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### years, until she quit last July after **Autopsy:** multiple

By MARILYN POWERS

Staff Writer

the reactions of Pampa residents

concerning Friday's quadruple homi-

cides in which Brian and Michell

Conrad, Michell's unborn child, and

"It's devastated our office," said

Ricky Martin, an insurance agent

with Gray County Farm Bureau. "It's

torn us up. Brian was on the board

here, and Michell worked here 10

Zach Doan were shot and killed.

Sorrow and disbelief were among

gunshot

wounds

**By MARILYN POWERS** Staff Writer

A preliminary autopsy report on Zachary Ryan Doan, 14, one of the homicide victims found at a home south of Pampa Friday, states that Doan died of multiple gunshot wounds, said Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez.

Martinez received the information at 8:23 a.m. today from the medical examiner's office Lubbock, where the victims

were autopsied. "Still pending are the toxicology and histology reports," Martinez said. Toxicology reports concern the presence of various harmful substances in the bloodstream or the body. Histology concerns studies

of tissue and cell samples. "A police investigation can also affect autopsy findings," he said this morning.

Complete autopsy results on the homicide victims may take up to 60 days. Preliminary findings on the remaining victims had not been received by Martinez as of press time today.

Brian Conrad, 31, and Michell Conrad, 35, and Doan were found at the

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she became pregnant.

"We enjoyed working with Brian and Michell. They were good people. You can't say enough good about them," he said.

Martin, who has been an agent with the farm bureau for two years, also has memories of Doan. "I used to help Zach a lot with

baseball. He brought me a baseball a couple of months ago. He had written on it.

"I had written instructions about baseball on a ball and given it to him,

and he'd bought a new one and school." copied the instructions on it to give to me," Martin said. "Now, this ball's priceless.

get over this, if we ever get over it. We feel like we've lost family mem-

Doan's death also affected students at Pampa High School, where he was a freshman.

"I think it's just a horrible tragedy," said PHS Principal Danny Seabourn. "It's affected our entire

School counselors were made available Friday and Monday to students who wished to talk about Doan "It'll take us a long, long time to and the shootings, Seabourn said Monday afternoon.

"We also had three or four youth ministers from local churches who came to the school Friday," Seabourn said.

He estimated about 125 students had asked to speak to the counselors

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## A day of cutting hay



Pampa News Photo by DAVID BOWSER

Sam Condo prepares his equipment for one more cutting of hay east of Pampa before forecasted rain moves in later this week.

## Miers nomination causes political conflict

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush asked the Senate today to confirm Harriet Miers' for the Supreme Court by Thanksgiving and urged Democrats to give her a chance to explain her

views of the law and the Constitution. As his White House legal counsel was spending another day meeting with leading Senate Republicans, Bush told a news conference that he was confident she would be a superb justice. But he worried aloud that issues could surface, noting that half of the Democratic members of the Senate had voted against John Roberts, his choice to succeed William H. Rehnquist as chief justice of the United States.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, a former Judiciary Committee chairman, and Finance Committee Chairman Charles Grassley, R-Iowa., was nominated to replace retiring Justice Sandra Day

O'Connor. "I know her. I know her heart. Remember, she was part of the search committee that picked John Roberts," said Bush, who used his Rose Garden news conference to reiterate his credentials as a conservative.

Bush has known Miers for more than 10 years, first as his personal lawyer and most recently as a White House counsel. "When it's all said and done,

Miers, who was meeting today with the American people are going to know what I know: This woman deserves to be on the bench. And she'll bring credit to the bench and to the law," he said.

Facing criticism from conservatives who were disappointed over his . father's choice of Justice David Souter, who has become one of the most liberal members of the court, Bush insisted that Miers was a strict constructionist and a conservative and would stay that way. "She isn't going to change over the course of time," Bush said.

"I have said in the past that I would like a nominee with a proven track

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## Memorabilia sought for Mobeetie museum schoolhouse

MOBEETIE – The Old Mobeetie Jail Museum is seeking furnishings and educational memorabilia for the recently acquired Cataline Schoolhouse.

Museum workers are in the process of restoring the one-room school building which was moved to the museum grounds from the former Allison school district.

Originally built in the Cataline community in southern Hemphill County, the building had resided on the campus of Allison Independent School District for many years. The goal is to create a "working"

1930's classroom that area students may attend and experience. This type of activity has been suc-

cessful in other areas to show children how educational methods have changed and to allow students to step back in time with real life surroundings.

Donations of items that would have been used in a school building during the 1930's are being sought. Needs range from larger items like a volunteers are currently removing

teacher's desk, student desks, coat racks, chalkboards and bookshelves, to everyday items such as books from the period, chalkboards, vintage board games, ink wells, pens, marbles, oil lighting fixtures and any type of 1930's school memorabilia.

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association also welcomes donations to help defray the expense of refurbishing the interior of the oneroom school building.

modern additions to the interior of the building and preparing it for restoration.

Those who wish to donate items, skills or time to the project, please contact Joe VanZandt at 845-2101, Ada Lou Lester at 845-3311 or Bobbye Hill at 826-5512 or 826-

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### **Obituaries**

### Elmer Guen 'Buddy' Allen, 91

Elmer Guen Allen, 91, a Tacoma resident, (Sue), Ronnie Owens (Diane), Aaron Allen died Sept. 25, 2005. He was born in Leedy, (Tiffany); 8 great grandchildren. He loved

Okla., on Nov. 11, 1913, and raised in Strong City, Okla. He then moved to Pampa, Texas, where he worked at Cabot Carbon Black. In 1956, he moved to Tacoma, Wash., and retired from Menasha Corporation November 1978.

He is survived by wife, Olga of 69 years and nine months; children Guen J. Allen (Jan), Ramona G. Owens (Ronald), Patsy J. Rockwell (Don); grandchildren Barbara Masilamani (Sentil), Shannon



Allen

his family and was truly a special

man. Rest in peace, Dad. The family wishes to thank his caregivers and Franciscan Hospice. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the charity of your choice.

Visitation was Wednesday, Sept. 28, from 4-8 p.m. at Fir Lane Funeral Home. Services were at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, 2005, in Fir Lane Memorial Chapel with graveside services following in Fir

Lane Memorial Park. Fir Lane Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Jo Blaylock, 75

McLEAN — Jo Blaylock, 75, died Oct. 4, 2005, at Amarillo, Services are pending.

### Brenda Sue Newman, 43

Brenda Sue Newman, 43, died Sunday, her parents, William and Jo Anne Annis; and Oct. 2nd, in Amarillo.

Campbell (Gary), Troy Rockwell (Ty),

Ronda LeFrancois (Mike), Todd Rockwell

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Highland Park Cemetery with the Rev. Fred Palmer, Pastor of Carpenter's House Church in Pampa, officiating. Interment will be in Highland Park Cemetery under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of

Mrs. Newman was born on June 20, 1962, in Borger. She was a lifetime area resident, a homemaker, and loved to read. She married Norman Newman on Sept. 15, 1979, in Skellytown. She was preceded in death by a second mother.

one sister, Carla Jo Smith.

She is survived by her husband, Norman Newman, of the home; three daughters. Kimberly Michelle Newman, Camilla Renee Newman and Carla Jo Newman, all of Pampa: brother, Billy Jack Annis and his child of Nashville, Tenn.; four sisters, Debra and Dwayne Short and their children of Borger, Renee and Jackie Woods and their children of Skellytown, April Annis and her children of Borger, and Rachel and Troy Brown and their children of Maple Hill, N.C.; and Brenda Phares whom she loved as

### Wanda Lee Sailor, 74

Sailor

Wanda Lee Sailor, 74, of Pampa, Texas, died Oct. 2, 2005, at Amarillo, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, Pampa; one son, Artie Sailor, III of Pampa;

2005, at the First Baptist Church with Dr. Johnny Funderburg, pastor, officiating.

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

Mrs. Sailor was born May 18, 1931, in Kelton and was a lifelong resident of Pampa. She married Artie C. Sailor, Jr., on Aug. 26, 1955, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on Oct. 31, 2004.

She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Theresa Davis and husband James Davis, Jr., of

> three sisters, Odessa Mooney and husband Elwood and Doretta Moore, all of Wheeler, and Oleta Ellis of New Braunfels; two brothers, Odis Calcote and wife Katherine of McLean and Thurman Calcote and wife Linda of Kelton; and three grandchildren, Matricia Davis, Levi Sailor and Laci Sailor, all of Pampa.

> The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066-0621.

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### William Ray Hubbard, 65

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He was a member of the Frogville Fellowship Church of the Brethren in Frogville, Okla. He was a retired Mill Wright worker for Continental Conveyors, and he will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd Bryce Hubbard and Leah Clydus Hubbard; and one sister, Karen Newman.

William is survived by his wife Patricia Hubbard, of the home; two sons, William Bryce Hubbard and wife, Brenda of Frogville, Okla., and William Earl Clark and wife, Lena of Bogata, Texas; three daughters, Sharon Leah Hubbard and husband, Ronnie of Pampa, Texas, Lisa Lavern Reich and husband, Johnny of McAlester, Okla.,

and Amy Katrina Ward and husband, Don of Boswell, Okla.; one brother, John Albert Hubbard of Pampa, Texas; one sister, Mary Elizabeth Chitwood of Hugo, Okla.; 11 grandchildren, Sunny La Sha Thralls, Johnny Ray Reich, Jami Ann Reich, Jordan Holmes, Nathanael William Holmes, Autumn Faith Lowrance, Jacob Floyd Reich, Alexia Celeste Ward, Courtney Clark, Keeton Clark and Kole Clark; and five greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of . Prater-Lampton-Mills & Coffey Funeral Home Chapel in Hugo, Okla. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Prater-Lampton-Mills & Coffey Funeral Home Chapel with William Bryce Hubbard and Gregory Thralls officiating. Interment will be in Fort Towson

The family will receive friends Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2005, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Prater-Lampton-Mills & Coffey Funeral Home Chapel in Hugo, Okla.

### Ralph E. Jackson, Sr., 82

AMARILLO - Ralph E. Jackson, Sr., 82, Pampa. a former Pampa resident, died Oct. 4, 2005, at Amarillo. Services are pending with www.carmichael-whatley.com. Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of

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Emergency Services

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

Monday, Oct. 3

Brian Keith Whatley, 24, address unknown, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and a probation violation.

Orivil Lee Keese, 56, Alanreed, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety for no driver's license, no insurance, operating an unregistered vehicle, following too closely, and driving while intoxicat-

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Monday, Oct. 3

Three traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the 600 block of Deane Drive and the 1300 block of North Starkweather.

A vehicle accident was reported at the intersection of Harvester and Evergreen streets. Driving while intoxicated was also reported concerning the accident, and an arrest was made.

An animal complaint was received from the 1000 block of Duncan.

Warrant service was attempted at one location.

A civil matter was reported in the 1800 block of Coffee. Law enforcement assis-

tance was rendered at City Hall and at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Emergency medical services assistance was rendered in the 100 block of North Faulkner.

Fire department assisance was rendered in the 1100 block of South

A welfare check was made in the 600 block of East Craven.

One suicide attempt was

A runaway was reported in the police department One residential alarm and

one business alarm were reported. Found property was

reported in the 700 block of Roberta. A bicycle was found.

Found property

reported in the 2200 block of Dogwood. Approximately \$417 in cash and a camera valued at \$10 were found.

Found property was reported in the 2200 block of Chestnut. A bicycle was found.

A suspicious person call was received from the 600 block of North Hobart. A silent/abusive 911 call

was received from the 1200 block of North Wells. Telephone harassment was reported in the 2100

block of North Sumner. A domestic dispute was reported in the 1000 block of East Foster. Minor injuries

were reported. A domestic disturbance was reported on two occasions in the 2600 block of

North Hobart. Burglary was reported in the 400 block of West

Harvester. Burglary was reported in the 1700 block of Coffee. A shotgun was taken.

Forgery was reported in the police department lobby. The incident concerned a check for \$675 and occurred in the 400 block of

Harvester. Theft was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 1600 block of Somerville and concerned a check for

Theft was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in a parking lot in the 2800 block of Charles. A purse, wallet, money, medications, an electric phone, and a bank card were stolen, resulting in

mately \$1,065. Theft was reported in the police department lobby, concerning credit card

a loss valued at approxi-

A call concerning a theft was reported in the 400

block of West Harvester.

Haley Esther Maddox, 19, 1210 E. Francis, was arrested in the 1000 block of East Foster for assault causing bodily injury/family vio-

Katherine Leona Sullivan, 22, 805 N. Nelson Apt. B, was arrested in the 800 block of North Nelson for injury to a child.

Jordan Back, 19, 1815 N.

Hamilton, was arrested at intersection Evergreen and Harvester streets for driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident today.

Wednesday, Sept. 26 2:38 p.m. - A 1998 Chevrolet Venture, driven Michelle Cindy Chambles, 24, Alanreed, and a 1986 Oldsmobile Cutlass, driven by Brittney Christine Cox, 17, 318 N. Gillespie, collided in the 100 block of East Francis. No injuries were reported. Cox was cited for expired registration. Chambles was cited for failure to yield right of way while turning

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

Monday, Oct. 3 7:46 a.m. - One unit and five personnel responded to the 100 block of Faulkner on a medical assist.

2:56 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to the 1100 block of Sumner on a smoke scare.

10:49 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 1900 block of Coffee on a medical assist.

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Monday, Oct. 3

7:45 a.m. - A mobilé ICU unit responded to the 100 block of North Faulkner and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

8:20 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky and transported a patient to PRMC.

3:44 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

4:31 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of West Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

10:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Coffee and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Tuesday, Oct. 4

12:39 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of Henry and transported a patient to PRMC.

2:03 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Dean and Bradley and transported a patient to PRMC.

2:55°a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Hilton Road and transported a patient to

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## Business Review

## Construction firm has its eye on the details

Pete Ward was a talented Building Trades student, and at 17 years old he made a decision to compete in a district contest with his peers. His confidence was boosted when he won first place. With his new-found interest in competing, he went on to win at the regional level as well. This only fueled his confidence for the State level competition, and Pete knew with his desire to build things with his hands and his attention to detail he could do whatever he set his mind to.

Pete won the State competition in 1975 as a Senior at Caprock High School, and he hasn't stopped building things since.

Pete started his career in the building business working part-time as a framer and going to school. He was fortunate enough to be able to build Pizza Huts and Taco Villas in the Amarillo area and to start out learning commercial construction as well.

Ward Builders & Design, Inc., has built gymnasiums and portables for school districts in Amarillo. The firm has built other commercial businesses showrooms in Amarillo. Commercial building is interesting, and with all the State regulations you must be on your best game. The firm's commercial building experiences have made house building a breeze.

"It's always best if a builder has had hands-on experience, actually strapping on a tool belt and doing the work yourself," Pete said. "I started out as a framer, and I figure I had framed over 200 homes before I became a Builder. I was job supervisor for several builders



Pete Ward, of Ward Builders & Design, Inc., has built gymnasiums and portables for school districts in Amarillo. The firm has built other commercial businesses and showrooms in Amarillo.

business before I decided I was seasoned enough to be a builder."

Pete found himself back at Caprock High School, except this time he was the Building Trades instructor, teaching students how to build houses. Pete took a group of kids each year for 16 years and taught them each phase of construction from the ground up all the way to "Open House."

"Teaching Building Trades allowed

and learned the 'ends and outs' of the me the freedom of having the summer season off to build custom homes with my own company. We are very proud of the reputation that we have in the building business. Today, there are so many new builders out there that don't have 'hands-on' experience, and I believe the customer deserves more than that. Building your home is one of your largest investments, and hands-on experience from your builder should be a prerequisite," Pete said.

As a builder, you absolutely need to know every phase of construction. Details are so important, from the very beginning of picking out house plans and bidding the job to installing the homeowner's new door locks and handing them the keys to their new

Pete said, "We enjoy building custom homes, and interaction with the homeowner is a detail that most builders overlook. In these fast-paced times, most builders find it easier to build spec homes as opposed to custom homes because they don't have to bother with details or the homeowner. We have formed many great friendships with our customers and have ongoing relationships with them still."

"My wife Tammi," Pete continued, "has a wonderful gift of design and decorating. She works with our customers, helping them with paint colors, wall finishes and other decorating tips

"Honesty and Integrity are top priorities with us at Ward Builders & Design, Inc. We offer 'old-fashioned' customer service with attention to detail. We only build what you want and what you can afford, whether it be your home or your commercial building. We are licensed and registered in good standing with The State of Texas and the Texas Residential Construction Commission," Pete concluded.

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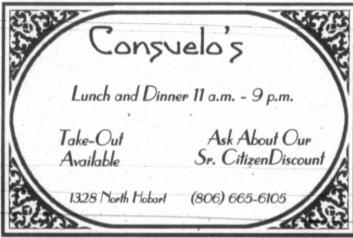
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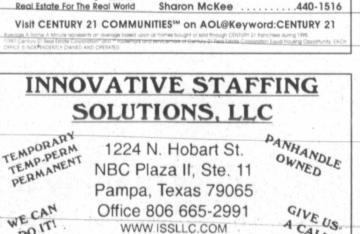
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# Viewpoints

## Exactly how much is too much?

A friend of mine has a me for more information on catchy comment whenever the subject. someone relates a story to her that is too graphic, too News has printed stories personal, or too whatever. and/or photos of the tragedy, She says "TMI," meaning "too much information," sometimes while making the "T" for "time out" symbol with her hands.

It is a sad fact that people say newspapers don't carry any good news, while at the same time, the papers that sell out are the ones with the most sensational or heinous and therefore can't be reportstories on the front page.

An example is the recent Friday south of Pampa.

go, ever since the news first got out that the homicides had happened, people ask

Each day that The Pampa the newspaper has sold every copy.

I explain to the people wanting more details that all I know for sure is what is in the stories I have written on the homicides, and anything else I have heard is not from an official source or from my own firsthand observations ed as fact.

Sometimes people tell me homicides which occurred what they have heard regardthe shootings. It seems that everywhere I Sometimes they express their feelings about the

It can be very easy to give

few details that one hears repeatedly from different sources, yet are neither confirmed or denied or even offered by officials directly involved in the case.

Marilyn

**Powers** 

Staff Writer

Sometimes those details turn out to be Other they times, are not.

if Even they are true, it would be

irresponsible to publicize information that may jeopardize the investigation, mislead the public, be libelous, endanger anyone, or otherwise serve no purpose except to wallow in gossip.

It is generally acceptable

in to temptation and add a to state that someone said "no comment" in answer to a question. At the same time, it is a tightrope walk to balance the public's desire to know with the need to restrain oneself from repeat-

> ing information that hasn't been provided by someone considered a reliable

In this case, reliable sources are the law enforcement agencies who are investigating the shootings, along with other officials involved in the case, such as the justice of the peace who

ordered the autopsies.

Another reliable source would be anyone who witnessed the crime personally. I'm sure the aforementioned law enforcement officers would love to talk to them,

So far, only one person has expressed the opinion that The Pampa News has printed too much information on the homicides.

The person, who gives an Amarillo address, said that it was irresponsible to publish the information visible on the outside of the mailbox which is across Highway 70 from the house where the shootings occurred. The reason for this concern was that it might be a case of providing information that law

enforcement wished to be kept quiet so as not to jeopardize the investigation or put others in danger.

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The mailbox information was included in Sunday's story in this newspaper. Also on Sunday, at least one Amarillo television station broadcast the names and ages of the victims, and their obituaries appeared in the Amarillo newspaper. The obituaries were faxed to The Pampa News also and were received Saturday, but too late to be in the Sunday paper.

Too much information? Not enough? There will always be people on both sides. The trick is to write just the facts, ma'am.

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 4, the 277th day of 2005. There are 88 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 4, 1957, the Space Age began as the Soviet Union launched Sputnik, the first man-made satellite, into orbit. On this date:

In 1777, George Washington's troops launched an assault on the British at Germantown, Pa., resulting in heavy American casualties.

In 1822, the 19th president of the United States, Rutherford B. Hayes, was born in Delaware, Ohio.

In 1931, the comic strip "Dick Tracy," created by Chester Gould, made its debut.

Knowledge is like a garden: if it is not cultivated, it cannot be harvested."

Guinean saying

In 1940, Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini conferred at Brenner Pass in the Alps, where the Nazi leader sought Italy's help in fighting the British.

In 1957, the television series "Leave Ido Beaver" premiered on

In 1965, Pope Paul VI became the first reigning pontiff to visit the Western Hemisphere as he addressed the U.N. General Assembly.

In 1970, rock singer Janis Joplin, 27, was found dead in her Hollywood hotel room.

In 1978, funeral services were held at the Vatican for Pope

In 1980, some 520 people were forced to abandon the cruise ship Prisendam in the Gulf of Alaska after the Dutch luxury liner caught fire — no deaths or serious injury result-

In 1985, Islamic Jihad issued a statement saying it had killed American hostage William Buckley. (Fellow hostage David Jacobsen, however, later said he believed Buckley had died of torture injuries four months earlier.)

Ten years ago: Pope John Paul II arrived in the United States for a five-day visit. Hurricane Opal battered the Florida panhandle.

Five years ago: Amid fresh bloodshed in the West Bank and Gaza, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright brought Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat together for talks in Paris. In an apparent attempt to buy time for Slobodan Milosevic, Yugoslavia's highest court invalidated parts of the presidential election after thousands of opposition supporters forced police to back off from seizing a strikebound mine.

One year ago: The SpaceShipOne rocket plane broke through Earth's atmosphere to the edge of space for the second time in five days, capturing the \$10 million Ansari X prize aimed at opening the final frontier to tourists.



## Market allocation frees up resources

people were killed when a bus carrying 38 Houston nursing home residents and six employees caught fire in a traffic jam. It's thought that oxygen tanks used by elderly evacuees had a role in the fire. Given the hurricane predictions for Houston and Galveston, one can't blame officials-for ordering evacuations, but the lesson to be learned is evacuations can be costly. In addition to injuries and loss of life, when evacuations are ordered, there are costs associated with opportunistic criminal behavior were reports of in Houston.

Hurricane Rita provided us with another evacuation lesson as millions sought to Houston and

Evacuations are not a Galveston. Gasoline stations benign process. Twenty-four ran out of gas leaving hun- uation order came, there was you think they might do if dreds of motorists stranded.\* an immediate change in the they expected to pay \$2.75 a Many abandoned their cars. Police officers were motorists whose tanks were the empty.

Texas authorities Walter also asked Williams t h e Pentagon "Columnist for help in getting gas

to stranded motorists. Much of the blame for the shortage rests at the feet of Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, who such as looting, which there recently ordered that penalties of up to \$20,000 be imposed per incident of price-gouging. You say, "How come you blame Greg Abbott?" Let's look at it.

demand conditions for gasoline; namely, demand deployed to earry gas to became much greater than available supply.

Retailers, in fear of prosecution by the attorney general, didn't do what would

brought demand more in line with the available supplies of

gasoline - raise prices. Suppose a family evacuating Houston chose to make a 146-mile drive to stay with relatives in Austin. Their car has a half a tank of gasoline - plenty to get to Austin but just to be safe, they

When the hurricane evac- decide to fill up. What do gallon but when they got to the gas station they found the gas selling for \$3.75? I bet they'd say, "The heck with that; we'll fill up in Austin." That's wonderful; they've voluntarily made gas available for someone running out of gas. In my book, for a motorist who's running on empty, gas available at \$3.75 a gallon is preferable to gas being unavailable at \$2.75 a gallon.

> Attorney General Abbott also threatened legal action against what he called "unconscionable pricing" by hotels. Take that same family. The husband might have said, "Honey, I don't feel like driving all the way to

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## Authorities making up relief efforts as they go

■ Sept. 26

The Dallas Morning News on Hurricane Rita efforts:

"So now there's still no plan, for fuel or anything else, to get folks back home except 'Don't come back." A quote from Good Ol' Dan on Houston's KHOU-TV message board

Yes, Dan, authorities are still making it up as they go, to a point. Hurricane Rita had that effect, scaring the stuffing out of the nation's fourth-largest city and causing an unprecedented nearinstant migration of 2.5 million people away from coastal Texas.

They exhausted everything in their path, gasoline,

highway capacity, motel rooms, emergency shelters, tempers and many contingencies in the

planning manual. Now they

are headed back under blue skies and accord-

ing to an ad hoc plan that encourages staggered arrivals and guarantees gripes from those who don't tolerate inconven-

Despite the spectacle of huge traffic jams, the massive undertaking has to be judged a success if measured by the one statistic that mat-

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A relieved Gov. Rick Perry yesterday Texas Thoughts said that

The Dallas Morning News

pummeled and drenched East Texas and Louisiana over the weekend, untold numbers of citizens were where they needed to be: out of harm's way.

A cruel statistic is the evacuation-related death toll of 24 nursing home residents from Houston whose char-

ters most: loss of life after tered bus burst into flames near Dallas. Pinpointing the cause is important to more safely evacuating this fragile population in the future and overcoming the obstacles of transporting oxygen tanks and their special needs.

Many Texans will ask the inevitable question of whether it was proper to evacuate these older residents or, for that matter, much of Houston, which ended up slipping Rita's punch.

The answer is an emphat-

The process began as Rita appeared headed toward the

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### Miers

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record on important issues to all Americans and whose judicial philosophy is well-formed," said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., one of Congress' most fervent anti-abortion lawmakers. "I am not yet confident that Ms. Miers has a proven track record."

The conservative National Review, in a Monday editorial, called the Miers nomination a "missed opportunity."

"Being a Bush loyalist and friend is not a qualifica-

tion for the Supreme Court. She may have been the best pick from within Bush's inner circle," the magazine said. "It seems impossible to maintain that she was the best pick from any larger field. It seems highly unlikely that she will be the kind of justice who, in combination with Roberts, Scalia, and Thomas, will attract additional votes by the sheer force of her argu-

In a round of television interviews Tuesday, White House counselor Dan Bartlett sought to reassure conservatives who have expressed concern that Miers might not be conser-

ing in, and we're pursuing

every lead," Chief Deputy

Kelly Rushing of the sher-

iff's office said this morn-

vative enough for their tastes because she had no strong record on hot-button issues like abortion and gay rights.

"She shares President Bush's judicial outlook and that is that justices shouldn't be creating law from the bench, they should be strictinterpret Constitution," Bartlett said on CBS' "The Early Show."

Bartlett said that Bush had not asked Miers her views on issues like abortion or gay rights. "President Bush thinks it's very important not to impose a litmus test on judicial candidates," Bartlett

### "We still have leads comafternoon.

Sheriff Don Copeland declined to comment on the morning.

"Limited information is being given to maintain the integrity of the evidence,"



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house after a 911 call was received at about 7:15 a.m. Friday to report a shooting. Michell Conrad was pregnant at the time of her death.

Gray County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Rangers are heading the investigation into the homicides.

"Each lead is being followed with all diligence. Also, some suspects have

been identified and are being carefully scrutinized," said Trooper Daniel Hawthorne, public information officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety in Childress, in a press release dated Monday

identification of suspects in the multiple shooting this

Hawthorne said. Funeral services for the

four are at 2 p.m. today at First Baptist Church, with interment at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

## Reaction

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about the homicides. Classes at PHS ended at 1:30 p.m. today so that any students and staff members who wished to attend the funeral could do so, he said.

"I think the main thing is that in times such as these, it's time to reflect on what is really valuable and important in our personal lives," said the Rev. Lynn

Hancock, minister of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, where the family were members. "It also shows us how fragile life is and how we need each other, and how we need God in our everyday lives."

### Rita

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Austin to stay with your mother and father; let's rent a room." When they get to the hotel, the rooms are no longer \$75 a night but \$150. The husband says, "OK,

Market allocation isn't the only way to make sure people economize on resources that have suddenly become scarce. Texas officials resorted to pleading with motorists not to top off their tanks. Their pleas were ignored. What Texas officials could have done was to place anti-top off officers at every gas sta- inferior outcome.

tion to make sure people weren't buying more gas than they needed to get to their evacuation destination. Texas officials also could have stationed hotel officers at every hotel. The job of the hotel officer would be to query potential guests as to whether they had nearby relatives or friends with whom they could spend a night or two. If they had relatives or friends within a reasonable distance, such I'll put up with the in-laws." That's won- as my example of the husband and wife derful, too. They've made a room avail- with relatives in Austin, the hotel officer would tell them to hit the road. Would measures such as these have been preferable to rising prices or the unavailability of gas and lodging?

Don't get me wrong. There's nothing pleasant about rising prices in the wake of a disaster. My argument is that not allowing the market mechanism to allocate suddenly scarce resources produces the

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coast as a chart-topping Category 5 do it better the next time.

storm. One of the tragic lessons of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans just last month was that hesitation is foolhardy and often fatal.

The lessons of Rita should be how to

### Events calendar

Association Presents "Live on Stage" 2005-06 concert series includes the following programs: Edgar Cruz, guitarist, Oct. 23; Susan Egan, Broadway vocalist, Feb. 18, 2006; St. Petersburg Classic Ballet, March 4, 2006; and The Coats, vocal harmonic band, April 30, 2006. Additional concerts, featuring with other performers, have been scheduled in area towns. For more information on any of these events or a complete area concert schedule, contact Ronnie Holmes, PCCA president, at 665-2631. PCCA memberships are available.

· Kwahadi Kiva Indian Museum in Amarillo will play host to the "20th annual Indian Summer performances" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 7, 8, and 29. Dinner is available. For more information, call the museum at (806) 335-3175.

. The Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Oct. 10

 Pampa Community Concert and 19, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; and 12:30-4 p.m., Oct. 10, City Hall, Canadian.

 Golden Spread Gem & Mineral Society's annual "Jewelry, Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show and Sale" will be staged Oct. 15-16 at Amarillo Civic Center. The event will include working demonstrations and a Wheel of Fortune for kids. Exhibitors from across America will be on hand with minerals, jewelry, wirewrapping, faceting, fossils and gem stones. Door prizes will be given away will be given away hourly with a grand prize drawing to be held at 5 p.m. Oct. 16. Show hours will be 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 15 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 16. Admission donation will be \$2.

. The local Girl Scout council is seeking adult volunteers to help out with the program. To find out more, call (806) 8740-3372 or 1-800-687-8740.

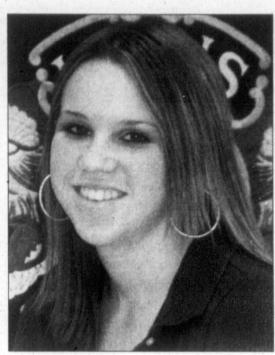
 Just Between Friends in Amarillo will be supporting the Eveline Rivers Christmas Project by collecting donations of gently used winter coasts or stuffed animals. For more information or to make a donation, call (806) 355-4256.

 The reunion of the USS Cascade AD-16 is planned for Oct. 9-16 at Branson, Mo. For more information, contact Lyle "Preacher" Burchette, P.O. Box 566, Hollister, MO 65673, (417) 334-5627; or Bob Croghan, Sr., 7827 Cassia Court, St. Louis, MO 63123, (314) 843-6615.

### **Lions Club Sweetheart**

Stacianne Novian, daughter of Carl and Dale Ann Novian, is Pampa Lions Club September Sweetheart of the Month. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include freshman basketball, sophomore and junior track, varsity cheerleader (two years), concert choir (three years), senior cheerleader captain, junior and senior ASTRA representative, choir activities coordinator, 1 in solo and ensemble

competition (three years), chorus member of the musical "Once Upon A Mattress," dancer in musical "Oklahoma," and 2004 All District Choir member. Her future plans are to pursue a degree in elementary education from West Texas A&M University. During the summer of 2007, she plans on interning for Frontliners and then later interning for Sterling Edwards at University Baptist Church in Houston. She currently works at Create-A-Beat.



Stacianne Novian

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## Dear Abby.

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading the letter from "Standing on Principle," who thinks she should get \$5 a week for driving her 17-year-old niece to work half a mile away. Because it is such a short distance, that girl should WALK to work!

Our nation is growing fatter and fatter, more and more out of shape physically, because of less and less exercise and active play, and more and more computer and video games. I am a registered nurse who sees a lot of people in ill health. I know that a major portion of that ill health could be avoided or improved by eating a healthy diet, being active and losing weight.

I understand that for some people it's hard to get in that mind-set. But it's a simpler, far less expensive solution to health care than medications, tests and more tests, and frequent doctor/hospital visits, to say nothing of a poor quality of life.

Adults need to think about this, not only for themselves but also for their children -who are at increased danger of diabetes, etc. because of poor lifestyle habits. -- A **VERMONT NURSE** 

**DEAR VERMONT NURSE**: You are not the only reader who was quick to point out that a half-mile walk isn't a hardship. The face with the egg on it is mine. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: With regard to "Standing on Principle in Knoxville," who "needs" a ride to work every day, I think a couple of points are in order.

First, it's not unreasonable for that girl to pay for gas. She is earning a few bucks, I expect. But if she's going a mile a day five days a week, even an SUV would make a profit on \$5. How about \$5 a month?

My other point is really the reason for this letter: Why does that kid need a ride? Unless she lives in the worst neighborhood in all of Maryland, she could easily walk -- and it would do her some serious good to do so. I'm older than dirt and had a coronary bypass nine months ago, and I walk a couple of miles every morning without fail. If I can do it, why can't she? -- WALKING ON PRINCIPLE IN SAN JOSE

DEAR WALKING ON PRINCIPLE: That's a good question -- and one that only the young lady can answer.

**DEAR ABBY**: I charge my son for driving him to and from work, not because I need the money but because he needs to understand that there are costs associated with transportation. He earns a reasonable wage, and the amount I expect is just sufficient enough to let him know that nothing is free, and therefore he should plan his expenses carefully. My time is valuable, but I give it willingly.

That niece should understand that \$5 is less than a taxi, and certainly more convenient than a bus. -- MARC L., CLEARWA-TER, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: There's another way to look at that situation. Years ago, our local chamber of commerce sent 10 underprivileged kids to two weeks of overnight camp. Five of them paid \$5 and five paid nothing. Upon their return, we received five thankyou notes from the ones who paid. We heard nothing from those who attended for free. I think people only put a value on things that cost them something. --PENNY C., PARADISE VALLEY, ARIZ.

### For Better Or Worse







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### **Beetle Bailey**





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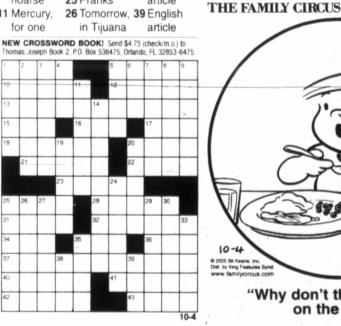






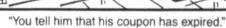
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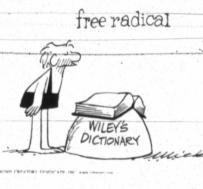
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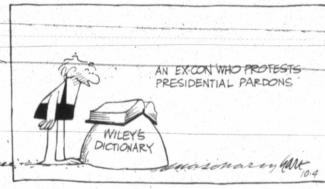
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### **Blondie**







# Sports Day

Kevin Frels lost to Keegan Bain 6-2, 4-6, (10-5)

Landon McNeely lost to C.J. Gresham 0-6, 6-1, (10-6)

Tyler Morris lost to Ryan Wilhelm 6-1, 6-2

Myca Vinson def. Jessie Lucero 6-0, 6-4

Lacie Long def. Maria Phothisen 6-2, 6-3

Haley Acker lost to Abbi Moore 6-3, 6-2

Vinson/Long def. Lucero/Bernal 6-1, 6-3

Lucus/Stowers def. Phothisen/Jimenez 6-3, 6-4

Patterson/Julian lost to Bain/Woodrum 6-7(8-6),

Acker/Farmer lost to Moore/Brown 6-2, 2-6, (10-8)

Ashlee Lucus def. Addyson Woodrum 6-2, 6-1

Tanna Stowers lost to Maria Bernal 6-0, 4-6, (10-4)

Kourtney Farmer def. Desi Jimenez 6-2, 5-7, (10-4)

Maegan Patterson lost to April Coon 6-2, 2-6, (10-2)

Foreman/Frels def. Green/Hallmark 6-2, 7-6(7-3)

Fortenberry/Smith lost to Cochran/Wilhelm 6-2, 6-0

Morris/McNeely lost to Vincent/DeShazo 7-6(9-7), 6-4

## PHS tennis team suffers first district loss of season, hosts Caprock this afternoon

Girls Singles

**Boys Doubles** 

**Girls Doubles** 

**Mixed Doubles** 

6-4, (10-3)

The Harvester Tennis Team suffered its first district loss Saturday falling to Dumas, 11-8.

The match remained close coming out of doubles with the score 3-4, Dumas leading. Pampa managed to tie the match at 7-7 before Dumas took all but one of the remaining matches to win.

"It's always disappointing to lose but we have to keep our heads up and know that we can still win district," said Coach Emily Laurence.

Pampa now enters a 3 way tie for first with Dumas and Palo Duro. "There were a lot of close matches against Dumas that could have gone either way," Laurence said. "We'll look forward to playing them again in the second half of district play and this time we'll have a different out-

The Harvesters will face Caprock today in Amarillo before starting the second half of district with Randall coming to Pampa Saturday.

### Dumas 13, Pampa 8

**Boys Singles** 

Jareth Fortenberry lost to Jade Green 6-4, 6-3 Nick Julian lost to Josh Hallmark 6-2, 6-2 Steven Smith def. Aaron Vincent 6-0, 6-0

Teams face Caprock today

**Texas High School Poll** 

Here is The Associated Press' high school poll for Oct. 3, with first place votes in parentheses, season record, points based on

10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1, and the team's ranking last week.

The tennis team is 3-1.

Volleyball (home)

Varsity @ 7:30 p.m.

Caprock @ 4:30 p.m.

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JV @ 6 p.m.

Tennis (away)

PAMPA IN ACTION

The Pampa High School

The Lady Harvester var-

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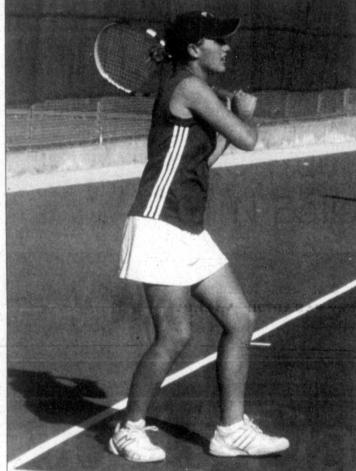
ing for its second district

win of the season.

1. Southlake Carroll (20)

Michael Foreman lost to Heath Cochran 6-2, 6-4

## Waiting the return



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Ashlee Lucus warms up prior to last week's match at Palo Duro.

### Rangers will not offer Rogers new contract

DALLAS (AP) -Kenny Rogers will not return to the Texas Rangers, who are cutting their ties with the pitcher best remembered this year for throwing a tantrum and shoving two television cameramen.

The Rangers said in a statement Monday that the 40-year-old lefty will not be offered a contract for 2006. He will become a free agent.

"The Texas Rangers organization would like to thank Kenny Rogers for his efforts over the last two seasons and during his entire Rangers career," general manager John Hart said. "As we look at 2006 and beyond, we feel it is in the club's best interests to move forward without him."

Rogers' agent, Scott Boras, didn't immediately return a phone message.

The team offered no further comment. Hart was scheduled to meet with the media Tuesday to discuss the 2005 season and the team's plans for the offsea-

Rogers was 14-8 with a 3.46 ERA, and was an All-Star for the second straight year. But what most people will recall about his third stint with Texas, and 12th season overall with the team, was the videotaped tirade June 29 in which he shoved the cameramen while walking onto the field.

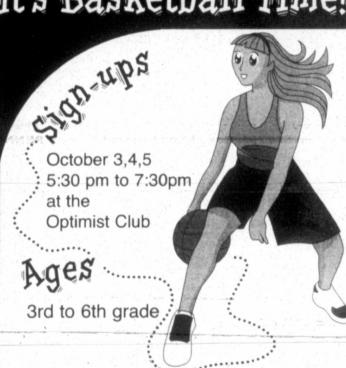
While appealing his 20game suspension, which eventually was reduced to 13 games, Rogers pitched in the All-Star game and was booed by fans at Comerica Park in Detroit. As an All-Star, he earned a \$50,000 contract bonus the same amount he was fined.

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Spring Westfield 164 3. Longview 5. Euless Trinity 6. Katy 103 8. Copperas Cove Dallas Carter 10. Schertz Clemens Dropped out: No. 10 Tyler Lee

Others receiving votes: Smithson Valley 13, Galena Park North Shore 10, Leander 9, Irving MacArthur 3, Austin Westlake 1.

Class 4A

Class 5A

School	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. La Marque (17)	4-0	195	mini minimum	
2. Dallas Highland Park (2)	5-0	178	2	
3 Stephenville (1)	5-0	153	3	
4. Brenham	4-0	135	4	
5. Wollforth Frenship	5-0	103	6	
6. Marshall	4-1	88	7	
7. Texarkana	4-1	66	8	
8. Ennis	4-1	50	9	energia.
9. Austin Lake Travis	5-0	38	10	
10. Kilgore	4-1	24	5	
Others receiving votes: Rosen	berg Terry	/ 19, Co	orpus Chri	sti
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3. Sweetwater (2)	5-0	153	3	_
4. Snyder	6-0	135	4	
5. Cameron Yoe	5-0	103	5	
6. Tatum (1)	6-0	88	6	-
7. Wimberley	5-0	66	7	
8. Sinton	5-0	50	8	
9. Gainesville	4-0	38	9	
10. Abilene Wylie	4-1	24	10	
Others receiving votes:	Daingerfield 5.	Giddings 5	5. Bellville	5

Marlin 4, Van 2, Monahans 2, Brownsboro 1, Dallas Madison 1,

Class 2A			
School	Rec	Pts	Pvs
1. Newton (13)	3-0	192	1
2. Celina (6)	5-0	186	2
3. Omaha Pewitt (1)	6-0	161	3
4. Canadian	5-0	135	4
5. Crawford	5-0	97	7
6. Brookshire-Royal	3-1	87	6
7. Wall	5-0	62	9
8. Mart	4-1	58	8
9. Alto	4-1	35	5
10. Salado	4-1	28	F .
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Groesbeck 1, Columbia 1.

Harleton 1

Dropped out: No. 10 Colorado City Others receiving votes: Crane 19, Bangs 15, Sonora 9, Olney 6, Post 4 Kerens 3, Hughes Springs 2, Colorado City 1,

Class A School	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. Chilton (15)	6-0	192	1	
2. Big Sandy	5-0	186	2	
3. Windthorst (4)	5-0	168	3	
4. Goldthwaite (1)	5-0	131	4	
5. Normangee	5-0	117	5	
6. New Deal	4-1	90	6	
7. Haskell	5-0	68	7	
8. Stratford	5-0	52	9	
9. Roscoe	5-0	45 .	10	
10. Bremond Others receiving votes: Axt	4-1	28	8	

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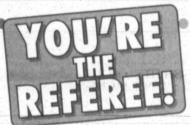


For me it is a pleasure The teacher said I to let you go first! should go first because I have to help her.



Be Prepared! One good way to quickly resolve a conflict is by thinking about it ahead of time. What will you do next time someone cuts in front of you in line?

Standards Link: Health/Conflict Resolution: Students know strategies



It's your fault, Tyler! You

haven't done anything

for this project!

Alexis and Tyler have a science project due today. It isn't ready. Look at the ways in which Tyler and Alexis are handling their conflict. Decide if they are acting FAIR or FOUL. Can you name the **FAIR** and **FOUL** things they are doing?

anything? You

Dalso called revenge.

Standards Link: Health/Conflict Resolution: Students know possible cause of conflicts in school and strategies to prevent them.

Alexis. After all, we didn't get the were both responsible materials! You for this project.

It makes me feel mad | How could I do

when you blame me,



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**STORY** 

**FIRST** 

**AVOID** 

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Calling me names

won't get our project

done. Let's ask the



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Then, next time you are faced with a conflict, Genie will help you and your friends reach a solution at random!



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow written directions.

Double Find the words in the puzzle, **PREPARED** then in this week's Kid Scoop CELEBRATE stories and activities. **BLAME** 

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Has this ever happened to you?

Liz runs her fastest to get to the front of the line, but Bill beats

Liz STOPS and THINKS. The next thing she does could make

the conflict worse. This would be a FOUL. Look at the fouls

described on the FOUL card. Do they sound

try?

familiar to you?

Liz could try one of

resolve her conflict.

card. Which one do

you think she should

Cutline

**Cut Ups** 

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newspaper photo

is called a cutline.

Cut out three news

photos and their

cutlines. Cut apart

the photos and

their cutlines. Give

a partner the three

photos and the

three cutlines and see if he/she can

match them.

Standards Link: Language

Arts/Research: Students understand the layout of

Okay! I'll come over

after school and

we'll finish the

project!

the FAIR ways to

Look at the FAIR

her. Liz feels angry. How would you feel? What would you

oday is a special day for Liz and her

class. They have just finished

reading a book about how kids lived

long ago. After recess, there will be a surprise snack to celebrate. Riiiinnng!

"There goes the bell," yells Bill. "Last

one in line is a rotten egg!"

Sometimes it is better to give in and

let the other person have her/his way.

Another way to avoid a conflict is to

leave when a conflict starts. . .

A good laugh works miracles.

not at the person.

Ordering people around.

**EEEMONE** 

own way.

Remember to laugh at the problem,

Making up a story in order to get your

Planning to get back at the other person

blove.

### **News Photos**

The photographs that go with a newspaper article can give more information and create a feeling about a news event.

Review the reporter's notes about the news event. If you have been following this activity the last two weeks, you have written a lead and a headline for this news article. Today you are going to select a photograph.

1. Review the reporter's notes of the event:

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REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK

Pete's Pizza Parlor near downtown mall police find gorilla in kitchen wearing chef's coat

gorilla's name is Cuddles

Cuddles escaped from the Nada Vista Zoo

Police Chief Mike Jenkins responded to call from a neighbor who saw the lights go on after the pizza parlor was supposed to be closed.

The call came in to the police department at midnight.

Police arrived at Pete's at 12:15 AM



2. Which picture would you use? Write a cutline to go with the photo you select.

Standards Link: Language Arts / Research: Understand the organization of newspapers.

This week's word: **HUMOR** 

**Humor** is something that makes people laugh or feel amused.

The **humor** in the story made the whole class laugh.

Use the word humor in a sentence today when talking with your friends, parents or teachers.

## BEYOND Kid Scoop

### **Values We Share**

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Values are basic beliefs or standards which an individual or society live by. Find examples in the newspaper of people demonstrating their value systems. Is conflict resolution valued? Does your community share values?

Standards Link: Social Science: Students recognize ways in which they are all part of the same community sharing values and beliefs.

What can you lose that will make an argument even worse?

ANSWER: Your temper!

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others this year, but also on yourself. Re-

evaluate expectations, friendships and

goals. Perhaps what you want is no

longer reflective of who you are. You

have a natural talent that could help you

make money, if you don't go hog-wild

with spending. The tendency to go to

extremes marks your year. A child or

loved one might be pulling the wool over

your eyes, and you might not care. If you

are single, a relationship takes on a mag-

ical quality, though at times there might

be glimmers of reality. If you are

attached, you adore your sweetie and

always see him or her in the best possible

light. Work with SCORPIO to make

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

\*\*\* A partner or associate needs to

discuss what is on his or her mind, even

if you would rather not. A conversation

could be quite healing, as long as you

both are clear about what is said. An ele-

ment of confusion runs through the day.

\*\*\* How you approach others could

allow even more good feelings to evolve.

In fact, much that is said and done right

now could be very healing. A boss could

be confusing, as usual. Avoid difficult

situations if possible. Tonight: Happy at

4-Positive;

Have: 5-Dynamic;

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Tonight: A one-on-one talk.

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side. Sometimes even you can be hard-

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dency to overindulge, especially if frus-

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you down an unusual path, introduce you

to a new friend or energize your relation-

ship. Don't take a financial risk. What

occurs can only backfire. Avoid money

matters. Tonight: Playful doesn't need to

\*\*\* You could cause yourself prob-

lems by being negative. You have many

serious issues on your mind, but don't

allow these situations to flow into other

areas of your life. Confusion surrounds

relationships. You can be sure that you

are not seeing the whole person. Tonight:

\*\*\* Speak your mind, and others

might react strongly. You could feel a bit

down. Your imagination and your need to

pitch in come out. Though these gifts

bring satisfaction, you need to be aware

of your own needs. Tonight: Share your

\*\*\* Your finances can take a pleasant

turn with effort and discipline. You could

feel like you have to give up something

that is very important to you. Brainstorm

with a creative pal and see other paths to

the same end. Tonight: Gather bills: Is

\*\*\*\* You might feel tension left

and right. You also can, and might,

choose to ignore what is going on. You

might be carrying too many responsibili-

ties. Think of ways to lighten your bur-

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\*\* You can be sure that you are not getting the whole story. In fact, someone might be intentionally holding back Your sixth sense kicks in. It is important to not be reactive and to look at others with understanding. Tonight: The less said the better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* Others are disposed to give you what you want and need. If you are in touch with your feelings about financial and security needs, you can negotiate. Otherwise, an associate could rain on your parade. Don't let him. Tonight: Where the gang is. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\* You might not be present with the

moment. This might not bother you, but it could cause others to be frustrated. Tune in to a boss or higher-up who can impact you, for your sake. Your imagination finds ways of handling a problem. Tonight: Out late, PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\* Try to get out of yourself even if you are tired and run ragged. Know when to say that you've had enough and cut the day short. You might need to take some time off. Consider what you would do with a day off. Tonight: Relax to a

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## RRC posts oil, gas stats

AUSTIN — The Texas Railroad Commission issued a total of 1,541 original drilling permits in August 2005 compared to 1,339 in August 2004. The August total included 1,282 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 43 to re-enter existing well bores, and 216 for recompletions. Permits issued in August 2005 included 295 oil, 416 gas, 787 oil and gas, 34 injection, zero service and 9 other permits.

Texas preliminary July 2005 crude oil production averaged 865,567 barrels daily, down from the 910,201 barrels daily average of July 2004.

The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for July 2005 is 26,902,201 barrels, a decrease from 28,338,570 barrels reported during July 2004

In August 2005, operators reported 357 oil, 566 gas, 29 injection and zero other completions compared to 358 oil, 520 gas, 23 injection and two completions during August 2004.

Total well completions for 2005 year to date are 6,793, down from 7,232 recorded during the same period in

Operators reported 621 holes plugged and zero dry holes in August 2005 comTable 1: August Texas Oil and Gas Drilling **Permits and Completions by District** 

RAILROAD COMMISSION DISTRICT	PERMITS TO DRILL OIL/ GAS HOLES	OIL COMPLETIONS	GAS COMPLETIONS
(1) SAN ANTONIO AREA	47	30	9
(2) REFUGIO AREA	106	11	39
(3) SOUTHEAST TEXAS	134	28	36
(4) DEEP SOUTH TEXAS	149	3	83
(5) EAST CENTRAL TX	80	3	59
(6) EAST TEXAS	189	16	126
(7B) WEST CENTRAL TX	57	31	12
(7C) SAN ANGELO AREA	147	53	55
(8) MIDLAND	204	89	16
(8A) LUBBOCK AREA	98	30	4
(9) NORTH TEXAS	200	41	49
(10) PANHANDLE	130	22	78

Table 2: July Texas Top 10 Oil and Gas Producing Counties Ranked by Preliminary Production

COUNTY	CRUDE OIL (BBLS)	COUNTY	TOTAL GAS (MCF)
1. GAINES	2,396,989	1. ZAPATA	21,927,318
2. YOAKUM	2,150,683	2. PANOLA	19,529,973
3 ANDREWS	1,994,319	3. FREESTONE	19,199,829
4. HOCKLEY	1,686,192	4. WEBB	16,799,759
5. ECTOR	1,586,233	5. HIDALGO	16,593,499
6 PECOS	925,271	6. PECOS	15,686,359
7. CRANE	821,649	7. WISE	15,005,588
8. UPTON	793,573	8. DENTON	11,878,688
9. MIDLAND	775,330	9. STARR	9,205,873
10. HOWARD	507,946	10.CROCKETT	9,078,026

pared to 755 holes plugged and 94 dry holes in August

Texas oil and gas wells produced 432,860,161 Mcf 2004 preliminary gas pro- and 64,218 gas wells.

(thousand cubic feet) of gas duction total of 461,513,476 based upon preliminary pro- . Mcf. duction figures for July

Texas production in July 2005 came from 136,474 oil 2005, down from the July

### France says Turkey needs 'major cultural revolution' to join EU

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) French President Jacques Chirac said today that Turkey would need to undergo a "major cultural revolution" before entering the European Union, and he reiterated that France would hold a referendum on admitting Ankara to the

The comments by Chirac represented the tough road ahead in Turkey's membership in the 25-nation EU. It took last-minute wrangling after two days of arduous talks between EU foreign ministers to overcome Austrian objections to start the negotiations.

The entry talks are expected to last for at least 10 years before the EU can absorb Turkey and stretch its borders to as it should be in a democracy," he said.

the Middle East. There is broad opposition among Europeans to admitting the poor, predominantly Muslim nation of 70 million people.

'Will it succeed? I cannot say. I hope so. But I am not at all sure," Chirac said at a news conference in Paris.

It will be "a considerable effort" for Turkey," he said. "It is a major cultural revolution," that will take "at minimum 10 to 15 years.'

He reiterated that Turkey's membership would need to be approved by the French in a referendum. Austria also plans such a vote, and other countries may also decide to hold one.

"The French will have the last word,

"We will see when the time comes."

In Turkey, there was no immediate reaction to Chirac's comments, which were reported by Turkish television, but Culture Minister Atilla Koc's office said he was reviewing them. Akif Beki, spokesman for Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan, was not immediately available for comment.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair, who currently holds the EU presidency, also said negotiations would take a long time, and would mean a "very big change" for the Europe and Turkey.

"It will be an issue of controversy for years to come," he told reporters in

### **NOBEL PRIZE**

## Two Americans, German share physics in optics

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Americans John L. Hall and Roy J. Glauber and German Theodor W. Haensch won the 2005 Nobel Prize in physics Tuesday for work that could lead to better long-distance communication and more precise navigation worldwide and in space.

The prize was given to the three for their work in

applying modern quantum physics to the study of optics. Engineers have used their observations improve lasers, Global Positioning System technology and other instruments.

Glauber, 80, Harvard University, took half of this year's Nobel for showing in the 1960s how the particle nature of light affects its behavior under

Hall, 71, of the University of Colorado, and Haensch, 63, of the Ludwig-Maximilian-Universitaet in Munich, won "for their contributions to the development of laser-based precision spectroscopy, including the optical frequency comb technique."

certain circumstances. Although those conditions are rarely observed in nature, they are often relevant in sophisticated optical instruments.

Hall, 71, of the University of Colorado, and Haensch, 63, of the Ludwig-Maximilian-Universitaet in Munich, won "for their contributions to the development of laser-based precision spectroscopy, including the optical frequency comb technique." Their research determined the color of light at the atomic and molecular level. Haensch used evenly spaced laser pulses to determine the frequencies and Hall refined the technique.

Hall and Haensch will split one half of the \$1.3 million prize, with Glauber receiving the rest.

"It's a huge surprise, a great pleasure," Hall said, noting the work was a team effort.

Speaking from his office in Munich, Haensch called the award a high point of his career.

"I was speechless but of course very happy, exuberant," he said. "Now, I am trying to get used to this." He said the fruits of their work could eventually be applied to improving communication across the globe and beyond. The research could also be useful in helping spacecraft navigate more accurately on long journeys, or creating better digital animation.

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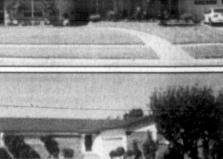
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