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Two held on money laundering charge

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Two Pampa men remain in Gray County Jail as of press time today on charges of money laundering, a third-degree felony, according to jail records.

Larry Dean Fernandez, 28, 712 Deane Drive, and David Lee Sieber, 24, 1229 E. Foster, were

arrested by Pampa police at about 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 10, after a traffic stop in the 2300 block of Duncan.

They gave verbal consent for officers to search the late-model Mitsubishi they were in, according to police reports, said Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez this morning.

An unspecified amount of money

was reportedly found in the Mitsubishi, and Fernandez and Sieber were taken into custody and charged with money laundering over \$3,000 and less than \$20,000.

"Under the circumstances, it appeared that there was some question as to the origin of the money," Martinez said.

Martinez set bond this morning on the charge at \$15,000 for each

man. Sieber was also charged with failure to provide proof of financial responsibility, a municipal court charge, for which bail was set at \$1,000, making Sieber's total \$16,000.

Pampa Police Officers Casey Ingersoll and Dennis Burton were listed in jail records as the arresting officers in the incident.

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Mail travail

In-town letters travel to Amarillo, then back to city

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Pampa's outgoing mail travels to Amarillo every day, whether it is addressed to another Pampa address or to other towns and regions, according to Pampa Postmaster Robert Schrock.

Someone who moves and turns in a forwarding request to the post office can expect their mail to travel even further.

"If a customer turns in a change of address, their mail goes to a central forwarding system in Fort Worth," Schrock said.

Eventually, as more advancements are made in the postal system, mail to be forwarded will not need to be routed to a forwarding system first, he said. But for now, forwarded mail must travel a long and winding road to get to its new destination.

The daily drive to and from Amarillo was deter-

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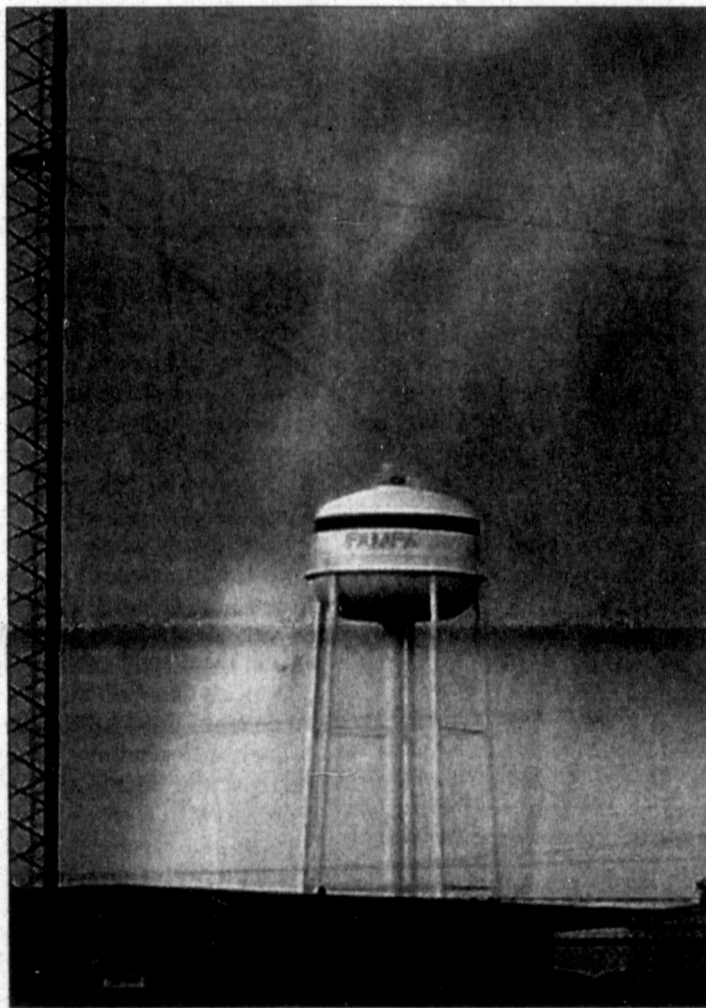


Photo by CAROLYN DOMINEY

Rainbow over Pampa

A rainbow lights up a mass of sullen storm clouds last evening. According to KGRO/KOMX General Manager and Meteorologist Darrell Sehorn, .12 inch of moisture was recorded at the radio station. Among the rain, the meteorologist said, was some pea-sized hail. "We had some pretty gusty winds," Sehorn said, estimating that the gusts may even have reached up to 60 mph. Storm warnings were posted in the surrounding area. Sehorn said the weather probably "set the stage for more turbulence" tonight and perhaps the rest of the week.

City Commission to canvass election in Sunday meeting

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

At 3 p.m. Sunday, May 15, two new city commissioners are to be sworn in to office following a canvass of votes from the May 7 election.

Commissioners agreed by resolution Tuesday to meet in special session Sunday afternoon for canvass of votes and swearing in of Lana Miller and Brad Pingel, both of whom won a place on the commission. Mayor Lonny Robbins also won another term in the election.

Robbins asked that the meeting be held on Sunday because he is leaving Monday on vacation. A change in the Texas Election Code requires an eight-day waiting period before the votes are canvassed, so the commission could not do so at the Tuesday meeting, Robbins explained.

Much of the meeting in the commission room of City Hall Tuesday centered on proposed foundation repairs for Lovett Memorial Library. G. L. Childers of Childers Bros. Leveling of Amarillo presented his repair solutions to the commission.

Childers said he believed injecting chemicals to stabilize the soil beneath the foundation is the "least invasive" way to slow or stop the apparent movement of the foundation which is causing cracks, wall separations and tile breakage inside the building. He said if it were his building, he would wait a year and then test to see if the stabilizing process was effective.

"I believe it is the least invasive thing we can do at this point," he told commissioners.

"It seems like a Band-Aid to me," commented Commissioner Ray Boring.

"We obviously need to do something," Commissioner

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Boring



Kay and Andy Epps and Thelma Bray, from left, hang photo displays for the upcoming military exhibit at the White Deer Land Museum.

Local museums plan military/wars exhibit

By Anne Davidson
White Deer Land Museum

There is nothing in the lives of human being more brutal and terrifying than war and no one more important than those who experienced it first hand.

Freedom Museum, U.S.A., and the White Deer Land Museum, both of Pampa, would like to express our gratitude to the men and women who have gone to all corners of the globe to keep this great nation safe. From the Argonne Forest to the streets of Baghdad, they are still feeling the need to protect this country, to answer the call put before them,

and to do the job that they were asked to do.

While many of us were tending our businesses and going to school and enjoying life in familiar surroundings, soldiers of all ages and several eras were far from home and family.

These people are the real American heroes. Our children need to look to these men and women for their role models rather than the punk rockers and movie stars that seem to attract all the attention.

We want to thank these soldiers and veterans for what they have

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Officers seek 'playful' puppy that bit student

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

Pampa Animal Control officers seek the public's help in finding a "playful pup" that bit a Wilson Elementary student Monday.

The missing dog is described by school officials who witnessed the incident as a "very playful" terrier-cross puppy about four to five months old.

The dog had short, reddish brown hair, with white underneath. The dog was wearing a red collar with no tag, witnesses said.

The bite occurred on the Wilson school

playground, said Sandy Burns, head of Pampa Animal Control.

Anyone who may have information about the puppy and/or its whereabouts can contact Animal Control at 669-5775 and leave a message.

"We're not finding the pup," Burns said. "That's all we're interested in, finding the pup and making sure it's okay."

Burns said she's received numerous reports of rabies in domestic animals in the Panhandle-area, but added that no cases of rabid animals have been reported in Pampa so far this year.

Senate scrambles to save school finance overhaul

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Senate approved a tax bill early Wednesday that will increase taxes on shoppers, smokers, drinkers and businesses to pay for school property tax relief and increased spending on schools.

The measure is the part of a massive school finance plan, the signature issue of the legislative session.

"With this measure we can tell Texans that ... their property taxes are going to be

lower and their schools are going to be better," said Sen. Steve Ogden, a Bryan Republican who led the Senate's tax-writing effort.

Senators began late Tuesday debating the historic tax-generating measure.

The restructured business tax, which has been a major stumbling block for both chambers, also was retooled late Tuesday.

Under the current system, an estimated five out of every

six Texas businesses avoid paying because of loopholes in the law, which Ogden's bill attempts to eliminate.

The upper chamber approved an amendment that, like the House version, would give businesses an option of the tax they pay. A minimum rate is set at 0.25 percent of the business' gross receipts, with the option of 2.5 percent of net income and a portion of payroll or another tax on a percentage of wages.

Capitol, White House evacuated briefly after plane enters airspace

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Capitol and White House were briefly evacuated Wednesday after a small plane entered restricted airspace over the city.

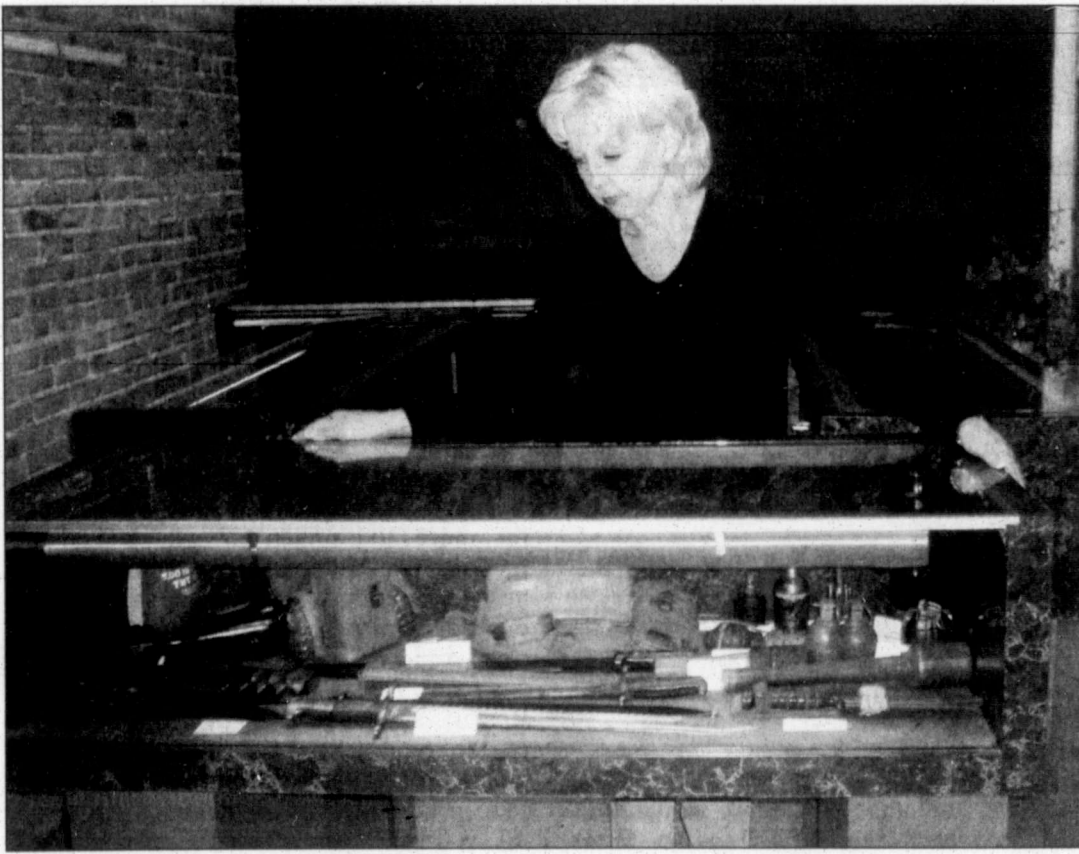
Security officials in several other government buildings, including the Treasury Department and the U.S. Supreme Court, ordered people to safer locations. Military aircraft were scrambled over the

city. President Bush was away from the White House, biking at Patuxent Wildlife Research Center in Beltsville, Md. Vice President Dick Cheney, in the White House, was moved to a "secure location" elsewhere, said a senior administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Congressional leaders

were hustled from the Capitol by armed officers.

The incident began at 11:28 a.m., when Federal Aviation Administration radar picked up the aircraft, a small two-seater Cessna 150 with high wings, officials said. The aircraft breached the security zone over Washington, law enforcement officials said, prompting alerts across the city.



Deborah Chambers, White Deer Land Museum assistant, works on the military exhibit, "Thanks Vets: 1941-2005," which is set to open May 24.

Exhibit

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done for us, so we invite you to come see this exhibit for the first time on Tuesday, May 24, at 1 p.m.

The exhibit is called "Thanks Vets: 1941-2005."

This year marks 64 years

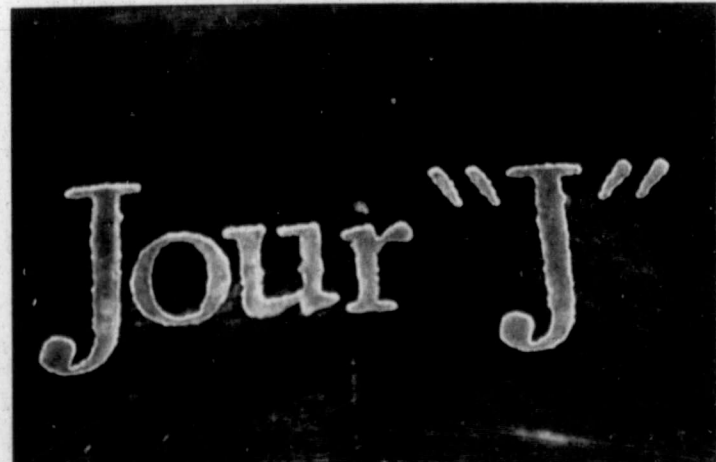
since the start of World War II. We will remember D-Day in 1944, a date marked in infamy, and Korea, Vietnam, and Desert Storm.

You guys in Afghanistan and Iraq and Bosnia and South America and Guantamo, keep your chins up. We're indebted to you right now.

We want to remember all

of America's finest. We encourage all vets of every age, all business people, and other grateful Pampa citizens to meet us outside the museum by the U.S. flag at 1 p.m., May 24. The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by VFW Commander Danny Martin of Post 1657. Invocation will be given by Air Force veteran, Harold Snell, 1st Lt., Air Police. Snell is now with the Chaplain Fellowship Ministries and is serving as a chaplain. We will then go into the Holland Wing Exhibit room to view this exhibit.

We are thankful for the veterans and board members of the Freedom Museum and so many others who have helped us to display these wonderful artifacts. Bring a veteran with you and share this memorable experience. We will surely to remember these particular 64 years again.



A bronze engraving at a museum in Caen, France, displays the French phrase for "D-Day."

Cop Corner

Spring has finally arrived and with it comes the end of the school year. For most parents this will be a great period in the lives of their high school senior children. For a few others, it will be a tragedy. Sadly, the month of May is deadly for teenagers. The celebrations of Prom Night and Graduation all too often involve alcohol and drugs.

Young people, not aware of what these substances can do to a person's judgment, make the irreversible decisions that affect the rest of their lives. As a parent, I went through all the worries with both my son and daughter. I was fortunate in that nothing happened to them.

Parents, talk to your kids about underage drinking. Get them involved in the planned school activities after prom and graduation. Hold your own family celebrations. And above all, know where your kids are. They might not like it now, but the rewards are immeasurable.



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Faustina Curry said. "It's crazy to have a building with that kind of problem."

"Let's don't rush into this. Let's get our information," Robbins said.

No action was taken on the report.

Commissioners awarded Lewis Construction of Dumas a \$272,302.80 bid for the 2005 Seal Coat Project. The alternate bid accepted by the commission will encom-

pass approximately 17 miles of city streets. "Quite a big change at a price I don't think we'll get like that again," said Donny Hooper, city employee.

The commission accepted a \$100 bid by Miron Emmett Jenkins for delinquent tax property at 722 Locust.

Commissioners discussed, but took no action on changing the city landfill hours, cleaning up the alleys with inmate and probationer labor, and sponsoring a community video program.

Commissioner Jeff McCormick was absent from the meeting.

Mail

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mined to be more cost-effective than building on enough space to house the sorting machine which is available in Amarillo, Schrock said.

"All of our 'raw' mail (mail that has not yet been handled by anyone or anything) goes to Amarillo, gets sorted by the automated equipment into block sequence, and is brought to Pampa for delivery," he said.

Block sequence means the mail is sorted according to a sequential system, with each address' mail following in order in a bundle.

"This particular post office is one of the highest in the Panhandle for handling automated mail. More customers here have clearly legible addresses on their mail," Schrock said.

Not only the mail, but the

mail vehicles get shipped to Amarillo.

The postal delivery vehicles used by carriers to deliver mail are taken to Amarillo to the post office's vehicle maintenance facility for routine maintenance and upkeep, such as oil changes and non-emergency repairs.

A few vehicle repair businesses have been desig-

nated for emergency use in Pampa "if the need arises," Schrock said.

Other aspects of the post office may result in work by even more far-flung contractors.

"There is an effort to award some national contracts for some things, such as janitorial service," Schrock said.

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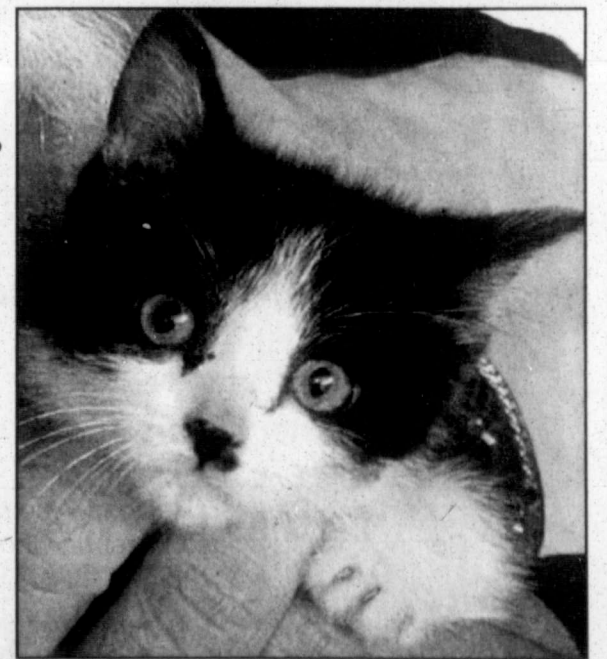
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Viewpoints

Winning competition not worth stressing out

In the silent room, crammed full of high schoolers wearing suits, a brown-haired girl started wheezing uncontrollably.

I had never actually seen someone hyperventilate before, but I knew on the spot what was happening. After about 45 seconds of noise and a frantic search for a water bottle, the girl laid her head down on the table and it just stopped. About a minute later, she was up again, practicing her speech and pacing around the preparation room for the final

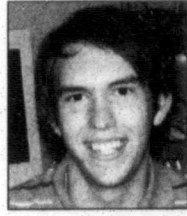
round of informative speaking at the University Interscholastic League state tournament this past weekend at the University of Texas at Austin.

I have competed in several stressful situations before, such as the Texas Forensic League's State Tournament's final round of impromptu speaking, but it seems to me that no contestants have ever been as neurotic as the ones I come into contact with at this past tournament, such as I now call her, hyperventilation girl.

I think this was first noted when all of the contestants gathered for roll call before the actual event started. The director of the contest made an off-hand comment that she was excited because she saw that several of topics which the students may draw to speak on could be observed in that day's issue of the *Austin - American Statesman*.

Ben Briscoe
News Intern

Within a matter of seconds after the announcement was made during the middle of roll call, speech coaches of all shapes, sizes and age were seen running from the room in search of the nearest paper vending rack. That had to secure that possible edge for their students. I am not sure why contestants at this tournament were more high strung than those



at others, but I do know that it could not have been healthy for them. While I may have gotten up at seven o'clock in the morning to read seven different newspapers and Internet news web sites before the contest, I never came to the point of hyperventilating due to the difficulty of my speech topic. I hope that the people I competed against will soon realize that competition is supposed to be fun and healthy, not stressful and dangerous. Granted I only

placed fourth at the tournament, I still believe it is more important to keep your sanity than to win first place. After all, I never want to be a person that someone predicts will die of a heart attack at the age of 40, and that is what I saw when I looked at hyperventilation girl and several others in that preparation room.

Ben Briscoe is a senior at Pampa High School and a journalism intern for The Pampa News.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, May 11, the 131st day of 2005. There are 234 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Twenty years ago, on May 11, 1985, 55 people died when a flash fire swept a jam-packed soccer stadium in Bradford, England.

On this date:

- In 1858, Minnesota became the 32nd state of the Union.
- In 1904, surrealist artist Salvador Dali was born in Figueras, Spain.
- In 1910, Glacier National Park in Montana was established.
- In 1943, during World War II, U.S. forces landed on the Aleutian island of Attu, which was held by the Japanese; the Americans took the island 19 days later.
- In 1944, Allied forces launched a major offensive against German lines in Italy.
- In 1946, the first CARE packages arrived in Europe, at Le Havre, France.

In 1949, Israel was admitted to the United Nations as the world body's 59th member.

In 1973, charges against Daniel Ellsberg for his role in the "Pentagon Papers" case were dismissed by Judge William M. Byrne, who cited government misconduct.

In 1981, reggae artist Bob Marley, 36, died in a Miami hospital.

In 1996, an Atlanta-bound ValuJet DC-9 caught fire shortly after takeoff from Miami and crashed into the Florida Everglades, killing all 110 people on board.

Ten years ago: A United Nations conference indefinitely extended the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, which was originally set to expire after 25 years.

Five years ago: Pope John Paul II named Bishop Edward M. Egan of Bridgeport, Conn., the new head of the New York archdiocese, succeeding the late Cardinal John O'Connor.

One year ago: A video on an al-Qaida-linked Web site showed the beheading of American hostage Nicholas Berg, who'd been kidnapped in Iraq. Six Israeli soldiers were killed when their armored personnel carrier was blown up by Palestinian militants in Gaza City. NBA star Kobe Bryant pleaded not guilty in a Colorado court to a rape charge. (Prosecutors later dropped the case.)

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Mort Sahl is 78. Rock singer Eric Burdon (The Animals; War) is 64. Actress Shohreh Aghdashloo is 53. Actress Frances Fisher is 53. Actor Boyd Gaines is 52. Country musician Mark Herndon (Alabama) is 50. Actress Martha Quinn is 46. Actress Natasha Richardson is 42. Country singer-musician Tim Raybon (The Raybon Brothers) is 42. Actor Coby Bell is 30. Actor Austin O'Brien is 25. Actor Jonathan Jackson is 23.

'Whether women are better than men, I cannot say — but I can say they are certainly no worse.'

— Golda Meir
Israeli prime minister

OKAY, YOU CAN HAVE THREE JUDGES, NO MORE THAN TWO, JUST TWO, OKAY? THAT'S AS LOW AS I CAN GO—OKAY? WAIT... ONE JUDGE—ONE...



Steak dinner could cook Hillary

The Justice Department case against David Rosen, national finance chairman of Hillary Clinton's 2000 Senate race, is getting stronger, increasing the odds the aide will start cooperating with the government, which could be disastrous for the senator's ambitions. Rosen has been indicted for deliberately reporting that the cost of an August 2000 Hollywood fund-raising gala was only \$400,000 when the actual tab was \$1.2 million, a step that let Mrs. Clinton spend \$800,000 more in "hard money" for her campaign. (After Hillary

and opponent Rick Lazio agreed to ban soft money, both camps were scrambling to maximize their hard money on hand).

The New Orleans Times-Picayune has reported on a transcript of a Sept. 4, 2002, audiotape of a dinner between Rosen and Ted Kennedy in-law Raymond Reggie, who was wearing a wire. Most news accounts have left out the fact that

Rosen implicated himself with each bite of steak.

On tape, the paper reported, Rosen "acknowledges that the gala probably cost far more to produce than he reported on federal campaign forms." Rosen says of the fundraiser, "We woulda never done it if the guy (Peter Paul) said he spent \$2 million. So now he's (Paul) saying he spent \$2 million on an event that raised \$1.4." Rosen goes on

to agree that "he may have" spent the \$2 million.

Reggie, whose sister is Ted Kennedy's wife, will get no more than five years in prison on bank-fraud convictions in return for cooperation and testimony at Rosen's trial.

In the conversation, David Rosen calls himself a "guinea pig" for Clinton's lawyers, noting that "the former Clinton White House wanted to hire, or to argue the (Rosen's) case in a certain way." The indicted former finance director said,

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Dick Morris
Columnist



Welcome to fickle world of politics

In his three short months as attorney general, Alberto Gonzales has moved from the apologist for torture to poster boy for the American Civil Liberties Union.

His strange odyssey is instructive for anyone who might be considered a candidate for the U.S. Supreme Court.

After his nomination by President Bush, Gonzales was savaged by liberal Democrats for "excessive loyalty" to the president and for appearing to condone torture in a memo.

Because Gonzales has been mentioned as a high court candidate, Democrats wanted to damage his chances when they had the

opportunity. In February, he won Senate confirmation anyway, on a 60-36 vote.

As attorney general, Gonzales is said to be approachable, courteous and willing to listen.

In his appearances before Congress, he has been praised by some Democrats who previously disparaged him. Even the ACLU said he is a "welcome and constructive change."

That isn't going down too well with some conservatives, who think the former Texas secretary of state,

counsel to the governor and to the president, and state Supreme Court justice is too squishy for the U.S. Supreme Court.

Texas Thoughts

Austin American-Statesman

Texan of "growing just a bit too much."

Contributing Editor Jonah Goldberg complains that the White House hung the affirmative action label on Gonzales at his nomination instead of touting his qualifications. Now, Goldberg wrote, Gonzales places his ethnicity above his politics.

"Since he's been attorney general," Goldberg wrote, "Gonzales seems almost as interested in speaking to Hispanic groups as he is in speaking to law-enforcement organizations." That only makes sense for a Republican Party feverishly courting the growing Hispanic vote, but it could hurt Gonzales with a conservative base that wants Supreme Court justices with blood in their eyes.

Goldberg tapped the attorney general as the cabinet official "Most Likely to Disappoint."

Welcome to the deadliest place in politics these days — Supreme Court nominations.

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Postal Service to help Stamp Out Hunger! on May 14

CAMDEN, N.J. — On Saturday, May 14, Campbell Soup Company will join forces with the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) to Stamp Out Hunger! across America. Stamp Out Hunger! is the nation's largest single-day food drive and has collected nearly 650 million pounds of food for the needy since its inception in 1992.

To help Stamp Out Hunger!, simply leave a sturdy bag containing non-perishable foods, like canned soup, canned vegetables, pasta, rice or cereal, next to your mailbox before the time of regular mail delivery on May 14. Food items should be in non-breakable containers, such as boxes and cans. The nation's 240,000 letter carriers will then collect the donations and deliver them to food banks and pantries in their local communities. Participation in Stamp Out

Hunger! is an easy and convenient way to help alleviate hunger in the more than 10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states and U.S. jurisdictions where letter carriers work each day.

Campbell Soup Company is helping support the drive by donating 10 million pounds of food over the next year to food banks across the country.

"Stamp Out Hunger! is such an important initiative," said Larry McWilliams, President, Campbell's USA. "Food banks need to be replenished constantly, especially in the summer months when they no longer have the benefit of holiday food drives. Plus, children

Some Thought for Food

The National Association of Letter Carriers, in conjunction with the U.S. Postal Service, will be collecting non-perishable items like canned meats and fish, canned soup, juice, pasta, vegetables, cereal and rice on Saturday, May 14, to help families in need in our community.

You can help by placing your food donation at your mailbox on May 14 before your letter carrier arrives. It will be taken to the Post Office and then delivered to a local food bank or pantry.

Please do not include out-of-date items or those in glass containers.

age everyone to participate in Stamp Out Hunger!"

"The more than 240,000 letter carriers across the country are proud to serve the communities that we walk through every day," said William H. Young, NALC president. "Serious hunger affects many of our neighbors, but with food donations from our customers on May 14 and the help of Campbell Soup Company, we can make a tangible difference in the fight against hunger."

To encourage postal customers to donate food on May 14, Campbell and the United States Postal Service (USPS) sponsored

the production of a reminder postcard being mailed to more than 105 million homes. This mailing, to generate awareness and participation for this year's Stamp Out Hunger!, is one of the five largest mailings in the country, according to the USPS, just behind the U.S. census and federal income tax forms.

Campbell has also enlisted the help of soccer sensation Freddy Adu to help get the word out about the food drive to homes across the country. Adu will appear in a nationally distributed public service announcement that will remind people about Stamp Out Hunger! and explain how donations will be picked up.

For more information about Stamp Out Hunger! in Pampa, ask your letter carrier, or contact the Pampa post office or visit www.nalc.org.

DPS urges motorcyclists to hone skills with course

May is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Texas, and DPS urges all motorcycle enthusiasts—both experienced and inexperienced—to attend a professionally taught motorcycle course to hone their skills.

"More than 700,000 people in Texas are licensed to operate a motorcycle," said Clifton Burdette, coordinator of the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit.

"Operating a motorcycle safely requires the use of special mental and physical skills. Riders can attain these skills by attending professionally taught motorcycle operator training courses, as well as through personal experience."

The DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit offers basic and

advanced motorcycle operator training in 64 permanent locations.

In addition, the unit offers basic and advanced training in nine rural locations by utilizing two self-contained mobile training units. Last year, 26,260 Texans took either the basic or advanced course.

The basic motorcycle operator training course is for inexperienced or unlicensed motorcyclists, and the advanced course is for more experienced riders.

The basic course may be used to waive the licensing road test, and both of the courses may qualify for ticket dismissal and insurance discounts.

While Texas does not require all motorcycle riders

to wear helmets, the DPS strongly encourages riders to wear helmets to increase safety and save lives.

Texas law states that in order to be exempt from wearing a helmet, a person must be at least 21 years of age. In addition, they must successfully complete a motorcycle safety course or be covered by a health insurance plan providing at least \$10,000 in medical benefits for motorcycle-related injuries.

Information about the Motorcycle Safety Unit classes can be found on the DPS Web site at www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb.

For additional information on motorcycle training, call 512-424-2021 or toll-free at 1-800-292-5787.

Extension program

Economic benefits of quail coveys to be topic of seminar

By KAY LEDBETTER
Texas A&M News/Public Affairs

MIAMI — Interest in quail management has to start with the bottom line — "show me the money."

A Quail Appreciation Day on May 26, hosted by Texas Cooperative Extension in Roberts and Hemphill counties, will cover everything from economic benefits to the overall management of quail in the Panhandle.

"There is a growing interest in managing for quail in our region," said Brandon Dukes, Extension agent in Roberts County. "We want producers to see the economic impact that can be gained by utilizing quail."

Demand for hunting leases has increased and with proper range management for cattle, producers can naturally improve quail habitat and capitalize on the additional income, said Kyle Barnett, Extension agent in Hemphill County.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Mesa Vista Ranch near Miami. Take State Highway 70 north from Pampa about 30 miles to the Mesa Vista entry gate, located on the west side of the highway, and then follow the road to the barn.

Three continuing education units will be offered and there is no charge for the event. Those planning to attend should RSVP by May 16 to the Roberts County office, (806) 868-3191, or the Hemphill County office, (806) 323-9114, to help with lunch and transportation planning.

The program for the day includes Dr. Dale Rollins, professor and Extension wildlife specialist from San Angelo, talking about quail appreciation and economic development associated with quail.

Rollins also will discuss supplemental feeding, re-stocking, pen-reared quail and predators.

"Getting to Know Your Quail" will be presented by Ken Cearley, Extension wildlife specialist for the High Plains and Trans-Pecos regions of Texas, and Keith Boone, land manager of Mesa Vista Ranch, will outline quail research results at the Mesa Vista Ranch.

Following lunch, a tour of Mesa Vista will include three stops covering the following topics:

- Stop 1: Texas Quail Index. Dukes and Barnett will talk about spring call counts, dummy nest transects and scent stations.
- Stop 2: Feed, Water and Habitat. Rollins, Boone and Boone Pickens, landowner, will discuss shrubs for quail houses, supplying water to quail, and species visitations at quail feeders.
- Stop 3: Axe, Plow, Cow, Fire. The Tools of Habitat Management. Cearley, Boone and John Hughes, with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services in Canadian, will talk about brush sculpting/transplanting, cows and quail, farm bill programs, and prescribed burning in quail habitat management.

The program will conclude by 4:15 p.m.

Porterfield to headline Cowboy Poetry Breakfast

AMARILLO — Hody Porterfield, tall lean lanky cowboy and American Native poet, headlines this coming Saturday, May 14, at the Cowboy Poetry Breakfast held at the Big Texan. Festivities start at 8 a.m.

Guest poets, singers and musicians are encouraged to participate with members of

the Southwest Cowboy Poetry Association in the Round Robin following Hody's program.

Progress of the Southwest Cowboy Poet Spring Roundup on Saturday in Wildorado on May 21 will also be announced. Ivan Cates, spearheading the potluck gathering, plans on the friendly get-together to

start at 4 p.m. at the Wildorado Community Center. Cowboy/girl poets, singers and musicians will entertain, with a warm welcome for cowboys and cowgirls and families in the area to participate.

For more information, call Ivan at 353-5617, or Charolyn at 426-3432.

Rosen

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"And I did it for them. Like, I bit the bullet and went in as a guinea pig and argued their argument for me. Instead of freeing' and runnin' and coverin' my ass, I was a good soldier."

Then Rosen adds, ominously, "So far it's worked out, but I coulda done it a lot different."

As the net tightens around him now, Rosen may indeed "do it a lot different" and begin cooperating with the

feds in building a case that Hillary knew about the under-reporting.

When Rosen was indicted, the case seemed to be his word against Peter Paul's. Given Paul's criminal record, Rosen might have beaten the rap. But now he can't be so sure. If he implicated himself on tape, the government isn't relying solely on Paul's testimony.

The Times-Picayune reports that the feds have "lined up several other witnesses who will testify that Rosen was aware of the event cost far more than his reports indicated."

The federal brief says that Rosen "became increasingly panicked as the costs began to spiral out of control. On some occasions, when news of yet another cost was revealed to him, the defendant literally threw up his hands and announced that 'I did not just hear that,'

'Don't tell me that again' and that he did not want the subject discussed around him again."

The feds also say Rosen directed one witness to "take thousands of dollars of line items" off a campaign report about the event's costs and told a "confidante" that there was "no way" he could accurately

report the cost of the fundraiser."

Asked about the "guinea pig" comment, Clinton lawyer David Kendall said: "It's no secret that counsel for Mr. Rosen" and the lawyers for the Clintons and for the Senate campaign committee were cooperating in their defense against Paul's civil lawsuit. What he does not say — and may have been the point of Rosen's remark — is that they might also be cooperating in his defense against criminal charges.

As long as any such arrangement helped Rosen

and he had a realistic hope of acquittal, there was little chance he'd turn on the Clintons. But now, who knows?

On the tape, Rosen says he spoke to then-President Bill Clinton regularly — at least once a week — about the campaign fund-raising. What could the president have told him that the federal prosecutors would find interesting? We may find out.


Eileen McGinn helped to prepare this column. Dick Morris is a political analyst who was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20 years.

'... I bit the bullet and went in as a guinea pig and argued their argument against me.'

— David Rosen
Hillary Clinton finance chair

Community happenings

- 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, HIB (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., May 18, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; 1-3:30 p.m., May 3, McLean School, McLean; and 10 a.m.-1 p.m., May 19, Wheeler School, Wheeler. For more information, call (806) 655-7151.
- The next Pampa Area Singles Dance will be from 8-11 p.m. May 21 at Sportsman's Club on South Barnes with Mike Porter. Admission is \$6 per person. No smoking or alcohol allowed. Snacks are welcome. For more information, call 665-7059.
- The 5th Army Association will conduct a 10-day final tour of Italy in June. The tour will depart from New York for Rome, Venice, Florence, Pisa and Sorrento on June 15. The trip will include a special stop at the American Military Cemetery near Anzio. For more information, call Sy Canton at (561) 865-8495 or write him at 5277B Lakefront Blvd., Delray Beach, FL 33484.
- The USS Long Beach CGN-9 Association, Inc., is organizing its 2005 reunion Sept. 11-19 at San Francisco, Calif. For more information, contact Don Shade, 299 Kiantone Rd., Jamestown, NY 14701-9370, (866) 352-2469 or LBCGN9@aol.com.
- USS Maddox Destroyer Association Reunion is planned Sept. 15-18, 2005, in Mobile, Ala. For more information, contact Cliff Gillespie, 215 Wichita Ave., #605, Huntington Beach, CA 92648, call (714) 960-5283.
- The reunion of the USS Cascade AD-16 is planned for Oct. 9-16 at Branson, Mo. For more information, contact Lyle "Preacher" Burchette, P.O. Box 566, Hollister, MO 65673, (417) 334-5627.

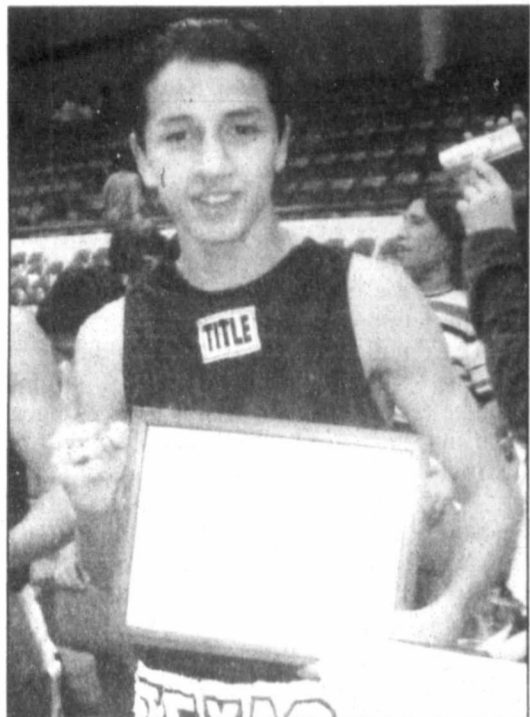


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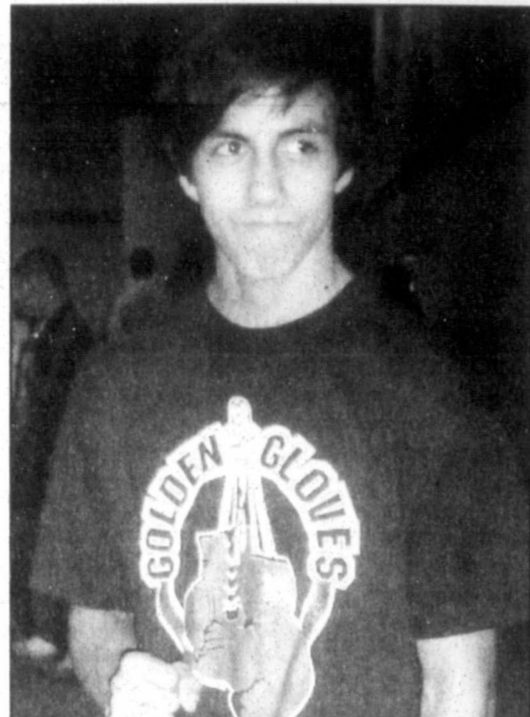
To those who worked on my behalf and supported me a special thank you.

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Sports Day



Cris Larrazolo



Jose Larrazolo

Two brothers attend Golden Gloves tourney in Arkansas

Fast Facts

The Golden Gloves National Tournament is a five-day event in Little Rock, Ark.

Jose and Cris Larrazolo are the first brothers in Texas to make it to the National Tournament.

Brothers Jose and Cris Larrazolo are the only two boxers from Pampa and West Texas to make it to their Golden Gloves tournament in Little Rock, Ark., which will take place on May 14 through the 21.

Cris won the state tournament at Ft. Worth in March. Jose placed second in the tournament, but because of Jose's opponents inability to appear in the National tournament, Jose advances.

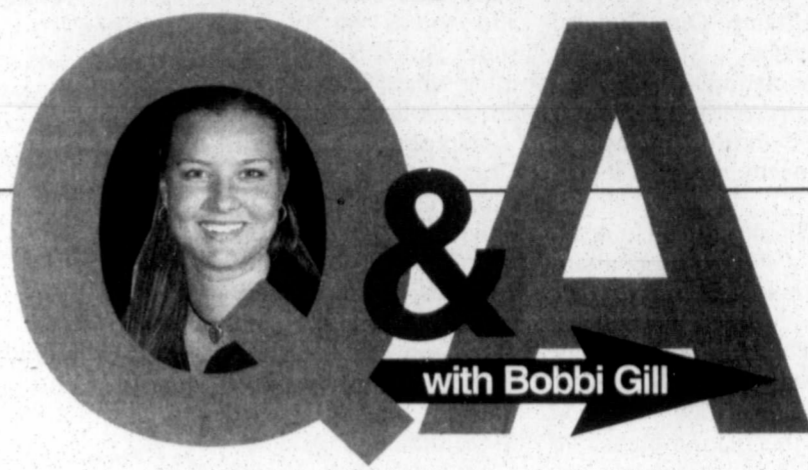
Jose and Cris will be the first brothers in Texas to make it to the National Tournament.

They are training very hard for this tournament

with workouts including running the bleachers at the high school, punching the bozing bags and mitts, and sparring each other among others.

The boxing club is current looking for donations from anyone that can help. Any donations or contributions that the organization receives will be greatly appreciated as they will need all the help they can get to participate in this prestigious tournament.

To contact the boxing coach Lupe Larrazolo, call 1 (806) 662-4000 or the club secretary Lorrane at (806) 662-7175.



As the Lady Harvesters prepare to face the Big Spring Lady Steers for the Regional Quarter Finals title on Firday, coach Bobbi Gill reflects on the season, her team, and hopes for the big game.

By BEN BRISCOE News Intern

Q: Name and Position

A: Bobbi Gill, Head Coach

Q: How long have you been the coach of the team?

A: I was the assistant coach for two years, and I have been the head coach for 3 years.

Q: What is your favorite memory from this season so far?

A: I am very proud of how this team has overcome all their adversity to succeed. I admire their determination and fight all this year.

Q: What regret, if any, do you have about this season?

A: None

Q: What has this year taught you that you hope to take with the team next season?

A: Determination and Heart.

Q: What are your hopes for the playoffs?

A: We have already won two playoff games, so at this point I want these ladies to come out and play their best.

Q: How much is the team practicing before then?

A: We are sticking to the same routine we've had all year.

Q: What strength will help the team excel against Big Spring on Friday?

A: Their unwillingness to give up and their determination to win at all costs.

Q: How many fans do you expect to show up for the game?

A: I am not sure, but I would love to see as many people as can make it out there supporting this hard-working team.

Q: Anything else you would like to add?

A: This team is really enjoyable to watch and has been a joy to coach. I hope to continue this year as far as we can go.

Bellamy Road off Triple Crown with slight injury, expected to recover

NEW YORK (AP) — In just a few days, Bellamy Road has gone from favorite to flameout.

After a seventh-place finish in the Kentucky Derby, the horse owned by New York Yankees boss George Steinbrenner is now off the Triple Crown trail, sidelined Tuesday with a minor foot injury that may keep him away from racing for three months.

Bellamy Road came into Saturday's Derby off a dazzling 1 1/2-length victory in the Wood Memorial, and was being touted as

the racing's next superstar. But the strapping colt struggled as the 5-2 favorite behind long-shot winner Giacomo.

Bellamy Road was a possibility for the Preakness on May 21 before the injury, discovered by trainer Nick Zito at Churchill Downs. The 3-year-old son of Concerto also will miss the Belmont Stakes, the final leg of the Triple Crown, on June 11.

Zito said Bellamy Road could be back for the Travers at Saratoga on Aug. 27.

"There's no doubt you will see the real Bellamy Road again," Zito told the Web sites of The Daily Racing Form and The Blood-Horse.

Zito did not immediately return telephone calls for comment. His assistant, Tim Poole, confirmed the injury.

The injury, a "popped splint" in racing parlance, is not considered career-threatening.

The injured splint, or bone, is in the area behind Bellamy Road's left front knee. It is caused by too much stress that forces the bone to pop and results in the inflammation of the tissue around the bone.

"The bad news is he popped a splint," Zito said. "The good news is the X-rays are clean otherwise, there's no fractures so he'll be back for the big races this summer."

Bellamy Road won the Wood in one of the most overpowering performances ever seen in a Derby prep, a victory so thorough that jockey Javier Castellano stood up in his saddle and waved to the crowd at Aqueduct before crossing the finish line. The winning time matched a 32-year-old track record set by Riva Ridge.

Zito theorized that the injury might have been developing before the Derby, and was aggravated during the race.

"You see this in young horses when there's a lot of stress on their bones," said Dr. Kristian Rhein, a New York-

based veterinarian. "It's like a remodeling of the bones. There's a lot of force coming down, and the bone pops out quickly. It's like an overreaction, and it's painful."

Since Zito saddled a record-tying five horses in the Derby, things have not gone well for the two-time Derby winner.

Bellamy Road was his best finisher at seventh; Andromeda's Hero was eighth; High Fly was 10th; Noble Causeway was 14th; and Sun King was 15th.

High Fly, Noble Causeway and Sun King remained possibilities for the Preakness, while Andromeda's Hero likely will run in the Belmont.

There was a bit more shuffling Tuesday on the Preakness front, with fourth-place Derby finisher Don't Get Mad being ruled out of the race.

Also, Giacomo trainer John Shirreffs was making plans to have his Derby winner vanned from Louisville, Ky., to Baltimore next week.

Third-place finisher Afleet Alex was expected to arrive at Pimlico on Wednesday after a van ride from Churchill Downs.

"Right now, he's doing great," trainer Tim Ritchey said. "Everything is going as planned."

The Preakness field has eight probables, including five Derby horses: Giacomo, runner-up Closing Argument, Afleet Alex, Wilko (sixth) and Greeley's Galaxy (11th). The likely newcomers are Scrapy T, Malibu Moonshine and Hal's Image.

Possibilities include two of Zito's horses and one from D. Wayne Lukas while trainer Bobby Frankel could go with High Limit, who finished last in the 20-horse Derby.

Don't Get Mad could return for the Belmont, trainer Ron Ellis said.

"He just had two major efforts in two weeks," Ellis said. "We'll take him off the trail for now, but the Belmont remains a strong consideration."

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Yesterday's Cryptquote: FROM THE AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS YOU'D THINK AMERICA WAS POPULATED SOLELY BY NAKED WOMEN AND CINEMA STARS. —LADY ASTOR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, May 12, 2005:

You make a difference. What you say and how you say it could make all the difference in your end results. You have drive and insight working to home in on your long-term desires. Friends rally around you, making your desires realities. You're unstoppable once you focus. You drive for success. Your actions betray your intent, even if you want to deny what is happening. If you are single, you will meet someone through a friendship. Remember, a strong relationship also has a basis of friendship as well as romance. If you are attached, you discover that there are many different ways to make your bond work even better. Focus on a long-term desire together. As a team you will make it happen. CANCER helps you understand some of your wilder thoughts.

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)
★★★ Your mind drifts to security and what you need in order to feel comfortable with others. Investigate different ways of handling your finances. Sometimes you are too sure of yourself and make mistakes. Use your judgment. Tonight: Happy at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Speak your mind and understand what is important to you. Others will pitch in and help you, if you allow them to. Let go of a sense of importance or wanting events to happen in a certain way. Make calls. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Worry less about what you are

hearing underground. Your imagination leads you in a new direction. Unexpected developments open professional doors. Your understanding helps you deal with a touchy situation. Tonight: Your treat.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Visualize more of what you want. You will find that the path to success is a lot easier than you'd anticipated. You have what it takes to make waves and create what you want. Ask yourself exactly what you expect from a domestic or property matter. Tonight: As you like it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★ Don't push. In fact, through less action you'll pave the way for someone to seize the moment and take events in the direction he or she would like. You might be underestimating what is happening with others. Listen to feedback. Tonight: Clear out calls and make it an early night.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You might be more instrumental in helping others find the right solutions than you think. Reveal what you have in mind, but be willing to update your information. Your finances will grow as a result of your efforts. Tonight: Hook up with your friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Your best efforts pay off. You have reason to celebrate and push a project forward. How you look at life could change because of news that heads your way. Be ready to take charge and head in the direction you want. Tonight: Easy does it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Discuss what is important to you. You will find that your good will and positive attitude could transform a difficult situation. Realize more of what you want through open conversa-

tion. Others will agree. Tonight: Use your imagination.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Others grasp what you might have missed. Realize that everyone has limits, you included. If you need to say no to another's request, do so. Sometimes you compromise yourself by not supporting your true opinions. Tonight: Allow someone else to make the first suggestion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Your take-charge attitude makes a difference. Your associates want more control than in the past. Buff up on the art of diplomacy. Your words can make a difference if you just choose them well. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ All work and no play makes the Aquarian difficult! Look at the possibility that you can get a lot more done than you think. Your ability to move through a difficult situation or maze will free up some extra time. Tonight: Put your feet up.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Your high-energy draws results and gives you a reason to smile. Recognize when you have said enough or done too much. Sometimes you must allow partners to ferret out their own answers. Do a better job of listening. Tonight: Whirl into the weekend early.

BORN TODAY
Singer Steve Winwood (1948), comedian George Carlin (1937), talk-show host Tom Snyder (1936)

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a federal law enforcement officer and proud of my job. I have worked hard to get to this position, and I would like to live to retirement.

There are people in my community who know what I do for a living and feel compelled to tell everyone else. I don't wear a uniform, and I don't need everyone to know who I am. Many people would never guess what I do for a living, and that is fine with me. Let them assume that I'm a nurse, a secretary or a stay-at-home mom.

If I'm in a social situation off-duty such as a restaurant, school function, church or beauty salon, invariably someone will see me and announce for all to hear, "Do you have your gun in your purse?" or they'll call me by my job title.

I have asked them to please stop and just call me by name. They don't seem to get it. They could get me killed! I'm sure I speak for many other plain-clothes officers. I may be having dinner with a friend, or I could be involved in an undercover operation and have my cover blown.

I deal with violent offenders who have family members and friends in the area. Those individuals may attend the same school as my child or the same church that I do. Please, Abby, ask your readers not to make our jobs more difficult than they already are. -- OFFICER ANYWHERE, U.S.A.

DEAR OFFICER ANYWHERE: Your letter is an important one, because I'm sure you're not the only officer of the law who has encountered this problem.

People may act this way because your profession seems glamorous and they want to appear to be "in the know." It could also be thoughtlessness or just plain stupidity. However, because the individuals you mentioned continue to do it despite having been asked not to, my advice is to remind them that there are legal penal-

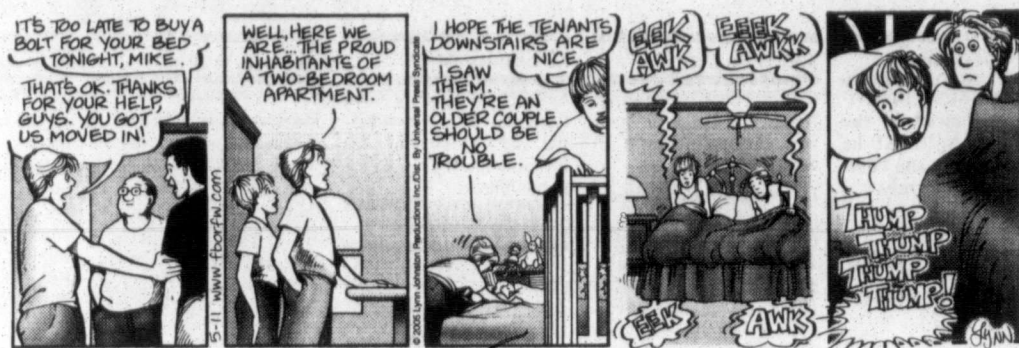
ties for endangering the life of a member of law enforcement, and if they don't "cease and desist" you will be forced to take the necessary steps to protect yourself.

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column you advised the mother of a girl who had confided that she is gay and wants to come out, that homosexuality has "nothing to do with parenting and everything to do with genetics." You need to retract that statement. If you do not publicly admit your error, I will know you are a mouthpiece for the gay and lesbian crowd. -- LEONARD IN LYNCHBURG

DEAR LEONARD: If I did not believe with all my heart that what I wrote is true, I wouldn't have put my thoughts on paper. Homosexuality is simply a variant of sexual orientation. Those who claim it is "unnatural" should direct their attention to Dr. Joan Roughgarden, a biologist at Stanford University with a Ph.D. from Harvard, who states that more than 300 vertebrate species have been found to practice homosexuality. (A visit to any zoo might confirm it.) And while one gene may not be responsible for this variant, Italian researcher Andrea Camperio-Ciani of the University of Padua notes that research findings point to there being more than one "gay gene," and that the genetic factors linked to homosexuality in men are also linked to increased fertility in women. I stand by my reply.

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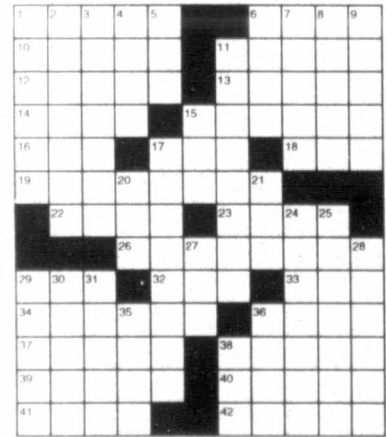
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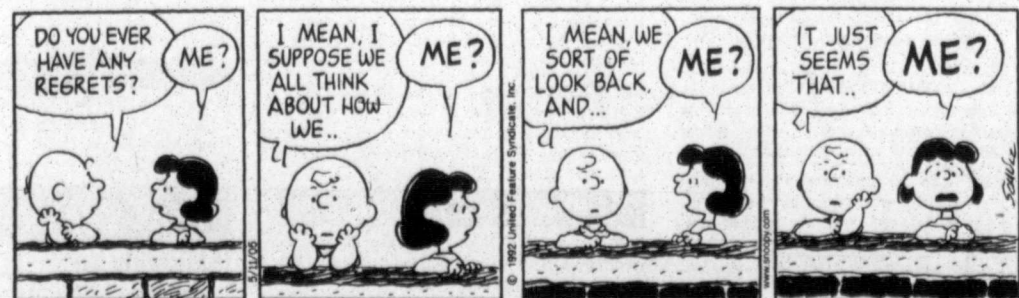
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