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Redistricting before PISD board

Public to speak at Thursday hearing on elementary school boundary changes

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

Pampa Independent School District's Board of Education will consider a redistricting plan for elementary campuses at their meeting which begins at 6 p.m., Thursday, April 21, at Carver

Center, 321 W. Albert.

A public hearing on the proposed elementary school boundary changes is scheduled early in the meeting with action to be taken afterwards, according to the agenda.

School officials say population growth in north Pampa has overloaded the Travis and Austin ele-

mentary schools with students. The plan would move the boundaries of the attendance zones several blocks north, affecting more than 100 elementary students who now attend the two schools.

If the plan is approved, former Travis students will be bused to Lamar Elementary because they

would have to cross a railroad track. State transportation funds will pay for the busing because it would be considered a "hazardous route."

Students previously in the Austin district would go to Wilson Elementary, if the plan is approved.

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Clarendon College - Pampa Center Day

Pampa officials have declared April 20 as Clarendon College - Pampa Center Day. Mayor Lonny Robbins came out to present the proclamation to the 2004-2005 Pampa Center Student Government in honor of the college celebrating 30 years of being in Pampa. Mayor Robbins presents the proclamation to Student Government members, front row from left, Palma Dorn, Heather Dean, Tabitha Winkler, and Shelby McGahen, and back row, from left, Michael Brown and Josh Gibson. Events celebrating the anniversary are scheduled throughout the day today.

Top names to perform at statue banquet

Pampans are chartering a bus to go to Jackson, Tenn., for the unveiling of the Tennessee state monument for Shiloh Battlefield by Pampa sculptor Gerald Sanders.

A banquet celebrating the unveiling is set for Thursday, June 2. Charlie Daniels, Hank Williams, Jr., and Loretta Lynn are scheduled to perform at the Thursday night banquet. The unveiling of Sander's sculpture and dedication will take place on Friday, June 3.

The chartered bus is being organized through Dana Terry at Complete Travel. The bus will leave Pampa in the early morning on Wednesday, June 1, and will return to Pampa in the late evening on Saturday, June 4.

The cost for the round trip bus ride is \$140 payable when reservations are made and is non-refundable. (Does not include any side trips). They will stay at the Sheraton Inn in Jackson - rooms are \$75 per night. There is room for 40 people on the bus. Reservations need to be made as soon as possible.

Call Thelma Bray at 665-1180 to make reservations.

Responsibility and pride motivate Terry

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

A sense of responsibility and pride motivates businesswoman Dana Terry in her bid for a seat on the Pampa Independent School District's Board of Education.

"With the age of my children (11 and 9), I have a vested interest in the schools. It seemed to be the time to do it," Terry said.

Terry and her husband, W.R. "Bebo" Terry, are parents to two daughters, Elizabeth, a fifth grader, and Emily, a third grader.

She seeks Place 3 on the school board, now held by local dentist, Dr. Jay Johnson. She is opposed by Pampa accountant, Kenneth Cargill.

Terry is owner of Complete Travel, a business she began in 1990 and now runs from an office in her home. She and her husband also farm and ranch.

"I'm very willing to listen and to

try new things to keep improving the schools," she said, adding that the district's employees - teachers and administrators - are the "best thing" about Pampa ISD.

"I hope to be a support to the teachers and administration," she said.

Terry sees financial matters as the

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foremost issue before the school board.

"There's a lot of things we want to do, but there just isn't the funds there to do it," she said. "I want to make sure that the monies we do have are used in a way to help the most students with little waste."

She also wants to see continued improvement in Texas Assessment

of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) scores, "because that's the rule we have to go by and the way to test (students') skills."

"I think a lot of pressure is put on teaching staff when we as parents share the responsibility (of improving students' test scores)," she added.

"All citizens of Pampa should take pride in our schools and help them reach exemplary status," she said.

Terry has spoken to teachers and all principals except one. "I want to see what their concerns are and what they think I can do to help

them," she said. These conversations indicate that the concerns are "very different," ranging from handling behavioral problems to better ways to share successful programs between schools.

Talking with parents, Terry has seen that the proposed redistricting

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Dana Terry

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World Wide Web

Police arrest 20 in crackdown on Internet-run pharmacies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Twenty people in the United States and abroad were arrested on charges they ran Internet pharmacies that illegally shipped narcotics, steroids and amphetamines to teenagers and other buyers around the world, federal authorities announced Wednesday.

The arrests were the result of a yearlong investigation by six federal agencies of online pharmacies that often operate in the shadows of the Internet, with no fixed address and no way to track where they are located, Drug Enforcement Administrator Karen Tandy said.

The drugs were shipped to buyers with little or no effort to verify ages or medical need, allowing teenagers or drug abusers easy access to addictive and dangerous drugs, officials said.

Tandy and officials from the FBI, Customs, the Internal Revenue Service, Food and Drug Administration and the Postal Service were to formally announce details of Operation Cyber Chase at a news conference Wednesday.

Among the organizations targeted was a Philadelphia-based Internet pharmacy that

allegedly smuggled prescription painkillers, steroids and amphetamines into the United States from India, Germany, Hungary and elsewhere, repackaged them and sold them throughout the world, Tandy said.

U.S. arrests took place in Fort Lauderdale and Sarasota, Fla.; Abilene and Tyler, Texas; New York City and Rochester, N.Y.; Philadelphia; and Greenville, S.C. Authorities also made arrests in Australia, Canada, Costa Rica and India.

A study by the Government Accountability Office last year found it was easy to order drugs online. Some drugs received from foreign pharmacies were counterfeit and many came with no instructions or warnings, the GAO said. Others arrived in damaged or unconventional packaging.

The FDA has led the government's enforcement efforts against Internet pharmacies as part of its strenuous opposition to the legalization of imported prescription drugs.

Obituaries

Stella Ellen Airington, 92

Stella Ellen Airington, 92, of Pampa, Texas, died Sunday, April 17, 2005, at Lufkin, Texas.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 22, 2005, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of the Central Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Airington was born July 14, 1912, at home near Ranken, Okla., to Henry and Blanche Wright. She married Lee V. Airington on Nov. 8, 1933. He preceded her in death in 1964.

She had been a resident of the Lefors and Pampa area since 1958, moving to Lufkin recently to be closer to her family.

She was a loving wife and mother. She was a homemaker and worked in the clothing retail business for many years.

She was a member of Central Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by four sisters, Pearl Bessire, Elsie Boone, Flora King and Ruby Snyder; one brother, Henry J. Wright; and one daughter-in-law, Linda Carol Airington.



Airington

Survivors include two sons, Jerry L. Airington and wife Carol of Mount Vernon, Ill., and Rodney Airington and wife Charlsy of Etoile; grandchildren, Allen and Melissa Patterson, Pam and Billy Fatheree, and Rodney and Sara Airington, all of Mount Vernon, Ill., Gary and Kimbra Trujillo, Michael and Ashley Airington; and stepgrandchildren, Reyhan Ates and Tas Ates, all of the Houston area, and Peri Ates of San Diego, Calif.; seven great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Sara Airington of Amarillo and Maxine Wright of Reydon, Okla.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2005.

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

Theola Thompson, 80

Theola Thompson, 80, of Pampa, died Tuesday, April 19, 2005, at Pampa.

Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors

of Pampa.

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

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents today.

Tuesday, April 19

Sixteen traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the 300 block of North Hobart, the 1500 block of North Sumner, the 1100 block of Varnon Drive, and the intersection of Alcock and Faulkner streets.

Criminal trespass of a building was reported in the 600 block of North Cuyler. An attempt was made to break into a building, and a window was shot with a BB gun.

Criminal trespass was reported in the police department lobby and in the 500 block of North Frost.

Burglary was reported in the 400 block of Crest.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported in the 600 block of East Crawford and on Highway 60 East.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 400 block of Hughes.

Two civil matters were reported in the police department lobby. A third civil matter was reported in the 1200 block of Farley.

A narcotic drug law violation was reported in the 900 block of Llano and in the police department lobby.

An animal complaint was received from the intersection of Crawford and Love streets. A white pit bull was chasing horses.

An animal complaint was received from the 300 block of North Wynne.

Warrant service was attempted at one location.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of Coffee. A window was broken, for an estimated \$30 in damage.

Criminal mischief and theft was reported in the 300 block of Cook by the City of Pampa. A stop sign valued at \$160 was involved in the incident.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1700 block of Christine, where a plate glass window was shot out.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 600 block of North Wells.

A welfare check was made in the 1100 block of South Wells and the 100 block of West 30th.

An unattended death was reported in the 100 block of South Russell.

Found property was reported at the intersection of Rham and Dwight streets.

An information report was made in the police department lobby.

Forgery was reported at Wal-Mart, 2801 Charles, involving a credit card.

Harassment was reported in the 600 block of North Sumner, the 900 block of Duncan and the 1000 block of North Wells.

Telephone harassment was reported in

the 1100 block of East Browning and the 700 block of North Russell.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered at the intersection of Kingsmill and West streets.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1000 block of North Wells.

A runaway was reported in the 800 block of Brunow concerning a 16-year-old.

Wednesday, April 20

One business alarm was reported. Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 400 block of West Finch.

Sheriff

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

Tuesday, April 19

Miguel David Garcia-Galvan, 19, Pampa, was arrested for no driver's license. He is being held on an Immigration and Naturalization Service detainer.

Rick Lynn Marsh, 44, 619 N. Sumner, was arrested for no valid driver's license.

Fire

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

Tuesday, April 19

12:17 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 100 block of South Russell.

5:06 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a report of smoke in the 2800 block of North Crest. The smoke was coming from a machine, no fire found.

6:35 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 1500 block of North Dwight.

Ambulance

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

Tuesday, April 19

12:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of South Russell. No transport.

6:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of South Finley and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Texas Department of Criminal Justice and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

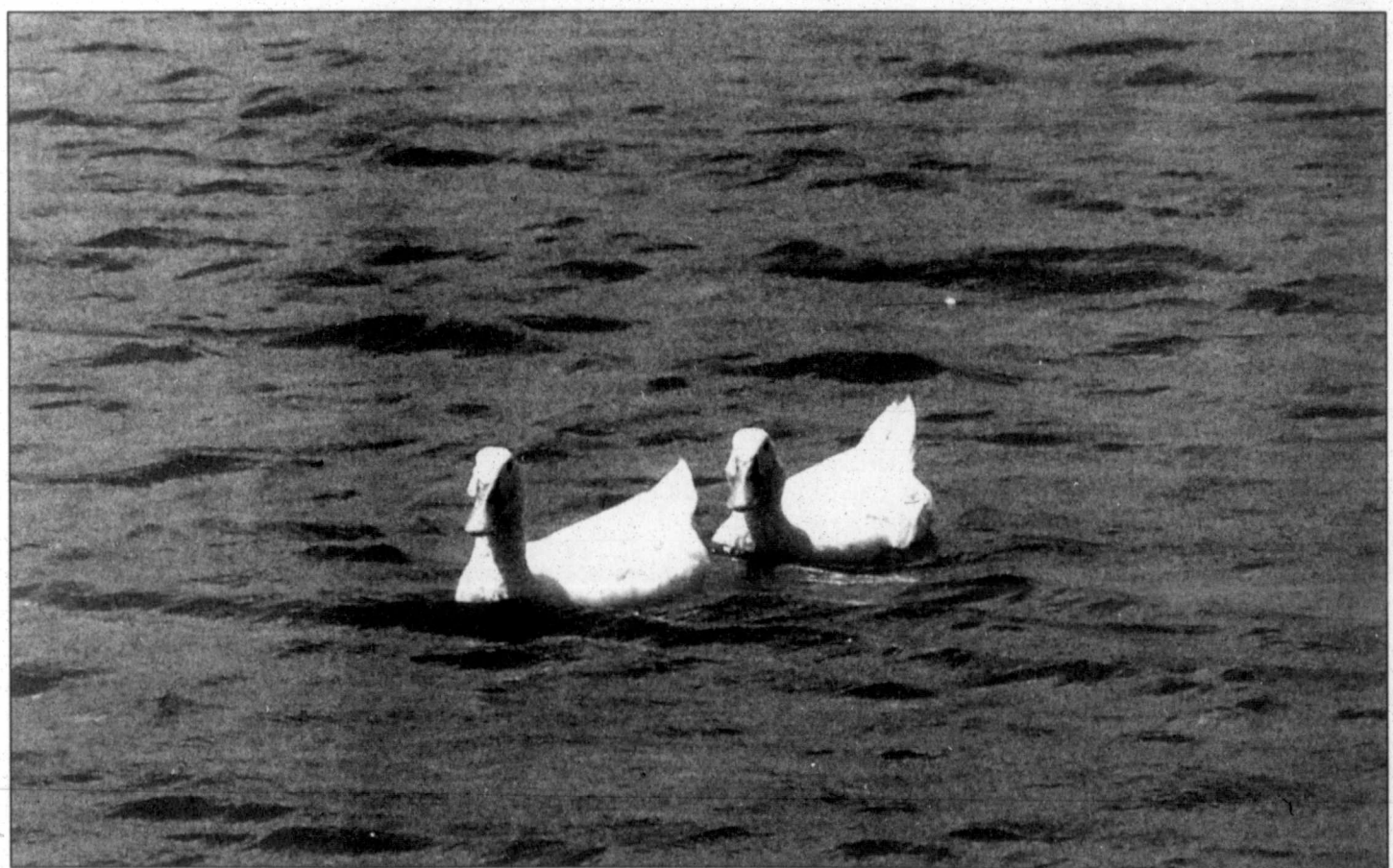
Wednesday, April 20

5:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of South Barnes and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.	
Wheat	2.93
Milo	3.19
Corn	3.92
Soybeans	5.50
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.	
OXY	69.06 -0.70
BP PLC ADR	60.53 -0.62
Cabot Corp	31.55 -0.07
Cabot Oil Gas	32.86 -0.47
Coca Cola	42.42 +0.02
VLO	73.42 -0.60
HAL	42.46 -0.38
TRI	50.35 -0.43
KMI	74.80 +0.30
XCEL	17.16 +0.01
Kerr McGee	78.30 -0.10
XOM	58.09 -0.54
Limited	22.79 +0.04
Williams	17.71 +0.03
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Atmos	27.21 NC
Pioneer Nat	42.89 -0.26
JCP	45.76 +0.24
COP	103.90 -0.65
SLB	68.37 +0.08
Tenneco	12.27 -0.06
CVX	52.95 -0.39
Wal-Mart	47.57 -0.03
OKE	29.32 -0.03
NS Grp	33.44 +0.54
New York Gold	433.65
Silver	7.24
West Texas Crude	52.29

Gray County Weather



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Two white ducks seem to be swimming in formation as they ride the waves on Recreation Park Lake. Wind and warm temperatures are a sure sign that spring is here, with summer on the way.

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high around 84. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low around 57. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 78. Northwest wind between 10 and 20 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance

of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 46. South southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north northwest.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 69. Windy, with a north wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 45. Northeast wind between 10 and 20 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 71. East northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a

low around 51. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high near 73. South wind between 10 and 20 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 50.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 71.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 44.

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4-H FLOWER Sale, Coronado Center, Thurs. 28 & Fri. 29-5 p.m.-dark, Sat. 30-8:30 til sold out. Same supplier as last yr. \$5.50 pots, \$25 baskets

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Regional science fair winners

Three Lefors Junior High students recently competed in the High Plains Regional Science Fair in Amarillo and also the South Plains Regional Science Fair in Lubbock. Rebecka Lawrence (left) received 2nd place in Amarillo for her project on wetlands. At the Lubbock Fair she received 2nd place and also was the recipient of an Environmental Science Award from the Texas Section American Water Works Association and The Water Environment Association of Texas. Emily Jackson (center) placed 1st in Amarillo and 2nd in Lubbock with her project on fabric reactions to bleach. Gabriel Miller (right) placed first in Amarillo with his project on Talapia fish. At Lubbock, Miller received a 1st place trophy for overall 8th grade winner in the Biological Division. He was also awarded the Discovery Channel Young Scientists Challenge which entitles him to compete for scholarships at the national level and possibly earn a trip to Washington, D.C.

Benedict XVI pledges to reunify Christians

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Benedict XVI pledged Wednesday to work to unify all Christians and reach out to other religions as he outlined his goals and made clear he would follow in the footsteps of his predecessor, Pope John Paul II.

Benedict, the former Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, listed top priorities of his papacy in a message read in Latin to cardinals gathered in the Sistine Chapel for the first Mass celebrated by the 265th leader of the Roman Catholic Church.

He said his "primary task" would be to work to reunify all Christians and that sentiment alone was not enough. "Concrete acts that enter souls and move consciences are needed," he said.

The new pope said he wanted to continue "an open and sincere dialogue" with other religions and would do everything in his power to improve the ecumenical cause.

The message was clearly designed to show that Benedict was intent on following many of the ground-

breaking paths charted by John Paul, who had made reaching out to other religions and trying to heal the 1,000-year-old schism in Christianity a hallmark of his pontificate.

'Concrete acts that enter souls and move consciences are needed.'

— Pope Benedict XVI
Head of Roman Catholic Church

Joy over the selection of a new pope was mixed with worries that Benedict could polarize a global church, whose challenges include growing secularism in rich countries and inroads by evangelical groups in regions such as Latin America.

Benedict referred to his predecessor several times in his message, including John Paul's final wishes that he hoped new generations

would draw on the work of the Second Vatican Council, the 1962-65 meeting that modernized the church.

"I too ... want to affirm with decisive willingness to follow in the commitment of carrying out the Second Vatican Council, in the wake of my predecessors and in faithful continuity with the 2,000-year-old tradition of the church," Benedict said.

John Paul supported council reforms but cracked down on what both men considered excesses spawned by the changes, including calls for priests to be allowed to marry and admission of women into the priesthood.

The hard-line enforcer of church orthodoxy under John Paul for almost 25 years, Benedict had gone into the two-day conclave as a favorite. He was elected Tuesday as the oldest pontiff in 275 years and the first Germanic pope in almost a millennium.

A cheering crowd of more than 100,000 welcomed Benedict when he stepped onto the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica as dusk fell.

St. Matthew's Day School hosting open house

St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School invites the public to an open house between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., April 18 through April 22.

Open enrollment began April 18 for the 2005-06 academic year.

A new advanced pre-K class open to 4-year-olds is in the offing this fall. The

class, an all-day program, will include Spanish, music, piano lab, computer instruction, science lab and fine arts dance.

Schools

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In a related matter, board members will consider a revised student transfer policy. A public hearing will be conducted on the transfer policy changes at the same time as the one on the boundary changes.

Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley is also scheduled to appear before the board to discuss the change of Celanese's property values.

Bagley told Gray County commissioners at their Feb. 1 meeting that the 2004 tax valuation of Celanese property had been lowered by \$6,647,253. The original valuation had been \$85,100,951, but was later lowered to \$78,453,698.

Celanese had paid their 2004 taxes based on the original valuation, Bagley said, with the result that the taxing entities had collected too much from the chemical company. Gray County refunded Celanese \$32,500.15. Pampa Independent School District's

share of the refund was \$103,431.26. Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District owed Celanese \$1,010.38.

Celanese notified the appraisal district of a problem with their property valuation last Sept. 17, said County Judge Richard Peet at the commissioners' Feb. 1 meeting, but the change in valuation was not completed until four months later, in January.

Last week, Bagley told Gray County Appraisal District board members that he felt a lack of communication was the basis for the problems and pledged to communicate better with all involved.

The 2005-2006 school calendar and a waiver for the calendar are among the action items before the board. The district plans to begin the school year on Aug. 15, earlier than the Aug. 21 start date set by the state. To do that, the district must obtain a waiver from the state, school officials said.

— Staff Writer Marilyn Powers contributed to this report.

Board members will also consider a revised student transfer policy. A public hearing is planned on the proposed policy revision Thursday.

Cop Corner

Hello everyone, my name is Sjefke (pronounced Chef-Ka). I am the new K-9 officer at the Pampa Police Department. I am a male, 3-year-old Belgian Malinois. My main job is to find drugs, such as marijuana and cocaine. I'm pretty good at it. My human partner is Dave Thomas. This is my car beside me. It has a sign on the back door that says "Caution, K-9." This is to let everyone know that I am in the back seat. I don't want to hurt anyone, so please don't try to pet me, unless Dave says it is okay. And please don't tap on the windows of my patrol car because that gets me really excited. I hope I can go to all the schools so all the kids can meet me and I can show you what I do.



Sjefke

Provided by the Pampa Police Department.

Terry

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plan and the possibility of graded schools — dividing the schools by grades — are two hot topics.

Graded schools is an option to be studied, Terry said.

Borger ISD is planning to

begin using graded schools, she said, adding that it took school officials four years to develop the plan.

"Redistricting, if it affects you, is a pretty hot topic," she said.

"I don't know all the answers (on redistricting)," Terry said. "I just want what's fair. I know the committee put a lot of work into that."

She said that her interest in the school board is not only because of her children, but also because of her pride in Pampa schools.

"I was proud of my schools when I was a student here," she said.

Terry graduated from Pampa High School in 1975 and attended West Texas State University.

"I don't have an agenda,"

she added. "I'd like to offer my support to help our schools get to that exemplary status where we want to be."

"We were once exemplary and we can be again," she said.

"I'm excited about this election and I hope everyone gets out and votes," she said.

First Christian to host Emmaus meeting here

An Emmaus Community meeting is planned for Thursday, April 21, at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson. Board meeting starts at 5:30 p.m., and sponsor training is set for 6 p.m. A potluck meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by praise and worship at 7:30 p.m. All Emmaus communities, families and friends are invited to attend. Child care will be provided.

NEA, school districts launch first national suit over education law

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's largest teachers union and school districts in Texas and two other states launched a legal fight over No Child Left Behind on Wednesday, aiming to free schools from complying with any part of the education law not paid for by the federal government.

The lawsuit, filed in the U.S.

District Court for eastern Michigan, is the most sweeping challenge to President Bush's signature education policy. The outcome would apply only to the districts involved but could have implications for all schools nationwide.

Leading the fight is the National Education Association, a union of 2.7 million members.

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Viewpoints

Texas needs confidential source shield law

Senator Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, is attempting to pass Senate Bill 604, the Texas shield law, and I believe we should support it. The reason the shield law should be in place is not to protect the journalist as much as it is to protect the public and inform the citizens about possible corruption or incompetence.

Under the current system journalists have no way to protect a confidential source or their notes on a story.

Without the shield law, the only way a journalist can protect their source is to

refuse to give up their information at which time they could face imprisonment or huge financial fines for the company that employs the journalist.

An example is the Boston Globe who was just sued for a huge sum of money because a journalist did not give up their source.

Many times, information can only be revealed to the public through the knowledge or direction of a confidential source.

This source may inform the journalist about consumer protection problems

or government corruption.

In most cases newspaper journalists try to limit their use of confidential sources and some do not use them at all, but occasionally it becomes necessary to break an important story and inform the public of potential danger or corruption.

Some newspapers could have information that would expose dangerous business

policies, government corruption, or force a "good old boy" network out into the open.

However, if the corruption is brought to light by a confidential source, then there is no protection for the source or the journalist and the public may not get the story.

Like many of our local businesses, a lot of the community newspapers in Texas

are small businesses that operate on small profit margins. If community newspapers have to retain a lawyer on a constant basis, few would be in business long.

As part of the Shield law journalists could not withhold evidence concerning violent crimes or use this shield to keep from testifying concerning any incident they witnessed. This law is meant to help protect the public's interest and the journalist who reports the story.

One responsibility of a community newspaper is to

help keep the citizens informed about the functions of local government. This is a service our newspaper provides each and every week of the year. Thirty-one states and the District of Columbia already have shield laws in place. We should have one in place as well.

Of course we do not want to have to use this type of law, but if the situation ever arose then we should have protection for journalist, the source and, ultimately, the public.

Contact your senator and support Senate Bill 604.

Sean Smith
Publisher



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, April 20, the 110th day of 2005. There are 255 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 20, 1980, the first Cubans sailing to the United States as part of the massive Mariel boatlift reached Florida.

On this date:

In 1812, the fourth vice president of the United States, George Clinton, died in Washington at age 73, becoming the first vice president to die while in office.

In 1836, the Territory of Wisconsin was established by Congress.

In 1889, Adolf Hitler was born in Braunau, Austria.

In 1940, RCA publicly demonstrated its new and powerful electron microscope.

In 1945, during World War II, allied forces took control

'If anyone tells you something strange about the world, something you had never heard before, do not laugh but listen attentively; make him repeat it, make him explain it; no doubt there is something there worth taking hold of.'

— Georges Duhamel
French author (1884-1966)

of the German cities of Nuremberg and Stuttgart.

In 1968, Pierre Elliott Trudeau was sworn in as prime minister of Canada.

In 1971, the Supreme Court upheld the use of busing to achieve racial desegregation in schools.

In 1972, the manned lunar module from Apollo 16 landed on the moon.

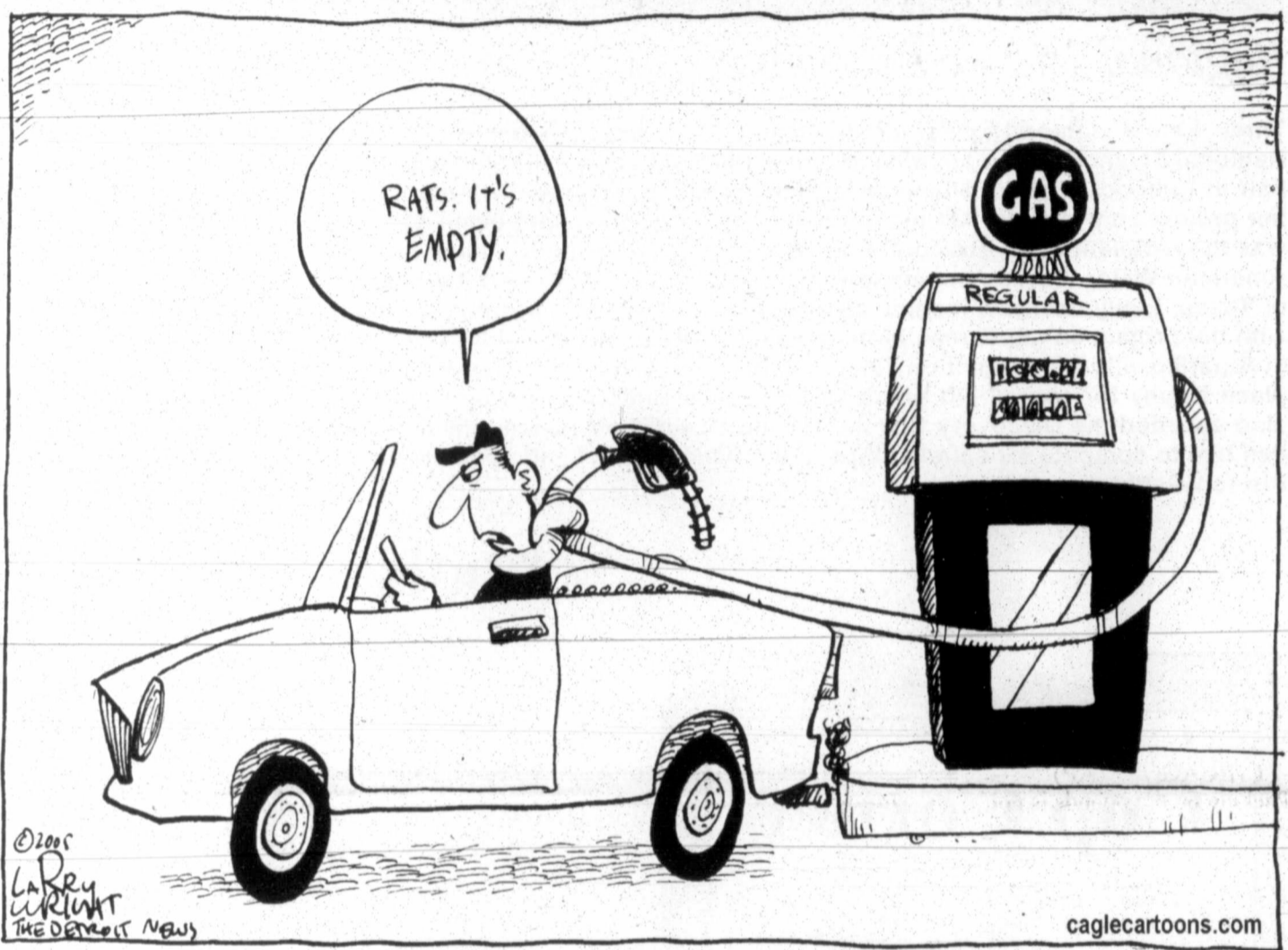
In 1978, a Korean Air Lines Boeing 707 crash-landed in northwestern Russia after being fired on by a Soviet interceptor after entering Soviet airspace. Two passengers were killed.

In 1999, the Columbine High School massacre took place near Littleton, Colo., as two students shot and killed 12 classmates and one teacher before taking their own lives.

Ten years ago: In the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing, the FBI announced it was looking for two men suspected of renting the truck used to carry the explosive; meanwhile, rescue teams suspended the search for survivors so that the remaining structure of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building could be shored up.

Five years ago: Littleton, Colo., paused to remember the victims on the first anniversary of the Columbine High School massacre.

One year ago: A tornado tore through north-central Illinois, killing eight people. A judge ordered Multnomah County, Ore., to stop issuing gay marriage licenses — but also ordered the state to recognize the 3,000 licenses already granted in the county.



Opportunities, not unknowns

Even though I had my first college application sent off in the mail by Nov. 1, I just learned last week which university I would be spending the next four years of my life attending.

After completing six grueling college applications, much waiting and a mixture of acceptance results, I now know I will be matriculating into Southern Methodist University located in Dallas this fall semester.

Making this decision means that I can now regain my sanity. No longer do I have fulfill the urge to rush home during my lunch period in order to check the mail box for acceptance or

rejectance letters. No longer do I have to be constantly avoiding my family and friends infamous question, "so where are you going to school next year?" I have a definite answer and with it I have peace of mind.

For me, and many of my friends, the college entrance process is full of enough questions without not knowing where we would be attending school. There are the thought of, how do I pay for this? The question of, where will I do

my laundry? And the pondering of, what will my roommate be like? That is why it is such a relief to have the major question answered; however, this is also why I fear that questions about college will never stop coming.

There will always be an unknown factor, a blacked-out future. That is why I have finally learned to relax about the situation. While I am still as proactive as always, my nerves have calmed considerably. This is

because I am learning to not obsess over each detail of the following four years. Instead I am just taking them one at a time; after all, I know that my Pampa education and the upbringing that this community has entrusted me with, I will be able to navigate any blows that may come my way.

Now that the application process has ended I am now considering the future to be more of a world of opportunities instead of a field of unknowns.

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Get moving, House ethics committee

Congressional ethics may seem like an oxymoron, but it shouldn't.

The Senate has a functioning Ethics Committee. It recently determined that the continued medical practice of Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., represents a conflict of interest.

The House had a functioning Ethics Committee, too until Jan. 4, when Republicans changed rules established by a bipartisan task force in 1997.

The new, Republican-authored rules require at least one member of the GOP majority to join the committee's five Democrats before investi-

gating an ethics complaint. Democrats have refused to organize the committee under the new rules. The House Ethics Committee of the 109th Congress, therefore, has not convened.

It's no secret that the Republican rule change was motivated by a desire to protect Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, whom the Ethics Committee admonished three times during the last session.

Republican leaders also sacked the GOP chairman and two members of the committee who presided over those rebukes of the majority leader. The result of these actions has not exactly redounded to DeLay's benefit.

Without a functioning investigative process that might clear DeLay of charges involving foreign junkets and other matters that he claims are false, Democrats have been able to hurl all manner of ethical

accusations at the majority leader. A recent poll by the Pew Research Center, meanwhile, shows falling public confidence in congressional leadership, with only 23 percent believing Congress is doing an excellent or good job on ethics.

The Republican majority, including DeLay, has vested interest in getting this mess behind them.

But that will only happen if the House Ethics Committee gets moving again, which will require them to establish a bipartisan consensus on committee rules, as they did eight years ago.

Texas Thoughts

San Antonio Express-News

Jackson defense challenging photographs of accuser's mother

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — The mother of Michael Jackson's accuser denied under questioning from the singer's attorney that bruises she claimed to have received in an altercation with mall security

guards were actually inflicted by her former husband. Thomas Mesereau Jr. asked the woman about the injuries Tuesday, a day after jurors were shown pictures of her bruised arms and thighs. The store incident is

unrelated to the child-molestation case against Jackson, but the singer's lawyers have seized on it to argue that the family has a history of making false claims for money. The woman's family

received a settlement of more than \$150,000 over the 1998 episode. The woman told Mesereau the pictures were taken immediately after the altercation in a mall parking lot because her then-husband

had wanted to document her injuries. "But didn't you testify that you didn't have these bruises immediately?" asked Mesereau. Fumbling for words, she said she had been doing

everything at the instruction of a defense attorney after she was arrested on suspicion of assault and battery, burglary and petty theft charges that were eventually dropped.

Pokey the Clown



Pokey the Clown visits with Connie Leal recently at the 78th anniversary celebration of Culberson-Stowers in Pampa.

Pampa News photo by ReDONN WOODS

Medical

Study: Feds overstated obesity health risk

CHICAGO (AP) — Packing on the pounds is not nearly as deadly as the government thought, according to a new calculation from the CDC that found people who are modestly overweight actually have a lower risk of death than those of normal weight.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that obesity accounts for 25,814 deaths a year in the United States. As recently as January, the CDC came up with an estimate 14 times higher: 365,000 deaths.

According to the new calculation, obesity ranks No. 7 instead of No. 2 among the nation's leading preventable causes of death.

The new analysis found that obesity — being extremely overweight — is

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indisputably lethal. But like several recent smaller studies, it found that people who are modestly overweight have a lower risk of death than those of normal weight.

Biostatistician Mary Grace Kovar, a consultant for the University of Chicago's National Opinion Research Center in Washington, said "normal" may be set too low for today's population. Also, Americans classified as

overweight are eating better, exercising more and managing their blood pressure better than they used to, she said.

The study — an analysis of mortality rates and body-mass index, or BMI — was published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

Last year, a CDC study listed the leading causes of preventable death in order as tobacco; poor diet and inac-

tivity, leading to excess weight; alcohol, germs; toxins and pollutants; car crashes; guns; risky sexual behavior; and illicit drugs.

Using the new estimate, excess weight would drop behind car crashes and guns to seventh place — a ranking the CDC is unwilling to make official, underscoring the controversy inside the agency over how to calculate the health effects of obesity.

Last year, the CDC issued a study that attributed 400,000 deaths a year to mostly weight-related causes and said excess weight would soon overtake tobacco as the top U.S. killer. After scientists inside and outside the agency questioned the figure, the CDC admitted making a calculation error and lowered its estimate three months ago to 365,000.

Community happenings

• **The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center** has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: March 24, First United Methodist Church, 201 E. Foster, and April 27, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, both in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

• **The Texas Department of State Health Services** will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, H1B (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to

pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., April 6, 20 and 25, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; and 12:30-4 p.m., April 11, City Hall, Canadian. For more information, call (806) 874-3211.

• **For senior students enrolled at state certified schools** in Gray, Carson, Collingsworth, Hemphill, Hutchison, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler counties, scholarship opportunities are available through Top O' Texas CattleWomen. Applications will be made available through area counselors' offices. The deadline to return applications for judging is April 22. One \$500 scholarship and two \$250 scholarships will be awarded. These scholarship applications should be mailed to Glenda Adcock, 920 Turkey Track Rd., Miami, TX 79059. For more information, contact Adcock at (806) 868-6828.

• **A FreshStart Facilitator Training** is set between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. April 23 in the Medical Office Building Conference Room at Pampa Regional Medical Center. The training will focus on the development of a tobacco cessation program and will be worth some free continuing education credits from Amarillo College. Organizers ask

participants RSVP by April 20 by phone, (806) 354-0950; by e-mail, cstockstill@harringtonccc.org; or by fax, (806) 353-1282.

• **Wildcat Bluff Nature Center in Amarillo** will stage its second annual Butterfly and Hummingbird Garden Expo from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, April 23. Neal Hinders with Canyon's Edge Nursery will be on hand with hundreds of plants for sale that are specially suited for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds. At 2:30 p.m., the center will dedicate its new Prairie Dog Town trail which allows hikers to view a portion of its 40-acre Black Tail Prairie Dog Town. The event is free with general admission which costs \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. Members pay no such fee. For more information, contact the center at (806) 352-6007.

• **Amarillo Panhellenic** will host a **Rush Information Meeting** starting at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 24, in the Parish Hall of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 4100 S. Coulter, Amarillo. Enter through the north, green canopied entrance. All high school senior women interested in Rush should attend the meeting to receive important information on Rush packets and deadlines. For more information, call Sandy at (806) 359-6706.

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I both have professional jobs and share housework. I do all the laundry, she does all the cooking, and we share the cleaning. That's not the problem. The problem is our 7-year-old daughter "Vanessa's" habit of changing clothes whenever she feels the urge.

My logic says that by the end of the week, Vanessa should have seven dirty outfits -- one or two outfits of deviation is acceptable to me. However, that's not the case. Every week, it seems like I wash Vanessa's entire wardrobe! My wife says, "That's what little girls do."

Abby, I was raised with three brothers and my wife was raised with three sisters, so she has more experience than I do. Experience aside, I feel Vanessa needs to be talked to about not changing so often -- or at least putting an outfit back in the drawer if it has only been worn an hour or two. Help! -- LORD OF THE LAUNDRY, ROCHESTER, N.Y.

DEAR LORD OF THE LAUNDRY: Glad to. At 7, your royal child is old enough to have responsibilities of her own in your castle. It's time she started helping you in the laundering department. Once Vanessa realizes that her clean clothes are a result of someone's effort and do not magically appear in her bureau, she may be more cooperative.

DEAR ABBY: A few days ago, "Deanna," my girlfriend of 3 1/2 years, told me she wanted to break up. Then we got into a serious fight and I lost my temper big time. I never hit her, but I did throw some things. She got really scared because I used to black out when I got that mad. It's the first time in three years that I was ever that mad.

Deanna went to stay with her

mom because she said she was afraid of me. We have since talked a little, and she says she still cares about me. We both said a lot of things we didn't mean, and I don't know how to explain myself.

I have since started seeing a counselor to control my temper. But Deanna is giving me mixed signals about what she wants. This is making me severely depressed and I don't know what to do. Can you please help me? I love her more than anything in the world. -- DEEPLY DEPRESSED IN OHIO

DEAR DEEPLY DEPRESSED: It's an intelligent person who recognizes that he has a problem and takes steps to do something about it. I commend you for getting professional help.

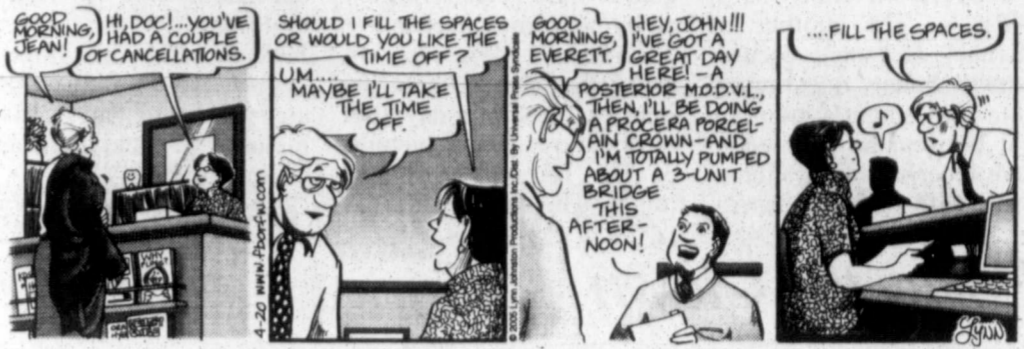
It is possible for two people who love each other to bring out the worst in each other rather than the best. When a longtime girlfriend says she wants to break up, and then follows it up by saying she "cares about you" rather than loves you, the romance is usually over.

Before trying to pursue this woman any further, you should discuss the entire situation with your counselor.

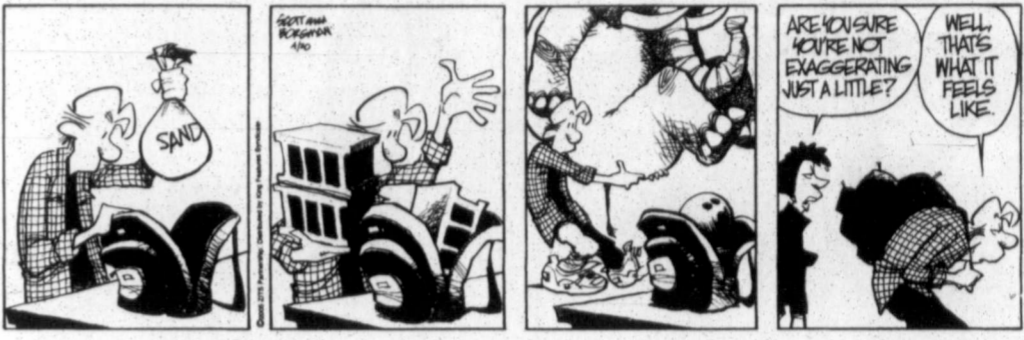
DEAR ABBY: The man I was engaged to for one year died suddenly. I'm wondering if it's OK to continue wearing my engagement ring. If so, for how long? -- GRIEVING IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR GRIEVING: Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss. Although your engagement is over, you may continue to wear the ring as long as you wish. When you are ready to date again, either wear the ring on your right hand or have the stone reset into another piece of jewelry.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 1 Nuts
- 5 Wanders off
- 11 Poet Khayyam
- 12 Chiang Kai-shek's capital
- 13 Morsel
- 14 Senior
- 15 List abbr.
- 16 Tempo
- 17 17-syllable poem
- 19 Trite response
- 22 Perfume to Fido
- 24 Heat home
- 26 Sunrise spot
- 27 Cease
- 28 Oil container
- 30 Candle parts
- 31 Faucet
- 32 "Wouldn't that be great!"
- 34 Laura of "Jurassic Park"
- 35 "I" strain
- 38 Get away
- 41 Seoul setting
- 42 Intro
- 43 Camp bed
- 44 French race site
- 45 Resorts for the pampered



Yesterday's answer

- 1 Ear part
- 2 Overlook
- 3 Overtakes the leader
- 4 Metal source
- 5 Restaurant order
- 6 Bath
- 7 Carousell
- 8 Kong for one
- 9 Positive response
- 10 Command to Fido
- 11 Trading spot
- 12 Pay to play
- 13 Repairs
- 14 In a frenzy
- 15 Gratuitous
- 16 Church group
- 17 Singer "Bound"
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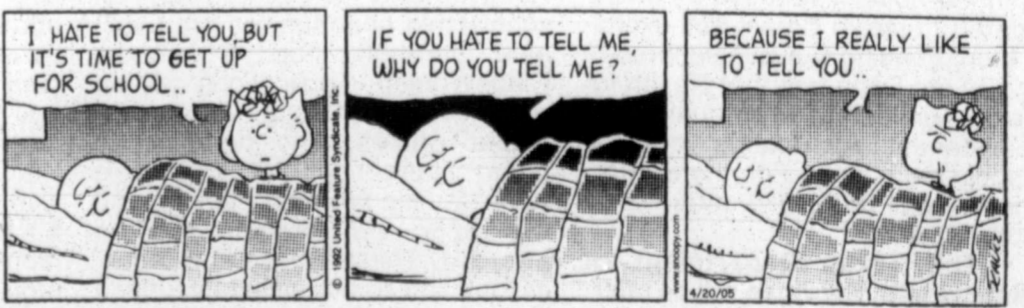
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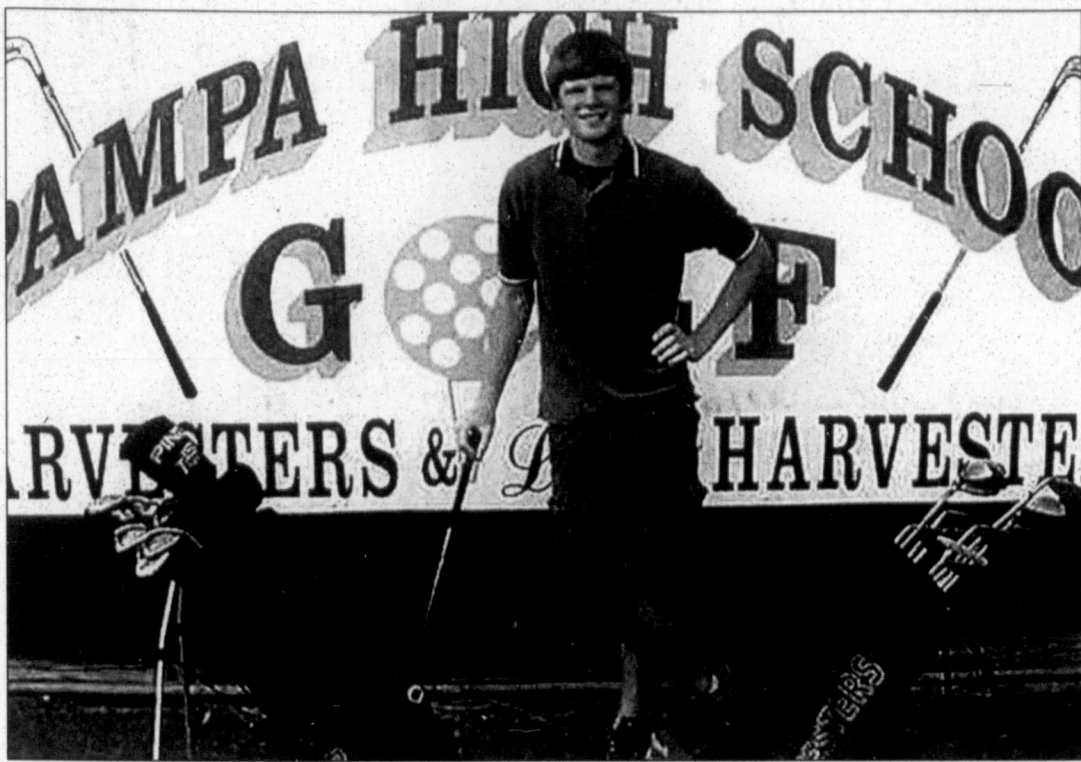


Flo & Friends



Sports Day

Golf honors



Pampa High School junior Taylor Fatheree enjoyed a great golf season. Fatheree claimed the Dalhart Invitational Singles Championship in March, and was recently given District 3-4A honorable mention.



Sophomore Telissa Sealy (left) was named to the 3-4A All-District second team. Senior Carissa Snelgrooves was named to the 3-4A All-District first team. Snelgrooves is also a Regional Qualifying medalist. She will compete at Regionals April 25-26 in San Angelo.

Heuston, Smith claim first MGA event of the year at Pampa Country Club

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Men's Golf Association
Pampa Country Club
Saturday, April 16, 2005

Here are the results from Pampa Country Club's first Men's Golf Association event of the year. The MGA event, featuring a format of alternate shots for nine holes, was held this past Saturday.
PCC will hold monthly events throughout the year.

First Place (35)
Bill Heuston/S. Smith
Second Place (T-36)
Butch Buck/Dee Joiner
Harold Salmon/James Stavenhagen
Fourth Place (37)
Ed Putman/Greg Kelly

WT FOOTBALL COACH RESIGNS

With Jones out, Hays named interim head football coach

CANYON, Texas — West Texas A&M University head football coach Ronnie Jones resigned Tuesday, April 19 following a University investigation that concluded he used state and school resources for personal gain.
The resignation was accepted and placed into effect immediately by Ed Harris, WTAMU athletics director.
Jones had been placed on paid adminis-

trative leave April 13 pending outcome of the investigation.
This September, Jones would have begun his fourth year at the helm. The Buffaloes posted a 5-27 record in three seasons under Jones.
Harris said WTAMU assistant coach and offensive coordinator Lee Hays will serve as acting head coach.

Pampa Optimist Youth Club to hold fund-raiser meeting

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club will hold a meeting this Friday night to discuss the upcoming raffle ticket fund-raiser.
"We need all team moms to attend this meeting," said president Ronnie Haynes.
Haynes went on to say, "If a team does not have a team mom, we will need that team's coach to attend."

Haynes said it is important that all leagues attend this meeting.
The Friday night meeting will be held at the Pampa Optimist Youth Club, 601 East Craven, and will begin at 7 p.m.
Please contact the club for additional information.
The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

Clason cleans up at Redneck Race Track

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Here are the results from Redneck Lawnmower Race Track for races held Sunday, April 17, 2005.
Races will be held again on Saturday, May 14, 2005. Races will begin at 2 p.m.

Heat Race #1

- 1- Frank Clason (Pampa)
- 2- Randy Swires (Pampa)
- 3- David Swires (Pampa)

Heat Race #2

- 1- Jerry Foster (Amarillo)
- 2- Jimmy Dockery (Amarillo)

- 3- Bill Bowman (Amarillo/DNF)

Heat Race #3

- 1- Tim Lane (Amarillo)
- 2- Bobby Foster (Amarillo)
- 3- Gary Cogburn (Bushland)

Heat Race #4

- 1- Frank Clason (Pampa)
- 2- Jerry Foster (Amarillo)
- 3- Tim Lane (Amarillo)

Heat Race #5

- 1- Bobby Foster (Amarillo)
- 2- Randy Swires (Pampa)
- 3- Jimmy Dockery (Amarillo/DNF)

Heat Race #6

- 1- Gary Cogburn (Bushland)
- 2- David Swires (Pampa)
- 3- Bill Bowman (Amarillo/DNF)

Twin Cylinder Main

- 10 Laps
- 1- Gary Cogburn (Bushland)
- 2- Bobby Foster (Amarillo)
- 3- Tim Lane (Amarillo)

Single Cylinder Main

- 10 Laps
- 1- Frank Clason (Pampa)
- 2- Jimmy Dockery (Amarillo)
- 3- Randy Swires (Pampa)
- 4- Bill Bowman (Amarillo)
- 5- David Swires (Pampa)
- 6- Jerry Foster (Amarillo/DNF)

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Armstrong plays it safe

MACON, Ga. (AP) — A day after announcing he will retire after the Tour de France, Lance Armstrong took it easy in the opening stage of a tuneup for cycling's most prestigious event.

Armstrong spent Tuesday in a pack with his teammates at the Tour de Georgia, avoiding risk of injury and finishing 15th in the race's first stage.

"We didn't go very fast," Armstrong said. "In fact, we went flat-out slow for most of the day. I was trying to stay out of trouble, and the guys did a good job staying out in front and keeping me out of the way."

In announcing his retirement plans Monday, Armstrong indicated the Georgia race could end his competitive career in North America, but he might consider another practice event in May to stay fresh for the Tour de France.

The 33-year-old Texan won the 648-mile Tour de Georgia last year, and went on to win the Tour de France for an unprecedented sixth straight time.

Robert Hunter, a South African racing for the Phonak Hearing Systems of Switzerland, won the 128.8-mile first leg in 5 hours, 47 minutes, 52 seconds. With fans lining the streets of downtown Macon, Hunter edged his front tire past Ben Brooks to earn the yellow jersey.

The Tour de Georgia continues Wednesday in Fayetteville and ends 122.7

miles later in the northwest town of Rome. In Tuesday's racing, each of the top 56 finishers was credited with times of 5:47.52. Brooks, who races for the U.S. team Jelly Belly, and third-place finisher Michele Maccanti of Italy, also were credited with a time of 5:47.52.

"It wasn't a traditional kind of sprint," Brooks said of the finish. "The hill makes it kind of hard. You've got to have good position. I had a good shot, but Robbie's a world-class sprinter."

Dan Bowman of Farmington Hills, Mich., held the break for 90-plus miles to earn five sprint points, but finished in 112th place.

Five of Armstrong's seven Discovery Channel teammates, Jose Azevedo, Viatcheslav Ekimov, Tom Danielson, Jose Luis Rubiera and Michael Barry, had the same time.

It was difficult for Armstrong to gauge how he felt in his lengthiest competition since finishing 28th in the Ronde of Flanders in Belgium on April 3.

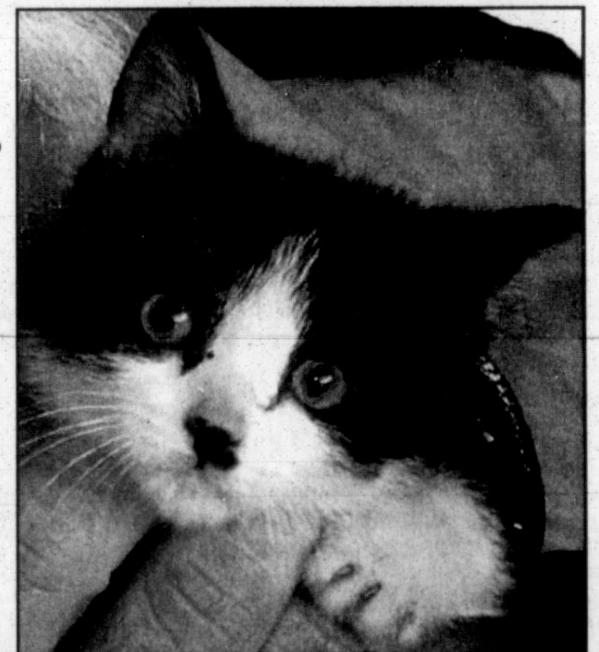
"I don't know," he said. "For the first day, and not being used to race pace, it was faster than you expect. The way they were accelerating on the circuit — that kind of pace I'm not used to yet — but I remember being shocked at the speed of these circuits last year. Overall, I feel good."

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Palmer claims six first place finishes at Jackrabbit Relays; sets two new American Discus records in process

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Pampa's Wendell Palmer traveled to Ratliff Stadium in Odessa, Texas recently to compete in the Jackrabbit Relays Open/Masters Track Meet. The meet was held April 9.

Palmer, a fixture at many meets when not competing himself, took first place in a number of events at Odessa (results below).

The Lefors Junior High School track team took advantage of Palmer's experience and advice during its recently concluded season.

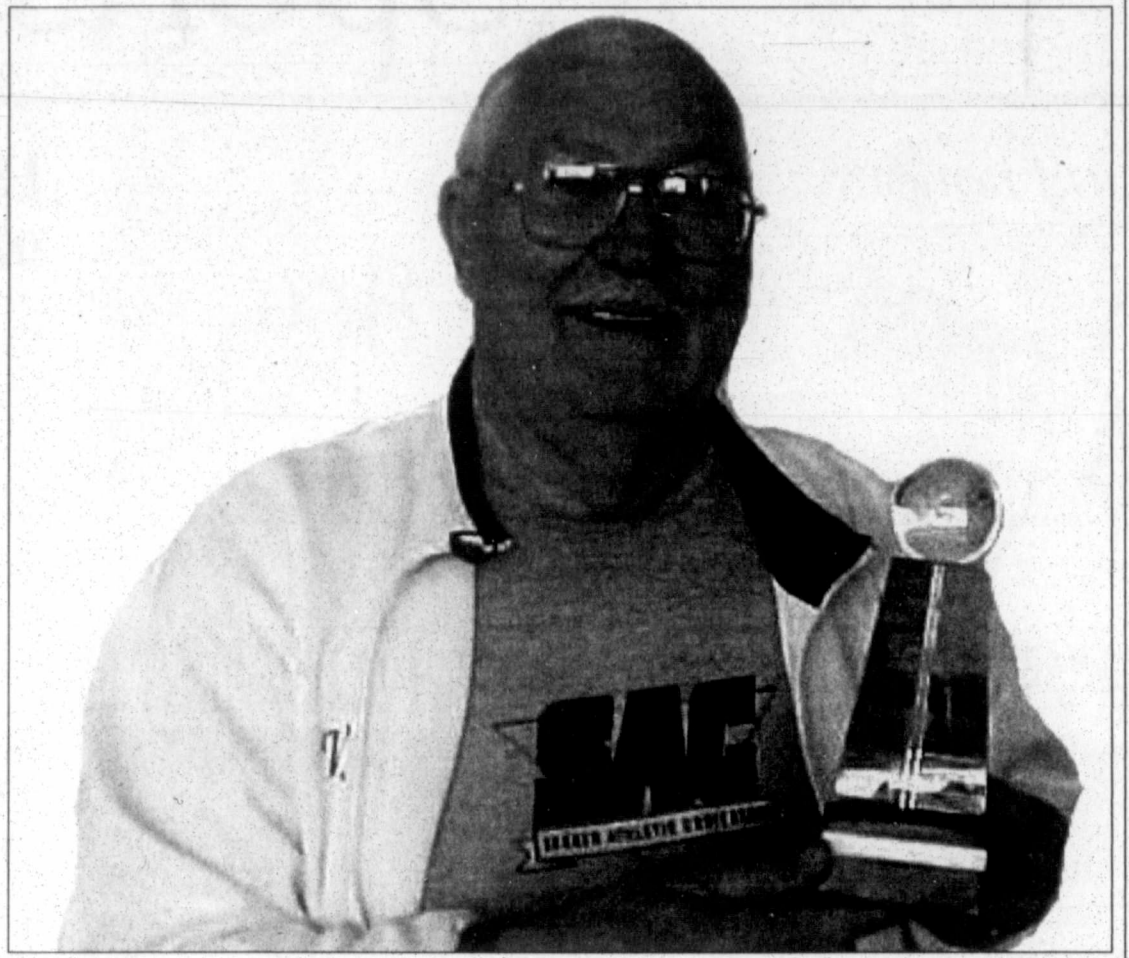
Many of the Pirate student athletes credit Palmer for their growth this year.

Palmer, who holds a number of Masters Track and Field records, adds two more to his credit. He now holds the American record for the 1.5k Discus (35.5m), and the 2k Discus (28m).

**Jackrabbit Relays
Open/Masters Track Meet
Individual Results**
Weight Pentathlon, 1st Place
Discus, First Place (40m)
Shot Put, First Place (12.10m)
Hammer, First Place (36m)
Javelin, First Place (22m)
Weight Throw, First Place (15m)

Wendell Palmer of Pampa proudly displays his crystal Masters hall of fame trophy he recently received from the Dallas Masters Track and Field Club. Palmer was inducted into the USTAF Masters hall of fame late last year.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

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Blanton, RRincon (7), Yabu (8) and Kendall; Astacio, FCordero (9) and SAlomar. W—Astacio 1-1. L—Blanton 0-1. Sv—FCordero (6).

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Elarton, JaDavis (4), Sauerbeck (6), Howry (6), Rhodes (8) and VMartinez; Bautista, Sisco (6), Snyder (7), Cerda (8), MacDougal (9) and ACastillo. W—MacDougal 1-0. L—Rhodes 1-1. HR—Kansas City, ACastillo (1).

Seattle 410 000 000 — 5 8 2
Los Angeles 010 110 000 — 3 9 2

Moyer, Putz (7), Villone (7), Guardado (9) and Olivo; Gregg, Bootcheck (3), Yan (6), Shields (9) and JMolina. W—Moyer 3-0. L—Gregg 1-1. Sv—Guardado (4). HRs—Seattle, Sexson (4), Ibanez (3). Los Angeles, VGuerrero (5), SFinley (2).

Toronto 000 001 021 — 4 13 0
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Halladay, Mbatista (9) and Zaun; Arroyo, Embree (8), Foulke (9) and Varitek. W—Halladay 3-0. L—Foulke 1-2. Sv—Mbatista (4). HRs—Toronto, Koskie (2), VWells (3). Boston, MRamirez (5), DOrtiz (4).

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Nomo, TreMiller (6), Harper (7), DBaez (9) and THall; RJohnson, Gordon (8), MRivera (9) and Posada. W—Nomo 2-1. L—RJohnson 1-1. HRs—Tampa Bay, EduPerez 2 (2). New York, JaGiambi (3).

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Robertson, MGinter (4), JWalker (7), Farnsworth (8) and VWilson; Ponson, Williams (7), Julio (9) and JvLopez. W—Ponson 2-1. L—Robertson 0-2. HRs—Baltimore, BRoberts (6), Tejada (4), RPalmeiro (1).

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Radke and Mauer; OHernandez, LVizcaino (7), Hermanson (8), Takatsu (9), Marte (9) and Pierzynski. W—OHernandez 2-1. L—Radke 1-3. Sv—Marte (1). HR—Chicago, Konerko (7).

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Estes, Cormier (6), Choate (8), Koplove (8), Gosling (8) and Snyder; Francis, Acevedo (8), Tsao (9) and TGreene. W—Francis 1-0. L—Estes 1-1. HR—Colorado, Restovich (1).

St. Louis 040 110 010 — 7 14 0
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Morris, King (7), Al Reyes (8), Flores (9) and YMolina; Fogg, Grabow (6), Meadows (7), Vogelsong (8) and Cota. W—Morris 1-0. L—Fogg 1-1. HRs—St. Louis, Edmonds (5). Pittsburgh, Ward (2).

Chicago 103 002 010 — 7 11 1
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Prior, Bartosh (8) and Barrett; Claussen, Coffey (6), Valentine (8) and Valentin. W—Prior 2-0. L—Claussen 0-1. HRs—Chicago, CPatterson (3), DeLee (4), Barrett (2).

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Zambrano, Koo (7), Aybar (8), HBell (9) and Piazza, RCastro (8); Padilla, Floyd (4), Fultz (7), Adams (9) and Lieberthal. W—Zambrano 1-1. L—Padilla 0-1. HRs—New York, Reyes 2 (3), Piazza (2), Mientkiewicz (2), Wright (3), Diaz 2 (3). Philadelphia, Utley (2), DaBell (1).

Atlanta 010 002 000 — 3 9 0
Houston 010 030 10x — 5 10 0

Thomson, JoSosa (7), Colon (8) and JEstrada, EddPerez (8); Backe, Wheeler (8), JoFranco (8), Springer (8), Lidge (9) and Ausmus. W—Backe 1-0. L—Thomson 1-2. Sv—Lidge (4). HRs—Atlanta, CJones (4), Houston, Taveras (1).

Marion Jones' defamation trial stayed, to resume after BALCO trial complete

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Marion Jones' defamation trial against Victor Conte was stayed until after the criminal case against the BALCO founder is complete.

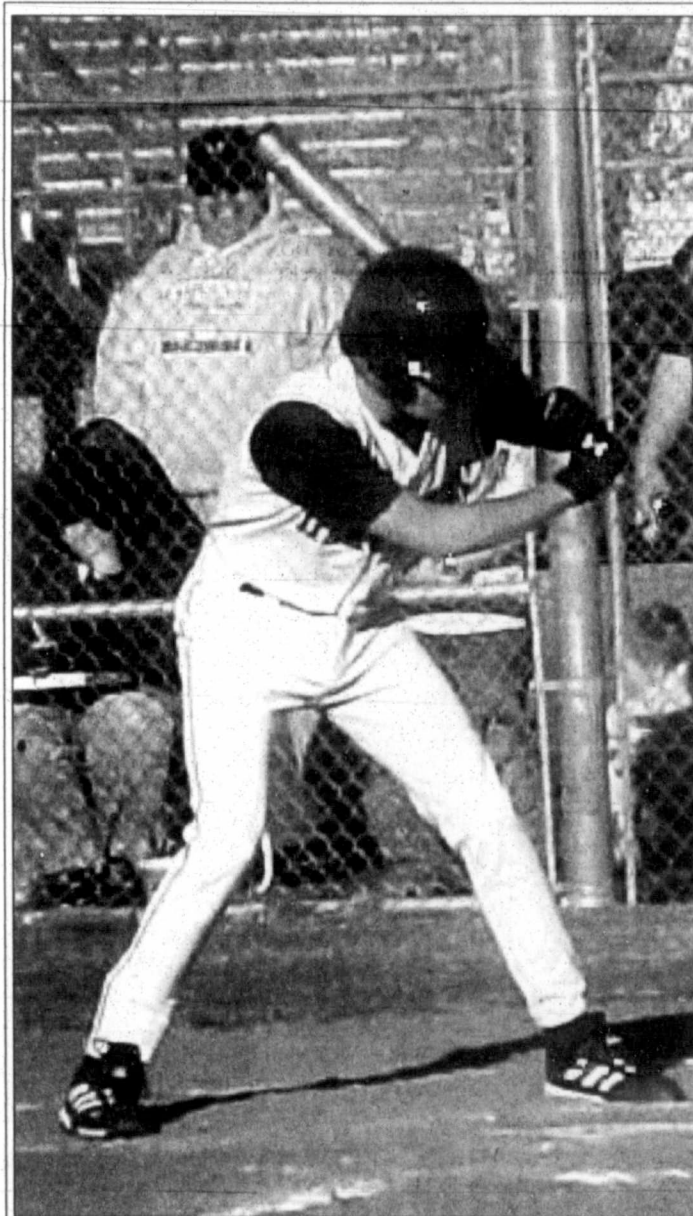
U.S. District Judge Susan Illston granted a defense motion and ruled that Conte's Fifth Amendment rights against self incrimination would be

damaged if the civil case proceeded before the criminal case is resolved.

Illston is also presiding over the BALCO steroids scandal case in which Conte and three others were indicted in February 2004 for allegedly distributing steroids.

In a lawsuit filed in federal court in December, Jones alleges that Conte

tarnished her reputation when he told a national television audience that Jones used performance-enhancing drugs before and after the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney, Australia, where she won three gold medals and two bronzes. She is seeking \$25 million in damages.



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Tyson Hickman takes a called ball during a game earlier in the season against Randall. Hickman won Monday's Home Run Derby.

Hickman wins HR Derby

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa High School baseball team, along with the baseball booster club, was finally able to hold the weather delayed Home Run Derby this past Monday afternoon at Harvester Field. And, according to those who attended, it was a huge success.

Many fans took advantage of the great weather and watched their first place Harvesters have a little fun. Each junior varsity and varsity player was tossed five pitches to hit for distance and home runs.

Tyson Hickman sent three of his pitches out of the yard to win the Home Run Derby. Tyler Doughty, Shea Brown, Jake Craig, Eric Willingham and James Coffey each had home runs as well.

Afterward, those in attendance enjoyed hamburgers and sausage wraps. All proceeds taken in Monday afternoon will be used to further improve Harvester Field.

Pampa's final regular season home game of the year will be Tuesday, April 26, when the Harvesters host Dumas. All senior player will be honored prior to the start of the game.

Fenton Motors will pay admission for anyone wearing their Fenton T-shirt or ball cap to the game. If you don't have a shirt, the remaining shirts will be given out at this Friday's game against Hereford. If you would like a cap, you can go by Fenton Motors to get one.

Texans linebacker Green to become U.S. citizen

HOUSTON (AP) — Growing up in Jamaica, Greenwood dreamed of someday playing soccer like Pele or singing like Bob Marley.

After his family moved to New York in 1989, his high school football coach had other ideas for the brawny, athletic teenager.

Greenwood embraced American football, becoming a star at Syracuse and this season preparing for his first season with the Houston Texans. He also eventually embraced the idea of becoming an American. He will be among 1,200 people sworn in as U.S. citizens on Thursday in Miami.

"Coming to America opened up a lot of opportunities as an individual," said Greenwood, who follows his 11 brothers and sisters as the final member of his family to become a

citizen. "I think to truly call myself an American citizen is an honor. This place has done so much for me."

Greenwood initially resisted giving up soccer for football, but the coach promised Greenwood he could start as a kicker and quit if he didn't like it. He quickly excelled after starting to play as a junior and earned a scholarship to Syracuse.

"I went there and I liked it," said Greenwood, 26. "My first year they made it real simple for me. They told me where to line up and just said, 'Don't line up offsidess and follow the ball.'"

He started four years at Syracuse, was named All-Big East his final two seasons and was drafted in the third round of the 2001 Draft by the Miami Dolphins.

SHEFFIELD SCUFFLE

Police seek charges against fans

BOSTON (AP) — New York Yankees outfielder Gary Sheffield thinks there ought to be tougher penalties for fans who interfere with players on the field.

"The consequences the fans get — the penalties. I think that's what's going to change," Sheffield said after meeting with officials from the baseball commissioner's office Tuesday.

Boston police filed applications for misdemeanor criminal charges against two fans — one who allegedly made contact with the outfielder as he attempted to get the ball near the right-field wall, and another who tossed a beer at him in a game between the Red Sox and Yankees last Thursday.

A decision on possible discipline by the commissioner's office against Sheffield, who met with Bob Watson, baseball's vice president in charge of discipline, was not expected until Wednesday at the earliest.

For the two fans in Boston, the consequences could get more serious.

Police asked a clerk magistrate to decide whether a disorderly conduct charge is warranted against the fans, according to Officer John Boyle, a department spokesman.

Boyle wouldn't identify the two fans, but Red Sox officials have revoked season tickets from Christopher House, a Bostonian who appeared to make contact with Sheffield while he was chasing down a ball in the right-field corner of Fenway Park.

The team also banned a fan who spilled beer on Sheffield from buying tickets this season. The Red Sox did not release the fan's name. The charge, being a disorderly person and disturbing a public assembly, is a misdemeanor.

Sheffield said the first time he saw the beer thrown was at Tuesday's meeting, also attended by an attorney for Major League Baseball, Yankees chief operating officer Lonn Trost and Sheffield's agent, Rufus Williams.

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How you say what you think could have an impact on what happens. You will pull back and learn different ways of thinking and handling situations. Learn to deal with individuals rather than groups. You discover that your creativity flourishes when you hit obstacles. Learn the most you can from each experience. Your work situation will flourish if you are willing to put in the hours and effort necessary. The people in your daily life express their support and are there for you. Avoid a sweet tooth. Watch your weight. Exercise and become health conscious. If you are single, you will meet someone very special next fall. Don't declare that this person is it before you really get to know him or her. If you are attached, avoid disagreements about money. Separate your accounts, if need be. LIBRA demands high performance.

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 might want to evaluate more carefully a situation that impacts your life. More information helps you update procedures as well as your point of view. Open up to new possibilities. Emphasize what others think and share. Tonight: Sort through answers.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Use your imagination to the utmost. You find that a partner might have difficulty accepting your very different kind of thinking. Don't try to coax him or her, rather, honor this person's ideas. Still, look at what works for you. Tonight: Work as late as you need to.

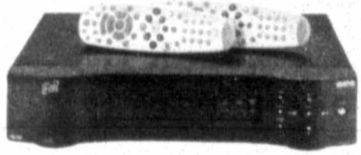
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