Today's weather



Deaths

Imogene Silcott, 98, longtime Sunday school teacher.

Citizens on Patrol seeking volunteers

Pampa Police Department will conduct a Citizens On Patrol training class beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23.

Citizens On Patrol is a volunteer organization in which trained individuals act as "extra eyes and ears" for Pampa police by patrolling and reporting suspicious incidents, according to Officer Donny Brown.

All persons interested in taking the training are asked to call the police department's community services division at 669-5700 before Oct. 21 concerning an application.

Applications must be received prior to the class in order for the persons to be eligible to participate, Brown said.

Group accused of sharing ads in secret AUSTIN (AP) —

Company funded advertisements that the Texas Association of Business planned to mail to voters were secretly shared with a campaign, a newspaper reported Sunday.

According to documents examined by the Austin American-Statesman, a consultant who worked for the political action committee Texans for a Republican Majority discussed the mailings while advising San Antonio legislative candidate Ken Mercer, a Republican, leading up to the 2002 election.

It is illegal in Texas to use corporate funds to influence a political campaign, but state law permits corporate money to be used for administrative costs of political action committees, such as rent or utility bills.

For the past two years, a criminal investigation has been trying to determine if the TAB's ads broke the

It's part of an ongoing grand jury investigation that centers around the political action committee, which is an offshoot of U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay's fund-raising committee, Americans for Republican Majority, or ARMPAC.

High court takes aim at redistricting

WASHINGTON (AP) — Monday ordered a lower court to reconsider a Texas congressional map that could give Republicans six more seats in Congress in upcoming elections and help the GOP protect its majority.

The announcement is a victory for Democrats, but will not affect next month's elections.

ry for Texas Republican legislators, who had been accused of going far to draw

new congressional bound- judge panel to reconsider the The Supreme Court on aries after two out-of-state issue. walkouts by Democrats.

States must redraw boundaries every 10 years to reflect population shifts found during the census. Five appeals over the Texas boundary-drawing posed an interesting question: Can political leaders of a Legislature force district drawing more frequently Justices threw out a victo- than once a decade, to make more seats winnable for members of their party?

Justices ordered a three- Tom DeLay had pressed ing plan. A report from the

The Supreme Court has been divided on how much politics should be allowed in redistricting. In a 5-4 ruling this past spring, justices left a narrow opening for challenges claiming party politics overly influenced election maps.

The court said Monday that the Texas map should be viewed again, in light of that decision.

House Majority Leader

state lawmakers to redraw districts, but he was admonished this month by the House ethics committee for getting too involved.

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The committee said that DeLay, the No. 2 Republican in the House, raised "serious concerns" by contacting the Federal Aviation Administration last year to help locate Democratic lawmakers who fled to Oklahoma in an effort to thwart passage of the

DeLay-engineered redistrict-

Transportation Department's inspector general found that DeLay's request set off a search that spread over eight hours and involved at least 13 FAA employees.

In Texas, lawmakers failed to pass new maps for the state's 32 seats in Congress in 2001, after the census numbers were in, so a court drew up a plan.

Republicans took control of the state Legislature and started working on another map in 2003. Democrats in

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Vandals leave trail of broken glass behind

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Pampa Police Department is seeking the person or persons responsible for approximately \$5,000 in broken windows and glass doors at local busi-

nesses.

More than a news

— Lt. Fred "Police investi-

Courtney Pampa Police Department

'Pampa Police

Department has

and will continue to

set up surveillance

cameras at various

businesses in the

hope of catching

the vandals in the

act.

dozen criminal mischief incidents involving Pampa businesses had been reported as of Friday, according to Lt. Fred Courtney in a release dated Oct. 15. Police reports show additional incidents reported over the weekend.

gators theorize the acts are being committed during the early morning hours, but as yet, no suspects have

been identified," Courtney said in the release. Investigators believe the weapon being used is

a sling shot. Officers have recovered single rocks from inside several of the crime scenes, according to the release.

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Pampa News photos by DAVID BOWSER

Gator talk

Jay Reed, whose brother Jeff coaches boys basketball at Pampa High School, holds up a small crocodile caught in the Belize River at Banana Banks in the country of Belize. Reed was in the Central American country on a missionary trip this week with his church group from the Central Baptist Church of Clovis, N.M. Photographer David Bowser met him while in Belize on assignment.

DPS celebrating **School Bus Safety** Week across state

around school buses, according to a DPS news release.

This year's theme, "Shh . . bus when approaching a rail- required to stop. road crossing. State law requires buses to come to a 22 accidents a year involvtrain isn't present.

stopped school bus with motorists illegally passing a alternating red flashing lights are required by law to stop," Kennington, DPS program administrator for school bus transportation. "Violators statistics through 2001, face fines of up to \$1,000 if convicted."

Drivers should not proresumes motion; the driver is signaled by the bus driver to proceed; or the visual sig-

School Bus Safety Week nal is no longer activated. If is Oct. 17-23, and the Texas a road is divided only by a Department of Public Safety left-turning lane, drivers on is asking motorists to prac- both sides of the roadway tice safe driving habits must stop for school buses with alternating red flashing lights activated. If the lanes are separated by an interven-Railroad Crossing" is ing space or physical barrier, designed to emphasize the only motorists going in the need for quiet on a school same direction as the bus are

"There are an average of complete stop before cross- ing a student that was geting railroad tracks, even if a ting on or exiting a bus," Kennington said. "About "Motorists approaching a half of those involved

school bus. Total traffic incidents said Charley involving school buses have increased nearly 36 percent since 1991, based on crash according to the release. School buses account for less than one-half of one ceed until the school bus percent of Texas roadway accidents, however, accord-

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Florida voters begin casting early ballots, some problems reported

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added that he had no con-

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Election Day.

— Steve Perez

Also coming out of the

Early voter

counted.

WEST PALM BEACH, and it seemed easy enough Fla. (AP) — With memories of 2000 and the state's bitter fight over ballots still fresh, cerns about his vote being Floridians began casting votes Monday and within an hour problems cropped

Presidential election

In Palm Beach County, the center of the madness during the recount four years ago, a Democratic state legislator said she wasn't given a complete absentee ballot when she asked to opt for paper instead of the electronic touch-screen machines. And in Orange County, the touch-screen system briefly crashed, paralyzing voting in Orlando and its immedi-

ate suburbs. A steady flow had turned out Monday morning at more than a dozen sites in Day. He said he's voted on the touch-screen machines once before, and both times have gone "very smoothly." "I'm a computer-phobe,

polls on Monday, Steve Palm Beach County. Patrick Perez, 44, said he came early to cast a "protest vote" Flanagan, who went to the for Ralph Nader. county's election headquar-"What's important is that ters to cast his ballot, said he voted early because he wanted to avoid the long lines expected on Election

you vote. I didn't want to get in all the hoopla with all the turnout in Election Day," said Perez, a substitute teacher.

State Rep. Shelley Vana was not so happy. She said the paper absentee ballot

she was given at a Palm Beach County site was missing one of its two pages, including the proposed amendments to the state constitution. She said election workers were indifferent when she pointed out the oversight.

"There was absolutely no concern on the part of the folks at the Supervisor of Elections Office that this page was missing. This is not a good start. If there are incomplete ballots out there, I can't imagine I would be the only one getting it," she said.

County elections supervisor Theresa LePore did not immediately return a call for comment.

Early voting also gets under way Monday in Texas, Colorado and Arkansas. Other key states this year have already begun in-person voting, including Wisconsin, Iowa, Nevada, Ohio, New Mexico and Pennsylvania. Balloting by mail is under way in Oregon, the only state in the nation that has done away with polling booths alto-

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Obituaries

Imogene Silcott, 98

Imogene Silcott, 98, of Pampa, Texas, 1976. died Sunday, Oct. 17, 2004, at Pampa.

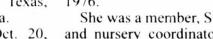
Services will be Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2004, at 2 p.m. at Central Baptist Church with the Rev. C.W. Parker, pastor of Central

Baptist Church, and the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiat-

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Silcott went to be with her Lord on Sunday morning at her home in Pampa. She was born May 29, 1906, in Big Springs, Texas. She has been a resident of Pampa for 75

She married Frank Knight Silcott Dec. 8, www.carmichael-whatley.com. 1926, in Channing, Texas; he died Feb. 1,



She was a member, Sunday school teacher and nursery coordinator at Central Baptist Church for 71 years.

Survivors include four daughters, Frances Edwards of Prairie Grove, Ark., Roberta Babb, Mary Janis Lewis and Anne Briggs, all of Pampa, Texas; one son-in-law, Bob Briggs of Tahlequah, Okla.; 12 grandchildren, Steve Edwards, Rusty Edwards, Joel Edwards, Bessie Nash, Curt Babb, Susan Ratzlaff, Jay Lewis, Jill Lewis, Stan Organ, Steve Organ, Jolea Herring and Angel Wheeler; 19 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Silcott was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Campbell.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Odyssey Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

—Sign the on-line register book at

Accused serial killer facing four capital murder charges

they say strangled a young girl and three other females over a nine-year span.

Meanwhile, an attorney for Anthony Allen Shore says

prosecutors have "proof Prosecutors Prosecutors are seeking the problems" in their case Shore strangled three of the death penalty against a man against the 42-year-old tow females with cord or rope as Monday.

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truck driver who was arrested he sexually assaulted them. in October 2003 and faces The fourth victim, like the four capital murder charges. others, was kidnapped and His trial was set to begin strangled but was not sexually assaulted.

Last year, a private DNA lab in Dallas came up with a profile from old evidence in one of the four cases that was compared to a database of registered sex offenders, police said. The comparison produced a link to Shore, who prosecutors say became a registered sex offender in 1998 for sexually assaulting family members.

Houston Police Department homicide Capt. Richard Holland has said Shore confessed to the 1992 slaying of Maria Del Carmen Estrada, 21, and three others.

Shore's attorney, Gerald Bourque, disputes that his client confessed. He said Shore gave a statement, not a confession. He says the DNA evidence in the Estrada case is questionable.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Tuesday, Oct. 12 Terroristic threats were reported in the 2000 block

of Christine. Thursday, Oct. 14 Criminal mischief was reported in the 1700 block of Hobart. A window val-

ued at \$500 was broken. An arrest, was made in the 1100 block of West Alcock for felony evading arrest with a vehicle and a felony parole warrant.

Friday, Oct. 15

Theft was reported in the 1700 block of Chestnut. A cement statue valued at \$50 was taken.

An unattended death was reported in the 1300 block of Hamilton.

Criminal mischief was reported B&BPharmacy, 300 N. Ballard. A front door glass was broken, for an estimated \$300 in damage.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of East Browning. A window was broken, for an estimated \$52 damage.

Theft under \$50 was reported in the 300 block of South Cuyler. Shoes valued at \$35.99 were taken.

Theft was reported in the 2100 block of Russell. A mixed breed dog valued at \$10 was taken.

An arrest was made at the intersection of Francis and Starkweather Streets for an outstanding warrant out of Oklahoma for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1100 block of North Russell. No injuries were reported. Two arrests were made, one for domestic violence and one for failure to identify.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2800 block of Perryton Parkway. A window valued at \$150 was broken.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1600 block of Hobart. A window valued at \$300 was broken.

Saturday, Oct. 16 Lost property was

reported in the 1100 block of Neel Road. A wallet and contents were taken, for an estimated loss of \$76.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of West Wilks.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1200 block of Hobart. A window valued at \$300 was broken.

Richard Santana, 25, Borger, was arrested for evading arrest and for a parole violation on a charge of possession of marijuana.

James Glen Miller, 44, 912 Fisher, was arrested for public intoxication.

Michael Royce Stone, 55, 529 Sloan, was arrested in the 500 block of North Perrý for driving while intoxicated, second offense, and failing to stop and leave information at the scene of an accident involving vehicle damage Sunday, Oct. 17

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart. A window was broken, for an estimated \$500 damage.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of South Barnes. A bus was spray painted. Estimated damage is \$150.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2200 block of North Russell. Windows were broken, for an estimated \$40 damage.

Saturino Lopez, 39, Highway 152 seven miles east of Pampa, was arrested for public intoxication.

Marco Antonio Lopez, 20, Highway 152 seven miles east of Pampa, was arrested for no valid driver's license.

Tommy Abernathy, 19, 2704 Rosewood, was arrested for driving under the influence/minor.

Joshua Robertson, 19, 12101 County Road I, was arrested for displaying expired registration.

Shauna Broaddus, 21, 12101 County Road I, was arrested for displaying expired registration and theft by check.

Monday, Oct. 18

Found property was reported in the 1000 block of Wilks. A wallet and contents were found in the parking lot of United Supermarket, 1420 N.

Leon Lee Hollis, 29, 801 E. Murphy, was arrested for assault and theft under

Accidents

Pampa Department today reported the following accidents. Friday, Oct. 15

5:10 p.m. - A 1998 Lincoln Navigator, driven Taylor, 46, 403 N. Lowry, and a 1985 Pontiac 6000LE, driven by Jerry Hugh Rogers, 68, 1200 N. Wells, collided in the 100 block of East Foster. No injuries were reported, and

no citations were issued. 6:15 p.m. - A 2002 Hyundai Accent, driven by Addie Coates Adkins, 75, 806 N. Frost, and a 2003 Saturn L300, driven by Linda McKay Ellis, 42, 1913 N. Dwight, collided in the intersection of 21st and Banks Streets. Adkins was transported by ambulance to Pampa Regional Medical Center with possible injuries. McKay reportnon-incapacitating injuries and was not transported. Adkins was cited way at a yield sign.

Sheriff

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

Tuesday, Oct. 5 Cristina Berryman, 20, 410 Cuyler, was arrested Pampa Police Department on capias pro fines for assault and assault by threat.

Sunday, Oct. 17 Jane Price

Campos, 38, 505 E.

Kingsmill, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for speeding and failure to appear.

Jesus Duran, 37, 919 Browning, was arrested by DPS for driving while intoxicated with open container. Monday, Oct. 18

Gloria Ann Mathis, 21,

312 Roberta, was arrested by DPS for no driver's license and two counts of theft by check.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Oct. 16 4:33 p.m. - Two units and six firefighters responded to the 1200

block of North Wells on a call for medical assistance. 7:03 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1100 block of West Alcock on a hazardous material spill. The

firefighters removed the hazard. Sunday, Oct. 17 9:34 a.m. – One unit and four firefighters responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky on a call for

medical assistance. 7 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1700 block of Evergreen on a call for medical assistance.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance today reported the following calls.

Saturday, Oct. 16

12:31 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to SCCI and transported a patient(s) to the 1700 block of Chestnut.

3:24 p.m. – A mobile by Beverly Moseley ICU responded north on Highway 70. No transport.

3:36 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Gray and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

3:41 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient(s) to the 1200 block of North Wells.

Sunday, Oct. 17

2:17 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

9:34 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

6:57 p.m. – A mobile for failure to yield right of ICU responded to the 1700 block of Evergreen and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Correction

In a news brief published in the Friday, Oct. 15 edition of The News, the time for the 2004 Community Builder Award presentation was incorrect. The presentation ceremony will be at 7:30 p.m.

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Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high around 81.

Windy, with a west wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 48. West wind between 15 and 20

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 77. Northwest wind 10 to 15

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Science fair

Third through sixth grade students at Grandview-Hopkins Independent School District recently participated in the annual science fair. Above, left-right: Chloe Zedlitz, fifth grade, first place winner; Claire Hopkins, fourth grade, second place winner; Ty Baggerman, fifth grade, third place winner; Jazmine Rose, fifth grade, fourth place winner; Brittani Narvaiz, sixth grade, fifth place winner; and Mikah Tice, fourth grade, sixth place winner.

Vandals

"Pampa Police Department has and will continue to set up surveillance cameras at various businesses in the hope of catching the vandals in the

Businesses which were vandalized last week include State Farm Insurance, Coronado Center; Rent-A-Center, 1800 N. Hobart; Texas Furniture, 1415 N. Hobart; Hickory Hut, 716 W. Brown; Quality Auto Sales, 1300 N. Hobart; and an unidentified business in the 1700 block of Hobart.

On Oct. 15, police records show

Ballard; Classic Lube, 2801 Perryton Parkway; and 1600 block of Hobart, no business name or exact address given in report.

Vandals struck again on Oct. 16, breaking glass at McDonald's Restaurant, 1201 N. Hobart.

On Oct. 17, Thai D Restaurant, Coronado Center, had a window bro-

Police are linking incidents dating from last July to the current vandalism, beginning with July 7, when Radcliff Electric, 519 S. Cuyler, and Past Reflections, 518 S. Cuyler, sustained damage, according to the release.

Other past incidents which may be connected to current vandalism include criminal mischief Sept. 24 at Mr. D's Amusements, 854 W. Foster, and

Artifacts may date to Rio Grande Valley's earliest natives

Engine Parts and Supply, 416 W. Foster. Both businesses have since been vandalized again, and Engine Parts and Supply has been hit a total of four times, Courtney said in the release, with the first attacks occurring before Sept. 24.

"The officers believe the acts were committed by the same vandals," Courtney said.

Pampa/Gray County Crime Stoppers is offering a \$500 reward for information which leads to the arrest of the persons responsible for the vandalism. Anyone with information on the incidents is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 669-2222, or the police department at 669-5700, which is manned 24 hours per day.

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the House and Senate both staged quorum-breaking walkouts in an attempt to kill GOP-led bills, but the Republicans ultimately prevailed.

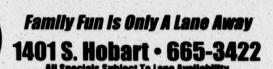
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ing to the release. About 35,000 school buses transport 1.4 million Texas children daily.

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act," Courtney said.

glass broken at B&B Pharmacy, 300 N.

Texas be part of a fishing camp for (AP) — Archaeologists have a nomadic group of hunter- significant because so little

Robert Ricklis said.

They include fragments of shell tools, chipped flint projectile points, and a fish earbone, or otolith, that can be analyzed for information about the bay environment feet underground, appear to of the time.

Ricklis said the find was Mexican border. discovered a cache of arti- gatherers, archaeologist is known about the ancient Rio Grande Valley.

Most early manmade items would have been eroded by sand and sea air, or washed out by the everchanging course of the waterways of the Rio Grande basin near the

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they say could be up to 5,000

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The items, found in a pro-

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peoples of the Texas coast.

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Early voting and touch-screen equipment were introduced in Florida after the 2000 election, in which this crucial state decided the result by only 537 votes and introduced topics such as butterfly ballots and hanging chads to the national debate. The early voting continues at a limited number of sites in each county until Election Day, when regular polling

places will be open.
In Miami-Dade County, about 150 people gathered Monday morning for a rally led by the Rev. Al Sharpton and former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno.

Some people were carrying homemade signs that said "Early Voting Counts" and "Every Vote Matters."

Both President Bush and Sen. John Kerry arranged campaign swings through the Sunshine State over the weekend.

"There are probably a lot of people in Florida who are ready to cast their ballot," said Mindy Tucker Fletcher, senior adviser for the Bush campaign in Florida.

Some groups are urging voters to ask for paper absentee ballots, as Vana did, because of concerns over the state's new touchscreen voting machines and any potential recounts. Voters Monday morning could choose either method.

Even as voters turned out, lawyers were going to court in Fort Lauderdale to argue a lawsuit over the lack of paper backup on the electronic machines.

Other groups are touting early voting as a chance for

busy voters to avoid waiting in line Nov. 2. Some have criticized the concept, saying it increases opportunities for fraud without significantly boosting participation. Still, most states offer the

option.
"It's going to be changing the way candidates campaign because they have to get their message out to people two to three weeks earlier than in the past," LePore said earlier.

Election officials say that

although the early-voting creates more work, they're pushing for voters to make their voices heard any way they can.

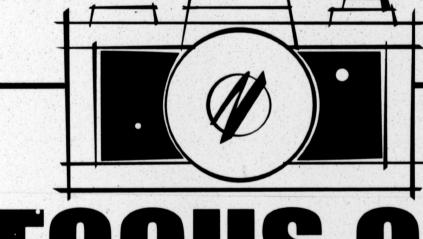
"As long as people vote, we're happy," said LePore, who lost her re-election bid in August over the butterfly ballot but remains in office until January. "But if some-thing really bad happens about a candidate two days before an election, you can't change your vote.



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Boyhood filled with 'savory' memories

A friend of my sister's at the Plainview newspaper recently wrote a column about my grandmother. It was a good column except for one thing. She insinuated that my grandmother wasn't a good cook.

My grandmother was an excellent cook. In fact, both my grandmothers were excellent cooks. It was my mother, God love her, who couldn't cook.

Mother was a schoolteacher and, in fairness to her, never really had time to cook.

But her mother, Granny Glasgow, was great in the kitchen.

When I was little and too would baby-sit me, and I

I can remember afternoons helping, or at least watching, as she made bread, dinner rolls and, my favorite, cinnamon rolls from scratch. Pastries have always been my downfall.

Even after I was in high school, I remember going over to her house. I'd walk in and the house would be filled with the smell of cinnamon and sugar and warm yeast. The only thing better than hot bread out of the oven dripping with butter is a warm cinnamon roll.

She also made fruit pies, apple and cherry mostly. They were great.

My father's mother, young to go to school, she Grandma Bowser, made pies, too, but they were genwould help her. I'm sure I erally custard pies, rich cus-

tard pies. Coconut cream was my favorite. She always had a chess pie for Daddy.

Grandma, being an old country girl from Dallas County, favored biscuits over rolls.

There was By David always lots of butter Bowser and honey Staff Writer or gravy to

them.

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Granny, although we don't like to mention it in polite company, was a Yankee. She was from Indiana and had been the head dietician at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Mich., before retiring and coming to Texas.

Her dishes were delicious,

food on the plates always looked as though they could be photographed for a magazine. The small grill that she'd opened in the hospital won a number of awards.

> some cater-The only objection I ever had to

Granny's

She also did

cooking was that everything was planned down to the last dollop of whipped cream. The portion sizes were correct. There were no seconds. There was no

At Grandma's house for Sunday dinner; however, there were lots of dollops of

waste.

when she served strawberry shortcake, she'd make an extra bowl of whipped cream just for me. I ate very few strawberries, but I always finished the whipped cream.

In fairness to Granny, she always let me lick the bowl. There are few pleasures as wonderful as licking the bowl of fresh whipped cream.

You never left Granny's house hungry, but like I said, there were never any seconds.

On the other hand, I don't ever remember leaving Grandma's house without being stuffed.

Grandma was used to cooking for field hands. When you went to Sunday nutritious and attractive. The whipped cream. In fact, dinner at Grandma's house,

the table was overflowing with food. There would usually be at least two kinds of meat, lots of gravy, every vegetable imaginable, salads, biscuits and a choice of desserts.

What really set my grandmothers apart was their approach to cooking. To a great extent, they made the same things, but the results were totally different.

Perhaps meatloaf is the best example.

I love meatloaf, and both of my grandmothers made great meatloaves, but they were as opposite as night and day.

Granny would finely grind the beef, onion and green pepper and put it into a

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Oct. 18, the 292nd day of 2004. There are 74 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 18, 1767, the boundary between Maryland and Pennsylvania, the Mason-Dixon line, was agreed upon. On this date:

In 1685, King Louis XIV revoked the Edict of Nantes, which had established legal toleration of France's Protestant population, the Huguenots.

In 1867, the United States took formal possession of Alaska from Russia.

In 1892, the first long-distance telephone line between Chicago and New York was formally opened.

In 1898, the American flag was raised in Puerto Rico shortly before Spain formally relinquished control of the island to the U.S.

> The thinking of a genius does not proceed logically. It leaps with great ellipses. It pulls knowledge from God knows where.

> > — Dorothy Thompson American journalist (1894-1961)

In 1931, inventor Thomas Alva Edison died in West Orange, N.J., at age 84.

In 1944, Soviet invaded troops Czechoslovakia during World War II. In 1962, Dr. James

D. Watson of the U.S., and Dr. Francis Crick and Dr. Maurice Wilkins of Britain, were named winners of the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology for their work in determining the doublehelix molecular structure of DNA.

In 1968, the U.S. Olympic Committee suspended Tommie Smith and John Carlos for giving a "black power" salute in protest during a victory ceremony in Mexico City.

In 1969, the federal government banned artificial sweeteners known as cyclamates because of evidence they caused cancer in laboratory rats. In 1982, former first lady Bess Truman died at her home

in Independence, Mo., at age 97.

Ten years ago: Defense Secretary William Perry, nearing the end of a visit to China, said Beijing had agreed to brief the Pentagon on its overall military strategy and defense spending plans.

Five years ago: Career prosecutor Robert Ray was sworn in to replace Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr and wrap up the wide-ranging investigation of President Clinton and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton. The New York Yankees won a record 36th pennant, beating the Boston Red Sox 6-1 in Game 5 of the American League Championship Series.

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No wonder bureaucracy is running amok

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tion is flowing toward its conclusion, we should start thinking seriously about reforming the process. Without a doubt, we have the most flawed election system of all the democracies.

The No. 1 problem is money. Millions and millions of dollars are raised and spent, and it's all this money that breeds corruption. Big shots don't give big bucks with the expectation that they will get just good government. They're paying in advance for favors, which is why we have a tax code of 20,000 or more pages of very fine print. You don't need that much ink to raise revenue; you do need it to

Now that our current elec- pay off contributors with into a system in which there special favors.

> Furthermore, their time raising money and campaigning for a second term. In short, we don't get

much work out of our presidents - or congressional representatives and senators either, for that matter. They spend an inordinate amount of time raising money, too. And since an incumbent can easily raise money, for all practical purposes there is very little democracy left in our system.

Finally, we've evolved

is a perpetual campaign. going on year-round, year in presidents spend most of and year out. Every two

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run; during those two-year election cycles, a third of the Senate runs; and on every other two-year cycle, the president must run.

Thus, political fund-raising and political posturing are now continuous, which leaves virtually no time for governance. No wonder the federal government is one big cluster-blunder.

We get badly written legislation, bureaucracies piled on top of bureaucracies, lousy intelligence, moronic foreign policy, gargantuan pork projects, inflation, an expensive but lousy education system, a disastrous health-care system and loss of jobs. At the rate we're going, we won't survive in any kind of recognizable shape. Most of the countries of the world are not as stupid as we are rapidly becoming.

It's not that we don't have good and smart people who could provide us with intelligent government. The problem is, we've all just allowed

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Good riddance to ill-advised draft legislation

in Congress deserve one another.

U.S. Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., introduced a bill sometime back that called for restoring the military draft. He didn't really want to reinstate the draft, he wanted to make a political point. The legislation which never had a chance never died officially.

Because it didn't die, the ly sent ebill stirred Internet fears that mails to 640,000 college- House. The Internet rumors there was a secret plan to revive the draft if President Bush is re-elected Nov. 2. The Alliance for Security, a Washington-based project that aims to establish a dialogue about national security; reported recent survey results which showed more

Sometimes the partisans than half of those polled The Republicans did not kill cussion. Neither made much voiced concern that the United States could be headed for a draft "in the near future."

> Vote, group dedicated motivating young voters, recent-

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aged people featuring a fake conscription card emblazoned with the words: "You have been drafted."

The draft rumor suited Democrats just fine, so they were dismayed when House Republicans brought the bill up for a vote and killed it.

it because it was what Texas Legislative types call "a bad ol' bill." The motivation wasn't the hapless 18-yearolds who

would be

Texas Thoughts caught in a draft, but the 57-yearapathetic Austin American-Statesman old fellow who now lives in the White

> were perceived to be a threat Bush's re-election prospects.

> So, House Republicans brought up for a vote a bill they had ignored for months with little notice. Democrats crabbed that the bill came up with no hearings and no dis

mention of the fate of American youth.

Actually, there is a serious discussion to be had here about mandatory national service, but Rangel's bill wasn't the vehicle for it. Anyone who expected serious discourse on such a sensitive topic this close to an election should send us post cards from that alternate universe they inhabit.

Speaking of alternate universes, Rangel sputtered his outrage about the GOP parliamentary maneuver even as he urged his colleagues to vote against his own bill. "It is so darn hypocritical for the Congress to come for-

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Additional concerts, some with other performers, have been scheduled in area towns. For more information on any of these events or a complete area concert schedule, contact Ronnie Holmes, PCCA

president, at 675-2631. · Starting Sept. 14 and continuing through Dec. 14, Lovett Memorial Library will host its fall "story time" at the library for children 18 months to 4-years of age. Shanla Brookshire, children's librarian, will read stories and prepare

All story times are free and require no registration. Certificates for the summer reading game are available at the circulation desk. Children who made quilt blocks at the program need to pick them up by Oct. 1. For more information, call Lovett Memorial Library at 669-

The Moms and Babies Coming Shop in Pampa is looking for volunteers to help man the shop. For more information, call 664-2459.

 2CARE for Moms and Babies is conducting free car seat safety classes. Limited car seat distribution is also available through the program. For more information, call 665-5339.

· The Erick, Okla., Chamber of Commerce will hold its Second Annual Roger Miller Festival slated Saturday, Oct. 23. The Roger Miller Museum will be hosting a grandopening and benefit concert during the event with will include a petting zoo, a mechanical bull, a car/bike show, live entertainment and more. For more information, contact Erick Chamber of Commerce at 1-580-526-3505.

 The Seventh Annual Celtic Festival and Craft Faire in Amarillo is set Oct. 23 and 24 at Rex Baxter Building and the Tri-State Fairgrounds. Sponsored by League of Celtic Nations, the event will include Jerre's Merry Fiddlers, genealogy classes, whiskey tastings, sheepdog demonstrations,

Scottish Country Dancers, Clan booths, Kid's tent, workshops, Saturday night Ceilidh, food, clothing and jewelry booths and much, much more. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children per day.

A dollar will be subtracted from I admission with the donation of two or more cans of food for High Plains 27 Point Food Bank. Corporate rates are also available. Gates open at 10 a.m. both days. For more information, call (806) 374-4243.

· The monthly meeting of Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild is set for 7:30 p.m. Oct. 28 in Amarillo. The meeting is open to individuals interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts. For more information, call (806) 358-2765.

· Ten free trees, autumn classics, will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout this month. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Free Shade Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Oct. 31. For more information, check out the foundation's web site at www.arborday.org on the Internet.

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"Reflections Music Festival Benefit for the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center" staged recently at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa and organized by Josh Paulson of Amarillo drew bands all the way from California, Austin, Dallas and Lubbock as well as Amarillo. Pictured above with Paulson, second from left, are (left-right) Thelma Bray, Susan Gibson and Reed Echols. Gibson, a musician from Austin, performed a song she had written made popular by the Dixie Chicks.

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loaf pan, topping it with tomato sauce. This is the only dish I ever remember her making and having leftovers. While I could have eaten her entire meatloaf alone, I never did. I knew

what was coming.

The next day for lunch, she would have meatloaf sandwiches. The slices of meatloaf would fit exactly between two slices of bread. Like turkey sandwiches the day after Thanksgiving, it was almost better than the original meal.

Grandma's meatloaf was

another matter, however.

her meatloaves every bit as much, but they were totally different.

Grandma's meatloaves were more free form than Granny's. The onions and green peppers were cut up and mixed in, not ground, with the beef. She used whole tomatoes chopped up in her meatloaves, not a tomato sauce on top. I It, too, was great. I loved always had several portions

because there was no way Grandma's meatloaves would have made a sand-

wich, at least not a neat one. I have wonderful memories of both grandmothers, especially around mealtime. The smells, the tastes, the memories are great. Now if I could only get their recipes from my sister . . .

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the political system to evolve and mutate into its present mess. We needed guided, thoughtful changes.

One way to limit money is to limit the time in which candidates can spend it. There is no reason for people to campaign for two years. Campaigns should be limited to six to eight weeks prior to the election. That's about the attention span of ordinary voters anyway. The rest of time it's the media, the political junkies and the playing among themselves while the rest of the country ignores them.

Another way to limit require that every dime raised be from qualified vot-

ers in the politician's district. In other words, a Florida senator would have to raise every dime from bona fide Florida registered voters, and so on in every state. Every congressional representative would be limited to the voters in his or her own district. This alone would throw a monkey wrench into the plans of the special interests that spread money all over the country to buy votes.

Finally, we should eliminate completely all nonindividual donors. Get rid of the political action committees and ban contributions from any and all organizations. politicians who are, in effect, Let all the money come from individuals as individuals, and let people give as much as they want.

Steps such as these would money and its influence is to fepresent genuine election reforms, but they will be tough to pass. First, the

incumbents benefit from the present system, and most will be extremely reluctant to change it. Second, most of the millions of dollars raised for political campaigns is spent in the media, so you will jolly well not get any support from that industry.

These and other serious reforms will have to be forced on politicians by the people. I would suggest people need to form new organizations removed from the existing political parties. them George Call Washington Societies or Teddy Roosevelt Clubs or whatever, but let them be run solely by reform-minded people with no agenda other than preserving our democ-

It is at risk. That's a fact. And don't tell me it's a republic, not a democracy. We lost the republic at Appomattox.



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ward and put a (controver-

calendar. It's a shame that ... this legislative body is being used as a political tool on the eve of elections."

This from the fellow who introduced a bill not because he wanted to reinstate the sial) bill on the suspension draft, but to send a message to Rangel's draft bill.

about the disproportionate number of minorities serving in the armed forces.

Serious issues, all right, but they are not going to get a serious discussion in this atmosphere. Good riddance Hours ... 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday One Medical Plaza ... Pampa, Texas **All Proceeds Benefit The Hospital Auxiliary**

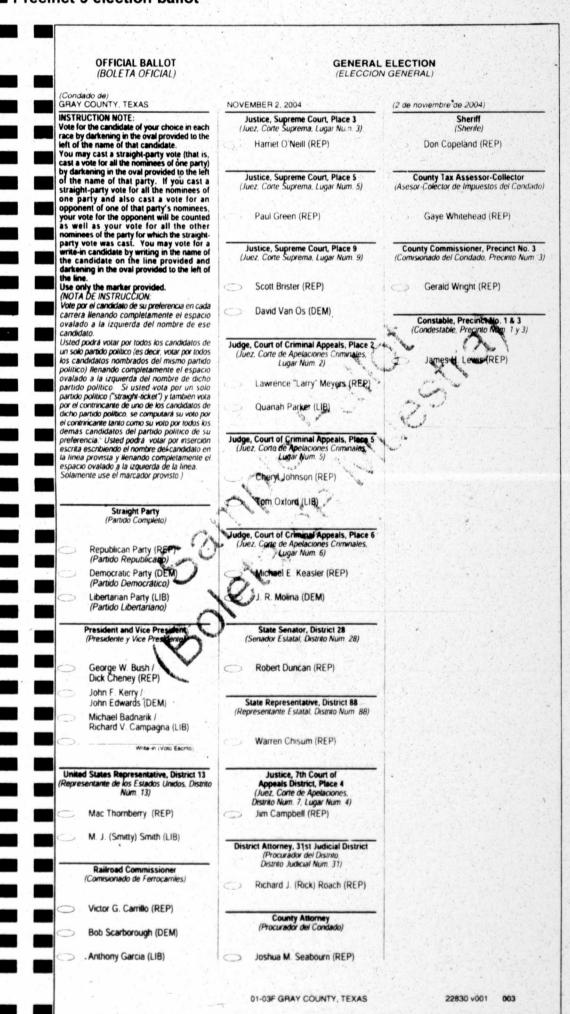


Sample ballots

■ Precinct 1 election ballot

GENERAL ELECTION (ELECCION GENERAL) (BOLETA OFICIAL) (Condado de) GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS INSTRUCTION NOTE: Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by darkening in the oval provided to the left of the name of that candidate. You may cast a straight-party vote (that is, cast a vote for all the nominees of one party) by darkening in the oval provided to the left of the name of that party. If you cast a straight-party vote for all the nominees of one party and also cast a vote for an opponent of one of that party's nominees, your vote for the opponent will be counted as well as your vote for all the other nominees of the party for which the straight-party vote was cast. You may vote for a write-in candidate by writing in the name of the candidate on the line provided and darkening in the oval provided to the left of the line. Use only the marker provided. (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION: NOVEMBER 2, 2004 (2 de noviembre de 2004) Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 3) Sheriff (Sherife) Harriet O'Neill (REP) On Copeland (REP) Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 5) County Tax Assessor-Collector (Asesor-Colector de Impuestos del Condado) Paul Green (REP) Gaye Whitehead (REP) County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1 (Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 1) Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 9) Joe H. Wheeley (REP) Scott Brister (REP) Vote por el candidato de su preferencia en cada carrera llenando, completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda del nombre de ese David Van Os (DEM) candidato. Usted podrá votar por todos los candidatos de un solo partido político (es decir, votar por todos los candidatos nombrados del mismo partido político) lienando completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda del mombre de dicho partido político. Si usted vota por un solo partido político ("straight-licket") y también vota por el contrincante de uno de los candidatos de dicho partido político político, se computará su voto por el contrincante tanto como su voto por todos los demás candidatos del partido político de su preferencia. Usted podrá votar por inserción escrita escribiendo el nombre del candidato en la linea provista y lienando completamente el espacio ovalado a la trujuerta de la linea. Solamente use el marcador provisto.) Straight Party (Partido Completo) Appeals, Place 6 Republican Party (RBP) (Partido Republicano) Democratic Party (DEM) E. Keasler (REP) Libertarian Party (LIB) (Partido Libertariano) J. R. Molina (DEM) President and Vice President (Presidente y Vice Presidente State Senator, District 28 (Senador Estatal, Distrito Num. 28) George W. Bush / Dick Cheney (REP) Robert Duncan (REP) John F. Kerry / John Edwards (DEM) State Representative, District 88 (Representante Estatal, Distrito Num. 88) Michael Badnarik / Richard V. Campagna (LIB) ○ Warren Chisum (REP) Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 4 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 7, Lugar Núm. 4) United States Representative, District 13 Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 13) Mac Thornberry (REP) Jim Campbell (REP) M. J. (Smitty) Smith (LIB) District Attorney, 31st Judicial District (Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Num. 31) Railroad Commissioner (Comisionado de Ferrocarriles) Richard J. (Rick) Roach (REP) Victor G. Carrillo (REP) Bob Scarborough (DEM) Anthony Garcia (LIB) Joshua M. Seabourn (REP) 01-01F GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS 22830 v001 001

■ Precinct 3 election ballot



■ Precinct 2 election ballot

	OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETA OFICIAL)		ELECTION
	(Condado de) GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS	NOVEMBER 2, 2004	(2 de noviembre de 2004)
	INSTRUCTION NOTE:	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3	Sheriff
	Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by darkening in the oval provided to the	(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 3)	(Sherite)
	left of the name of that candidate. You may cast a straight-party vote (that is,	Harriet O'Neill (REP)	Don Copeland (REP)
	cast a vote for all the nominees of one party) by darkening in the oval provided to the left		
	of the name of that party. If you cast a	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 5)	County Tax Assessor-Collector (Asesor-Collector de Impuestos del Condado
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	opponent of one of that party's nominees, your vote for the opponent will be counted	Paul Green (REP)	Gaye Whitehead (REP)
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	nominees of the party for which the straight- party vote was cast. You may vote for a	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9	
	write in candidate by writing in the name of the candidate on the line provided and	(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 9)	
	darkening in the oval provided to the left of the line.		
	Use only the marker provided.	Scott Brister (REP)	
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	carrera llenando completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda del nombre de ese	David Van Os (DEM)	Constable, Precinct No. 2
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	Usted podrá votar por todos los candidatos de un solo partido político (es decir, votar por todos	Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales,	Charles (CCC)
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		Tom Oxford (LIB)	
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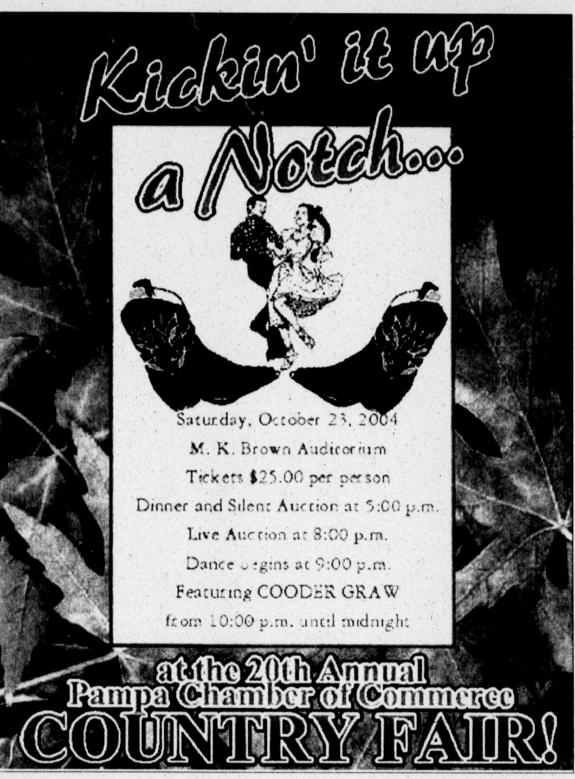
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Country Fair to feature sounds of Cooder Graw

p.m. until 12-midnight on Saturday, Oct. 23 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The theme of this year's fair is "Kickin' It Up a Notch."

The annual event will kick-off with a meal always, there will be almost 300 items to "bid" on in the silent auction. The live auction will include some 15 to 20 items. Bingo, evening. a big favorite organizers say, is also on tap for the evening.

The dance is scheduled to get under way at Commerce, 669-3241, 200 N. Ballard.

Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce will 9 p.m. The featured entertainers, the country stage its 20th Annual Country Fair from 5 and western band "Cooder Graw," led by Pampa native Matt Martindale, will be performing from 10 p.m. until 12 midnight in the Heritage Room of the auditorium.

Due to a limited number of tickets, catered by Dyer's Bar-B-Que, and, as Chamber officials are urging members of the public to obtain their tickets now. Tickets are \$25 per person and are good for the entire

> For more information or to purchase a ticket, call or stop by Pampa Chamber of



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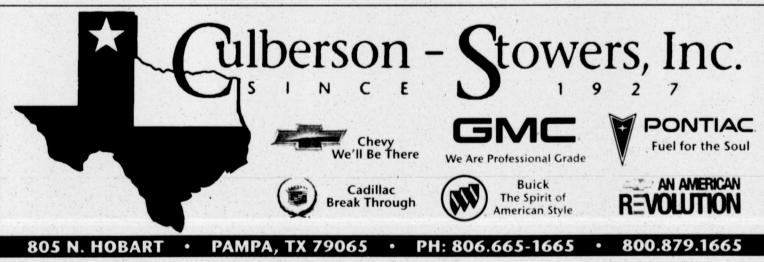
Goldcoats welcome new business and chamber member Lonestar Restaurant to Pampa. Goldcoats: (I-r): Troy Newton, Scott Hahn, Darville Orr, Gladys Vanderpool, Susan Winborne, Dick Stowers, Chuck White, Neil Fulton, Jerry Foote, Bob Marx and Barry Haenisch. Also pictured are owners Rafael and Lorenzo Ramos.



Goldcoats welcome Great Plains Abstract & Title Co. Goldcoats (I to r): Duane Harp, Darville Orr, Charles Henry, Chuck White, Susan Winborne, Paulette Hinkle, Gladys Vanderpool, Bob Marx, Darrell Sehorn, Pat Bagley, Ken Rheams, Lyndon Field, Jerry Foote and Gene Barber. Along with Great Plains Abstract & Title Co. employees Jim Howell, Shelly Cook, Joni Everson, Suzy Sirmans. Also pictured is Jim Ward.



Kerrick Horton, Chairman of the 2004 Country Fair Solications Committee with a few of the more than 300 items that will be available in the Country Fair Silent Auction on Saturday, October 23rd.





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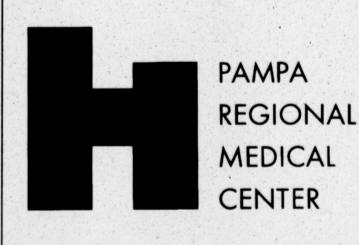
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Dear Abby By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My mom babysits for my 3-year-old, "Jessica," while I am at work. Last night I arrived at Mom's to find that she had again left Jessica sleeping in the back seat of her van, still strapped into her car seat. Jessica had been there for an hour, and although the temperature outside was fairly mild, my little girl was red-faced and sweaty.

Mother says I'm overreacting because the van was parked in the driveway with the door left open. But I know of at least one incident last year when she left Jessica sleeping in the van, got distracted with something in the house, and didn't realize my daughter had awakened and been screaming for some time. For weeks, Jessica talked about being left outside alone.

I have asked Mom numerous times not to leave my child sleeping in the car, but her only response is to roll her eyes, tell me I'm making a big deal out of nothing, and continue to do it.

Maybe if Mom hears from someone other than me that it's not OK to leave a child unattended in a car, even in a driveway, she'll stop doing it. Thanks! --OVERHEATED MOM IN **MASSACHUSETTS**

DEAR MOM: Do not expect your mother -- who is in denial -- to listen to me. These incidents are recurring because you are allowing it to happen. Your mother has proven repeatedly that she is too easily. distracted and too forgetful to responsibly supervise your daughter. Recognize that your daughter is in danger and make other arrangements for her immediately. To paraphrase an old saying: If something happens once, shame on the perpetrator. If it happens twice -- shame on the "victim."

DEAR ABBY: My son works at a place where the employees celebrate birthdays by gathering for cake. One young employee

seems bent on learning everyone's age. Although many people are reluctant to state their age, he persists with his questions to the point of embarrassment.

Abby, our son was a victim of downsizing and recently joined the group. His birthday is in early November, and he is dreading their "celebration" because he is over 50 and fears his supervisors will think he's too old for advancement. How should that young man's question be handled? -- MOTHER OF A MID-**DLE-AGED SON**

DEAR MOTHER: When the impudent question is asked, your son should reply with a smile, "I'm old enough to know better than to tell you." If the questioner persists, your son can put him in his place, and probably gain the appreciation of everyone else who's been put on the spot, by saying: "I'm 29 again, and I'll thank you not to pursue this any further. It's rude."

DEAR ABBY: There's a kid at school named Michael. I want to be friends with him, but I don't know what to do. Like me, he lost his dad. There is only one difference -- Michael can still see his dad. I have to wait until I'm dead to see mine. What should I do? I'd really like to be friends. -- FRIEND-SEEKER IN MICHI-GAN

DEAR FRIEND-SEEKER: For starters, let him know he's welcome to eat lunch with you and your friends. If teams are chosen for sports, make it known you'd like him to be on yours. If you and your friends plan some activity after school, offer to include him. The surest way I know to make a friend is to be one.

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CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

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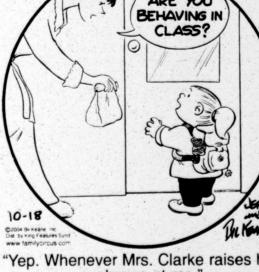
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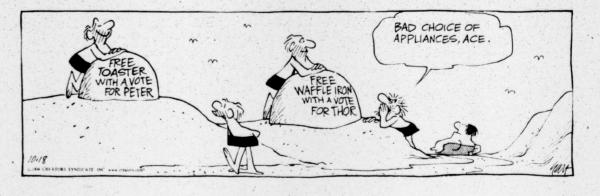
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Yep. Whenever Mrs. Clarke raises her eyebrows at me.'

B.C.



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Sports Day

Lady Harvesters down Dons

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Lady Harvester volleyball team got an important win on the road this past Saturday, defeating the Lady Dons of Palo Duro, 25-13, 25-11, 25-14. The win brings Pampa's record to 10-20, 4-4 with only two more games left in the regular season.

In Saturday's meeting, Jaclyn Spearman had 15 kills, nine digs, two blocks and a service ace. Britteni Rice had a solid outing with nine kills and two blocks. Alyssa

Bromwell had four aces to go along with her 10 digs while Teryn Garner finished the day with 13 digs and four aces. A great game for Jackie Gerber as well who finished with 10 kills, 10 digs, a service ace and a blocked shot. Lindsey Ammons tossed in 30 assists, six digs and four kills.

The girls will have precious little time to savor the win as they host top ranked district foe Dumas, 31-5, 8-0 tomorrow night. Dumas has clinched a spot in the playoffs, while Pampa, Randall and Hereford vie for second and third.

First serve is set for 6 p.m. tomorrow night. Tomorrow night is Senior Night.

Streak over – Pampa falls to PD 12-7

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Pampa tennis team lost to Palo Duro, 12-7 Saturday. The loss ended all hopes of eight consecutive years as district champions. "The team played not to lose rather than playing to win," said Coach Freeman. "They knew what was at stake and played very conservatively. We came out of doubles 2-5, so we knew we had to come through in our singles matches.

That just didn't happen on Saturday. We still have two more matches to play before the season ends, so we have to get over this loss, so we can advance on to regionals."

Players of the week were juniors Meagan Clark, Ashlee Lucus, and Nick Robbins and senior Mitchell Crow.

Pampa hosts Dumas tomorrow afternoon starting at 4 p.m. Coach Freeman and his team encourages all fans to come and support the tennis team.

Individual results:

Boys Doubles

Mingboupha/Perez (PD) def. Crow/Foreman (P) 8-5 Robbins/Smith (P) def. Westmoreland (PD) 8-2 Souvannasacd/Solis (PD) def. Gonzales/McNeely (P) 8-

Boys Singles

IT'S A TEAM EFFORT

make it to all the Pampa sporting

events?" The question followed a kind

compliment I received on the coverage.

given Pampa sports. Let me take a

moment to make some things very

First, I appreciate the compliments.

However, I will accept them on behalf

of the newspaper. This is very much a team effort here. It is by far, one of the

most unique teams I have ever been a

I am able to provide information on all

of the events you read about. Though I

am a staff of one, there are many on

the team. Let's be honest, I cannot

physically make it to every event you

read about. However, the manner in

which I have been putting together the

Sports Day pages in recent months has

netted an interesting response. I

receive notes, information and pictures

from myriad readers who do attend the

events. And though I cannot use all

that is sent to me, I do try to use all that

local coaches who now provide me

information. At times, before I ask for

It is teamwork that allows me to put

Sports Day together almost everyday. I

am simply blessed enough to be able to

attach my name to it.

I have established relationships with

Next, speaking of teams, this is how

part of.

I can.

Nick Robbins (P) def. Detrick Westmoreland (PD) 6-2, 6-

Mitchell Crow (P) def. Julio Perez (PD) 2-6, 7-6, 6-4 Donald Mingboupha (PD) def. Michael Foreman (P) 6-4, 4-6, 6-3

Cho Trinh (PD) def. Steven Smith (PD) 7-5, 6-1 Aaron Souvannasacd (PD) def. Adam Gonzales (P) 6-2,

Andrew Solis (PD) def. Jareth Fortenberry (P) 6-0, 6-1 Tu Do (PD) def. Landon McNeely (P) 8-0

Girls Doubles

Lao/Rogel (PD) def. Vinson/Long (P) 8-4 Sihaphon/Pham (PD) def. Lucus/Stowers (P) 8-2 Mingboupha/Ngo (PD) def. Clark/Acker (P) 8-5

Girls Singles

Kim Lao (PD) def. Myca Vinson (P) 5-7, 6-0, 6-3 Zuleyma Rogel (PD) def. Lacie Long (P) 6-1, 6-2 Ashlee Lucus (P) def. April Sihaphon (PD) 6-1, 6-3 Meagan Clark (P) def. NohemiPham (PD) 6-2, 6-2 Diana Mingboupha (PD) def. Sammie Pereira (P) 6-1, 6-

Trang Ngo (PD) def. Tanna Stowers (P) 6-2, 6-1 Haley Acker (P) def. Christy Phommasak (PD) 8-1

Mixed Doubles

Thank you for the compliment, but...

I was recently asked, "How do you ever consider accepting guest me look over your shoulder during the

columns. Absolutely. I welcome them.

I think guest columns provide addi-

tional perspective and a nice break

Lastly, allow me to offer some over-

-To Ben Briscoe, thank you. This

young man makes me look better than

I am most of the time. Look close at

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mation and pictures, thank you. If you

do not see your submission used, do

not give up. Know that I am at the

mercy of available space every day.

And submissions that are time-sensi-

tive sometimes cannot be used. I do

bug them every week, thank you. Either by phone, in person or by e-

mail, these people always take time

out of their busy schedules to answer

-To PHS Athletic Director Dick

-To the coaches who allow me to

-To all those who contribute infor-

from my ramblings.

due Thank You's.

Michael J.

Stevens

Sports

Editor

will often see his.

my questions.

I was asked last week if I would Dunham, thank you. Thanks for letting

Pereira/Fortenberry (P) def. Do/Phommasak (PD) 8-6

game and ask, "How long was that

Thank you for the insight early on and,

for the help this past Friday night.

Club, thank you. I got the tickets for

the steak dinner fundraiser. Sadly, I

was not able to attend. But the gesture

you. My wife and I are truly converted

Pampa Harvester fans as we now have

nifty looking Pampa High School

roaming the sidelines with me on

you. The mini-boxing gloves are awe-

some. They proudly hang in my home

office and I am often asked where I got

over following the Plainview game a

few weeks ago, thank you. I had no

idea my license plate light wasn't

working. See, I really am the Sports

Editor. I got the feeling he didn't

important part of the team. Thank you

for allowing me the chance to grow

into this position. It was a rocky start,

but I think I am getting the hang of it.

This is a team effort. You are a very

-To the state trooper who pulled me

Friday nights taking pictures.

By the way, my wife is the one

-To the Pampa Boxing Club, thank

-To the PHS Football Club, thank

Actually, early Saturday morning.

did not go unnoticed.

shirts to wear.

believe me.

-To Donny Hooper, thank you.

-To the PHS Baseball Booster

Senior spotlight



Pampa Harvester John Meza is part of the senior leadership so important to this year's team.

John Meza, OL/DL

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

At 5'9", 228 pounds, Pampa senior John Meza is as stout as they come. He is an important component in the Harvester's efforts this season.

John Meza

Player Jersey: #59

Player Position(s): Nose Guard

Player Grade: 12

Player Parent(s)/Guardians(s): Juan and Nena Meza School Activities/Interests: Football

Player information provided by the PHS Football Booster Club.

Pampa JV defeats Palo Duro

The JV Volleyball team McNeely Field House 6 beat Palo Duro Saturday in two games, bringing their season record to 4-4.

The JV is made up of six sophomores- Nicole Clark, Stephanie McVay, Cassy Tice, Logan Winkleman, Kenzi Nickell, and Angela Mechelay. And three freshmen-Stephanie Polasek, Krishna Henderson and Jasmaine

Moore. The junior varsity team plays Dumas at home tomorrow afternoon at

p.m. Fans are encouraged to come out and support the Pampa High School volleyball teams.





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Houston cuts Titans down to size, 20-10

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Texans are serving notice their expansion days are over, especially after beating the team they replaced in Houston.

David Carr threw for 266 yards and a touchdown, Kris Brown kicked two field goals and the Texans intercepted four passes Sunday in beating the Tennessee Titans 20-10 in the stadium Nashville built to lure them away from

Carr said he circled two teams on the schedule before the season started the AFC South's Titans and Indianapolis Colts.

"So I guess one's checked off now. We've got three more to go. But this was big for us. We hadn't beaten this team before, and for us to do it on the road was big for us," Carr said.

The Texans go into their bye week 3-3 for the first time in the franchise's three seasons, with bigger goals than ever before.

"Right now, it's not a factor of wanting to go out and just compete with these guys, we want to go out there and win games," cornerback Aaron Glenn

> 'We hadn't beaten this team before, and for us to do it on the road was big for us.

> > - David Carr Quarterback, Houston Texans

The Titans (2-4) lost their third straight at home, sending them to the bottom of the AFC South. The franchise hadn't lost its first three games at home since 1995, when the team was

called the Oilers and played in the Astrodome in coach Jeff Fisher's first full season.

'We've been through difficult times before," Fisher said. "You can't panic over it. You have to press on. We have to overcome. Somebody is going to play. We have to get that somebody ready to play when we have injuries.'

The injuries are coming so fast that not even Fisher may be able to stem the flood.

He had 12 players on the injury report before losing his top healthy tight end to an emergency appendectomy Sunday morning, leaving him with only rookie Ben Troupe. Then Chris Brown, the AFC's leading rusher with 100-yard games in four of his first five contests, hurt his right shoulder in the third quarter against Houston and never returned.

"Now what we've got to do is take this win and try to build on it," said Texans coach Dom Capers.

Maid Park into a frenzy. He drove Julian Tavarez a little crazy, too.

In an October he is Sunday. He homered in a connected off Tavarez. record fifth straight postsea-Houston Astros over the St. don't look at the Houston

Louis Cardinals 6-5 and Astros like this is a great Carlos Beltran sent Minute tying the NL championship series at 2.

Beltran homered into the Houston bullpen in right field, hitting a tiebreaking stamping as all his own, drive in the seventh inning. Beltran struck again Making it more special, he

Before Game 1, Tavarez eighth home son game, sending the made this assessment: "We

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team. They are good, but we on the stadium scoreboard, are better than them. We are the best because we've got 108 wins. We've proved it."

matched Barry Bonds' 2002 organization as anything mark with his

postseason. "There's no better feelanybody swing the ing," he said. bat, not just Carlos Jeff Bagwell was Beltran. He's some the next batkind of locked in.' ter, and the excitable Tavarez threw a fastball over

run in a single

his head. The = two players

out any problems. When the inning ended, Tavarez shouted at himself while walking to the dugout.

"I just lost my cool," Tavarez said.

Youth club will sponsor Tri- Club.

State Basketball at the

at 4 p.m.

Odessa.

Optimist Gym this Saturday

directed by former Optimist

North Texas District

Governor Paul Lucas of

"There will be three age

Optimist President Ronnie

Haynes. "We will have

registration for the event

will be conducted with

sign-up for Optimist Girls'

Basketball today, tomorrow

and Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.

The tantrum was replayed and that bothered Cardinals manager Tony La Russa.

"I think ever since I've Beltran reached down to been around, since 1996, the golf a 2-2 slider, and Astros are as classy an

This is as good

as I've ever seen

Optimist basketball sign-ups

The Pampa Optimist to 7 p.m. at the Optimist

The program will be will be limited to 12 in each

competition for boys and District which will be held

girls ages 8-9, 10-11 and in Pampa this Friday and

12-13. Each age group will Saturday. Representatives

demonstrate skills in pass- of the 80 clubs in the North

ing, dribbling and shoot- Texas District have been

I've met in the National League," he "But said. even Sinatra clears his throat, and I think that below was their standards and that was dis-

— Phil Garner appointing." Manager, Houston Astros Beltran ensured the teams will go

shouted at each other, plate back to Busch Stadium to umpire Mike Winters settle who goes to the World warned against further trou- Series. Meantime, there's ble and play resumed with- Game 5 Monday night, with Brandon Backe starting for Houston against Woody Williams.

Said Astros manager Phil Once on the bench, he tried Garner: "This is as good as to rip off the bullpen phone I've ever seen anybody and slammed down a water swing the bat, not just Carlos Beltran.

"He's some kind of locked in."

"Since this is the first

year we have participated in

Tri-State Basketball, we

age group," Haynes said.

"The girls and the boys will

compete separately. There

is no charge to participate."

Quarter Meeting of the

North Texas Optimist

invited to attend to learn

how to conduct the project.

Youth Club is a Pampa

United Way agency.

The Pampa Optimist

explained in connection with the First

The project will be held

Eye to eye

Pampa's Shea Brown appears to have eye contact with a Hereford defender during a run Friday night. Pampa beat the Hostile Herd, 34-20 to claim a share of the District 3-4A lead with Palo Duro. Pampa hosts the Dons this Friday night.

Steelers 24, Cowboys 10

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Bill Parcells warned the Dallas Cowboys about how good Ben Roethlisberger could be.

Pittsburgh's rookie quarterback was as good as advertised.

"He's going to be the rookie of the year," Cowboys defensive end Greg Ellis said after Roethlisberger led the Steelers to a 24-20 comeback victory Sunday. "He has the physical and mental talent that you need.

"To be that young and that good, you have to cred-

it him for that." Roethlisberger riddled week passing and two touchdowns to become the first rookie quarterback to go 4-0 since Phil Simms did it in 1979 with the New York Giants. The former Miami of Ohio star also became

the first Pittsburgh quarterback to win in Dallas since Terry Bradshaw in 1982.

"I can't say enough about him," Steelers coach Bill Cowher said. "I thought this would be a good test for him and it was.'

The Cowboys also made another huge mistake that led to another loss.

A fumble by quarterback Vinny Testaverde late in the game set up the Steelers' winning touchdown. After Pittsburgh recovered, Jerome Bettis scored from 2 yards out to cap a short drive.

Parcells had talked all about the Cowboys for 21-of-25 Roethlisberger's abilities, even comparing him to a young Dan Marino.

> "He's going to be an outstanding quarterback," Parcells said. "He's got great poise. I haven't changed my mind about that."

Roethlisberger's teammates were impressed, too.

"He can flat-out play," receiver Plaxico Burress said. "I think Parcells was right."

Roethlisberger had a 5vard touchdown pass to Burress in the first quarter as he rolled out of the pocket to elude the rush and rifled the ball into the end zone.

On his 7-yard TD pass to Jerame Tuman early in the fourth, Roethlisberger withstood the pressure in the pocket waiting for Tuman to get open.

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is LONGFELLOW One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Oct. 19, 2004: You are personality plus this year, though you might not be able to make a dent when dealing with a stubborn domestic situation and/or real estate investment. Decide to focus on areas where you can make a difference. You are unusually lucky and beginning a new 11-year life and luck cycle. Evaluate whether you want to bring a personal issue into this cycle. What might be a problem in your life needs to be transformed. If you are single, others pick up on your kindness as well as your charisma. Just don't allow a relationship to become a live-in situation this year. If you are attached, you might want to move or make a change in your family structure. Know that there are two of you and that your view isn't the only one. CAPRICORN triggers 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)

*** Know that you need to take a stand, even if you don't want to. Others easily become irritated. You cannot win for losing today; so just do what you need to do or what is right. A problem could surround your family or home. Tonight: Be lazy

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** You might have something on your mind that is preventing you from fully concentrating on a project. You might have difficulty staying in the here and now. Deal with new information and find experts. When you finally take action and become present with the moment, you know what you are doing. Tonight: Let your mind wander

*** Others expect a lot from you. Know-that, without a doubt, you cannot please all the people all the time. Isolate yourself and restrict communication to one individual at a time. Recognize that a financial matter might need to be put on hold. Tonight: Be with your favorite person.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ** You don't have control over anyone but yourself. This statement becomes a reality today. The power is in other hands. Don't worry; simply relax. Your family and domestic life could be another source of irritation. Tonight: Visit with your pals.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ** Once more, you feel that life is all work and no play. You do your work well, but you might need a break soon, especially to maintain the caliber product you want. Speak with others, sharing your frustration. With focus, you might be able to make this a short workweek. Tonight: Bring extra work.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** You could encounter problems when you least expect them. Your creativity flourishes, but somehow you keep hitting a brick wall. Think about jumping over it or walking around the issue for now. Time could work in your favor. Tonigh:: Lighten up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ** Frustration could easily become your middle name. As much as you have a magnetic personality, others seem destined to rain on your parade. You might want to bring extra work home and take some time for yourself. Tonight: Don't go too far from home. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

hold instead of reacting. You might want to keep a list of your passing thoughts. Communication buzzes. Return calls. Others want to chat. Tonight: Hang with your pals.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Your focus on money cannot be compromised, even when friends turn up, on the phone or in person. You need and want as much monetary security as possible. Distraction occurs left and right. Make decisions carefully. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Your personality blooms, even

if another person or an authority figure tries to rain on your parade. Deal with authority figures and bosses as diplomatically as possible. Remain confident and don't take on others' issues. Tonight: Make your own plans AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★ Take your time making decisions.

Even if you can avoid others and formal commitments, you still need your space. Or at least, for now, keep your thoughts to yourself. Quickly investigate different options on your own. Tonight: Vanish.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

you do is right. **BORN TODAY**

activist Patricia Ireland (1951) *** Listen to others. Your instincts Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at



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*** Meetings take the front row in your planning. In fact, dealing with groups is your strength. A partner or associate could feel left out. Stay focused on your goals, and don't get caught up in all the frivolous conversations around you. Tonight: Whatever

Author John le Carre (1931), actor John Lithgow (1945), women's rights

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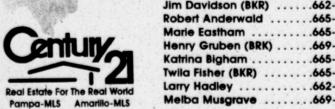
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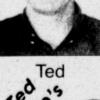
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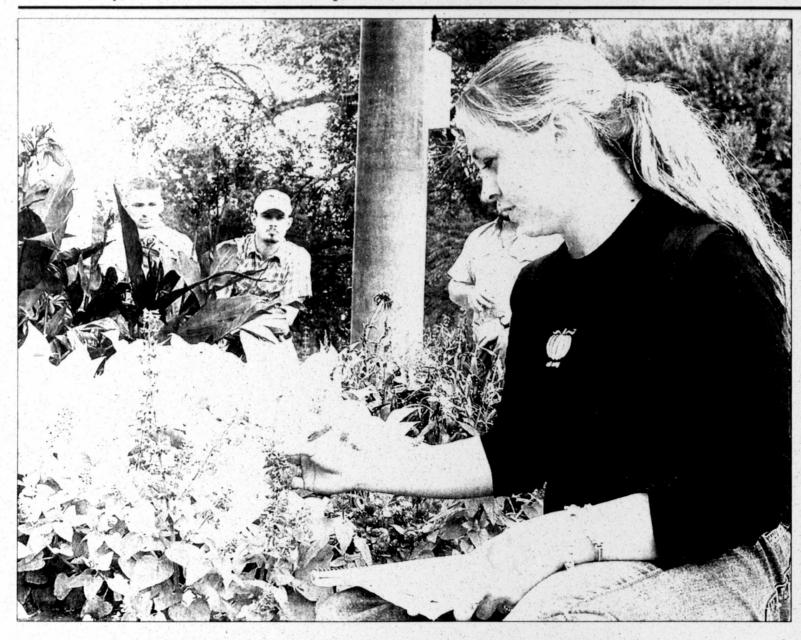
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By ANANDA SHOREY Associated Press Writer

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Seventeen people were in the truck Saturday when it lost control near Fort Huachuca, a southeastern Arizona Army post. Investigators think it was traveling at about 90 mph, Sierra Vista Deputy Fire Chief Randy Redmond said.

Five people died at the scene of the crash; another victim died later at a hospital. Of the 15 seriously injured, one person was on life support and six were in critical but stable condition. officials said.

Investigators on Sunday were trying to identify the driver and other smugglers in the truck, said Arizona Department of Public Safety Sgt. Brian Preston.

used by immigrant smugglers trying to skirt Border Patrol checkpoints. Authorities believe the stolen pickup was headed to Phoenix, the nation's hub for transporting illegal immigrants.

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> - Sgt. Brian Preston Arizona Department of Public Safety

Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials questioned a man they believed was driving the vehicle, but he turned out to be a passenger, Preston said.

Vehicle-related deaths of undocumented immigrants have been on the rise in Arizona, many of them involving overloaded vehicles

According to Preston, Cochise County Sheriff's deputies first spotted the truck near the Huachuca Mountains, in an area commonly used for loading contraband and illegal immi-

They chased the vehicle, but broke off the pursuit before the accident, when

the suspect drove away recklessly, sheriff's spokeswoman Carol Capas said. The truck's driver lost control after swerving at a spot where Sierra Vista police had placed tire deflation spikes to slow the truck.

"Speculation was that maybe he thought he would drive around them," Preston

Passengers were thrown out when the truck struck a median and then hit vehicles waiting in a turn lane, Redmond said. The fourdoor pickup did not have a camper shell or cover.

The crash's impact tore the roofs from some cars and trapped several motorists in their vehicles, Redmond said.

James Lee, 74, and Emilia Lee, 71, of Huachuca City, were killed when the pickup hit their vehicle. Four other victims killed were in the pickup; their names were not available Sunday.

Ghost mines becoming tourist draws

HARLAN, Ky. (AP) — Out-of-state license plates tell the story of eastern Kentucky's rising popularity among off-roaders.

Pickup trucks bearing tags from as far away as Florida and Ohio roll through town, some pulling trailers laden with all-terrain vehicles, others carrying brawny rockcrawling machines, on their way to some of Kentucky's harshest terrain.

They're pouring into a region where coal mining has turned mountaintops into off-roader paradise.

"They love it here," said Preston McLain, a member of the group Harlan County Ridge Runners who guides visitors on rides along the Kentucky-Virginia "We've got views from these mountaintops that you don't find anywhere else."

Thousands of miles of rocky, rutted mountain roads have made eastern Kentucky a primary destination for a growing number of people who ride all-terrain vehicles or plod cross-country in four-wheel-drive trucks and SUVs with tires that look like they came off a farm tractor.

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Smaller butterfly migration being blamed on herbicides, weather

annual migration of monarch butterflies that crosses Texas en route to Central Mexico is the smallest in 14 years, experts say.

Hundreds of millions of the large, colorful butterflies migrate to near Mexico City from the United States and Canada each fall. But herbicides, changing farming practices and weather are apparent culprits in reducing the numbers.

"We've had very few reports outside that narrow band," Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologist Mike Quinn told the Austin American-Statesman in Monday's online edition. "The biggest single report was 5,000 in San Angelo. All along Interstate 35 from Dallas, we've primarily had reports of single ones."

The migration funnels through a 300-mile-wide corridor from Oklahoma City to Del Rio before crossing the border.

The leading wave of migrating monarchs has fluttered into Mexico by now, dependent on northerly winds to help them soar as far as 80 miles a day, close to the ground or thousands of

feet in the air, Quinn said. He said that, in addition to

AUSTIN (AP) — The a hard freeze last February that killed many monarchs in from wild milkweed plants, soybeans.

which are being killed by herbicides that farmers can Mexico, the insects have apply more abundantly been harmed by biotechnol- thanks to herbicide-resistant ogy. They depend on nectar varieties of crops such as



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