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Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs talks with Pampa State Representative Warren Chisum during her stop in Pampa today.

## Pampa tax rate to stay the same

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

Taxes are expected to go up, but the tax rate will remain the same.

The Pampa City Commission voted unanimously Tuesday afternoon to keep the city's ad valorem tax rate at 69.5 cents per \$100 valuation for fiscal year 2005-2006. The tax rate has remained the same for the past several years, said City Manager John Horst.

The rise in the city's tax revenues, he said, is expected to come from more businesses and increased inventories.

The commission also voted to pay for one-third, up to \$5,000, of the repairs needed on the high school's tennis courts. The Pampa Independent School District and the Tennis Team Booster's Club will each

cover a third of the cost of repairs.

The total cost for eight courts is expected to be about \$30,000. Four of the courts will be repaired this fiscal year, and four will be repaired next year. The commission said they would revisit future funding next year.

The tennis courts are available for public use, Horst said, except for certain times when they are in use by students for tournaments and practice.

The commission appointed Darville Orr to represent the city on the Gray County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Commissioners also heard a report on problems at the M.K. Brown Civic Center and Auditorium.

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## Beautification important

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

Beautification is the name of the game, according to Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Susan Combs.

Combs, in Pampa today as part of a 20-city tour of town hall meetings around the state this fall, said that how a town looks and the first impression it makes on visitors is important.

It can lead to new businesses and new jobs.

Combs said the Texas Department of Agriculture has \$1 million from which it plans to give out \$5,000 beautification matching grants. Up to \$2,500 can be sweat equity on the part of cities applying for them, she said.

The ag commissioner said she was on the road, visiting in towns around the state because of Pampa's State Representative Warren Chisum. Having served in the Texas Legislature with Chisum, Combs said the legislator from Pampa taught her the importance of listening to people.

"I wouldn't be doing town hall meetings if it weren't for Warren," Combs said.

She commended Pampa for its efforts in economic development.

Combs encouraged the city to pursue planned special events in town. She said at her ranch in the Big Bend, she's expanded beyond her cow-calf operation to include eco-tourism.

### Getting it Right



Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Alton Stokes, left, and Justin Welch watch and measure the depth of the trench being dug by Bill Devoll in the 1000 block of East Albert Street for a metal culvert, one of three scheduled for the area. The project is a joint effort between the city of Pampa and Gray County. Pampa City Manager John Horst said the culverts should prevent flooding in the area, which is prevalent when it rains.

## \$5 million in cocaine seized on I-40

GROOM - A California man was arrested last week on Interstate 40 after troopers found 50 kilograms of cocaine in his semi-truck.

Rodolfo Martinez, 39, of La Puente Calif., was driving a 1997 Freightliner semitrailer eastbound on I-40 Friday when he was stopped 6 miles west of Groom on a traffic violation.

After consent of search was given, cocaine was found in 2 boxes in the sleeper of the truck. The drug has an estimated value of \$5 million.

Martinez was jailed in Panhandle. Troopers say the load came from Los Angeles and was headed for Chicago.

On Sept. 6, troopers seized 38 kilograms from two California subjects who were also headed for Chicago.

## Saturday is the day to recycle hazardous waste, other items

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

If you have tires, automotive fluids, bug or weed killers, household cleaners, or any other items that are considered hazardous waste and you want to dispose of them, Saturday is your day.

The annual Household Hazardous Waste Day will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Community Recycling Center behind Hobart Street Park.

Persons bringing their hazardous waste items to the center Saturday are asked to enter the park at the Hobart Street entrance, and leave by the Highway 60 gate, said Dorothy Clark of Keep Pampa Beautiful, formerly known as Clean Pampa.

The annual event offers local residents a chance to dispose of many types of hazardous materials and some recyclable materials, all in one stop and free of charge.

Household and garden chemicals that will be accepted include paint, solvents, varnish, pesticides, herbicides, drain opener, oven cleaner, stain removers, polish, hobby supplies, pool chemicals and photographic chemicals.

The leftover latex paint brought to be discarded is mixed together and given free of charge to anyone who has a wall or other item to paint and is not picky about the color, Clark said.

Automotive items to be accepted include tires, transmission and brake fluids, motor oil and antifreeze. Acids and batteries are also acceptable.

Any products labeled "Caution", "Warning" or "Poison" will be taken, as will recyclables, Clark said. Acceptable recyclables are plastics 1 and 2, aluminum, and paper.

There is a limit of 10 tires per vehicle at the Saturday event. No commercial or retail shops may bring tires or other hazardous waste items.

Items which will not be accepted include explosives; radioactive materials; dioxins or waste generated by businesses or farms; containers larger than one gallon, except for motor oil and paint; compressed gas cylinders; and waste reactives.

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## School board to meet on variety of issues

The Pampa Independent School Board will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday to discuss a variety of issues.

Among items scheduled for action are:

- approval of an annual investment report;
- approval of a quarterly financial report;
- approval of revision of policy in the annual operating budget;
- approval of high school choir and band trips;
- discussion and possible approval of a request for an educational trip;
- discussion and possible appointment of members to the county appraisal district board of directors;
- appointment of members to a facilities study committee.

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR...**

WRCA Ranch Rodeo... September 30<sup>th</sup> - October 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Woody Guthrie Day... October 1<sup>st</sup>  
Friends of the Pampa Library "Paperback Book Sale"... October 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Pampa Fine Arts Assoc. Arts Crafts Show... October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>  
Country Fair "Under the Harvest Moon"... October 29<sup>th</sup>

Obituaries

**Gloria Earlene Felton Foster, 79**

Gloria Earlene Felton Foster, 79, went to be with her Lord on Sept. 14, 2005. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Foster was born Nov. 28, 1925, in Enid, Okla., to Earl and Gladys Felton. She married D.G. "Jack" Foster on March 2, 1946, in Quanah. He preceded her in death on Oct. 16, 1995, after 49 years of marriage.

She had been a resident of Pampa since 1951 until 1971, returning to Pampa in 1990 from Deer Park. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Susan Brooks and husband Richard of Irving; three sons, Rick Foster and wife Ginger of Pampa,

Joe Foster and wife Candi of Odessa, and Chuck Foster and wife Cheryl of Boerne; eight grandchildren, Robin Jenkins, Kelly Love, Seth Foster, Sara Foster, Haylee Foster, Derek Foster, Nash Elms and Courtney Penley; four great-grandchildren, Jordan Jenkins, Jared Jenkins, Cameron Love and Rylee Love; one sister, Delores Wilson and husband Alvin of Rome, Ga.; one sister-in-law, Ruth Foster; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Sybil Farrell; and two brothers, Harold Felton and Jack Felton.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 15, 2005.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whately.com](http://www.carmichael-whately.com).



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Emergency Services

**Pampa PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

**Tuesday, Sept. 13**  
Twenty-three traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the intersection of 16th and Evergreen streets and the intersection of Price Road and Kentucky Avenue.

Motorist assistance was rendered in the 100 block of North Hobart and the intersection of Oklahoma and Hobart streets. Vehicle accidents were reported in the intersection of Somerville and Hobart streets and the 2200 block of Coffee.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered in the intersection of Wilks and Hobart streets and the 2000 block of Alcock.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Crawford and Octavius streets, the 100 block of North Dwight, the intersection of Highway 60 and Gray Street, the intersection of Tyng and Canadian streets, and the intersection of Ford and Cuyler streets.

Two open doors were checked. A welfare check was made in the 1000 block of Love.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 1300 block of Coffee, the 2100 block of Williston, and the 700 block of North Hobart.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the police department lobby.

Warrant service was attempted at two locations.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 600 block of North Dwight.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported in the 300 block of Davis.

Information on a runaway was received in the police department lobby.

Found property was reported in the 100 block of North Dwight, and an arrest resulted from the incident.

Attempted burglary was reported in the 700 block of East 16th. A tree and screen were damaged, for an estimated \$75 in damage.

Criminal trespass calls were received from the 400 block of Carr, the 1300 block of Alcock and the 500 block of North Naida.

Public intoxication was called in at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Assault was reported at Pampa Junior High School, 2401 Charles. Minor injuries were reported.

A drug overdose was reported at Pampa Regional Medical Center. Jordan Dane Mayberry, 18, Borger, was arrested on Highway 152 for failure to appear and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

Kylie Winegeart, 17, 2501 Duncan, was arrested for failure to attend school and failure to appear.

Zachary Cordova, 17, 1815 Hamilton, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia, minor in possession of tobacco, disruption of class, and two counts of failure to appear.

**Wednesday, Sept. 14**

Assault was reported in the 1100 block of Farley. Minor injuries were reported.

**Sheriff**

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

**Tuesday, Sept. 13**  
Dean Lee Rowe, 37, Tucson, Ariz., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for money laundering over \$100,000.

Lewis Fernando Ochoa, 60, Sonora, Mexico, was arrested by DPS for money laundering over \$100,000.

**Accidents**

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident today.

**Tuesday, Sept. 13**  
11:13 a.m. — A 1999 Ford F-250, driven by Wesley Adam Snow, 21, White Deer, and a 1997 GMC 1500, driven by Reggie William King, 64, 1604 N. Nelson, collided in the 1000 block of North Hobart. No injuries were reported, and no citations were issued.

**Fire**

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

**Tuesday, Sept. 13**  
2:12 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to the 1000 block of South Banks on an odor investigation.

12:12 a.m. — Two units and seven firefighters responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky on an alarm system activation.

Gray County Weather

Today: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some of the storms could be severe. Partly cloudy, with a high near 71. East-northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Tonight: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Some of the storms could be severe. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58. East-northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50 percent.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thun-

derstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high around 81. Northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 61. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 87. South wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 65. South wind around 15 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 92. South-southwest wind

between 15 and 20 mph. Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 64. South wind around 15 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 91. South wind around 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 61.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 88.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 88.

**2 charged in money laundering**

McLEAN - An Arizona man and a man from Mexico were arrested Tuesday morning after Texas Department of Public Safety troopers discovered a large sum of money in their vehicle following a traffic stop on Interstate 40 in Gray County.

At 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, troopers stopped a 2006 Cadillac traveling westbound on I-40 near McLean for a traffic violation. Later, consent to search was given and \$114,931 in cash was found concealed in the lining of an ice chest in the back seat.

Arrested and booked into Gray County Jail in Pampa were Dean Lee Rowe, 38, of Tucson, Ariz., and Luis Ochoa, 60, of Sonora, Mexico. Each was charged with money laundering over \$100,000.

Troopers believe the money originated in Detroit, Mich., and was headed for Tucson.

Rowe and Ochoa remain in Gray County Jail as of press time today in lieu of \$10,000 bond each.

**Labor faces more woes**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unite Here, a union of 450,000 workers in the apparel and hospitality industry, is leaving the AFL-CIO to join a group of dissident unions that want the organized labor movement to spend more time and money recruiting new members.

"It is time for the labor movement to make some changes," Unite Here General President Bruce Raynor told The Associated Press today. "After two years of internal debate, we have concluded it is the best course for the labor movement for us to join hands with six sister organizations and strike off in a direction of focusing more on organizing."

**County commission meets Thursday on 18-item agenda**

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Gray County commissioners will work through an 18-item agenda at their regular meeting at 9 a.m. Thursday in the second-floor courtroom of the county courthouse.

A resolution relating to sale of tax properties will be considered. Requests for proposals will be sought for the following types of insurance: comprehensive general liability, property, public officials and employees' liability, heavy equipment floater, business auto, county law enforcement professional liability, workers' compensation, and airport general liability and lessor's interest.

Memorandums of

Understanding with Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, state and federal government will be voted on, as will a service agreement with L&P Enterprises for maintenance of the county's NDB radio beacon system.

Commissioners will choose whether to participate in the 2006 Indigent Defense Formula grant, and whether to provide flu shots for employees and their family members who are covered by county health insurance. A cap on hourly wages of part-time county employees will be proposed.

A hangar space lease with Joe Curtis for one half of Lot 37 and all of Lot 38 at Perry L&Fors Air Field is also on the agenda, as is a contract

with Westlaw concerning the county law library.

Commissioners will also vote on a request by District Attorney Lynn Switzer concerning the crime victims coordinator position, and a proclamation naming October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

County Judge Richard Peet's successful completion of National Incident Management System training will be recognized, as will Precinct 2 Commissioner Gary Willoughby's continuing education.

Other agenda items are the county treasurer's report, payment of bills and salaries, line item transfers, old business and miscellaneous.

**Katrina has effect on economy**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Industrial output rose only slightly in August as Hurricane Katrina severely cut back production of petroleum and chemicals along the Gulf Coast.

The Federal Reserve reported today that industrial output rose a tiny 0.1 percent last month as Katrina, which struck the Gulf Coast on Aug. 28, forced sharp cutbacks in oil and natural gas extraction in the Gulf of Mexico and also depressed output at refineries and chemical plants in the areas hit by the hurricane.

Without the adverse effects of the hurricane, industrial output would have been 0.3 percentage point higher, the Fed estimated.

A second report on retail sales showed that the economy was weakening even before Katrina struck. The Commerce Department said that retail sales plunged by 2.1 percent in August, the worst showing in nearly four years and double the drop that economists had been expecting.

The weakness came from a big 12 percent plunge in auto sales. Excluding autos, retail sales rose by 1 percent, but much of the strength came from a huge rise in gasoline prices.

The report on industrial production showed that output at factories rose by 0.3 percent while output at utilities dropped by 0.5 percent and production in mining, a category that includes oil and gas production, fell by 0.6 percent.

The Fed estimated that hurricane-related shutdowns along the Gulf Coast contributed to a 1.1 percent drop in the production of chemicals and a 0.9 percent decline in petroleum production.

Economists believe that Katrina, the worst natural disaster to hit the United States, could trim economic growth by a full percentage point in the second half of the year as soaring gasoline prices force consumers to cut back spending in other areas.

The 2.1 percent drop in total retail sales last month was the largest decline since

a 2.9 percent plunge in November 2001, the period following the 2001 terrorist attacks.

The worry is that consumer confidence could be jolted this time around by soaring energy prices and an expected wave of Katrina-related job layoffs.

The Congressional Budget Office last week predicted that Katrina will reduce employment by 400,000 this year although it forecast that rebuilding needs in the devastated Gulf Coast area could increase economic activity next year.

The International Council of Shopping Centers reported Tuesday that sales at chain stores fell by 0.2 percent last week as higher gasoline prices forced cutbacks in other areas of spending.

The biggest increase in spending in August occurred at service stations, a 4.4 percent increase that reflected gasoline prices that have soared past \$3 per gallon in many parts of the country.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat ..... 3.17  
Milo ..... 3.20  
Corn ..... 3.93  
Soybeans ..... 4.85

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY ..... 84.92 +0.78  
BP PLC ADR ..... 69.10 +0.28  
Cabot Corp ..... 32.16 +0.07  
Celanese ..... NA  
Cabot Oil Gas ..... 45.76 +0.23  
Coca Cola ..... 43.65 -0.01  
VLO ..... 112.07 +0.97  
HAL ..... 63.32 +0.62  
TRI ..... 45.64 -0.14  
KMI ..... 96.31 +0.30  
XCEL ..... 19.39 +0.01

Kerr McGee ..... 92.20 +0.50  
XOM ..... 62.34 +0.47  
Limited ..... 20.53 -0.17  
Williams ..... 23.07 +0.18  
MCD ..... 32.86 -0.26  
Atmos ..... 29.03 -0.06  
Pioneer Nat ..... 51.44 +0.38  
JCP ..... 48.96 +0.15  
COP ..... 66.80 +0.60  
SLB ..... 82.64 +0.42  
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## Roberts says Congress can trump court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chief Justice nominee John Roberts said today that Congress has the right to counter a divisive Supreme Court ruling and decide whether cities have the broad power to seize and raze people's homes for private development.

"This body and legislative bodies in the states are protectors of the people's rights," Roberts said on the third day of his confirmation hearings to be the nation's 17th chief justice.

Republicans and many Democrats reacted angrily earlier this year when a sharply divided Supreme Court said cities can take and bulldoze people's homes in favor of shopping malls or other private development to generate tax revenue. The decision drew a scathing dissent from Justice Sandra Day O'Connor as favoring rich corporations, and Republican lawmakers have criticized it as infringing on states' rights.

Congress has been working on legislation that would ban the use of federal funds for any project that gets a go-ahead relying on the *Kelo v. City of New London, Conn.*, decision.

"It's not simply a question of legislating to address particular needs, but you obviously have to also be cognizant of the people's rights and you can protect them in situations where the court has determined, as it did 5-4 in *Kelo*, that they are not going to draw that line," Roberts told the Senate Judiciary Committee.

## Post 9/11 reforms fail test

WASHINGTON (AP) — Post-9/11 reforms to respond to catastrophic disasters failed their first major test in Hurricane Katrina's wake, the Republican chairwoman of a Senate committee said today as the panel opened its inquiry of the government's response to the storm.

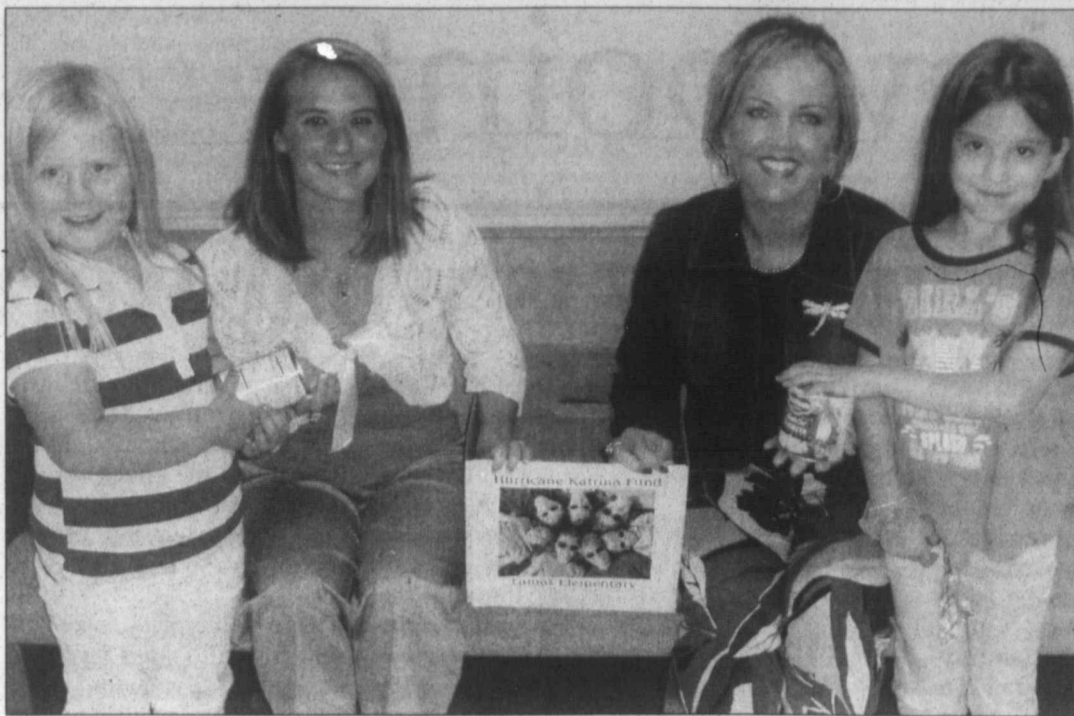
Despite billions of dollars to boost disaster preparedness at all levels of government, the response to Katrina was plagued by confusion, communication failures and widespread lack of coordination, said Senate Homeland Security Committee chair Susan Collins, R-Maine.

"At this point, we would have expected a sharp, crisp response to this terrible tragedy," Collins said. "Instead, we witnessed what appeared to be a sluggish initial response."

The hearing marked Congress' first step in investigating major gaps in the country's readiness and response systems that Katrina exposed. It comes as Republican and Democrats continue debate over whether to appoint an unusual House-Senate panel to investigate the matter, or to create an independent commission much like the one that examined government missteps that led to the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

A slew of former city and state officials who have faced major disasters in their communities — from former California Gov. Pete Wilson to former New Orleans Mayor Marc H. Morial — were to testify at the Senate hearing.

A spate of bills to cut federal red tape and otherwise make it easier to get aid to Katrina victims has hit a slow patch as lawmakers wrestle over how to shape their response.



Pampa News photo by DENNIS SPIES

Jaylee Remington, left, with her first-grade teacher Brittany Stark, and Jennifer Leal, right, with her first-grade teacher Shelly Brooks, were among students and faculty at Lamar Elementary that helped collect \$852.83 for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

## Schools pitch in for evacuees

Several schools in Pampa Independent School District recently ended a fund-raising campaign for victims of Hurricane Katrina and raised \$852.83.

Starla Kindle, counselor at Pampa High School, said PHS, Travis Elementary, Lamar Elementary, Carver Center Administration Building and the Pampa High Student Council participated in the fund-raiser.

"I was really pleased with the efforts shown from the participating schools," said Kindle, who headed up the drive. "I am very proud of these efforts since many of these people have already given to other charities and organizations."

Kindle said the money raised will go to

Kingsland Baptist Church in Katy, which chose to house the original overflow from the Astrodome immediately after the evacuees arrived in Houston.

"They are still housing at least 90 people and are in the process of helping these evacuees find housing and jobs," Kindle said. "The Red Cross is helping with the housing costs, but these people have absolutely nothing to start out with, so the church is having a kitchen/furniture drive. That is where our money is going."

"One hundred percent of the money sent will be directly used for this relief effort, so we are very excited to use our money in this way."

## City

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The parquet flooring in the Heritage Room of the civic center was buckling and had to be removed to prevent anybody from tripping on the wooden tiles.

Horst said that the moisture and buckling problems were not new. They have plagued the civic center at least since 1986.

Shane Stokes, who oversees the civic center, said the underlying concrete floor was in poor shape. He said the alternatives were to carpet the floor, replace the old parquet flooring with new parquet tiles or stain the concrete.

The estimated cost to carpet the 7,200 square foot would be about \$20,000, but Stokes pointed out that while it is the least expensive alternative in the short

run, unless the source of the moisture rising through the floor was determined, carpet was subject to mold and would likely have to be replaced frequently. He also questioned whether using carpet in a room where food and beverages are served was wise.

Replacing the parquet flooring would cost an estimated \$65,000, but again, without determining the source of the moisture, the city could continue to face the problem of the tiles buckling.

While the city staff had investigated staining the concrete floor, Stokes said the surface of the existing concrete was rough and such a project would necessitate laying down a thin layer of concrete from a quarter to a half inch thick to smooth the surface.

Staining the concrete, he said, would also cost an estimated \$65,000. It would, however, require less care

and labor expense in the long term than the other alternatives.

The immediate problem, Horst said, are the banquets, meetings and shows booked in the civic center's Heritage Room over the next few months.

By law, bids must be let for the flooring repairs, he said, and that will take time.

Horst also reported to the commission that a group of volunteers would continue to help and support animal control.

"They are not an advisory board," Horst said. "They are a citizens' group that wants to help. I think it will work well."

The group had expressed an interest in helping with adoptions from the animal shelter.

Mayor Pro Tem Brad Pingel chaired the commission meeting Tuesday. Mayor Lonny Robbins was absent.

## School

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tee; discussion and possible approval of a gift from a booster group; and personnel matters.

The board will also discuss first reading of a revised policy and hear a report on student performance on college entrance exams.

## Cop Corner

The school year is in full swing. I hope everyone has made the adjustment from summer time. Everything has been going pretty good so far with traffic and such, except for a couple of concerns.



Fred Courtney

Today's school

safety topic is "Stopping for School Buses." The school district has 14 routes with about 150 total scheduled stops made everyday to pick up kids. The district has routes that take its buses to every part of town and outside of the city limits. The drivers even go house-to-house picking up pre-K and kindergarten students. Most of the routes are in residential areas, but some are on major streets like Duncan, Hobart and Sumner.

Every PISD bus is equipped with emergency lights. The newer busses also have a stop sign that is displayed when the bus doors open. State law requires motorists approaching a stopped school bus

(from either direction) with its red and amber lights flashing to stop until the lights go off or the driver motions the cars to proceed.

If you do not and are written a citation, the fine can be between \$200 and \$1,000 dollars. That is a hefty price to pay for a few moments of your time. I hope we can all work together to ensure the safety of our kids by watching for school busses loading or unloading children. Go Harvesters, 1-0!

Cop Corner provided by Pampa Police Department.

## Katrina scams warned

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

With an outpouring of aid to victims of Hurricane Katrina, Pampa's police chief warned last week that those making donations should know where their money is going.

Pampa Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner said people wanting to help with the

relief should make certain that the organization they are giving to is legitimate.

"Citizens need to give their money and donations to reputable organizations such as the Salvation Army and the Red Cross," Pitner said. "Unfortunately in times like this, some see it as an opportunity to make a profit for themselves."

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## Waste

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Items to be discarded should be transported in their original containers, and should not be combined or mixed with other items. Containers should be properly sealed and free of leaks.

Persons bringing chemi-

cals or other items to be discarded should put them in the trunk or back of their vehicle, away from passengers.

The annual hazardous waste day draws an average of 350 participants, Clark said. Sponsors for this year's event are the City of Pampa, Celanese, Keep Pampa Beautiful, and the TOT Hazardous Waste Committee.

## McCombs' gift funds cancer research campus

HOUSTON (AP) — After a \$30 million donation, a cancer research campus has been named the Red and Charline McCombs Institute for Early Detection and Treatment of Cancer to honor the San Antonio couple.

The McCombs Family Foundation donated the money to the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, where scientists are exploring new approaches to find and treat cancer in its earliest stages.

"I don't know of anyplace that our family could make a contribution to mankind that would have the effect that this will have," said millionaire businessman B.J. "Red"

McCombs at Tuesday's ceremony. "The research that is being done there, I firmly believe, is going to be what we have been looking for 60 years for this dreadful disease."

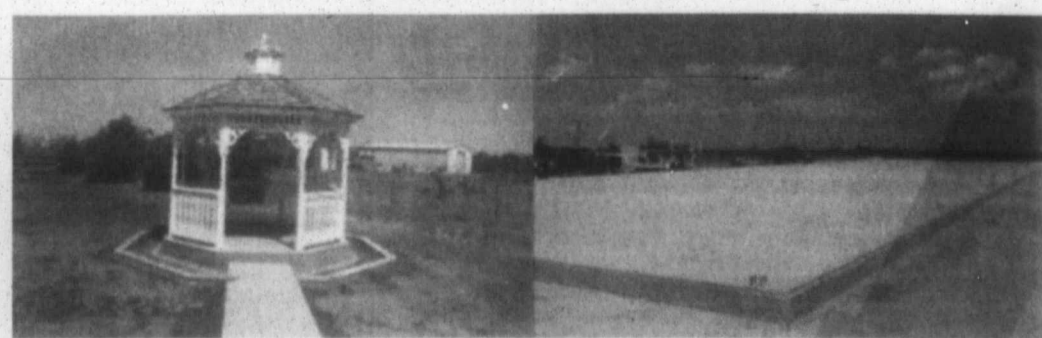
McCombs is known for being the financial powerhouse behind winning professional basketball and football teams, successful car dealerships and dozens of business and philanthropic ventures around the state.

The McCombs donation, earmarked for research, will help fund a \$500 million expansion that establishes research institutes for cancer genetics, immunology, proton therapy, diagnostic technology and cancer spread.

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# Viewpoints

## Unimpeded bureaucracy is what worries me

Hurricane Katrina relief efforts are the latest in a long line of government failures. There's Abu Ghraib Prison. There's the lack of planning in Iraq.

And those are the complaints of the Republicans.

The Democrats, those who have historically put their faith in big government, say it's a failure of big government.

Am I missing something here?

Television is showing pictures of thousands of people live from the New Orleans Convention Center while Michael Chertoff, head of Homeland Security, and Michael Brown, head of FEMA, says the reports of people not being helped are greatly exaggerated.

It reminds me of government officials in Washington in the mid-1960s saying that the U.S. was not going to increase the number of troops in Vietnam as the Seventh Fleet began off-loading a Marine division at Da Nang.

Someone yelled obscenities at the Vice President of the United States as he talked to a television reporter in New Orleans. Later, after touring a shelter in Austin, he told reporters he had heard no complaints about how the situation had been handled.

The audacity of a mere citizen, probably a poor one no less, to voice his frustration at an elected official no doubt led to the ground rules when Gov. Rick Perry's

wife, Anita, provided a photo op at the Amarillo Civic Center to show that she really cared about the poor and disenfranchised.

**David Bowser**

Staff Writer

The local cops told that unruly Amarillo press corps that they could not ask the governor's wife questions, had to stay at least 20 feet away from her and behave themselves.

Volunteers were given similar instructions, but at least they were allowed to talk to her as long as they remained nice.

The volunteer I was standing next to when she got her marching orders wanted to

know where the First Lady of Texas was going. The volunteer wanted to avoid the circus.



Anita Perry made her way through the broad halls of the civic center with her arms folded tightly across her, looking like she would rather be anywhere other than Amarillo.

I shot my picture (from about 5-feet away) and left. I was already gone when she stopped to shake the hand of an evacuee an arm distance away. The joke among the unruly press then was that she had to run off and wash her hands.

The governor's wife was accompanied by State Sen. Kel Seliger, who fought so hard to get the chuck wagon named the official state vehicle while leaving Texas school kids to fend for themselves.

One volunteer I talked to said Amarillo wasn't getting any more evacuees from New Orleans because governors of the other states were afraid they wouldn't get their share of FEMA money. Whether he knew what he was talking about is another matter, the fact that he would say it and I would believe him says a lot about how we view our elected officials.

There were some bright spots. Most of the volunteers I met went out of their way to help the evacuees.

Amarillo's mayor, Debra McCartt, left the airport after officially welcoming the evacuees to her city and slipped into the civic center to talk and hug many of them, all without benefit of the press.

McCartt was excited that Anita Perry was coming to Amarillo. I didn't have the heart to tell her that right now with all his political problems the governor needs her help a whole lot more than she needs his.

Of course, the governor didn't come to Amarillo. He was busy back in Austin trying to fix the school finance problem. (How many special sessions did we have this year? How much did they cost? Tell me again, what

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## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 14, the 257th day of 2005. There are 108 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key wrote his poem "The Star-Spangled Banner" after witnessing the British bombardment of Fort Mchenry in Maryland during the War of 1812.

On this date:

In 1901, President McKinley died in Buffalo, N.Y., of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded him.

In 1927, modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan died in Nice, France, when her scarf became entangled in a wheel of her sports car.

In 1940, Congress passed the Selective Service Act, providing for the first peacetime draft in U.S. history.

In 1959, the Soviet space probe Luna 2 became the first manmade object to reach the moon as it crashed onto the lunar surface.

In 1965, the situation comedy "My Mother the Car" premiered on NBC-TV.

In 1975, Pope Paul VI declared Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton the first U.S.-born saint.

In 1982, Princess Grace of Monaco, formerly actress Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash the day before.

In 1982, Lebanon's president-elect, Bashir Gemayel, was killed by a bomb.

In 1985, Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon released the Rev. Benjamin Weir after holding him captive for 16 months.

In 1985, the situation comedy "The Golden Girls" premiered on NBC.

Ten years ago: NATO called a temporary halt to its aerial pounding of Serb rebels while a U.S. envoy tried to clinch an agreement on withdrawing the Serbs' big guns from around Sarajevo.

*'America has been called a melting pot, but it seems better to call it a mosaic, for in it each nation, people or race which has come to its shores has been privileged to keep its individuality, contributing at the same time its share to the unified pattern of a new nation.'*

— King Baudouin I of Belgium (1930-1993)



## Never underestimate a hurricane, folks

Watching the floodwaters spread over New Orleans was almost like watching a city die. Even in a drought, New Orleans and Southeast Louisiana would be damp. It's going to be months before that city will be livable again.

If anything good can be said about this catastrophic storm, it is that few sentient beings with their faculties intact will ever again underestimate a hurricane. As I have said before, if you are in the path of a storm surge, the only protection is to get out. Even if you live far away from an area affected by storm surge, if it's a strong Category 3 or higher, get out.

As Katrina has so vividly demonstrated, a hurricane can kill you, and if not that, it can turn your life upside down and inside out. And when these storms pick your

location to come ashore, there is not a ding-dong thing you can do about it except run.

Like many Americans, I have never lived in New Orleans, but I have visited it many times. To visit New Orleans is, for most people, to fall in love with it, though it should be said that the attraction of New Orleans has never been either its government or its police force. It is America's only truly exotic city, and this has always been true because of the French, Spanish and Creole influences.

In the War Between the States, a Confederate unit was formed in New Orleans entirely of volunteers. It was

called the 10th Louisiana. There were members from 57 foreign countries, and it was also called, among other things, Robert E. Lee's foreign legion.

It is interesting to note that not a lot has changed in the intervening century or more. One of the first things the 10th Louisiana did, during a stop on its way to the front by train, was sneak back and unhook the cars that carried the officers. The train pulled out, but the officers didn't. That same lighthearted attitude toward obeying the laws and rules is still present in New Orleans and the rest of Cajun country. The 10th Louisiana also contributed my all-time-favorite quote

from the War Between the States. The Louisianans were famous for foraging, and one Virginia lady opined that "The 10th Louisiana eats everything in its path."

If you've never visited Cajun country in Louisiana, you should before life slips away. You will find that the people there still love to laugh and eat. You don't have to wait until New Orleans recovers. Lafayette and Lake Charles are far enough to the west to have escaped any serious damage.

If I seem not properly full of doom and gloom, it's because I have a fatalistic streak. Bad things happen to good people. There's no point in moaning about it. I don't know of any two states that have tougher people than Louisiana and Mississippi. They will sur-

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## Nation's fiscal policy cannot be sustained

On their weekly NPR radio show, "The Motley Fool," brothers David and Tom Gardner play a game they call, "What Did the Fed Chief Say?" Contestants are awarded token prizes if they can decipher the pronouncements of Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan and translate them into statements that ordinary Americans can understand.

When a congressman once told Greenspan that he understood something the chairman had said, Greenspan responded, "Then I must have mis-

spoken."

Approaching retirement from office next year, Greenspan addressed a Fed symposium recently in Jackson Hole, Wyo. Uncharacteristically, the chairman was fairly straightforward in his economic prognosis for the nation:

In sum, Greenspan predicted that several problems would work themselves out without heavily damaging the economy. Market forces would cause the housing

boom to cool. When it did, consumer spending would drop and U.S. savings now nonexistent for many households would increase.

When that happened, according to the chairman, the nation's disturbing trade deficit and dependence on foreign borrowing would decline.

Americans must hope Greenspan is right, as he has been on many important questions during his tenure as the nation's central

banker. He is certainly correct on another issue he discussed:

The government's fiscal policy is unsustainable. Without spending cuts or revenue increases or both, the skyrocketing deficits of recent years will only grow worse as baby boomers retire and receive Social Security and Medicare benefits. What did the Fed chief say? There is some reason for optimism, but a need for caution in business and investment. And if the deficits are not brought under control, all bets for a strong economy are off.

### Texas Thoughts

Houston Chronicle

# U.S. envoy reports no progress in nuclear talks thus far

BEIJING (AP) — The top U.S. negotiator in six-nation talks on North Korea's nuclear program said today no progress was made toward resolving a standoff after his first meeting with Pyongyang's delegation.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Christopher Hill said North Korea insisted it be provided with a light-water nuclear reactor for generating power, an item not included in a draft agreement.

"I must say it was a meeting in which we did not make a lot of progress," Hill said this evening. "Neither the United States or any other participant is prepared to fund a light-water reactor."

The Beijing talks resumed Tuesday after a five-week recess. Last month envoys were unable to agree on a draft statement of

principles, and the countries involved — which also include China, Japan, Russia, and South Korea — agreed to pick up this week where they left off in discussing that document.

Hill noted that the North pursued a nuclear program for 25 years and never used it for generating power but instead to create weapons-grade plutonium for atomic bombs.

A light-water reactor would take as long as a decade to build and cost between \$2

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— Christopher Hill  
Assistant secretary of state

billion and \$3 billion, Hill said. Instead, he said the North should accept a South Korean proposal to run power cables across the heavily militarized inter-Korean border and receive electricity in just a few years.

The North Koreans were repeatedly insisted that they wanted a light-water reactor in exchange for giving up their nuclear weapons programs, an issue Hill warned would be a "major problem" at the negotiations.

"There are not too many other ways I know how to say 'no,'" he said of the Wednesday afternoon meeting, which he described as "businesslike."

In the North Korean capital, the two Koreas held separate high-level talks. Seoul's top official on the North, Unification Minister Chung Dong-young, appealed Wednesday to the North to abandon its nuclear weapons ambitions.

The North "must seize on this historic opportunity," Chung said, according to pool reports. "Delaying will do no good ... let's produce a good outcome."

North Korea has insisted at the Beijing talks on its right to a peaceful nuclear power program even if it gives up its bomb programs.

## WORLD NEWS

### U.N. opens 60th anniversary summit with appeal for peace

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — A summit marking the 60th anniversary of the United Nations opened today with an appeal for collective action to prevent conflict and genocide and to protect human rights.

Facing more than 150 world leaders, Swedish Prime Minister Goran Persson, who is the summit co-chair, warned that millions of lives will be lost if significant steps aren't taken now to fight global poverty, "and we will pass on a more unfair and more unsafe world to the next generation."

At a time of turmoil, conflict and terrorist attacks, Persson stressed the world needed to act together.

"We, the heads of state and government, owe this to coming generations," he said. "We cannot afford to fail. We need to find collective solutions based on the rule of law, and for this we need a stronger United Nations."

Gabon's President Omar Bongo, Persson's co-chair, focused on the plight of Africa, seeking more support for the promotion of human rights and conflict resolution.

"It would be futile to build lasting development without peace and security," Bongo told the chamber.

In an increasingly interdependent world, Bongo said, "the United Nations

must be enabled fully to play its role. It has to be made an effective tool to build a multilateral system that will benefit everybody."

He welcomed the agree-

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— Goran Persson  
Swedish PM

ment reached Tuesday by the 191 U.N. member states on a final document the world leaders are expected to adopt Friday.

The 35-page document isn't the sweeping blueprint Secretary-General Kofi Annan envisioned to tackle poverty and overhaul the world body to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

Instead, it is a text that was continuously watered down during intense negotiations to win support from all U.N. member

states. Annan and many ambassadors who spent day and night over the past week trying to reach agreement on hundreds of contested passages were relieved there was a document for their leaders to approve.

Mark Malloch Brown, the secretary-general's chief of staff, said Tuesday the situation "was heading off the rails," with 140 passages and 27 issues still undecided.

In what he called "a high-risk gamble," Annan and the incoming and outgoing presidents of the General Assembly decided to drop the issues where there was no agreement, decide on language for which they thought they could win approval and present a clean text to member states.

The General Assembly approved the draft later Tuesday. A visibly relieved Annan arrived at a long-delayed news conference and said: "The good news is that we do have an outcome document."

"Obviously we didn't get everything we wanted and with 191 member states it's not easy to get an agreement," he said. "All of us would have wanted more, but we can work with what we have been given, and I think it is an important step forward."

## State

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was accomplished?)

My question is when did we start having an imperial governor, or presidency for that matter? I thought government was here to serve the people, not visa versa.

Remember when George W. Bush, dur-

ing his first term as governor, came to Chautauqua and wandered through Central Park, stopping to talk to regular folk? Remember when, after winning his second term, he was suddenly unavailable to the public?

I have never worried about terrorists. This country will never be overrun by a foreign power.

What worries me are our own politicians and the growing bureaucracy. Now that's scary.

## Nature

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vive, revive and thrive. You can bet on that.

The bad news is that this is still early in the hurricane season. I wouldn't want to wish on Louisiana and Mississippi what happened to Florida (four hurricanes last year), but it is a possibility.

The other bad news is that the rest of the country is learning that New Orleans is far more important to the economy than those who only visit to party might realize. A huge amount of America's exports and imports go through the Port of New Orleans, just as they have for centuries, and the area also accounts for a large amount of America's petroleum production and refining.

The economic impact of this horrific storm will be large and long-lasting, not

only for Louisiana but for the United States. We may witness, for the first time since the War Between the States, the population of a large city become homeless refugees. The loss of life, when it's finally tallied, will very likely be in the thousands.

Over in Mississippi, a thriving area has gone from prosperous to a great depression in one day. The area was on its way to becoming a Las Vegas East, and now all of the casinos, with all of their jobs and their tax revenues, have been wiped out, along with all the homes and other businesses that were reduced to rubble.

Many hardworking Americans have been reduced to nothing but the clothes on their backs. The best way to help is to contribute to the Red Cross or, if that sticks in your craw, the Salvation Army. The president and Congress have been spending billions of dollars rebuilding Iraq and Afghanistan. Let's see how much they are willing to spend helping Americans rebuild.

## Events calendar

- **The Annual EMS/Trauma Regional Needs Assessment** will be at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 15 in Northwest Texas Hospital System Pavilion Auditorium in Amarillo. All Texas Panhandle residents are invited to attend and to comment. The Panhandle Regional Advisory Council for Trauma Service Area A is the designated administrative agency for the Panhandle Regional EMS/Trauma Services System.
- **Pants Mandolin will perform** from 6-9 p.m. at Amarillo Museum of Art on Sept. 15. The group was formed about two years ago and consists of five West Texas A&M University students and a Canyon High School senior.
- **A reception is scheduled for Pampa High School "Harvester" veterans** at 1:30 p.m. Sept. 16 in the school library. Individuals who played football for the Harvesters are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served and photographs will be taken. Harvester veterans who plan to attend are asked to call Eric Kingcade at 662-0975 or Callie Cobb at 664-0893 to RSVP. For additional details on Homecoming celebration activities, call Sherry Seabourn at 669-4800, ext. 301, or 669-9213.
- **Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens** will hold its annual Trail Ride Sept. 17 at Reynolds Ranch, 17 miles north of Pampa on Highway 70. Sign-up will begin at 8:30 a.m. The ride will get under way at 9:30 a.m. and con-

clude around 3 p.m. Registration is \$20. A current Coggins Test is required for all horses entered in the trail ride. Only original papers will be accepted. Prizes will be awarded including boots, horse feed and a Stetson hat. For more information, contact ride coordinator Gloria Swires at 665-2294 or Sherry Carlson at 669-9672.

• **The next Pampa Area Singles Dance** is scheduled from 8-11 p.m. Sept. 17 at the Sportsmans Club on South Barnes with Earl Witt. Admission is \$6. No smoking or alcohol is allowed. Snacks are welcome. For more information, call 665-7059.

• **Amarillo Museum of Art** has scheduled a "Free Family Festival" from 1 to 4 p.m. Sept. 25. Visitors will enjoy art activities, music, films, a print press demonstration and a gallery hunt — all inspired by artist Jasper Johns. Refreshments will be provided. The event is being held in conjunction with the exhibition "Jasper Johns: Prints." For more information, contact the museum at (806) 371-5050.

• **The deadline to register for "Daily Living with Parkinson's Disease"** is Sept. 26. The symposium, an annual event, will kick-off at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided for a \$7 fee. For more information about the symposium, contact Amarillo Area Parkinson's Symposium at 1-800-687-5498.

## Senior Day in offing at Tri-State Fair

AMARILLO — Senior citizens attending the Tri-State Fair can tap their feet to the beat of the music and get their health checked out all for free.

Senior Citizen's Day at the fair will be Monday and is sponsored by Potter County Extension, Panhandle Geriatric Education Program at Amarillo College and Tri-State Fair.

Free gate admission is offered from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the program will be held in the Amarillo National Center, where there will be entertainment, refreshments and door prizes (cash prize for oldest male and female plus door prizes from exhibitors.)

The VA Roadies, Amarillo

College nursing students and Texas Tech School of Medicine OB/GYN Division will provide free health screenings, including: glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure, body fat analyzer and heel scan.

The program begins at 9 a.m. with the health fair and screenings. Entertainment by local country western songwriter and singer Ed Montana and ventriloquist Terry Fator begins at 10 a.m.

Refreshments will be provided by Potter Extension Education Clubs and Donut Stop at 11 a.m. The health fair and screenings will continue from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

On display will be educational exhibits by Amarillo College Nursing students on diabetes management, con-

trolling cholesterol, medication management, exercise, fall prevention and safety, high blood pressure, osteoporosis, caregiving and aging, prostate health, breast health, colon cancer update and arthritis advice.

The Alzheimer's Association Star Chapter, Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle, Division of Blind Services, North West Texas Health Services - Senior Advantage Program, Panhandle Area Health Education Center, Panhandle Council for the Deaf, Retired Senior Volunteer Program and other area assisted living facilities will have booths set up.

For more information, contact the Potter Extension office at (806) 373-0713.

## Pet of the Week

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** My mother, "Belle," had me when she was 16. All my life I have been her best friend. I think she made it that way so she wouldn't have to deal with having a child. Belle has always abused alcohol and drugs. She was also married several times over the years. I don't think she ever really grew up.

My childhood was spent being shuffled from one family to the next. About a year ago, Belle got into trouble (again) and had nowhere to live. I am married with two young children. We live about three hours away from her "trouble." I invited her to come and stay with me so she could have a fresh start.

Well, Belle's driver's license was suspended because of past trouble, so I cart her around everywhere. She's still up to her same old tricks, parading men in and out, drinking, drugs, etc. This has caused many fights between me and my husband. I have reached the end of my rope. I don't want to just write Belle off because she's my mother. But I really don't want anything more to do with her. All she does is cause heartache for my children and me. What do I do? -- **MY MOTHER'S KEEPER, MONROE, LA.**

**DEAR MOTHER'S KEEPER:** Recognize that you are your CHILDREN'S mother, not your mother's. Having an adult in the house who abuses alcohol and drugs and "parades men in and out" creates an unhealthy atmosphere for your little ones. So give Belle an ultimatum: Get clean and sober immediately and forgo the gentlemen callers, or leave. This may seem cold, but unless you put your foot down, nothing will change.

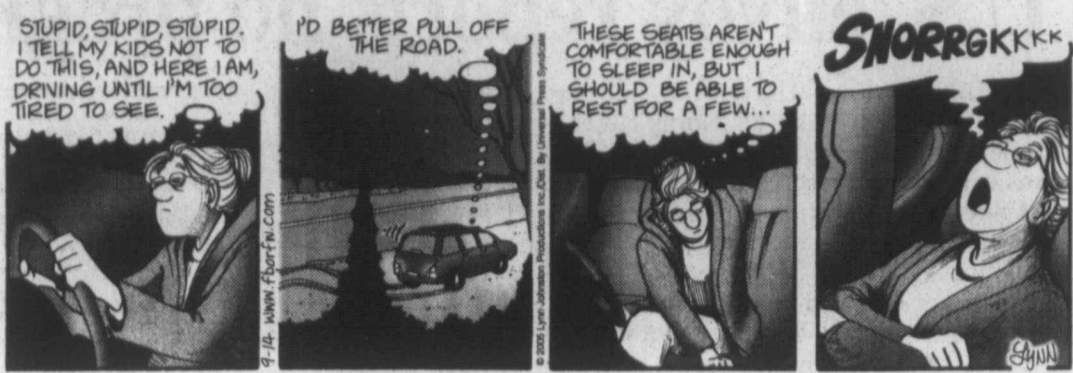
Now that you are finished reading this, check your phone book for the nearest meeting of Adult Children of Alcoholics.

It's a group that was created specifically for individuals like you who were raised in alcoholic or dysfunctional households. They can help you to stop making your mother's problems your own. If they're not in your phone book, e-mail them at info(at)adultchildren.org or write: ACA, Box 3216, Torrance, CA 90510-3216.

**DEAR ABBY:** Please remind college students, especially freshmen, not to give their Social Security number to strangers on campus. Every year, unauthorized people come to college campuses and represent themselves as belonging to organizations. Most universities have designated areas for vendors and apply strict guidelines on how they can solicit information. People who approach students and aggressively solicit are probably not authorized to be there. They are collecting students' information for identity fraud. For incoming freshmen, the first semester of school can be very stressful. Unprepared, they may cave in to aggressive tactics. Please remind your readers that their Social Security number is a very sensitive piece of information. With it, and someone's name and address, a thief can commit identity theft. The resulting crimes will cause endless headaches for students as they try to sort it out with credit companies, police departments and businesses. -- **LEARNED THE HARD WAY**

**DEAR LEARNED:** Thank you for the crash course on financial self-defense. It's a shame that each year students are picked off like sitting ducks by unscrupulous predators. I'm sure many young men and women, away from home for the first time, will appreciate your reminder to guard their personal information.

## For Better Or Worse



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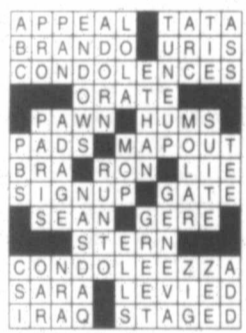


## Crossword Puzzle

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

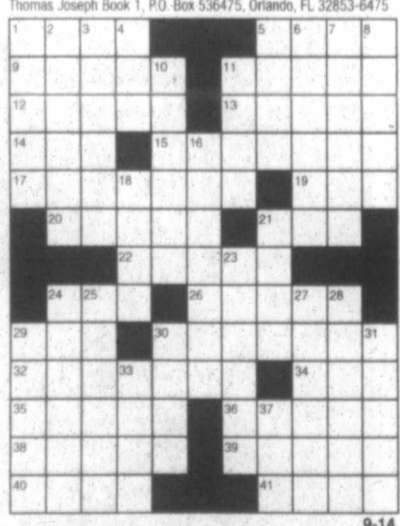
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  - 15 Leave out
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  - 20 "Semper Fidelis" composer
  - 21 Blue
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  - 24 50 Cents music
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  - 23 Teacher's offering
  - 24 Leave the work
  - 10 Not nervous
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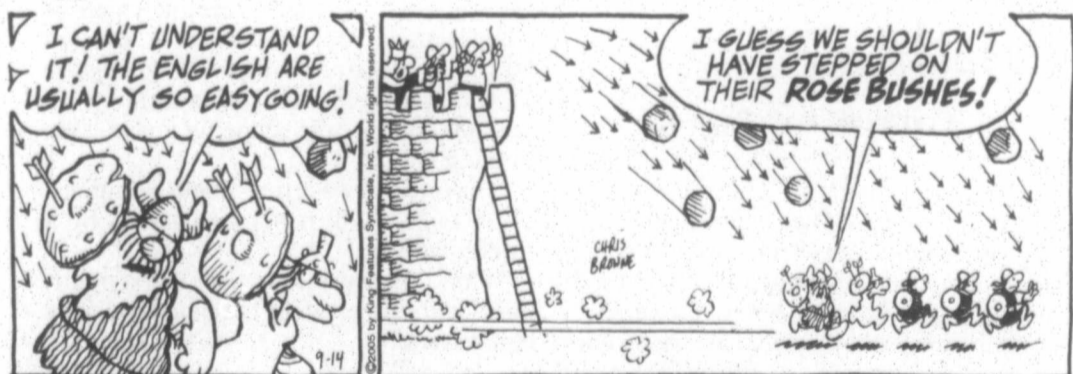
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# Sports Day



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## 8th grade handles Hereford

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

The Pampa Junior High 7th and 8th grade football teams were in action Tuesday afternoon as both faced Hereford. The 7th grade was scheduled to travel, while the 8th grade stayed home.

Both 8th grade A and B teams claimed wins against the visitors.

### A-Team

Gabriel Rodriguez scored on an 18-yard run and Alex Clendening tossed a 21-yard TD pass to Travis Hagerman in the A game. Clendening found Travis Hagerman with a 3-yard pass to convert the extra point following the first touchdown. Rodriguez converted the second extra point with a short run. Both

would be needed as Pampa edged Hereford, 16-14. The A team improved to 1-1 with the victory.

### B-Team

Though not known at the time, the only scoring to be done in the B game came just seconds into the contest as Steven Botello ran the opening kickoff back 75 yards for a Pampa TD. The B team dropped Hereford, 6-0, improving to 2-0 on the season.

The 7th and 8th grade teams will be in action again Tuesday when they face Canyon.

### Note

Results from the 7th grade games were not available at press time.

◀ Steven Botello takes off on a 75 yard kickoff return for a touchdown Tuesday. His 8th grade B team defeated Hereford, 6-0.

## Former Cowboys kicker Fritsch dies at 60

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Toni Fritsch, a former soccer player for Austria's national team who was discovered overseas by the Dallas Cowboys and became a record-setting NFL place-kicker, died Tuesday. He was 60.

Peter Klingelmueller, a spokesman for Rapid Vienna, the soccer club on which Fritsch played for 14 years, confirmed Fritsch's death. The Austria Press Agency reported that Fritsch collapsed and died of heart failure in Vienna after eating at a restaurant.

Fritsch played in nine matches for the Austrian national soccer team and, in 1965, scored two goals in a 3-2 victory over England in London. Six years later, soccer-style kickers were becoming popular in the NFL and the Cowboys sent a group of people to Europe in search for strong-legged soccer players who could be taught to boot footballs.

"The first place we went was Vienna, and the first player we tried out was Toni Fritsch," then-Cowboys personnel director Gil Brandt recalled Tuesday in Dallas. "He had a hard time speaking English at first, but he did master it."

In an interview last year, Fritsch recalled how he had never seen a football before meeting with the Cowboys' recruiter. A translator followed him during the early days of practice to help him understand the game.

Brandt recalled that Fritsch kicked the

game-winning field goal in his NFL debut. It was a 26-yarder with 1:53 left that gave Dallas a 16-13 victory over the Cardinals in St. Louis.

"It was one of the funniest things I've ever seen," Brandt said. "A linebacker for the Cardinals was hollering, 'Choke, Fritsch, choke!' and Dave Edwards, our upback on the protection team, said, 'He can't understand English.'"

Fritsch, a gregarious guy who was popular with teammates, shared kicking duties in Dallas in 1971, then had the job pretty much to himself for the 1972, '73 and '75 seasons.

He led the NFC with 22 field goals in 1975. The Cowboys beat Miami in the Super Bowl after the 1971 season and lost the title game to Pittsburgh after the '75 season.

After kicking for San Diego for part of the 1976 season, Fritsch settled in with the Houston Oilers from 1977-81 and was part of their Luv Ya Blue heyday under Earl Campbell and coach Bum Phillips. He finished his NFL career kicking for Phillips on the New Orleans Saints in 1982.

Fritsch still holds an NFL record by having kicked a field goal in 13 straight play-off games. New England's Adam Vinatieri has an ongoing streak of 12 in a row.

He lived in Houston for many years after he retired. Brandt recalled Fritsch attending a Cowboys reunion in June 2004.

## Pampa 17-8 after loss to AHS Lady Sandies

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

The Lady Harvester senior volleyball team fell to 17-8 following Tuesday's loss to Amarillo High, 25-14, 25-9, 25-12. The top-ranked Lady Sandies improved to 31-1.

Coach Sonia VanGilder knew the game, and the one played at Tascosa Saturday, were going to be tough.

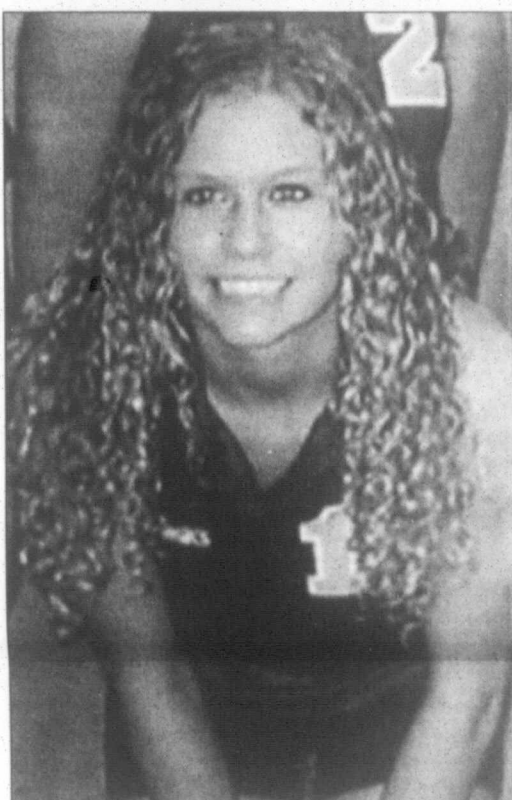
She also believes both games, win or lose, would help strengthen her squad and better prepare them for district competition which will begin Sept. 20 when Pampa travels to Randall.

Logan Winkelman and Stephanie McVay collided in Saturday's loss to the Lady Rebels. Winkelman appeared to get the worse of it as she suffered a cut to the head.

The junior varsity squad gave the Lady Sandies all they wanted Tuesday night in a 25-12, 25-23 loss to Amarillo High.

Pampa will again be on the road Saturday when they visit Seminole and Kermit at Seminole.

Both the varsity and junior varsity games are scheduled for an 11:15 a.m. start.



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Lady Harvester Stephanie McVay was named All Tournament player for Division II at the recent Graham Tournament.

### GREAT ONE RETURNS

## Gretzky feels like a beginner

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Wayne Gretzky gave a hint of his coaching style Tuesday when he opened training camp with a greeting to Phoenix Coyotes players, then went into the stands at Glendale Arena to watch two scrimmages while his assistants oversaw the line changes.

Gretzky, who stayed on as the team's managing partner for hockey operations despite announcing on Aug. 8 that he would give coaching a try, acknowledged stepping into a realm where he may not reach the same status he attained as a player.

"I'm venturing into a new career, and I have to go out there and earn my stripes as much as anybody," he said. But Gretzky believes applying the same principles that turned him from a teenage phenom into the NHL's greatest scorer — study, preparation, attention to detail — will help him make the transition.

"I really practiced hard, I really knew who I was going to play against," he said. "Each and every night, I spent countless hours in video rooms going over things with coaches like John Muckler, so I made myself into the player that I became, and that's the way I'm going to coach."

He plans to let assistants Barry Smith, Rick Tocchet and Rick Bowness handle the mundane aspects of camp — and the team during home-and-home exhibition games against the Minnesota Wild on Friday and Saturday — until the roster is trimmed to manageable size.

His delegation of authority won approval from the staff and players alike.

"You can't do it nowadays," Tocchet said. "I mean, you have five or six seconds to get another line on, matchups. There's a lot of preparation, a lot of video. So there's no way one guy could do a one-man show,

and that's the key when you're the head of something — to delegate and get the right people."

Brett Hull, Gretzky's friend, former teammate and golf buddy, said no one will question who is running the team, Gretzky's calm, thoughtful demeanor notwithstanding.

"It's respect that you have from your players, and obviously he's going to have that," Hull said. "When a voice needs to be raised, I'm sure he can. I think that's why (general manager) Mike Barnett brought in the players that he did, the leadership and the veteran guys, so those times are few and far between."

Center Mike Comrie echoed the feeling. "I grew up watching the Oilers in Edmonton, and now to play for him, it's a thrill," Comrie said. "I feel like we're probably going to learn quite a bit. When he says something, it's in a different way than most people do."

The Coyotes acquired Comrie late in the 2003-04 season and he barely got to know his teammates before the lockout.

Hull, who trails only Gretzky and Gordie Howe in career goal-scoring, also is among the newcomers. He left Detroit to sign with the Coyotes in August 2004, joining then-newly acquired forwards Mike Ricci, Boyd Devereaux, Jason Chimera and defenseman Sean O'Donnell.

They and 2005 acquisitions like Petr Nedved and goaltender Curtis Joseph have been working out on their own, paying for ice time to prepare Camp Gretzky.

The effects were obvious at the first practice.

"It was pretty wild," Devereaux said. "It was really a high-tempo practice, so the guys were feeding off it for sure."

*"I'm venturing into a new career, and I have to go out there and earn my stripes as much as anybody."*

— Wayne Gretzky  
Head Coach, Phoenix Coyotes

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### PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

### PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

### PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."

### PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

### PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

### PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

### PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the

amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."

### PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

### PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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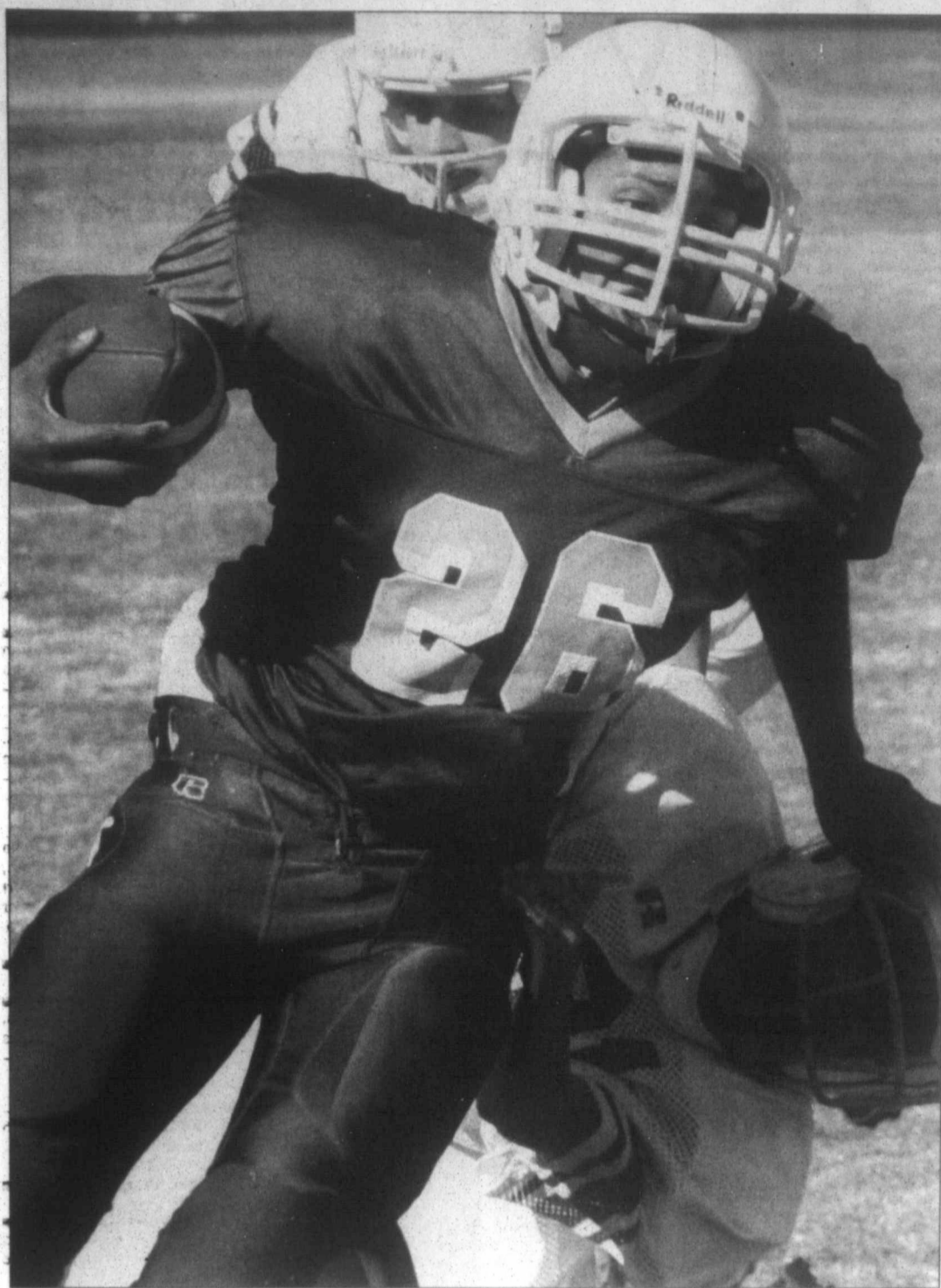


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### Stiff competition

Zach Organ gives a stiff-arm to a Hereford defender Tuesday during the Pampa 8th grade A team game. Pampa won, 16-14. Unfortunately, Organ would break his arm just a few plays later.

## High school sports participation tops 7 million mark for first time

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — California and New York continued cutting into Texas' huge lead, and Michigan moved ahead of Illinois and Ohio in the number of high school students participating in sports.

Total student participation for all 50 states and the District of Columbia, meanwhile, rose 1.6 percent from 2003-04 to a record 7 million in 2004-05, according to an annual survey by the National Federation of State High School Associations. It was the 16th straight year the NFHS reported an increase in the number of high school athletes.

"The fact the numbers continue to rise confirm to us the interest in school-based athletic programs is still there," NFHS spokesman Bruce Howard said Tuesday. "Certainly, there are some emerging sports that help that, such as bowling and lacrosse, in certain parts of the country. A lot of the routine major sports continue to be pretty steady year to year."

Texas, with 740,052 participants, is still the national leader but has dropped more than 39,000 since 2000-01, including almost 15,000 in just the past year, according to the NFHS figures. California remains second, with an increase of almost 26,000 to 678,019, and New York is still third at

350,349, an increase of almost 14,000.

Michigan's increase from 302,648 to 311,814 moved it from sixth to fourth. Illinois fell to fifth, Ohio dropped to sixth and Pennsylvania remained seventh. The only other position change among the top 10 states was by Minnesota, which moved ahead of New Jersey into eighth. Florida again was 10th.

Football again had the most participants and the largest increase among all boys' sports. Basketball remained the leading sport for girls, but track and field showed the biggest gain. In terms of percentage increases, bowling and lacrosse had the biggest gains for both boys and girls.

Another emerging sport, mainly in California, Maine and Vermont, is snowboarding.

Total participation for boys was 4.1 million, including just over 1 million in football and about 545,000 in basketball. The total for girls was a record 2.9 million, including some 456,000 in basketball and about 428,000 in outdoor track and field.

The Indianapolis-based NFHS represents about 18,000 U.S. high schools and some 13 million students. The participation survey is based on figures supplied by each member state association.

### Top 10 States

States	Athletes
1. Texas	740,052
2. California	678,019
3. New York	350,349
4. Michigan	311,814
5. Illinois	310,791
6. Ohio	310,585
7. Pennsylvania	262,859
8. Minnesota	233,070
9. New Jersey	228,388
10. Florida	219,040

## Astros rookie Taveras cuts finger

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Astros rookie center fielder Willy Taveras left Tuesday night's game against Florida with a cut on his right middle finger that required stitches.

Taveras injured the finger in the third inning while getting his 29th bunt single and 67th infield hit, both major league highs. He left at the start of the fourth and was taken to Methodist Hospital.

General manager Tim Purpura told Houston radio station KTRH that Taveras needed five or six stitches. He said an X-ray showed no fractures.

"We're going to see how he is tomorrow," Purpura said. "It certainly could have been a lot worse."

Taveras leads major league rookies in hits (159), multi-hit games (49), runs (71) and stolen bases (33).

## Orioles edge Rangers, 4-3

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Luis Matos waited until his last at-bat to snap a slump and keep up his torrid hitting against the Texas Rangers.

Matos, batting .492 (31-for-63) in his last 16 games against Texas, drove in the go-ahead run with a double in the ninth inning to lift the Baltimore Orioles to their fourth straight victory, a 4-3 win over the Rangers on Tuesday night.

"We've been struggling hitting but we're winning," said Matos, who is hitting .432 (32-for-74) in his career against Texas, but was in a 2-for-24 overall slide when he came to bat in the ninth. "The pitchers, they're doing their job and we step it up when we have to. That's how you start winning a lot of games, when you get both together."

Walter Young led off the ninth with a single off reliever C.J. Wilson (1-7). Pinch-runner Ed Rogers went to second on Chris Gomez's sacrifice bunt.

Rangers closer Francisco Cordero entered the game and retired Eric Byrnes on a fly ball, but Matos' dou-

ble to right center scored Rogers with the tiebreaking run.

"It was just time for somebody to step up and Luis did," said Orioles interim manager Sam Perlozzo, who is 18-19 since taking over on Aug. 4. "He had been struggling a little bit so that's a big hit for him. Hopefully that gets his confidence back."

Chris Ray (1-3) gave up the tying run in the eighth but got the win. B.J. Ryan got three outs for his 33rd save.

Wilson allowed one run and one hit in 1 1-3 innings.

The Orioles took a 3-2 lead into the eighth, but the Rangers tied it against the Baltimore bullpen when Alfonso Soriano's two-out RBI double off Ray drove in Michael Young.

Baltimore rookie starter John Maine allowed two hits — solo homers by Kevin Mench and Hank Blalock — in 6 1-3 innings.

Maine gave up Mench's 25th homer in the second and Blalock's 24th in the seventh, but held the rest of the Rangers hitless in his fifth major league start.

## Astros fall to Marlins, 4-2

HOUSTON (AP) — An unusual call against Houston pitcher Wandy Rodriguez helped boost the Florida Marlins' lead in the NL wild-card race.

Juan Pierre walked in the seventh inning when umpires said Rodriguez touched his mouth with his hand while on the mound, and Paul Lo Duca followed with a tiebreaking, two-run homer that sent Florida on to a 4-2 victory over the Astros on Tuesday night.

"It was a bad call. It was a wrong call," Astros manager Phil Garner said.

Josh Beckett (14-8) struck out eight over 7 1-3 innings against his hometown team, and Carlos Delgado homered for the second straight game, becoming just the ninth player to hit 30 homers in nine straight seasons.

Florida, which was out 9-6, opened a one-game lead over Philadelphia in the wild-card standings.

Mike Lamb and Adam Everett homered for the Astros, who lost for the fourth time in five games and dropped 1 1/2 games behind the Marlins.

With the score tied 2-2 and one out in the seventh, Juan Pierre worked the count to 3-2 against Rodriguez (9-8). Before the next pitch, third base umpire Bruce Dreckman cited Rodriguez for making contact between his hand and mouth or lips, a

violation of baseball's rules, and called ball four.

Garner and Rodriguez argued in vain that the pitcher had merely touched his nose.

"He didn't go to his mouth on the mound," Garner said. "He was simply sweating profusely on his face and was wiping it away."

Chad Qualls relieved, and Lo Duca homered to left on a 3-2 pitch, just his fifth home run in 407 at-bats this season.

"What happened in the sixth inning I'm not sure," Rodriguez said. "If I am going to touch anywhere, I'm going to step off of the mound. It hurts. I wanted to win and we didn't."

"He told me that I ran my finger over my mouth. That is what he said I was doing. I never touched my mouth while I was on the mound. I touched my face because I was sweating."

Pierre wasn't sure what happened. "I was surprised because you never see that call," he said. "It definitely proved to be big. It got them out of their rhythm. But when you're going good like we are, those things happen to you. You're going to get little things like that go your way."

Lo Duca was just happy to win.

"A lot of us knew we needed to win these first two games when you've got (Roger) Clemens and (Andy) Pettitte going the next two games," he said. "It was huge to win these two."

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### 1 Public Notice

**City of McLean Ordinance #304**  
An ordinance fixing the tax rate and levy in and for the City of McLean, Texas, for the year of 2005, upon taxable property in said City of McLean, Texas, for the purpose of providing for the General Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, providing for a penalty; providing that in the event any provision of this ordinance be held unconstitutional and invalid; that such holding shall not effect the remaining provisions thereof; and repealing all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith.  
D-11 Sept. 14, 2005

### 1 Public Notice

**City of McLean Ordinance #302**  
An ordinance setting monthly rates to be charged and collected for water; providing for an effective date; repealing all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith; providing for a savings clause; and providing for publication.  
D-9 Sept. 14, 2005

### 1 Public Notice

mitted and to waive any formalities or technicalities. The City Commission will consider bids for award at the October 11, 2005 Commission Meeting.  
/s/ Phyllis Jeffers  
City Secretary

### 5 Special Notices

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### 13 Bus. Opp.

**ABSOLUTE Goldmine!** 60 vending machines / excellent locations, all for \$10,995. 800-234-6982

### 14d Carpentry

**Carpentry, Roofing, Replacement windows, steel siding & trim Jerry Nicholas 669-9991, 662-8169**  
NEW Const., remodeling, replacement windows. Shawn Deaver Constr. 662-2977, 665-0354.

### OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR

Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

### ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs.

Mike Albus, 665-4774.

### 14e Carpet Serv.

**JACK'S Plumbing & NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost... It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.**

### 14h Gen. Serv.

**COX Fence Company.** Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

### 14h Gen. Serv.

IS your House or Foundation Settling? Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Childers Brothers, Inc. Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo.

### RENT house repair & updating, room remodels, tile work, wood floors.

Mike, 595-0219 for est.

### Dale West Fence & Deck Sealing

Weather seal your fence or deck. Wash & seal your old fence or deck. Free estimates! 440-1581 or 665-7594

### DEB'S HOUSE CLEANING SERVICE.

Trustworthy & dependable. Free estimates. Debra Parsons @ 806-356-9028.

### SONDOBAL Work: Special concrete, roofing, driveways, sidewalk, patios, additions, fences, painting. Free Estimates. Licensed. (806) 336-3562.

### Concrete Installation Residential Commercial Free Estimates

Howard Construction (806)669-1287

### 14s Plumbing/Heat

**JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115.** faucets, plumbing supplies, new const., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

### Larry Baker Plumbing

Heating/Air Conditioning Borger Hwy. 665-4392

### 15 Instruction

**PIANO Lessons** - openings for beginners-intermediates, all ages. Individual design programs, concert / classical oriented for adapting to any format. Trained for concert instructor. 665-4634.

### 19 Situations

**HOUSEKEEPER!!** Good References 10 years experience Call 665-2360

### PJ Care. Private care in my home. 24 hour care. Short term and long term care available. Call 669-2271

### 21 Help Wanted

**CRALL PRODUCTS** Immediate Openings \*Welders 40hrs + wk. Salary based on exp. Apply in Person: W. Hwy 152, Pampa

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**NOTICE** Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

### DOUGLAS Paint Co. is accepting appli. for a Painter. Industrial or auto painting exp. is required. Apply in person at 317 E. Brown.

### TOP O' Texas Oilfield Service-Class A CDL Drivers. Benefits. Apply 408 S. Price Rd, Pampa.

### HIRING COMMERCIAL DRIVERS

Current Class A CDL w/ HazMat / Tanker. Want great pay and cash incentives? Established Company looking to hire drivers. All applicants must pass drug / alcohol test. Please call Justin (432)339-0540 or 800-523-5566 Ext. 140

### TEXAS Rose needs Cooks & Dishwashers

Apply in person before 2-5 pm., ask for manager.

### A NEW DIRECTION Tired of doing the same old thing over and over again expecting a different result? Join the area's fastest growing team of sales professionals. Call now 669-0672.

### FT Cooks, PT & FT Waitresses Needed at Dixie Cafe. Apply within at 2219 Perryton Parkway, before 11am & after 2pm. No Phone Calls Please.

### J-W POWER COMPANY

Seeking self motivated Compressor Technician. 3-5 yrs experience preferred. Must have own tools, clean driving record. Drug Test Required. Phone: 806-669-2278 or Fax: 806-665-2407. Apply at 114 Western

### WORKOVER Rig Floorhand. Contact John, 664-2662.

### ATTENTION: Computer Help Wanted. \$950-5500 + per mo. Indep income opportunity. Call 1-800-437-9165. www.dreamandearn.com

### FRONT OFFICE/INSURANCE team member needed for a busy healthcare office! Only friendly, upbeat, multi-tasking, self-starters need apply. Fax resume to (806) 665-0537

### JANITORIAL Service taking applications, drivers license required, will train. Call 669-9186.

### WANTED: Full-Time General Laborer at West Texas Landscape. Land scaping & Horticultural background preferred but not necessary. Apply in person at 120 S. Hobart. No Phone Calls Please.

### FOOD Service, part time. Must be mature, neat, clean & dependable. Must work mornings & Saturdays. Apply in person after 3 p.m. Heard-Jones.

### SHOP Valve Tech. Exp. in repair of Kimray valves, controls, & pumps. Salary based on exp. Call T&J Valve @ 662-5228, 665-0868

### PHARMACY Tech, will train. Keyboarding a must. Be honest & dependable. Send reply to Box 01, c/o Pampa News, Po Box 2198, Pampa, Tx. 79066-2198.

### AmericInn Lodge & Suites is expanding to Pampa, Tx. We are searching for a talented General Manager for this 54-unit, limited service property. To further our tradition of service excellence, successful candidates must have excellent supervisory, people & sales skills, general accounting knowledge, and be computer proficient. Previous hospitality experience is preferred but not required. We offer a competitive salary and benefits package. Please submit resume to: Three Rivers Hospitality, LLC 250 Lake Drive East Chanhasseen, MN 55317 Equal Opportunity Employer

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**COOK Asst. / Dishwasher, 2 days per week. Pick up application at First United Methodist Church.**

### MCLEAN CARE CENTER has opening for OFFICE MANAGER

Must have accounting, computer and clerical exp. College accounting and knowledge of Medicaid and Payroll a plus. Must be able to communicate well with the public. Submit Resumes to: Angie Dickson P.O. Box 670 Memphis, Tx. 79245

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**EXPERIENCED Waitress** needed at the Black Gold Restaurant. Apply in person. No phone calls.

### Retail Sales Associate

Creative person needed in retail gift shop and greenhouse. Responsibilities include: assisting customers, displaying merchandise, stock rotation and cash register. Experience in retail and greenhouse sales is helpful. Applicant needs to have a positive attitude, work well with others and demonstrate leadership skills. Position is 40 plus hours a week varying Mon. thru Sat., some Sundays possible during busy season. Benefits incl. group ins. Apply in person at West Texas Landscape, 120 S. Hobart, Pampa, Texas.

### Carson County Gin White Deer, Texas

Now accepting appli. for 2005-2006 ginning season. Work will begin about Oct. 15. These openings are for day & night shifts in the gin & Seasonal Office Opportunity Evening and Night Scale / Gin Clerk positions avail. Oct. 15. Some computer exp. preferred. 2290 Hwy. 60 W 806-883-2535

### SALES Rep wanted. Good Commissions. Benefits. Established local business. Send resume to Box 02, c/o Pampa News, Po. Box 2198, Pampa Tx. 79066-2198.

### D.E. CHASE, INC. 1445 S. Barnes Pampa, Tx.

### TRUCK DRIVERS WANTED

4 days on / 2 days off Medical & Dental Ins. Uniforms Monthly Safety Bonus Retirement Plan  
Requirements: CLASS A CDL DOT Physical Tanker Endorsement  
Must pass DOT Drug Screen  
Apply in person NO PHONE CALLS!

### 48 Trees/Shrubs

**PUTMAN'S Professional Tree Trimming & Removal.** Hedges, bushes & economy house painting. Message phone-662-4583.

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White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

### 60 Household

**HOT TUB / SPA** New-Never Used, 5 HP, w / lounger, waterfall, digital control, seats 6. Full warr. \$3900. 806-670-9337.

### SALE- New Shipment

Mattress Sets w / Thick Pillowtop, in Plastic / 5 yr. warr. King \$329.00 Queen \$259.00 Full \$218.00 806-677-0400

### SIDE-BY-SIDE refrig. \$200, gas cookstove \$200, washer & dryer \$50 ea., 1 king bed \$50, 1 king waterbed \$50. Call 665-6830.

### 69 Misc.

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### SEARS GT 5000 riding lawnmower 54" deck, hydrostat trans. 25 hp Kohler eng., exc. shape, approx 1yr old, new \$3000. Sell \$2000. 662-1316.

### SPOILED By Right Resale for tots opening Oct. 3rd 10am. 302 W. Foster downtown. Selling baby furn, outdoor toys, whimsical beds, rare little tikes.

### SPOILED By Right Resale for tots. Opening Oct. 3rd. Selling 200+ gently used and new Costumes for Halloween. Costumes for the whole family.

### 69 Misc.

**BUYING and Cosigning** large toys and baby furniture. NO CLOTHES. 665-0008 or 806-282-5205.

### DOUBLE Wall Heater for sale, \$150. Call 669-0664.

**IN-BED camper, fits long bd, 4 wind., skylight vent, chrome plated toolbox, dbl. bed, rear door. \$350 obo. 665-5419, 662-1985.**

### 80 Pets & Suppl.

**FREE f. calico kitten, very loveable, 6-8 wks. old, litter box trained. 662-3010, aft. 5-665-1027**

### FREE. 1 male, 1 female Pit Bull Puppy. 669-7712.

### 7 yr old Chihuahua. Free. Very loving, totally de-clawed. Lap dog. 848-2183 or 662-8532.

### LARGE Black Lab. To give away. Needs country home. Owner going to Iraq.

### 90 Wanted To Rent

**We want to rent 3 bdr. home in Pampa area. Christian family w/ references. Call 806-857-6489.**

### 95 Furn. Apts.

Twila Fisher Century 21 Pampa Realty 665-3560, 440-2314 669-0007

### 3 bdr., 1 3/4 ba., 1 car garage, central heat & air, 2 storage buildings. No owner financing. Asking \$49,000. 1921 N. Christy. 669-9173.

### 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Central Heat & Air, Good Location. \$25,000 Firm. 898-5500.

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### LARGE, spacious rooms. Harvester St. Condo 2 bdr., 2 ba., gar., fence. C-21. 665-4180.

### PRICE REDUCED Brick home, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, c/h/a, new appliances, new flooring. Travis school. 2221 N. Dwight. For appt. call 665-4918.

### 104 Lots

**2 Mausoleum Crypts Side by Side \$3995.00 Call 440-2449**

### 114 Recre. Veh.

**1998 Sprinter 31.5 foot bumper pull travel trailer. Super slide. Towed 2000 miles. Very clean. \$13,500. Call 806-669-2083.**

### 115 Trailer Parks

**TUMBLEWEED Acres, Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.**

### 116 Mobile Homes

**SOLITAIRE, 3 bdr., 2 full ba. 1680 sq. ft. Newly textured 28x18 livrm., w/ fpl. Custom wood blinds thru-out. Carport, shed, f. yard. 665-2708.**

### 120 Autos

**1994 Ford Taurus. \$3500 OBO. 98,000 miles. Runs Good. 12 disc CD changer. Call 669-1552.**

### 121 Trucks

**GRANDKIDS finally agree to sell 1990 Hvy. Duty 4 wd Chevy Suburban. 2238 Evergreen.**

### 122 Motorcycles

**2002 Yamaha TT-R 125 \$950. 421 N. Gray 223-3654.**

### 1995 Harley Davidson 883 Sportster, bored to 1200, hyper charger, windshield, saddle bags, low profile seat, lots of chrome. 806-273-7432.

### AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

### 9-14 CRYPTOQUOTE

STM BIMMSMBS YN ZQQ

BYEVKB PB STZS YN STM

RYPOM YN STM IYDZV IM

QYRM. — KM QZ UHEWMHM

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THAT WHICH IS CALLED FIRMNESS IN A KING IS CALLED OBSTINACY IN A DONKEY. — LORD ERSKINE

### BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2005:

You easily could be a bit more down than you realize. This attitude could float through your expressions, causing others to react. Learn to eliminate what doesn't work for you. Radical changes could occur. As a result, you will change on a profound level, wanting different things and situations for yourself. Not every moment will be easy this year. Create more of what you want or dream of. If you are single, you might want to talk and get to know someone well before dating. If you are attached, understand that a change in the household might be necessary. Don't fight your sweetie. AQUARIUS is full of ideas and inspires you.

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

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You can adjust a lot more easily than many today, because you keep your eye on the big picture. Still, you might feel like you are stretched to the max. A child or loved one could be touchy or a bit down. Tonight: Bring others together. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might be pushed beyond your limits at work. Of late, you have been grumpier than usual. Don't take your mood out on a partner, even if he or she is disagreeable. Learn to detach. Tonight: Visit with an older relative. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Someone might do a reversal at the last minute. You could choose to be upset or disappointed. Take the high road and understand where this person is com-

ing from. Communications could be brief. Tonight: Feed your mind some candy.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You might need to reorganize your work or your day at the last minute. You need to spend more time or consult more frequently with a close associate. Together you'll come up with solutions. Tonight: Say yes to a request. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Others run the show. What you think is a great idea, someone else puts down. This person doesn't mean to rain on your parade, but it might feel that way right now. Observe that you are developing a tendency to take others' actions and comments personally. Tonight: Do for you.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ The quality of your work makes a big difference. The problem lies in that someone close could be creating uproar and upsetting you deeply. You might not be able to focus. Think about what you need to do in order to feel better. Tonight: Soak away stress in a hot tub, or schedule a massage. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You have ideas, especially when others get stuck. A friend might be very serious. You might not be able to cheer this person up, but you can try. Avoid reversing your decisions, but be understanding if someone else does. Tonight: Act like a kid. Do only what you love. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Understand that a financial problem could stop you short. In fact, you might need to change plans. On some level, if you are honest with yourself, you might be happier. Avoid risking, please. Tonight: Soothe your soul.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You might be grumpy, though you feel it is with good reason. Someone has pushed you, and you might walk away from this situation — forever. Your instincts tell you which way to go. Don't listen to hearsay. Tonight: Get together with a pal whom you can share all with. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You need to let go and not worry so much. What you might have seen as a long-term issue could be manifesting. You cannot do anything about it. Take care of yourself and your finances. Make yourself No. 1. Tonight: Make sure an expense won't rock your budget. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You are in prime shape to deal with today's hassles, which could range from a disappointment to a change in a friendship. Someone might be remote; you cannot change the way this person feels right now. Tonight: Do your thing. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Know when to hush up, even though you might be tempted to spill the beans in anger. The less said now, the better. You could feel uneasy or dragged down by work, a health matter or just an issue in your daily life. Tonight: Vanish.

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# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Sept. 17, 2005 • 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Community Recycling Center

Free To All Residents

**What To Bring:** paint • solvents • varnish  
• tires • pesticides • herbicides •  
drain opener • oven cleaner • stain  
removers • polish • hobby supplies •  
pool chemicals • transmission &  
brake fluids • motor oil • antifreeze  
• acids • batteries • photographic  
chemicals • products labeled CAU-  
TION, WARNING or POISON •  
recycleables: plastics 1 & 2 • alu-  
minum • paper.



(No Commercial Dealers)

We will be recycling tires, car batteries, motor oil and & filters, antifreeze, and paints, as well as plastics, aluminum & paper. (Limit 10 tires per vehicle. No commercial or retail shops)

**DO NOT BRING:** explosives • radioactive materials • dioxins or waste generated by businesses or farms • container larger than 1 gallon (except for motor oil & paint) • compressed gas cylinders • waste reactives

Please transport all products in their original containers, do not consolidate them. Make sure the containers are properly sealed & will not leak. Put containers in the trunk or back of your vehicle, away from passengers.

**For More Information Contact: Crista Perry • 806-663-4216**

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