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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS Justin Francis of Woodward, Okla., hangs on with a look of determination in Saturday night's bull riding at the 59th annual Top O' Texas Rodeo. Eleven bull riders were entered in Saturday night's event.

# Pampan charged

# It's a rodeo wrap

## Big crowd fills stands for final rides

#### By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

A strong turnout Saturday for the final night of the 59th annual Top O' Texas Rodeo cheered on bull and bronc riders, ropers, steer wrestlers and mutton busters as competitors from near and far vied for top spots in their categories.

Only one moment of concern occurred, when Case Drake of Sayre, Okla. was thrown from his bull and then stayed on the ground. Emergency medical service workers with Guardian EMS Ambulance came into the arena to examine Drake, but he made it back to his feet and walked out of the danger zone with some assistance.

Saturday's results are:

Bull Riding — First place, Paulo Gouveia of Roswell, N.M., 77 points. Second place, Justin McDaniel, Porum, Okla., 73 points.

Bareback Riding — First place, Justin McDaniel, 82 points. Second place, Cimmaron Gerke, Fort Worth, 79 points. Mutton Busting — First place, Kason Vigil, Pampa. Second place, Kade Woods, Pampa. Third Place, Kaleb Kimbro, Pampa.

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Steer Wrestling — First Place, Roger Anderson, Kenai, Ark., 5.6 seconds. Second place, Tom Watkins, 6.3 seconds. Third, Tanner Winkler, Pampa, 9.4 seconds.

Saddle Bronc Riding — First place, Bradley Hinze, Australia, 69 points.

Calf Roping — First place, Charley Russell, Shamrock, 10.4 seconds. Second place, a tie between Cimmaron Boardman, Stephenville, and Wade Watkins, Canyon, both with 13.0 seconds. Fourth place, Cliff Kirkpatrick Post, 13.2 seconds. Fifth place, J.D. Kibbe, Portales, N.M., 14.8 seconds.

Double Mugging — First Place, Whitney Oxley, Justin Taylor and Tanner Cochran, 43.5 seconds. Second place, Loagan Helton, Aaron Nut and Jeremy Pritchett, 58.2 seconds.

Barrel Race — First place, Terry Bynum, Lubbock, 17.01 seconds.

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A Pampa man is free today on \$20,000 bond after being arrested Sunday and charged in connection with domestic assault.

David Allen David, 37, Bowers City Highway (Farm to Market Road 749) was booked into Gray County Jail at 2:05 p.m. by Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Jarret Parsons and charged with assault causing bodily injury to a family member and three counts of injury to a child, according to jail records.

Bond on each of the four charges was \$5,000, and was

**Rodeo Royalty** 

set by Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman. David bonded out of jail at about 10:30 a.m. today, according to a jail spokesperson.

Julie Lynn David, 25, and her three children, ages 7, 5, and 1, arrived at a Pampa residence Sunday and called Pampa Police Department, according to Sheriff's Office Lt. Joe B. Hoard.

The incident occurred outside city limits but in Gray County, so the matter was referred to the sheriff's office, Hoard said.

"He allegedly made contact with her head, face,

See ASSAULT, Page 3

### Queen, teen queen crowned in Saturday night ceremony By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Jamie Schroeder of Pampa was crowned Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas 2005 at Saturday night's rodeo, the last in the three-night schedule of events.

Tara Schilling of Bushland was crowned Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen 2005.

Schroeder won top marks in the appearance, personality and horsemanship divisions of the contest.

Runner-up for the queen's crown was Chelsi Dickerson of Levelland, the only other contestant for the title.

Schilling won in the appearance, personality and horsemanship categories of the teen contest.

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Pampa News photo by DEE DEE LARAMORE

Top O' Texas Rodeo Association Director Sam Condo leads a group of mounted flag-bearers in the Rodeo Parade Saturday morning.

## **Rodeo Parade winners named**

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Winners in each division of Saturday morning's annual Top O' Texas Rodeo Parade have been announced by the rodeo association.

Best Civic Club or Organization — First place, Gymnastics of Pampa. Second place, 4-H Walk Across Texas Youth Health. Antique Tractor— First place, Don Oltman of Amarillo. Second place, Bill Davidson of Borger.

Most Attractive Commercial Entry — First place, Cable One. Second place, Jim's Tradin' City.

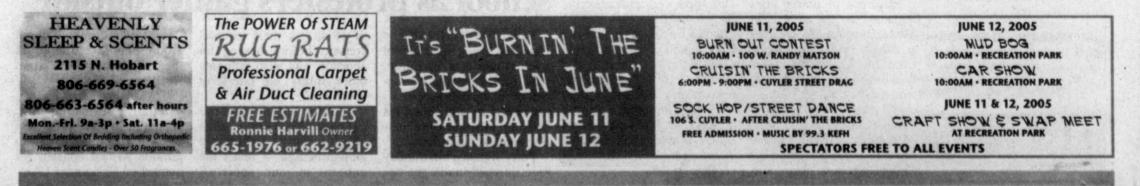
Best Riding Club — First place, Sand & Sage Riding Club of Lefors. Second place, Top O' Texas Rodeo Directors & Queen

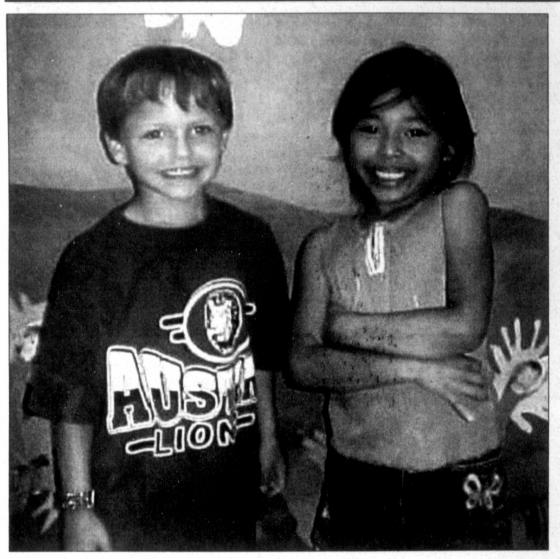
Contestants. Third place, White Deer Riding Club.

Classic Cars — First place, Raymond and Nancy Swaney, Lefors. Second place, Kenneth and Judy Cox. Third place, Jimmie Clark.

Winners may pick up their trophies at the rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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## Little Lion 'Lifesavers'\_

Dathan Turlington, left, and Jasmin Gonzales, Austin Elementary kindergarten students, were recently presented "Lifesaver" awards from Austin principal, Beverly Owen. Students were awarded on May 27 at the Keystone assemblies for outstanding character traits they have displayed. Turlington and Gonzales received the honor for helping out during a serious situation by acting quickly and responsibly. In addition to certificates, the two were rewarded with packages of LifeSavers to be enjoyed as afterschool treats. Details of the incident were not given by school officials. Patsy Turlington, said her grandson helped get another child out of the street.

### *Obituaries*

### Services tomorrow

RHODES, James W. Jr. — Memorial services, 2 p.m., First Baptist Church Parlor, Pampa.

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## **Emergency** Services

#### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Saturday, June 4 Thirteen traffic stops were made. A traffic complaint was made in the 1200 block of North Russell.

A vehicle accident was reported in the 1800 block of Lynn.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered in the 1700 block of Grape and on Highway 60 East. Fire department assis-

tance was rendered at the intersection of Price and McCullough streets.

Three residential alarms were reported. Welfare checks were

made in the 1800 block of North Nelson and the 1100 block of South Christy. Suspicious persons were

reported at the intersection of 20th and Coffee streets, the 800 block of Duncan, and the 2200 block of Evergreen.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 700 block of East Kentucky.

A narcotic drug law violation was reported in the 300 block of Perry. Narcotic drug law viola-

tions were reported in the 1000 block of Jorden. One juvenile was detained for possession of marijuana. Another juvenile was given a citation for minor in consumption of alcohol.

Burglary was reported in the 400 block of Lefors. Disorderly conduct/other was reported at One Medical Plaza, the 100 block of East Foster, and the 700 block of North West. Disorderly conduct/noise

was reported in the 300 block of Jean and the 1800 block of North Dwight. Driving while intoxicated was reported in the 400 block of Lefors and the 400 block of East Frederic.

Burglary was reported

reported. Evading arrest, resulting in a foot pursuit, was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2400 block of Dogwood. A vehicle door was damaged. Estimated cost of damage is \$200.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Wilks. The incident occurred on May 4. A windshield was broken out, resulting in estimated damage cost of \$350.

Juan Anguiano, 27, 600 Sloan, was arrested in the 600 block of Sloan for theft.

Gregory Leon Darby, 45, 2300 Navajo, was arrested in the 2300 block of Navajo for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Rhonda Gay Simon, 41, 1112 S. Sumner, was arrested in the 2300 block of Navajo for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

#### Sunday, June 5

Fourteen traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the 2100 block of North Faulkner and the intersection of Crawford and Hobart streets.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 1800 block of North Hobart and the intersection of Foster and Cuyler streets.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered at the intersection of Francis and Gray streets.

Fire department assistance was rendered in the 1100 block of South Sumner.

Warrant service was attempted at one location. Animal complaints were received from the 200 block of Tignor and the 1200 block of Wilcox.

One open door was checked.

700 block of North West.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of Sloan.

Driving while intoxicated was reported in the 500 block of North Sumner. An arrest was made.

Justin Ensey, 25, 802-A Gwendolyn, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Shawn Weatherford, 34, 1101 S. Christy, was arrested in the 500 block of North Sumner for driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest.

John Mark Hicks, 35, 1116 Sierra, was arrested in the 400 block of West for theft by check.

#### Sheriff

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

#### Saturday, June 4

Jason Don Baggett, 25, 608 Jupiter, was arrested for disorderly conduct/fighting. Christopher Aaron Mayo,

23, homeless, was arrested by the Precinct 2 constable for interfering with an emergency call, possession of marijuana, failure to identify, and two counts of assault causing bodily injury

#### Sunday, June 5

Jonathan Louis Garza, 22, 2630 Seminole, was arrested for theft of property by check and three counts of issuing a bad check.

20, Jesus Moreno, Canadian, was arrested for disorderly conduct/language.

David Allen David, 37, Bowers City Highway, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury to a family member and three counts of injury to a child. Donna Sue Gifford, 46, Lefors, was arrested by the Lefors city marshall on a probation violation for

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## Gray County Weather

This afternoon: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 3 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high around 92. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. Windy, with a south wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high around 91. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as

high as 35 mph Tuesday night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low near 65. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35

mph. Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 89. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Thursday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 89. South wind between 15 and 20 mph.

than 110,0000 homes and

businesses remained without

power Monday after severe

thunderstorms swept across

Michigan, officials said. In Indiana, at least eight people

were struck by lightning and

a man was crushed to death

Michigan overnight, creating

a danger in many areas,

Consumers Energy Co.

spokesman Kevin Keane

through Sunday, two suspect-

ed funnel cloud touchdowns

were reported in Saginaw

County. Spotters planned to

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Thursday night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. South wind between 15 and 20 mph.

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Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 85. South wind around 15 mph.

Friday night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low near 64.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 88.

Saturday night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 64

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 88.

Thunderstorms sweep through

still without power on Monday

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DETROIT (AP) - More visit the sites to confirm the tornadoes, National Weather Service forecaster Dennis Dixon said.

> probably caused the other storm damage around the state, Dixon said.

customers were without service, down from the 84,000 affected by Sunday's storms, Keane said. About 83,000 DTE Energy customers in Michigan out Monday morning, utility spokesman Michael Porter said. It would take until late Tuesday to finish restoring service, he said.

D & C Greenhouse, 731 N. Hobart. There was no forced entry, and nothing was taken.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 600 block of Roberta. A compact disc player valued at \$90 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 1700 block of North Hobart. A stop sign and street signs were taken, for an estimated loss of \$200.

Theft was reported at Rent A Center, 1700 N. Hobart. A laptop computer valued at \$1,165 was taken. Theft was reported in the 1300 block of North

Hobart. Theft was reported in the 400 block of North Hobart. An air conditioner valued at \$600 was taken.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks. Fuel valued at \$69 was taken.

Assault was reported in the 1400 block of East Francis and the 1000 block of West Wilks.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported at the intersection of Craven and Russell streets.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of Davis, the 300 block of North Banks, and the 400 block of North Faulkner. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 2300

block of Navajo. Two were arrested. No injuries were

Civil matters were reported on two occasions in the police department lobby.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 2200 block of Perryton Parkway. A suspicious person was reported in the 1200 block of East Kingsmill.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 100 block of North Cuyler.

An animal complaint was received from the 200 block of West McCullough.

A missing person was reported in the 100 block of East 28th.

Disorderly conduct/language was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 600 block of Sloan.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 600 block of North Zimmers, the 1100 block of Sierra, and the 400 block of North Russell.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported in the 1200 block of Duncan and the 200 block of North Nelson.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of West Foster.

Found property was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Found property was reported in the 700 block of Campbell. A prescription bottle with pills in it was found.

A narcotic drug law violation was reported in the

theft. Cody Best, 17, Yeager Apartments #4, was arrested for minor in possession of tobacco and minor in possession of alcohol.

#### Fire

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

Saturday, June 4

11:20 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a fire prevention program in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

4:23 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to debris smoldering at the site of a previous structure fire at McCullough and Price streets.

7:37 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 700 block of North Hobart.

8:46 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to debris smoldering at the site of a previous structure fire at McCullough and Price streets.

Sunday, June 5

10:26 p.m. - Two units and seven firefighters responded to a reported structure fire in the 1100 block of South Sumner. The residence received smoke damage due to something being left in the oven.

## Perry signs abortion bill at church school as protesters gather outside

FORT WORTH (AP) -Using an evangelical school gymnasium as a backdrop, Gov. Rick Perry put his signature to legislation restricting abortions and added his backing to a measure barring same-sex marriage.

Perry signed a bill Sunday requiring girls under the age of 18 to get their parents' consent before having an abortion and also imposes more limits on late-term abortions.

"For too long, a blind eye has been turned to the rights of our most vulnerable human beings — that's the unborn in our society,"

Perry told a crowd of about 1,000 people gathered at the Calvary Christian Academy.

Texas already had a parental notification bill, approved in 1999. The new measure requires a parent to provide written consent for unmarried girls under 18.

## Straight-line winds or hail As of 7:30 a.m., about 30,000 Consumers Energy

southeastern remained blacked

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## Pampa police investigate accidental shooting

#### **By MARILYN POWERS** Staff Writer

A Pampa man was treated at Pampa Regional Medical Center

the leg, according to Pampa Police Officer Colby Brown.

"I got called to the hospital on a gunshot victim. He said he was in Central Park, and someone. Saturday morning as a result of offered to sell him a gun. He was accidentally shooting himself in handling it, and says it went off

and shot him in the leg," Brown said.

The incident occurred between 8:30 and 9 a.m. Saturday, according to police records. Brown identified the victim as Chester Stewart of 520 Yeager.

The gun involved in the inci- no witnesses who heard a gunshot dent was a .357 caliber handgun, according to the victim, Brown said.

"I question where it really happened," he said.

No evidence of a shooting and

could be found in the park, Brown said. Blood was found at the victim's residence, he said.

"The (police) investigation is at an end," Brown said of the incident.

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Second place, Kaylee Holt, Gruver, 17.09 seconds. Third place, Maegan Reichert, Mt. Pleasant, 17.44 seconds. Fourth place, Laura Rogers, Athens, 17.51 seconds. Fifth place, Christie Gomez, Amarillo, 17.64 seconds. Sixth place, Tamara Reinhardt, Canadian, 21.95 seconds. Seventh place, Amy Adams, Garden City, Kan., 22.42 seconds. Eighth place, Alicia Spann, Amarillo, 22.68 seconds. Ninth place, Randi Lyn Jump, Vernon, 27.98 seconds.

Overall results for the entire three-night rodeo are:

Cole Taylor, 82 points. Second place, Corey Davis, 79 points. Third place, tie, Hawk Tucker and Paulo Gouveia, 77 points each. Fifth place, Rowdy Thomas, 76 points. Sixth place, Justin McDaniel, 71 points.

Bull Riding — First place,

Bareback Riding — First place, D.V. Fennell, 84 points. Second place, tie, Travis Johnson and Justin McDaniel, 82 points each. Fourth place, Ryan Gray, 80 points.

Steer Wrestling — First place, K.C. Jones, 9.6 seconds. Second place, Teddy Johnson, 9.9 seconds. Third place, Blake Mindemann, 10.4 seconds. Fourth place, Chance Parsons, 15.2 points. Saddle Bronc Riding -

First place, Anthony Bello,

79 points. Second place, tie, Jeffery Cavey and Brody Bolton, 75 points each. Fourth place, Scott Johnston, 73 points.

Calf Roping - First place, Shane McLemore, 10.2 seconds. Second place, Bill Warner, 10.3 seconds. Third place, tie, Rusty Slavin and Charley Russell, 10.4 seconds each. Fifth place, Brian Bendele, 10.8 seconds. Sixth place, Tyler Merrill, 10.9 seconds.

Double Mugging — First place, Whitney Oxley, Justin Taylor and Robbie Cochran, 31.6 seconds. Second place, Oxley, Taylor and Tanner Cochran, 43.5 seconds. Third place, Loagan Helton, Aaron Nut and Jeremy Pritchett, 58.2 seconds.



**Jamie Schroeder** Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas

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Katherine Lasater of Hull, the only other teen contestant, was runner-up.

Schroeder, 19, is the daughter of James and Jill Schroeder. She is a 2004 graduate of Pampa High School and is currently a freshman at Clarendon College.

Dickerson, 20, is the daughter of Hardin Middle School.



**Tara Schilling** Miss Rodeo Teen Top O' Texas

Stephanie Coleman and Brian Dickerson. She is a 2002 graduate of House High School and is currently a sophomore at South Plains College.

Schilling, 15, is the daughter of Richard and Sonya Schilling. She attends Tascosa High School in Amarillo, where she will be a junior in the fall.

Lasater, 14, is the daughter 1 of Brandt and Becky Lasater.

She just completed the eighth grade at

## Aruba officials call massive island-wide search for missing Alabama teenager

ORANJESTAD, Aruba (AP) — The government called on thousands of civil servants and tourists to join in a massive islandwide search Monday for a missing Alabama teenager, while police, soldiers and FBI agents combed scrubland and beaches.

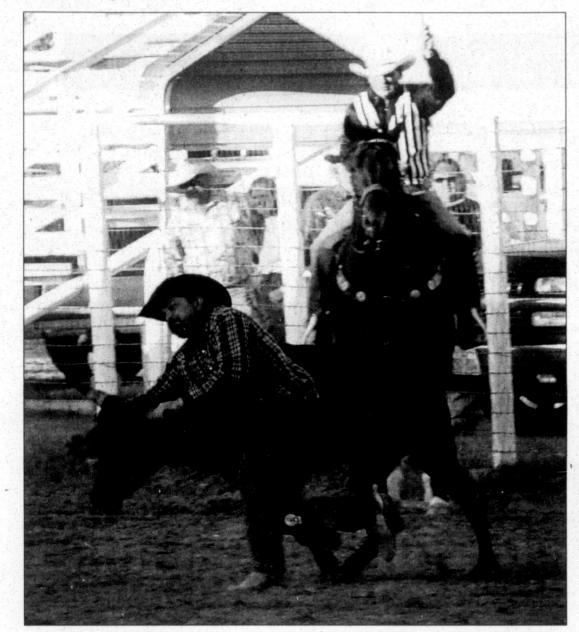
The announcement came a day after police charged two men in the disappearance of

search waters with rough currents.

Two security guards from a hotel near where Holloway was staying were arrested Sunday. Aruban police in unmarked cars accompanied by FBI agents arrested the suspects during a pre-dawn raid.

An AP photographer watched as the rumpled men emerged without resistance, two homes, and a team of more than a dozen FBI agents helping with the investigation will help perform forensic testing, police said.

Police spokesman Edwin Comemencia said authorities had not ruled out the possibility that other people were involved. The two men in custody were not among three others described Saturday by police as "persons of inter-



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

report the incident.

Billie Billingsley of McLean grabs a steer by the horns in Saturday night's steer wrestling event at the 59th Annual Top O' Texas Rodeo. Billingsley was one of several local entrants in Saturday's events.

## Assault

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neck, arms, back, shoulders, ribs and legs," Hoard said.

The seven-year-old had been pulled out of the family's van by his wrist and "thrown to the ground,"

according to the adult victim, Hoard said. The five-year-old had

been "jerked by the hair and thrown to the ground," and the one-year-old had been "picked up and thrown to the ground," according to the adult victim, Hoard said.

An ambulance was called to the Pampa residence where the victims had stopped to make the call to

No further information is known on the condition of the victims, whether they were transported by ambulance, or whether they were admitted to a hospital, Hoard

said. The alleged incident occurred at about 1 p.m. Sunday, Hoard said, as a result of an argument between the two adults.

#### Natalee Holloway, 18, of Mountain Brook, Ala. The honors student vanished May 30 during a five-day trip to Aruba with more than 100 other classmates celebrating their high school graduation.

The Dutch Caribbean island's government asked most of the 4,000 public employees to meet at a sports stadium in the central community of Santa Cruz at 2 p.m. EDT to be briefed on "a systematic search," police commander Trudy Hassell said.

"We hope there will be thousands," Hassell said in the capital, Oranjestad. "This effort is a national effort. We feel with the family."

Authorities also asked the FBI to send a dive team to

hands cuffed behind their est backs.

Police searched the homes and emerged with what looked like a metal safe deposit box and a garbage bag of clothing.

Attorney General Caren Janssen declined to release the specific charges, saying the case would go before a judge within 48 hours to determine whether the men can be legally held. She said authorities had not found any of Holloway's belongings at the suspects' homes.

"The charges have a relationship with the disappearance," Janssen said. "There is a reasonable suspicion they may be involved."

Authorities impounded three vehicles found at the

Janssen declined to comment on whether there was a relationship between the two men in custody and the three others, described as students, who told police they dropped Holloway off at the hotel where she was staying on May 30 at about 2 a.m.



Teams are now forming for the **BSA Hospice Pampa Area 15th Annual Golf Scramble** Saturday, June 11, 2005 **Pampa Country Club** Tee off 8:00 a.m. Proceeds from this popular event benefit Olivia's Angels providing for the special needs of BSA Hospice patients **Thank You Event Sponsors Donna Browning B & G. Electric** in memory of James "Jim "Tripplehorn in honor of Jim Tripplehorn **Biral USA** Jean Gibson Duncan Britkare **Celanese Chemical Division Johnlyn Mitchell Clarendon Outpost Company** 

#### Michael Jackson jury resumes deliberations; singer spent part of Sunday at hospital ER SANTA MARIA, Calif. and deliberated for about

(AP) — Michael Jackson's jury returned to deliberations in the child molestation case Monday after a weekend that saw the pop star make another trip to the hospital.

Jackson's defense team, which was told to be on 10minute notice throughout deliberations, showed up to join those waiting at the courthouse. The singer did not need to be at court during deliberations.

The defendant's father, Joe Jackson, dropped by at midmorning, and was met by a crush of journalists and fans. Accompanied by comedian-turned-nutritionist Dick Gregory, he went inside the courthouse for a few minutes and then left.

The jurors had received

the case Friday afternoon

two hours before adjourning for the weekend. The singer is charged with

molesting a 13-year-old boy in February or March 2003. He is also accused of plying him with wine and conspiring to hold the boy's family captive.

Jackson, who has complained of back trouble through much of his trial, spent about six hours at the Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital in Solvang. He left late Sunday to the popping of flashbulbs and screams of fans.

"He's in excruciating pain," the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who met with the singer, told CBS' "The Early Show" on Monday. "The physical pain is real. There's also a sense that he feels betrayed by those that he trusted and was betrayed before a jury."

After leaving the hospital, Jackson returned to his Neverland ranch about five miles away to await the verdict with his family.

Olivia Kennedy, switchboard operator at the hospital, said the staff had been asked not to release any information about Jackson.

The singer's spokeswoman, Raymone K. Bain, told CBS that he had been given muscle relaxants in the past for back spasms and probably got the same treatment Sunday.

Bain said stress contributed to the entertainer's back problem Sunday.

"He's under a tremendous amount of stress right now," she said.

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# Viewpoints

# Spend another \$1,200 to avert a water war

I've long admired the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District.

They do a difficult job and rarely please everybody. They are paid nothing and

have a true sense of duty to the public good.

The past decade or so they have broken new ground concerning water law and practices in the state. They have been sued, threatened and bashed and yet they continue to function and keep their eye on their purpose for being -- to conserve ground water in the eight counties more or less that they serve and still look out for the property rights of their constituents.

They have been con-

demned by people who want to sell their water to other parts of the state, and they have been condemned by those who don't want any water leaving the district. As a working journalist, if figure if you've got both sides mad at you, you're doing

something right. I have long admired their ability to look into the future and deal with what they think is right. They do a great amount of research, but when it comes down to making a decision, they make it. They don't whine about might happen. They make a decision. If the situation changes, they move to meet the changes.

I find their common sense

approach and lack of arrogance refreshing for a governmental body.

It is for this reason I was taken aback last week when a couple of board members were reluc-

tant

to David come up with money Bowser for a coali-Columnist tion fighting to keep parts of the

Canadian River from being designated critical habitat for the

Arkansas River shiner, a two-inch long minnow that is a threatened species.

The minnow was listed under the Endangered Species Act in 1998, but at

the time the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service did not designate critical habitat.

In 2001, an environmental group out of Arizona filed a lawsuit to force the federal tions.

agency to designate critical habitat for the fish. critical habitat was 1,200 some miles of

Each of the 21 members of the coalition is coughing

up some money. Some more than others. That The Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District is putting in \$1,500. In the past they have come up with two payments to the coali-

tion of \$3,000 each. including the Canadian as it flows through trict's efforts to write their

the Texas Panhandle. A coalition of agricultural and water groups came together and challenged the initial designation and won.

bills were running hundreds Last fall, the Fish and of thousands of dollars.

Another \$1,500 seems a pittance in comparison, particularly with the stakes involved.

I have never known them to waste money, but after Endangered covering Species Act issues in other parts of the country for a decade now, I think the \$1,500 is money well spent.

The environmental group that initially sued to have critical habitat designated, the Center for Biodiversity is part of what has become known in New Mexico and Arizona and other parts of the West where the government owns much of the land as the confrontation industry.

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## Today in History

#### **By The Associated Press**

Today is Monday, June 6, the 157th day of 2005. There are 208 days left in the year.

#### **Today's Highlight in History:**

On June 6, 1944, the D-Day invasion of Europe took place during World War II as Allied forces stormed the beaches of Normandy, France.

#### On this date:

In 1844, the Young Men's Christian Association was founded in London.

In 1918, the World War I Battle of Belleau Wood, which resulted in a U.S. victory over the Germans, began in France.

In 1925, Walter Percy Chrysler founded the Chrysler Corporation.

In 1933, the first drive-in movie theater opened in Camden, N.J.

> In 1934, the Securities and Exchange Commission was established.

In 1942, Japanese forces retreated in the World War H Battle of Midway!

In 1966, black activist James Meredith was shot and wounded as he walked along a Mississippi highway

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## NEWS ITEM: GREENSBORD, GA. - MARINE PEN PAL DENIED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS CARSON MIDDLE SCHOOL SIXTH GRADE CLASS ...

Dawr Sdrant Richardson, Jam Sorrus Principal Corbett wouldn't let you talk to own class. Especially since we have been talk pals. She says it is the principal's job to pen pals. She says it is the principal's job to protect "the safety and welfare of what is a soldier's job to pretect? What is a soldier's job to pretect? Sincester. Sincerly, Nrv. Lund's 6th Grade Class

A year filled with memories



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lose himself in a great cause."

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Kennedy died at Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles, a day after he was shot by Sirhan Bishara Sirhan.

to encourage black voter

In 1968, Sen. Robert F.

registration.

In 1978, California voters overwhelmingly approved

Proposition 13, a primary ballot initiative calling for major cuts in property taxes.

In 1985, authorities in Brazil exhumed a body later identified as the remains of Dr. Josef Mengele, the notorious "Angel of Death" of the Nazi Holocaust."

Ten years ago: U.S. astronaut Norman Thagard broke NASA's space endurance record of 84 days, one hour and 16 minutes, aboard the Russian space station Mir.

Five years ago: Unilever agreed to buy Bestfoods for \$20.3 billion in a deal creating the world's biggest food company.

One year ago: World leaders, including President Bush and French President Jacques Chirac put aside their differences to commemorate the D-Day invasion that broke Nazi Germany's grip on continental Europe. "Avenue Q" won best musical at the Tony Awards, while "I Am My Own Wife" was named best play; Phylicia Rashad, who starred in a revival of "A Raisin in the Sun," became the first black actress to win a Tony for a leading dramatic role.



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This coming Sunday (June 5) marks the first anniversary of my father's death, and I will mark it by visiting the aircraft carrier that bears his name, USS Ronald Reagan. At 8 a.m., with Captain Jim Symonds and the crew, I will lay a wreath in honor of my dad.

As I get ready for that ceremony I think back over the past year and what I've learned as I traveled all across America on speaking engagements to different organizations and listened to thousands and thousands of fellow Americans my express their love and admi-

ration for Ronald Reagan. As they shared with me their favorite Ronald Reagan stories or their favorite Ronald

Reagan moments, I Michael began to Reagan understand the reason Columnist why those vast crowds

took the time last year to stand outside for hours upon hours just to be able to walk past my father's casket for a brief moment, whether it was at the Ronald Reagan Library at Simi Valley, Calif., or

back in Washington at the Rotunda where he lay in state.

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Cameron at my dad's funeral in the National Cathedral. I spent moments with Lady Margaret Thatcher, my dad's staunch Cold War ally, and spoke with her about the accomplishments of the

1980s, when the two of them faced down an aggressive Soviet Union as it had never been faced down before.

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(IN A STATEMENT)

I was pleased to hear that both of them also fondly recalled their own favorite Ronald Reagan stories and memories, just as had all of those Americans I've met over the past year.

To be able to hear all of these things is what has given me strength and helped me to get through this first year in my life that I haven't been able to go up to his home and spend time

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The 79th Legislature gets an 'F'

which ends today (May 30), failed in its most important assignment overhauling the troubled financing structure for public schools.

Lawmakers completed their constitutionally required duty this session by approving a \$139 billion budget for 2006-07 that appears to balance. But their assignment on school finance reform collapsed at the end.

The lack of action appears in large part to have occurred because the Texas House, led by Speaker Tom Craddick, is more worried about the effect of tax

on ordinary citizens. A House majority was quite willing to raise sales taxes Senate insisted on a half- taxes will remain the same. cent increase. Their differ-

ences on con-**Texas Thoughts** sumer and business taxa-

tion perhaps is Austin American-Statesman not surprising because the

to its people the business lobby.

For now, at least, the collapse means that homeowners, especially in prosperous suburbs, will get no relief And public education will

The 79th Legislature, increases on businesses than from steadily rising school property taxes. Businesses will continue to slip away from paying the state's franon everyone by 1 cent. The chise tax. Sales and tobacco

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House is the chamber closest raised property taxes in comparatively wealthy districts and spends it in poorer districts will continue to function. Teachers won't get an across-the-board pay raise.

stumble along.

What doesn't go away, at least not yet, is the ruling by state District Judge John Dietz that the current system of financing schools is unconstitutional, primarily because it produces inadequate revenue to provide a solid education. Dietz ordered the Legislature to enact a plan by October.

The ruling has been appealed to the Texas Supreme Court, which will hear it in July. The nine justices could relieve the Legislature of taking any action if a majority overturns

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## State's failure to fix school funding aids plaintiffs' lawsuit

AUSTIN (AP) — Some fall made it impossible for attorneys for school districts challenging the state school finance system view the Legislature's failure to replace that system as a success — in helping their case.

Lawyers representing some 300 school districts are suing the state, saying it has not funded education adequately and that the current finance system is unconstitutional. The case goes to the Texas Supreme Court next month.

The Texas House and Senate had approved differing versions of a school funding plan last week, but leaders of the two chambers could not agree on a compromise.

That gave the attorneys for property-rich and property-poor school districts needed evidence to help uphold a trial court judge's ruling that the state's cap on local property taxes was unconstitutional and funding shortfalls would lead to inadequate education.

"If we had scripted it out so that it would put us in the light most favorable to the Supreme Court and to the general public, we would not have had a better position," said Dallas attorney George Bramblett Jr., one of the lawyers representing property-rich districts in the case headed to the Supreme Court on July 6.

"This failure justifies our clients' concerns that the state would not act," he said. State District Judge John Dietz of Austin ruled last year that the school tax rate, of which most districts have reached the state limit of \$1.50 per \$100 valuation, has basically become a statewide property tax, which is prohibited in the state Constitution. Dietz also said that the funding shortrich and poor school districts to provide an adequate education.

He cited a significant achievement gap between low-income and wealthier students.

Part of the issue faced by the Legislature involved a growing population of lowincome children, who can be harder to teach.

Last year, 2.3 million lowincome children attended Texas' public schools, representing nearly 53 percent of the total enrollment. More than 660,000 students who were deficient in English.

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- George Bramblett Jr. Dallas attorney

State Rep. Kent Grusendorf, R-Arlington, chief architect of the House proposal, agreed that lowincome students cost more to teach, but that Texans are paying plenty for education.

"If we just throw more money (at public education), then what we are doing will be futile," he said. "Let's not just add more money, but let's also change the structure so we can get more from what we're spending."

Information from: San Antonio Express-News, http://www.mysanantonio.co m

#### Pampa News photo by DEE DEE LARAMORE

## Gettin' ready for the Mud Bog

Members of High Plains Off-Road inspect a ditch dug in Recreation Park Sunday afternoon by Greg Harden of Miami Roustabout in preparation for the Burnin' the Bricks in June Mud Bog contest Sunday, June 12. The mud bog, which will take place in this pit filled with mud, begins at 10 a.m. Sunday at the park. Registration and tech checks begin at 7 a.m. Entry fee is \$20. Spectatators watch for free. Trophies will be awarded for first and second place in each of nine classes. More than 90 vehicles have pre-registered for the event so far. Club members shown are, from left, Chelsie, Junior and Chad Winkleblack, Tyler and Jerimiah Montgomery, Shane "Catfish" Kennedy, Justin Murrell, Don and Angie Wainscott and Jeremy Hill.

## Plans under way for McLean's **Ex-Students Reunion June 17, 18**

McLEAN - Plans are under way for the McLean there will be a pancake Ex-Students June 17-18 breakfast served from 6:30 "Alive in 05" Reunion. a.m. -9 a.m. at the grade Registration will start at 2 p.m. on Friday at the of 2008. Late registration McLean County Club followed by a 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. chicken spaghetti dinner served by the Methodist. Women.

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Herndon at 779-2756 if you The Country Club will be would like to participate. A available from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. for additional visiting. \$6.50 brisket lunch catered by Route 66 Restaurant will The Texas Junction Band be served in the McLean will provide music that night for an 8 p.m. dance at Park at noon. Advance ticket the McLean Country Club. In the afternoon, there will Tickets are \$10 and are be a short business meeting, available at the door. followed at 3 p.m. by indi-

For more information, contact Ben Reeves at 806-779-3149 or biralusa@aol.com or visit www.McLeanTexas.com.

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Water

They sue. If they win, the government pays the bill, including all the legal costs. They rarely lose. In addition, they are well funded by wellmeaning people who have never tried to make a living

was written that listed the Arkansas River shiner in the first place. It blames farming decline in the stream flow of the Canadian.

Although Fish and Wildlife officials have verbally

Given that, what the federand irrigation from the al government could do with Ogallala Aquifer in part for a regard to ground water issues in the Texas Panhandle would make the Robert County water war pale by comparison.

## Senior Savers Day



\*Excludes: Hot Buys, Doorbusters, Cosmetics, Fragrances, Brighton, Jon Hart, Calphalon, Dooney & Bourke and Krups.

Discount cannot be combined with any coupon or other special offer and may not be used on prior purchases

DUNLAPS

## Year

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with my dad. But the fact that I can no longer be with him at his home does not mean that I haven't been able to visit him. I can visit him by going to the Ronald Reagan Library and standing by his burial site. I feel that I can be with him there.

I believe that I also visit with him when I see the twinkle in people's eyes that I always saw in his eyes, and to savor their hugs that remind me of the times when I hugged my dad and he hugged me. I speak about those hugs as I travel around the nation, and I'm overjoyed when people come up to me afterwards and reach out to hug me.

All this has empowered me to be out as much as I can to learn more about my father's impact on America, to learn more about this great nation, and in the process, learn more about myself.

The other day I heard his-

torian Douglas Brinkley speak about my dad's speech at Pont du Hoc on the 40th anniversary of D-Day - the speech about the heroic "Boys of Pont du Hoc," the handful of courageous Rangers who did the impossible on D-Day.

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great nation ...'

Speaking of them he recalled "At dawn, on the morning of the 6th of June 1944, 225 Rangers jumped off the British landing craft and ran to the bottom of these cliffs. ... The Rangers looked up and saw the enemy soldiers on the edge of the cliffs shooting down at them with machine guns and throwing grenades."

They began to climb," he said "When one Ranger fell, another would take his place." One by one, they "pulled themselves over the top, and in seizing the firm land at the top of these cliffs, they began to seize back the Continent of Europe. Two hundred and twenty-five came here. After two days of fighting only 90 could still bear arms."

With tears glistening in his eye, Ronald Reagan spoke the words that Douglas Brinkley said sparked a resurgence of patriotism that still burns in the hearts of Americans today.

It is memories such as that which I find lingering in the hearts of my fellow Americans as I travel across the nation, and I cherish learning anew that people still love my father because they know how much he loved them.

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

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the ruling or greatly reduces its effect. Or they could uphold the ruling and tell the Legislature to either get moving or shut down the school system.

Gov. Rick Perry, whose own school finance plan was House, must decide whether to call another special session. So far he's discouraged the idea. Given the rancor between Craddick and the Senate leader, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, there doesn't seem to be much point in a special session before the Supreme Court acts. Still, Perry knows that his failure

angrily rejected in a special

session last year by the

to provide school property tax relief will be a central issue used against him between now and March, which is when he might face GOP primary voters for renomination.

Legislative leaders will try to dwell on this session's achievements, including a balanced budget. But the fact is, lawmakers failed on the big one.

Open Tuesday at 10am



#### **By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips**

DEAR ABBY: While most of my friends are eagerly anticipating graduation, I am dreading it. The reason? My mother.

Ever since I was in second grade, my mother has been addicted to prescription drugs. Mom and Dad divorced when I was in middle school, and I have lived with my dad ever since.

This year, Mom began to press for a ticket to my graduation. I don't want her there. She won't admit to having a problem, despite the fact she has been in rehab 10 times. I can't remember a time prior to her extended hospital stays and visits by home nurses.

Before I have any event, she becomes manipulative and checks herself into the hospital. This hasn't happened just once or twice. I'm talking about every event since I was in fourth grade -- including my birthday, my older brother's graduation, everything. Last year, she forgot my birthday. I didn't even get a phone call. I don't think she has earned a ticket for graduation.

Many people in my life have been there for me when my mother wasn't. Now Mother is claiming that because she is my mother, she should supersede all the others. She is still heavily medicated and prone to making scenes, including threatening suicide, if she doesn't get what she wants -- that ticket. There are only a limited number available. I would like to give them to people who have shown they care about me. What are your thoughts on this? This is tearing what's left of my family apart. -- SHAT-TERED SENIOR IN MARYLAND

DEAR SENIOR: You have my sympathy. I know you feel cheated because you didn't have the kind of mother you wished for.

have been her only positive accomplishments in this life. For that reason, I think she should attend your graduation.

The people who have supported you over the years will be happy to celebrate with you after the ceremony, I'm sure. And I'm also sure they'll understand why your mother should see you get your diploma if she is able.

DEAR ABBY: I have been a client of a wonderful hairstylist I'll call "Valerie" for about four years. There's only one problem. She wears large rings on her fingers, and when she uses her fingers to "comb" through my hair as she dries it, the rings catch on my hair. I end up with several hairs either being torn out by the roots or broken at the point where her rings catch. It's downright painful.

I love how Valerie styles my hair and don't want to leave her, but I'm not sure how to tactfully call this to her attention. I'm hoping that she -- and other stylists who do this -- will see themselves in this letter and remove their rings when it's time to dry their customers' hair. -- GOING BALD IN CAPE CORAL, FLA.

DEAR GOING BALD: Nice try, but don't count on it. What if your hairstylist misses my column today? One would think that a client's natural reaction to having her hair jerked out by the roots -- an emphatic "OUCH!" -- would be enough. However, because the discomfort she's causing seems to have escaped her notice, use the direct approach and tell her your preference in plain English.

#### For Better Or Worse





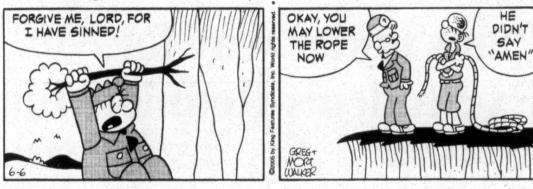




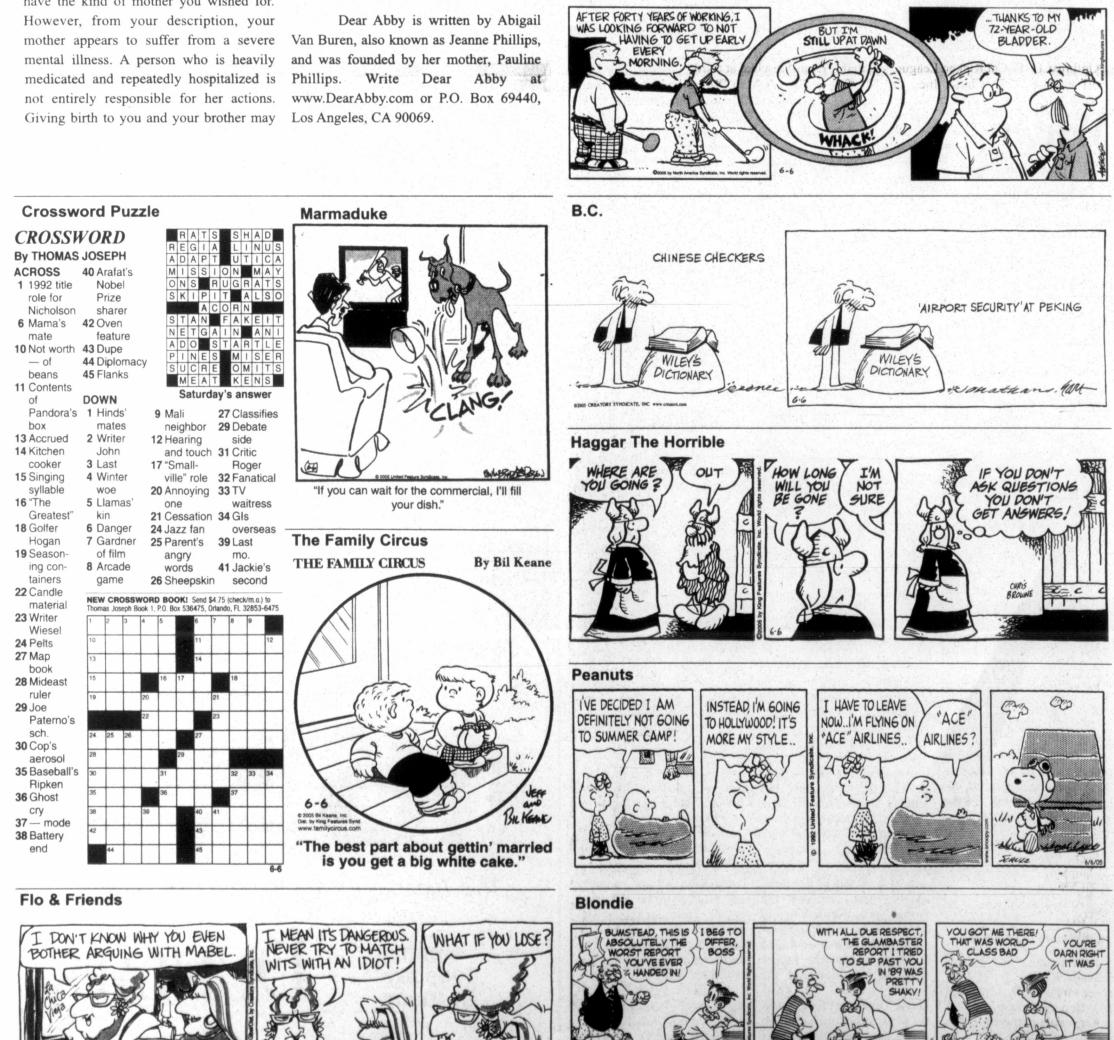
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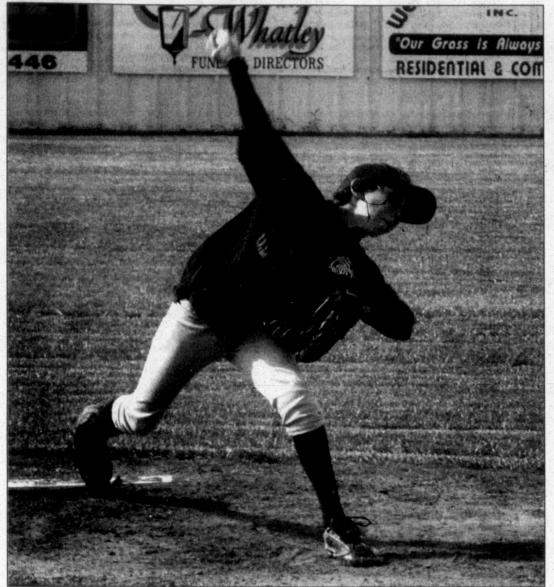


#### Marvin



WHAT DO MEAN

# Sports Day



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

D.E. Chase's Joseph Mechelay sends a pitch plateward in a game last Thursday against Celanese. Mechelay and his team took on Glo-Valve the following night in a showdown between Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken League leaders.

## **Glo-Valve blanks Chase; Ferguson tosses no-hitter**

There is an old baseball saying that great players come up big in big games. When Glo-Valve Service, the No. 1 team in the Optimist 11-12 Cat Ripken League, squared off against D. E. Chase, Inc., the No. 2 Malone proved that saying.

Malone not only pitched a no-hit shutout, prevailed in the show down 5-0. No Chase player was able to reach third base. Malone faced only 21 batters, striking out 14 and walking four, to win his ninth game of the season and second no-hitter. At the plate he was two for four, with a double and two RBI. Chase was not able to take advantage of a walk to Shane Smith in the first inning. Doug Smith walked in the second inning but was caught stealing by Glo-Valve catcher, Micheal Fisher. Taylor Kellerman reached base on an error in the third but was left stranded at second as was Collin Killgo, who walked in the fourth. Joseph Mechelay walked in the sixth, stole second but was gunned down at third by Fisher. A two-run double by Schrade Thompson in the top of the second inning gave Glo-Valve all the runs it needed. Cody Davis, who had reached base on an error, and Conor Wilson, who had singled, scored on the play. Thompson later scored on a double by Malone. Glo-Valve added insurance runs in the fifth and sixth innings. Reid Miller reached base on an error with one out in the fifth, went to second on a ground out and came home on a double by Fisher. Singles by Davis, Wilson and Malone in the sixth resulted in a score by Davis. Chase made several outstanding defensive plays. Third baseman Bradley O'Laughlin lunged to his left to snag a hard-hit ball and throw a runner out at first. Ryne Sutherland captured a fly ball in right field. The defensive play of the game came from left fielder, Miguel Garcia, who made a running backhanded catch of a fly ball in the sixth inning.

Glo-Valve's defensive plays of the game came on caught stealing from Fisher to Miller at second base and from Fisher to Evan Meschke at third,

Chase's Matt Bowen had six assists and team, Friday at Optimist Park, Tyler two putouts, an unusually high number for a second baseman.

Wilson went two for three for Glo-Valve but he led his team in hitting as Glo-Valve with a run scored. Davis scored twice, reaching base on a hit and an error. Miller tripled and scored, and Zach Graves contributed a hit.

## **ADULT AFFLICTIONS** Freebie free-for-alls often make grownups look silly

look on a grownup's face while trying to grab a cheap mini plastic football or T-shirt being tossed into the stands during a sporting event, or that of the child who got crushed in the process.

It happens all the time. A cheerleader, mascot or team representative will enter the field or court, start heaving

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swag into the seats, only to start an elbow-to-the-head Michael J. brawl more akin to a third world soccer match. But the truly pathetic thing is how adults make idiots of themselves in trying to snag a free goodie, then

celebrate when they manage to keep one of the plethora of pint-sized fans from getting it. Yeah, you go on and celebrate, Hoss. The way you shoved that 6-year-old out of the way so you can get your mits on something you will only laugh to your friends about later speaks volumes about you.

I have seen this time and time again. I bore witness to one of the worst examples of it Saturday night at the Amarillo Dusters game in Amarillo.

Among the freebies being chunked by the Duster Darlings into the seats were little plastic footballs. Poor things (Darlings), some of them just don't have the arm to get much more than four or five rows up. Therefore, the free stuff usually ends up near the bottom rows. The kids know this and gather en masse hoping to get something. Unfortunately, so do the above mentioned adults. I saw one guy intercept a ball that would have been scrummed for by the

## Battle tested

I'm not sure which is sadder, the excited group of little ones beneath him. What's more, the dude celebrated as though what he did was cool. I mean, he did everything but spike the thing after his victory dance. Sorry my man, it just made you look silly to many of those who watched.

One of the footballs the af2 league uses got stuck in the netting at one end of the field. A handful of kids

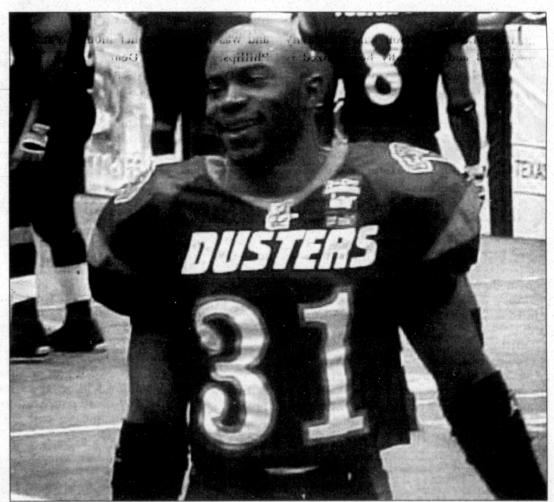


spent a number of minutes trying to free the prize. Now that would be cool. Remember, any football that exits the field of play becomes a souvenir. Not long afterward, a lady ambles to where the ball

was trapped, works on it and finally dislodges the pigskin. Did she give it to one of the kids? Nope. She ran off all giddy, stoked by what she did. And why shouldn't she? I mean come on, she was the one that finally honed in on the kids' action, used her super human skill and ripped that football away from the end zone net and those rotten kids. You go girl!

I'm not saying that getting something free at a sporting event isn't cool or fun. Frankly, it's part of the show. It's how many schools and teams generate added revenue. My point is simply that grownups shouldn't be moshing after a ten cent mini plastic football. A grownup should not watch a kid struggle to free a souvenir football, then walk up, do what they weren't able to, then split, laughing.

Heck, maybe I'm just mad because none of the stuff got even close to where I was sitting.



Killgo started for Chase. He allowed four hits and one earned run in two innings. Mechelay finished up allowing two runs and five hits. Neither Chase pitcher walked a batter.

Killgo struck out one while Mechelay whiffed three Glo-Valve batters.

Glo-Valve improved to 13-0-1 to win its 17th league championship in 32 years of being an Optimist team. Chase fell to 7-5-2, a half game behind Celanese Corporation, which has ended its regular season at 8-5-2. Glo-Valve will play Rotary Club at 5:45 p.m. today while Chase and Cabot Corporation battle at 7:45 p.m. in the last regular season games for this year. A City Tournament is expected to begin Thursday.

A rarity, never before seen at Optimist Park, also happened Friday as Chase Ferguson pitched a no-hit shutout to lead Cabot past Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency 6-0 in the early game. Three walks and a hit batter were the only baserunners Ferguson allowed in pitching his masterpiece as Ferguson and Malone pitched back-to-back no hitters in the same. league.

More than 700 players are competing in Optimist Baseball and Softball 2005 as the season winds down. Most leagues will have City Tournaments to close out the season. All star practice is scheduled to begin about June 16.

There is no admission charge for regular season games.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

## Armstrong finishes chasing pack

GIVORS, France (AP) — Lance Armstrong finished 79th and in the chasing pack Monday in the first stage of the Dauphine Libere, which was won by Thor Hushovd.

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Armstrong is tuning up for his bid for a seventh straight title in Tour de France, which will be his final race before retirement. The Texan was fifth in the prologue Sunday and is expected to excel in Wednesday's time trial and the mountain ascents later in the week.

George Hincapie, the prologue winner who rides for Armstrong's Discovery Channel team, was 26th but kept the overall lead.

Hincapie praised Armstrong and his

teammates for helping him keep the leader's yellow jersey. Usually, Hincapie has one goal: to help Armstrong to win. So he appreciated the favor being returned this time.

"They rode hard as a present for me, to keep me in the yellow jersey," Hincapie said. "This is a really big deal for me and my family. Especially as Lance also has his own preparations for the Tour. For them to do that for me ... I say a big thanks to them.'

Hushovd, who races for the Credit Agricole team, edged Robert Hunter in a dash to the line. He was timed in 5 hours, 10 minutes, 55 seconds for the 139-mile leg, which featured three small climbs.

Photo by CAROLYN THERO

Duster WR/DB Kendrick Walker flashes a smile following Saturday night's battle with the South Georgia Wildcats. Amarillo (6-3) held on to second place in the af2's National Conference Mid West division with the 69-63 victory.

## UCLA advances to WC

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - UCLA advanced to the Women's College World Series on Sunday night, scoring all its runs against Texas starter Meagan Denny in the first inning and beating the Longhorns 3-0.

UCLA (39-18) will face either Michigan or Tennessee in the best-of-three title series.

The Bruins scored their runs on a two hits and an error before Texas, which eliminated Arizona 1-0 earlier Sunday, replaced Denny (10-3) with ace Cat Osterman.

Jodi Legaspi's single scored UCLA's first run, an error by Texas shortstop Desiree Williams made it 2-0 and Krista Colburn's single to right gave the Bruins a three-run lead.

Osterman came on to get Lisa Dodd to bounce into a fielder's choice to end the inning. Osterman then retired 15 batters in order, not allowing any hits and striking out six.

UCLA freshman Anjelica Selden (28-12) won her third consecutive game complete game and allowed only two hits, both in the first inning when Texas got runners to second and third but couldn't capitalize. She finished with 12 strikeouts.

Texas also got runners to second and third in the sixth inning, but Selden struck out two to end the inning.

In an earlier game, Monica Abbott allowed just four hits in Tennessee's 4-0 win over Alabama, eliminating the Crimson Tide.

Alabama (63-15) advanced to its second elimination game of the day after beating DePaul 2-1 on Capper Reed's single up the middle in the bottom of the 12th inning, eliminating the Blue Demons.

Abbott (49-8) allowed only singles as Tennessee (66-14) advanced to face No. 1 seed Michigan on Sunday night.

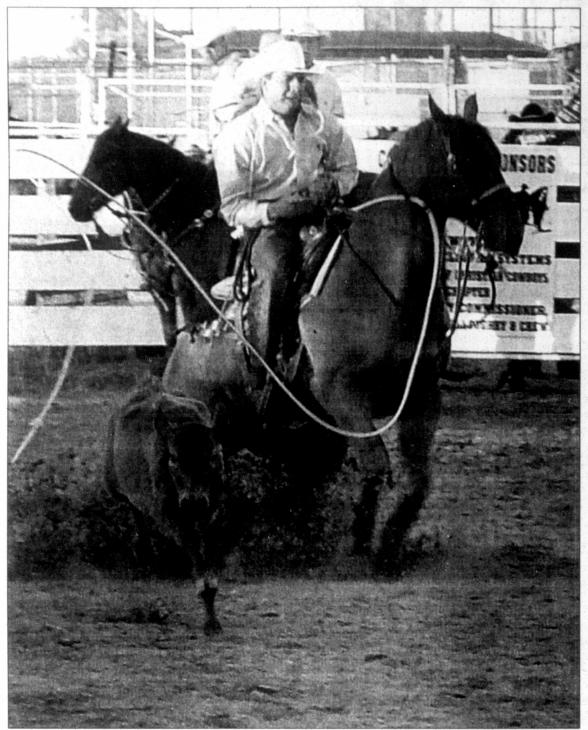
Tennessee opened the scoring in the first inning.

Kristin Durant's squeeze bunt scored the opening run, and Katherine Card's double against Alabama starter Jennifer Wright (20-6) gave the Lady Vols a 2-0 lead.

Tennessee scored again in the second inning on Lindsay Schutzler's RBI single. Pinch-hitter Natalie Brock singled home the fourth run in the sixth.

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## The one that got away



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

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Jarret Corn of Lovington, N.M., misses his shot at roping a calf during Saturday night's calf roping at the Top O' Texas Rodeo. Corn was one of 11 entrants in the event for the rodeo's final night.

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In Texas' win over Arizona, Mickayla Padilla scored on an errant throw and Osterman pitched out of a bases-loaded jam in the 11th inning.

became the first since 1987 to plate. without Arizona eave championship.

when Arizona right fielder Allyson Von Liechtenstein fielded Megan Willis' single quickly and fired home in time to chase Padilla back toward third. Catcher Jackie Coburn threw to third baseman Shelly Schultz, whose return throw bounced off The Wildcats' senior class Padilla on her way to the

> Alabama's victory

down between third and home and pinch-runner Michelle Menningmann moved to second on a groundout. Reed then slapped a single up the middle for her only hit of the game to score the winning run.

> Stephanie VanBrakle (34-7) had a career-high 17 strikeouts while pitching all 12 innings in the game that started Saturday and was suspended in a 1-1 tie in the bottom of

#### **1** Public Notice

PROPOSED FRANCHISE TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION The City Commissi adopted Resolution No

05-007 on May 24, 2005, providing that a new franchise is proposed to be granted to Atmos Energy Corporation pursuant to Ordinance No. 1434. Notice is hereby given as required by Section 18 of Article II of the Charter of the City of Pampa, Texas, of the proposed franchise, an outline of which follows. (Any section set out in quotes is the verbatim wording of that section.) A full text of the Ordinance is available at the Lovett Memorial Library and at the City Manager's office, In addition to the fran-Room 205 in the City Hall, 200 W. Francis, Pampa, Texas. **ORDINANCE NO. 1434** ORDINANCE

"AN GRANTING TO AT-MOS ENERGY COR-PORATION (A TEXAS AND VIRGINIA COR-PORATION WITH ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN THE CITY OF DALLAS, DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS) ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A FRAN-CHISE FOR THE DE-LIVERY, SALE, AND DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS IN, OF, AND THROUGH THE CITY OF PAMPA, GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS, FOR ALL PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF A OR CHARGE THE USE OF FEE FOR THE STREETS, AL-LEYS, AND PUBLIC WAYS; AND PROVID-ING THAT IT SHALL BE IN LIEU OF OTH-FEES AND CHARGES, EXCEPT-ING AD VALOREM TAXES AND SALES TAXES; AND PRE-SCRIBING THE TERM OF FRANCHISE." SUCH **BE IT ORDAINED BY** THE CITY OF PAM-PA, TEXAS:

Article 1. Definitions

"For purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below: Section 1.1. Gas System. The term 'gas system' shall mean any and all pipelines, as hereinafter defined, meters, valves, compressors, anti-corroitems, facilities, sion structures, machinery, equipment, and appurtenances of any kind that Atmos, in its sole discretion, may deem necessary or advisable for the exercise of the franchise and rights granted Atmos

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NOTICE OF furnishing gas for light, heat, and power to and for the City and the inhabitants thereof. Provided. however, City shall not grant more favorable conditions, including fran-

> utility franchise than are herein granted to Atmos.' Article 3. Pipelines and Other Equipment Section 3.3. This provides that pipeline work will be done with as little interfere to traffic as possible and for clean-up following construction. It further provides that location of lines, etc. shall be with City supervision. Article 4. Acknowledgment of and **Grant to Specific Rights** to Atmos

> > chise and rights granted to Atmos, the City acknowledges that Atmos has, and hereby grants to Atmos, the following rights and powers: Section 4. Right to Contract. Permits the entering into separate contracts with gas large users and

which use differs from average service requirements of residential and commercial users. Section 4.2. Discontinuance of Service. Atmos may stop service for any lawful reason, including failure to pay. "Section 4.3. Reconnec-

tion of Public Property. tion Charges. In addition Title is self-explanatory to any and all other propof this provision. er charges, Atmos may Section 5.3. Repair of charge and collect from Damages. Title is self exany residential or complanatory of this provimercial consumer whose sion "Section 5.4. Conduct of service has been discontinued by Atmos a rea-Work and Activities. Atmos shall use reasonable sonable reconnection or similar charge for recomcare in conducting its work and activities in ormencing service to such der to prevent injury to Section 4.4. Adoption of any person and unneces-Rules. Atmos may adopt sary damage to any real and regulations or personal property." Section 5.5, Use of Alrules from time to time subject to any valid and applicaleys. Sets out the condible statutes, ordinances,

tions for such use. rules and regulations of Section 5.6. Service and any applicable govern-Supply. Atmos shall use mental entity including reasonable care to furnish good and reliable service the City. Section 4.5. Removal of and an adequate supply of Gas System. Sets out the natural gas

Section 5.7. Installation manner by which this may be done. of Underground Pipe-Section 4.6. Consumer lines. Conditions for such Preferences. May give installation preference to residential Section 5.8. No Discrimicustomers where total nation Between Consumvolume of gas available is ers. Title is self-explananot sufficient to serve all tory of this provision. Section 5.9. Changes in customers.

#### Article 5. Gas System. Outlines the **Obligations of Atmos** procedures which are re-Section 5.1. Franchise quired and the conditions Fee. for changing the location,

"(a) As consideration for position, route, or depth the grant of the franchise of a pipeline or other and rights herein and for equipment. the use by Atmos of the Section 5.10. Schedule streets, roads, highways, of Rates. Atmos shall, at all times, keep on file alleys, public ways, and other real property owned or controlled by the City, with the City a schedule setting forth current resi-Atmos shall pay to the dential and commercial City, within thirty (30) rates for natural gas and

days after the end of each

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exceeds that franchise fee amount that is recovered by Atmos as part of its base rates for natural gas service charged to its customers within the City, or if the franchise fee is increased in accordance with this Subsection chise fee, to any other gas 5.1(a), the City agrees that Atmos may immediately add a line-item surcharge to the monthly bills of Atmos' customers located within the City in

an amount sufficient to

recover such excess or in-

(b) Nothing in Subsec-

tion 5.1(a) shall prelude,

or be deemed to preclude,

Atmos and the City from

agreeing to an increase in the franchise fee in excess

of the limitations imposed

(c) The franchise fee

together with any and all

sales taxes collected by Atmos, and any and all ad

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the City against Atmos' property, shall constitute

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Section 8.1. Force Ma-

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Section 8.2. Other Ordinances. Unless other ordinances.

nances are in direct con-

flict with the terms of the

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comply with other ordi-nances which are applica-

ble to Atmos's opera-

Section 8.4. Severability Any provision which is declared invalid or illegal does not affect the remaining sections of the franchise

Section 8.5. Binding Effect. Title is self-explana tory of this provision. "Section 8.6 Effective Date. This Ordinance

shall become effective on the date on which this Ordinance is finally adopted by the City in accordance with law and the City's Charter, and Atmos shall file with the Secretary of the City a letter stating that Atmos accepts this Ordinance as adopted and agrees to comply with and be bound by all of the and conditions terms thereof. A true and correct copy of this Ordinance as finally adopted shall be attached to such letter and or reference made a part thereof, and the letter shall be addressed to the Mayor and the governing body of the City, dated, and executed by an authorized officer of Atmos. Upon this Ordinance becoming effective, this Ordinance shall supersede and all prior ordinances of the City, including but not limited to Ordinance No. 1016, regarding the subject matter of this Ordinance.'

Section 8.7. Section and Other Headings. Such are for convenience in making references.

'READ and PASSED by the City Commission of the City of Pampa, Texas, with a quorum of such Commissioners duly and lawfully assembled and voting, on the first reading on the day of ,2005.

"READ and PASSED by the City Commission of the City of Pampa, Texas, with a quorum of such Commissioners duly and lawfully assembled and voting, on the second and

. 2005. day of "CITY OF PAMPA TEXAS By: Lonny Robbins.

"ATTEST: Phyllis Jeffe

final reading, on the\_ Mayor

against DePaul, Staci Ramsey Padilla was caught in a run- led off the 12th with a single

the eighth because of rain and lightning.

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## **Biffle wins MBNA 400**

DOVER, Del. (AP) -Greg Biffle's run to the top of Nextel Cup competition got a boost Sunday from an easy victory in a crashfilled race on The Monster Mile

Biffle got his seriesleading fourth win of the crashes. Among those season to close within 46 points of pacesetter Jimmie Johnson. The victory in the \$5.5 million MBNA 400 was Biffle's

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first at Dover International Speedway and the seventh of his career. In a race slowed seven times for 33 of its 400 laps,

Biffle won in part because he avoided traffic problems that resulted in hard taken from the field were four-time Dover winners Jeff Gordon and Ricky Rudd, and Ken Schrader and Dave Blaney

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Section 1.2. Pipelines. The term 'pipelines' shall mean any and all aboveground and below-ground pipes, including, but not limited to, mains, distribution lines, secondary lines. laterals, and other pipes that have been, are being, or are intended to be used at any time in, or in connection with, the sale, transportation, or distribution of natural gas within the City." Article 2

herein

Grant and Term

"Section 2.1. That the City of Pampa, Texas (hereinafter called the 'City') hereby grants to Atmos Energy Corporation (hereinafter called 'Atmos'), its successors and assigns, consent to use and occupy the present and future streets, alleys, highways, public places, public thoroughfares, and grounds of the City for the purpose of laying, maintaining, constructing, operating, and replacing therein and thereon pipelines and other appurtenant equipment needed and necessary to deliver and sell natural gas (hereinafter called 'gas') in, out of, and through said City and to sell gas to persons, firms and corporations, including all the general public, within the City's corporate limits, said consent being granted for a term of twenty (20) years from and after the effective date of this ordinance. This' consent or grant does not grant to Atmos the right, privilege or authority to engage in any other business within the city other than the provision of gas sales, transportation, distribution and the furnishing of gas to the City and its residents ( "residents" meaning all persons, businesses, ingovernmental dustry, agencies, and any other entity whatsoever located, in whole or part, within the City that are or may be served by Atmos hereundér.) "Section 2.2. Non-exclu-

sive Franchise. The rights, privileges and franchises granted by this ordinance are not to be considered exclusive, and City hereby expressly reserves the right to grant, at any time, like privileges, rights and franchises as it may see fit to any other person or corpora-

tion for the purposes of

calendar quarter, a franchise fee equal to five percent (5%) of Atmos gross receipts derived from the sale, transportation, and distribution by Atmos of natural gas within the City limits during the preceding calendar quarter. With each payment, Atmos will file with the City Manager a verified report showing the gross receipts upon

which the payment is based. " At any time during the term of this franchise, the City may increase the fee payable franchise hereunder subject to and in accordance with all of the following terms and conditions:

(1) The City may increase the franchise fee only if the franchise fee, as so increased, constitutes a charge for Atmos' use of the City's streets, roads highways, alleys, public ways, and other real property that is reasonable and lawful. Such increase must be adopted by the governing body of the City at a public hearing that is held no earlier than thirty (30) days following the delivery to Atmos by the City, in person or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, of a written notice stating the reason for, and the date, time, and place of, such hearing.

(2) The franchise fee may not be increased pursuant to this Subsection 5.1(a) more than one time in any five-year period during the term of this franchise " (3) The franchise fee

may not be increased at any one time by an amount exceeding onehalf of one percent ( 1/2 of 1%) of Atmos' gross receipts derived from the sale, transportation, and distribution by Atmos of natural gas within the municipal boundaries of the City; and the total franchise fee payable hereunder may not be increased

during the term hereof to an amount exceeding the lesser of (i) five percent (5%) of such gross receipts or (ii) the percentage of gross receipts payable by an electric utility doing business within the City pursuant to a franchise granted by the City. '(4) In the event the franchise fee provided herein

City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Don R. Lane. City Attorney C-36 June 6,13,20, 2005

right to apply for an increase in all or any of its rates at any time and from time to time during the term hereof and to a law ful and equitable decision with respect to any such application.

Section 5.11. Rebates. Atmos shall not grant, or directly or indirectly, any rebate, in the form of money or any other thing of value, to any consumer in order to circumvent the rate schedule filed with the City pursuant to Section 5.10 of this Article

services rendered to cus-

tomers within the City

Nothing contained in this

Ordinance, however, shall

adversely affect Atmos

Section 5.12. Ownership of Supply Lines. Title is self-explanatory of this provision on Atmos ownership of such lines. Section 5.13. Maps of Gas System. Title is self-

explanatory. Section 5.14. Bond for Removal of Gas System. Provides for a bond if Atmos should elect to remove all or any portion of the gas system and Atmos's obligations on such removal.

Article 6. **Rights of City** "Section 6.1. Use of City Property. The right of Atmos hereunder to use any streets, roads, highways, alleys, public ways, and other real property owned or controlled by the City shall in no way affect the right of the City or its agents to maintain, construct, lay, repair,

move, replace, install, or operate any pavement, curbs, gutters, or underground wires, cables, or water or sewer pipes owned by the City and located on or near such streets, roads, highways, alleys, public ways, and

other real property. Section 6.2. Inspection of Books and Records, Title

Article 7 Remedies Upon Default by Atmos

Section 7.1. Termination of Franchise and Rights. This section outlines in detail the grounds for termination and the notices and procedures which shall be followed if the and City wishes to terminate the franchise because of failure of Atmos to perform as required under the franchise.

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is self-explanatory.

Article 8

Paris gets top review in IOC report on hopeful host cities LONDON (AP) — Exactly a month before thy contenders.

the vote, front-runner Paris received the best overall review Monday in an IOC evaluation of the five cities bidding for the 2012 Olympics.

The International Olympic Committee issued a 123-page report evaluating the bids of Paris, London, New York, Madrid and Moscow — the most competitive and glamorous field in Olympic bid history.

London, Madrid and New York also got positive ratings while long-shot Moscow came in for criticism.

The report did not rank the cities, but offered an insight into the strength and weaknesses of each bid. It focused on technical issues such as venues, financing, transportation, accommodations, security and public and government support.

The findings will serve as a guide for the 117 eligible IOC voting members who will cast secret ballots in Singapore on July 6. The vote, however, also will take into account geopolitical and other issues not covered by the report.

The report was based on visits to the five cities in February and March by the IOC evaluation commission, headed by Morocco's Nawal El Moutawakel.

Paris has been considered the favorite since the start of the campaign nearly two years ago, and Monday's glowing report only reinforced that status. However, the IOC also made clear that London, New York and Madrid are worThe report also noted that Paris had "fully

In a statement, the Paris 2012 committee noted that the report cited the "very high quality" of the bid.

ever to demonstrate its Olympic commitment, with one sole objective in mind — having the honor to be awarded the 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games," it said.

London, which has gained significant momentum in recent months, was praised for the "significant sports and environmental legacies" involved in its plans for regenerating the city's rundown east side.

However, the IOC noted that "careful planning would be required to ensure that all facilities are completed on time." It also said that London's improved transportation plans were

workable if "fully delivered" before 2012. "This is a springboard for the next 30 days," London bid chairman Sebastian Coe said. "A good evaluation report on its own is not enough to get you over the line, but we're confident we can build on the momentum this bid has enjoyed over the last year."

### The report didn't include a single negative word about Paris, praising the French capital's sports concept, "excellent accommodation," "high capacity and quality" transportation systems and "well-documented" budget. taken into account" the IOC's framework for controlling the cost and size of the Olympics.

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Saturday's Cryptoquote: AUTHORS, LIKE COINS, GROW DEAR AS THEY GROW OLD; IT IS THE RUST WE VALUE, NOT THE GOLD. -ALEXANDER POPE

#### **BY JACQUELINE BIGAR**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, June 7, 2005

You often feel pressured by others. The question is: How much of this do you create yourself? Loosen up and relax. Decide what you want and expect before allowing others to push you in their chosen direction. Claim your power. Be more conscious of what you have offer. Often, others could be envious. Learn to use your spiritual, emotional and intellectual assets well. Late fall, your energy will increase, as will a propensity for a sweet tooth. Be careful! If you are single. your creativity surges through the fall, and others find you to be magnetic and interesting. If you want romance, romance you will have. Just decide what level of commitment you want. If you are attached, your relationship will benefit from a more loving attitude. Don't be so reactive; be more understanding. CAN-CER helps you spend your money.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; Have: 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

#### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* You might have the best intentions, but unfortunately, a flurry of activity surrounds you and could disrupt the best-laid plans. Don't let someone push you to a point where your anger could explode. Say no to losing self-control. Tonight: Take it easy TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Be sensitive to others, and they will be sensitive to you. You might need to carefully question the judgment of others, especially when someone has a brainy idea about an investment that could affect you. Listen well, but also be willing to say no. Tonight: Your treat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* Investigate possibilities, but don't be surprised if someone nixes your ideas midway. Consider options that others refuse to consider. You might need to go in your own direction right now. No one can prevent you from thinking. Tonight: All smiles.

#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

 $\star \star \star$  Slow down and be precise when making important decisions. Much might be going on behind the scenes that could make you more uncomfortable than you realize. Stop and take a private inventory. Tonight: Clear out what is ailing you. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ You are pressured to come up with reasonable solutions. Cast away negative thinking; drop the words "no" and "impossible" from your vocabulary. Commit to what works rather than be blown away by a changeable situation. Tonight: Take some personal time. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$  Investigate what might be happening within your immediate circle of friends. You discover that someone close might be hiding a key piece of information because he or she is anticipating a certain reaction. Tonight: Make a must appearance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* Your ability to detach could be tested to the utmost. Listen and share more. You will be able to understand someone else's ideas better if you simply flow with the moment. Lose your tendency to be judgmental. Tonight: Look

beyond the obvious. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\* Work with a well-funded partner who has only the best intentions. You could get confused by what someone says. If you are dealing with conflicting

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information, don't try to make it match.

Try accepting both as true. Tonight:

 $\star\star\star$  Your stubbornness could be the

source of difficulty more than you real-

ize. Visualize what you want, but be will-

ing to let others demonstrate the plusses

in their thinking. You aren't always right.

Back down for now. Tonight: Let others

\*\*\* You might need to revise your

thinking, as it could be way off.

Concentrate on daily chores and getting

your work completed. Certainly, you will

have time to sort through different opin-

ions. Tonight: Ease up. Head to bed early.

★★★ Sometimes you might have a dif-

ficult time seeing the forest for the trees.

In fact, at the moment, a friend might be

feeding you a lot of misinformation -

intentionally or not. Take your time deci-

phering what is what. Tonight: Call it an

\*\*\* Pressure builds without any addi-

tional help from friends or bosses. You.

might be making more out of a situation

than exists. You could easily lose your

temper. Don't allow others to force your

Singer Tom Jones (1940), actor Ken

Osmend (1943), actor Dean Martin

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

early night, if possible.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

hand. Tonight: Head home.

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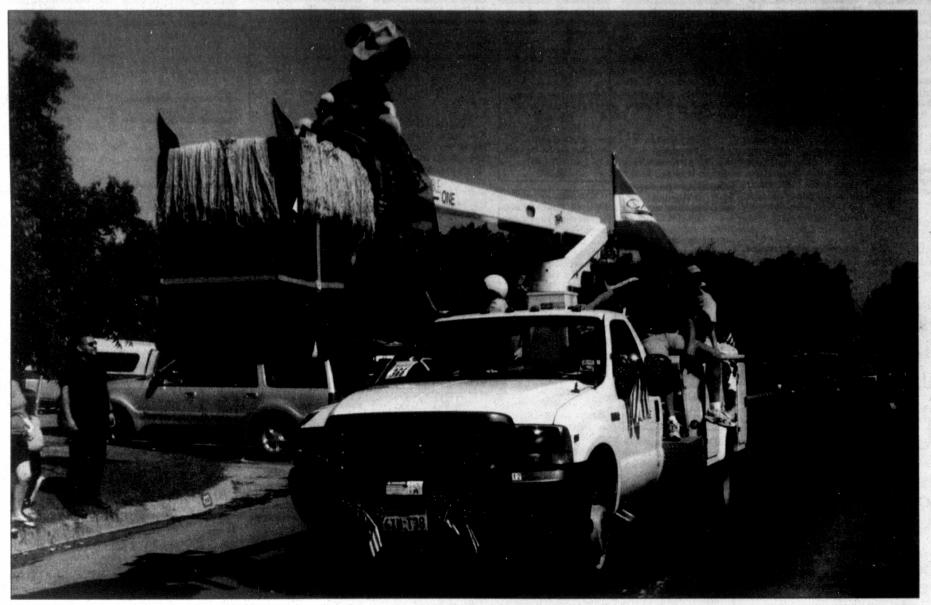
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## Mickey's eight seconds

This Disney- inspired float built on a Cable One truck won first place commercial entry in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Parade Saturday.

## As battle over judges fades, Supreme Court war looms

e-mails about their fitness to be federal appeals court judges — along with the demonization and canonization of their character — are almost over for Janice Rogers Brown and William Pryor.

Senators warred almost three years over the nominations of the California Supreme Court justice and Alabama's former attorney general. This week lawmakers will honor a truce on judges and on Democrats' use of filibusters to block nominees, and put Brown and Pryor on a path to confirmation.

Democrats' use The battle over Brown, Pryor and of filibusters to Texas Supreme Court Justice Priscilla block nominees, Owen included accusations of sexism, and put Janice racism, elitism and religious bias. **Rogers Brown** While that fight is ending, it offered a preview of what President Bush's first and Supreme Court nominee may face. Chief Justice William Rehnquist, 80, is battling cancer. Many court watchers expect a Supreme Court vacancy soon, possibly with the end of the court's current term. Brown has been held up as an example of the kind of judge Bush would like on the nation's highest court. But the battle over getting Brown and Pryor on the appeals courts probably disqual-

WASHINGTON (AP) — The sound bites and if is either for an immediate shot at the Supreme Court.

> Brown was compared negatively in a cartoon to Justice Clarence Thomas. Pryor's opponents said she was the "most anti-gay federal judicial nominee in memory.

The television commercials in which they were labeled "extreme" and "dangerous" will fade into memory.

So, too, will the praise from their supporters: Brown's rise as a sharecropper's daughter from segregated Alabama; Pryor's enforcement, as Alabama's attorney general, of a court order to remove a monument of the Ten Commandments from a state building.

Brown was nominated for the U.S.

Supreme Court over whether to keep her alive.

The federal courts refused to stop the removal of her feeding tube. Pryor has never made public which way he voted in those decisions. One of the court's orders did say Pryor did not vote because he is recovering from surgery.

Pryor opposes abortion rights and has criticized the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision. But he promised he would follow the current law if confirmed for the regional court, one step below the Supreme Court. For his lifetime appointment to take effect, he needs confirmation from the Senate before the end of the year.

The chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee circulated some of Pryor's writings on that court this year, hoping it would sway some Democratic votes his way.

"It shows a pattern by Judge Pryor of concern to protect the rights of those often overlooked in

## Republicans see hope in California

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) - Every six weeks, the Republican Party chairman has traveled to California, a large and solidly Democratic Party strong-With Arnold hold. Schwarzenegger as governor and the state's most conservative areas growing rapidly, Republicans are sensing an opportunity.

Democrats have won the last four presidential contests in California and maintain overwhelming majorities in the congressional delegation and legislature.

. But Republican National Committee Chairman Ken Mehlman insists GOP prospects are improving, thanks to demographic changes and Schwarzenegger's star power.

tremendous "There's opportunity here because of the governor and his leadership, and because of President Bush and his leadership," Mehlman said in a recent interview.

Mehlman nonetheless faces steep challenges in making his party competitive in California.

Bush lost the state by 10 points to Democrat John Kerry last November, and Schwarzenegger is engaged in a bruising battle with teachers, nurses and other Democrat-leaning interest groups over government reform measures he's proposed to curtail their influence. Polls show the goverpopularity has nor's dropped below 50 percent.

But analysts have noted several population shifts that suggest potential for Republicans to expand their reach.

California is home to nearly 37 million people ----one of every eight Americans — and is projected to add as many as 11 million more in the next two decades, roughly the equivalent of the state of Ohio. But while population growth is slowing in leftleaning coastal areas like Los Angeles and San Francisco, it is accelerating in more conservative regions such as the Central Valley and the Inland Empire area east of Los Angeles. The state's large Hispanic population, long staunchly Democratic, has become somewhat less so in recent years. Bush won 32 percent of California's Hispanic vote in 2004, up from 28 percent in 2000. Schwarzenegger won about a third of Hispanic voters in the 2003 recall election even though Democratic Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, was also on the ballot. Mehlman has seized on those trends, traveling to California for outreach work in Hispanic areas.

Court of Appeals for the District of Pryor on a path Columbia Circuit. to confirmation.

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The truce

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As a result of a temporary recess appointment by Bush to get around a Democratic filibuster, Pryor already has joined

the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals. The Atlanta-based court had to help decide the

fate of Terri Schiavo, the comatose woman whose parent and husband fought all the way to the

the legal system," Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said last month. "No one has refuted that analysis, except his opponets."

"Pryor has compared our love to bestiality, incest and pedophilia," said Kevin Cathcart, executive director of the gay-rights group Lambda Legal. "He says prohibiting anti-gay discrimination is giving us 'special privileges.

## Bush to urge steps to defend democracy in Latin America

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) support democracy where it is - President Bush is stepping into a debate over how far Western Hemisphere governments should go in rescuing countries where political instability threatens democratic survival.

Bush planned to deliver a speech Monday to an Organization of American States foreign ministers meeting after Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice told OAS delegates Sunday night the institution must remain faithful to its prodemocracy charter.

threatened," Rice said. "Wherever a free society is in retreat, a fear society is on the offensive. And the weapon of choice for every authoritarian regime is the organized cruelty of the police state.'

She singled out Bolivia, Ecuador and Haiti as countries that need help in overcoming chronic instability.

vention in the hemisphere.

an instrument of the government in Washington are gone," Chavez said. "Are they going to try, through the OAS, to monitor the Venezuelan government? ... Those who think they can put the peoples of Latin America in a corral are mistaken."

Venezuelan Foreign Minister Ali Rodriguez was expected to deliver a more extended response to Rice's proposal on Monday; however none had come by press time.

Although Rice did not mention Venezuela by name in her remarks, the Bush administration believes that Chavez has been engaged in a systematic power grab, putting Venezuelan democracy at risk.

Rice said she hoped to reach agreement with her OAS colleagues on mechanisms to protect endangered democracies.

Brazil and several other countries were working on a counterproposal to an American draft document. "We'd like to strengthen democracy in the region but we'd also like to avoid intruding mechanisms," Brazilian Foreign Minister Celso Amorim said in a statement.

The OAS meets annually.

"We must act on our charter to

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, delivering a radio address to his countrymen, said the U.S. proposal is a ploy to justify U.S. inter-

"The times in which the OAS was

### Government requiring major dealers in precious metals and gems to help combat money laundering

WASHINGTON (AP) ---The Bush administration, in its latest effort to nab drug lords and terrorist financiers, will require major dealers in gold, diamonds and other precious metals and gems to set up comprehensive antimoney laundering programs.

Treasury The Department's Financial Enforcement, Crimes dubbed FinCen, announced the action on Friday.

Specifically, such dealers will need to take steps including establishing policies and procedures to identify risks and minimize opportunities for abuse, training employees and designating a point person to assess compliance.

The provision applies to dealers who have bought and sold at least \$50,000 worth of precious metals and gems.

Dealers whose activities for the 2005 calendar year fall into that dollar threshold will have until Jan. 1, 2006, to set up anti-money laundering

programs. Given the dollar threshold, most retailers in this industry are not required to set up such programs, a statement issued by FinCen said.

"The dollar threshold is intended to ensure that the rule only applies to persons engaged in the business of buying and selling a significant amount of these items, rather than small businesses, occasional dealers and persons dealing in such items for hobby purposes," the agency said.

The Treasury Department has required a broad range of financial companies to adopt anti-money laundering programs. The issue took on heightened importance after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

"The characteristics of jewels, precious metals and stones that make them valuable also make them potentially vulnerable to those seeking to launder money," said FinCen's director William Fox.

In one money-laundering scheme uncovered by authorities, drug-money cash was exchanged for gold, which was then molded into tools, belt buckles, light switches and other items to be smuggled out of the country.

Congressional investigators have told the Treasury Department it needed to get a firmer grip on how terrorists may be using alternative means.

