ran, Inc.
GRAY (PANHANDLE) N and T Production, #1 Peeler, Sec. 173.3,I&GN, spud 12-19-82, plugged 12-23-03, TD 3600' (oil) — Form 1 in Sandefer Co.
HEMPHILL (ALLISON PARKS) Twister Exploration, L.L.C., #1-252 Parnell, Sec. 252.C,G&MMB&A, spud 11-1-99, plugged 4-10-01, TD 14350' (dry) —
HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Unit Petroleum, #3022 Jones

Estate, Sec. 22.1,G&M, spud 9-18-03, plugged 10-2-03, TD 7500' (dry) —
H E M P H I L L (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #3-212 Isaacs, Sec. 212.C,G&MMB&A, spud 6-20-03, plugged 8-7-03, TD 10300' (dry) —
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) ConocoPhillips Co., #1 Garner, Sec. 34,Y,A&B, spud 2-1-34, plugged 11-17-03, TD 3160' (oil/gas) —
HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) ConocoPhillips Co., #2 Clair 'K', Sec. 1,X-0B, E. Tomlinson, spud 6-22-74, plugged 11-20-03, TD 3150' (gas) —
HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) ConocoPhillips Co., #2 Garner, Sec. 34,Y,A&B, spud 7-18-35, plugged 11-12-03, TD 3110' (gas) —
ROBERTS (QUINDUNO Albany Dolomite) Momentum Operating Co., Inc., #1 Bean, Sec. 164.M-2,BS&F, spud unknown, plugged 3-6-03, TD 4260' (gas) —



Lunch in the Park
 Rochelle Lacy, far left, of Altrusa International Inc. of Pampa, recently records lunches being given by ASTRA members Kelci Penrod and Monica Johnson, center, to Courtney and Preston Busby, far right, during this summer's "Lunch in the Park" program at Marcus Sanders Park. Courtney and Preston, of Bureson, are in Pampa visiting their grandmother Ruby Morgan. ASTRA members are volunteering with the program during June and July. ASTRA is a teen organization affiliated with Altrusa.

Safety
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 volatile organic compounds as well as the need for ozone action days in our cities."
 —Texas Railroad Commission's Top Ten Gas Grilling Safety Tips
 1. Check previously used grills for worn hoses and proper air adjustment. Replace worn or defective parts and perform maintenance according to the manufacturer's instructions.
 2. If the grill is new, follow the manufacturer's assembly instructions and familiarize yourself with the manufacturer's recommended operating and safety practices.
 3. Do not use a propane gas cylinder if it shows signs of external damage.
 4. After grilling, store the propane gas cylinder outside, not inside an enclosure such as a garage or tool shed.

5. Always open the grill hood before lighting, and light according to manufacturer's instructions.
 6. Always grill in a well-ventilated area. Do not grill indoors or close to the side of a house or other structure.
 7. After filling or exchanging a cylinder, take it home immediately.
 8. To turn the cylinder valve off or on, remember "Righty, Tightly...Lefty, Loosely."
 9. Railroad Commission rules require that if the cylinder is at least 12 years old, it must be periodically "requalified" to ensure that it is safe for continued service.
 10. Only cylinders with an Overfill Protection Device (OPD) may be filled legally. Consumers can tell if their propane cylinder has an OPD if it has a triangular hand wheel with the letters

"OPD" on it, or if the tank has an OPD wrapper or warning label.
 The Railroad Commission of Texas' Alternative Fuels Research and Education Division (AFRED) has a free brochure on basic grill safety tips, as well as information about other propane uses and rebates. Call toll-free (800) 64-CLEAR (800-642-5327).

Ornaments now are made in a wide array of wood, acrylic, bone china, porcelain and handcrafted formats, and technology has been incorporated into the world of Keepsake Ornaments through sound, motion and light. The one thing that hasn't changed, however, is that Keepsake Ornaments will become family heirlooms and cherished collectibles.

Hallmark
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 specific theme. The finished Keepsake Ornaments reflect the way styles, materials, formats and technology have expanded since the first ones appeared in Hallmark stores. Once a collection of decorated glass balls and fine yarn figures, Keepsake

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- Club Casino** #408 Club Casino (\$5) *Overall Odds are 1 in 4.07
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- HOLIDAY BONUS** #416 Holiday Bonus (\$5) *Overall Odds are 1 in 4.48

These games will be closing on July 31, 2004. You have until January 27, 2005, to redeem any winning tickets for these games. You can claim prizes of up to \$500 at any Texas Lottery Retailer. Prizes of \$600 or more are redeemable only at the Texas Lottery Headquarters in Austin, Texas. A Scratch Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. The number of prizes in a game is approximate based on the number of tickets sold. Prizes are awarded on a random basis. With questions or for current information on prizes remaining in a Lottery ticket, call 1-800-371-LOTTO (1-800-371-5686). Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Lottery ticket. *The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. © 2004 Texas Lottery Commission. All rights reserved.

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Lifestyle

Snacks that are satisfying and healthy

Mix It Up!

When kids can mix up their own snacks, it's double the fun. Let them try these easy ideas:

• Freeze individual-size Mott's Original or Healthy Harvest apple sauce cups. Use the frozen cups to help keep lunch boxes cold, then they can be eaten just like an ice cream cup.

• Fill ice cube trays with apple juice instead of water, giving a cool apple twist to favorite drinks.

• Mix about 1 tablespoon each peanuts, toasted coconut and raisins into 1/2 cup Mott's Original apple

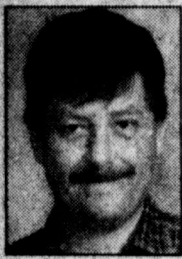
sauce for a trail mix flavored treat.

• Mix equal parts (about 1-1/2 cups each) low-fat fruit-flavored yogurt with Mott's Original apple sauce. Use to fill a prepared graham cracker pie crust. Freeze and serve like ice cream pie.

• Blend about 1 cup fruit-flavored frozen yogurt, 1/2 cup apple juice and 1/2 cup fresh fruit in a blender for a fruity smoothie.

For more apple information and recipe ideas, visit www.getapple-healthy.com.

NEWSMAKERS



Simpson

Carl R. Simpson, engineering assistant at the Texas Department of Transportation's Area Engineer's Office in Pampa, recently earned his Professional Engineer's License.

Simpson has been with TxDOT for five years and lives in Pampa. He attended Northern College and Lakehead University in Ontario, Canada.

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced Kasey Tindol and Tanna Jo Stowers, students at Pampa High School, have been named All-American Scholars.

USAA established the All-American Scholar program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history," said Dr. George Stevens, USAA executive director. "Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement."

USAA All-American Scholars are named in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, published nationally.

Tindol was also named a USAA National Award Winner.

She is the daughter of Billie Richardson of Pampa and Melvin Tindol of Wheeler and is the granddaughter of Virginia Richardson of Pampa.

Stowers was named a USAA National Leadership and Service Award winner.

She is the daughter of Dennis and Tonja Stowers of Pampa; is the granddaughter of Vernon and Betty Stowers of Pampa and Jim and Audie Atherton of Birmingham, Ala.; and is the great-granddaughter of Hannah Chapman of Wheeler and Darrell and Frankie Atherton of Houston.

Kira Chumbley recently graduated magna cum laude from McMurry University with a bachelor of science degree in biology and a minor in chemistry.

Chumbley has been accepted into Texas Tech Health Science Center's School of Biomedical Sciences PhD program in medical microbiology starting in the fall.

She is the daughter of Terry and Dana Chumbley and is the granddaughter of Bill and Pat Kindle and Tom and Reta Chumbley.

National Honor Roll recently announced students named to its ranks from the area for 2003-2004.

National Honor Roll seeks to recognize high-achieving high school and middle school students. Only students with a B or higher average are eligible for National Honor Roll.

Students marked for inclusion in National Honor Roll include the following:

Pablo Caballero, Ethan Collier, Nikki Shalyn Marcum, of Pampa

Logan Baker, Auston Lynn English, Selene Garcia, Hunter J. Hebert, Lance Jackson, Jason Kirkhart, Andrew D. McCormick, Megan Schafer, Hilda Vasquez, all of Canadian; Kody A. Bowman, Lindsay Duckworth, Drake E. Jackson, Tanner Michael Ray, Trenton Keith Roberson, Rachael M. Stubbs, Gareth Vaid, all of Lefors; Manden Conklin, Amanda Fricks, Philip Jones, Samantha Krueger, Tamara Loya, Ashley McClendon, Jesus Antonio Montoya, Connie Vega, all of McLean

Julie Davenport, Lashay Douglass, Oak Lee Hale, Ashley Huff, Jamie Sue McCuiston, Ean C. Miller, Raven Phillips, Tasha Schmidt, all of Miami; Rhandyl Barefoot, Nykita Ledbetter, Alyssa Mounce, Amaya Polk, of Shamrock; Amanda Gayle Bond, Savannah Hampton, Carl Dan Scales, Jandie Taylor, Claudia A. Wilson, all of Wheeler; and Kendall Wheeler of White Deer.

"Young people like these inductees, who work hard to attain academic success, deserve to be congratulated," said Lynn Romeo, publisher of National Honor Roll. "Honoring their achievements provides motivation and encourages them to continue striving. We're proud to include them in the National Honor Roll."

National Honor Roll has set aside \$100,000 to be shared among 100 of its qualifying inductees from the 2003-2004 school year. All members are entitled to compete for one of these awards for academic achievement. Winners will be announced in September.

Inductees may also take advantage of National Honor Roll's College Admissions Notification Service, and each state's governor and U.S. senators receive a complimentary copy of the National Honor Roll Commemorative Edition each year.

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University recently conferred approximately 2,330 degrees at the conclusion of the 2004 spring semester. Commencement was held in United Spirit Arena on campus.

Students awarded diplomas include Robert Dayle Eskridge, master of public administration degree, Brian Andrew Frels, bachelor of science, magna cum laude, Samantha Cristine Hurst, BS, Christoph Ryan Mckean,

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The call goes out many times a day. Kids always seem to be hungry, and they're always asking for a snack. But, high-energy kids need healthy snacks that keep them up and at 'em — all day long.

Easier said than done, you say? It doesn't have to be!

Take apples, apple sauce and apple juice, for example.

We've all heard the age-old saying that "an apple a day keeps the doctor away."

But, research collected by Mott's is now helping define exactly why apple products are so healthy.

As it turns out, apples and apple products have multiple nutrients: fiber, vitamin C, potassium and antioxidants. Consuming these nutrients can work toward achieving

whole body health.

What's more, 1/2 cup of apple sauce or 6 ounces of 100 percent apple juice count as fruit servings, which makes 5 A Day a much easier goal for kids.

Another piece of good news is that the fiber and water in apples and apple products help give a feeling of satiety or fullness.

With childhood obesity a growing concern, helping to curb children's appetites can help them avoid eating more calories than their bodies need to stay healthy.

So the next time your kids call out that they are hungry or thirsty — give them an apple healthy snack that not only tastes great, but is good for them too!

The Big Dipper

Ingredients:
1/2 cup Mott's Healthy Harvest country berry apple sauce
1/2 cup low-fat vanilla or plain yogurt
2 cups fresh fruit chunks
8 bamboo skewers

Directions: To prepare dip, blend apple sauce with yogurt in small bowl until thoroughly combined. Divide fruit chunks evenly and place on skewers to form fruit kabobs. Place kabobs on serving plate with dip alongside. Cover and chill until ready to serve.

Makes 8 servings
Nutrition Information per Serving: 35 calories, 0g fat, 0mg cholesterol, 15mg sodi-

um, 8g carbohydrate, <1g fiber, 1g protein

Apple Sauce Splits

Ingredients:
1 medium banana, peeled and split lengthwise
2 tablespoons low-fat whipped cream cheese
1/4 cup berries or diced fresh fruit
1/4 cup Mott's chunky style apple sauce
Chocolate syrup, optional

Directions: Place split banana in shallow bowl or plate. Dollop with cream cheese. Sprinkle berries or fruit over cream cheese. Top with apple sauce. Drizzle with chocolate syrup, if desired.

Makes 1 serving
Nutrition Information per Serving: 210 calories, 4g fat, 10mg cholesterol, 60mg sodium, 43g carbohydrate, 6g fiber, 4g protein

Fruity Parfaits

Ingredients:
2 cups low-fat fruit-flavored yogurt
1/2 cup graham cracker crumbs
2 cups diced fresh fruit
2 cups Mott's natural apple sauce

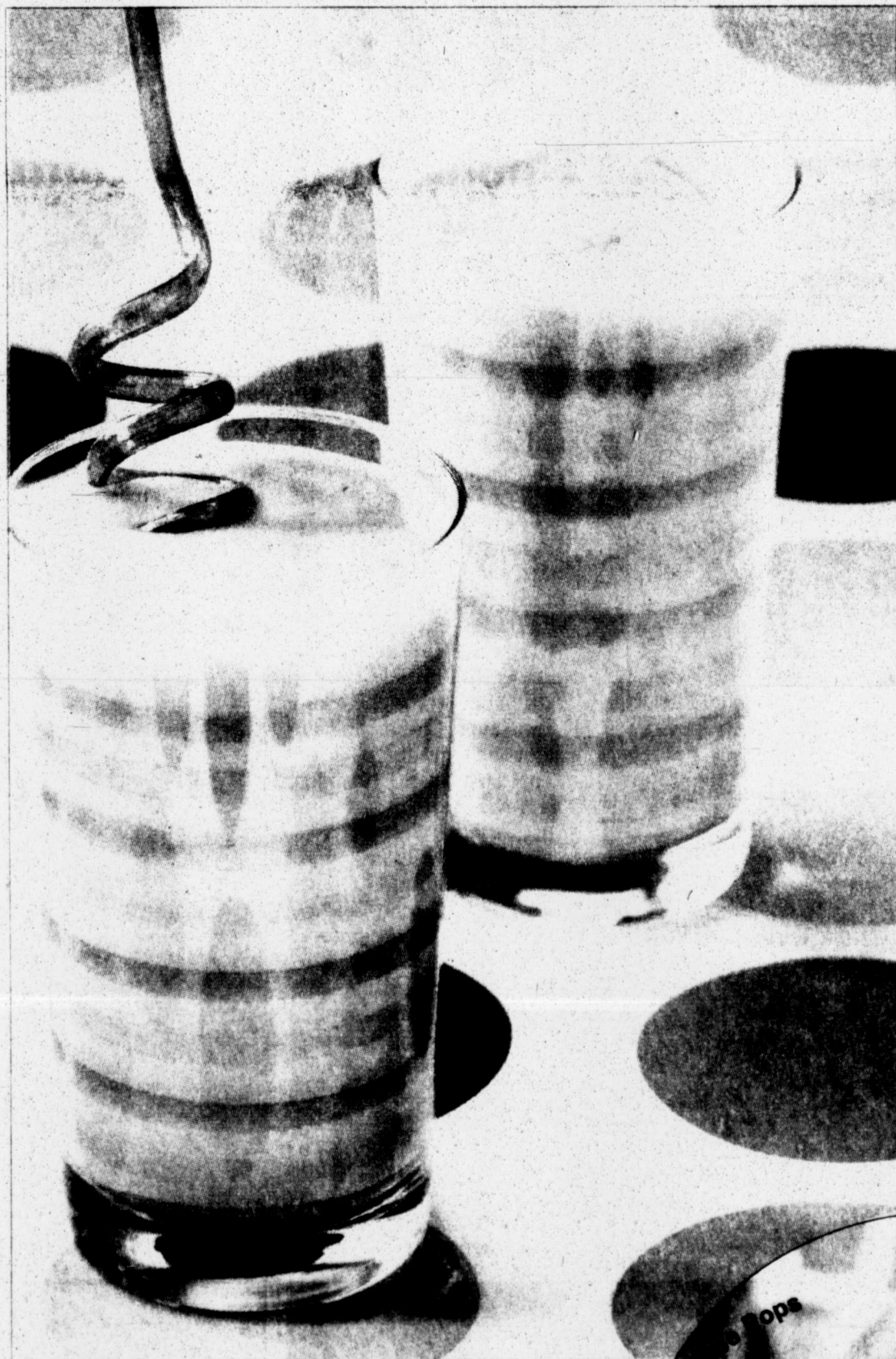
Directions: Divide 1 cup yogurt evenly between 6 parfait glasses. Sprinkle 2 teaspoons graham cracker crumbs over yogurt in each glass. Divide 1 cup diced fruit evenly between glasses, layering evenly over crumbs. Divide 1 cup apple sauce evenly between glasses, layering evenly over fruit. Repeat layers. Cover and chill until ready to serve.

Makes 6 servings
Nutrition Information per Serving: 200 calories, 2g fat, 5mg cholesterol, 100mg sodium, 40g carbohydrate, 2g fiber, 5g protein

Kaleidoscope Pops

Ingredients:
2 cups diced colorful fruit
2 cups Mott's apple juice

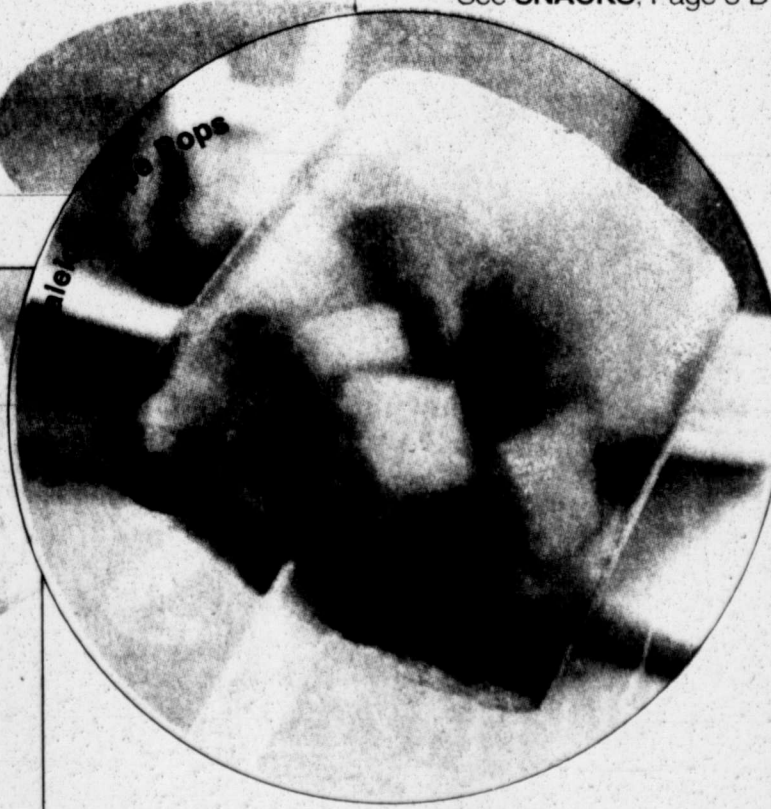
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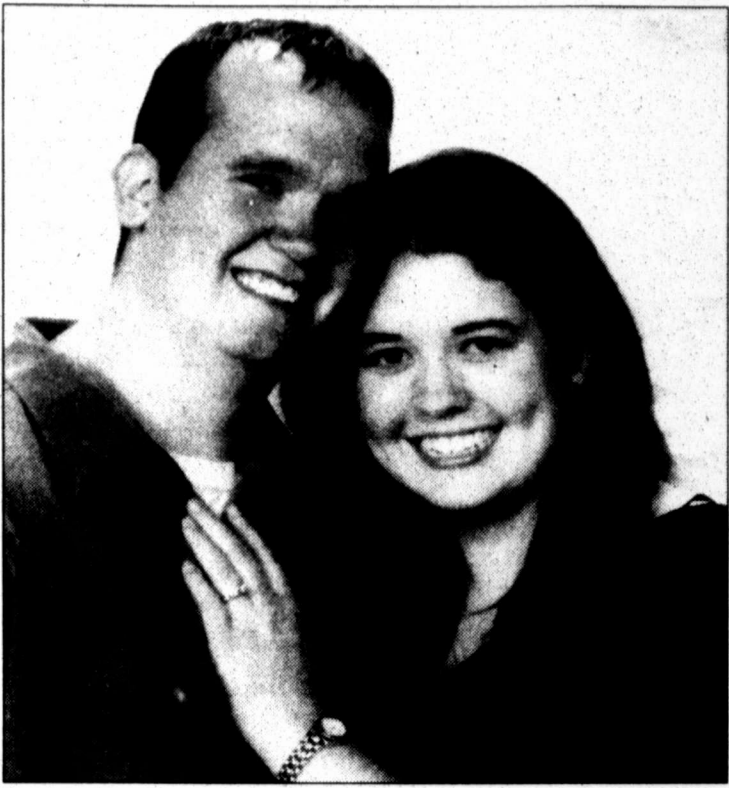
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Apple Sauce Splits



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Wagner/Lawrence

Melissa Michelle Lawrence and Aaron Joseph Wagner, both of Pampa, plan to wed Friday, Aug. 27, at Trinity Fellowship Church in Pampa. The bride-to-be is the daughter of James and Kara Lawrence and of Stephen and Amy Alexander. She graduated summa cum laude from Hardin-Simmons University with a BBS in psychology. She is currently employed with Child Protective Services in Pampa. The prospective groom is the son of David and Kelly Beavers and of Ronnie and Mary Ellen Wagner. He graduated from Intercontinental University with an AA degree in business administration. He is currently employed as video editor for C&S Cable Advertising.

McMinns mark 40th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McMinn of Littlefield celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their family on Saturday, July 3, in Littlefield. Bill McMinn and Wilma Earles were married on July 3, 1964, at Lefors. Prior to moving to Littlefield in 2001; they previously lived in Erick, Okla., Lefors, Canadian and Pampa. Mr. McMinn is currently serving as chief of police in Littlefield. Mrs. McMinn is a homemaker. Children of the couple are Clint and Traci McMinn of Panhandle and Chris and Connie McMinn of Burns Flat, Okla. They have nine grandchildren.

Cecil, Bernice Olson observe anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Olson are celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary. Cecil Olson and Bernice Benbow were married July 6, 1939. They have lived in Pampa since 1963 and belong to First United Methodist Church. Mr. Olson worked for Tubing Testers Inc., in Pampa from 1963 until 1985. Mrs. Olson is a homemaker. Children of the couple are Kent and Linda Olson of Pampa, Kim and Judy Olson of Fort Smith, Ark., and Pam Brown of Dallas. They have six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Olson

Newlyweds travel to Cancun for honeymoon

Tami Brookshire and Tony Freelen, both of Pampa, were wed May 5 in Central Baptist Church with Rick Parnell, of the church, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Roy and Carol Hermanski of Pampa.

She graduated from Pampa High School and holds a degree, magna cum laude, from West Texas A&M University. She is currently employed as a third grade teacher at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School in Pampa.

The groom is the son of Wayne and Glenda Roberts of Pampa. He graduated from PHS and from Wyoming Technical Institute.

He is currently employed with Hanover Compression.

The newlyweds honeymooned at Cancun, Mexico, and intend to make their home in Pampa.



Tony Freelen and Tami Brookshire

Couple tie knot at Cottonwood Springs

Cortni Nicole Lemons of White Deer and Buck Cydel Angeley of Earth were married Saturday, June 19, at Cottonwood Springs, north of Pampa, Texas. The Rev. Thacker Haynes officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Al and Peggy Lemons of White Deer. Her grandparent is Mason Lemons of Harlingen.

Parents of the groom are Tracy and Patricia Angeley of Earth. His grandparent is Dora Belle Angeley of Earth. Honor bridal attendants were Lesli Trumble, Point, Traci Abbe, Abilene, and Kari Hayes, Amarillo, all sisters of the bride.

The best man was Ben Angeley, brother of the groom of Fort Worth.

The groomsmen were Luke Templeton of Amarillo, and John Kelley, brother-in-law of the groom, of Earth.

The flower girls were Jaidan Brown, Panhandle, and Katelyn Kelley, niece of the groom of Earth.

They were ushered by Chandler Hayes, nephew of the bride, of Amarillo.

The ring bearers, both nephews of the bride, were Eric Abbe, Abilene, and Logan Hayes, Amarillo.

The candlelighters were Evin Abbe, nephew of the bride, Abilene, and Kiley Goldston, niece of the bride, Greenville.

Trainbearers were nephews of the bride, Aron Abbe, Abilene, and Brendan Hudspeth, Point. Guests were registered by Whitney Goldston, niece of the bride, of Greenville.

The ushers were brothers-in-law of the bride, Truitt Hayes, Amarillo, and Joe Trumble, Point, and

nephews of the bride, Joey and Daniel Trumble, Point.

The bride graduated from White Deer High School and attended Frank Phillips College.

The groom is a graduate of Springlake/Earth High School, attended Frank Phillips College, and is currently attending West Texas A&M University. He is employed by Joe's Boot Shop of Clovis, N.M.

The couple is currently residing in Amarillo.



Cortni Nicole Lemons and Buck Cydel Angeley

Newsmakers

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master of science, Fabian Silva, bachelor of arts, Christopher Sean Stowers, bachelor of business administration, summa cum laude, Britney Carol Street, BA, and Aaron Kyle Whitney, BS, all of Pampa.

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University recently announced its President's and Dean's lists for the 2004 spring semester.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university. Students named to the list include Colby Stowers Brazile, Ryan Robert Chambers, Megan Elizabeth Coutts, Jamie Christine Crosswhite, Samantha Ashley Ford, Meredith Claire Hendricks-Young, Heather Dawn Herndon, Abigail Leigh Horn, Karen J. Kirkwood, Amanda Erin Lee, Cortney Margaret Locknane, Aaron Joseph McKean, Phillip Joe Reed, Sarah Marie Swab, Christopher Sean Stowers and Melinda Lu Stowers, all of Pampa.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.5-3.9 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university. Students named to the list include Stacie Brooke Carter, Tara Nicole Coffee, Emily Gail Curtis, Taylor Dane Harris, Joshua Lesley Harrison, Dillon Ross Hill, Nicholas Trevor McKean, Leslie E. McWilliams, Samuel Gordon Roudy and Megan Elizabeth Shannon, all of Pampa.

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — James E. Haley, son of Lauren P. and Jim E. Haley of Canadian, recently participated in the U.S. Naval Academy's week-long summer seminar program in Annapolis, Md.

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Bridal Selection

Amy Hayes & Ben Rodriguez
Naomi Reeder & Matthew Kirkpatrick
Kim Jones & Josh Ellis
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Monica Gutierrez & Stephen Vanderpool
Mandy Baggett & Bradley Sherman

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Magrum, Knott wed at vineyard

Bernadette Magrum of Marana, Ariz., and Dale Knott of Pampa were wed May 29 at Trinity Vineyard in Borger with Martha Elston of Borger officiating.

The bridal attendant was LeAnn Sorrels of Amarillo. The flower girls were Stacy Knott of Pampa and Tiffany Pooley Magrum of Borger.

The best man was Eric Knott of Pampa. The ring bearers were Michele Magrum of Borger and Cianna Sorrels of Amarillo.

The ushers were Bobby Gracia of Pampa.

Registering the guests was Carol Gross of Amarillo.

Music was provided by Mark Sorrels of the Johnnys.

A reception was held in the reception room at Trinity Vineyard.

The bride is the daughter of Leonard and Geraldine Magrum of Marana. A graduate of Marana High School and Texas Maximum Security out of Houston, Mrs. Knott studied law at Amarillo College and has been employed in security for much of her working history.

The groom is the son of Ralph and Mary Knott of Eleva, Wis. He graduated from Central High School in Eleva and worked many jobs. His most recent job is as a correctional officer with Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Branson, Mo., and intend to make their home in Pampa.



Dale Knott and Bernadette Magrum

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.

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

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

8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

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

Cradle Call



K'Lee Jade Clardy

K'Lee Jade Clardy was born at 7:44 p.m. April 24 at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Chad and Mary Lee Clardy of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 6-pounds, 9-ounces and was 20-inches long. Relatives of the infant include grandparents, Bill and Roxanne Giles, Ray and Jeannetta Adamson and Dwayne and Leanan Sparks, all of Pampa; and great-grandparents, Lyndelle and the late Floyd Hatcher, Blackie and Mattie Adamson and Clyde and Vera Davis, all of Pampa, Kenneth and Jane Purvis of Lefors, Gene and Betty DuBoise of Satana, Kan., and Billie and Dorothy Giles of Snyder.



Lella Belle McPherson

Lella Belle McPherson was born at 12:18 p.m. May 18 at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Bill and Crystal McPherson of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 7-pounds, 1-ounce and was 20-inches long. Relatives of the infant include brothers, Billy and Isaiah, both of Anadarko, Okla.; and sisters, Ashley of Anadarko and Marlee and Hannah, both of Pampa.

Museum of art announces exhibit opening

AMARILLO — Tom Toperzer, executive director and chief curator at Amarillo Museum of Art, has announced "Ulterior Motifs No. 7," an upcoming exhibit, will open at the museum to the public in a special reception from 7-9 p.m., Friday, July 9.

"Ulterior Motifs No. 7" will close Sunday, Sept. 5.

It is being sponsored in part by Mr. and Mrs. Lane Seliger.

Free to the public, the opening will feature a live band and, for a nominal fee, refreshments.

Artists showcased in "Ulterior Motifs" include Franklin Ackerley, Bale Creek Allen, Terry Allen, Dan Mitchell Allison, The Art Guys, John Bruce Berry, Michael Roque Collins, B.C. Gilbert, Wayne Gilbert, Luis Jimenez, Edward and Nancy Kienholz, Sharon Kopriva, Angelbert Metoyer, James A. Porter, James Surls, Bryan Wheeler and Jeff F. Wheeler.

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Newsmakers

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During the program, Haley was given a glimpse into academy life, experiencing academics, physical training, intramural sports, sailing and seamanship as well as leadership training and social activities.

The summer seminar pro-

gram was designed by the U.S. Naval Academy's office of admissions.

Haley is currently attending New Mexico Military Institute.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Bonnie Beth Holmes of Pampa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Holmes, was recently named to Peabody College's Dean's List at Vanderbilt University for the

2004 spring semester.

To qualify for the Dean's List at Peabody College, a student must maintain a 3.5 to 4.0 grade point average for the semester.

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Max Tristan Simon of Pampa and Brendan Joseph Haiduk of White Deer both earned semester honors for the 2004 spring semester at Kansas State University.

Students receiving honors rank in the top 10 percent of their class within their respective colleges and are enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university.

BUIES CREEK, N.C. — Kimberly D. Hopkins of Pampa was recently awarded a bachelor of business administration degree from Campbell University.

Snacks

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6 (6- to 8-ounce) paper cups
6 craft sticks

Directions: Divide diced fruit between cups. Fill evenly with apple juice (1/3 cup each). Place cups on level surface in freezer. Freeze until partially frozen, approximately 1 hour. Insert craft stick into center of each pop. Freeze until firm.

Makes 6 servings
Nutrition Information per Serving: 60 calories, 0g fat, 0mg cholesterol, 0mg sodium, 16g carbohydrate, 1g fiber, 1g protein

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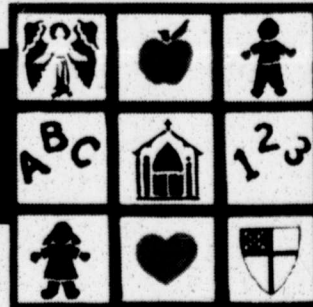
Cover and chill until ready to serve.

Makes 6 servings
Nutrition Information per Serving: 140 calories, 1g fat, 5mg cholesterol, 55mg sodium, 30g carbohydrate, <1g fiber, 4g protein

Tip: Kids can make individual smoothies themselves.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR READERS: Today marks the 228th year since the Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Second Continental Congress in Philadelphia.

The resolution for the Declaration was introduced June 7, 1776, by Richard Henry Lee.

Do you know who seconded the motion? John Adams -- who would later become our second U.S. president.

Any idea how many states he was president of? (I confess, I had to call the public library to find out.) There were only 16 when John Adams took office.

Do you know who wrote our Declaration of Independence? A committee of five. Thomas Jefferson is credited with writing most of it, assisted by John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Robert R. Livingston and Roger Sherman.

And was it enthusiastically adopted? Heck, no! The Congress "suggested" a number of changes -- and you can imagine how poor Jefferson felt about that. (About the same as any author who has to report to an editor.) Do you care to know how many changes were made by the "tweakers"? Eighty-six. (It makes one wonder if that's where the term "eighty-sixed" -- slang for someone or something ejected or rejected -- originated.)

The Lee-Adams Resolution of Independence was adopted on July 2, 1776. The Declaration, which gives the details of the resolution, was adopted on the evening of July 4.

So why don't we celebrate on July 2? Beats me -- Happy Fourth of July one and all!

Readers, as you and I celebrate our freedom, won and secured by members of our military over the years, let's remember our troops in Iraq and around the world who risk their safety every day on our behalf. Send messages of appreciation and support via www.OperationDearAbby.net. Trust me, they will be received with gratitude.

DEAR ABBY: What is wrong

with men that they don't have the energy to pick up a phone when they're going to be late and let their wives (or girlfriends) know? After an hour we get anxious; after two, we get worried.

After three hours had passed with no word from my husband, I called the police. They assured me that there had been no accidents in the area. I considered asking them if they would be willing to arrest my husband for causing so much worry and making me look like such a fool for having called them.

We women are equally to blame. As soon as we find out that everything's OK, our hearts melt with relief and we forgive them on the spot. I need to know how to stay angry long enough to let my husband know this is unacceptable behavior. Hello! There are pay phones all over the place. You men can let us know what's going on at any time.

— KAREN IN LILY DALE, N.Y.

DEAR KAREN: I don't blame you for being miffed. Three hours is a long time to wonder if a loved one is dead, injured or simply inconsiderate.

I have another idea. Rather than "staying angry," give your darling a cell phone. Then if he's more than a half-hour late, instead of calling the police -- call HIM.

DEAR ABBY: My 16-year-old daughter recently told me that my ex-husband is being married on a trip to Hawaii. Is it appropriate for me to congratulate him since he has not mentioned the engagement to me? We only speak when he's calling on the phone for our daughter. — PUZZLED ABOUT "EX" ETIQUETTE

DEAR PUZZLED: By all means congratulate him and wish him luck. And when you do, tell him that good news travels fast.

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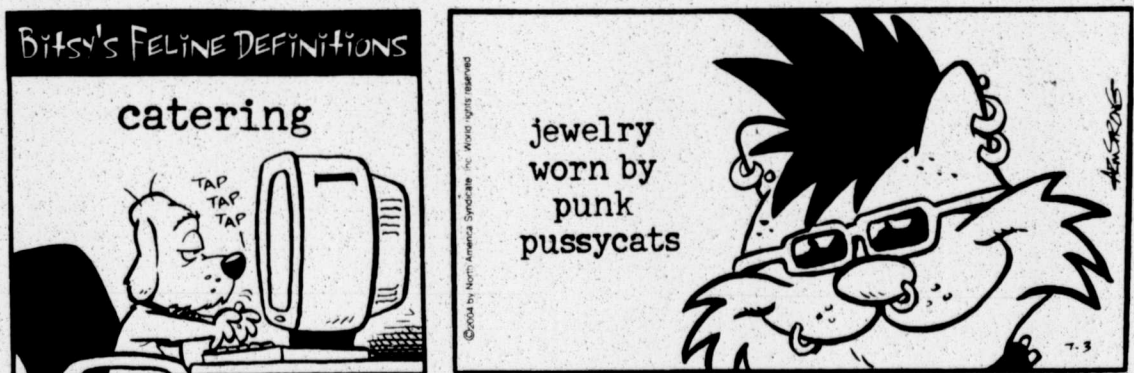
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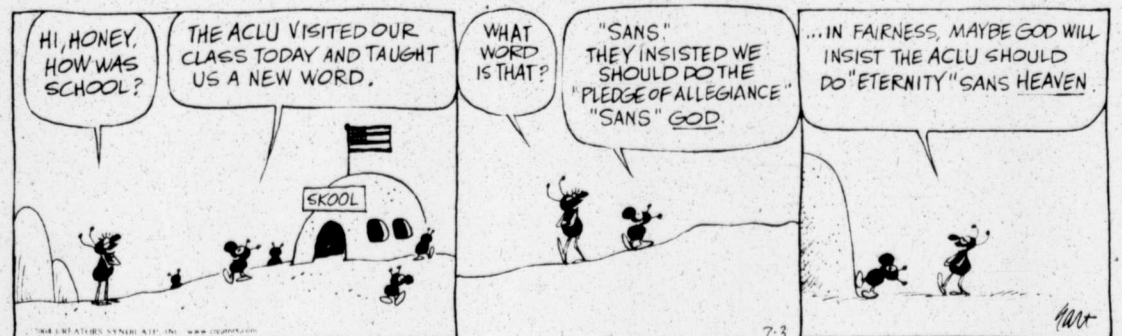
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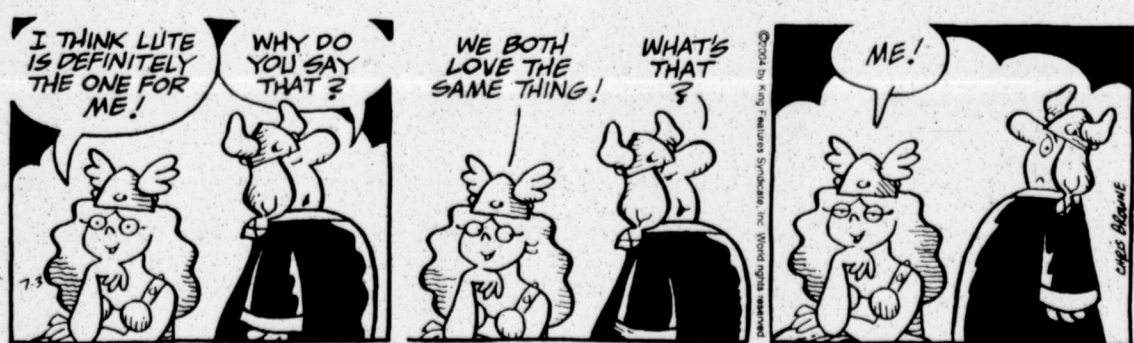
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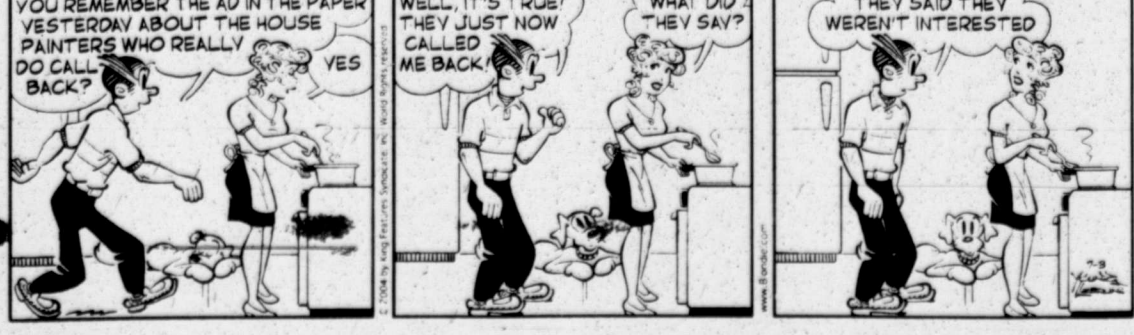
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Summer 'blockbuster' movie season in full swing

Ahh, summer movies. There's nothing quite like them. Studios want to make the movies that will attract the most people to the theater.

They are looking to break box office records in any way possible. They compete for the highest-grossing opening day, opening weekend, five-day opening weekend, best opening for a documentary.

Well, here's some of what they released to lure us in this year.

"Shrek 2." "Shrek 2" is almost as good as the original, and unlike many sequels it's not just a repeat. The filmmakers managed to keep it fresh. They added lots of new characters (the best is Prince Charming voiced by the very funny Rupert Everett) and kept the audience on their toes with pop culture references from O.J. Simpson to "Flashdance." It's one of those rare movies that is made for kids, but is just as fun for adults. "Shrek's" wit and its ability to make us root for a moody, green ogre (Mike Myers) keeps the audiences coming.

Grade: B+

"The Day After Tomorrow." When direc-

tor Roland Emmerich wants to make a disaster pic, he doesn't hold back. "The Day After Tomorrow" is completely over the top with every disaster known to man. There's tidal waves, tornadoes and, of course, the coming of the second ice age. But since the audience knows it's going to be ridiculous, they can drop their skeptical comments ("that could never happen") and just enjoy seeing the well cast Jack (Dennis Quaid) and Sam (Jake Gyllenhaal) trek through a snowstorm or narrowly escape a pack of wolves. Emmerich is a master at building up suspense and tension. The only flaw is that he tries to manipulate the audience to sympathize with every character that's in the movie a minute before they get the ax.

Grade: B

"The Terminal." Steven Spielberg is the man responsible for the summer blockbuster

phenomenon. Ever since he released "Jaws" in the summer of 1975, there's been no turning back. "The Terminal" isn't going to break any records, but it is an interesting story about a man from a fictional Eastern European country stuck in the JFK Airport for months. Whatever holes or flaws "The Terminal" may have, Tom Hanks makes up for. He makes you fall in love with Viktor Navorski. Of course he plays the dramatic parts with ability, but it's Hanks' comedic talents that are captivating. He's a true actor, and whenever he teams up with Spielberg it's not going to be a bad movie.

Grade: B

"Fahrenheit 9/11." It's hard to review a controversial film like this because separating your personal politics is almost impossible. Michael Moore's documentary criticizing the Bush administration and its war is biased, yes. But who says it shouldn't be? He's trying to prove his point. Sometimes it feels like he's trying to prove too much, but in the end he succeeds. He keeps his face out

of the picture more than his previous films, gives the facts, adds some sarcasm and humor and makes a film that is both moving and disturbing. I don't know if "Fahrenheit 9/11" is strong enough to convince anybody who's not already, but I think it might be.

Grade: A-

"Spiderman 2." The trailer for "Spiderman 2" is brilliant, but the movie itself was disappointing. Even though the rules for comic book movies are different and you're allowed to be hokey, it was still somewhat annoying. Screenwriters should have developed the story more, because with a little tweaking it could have been great. If the characters have to resort to talking to themselves to move the film along, it's not good. It's very much like a soap opera, actually. The sequel still has great action sequences that are plain fun and the filmmakers added some campy touches, such as a "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head" montage a la "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid." Tobey Maguire is a wonderful Spiderman and surpasses the rest of the film.

Grade: C

Anita Hacker

Guest Reviewer



Camp cheer

Third grade Brownies do their cheer at "Li'l Camp on the Prairie" recently. Above, left-right: Kaylee Suttle, Mayce Wheat, Nikki Anderson, Bethany Keen, Erin Parr, Sage Dorn, Ashley Keith, Shelby Carr, Jessica Gibbs, Crystal Gravoano, Rebecca Yearicks, Kimber Smith-Trolinger, Suzie Joiner and Lacey Dodson.

Noxious soda apple weed found in state

JASPER, Texas (AP) — Add tropical soda apple to the list of things that can ruin a Texas rancher's day.

The South American noxious weed, which has ruined pastures throughout the South, has been verified on a private ranch in far southeast Texas, according to Texas Cooperative Extension.

The thorny plant, found near Jasper, is hard to kill and can quickly overrun grazing land, said Mary Ketchersid, an extension pesticide safety specialist.

"I think we need to be scared. People need to be watching for it," she said.

Larry Redmon, extension forage specialist based in East Texas, said the weed has the potential to cover a lot of acreage in a short period of time.

A rapid response team consisting of state and federal officials visited the

ranch and has worked to contain the growth, which the ranch owner believes arrived in 1998 along with a load of hay from Louisiana.

Landowners who believe they might have infestation should send a sample of the plant's leaves, stems and fruit sealed in a gallon plastic storage bag to Ketchersid at 115 Agronomy Field Lab, 2488-TAMU, College Station, Texas 77843-2488.

Alternately, producers may e-mail digital photos of the suspect plant to her at m-ketchersid@tamu.edu

The perennial weed produces one-inch inedible fruits that are dark green with light green stripes, resembling small watermelons.

It produces white flowers and can reach six feet in height with one-inch-round stems.

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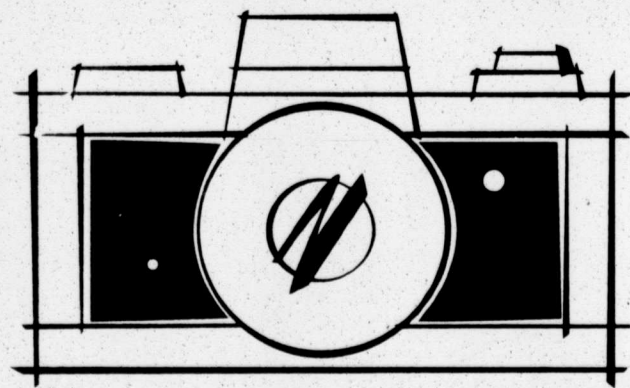
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HOROSCOPE ... SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2004

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, July 4, 2004:

You laugh, and others respond. You develop a unique way of looking at money and financial matters. Your thinking will delight both associates and partners. Visualize and plan for more of what you want out of life. Home security and perhaps a deeper or deepening bond in your life mark this year. You will do whatever it takes to achieve just that. You willingly work hard, and you have unusual endurance. Enjoy those around you. A change of residence or an upgrade of some type occurs this winter. If you are single, you meet people easily. You will want to be close to one person in particular. If you are attached, your relationship will flourish if you put 100 percent into it. AQUARIUS inspires you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You can make a project real. If you want to bring a key person in closer, it'll be a piece of cake. The right words mix with your wonderful imagination. News surrounds those at a distance. Take a pal's suggestion. Tonight: Make merry.

This Week: Maintain a low profile through Wednesday, when you express unusual get-up-and-go. No one can or will stop you!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Tune in to others and what they want. An older relative might play a strong role in your plans. While out and about, you are surrounded by good news and a big smile. Finally, a family member wants to talk. Tonight: A must appearance.

This Week: Revel in your ability to hit the bull's-eye. Reflect; don't act from Thursday on.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You can be sure your mind isn't where you are. Whether you are listening to music, taking off for a drive or just hanging out, other thoughts float through in the middle of conversations. Why not act on them? Tonight: Use your creativity.

This Week: Tackle work knowing that you are entering an unusual week where success can become yours.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ A partner has great ideas. All you need to do is play follow-the-leader, with the exception of spending money. Think of ways to make what you want happen without busting your budget. Brainstorm. Let your imagination speak. Tonight: Snuggle in.

This Week: Taming your wild imagination might be close to impossible. Responsibilities finally catch up with you late Wednesday.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You have a way with words to which others respond. Friends and loved ones are in the mood for firecrackers, fun and action. Get into the spirit of the day. Enjoy yourself no matter where you are, doing exactly what you need to do. Tonight: Sparkle with the celebration.

This Week: Teamwork carries you to the finish line. On Thursday, break rigid thinking.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Stop. You might be more excited by the celebration than many. Kick up your heels and enjoy. How you laugh and what you do affect others. Your humor is contagious. Laugh, and others will laugh. Tonight: Make the most of this day.

This Week: Others seek you out. Juggle networking and responsibilities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Your ability to enjoy yourself makes this Fourth of July special, not only for you but also for others. Your imagination puts the snap, crackle and pop into the celebrations. You come up with something unique. Yes, you are the centerpiece at the party. Tonight: Frisky -- aren't we?

This Week: You accomplish the most through Wednesday. Distractions that you will like naturally appear on Thursday.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Your depth and patriotism emerge this special holiday. Whether you throw the party or go to a celebration, you know exactly what to do to remind others of the true nature of this holiday. Tonight: Light up the night.

This Week: Settling in will be close to impossible. On Thursday, the situation becomes dramatic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Review a personal matter that involves a friend or loved one. He or she presents quite a case as an explanation. If you walk in his or her shoes, you will understand. Be imaginative and patriotic in what you choose to do. Tonight: Out celebrating.

This Week: You have the wherewithal to get the job done, but whether you want to might be a whole different story. Discipline, Sag.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Another person's suggestions might inspire you, though you might not want to be part of the crowd. In fact, you might just want to huddle away with this person for a few hours, if not longer. Why not? Tonight: Close to a loved one.

This Week: Calls and messages could be overwhelming but necessary to follow through on. Others have a lot to share.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Your imagination takes you in a new direction. Share your ideas with those around you. Magnetism and celebration mix, allowing you to truly enjoy yourself. Others also get into the moment, adding to the pop of the day. Tonight: So what if it is Sunday?

This Week: You know what you are doing and why you are working so hard. No one will stop you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Take your time, pull back and think about what might be happening around you. Sometimes you need time off -- which, today, is a direct reflection of your mood. Don't take what others say personally. You might be a lot happier. Tonight: Do what you need to do.

This Week: You're the star, the motivator, the energizer. You get more than your share done.

BORN TODAY

Tennis player Pam Shriver (1962), singer Bill Withers (1938), talk-show host, investigator Geraldo Rivera (1953)

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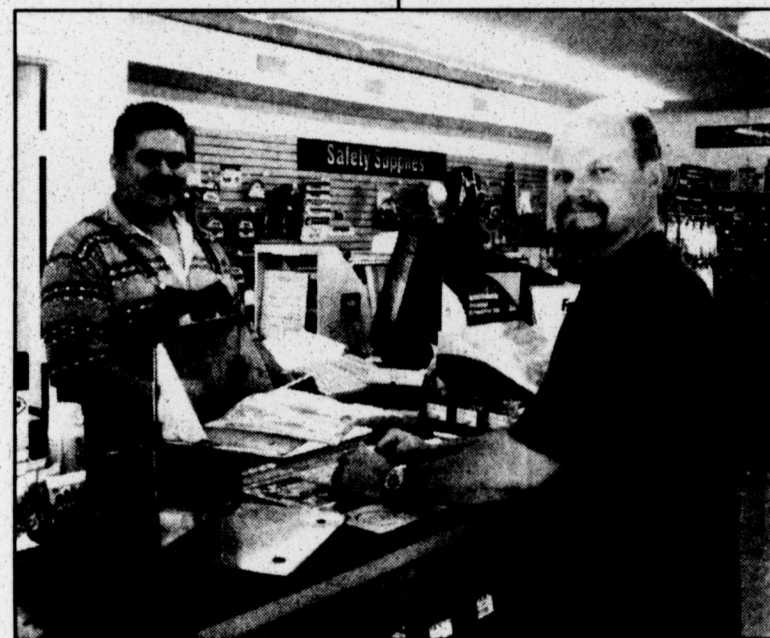
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BORN TODAY

Singer Huey Lewis (1951), actress Shirley Knight (1936), singer Shane Filan (1979)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, July 5, 2004:

You have an unusually dynamic way of presenting yourself. Others clearly are drawn to your magnetism and personality. Reach out for others and seek out different types of thinking. Look to new ideas. Investigate possibilities rather than close yourself off from somewhat innovative thoughts. Work with partners and associates. Don't hesitate to demand clear terms about any financial agreements. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone while traveling or in a learning type situation. This person could also be a foreigner. If you are attached, your relationship will enter a special period where loving and caring are enhanced. Start planning a special trip the two of you have been dreaming about. PISCES helps you attain your desires. Tap into his or her imagination.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You have trouble winding down from all the celebrating. Whether getting together for brunch or chatting about all that happened, you like the socializing. Slow down in the p.m., as you might need some R and R. Tonight: Early to bed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ See what must be done. You stay on top of a job, leaving time for networking and perhaps some free time. You drive a hard bargain, but a winning one. Be willing to make a statement or stick to your principles. Tonight: With those you enjoy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Keep stretching for solutions, even if you find them difficult to dis-

cover. Seek out an independent thinker who can help you through any rigidity or blocks in your thinking. Stay on top of a problem involving work. Tonight: Prepare for a late night.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Deal with one person at a time. You find that you'll get the kind of results you want. Visualize more of what you want. Start talking about long-term desires. Think through new ideas and what is necessary to implement them. Tonight: Look behind the scenes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Reach out for others and make that extra effort. Your personality and understanding draw many. Let your magnetism speak. Don't be surprised if someone corners you. What others do to get your attention might surprise even you. Tonight: Make dinner for two.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Investigate how much work you can get done quickly if you concentrate and screen calls. Leave the late afternoon for socializing, and get past a project or two now. Laugh along with associates, especially as everyone needs to talk about recent events. Tonight: Say "yes."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Your imagination could be floating with recent developments. Charge your work or projects with the same enthusiasm, and you'll get a lot done. Inevitably, responsibilities call. You laugh, and others respond. Prepare to work late. Tonight: Run errands.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Your home and family life might demand a lot of your attention. Handle as much as you can, but prepare to lighten up later on. You tackle what few can, putting a new slant on a situation,

problem or relationship. Let your magnetism speak. Tonight: Still celebrating?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Speak your mind, and others prove highly responsive. Listen to what a boss has to say. His or her ideas might be a lot more dynamic than you realized. Go with his or her suggestions. Tonight: Head on home as fast as you can.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Expenses could dominate your attention. Someone seeks you out with a brainy idea. You have to agree -- this person has something here. Laugh and play along with others. A phone call could be laden with humor. Tonight: Catch up on a pal's news.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Your personality mixes well with others, who could be coming from all sorts of places. Aim for what you want, but don't hesitate to ask a partner or associate for some help. Teamwork makes everything easy. Tonight: Your treat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Take your time and move slowly this morning. Nothing is as pressing as you think. Warm up slowly into your day and get going when you are ready. In the afternoon, your energy excels. You get a lot done quickly. Others respond to your initiative. Tonight: It is your call.

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1 Public Notice

NOTICE
Roberts County will offer the following items for sale by sealed bid to be opened on July 12, 2004 at 10:00 AM during the regular July meeting of the Roberts County Commissioners Court to be held in the Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Miami, Texas. Sale equipment may be viewed by appointment by calling 806-868-3721. Front ripper and Sandvic Blades currently attached will not be sold. A detailed specification sheet may be obtained by calling the above number or by writing the Roberts County Judge's Office at Box 478, Miami, Texas 79059. Sealed bids may be mailed to this same address. Roberts County reserves the right to reject any or all bids received for this equipment. In the event of sale, delivery cannot be made prior to November 15, 2004. Successful bidders shall be required to post \$1000.00 earnest money pending delivery. The following equipment is for sale subject to the terms of this notice.

1-1999 Model 140H Caterpillar Motor Grader-SN 2ZK04607 3030 hours as of June 1, 2004 Minimum Bid-\$108,000.

1-1999 Model 140H Caterpillar Motor Grader-SN 2ZK04608 3059 hours as of June 1, 2004 Minimum Bid-\$108,000.

1-1988 Model 770BH John Deere Motor Grader SN DW770BX520720 8220 hours as of June 1, 2004 Attached rear ripper will sell E-60 June 27, July 4, 2004

1 Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Pampa will conduct a Public Hearing at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2004 at the Pampa City Hall, located at 201 W. Foster Street, Pampa, Texas, on the 3rd Floor, City Commission Chambers. This will be a meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission to conduct a Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments concerning the following request:

Application from Pampa Venture, Ltd., Pampa Management, L.L.C. to change zoning from Agricultural Zoning to Retail Zoning for 3.76 acres or less in West Half, Section 100, Block 3, I&GN, R.R. Co. Survey in the City of Pampa, Gray County, Texas for the purpose of building a retail building.

Phyllis Jeffers
City Secretary
E-61 June 27, July 4, 2004

NOTICE TO BIDDERS GRAY COUNTY AIRPORT

TxDOT CSJ 0304MCLAN

A "Notice to Bidders" is issued for the construction of airport improvements at the Gray County Airport to seal coat, stripe and mark Runway 17/35, taxiway and apron. Sealed proposals need to be addressed to Ms. Edie Stimach, Grant Manager, TxDOT Aviation Division, 150 E. Riverside Drive, South Tower, 5th Floor, Austin, Texas 78704. Proposals will be received until 2:30 p.m., July 20, 2004, then publicly opened and read. Any proposal received after closing time will be returned unopened. You may view and obtain plan sets, free of charge, at our website.

www.dot.state.tx.us/business/avconcontractorinfo.htm

Or you may buy plan sets from the Reproduction companies that are listed on the Aviation website. Please call Edie Stimach at 512-416-4518 for questions concerning the bid document or further information. Technical questions concerning the specifications and plans should be directed to Mr. Charles Graham, Aviation Division, by phone at (512)416-4549 or by fax at (512)416-4510. E-55 June 27, July 4, 2004

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Pampa Independent School District will receive sealed bids in the Business Office at 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065, until 2:00 p.m., July 15, 2004, for Furniture and Audio Visual Equipment. For specifications or additional information please call Betty Meadows, Purchasing Director at (806)669-4700, E-62 July 2, 4, 2004

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2228 N. Russell	\$50,000 3/1 None 1834 SF/GCAD
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1316 Mary Ellen	\$37,000 2/1 1 1030 SF/GCAD
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310 N. West	\$57,500 4/1 75 2 1917 SF/GCAD
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1601 N. Sumner	\$98,900 4/2 2 2076 SF/GCAD
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1817 N. Zimmers	\$59,900 3/2 2 1368 SF/GCAD
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420 Jupiter	\$46,500 3/1 5/1 1170 SF/GCAD
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1224 Darby	\$34,500 3/1 1 877 SF/GCAD
1304 Terrace	\$29,500 2/1 75 1 CP 1392 SF/GCAD
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453 Harrah, Miami	\$53,000 3/2 2 1176 SF/GCAD
509 Williston, White Deer	\$34,500 3/1 2 1257 SF/GCAD
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209 Kiebusch, Borger	\$29,999 2/1 None 1056 SF/GCAD
301 Commercial, Miami	\$27,000 4/2 2 1807 SF/GCAD
702 Swift, White Deer	\$23,000 4 or 5 1 992 SF & 832 Basement
406 W. 6th, White Deer	\$19,000 3/2 None 1412 SF/GCAD
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