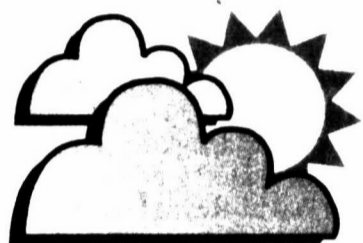


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Katherine 'Kay' Barrett Reynolds, 84, educator.
Jean Rushing, 73, former justice of the peace.

Texas Today

New rule governing laser hair removal goes in effect

AUSTIN (AP) — Beginning Wednesday, laser hair removal in Texas must only be done under a medical professional's supervision, sparking outrage from those who run lucrative businesses that perform the procedures.

The new rule was passed last year by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners. Under the regulation, laser hair removal can only be performed outside a doctor's office if a medical doctor, a physician's assistant or an advanced-practice nurse is supervising on the site at all times. Some laser removal specialists say it's simply a matter of dermatologists angling for a piece of the pie. Laser hair removal businesses have been sprouting up at urban area shopping malls since the technology became available seven years ago.

Task force to target trafficking, slavery in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A new task force is being set up to fight human trafficking and slavery, problems that authorities say are rampant in the United States.

Federal, state and local officials will announce the formation of the San Antonio group Monday.

Johnny Sutton, U.S. attorney for the West Texas District, headquartered in San Antonio, said human-trafficking cases get prosecuted, but investigators haven't even come close to unearthing countless other unknown abuses.

A similar task force was set up in Houston earlier.

Pricey water decision before city

Commissioners must decide on multi-million dollar bond issue by January

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

City of Pampa officials will need to decide whether or not to participate in the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority's bond issue before the CRMWA board meets in January, City Manager John

Horst told the city commission during their meeting Tuesday afternoon.

If the city does participate, he said, then they will need to decide how to fund that participation.

CRMWA plans to issue bonds to finance the purchase and development of new water rights. Their board of directors are expected to

deal with that at their Jan. 12 meeting in Plainview.

"The question of participating in the CRMWA additional water rights is probably the most important one we will face this fiscal year," Horst told the commissioners.

He said that decision will affect the city's debt service for the next 20

years and the city's water supply far into the future.

Horst recommended participating. "I think we need to for future water supplies," he said.

CRMWA provides water for 11 member cities, including Pampa.

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City grant to upgrade emergency capability

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

City of Pampa will be renewing a law enforcement mutual aid pact with Borger and working with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in conducting a communications tower study.

Ken Hall, Pampa's director of emergency preparedness, told the Pampa City Commission Tuesday afternoon that the PRPC had gotten some \$7 million in grants from the Department of Homeland Defense to improve and upgrade communications for area towns. That includes developing a network of 32 repeater communications sites, including at least one in Gray County.

Hall said he had mentioned that he and Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell and Police Chief Trelyn Pitner had talked about the possibilities of building a new

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Harvesters hit the road

The first of two chartered buses carries members of the Pampa Harvesters football team south on Hobart Street from Kentucky Avenue this morning as the team heads to Dallas for the Class 4A Division II semi-final game Saturday at Texas Stadium. The buses left Pampa High School at 10 a.m. with an escort by Gray County Sheriff's deputies, Texas Department of Public Safety and Hoover Volunteer Fire Department.

Four employees of British firm die in mortar attack

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A mortar attack killed four employees of a British security firm and wounded 15 in Baghdad's Green Zone, a fortified area that houses the U.S. and Iraqi leadership, the company and British officials said Friday.

Insurgents in Fallujah ambushed U.S. troops as they entered a home during house-to-house searches in the former rebel bastion, killing two Marines and wounding three others, the U.S. military said Friday.

In the northern city of Mosul, 21 bodies have been found in the past two days in and around the area shaken by an insurgent uprising, the U.S. military said Friday. In all, 41 corpses have been discovered in the past week.

Britain's Foreign Office said the four security workers for London-based Global Risk Strategies killed in Baghdad were former Gurkhas, renowned Nepalese soldiers.

"The mortar landed in their camp," said a Foreign Office official on condition of anonymity.

Tim J. O'Brien, spokesman for Global Risk Strategies, said the attack was on Thursday, when multiple explosions were heard and black smoke was seen rising from the fortified zone on the western bank of the Tigris River.

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Hanging trees

Bobby Armstrong of the City of Pampa Public Service department uses a bucket truck Wednesday afternoon to place the city's Christmas decorations on light poles along Hobart Street.

U.N. delegates near agreement on Iran, S. Korea

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Delegates at a key U.N. meeting moved close to agreement Friday on how to deal with illicit past South Korean plutonium and uranium experiments but continued to wrestle with a stubborn dispute over Iran's interpretation of a freeze on uranium enrichment.

Hossein Mousavian, the chief Iranian delegate to the board meeting of the International Atomic Energy Agency, told The Associated Press that his country was "committed" to the freeze.

But differences over what that meant threatened to scuttle the enrichment suspension deal — and increase sentiment for a referral of Iran's nuclear file to the U.N. Security Council.

The issue of Iran threatened to drag on into the weekend, which would force an extension of the International Atomic Energy Agency board meeting past its planned close Friday.

A report summarizing 1 1/2 years of IAEA investigations says the agency remains unable to determine if nearly two decades of Iranian nuclear activities were purely peaceful or if the government had a secret weapons agenda.

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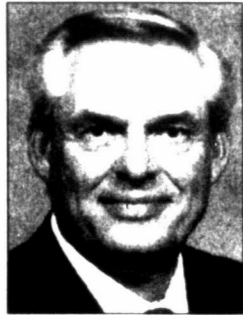
Services tomorrow

LOERWALD, Dr. Robert R. "Bob" — Memorials services, 2 p.m., St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Pampa.
YOUNG-MALLARD, Brandon Redell — 2 p.m., Macedonia Baptist Church, Pampa.
MICHAEL, Mary Ettavie — 10 a.m., Highland Baptist Church, Pampa.

Dr. Robert R. 'Bob' Loerwald, 69

Dr. Robert R. "Bob" Loerwald, 69, of Pampa, Texas, died Monday, Nov. 22, 2004, at Pampa.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004, at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church with the Rev. David Scott, Episcopal rector of Perryton, and the Reverends Ernie and Suzie Wilkinson, deacons of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, officiating.



Loerwald

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Loerwald was born Nov. 14, 1935, in Lindsey, Texas. He was a 1957 graduate of the Texas Chiropractic College of San Antonio. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1965, moving from Bowie.

He practiced chiropractic medicine in Denison, Bowie and Pampa up until the time of his death.

He married Gwen Mitchell on Feb. 19, 1971, in Pampa.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church where he served as lay reader, chalice bearer, choir member, Thurifer and chaplain to the Bishop.

He was a former member of the Pampa Rotary Club, and a former lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol. He was a longtime member of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association Board. He was an avid outdoorsman.

Survivors include his wife, Gwen Loerwald, of the home; one son, Donnie Loerwald and wife Kim of Albuquerque, N.M.; one daughter, Lynlee Mullins of Perryton; three sisters, Fran Johnson and Betty Otts, both of Arlington, and Helen West of Mineral Wells; five grandchildren, Elizabeth "Liza" Whitt of Amarillo, Jordan Loerwald and Dax Loerwald, both of Albuquerque, N.M., and Callie Mullins and Ross Mullins, both of Perryton; and one great-grandchild, Mattie Whitt of Amarillo.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Margaret Loerwald; and a brother, John Loerwald.

The family requests memorials be to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 727 W. Browning, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

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

Brandon Redell "B.Y." Young-Mallard, 23, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 21, 2004, at Pampa.

Services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Saturday in Macedonia Baptist Church with the Rev. I.L. Patrick, pastor of the church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery 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 Shamrock.

He was a songwriter and a rapper with Stayin Ready Records, Inc.

Survivors include his father, Robey Mallard, Jr., of Pampa; his mother and stepfather, Evelyn and Charles Jackson of Fort Worth; his grandparents, Lucille and Robey

Mallard, Sr., of Pampa; three sisters, LaKendra Young, Stephanie Mallard and Shanta Mallard, all of Fort Worth; a brother, Mikel 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 Plains Epilepsy Association, 3505 Olsen Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79109.

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Young-Mallard

Lou Wayne McBee, 68

Lou Wayne McBee, 68, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004, at Amarillo.

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

Born Dec. 31, 1935, at Borger, Mr. McBee grew up in Skellytown and had been a Pampa resident since 1992, moving from Arkansas.

He had been a foreman with B&B Solvent since 1996, was a member of the Moose Lodge and was a veteran of the National Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah Enloe, of the home; six sons, Mike McBee

and Greg McBee, both of Phoenix, Ariz., and Jonathan McBee, Billy McBee, Danielle McBee and David McBee, all of Europe; three sisters, Catherine Dorsey of Alanreed, Doris Pickering of Clinton, Ark., and Winona Thomas of Stinnett; and two brothers, Kenneth McBee of Little Rock, Ark., and Silas Don McBee of Skellytown.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

Mary Ettavie Michael, 57

Mary Ettavie Michael, 57, of Pampa, Texas, died Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2004, at Pampa.

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, Chad Michael and wife Sara of Wichita, Kan.; mother, Ardelle Sirmans of Pampa; sister, Zeldia Wilson and husband Wayne of Pampa; brother, Jackie Sirmans and wife Suzy of Pampa; sister-in-law, Shirley Strahan of Amarillo; three granddaughters, Kelsie Wyatt and Kylee Wyatt, both of Pampa, and Jacqueline Michael of Wichita, Kan.; one grandson, Cameron Michael of Wichita, Kan.; and several nieces and nephews.



Michael

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.

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

Katherine 'Kay' Barrett Reynolds, 84

Katherine "Kay" Barrett Reynolds, 84, of Spring Hill, Kan., passed away on Nov. 19, 2004.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Nov. 22, 2004, at the Spring Hill United Methodist Church, where she was an active member. The church is located at 112 E. Nichols, in Spring Hill, Kan.

Kay was born in Pampa, Texas, on Aug. 28, 1920, to Ernest C. Barrett and Lydia Liebman Barrett. She attended Baylor University in Texas and Kansas State Teachers' College in Pittsburg where she earned her undergraduate degree as well as her MS in Education.

She was selected for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. She was very active in speech, drama and musi-

cal activities, and even found time to earn her pilot's license before starting her career.

Following her graduation, Kay taught for many years in the Shawnee Mission School District, the Man Power Adult Education Program and at Platt College.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Jack Dutra of Overland Park, Kan.; a son, David Reynolds and his wife, Marsha, of Plano, Texas; a son, Dan Reynolds of Lovington, Va.; and a daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer and Steve Reed of Olathe, Kan.; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many friends.

The family would like to express their thanks to the many doctors, nurses, technicians, staff, and friends who have helped Kay to have the best care on her final journey home.

The family requests no flowers, but please join them in honoring Kay with a donation to the Kansas City Hospice, 10100 W. 87th, Suite 100, Overland Park, KS 66212.



Reynolds

Jean Rushing, 73

Jean Rushing, 73, of Pampa, Texas, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004, at Amarillo, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

The daughter of E.J. and Frances Norman, she was born Ethra Jean Frances Norman on Jan. 30, 1931, in Morse, Texas. She was reared in Wellington. She was a 1949 graduate of Wellington High School where she was a featured baton twirler with the Skyrocket band.

She married Bill Rushing on March 1, 1949, in Wellington. The lived in the Shamrock area for several years.

She worked as a clerk for the Texas Department of Public Welfare in Shamrock for 10 years. Her husband entered the pastorate in 1968, and she served with him in churches in Texola, Oklahoma, Plainview, Lela and Samnorwood, Texas.

Upon the death of her husband in 1979, she was appointed Justice of the Peace at Shamrock.

She moved to Pampa in 1980 where she lived until her death. She was a faithful

member of the Central Baptist Church where she enjoyed her Sunday School class and many friends.

Survivors include two sons, Kelly Rushing and wife Gimmye of Pampa and the Rev. Norman Rushing and wife I.B. of Childress; one brother, Reece Norman and wife Gloria of Grandfield, Okla.; her stepmother, Thelma Norman of Childress; six grandchildren, Tracey Levick of New Jersey, Pattye Guy and husband David of Fort Riley, Kan., Jennifer Jones and husband Daimon and Valerie Rushing, all of Pampa, Julie Wirt and husband Jared and Billy Rushing, all of Canyon; and seven great-grandchildren, Charlie Murphy and Amy Levick, both of New Jersey, Emma Guy and Leigha Guy, both of Fort Riley, Kan., Jacob Wirt and Jadon Wirt, both of Canyon, and Jaxon Jones of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Building Fund, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

Gray County Weather

Overnight: Partly cloudy, with a low near 37. West southwest wind around 10 mph.
 Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 61. Wind chill values between 30 and 35. West wind between 10 and 15 mph.
 Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. Wind chill values between 24 and 29. North northwest wind around 15 mph.

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Milo	3.17		Coca Cola	39.90	+0.10	JCP	40.66	+0.52
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			XOM	51.98	+0.49	New York Gold	447.00	
			Limited	25.83	+0.07	Silver	7.53	
			Williams	16.83	+0.39	West Texas Crude	48.74	
			MCD	30.55	+0.15			

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests today.

Wednesday, Nov. 24

Tash Nicole Rickles, 24, 930 S. Finley, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury.

Lonny Ray Austin, 47, 804 Beryl, was arrested for an altered or fictitious registration.

Jarrod Heath Rickles, 27, 737 Deane Dr., was arrested for assault/family violence, theft of property by check, and a capias pro fine for no seat belt.

Thursday, Nov. 25

Shanna Tambunga, 42, 1334 Coffee #2, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Sheriff

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

Wednesday, Nov. 24

Christopher Ray Scott, 38, Amarillo, was arrested for forgery.

Natasha Nicole McGill, 21, 2216 Dogwood, was arrested on a bench warrant concerning child custody.

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Plane took evasive turn, report says

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The airplane that crashed while approaching the San Antonio International Airport this month was told to turn out of the path of another plane shortly before crashing, according to a preliminary report.

The report by the National Transportation and Safety Board on the Nov. 14 crash that killed all five aboard also cites witnesses who said the plane made dramatic turns in and out of the clouds and flew very low to the ground.

Killed in the accident were pilot Jerry W. Oyler; radiologist David McMurray; his son

Ben McMurray; surgeon Stewart "Skeet" Johnson; and one of his twin sons, Hugh Johnson.

They were returning from a pheasant hunting trip and left the Dodge City, Kan., airport for San Antonio.

The plane started to the left of a navigational beam the pilot tracks when coming in for a landing, called a localizer, when it was approaching for a landing.

The plane then turned right of the beam before going 1.3 miles left of the beam with a mile and a half left to go to the runway.

The plane kept turning left, as if it were turning around to get back on course, when it veered into the path of another plane.

At that time, the San Antonio Air Traffic Control told the pilot to turn.

One of the witnesses reported hearing a "very loud noise" as the plane headed toward a building before it climbed back into the clouds.

Just before impact, the plane's right wing clipped an apartment complex, coming through the roof of a second story unit. The craft then hit a tree and dove nose-first into the ground.



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Raintree

A tree finds itself part of Red Deer Creek as it overflows its banks from recent rains. Pampan Carily Hernandez took this photo of the swollen creek. Residents received a rain reprieve for the Thanksgiving holiday, but more rain is in the forecast beginning Saturday night and Sunday. Bitter cold temperatures are expected on Tuesday.

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communications tower and the PRPC offered to put together a study on the project with an eye toward using it for their repeater system.

"It's been a great windfall for us," Hall said.

Chief Pitner said the city presently leases space on a privately-owned tower for \$7,116 a year.

Pitner estimated the cost of a 400-foot tower with associated building and generator at less than \$100,000. While expensive, he noted that such a tower had a life of 30 to 50 years.

Pitner also told the commission that while the city had an area wide mutual aid law enforcement pact, he didn't feel it covered such things as helping out in hostage situations.

After Commissioner Bob Dixon expressed his concerns over the liabilities involved, City Attorney Don Lane said that the agreement allows the city to make the decision to become involved after a request is made.

"We are not obligated to go," Lane said. The commission also awarded delinquent tax property at 943 S. Finley to Lednardo Alonzo, Jr., for a bid of \$100.

Pampa City Manager John Horst reviewed the city's budget for the first month of the new fiscal year.

While expenditures in the general fund were larger than revenues for October, Horst noted that most of the money in that fund comes from ad valorem taxes and most of that tax money doesn't usually come in until December and January.

He said that expenditures for M.K. Brown Auditorium and the Lovett Memorial Library Fund were higher than usual because of September's electric bill, which were paid, in early December.

"That was about \$6,000 each," Horst said of the electric bills.

He said revenues from water and wastewater were up.

"I hope we can hold those numbers," he said.

The landfill revenue were good. "Real good," he said.

Revenues were off at the golf course because play was off as fall began.

'It's been a great windfall for us.'

— Ken Hall

Attack

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"There was an incident yesterday. We lost four people and had 12 to 15 who were injured," he said. "We can't confirm what this incident actually was until we go through internal investigations."

O'Brien declined to identify the victims.

Global Risk Strategies is a London-based firm that provides security in countries including Iraq and Afghanistan.

In Fallujah, Lt. Gen. John F. Sattler, commanding general of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, said the Marines ambushed Thursday by insurgents

when searching a home responded with gunfire, killing three rebels hiding inside.

U.S. troops are conducting clearing operations after a massive weeklong U.S.-led assault that began Nov. 8.

"We will continue to clear out houses till every one is secure. We've taken more and more of their safe houses.

They're running out of places to hide," he said.

Sattler vowed the city 40 miles west of Baghdad will be safe in time for next January's nationwide elections.

Mosul, Iraq's third-largest city, was the site of a mass insurgent uprising in apparent support of Fallujah guerrillas following the assault on that rebel stronghold.

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But the main issue is Iran's interpretation of its deal with the European Union to freeze all activities linked to uranium enrichment, which can produce both nuclear fuel and the material for the core of atomic warheads.

Diplomats said Iran continued to demand on Friday that it be allowed to operate 20 centrifuges — although the EU says the Nov. 7 deal mandates a suspension of all activities related to enrichment, including running the centrifuges, which spin gas into fuel-level or weapons-grade uranium.

One of the delegates described Iran's move as an attempt at arm twisting to wrest concessions on the language of a resolution on how to police the freeze. Tehran wants any text stripped of indirect allusions to a "trigger mechanism" that would

enable the board to ask the U.N. Security Council to deal with violations of the suspension pledge.

IAEA head Mohamed ElBaradei also suggested the two issues were linked, telling reporters he hoped the Iranians would reconsider "once they get an agreed resolution."

"I'm optimistic things are moving in the right direction," he said as the meeting reconvened.

Mousavian, the chief Iranian delegate, said his country "is committed to suspension" as he headed into a meeting with EU negotiators. Asked about the terms, he said, "That's what we need to talk about."

Afterward, he spelled out what Iran wanted in the resolution: a commitment to close Iran's nuclear file at the IAEA; no "trigger mechanism" and no "special" policing of the

country's nuclear activities.

Describing the deadlock over the 20 centrifuges as "not an important issue," he said negotiations would continue with the IAEA and the EU.

Iran's demands did not signal an immediate danger because thousands of centrifuges must operate for months to produce enough highly enriched uranium for a nuclear warhead.

Bonds

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Half the water CRMWA supplies is now coming from Lake Meredith. The other half is coming from CRMWA's well field in Roberts County.

Pampa, unlike most of the other member cities though, has its own wells.

New rules adopted by the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District earlier this month could complicate CRMWA's water development plans, however.

PGWCD's new depletion rule calls for a maximum draw down rate of no more than 1.25 percent. Both PGWCD and CRMWA think CRMWA's pumping in Roberts County will exceed that rate.

If it does, that means that over the next 10 years, the amount of water from the Roberts County well field could be cut in half.

Horst said that if Pampa grows, demand in 10 years could exceed the city's allocation from CRMWA unless the city participates in expanding the authority's expansion of water rights.

The alternative, Horst said, would be to increase the pumping from city wells. The problem there is that could also break the 1.25 depletion rate for the city's wells and force the city to decrease production.

Horst also noted that the city well field is mature and it could be very expensive for the city to try to expand their well field or buy water from other cities.

If we do have growth or want to attract new industry," Horst said, "we have to assure them we have ample water."

Paying for it is the issue. "I believe Pampa needs to have a comfortable supply of water for the future," Horst said, "but being able to pay for it is the problem."

He outlined several alternatives for the commission, but the city is planning to issue \$800,000 in bonds to paint the storage tanks at the water and wastewater treatment plant and at the prison.

The city also plans to drill an additional well for the prison.

Horst said one alternative is to increase the minimum water bill by two dollars a month.

"This would take care of funding the proposed debt

for the next 20 years," he said.

The problem he said he had with that proposal is that the city's current rates are high and the city just increased the sewer rate in October.

The present water rate is \$12.50 for the first 2,000 gallons of water and \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons over that.

Commissioner Faustina

Curry, however, pointed out that Canyon has just increased their base water rate from \$10.60 to \$14. Their rate for more than the first 2,000 gallons is the same as Pampa's, however, \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons.

Horst also suggested the possibility of maintaining the same base rate, but lowering the base to 1,000 gallons instead of 2,000 gallons.

He said the city could reduce the administrative fee it charges the water and wastewater fund, about \$706,000 a year. That money goes into the general fund.

"This would prevent raising water rates, but it would

require the general fund to decrease expenditures or increase revenues or a combination of both," Horst said.

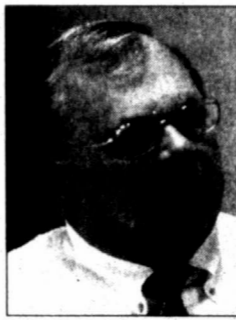
The city could also transfer any sales tax funds collected above the water fund to service the new debt, he said.

"The downside to this is that as the sale tax increases over the previous year, the effective property tax rate decreases," he said.

Horst said the city could also increase the property tax rate by about two cents to service the \$800,000 bond issue debt, he said, and increase the water rate or decrease the administrative fee by about \$125,000 per year.

He said he would continue to analyze the issue in hopes of finding a less painful solution but would welcome any suggestions.

The commission is expected to take up the issue at their Dec. 14 meeting.



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Viewpoints

Nation's safety depends on racial profiling

My brand new Dull laptop is away requiring some maintenance and I find myself here in Lovett Memorial Library to escribe mi column.

Memories from the late '60s are causing some smiles as dear ole Lovett was used quite often by Closet Writer in re: My school work at dear old Pampa High. I have to be honest. There was more girl-time spent here in my escuela alto anos than tiempo libre.

I now realize how much I like the architectural design of our library. Folks, this building is timeless. Ah, memories. I miss you Jackie Howard, Marsha Jewell, Paula Blanda ...

And, I must not forget the two sculptures donated by Larry Franklin (R. L. Franklin). Larry and I go back to some nether times here in Pampa. I've known Larry probably 50 of my 55 years. Without a doubt Larry is one of the finest men I have ever known. His family represents a good chunk of Gray County and veterinary medical history. That's history, readers — real deep roots for Pampa. Larry, from my heart, thank you for your gifts to Pampa and Lovett Memorial Library. They are wonderful.

On this busiest of shopping days, I will find myself firmly ensconced at my son's casa in San Antonio,

full of thanks to be with Daniel and Jeremy, who will make the short drive from Austin. I haven't seen my two sons since Father's Day — much too long a time.

Heather, my beautiful grand-daughter, will be with her mother's family, so I'll miss her.

Dennis Palmitier
Columnist

A sign of the times, but Christmas will bring my greatest pleasure, for Heather will be here and I can spoil her to no end — and let her dad deal with her when they return to San Antonio.

Ha! — grandparent privilege.

I have driven to San Antonio, as I prefer to do with any destination within Texas and surrounding states, for I love to drive and see — and stop, if necessary. I could save about 18 hours if I fly, but gain about 18 stress points



as well. 9-11 took away the fun of flying for me, particularly during the Thanksgiving — Christmas — New Year holidays.

I realize the importance of the Patriot Act. For the mat-

ter, John Ashcroft, to you yellow dog liberals, did not create the Patriot Act. A unanimous Congress did after 9-11. John Ashcroft was simply the enforcer of the law. The fun is gone from flying for I don't enjoy being frisked and patted down in able to board a plane these days.

By the way, where did the federal government find these people to man the security checkpoints at airports? These people have the intellect of a paper bag, and as a result, the lines at checkpoints are atrocious and many an American is having his/her rights violated.

The Patriot Act has failed Americans at our airports.

How, you ask? The very people the Patriot Act was created to impede are not being frisked or patted down, just red blooded American citizens — children, grandparents, businessmen.

For fear of the ACLU and violating one's rights, everyday Americans are paying the price of terrorism — not the terrorist. The trouble here, folks, is we Americans will put up with it, for fear of jail time or missing our flight.

Perhaps what the Transportation Security Administration is not doing with airport security is one

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Today in History

By the Associated Press

Today is Friday, Nov. 26, the 331st day of 2004. There are 35 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 26, 1942, the motion picture "Casablanca," starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, had its world premiere at the Hollywood Theater in New York.

On this date:

In 1825, the first college social fraternity, Kappa Alpha, was formed at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y.

In 1832, public streetcar service began in New York City. The fare: 12 1/2 cents.

In 1940, the half-million Jews of Warsaw, Poland, were forced by the Nazis to live within a walled ghetto.

In 1942, President Roosevelt ordered nationwide gasoline rationing, beginning Dec. 1.

In 1943, during World War II, the HMT Rohna, a British transport ship carrying American soldiers, was hit by a German missile off Algeria; 1,138 men were killed, including 1,015 American troops.

In 1949, India adopted a constitution as a republic within the British Commonwealth.

In 1950, China entered the Korean conflict, launching a counter-offensive against soldiers from the United Nations, the United States and South Korea.

In 1965, France launched its first satellite, sending a 92-pound capsule into orbit.

In 1973, President Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods, told a

federal court that she'd accidentally caused part of the 18 1/2-minute gap in a key Watergate tape.

In 1986, President Reagan appointed a commission headed by former Sen. John Tower to investigate his National Security Council staff in the wake of the Iran-Contra affair.

Ten years ago: Thirty clergymen were elevated to the rank of cardinal in a Vatican ceremony presided over by Pope John Paul II. Margaret Garrish, a 72-year-old Detroit woman, committed suicide in the presence of Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

Five years ago: Sixteen people were killed when a Norwegian high-speed passenger ferry hit a shoal and sank off Boemla Island, 250 miles west of Oslo.

One year ago: Human rights activist Gao Zhan, who was freed from a Chinese prison after the U.S. government interceded on her behalf, pleaded guilty in Alexandria, Va., to illegally selling American high-tech items with potential military uses to China. (Gao later received a reduced sentence of seven months in prison for her cooperation with authorities.)

'Our life is frittered away by detail ... Simplify, simplify.'

— Henry David Thoreau
American author

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Forget political, let's be correct

A handful of courageous House members have taken on the powers-that-be in Washington, including their own president and the GOP House leadership, in a valiant effort to protect Americans from the dangers posed by wide-open borders now serving as an open door for illegal immigrants or al Qaeda terrorists to enter the United States.

Instead of shutting down those borders to illegals and terrorists, the government has done everything but put up welcoming signs along our southern borders, and provide relief stations every mile or so to refresh tired and thirsty illegals as they wend their way across the borders into the U.S., where politicians from both parties strive to help them feel wanted and give them driver's licenses and all kinds of welfare goodies.

As the media have gone out of their way to publicize the efforts to block a bill to

revamp our intelligence services, misinforming the American people by blaming Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld for allegedly using his influence to block the bill — a totally unproven allegation — the reasons why some top Republicans are fighting to prevent the bill's passage as currently written are all but ignored.

Standing firm against the Senate-House Conference Committee report on the bill in its current form are Representatives James Sensenbrenner - R-Wis., Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee and Duncan Hunter -R-Cal, who chairs the House Armed Services Committee.

They killed a last-second deal (a week ago) Saturday to pass stalled legislation to create a new national intelli-

gence director and national counter-terrorism center. The overhaul was supposed to help the intelligence community track terrorist threats and was one of the biggest legislative priorities of this year.

According to the Boston Globe, Rep. Hunter cited Pentagon concerns that the realignment of intelligence authority could

interfere with the military chain of command and endanger troops in the field while Sensenbrenner demanded that the bill also deal with counterterrorism laws and illegal immigration.

Sensenbrenner opposes the current bill on the wholly legitimate grounds that it does not include measures to prevent states from giving

driver's licenses to illegal aliens, among other equally objectionable gestures to political correctness. He points out the fact that 19 of the 9/11 hijackers had a total of 63 driver's licenses among them generously handed out by various states, which allowed them to move freely around the country plotting their deadly mission.

According to a memo from the House Armed Services Committee, the bill threatens to disrupt the critical relationships between the intelligence services and our combat troops. It would render our troops vulnerable by not providing clear and unambiguous delineation of authority between the intelligence bureaucracy in Washington and the existing chain of command.

Sensenbrenner warns that the U.S. must toughen our asylum laws to prevent peo-

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Hope on horizon for school finance

If the law of averages applies, sooner or later the Texas Legislature is going to hit on a plan to fund the public school system.

Finally, after numerous failures to revamp the system (most notably Gov. Rick Perry's plan that went down in flames in the House, 126-0), it appears

there is hope on the horizon.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst announced details of a Senate plan last week that would cut property taxes while increasing certain

business taxes and taxes on alcohol and tobacco.

The plan may or may not be a remedy, but it is clear an alternative is needed since the state's current plan failed to pass constitu-

tional muster in the courts. We're hesitant to support a plan that puts too heavy a tax burden on businesses, but as long as a plan is equitable and fair — and meets the needs of Texas public school children — then there is reason for optimism.

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ple from entering the U.S. and claiming asylum which would allow them to be free to live here while at large and free to plan terrorist attacks while awaiting an immigration hearing, which can take years to process.

The fact is that this bill does nothing to protect our borders which it originally did in compliance with page 390 of the 9/11 commission report before the Senate got its delicate fingers on it and stripped the provisions from the bill the House passed. The House bothered to read that report but the Senate threw it away because of

politics. They want an open border policy because they are still kowtowing to political correctness which is going to end up killing Americans. It's now past the time to be just plain correct, and forget the political part. Anybody who thinks the U.S. can be safe with an open border policy must be smoking strange substances.

To listen to the liberal media you'd think that America's safety depends upon getting this bill passed now.

What's the hurry? Can't we wait until the new Congress convenes in January, when the newly-elected members of the House and Senate will get a chance to consider the measure? After all, even if

the bill went through now it would not have any impact until January or later anyway.

The real issue here, distorted by the media, is that the Senate stripped out everything the House of Representatives put in to protect our borders as demanded by the 9/11 Commission report, essentially leaving our borders wide open to terrorists. The provisions must be put back and until they are, the bill must be kept in limbo.

Mike Reagan, the eldest son of the late President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the Radio America Network.

Profiling

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of the factors in President Bush's re-election.

The Silent Majority has spoken — we just need to be a little louder at the airport; and, tell NOCLU where to put it.

I'll never forget this — Christmas 2002 — my wife and I were boarding a plane in Cincinnati to return to Houston. A young family of four was in front of us in the boarding line. Dad held a gorgeous little two-year-old Shirley Templesque daughter all decked out in tartan red plaid and red bows, and momma holding baby brother. A TSA security nitwit subjected the

two-year-old girl to a random full body pat down — your average terrorist. What could the parents do to protest? Not a thing!

On other flights, I've witnessed men and women senior citizens, some in wheelchairs or with walkers, subjected to pat downs. Not once have I seen a person of Muslim extraction frisked or patted down. Why? Because the TSA and our government are afraid of the "racial profiling" possibilities — and the NOCLU creating more red tape in our courts.

Muslim problems have come full circle in Europe this past year. Britain and France have riotous situations continually with Muslim extremists wanting more authority above the laws of the two countries. France has even voted out

Muslim headwear in their schools to help preserve their — Frenchness. Serves them right, they with no backbone.

Look what happened in The Netherlands. Vincent van Gogh's grandson murdered by

Muslim extremists because of a film documentary he produced, supposedly derogatory to Muslim way of life. The Netherland's Parliament

has suddenly put the extremist problem to the top of their legislative agenda. Go figure? We know what happened in Spain, don't we?

Here's a good one. Norway limits immigration. Imagine that? Yep, you gotta have a good reason to want to move to Norway, cause if you don't, they'll send you packing. Perhaps the rest of Europe, and the United States, should follow suit? I still laugh at our tele-

vision media proclaiming our elections would be disrupted as they were in Spain. America's resolve and backbone was proclaimed loud and clear on election day.

But here is the clincher, and I feel that the time is

now for America to take action to insure our freedom from terrorism. Fifty-nine million Americans voted to end the nonsense. George Bush indeed has a

mandate, and I hope he does not let what happened to the 1994 Republican landslide in Congress take place, which was — nothing. If there is ever a time for racial profiling in our country, it is now — at our borders, at our airports.

Emma Lazarus' words on the Statue of Liberty are passé. America does not need more huddled masses yearning to do away with our way of life — our freedoms.

Dennis Palmitier is a native Pampa, graduate of Pampa High School and a pharmaceutical sales representative.

'If there is ever a time for racial profiling in our country, it is now — at our borders, at our airports.'

'America does not need more huddled masses yearning to do away with our way of life — our freedoms.'

Thousands line streets for parades; travelers go home after snowstorm

By JUSTIN BERGMAN
 Associated Press Writer

Tim O'Connor decided tired arms were a small price to pay so his 4-year-old grandsons could get a bird's eye view of a giant yellow sponge with a red tie.

So up off the ground they went, Sean and Declan, to ooh and ahh at the floating SpongeBob SquarePants.

The gigantic balloon made its debut Thursday in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade — and it couldn't have been a bigger hit.

Thousands of onlookers jammed the streets of New York to see the scores of balloons, floats and bands that mark the traditional kickoff to the holiday season.

"The atmosphere of the parade is so friendly," O'Connor said. "It makes it a nice event, and it gets them

out of the house so that parents can cook dinner."

Across the country, millions of Americans gathered with family and friends to enjoy gut-busting feasts and take in parades and football games.

While the crowd along Broadway was enjoying a mild 65-degree day, the folks in Detroit were bundling up against a biting wind and sub-freezing temperatures.

Carl Williams was up at sunrise to cook turkey legs, bratwurst, hamburgers and hot dogs on an outdoor grill before Detroit's annual Thanksgiving Day parade. Thousands showed up for the parade before fans from the Detroit Lions-Indianapolis Colts game across the street started showing up.

"Shoot, this is the place to be," Williams said as he warmed his hands over the glowing coals.

The Detroit parade took place a day after the Midwest's first winter storm of the season. But the weather did not stop Nick Nicholson and his family from watching in person, instead of on TV as they usually do. His daughters, Katie, 10, and Lindsay, 3, sat in a little red wagon at his feet, wrapped in fleece from head to toe.

"I wanted to sleep later, but this'll be fun," Katie said.

Others in the Midwest were thankful just to get home Thursday. The storm stranded hundreds of holiday travelers at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport overnight after nearly 50 flights were canceled.

The National Weather Service said parts of Illinois got up to 8 inches of snow, while up to 9 inches were expected in southern Michigan.

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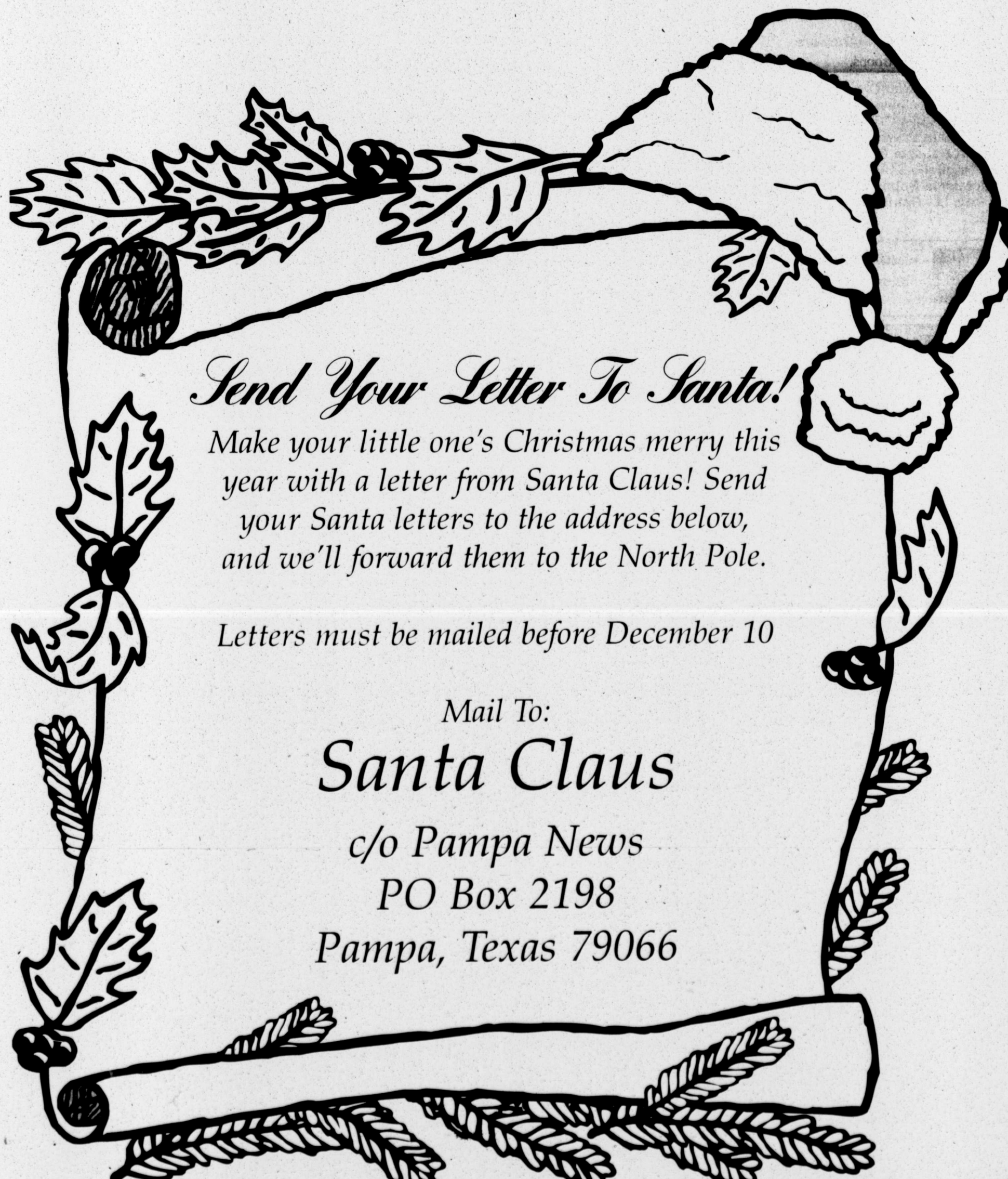
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Religion

Dedicating FCC's Family Cross Wall



Steve Snelgrooves, left, explains his family's barbed wire cross to Rev. Barry Loving and April Loving during a dinner dedicating the Family Cross Wall at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson, on Sunday, Nov. 21. Below, Joel Morgan hangs a cross for the Troxell family on the wall. The Troxells, from left, are Emilie, Scot, Jill, Kailyn, Blayne and Cason.



Mr. Joe faces racism head-on

In 1971, Shari and I began our training in ministry at White's Ferry Road School Of Preaching in West Monroe, La. Near the end of our time there the church decided to begin a bus ministry. As they began to seek volunteers for their bus teams, they had a special meeting to discuss everything. At that meeting Carl Allison, an elder/minister at the church, acted as discussion leader for the evening.

The various volunteer needs were put on the board and then people began filling those needs. When one of the men volunteered to drive bus #10 the room turned to deafening silence. You could have heard a feather hit shag carpet. Carl stammered a little and then asked the man if he had noticed which section of town that bus would be serving. He said that he understood.

Now Carl had a real problem.

On many occasions in Sunday School one of the ministers or one of the elders had experienced "hard words" with this church member concerning his feelings about black people. Everyone in the church knew how he felt. The problem in the meeting was this: He had volunteered to drive the bus in a predominately black section of town.

Carl then said, "Joe, everyone in this room knows how you feel about black people. You have been very out spoken. So I'll have to ask you to explain why you would volunteer to drive the bus in a section of town where almost all of the kids will be black."

A thousand things ran through everyone's minds. Was he joking around? Was he making fun of the ministry? Was he just trying to

cause trouble? Was he planning something unspeakable? Minds were running wild with possibilities.

Then Joe ended all of the speculation by saying, "I'm well aware of what section of town that bus will be serving. I volunteered for that section because the Lord has shown me the error of my way. Now I only know one way to get over all of my years of hatred and doubt and suspicion. If I drive that bus twice a week and get to know all of those kids, then just maybe the Lord can show me another way to feel."

There wasn't a dry eye in the room. Carl was crying, so was Joe, so was everyone else. Everyone was awestruck with the awesome power of God to melt decades of the hatred and bitterness that we call racism.

Well, the ministry began and everyone was hoping that Joe would be OK. So how did things end up?

If you had attended any of the church services in the following year it would have been easy to spot Joe. He was the pale white old man with all of the black kids hanging on him like he was a tree.

And when Joe sat down for church there wasn't a place on his body where some African-American kid wasn't sitting with a grin from ear to ear. If one of the kids saw Joe at the mall or in a store you'd hear them holler, "Hi, Mr. Joe." God transformed Joe.

So how do you feel about people with a different color of skin? I'll tell you how you'd better feel. OOPS, one

second thought, we'll let the Bible tell us.

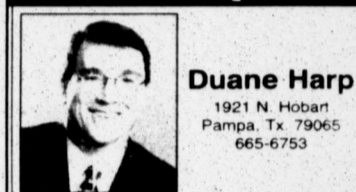
1 John 4:20-21: "If anyone boasts, "I love God," and goes right on hating his brother or sister, thinking nothing of it, he is a liar. If he won't love the person he can see, how can he love the God he can't see? The command we have from Christ is blunt: Loving God includes loving people. You've got to love both."

So if you can't stand people with a different color of skin than yours, you have two choices. 1. Repent and let God transform you. 2. Get ready for a very long stay in a very hot place called hell. God bless.

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a single mother, raising a 14-year-old daughter, "Cheryl." Recently, Cheryl has started going through my things while I am not at home. A couple of times she has found things of a sexual nature -- pictures and marital aids -- that I had thought were well hidden.

How do I address these matters without discussing the content in depth? We have discussions about a lot of things, but I must admit I'm embarrassed about this. However, I want to discuss this with Cheryl before she tells someone about what she found and gets misinformation. -- BLUSHING IN CHICAGO

DEAR BLUSHING: Your daughter is old enough to understand the concept of privacy -- and that includes not going through your things without permission, or discussing your private life with her contemporaries. Since you now know what she does in your absence, keep your personal items under lock and key.

If Cheryl questions you about the items she found, explain to her that they are sometimes used by adults. If she wants to know more, answer her questions honestly. And while you're at it, be sure your daughter knows that if she has further questions in the future, she's welcome to come to you with them, and you will be sure she gets correct answers.

DEAR ABBY: I'm having trouble dealing with my Aunt "Marge." She disapproves of the fact that my husband, "Keith," is 40 and I'm 33. Aunt Marge says I should have married someone my age -- or no more than a year or two older -- because SHE likes men her own age. Also, SHE prefers dark-haired men, so she keeps

asking me why I married a blonde.

Keith earns enough so that I can stay at home with our two children. Aunt Marge says I'm selfish to make him carry the financial burden alone. (Neither Keith nor I feel there's anything selfish about it.) What's peculiar is, Aunt Marge has always been a homemaker. She hasn't worked a day since she married Uncle Steve. Also, she constantly asks my husband if he's saving the money he earns, and what we do with it.

Aunt Marge stops by unexpectedly a lot, usually at night. If I'm wearing my robe and nightgown, she demands to know why. Then she asks why I took my shower so long before bedtime. She also constantly criticizes the way I wear my hair.

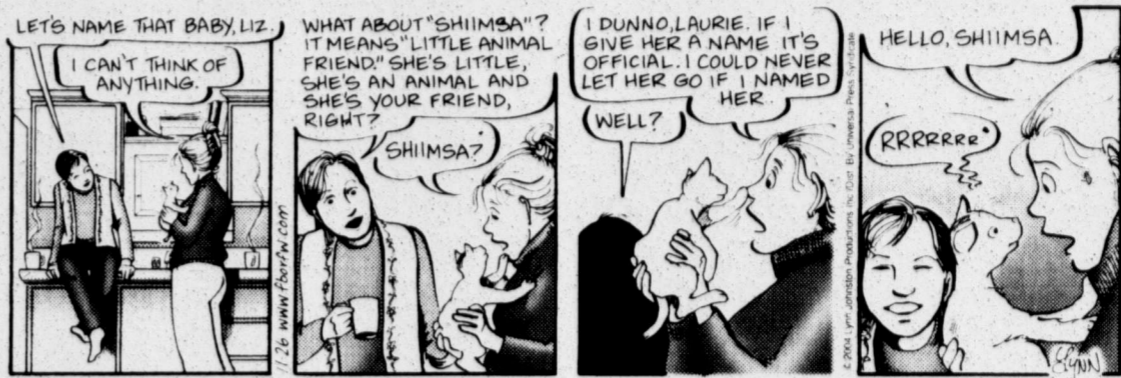
Aunt Marge gets upset because, when Keith is home, we screen our calls. I've explained that it's to avoid telemarketers, but if we don't pick up, she says in a rude tone, "I don't want to leave a message. Pick up the phone NOW!"

Abby, she's a good person in other ways, but she has always had a habit of criticizing and being too quick to judge. Do Keith and I have reason to be offended, or should we just accept that she is who she is, ignore her, and not say anything? -- GETTING FED UP IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR FED UP: If no one has pointed out to Aunt Marge that it's rude to ask people what they do with their money, to drop by unannounced, to give unsolicited advice about personal grooming, and to demand instant gratification when she calls, now is the time. It won't change her, but perhaps it will cause her to stop for a moment and think.

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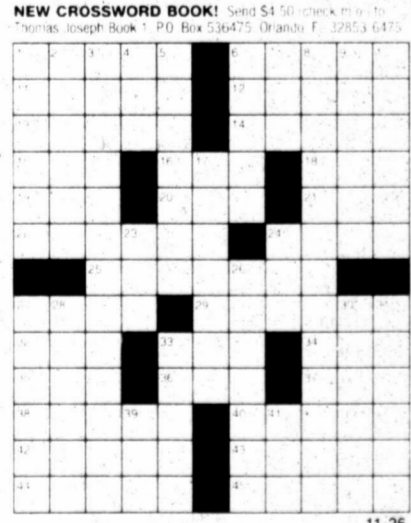


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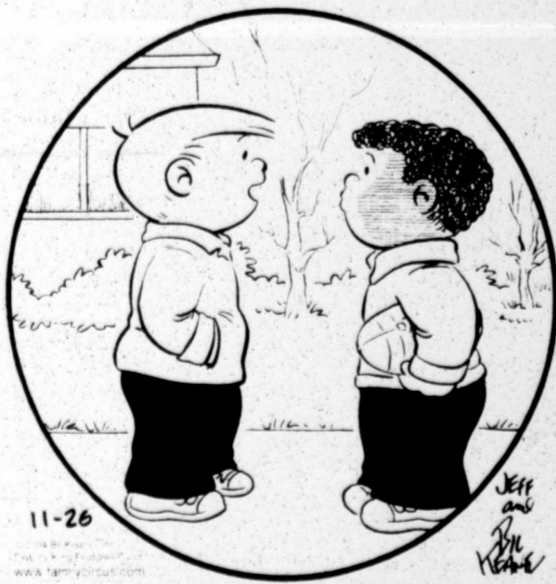
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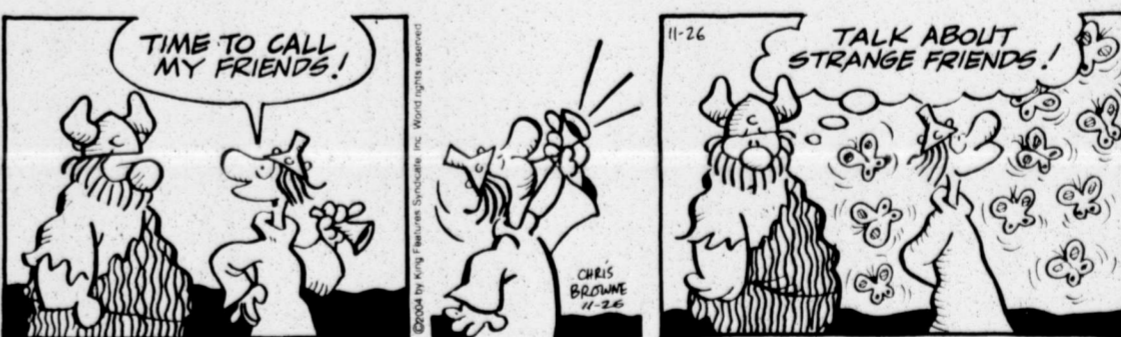
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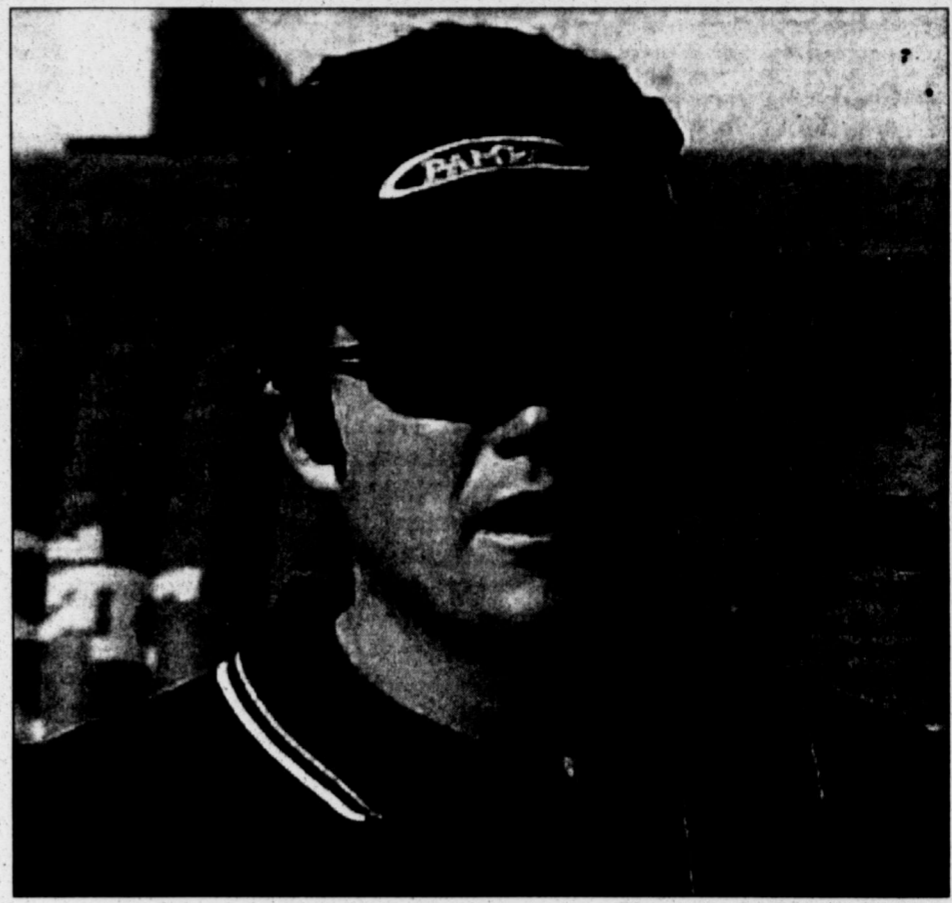
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Sports Day



Photos by CAROLYN THERO

Pampa senior Seth Foster, left, hauls in a pass from quarterback Tyler Doughty last Saturday in Midland. Foster scored a touchdown on the play. Harvester Head Coach Heath Parker, above, says his team is ready and excited about tonight's Class 4A Division II Regional Championship rematch game against Aledo. Pampa lost to the Bearcats 23-22 last year.

A year's worth of blood, sweat, tears and redemption have led Pampa to tonight's playoff game against Aledo

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
Sports Editor

The Pampa Harvester varsity football team has been a study in controlled energy all season long. It is not an overly rowdy team. Yes, there is some chatter along the sideline from time to time. But for the most part, this team has operated much like a prize fighter earning his way to a title shot.

Tonight, Pampa steps into the ring against possibly its most formidable foe of the season — the 9-3 Aledo Bearcats — at Pennington Field in Bedford. Kick off is at 8 p.m.

The same two teams met in the same game this time last year, the Class 4A Division II Regional Championship. Pampa had Aledo against the ropes and was going for the knockout punch when a questionable fumble call against then junior tight end Brittin East gave Aledo the ball with less

than four minutes to go in the game. 11 plays and 60-yards later, the Bearcats snatched the win away from the Harvesters, 23-22.

East, and the other seniors on this team have not forgotten that game.

This has all the makings of another hard fought battle. Pampa has scored 71 points while allowing only 21 in its first two playoff games. Aledo has forced 78 points and allowed 42. Aledo's bread-and-butter player is running back Ryan Christian.

Christian is coming off a 256-yard, three touchdown performance in the Bearcat's win over Azle last week.

Aledo, big and physical on both sides of the ball, features a defense not quick to offer up points having allowed just eight points or

less in six of its last eight games. The offense is capable of pounding its opponent in the midsection, wearing them out and then taking advantage of them.

'No one prepares for an opponent more than we do.'

— **Heath Parker**
Head Coach, Pampa
High School Football

It will be important for Pampa Head Coach Heath Parker and his staff to keep the Harvesters focused. To not allow distractions of any kind to hinder their performance or affect the game plan.

In the past two weeks, the Harvesters have shown they can win by running the ball (Brody Smith had more than 200-yards rushing against Andrews), or passing the ball (Tyler Doughty had 4 touchdown passes against El Paso Parkland). Ball control and clock management has been the Pampa trademark most of the season. But a defense that can force mistakes and an offense that can make

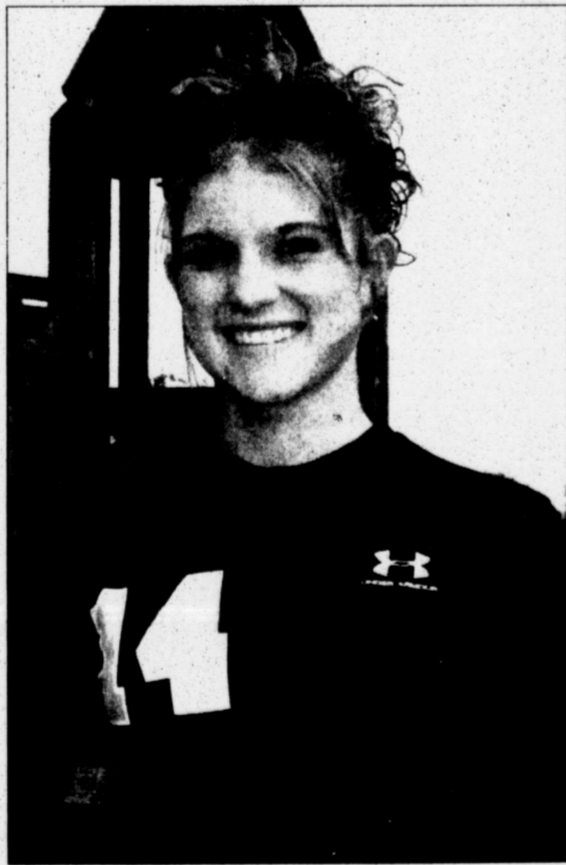
you pay for them fast have added elements others must prepare for.

With the wins over Andrews and El Paso Parkland, has Parker and his coaching staff shown all of their cards? Doubt it. Though Aledo will be familiar with the Harvester's basic scheme, there will most likely be some added twists in tonight's game. Again, as Parker as stated before, "No one prepares for an opponent more than we do. We often know them better than they think we do."

The setting should look a bit different than it did for Pampa last week. Where Parkland's support in Midland was abysmal, Pennington Field should be full of Aledo fans tonight. Pampa, which travels with strong support to all of its away games, will have a noisy and enthusiastic Harvester Nation on hand.

The twelfth man could become an important player in tonight's game before time expires.

3-4A honors



Congratulations to Pampa High School Lady Harvester volleyball players **Jaclyn Spearman, left, and Jackie Gerber. Both were named to the All-District 3-4A volleyball roster. Spearman, a senior hitter, was named to the first team. Gerber, a junior middle, was named to the second team.**

7th and 8th grade Pampa basketball teams get wins

The Pampa Green Team 7th grade girls swept Hereford this past Monday in Pampa. The A team got off to a slow start and trailed 8-0 early in the first period. But came roaring back by playing pressure defense, good rebounding and ball control. Pampa took the lead and never trailed in a 29-23 win.

7th Grade Stats

	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Steals
Ashley Facio	13	3	2	2
Carlyn Teichmann	6	4	1	3
Kara Stephens	5	-	-	1
Sammie Pearson	4	1	2	3
Brooklyn Barker	1	2	-	-
Lariat Lowrey	-	2	-	1
Emilie Troxell	-	4	1	-
Whitney Wade	-	-	-	3
Shelbie Watson	-	-	1	-
Serina Wagner	-	-	-	1

The B team won a hard fought nail-biter. Pampa trailed by 1 point with time running out when Keonti Nickleberry got the ball and dribbled the length of the court. Her shot just missed the basket but teammate Kelsey Watson snagged the rebound and placed it in the bucket as time expired. Pampa won 32-31.

8th Grade Stats

	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Steals
Kimberly Curtis	10	5	1	2
Andi Hutto	8	7	-	2
Cheyenne Collins	4	3	-	3
Kristin Bivins	4	4	-	-
Keonti Nickleberry	2	-	2	2
Faby Soria	2	1	-	3
Kelsey Watson	2	1	-	-
Kayla Ware	-	-	-	2
Ashley Williams	-	-	-	5
Savannah Hoover	-	-	-	1
Rachel Heuston	-	1	-	1

Notes: Hoover was injured in the second period and unable to play the rest of the game. Gabby Powell and Lauren Jacoby were unable to play.

Varsity basketball teams taking part in tournament

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
Sports Editor

The Pampa varsity boys and girls basketball teams are in Amarillo today taking part in a two day tournament.

Both teams are coming off big wins against Borger.

Lady Harvester Head Coach Troy Fry has nothing but praise for his team. "The girls are really starting to come around," said Fry. "They are showing signs of improvement in all areas of the game."

The Lady Harvesters are 2-5 entering tonight.

The varsity boys team is 2-1 to this point. And following back-to-back wins against Canyon and Borger, should be feeling confident in its ability to score while not allowing the opponent to control the pace of the game. Head Coach Jeff Reed says it is important his team, still without a few players currently playing football, realizes how good it is now before the others join them. The win against what Reed described as a very good Canyon team should have raised Pampa's confidence level a notch or two.

Submit scores and stats

All area coaches and or parents are encouraged to submit scores, stats and pictures for submission in Sports Day.

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