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County OKs funds for DA's victim coordinator

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Gray County commissioners approved a request this morning from 31st District Attorney Lynn funds to pay the salary and other expenses of the DA's crime victims coordinator, Xochitl Valenzuela.

The position has been funded by grant money, but when this year's unable to secure the grant funds.

application was submitted, it was rejected, Switzer said. Reasons for the turndown included discrepancies between the narrative and the budget, and a lack of volunteers which the Switzer to use her office's forfeiture office was supposed to have had, she said.

> Switzer appealed the decision all the way to the state Attorney General's office, she said, but was

Commissioners agreed to pay the salary and related costs of Valenzuela's position until grant monies can be obtained to fund the position. Switzer will reimburse the county out of the DA's forfeiture funds.

"A couple of grants will become available in coming months. I am sending Evelyn Rutherford, to a training on grant writing," Switzer

said. Rutherford is a paralegal in the DA's Wheeler office.

Kim Davis, executive director of Tralee Crisis Center, asked commissioners to approve the DA's request. "We have a working relationship that has never been better," Davis

said of relations between her agency and the DA's office.

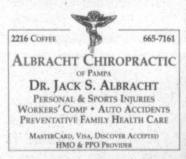
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Homecoming King and Queen candidates are, back row from left, Russell Bradley, Russell Anglin, Chris Smith, Nick Robbins, and Eric Kingcade and front row

from left, Wendy Clark, Monica Johnson, Jackie Gerber, Callie Cobb, and Emalie Luna. The candidates will be featured in the Homecoming Parade at 4 p.m. today

starting at the high school, down Mary Ellen and through downtown to the underpass. The King and Queen will be crowned before the 7 p.m. game Friday..

Combs looks at survival of small towns in Texas

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

"I don't want small town Texas to die," Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Susan Combs told civic leaders Wednesday in Pampa. "I want it to survive."

She said her agency is making a big push concerning rural economic development.

Combs said there is funding available from the state and federal gov-

ernments to help rural communities bring in new businesses, improve infrastructure and make their towns look better.

With Pampa State Rep. Warren Chisum sitting next to the dais, Combs said there is money available from the Texas Capital Fund

"That's something that Warren worked on," Combs said.

She said that the Texas Capital Fund is basically for infrastructure.

It can be used for power lines, water lines and road projects to connect a community to a manufacturing or industrial project. She said there is from \$12 million to \$14 million available in that fund annually.

As of Sept. 1, Combs said there is money available for beautification projects.

"The reason I hammer on beautification," Combs said, "you have one time to make a first impression.

That's all you got,"

If that first impression isn't favorable, she said, a community has to work three times as hard to get visitors to come back.

Courtesy Photo

Turning to Chisum, Combs asked if he and his wife, Omega, were driving through a strange town and his wife didn't like the looks of the place, would he stop?

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Beverly Chace, Pampa Police Department detective, examines compact discs found in a Toyota Tacoma Wednesday after officers recovered items from the truck which are believed to have been taken in a series of area burglaries.

Suspected stolen items recovered

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Law enforcement officers Pampa Police from Department and Gray County Sheriff's Office måde an arrest Wednesday after recovering a number of items believed to have been taken in area burglaries.

The property, believed to have been stolen in Gray and surrounding counties. includes a number of \$2 bills and a laptop computer. Tools which can be used in burglaries, including bolt cutters

and crowbars, were also seized, as was a green Toyota Tacoma in which the property and tools were found.

"This was a joint effort with several law enforcement agencies in the Panhandle," said Detective Beverly Chace of Pampa Police Department as officers examined the recovered items Wednesday afternoon outside Pampa City Hall.

Officers of the Criminal

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Woody Guthrie Day... October 1st Friends of the Pampa Library "Paperback Book Sale" ... October 1st & 2nd Pampa Fine Arts Assoc. Arts Crafts Show... October 8th & 9th Country Fair "Under the Harvest Moon" ... October 29th

WRCA Ranch Rodeo... September 30th - October 2nd

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

FOSTER, Gloria Earlene Felton — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

MORGAN, Aron Jasper - 10 a.m., First Baptist Church, Owasso, Okla.

Cody Best, 17

Cody Best, 17, of Pampa, died Sept. 14, Directors of Pampa. 2005. Services are pending under the direcof Carmichael-Whatley Funeral www.carmichael-whatley.com. tion

Gloria Earlene Felton Foster, 79 Gloria Earlene Felton Foster, 79, went to Chuck Foster and wife Cheryl of Boerne; be with her Lord on Sept. 14, 2005. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Love, Seth Foster, Sara Foster, Haylee Sept. 16, 2005, at Memory Gardens Foster, Derek Foster, Nash Elms and

Cemetery with the Rev. Richard Bartel, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley 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 FOSTER 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 www.carmichael-whatley.com.



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

Lillian LaVerne Kotara, 84

Lillian LaVerne Kotara, 84, of Pampa, of Athens, Texas, Larry Kotara and wife Texas, died Sept. 14, 2005, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Kotara was born Aug. 24, 1921, in Amarillo. She married Lonnie Kotara in the summer of 1942 in White Deer. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1942. She enjoyed horse racing and bingo.

Survivors include her husband, Lonnie Kotara, of the home; one daughter, Sherrian Batson-Hill and husband Stephen Hill of Angleton; three sons, Ronald Edward Kotara

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Courtney Penley; four greatgrandchildren, Jordan Jenkins, Jared Jenkins, Cameron Love and Rylee Love; one sister, Delores Wilson and husband Alvin of

-Sign the on-line register book at

eight grandchildren, Robin Jenkins, Kelly

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 broth-

ers, Harold Felton and Jack Felton. The family requests memorials

Kitten of Lubbock, and Gary L. Kotara of Pampa; one sister, Christine Waters of San Antonio; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Capt. Charles Ashley Austin.

The family requests memorials be to American Lung Association, P.O. Box 26566, Austin, TX 78755.

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

Aron Morgan, 18

1987, in Pampa, Texas, to Dwayne Jasper and Anita Sue (Byars) Morgan. He moved with his family to Owasso, Okla., in 1990

and had attended Owasso Public Schools. He had played freshman basketball, run track and cross country, was active with Odyssey of the Mind and French Club. He was graduated with the Owasso High School Class of 2005 and was currently attending the University of Arkansas, majoring in chemical engineering. He enjoyed a variety of pastimes including jumping off the cliffs at MORGAN Skiatook Lake, tubing, fishing,

camping, snow skiing, exploring and riding roller coasters. He died Sunday, Sept. 11, 2005, in Fayetteville, Ark., at the age of 18

Loving family members include his parents, Anita Byars of Owasso, and Dwayne and Terri Morgan of Owasso; a sister, Cassidy Erin of Owasso; grandparents, Ernie Byars of Winnsboro, Texas, and Karen Byars of Pampa, Texas; stepgrandparents, Bob and Jean McDonald of Collinsville, Okla.; aunts

Emergency Services

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Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents today. Wednesday, Sept. 14

Eight traffic stops were block of North Christy. made. A traffic complaint was received in the 800 the 500 block of Magnolia block of North Christy. where a computer was One vehicle accident was taken.

reported in the 500 block of Yeager. A prowler was reported

in the 500 block of North Lowry. Law enforcement assistance was reported in the

200 block of West Kingsmill twice and the 2500 block of West Kentucky. Fire assistance was pro-

vided in the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

Motorist assistance was provided in the 600 block of North Hobart.

Directing traffic assistance was provided in the 600 block of North Hobart. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 500 block of Yeager and the 1700 block of

Aron Jasper Morgan was born April 9, and uncles, Chris and Laura Byars of Mount Pleasant, Texas, Deloris and Pat Howell of McLoud, Okla., Emma and Tom Finn of Palm Springs, Calif., Eva Rose and Fred

Hawley of Springdale, Ark., Preston and Julia Morgan of Palestine, Texas, Loyd and Kay Morgan of Amarillo, Texas; Skip Morgan of Pampa, Texas; and Bob McDonald of Collinsville, Okla.; 25 cousins; and 40 second cousins. He was preceded in death by

grandparents, Charlie and Maudie Morgan; and an aunt, Joyce Ann Morgan.

Visitation will be held from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, Thursday,

Sept. 15, 2005, at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 16, 2005, at First Baptist Church of Owasso with Pastor Page Cole officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the First Baptist Church Youth Center, in memory of Aron Morgan, P.O. Box 1020, Owasso, OK 74055.

Arrangements are under the direction of Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

to appear, theft, failure to Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of signal and speeding.

Fred Henry Pitt, 46, of Pampa was arrested on a block of North Sumner, the charge of theft by check. block of East

> Deborah Kirklin, 26, of Pampa was arrested on a charge of evading arrest with a vehicle.

Cody Nicholas Williams, 22, of Pampa was arrested on a charge of burglary.

Donald Ross Haynes, 41, of Pampa was arrested on a charge of evading arrest with a vehicle.

Leonardo Alonzo III, 27, of Pampa, was arrested on a ed in the 1100 block of charge of evading arrest with a vehicle, DWI, and A violation of a city ordifailure to ID.

Fire

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

Wednesday, Sept. 14 1:14 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a gas leak in the 400 block of North Perry. 2:50 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 500 block of East Browning.

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Delta, Northwest file bankruptcy

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HARRY R. WEBER **AP Business Writers**

Delta Air Lines Inc. snatched pillows from most of its domestic passengers, and Northwest Airlines Corp. quit offering pretzels. They slashed thousands of jobs and pressed remaining workers to take pay cuts. They renegotiated debt and dropped money-losing flights, but it wasn't enough to keep both airlines out of bankruptcy court. Ultimately, both were

lems – heavy debt, mounting pension obligations, labor costs higher than their peers - were serious enough, but could be addressed later. But not the fuel. Delta and Northwest both

prices

filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in New York on Wednesday. Both companies said the timing was a coincidence.

They became the third and fourth major carriers to enter

Chapter 11 since the 2001 terrorist attacks. The nation's big airlines have lost more than \$30 billion in those four years, and the newest bankruptcy filings focused attention on the magnitude of the plight of the nation's big airlines.

By joining the parents of United Airlines and US Airways in bankruptcy, the four major carriers represent more than 40 percent of all available seat miles in the U.S., according to analysts.

"We are reading the first page in a thriller that will end either in resurrection or the death and burial of an entire industry as we know it today," said William Rochelle, an airline bankruptcy lawyer in New York. Both carriers expect to shrink.

Hamilton. Assaults were reported in the 1100 block of Farley and the 1500 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of West Somerville where a vehicle window was broken with an estimated damage of \$100. Warrant service was

attempted at two locations. Theft of gasoline was

reported in the 200 block of West 28th. Thefts were reported in

the 900 block of East Francis, the 400 block of South Ballard, and at One Medical Plaza.

An animal complaint was reported in the 700 block of North Zimmers.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 700 block of North Dwight and the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Department today reported the following motor vehicle accident.

Police

West Kingsmill, the 300

Browning, and the 800

Burglary was reported in

A business alarm was

An abusive call was

A civil matter was report-

nance was reported in the

1000 block of South Banks

where fireworks were set

Accidents

reported on Highway 60

reported in the 300 block of

West Kingsmill.

Tuesday, Sept. 13 10:16 p.m. - A 2002 Chevrolet Silverado pickup, driven by Penny June Summers, 24, 1108 S. Faulkner, and a 2002 Jeep Cherokee, driven by Bryan Frank Going, 55, 2125 N. Coffee, collided in the 900 block of North Hobart. Summers was cited for no valid driver's license and failure to maintain single lane.

Sheriff

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

Wednesday, Sept. 14 Melissa Ann Dabbs, 22, of Pampa was arrested on a charge of theft by check.

Kenyon James Kendall, 18, of Pampa was arrested on a charges of failure to maintain financial responsibility, four counts of failure port.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, Sept. 14 8:53 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of Garland and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:26 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of Wynne and transported a patient(s) to PRMC

Thursday, Sept. 15 3:43 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 700 block of Lowry. No trans-



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Today: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 79. Northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 57. Eastsoutheast wind around 10

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

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 65. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 91. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 68.

Southwest wind around 15 mph.

Gray County Weather

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 92. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 61. South wind around 10 mph.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85. Southsouthwest wind around 15 mph.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 61.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 88.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 84

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Valenzuela, who serves five Panhandle counties, was hired to fill the position last April.

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"She goes above and beyond, and takes care of victims for all five counties. Her office and services are vital to the five counties. She works extremely well with agencies which provide services to crime victims," Switzer said.

Commissioners also approved a resolution concerning sales of tax delinquent properties.

The resolution was prompted by the new Senate Bill 644, which requires successful tax property bidders to provide a certificate showing that they do not owe

This certificate must be provided in order to claim the property on which they offered the winning bid, said County Judge Richard Peet.

Two memorandums of understanding were approved concerning the four-county repeater radio tower. The memorandum, which involves state and federal governments, establishes guidelines for use of the four-county repeater system for various interagency uses such as during emergencies, Peet said.

"This allows us to participate and to receive federal and state monies to upgrade our tower," Peet said of the memorandum. The tower is located at the

back taxes on any property. point where Gray, Hemphill,

Roberts and Wheeler counties meet. Under the memorandum, the tower will be capable of handling communications with other repeater towers and among different agencies.

The second memorandum names Panhandle Regional Planning Commission as the coordinating agency for the repeater towers in the 26 counties in their territory.

A new service provider was chosen for maintenance of the county's NDB radio beacon system at Perry LeFors Air Field.

The current service provider is located in Albuquerque, N.M. The county's airport board recommended to county commissioners that the service be switched to L&P Enterprises of Amarillo, which will provide the same services at the same cost to the county.

Participation in the 2006 indigent defense formula grant was approved. The county participates in the grant each year, Peet said, and receives some reimbursement for costs of providing court-appointed defense attorneys for indigent persons.

A new cap on the hourly wage for part-time county

workers was passed. The \$12.50 per hour top pay is an increase of \$3.50 per hour from the current \$9 per hour cap.

One reason for raising the amount was the difficulty of attracting qualified workers at the lower hourly amount, such as heavy equipment operators, said Precinct 2 Commissioner Garv Willoughby.

A proclamation naming October breast cancer awareness month was passed.

A contract with Westlaw concerning access to the online law library provided by the county was passed. The contract costs \$772.47, on average, per month, Peet said. Commissioners agreed to consider eliminating the service at a future date for the 2007 budget year.

A hangar space lease contract with Joe Curtis was approved. Curtis plans to build a 65' x 65' hangar for plane storage, and will be charged five cents per square foot for rental of the proper-

Commissioners agreed to advertise for requests for proposals for at least eight types of insurance coverage for the county.

Pampans escape serious injury in plane crash

AMARILLO - Two Pampans were among four people injured Wednesday morning after their plane was forced to make an emergency landing south of Amarillo, according to a Texas Department of Public Safety press release.

Billy F. Daves, 53, of Pampa, took off at 9:25 a.m. Wednesday from Blue Sky Airport, a quarter of a mile south of McCormick Road next to Farm to Market Road 1541.

The Cessna 172, with four people on board, had just lifted off when the pilot heard the stall warning and noticed that the engine's revolutions per minute were fluctuating, according to the DPS.

Daves made a left turn to return to the airport. As the aircraft was on final approach to the runway, power was lost and the plane stalled out.

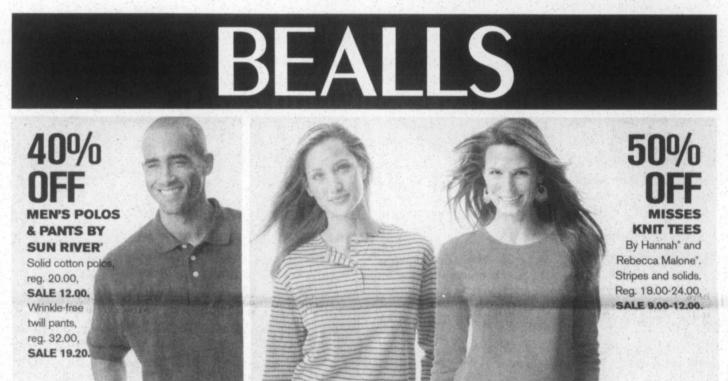
The plane then hit the runway, nose gear first. Shortly after the pilot and passengers exited the plane, it caught fire and was destroyed, according to DPS.

The four persons who were in the plane at the time of the incident were all slightly injured, but none were taken to a hospital, DPS said.

In addition to Daves, the other three on board were Denise Daves, 43, of Pampa; Bill McIntosh, 72, of Canyon; and Janie Crumpler, 35, of Panhandle.

The aircraft was based at Blue Sky Airport, DPS said.





decreases tax rate

Ground water panel

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

WHITE DEER -- The Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District lowered its tax rate this week.

After adopting a \$1.14 million budget for 2005-2006, the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District board of directors Wednesday afternoon adopted a tax rate of 1.439 cents per \$100 valuation.

"That's a six percent tax rate reduction," said John McKissack, board member from Amarillo.

Last year's tax rate was 1.52 cents per \$100 valuation, said General Manager C.E. Williams.

The board also adopted additional agricultural loan requirements for drip irrigation systems, including requiring 30 percent down instead of 20 percent on center pivot sprinkler systems.

"Drip irrigation is what center pivot was in the early 1970s," said Jason Green, Donley County's board member.

and Robin and Wendy Sprouse.

They also heard a presentation by Mike Dorsey and Wade Kress with the U.S. Geological Survey.

Dorsey said that in discussions with the PGWCD staff, the district had a lot of detailed ground water data that the USGS might be able to help them organize.

Williams said the district may seek some sort of cooperative agreement with the USGS at some time in the future, but the details and costs would have to be sorted out.

The USGS has developed extensive data on the Ogallala Aquifer in Nebraska and on surface and ground water in other parts of the country, but Dorsey said they have very little data from the Texas Panhandle.

Most of the USGS data on the Ogallala, Dorsey said, deals more with the broad expanses of the largest aquifer in the United States than with specific areas like approved drilling permits for the detailed data the

The PGWCD board one-inch wells in Potter PGWCD has. County for the Mays Trust

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Investigative Division and Special Services departments of PPD, along with deputies from Gray County Sheriff's Office, are involved in the investigation and made the arrest. The suspect was initially picked up on a Donley County warrant for burglary after he was pulled over on a traffic stop.

"We had some information on a suspect, and hap-

Combs

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"No," Chisum admitted. Combs said that a town has to look good to draw people and business.

State and federal dollars make a difference, she said.

"Dalhart has done an incredible amount of stuff," Combs said. "You all have done beautiful things downtown."

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She said one town in far West Texas made an enormous difference in their image by planting trees along the interstate that runs past their community.

Towns have to be proactive, she said.

"We are still managing Main Street right now, which is a \$150,000 grant to selected communities," Combs said.

She said her agency is also planning to hold a series of economic development seminars, and they will give up

pened to run onto him and saw some things that matched what we were looking for," Chace said.

"We're not sure all the items are stolen, but we are checking to see if they are stolen, based on reports," she said.

The investigation is a joint effort among several Panhandle-area law enforcement agencies, Chace said.

Heath Cates of Carson County Sheriff's Office and Rob Roach of Panhandle Police Department were among those examining the recovered tools and property Wednesday afternoon.

to \$2,000 to communities to help fund different events to draw tourists.

In Marfa, for the 50th anniversary of the making of the movie "Giant," they set up chairs in the middle of Main Street and charged \$50 to watch the movie projected on an outdoor screen, she said:

In Austin, Combs said, another group floated a movie screen in Town Lake and showed "Jaws."

"All the people who paid for a ticket got in inner tubes and floated on the water and watched 'Jaws.' The movie theater company hired a couple of scuba divers who went around and jerked on people's legs."

The key, she says, is to bring new people into town.

"You don't want all you guys paying each other money," Combs said.. "You want new money coming into town. You want new money from Oklahoma, Georgia or whereever it is. We're spending a lot of time on that.'

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Viewpoints

Plight facing small-town America not in public eye

cyberspace, I stumbled upon importance of the family for inspiration a surprising, ple, the Amish farmer is said an op-ed by Paul M. Weyrich at the Web site of AgapePress, a Christian news service, that speaks to a sad situation that has now and again plagued my thoughts. A situation mostly ignored, perhaps, because it simply does not register on the vast radar of public consciousness as dictated by the national news media.

Titled "Country Life," the piece, an outright plea by Weyrich to fellow conservatives, is primarily preoccupied with agrarian America conservatism.' and its corresponding ideals. I could have wished the article dwelled somewhat more "revolving fund" geared on the plight of small-town America, but, alas, Weyrich ture producers as opposed to

farm and its decline towards obscurity.

"Early generations of conservatives were agrarians," Weyrich wrote. "They thought that life on a family farm was a good life for many people. It built strong beliefs most families and communities, communities where faith and morals could flourish. I believe that is still true, and I therefore think that bringing back the family farm as a viable way of life should be an important part of the next each other, communities

Hear, hear.

Weyrich suggests a more toward small agricul-

> In 1821, independence was proclaimed for Costa

Honduras, Nicaragua and

Howard Taft - who

served as president of the United States and as U.S. chief justice --- was born

Guatemala,

William

During a recent foray into focuses chiefly on the "factory" farms, and takes 50 dairy cows. In the examand yet enduring, source the Amish.

> "The Amish," he writes, "are cultural conserva-Skyla tives. They live accord-Bryant ing to the **City Editor**

conservatives espouse: Christian faith, strong families, close-knit communities where people depend on

based on the church. "The Amish are also successful, often prosperous, family farmers."

Weyrich cites an Amish farmer with a herd of 40 to

to get something in the neighborhood of \$75,000

> year." This profit is offset only by what the Amish farmer will pay for feed

approximately \$5,000. Weyrich points out the Amish farmer's cows will graze for the most part, and, since his product is organic, he will not lose money on costly pesticides or chemical fertilizers.

Weyrich worries that people (i.e. conservatives) will

undervalue the importance get at that "agrarian" fortiof fostering agrarian practices in America. "As conservatives," he writes, "we should not see cheapness as the highest virtue."

I agree with Weyrich on the significance and impact of the agrarian way of life to and on America, and I abhor the demise of the rural enclave. Weyrich, however, failed in my estimation to surmise the full tragedy facing country folk, mainly the struggle of rural communities that provide the support structure for the small family-owned agriculture enterprises - the schools the farming family must attend, the churches, the grocery store, the hardware store, etc. It seems to me you can't

tude and morality with one and not the other.

There, too, he didn't go far enough in addressing the problems facing small farmers and ranchers - the estate tax, for instance, which penalizes families who wish to pass on and to future generations, as well as unfair restrictions that place a burden on domestic crops that foreign competitors are not subject to.

The landscape of this great nation is enriched by millions of small towns in country places. I pray that God continues to bless our small town and others like it. I pray His hand will keep life in those that are foundering.



By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, Sept. 15, the 258th day of 2005. There are 107 days left in the year.

Today in History

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 15, 1789, the U.S. Department of Foreign Affairs was renamed the Department of State.

On this date:

In 1776, British forces occupied New York City during the American Revolution.

Somewhere the Sky touches the Earth, and the name of that place is the End."

African saying

in Cincinnati. In 1917, Russia was proclaimed a republic by

Rica,

El Salvador.

In 1857,

Alexander Kerensky, the head of a provisional government. In 1935, the Nuremberg Laws deprived German Jews of their citizenship and made the swastika the official symbol of Nazi Germany.

In 1940, during the Battle of Britain in World War II, the tide turned as the Luftwaffe sustained heavy losses inflicted by the Royal Air Force.

"product" (milk?) from his cows in a "good

In 1950, during the Korean conflict, United Nations forces landed at Inchon in the south and began their drive toward Seoul.

In 1959, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev arrived in the U.S. to begin a 13-day visit.

In 1963, four black girls were killed when a bomb went off during Sunday services at the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala. (Three Ku Klux Klansmen were eventually convicted for their roles in the blast.)

In 1965, the TV shows "Lost in Space" and "Green Acres" premiered on CBS.

Ten years ago: Hurricane Marilyn, the third major storm to batter the Caribbean in less than a month, hit the Virgin Islands with heavy rains and 100 mph winds. The U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women adjourned in Beijing after approving a wide-ranging platform running the gamut from promoting inheritance rights to condemning rape in wartime.

Five years ago: The 2000 Summer Olympics opened in Sydney, Australia, with a seemingly endless parade of athletes and coaches and a spectacular display; Aborigine runner Cathy Freeman ignited an Olympic ring of fire.

One year ago: Three Americans were found guilty of torturing Afghans in a private jail and sentenced to prison. National Hockey League owners agreed to lock out the players. Johnny Ramone, guitarist and co-founder of the seminal punk band The Ramones, died in Los Angeles at age 55.

Today's Birthdays: Bluesman Snooky Pryor is 84. Actordirector Jackie Cooper is 83. Actor Forrest Compton is 80. Comedian Norm Crosby is 78.

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Free online games help relieve stress

Have you been staring at that computer for hours? Tired of entering numbers into that spreadsheet? Take a break! If you have Internet access, you can log on to some of the best games around.

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"sweet" (you'll know what I mean when you get there) games, check out the beautifully rendered Orisinal (http://www.orisinal.org). These games are highly original and have very relaxing artwork and music to accompany them. Great when you are stressed out. Some of my friends call this a "girlie" site, but then again, they have issues

Another excellent online gaming site can be found at Makai Media (http://www.makaimedia.co m). The games found here are a little, how can I put it, off the wall. "Office Wars"

allows you to hurl various pieces of cubicle furniture at your evil boss. Of course, he's tossing computer monitors back at you, so watch (http://zone.com/outsmart/). o u t

"Captain Eric Almost" For a great variety of has you in Spellmann n Columnist Asteroidsesque

> environment shooting demonic, slime-firing roaches. I told you it was "out there." Very original, though.

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One of the most addictive games I've run into lately (this week, anyway) is Atomica (http://popcap.com/atomica/). While the rules are simple (move colored balls into groups of four), the strategies are endless. Did I mention it was addictive? In fact, I just wasted 20 minutes "researching" this game.

The Microsoft Gaming Hearts, Chess, Checkers, etc. (http://zone.com), Zone hosts a hilarious gameshow, Outsmart



version pits you against a celebrity in a head-to-head trivia match. The heavy multimedia content rivals some of the best CD-based games on the market. New episodes are available every week.

Before we leave the Gaming Zone, you won't want to miss the many card and board games available. Go to their homepage (http://zone.com) and click on "Card and Board." A long listing will pop up, giving you access to Spades,

etc. You can play these games against the computer or against other HUMAN players around the world. Because of this kind of interaction, you may have to download some special software, but don't worry: You only have to do it once and the Gaming Zone guides you through it step-by-step.

Want some 3D action? The Lego Mindstorm site (http://mindstorms.lego.com) offers a very immersive game called, "RoboHunter 2: Spy City." You start out guiding a little Lego Mindstorm spy vehicle around a fictional city, snapping pictures of noted spies. The graphics are great, but I only recommend playing it on a system with a fast processor and good graphics card.

> Yahoo, never one to be See GAMES, Page 5

Rehnquist served the nation well during his tenure

The legal and political world William H. Rehnquist leaves after 33 years on the Supreme Court is far different from the one in which he came of age, and which shaped the temperament and judicial philosophy that made him such an effective chief justice.

Word came late at night that Chief Justice William Rehnquist lost his long battle with cancer, opening a rare second vacancy on the Supreme Court virtually on the eve of Senate hearings to fill retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's seat.

Justice Rehnquist was a conservative, but he was no led him to respect court precedent, even if he didn't theory-driven purist in the

mold of Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas. reasoning of a decision. For Rather, his was an older Justice Rehnquist, observing style, shaped by the libertartradition and guaranteeing ian ethos of the American institutional stability was a West (an

Goldwater).

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not interfere with the major-

Yet his pragmatism also

he was a protégé of The Dallas Morning News Republican Sen. Barry

ical pushback Justices Scalia and Thomas frequently provide Justice Rehnquist was a in their blistering opinions. pragmatist who was skeptical of federal power and who Justice Rehnquist's mild believed that courts function

Lutheran temperament made for little in the way of intellectual and rhetorical fireworks, but his patience and personal regard for his colleagues helped him keep the hurly-burly machine of the

necessarily agree with the supreme judiciary from flying apart and his well-known gift for organization kept it running smoothly.

His reserve served the nation well when he presided over the Clinton impeachment trial, surely one of the most difficult moments of his career.

President Bush now has to choose not only another Supreme Court nominee in addition to John Roberts, but also a chief justice, a position he could fill in several ways.

Whoever replaces Justice Rehnquist as the court's leader will do well to abide

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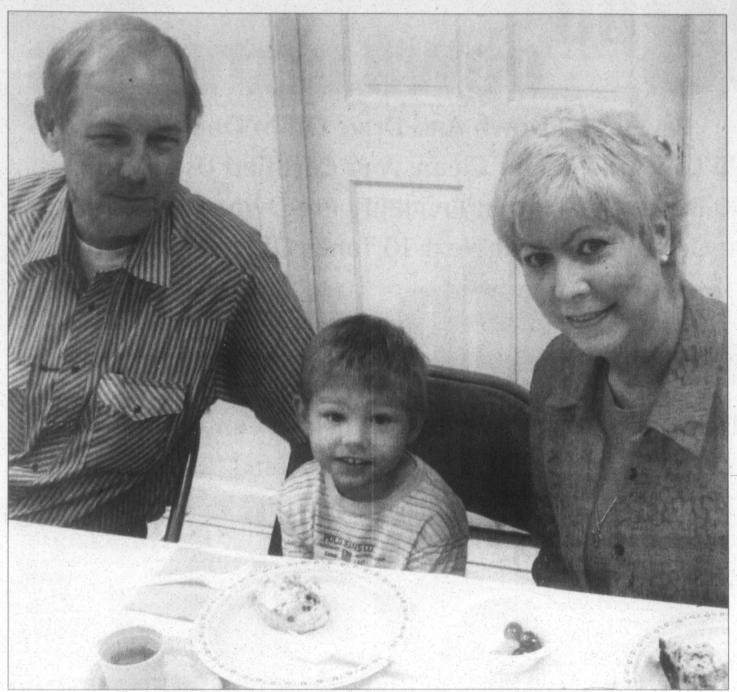
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'Tea brunch'



Karin and Gary Sutherland with their grandson Zane Sutherland enjoy a "tea brunch" one recent morning at For Heaven's Sake Preschool. The brunch was held in honor of Grandparent's Day.

Games

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left out, also has a great section games (http://games.yahoo.com). It will take some looking around for you to find your favorite game, though. Yahoo has it's own versions of many Commercial games, but renames them to prevent copyright infringement. For instance, if you like Scrabble, check 'Dice Slider." Get it? Most of Yahoo's games are Javaalready work with no need for software downloads. If you're tastes fall more

in the "Las Vegas" category, check out Pogo Games (http://www.pogo.com). Play Slots, Poker, Roulette, all with play money. If you win big, you can "buy" tickets for actual cash drawings held daily. Sure beats losing real money at the Casino! Pogo also has excellent "Missile an Command" copy called "Doomsday." Boy, I lost a lot of quarters in that one during the 80's ... Another site you'll want Franklin, Kipper, Gullah

to add to your Favorites is Gullah, and Maisy. For out Literati. If you're a U p r o a r . c o m example, in the Blue's Yahtzee fan, check out (http://uproar.com). While Clues game, kids are asked they have many of the to determine whether cergames you'll find on the tain items "float" or "sink" based, meaning your other sites, I've found a when placed in water. and Defender. It was browser (Internet Explorer few that are unique. For Using the mouse, kids can creepy how accurate the or Netscape) should instance, check out their version of the classic arcade game, "BattleZone," called "War

Zone." I also liked their fast and furious version of Qix, called "Fill It."

huge selection of online games for the younger set. Take, for instance, Nick Jr. (http://nickjr.com). Based on the cable television channels of Nickelodeon, this site is perfect for the youngest of Web Surfers. Online games are available with the characters from Blue's Clues, Little Bear,

covered it already, many of these games require the "Shockwave" plug-in. If The Internet also has a you have the newest versions of Netscape or Internet Explorer, don't worry. But if you need to download it, go to http://shockwave.com. The Shockwave plug-in facilitates many of the interactive sections of the games and also adds some great audio.

While you're at the Shockwave site, click on the "Games" button for a huge list of free playable games. They have excellent versions of the classics, Spy Hunter, Robotron, Sinistar, Rampage, Joust, video and audio were to the I'll see in you Cyberspace!

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Blockbuster probing UK video on demand

DALLAS (AP) - Movie- instantly. rental giant Blockbuster Inc. continues to take small steps toward a rollout of online video-on-demand in the United Kingdom while rival Netflix Inc. plans a smallscale test in the United States this year.

Blockbuster demonstrated an online video service at a trade show in Europe last week and has completed a test involving 5,000 British households, but officials downplay talk of service in the very near future.

"We are keeping a close eye on new and developing technologies," said company spokeswoman Karen Raskopf. "When and if we see a model that's economically viable, we believe that Blockbuster is well-positioned to be a force in the VOD arena."

Netflix plans to test videoon-demand this year but won't say when, where or how many households will get the set-top boxes they could use to order movies

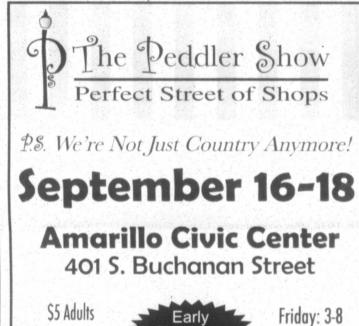
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his predecessor's

sober and serene legacy, one that's a tribute to that virtue surprisingly rare in Supreme Court justices and badly needed in our fractious political era: judiciousness.



Video-on-demand has long been touted as a touch-

button technology that could make movie-rental stores obsolete. Cable providers are rushing to add video-ondemand service - customers can start, stop, pause and rewind a movie they rent for 24 hours - to pay-per-view schedules.

But video-on-demand has been hindered by questions about technology, cost and the lack of recently released movies. Even when combined with pay-per-view, it accounted for only 6.1 percent of the home video market in the first half of this year - the same as a year ago, according to media researchers NPD Group Inc.

The movie-rental business has also slowed Blockbuster and Movie Gallery Inc. both lost money in the second quarter - but sales of DVDs have remained strong, helped by deep price-cutting.

drop the items in one by one, performing their own old console games. science experiment of sorts. In case you haven't dis-



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Events calendar

 A reception is scheduled for Pampa High School "Harvester" veterans at 1:30 p.m. Friday 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.

County Gray Association for Retarded Citizens will hold its annual Trail Ride Saturday 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 conclude 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. For more information, contact ride coordinator Gloria Swires at 665-2294 or Sherry Carlson at 669-9672. An Adult CPR/AED training course will be conducted between 2 and 6 p.m. Saturday at the local Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. The class fee will be \$35 and includes a text

book. For more information

or to register, call 669-7121. The next Pampa Area

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Singles Dance is scheduled from 8-11 p.m. Saturday 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.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.

· The late registration deadline for the ACT college admission exam is Sept. 30. For participants registering before Sept. 16, the cost of the exam is \$29 or \$43 with the writing portion. On Sept. 30, the fee includes and additional \$18. The test will be administered nationwide on Oct. 22. Students can get registration materials from guidance counselors or register online at www.actstudent.org.

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WORLD AFFAIRS

Summit should restore U.N. credibility, Secretary-General Kofi Annan says

By NICK WADHAMS Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS (AP) -Bitter differences between U.N. member states have blocked many crucial United Nations reforms, and nations must act boldly to restore the world body's credibility, Secretary-General Kofi Annan told a summit of world leaders.

Presidents and prime ministers were more blunt about the U.N. system at the gathering that marked the United Nations' 60th anniversary.

"If member countries want the United Nations to be respected and effective, they should begin by making sure it is worthy of respect," said President Bush.

"The United Nations should live up to its name," Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair said.

Instead of a celebration of U.N. achievements since its founding in the ashes of World War II, the summit was much more a somber reappraisal of its shortcomings and a debate about how to meet the daunting challenges of a world where poverty and violence are still endemic.

Coming into the summit, diplomats had to dilute a document on goals for tackling rights abuses, terrorism and U.N. reform because they couldn't settle their disputes.

Addressing the summit that he called a year ago in hopes of winning approval for an ambitious blueprint to modernize the United Nations on its 60th anniversary, Annan told more

than 150 presidents, prime ministers handful of countries that have comand kings that "a good start" had been made with the document.

But he also said leaders must "be frank with each other, and the peoples of the United Nations. We have not

'If member countries want the United Nations to be respected and effective, they should begin by making sure it is worthy of respect."

President Bush

yet achieved the sweeping and fundamental reform that I and many others believe is required."

The summit began a week after investigators criticized alleged corruption and U.N. mismanagement of the oil-for-food program in Iraq, and on a day when more than 160 people died in attacks in Baghdad – a harsh reminder of the fight against terrorism that was a highlight of Bush's speech.

A key goal of the summit is to take action to achieve U.N. Millennium Development Goals, a set of eight targets meant to reduce global poverty and disease.

The leader of the Netherlands challenged other rich nations to join the

mitted to setting aside 0.7 percent of gross national product for overseas development aid. The United States strongly opposes the target.

Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende said there's only a slim chance as it is of meeting the millennium goals.

"The shortfalls are serious. Nothing less than an extra 50 to 60 billion (dollars) must be raised every year" to achieve millennium goals, he told the U.N. World Summit.

Bush broadened the terrorism fight beyond the military arena, saying world leaders have "a solemn obligation" to stop terrorism in its early stages.

Declaring that poverty breeds despair and terrorism, he challenged leaders to abolish all trade tariffs and subsidies to promote prosperity and opportunity in poor nations, a move that would be worth billions of dollars.

"Either hope will spread, or violence will spread, and we must take the side of hope," he said.

This approach - and Bush's support for achieving development goals such as halving extreme poyerty by 2015 - was welcomed by many lead-

Irish rocker Bob Geldof, who organized the Live Aid concerts and campaigns against poverty, said he was sitting in the General Assembly chamber with U.N. anti-poverty chief Jeffrey Sachs and they couldn't

Prosecutor investigating border slayings resigns

MEXICO CITY (AP) -A federal special prosecutor assigned in May to investigate 12 years of killings of women in Ciudad Juarez is leaving the post to work for a state governor, the attorney general's office announced Wednesday.

Mireille Roccatti, president of Mexico's National Human Rights Commission from 1997 to 1999, had taken over the Juarez investigation from Maria Lopez Urbina, who spent just more than a year on the job.

Roccatti faced a cool reception from the slain women's relatives, who in June stormed out of a meeting after being told investigations will remain under state jurisdiction.

She was leaving the job on Thursday to join the Cabinet of recently elected Mexico State Gov. Enrique Pena Nieto of the opposition Institutional Revolutionary Party

"I want to make clear the respectful solidarity I feel with all the mothers and all family members of the victims whom I tried to serve and support and whom I provided personal and direct attention," Roccatti said in a statement.

Also on Wednesday, authorities recovered the bodies of a mother and daughter in Juarez who had been missing since Friday. Alma Delia Moreno, a 46-

year-old school teacher, was found dead about eight blocks from where authorities discovered the body of her daughter, college student Diana Belem Ortega, 21, said Patricia Gonzalez, attorney general for Chihuahua state, which includes Juarez.

Gonzalez failed to provide details about what killed the victims, but said three men who worked as security guards, two age 18 and one 36, had been arrested in connection with the cases. Motives for the killings were also unclear.

Authorities say more than 350 women have been killed since 1993 in Juarez, a city of about 1.3 million people across the U.S. border from El Paso, Texas.

Roccatti promised to take a fresh look at the Juarez files and to go after officials whose incompetence interfered with the investigations. Her initial comments echoed those of Lopez Urbina when she first took the job and established a DNA data bank and a victims' registry and reviewed 205 slayings.

But Lopez Urbina's office took only 22 of the investigations away from state prosecutors, although she recommended criminal charges be filed against 41 state officials accused of mishandling the investigations.

Dessert competition scheduled during Tri-State Fair

AMARILLO — Warm up the ovens box top of the product must be attached and break out the recipes, Arrowhead Mills Inc., is offering prizes for the best desserts.

The Arrowhead Mills Dessert competition at the Tri-State Fair will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Art and Agriculture building on the fairgrounds.

Contestants can enter more than one dessert but a maximum of one prize will be awarded per person.

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to a printed copy of the recipe on a 81/2" x 11" sheet of paper, with the contestant's name, address and phone number.

Contest entries will be taken beginning at 5:30 p.m.

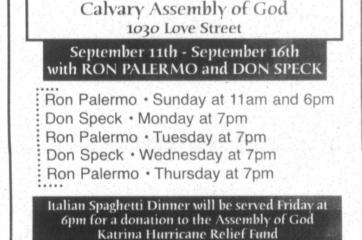
The dessert entry and recipe will admit a contestant (only) to fairgrounds (Gate 2) between 5-6 p.m.

All entries will be judged on taste (30 percent), appearance (25 percent), Contestants must use at least one cup originality/creativity (25 percent) and ease of preparation (20 percent).

First prizes will be \$150, Arrowhead Mills coupons and merchandise; second place receives \$75, coupons and merchandise; and third takes home \$50, coupons and merchandise.

Employees of Arrowhead Mills Inc., are not eligible to enter. Arrowhead Mills is a division of the Hain Celestial Group.

For more information, contact Sue Church at the Texas Cooperative Extension office in Potter County, (806) 373-0713.



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Federal judge rules against Michigan abortion law

LANSING, Mich. (AP) - A federal judge has declared unconstitutional a Michigan law that supporters said would ban a lateterm abortion procedure.

In a ruling dated Monday, U.S. District Court Judge Denise Page Hood in Detroit ruled the Legal Birth Definition Act places an "undue burden" on women's right to choose.

Hood said the law is confusing and vague, and its exceptions for the health or life of a mother are meaningless and unconstitutional. "The act does not describe

any specific procedure to be banned," Hood wrote. "The act also does not distinguish between induced abortion and pregnancy loss."

Parties in the lawsuit learned of the ruling late Wednesday when it was obtained by the Detroit Free Press. It was not immediately clear why the parties were not notified of the ruling.

Proponents of the law said they were attempting to ban a procedure they call "partial-birth" abortion. Previous attempts by state lawmakers to stop the abortion procedure were struck down by federal courts in 1997 and 2001.

Doctors label the practice "intact dilation and extraction," or D&X. During the procedure, generally performed in the second trimester, a fetus is partially removed from the womb and the skull punctured. Some doctors say it is the safest option for women in some circumstances.



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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: The letter you printed from "Needs Advice in Texas," whose mother forced her to wear shorts by taking away all her pants and jeans, made me sad and angry. What was this woman thinking? I'm now 31 and never wear shorts, except in the gym or while hiking. Shorts rarely flatter anyone. Capri pants and skirts are flattering, attractive and just as cool in summer, without causing self-consciousness. That mother needs to learn a thing or two not only about fashion, but also respect for her daughter. Being 14 and a girl is hard enough. -- SYMPATHETIC IN BOUL-DER

DEAR SYMPATHETIC: I agree that the mother could use some lessons in parenting and diplomacy; however, not everyone agrees with us. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You agreed with the GIRL? What were you thinking? Your response will undermine the authority of that mother and lead the girl to disrespect her mother's decisions. My daughter had issues with wearing shorts, too. I chose to have her confront her insecurities by insisting she wear them. After a few random compliments from friends of hers, the shorts issue is no longer an issue. -- TRISH IN MONTGOMERY, ALA.

DEAR ABBY: The girl told her mother she was self-conscious about her legs, so she forced the girl to wear shorts anyway? What was the lesson here -- that she can't make her own decisions because Mom is the boss? How would that woman react if her husband forced her to wear clothes she felt uncomfortable in?

confident in her own decisions, she has insisted she be submissive. Wasn't there a better way to help her feel better about her legs? If she thinks they're too big, how

about walking or exercising with her? It sounds like those two could really use some quality time together. -- DANA IN FORT WORTH

DEAR ABBY: My daughter (now 18) was the same way. I decided long ago, starting with the "shorts" issue, that there are bigger battles to fight. We've been through the Goth look, black hair, white makeup, blue hair, pink hair, boyfriends with mohawks, Dumpster-diving wardrobes, to glitter, understated makeup, styled hair, French manicures, and being voted best dressed in her senior year.

We laugh about it now. But the bottom line is, my daughter has confidence in herself. That mother should count her blessings, because there are a lot worse things to fight about. If the girl doesn't mind the heat -you know, it's really no one's business. --BEEN THERE AND BACK IN MICHI-GAN

DEAR ABBY: I'm a college student who hasn't worn shorts in public since middle school because I don't feel attractive in them. For hot summer weather, I suggest long, flowing skirts -- which are really "in" right now -- and long sundresses. They're perfectly acceptable summerwear, and besides being better suited than jeans for hot weather, they'll cover her legs. That should satisfy the mother while allowing the girl to achieve the level of modesty she desires. -- L.B. IN S.C.

DEAR ABBY: Regardless of whether that poor girl has nice legs or not, if she's not comfortable wearing shorts she should not be forced to. If she's hot in her jeans, that's Rather than teaching her daughter to be her problem and not her mother's. Let's hope that "Needs Advice" forgets about this when she puts her mother in a nursing home and gets to dictate what SHE wears! -- PEGGY IN CLEVELAND

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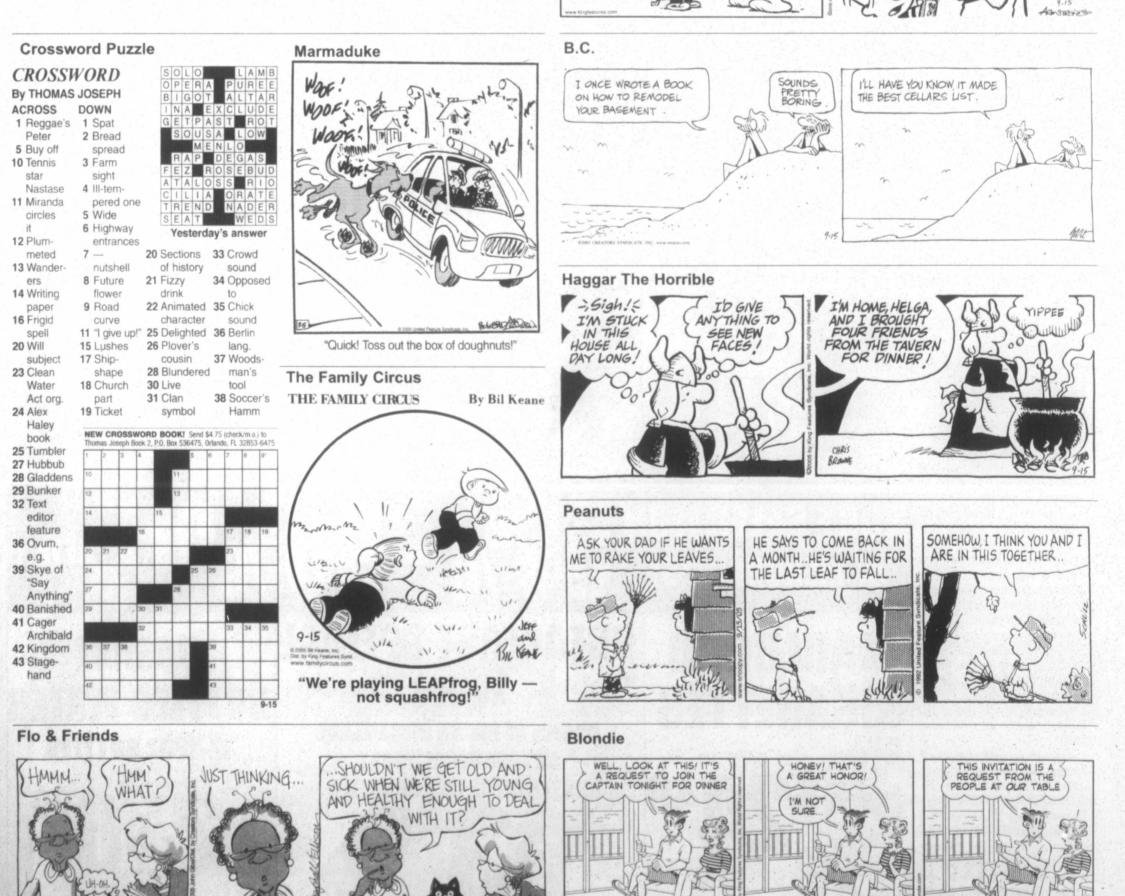


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Harvester tennis team collars Bulldogs, 17-4

The Harvester Tennis team competed in Borger Saturday, defeating the Bulldogs, 17-4.

Head Coach Emily Laurence said, "We came out ready to play. Borger had some strong boys at the top of their ladder that gave us a few losses, but altogether we had a successful day.'

This week marked the beginning of the annual Green and Gold Scrimmage. It is a week-long series of competitions culminating with the tournament on Saturday when community members are selected to be a part of the tournament.

The team and coaches are divided into two teams, Green and Gold.

Monday, they had a volleyball game. Tuesday, a basketball game. Wednesday, a kickball game.

Friday they will compete in relays and a powder puff football game.

Saturday, they will each find a partner from the community and compete in the tennis tournament. Going in to Friday, the Green team holds a 25-20 advantage.

"This is our last event before district starts Tuesday," Laurence said. "We're hoping to have a little bit of fun, relax, and build some team unity before we get down to business with district. We are very excited to start district play and look forward to seeing what the other teams have to offer this year."

Results Pampa 17, Borger 4 **Boys Singles**

- 1. Michael Foreman lost to Scott Milner, 7-6 (7-2), 6-1
- 2. Jareth Fortenberry lost to Ben Allen, 6-1. 6-1
- 3. Nick Julian lost to Tom Paxton, 6-4. 6-1
- 4. Steven Smith def. Justin Murley, 6-3, 6-1
- 5. Kevin Frels def. Cody Pepper, 6-3, 6-1
- 6. Tyler Morris def. Trevor Geppi, 6-2, 6-2
- 7. Landon McNeely def. Justin Hebert, 6-0, 6-1

Girls Singles

- 1. Myca Vinson def. Sam Belveal, 6-2, 6-0
- Lacie Long def. Lyndal Briscoe, 6-4, 6-4
- Haley Acker def. Cassie Mears, 6-2, 6-1
- Tanna Stowers def. Sandi Kramer, 7-5, 3-6, (10-6) 4.
- 5. Kourtney Farmer def. Kathryn Watts, 6-0, 6-0
- 6. Maegan Patterson def. Ashley Hebert, 6-1, 6-3
- 7. Sammie Pereira def. Jessica Stark, 6-1, 6-0

Boys Doubles

- 1. Foreman/Frels lost to Milner/Allen, 8-4
- Julian/Smith def. Paxton/Murley, 8-4
- Fortneberry/Morris def. Geppi/Pepper, 8-3 **Girls Doubles**
- def. Belveal/Mears, 8-4 1. Vinson/Long
- 2. Stowers/Acker def. Briscoe/Kramer, 8-4
- 3. Farmer/Pereira def. Watts/Stark, 8-3

Mixed Doubles

McNeely/Patterson def. Hebert/Hebert, 8-0

Someday stare



NASCAR SILLY SEASON

Dear Robbie, please talk to Kyle

as 'Silly Season.' It generally starts near the end of the regular race schedule and involves drivers jumping from one team to another. Some drivers don't get the chance to jump. They are merely shoved out of their seats with nowhere to go. I'm not certain how 'silly' that is however. Such drivers may not

be as good as they once were yet can't seem to walk away. Perhaps they were never really good to begin with and their car owner finally caught on.

But what if you are the car owner? How do you fire yourself? Perplexing

still, what if you come from one of the most respected names in the business? Should your name allow you to hog a seat that some one else ought to occupy, provided you are serious about winning?

Kyle Petty never really wanted to drive. He wanted to be a musician. His family tree however, dictated he would follow in his famous father's footsteps - a man known as 'The King'. Father Richard, and grandfather Lee, all but founded this thing called stock car racing. But Kyle, despite some limited success early, never really found the long term groove. And he continues to struggle today.

His late son, Adam, had the Petty gene. It was widely believed he would be the one to pick up the Petty flag and run with it, winning plenty of races along the way. Unfortunately, his life was tragically cut short. Kyle, understandably, was never the same afterward.

There is a thing within the NASCAR nation known son's car. But Kyle and the entire Petty Enterprise race team have known little more than below-average performances over the years. And this team, this family, deserves much better. I think Kyle would agree.

> His heart has been elsewhere. For the past few years, he and his family have been on the front-line of

> > the Victory Junction Gang Camp project. A project Kyle dedicated to the memory of his son, Adam. Kyle is involved in a host of other special needs projects as well. He is a passionate man who learned long ago life is precious.

It was announced Wednesday that Robbie Loomis would be leaving Hendrick Motorsports to return to PEI, where he spent 11 years working for Richard and Kyle. Loomis has been Jeff Gordon's crew chief since leaving the Pettys in 2000, winning a NASCAR championship the following season. Loomis says it is good to be going home.

It is my hope he can encourage Kyle to vacate the driver's seat of the #45 machine. Kyle would be better served to lead from behind the wall, not the wheel. Look at Michael Andretti and my point is not only made, but justified.

Petty Enterprises is that team you quietly cheer for every weekend. The team you grimace for each time it falls victim to mishap, either self inflicted or just being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Mishaps and misfortune too frequent.

How great would it be to see the #43 or #45 car

Michael J Stevens

Sports Editor

Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Festooned in face paint and a Harvester cheerleader outfit. 4-year-old Courtney Stanhope watches as parents join the Pampa High School cheerleaders in a cheer. Stanhope was among the many First Baptist Church day care students enjoying a visit from the PHS cheerleaders, members of the football team and head coach Bryan Wood early this morning as Harvester Homecoming events continue.

Pampa JV, freshmen face Borger; Tascosa, Randall hook up tonight

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Football

The Pampa junior varsity and freshmen football team will travel to Borger this afternoon to face the Bulldogs. The freshmen game will kickoff at 5 p.m. The junior varsity game will follow at 7 p.m.

Football Part II

Former Harvester head coach Heath Parker and his 2-1 Tascosa Rebels will host 2-1 Randall tonight at Dick Bivins Stadium. This game is of interest for two

reasons. The Pampa connection to Tascosa and the chance to see how good the Raiders really are. Randall edged Canyon last week, 28-27. Randall also happens to be in Pampa's district (3-4A). And with district play set to begin in just a couple weeks, this game might be worth the drive.

Tennis

The Pampa High School tennis team continues with the Green and Gold events leading up to Saturday's scrimmage featuring team members and area residents.

Giants aim to make Saints feel at home on the road

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) - Joe Horn and the Saints won't be fooled. They'll be far from home, no matter how much New Orleans flavor is added to Giants Stadium.

"It's cool. But don't get me wrong, the New York Giants are still playing a home game," the Saints wide receiver said Wednesday.

The teams will play Monday night in a game originally scheduled to be played at the Superdome. But Hurricane Katrina changed all that on Aug. 29, so the game was moved to Giants Stadium but will still count as a home game for the Saints.

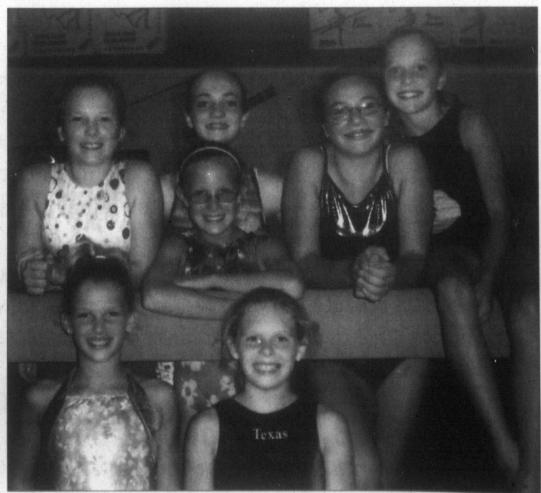
"Everybody can put sheepskin over their eyes and act like it's not a home game for the Giants, but we all know," Horn said. "I'm sure the fans and the New York Giants football club care about what happens and their heart goes out to us. We will appreciate that, but we're also not crazy and thinking it's a home game.'

Some 600 displaced New Orleans residents will be flown to the New York-New Jersey area by relief agencies; the city's police chief, Eddie Compass, will be involved with former president George Bush in the coin toss; and Saints gold and black will be displayed along the blue walls of the stadium and in one of the end zones.

The victims of Hurricane Katrina will be honored during the pregame and halftime shows, which will have a New Orleans and Gulf Coast flavor. New Orleans native Harry Connick Jr. and Branford Marsalis will perform the national anthem on piano and saxophone, and New Orleans jazz trumpeter Irvin Mayfield will play "America the Beautiful." The band 3 Doors Down, from Escatawpa, Miss., will perform at halftime.

Gymnastic gems

Gymnastics of Pampa will host a District I qualifying meet Saturday at their facility located north of Pampa on Loop 171. Events begin at 8:45 a.m. and will feature gymnasts from Pampa, Amarillo, Lubbock, Big Spring and Midland. Pampa team members include (left to right), back row-Karami Rice, Payton Alvey, Nakayla Hardman and McKinlee Stokes. Middle- Robin Doan. Bottom row- Madison Fatheree and MaKayla Hampton. Not pictured-**Rebecca Taylor, Brooke** Woelfle, Jessica Kenney and Chelsie Griffin.



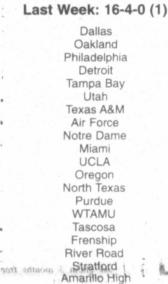
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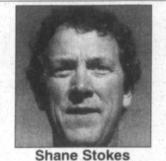
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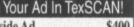
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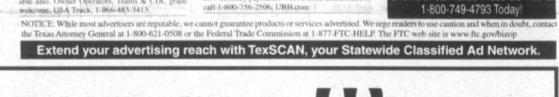


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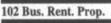
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Your temper could come out at the most inappropriate time. A boss or a respected person has been pushing your buttons. A partner does care and lets you know it. You find answers. Tonight: Out late - perhaps later than you want. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

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★★★ Money has a great deal of impor-

tance to you, especially how you feel

about your day-to-day life. Someone

might push you too hard, and sharp

words will ensue. Be ready to talk

through the problem later. Tonight:

★★★ You might feel that you are being

tested, and in some way you are. Others

have their own agendas, which somehow

might be in conflict with yours. An argu-

ment with someone in charge or someone

important might become a big problem.

★★★ All work and no play could have

you dreaming, if not actually planning to

split early. Actually, a vacation could be

just what the doctor ordered. Take tomor-

row off if you can. You can simply hide

out at home, too. Tonight: Take care of an

★★★★ Your imagination helps you

get past a close associate's grumbling. As

a result of the lack of energy you give

this situation, all ends well in the near

future, if not immediately. Tonight:

★★★ You might not be revealing every-

thing that you know, which could cause

some irritation between you and a part-

ner. Know when to step back and let events take their course. Friendship plays

a large role in your day. Tonight: Happy

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**** You have a way of drawing others to you. You might also cause some unintentional uproar at home or with a parent. Schedule a quiet chat for later in the day. You will clear the air if you make the first move. Tonight: Time with a special person.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** You seem to keep getting into trouble no matter what you do. Spend as much time by yourself as possible, or keep your mouth closed. Don't express your opinions, for now. Talks need to happen quietly and later. Tonight: Do what you need to do for yourself.

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China: 'Great differences' remain in North Korea talks

BEIJING (AP) — Talks aimed at persuading North Korea to give up its nuclear program stalled Thursday amid a disputé between Pyongyang and Washington over the North's demand for a nuclear reactor.

After delegates emerged from a 90-minute meeting, a North Korean spokesman, Hyun Hak Bong, issued a statement saying the disagreement between the U.S. and North Korean sides prevented progress.

Delegates to the talks, which also include South

Korea, Russia, Japan and China, have been discussing a proposal that would offer North Korea economic aid, security guarantees from Washington and free electricity from South Korea in exchange for dismantling its nuclear weapons program.

North Korea has also asked for a light-water nuclear reactor to generate electricity, a type that is more difficult to divert to weapons use.

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'The basic stumbling block has to do with the issue of providing a light-water reactor.'

> — Hyun Hak Bong North Korean spokesman

water reactor," said Hyun. "Providing a light-water reactor is a matter of principle for building trust," he said. "The United States says it cannot give us a lightwater reactor no matter "There are still great differences on certain issues," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Liu Jianchao said after delegates from all six nations participating in the talks met but failed to break the deadlock.

Liu said the talks would continue.

Before Thursday's meeting, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Christopher Hill said the sides "did not make a lot of progress" during a one-on-one meeting with the North Korean delegation Wednesday, his first since the talks resumed this week. The U.S. side had no immediate comment on the outcome of Hill's meeting with the chief North Korean delegate.

A South Korean official, speaking on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the issue, said the two sides appeared not to have bridged their differences when they emerged from the session.

The talks reconvened Tuesday after a five-week recess.

Director of 'South of Music' dead at 91

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Robert Wise, who won four Oscars as producer and director of the classic 1960s musicals "West Side Story" and "The Sound of Music," has died. He was 91.

Wise died Wednesday of heart failure after falling ill and being rushed to the University of California, Los Angeles, Medical Center, family friend and longtime entertainment agent Lawrence Mirisch told The Associated Press.

'I'd rather do my own thing, which has been to choose projects that take me into all different kinds of genres.'

- Robert Wise Director



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Mirisch said Wise had appeared in good health when he celebrated his 91st birthday Saturday.

Wise was nominated for seven Oscars, including the four he won, during a career that spanned more than 50 years.

The other nominations were for editing the 1941 Orson Welles classic "Citizen Kane," directing 1958's "I Want to Live!" and producing 1966's "The Sand Pebbles," which was nominated for best picture.

More recently, he served as president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences and the Directors Guild of America.

Wise directed 39 films in all, ranging from science fiction ("The Day the Earth Stood Still") to drama ("I Want to Live!") to war stories ("Run Silent Run Deep") to Westerns ("Tribute to a Bad Man").

"I'd rather do my own thing, which has been to choose projects that take me into all different kinds of genres," he once told The Associated Press. "I don't have a favorite kind of film to make. I just look for the best material I can find."

With the big-budget productions "West Side Story" and "The Sound of Music," he helped create two of the most critically acclaimed and popular musicals of all time.

"West Side Story" was the tale of "Romeo and Juliet" set in the New York City tenement slums of the early 1960s. Co-directed by Wise and Jerome Robbins, with music by Leonard Bernstein, it won 10 Academy Awards.

"The Sound of Music," which told the story of the singing von Trapp family's escape from Nazi-ruled Austria, won five Oscars. It was for many years the topgrossing film of all time. BRECKENRIDGE, Colo. (AP) — A judge signed an arrest warrant Wednesday for former NBA star Dennis Rodman after he missed a court appearance on two

alleged traffic violations. District Court Administrator Christine Yuhas said Rodman could be arrested if he returns to Colorado. The warrant was first reported by the Rocky Mountain News.

"It was a misunderstanding," Rodman's agent, Darren Prince, told The Associated Press.

Rodman was charged with speeding and reckless driving after he was stopped July 26 in a \$250,000 Lamborghini on a highway near the mountain town of Frisco, about 70 miles west of Denver. Officers allegedly clocked him going 98 mph.

At the time, Rodman was participating in the 3,000mile Bullrun USA 2005

. charity auto rally.

Rodman's sponsor for the event, GoldenPalace.com, had agreed to pay Rodman's tickets and legal bills to resolve the matter.

Prince said a \$400 check for going 69 mph in a 45mph zone in Montrose County on July 25 was mailed Monday, but GoldenPalace.com was still resolving the Summit County tickets Wednesday. Prince did not know the amount of those fines.

A prosecutor did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

During the auto rally, Rodman also was involved in a minor accident and accused of leaving a Glenwood Springs truck stop without paying \$40 for gasoline and a cap. A fan paid the former Chicago Bulls and Detroit Pistons star's bill, and authorities did not pursue charges.

