### Today's weather



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Deaths

Theodore 'Ted' Gikas. 80, restauranteur. Emma Griffin, 86. teacher.

### Spelling counts

LIVERMORE, Calif. (AP) — Spelling counts especially at a library.

A \$40,000 ceramic mural was unveiled outside the city's new library and everyone could see the misspelled names of Einstein, Shakespeare, Vincent Van Gogh, Michelangelo and seven other historical figures.

"Our library director is very frustrated that she has this lovely new library and it has all these misspellings in front," said city councilwoman Lorraine Dietrich, one of three council members who voted Monday to authorize paying another \$6,000, plus expenses, to fly artist Maria Alquilar up from Florida to fix the errors.

Reached at her Miami studio Wednesday by The Associated Press, Alquilar said she was willing to fix the work, which is 16 feet wide and made up of brightly colored ceramic pieces. But she offered no apologies for the 11 misspellings, including "Eistein," "Shakespere" and "Michaelangelo." among the 175 names.

"The importance of this work is that it is supposed to unite people," Alquilar said. "They are denigrating my work and the purpose of this work."

Alquilar said it took her quite a bit of her own time and money to create the work, and that it sat idle for two years until the city home of the Lawrence Livermore nuclear lab cleared the way for its installation. It was unveiled in June.

There were plenty of people around during the installation who could and should have seen the missing and misplaced letters, she said.

"Even though I was on my hands and knees laying the installation out, I didn't see it," she said.

Anyway, she said, the mistakes wouldn't even

register with a true artisan. "The people that are into humanities, and are into Blake's concept of enlightenment, they are not looking at the words," she said.

# County approves final fire contract

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

After weeks of wrangling, city and county commissioners came to an agreement Wednesday concerning Gray County's fire coverage contract with the City of Pampa.

County commissioners met in emergency session at 11 a.m. in the first-floor non-jury courtroom yesterday to consider the latest version of the contract, which was sent to them after city commissioners met at 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, to discuss the county's latest version of the contract

A number of city officials filled the small courtroom for the county commission meeting, including Mayor Lonny Robbins, City Commissioner Ray Boring, Fire Marshal Gary Stevens, City Attorney Don Lane, acting City Manager and Finance Director John Horst, Fire Chief Kim Powell and a number of Pampa Fire Department fire fighters.

County commissioners voted unanimously yesterday to accept the latest version as submitted by city commissioners, with Precinct 3 Commissioner Gerald Wright absent.

The contract is for fire coverage by Pampa Fire Department for 27 square miles of county land outside Pampa city limits, including the Keller Estates, the Cole addition, Walnut

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Pampa City Attorney Don Lane, surrounded by city officials and firefighters, addresses Gray County Commissioners Wednesday concerning the proposed city-county fire coverage contract.

# Boy found alone to remain with CPS

'... Mrs. Stevens

has been cooperative

and has agreed to

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plan of service.

By MARILYN POWERS

Protective Services of an 11-year-old would believe would place the child Collins said CPS was asking that boy found Aug. 13 living alone in a in imminent danger of death, bodily Stevens begin parenting classes, pro- attended every possible visitation house at 414 E. Browning was con- injury, or physical or mental impair- vide a structured home for her son, with her son and would like more tinued yesterday by Judge Phil ment." Vanderpool in a status hearing in Gray County Courthouse.

Mark Buzzard, attorney for home study done on Margaret Bernadine Stevens, mother Larry Davis, 1704 of the boy, told Judge Vanderpool Hamilton, with whom that Stevens had paid her increased Stevens has been bond as a result of a grand jury cohabiting since the indictment that had been handed up first of August, accordby a Gray County grand jury on ing to her testimony at Monday. Bond on the indictment was a hearing Aug. 24. set at \$5,000; Stevens was free on a In the home study, \$2,500 bond set at the time of her Davis was said to have arraignment after voluntarily turning been married a "short herself in Aug. 18 at Gray County time," although he and Jail on a charge of his wife had had four children and Collins said.

abandoning/endangering a child. The indictment charges Stevens before divorcing. with abandoning a child, a secondabandoned her 11-year-old son "in a family plan of service had been help him deal with anger.

Temporary custody by Child cumstances that a reasonable person fication of the family.

Buzzard also pointed out an error in a

had actually been married 21 years

Marvelle Collins, a Child residing in an emergency shelter in "I have concerns about Margaret's degree felony, and states that on or Protective Services (CPS) casework- Amarillo, Collins said. The boy has willingness to open up and talk about about Aug. 13, she intentionally er in the Pampa office, testified that a been placed on new medication to

place under circumstances that drawn up and shared with Mrs. exposed the said (child) to an unrea- Stevens and her attorney. She said asked Buzzard. sonable risk of harm, and under cir- CPS' plan at this time was for reuni-

and family therapy,

Stevens has been house with the box. Marvelle Collins cooperative and has CPS caseworker

"How do you see this case going?"

"Family reunification," Collins

Stevens testified that she had **provide** individual time with him.

Jean Martindale, attorney ad litem maintain a stable representing Stevens' son at the hearhousehold for at least ing, asked her if she had cleaned up six months, and coop- the house on Browning Street. At the erate with the CPS time the boy was found there by plan of service and police, the house was full of animal any recommenda- feces and urine, fleas, duty clothing tions that may follow. and trash. Two cats, a Chihuahua, a "To date, Mrs. guinea pig and turtle were in the

"I haven't done anything to the agreed to comply inside of the house, "she answered "! with the conditions of won't let him go inside that house the plan of service," until I get it cleaned up

Stevens said she had worked on A therapeutic foster home has been cleaning the front and back yard of found for Stevens' son, currently the property.

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**PFC Brandon Collins** 

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Branch of service: Arkansas Army National Guard

Rank: Private First Class

Job Description: Signal Support Systems Specialist, 39th Support Battalion Stationed: Fort

Hood, Texas Graduated: Conway, Ark. High School, 2003

Family: Parents, Collins; Lene grandparents Delbert and Carol

Simmons, all of Conway, Ark.; great-grandparents, the late Bert and Nadine Arney; greatgreat-grandparents, the Late Lee and Blanche Randolph, all of Pampa.



degree and three second-degree felony according to the indictment. indictments.

indicted on a first-degree felony of sexual assault. Bond was set at charge of injury to a child. Bond was \$30,000. set at \$7,500.

tionally or knowingly" caused "seri-the "sexual organ" of a child younger ous bodily injury to J.W., a child 14 than 17 years of age and not Taylor's years of age or younger, by blunt force—spouse, to "contact the sexual organ of trauma or by manner and means the Defendant," according to the unknown to the Grand Jury," according to the indictment.

felony charge of abandoning a child. Bond was set at \$5,000.

custody, care, or control of D.S., a without the female's consent. child younger than 15 years," and did "intentionally abandon the said D.S., in a place under circumstances that

able risk of harm, and under circumstances that a reasonable person would Judicial Court, including one first-physical or mental impairment,"

Brienna Dale Taylor, 23, was indict-Dustin Dean Herrera, 19, was ed on a second-degree felony charge

On Aug. 20. Taylor allegedly On July 5, Herrera allegedly "inten-"intentionally or knowingly" caused indictment.

John Edward Towe Jr., 31, was Margaret Bernadine Stevens, 44, indicted on a second-degree felons was indicted on a second-degree charge of sexual assault. Bond was set at \$5,000.

On Oct. 3, 2002, Towe allegedly On Aug. 13, Stevens allegedly "had engaged in sodomy with a female

Ramon Campos Garcia, 36, was

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# AP Poll: Kerry takes lead over Bush by slim margin

Among 944 likely voters,

Bush-Cheney, 50 % to 46 %

Kerry-Edwards led over

holds a slim lead over President Bush, favorable view of Bush while 39 percent said according to an Associated Press poll that they felt better about Kerry. shows the Democrat gaining ground while war in Iraq and national security.

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the war. The AP-Ipsos Public Affairs poll, completed on the eve of the second presidential debate, charted a reversal from a month ago, when the Republican incumbent had the momen-

tum and a minuscule lead.

Since then, bloodshed increased in Iraq. House will go to the candidate who wins the bled in their initial debate.

they had watched or listened to the first pres- capable of swinging several states from one idential debate last week, according to the candidate to another.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John Kerry poll. Only 8 percent came away with a more

Among 944 likely voters, the Democratic Bush lost support on personal qualities, the ticket of Kerry and Sen. John Edwards led Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney 50 Fewer voters than a month ago believe percent to 46 percent. The Oct. 4-6 survey

had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The race was tied 47-47 percent among all voters. Others polls show the race just as tight.

While national polls gauge the potential popular vote, the White

Kerry sharpened his attacks and Bush stum-state-by-state race for 270 electoral votes. The race is close by that measure, too, with Nearly three-fourths of likely voters said analysts saying a slight shift in the race is

### **Obituaries**

### Theodore "Ted" Gikas, 80

BIG SPRING - Theodore "Ted" Gikas, Corps during World War II. 80, of Pampa, died on Monday, Oct. 4, 2004, in the Texas Veterans Home in Big

He was born on Sept. 23, 1924, in Lincoln, Neb., to Nestor Konstantine Gikas and Aphrodite Coronis Gikas, both of whom predeceased him.

Mr. Gikas had lived in Pampa since 1951 where he and his brother, John, operated the Coney Island Cafe which was established by his Uncle Bill Coronis. He was Gikas

involved with the American Red Cross, the symphony and fine arts associations. He was an avid art collector and loved to travel. He served in the U.S. Army Air www.npwelch.com.

Survivors include two brothers, Gus Nestor Gikas of San Antonio and John Nestor Gikas of Lubbock; two sisters, Saundra Marie Gikas Puckett of Bartlesville, Okla., and Margaret Gikas Herrin of Marshall and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to the Tralee Crisis Center of Pampa, Texas.

There will be no services. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle &

Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at

### Emma Griffin, 86

MOORE, Okla. – Emma Griffin, 86, died Home and Chapel of Moore, Okla. Monday, Oct. 4, 2004.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 8, 2004, in the Alanreed Cemetery in Alanreed, Texas, with Larry Perkins officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of John M. Ireland Funeral

Mrs. Griffin was a teacher. She was preceded in death by her husband. Voyne Griffin, and her parents, Brooks and Jesse

Survivors include five cousins including William May of Wheeler, Texas.

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Today: A 50 percent derstorms. Mostly cloudy, and 15 mph. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high around 76. North

chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 51. Northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph. Saturday: Partly cloudy,

Friday Night: A 10 percent

with a high near 73. North northeast wind between 5 and 15 mph. Saturday Night: Partly

cloudy, with a low around 50. Northeast wind around 5 mph becoming southwest.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 72. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south southeast.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 49. South wind around 10 mph.

Columbus Day: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after lpm. Mostly cloudy, with a high around 70.

### Services tomorrow

TEPE, Bette Lou Mobly – Memorial, 10 a.m., Vondel L. Smith Mortuary Chapel, GRIFFIN, Emma – Graveside, 2 p.m., Alanreed Cemetery, Alanreed.

### Emergency Services

### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Tuesday, Oct. 5

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 800 block of Frost. A DVD player valued at \$24 was taken.

An alleged incident involving children in need of supervision was reported in the 900 block of Love.

Wednesday, Oct. 6

Two juvenile males were taken into custody in the 500 block of South Russell for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana under two ounces. They were later released to their parents.

Criminal mischief was at Thomas reported 217 Automotive, Ε. Atchison. A driver's side window of a vehicle was broken, and a stereo taken. Estimated value of damage and property taken is \$250.

Criminal mischief was reported at Thomas Automotive, 217 E. Atchison. Damage to a door and a broken window was reported. Estimated amount of damage is \$300.

Burglary of a building was reported at First United Methodist Church, 201 E. Foster. Items taken and estimated cost of damage is unknown.

reported in the police department lobby.

Josh Guadalupe Magana,

arrested in the 400 block of Hughes on a motion to revoke probation for a charge of criminal trespass.

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Zachary Lee Mears, 24, 2128 Hamilton, was arrested at One Medical Plaza for assault causing bodily injury to a family member, interference with an emergency call, failure to display driver's license, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.

### Thursday, Oct. 7

Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 300 block of Tyng.

Chester Donald Winborne, 32, 1121 S. Sumner, was arrested in the 700 block of North Cuyler for Gray County Sheriff's Office on a charge of telephone harassment.

### **Accidents**

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents. Wednesday, Oct. 6

11:07 a.m. - A 1986 Mercury Grand Marquis, Dolores driven by Dominguez Arreola, 43, 720 N. Christy, and a 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe, driven by Michael Chad Johnson, 25, 201 W. Kingsmill, collided in the intersection of 19th and Nelson Streets. No Possible forgery was injuries were reported. Arreola was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop

### Sheriff

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

Wednesday, Oct. 6 Ralph Douglas Peters, 66,

2316 Cherokee, was arrested on a grand jury indictment aggravated sexual for assault.

Jackie Rena Simmons, 29, Houston, was arrested on a bond forfeiture and probation violation for a charge of tampering with a government record.

### Fire

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

Wednesday, Oct. 6

9:53 a.m. - Firefighters presented a fire prevention program at Calvary Baptist Church Day Care, 900 E.

12:54 p.m. – Firefighters presented a fire prevention program at Lamar Elementary School, 1234 S. Nelson.

1:52 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 1300 block of North Starkweather. None was

2:14 p.m. – Firefighters installed a smoke detector for a resident in the 1100 block of Neel Road.

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### Stocks

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# County

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Creek Estates, parts of Price Road, Highway 152, and Highway 60 to National Oilwell.

Gray County will pay the City of Pampa \$120,000 per year for two years under the two-year contract, which also provides for a third-year rollover clause, in which either party may opt out of the third year if notice of their intention to do so is given by June 1 of that year.

The portion of the contract dealing with resolution of potential disputes between the two parties caused the most recent holdup. At their regular meeting Oct. 1, county commissioners had

voted to add a clause to the contract allowing either the city or the county to give 90 days' notice to terminate the contract if a dispute still existed after discussion between the two, followed by the decision of a "nonbinding mediation board," as proposed by County Attorney Josh Seabourn at the meeting.

The contract as presented by the city to county commissioners for their Oct. 1 meeting had no provision for either side to terminate it until the third-year rollover period.

City commissioners Tuesday rejected the proposed 90 days' notice clause and replaced it with discussion between the city and county, followed if necessary by "binding arbitra-

tion," said Horst in a telephone interview Tuesday after the city commissioners' meeting.

One arbitrator will be chosen by each side in the dispute, and a third arbitrator would be chosen by the first two. If either side fails to appoint an arbitrator to represent them, 223rd District Judge Lee Waters, acting independently of his district office, would appoint one, Horst said.

If the two arbitrators fail to appoint a third, that arbitrator would be appointed by 31st District Judge Steven Emmert of Wheeler, acting independently of his district office, Horst said.

The city's latest rewrite of the contract would mean that "the award of the arbitration shall be final and binding on the parties," Horst said.

Any requests for arbitration would have to be made "within 15 days of an offense," he said.

"This is a service contract. All the compliance falls with the city. What we are proposing is the fair way to resolve an issue. Each side would have the opportunity to present a dispute to an impartial third party. It is a fair way to resolve disputes that hopefully will never be used," said Lane yesterday to county commissioners.

"I am here to let the county commission know that we are committed to making this contract work," Robbins said at yesterday's meeting.

Gray County Judge Richard Peet asked about assistance by Pampa Fire Department for Hoover

Volunteer Fire Department if needed, pointing out that that was not included in the con-

"If it does not jeopardize the city and they are not tied up elsewhere," Powell said.

"I want both fire departments to work together," Precinct

Commissioner Joe Wheeley. "I have no problem with it (the current version of the contract). The city provides

the service, and the county provides the money," said Precinct 2 Commissioner Gary Willoughby.

Wheeley moved and Precinct 4 Commissioner James Hefley seconded to accept the latest version of the fire coverage contract. Peet had asked each county commissioner present if they had any comments on the current contract, and Hefley had declined to comment.

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Rockets hit Baghdad hotel housing foreigners

capital and authorities arrested appeared in the lobby wall. 20 Iraqis suspected of planting

homemade explosives. Two rockets hit the Sheraton hotel, shattering windows and and debris. Bursts of automatic truck, destroying it. gunfire erupted in the street between the Sheraton and the reinforcements, foreigners and journalists.

Palestine said two rockets fired at the hotels. from the back of a pickup truck hit the Sheraton, shattering Tigris River from the U.S.

Militants fired rockets at a set blaze as tracer bullets heavily guarded Green Zone, noon and smoke rose from hotel housing foreigners in the streaked across the darkened heart of Baghdad on Thursday sky. Several shaken Westerners night, causing minor damage, emerged from the hotel, some improvised bomb was found in while U.S. officials said two covering their mouths with American soldiers were killed cloths, as workers swept up by roadside bombs outside the broken glass. A huge crack

A security guard speaking on condition of anonymity said private security guards filling the lobby with smoke compound fired at the pickup

Palestine hotel, both bases for Bradley fighting vehicles, armored personnel carriers and Security guards at the Humvees, to take up positions

The hotels are across the

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — windows, and a palm tree was Embassy compound in the Green Zone on Thursday afterwhere U.S. authorities earlier inside the compound. The U.S. raised a security alert after an military had no immediate front of a restaurant there.

> The warning to Americans and Iraqi officials in the Green Tuesday of an explosive device travel in groups and avoid speat the Green Zone Cafe, a pop- cific areas and nonessential ular hangout for Westerners travel. deployed on the roofs in the living and working in the com-The U.S. Army rolled in offices. A U.S. military ord- live inside the 4-square-mile including nance detachment safely dis- district, located along the westarmed it, U.S. officials said.

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information on the incident. Insurgents regularly fire at the compound. Americans living and work-

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Although movements in and pound — which houses major out of the Green Zone are U.S. and Iraqi government restricted, about 10,000 Iraqis ern side of the Tigris River.

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# Jury

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indicted for two counts of driving while intoxicated, third or more offense. Bond on the first third-degree felony indictment was set at \$3,000. Bond on the second \$3,500.

On July 25 and Sept. 17, Garcia allegedly operated a motor vehicle in a public place while intoxicated.

He was convicted in Collingsworth County of driving while under the influence of alcohol on April 8, 1992 and Aug. 2, 2000.

Martin Hernandez, 45, was indicted for driving while intoxicated, third or more offense. Bond on the third-degree felony was set at \$3,500.

On March 76, Hernandez allegedly operated a motor vehicle while intoxicated.

Hernandez was convicted of driving while intoxicated Jennifer Ann Johnson, 33, deprive her of the property.

was indicted for injury to an elderly individual. Bond on the third-degree felony was set at \$4,000.

On Sept. 23, 2003, Johnson allegedly hit Willie Marlene Johnson, an individual 65 years of age or older, on the head with a phone and pushed her onto the floor.

Wendy Gammage, 21, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance. Bond on the state jail felony was set at \$1,000.

On Jan. 3, Gammage allegedly possessed less than one gram of methamphetamine.

Martha Leah Towles, 43, was indicted for the state jail felony of theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000. Bond was set at \$5,000.

On June 8, 2003, Towles allegedly took a bicycle, air compressor, rototiller, two televisions, a videocassette recorder, a Nintendo, 10 Nintendo games, a spotlight and a sewing machine from on March 1,1 and on Oct. 11, Cinda Pugh, the owner of 1989, in McCulloch County. the property, with intent to

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# Boy

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the events of the summer. I think there is more information in regards to that event that needs to be discussed. Also, I have some concerns after reading school records and recommendations for counseling in the past," Collins testified.

house Aug. 13 in response to an anonymous call to emergency services stating the boy was living there alone. In a news release, police

said the boy had been living alone at the house for a month or more, with his mother coming by and leaving food for him periodical-

The house had a strong odor from the feces, urine and trash, according to the release. The boy told police he had lost the telephone number for his mother. Pampa police officers Utility service including found the boy alone at the electricity and telephone service was on at the house, police said.

# Record

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2:37 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

### **Ambulance**

Guardian EMS Transport responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Wednesday, Oct. 6

1:29 p.m. – A Mobile Intensive Care Unit responded to the 1300 block of West Somerville and transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:35 p.m. - A MICU responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky and transported one to PRMC.

5:05 p.m. - A MICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported one to PRMC.

7:22 p.m. - A MICU responded to the 400 block of Hughes. No patient transported.

# Following in the footsteps of Texas' history

In a recent column, I recalled our state's rich Native American history in light of the opening of the National Museum of American Indians.

Amusuay, welver 1, -00.

This week, I want to tell you about another significant aspect of our past - the early Hispanic history in Texas in conjunction with another development in Washington.

After years of work, Congress enacted my legislation granting El Camino Real de los Tejas the status of a U.S. National Historic Trail - a privilege so rare that only 15 other trails throughout the entire nation have been given that status by Congress.

Adentro was the first trail to be nationally recognized in Texas. Extending from Mexico City, Mexico to San Juan Pueblo, New Mexico, this route once served as the sole artery for news, supplies, and travel to the farflung Spanish colony of New Mexico.

Now, we take another step in enriching our heritage and education by recognizing El Camino Real de los Tejas.

For nearly 300 years "The Royal Road" operated as a corridor for settlers, immigrants, Indians and the military. Its various trails assisted victories during both the American Revolutionary

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launched a quick surprise assault on the Texans Hutchison San Antonio utilizing an

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adjacent trail. As the first major highway into Texas and Louisiana, El Camino Real opened the pathways to trade and cultural exchange.

In October of 2000, El War and the Texas War of it's a 2,600 mile path embed. Alto and a dozen historical those portions of the trail Camino Real de Tierra Independence, particularly ded with footprints and small towns that help make during the infamous battle of tracks that narrate longthe Alamo. Davy Crockett standing tales about Texas used a section of the trail to and all who settled here or

As visitors travel down this winding

route, they'll follow in the footsteps of Spanish missionaries of 1691, Mexican

and Texan armies of 1836, Anglo-American settlers and personages such as Jim Bowie and Sam Houston, all while observing Spanish El Camino Real de los missions in San Antonio, Tejas is more than a road; Caddo Indian mounds in right to opt in or opt out of

Texas unique. Preserving this landmark enhances our heritage and culture, which is why I first proposed this important measure designating El Camino Real de Los Tejas as a National Historic Trail.

Under this piece of legislation, the path will be recognized nation-wide on maps as a significant landmark. The law authorizes the National Parks System, working under Department of Interior, to designate, establish and maintain the trail. Significantly, the designation gives landowners the

that are not public property, helping to protect private property owners. In addition, the bill will allow our state agencies, such as the Texas Historical Commission, to participate in the establishment and des-

ignation of the trail to boost tourism and economic development. One of the reasons for this

law is to promote education for current and future Texans, as well as the many tourists who will visit each year. My bill allows the Secretary of Interior to coordinate activities with the United States and Mexican

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# Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Oct. 7, the 281st day of 2004. There are 85 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 7, 1765, the Stamp Act Congress convened in New York to draw up colonial grievances against England.

On this date: In 1777, the second Battle of Saratoga began during the American Revolution. (British forces under General John

Burgoyne surrendered 10 days later.) In 1849, author Edgar Allan Poe died in Baltimore at age

In 1940, Artie Shaw and his Orchestra recorded Hoagy

Carmichael's "Stardust" for RCA Victor. In 1949, the Republic of East Germany was formed.

In 1950, the U.N. General Assembly approved an advance by U.N. forces north of the 38th Parallel in the Korean Conflict.

In 1954, 50 years ago, Marian Anderson became the first black singer hired by the Metropolitan Opera Co. in New

> **Character** consists of what you do on the third and fourth tries.

James Michener American novelist

In 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy and Republican opponent Richard M. Nixon held the second of their broadcast debates.

In 1979, Pope John Paul Il concluded his weeklong tour of the United States with a Mass on the Washington Mall.

In 1985, Palestinian gunmen hijacked the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro in the Mediterranean with

more than 400 people aboard.

In 1998, Matthew Shepard, a gay college student, was beaten and left tied to a wooden fencepost outside of Laramie, Wyoming; he died five days later. (Russell Henderson later pleaded guilty to murder; a second suspect, Aaron McKinney, was convicted of murder; both were sentenced to life in prison.)

Ten years ago: President Clinton ordered Army troops on alert and dispatched an aircraft carrier to the Persian Gulf after Iraqi troops were spotted moving south toward Kuwait. President Clinton also held an East Room news conference in which he expressed frustration over failures in his legislative agenda, blaming Republicans for "trying to stop it, slow it, kill it or just talk it to death."

Five years ago: American Home Products Corporation resolved one of the biggest product liability cases ever by agreeing to pay up to \$4.83 billion to settle claims that the fen-phen diet drug combination caused dangerous heart valve problems.

# NEWS ITEM: Cartoonist vanishes after Vice Presidential debate. Note left saying, "I found Cheney likable."

# That 'deer in the headlights' look

Dan Quayle in the space of late. 90 minutes.

Confronted with Dick first presi-Cheney's obvious compe- dential tence, incisive parries to his debate was charges and devastating a contrast rebuttal of his phony statis- of Bush's tics, Edwards looked like the substance proverbial deer in the head-

Normally, vice presiden- vice-presidential should serve President Bush well. With Edwards parroting Sen. John Kerry's line in last week's presidential

Edwards went from seeming answers Bush should have boy. to be like JFK to emulating offered but failed to articu-

Dick

**Morris** 

Columnist

the and Kerry's

style, the tial debates are not signifi- gave Cheney a chance to cant. But this confrontation emphasize the president's positions and Kerry's contradictions without tripping over his own words.

(Tuesday) night John debate, Cheney gave the and Edwards looked like a

On the attack, the North Carolina senator to this observer



lightweight, almost transparent his

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debate absence of heft and gravitas. Cheney looked like the authority, the wise one, the arbiter of facts and statistics.

lawyer, Cheney acted like a Cheney looked like a man judge. The Democrat pro-

posed, but the vice president disposed. There was no doubt as to who was in charge.

The highlight of the seemed, debate came when Cheney surprising- said that he had presided over the Senate as vice presshallow ident on almost every Tuesday and noted that the first time he met John Edwards was last night.

And when the vice president zeroed in on Edwards' poor Senate attendance record, the Democrat couldn't parry that he only missed If Edwards acted like a the votes because he was

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# Campaign ignores health care issues

It's the 800-pound gorilla in the room, largely ignored in a presidential campaign dominated by security issues and the war in Iraq.

There are 45 million Americans who lack health insurance coverage, and that number is expected to rise to more than 49 million by 2000, which leads to an economic reality: health care costs are among the fastestgrowing expenses for employers both large and

Employers have been reluctant to hire full-time help because of health insurance costs. Since 2000, employer-sponsored health premiums increased by nearly 60 per-

partisan Kaiser Foundation. Costs for government health insurance coverage, such as Medicaid and Medicare, tion drugs, medical advance-

have also risen, though sharply as in the private sec-

Austin American-Statesman

insurance costs are rising so rapidly: We're spending more for hospital care in part because of consolidations and mergers that have given hospitals greater clout in Democratic challenger John have charging higher prices for. Kerry offer very different their services. Moreover, approaches to addressing

requiring more medical care as they age. Expensive new prescrip-

ments

new equip-**Texas Thoughts** ment and testing also are driving

The Kaiser Foundation

There is little disagree- estimates that spending on ment about why health care health care in the United States had risen to \$5,400 per person by 2002, the highest per capita spending of any country.

President Bush and

cent, according to the non- Americans are living longer, health care coverage and its

The Bush plan would use a combination of tax credits, tax incentives and health spending accounts to help families and private employers purchase health insurance. Small businesses would be able to buy health insurance from multistate trade associations. It includes a "Cover the Kids" campaign to sign up children who are eligible for but not enrolled in the governmentfinanced Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance programs.

Those initiatives would expand health care coverage

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Steward archeologist Douglas approximately six foot of eolian adobe-type material. Wilkens will present a slide program sand. on the partial excavation of a burned

Sunday, Oct. 10, at the White Deer Land Museum, 116 S. Cuyler.

The site, named "Hank's House," is on the M-Cross Ranch belonging to John R. Erickson, author of "Hank the Cowdog" series. The program is sponsored by Gray County Historical Commission in recognition of Texas Archeology month Wilkens and is open to the public.



evidence," Wilkens.

excavation The materials used and dauber's nest. methods for construcsupports and that of he said. Indian grass covered

"One of the most interesting dis- a member of the "The preservation was extraordi- coveries associated with the house Texas Historical pithouse, ca. 700 A.D., at 2:30 p.m., nary and yielded a tremendous were the plant remains in the form of Commission's amount of architectural charred seeds, representing the plant. Archeological reported products consumed by these early Stewardship villagers," said Wilkens.

> The discovery also included a volunteer work revealed the floor plan, well-preserved, charred mud has been prima-

> "This indicates that those people breaks of the tion. Juniper posts were had to live with the same annoy- Candian River used for roof and wall ances from flying insects as we do," in the northeast-

A resident of Perryton, Wilkens the became involved in archeology in Panhandle. He The walls were 1986 working on the Courson Ruins gives programs The pithouse was buried beneath believed to be constructed of an project in Ochiltree County. He has to organizations as well as students following the program.

attended several field schools and is in local and area schools.

The preservation was extraordinary and yielded a tremendous amount of architectural evidence.'

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Douglas Wilkens Archeologist

"You will really enjoy his program," said Dana Donahue of the Perryton Chamber of Commerce.

Gerald Wright of Pampa will have a display of artifacts found at the "Ringtown Saloon" used by Buffalo Soldiers stationed at Fort Elliott. The display will include bottles, shell cartridges, a harmonica, and military buttons.

The Pioneer Cottage will be open for viewing

# Sandy Carr elected to TVSA board

# Roberts County program director seeks input from victims

Assistance program director, gation of parwas recently elected to repre- ticular crimes sent West Texas on the Texas and the charac-Victim Services Association teristics of the Board of Directors.

Carr will represent 51 those crimes. counties in West Texas including all of the Texas working with Panhandle. TVSA provides victims support, education and crime at the recognition for victim serv- Tralee Crisis ice providers across the state. Center

Carr earned a degree in Pampa as the psychology from West Texas victims services coordinator State University in 1992. She and later as the executive Texas Department of Public helped, what hurt, what was has continued her education director. She has been an Safety in crisis response available to them and what with state, national, local and interviewer for the Bridge training.

MIAMI - Sandy Carr, area training dealing with Children's Advocacy Center

offenders of

She began

Roberts County Victim crime victims and/or investi- and worked independently providers or victim service investigating

> custody cases. board member of the Carr Against Assault and other addressed in the coming year. local/area boards. She County for two years.

Victims, victim service child coordinators associated with law enforcement or prosecu-Carr is a former tor agencies may contact sandy Association carr@co.roberts.tx.us with Sexual suggestions on topics to be

Believing that the true had been program expert about the needs of vicdirector for Roberts tims are the victims them-Victim selves, Carr said she would Assistance Program like to hear from victims of crime about their experiences She is certified by the in the "system," about what

# BBB hosts first Scam Jam, Consumer Expo

AMARILLO – The Better television shows as Oprah, the first annual Scam Jam Maury Povich, Hard Copy, on business fraud on and Consumer Expo on Inside Edition and CNN. Wednesday, Oct. 13, from 8 Baptist Church, 801 Tascosa everyone.

He has appeared on such cial health.'

Business Bureau will host Extra, Today, The View, special merchant's seminar

a.m. to 1 p.m. at San Jacinto free. The event is open to owners and managers about

Keynote speaker will be munity to help with the seri-Chuck Whitlock, an authorious issue of fraud is one of is an opportunity to visit ty on white collar crime. the key services of the with Chuck and get some Chuck Whitlock has BBB," said Janna Kiehl, answers on fraud concerns exposed numerous con executive director. for your business," said artists and captured scams "Education and information Kiehl. are essential to your finan-

Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. Admission to Scam Jam is He will inform business fraud and teach them how to "Reaching out to the com- protect their business.

Whitlock will conduct a

"The merchant's seminar

Booth space for Scam Jam is still available. Businesses who want to reach consumers with their products and services can display them at Scam Jam.

News reporters from all three television networks will be at Scam Jam to show how and why they do investigative work.

The BBB is hosting this event in partnership with Valero Energy Corporation in celebration of the BBB's anniversary 65th. Amarillo.

TCLEOSE Certification Training will also be available at Scam Jam. Call (806) 379-6834 for more information.

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# History

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public and non-governmental organizations. By collaborating with Mexican institutions, academic programs will help enrich our knowledge of the trail's history, geography and cultures, while enhancing resource preservation and public understanding.

This legendary trail forged the way for the early development of Texas into a Spanish colony, an independent Republic and, final-

ly, our nation's 28th state.

This corridor is not just a highway; it is the foundation of an inspirational past and, with this designation, will become an even more important academic and economic aspect of Texas as our second national historic trail.

# Look

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running for president. Why? Because virtually all he has done in the Senate has been to run for president.

Having served only 5 1/2 years in the Senate, Edwards has been seeking the presidency - and missing votes for half of his tenure in office.

The Al Gore vice presidential candidacy of 1992 was the beginning of a process of choosing a VP who will provide a metaphor to help us grasp the essence of the presidential candidate. 6 limitations and, by infer-

Whereas formerly one sought balance in the ticket by naming a person who was one's opposite, Bill Clinton chose Gore to emphasize the generational aspect of his candidacy and to stress its

moderate mid-south roots. Cheney is not a metaphor

for Bush. He's older, wiser and more articulate. But Edwards served as a poor ries and trial-lawyer hokum metaphor for Kerry. His lack that Edwards showed him-

stance and glib inexperience made one wonder about John Kerry. Edwards' inability to go beyond his talking

points - the same ones Kerry had

ence, suggested that Kerry suffered from similar prob-

Even when the debate swung to domestic issues, Edwards found himself trying to climb out of questions

on gay marriage and trial lawvers.

It was only when he could lapse into biographical sto-

self to advantage. His canned stories and rehearsed closing statement stood in contrast to his plasticized rendition of his talking points for the balance of the debate.

Dick Cheney

helped Bush get

well from a poor

Dick Morris Columnist

'Cheney is not

a metaphor for

Bush. He's older,

wiser, and more

articulate.'

performance. already used - illustrated his John Edwards made it look like the Democratic ticket was out classed and out gunned.

> Dick Morris is a political analyst and was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20 years.

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# Health

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for 8.2 million people and lower employers' spending on health care by \$4.7 billion, according to the Lewin Group, a nonpartisan health care and human services research and consulting firm based in Washington, D.C.

The Kerry plan also builds on private insurance programs, using tax credits and other incentives. But the steer the plan intact through

centerpiece of Kerry's plan features a public-private initiative in which the federal government would pick up 75 percent of the cost of catastrophic medical care. Kerry's plan expands coverage to 25.2 million people and reduces employers' health insurance costs by \$52.1 billion.

The Kerry plan promises more, but its estimated price tag, \$1.2 trillion, is prohibitive. Moreover, the political chances that Kerry could

the Republican-controlled Congress is doubtful, making the promise a hollow one. By contrast, the Bush plan totes a comparatively modest \$227.5 billion price tag that is more likely to get sympathetic treatment in the Congress.

longer.

Action will require firm leadership from the president because rapidly rising health care costs are choking employers' balance sheets and sapping wages of working moms. The gorilla in the room can't be ignored much

# Dear Abby.

response to "Curly in Chesterfield, Mo.," who asked for guidelines on tipping hairdressers who rent their stations and keep 100 percent of the fees. they charge. "Curly" was of the opinion that tipping is only for people who work on commission.

You correctly advised her to ask her hairdresser if tips are accepted -- and advised her that the usual amount is 15 to 20 percent of the bill.

the number of people who don't stylist is an owner, manager or just a hairstylist, that person is still giving the customer a servmore than that, and some still give nothing.

when they give a tip, they are saying, "Thank you."

- STYLIST IN WISCONSIN

### **DEAR STYLIST: Not every**one agrees. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I disagree with salon owner. She sets her own tomer, prices and hours. I typically pay her \$100 for a cut, style and highlights, which takes her about more per hour than I do, at a business she basically owns!

I only tip people who work for wage. I don't tip restaurant own- job. ers, and they don't expect it. They want my return business. RENE IN SAN PEDRO

### DEAR RENE: And that's so do I. your privilege. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I am a selfto respond to "Curly." We may about 50 percent of what we make. I would love not to depend

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in on tips, but in the town where I live, hairstylists can't command large fees. I am very grateful for my clients' generosity. -- M. IN VIRGINIA

> DEAR M.: You are not the only person who wanted to explain the financial facts of life regarding the beauty business. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Thank you so much for your response to 'Curly." Customers think that Speaking as a hairstylist for because we pay rent, we pocket the last 20 years, I cannot believe all our income. Wrong! People don't realize that on top of the know how to tip. Whether the rent we pay, we must also purchase all of our own tools, chemicals and products. Our seissors alone cost at least \$150 -- most ice. Many of my clients give of the time more. When they need sharpening, it costs \$25. We have no benefits. We must pay People should remember that for 100 percent of our insurance. If our kids get sick and we can't work -- we don't get paid. We are considered self-employed, so we pay all of our Social Security. (When you are employed by someone else, the employer pays half.) When a customer stands us up, we are not only out the your reply to "Curly." My hair- money, but we are also out the dresser rents her station from the time we allocated for that cus-

It is amazing to me how those who have the most money are the stingiest tippers -- and the people 2 1/2 hours. The woman makes who have little are so generous! I feel that when you treat customers with love and cater to their needs, a tip is their response someone and earn minimum to how well we are doing our

- MISS TRESS IN KANKA-KEE, ILL.

# DEAR MISS TRESS: And

Dear Abby is written by employed hairstylist, and I'd like Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was take home 100 percent of our founded by her mother, Pauline fees, but after we pay for rent, Phillips. Write Dear Abby at supplies, taxes and the salary of www.DearAbby.com or P.O. our shampoo girls, we keep only Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

### For Better Or Worse



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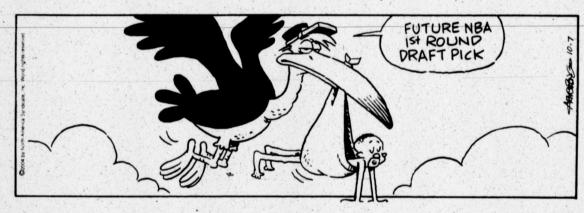


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### Marvin

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# Sports Day

# Soria takes 1st place at Canadian meet Senior spotlight

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Here are the Pampa Cross Country Team results from the Canadian Meet held Oct. 2:

Junior High Girls	11 40	
Soria Faby	11:42	lst
Whitney Webster	12:53	10th
Cindy Meza	14:29	51st
Destiny Fitzer	14:47	65th
Olivia Chairez	14:54	69th
Gabby Savior	15:41	90th
Jessica Ramirez	15:50	96th
Amanda Harkins	15:52	98th

Allie Ramey 16:29 111th Christian Martinez 16:30 112th \*The junior high girls' team finished 7th overall.

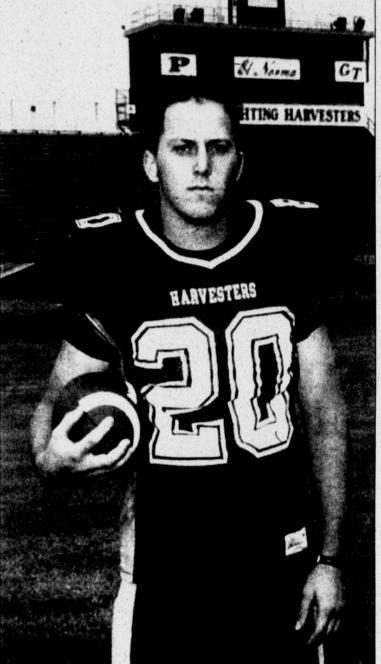
**Junior High Boys** Paul Soria 12:29 10th 13:47 Norman Rodgers 19th

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Tamara Trevathan 13:02 36th Maggie Hopkins 13:20 48th Jerica Timmons- 13:24 50th

**Varsity Boys** Matt Jimenez- 16:13 10th Wayne Parker- 16:48 13th Jimmy Logan- 18:24 22nd Chase Guyer- 19:53 28th

The team's next meet is scheduled for this Saturday, Oct. 9, at WTAMU's Horse Center.



PHS Senior Dusty Lenderman is a solid performer on both offense and defense.

# 7th, 8th grade football kick-off time changes

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The times originally listed for the 7th and 8th grade football games scheduled for tonight were incorrect.

The 7th grade team will take the field at home

against Perryton this afternoon at 5 p.m. The 8th grade game will follow at around 6:30 p.m. They too are hosting Perryton.

# **PHS Baseball Booster** Club, FFA steak dinner

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

This Pampa High School is an all you can eat steak Baseball Booster Club and FFA fundraiser is scheduled for 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. tomorrow in the PHS cafeteria. - for more information.

dinner is \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids under 8. Contact the booster club

Better come hungry. This

### TRIPPING WITH RICKY

# 8 million reasons Ricky Williams wants to come back to Miami Dolphins, NFL

Stevens

Sports

Can of worms? Check. Opinion? Check. Subject matter? would imagine, and write it off as a loss. Oh yeah. Let's do this thing.

The least surprising sports headline of late? How about, "Ricky Williams wants to return to Miami

Dolphins"? This should come as a surprise to absolutely no one. "Local girl loses Michael J. tooth", "Dog barks at mailman", "Hoffa, Elvis found alive" - All far more surprising than Williams wanting to come back. Frankly, I was taken aback by the death of comedian Rodney Dangerfield more than I was this alleged news.

Of course he wants to come back. Nothing says, "Oops, I made a mistake", more than being told you must pay back more than \$8 million dollars to the team you abandoned in favor of your love of traveling. Whether you do so by plane, train, automobile or herb.

Williams has all but admitted he has at least a working knowledge, if not, a fond appreciation of marijuana. It is the reason the man has failed a number of league mandated drug tests. It was reported when he quit - sorry, retired - he knew he had failed yet another test and faced further penalties and possible suspension. He covered this up with some sort of yarn about how he had the munchies - sorry, desire - to travel and read books. He wasn't sure where he would go. He just knew he wanted go. This was before the \$8 million dollar thing wafted into the picture.

Maybe he doesn't have the money. Perhaps he spent it while 'traveling'. This is would be worse for him actually. How do you explain where that money went? Is Ganja an investment? How does one structure a tax shelter for it? Perhaps one could show it as an investment, agriculture I

Come on, if you were a teammate, would you take him back? Could you hallucinate - sorry, pretend - it never hap-

pened and pick up where you left off before? How could you? It is not unlike dating someone for a couple years only to have them split for what they thought was something better. But when they realized the grass - sorry, grass - wasn't greener on the other side of hill, they came running back. And who knows where they have been, or who they have been with? Yuck:

Not a risk I would be willing to take. Zach Thomas agrees. He told the Associated Press, "He will not be playing for the Dolphins." Thomas went on to say, "He's got too many things with the fans and too much with the media, and that's the reason he ran from it in the first place. He wouldn't come back here."

Williams wants to be a productive part of the Miami Dolphins, or any other team, about as much as I want an IRS audit. As always, he is looking out for himself and his stash - sorry, bank account. NFL players, former teammates, coaches, fans and those brought in to fill the void he left behind should be embarrassed there is even the hint that the NFL would consider allowing him to return. Any deserving young man who missed the opportunity Williams stole and traded for his own selfishness should be angry. His herbalist - sorry, travel agent - should also be con-

If Williams is allowed to return to the NFL, at any time, it will be an injustice. Give the money back and move on,

# Dusty Lenderman, Rec/DB

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

At 5'9", 164 pounds, Dusty Lenderman is a force to be reckoned with, especially on the defensive side of the ball. His name and number are often mentioned by stadium announcers following a tackle.

**Dusty Lenderman** 

Jersey: #20

today.

Player Position(s)- Wide Receiver/Corner

Player Grade-12

Player Parent(s)/Guardian(s)- Larry & Janet Lenderman School Activities/Interests- NHS, Coke Fund Committee, FCA

Player information provided by the PHS Football Booster Club.

### PHS tennis team will try again

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Coach Josh Freeman's team is scheduled to meet tennis team will try to take Caprock at 4 p.m. the home courts again

Matches were postponed this past Tuesday due to The Harvester tennis weather.

# PHS Freshman football team Thinking ahead faces Demons and globulins

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

It will be a test of will for the PHS Freshman football team today.

The team is scheduled to travel to Dumas this afternoon to take on the Demons. For many however, the ride will be made less pleasant after receiving Hepatitis A immune globulin shots earlier in the day.

The shots were a precautionary measure following yesterday's announcement the virus had been detected at a McDonald's

restaurant in Hereford. Anyone who may have eaten there during the dates listed in the report, including Sept. 23, were encouraged to get the shot. The Freshman team played Hereford on that date. They also ate at that McDonalds.

The Dumas game is set to kick off at 5 p.m. this afternoon.

The JV team is also on the road this afternoon. They will travel to Randall. That game is scheduled to get underway at 7



Photo by CAROLYN THERO

Pampa High School Head Coach Heath Parker takes some notes during the Amarillo High game earlier in the season. Parker and his Varsity squad will start District 3-4A competition at home tomorrow night against Randall. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

# Gary Sheffield will not be penalized for use of steroid

NEW YORK (AP) — Yankees star Gary Sheffield will not be penalized by the commissioner's office after his admission that he unknowingly used a cream two years ago that contained illegal steroids.

Sports Illustrated reported in this week's issue that the New York outfielder was supplied a cream by BALCO, the California lab at the center of a federal probe into illegal steroids distribution.

Sheffield said he applied the cream on his surgically repaired right knee in 2002. He was not told it contained an illegal steroid,

the magazine said.

Under baseball's labor deal, players with major league contracts were each tested once for steroids this season. A provision allows more frequent testing if a joint management-labor panel of physicians finds "reasonable cause."

Sheffield also told ESPN he used another steroid called "the clear" for two months, the network reported. He said it was to aid his recovery from workouts and that he stopped using it because it wasn't helping.

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The Lefors Junior High girls' Cross Country Team is, from left to right- Linda Everson, Haley Smith, Ashlyn Johnson, Emily Jackson, Ashley Shepard, Eleesha Simpson, Valorie Willis, Misty Parish, Lacy Johnston, Abby Andis and Brittney Coombes.

# Astros pound Atlanta in Game 1

car pool, doing some yard ing for us." work, relaxing in front of the television.

And miss this? No way.

The Rocket is a step closer to getting back to the World Series, and the Houston Astros are along for the ride.

"We're very happy when

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ATLANTA (AP) — the mound," Jeff Bagwell the wild-card Astros routed Roy Oswalt to the mound Roger Clemens could have said. "That's the main thing the Atlanta Braves 9-3 in been taking his turn in the — Roger Clemens is pitch- Game 1 of the NL division

playoffs Wednesday.

'We're very happy when we see Roger Clemens on the mound.'

> Jeff Bagwell Houston Astros

Picking up where they we see Roger Clemens on left off in the regular season,

Houston is 0-for-7 in playoff series, losing three of its last four to the Braves. But there's a sense in the Astros' clubhouse that this could finally be their year.

It starts with Clemens, who retired after pitching for the New York Yankees in last year's World Series. changed his mind, jumping at the chance to play not far

The 42-year-old pitcher can't do it alone, of course. The Astros have a lethal lineup that showed off its power in Atlanta, hitting four homers and setting a franchise record for runs in a postseason game.

"This team feels real good about itself," Bagwell said. "We came in on a roll."

The Astros carried over their momentum from the regular season, when they won 36 of the last 46 games to claim an improbable wild card.

Game 2 is Thursday at Turner Field, with Houston sending 20-game winner

against Mike Hampton. The NL East champion Braves can't afford to go down 0-2 in a best-of-five series heading to Minute Maid Park, where the Astros have an 18-game winning streak.

"We have to win three of the next four games," Marcus Giles said, "but we have done that plenty of times."

Brad Ausmus, Lance Berkman and Carlos Beltran homered off Braves starter Jaret Wright, who didn't make it through the fifth.

Clemens showed the effects of a stomach virus that kept him from making his last start of the regular season. The Hall of Famer-About two months later, he to-be had two wild pitches and walked six — all in the first four innings and the from suburban Houston most he's given up in a game since 1998.

Clemens also had trouble with his footing on the mound, but he displayed plenty of grit in winning a Game 1 start for the first time in his storied career. The Braves stranded nine runners in those first four innings, when the Rocket was his most vulnerable.

He wound up lasting seven innings, throwing 117 pitches, giving up six hits and two earned runs, while striking out seven.

"I had to will my way through that game," he said. "Sometimes, it takes more than talent or more than a 95-mph fastball.

### LANCE ARMSTRONG

# Always planning

Days like this are what himself — is where it veers Lance Armstrong calls the "obligation of the cured."

They involve very little riding and too much talking and his schedule is already overcooked. But this debt is personal.

Almost eight years after his own bout with cancer, Armstrong remains convinced he survived to accomplish something besides stringing six straight Tour de France titles together.

"You used to have a sort of a bike show here in town a long time ago," the Texan begins, telling a story from the stage set up in a downtown plaza. "Just after I the bike show and decided I bike ride one day."

Armstrong's tale meanders through a nearby park, which he planned to cut through on his way to the lakefront. Instead, reached the other side and was stopped by a sign that "The read, Cancer Survivors Garden."

"It was such an emotional time for me," he recalled. "I sat in that garden a long, long time."

Late-afternoon shadows divide the crowd almost neatly in half, but all of them know where the story proceeds from there. What no one knows — including, perhaps, even Armstrong

next.

The only thing that seems clear at the moment, barely two months after he zoomed down the wide boulevard of the Champs-Elysées and onto the pages of cycling history, is that the man doesn't want to be rushed.

Armstrong of Austin says he'll ride in at least one more Tour de France, but still won't say whether it's next year or 2006. His heart tells him to race in the Grand Tours of Italy and Spain and some of the oneday classic spring races, to display the versatility that was the hallmark of his was diagnosed, I came to mentor, Belgian racing great Eddy Merckx. His was going to go out for a head tells him that winning all of them in a single season might be impossible, even for him.

Yet Armstrong still seems too competitive to sit still for long and too devoted to advocating on behalf of fellow cancer survivors to give up the platform. On the other hand, he conceded his conditioning was "pretty much at rock bottom." And on days when he speaks to crowds, instead of the dozens of miles his maniacal training regimen was composed of, his rides typically total a few hundred yards to a stage. And so Armstrong is biding his

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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 skip into the office just to skip on out as fast as you can. Whatever happens during the day, you're focused on the weekend. Do apply some of your enthusiasm and creativity to work -- make a good show for the boss, if nothing else. Tonight: Remember, you don't have to do it all in one night!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ You are between a rock and a hard place. Bosses are confused or not focused on the moment. Getting a clear answer might not be in the realm of possibilities. Your family and domestic life (and the cat) demand your attention, whether you like it or not. You do a major juggling act; so what if you drop a pin!? Tonight: Rush home, slamthe door shut and don't answer the phone. Then take a deep breath!

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\*\*\*\* You insist on being the office chatterbox. With all the words that spill out of your mouth, how will anyone get the essence of your message? Plans or meetings change at the last moment. Schedule personal phone calls for tomorrow. Tonight: Join your CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★ Money becomes a prime consideration in a partnership. Have you thought that you give too much? An associate or partner might be confused about his or her values. This person also might presently not be able to add two and two. Tonight: Treat yourself to something new.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* You might not be seeing someone in his or her true light, but how you want to see this person. Right now, everything, including plans, falls as you would like it to. Please note others' reactions. You cannot always be as dominant as you are now. Tonight: The Lion is truly king or queen right now. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Others look to you for guidance. Isn't it tiring being the person everyone

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\*\*\*\* You have an unusual perspective, brought on by detachment. Your ability to "intuit" the right answer or solution might be questioned by others. Tonight: Opt for a new place or restaurant. Break patterns.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*★ Others seek you out. Many have questions that tap your strengths. You could be evaluating how much you want to get involved. Make time for trusted associates, partners and friends. Tonight: Quality time with a loved one. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\* You might be confusing others, maybe even yourself. You miss what others really say and do. You insist on being starry-eyed and idealistic. When others tumble off their pedestals, recognize who put them there! Tonight: Just don't be alone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\* Take your time. Put the finishing touches on work and a project. You might want to run an errand on the way home. Get needed exercise and take care of yourself. Buy a new plant or favorite munchie. Tonight: Put your feet up.

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# Wells seizes chance to play again

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— Jonathan Wells

Running Back, Houston

Wells spent nearly all of training camp on special teams units and sharing repetitions with guys who were certain to be unemployed soon.

Clearly no longer in the Houston Texans' plans at running back, Wells began to wonder if his spot on the ing for 529 yards on 197 carries, an team might be in jeop-

"It crossed my mind," the three-year veteran Wednesday. "I tried to stay positive. I knew I was going to get my chance. I just didn't when or know where." That chance finally

came a few weeks into the regular season. Starting tailback Domanick · Davis

backup Tony Hollings missed his second game with a bruised right

The Texans had no choice but to start Wells, and he delivered.

scored a key two-point conversion in Houston's final preseason cut. a victory over the Chiefs. He broke out with his first 100-yard rushing game against Oakland. Now, he's a valuable commodity on a team that has struggled to find a dependable and healthy — running back.

"We have guys that have proven

HOUSTON (AP) — Jonathan themselves like Jonathan, Domanick and Tony," quarterback David Carr said. "They all can do a good job for us when called upon."

> Wells had a good beginning with the Texans. As a rookie, he started 11 games for the expansion team, rush-

average of 2.7 yards, and three touchdowns.

Lack of production was a big reason Houston had the NFL's worst offense that season, and the team immediately began looking for a replacement in the offseason.

The addition of rookies Davis and Hollings and free agent Stacey Mack

sprained an ankle at Kansas City and dropped Wells to fourth on the depth chart in 2003. He ran just five times for 14 yards last season.

By summer, Wells was down to splitting carries with running backs who joined the team midway Wells made a few tough runs and through camp. He barely made

> Wells still figured he'd be given another opportunity, probably with another team.

"I was going to run the ball in the NFL," Wells said. "When? It wasn't my decision. I definitely never gave up hope of being a running back."

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# Wheeler Courthouse rededication set

County Courthouse will be has gone into this program," have been approved, requir- Round II during which \$47.4 dedicated at 2 p.m., Oct. 16, said THC Executive Director ing approximately \$214 mil- million was awarded to 22 following a one-year restora- Larry Oaks. "Counties com- lion in state funds to restore Texas counties to help pretion made possible with a pleting their restoration work the courthouses. \$3,756,508 grant from the serve as inspirations and Texas Historical Commission examples of what can be awarded \$42.2 million to 19 through its Texas Historic accomplished." Courthouse Preservation Program.

return the 1925 Wheeler Gray County. The THC has the 76th Legislature. The program has received mer glory.

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In May 2000, the THC houses. To date, the THC has the THC awarded nearly \$7 assisted in 49 county court- million to 28 counties, which tinue the program. Work began on the project house restoration and preser- was the remainder of the in August 2003 in an effort to vation projects, including original appropriation from overwhelming response the County Courthouse to its for- received 120 mast plans, the 77th Legislature allotted an throughout Texas," said THC first step required in the additional \$50 million to the Architecture "We are now seeing the assistance process. Of those THC to continue the program Director Stan Graves.

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The program received an counties. In October 2001, additional \$45 million from the 78th Legislature to con-

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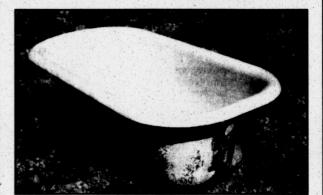
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> Environmental groups oppose the applications.

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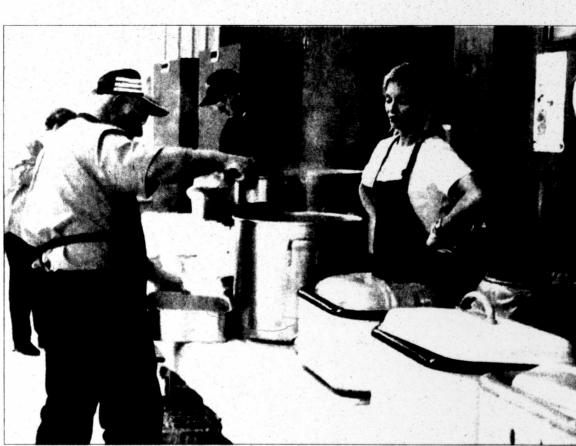


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# Austrian writer Elfriede Jelinek wins Nobel Prize in literature

STOCKHOLM, Sweden she would not attend the Dec. under way," he said. Elfriede Jelinek, a reclusive author whose feminism, leftist politics and pacifism are won the Nobel Prize in literature Thursday for what the Swedish Academy called her side," she said. "musical flow of voices and plays."

speaking countries and she is political comment. widely translated in French.

Austrian writer 10 award ceremony in Stockholm because she suffers from "a social phobia."

common themes in her works, always tried to be on the side completely right about that." of the weak. The side of the powerful is not literature's will appear in May as her first

Her latest counter-voices in novels and "Bambiland," written in 2003 and translated into English in Her most famous novel, 2004, is a strident attack on "The Piano Teacher" in 1983, the U.S. war in Iraq, although was adapted into a 2001 film Horace Engdahl, secretaryby director Michael Haneke, general of the academy, prize to a woman, and a poet, although her other works are emphasized that the prize was the first since 1996, when well-known in German- should not be interpreted as a Wislawa Szymborska of

Jelinek, 57, told The this decision was — if not only 10 women have won it. Associated Press in Vienna already made - then well

Engdahl said "Bambiland"

depicts how "the patriotic enthusiasm turns into insani-"When I write, I have ty." And, he added, "she's

A sequel to "Bambiland" post-Nobel work. Titled "Babel," it deals with "the torture at the Abu Ghraib prison but also with the mutilation of the bodies of the U.S. soldiers in Fallujah," Jelinek said.

The decision to award the Poland won. Since the prize "When that play came out, first was handed out in 1901,

