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Deaths

Doris Johnson, 69, homemaker. George E. Keeton, 104, laborer, farmer. Brandon Redell 'B.Y.' Young-Mallard, 23, rapper. Mary Ettavie Michael, 57, Atmos Energy retiree.

Texas Today

Heflin to contest election in House HOUSTON (AP) State Rep. Falmadge

Viacom, feds reach \$3.5 million agreement Payment to settle federal investigations into TV, radio indecency allegations

WASHINGTON (AP) --on the air.

settlement, The

It was music to Bart Wyatt's ears as fifth graders recited water conser-

vation actions in the Wilson Elementary School band room.

Wilson is one of 46 schools that

Ground

Headquartered out of White Deer,

the district covers all or part of nine counties. Any place in the district

where there is a fifth grade class (and a couple of places outside the dis-

While Spring Creek is officially outside the boundaries of the district,

it is close enough that Wyatt pays an

He also goes to Western Plateau in

Water

Wyatt visits each year as director of

education and information for the

Panhandle

Conservation District.

trict), Wyatt's there.

annual visit to that school.

investigations dating back to after the 2002 show until Viacom will pay a record 2001. One involved shock October, when they joined \$3.5 million to settle dozens jock Howard Stern, and two with XM Satellite Radio, of federal investigations into focused on Opie and where alleged indecency on TV and Anthony, who lost their Communications the radio, and introduce Viacom-owned New York delays in more live program- radio show after it featured a ming to help catch trouble- couple purporting to have some material before it gets sex inside St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Greg "Opie" Hughes and Viacom-owned announced Tuesday, closes Anthony Cumia went silent Broadcasting expires.

Federal Commission regulations

don't apply. Stern is joining the Sirius satellite network in January 2006, when his contract with Infinity

Viacom, which also owns cency laws. CBS and MTV, agreed to implement a companywide allows us to move forward compliance plan aimed at and to focus our efforts in preventing future violations this area by serving our of federal indecency statutes. The plan includes installation of audio delay equipment at radio stations that and video and audio delays," broadcast live programming and training broadcasters and employees about inde-

"This consent decree viewers and listeners with techniques to safeguard live broadcasts, such as cutaways Viacom said in a statement.

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Heflin is expected to ask the Texas House of Representatives on Wednesday to overturn results of his failed reelection bid.

The veteran Republican lawmaker from Houston will ask the House to order him returned to his seat or call for a new election, his attorney Andy Taylor told the Houston Chronicle for a story in Wednesday's editions.

Heflin, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and a House member since 1983, lost to Democratic businessman Hubert Vo of Houston by 32 votes in House District 149 in Harris County earlier this month.

Vo campaign officials are confident that their candidate won a fair election and have called on Heflin to concede.

Jet to pick up former president warned about low altitude

HOUSTON (AP) The pilot of a private jet that crashed while coming to Houston to pick up former President Bush was warned just before the accident about his aircraft's low altitude, a federal investigator said Tuesday.

The probe continued into what caused the Gulfstream G-1159A jet to go down about 6:15 a.m. Monday, killing its two male pilots and a female flight attendant.

The plane, which belonged to Jet Place Inc. of Tulsa, Okla., left Love Field in Dallas at 5:30 a.m. It was to have picked up Bush, who lives in Houston, for a trip to Ecuador to give a speech at a business conference.

The co-pilot was identified Tuesday as Michael Desalvo, 62, from Roanoke, Texas.

Amarillo, although it's in the part of town covered by Randall County. "Actually," Wyatt said, "they

called me.' He figured if someone wanted to know more about water conservation, he'd sure try to explain it to them.

Wyatt estimates he'll talk to his 10,000th student this year since starting the program in 1999.

He said he always talks to the fifth grade students. They understand what he's talking about and pay attention.

"A lot of times we don't think about water." Wyatt said.

His program, he said, is to help people learn to conserve water at an early age.

while brushing their teeth, will stay with them for life.

said.

ious aquifers beneath the water dis- water piped in from Lake Meredith. locked up in glaciers and the polar sand, is slow to recharge. trict and the differences between them.

"It's a pretty good program," Wyatt said.

"This has become a Thanksgiving tradition here at Wilson," said Mark Mertz, one of the Wilson teachers.

This morning, the day before school is let out for Thanksgiving, Wyatt has more than 50 students who pay close attention for almost an hour, eagerly answering his questions and making suggestions about how to conserve water.

Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Bart Wyatt of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District with Wilson Elementary fifth graders, Jacob Black and Tiffany Pooley-Magrum.

Wyatt explains to the students that Any good habits he can instill in those who live in the country and the filtration system used by Pampa ly from the Ogallala Aquifer, the earth's filtration system. largest aquifer in the world, extend-"We cover everything," Wyatt ing from Midland to South Dakota. percent of body weight is water, but

He explained to the students that lice caps.

Wyatt tells the students that 70 servation extremely important.

Only two percent of the worlds' them, such as turning off the water have wells, their water comes direct- and other cities is similar to the water, he said, is fresh enough for human consumption. That make con-

Wyatt explains how different For those students who live in town, 98 percent of the water on earth is not aquifers work and how rain can He tells the students about conser- he said that their water is a mix of usable. Most of the water is salt water recharge lakes and streams, but the vation, the hydrologic cycle, the var- water pumped from the Ogallala and in the planet's oceans or fresh water Ogallala, a formation of saturated

> A 10th of an inch rain, he said, takes 10 to 50 years to make its way into the Ogallala Aquifer.

Wyatt explained how the further east a person goes, the higher the rainfall average.

Texas is such a vast state, he said, that far western parts average only 10 inches of rain a year. East Texas with its forests, however, averages in some places as much as 50 inches of rain.

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The amount of water it takes to make:

- One loaf of bread 136 gallons
- Produce one gallon of gas 10 gallons
- Take a bath and brush teeth 30 gallons
- Produce one gallon of milk 22 gallons
- Make one automobile 100,000 gallons
- Produce one copy of the Sunday newspaper 280 gallons

Father, son arrested after 'pot' found in pot

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

A father and son duo are free on \$1,000 bond each cers served a narcotics search warrant at their home Monday, according to Gray County Jail arrest records and Pampa Department reports.

Kenneth David Johnson, 48, and Kolbye Dale Johnson, 18, were arrested by members of Pampa

their home at 1123 Mary marijuana plants. Hen.

ail at 11:19 p.m. Monday by after law enforcement offi- Officers Aaron McWilliams and Casey Ingersoll.

Each was charged with possession of under two ounces of marijuana and Police possession of drug paraphernalia.

> Both were released Tuesday after posting \$1,000 bond each.

In an upstairs room of the Police Department and Gray two-story house, officers had pied by Kenneth Johnson, the window, the officers the spokesperson said.

County Constables' Office at found a flower pot with four according to the reports.

They were booked into found, along with "several Dale Johnson had marijuana pieces of paraphernalia and an as-yet undetermined amount of marijuana," said Police Lt. Fred Courtney in a press release.

> Kolbye Johnson occupied the upstairs rooms, which included a bedroom, according to police reports.

nalia were also found in a ence and some suspicious the paraphernalia charge are downstairs bedroom occu- movement was seen through to be settled at a later date.

A grow lamp was also information that Kolbye Courtney said. growing in the house." Courtney said.

> home at 10:44 p.m. and "had and intended to make entry to the house with the cooperation of the persons inside.

acknowledge the officers' Marijuana and parapher- announcement of their pres-

opened the unlocked door "Officers had received and entered the house,"

Both Johnsons were found near the front door on the first floor of the home and Officers arrived at the were detained while officers narcotics agents searched the house.

The \$1,000 bond paid by each Johnson applies to the When they did not marijuana charge, according to a jail spokesperson.

Any charges to be paid on





Obituaries

Doris Johnson, 69

HOBBS, N.M. - Doris Johnson, 69, of Hobbs, died Sunday, Nov. 21, 2004.

Graveside services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Friday in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Jim Powell, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Johnson was born Dec. 29, 1934, at Pampa. She married Raymond C. Johnson on July 26, 1952, at Clovis, N.M.

While a Pampa resident, Mrs. Johnson belonged to Hobart Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers; and a sister.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond, of the home; three sons, Ricky Johnson of Odessa, Randy Johnson of Roswell, N.M., and Gary Gill of Hobbs, N.M.; four brothers, Claud Manry of Stinnett, Jack Manry of Pecos, Ernie Manry of De Queen and Jim Manry of Norman, Okla.; two sisters, Kay Hampton of Odessa and Mary Williams of Weatherford; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Johnson will lie in state from 8 a.m. until 12 noon Friday at the funeral home in Pampa.

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

George E. Keeton, 104

George E. Keeton, 104, of Pampa, died farmed in the McLean area. Monday, Nov. 22, 2004.

Services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Albert Maggard, of First

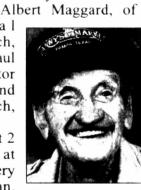
Pentecostal Holiness Church, and the Rev. Paul Nachtigall, pastor Highland of Baptist Church, officiating. Burial is set at 2

p.m. Friday at Hillcrest Cemetery McLean. in Keeton Arrangements are

under the direction

of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Red River County, Texas. He had been a Pampa resident since 1941, working for Cabot and later as a general laborer with the City of Pampa prior to retiring in 1956. He



He was a member of First Pentecostal Holiness Church. His 103 birthday, celebrated Dec. 27, 2003, was proclaimed "George Keeton Day" by the then-mayor of the City of Pampa, and he was presented with the key to the city of Pampa.

He was known by everyone for his smile. He and Nellie Headrick were married on June 18, 1921, at Hillsboro; she died Feb. 1, 1992.

Mr. Keeton was preceded in death by two daughters, Violet Bowers and Letha Miles; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Survivors include two sons, J.R. Keeton and Doyle Keeton, both of Pampa; a daughter, Helen Danner of Pampa; 14 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Mr. Keeton was born Dec. 27, 1899, in Odyssey Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 791101.

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

Brandon Redell 'B.Y.' Young-Mallard, 23

Brandon Redell "B.Y." Young-Mallard, Worth; his grandparents, Lucille and Robey 23, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 21, 2004, at Pampa.

Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Young-Mallard, a long-time Fort Worth resident, was born Jan. 2, 1981, at^s Shamrock.

Stayin Ready Records, Inc.

Survivors include his father, Robey

Mallard, Sr., of Pampa; three sisters, LaKendra Young, Stephanie Mallard and Shanta Mallard, all of Fort Worth; a brother, Mikeal Mallard of Fort Worth; two stepbrothers, Antione Jackson and Charles Jackson, Jr., both of Fort Worth; and a stepsister, Courtney Malone of Arlington.

The family requests memorials be to High He was a songwriter and a rapper with Plains Epilepsy Association, 3505 Olsen Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79109.

-Sign the on-line register book at

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Tuesday, Nov. 23 Burglary was reported in the 700 block of Buckler. A door frame was damaged, and a PlayStation 2 and taken. games were Estimated value of damage and loss is \$240.

Lawrence Ray Grant, 54, 809 S. Gray, was arrested at Municipal Court for capias pro fines for no driver's license and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

Wednesday, Nov. 24 A vehicle was removed from the roadway in the

2200 block of Alcock because it was a traffic hazard. The owner was later arrested by Gray County Sheriff's Office for public intoxication, according to the police report.

A known felon was hiding in a residence in the 1000 block of Neel Road and was arrested after a brief-standoff between officers and the occupants of

Gray County Weather

Today: Cloudy, then gradually becoming partly sunny, with a high near 40. Wind chill values between 18 and 28. Northwest wind between 15 and 20 mph.

with a low around 33. Wind chill values between 24 and 29. West wind around 10 mph.

56. Wind chill values mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 36. Wind chill values between 29 and 34. South southwest wind around 15 mph. Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 57. West southwest wind 15 to 20 mph becoming north northwest. Friday Night: A slight chance of rain before 11pm, then a slight chance of rain and snow between 11 p.m. and 2 a.m., then a slight

Stocks

the residence, according to the police report. Arrested were Tequilla Yvett Hall, 19; Taquiana Hall, 17; and Donna Marie Hunnicutt, 45, all of 1024 Neel Road. All three were charged with hindering the apprehension of a fugitive. Tequilla Hall was also charged with failure to identify. The known felon, Bobby L. Dorsey, 18, 1032 Huff Rd., was arrested by Gray County Sheriff's Department.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents today.

Monday, Nov. 22 2002 Chevrolet A Venture, driven by Melanie Ann Abshire, 30, 1105 W. Sandlewood Dr., collided with a properly parked 2004 Chevrolet 2500HD, owned Waukesha-Pearce by Industries Inc. of Houston, in the 2300 block of Rosewood. No injuries were reported. Abshire was

cited for failing to maintain

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's office reported the following arrests today. Thursday, Nov. 24

Lloyd Poland, 39, homeless, was arrested for public intoxication.

Bobby L. Dorsey, 18, 1032 Huff, was arrested for warrants for possession of marijuana, failure to identify and evading arrest.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m.

today. **Tuesday, Nov. 23** 3:04 a.m. – A mobile ICU

unit responded to Pampa **Regional Medical Center** and transferred a patient(s) to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

5:36 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of Hamilton and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

wind between 15 and 20 mph. Chance of precipita-

Saturday: A slight chance of snow before 9 a.m., then a slight chance of rain and snow between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., then a slight chance of rain after 10 a.m.

Mostly cloudy, with a high around 49. North wind 15 to 20 mph becoming north northeast 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Saturday Night: A slight chance of rain before 8 p.m., then a slight chance of rain

11 a.m., then a slight chance of rain after 11 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a high around 45. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Sunday Night: A chance of rain and snow before 7 p.m., then a chance of snow. Mostly cloudy and windy, with a low near 26. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Monday: A chance of snow before 11 a.m., then a chance of rain and snow between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., then a chance of rain after 1 p.m. Cloudy and windy, with a high around 43. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.



Bart Wyatt

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Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33. North northwest

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tion is 20 percent.

Tonight: Partly cloudy,

Thanksgiving Day: Partly cloudy, with a high around between 24 and 31. Southwest wind around 10

Mallard, Jr., of Pampa; his mother and stepwww.carmichael-whatley.com. father, Evelyn and Charles Jackson of Fort

Mary Ettavie Michael, 57

Mary Ettavie Michael, 57, of Pampa, Chad Michael and wife Sara of Wichita, Texas, died Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2004, at Kan.; mother, Ardelle Sirmans of Pampa; Pampa. sister, Zelda Wilson and

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004, at the Highland Baptist Church with Pastor Paul Nachtigall officiating.

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

Mrs. Michael was born July 19, 1947, in Pampa, to Jack and Ardelle Sirmans. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1969

She married Monty Michael on July 28, 1967, at Miami.

She worked for Atmos Energy as operation's assistant for 22 years before retirement.

She was a member of Highland Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Monty Michael, of the home; daughter, Brandi Wyatt and husband Kelly of Pampa; son,

Services tomorrow

Friday services

JOHNSON, Doris — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa. **KEETON**, George E. – 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa. Burial, 2 p.m., Hillcrest Cemetery, McLean.

and snow between 8 p.m. and midnight, then a slight chance of snow after midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33. Windy, with a south southeast wind between 15 and 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Sunday: A slight chance of snow before 10 a.m., then a slight chance of rain and chance of snow after 2 a.m. snow between 10 a.m. and

Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26.

Tuesday: A slight chance of snow before 11 a.m., then a slight chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 48. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

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Insurer wins round in fight to raise rates

AUSTIN (AP) — The second-largest state's provider of malpractice insurance for doctors has won a preliminary ruling to allow it raise premiums by 10 percent.

Insurance has tried since May to block G.E. Medical Protective Co.'s rate increase, which regulators have said is excessive.

The battle between regulators and the company has been watched closely as a test for the effectiveness of 2003 legislation and a constitutional amendment designed to lower soaring insurance costs for doctors by reducing the number of medical malpractice lawsuits.

An administrative judge issued a proposed decision, finding that there is enough competition in the medical malpractice market to allow MedPro to set its own rates, the Houston Chronicle reported Wednesday.

Jim Hurley, a spokesman for the Insurance Department, said the department disagrees with the ruling and will file exceptions to the judge's findings. A final decision by the judge is expected in January. That

The Texas Department of decision will go to the insurance commissioner, who can accept or reject it.

> Jay Thompson, a lawyer for MedPro, said that without the lawsuit limitations adopted by Texans in the constitutional amendment known as Proposition 12, the company would be raising premiums by 40 percent.

"Tort reform is definitely working. More carriers are selling this insurance, and doctors have more choices," Thompson said.

Texas Watch, an organization which works to lower insurance costs, said voters were promised significantly lower rates for doctors after the amendment passed.

"This is just one more sign that the only people who benefit from Prop 12 are big insurance companies," said Alex Winslow, a program director for Texas Watch.

The largest malpractice carrier, Texas Medical Liability Trust, has lowered rates 17 percent this year, said Hurley.

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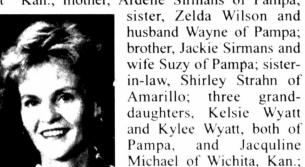
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She was preceded in death by her father, Jack Sirmans.

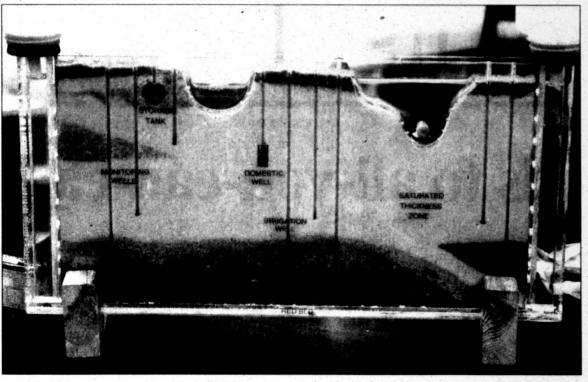
The family requests memorials be to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, P.O. Box 190567, Dallas, TX 75219-0567.

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one grandson, Cameron

Michael of Wichita, Kan.;

and several nieces and



Pampa News photos by DAVID BOWSER

Bart Wyatt uses this ground water flow meter to teach students.

Water

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Amarillo normally gets about 18 inches of rain a year. Pampa averages about 20 inches.

Wyatt explained where the water goes, too.

About 35 percent of the water used by people goes to water the yard. About 25 percent goes to flush toilets, and another 20 percent goes for baths and showers. Fourteen percent goes to wash clothes.

Only two percent goes for drinking. Another two percent goes for shaving and brushing teeth.

A person will use 80 gallons of water annually just brushing his teeth, Wyatt said.

Counting hands after asking how many students turn to cut down on evaporation, off the water as they brush their teeth, Wyatt did some calculations and told them such as aerator nozzles on

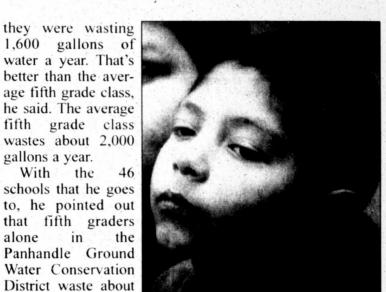
1,600 gallons of water a year. That's better than the average fifth grade class, he said. The average fifth grade class wastes about 2,000 gallons a year. With the

schools that he goes to, he pointed out that fifth graders in alone Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District waste about 100,000 gallons a year.

that could be saved listens intently. simply by shutting

off the water as they brushed their teeth.

Wyatt also suggested watering their yards early in the morning and late at night taking shorter showers and using special equipment,



He said much of Wilson 5th grader Mario Rivera

sinks and showers and using water efficient toilets.

He also introduced them to the water district's website, www.panhandlegroundwater.org, for more water saving ideas and an interactive water conservation game.

PFAA establishing Gikas scholarship A scholarship in honor of Ted Gikas is Fund, and mailed to Pampa Fine Arts Assn.,

being established by Pampa Fine Arts P.O.Box 818, Pampa, Texas 79065. Association.

Donations should be made out to: Ted the Coney Island Café, Gikas died Oct. 4, Gikas Pampa Fine Arts Assn. Scholarship 2004.

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Viacom said the public, not the government, should decide what it is exposed to on radio and television.

But agreeing to the settlement makes that impossible, says John Dunbar, a project manager at the Center for Public Integrity, a nonpartisan government watchdog group. Viacom had a reputation for questioning federal investigations under its forpresident, Mel mer Karmazin, who left in June, Dunbar said. Karmazin is joining his longtime associ-

Library sets kid activities

Coming up in December, Lovett Memorial Library, Pampa, will host two free children's activities in its. auditorium. From 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, children of all ages are invited to the library to help decorate Christmas cookies. All cookies, icing and decorations will be furnished.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, a Christmas Craft Day will be held between the hours of 10 and 11:30 a.m. All necessary supplies will be provided.

For more information or to sign-up a child for either or both activities, call the library at 669-5780.

ate Stern at Sirius, where he will be CEO.

Becoming more acquiescent with FCC oversight may make good business sense, Dunbar said, but that means potentially losing freedom of speech.

"Regardless of what the content of the speech was, I'm not sure that it's such a great thing for there not to be a debate on it," Dunbar said.

The settlement is not related to the agency's \$550,000 fine against Viacom after the exposure of singer Janet Jackson's breast during the CBS Super Bowl halftime show in January. Viacom is contesting that fine.

The agreement cancels

investigations into about 50. radio and television shows, said Richard Diamond, a commission spokesman. The shows were broadcast by Viacom-owned stations across the country, including some in Florida, Michigan, Ohio, California, Nevada, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Texas, Massachusetts and New York.

A community benefactor and co-owner of

Viacom has five days to pay the \$3.5 million fine, according to the agreement. Diamond said it was the commission's largest settlement.

Infinity Broadcasting paid fines totaling \$1.7 million in 1995 to settle FCC violations by Stern.

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Viewpoints

Over river, through woods to all-you-can-eat

My family has had the same Thanksgiving tradition for the past five years.

Each Thanksgiving holiday, we drive to my grandparents' house in Dallas. While we are there, we do not cook the normal oversized meal, instead we head to an all-you-can eat luxury buffet. The kind where you gain five pounds in one day and pray that you can lose the weight by Christmas. It is this way, that in Thanksgiving is made special for me.

important to me though, is the idea of thinking about everything 1 am lucky raise

enough to have in my life. At a speech competition last weekend, I gave an oration over the Republican and news Democratic platforms to solve unemployment and worse. In poverty. My speech's introduction still sticks vividly in my head.

The story, provided by CNN.com, was of a man dler for a major airline, time by Southwest Airlines I am glad we have the as an intern at The Pampa

Perhaps what makes June of 2003, his beautiful Thanksgiving even more wife, Diana, died giving birth to their third son, Pedro.

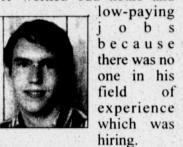
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News Intern Robert gets October of last year, he

was laid off from his job of

downswing.

Robert struggled to make ends meet for the next year. Chavez was left alone to He worked odd hours and



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Finally after a horrible truly have. 22 years as a baggage han- year, Chavez was hired full-

pilot program.

It is the stories like Robert Chavez's that get me. When I hear of a man raising three children on virtually no income, I am truly thankful for what I have. It seems that lately I have gotten so caught up in figuring out things like a way to save enough money experience to buy a new camera or to even pay for college, that I have forgotten how much I

named Robert Chavez. In because of a corporate and is now enrolled in their Thanksgiving holiday. It News.

helps me remember just what I do have to be thankful for. I have my health, a great family, my friends, all of life's necessities, a great education and so much more.

That is each and every year, I worry a little bit less about the weight I put on from our all-you-can eat buffet. I know Thanksgiving truly is a time of celebration.

Ben Briscoe is a senior at When it comes down to it, Pampa High School serving

Today in History

By the Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 24, the 329th day of 2004. There are 37 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 24, 1963, Jack Ruby shot and mortally wounded Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President Kennedy, in a scene captured on live television.

On this date:

In 1784, Zachary Taylor, the 12th president of the United States, was born in Orange County, Va.

In 1859, British naturalist Charles Darwin published "On the Origin of Species," which explained his theory of evolution.

In 1864, French artist Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec was born in Albi.

In 1871, the National Rifle Association was incorporated. In 1944, during World War II, U.S. bombers based on

Saipan attacked Tokyo in the first raid against the Japanese capital by land-based planes.

In 1969, Apollo 12 splashed down safely in the Pacific. In 1971, hijacker D.B. Cooper parachuted from a

Northwest Airlines 727 over

Washington state with \$200,000 in ransom; his fate remains unknown.



Monopoly on ideas serves no one

Optim

'Humor distorts nothing, and only false gods are laughed off their earthly pedestals."

Agnes Repplier American essavist

an Egyptair jetliner parked on the ground in Malta ended violently as Egyptian commandos stormed the plane. Fifty-eight people died in the raid, in addition to two others killed by the

> hijackers. In 1987, the United States and the Soviet Union agreed to scrap shorter- and medi-

In 1985, the hijacking of

um-range missiles.

In 1989, Romanian leader Nicolae Ceausescu was unanimously re-elected Communist Party chief. (Within a month, he was overthrown in a popular uprising and executed along with his wife, Elena, on Christmas Day.)

Ten years ago: Rebel Serbs refused to withdraw from the U.N. designated safe area around Bihac and continued to advance on the city, despite recent NATO air strikes.

Five years ago: Two-hundred and eighty people were killed when a ferry caught fire and foundered off the coast of eastern China's Shandong province.

One year ago: President Bush signed a \$401 billion defense authorization bill. The president then traveled to Fort Carson, Colo., where he paid tribute to the sacrifices of U.S. troops in Iraq. A jury in Virginia Beach, Va., sentenced John Allen Muhammad to death for the Washington-area sniper shootings. A fire at a Moscow dormitory for foreign students killed 43 people. Hall of Fame pitcher Warren Spahn died in Broken Arrow, Okla., at age 82.

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President Bush's national security adviser and now his is possible." Those kinds of secretary of state nominee, attacks by blacks have has been the subject of nasty, demeaning and disrespectful cartoons and commentary.

Some of the worst has come from people like Julian the recent Bond, chairman of the cartoons of National Association for the P Advancement of Colored Oliphant People, who said on TV's "America's Black Forum" that he agreed with "The ("Doonesbury"). Boondocks" cartoonist Aaron McGruder's characterization of Dr. Rice as "a murderer."

A lead article in Black Commentator

Of all the numbers that

came out of the Nov. 2 elec-

tions, the most shocking

should be this: Of 435 races

for the U.S. House of

Representatives, only seven

Four of those seven were

Moreover, most of those

victims of partisan redistrict-

435 races weren't even

close. According to the

Center for Voting and

Democracy, 95 percent of

House races were decided by

a margin of 10 points or

more. A full 84 percent

ended in landslides of more

American people over-

incumbents lost.

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als to join in Walter as seen by Williams Columnist a t and Garry Trudeau

First, let's look at a few of

job Congress is doing.

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Day.

Instead, House incum-

bents win because they have

Dr. Rice's credentials. She holds a doctorate from the University of Denver. While senior fellow at the prestisaid, gious Hoover Institution, she "Condoleezza Rice is the taught courses in Stanford

Dr. Condoleezza Rice, purest expression of the race University's political science department. Later, she served as the university's provost.

Dr. Rice is a recognized

and she's fluent Russian. She landed

her job as national security adviser not because President Bush was trying to pay off a black constituency and not because Bush had an affirmative-action policy; her qualifications got her the job.

whose boundaries are tai-

lored to their party.

If Dr. Rice is confirmed by the Senate, she will hold the most important Cabinet office not only because she'll direct the president's foreign policy but because expert in she'll be third in the line of Soviet and succession should the presi-Eastern dent and vice president European countries, become incapacitated - the

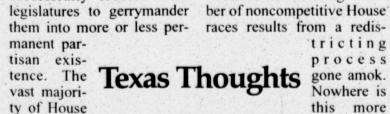
first two are the speaker of House of the Representatives and president pro tempore of the Senate.

Being 68, I lived at a time when the idea of a black Cabinet official was little more than a pipe dream. Robert C. Weaver's 1966

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There's a better way to redistrict



than

Texas, primaries, not on Election where the scars of the 2003 reapportionment battle are Why is there so much parstill fresh.

There is a better way. As tisan rancor in the U.S. House compared with the he has in every legislative session since 1993, state more collegial Senate? It is Sen. Jeff Wentworth in All these incumbents were impossible to gerrymander not triumphant because the an entire state. Senate candi-January will introduce a dates must campaign in bill to create a bipartisan whelmingly approve of the competitive, statewide elecredistricting commission

tions rather than in districts in Texas.

in

With equal representation from both parties, a redistricting plan could not move forward without the approval of two-thirds of the commissioners. tricting

A redistricting commisprocess gone amok. sion would take reapportion-Nowhere is ment out of the hands of legislators, ending the hardball, this more evident partisan game of hacking and packing districts. in

The redistricting map it approves would have to be fair to both parties.

With any luck, the districts that the commission draws up also would be more competitive than current ones, compelling candidates to campaign for independents and offering voters a real choice.

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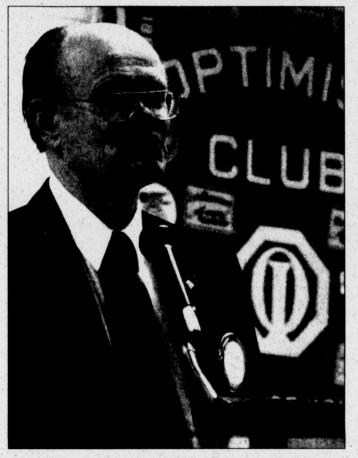
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Optimist Youth Appreciation -





 In conjunction with Youth **Appreciation Week, November** 21 through November 28, Pampa Optimist Club honored 10 students from Pampa High School. Those students where: Kristen Boyd, Latin and Biology, Jamie Recendiz, Chemistry and Spanish, (Back Row) Brian Schepp, Calculus and Biology, Taylor Reeves, Latin and Chemistry, and Ben Briscoe, Latin and Newspaper.

John Warner, Pampa Optimist Club member, expresses his appreciation for the work of 10 students from Pampa High School in conjunction with Youth **Appreciation Week, November** 21 through November 28. The young people were honored at special presentation a Monday night.

'A monopoly on

remain elusive.'

- Walter Williams

Columnist

Two different versions emerge of how Wisconsin hunter shootings erupted

Wednesday.

Sunday's

others hunting with him.

Crotteau and Willers.

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HAYWARD, Wis. (AP) — at the Hesebeck home in rural The man suspected of shooting six hunters to death and a Members of his family and survivor agree that the tragedy began with a confrontation on private land. But they sharply differ on what happened next.

Survivor Lauren Hesebeck told investigators Chai Vang, 36, of St. Paul, Minn., turned around after a verbal exchange and started shooting frontation with Willers and his rifle from 40 yards away.

Vang told Sawyer County investigators he began firing only after one of Hesebeck's hunting buddies, Terry Willers, shot at him with a rifle from about 100 feet away and missed.

Vang, a Hmong immigrant from Laos, also claimed the hunters taunted him with racial slurs and warned him he would be reported to law enforcement for being on private land, according to a document filed Tuesday.

Hesebeck's version, contained in the same statement, makes no mention of that type of language or verbal hostility, other than saying Vang used profanity at one point.

Hesebeck, who was released from a hospital Tuesday after treatment for a shoulder wound, told investigators Willers shot at Vang after Vang fired first but missed.

Both accounts agreed that Vang shot the others as more people from the deer camp arrived at the scene, summoned by Hesebeck using a walkie-talkie to call for help.

Vang said he continued firing as the group scattered, and at one point chased one of the hunters and shot him in the back, only to find the man had no gun, the document states.

Authorities have said there was only one gun among the victims. According to investigators, it's believed Vang fired at least 20 shots.

No one answered the door

Killed were Crotteau, 42; Rice Lake on Tuesday. his son, Joey Crotteau, 20; Al Laski, 43; Mark Roidt, 28; Jessica Willers, 27; and another victim's family planned to talk with reporters Denny Drew, 55, all from the Rice Lake area.





Ideas

Continued from Page 4

appointment to the Department of Housing and Urban Development made him the first black Cabinet officer. Since that time, there have been other blacks appointed to high office. None has encountered the vicious attacks visited on Dr. Rice and Gen. Colin Powell, and what's worse, the most vicious attacks have come from their fellow blacks.

To make sure I was correct in my recollection of blacks in earlier periods, I called my 81-year-old friend Chuck Stone, former writer for the Philadelphia Daily News and now professor at the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

I asked him whether he recalled instances of today's demeaning, insulting attacks. He said no, and we recalled how black people came to the defense of people like Reps. Robert Nix and Adam Clayton Powell, for whom Stone

W.E.B. DuBois didn't produce today's virulence. To put yesteryear in ideas serves no one perspective, in 1941, well and explains Joe Louis knocked out why solutions to Billy Conn. If you weren't around then, problems for a large you cannot imagine segment of the black the uplift and pride community will

Washington

served as chief administrative assistant.

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that it gave black people. In the scheme of things, Joe Louis' feat doesn't begin to compare to the achievements of Dr. Rice and Gen. Powell.

Black people have = become Democrats

first and whatever else afterward. The community will remain elusive. Democratic leadership, along with its leftist allies in Hollywood, on college campuses, in labor unions, in the education establishment and in the media, detests President Bush.

Too many black people are depend-Professor Stone also reminded me that ent on the Democrats for handouts and the differences between Booker T. racial preferences. Black politicians depend on the Bush haters

for financial resources enabling them to gain office. Black civil rights organizations are beholden to liberal foundations. The bottom line of all of this is that he who pays the piper calls the tune and black people dance along.

The attacks on Dr. Rice and Gen. Powell are the results of one-think where all blacks are to think alike. Any who stray are race traitors. A monopoly on ideas serves no one well and explains why solutions to problems for a large segment of the black

Walter Williams, Ph.D., is a John M. Olin Distinguished Professor of Economics at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va.

Killer tornadoes hit Texas, Louisiana

a dozen tornadoes plowed Wharton County. their banks and forcing people Moreland said. out of their homes.

weather swept eastward after had complied with the evacuaraking Texas on Tuesday, tor- tion request but officials were nadoes also struck parts of ready for rescues. "We know Louisiana and Mississippi, we are going to have to go out killing two more people. and get some of these folks is about 47 miles north of tearing off roofs. Scattered damage was report- with boats because some of ed in Alabama.

The weather was clearing end in southeastern Texas.

In Texas' Dewitt County, officials called for the evacua- wiped out," and there was tion of about 100 homes near the Guadalupe River, expected throughout the northern part to crest Thursday or Friday, of the county, said Valeri said Sheriff Gary Edwards.

About 2,500 people were

HOUSTON (AP) — About the Colorado River in Kirbyville within minutes of Alexandria.

Wharton County Judge weather service said. As the line of violent John Murrile said most people them won't leave," he said.

A dispatcher for the Hardin Wednesday in Texas, but County Sheriff's Department rivers were still swelling with said a woman was killed and rainfall that included 15 inch- three people were injured by es in one day during the week- one of four tornadoes that struck Tuesday afternoon.

> "Several trailers were "pretty extensive damage" Stewart.

Authorities believe three asked to evacuate homes near other tornadoes hit the town of

The one another, said Billy Ted across Texas, killing one per- Colorado was expected to Smith, emergency manage- middle of town," Smith said. son and destroying several crest late Wednesday at just ment coordinator for Jasper, homes, part of a storm system below the level that floods Newton and Sabine counties. that drenched the state for four homes, National Weather A possible tornado damaged Wednesday, damaging as days, pushing rivers out of Service meteorologist Matt four homes in Wharton many as 50 homes and caus-County late Tuesday, the

> Several homes in Olla, La., were "completely torn up" late spokesman James Hartman. A Tuesday said LaSalle Parish tornado apparently hit the Sheriff Carl Smith. Olla, with Jefferson Parish city of a population of around 1,400, Westwego early Wednesday,

"It cut a path through the

A twister touched down north of Slidell, La., early ing minor injuries to a halfdozen people, said St. Tammany Parish sheriff's

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Diplomats: Iran wants to exempt part of program from freeze

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Iran is demanding that it be allowed to make an exception in its commitment to freeze all uranium enrichment activities so it can operate about about two dozen centrifuges, diplomats said Wednesday.

The Iranians have told the International Atomic Energy Agency that they want to operate the centrifuges "for research purposes," the diplomats told The Associated Press.

They have asked the

IAEA to exempt around 24 suspicions about its nuclear thus deprived the Americans used as feedstock for enrich- run 50,000 centrifuges to of the devices from the agency seals meant to ensure the enrichment program is completely at a standstill, one of the diplomats said.

The IAEA had no immediate comment. Another diplomat who is familiar with the agency said it was resisting the demand for an exemption.

The move comes on the eve of an IAEA board meeting that will examine Iran's compliance to international demands meant to reduce

activities. Among them are calls for a suspension of all enrichment and related activities.

Iran said Monday it froze all uranium enrichment programs, weakening a U.S. effort to refer Tehran's suspect nuclear activities to the U.N. Security Council. The suspension was clear-

ly timed to coincide with the start of the 35-nation IAEA board meeting and met a key demand of the last board meeting in September. It of raw uranium into the gas

of arguing that Tehran was defying the U.N. agency.

Iran has said suspension will be only temporary and insists that it has the ultimate right to enrich uranium. It dismisses U.S. assertions that it wants to use the technology to make weapons, saving it is interested only in generating nuclear power.

And Tehran's announcement of a start to suspension came only after it had already converted a few tons

not prohibited from doing so until Monday conversion continued until shortly before the deadline, raising doubts about Iran's interest in .dispelling international concerns.

One of the diplomats said the new Iranian demand on centrifuge operation dealt a further blow to initial European optimism about the deal, reached earlier this month in Paris.

Tehran ultimately plans to

ment by centrifuges. While enrich uranium in the central city of Natanz. Iran says the Natanz facility is meant to meet the fuel requirements of a nuclear reactor being built with Russian help that is expected to be finished next year.

For now, it is far short of that goal, possessing less than 1,000 centrifuges, most of them bought secretly through the black market network of Pakistani scientist Abdul Qadeer Kahn, the rest made domestically.



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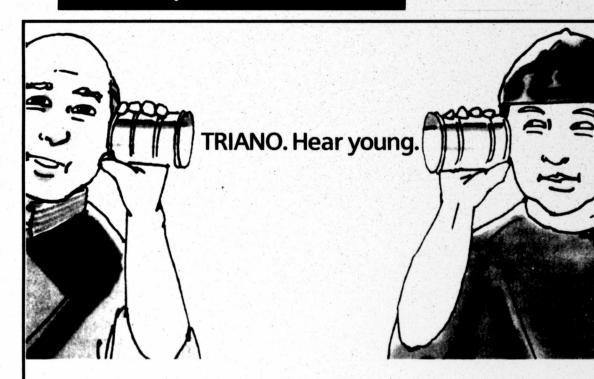
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Gary Heeter, a Vietnam veteran of Fritch, with Woodrow Wilson Elementary fourth graders Keenan O'dell, Carlos Dominguez and Shelby Carpenter. Wileon fourth graders recently held a special Veteran's Day program with Heeter and other Vietnam vets as special guests.



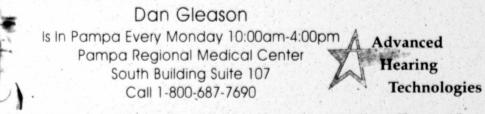


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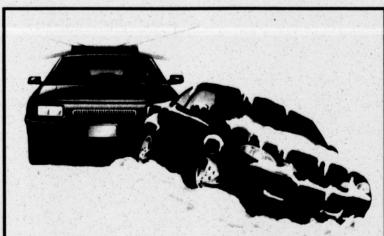


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Ukraine: Thousands of Yushchenko supporters demonstrate at capital

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) - Tens of thousands of supporters of opposition presidential candidate Viktor Yushchenko demonstrated in Ukraine's capital for a third day Wednesday, and one of his allies said the only thing to negotiate with government authorities is the transfer of power.

Yushchenko on Tuesday claimed victory over the Kremlin-backed prime minister, Viktor Yanukovych, in Sunday's run-off election, which many Western Commission Commission observers said was seriously



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'We are ready to negotiate only about the peaceful handing over of power to Yushchenko by Kuchma."

> — Mykola Tomenko Lawmaker

flawed and did not meet break up the demonstrations. democratic standards. While nearly complete official results have put Yanukovych ahead, exit polls showed Yushchenko winning.

The Central Election

announce the final results at a session Wednesday. Opposition members have expressed fears that if the commission certifies Yanukovych victory, it could trigger swift and severe police action to

it would

Outgoing President Leonid Kuchma late Tuesday called for talks involving all sides, and Yushchenko's allies initially appeared to be open to it.

On Wednesday, Mykola Tomenko, a lawmaker and Yushchenko ally, told a crowd of supporters that it would only discuss Kuchma relinquishing power.

"We are ready to negotiate only about the peaceful handing over of power to Yushchenko by Kuchma,' Tomenko told the crowd, which maintained its vigil on capital's the central Independence Square and the adjacent main avenue despite snow and freezing temperatures.

The election has led to an increasingly tense tug-of-war between Western nations and Russia, which considers Ukraine part of its sphere of influence and a buffer against eastward-expanding NATO.

European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso, warned of "consequences" for the European Union's political and trade relations with Ukraine if its government there does allow a "serious, objective review" of the election. At risk might be around \$1.31 billion the bloc has given or committed to Ukraine since 1991 in development and economic aid and possible visa bans on politicians and officials.

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Appeals court rejects Scott Peterson's bid for new jury, venue

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) him of the crime. - A state appeals court ruled that Scott Peterson will be sentenced

District Court of Appeals in San of the filing. for the murder of his pregnant wife Francisco refused to intervene by the same jury that convicted Tuesday in a petition filed by Nov. 12 of first-degree murder in Delucchi denied Geragos' motion without parole.

defense attorney Mark Geragos. the death of Laci Peterson and sec- seeking a new jury in San Mateo Three judges who sit on the 1st The denial was issued within hours

Peterson, 32, was convicted

ond-degree murder for the death of her fetus.

On Monday, Judge Alfred A.

County or somewhere else to decide whether Peterson should be sentenced to death or life in prison

Media-gate

Rather stepping down as CBS anchor

leader of CBS News may be spent trying to ensure that his 42-year career there isn't defined by the network's report on President Bush's National Guard service.

Rather, 73, announced Tuesday he would step down in March as the anchor of the "CBS Evening News" after nearly a quarter-century in the job, and become a correspondent for both editions of "60 Minutes."

He said his decision had nothing to do with the independent investigation into the September National Guard story and took pains to separate the events by saying he and CBS management had periodically discussed his stepping down since 1999.

"I'd like to put some space between this decision and whatever the panel comes through with," Rather said in an interview.

His agent, Richard Liebner, said it would be a shame if the Guard story becomes Rather's defining moment.

"I would hope that people appreciate and understand the longevity of his time in the chair and the breadth and scope of his career and all the major stories he's broken," Liebner said.

Rather replaced broadcast legend Walter Cronkite in 1981 and lasted even longer than his predecessor's 19 years. Rather, Tom Brokaw of NBC frequently mentioned as in-house can-

NEW YORK (AP) — Dan Rather's and Peter Jennings of ABC competed remaining months spent on-air as at the top ranks of network news for more than two decades as the world ---

> 'I would hope that people appreciate and understand the longevity of his time in the chair and the breadth and scope of his career and all the major stories he's broken."

> > - Richard Liebner Agent

and world of news - changed around them. Brokaw leaves NBC's "Nightly News" next week.

His career included bumps such as walking off a broadcast, an eyebrowraising mugging and attracting ridicule by briefly signing off his newscast with the word "courage." But a "60 Minutes Wednesday" story about Bush's Guard service turned out to be based on allegedly forged documents and forced Rather to fight for his professional life.

John Roberts and Scott Pelley are

didates to succeed him, but CBS News - a distant third in evening news ratings behind NBC and ABC - also will look elsewhere.

"I hope it'll be somebody from the inside," Rather said. "But whoever it is will have my complete, unadulterated support and encouragement. Probably the best way I can help is to stay out of the way."

Rather, whose Texas roots were evident in his folksy aphorisms, joined CBS News in 1962 and covered President Kennedy's assassination in Dallas a year later.

He became a White House reporter in the Nixon administration and his combative style was captured in a memorable moment when Nixon, at a news conference, grumbled to him: "Are you running for something?"

"No, sir, Mr. President," Rather shot back. "Are you?"

Together with Jennings and Brokaw, Rather's continuous coverage in the wake of Sept. 11 drew praise for helping a nation come to grips with an unimaginable tragedy. He scored several scoops, including anchoring the CBS report that offered the first pictures from the Abu Ghraib prison scandal earlier this year.

But his career also was dogged by incidents that attested to a tightly wound persona.



PHILADELPHIA (AP) ing public, but everyone Pennsylvania Turnpike went on strike Wednesday, just as Americans were hitting the road for Thanksgiving.

The strike was announced by Pennsylvania Commission decided to waive tolls on Wednesday and have nonunion employees staff tollbooths Thursday.

- Toll collectors on the should remember that we were left with no realistic alternatives," according to a statement released by two Teamsters locals.

Management described union leaders. its offer made Nov. 15 as Anticipating a walkout, the generous and criticized Turnpike union leaders for not sending it to the membership for a vote. Management issued a statement Monday saying the offer includes a fully paid health care package as well as annual pay increases. It did not say how large the increases were. The union's statement said management was offering less with each successive proposal and accused turnpike officials of trying to provoke a strike. Union members had been bers should simply accept working under the terms of a contract that expired Sept.



Negotiations have been rocky between turnpike officials and unions representing toll collectors, maintenance workers and office employees.

In a joint statement, Teamsters locals 77 and 250 said managers refused to meet with union leaders Tuesday night, saying memmanagement's offer.

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Sports Day

PHS basketball teams take 3 of 4 games against Borger

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Pampa High School varsity basketball teams visited Borger yesterday. And both came away with big wins.

The varsity boy's team used a big fourth period to hold off the Bulldogs 46-44. Pampa was down 14-6 after the first and 27-18 at the break. However, the Harvesters outscored Borger in the second half 28-18 to seal the win.

Jarett Kotara tossed in 12 points while Braydon Barker finished the night with 10. Pampa is now 2-1 on the season.

Despite putting up a tough fight, the junior varsity team dropped its game against the Bulldogs, 46-40.

The Lady Harvesters had a solid showing in Borger as well last night. The varsity squad used an outstanding third period to muscle its way past the Lady Bulldogs 59-53. Pampa was down at the break, 25-21. But tossed in 20 points in the third period while holding Borger to just 9 points.

Britteni Rice ended the night with 17 points while Lindsey Ammons, Jackie Gerber and Callie Cobb each chipped in 10 points.

The Lady Harvesters are now 2-5 for the season.

The junior varsity team defeated Borger in its meeting. That final was 32-30.

Both varsity squads will be taking part in an Amarillo Tournament this Friday and Saturday.

7th and 8th grade boys play big in Hereford

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Pampa 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams were in action Monday night at Hereford, winning 3 of 4 contests.

The 7th grade A and B games came right down to the wire with the B team winning in overtime.

The A team took its game 52-51. Alex Clendening led the charge with 22 points. Ryan Jimenez tossed in 8 points and Jessie Jimenez finished with 6 points.

The B team took Hereford to overtime before coming away with a 38-35 win. Braden Hunt had 13 points on the afternoon

while Anthony Allen scored 8 points and Mitchell Killgo ended with 7 points.

The 8th grade boys B team experienced a cold night shooting as they lost to Hereford 39-26. Heath Skinner had 13 points in the game. Cobron Harris and Michael Loughmiller each had 5 points.

The A team was able to hold off a late run by the Herd with some clutch free throws by Blake Seick and big blocks by Matt Smith. The 8th grade A team defeated Hereford 40-35. Leading scorers were Blake Seick and Matt Smith with 10 points each. Alex Torres tossed in 9 points of his own.

The teams next host Canyon.

9th grade Lady Harvesters fall to Amarillo High

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Lady Harvester 9th grade team lost a tough game against Amarillo High Monday, 49-37.

Said Coach Troy Owens, "We played hard. We are getting better playing as a team. Layce Beesley stepped up her game and really did a good job."

Beesley and Sara Foster led all Pampa scorers with 9 points each. Kiersten Taylor and Trisha Moore each had 5 points.

The Lady Harvesters shot 57% from the free throw line making 20 of 35 attempts.

Pampa next plays at Hereford on Monday.

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PHS booster club offering chartered bus rides to game

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor



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Club will be sponsoring two chartered busses for Friday's playoff game in Bedford against the Aledo Bearcats.

The busses will be departing Pampa at 11:30 a.m. Friday morning and returning home after the game Friday night.

The cost for students will be \$20, adults will be \$25. This price does not include your game ticket, which will be sold separately in the athletic office at a cost

The Football Booster of \$5 for students and \$7 for adults. All tickets purchased at the game will be \$8.

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Lefors Bandit Gage Zeek puts the ball in play during the Bandit's game against Higgins this past Monday. Lefors lost the game 52-34. Zeek finished with 4 points. Teammate Dustin Forsyth had 11 points in the game. Brandon McBee finished the game with 7 points. Nick Hess had 4 points. Gabriel Miller and Keenan Lott had 2 points each.

Pampa captains Shea Brown #5, Aaron Hunt #73, Q.B. Cobb #7 and Tyler Doughty #4 are led to mid-field Saturday by one of the referees for the pregame coin toss. Pampa faces Aledo this Friday at Pennington Field in Bedford in the Class 4A Division II Regional Championship Game.

Bus tickets can be purchased today at the athletic

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Harvesters have waited a long time for Friday night's game against Aledo

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

It's been a long year for the Pampa High School Harvester varsity football team. It has waited 12 months for the opportunity it earned last Saturday afternoon in Midland. The chance to return to the Class 4A Division II Regional Championship game. More specifically, the chance at a rematch with the Aledo Bearcats to whom the Harvesters lost a heartbreaker last year, 23-22.

As it has proven in recent weeks, Pampa is not the same team many saw at the beginning of the year. The Harvesters are strong and filled with confidence. Yet, grounded in the reality of what it is trying to accomplish.

This is a big game for these young men.

At 9-3, Aledo is obviously a formi-

dable foe. The Bearcats are coming off a 48-35 win over Azle last week. They are big. Especially along the offensive line. And they have the ability to pound the ball at you with running back Ryan Christian. Christian is big, fast and capable of taking off if he is allowed to break into the secondary.

Pampa's defense will need to find a way to use it's speed while not allowing itself to be controlled at the line or letting plays get behind it.

When asked if Aledo has seen all his team has to offer on film, especially based on Pampa's playoff performance to this point, Head Coach Heath Parker said, "They are familiar with our style, sure." Parker noted, "Naturally, we will work on some things just as they will.'

"Our kids are excited. They are looking forward to making the trip and playing the game," said Parker. "We

are not going just for the trip. We intend to win.

The Harvesters may be without the services of senior Q.B. Cobb, still recovering from a leg injury suffered in the Andrews game. Clayton Hall may be a game-day decision after he was injured in last week's game. Parker says this team has been able to overcome adversity all season long and expects nothing different in Friday's game against the Bearcats. "I am so proud of this team and how it has been able to overcome the challenges of this season."

Aledo enters the game favored over the 8-4 Harvesters. However, the Pampa coaching staff has been able to prepare this team to meet and exceed expectations throughout the season. Friday night should be no exception.

Kick off in Bedford is scheduled for 8 p.m.

Union appeals Pacer suspensions

unexpected strategy in an effort to fight the suspensions leveled by commissioner David Stern, the NBA players' union is seeking to have the case heard by an arbitrator.

The union filed an appeal Tuesday on behalf of Indiana Pacers players Ron Artest, Stephen Jackson and Jermaine O'Neal, who were suspended for their roles in a brawl with Detroit Pistons fans last week.

Artest was banned for the season, Jackson for 30 games and O'Neal for 25. Union director Billy Hunter has called the penalties excessive, saying a suspension of about 35 games would have been more appropriate for Artest.

Now, Hunter appears to be attempting an end-around to avoid the rule stating the commissioner has sole authority — and is the final avenue of appeal — over matters of discipline involving on-court behavior.

"The players association's efforts to bring this matter before an arbitrator ignores the plain language of the col-

NEW YORK (AP) — Employing an lective bargaining agreement and the consistent past practice of the parties and will ultimately fail," NBA spokesman Brian McIntyre said.

Stern would normally have 20 days. to rule on an appeal of an on-court discipline matter, and it was unclear whether the union's appeal strategy would put this case under that timetable.

"The action taken by the commissioner sets a new high-water mark in terms of the kind of discipline he feels he can impose," Hunter said. "I think he has exceeded his authority and should be subject to review and challenge."

In other developments:

Two fans sued the Pacers and Artest, Jackson and O'Neal, contending they were injured in the fracas at the end of Friday night's game at Detroit. John Ackerman, 67, says he was hit by O'Neal and then knocked unconscious by a thrown chair. William Paulson, 26, says Artest and Jackson assaulted him.

Police released a videotape and asked the public's help in identifying a man who investigators believe hurled the chair into the crowd during the brawl. Oakland County prosecutor David Gorcyca has said the only possible felony charge in the brawl could be against the chair-thrower. He said other charges most likely would be for

misdemeanor assault and battery. Artest appeared on NBC's "Today," saying he respected Stern but thought his punishment was unduly harsh.

He used the opportunity to plug a CD he produced for an R&B group and wore a T-shirt and hat emblazoned with the logo of his record label.

The players' union was contemplating taking its case to federal court. A similar strategy failed in 1997 when the union contested the suspensions handed out to four members of the New York Knicks for leaving the bench during a fight in a playoff game against the Miami Heat.

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Photo by CAROLYN THERO

Pampa defensive coach Ken Benson offers #50 Tyrel Bolin some advice and positive encouragement during last week's game against El Paso Parkland. Also pictured is #55 Chris Veal. The Harvester defense will be called upon again this Friday against a potent Aledo team.

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Kings 102, Rockets 96

SACRAMENTO, Calif. was thrown into upheaval (AP) — Peja Stojakovic scored 22 points and Bobby Jackson got 10 of his 18 in the fourth quarter to help the regular season with the Sacramento Kings complete a perfect five-game Texas, the Kings have won' homestand with a 102-96 victory over the Houston Rockets on Tuesday night.

Brad Miller scored 13 points and played gritty last-minute defense on Yao Ming in the Kings' sixth straight victory overall.

Except for Chris Webber, both teams played superbly in their fourth meeting on two continents in the last six weeks. Houston lost despite making 52 percent of its shots and getting 29 points and nine rebounds from Yao.

Webber scored 11 points on 3-of-17 shooting, but the Kings made just seven turnovers and had 30 assists. They clung to a small lead in the tense final minutes before Miller's three-point play with 2:17 left.

Tracy McGrady scored 25 points — none in the final six minutes — for the Rockets, who lost in Sacramento for the 11th straight time since 1999. Houston played without starting point guard Charlie Ward, a last-minute scratch with a sore right knee. Sacramento's preseason

quarter. Sacramento went back ahead in the fourth on back-to-back 3-pointers by Jackson, who hasn't looked comfortable for most of the new season after missing last year's playoff run with

by a weeklong trip to China

for two games against the

Rockets. But since opening

three straight road losses in

seven of eight and stayed

Houston took its first lead

on Tyronn Lue's 3-pointer

midway through the third

perfect at Arco Arena.

an abdominal injury. Mike Bibby had 10 points, nine rebounds and eight assists for the Kings, who had seven players scoring in double figures. Reserves Jackson and Darius Songaila carried Sacramento through the fourth quarter, with Songaila hitting all four of his shots and finishing with 10 points.

Lue started in place of Ward, and rookie guard Andre Barrett played 18 minutes in his NBA debut. Barrett, a former star at Seton Hall, scored six points on two 3-pointers and didn't make a turnover for the Rockets, who have played eight of their first 13 games on the road.



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TCU downs Texas Tech 83-68

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) -Marcus Shropshire and his coach downplayed the significance of TCU's unexpected big win over Texas Tech.

Shropshire said he had no vendetta against his former team. Coach Neil Dougherty said the 83-68 victory was not the kind of game that would make time. the season for the Horned Frogs (3-0), but just a small step.

Still, Shropshire hit a 3-pointer falling down to start the game-turning run Tuesday night. That got TCU rolling to the kind of win that shows the positive steps the Horned Frogs are making under Dougherty.

"We're just beginning to attempt to do what we want to try to do. It doesn't mean any more than that,". Dougherty said. "We try to keep things in proper perspective. ... We're trying to build a little momentum with

this team and this program."

TCU was 21-36 its first two seasons under the former Kansas assistant. Two years ago, in Dougherty's fourth game with the Frogs, Texas Tech won 84-66 on the same court.

The Red Raiders (1-1) fell apart this

Shropshire had just 12 points, but his only 3-pointer started a 10-0 run that put TCU ahead to stay. After he scooped up a wild, deflected pass from Chudi Chinweze and then made the shot as he fell down toward the Texas Tech bench with 1:51 left in the first half.

"Chudi told me 'my bad' on the pass," Shropshire said. "I just caught it, threw it up there and it went in."

its 11th turnover — two more than in its opener - Chinweze scored an as many as 22 points.

inside basket at the other end. That gave the Frogs a 37-36 halftime lead and they never trailed again.

Shropshire played his first two seasons at Tech, his last the 2001-02 season that was Bob Knight's first there. He sat out a year after transferring to TCU with new coach Dougherty, then was the team's second-leading scorer last season:

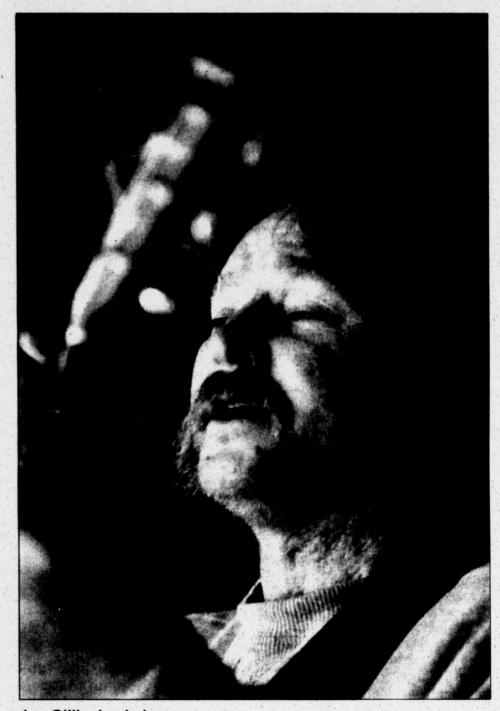
"It feels good, we were just looking for a win," Shropshire said. "I have no hard feelings, it just wasn't the right situation. This feels good, but it's just another win."

Corey Santee added 20 points and Chinweze had 13 points and 10 rebounds. Nile Murry had 16 points, scoring 13 with four 3-pointers after After Texas Tech was charged with halftime when the Horned Frogs (3-0) went from a close game to leading by





Susan Fike, guitarist



Joe Gillis, lead singer

Celebrate Christmas with a Cowboy Ball Group hopes to revive old holiday tradition

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

emanated from the attached guest quarters.

Outside the flat prairie was cold gray, Springs Guest but inside the music and fellowship was Ranch north of warm and inviting.

With Joe Gillis on banjo, Jerre Lee friend of Gibbins on fiddle, Susan Nike on guitar Northcutt's, was and Jimmy Northcutt standing atop his delighted with the wash tub bass, the songs ranged from idea, Northcutt Western Swing to Christmas Carols as the said, and offered Prairie Heirs rehearsed for their perform- to host the ball. ance at the Cottonwood Springs Guest Ranch Cowboy Ball.

Pampa, instead of Cantonment Creek in Northcutt said. the eastern part of the county, Northcutt said they plan to have a night of dancing As the icy fog closed in around the around the Christmas Tree along with hot garage out back, the sound of Silent Night apple cider and barbeque for their overlooking Palo Duro Canyon. Cowboy Christmas Ball on Dec. 11.

Pampa and a On Christmas 1881, Joseph

"I first met Jimmy at Creek Wood

Ranch," Gillis said. Creek Wood Ranch was a guest ranch

The two have played music together Becky Epps, owner of Cottonwood ever since and have played across the area

and even in Europe.

sor

"It was a cowboy cultural exchange,"

But Northcutt's command of the lan-

originally written.

Gillis, a native of Ipswich, England, and the girls handle the English version. Gibbins, a Missouri native now living in Amarillo, is a violin teacher when she's

not playing with the Prairie Heirs. She organized the Merry Fiddlers, about 25 of her students who will be performing at the Panhandle Plains Museum

"I was on the in Canyon for its Christmas party Dec. 3. first trip to Fike, a native of Perryton now living in Germany," Gillis Amarillo, rounds out the group on guitar. laughed, "but "We met Jerre and Susan last summer," said Sarah Gill Northcutt, not the second." Northcutt, a Northcutt's wife. Texas Tech grad-She said she and her husband were at a uate, said he was Celtic celebration in Amarillo when they friends with a ran into Gibbins and Fike. After hearing them play, Sarah Northcutt said, her hus-German profesband invited them to join the Prairie at the Lubbock univer-Heirs. They played at the Elkins Guest Ranch sity who brought overlooking Palo Duro Canyon last summer.

It's not the first Cowboy Ball in Gray C o w b o y County, Northcutt said. Christmas Ball up

On Christmas 1881, Joseph and here for a long Immogene Harrah invited neighboring time," Northcutt ranchers and cowboys to their new rock said, taking a break on a cold, wintry a band in from Germany to perform at home on Cantonment Creek about 15 Saturday afternoon from the group's Tech. Northcutt and Gillis played a set miles west of Mobeetie for a house warm- rehearsal. ing, Christmas tree and an all-night dance.

Some local cowboys brought a hack- played a number of Cowboy Christmas berry tree in for a Christmas tree and dec- Balls around the Texas Panhandle and orated it by tying a piece of red flannel to South Plains, but the Prairie Heirs, the Northcutt said. the top of it.

Ranch is on Chicken Creek north of

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with them and the band invited Northcutt Gillis, who lives in Lubbock, has and Gillis to come to Germany and perform their music. group he and Northcutt founded about 10

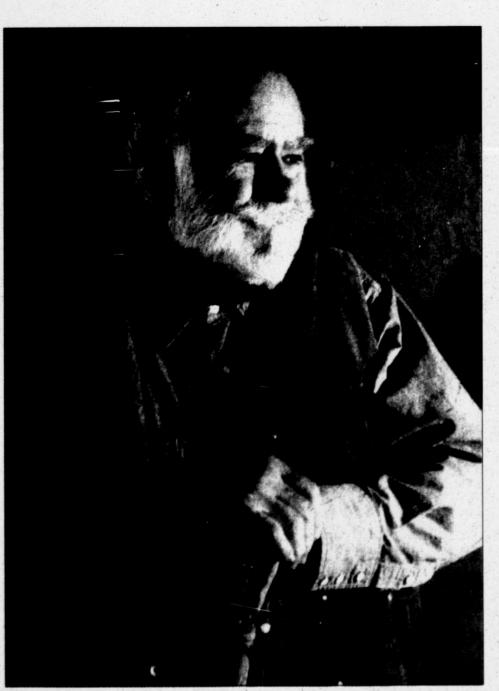
While Cottonwood Springs Guest years ago, have never performed at one. "Joe and I go a long way back," Night" in the language in which it was Christmas Ball.

and Immogene Harrah invited neighboring ranchers and cowboys to their home on Cantonment Creek for a house warming, Christmas tree and an all-night dance.

> "Jimmy talked them into coming down to Lubbock with us for the National Cowboy Symposium in September," Sarah said.

The group got rave reviews.

"We started in October putting this guage there enables him to sing "Silent together, "Northcutt said of the Cowboy



Jimmy Northcutt, bass player



Jerre Lee Gibbins, fiddle player

Traditional entertaining with updated holiday classics

(MS) — In today's fast-paced world, one of the great things about the holiday season is the opportunity to gather and reconnect with family and friends. Usually those gatherings involve practicing traditions and customs that often involve special foods.

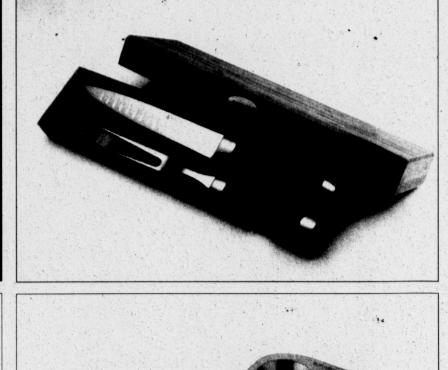
There's no need for these meals to be complex. Indeed, the most traditional and memorable holiday meals are basic — roast turkey, baked ham, cakes, cookies and other delicious, yet simple foods. The holidays are no time to experiment with intricate, timeconsuming recipes. In fact, home cooks should really try to keep it simple. They'll be more confident about the outcome and more importantly, they'll be able to spend more time with their family than in the kitchen.

Michael Chiarello, creator of NapaStyle, a media company, has written several cookbooks and also hosts PBS cooking shows "Season by Season" and "Michael Chiarello's Napa," is a proponent of easy, elegant cooking and entertaining, especially for the holidays. "Holiday entertaining shouldn't be complicated and stressful," he says. "If you enjoy the preparation, your guests will certainly enjoy the meal. So keep it casual, yet make sure it is artfully presented and full of flavor."

Choose simple and flavorful recipes, and make sure that all the necessary equipment is available, is high-quality and is suitable for the task. The right tools make all the difference. For example, it's imperative to have a roaster that's large enough to fit a turkey for a crowd. Circulon's 16-inch roaster can hold a good-sized bird or roast, and its hardanodized aluminum construction allows for quick and even heating, to ensure perfect roasting and gravy making. The roaster, which includes a rack, also features Circulon's groove design that protects the nonstick surface from the wear and tear of cooking utensils, making it easy to clean year after year. It retails for \$50.

A good quality carving set is essential and goes along with the roaster. Anolon, a leading cookware manufacturer, recently introduced a line of cutlery called Anolon Advanced, which features silicone handles for a comfortable and secure grip. The knives are constructed of German steel with an ice-hardened edge, which helps keep them sharp and have a one-piece design for durability. The carving set includes an 8-inch slicer and 6-inch forged fork, and retails for \$50.





Must haves for holiday entertaining, clockwise from upper left: Anolon mini cookware, Anolon carving set, Farberware bakeware and Circulon roaster.

You might also consider using small, individual pieces of cookware that can double as serving dishes to create a festive environment. The Anolon Advanced mini cookware pieces are ideal for everything from appetizers to desserts. The 2-cup mini round pot can be used for a variety of dishes from hot cheese dip to bread pudding, and the 2-cup mini au gratin pans are suitable for individual lasagna servings or fruit crisps. The nonstick cookware is made of even-heating hard-anodized aluminum and features the same silicone handles as the cutlery for a secure grip. The handles are oven-safe to 400 F. The pans retail for \$40 for a set of two.

Nearly everyone bakes during the holi-

days, whether it's cookies, biscuits, breads or cakes; so having high-quality bakeware is a must. Farberware bakeware is both nonstick and dishwasher safe, making cleanup even easier. The line includes all the traditional shapes, such as cookie pans, springform pans and fluted molds, as well as a line of mini bakeware pieces. The bakeware also comes in a set that provides most of the common shapes. Bakeware pieces retail from \$8 to \$30 for the 6-piece set.

Remember to keep holiday cooking easy and simple, do as much advance prep work as possible, and don't forget to enjoy time with your guests.

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LASAGNETTE Serves 4

Lasagne represents a lot of effort on the part of the cook, so guests are always impressed by it. These little lasagne (lasagnette, in Italian) are baked free-form; you can assemble them on a baking sheet rather than in a straight-sided casserole (although that works too). The ricotta filling with ham and mozzarella is from Sorrento, near Naples. Recipe courtesy of Michael Chiarello's "Casual Cooking" (Chronicle Books).

> Fresh Tomato Sauce: 1 tablespoon extravirgin olive oil 1 clove garlic, lightly

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21/2 pounds tomatoes, peeled, seeded and pureed 1 fresh basil sprig Sea salt, preferably gray salt

Baking soda

Filling:

2 cups (or a 15-ounce container) ricotta cheese

2 egg yolks 2 ounces baked ham, cut into 1/4-inch dice 2 ounces whole-milk mozzarella cheese, cut into

1/4-inch dice 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese 1/4 cup chopped fresh

basil Sea salt, preferably gray salt, and freshly ground black pepper

3/4 pound fresh egg pasta in sheets 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese 2 teaspoons chopped fresh Italian (flat-leaf) parsley

Preheat the oven to 375 F. Make the sauce: Heat the olive oil in a large skillet over moderate heat. Add the garlic and saute until it is golden. Add the tomatoes, basil and salt to taste, and simmer until reduced to 2 cups. If the sauce tastes too tart, add a pinch of baking soda and simmer for one minute longer. Remove from the heat, and remove the basil sprig and garlic clove.

Make the filling: In a bowl, stir to combine the ricotta, egg yolks, ham, mozzarella, Parmesan and basil. Season with salt and pepper.

Cut the pasta sheets into 41/2- to 5-inch squares. You will need 16 squares. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Working in batches, add the pasta squares, and cook until about half done, about one minute, then use tongs or a skimmer to transfer the sheets, to ice water to cool quickly. Lift the sheets out of the ice water, and place them on clean dish towels. Lightly oil a rimmed baking sheet or

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Santa athletes

Jolly old elves go for gold in annual Santa Olympics

these Winter Games, there are no strenuous slaloms or figure-eights. But if you can't in Sweden's cold, northern reaches. shimmy up a chimney or wrap a Christmas gift, forget about competing.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — At off this month with about 50 Santas from er way is no easy task." across Europe testing their holiday mettle

"This is a very serious business," said Sivert Svensson, an organizer. "To wrap a The annual Santa Winter Olympics kick Christmas gift quickly and nicely in a prop-

In addition to the nimble fingers required of the gift wrapping competition, the Games test strength and endurance in disciplines like kick-sledge riding and reindeer driving.

There are gold, silver and bronze medals in the form of miniature peaked shoes for the three lucky Santas deemed the best of the bunch.

But in a nod to the holiday spirit, losers will be awarded consolation medals.

Games unite the family during special season

inition of a family? For some it is a traditional description of a mom, a dad and a few siblings. For others it is a mesh of friends, stepparents or other relatives who provide support and love. Regardless, they all share similar values that often come to the forefront during the holiday season.

Who knows better about the nontraditional family than Shrek? This loveable Advance is right up your green ogre has taught us about tolerance and that stars in his own fairy tale even those who are "different" can find love and friendship. After two successful movies, most recently "Shrek 2," soon available on DVD, families have bonded with Shrek and the diverse cast of characters that share his adventures.

Now Shrek's appeal travels even further. Whether Boots himself or as one of

(MS) — What is your def- driving to a relative's house his friends, players will or staying at home, families can enjoy all-new adventures with Shrek and friends with new games for the Nintendo(R) Game Boy(R) Advance and personal computer.

> If you're one of this year's many moviegoers who fell in love with the Puss in BootsTM character, Shrek 2(TM): Beg For Mercy! for the Nintendo Game Boy alley. Here, Puss in Boots that tells of his rise from humble feline to renowned bounty hunter and swashbuckler. Players can experience Puss in Boots' initial journey to The Poison Apple and beyond in over 20 adventure-packed levels that also star Shrek and Donkey. Whether playing as Puss in

defeat enemies with a variety of swordplay, acrobatics and other moves. The best-selling Shrek

2TM console game is now available for the PC with the release of Shrek 2TM: Team Action.

Families can play together as they embark on a twisted fairy-tale adventure with Shrek and friends while engaging in squad-based action, traditional actionadventure game play and multiplayer fun for up to four players.

Gamers can control a team of four and play as Shrek or any of his nine friends, switching between characters to best utilize each one's unique abilities as they solve puzzles, fight monsters and embark on wild and dangerous adventures.

Fall in love with "Shrek 2" all over again with the video games Shrek 2TM: Team Action and Shrek 2(TM): Beg For Mercy!

available for the Game Boy PC, each for \$29.99 at Wal- Boutique and other stores Advance, and Shrek 2: Team Mart, Toys R Us, K-Mart, where video games are sold. Shrek 2: Beg for Mercy! is Action is available for the Best Buy, Electronics

Let patriotism be your Christmas anthem

(MS) — The holidays are traditionally the gift-giving season but the gifts received are often seasonal, and may be stashed in closets or forgotten about after only a few months. However, you can give a gift that is full of meaning and that will last all vear long --- patriotism.

This year, more than ever, is the perfect time to celebrate the ideals on which America was founded. After



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a heated presidential race and amid a controversial war, there is no better time than now to show support for this great country. Here are ways you can offer the gift of patriotism:

* Exemplify the ideals of freedom, equality, respect and tolerance in your daily life.

Work with community members for the common good and help those in need such as the poor, elderly and the disadvantaged.

* Participate in the democratic process by voting, writing to your government representatives and engaging in other activities to promote a better America.

"Everyone can be a patriot for America," says Christine Nelson, creator of the new game Patriot ChallengeTM, a game that celebrates America. "Being a patriot is not just about flag-waving. Patriots have an appreciation for our heritage and a belief that they can make a difference today. Patriots take action and they vote, volunteer and share their vision of America by mentoring and being a good role model for others.

On a more intimate level, this holiday season you can add a spark of patriotism to your gift giving with a fun and educational family board game that will have players laughing, singing, and feeling the spirit of America. Patriot Challenge is uniquely American, using colorful stamp art from the U.S. and put their stamp on

stamp collection to tell the America's future." story of America from past to present. Players follow the footsteps of famous people, relive exciting historical events, and experience American culture in this lively educational trivia game. Game play not only encourages brain power, it gets players thinking and talking about the principles of freedom, the democratic process, and contemporary issues of today. Because the game encompasses events throughout history, it is an ideal cross-generational gift. Younger gift recipients can challenge their knowledge, while older ones can relive moments of their

own history. The Patriot Challenge game is the winner of a 2004 Parents' Choice Award, a Seal of Excellence from Creative Child magazine, and is endorsed by the National Grandparents Day Council. The game is appropriate for players ages 10 and up.

Nelson hopes her new game will encourage others to "Take the patriot challenge

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large baking dish. Put 1/2 cup of the tomato sauce at one end of the baking sheet and spread Continued from Page 2-B it into the shape of a pasta square. Top the sauce with 1 pasta square, spread a scant 3

tablespoons filling evenly on the pasta, then continue making layers of pasta and filling until you have eight layers of pasta alternating with seven layers of filling. Spoon 1/2 cup of the tomato sauce on top of the last pasta layer, then sprinkle 1 tablespoon Parmesan and 1 teaspoon chopped parsley over the top. Repeat with the remaining ingredients to make two identical stacks.

Bake until bubbling and lightly browned, about 30 minutes. Let rest for five minutes, then cut each lasagne in half to make a total of four lasagnette. Serve immediately.

The product is available in specialty stores and at www.patriotchallenge.com or by calling (949) 837-7444. And of course, it's made in the USA.

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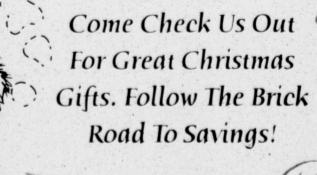
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behavior of my 13-year-old daughtwo years. I plan to be married next spring.

Last July we moved to a small town, and Julie was upset about it, but her misgivings lessened as she began to make new friends. My problem is, my daughter has become interested in demons to the point that she thinks and tells people she is half-demon. Julie's new friends are also into the demon-pretending phase.

I wasn't concerned until I saw a letter Julie had written to her father, talking about the demon and asking if he was one. It went on to say there is trouble here, and a demon killer is at her school. She said it wants to kill them and has given her "signs."

How can I get my daughter back without making her miserable? After-school activities are not offered here. Learning self-defense was originally an option until she started hitting older boys and asking why they didn't hit her back. Should I take her friends away? Talk to their parents? I don't know what to do. -- ONCE A GOOD PARENT IN OKLAHOMA

DEAR PARENT: Call your doctor and arrange for a psychiatric evaluation for your daughter. Her letter to her father and her acting out against the boys suggests that she could have serious mental problems. Please don't wait. The doctor can help you to decide whether she should be kept away from her new friends, or whether you should speak to their parents. However, your first priority should be to get professional help for your child.

DEAR ABBY: My husband of

DEAR ABBY: The recent and 13, both boys) are home or still awake at night. Paul doesn't underter, Julie, has begun to concern me. stand my feelings. Is it my hang-She and I are very close. It has been up, or do other women feel the just the two of us up until the last same way? -- EMBARRASSED IN MICHIGAN

> DEAR **EMBARRASSED:** There are, indeed, other wives who share your feelings. Some couples solve this problem by sending "the kids" on sleepovers, or arranging intimate nights out together. You might also consider installing a large-screen TV in a room as far away from the master bedroom as possible, so that if the kids are up, they'll be otherwise occupied.

> You and your husband are entitled to a life, and having private time does not necessarily equate with having sex. A lock on your bedroom door might prevent surprises, as well as a house rule that no one should enter without first knocking and asking permission.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are having an argument about whether talking to solicitors through the door is rude.

I say that since I am a woman, often alone when someone comes knocking and cautious about strangers, I can express that I'm not interested by saying so through the closed door. My husband insists that it's rude not to open the door and tell them face-to-face.

In today's world, I'm afraid to open the door to people I don't know. Someone trying to sell me something doesn't change this rule. Is it rude not to open the door, or should I risk the chance that it is an attacker? -- BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY IN COLORADO

DEAR BETTER SAFE: There is no rule of etiquette that demands you open your door to a stranger, even a solicitor. The best way to avoid "buying"

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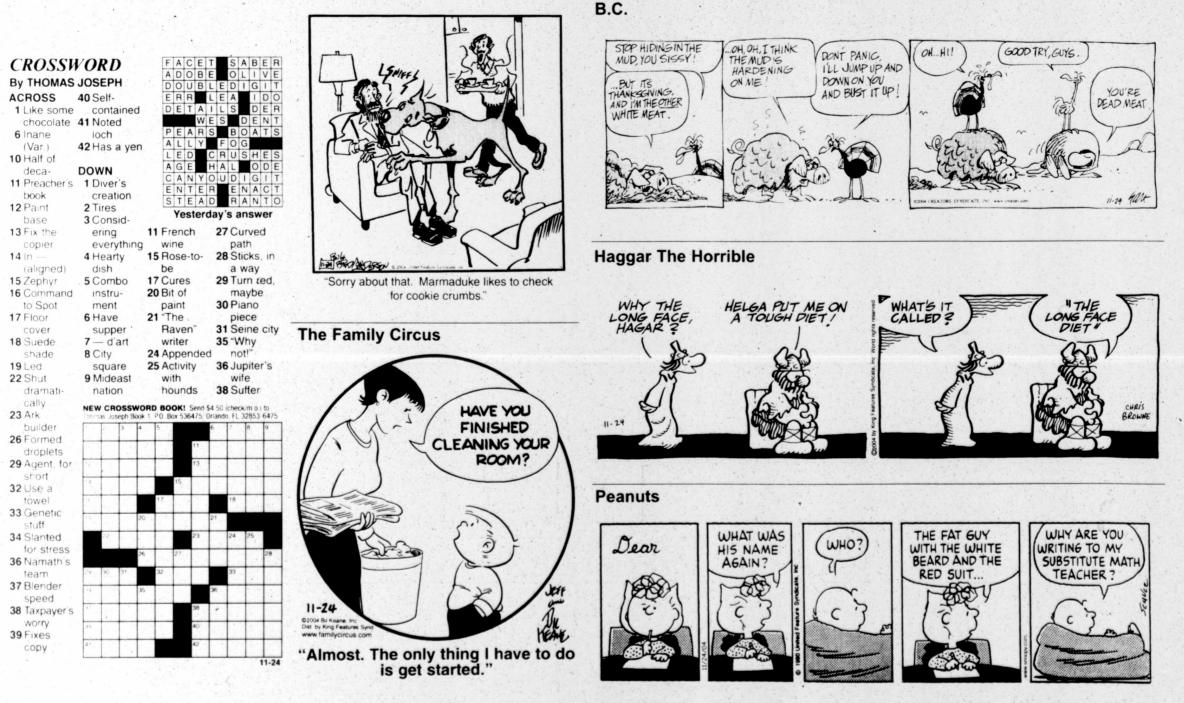
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something is not to listen to the pitch in the first place.

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is Thanksgiving, the time we pause to consider the blessings for which we are grate- overs: Watch your alcohol ful. In many homes across this great nation of ours, alcohol seems to be a mood turkeys are being stuffed -just as the people who consume them will be later in the day.

But for many individuals, today and the holidays that follow can be an intensely difficult time, triggering feelings of stress, loneliness and loss. If a person is prone to depression, these feelings can be further magnified.

depressed at this time of coming to get you, and I'll year? you ask. It's not that see that you get safely far-fetched. People who are home." (Some older people separated from their families often feel isolated because who do might prefer not to be they can't celebrate in the traditional way. Families who Give it a try! You'll be glad have lost a loved one during you did. the year often feel the absence especially at this Others become time. depressed because they imagine that everyone else is years ago. My Thanksgiving enjoying a warm, idealized family experience, while out it: they are on the outside looking in.

Even people who enjoy the holidays can find them stressful. This is a time of year when people are stretched for time, energy and money -- particularly the latter. They may become embarrassed because they can't celebrate the way they would like to celebrate, or in the style they have in years past.

Some ways to ward off the which to be grateful this holiday blues:

activities than you can handle -- financially or other- visiting a veterans hospital wise.

DEAR READERS: Today card debt, or January will be like a serious hangover. -- And speaking of hang-

intake. Remember, although elevator, it is actually a depressant. If you have a problem with alcohol, get whatever support you need to make it through the holidays. A final thought: If you're feeling down and want an instant "upper," the surest way to accomplish it is to do something nice for someone else. Call someone who lives alone and invite that person How can anyone feel to dinner. Better yet, say, "I'm don't drive at night, and those behind the wheel after dark.)

And now, I'll repeat the traditional Thanksgiving Prayer that was penned by my mother, Pauline Phillips, would not be complete with-

Oh, Heavenly Father, We thank thee for food and

remember the hungry. We thank thee for health and remember the sick.

We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless. We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.

May these remembrances stir us to service, That thy gifts to us may be

used for others. Amen. P.S. We have so much for Thanksgiving Day. Those of -- Keep expectations rea- you with a little time to sonable. Don't take on more spare, how about showing our gratitude to veterans by

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holiday budget and live within it, regardless of the temptation. -- Do not run up credit

-- Don't overspend. Plan a those who have served our country? Happy Thanksgiving, everyone! -- LOVE, ABBY-

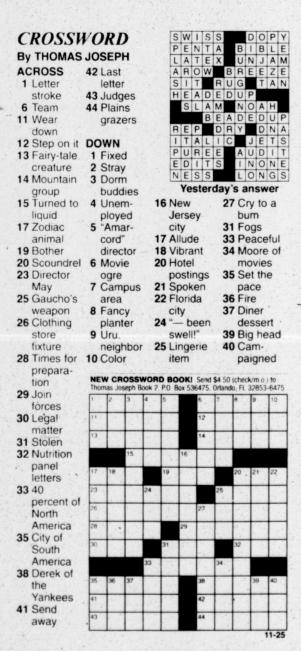
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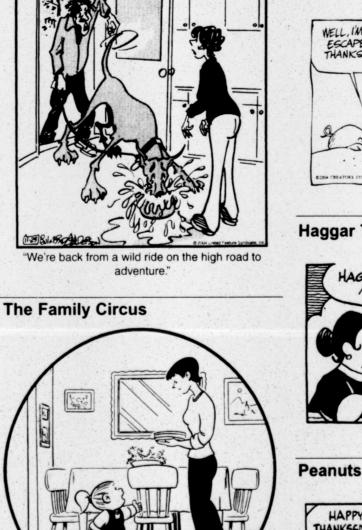
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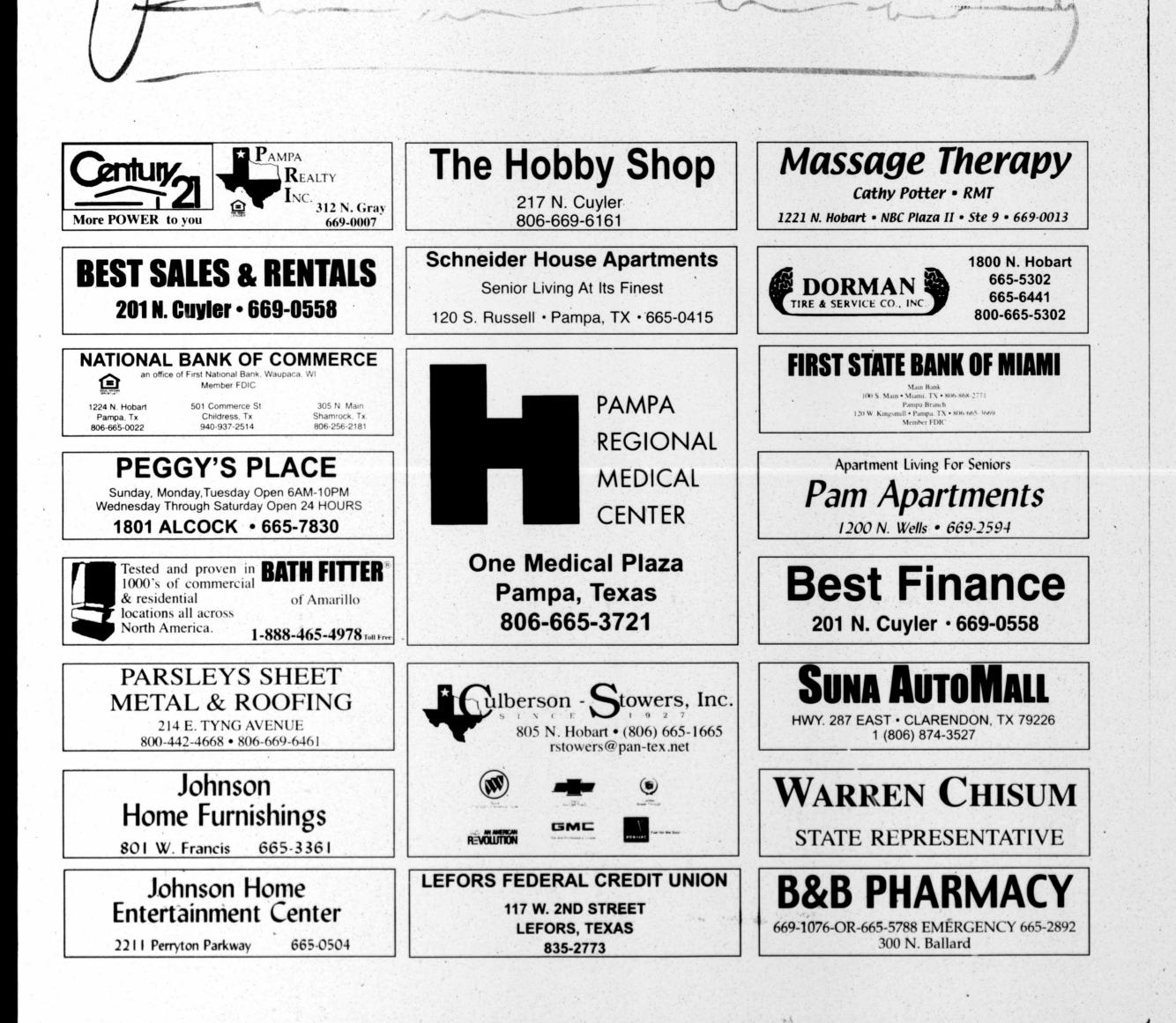
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Kids can create thoughtful, homemade gifts

(FeatureSource) - You can help your friends and family avoid long return lines at the department store this year by helping your child create thoughtful, homemade gifts.

"Crafting as a family is a wonderful way to slow down the pace of the hectic holiday season," says Sue Hannah. "Crafty author of Concoctions (Meadowbrook Press.) "Your children will love creating, wrapping and presenting gifts of their own."

Trish Kuffner, author of "The Arts and Crafts Busy Book" (Meadowbrook Press), agrees that a crafty gift can display love and care for your family. "Gifts from your children are gifts worth keeping," she says.

"Crafty Concoctions" offers step-by-step instructions for more than 100 cool concoctions kids can make with minimal adult supervision. The book offers a variety of the concoctions such as the "Jewels & Gemstones" recipe to make gift necklaces the cornstarch and cold water or "Tasty Glue" to stick with a spoon. pieces of a gingerbread house together.

"The Arts and Crafts Busy the highly successful "Busy stove and bring the mixture Book" series. Parents of tod- to a boil. dlers and preschoolers can find an array of gift ideas you stir the mixture until it's their children can create in thick and gel-like. the "Holiday Arts and Crafts" section of the book. Gift you remove the mixture from ideas include "Sand Art the heat using a potholder. Gift Brownie Mix," "Kwanzaa Cutouts" and ly before use. directions to make a Menorah.

these wonderful gift ideas are edible or paper crafts. found below.

> **Crafty Jewels and** Gemstones From "Crafty

Concoctions" Add sparkle to any craft project with these beautiful imitation jewels and gem-

stones. They are perfect for



Potholder

Popsicle stick

Here's How You Make It 1. In a small saucepan, mix

corn syrup.

Book" is the fourth book of you place the saucepan on a candles.

4. Ask the grownup to help

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6. Let the glue cool slight-Here's How You Use It

1. Spread the glue with a The instructions for all Popsicle stick when gluing 2. Store the glue at room

temperature in an airtight container.

Do not refrigerate it.

Menorah From "The Arts and Crafts Busy Book'

A menorah consists of nine 2. Add the Jell-O mix and candles, one for each day of

> 10 empty thread spools Strip of heavy cardboard Glue Aluminum foil (optional) 9 birthday candles Play dough 10 large marshmallows **Ornamental Frosting**

Pretzel sticks Shoebox Sand Drill and tree branch or by piece of driftwood

menorah in one or more of candles.

the following ways:

1. Line 9 thread spools in a row on the cardboard and glue them into place. Glue chips the last spool on top of the center one for the shammes. Hanukkah and one, called the (If you like, cover the out-3. Ask a grownup to help shammes, to light the other sides of the spools with aluminum foil first.) Insert the candles into the spools. If they're a little loose, pack play dough around them to make them fit snugly.

into the marshmallows.

using Ornamental on the lid. Frosting to stick the marshmallows onto the cardboard. Help your child make a Use pretzel sticks instead of

4. Shape play dough into 9 with ribbon. Hanukkah designs or interesting shapes and insert the directions on a decorative candles into the shapes.

and insert the candles into the jar with 1 teaspoon vanilla, outside of the box with paper eggs. Beat until just mixed. and decorate it with Pour into a greased 9-by-13-Hanukkah designs.

branch or driftwood and tag to the jar. insert the candles into the holes.

Sand Art Brownie Gift Mix

From "The Arts and Crafts Busy Book"

3/4 cup all-purpose flour l teaspoon salt 1-quart canning jar with lid 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder

3/4 cup all-purpose flour 3/4 cup packed brown don't have to be legible.) sugar

3/4 cup white sugar 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips

1/2 cup white chocolate Scissors and Christmas

fabric Ribbon

Pen and decorative tag 1/2 cup butterscotch or peanut butter chips (optional)

salt in a small bowl. Help over and cutting a shape out 2. Line 9 marshmallows in your child layer the ingredi- of the fold. a row on the cardboard and ents in the jar, beginning with glue them into place. Glue the flour/salt mixture, contin- from black construction the last marshmallow onto uing in order, and ending paper (geometrical shapes the one in the center for the with the white chocolate like circles, squares, and trishammes. Insert the candles chips. (You may not need as angles work well). When her many chips if there's little design is complete, give her 3. Make an edible menorah room left in the jar.) Screw red and green construction

about 4 inches wider than the them behind each space to diameter of the jar. Tie on the create a colorful piece of art. fabric circle around the lid

3. Write the following

tag: "Sand Art Brownies: 5. Fill a shoebox with sand Combine the contents of the sand. If you like, cover the 3/4 cup vegetable oil, and 4 . inch pan. Bake at 350°F for 6. Drill 9 holes into a tree 25 to 30 minutes." Attach the

> If you like, substitute butterscotch or peanut butter chips for either of the chocolate chips.

ART: A jar of brownie mix, ingredients layered as described in step 1. Include the fabric and ribbon on top, and include the gift tag with "Sand Art Brownies" written on it. (The rest of directions should also appear, but they

> Kwanzaa Cutouts From "The Arts and Crafts Busy Book"

Scrap paper Black, red, and green construction paper Scissors. Glue

Show your child how to cut a design from the scrap 1. Mix the flour with the paper by folding the paper

Have her cut out a shape paper. Show her how to cut 2. Cut a circle of fabric out pieces from it and glue

making all sorts of crafts sparkle and shine. Here's What You Need Small glass jar

1 tablespoon Epsom salts 1 tablespoon hot water Mixing spoon 5-10 drops of food coloring (optional) Fork Paper towel

Paintbrush

Clear-drying glue

Here's How You Make It

1. In a small jar, mix the Epsom salts and hot water with a spoon. Add food coloring if you want to make colored crystals. Stir the mixture a few times until most of the salt dissolves.

2. Set the jar aside in a place where it will not be disturbed. Do not cover it.

3. Beautiful crystals will grow in about 1 week. Gently scrape the crystals from the jar with a fork, and lay them on a paper towel to dry.

Here's How You Use It

1. Use a paintbrush to spread clear-drying glue on your artwork. Sprinkle the crystals on top of the glue to add a twinkling effect to your artwork.

2. Throw any unused mixture into the garbage.

Crafty Idea To make a beautiful sparkling necklace, fill a clear glass or plastic necklace pendant with the crystals. (Make sure the pendant closes securely to contain the crystals.) Thread the pendant onto string or yarn to make a necklace.

Tasty Glue

From "Crafty Concoctions'

This tasty, edible glue is perfect when you need to glue pieces onto gingerbread houses or other edible crafts. It also works well for gluing paper.

Here's What You Need Small saucepan 1 tablespoon cornstarch 1/3 cup cold water Mixing spoon 1 1/2 tablespoons Jell-O mix

1 tablespoon corn syrup

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004:

Expect to give more of yourself this year. You will need to concentrate and follow through on your day-to-day life details, be they health or work. Learn ways of relaxing and dealing with difficult people. Network and expand your immediate surroundings. The more people you know, the more possibilities. If you are single, you will meet someone through your friends. Be willing to give up on your "type." This kind of person hasn't worked for you anyway. Socialize and perhaps commit yourself to a cause that appeals to you. If you are attached, energize your social life, but don't ever let your sweetie feel left out. TAURUS helps you get organized.

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 choose a perfect day to overindulge, watch TV and stuff yourself. You might regret some of your impulsiveness later, but right now get into the traditional happening. Take a snooze if you can fit it in. Tonight: In your favorite chair.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You are all grins and in the mood for Thanksgiving. Whether you go out for your turkey dinner or stay home, it really doesn't matter. Don't be hard on a sibling or loved one. Let go of a grudge. Tonight: Everyone surrounds you

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ You have a way of letting others know what you think. However, today you might keep more of your feelings inside. Be careful, as withholding this

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Nov. 26. 2004:

Others have strong opinions this year, and they let you know them in no uncertain terms. You might like to have more say, but choose the time and place for maximum impact. You have the unique opportunity of understanding and learning more about your friends, associates and loved ones. Your family life takes a lively tone, with a move as a possibility. It's important to set boundaries as to how much you can give or where someone has stepped on vour toes. If you are single, you'll have your choice of potential suitors. You could meet the right person if you are ready. Love and friendship will mix. If you are attached, your relationship might take both a positive and negative tone. Go with the flow. Look at this bond as exciting. GEMINI can be challenging.

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could impact your mood. Make an extra effort to loosen up. Do something special for a needy person. Tonight: Get some extra sleep

CANCER (June 21-July22) ★★★★ How you view a situation and see a friend should not impact your mood this Thanksgiving. Let go of what doesn't work for now, and get into the moment. Others need your smile and holiday attitude. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Know that you must be on your best behavior -- but aren't you always? Visit with elders and touch base with those at a distance. You could be euphoric, but you need to contain yourself. Hold yourself back a little. Tonight: Keep conversations going. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance, and wish him or her a special Thanksgiving. In fact, you might be meeting halfway; if not today, make plans for Christmas. You find a friend a bit down. Make sure this person has a place to go for dinner. Tonight: Walk in another's shoes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Just because an older relative is grumpy isn't a reason to let him or her impact your day. In fact, do your best to relate deeply to a loved one or dear friend. You don't have to be the life of the party. You need to take care of yourself. Tonight: Have a long, intimate chat

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Others know what they want and make requests that might feel like demands. Go with the flow and understand that a friend or relative (especially an in-law) could be very uptight. Socialize, whether cutting the turkey or watching football. Tonight:

**** Your personality melts barriers, though you might not be totally happy with what others say or do. Know one thing: You cannot change him or her. Go with surprises. Get your Christmas cards in the mail. Tonight: A must show.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Take the day off. You're overdue for some R and R. Put a halt to what is happening, and do something for yourself. Get into a project or activity you enjoy. Start writing holiday notes. Don't allow someone to push you. Tonight: Make a long-overdue call. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** You might like what is happening. Don't hang at home; instead, join friends and get into the activity of Black Friday. Happiness surrounds people and crowds. A get-together, even if you decide to throw it, stars during your day. Tonight: Try a new eggnog recipe.

Could be a late night

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ A loved one or partner could rain on your parade. You don't need to let this person affect your holiday. Get into the true nature of Thanksgiving. Give others a hand, whether it is cooking or changing the TV station! Tonight: Find a lounge chair.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Your playfulness delights your friends and family, but possibly not a key partner. You might want to help draw this person in. Perhaps this person feels overwhelmed by the holiday or by what he or she needs to do. Tonight: Do the traditional holiday thing

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ If you are tired, say so. You don't always have to be everything to everyone. Take your time and ask others to pitch in. You are easily overwhelmed by all that you need to get done. Lie back. Put your feet up. It is your holiday too. Tonight: Stay close to home. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** You have a way of reaching out to everyone and wishing them a special day. If you find that someone doesn't have plans, invite him or her along. Your ability to nurture and empathize peaks. A partner or child could be jealous. Tonight: Catch up on others' news.

BORN TODAY

Lawyer John F. Kennedy Jr. (1960), baseball player Joe DiMaggio (1914), singer Amy Grant (1960) ***

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thrives. Tonight: You pull the wild card financially

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). **** You might have strong ideas and plans, but sure enough, you need to bend to someone else's plans. You actually might find the alternate activities more exciting. For once, try a passive role. Others reveal their true selves. Tonight: Follow another's lead. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Invite others over, or do something you enjoy around your home. You might push way too hard to accomplish your work. Unexpected facts might cause you to regroup. Take your time rather than react. Tonight: Put your feet AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Naughty could be your middle name. Loosen up and help others relax. Try not to be the big spender; instead, let someone else assume that role. A relationship could be tested to the max. Tonight: Rock and roll out the door

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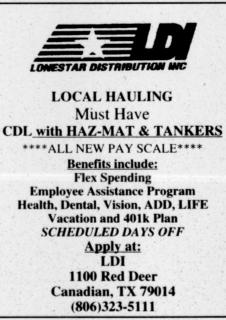
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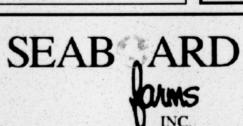
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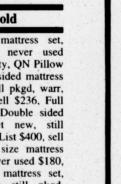
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11-25 **CRYPTOQUOTE** B DGY LOVL B VP SBHRDHJS LD HVW ETVXJ QRDY LGJYLW DLOJT DXXVHBDYH BY LOJ XDQTHJ DZ LOJ SVW MJHBSJH PW SBYYJT. — XOVTCJH CVPM

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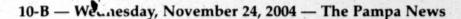
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