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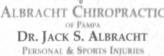
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Hurricane Rita sparks fires, floods

By TIM WHITMIRE Associated Press Writer

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) -Hurricane Rita slammed into Texas and Louisiana early Saturday, smashing windows, sparking fires and knocking power out to more than 1 million customers, but largely sparing vulnerable Houston and already reeling New Orleans.

Rita made landfall at 3:30 a.m. EDT as a Category 3 storm just east of Sabine Pass, on the Texas-Louisiana line, bringing top winds of 120 mph and warnings of up to 25 inches of rain, the National

hours it had weakened to a Category 2 storm, with top winds of 100 mph, ago. as it moved further inland between Beaumont and Jasper.

There were no immediate reports of fatalities, or any detailed word on damage to the area's vast oil refinery industry, though rescuers and search teams in many areas had to wait for winds to subside before venturing

About 3 million people had fled a 500-mile stretch of the Texas-Louisiana coast ahead of the storm, motivated in part by the devastating toll that Hurricane Katrina inflicted

Hurricane Center said. Within four on New Orleans and other parts of foundation, said sheriff's communithe Gulf Coast barely three weeks

> Radar estimates put Rita's rainfall so far at 4-10 inches, with the highest totals in Texas' Jasper and Newton counties, meteorologist Mark McInerney said, and there was a lingering threat of flooding due to an expected 2 feet of rain in some

> The storm spun off tornadoes as it churned northwest, causing transformers to explode. In Jasper County, north of Beaumont, a house with seven people inside floated in floodwaters after it came off its

cations supervisor Alice Duckworth.

But the flood-prone cities of Houston and Galveston - largely evacuated over the past four days escaped a direct hit.

"So far, Houston is weathering the storm," Mayor Bill White said Saturday. His police department received 28 burglary calls overnight and made 16 arrests — less than a typical Friday night, White said.

In New Orleans, rain drenched parts of the abandoned city early Saturday, straining the levee system

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Adult literacy class helps others learn

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Pampa's adult literacy program, now in its 19th year, provides tutoring for adults who want to learn to read and write, as well as those who don't speak English.

"We have eight active tutors right now, and 14 stu- one-on-one, while the ESL " said Mary Jo Fiveash, director of the Pampa chapter.

"When we started the program, we were strictly teaching how to read and write," Fiveash said. "Then we realized what a need there was for English as a second language classes, and now there's more students for that than in the reading and writing classes."

September is National Literacy Month, a cause the local program promotes with both one-on-one tutoring and classroom situations.

Adult literacy is taught lessons may be either oneon-one or in groups, Fiveash

Pampa's program was begun in 1986. Everyone involved in the program is a volunteer.

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

English as a Second Language class members are, clockwise from left. instructor Carol Dunham, Dolores Cabrales, Elida Martinez, Esther Quezada. Marcelina Alvizo Tovar, and Angelica Gonzalez.

ESL class helped woman with language



DOLORES CABRALES

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Pampa's adult literacy program has helped Dolores Cabrales learn English so that she can find it easier to live in the States and earn her U.S. citizenship.

Cabrales came to Pampa with her then-3-month-old son, Jovany, in 1989 from Durango, Mexico, to join her husband, Pablo, who was already in Pampa and working for Mundy Construction at Celanese.

"When I first came here from Mexico, I spoke no English," she said. Cabrales later signed up for English

as a Second Language classes, and has been attending for three years.

"They have helped me very, very

much," she said. She was granted U.S. citizenship last year. Her husband became a U.S. citizen in 2000. Their two younger children, Karina, a Pampa Junior High School student, and Pablo, who attends

Cabrales works as a custodian for Pampa Independent School District and

in the United States.

as a cook for Kentucky Fried Chicken. Her next goal is to attend college

Austin Elementary School, were born

classes here. She attended a secretarial program in college in Mexico for three years before coming to Pampa.

Cabrales' children speak both Spanish and English, and her husband knows more English than she does, she

"It's easier to write English than to speak it," she said.

The Cabraleses came to the U.S. to be with other family members who were already in the States. Cabrales has five brothers and two sisters living in

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Commission to consider final reading of tax rate

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

Pampa's tax rate will come up for second and final reading at the city commission's meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The commission will also consider on first reading an ordinance to amend the revenues, appropriations and transfers for the city's 2004-2005 budget and issuing certificate of obligations for waterworks and sewage revenue.

The tax rate of 0.695 cents per \$100 valuation is the same as the last few years, said City Manager John

Horst, although residents could see an increase in their tax bills due to appraisals. The tax on a \$100,000 home should be about \$467, or about the same as last year.

"It shouldn't raise taxes any," Horst said.

The commission will amend revenues to this year's budget from the original \$8,387,618 to \$8,579,098. They will also amend the original appropriations of \$8,133,607 to the general fund to \$9,279,953, and amendthe appropriation for Hidden Hills Golf Club from \$370,106 to \$444,106.

The city commission will consider issuing the Series 2005 certificates of obligation and Series 2005 refunding issue. The certificates of obligation will be for \$2.2 million.

The refinancing is of existing debt, Horst said.

The commission is also expected to name four people to the Lovett Memorial Library Advisory Board and declare stacking chairs, computer stands and utility console surplus property and authorize its sale.

All four members of the library advisory board, Jerri Erickson, Sara Carmichael, Sharon Haynes and Ed

Cooley, have expressed interest in being reappointed, said City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers.

Because of floor problems at M.K. Brown Auditorium's Heritage Room, the commission will hold a special meeting at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 3, at city hall to open bids for having the floor cleaned, sealed and overlaid with stained concrete.

Jeffers said the bids would need to be let by Oct. 3 in order to have the Heritage Room ready for the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Country

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Country Fair "Under the Harvest Moon"... October 29th

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

MUNCY, Willis — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Hillcrest Cemetery, Las Cruces, N.M.

Graley Ray Malone, 73

WHITE DEER - Graley Ray Malone, Navy and the U.S. Air Force, serving during 73, of White Deer, died Sept. 22, 2005, at Amarillo. Services are scheduled at 10:30

a.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Scott Malone, Mr. Malone's son and pastor of Broadview Baptist Church of Lubbock, and Dr. Johnny Funderburg, pastor of First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiat-

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

Mr. Malone was born Jan. 16, 1932, at McLean. He was a welder for IRI prior to retiring and belonged to First Baptist Church

He married Maxine Gentry on Jan. 26, 1953, at Skellytown.

Mr. Malone was a veteran of both the U.S. www.carmichael-whatlev.com.

the Korean Conflict.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Leroy; and a sister, Naomi.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine of the home; two sons, Randall Ray Malone of White Deer and the Rev. Scott Malone of Lubbock; a daughter, Julie Gaye Malone of Amarillo; a brother, Elmer Malone of Lebanon, Mo.; three sisters, Betty Tate and Doretha Richards, both of McLean, and Wanda Everson of Pampa; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066-0621, or to the Multiple Sclerosis Society Panhandle Chapter, 6222 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, TX 79109.

-Sign the on-line register book at

Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high near 90. South-southeast wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low near 59. East wind between 5 and 10 mph. Monday: Mostly cloudy,

with a high near 80. East wind between 5 and 10 mph. Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58. East-southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph.

with a high near 85. Southsoutheast wind between 5 and 10 mph. Tuesday Night: A 20 per-

Tuesday: Partly cloudy,

cent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy,

with a high around 80. North-northwest between 5 and 15 mph. Wednesday Night: Partly

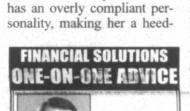
cloudy, with a low near 52. Thursday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 78.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 82

Psychologist testifies in England trial

FORT HOOD, Texas (AP) A psychologist testified that Pfc. Lynndie England suffered from depression and has an overly compliant per-



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less participant in abuse of inmates at Abu Ghraib prison.

Xavier Amador, a clinical psychologist from New York, England's soldier boyfriend, Charles Graner, was her "social accomplice" whom she relied upon without reservation to guide her behavior.

"It was a knee-jerk reflex," Amador testified Friday during England's military trial. "It was very much like a little what to do and what not to

Prosecutors England was a willing participant in the 2003 abuse at Abu

Ghraib. They tried to paint Amador as a professional defense witness who tailored his testimony to benefit her.

Maj. Jennifer Lange, an Army psychiatrist called by prosecutors to rebut Amador's testimony, interviewed England and concluded that she was neither clinically depressed nor suffered from other personality disor-

England, 22, is charged kid looking to an adult for with seven counts of conspiracy and abuse that carry a maximum sentence of 11

Her case will be decided by a jury of five Army officers. An earlier plea deal fell through when testimony by Graner contradicted

England's guilty plea. Closing arguments before a jury of five Army officers are scheduled Monday, with deliberations to follow.

England became the most recognizable of the Abu Ghraib soldiers charged in the prison scandal after photos showing her with a naked detainee on a leash and pointing to detainees in other demeaning poses became public.

In earlier testimony Friday, a West Virginia school psychologist, Thomas Denne, said he realized he had failed England, whom he had worked with as a special-education student since her early childhood.



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Willis Muncy, 95

McLEAN - Willis Muncy, 95, of McLean, died Sept. 21, 2005. Private family services were Saturday at Bailey-Ware Funeral Home in McLean with Pastor Leland Lewis, of First Assembly of God in Pampa, officiating.

Graveside services are scheduled at 11 a.m. Monday at Hillcrest Cemetery in Las Cruces, N.M.

Mr. Muncy was born March 19, 1910, at Shady Point, Okla., to Levi and Kanzadie Muncy. He was a miner and a charter member of Church Triumphant. A Christian, he

was active in church all his adult life. He married Irene Lamb on Jan. 31, 1933,

at Poteau, Okla.; she died June 16, 2004. Mr. Muncy was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Merchant Marines.

Survivors include three daughters, Irma Wagner of Eufaula, Ala., Phyllis Cunningham of Las Cruces and Gayle Rohde of McLean; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to McLean Care Center Activity Fund or to

BSA Hospice in Pampa.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

on Saturday reported the following incidents.

Friday, Sept. 23

Officers conducted nine traffic stops; responded to two business alarms; assisted EMS in the 1200 block of Garland Street; assisted law enforcement on Highway 60 East; provided welfare checks in the 300 block of North Hobart St., the 1300 block of North Hobart St., and the 1000 block of West Wilks St.; served, or attempted to serve, one warrant; and engaged in two separate vehicle/foot pursuits in the 1000 block of Neel Road and the 700 block of South Hobart St.

Disorderly conduct-noise was reported in the 700 block of Francis Avenue.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 700 block of West Brown St., and the 1600 block of North Russell

An animal complaint was reported in the 1600 block North Sumner St.

Assault was reported in the 2400 block of Charles St.

Disorderly conduct-fighting was reported at Pampa High School, 111 Harvester Ave., and in the 300 block of Perry St.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Carr St. Another incident of criminal mischief, in which a window was allegedly shot out, was reported in the 1700 block of North Duncan St.

Traffic complaints were reported at Brown and Cuyler streets and in the 1500 block of North Hobart

Offense against family Pampa Police Department was reported in the 2500 block of Evergreen St., and the 1200 block of Williston

> Driving while intoxicated was reported in the 900 block of West 23rd St.

Criminal trespass was reported at PHS.

Disorderly conduct-other was reported in the 300 block of North Cuyler St.

Sexual offenses was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester Ave.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 800 block of East Foster Ave.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office on Saturday reported the following arrests.

Friday, Sept. 23

Cydney Renee Morriss, 33, of Lefors was arrested by Wheeler County Sheriff's Department for forgery by passing.

Lance Allen Herr, 43, 307 Perry, was arrested by GCSO for public intoxication and disorderly conductfighting.

John Andrew Johnson III, 49, 1428 N. Russell, was arrested by GCSO. Secure execution of a document by deception was listed as the charge.

Fire

reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, Sept. 23 9:50 a.m. - One unit and

four firefighters delivered a fire prevention program at Community Day Care Center, 1100 Gwendolen Avenue.

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10:34 a.m. - One unit and four firefighters responded to the 300 block of North Faulkner on a call for medical assistance.

11:46 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a small grass fire at Tuke and Gray streets.

Ambulance

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

Friday, Sept. 23 10:35 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Alcock. No

transport. 1:27 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient(s) to Baptist-St. Anthony's West in Amarillo.

4:07 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to BSAW and transferred a patient(s) to PRMC.

5:14 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Clarification

The date of the upcoming Pampa Fire Department Pampa Civic Ballet class has been changed to Oct. 9. The class was included in an announcement printed in the Thursday, Sept. 22 edition of The News.

Rita

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already damaged by Katrina. But the forecast of up to three inches throughout the day was less than had been previously predicted.

"Overall, it looks like New Orleans has lucked out," National Weather Service Meteorologist Phil Grigsby said.

Heavy rain fell south of New Orleans in low-lying Jefferson Parish, where a tidal surge of six to seven feet swamped some neighborhoods. Residents of Lafitte, a town of 1,600 south of New Orleans, were being evacuated by bus.

Fires were reported in and around Houston, including one in a two-story apartment building in southeast Houston that left at least eight units damaged, authorities said. Nobody was hurt, according to District Chief Jack Williams. Several buildings were damaged or destroyed by fire in Galveston, and a blaze broke out before dawn at a shopping com-

plex in Pasadena. There were no immedi-

ate reports of injuries.

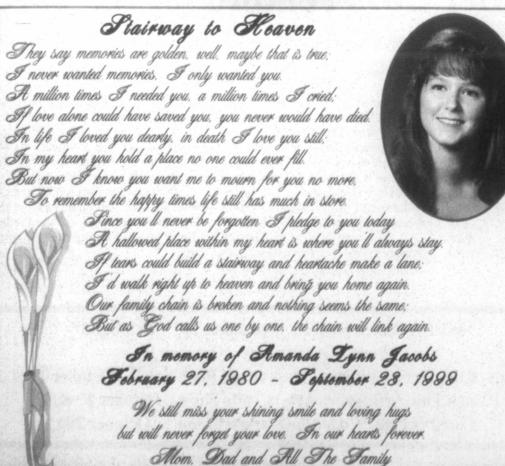
As the sun came up in downtown Beaumont, a port city of 114,000, the few people who stayed behind emerged to find some blown out windows, damaged roofs, signs twisted and lying in the street and scattered downed trees. There was some standing water, but no significant flooding.

The wind was still gusting, but nothing like the 100-mph winds that ripped through early Saturday morning. A light rain was falling.

In Beaumont's nine-story Elegante Hotel in Beaumont, wind blew out massive windows in the hotel lobby, bringing down a chandelier and ripping the roof off another section of lobby. "We stayed in a stairwell most of the

time," said Rainey Chretien, who works at the front desk. "I didn't think it was going to be this bad."

In Tyler County in eastern Texas, high winds ripped roofs off several buildings, including the police department in Woodville, sheriff's Chief Deputy Clint Sturrock said.



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Champion Ranch to host upcoming 2005 Cow Country Congress

By ROBERT BURNS Texas A&M News

CENTERVILLE — The 2005 Cow Country Congress will be held Sept. 29 at the Wallrath Champion Ranch, a registered and commercial Brangus operation near here.

A tour of the "showcase" ranch will top the educational event, said Tommy Neyland, Cooperative Extension agricultural and natural resources agent in Leon

acres of forestland, with a 1,500head herd, private lakes, multiple dwellings and 25 miles of blacktop, Neyland said.

Program topics and speakers will include national animal identification, Dr. Jason Cleere, Extension beef cattle specialist; practical cattle management, Tuffy Loftin, Champion Ranch manager; source and age verification of cattle, Loftin; chemical weed control, Darrel Evans, Dow Chemical Co.; and the legal aspects of deer hunt-

The ranch encompasses 8,000 ing leases, attorney Judon Fambrough.

> The national animal identification program is a plan to electronically tag cattle and enter unique identifier numbers in a U.S. database. When the plan is in place, it will be possible to track cattle from the pasture to the supermarket.

> Though some beef producers have expressed concern about the program, most industry experts are behind the system, saying it will improve beef quality and insure food safety.

Neyland believes it will benefit included in the \$10 registration fee. beef producers directly.

'Animal identification simply makes sense to me," he said. "I don't go out and buy a used car that doesn't have a title. I think that a little more information on the animals we purchase will only make our industry stronger in the future."

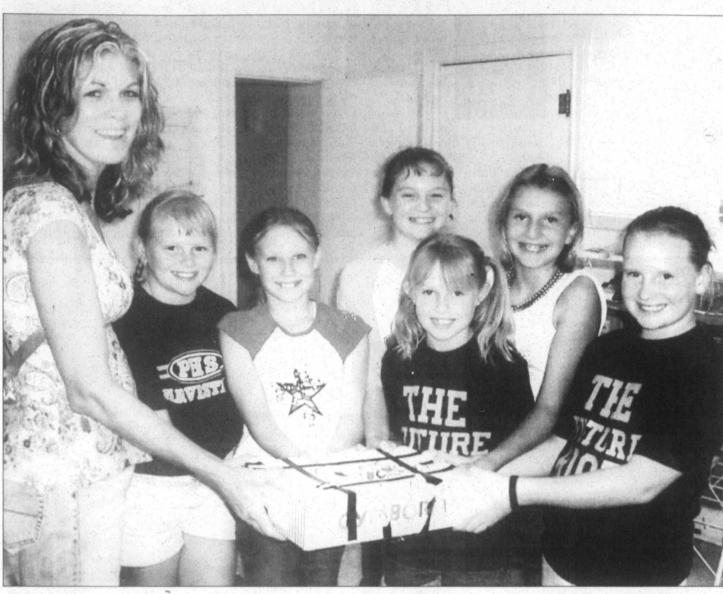
The ranch tour will be in the morning while the outside temperature is still relatively cool, Neyland said.

The tour will be followed by a rib-eye steak lunch, which will be

Fees will be collected at the door, but participants should R.S.V.P. to the Extension office in a

participating county to ensure there are enough lunches to go around, Neyland said.

Participating counties include (903)536-2531; Leon, Freestone, (903) 389-3436; (903) Anderson, 723-3735; Houston, (936)544-3255; Madison, (936) 348-2234; Walker, (936) 435-2426; and Trinity, (936) 642-1421.



Katrina relief

Jana Gregory, left, of the local American Red Cross chapter, recently accepted a donation toward Hurricane Katrina relief efforts in the amount of \$300. The funds were raised with a lemonade stand in Pampa. Presenting the donation to Gregory were Emily Terry, Taylor Morgan, Elizabeth Terry, Taylor Smith, Rachel Andrews and Bailey Wichert.

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and CEO. The Cato Corporation operates two divisions, "Cato" and "It's Fashion!" with more than 1,200 stores in 31 states. There are 119 Cato stores located throughout Texas. Additional information on corporation is available at www.catocorp.com www.catocorp.com.

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Viewpoints

Mean and ugly are not something to admire

I notice from the radio commercials I hear that the bad wrestling guys are coming to fight more bad wrestling guys.

They shout in gravelly voices to each other. One of them said, "I'm going to make you cry like Jane." I couldn't understand the rest of his vitriol.

Are these guys serious? Of course they are. It's all hype and it's how they make their living. They can't type, you know.

It can't be called sport, because the outcome is predetermined. It's all plotted to make one lesser bad guy take a fall only to come back as a badder guy and take out

one of the meanest.

That way promoters can hype the entertainment factor and make everyone think that it's a noble deed they are performing.

I remember an incident while I was at the Globe-News. Putt Powell received two weeks' worth of results for wrestling matches from the promoter who was going to be out of town. Well, ol' Putt got the results mixed up and ran the wrong one. Now everyone knew who was going to win the next week. He vowed to watch the release dates on those results closer.

Another former Globe-News employee incurred the

wrath of the local wrestling establishment when he wrote a column detailing the fake falls, the fake hits, etc.

Carlton Stowers, a gifted writer who has since pub-

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Editor

lished several books, was sports editor at the time. His column prompted a handful of

wrestlers, about 5 or 6, to come to the office for a visit.

They met in a reading room just off the newsroom. The behemoths hovered over him and berated him for at least an hour.

"You want me to throw you down and see how fake it is?" one growled.

Stowers, puffing on a pipe, said simply, "No."

'Where do you get this 'fake" stuff?" another rasped.

"I watch it," Stowers replied. This went

on and on until finally the grapplers left.

The little I heard of the conversation made me fearful Stowers would end up with at least a knot on his head.

Stowers was outwardly calm, but said it might be a few months before he tackled that subject again.

And I think what is really sad about all this is that some people believe in the deepest recesses of their hearts that it is real.

They get caught up in the hype and follow their favorite bad guy around and try to emulate him.

It is just entertainment and a business, pure and simple. The promoters are getting a ton of money, the "wrestlers" are getting a boatload of money, and those sad groupies who walk around in bikinis and high heels are getting some money. Perhaps they cannot type either.

"Entertainment" like this appeals to the lowest common denominator. There are plenty of television shows that do the same where someone is demeaned and humilitated in some fashion or another.

These people have no poetry in their souls, only meanness and dollar signs.

It's sad when being mean and ugly is looked upon as something that is noble and something to aspire to.

But, hey, this is America, where people can make fools of themselves every day and no one goes to jail for falling for the flim-flam man.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Sept. 25, the 268th day of 2005. There are 97 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 25, 1789, the first United States Congress adopted 12 amendments to the Constitution and sent them to the states for ratification. (Ten of the amendments became the Bill of Rights.)

On this date:

In 1690, one of the earliest American newspapers, Publick Occurrences, published its first — and last — edition in

In 1775, American Revolutionary War hero Ethan Allen

There seems to be an excess of everything except parking space and religion.

 Kin Hubbard (Frank McKinney) American humorist (1868-1930)

was captured by the British as he led an attack on Montreal.

In 1890, President Benjamin Harrison signed a measure establishing Sequoia National Park.

In 1890, Wilford Woodruff, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day issued Saints. Manifesto formally renouncing the practice of polygamy.

In 1919, President Wilson collapsed after a speech in Pueblo, Colo., during a national speaking tour in support of the Treaty of Versailles.

In 1957, with 300 U.S. Army troops standing guard, nine black children forced to withdraw from Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., because of unruly white crowds were

In 1973, the three-man crew of the U.S. space laboratory Skylab 2 splashed down safely in the Pacific Ocean after spending 59 days in orbit.

In 1978, 144 people were killed when a Pacific Southwest Airlines Boeing 727 and a private plane collided over San

In 1979, the musical "Evita" opened on Broadway.

In 1981, Sandra Day O'Connor was sworn in as the first female justice on the Supreme Court.

Ten years ago: Ross Perot announced he would form a new Independence Party that would field its own White House candidate and would try to be the swing vote in congressional races.

Five years ago: In Yugoslavia, opposition presidential candidate Vojislav Kostunica claimed victory in weekend elections over incumbent Slobodan Milosevic. In Sydney, Australia, Cathy Freeman became the first Aborigine to win an individual Olympic gold medal, capturing the women's 400 meters. Michael Johnson of the United States became the first man to successfully defend a 400-meter title.

One year ago: U.S. warplanes, tanks and artillery repeatedly hit at Abu Musab al-Zarqawi's terror network in the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah, Iraq.

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Grandma takes charge – one for the books

She's not the kind of "tough grandma" who runs for governor, but she's tougher 'n rawhide when it comes to looking after grandpa. In this role, she takes no prisoners, no chances and no guff. Like most wives, she is intuitive, ready to take matters into her own hands when situations warrant.

So when grandpa's pacemaker acts up, she figures they'd better head for the emergency room. Away they go, despite his protests that "nothin's hurtin'."

"You've only had that jump-starter two weeks," she fretted. "Something's wrong when it starts buzzing like that."

Grandma whips through heavy traffic, arriving safely at one of Texas' largest trauma centers. She tells nurses about her hubby's problem. When the topic is hearts, nurses listen carefully; they know it's not a card game.

Health pro-Don fessionals Newbury join grandma in Columnist

bewilderment about the noisy pacemaker.

These devices simply aren't supposed to buzz! It's a first for them, too.

Enter a seasoned emergency room physician. He questions, pokes and observes, hoping to appear to be more confident than he actually is. Pacemakers don't buzz, he mumbles to himself, finding little comfort in the repetitive claim that "nothin's hurtin'."

Grandma isn't sure. All she's certain about is that the pacemaker started acting up while he was talking on the They whisk grandpa into telephone.

> The good doctor feels his usually strong selfconfidence crumbling under his

feet. It is, in a moment, a queasy time. He senses vulnerability, fearing that he could become both "flappable" and "baffle-able" on this very shift.

He continues the exam, chatting amiably as he asks grandpa to remove his shirt. Before he gets the stethoscope on the first cold spot, things change.

The annoying buzz, like crickets that wake us in the

deep of night when summer wanes, no longer seems to be coming from the chest.

All eyes turn toward the discarded shirt. The doctor pokes his finger into the shirt pocket - the one that rests against the left side of the chest - and pulls out a hearing aid.

Then the 78-year-old patient remembers: He'd dropped it into his pocket, so he could hear better on the telephone.

"Can you turn this off?" the doctor asks, swelling with confidence as he stiffens into his "patient, heal thyself" posture. "Yes," the old-timer said, and, smiling, and with one "click" he was cured.

All's well that ends well. See SURPRISE, Page 5

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Commission report reveals 9/11 warning ignored

The recent publication of some once-censored parts of the 9/11 Commission report reveals that, in 1998, federal intelligence sources had shared their concern that al Qaeda could be planning to use passenger airplanes as missiles on suicide raids against prominent targets in the United States. This is the first time we've heard that that the possibility of such a suicide mission was raised at the federal level during the Clinton years.

But the entire thrust of the administration's attitude toward air safety and security was based on the happy assumption that no terrorist would ever engage in a suicide bombing using airplanes. Now the question arises: Why did not the Gore conducted a wide-Clinton Administration reevaluate its air safety measures in light of the 1998 warning?

After the crash of TWA flight 800 and the bombing of the 1996

Atlanta Dick Olympics, both of **Morris** which were Columnist thought at the time to possibly be

connected to international terrorists, President Clinton assigned Vice President Al Gore to head a commission on air safety to counter the possible terrorist threat. With his usual technical thoroughness but cerebral obtuseness,

ranging review of air-safety measures and set up a system to predict who would hijack a passenger airplane. The system, called CAPPS (Civil Aviation Passenger

Protection System) was based in an algorithm that evaluated risk factors spot

hijackers. And CAPPS worked brilliantly on 9/11- picking out 11 of the 19 hijackers for special scrutiny as possible terrorists.

But ...

Gore's work was entirely based on the belief that

nobody would commit suicide while hijacking a plane. So the only purpose of CAPPS was to assure that these passengers boarded the airplane with their checked baggage - since the feds assumed that the checked bags couldn't have a bomb in if the terrorist was on the plane himself.

As naive and shortsighted as this assumption was - and as disastrous as it turned out to be - until now we have only been able to chalk it up to Al Gore's particular brand of myopia. But now we have evidence that one year after his report was issued, the White House received a warning that a suicide mis-

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Literacy

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"Sometimes it builds up to 35 students in both programs combined. In the classroom groups, the more advanced students help the less advanced," she said.

Most of the ESL students are Hispanic, although a few Asians have taken the course over the years, Fiveash said.

The students' background and culture are acknowledged but not emphasized in the ESL classes.

"I tell them, 'Be proud of your culture, but remember, this is America now," Fiveash said.

The current ESL class, which has been meeting at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, expects to move to Lovett Memorial Library next week. Carol Dunham, a retired teacher, is their instructor.

"Carol has a wonderful rapport with her students. She has been with the program for about three years. years ago," she said.

She has just done a remarkable job," Fiveash said.

Dunham taught sixth-grade English and art for 15 years. After retiring, she volunteered to teach adults.

"I contacted the literacy council and

You don't have to speak Spanish to be an ESL tutor. You get training, plus any assistance you may need, to teach ESL and literacy.

> Mary Jo Fiveash Director of the Pampa chapter

said I love to read and would love to teach somebody else to read, one on one. They called and asked if I would consider feaching English as a Second Language. I agreed to try. That was five

She estimates she has tutored 120 students in her ESL classes during those five years. She feels she has received as well as given in the class-

"I have fallen in love with these people. They're so appreciative.

"I cannot settle down after I've been to class, because I'm feeling so good. I come home higher than a kite," Dunham said.

One of her students now interprets for patients at Pampa Regional Medical Center. Some have earned their U.S. citizenship. One was a meteorologist in Cuba, who later moved to Florida to be near her sister.

ESL classes meet for two hours,

one day per week.

"You don't have to speak Spanish to be an ESL tutor. You get training, plus any assistance you may need, to teach ESL and literacy. We have a set of books we provide. Everything is free for the tutor and student," Fiveash said.

For more information on ESL and/or adult reading and writing classes, call 665-2331 or 665-6000 for an appointment.

Murder trial starts Monday

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

Jury selection is expected to begin Monday morning in the capital murder trial of Joseph Landon Ridenour, 68, who is accused of shooting his girlfriend in the summer of 2003.

District Attorney Lynn Switzer said that although it is a capital case, the state is not seeking the death penal-

Ridenour was arrested in the early morning hours of July 16 at his apartment at 1031 N. Sumner.

Paramedics and Pampa Fire Department personnel found the body of Evarene "Eva" Williamson Fritz, 48, shortly after 9 p.m. July 15, in her apartment at 1200 N.

Wells. Pampa police officers called to the scene reported that she appeared to have been shot twice.

Officers tried to contact Ridenour at his apartment beginning about 2 a.m. July

Shortly after 3:20 a.m., the apartment manager unlocked Ridenour's door for police and officers found Ridenour standing in the living room with a gun to his head.

According to police, Ridenour pulled the trigger repeatedly, but he pistol failed to fire.

Ridenour then surrendered to police.

Officers said it appeared Ridenour and Fritz had argued earlier.

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Medicare pays for such. I do know that the physi-

Elsewhere, hither, thither and yawn: Officials in New chat with friends, and spot

Orleans predicted that it would require some 80 days to rid the city of the troubled waters. But things are going well - if not swimmingly as drainage of the foul liquid begins. They've lowered the figure to 40 days at this writ-

Hmmmm, that would be 40 nights, too. Wouldn't Noah be proud? Maybe they'll spot doves carrying olive branches when the city dries out.

Lots of folks think malls were made for walking. They flock there to exercise,

funny messages on T-shirts.

(I still believe most of the guys get their exercise serving as pallbearers for their friends who jog.)

Some recent T-shirt messages merit mention. One states: "The test results are in and you are free to leave. Stupidity is not a felony."

Another reads: "If I got smart with you, how would you know?"

And finally, this "headscratcher"; luckily, I got a second look on the next lap around the mall. It may take you two laps, too.

Take a deep breath. Exale. Look out into space. Breathe normally. Now, read slowly as I quote from the "shirt chapter" of Fruit of the Loom: "You can lead a horse to water, but a pencil must be

Okay, if you must, take another lap, or simply reread. (I don't have a clue whether it should be "led" or "lead" in this point about the pencil.)

End of the lines; everybody off.

-Dr. Newbury is a speaker and author in the Metroplex.

tracted by impeachment and but also on the Bush lished version of the 9/11

Surprise

And, no, I don't know if

cian has a gem-dandy piece for the "you won't believe this" section in the medical

journal. It'll replace the old yarn about the heart patient who swears that after they implanted his pacemaker, his garage door goes up when he gets overly excited.

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sion was a distinct possibili-

Why did Gore or Clinton not spring into action and undertake a review of the 1997 Commission report to adjust its conclusions to take account of this new possibil-

horrendous lack of preparedness on 9/11.

To be sure, the intelli-

ambiguity with disclaimers that suggested that al Qaeda would only use a suicide attack as a last resort and indicated that it did not feel such a tactic was likely. But the finding spelled out in black and white exactly what happened: Terrorists would hijack passenger planes in the United States and use them to destroy prominent public buildings.

This oversight led to the acted as they should have, all before 9/11. kinds of changes might have

gence finding was cloaked in and small knives could have been barred from planes (after being specifically permitted in a change in FAA rules early in the Clinton

Passengers identified by the CAPPS system could be investigated and barred from planes without special pat downs and screening. The entire system could have been refocused to take account of the suicide option Had Gore and Clinton in a way that it never was

The blame, of course, been made that could have should fall not only on a forestalled 9/11. Boxcutters Clinton administration disfighting for its political life, Administration - which is why the paragraph was initially redacted from the pub-

-Dick Morris was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20

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Chicago and one brother still in Mexico. Her parents were also in Chicago, but her father died in 2003 and her mother died in 2004.

Cabrales' husband has three brothers, a sister, and

his parents in Pampa, along with two sisters in Dallas and one brother still in Mexico.

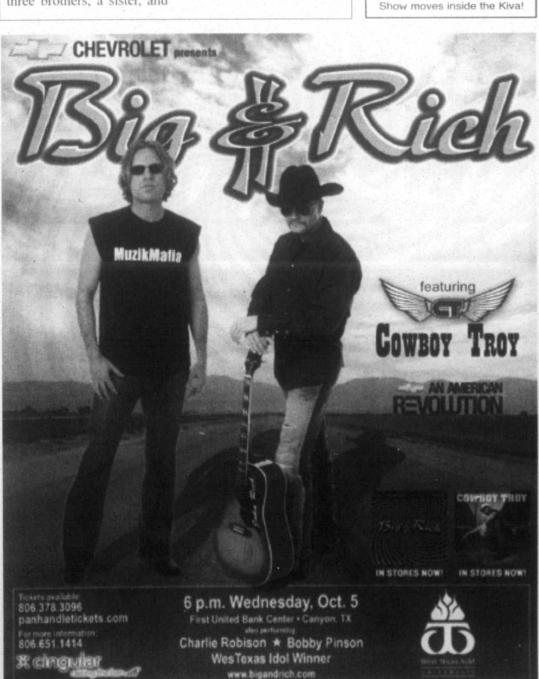
Given the choice to stay here or return to Mexico, Cabrales did not hesitate to say she would stay.

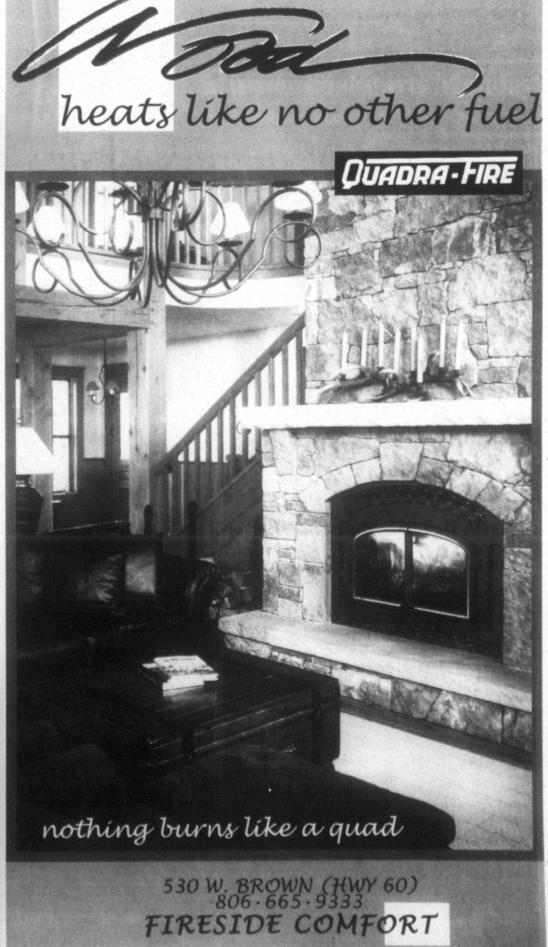
"I would stay here. There's nothing to go back to Mexico for," she said.

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Intentions to Drill

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #6803 Grant Meek, 1929' from South & 638' from West line, Sec. 68,M-1,H&GN, PD 5750'. Injection

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1007 Peak Bourassa, 2450' from North & 1000' from West line, Sec. 7,4,AB&M,

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MEN-DOTA Upper Morrow) Unit Petroleum Co., #2 Isaacs, 1000' from North & 27700' from East line,

195,C,G&MMB&A, PD 11250'

HEMPHILL (TEPESLAVIN Douglas) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con, Inc., #1 Tepe-Slavin, 467' from South & West line, Sec. 68,41,H&TC, PD 9150'.

ROBERTS (WILCAT & ALPAR-LIPS Atoka) Range Production Co., #204 Courson Ranch South PA-5, 3996' from North & 1006' from East line, Sec. 4,A,H&Gn, PD 10000'

ROBERTS (LARD RANCH Granite Wash 'C') Pitco Envestments, Ltd., Maulsby, Sec. 4,B,H&GN, PD 9200', for the following wells:

East line of Sec.

#4-4, 1830' from South & 1800' from East line of Sec.

#5-4, 1980' from North & West line of

#6-4, 660' from North & 1980" from East line of Sec.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & ALLISON-BRITT Upper Morrow) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #2 Britt Ranch '29', 1980' from South & 660' from West line, Sec. 29, RE, R&E, PD 16500'. Rule 37

WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., Helton, #3-4, 467' from South & 560' from Sec. 60,M-1,H&GN, PD 13700', for the

following wells:

#1160, 1640' from North & 990' from

East line of Sec. #7060, 467' from North & 990' from

West line of Sec. WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #6051 Finsterwald-Dobbs, 467' from North &

1650' from West line, Sec. 51,M-1,H&GN, PD 13500' WHEELER (WILDCAT & GREEN-HOUSE Douglas) Raydon Exploration,

Inc., #1081 Circle Dot, 660' from South See INTENTS, Page 7



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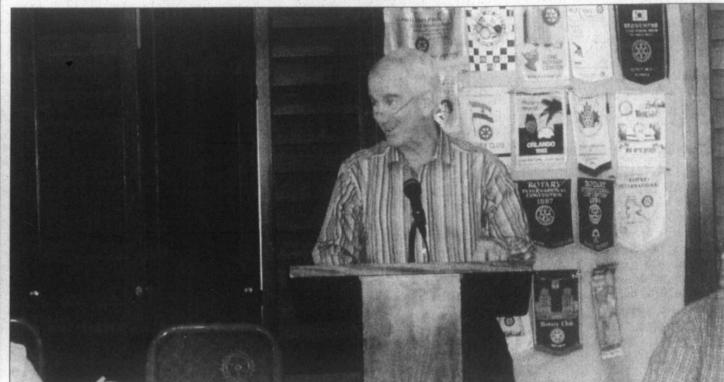
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Tri-City Concert Association season to get under way

BORGER — Tri- was paired with a Association will in the early days of open its season on his musical career. Oct. 1 with a concert The Pied Piper's hit by The Pied Pipers at. 7:30 p.m. in Borger High School Auditorium. The Pied Pipers perform music of the 1940s. All members from Pampa Association are eligible to attend this concert on their sea-

son tickets. Although the personnel in the group have changed over years, the arrangements and style of The Pied Pipers, which first began singing with the Tom Dorsey Orchestra in 1940, have been main-

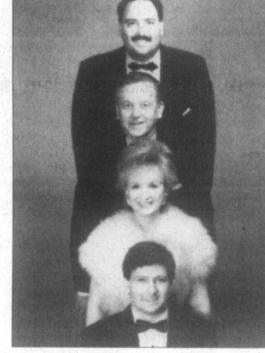
During its career with the Dorsey Orchestra, the group

Concert young Frank Sinatra records include "I'll Never Smile Again," "This Love of Mine," "Stardust" and "Put Your Dreams Away for Another Day.'

The Pied Pipers are the first of four concerts to be presented by the Tri-Concert City Association. Future concerts include:

· an evening of music by Texas Stars, musicians from the Hutchinson County area who received their early training here and continue their musical careers either locally or in other parts of the country;

the St. Petersburg Ballet Plainview.



▲ The Pied Pipers

several classic ballets; and

 The Newstead Trio, talented young musicians on piano, violin and cello.

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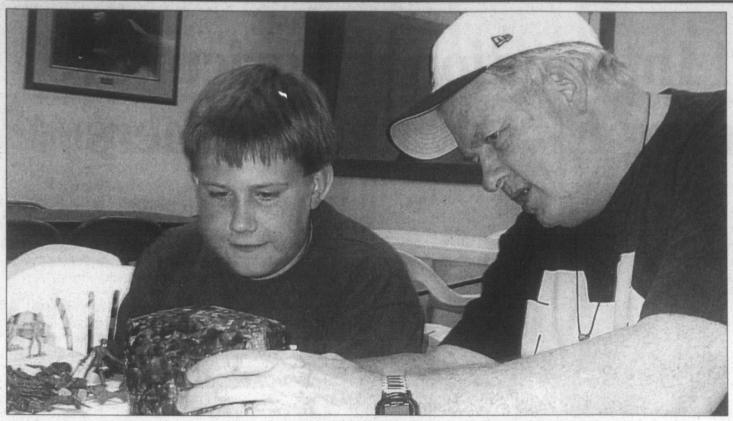
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Jordan Shook puts the final touches on his "made from scratch" papier mache military pillbox, made to be used with the set of Army men that some of the kids play with at the Create-a-Beat after school program. Pastor Mike Sublett inspects the end result and then brags on the great job that Jordan did.

Intents

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& 1320' from West line, Sec. 81,M-1,H&GN, PD 7900'.

WHEELER (LISTER Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #1510 E.B. Street, 2000' from South & 1980' from East line, Sec. 15,L. J.M. Lindsey, PD 14000'.

Gas Well Completions

GRAY (EAST PANHAN-DLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #4 Beasley 'A', Sec. 24,R,A. Rowe Survey, spud 5-7-05, drlg. compl 5-9-05, tested 7-15-05, potential 560 MCF, TD 2592'

GRAY (EAST PANHAN-DLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #4 Howard, Sec. 34,R.W.R. Lee, spud 5-28-05, drlg. compl 5-30-05, tested 7-22-05, potential 420 MCF, TD 2441' --

GRAY (EAST PANHAN-DLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #4 Rice, Sec. 32,R, A.D. Heiman, spud 5-15-05, drlg. compl 5-17-05, tested 7-22-05, potential 1030 MCF, TD 2405' -

GRAY (EAST PANHAN-DLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #4 Rice 'A', Sec. 33,R, W.R. Lee, spud 5-23-05, drlg. compl 5-25-05, tested 7-22-05, potential 620 MCF, TD 2475'-

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) B&W Operating, L.L.C., #1 Gatlin '3', Sec. 3,4,AB&M, spud 4-18-05, drlg. compl 5-6-05, tested 8-4-05, potential 1594 MCF, TD 11902' --

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) B&W Operating, L.L.C., #1 Meadows '89', Sec. 89,M-1,H&GN, spud 5-11-05, drlg. compl 6-3-05, tested 8-8-05, potential 1787 MCF, TD 12330'-

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HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #10 Hemphill Walser '11', Sec. 11,4,AB&M, spud 4-30-05, drlg. compl 5-16-05, tested 7-26-05, potential 14509 MCF, TD 13075', PBTD 12960' -

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #11 Hemphill Walser '11', Sec. 11,4,AB&M, spud 4-6-05, drlg. compl 4-25-05, tested 7-18-05, potential 5940 MCF, TD 13200', PBTD 13041'-

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #23 Meek '67', Sec. 67,M-1,H&GN, spud 4-15-05, drlg. compl 5-9-05, tested 8-9-05, potential 12577 MCF, TD 13670', PBTD 13610'

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #421 Helton, Sec. 21,M-1,H&GN, spud 1-6-05, drlg. compl 2-1-05, tested 8-14-05, TD 13659', PBTD 13596'-

HUTCHINSON (HANS-FORD Lower Morrow) Strat Land Exploration Co., #174 Virgil, Sec. 74,R,GB&CNG,

spud 2-10-05, drlg. compl 3-7-05, tested 8-22-05, potential 8668 MCF, TD 8650', PBTD 8584' - SNR #10 to commingle has been applied for

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Operating Co., #1R Johnson 'K', Sec. 8,--, J. Gammel, spud 7-7-05, drlg. compl 7-11-05, tested 8-15-05, TD 2798'

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Gordon Taylor Oil Co., L.P., #8 C.S. Carver 'A', Wm. Heath Survey, spud 7-12-05, drlg. compl 7-28-05, tested 8-4-05, TD 3197' ---

ROBERTS (ALPAR-PEARSON Brown Dolomite) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #9 Courson Ranch '135', Sec. 135,C,G&M, spud 3-21-05, drlg. compl 4-7-05, tested 7-6-05. potential 765 MCF, TD

ROBERTS (ALPAR-PEARSON Brown Dolomite) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #14 Courson Ranch '158', Sec. 158,13,T&NO, spud 4-10-05, drlg. compl 4-21-05, tested 7-8-05, potential 217 MCF, TD 3915'-

ROBERTS (LIPS Novi) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #6 Courson Ranch '135', Sec. 135,C,G&M, spud 10-12-04, drlg. compl 11-5-04, tested 7-11-05, potential 175 MCF, TD 11025', PBTD 8800'

WHEELER RANCH Grantie Wash 'A') Forest Oil Corp., #110 Frye, Sec. 10,A-3,H&Gn, spud 3-24-05, drlg. compl 4-28-05, tested 5-31-05, TD 15050', PBTD 14940' — Form 1 in Peak Operating

WHEELER RANCH Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #501 Atherton, Sec. 1,A-3,H&GN, spud 4-20-05, drlg. compl 5-11-05, tested 7-21-05, potential 1370 MCF, TD 13875', PBTD 13831' --

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #105 Stiles Ranch, Sec. 5,A-3,H&GN, spud 1-1-05, drlg. compl 2-15-05, tested 3-11-05, potential 3250 MCF, TD 16600', PBTD 16550'-

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Pogo Panhandle 2004, L.P., #6025 Stiles, Sec. 25,A-3,H&GN, spud 5-2-05, drlg. compl 6-1705, TD 15800', PBTD 15770' - Form 1 filed in Stallion Energy

WHEELER (WEST PARK Granite Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #1 Truman Zybach '16', Sec. 16,RE,R&E, spud 4-25-05, drlg. compl 6-22-05, tested 6-23-05, TD 15610', PBTD 14980' —

Plugged Wells

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Pantera Energy Co., #12 M.J. Burke, Sec. 207, B-2, H&GN, spud 6-16-64, plugged 7-27-05, TD 3840' (oil) - Form 1 in Service Drlg. Co.

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANA-DIAN Douglas) BP America Production Co., (gas) — for the following:

#2 Feannk Shaller, Sec. 1,—,GH&H, spud 8-5-77, plugged 6-24-05, TD 7579' —

#1120 Frank Shaller 'E'. Sec. 12041,H&TC, spud 12-17-72, plugged 6-24-05, TD 7579' -

#12 Lester B. Urschel, Sec. 61,1,G&M, spud 8-2-74, plugged 6-22-05, TD 7068' (gas) — Form 1 in Creschendo

HUTCHINSON HANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., (oil) — for the following wells: #13 Lucas, Sec. 7,-,J.M. Swisher, spud unknown, plugged 7-12-05, TD 3305' --

#15 State of Texas 'A'. Sec. 63,46,H&TC, (in Canadian River Bed) spud 1-22-56, plugged 7-15-05, TD 2735' -

form in The Shamrock Oil &

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HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) ConocoPhillips Co. (gas) for the following wells:

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05, TD 3051'-ROBERTS (McMORDIE RANCH 9700') Natural Gas Anadarko Co., #203 R.D. Mills, Tract 3B, CCSL, spud 6-3-83, plugged 7-15-05, TD

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Plains Historical Museum will host a free Museum Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 1 at the museum in

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Among the scheduled activities and participants will be:

River Road 4-H, butter making demonstrations; Boys Ranch Cowboy

Poets, presentations; Randall County

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— Canyon Golden Spread Quilters Guild/Ogallala Quilters Society, demonstrations;

- Alvin Lynn, prehistoric pottery demonstration;

Joe D. Rogers, 19th century tool demonstrations; St. Benedict

Monastery, specialty food; Storytellers of the High Plains, presentations;

For further details, contact Mary Ann Ruelas via at maruelas@pphm.wtamu.edu or phone (806) 651-2261.

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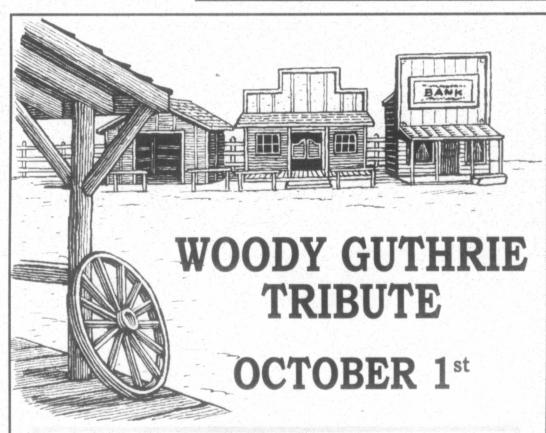
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Texas A&M International Agriculture Program aiding El Salvador farmers

By BLAIR FANNIN Texas A&M News

COLLEGE STATION - A pilot program offering agribusiness management training, food processing and biotechnology expertise has helped one El Salvador food maker increase its annual sales and become a supplier for that country's Pizza Hut chain.

The program is the result of efforts by Texas A&M University's International Agriculture Program Office, to assist mid-size El Salvadoran agricultural companies, growers and educational institutions.

Texas A&M provides assistance through a partnership with Agriculture Development International, Washington-based organization providing agribusiness services and technical assistance to developing countries. The development group also has a Texas office in Shamrock.

The goal of the program in El Salvador is to introduce new foods and diversify the country's agriculture industry.

We later visited the country and, thereafter, the Aggies of El Salvador drove the idea forward. That eventually led to a grant from the government to Texas A&M in assisting with the development of new food products.

> — Dr. Ed Price Associate vice chancellor



(Photo courtesy of Texas A&M University International Agriculture Program Office) A group of shrimp farmers from Jiquilisco Bay participated in enterprise budget training.

"(Discussions of a program) began when (former) President Francisco Flores of El Salvador gave the commencement address at Texas A&M about six years ago," said Dr. Ed Price, associate vice chancellor for the International Agriculture Program Office at Texas A&M.

"We later visited the country and, thereafter, the Aggies of El Salvador drove the idea forward. That eventually led to a grant from the government to Texas A&M in assisting with the development of new food products."

The initial meetings involved Francisco Flores and Texas A&M graduates Eduardo Palomo, former president of El Salvador's Aggie Club, and Don Billy Sol Bang, former A&M student and coffee producer.

They came looking for how (Texas) A&M could support El Salvador agriculture," said Ryan Bathrick, the program's project coordinator, who received his master's degree at Texas A&M.

Many years of over-dependence on coffee production caught up with the country's farmers, he said. When coffee prices fell, many farmers went bankrupt.

"There was very little support to produce anything else," he said. "They came here looking for what kind of project they could do.

"Discussions began and things were nearly finalized, but an earthquake and Hurricane Mitch dealt a big blow to the country, and all of the project funds went to disaster relief."

The project started in 2004 with the goal of supporting universities in key fields, such as food processing and soil science, he said.

The program coordinates directly with the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock, which works with private Salvadoran food companies, cooperatives and universities.

Agribusiness training has been provided to almost 400 agriculture producers. Food technology training has reached another 100 professors, extension personnel and food processing staff.

"With a limited budget and the enthusiastic support of the El Salvadoran government, private firms, and Texas A&M faculty and students, several new tropical food products have been developed," Price said.

Dried citrus teas, herbs and flavorings are now produced and marketed, Price said. Several small to medium-sized food processors have been benefactors of the program.

La Canasta produces instant drinks for El Salvador Pizza Hut chains, which has 20 locations and has been a popular choice among citizens, Bathrick said. They will soon supply the restaurant chain with spices.

"People there are obsessed with Pizza Hut. This has been a huge market (for La Canasta)," he said.

Prior to receiving program assistance, the company's spice production was limited because of their own homemade dehydration process.

"Their process takes four days in what should have taken four hours," Bathrick

Dr. Luis Cisneros, a food science researcher with the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M, provided technical assistance. A new dehydration oven from India allowed the company to expand its capacity six times, and projected sales jumped \$100,000 annually, Bathrick said.

The El Salvador project recently completed its first phase, Bathrick said. Phase II was recently approved and includes a funding increase.

"This was a pilot project with a low budget, but had high expectations," Bathrick said. "We've had some real success and look forward to the outcomes of Phase II."

"Because of the past success, our work has been greatly expanded for the next year," Price said. "And the role of former students, faculty and staff continues."





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Pampa Schools **MONDAY**

Breakfast: Waffle sticks. Lunch: Popcorn chicken or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, spinach, fruit,

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Egg patties, biscuits. Lunch: Pigs in a blanket or pizza, English peas, potatoes, peach cups.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza. Lunch: Ravioli or chicken nuggets, green beans, salad, applesauce, garlic

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Strawberrylicious bagel French toast.

Lunch: Ham/cheese sandwiches or beef/cheese nachos, western beans, corn, fruit, pudding cups

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Mini burritos or hamburgers, French fries, lettuce/tomatoes, pineapple.

Lefors Schools

MONDAY Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice,

Lunch: Pigs in a blanket, beans, pineapple orange salad, chips. TUESDAY

Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Meat/bean chalupas,

lettuce/tomatoes, rice, applesauce. WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice,

Lunch: Chicken fried steak, potatoes,

gravy, beans, rolls, berry cake.

THURSDAY Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice,

Lunch: Chicken/rice wraps, beans, corn, picante sauce, fruit.

FRIDAY Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice,

Lunch: Sub sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries, carrot brown-Kid's Cafe-Wilson

MONDAY Spaghetti/meat sauce, salad, corn, dessert, treat.

WEDNESDAY Corndogs, fries, macaroni cheese, dessert, treat.

> Kid's Cafe-Lamar TUESDAY

Hot dogs/chili, macaroni cheese, pork

and beans, dessert. **THURSDAY**

Beef/cheese nachos, pinto beans, salad, dessert.

> Senior Citizens MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or mozzarella chicken chow mein/noodles, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, carrots, beans, red velvet cake or banana pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY Chicken breast/dressing or ham salad, potato salad, spinach, beets, beans, lemon bundt cake or chocolate sundae cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, California blend, cream corn, beans, carrot cake or peach cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or beef enchiladas, mashed potatoes, Mexican rice, cheese hominy, beans, peanut butter cake or cherry cheesecake, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or combread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or cabbage rolls, potato wedges, broccoli spears/cheese, beans, devilsfood cake or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or combread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Sloppy joes, tater tots, pork and beans, pineapple

TUESDAY

Eggs, bacon, pancakes, hashbrowns, peaches. WEDNESDAY

Chicken pot pie, pickled beets, corn, pudding. THURSDAY

Corndogs, macaroni cheese, peas/car-

rots, applesauce. FRIDAY

Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, jello/fruit.

Medical

Study: Newer mammograms better for younger set

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE AP Medical Writer

Newer mammograms that allow doctors to use digital imaging to help spot cancer are better than standard Xrays for young women and those with dense breasts, but not for most postmenopausal women, a landmark study concludes.

Doctors say women who aren't in one of the groups

Everything is going filmless. If there's no disadvatage to digital mammography, I would presume over time it will replace film screening.

> — Dr. Kathy Brandt Chief of breast imaging at Mayo Clinic

Dr. Stram points out that nearly one-quarter of adults

"Requesting topical skin adhesives such as DER-

are not aware that there are alternatives to stitches-and

that one in 10 said their fear of stitches may deter them

that benefited can skip the extra cost of the newer digital tests and have a standard mammogram.

However, they expect

digital tests to become sent electronically whenmore common because of ever a woman moves or a their many advantages, new doctor needs to see including that they can be stored on a computer and

from making a necessary ER visit.

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Taking Control Of

Dr. Stram says follow-

ing these tips can help

people get the best treat-

the triage nurse or the ER

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course of care and treat-

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· Do not hesitate to ask

ately," he explains.

Treatment

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"Everything is going film-

less. If there's no disadvantage to digital mammography, I would presume over time it will replace film screening," said Dr. Kathy Brandt, chief of breast imaging at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., who had no role in the study.

The study involved 42,760 women in the United States and Canada and was done by the American

College of Radiology Imaging Network. It was funded by the National Cancer Institute.

Results were to be reported at a recent medical meeting. They also were released online by the New England Journal of Medicine and will appear in its Oct. 27 edition.

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Taking control of emergency treatment

Syracuse, N.Y.

(NAPSA) — Knowing the right questions to ask at the emergency room could help people get the best treatment. Yet a survey found many ER patients don't know what they should say to their attending doctors and many more do not know to ask about their treatment options.

The survey – commissioned by Ethicon and conducted by Harris Interactive found that more than one-

third of adults feel only somewhat or not at all confident that they would know the right questions to ask if they had to go to the ER for a serious cut or laceration. In addition, two in five

adults said they do not have a choice in the type of care they receive once they are at the ER.

"The results of this study indicate the need for Americans to educate themselves to take proactive control over their medical care," said Ronald Stram, chairman of emergency services, St. Joseph's Hospital,

By KAY LEDBETTER

Texas A&M News

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Crocker, Texas Cooperative

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America: Striving for Better designed to improve diabetes management in the U.S. by providing type 2 diabetics the tools to help them control blood sugar levels and giving them an easy-to-understand "road map" for successful diabetes management. The key principles of the campaign center around what type 2 diabetics can do to get their blood sugar numbers down. As a first step, the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists (AACE) is encouraging the many Americans with type 2 diabetes to join together in taking an "oath" to better control blood sugar levels. To take the oath, learn more and receive a free diabetesfriendly cookbook, type 2 www.stateofdiabetes.com or



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Choosing health provider may be difficult for some, he said.

"No matter if you are looking to change your current provider or if you are looking for a health provider for the first time, there are several things you should keep in mind," Crocker said.

First, is a physician the best choice? Qualified nurse practitioners or physician's assistants may be the best source for health care, he said.

'If you have private insurance, check with the insurance company to see if they will pay for you to see a certain health provider. Also check with the health provider's office to make sure that he) or she will accept your insurance."

Doctor shopping an important

step toward quality health care

- Andrew B. Crocker Extension gerontology health specialist

Board certification, health insurance acceptance and office location are other con-

different amounts, affecting out-of-pocket pay, Crocker said. Check to see what costs may be before the visit. "If you have private insurance, check with the insur-

siderations.

ance company to see if they will pay for you to see a certain health provider," he said. "Also check with the health provider's office to make sure that he or she will accept your insurance." Location concerns to con-

sider include: Is it close to home, a hospital, a pharmacy or on a busy street that could cause travel problems to and from office visits?

After deciding to try a health provider, be sure he or she has a good bedside manner and communication style, Crocker advised. Make sure he or she will answer questions fully and understandably.

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expected to total a record high 7.2 million bales, 7 percent less than 2004 and up 18 percent from last month. Yield is expected to average 628 pounds per acre compared with 694 pounds last year.

Corn production is forecast at 216 million bushels, down 8 percent from last year's production, and down 3 percent from last month. Based on Sept. 1 conditions, statewide yield is expected to average 120 bushels per acre, 19 bushels less than in 2004, and 4 bushels less than last month

Texas peanut production is up 17 percent from last year, at 910 million pounds. Statewide yield, at 3,500 pounds per acre, is up 200 pounds from last year and down 300 pounds from last month.

Sorghum production is forecast at 62.7 million hundredweight (cwt), 12 percent less than last year and unchanged from last month. Harvested acreage is estimated at 2 million acres, down 2 percent from last year.

AUSTIN — The 2005 Texas Upland cotton crop is Yield, at 3,136 pounds per acre, is down 336 pounds from last year and unchanged from last month.

The 2005 Texas soybean crop is forecast at 6.9 million bushels, down 20 percent from last year's production and down 7 percent from last n onth. Yield is expected to average 25 bushels per acre, compared with 32 bushels last year.

United States corn production is forecast at 10.6 billion bushels, down 10 percent from last year's crop. A yield of 143.2 bushels per acre is forecast, down 17.2 bushels from last year.

The sorghum crop is expected to drop 13 percent to 222.7 million cwt. The U.S. Upland cotton crop is expected to total 21.6 million bales, down 4 percent from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.86 billion bushels, down 9 percent from last year. The U.S. peanut crop is estimated at 5.01 billion pounds, up 18 percent from a year ago.





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Mammograms cut the risk of dying of breast cancer by up to 35 percent among women 50 and older, but only by 15 to 20

percent among younger women, who tend to have dense breasts that standard film X-rays have trouble penetrating.

Digital mammograms produce images on a computer screen, where they can be enhanced or magnified to reveal lurking signs of cancer. Doctors have hoped that this would improve mammography's usefulness for younger women.

The study aimed to learn whether they are more accurate; that is, whether they correctly detected cancer and didn't give too many "false alarms."

Each participant received both types of mammograms. Results were reviewed independently by two radiologists, and biopsies settled whether suspicious findings were cancer. Follow-up exams were done a year later to see how many cancers had been missed the first time around.

A total of 335 breast cancers were found. Both types of mammograms missed about 30 percent of

Digital mammograms proved 15 percent more accurate than standard film X-rays among women under 50, in whom breast cancer is relatively uncommon. Among women with dense breasts and those not yet in menopause, digital mammograms were 11 per-

cent and 15 percent better, respectively. For all other women, "film is just as good," said Dr. Etta Pisano, a radiologist at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill who led the study.

She said the results should help prioritize who gets the more expensive tests.

"We don't have enough digital mammography for everyone to get it and some women won't benefit

from it anyway," Pisano said. The first digital machines came on the U.S. market in 2001, but they account for only 8 percent of mammography equipment today, largely because of cost. Medicare pays an average of \$85.65 for a standard

film mammogram and \$135.29 for a digital one. Robert Smith, director of screening at the American Cancer Society, said no woman should delay getting a mammogram if a digital one is not available. The society recommends annual mammograms starting at age 40; the federal government advises them every one to two years for women in their 40s and then annually starting at age 50.

As for the study results, "we'd always like a newer technology to do better in every way," but improving mammograms for certain groups of women is still a gain, he said.

In the study, about two-thirds of women either had dense breasts, were under 50 or had not reached menopause. That led Dr. Daniel Sullivan, who heads cancer imaging at the cancer institute, to conclude "it may not be completely representative of the general population" because most mammograms are done on women over 50 who have fatty breasts.

The study was the largest ever done to compare mammography techniques. Earlier studies have found digital mammograms to be comparable in accuracy to film for women in general.

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· Carry a written list of medications that you are taking and allergies that you may have. This can help prevent serious drug interactions or an allergic

reaction if you can't provide the information yourself and your primary care physician is not accessible.

· Review and understand the terms of your insurance coverage before an emergency strikes. Always have your medical card with you as well as the phone numbers of your insurance carrier.

· Educate yourself in advance. The American College of Emergency Physicians' Web site (www.acep.org) includes suggestions on organizing medical records and responding to emergencies. For information on alternatives to traditional sutures, visit www.dermabond.com.

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opinions of him or her, Crocker said. "Talking with other people about their interaction

with a health provider may give you some insight into what your experience with him or her may be." he said. In Texas, a physician's record can be checked

through the Texas Medical Board. As the licensing organization for physicians and physician's assistants, it provides information about schooling, licensing, complaints and sanctions or suspension.

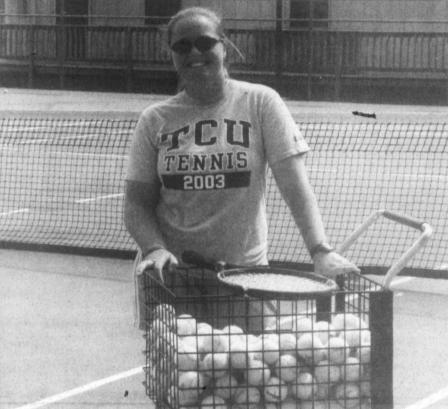
The board maintains this information through its Web site: http://www.tsbme.state.tx.us. Complaints may be filed by calling (800) 248-4062.

"Ensuring quality health care from a quality health provider may be one of the most important decisions that you make," Crocker said. "After all, good health is one of the keys to successful aging! It's your choice - make it a good one."

For more information and more tips on choosing a new health provider, the National Institute on Aging has a publication entitled "Choosing a Doctor" that may be accessed on-line at http://www.niapublications.org/engagepages/choose.asp. 4

Sports Day





New courts almost ready

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Harvester tennis coach Emily Laurence worked with a handful of freshmen players Friday afternoon, lobbing serves while her players worked on forehand and backhand returns. While they practiced on the south courts, a couple of workers busied themselves on the north courts, wrapping up the resurfacing project so many have been talking about.

The north courts have been completely resurfaced and, as of Friday, in the process of being re-striped. And they

PHS Athletic Director, Dick Dunham, has been boasting

about the new court surface. "You really need to come see

the new courts," he suggested. "Get some pictures." Parents, Booster Club members and the players are all looking forward to playing on the new surface. Said one parent, "We probably could have played the Hereford matches on them Saturday, but we all felt it was best to wait." The Hereford meeting was to have been a home match, but the resurfacing of the Harvester courts caused Pampa to travel Saturday. The team will have to wait until Oct. I to show off the new look court. That's when Dumas comes calling.

Pampa entered Hereford Saturday morning with a district record of 1-0.

(left) Workers prepare the new PHS tennis court surface for striping Friday afternoon.

(top) Freshmen Ashlee Hernandez works on her returns as Harvester Coach Emily Laurence lobbed serves on the south courts.

(bottom) First year head coach Emily Laurence, a Pampa High School graduate, has led her Harvesters to a solid season thus far, including Tuesday's close 10-9 district win over Randall.

High school football scores

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Here are the high school football scores available at press time:

Class 5A Abilene Cooper 31, Lubbock Coronado

Midland 35, Amarillo 6 Odessa Permian 23, Lubbock Monterey 0

Class 4A Perryton 27, Caprock 7 Dumas 33, Lubbock Estacado 32 Plainview 50, Hereford 12 Frenship 48, Canyon 7

Class 3A Canyon 45, Levelland 21 Lubbock Cooper 35, Seminole 21 Class 2A Henrietta 28, Childress 14 Panhandle 49, Boys Ranch 0 Spearman 45, West Texas 6

Class 1A Gruver 49, Claude 7 Nazareth 44, Clarendon 6 Stratford 31, Tulia 0 Vega 38, Shamrock 0 White Deer 8, Hart 0

SIX-MAN Hedley 45, Lazbuddie 0 Kress 58, Groom 6 McLean 66, Lefors 18 Trinidad 54, Greenville Christian 6

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Soccer boosters to meet

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Pampa High School Soccer Booster club invites all interested to attend a

meeting set for 7 p.m. tion, please contact a boost-Monday in the PHS library. er club member or the PHS For additional informa- Athletic Office, 669-4830.

Choir clubs



PHS Choir members Natasha Bailey (left to right), Michael Fernuik, Erika Silva, Tyson Hickman and Peagan Patterson are among those who helped host the annual Hole-In-One Shootout Friday and Saturday to raise money for the group's spring trip.

By The Associated Press

Friday No. 1 Southern Cal (2-0) did not play. Next: at No. 24

Oregon, Saturday. No. 2 Texas (3-0) did not play. Next: at Missouri, Oct.

No. 3 LSU (1-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 10 Tennessee, Monday.

No. 4 Virginia Tech (3-0) 15 Georgia Tech, Saturday.

did not play. Next: vs. No. No. 5 Florida (3-0) did not play. Next: at Kentucky, Saturday.

No. 6 Florida State (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Oct. 1.

No. 7 Georgia (3-0) did not play. Next: at Mississippi State, Saturday.

No. 8 Ohio State (2-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 21

Iowa, Saturday. No. 9 Louisville (2-0) did not play. Next: at South Florida, Saturday.

No. 10 Tennessee (1-1) did not play. Next: at No. 3

LSU, Monday. No. 11 Purdue (2-0) did

not play. Next: at Minnesota, Saturday.

No. 12 Miami (1-1) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Saturday.

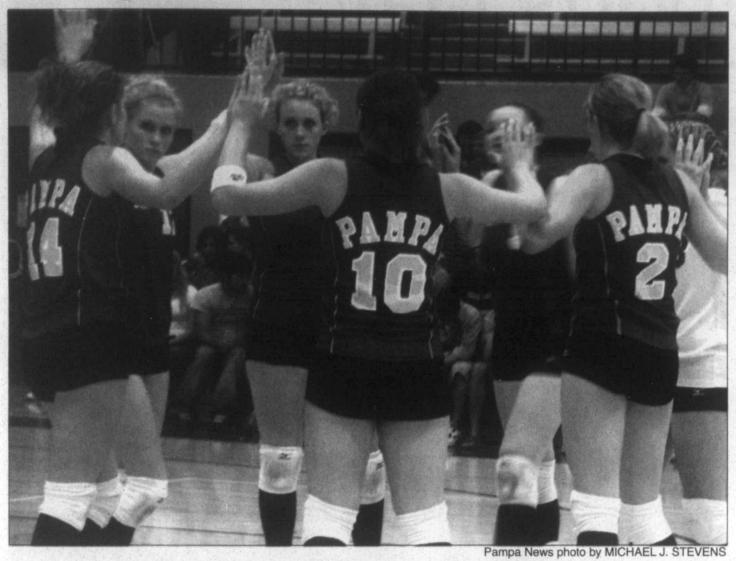
No. 13 California (4-0) beat New Mexico State 41-13. Next: vs. Arizona, Oct. 1. No. 14 Michigan (2-1) did

not play. Next: at Wisconsin, Saturday. No. 15 Georgia Tech (3-0)

Virginia Tech, Saturday. No. 16 Notre Dame (2-1) did not play. Next: at Washington, Saturday

did not play. Next: at No. 4

Court captain



Team captain Jackie Gerber (#14) speaks while her Lady Harvester varsity teammates listen during game two of Tuesday's District 3-4A opener at Randall. Also pictured are (left to right) Stephanie McVay, McKinsie East, Nicole Clark, Jackye Barber, Britteni Rice and Logan Winkelman.

Panhandle, West Texas Fishing Report

the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Wildlife Parks and Department for September. (Report also available on Web as www.txfishing.com.)

PANHANDLE BAYLOR: Water lightly stained; 80 degrees. Black 4bass are slow. Crappie are

slow. Catfish are slow. Water GREENBELT: lightly stained; 76 degrees; 21.75' low. Black bass are good on shad-colored soft jerkbaits and white spinnerbaits along grass lines, and buzzbaits around grass and stickups. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait small shad-colored crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are fair on live bait. Walleye are good on live bait and crankbaits. Catfish are good on stinkbait and

chicken liver. Water MACKENZIE: lightly stained; 76 degrees; 65' low. Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and watermelon red soft plastics. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass and striped bass are fair on live bait. Smallmouth bass are fair. Walleye are fair. Catfish are fair on minnows and stinkbait.

MEREDITH: Water lightly stained; 75 degrees; 20.55' low. Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits or Carolina-rigged watermelon soft plastics along humps and points. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. White bass are good on live bait and jigs near rocky points. Smallmouth bass are fair on minnows and small crankbaits. Walleye are fair. Channel Catfish are good on cut shad.

PALO DURO: Water lightly stained; 75 degrees; 38.35' low. Black bass are fair on shad-colored spinnerbaits and live bait. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. Smallmouth bass are fair on minnows. Walleye are fair. Catfish are fair on prepared baits. WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 80 degrees. Black bass are good on shad-colored soft plastics and black/blue jigs in the brush. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs.

APROWHEAD: Water stained in upper end; 83 degrees; 2.5' low. Black bass are slow on spinnerbaits and Carolina rigs around rocky areas and flooded brush. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is suspended about 18' around derricks. White bass are very good on shad-imitation baits and silver spoons with some topwater bites early and late in day. Blue catfish are good on cut shad and prepared baits.

BUFFALO SPRINGS: Water lightly stained; 72 on minnows along NE shores. Crappie are fair on are good on prepared baits. silver minnows in Crappie House. Hybrid strippers are good on silver shad near dam. Channel catfish are good on stinkbait off docks on SW shores and chicken liver near Crappie House.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 82 degrees. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Catfish are slow.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 83 degrees; 3' low. Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait. Catfish are fair on cut shad.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 82 degrees; 8.45' low. Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and red Rat-L-Traps along rocky points and grass lines. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass and hybrid striper are fair on live baits. Catfish are good on min-

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 82 degrees. Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and chrome/black back crankbaits. Catfish are good on minnows.

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 81 degrees; 18.25' low. Black bass are fair on live bait and jigs. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on cut shad and chicken liver. No boat ramps open. 4x4 vehicles can unload on the

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dirt road near the dam.

OH. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 83 degrees; 15.2' low. Black bass are fair on white/chartreuse spinnerbaits and shad-colored soft plastics along brush lines. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair. Smallmouth bass degrees. Black bass are fair are good on small crankbaits. Channel catfish

> POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 85 degrees; 2' low. Black bass are fair in Rock Creek and Caddo Creek areas.

Crappie are fair on live bait. White bass are good and Striped bass are fair near lighted piers at night. Blue and channel catfish are fair in the upper part of reservoir.

SPENCE: Water lightly stained; 82 degrees; 44.65' low. Black bass are fair on live bait and white spinnerbaits using chartreuse or orange trailers. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on silver minnows. Striped bass and hybrid striper are fair on live baits. Catfish are fair on

minnows. STAMFORD: lightly stained; 80.75 degrees; Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and topwater lures. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. White and striped bass are fair on live bait and small crankbaits. Catfish are fair on minnows and cut shad.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 82 degrees; 30.45' low. Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits with some topwater action. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair. Catfish are fair on minnows.

WHITE RIVER: Water lightly stained; 83 degrees; 21.5' low. Black bass are fair on black neon or watermelon red soft plastics along tree lines and white spinnerbaits worked through stick-

Crappie are fair on jigs

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way. Crappie are slow. White bass and hybrid striped bass are fair on large minnows, white twister-tails and silver spoons along dam, near Lake Wichita Park, and near spillway.

and minnows. Walleye are

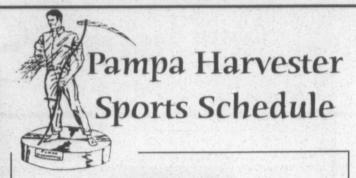
fair on live bait. Channel

catfish are good on chicken

ing; 86 degrees; Full at spill-

WICHITA: Water clear-

Channel catfish are fair on bait shrimp or punchbait. North side public ramp is closed for maintenance.



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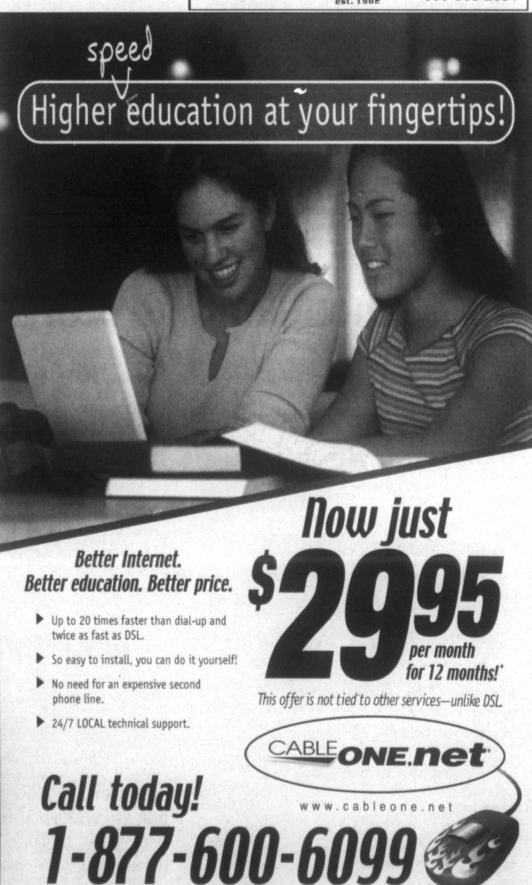
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WEST POINT, N.Y.—Cadet Andrew W. Komm, son of Deana Schepp of Pampa and Richard Komm of Pasadena, recently earned the Superintendent's Award for Achievement at the U.S. Military Academy for the 2005 spring semester.

To qualify for the award, a cadet must simultane-



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and physical. The

cadet received a gold wreath recognizing him as among the top 15 percent of cadets in each class.

Komm graduated from LaPorte High School in 2002. He is concentrating his studies in chemical engineering with plans to graduate from the academy in 2007 and be commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

CANYON — Degrees were officially conferred on 277 West Texas A&M University students during summer commencement exercises recently at the First United Bank Center. The university awarded 195 baccalaureate and 82 master's degrees.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and wore gold honor cords. The three levels of honor recognition are summa cum laude (3.90-4.00), magna cum laude (3.75-3.89) and cum laude

(3.50-3.74).

The WTAMU Class of 2005 included five graduates with Summa Cum Laude honors, 10 students with Magna Cum Laude honors and 19 with Cum Laude honors.

The graduating class represented 13 states and 52 Texas cities and towns.

The graduates included Jarod L. Allen, bachelor of arts degree, Lesley V. Bolz, bachelor of science degree, Charles A. Dallas, BS, cum laude, Timothy F. Davis, BS, Janice A. Miner, bachelor of applied arts and sciences, cum laude, Justin L. Molitor, BS, Carmela R. Montoya, BS, Ashleigh D. Patton, bachelor of business administration, David D. Smith, master's of business administration, all of Pampa.

Kathy D. Lee, BS, of Canadian; Carrie S. Davis, bachelor of general studies, and Sabrina M. Leven, BS, both of Groom; Christy R. Cox, BS, magna cum laude, and John A. Dickey, BAAS, both of McLean; Kimberly N. Garcia, BGS, of Shamrock; and Clinton J. Grange, BS, Kacey C. Knocke, BGS, and Angela Starks, BS, cum laude, all of

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— Army Pvt. Ashley L.

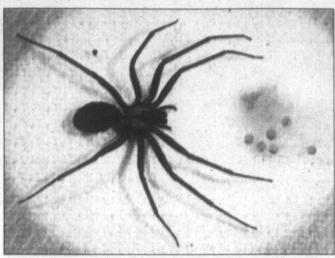
Francis recently graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson.

White Deer.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

See NAMES, Page 7B

Spider bites can be devastating



The brown recluse spider is also known as the fiddleback spider because of the dark marking on its middle segment which looks like a fiddle with the neck pointing toward the back of the spider.

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Arachnophobia, or fear of spiders, can be a good thing, since at least two local varieties, black widows and brown recluses, are poisonous.

Two Pampa residents can attest to the fact that the brown recluse's bite can have serious effects on human tissue.

Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Cary Rushing was a 17-year-old member of Shamrock High School's varsity football team when he noticed swelling on the outside of his left calf, about midway between his ankle and knee.

"A big knot came up on my leg and began oozing stuff out. It started bothering me on a Friday. I played football that evening and went to the doctor the next Monday," Rushing said.

He had been bitten by a brown recluse at the site of the wound, which benched him for one football game and put him in the hospital for four days.

"The doctor opened the knot with scissors and cleaned out the dead tissue. He left the wound

and cleaned out the dead tissue. He left the wound open and let it heal from the inside," Rushing said.

Other aspects of Rushing's treatment included intravenous antibiotics and hot Epsom salt soaks of the wound.

Rushing's sense of humor did not desert him during the ordeal.

"Everybody kept sending me candy and stuff, and everything they sent had plastic spiders on it. One night, I put one on the plastic bag covering the hot pack on my

leg," he said.

The nurse who came in to do a night check on Rushing got a scary surprise, he said.

Rushing was left with a scoopedout area where the bite occurred. He made the best of the situation by having a spider tattooed over the bite site.

Robert Herring doesn't have a scooped-out area. It was amputated along with the rest of his right leg, to between the knee and hip, earlier this year.

"I first noticed a little bump like an ingrown hair or pimple at the sock line, back in March. I didn't pay much attention to it, although it was sore. The next time I went to the doctors, I had them look at it. It was starting to spread, and was about three inches wide. They said it looked like cellulitis," Herring said.

Cellulitis is a bacteria that gets under the skin and starts breaking down tissue, like a flesh-eating bacteria, he said.

He was prescribed antibiotics for the condition, but three weeks later, he was again in pain.

"It was a real bad pain, like electrical shocks going through my leg and foot. My Amarillo doctor put me in the hospital and started intravenous antibiotics," Herring said.

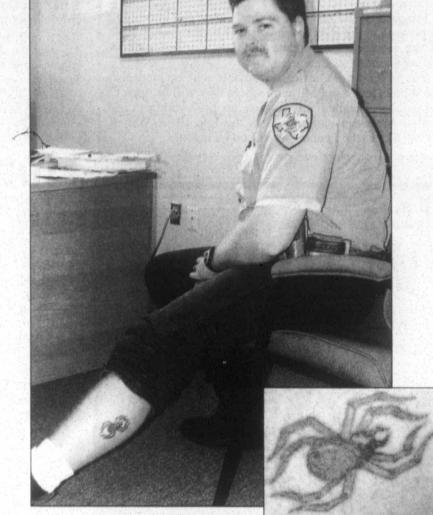
"That didn't work, so they debrided the area and sent me home with a wound vac," he said.

A wound vac seals the wound off

from air and causes new blood vessels and skin to grow, he said.

A home health care provider

came to Herring's house every other day to monitor and care for the



Pampa News photos by MARILYN POWERS

Cary Rushing had a spider tattooed over the place where dead tissue had to be removed from his leg as the result of a brown recluse spider bite.

wound.

"Two and one-half weeks after I got home from the hospital, they came in and dressed the wound, and there was a very bad odor. I went to the emergency room in Amarillo and was admitted and put on two antibiotics," Herring said.

At this time, the wound had grown to an area covering eight inches by six inches.

More tissue was removed from the site, and hospital staff began treating it with Dakins, a type of bleach which is a wound cleaner, twice a day.

"It was very painful," Herring said of the bleach.

A two-week course of treatment in a hyperbaric chamber was also tried. Hyperbaric treatments are sometimes used to speed wound healing.

After a week and a half of the antibiotics and bleach treatments, Herring was taken to surgery for a skin graft.

"They took me to surgery and then right back out. They said the infection had spread and they would

have to amputate," he said.

The amputation was performed Aug. 19, and Herring is back home recovering.

The bleach treatments were so painful that Herring was not averse to the idea of amputation.

"I'm just glad it's over," he said.

"In about four to six weeks, they said they'd try to fit me for a prosthetic leg. Right now, I'm using a wheelchair and a walker. I still have half the staples in it," he said.

Herring, a safety support manager for Zachary Construction at the Conoco-Phillips Refinery in Borger, has not been able to work for three months, and is not sure when he will return to work.

Doctors decided Herring's ordeal may have started out as a brown recluse bite when they heard a description of the area's appearance, said Kay Herring, Herring's wife.

Herring was at a disadvantage at fighting the effects of the bite. He has had a kidney transplant and is on three anti-rejection drugs, which lower the immune system's ability to fight infections.

"They (brown recluse spiders) don't spin webs, so you don't know they're around. And evidently it doesn't hut when they bite," Herring said.

"We had killed a couple of brown recluses here in the house. The night before my husband's surgery, one of my sons killed two more here," Kay said.

There are no Department of State Health statistics available on the

numbér of brown recluse bites, because "it's not a reportable condition," said Dr. James Alexander, a zoonosis con-



trol veterinarian with the Texas Department of State Health Services' Region 1 office in Canyon.

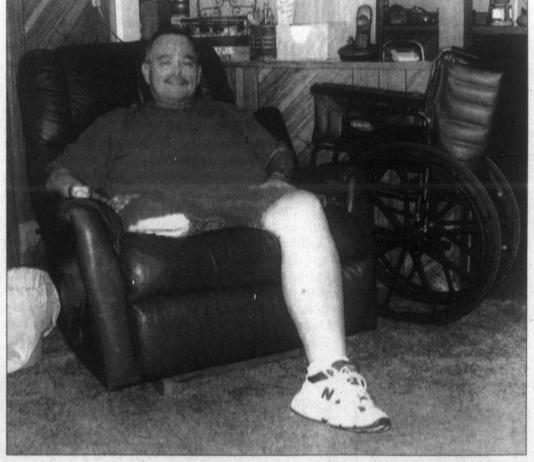
Brown recluse spiders are nocturnal and live in dry and dark areas both indoors and outdoors, according to State Health Services information. They are also known as "fiddleback" spiders because of the dark silhouette of a violin which is visible on the top of the middle section of their bodies, where their legs attach.

Texas Poison Center Network statistics show 1,369 brown recluse spider bites were reported to the network from 1998 through 2002. The yearly totals for the five-year period are 1998, 183; 1999, 246; 2000, 224; 2001, 303; and 2002, 413.

The highest percentage of brown recluse bites for 1998-2002 occurred in central Texas. Moderate rates were found in northern Texas, and the lowest rate was in southern and eastern Texas.

Of the 1,369 reported brown recluse bites, 1,235 occurred in the victim's own home, and 1,007 victims were over age 19. The majority of bites occurred from May through August.

"Either way, a person shouldn't ignore something that doesn't heal," Herring said.



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Robert Herring had to have his right leg amputated between the hip and knee after a wound on his right calf did not heal but continued to worsen. His doctor later said Herring most likely was bitten by a brown recluse.

Military genealogy program slated

Gray County Genealogical Society will hold an open program at Lovett Memorial Library Auditorium in Pampa at 7:30 p.m. on Monday. The subject of the program and discussion will be "Military Genealogy."

Most families involved in genealogy research have members with military service histories which make for interesting topics. However, sometimes it is hard to find

Irene Coffee will present the program and discussion. Mrs. Coffee has a long-term interest in the subject and has current relatives and ancestors with service in the military. Some were career military servicemen.

Persons interested in this subject or family genealogy in general are welcome to attend this meeting. More than 40 million Americans are now involved in genealogy and the vast array of computer databases make it America's number one hobby.

Progress of the research of the history and genealogy of persons in the Red River War will be discussed. Most of the research is complete and now the indexing of results is under way.

The several volumes of documents will be placed in the White Deer Land Museum where they will be open to the public. Detailed information on both military and Native American participants in the Red River War of 1874-1875 in the Panhandle will be included.

Couple renew wedding vows

Johnny and D'Ann Gonzales of Pampa celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a renewal of vows Sept. 17 at The Wedding Chapel in Amarillo. Brother Max Beggs of Amarillo presided over the ceremony.

Johnny Gonzales and the former D'Ann Begert were married Sept. 18, 1980, in Amarillo.

D'Ann is the daughter of Sherry Begert of Pampa and the late El Dean Begert.

Johnny is the son of Susie and Sonny Riojas of Amarillo and Santana and Olga Gonzales of McAllen, Texas.

Attending the bride and groom were their children,

and

Mae Fitch were mar-

ried Oct. 1, 1940, at First Christian Church

in Pampa. They have

lived in Amarillo

approximately 35 years and attend Westcliff

Mr. Hutchens retired from Brooks Electric after 35 years of service. He is also a retired member - joining in February 1950 - of International

Bible Church.

Brotherhood Electrical Workers. Mrs. Hutchens is a

homemaker.

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Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Gonzales

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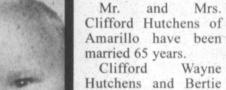
the couple's granddaughter, of Pampa, was flower girl. The ring bearer was Collin Gonzales, grandson of the couple of Pampa.

Walking the bride down the aisle was her grandmother, Edna Begert Trask of Pampa.

A dinner and dance was held at Party Central in Amarillo. The couple's first dance was to "Through the Years." Phyllis Cantu, Olga Stewart, Mary Hinson and Sandra Gutierrez, all sisters of the groom, all of Amarillo, served the guests.

The couple also celebrated their anniversary with a Cristan trip to the fair, a tradition they have followed for the past 25 years.

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Children of the couple are Ann Coberley and Susan Smith, both of Amarillo. They have two grandchildren and great-grandchiltwo dren.

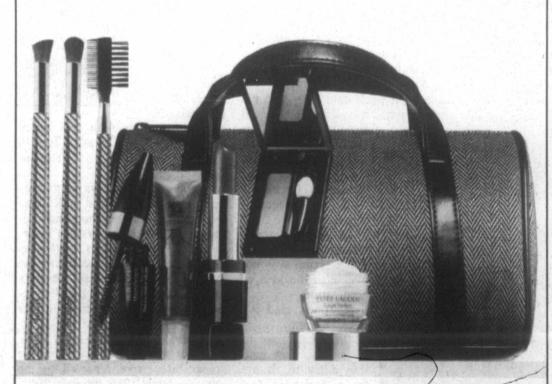
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Morrison/Shepard

Jessica Beth Morrison and Cody Michael Shepard, both of Lubbock, plan to wed Jan. 7, 2006, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Dan and Brenda Morrison of Pampa. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in public relations from Texas Tech University and is currently pursuing a master of business administration degree in management and entrepreneurship from the university. She is employed by Red Raider Outfitter. The future groom is the son of Mike and Pam Moorehead of Blanchard, Okla., formerly of Pampa. He is scheduled to graduate with a bachelor of science degree in construction engineering technology from TTU in December and is employed by Brent Lee Construction.

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ding.
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Don and Lois Minnick of Pampa will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to Big Springs, Mo., a favorite vacation destination for the couple when their children were

They were married Sept. 27, 1955, in Pampa. They are members of Central Baptist Church.

Don retired from Montgomery Wards, after 23 years of service.

Lois, a local artist, retired from General Nutrition Center.

They have one daughter, Donna of Oklahoma City, Okla., and one son, Ronnie of Mountainair, N.M.



Mr. and Mrs. Don Minnick

WT place for 'Katrina' seminar

CANYON — A free onehour seminar on "The Katrina Crisis: Business, Social and Global Issues" has been scheduled for noon Thursday at West Texas A&M University.

The public is welcome to attend.

Two members of the WTAMU faculty and Amarillo's coordinator of emergency management will lead a discussion in the Hazel Kelley Wilson Room at the Jack B. Kelley Student Center.

Dr. Harry Hueston, assistant professor of criminal justice, and Dr. Troy Johnson, dean of enrollment management and instructor of economics, will be joined by the city of Amarillo's Walt Kelley as they examine the social and business challenges brought forth by Hurricane Katrina.

Hueston is a retired chief of police with 30 years of law-

enforcement experience.

Johnson is board president of the Panhandle chapter of the American Red Cross.

Dr. Syed Tariq Anwar, professor of marketing and international business, will serve as moderator for the event.

"This seminar will deal with those topics and issues that impact the society, logistics, transportation and other business areas in the domestic and global environment," Anwar said. "Also to be discussed is how to deal with future challenges and what strategies need to be in place to deal with whatever comes next."

For more information, contact Anwar at 806-651-2491 or Hueston at 806-651-2421. Information also is available online

http://wtfaculty.wtamu.edu/% 7Esanwar.bus/seminars-NEW.htm.

Panhandle church site of nuptials

Carrie Joe Zumstein and Jacob Michael McKean, both of Euless, were married Aug. 6 in Community Church in Panhandle. The Rev. Dwight Brown officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Zumstein, Jr., of Groom. Her grandparents are Betty Farnsworth of Pampa, Don and Jo Zumstein of Ridgefield, Wash., and the late Bill Farnsworth.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen McKean of Pampa. His grandparents are Wayne McKean of Pampa and Majaunta Hills of Fayetteville, N.C.

The maid of honor was Angela Barker of Grand Prairie. The bridal attendants were Kineta Taylor of Dallas, Deborah Oborney of Washington, D.C., and Teresa Ruiz and Latisha Richard, both of Houston.

The groom's attendants were Allen McKean, father



Carrie Zumstein and Jacob McKean

McKean of Dallas, Nick McKean of Perryton, Aaron McKean of Lubbock, all brothers of the groom, and William Zumstein, brother of the bride of Tyler.

The flower girl was Whitney Powell, cousin of

of the groom, and Chris Zumstein, brother of the bride

> Music was provided by The Vienna Conspiracy string quartet.

A wedding reception was held at Buffalo Grass Steakhouse in Panhandle. Reception attendants were the bride of Ridgefield, and Jane McKean, sister-in-law the special usher was Daniel of the groom, and Emese

The bride, a White Deer High School graduate, holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Baylor University in Waco (2003). She is managing director of the Texas office of A Helping Hand Adoption Agency, a non-profit international adoption agency and orphan outreach ministry in

The groom graduated from White Deer High School as well and holds a bachelor's degree in electronics engineering technology from the University of North Texas in Denton (2004). He is IT manager for Brackett and Ellis, PC, a law firm in Fort Worth.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Québec City and Montréal, Canada, and reside in Euless.



Kosechata, Fedric honeymoon in Colorado

Heather Lillian Kosechata and Cody David Charles Fedric, both of Groom, were united in holy matrimony Aug. 27 at Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa with Richard Bartel officiating.

Pam Brown of Groom served as matron of honor. Taylor Broaddus of Amarillo and Kassandra Brown and Cheyenne Kosechata, both of Groom, were bridesmaids. The flower girls were Alexis Kosechata, Erynn Brown and Victory Brown, all of Groom.

Standing up as best man was Justin Westmoreland of Wellington. The groomsman was James Ward of Wellington. The ring bearers were Jaden McDowell, Jordan Archibald and Joshua Archibald, all of Pampa, and Zac Brown of Groom.

Coby Fedric of Pampa ushered the guests to their



Heather Kosechata and Cody Fedric

of Angie Archibald of Pampa

and Randy Fedric of

of Sherry and Jerry House of Groom. The groom is the son

The newlyweds honeyintend to make their home in Groom.

seats Leslie McDowell of Wellington. Pampa registered the guests. The bride is the daughter mooned in Colorado and

Club news

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. This changes to 12 noon Tuesday on holidays such as Thanksgiving Christmas. Meeting the deadline does not guarantee

Red Hat Society

Red Hat Dollies Society of Pampa met Sept. 15 at the Dixie Cafe in Pampa with Betty Buckingham presid-

publication that week. Thank

Secretary-treasurer Margaret Washington called

Future club plans and activities were discussed including a field trip.

Several members won door prizes, pictures were taken and a reading was given by Reita Geiger.

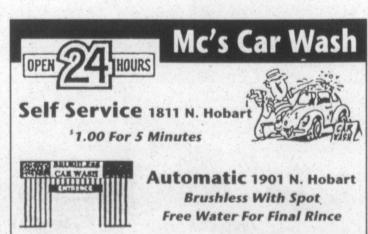
The next meeting will be Center at 11 a.m. Oct. 20.

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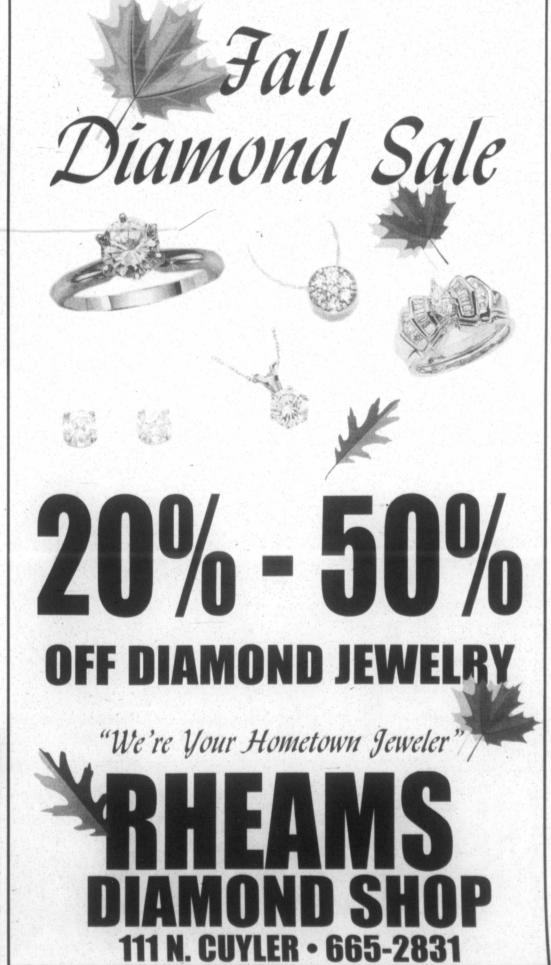
Preceptor Theta Iota chap-

ter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the offices of State Representative Warren Chisum on Sept. 19. Janice at Pampa Senior Citizens Hubbard presided over the

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

parents still have a videotape of my first wedding. I was married to that louse for a miserable four months. Several years later I met and married my present husband, a sweet guy. We have been together for 10 years and have three beautiful children. I have asked my mother to destroy the tape, but she refuses. She says she keeps it because several of the wedding guests on the tape are now deceased. I would love to see those deceased relatives again, Abby, but not that cursed wedding. And I certainly don't want my children to see it. What should I do? -- DISMAYED IN NORTH **CAROLINA**

DEAR ABBY: I recently learned that my

DEAR DISMAYED: Your mother's reason for keeping the tape seems logical. Stay calm, and ask her to please not share it with your children. That's a reasonable request. When the time comes that your mother joins the relatives on the tape, you can dispose of the "evidence" of your youthful mistake without causing a family feud.

DEAR ABBY: I am a divorcee of one year who has only recently started dating after a severely broken heart and pocketbook. I was married 19 years and had never dated anyone besides my former husband. Dating is confusing and difficult for me. It's hard to decide who to date or if it's worth it. It definitely isn't like choosing a meal from a menu -- men are tricky characters.

I have been seeing one guy steadily. I'll call him "Chad." We are intensely in love. Chad wants to devote all of his time to me. He had lots of hobbies before he met me, but he has dropped all of them. He gets jealous about any time I spend with my friends. Chad says he doesn't need friends, and implies that I shouldn't either.

My friends are dear to me, and some of them are lifelong. I don't mind spending lots of time with Chad, but I'm not going to completely neglect my friends. How can I get this point across to him, or should I move on? -- DATING DILEMMA IN **ARKANSAS**

DEAR DATING DILEMMA: Pushing for a quick involvement and trying to isolate the partner from his/her friends are usually a tip-off that the "pusher" is insecure. They are also warning signs of a potential abuser. If you continue to date this man, he will alienate your friends to the point that you will have nobody but him. I recommend that you move on.

DEAR ABBY: Is there any rule of etiquette when it comes to approaching a stranger's baby? My friend, "Alicia," was holding our 3-month-old daughter, "Kimberly," while we were in a store. A friend of hers came over and asked to hold the baby. When Alicia said she should ask Mom, the friend said Alicia was holding the baby and took Kimberly without asking me first. This made my husband and me uncomfortable and angry. We took Kimberly from Alicia's friend and left very upset. This is our first child, and it is our job to protect her. We feel we should be in control of who holds our baby. Your thoughts, please. -- CHRIS IN FINDLAY, OHIO

DEAR CHRIS: There is a rule of etiquette: No one should touch a baby without the mother's permission. Your reaction was a normal one. The woman who took your daughter from your friend's arms without permission had a lot of nerve.

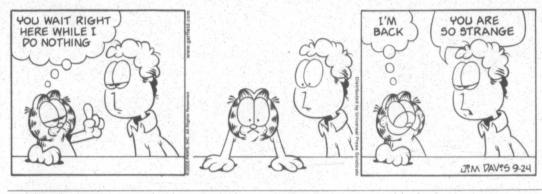
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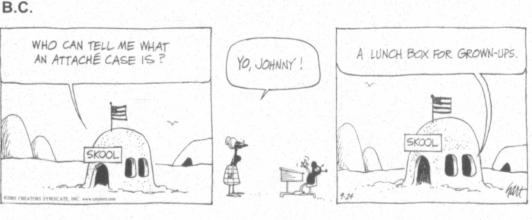


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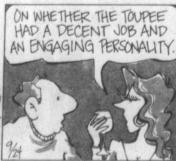
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Lee Cornelison



Mr. Cornelison resides in Pampa with his wife, Brenda. They are the parents of the late Michael Cornelison. Mr. Cornelison is a graduate of White Deer High School and Wayland Baptist University and is currently Treasurer and Investment Officer for Gray County. He is a member of the First Baptist Church. He has extensive experience in community, civic, and charitable

munity, civic, and charitable work to his credit.

Robert Douglas



Mr. Douglas and his wife, Brenda are parents of Hank Douglas, Jodie Jones, and Jerri Thomas. He is a graduate of Shamrock HighSchool and Amarillo college Mr.Douglas is a Deputy for the Gray County Sheriff's Department and is a Seventh Day Adventist. His past voluntee experience includes the High School Rodeo Club and The Top O'Texas Rodeo Association.

Jerry Harrington



Mr. Harrington is the father of a son and two daughters and has a grandchild on the way. He is a graduate of Lefors High School and attended American School of Banking in Silver Springs, Maryland and GraduateSchool of Banking at SMU Dallas, Texas. He is employed at the First State Bank of Miami in Pampa and attends church at New Life Assembly of God. He is a former Board Member of the United Way in Dallas, Texas.

Darville Orr



Mr, Orr is married to Myrna. He is a graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Mr. Orr is a retired employee of Lewis Supply and is a member of Central Baptist Church. He is an active member of the Pampa community. He knows that the United Way is the best vehicle to support local organizations by combining the fundraising into one concerted drive.

Suzanne Courtney



Ms. Courtney and husband Lt.
Fred Courtney of the Pampa
Police Department are parents
of two adult children; Stephanie
Paronto and Captain Trey
Courtney of the US Marine Corp
Ms. Courtney is employed by
Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency
and is a member of Calvary
Baptist Church. She has significant experience in church and
other volunteer work.

Jerry Foote



Mr. Foote and his wife, Connie are parents to Michael and Brian. He received a BBA from West Texas State University in Canyon Mr Foote is employed by Nationa Bank of Commerce here in Pampa and is a member of the First United Methodist Church. In addition to serving as a former Loaned Executive, Mr. Foote volunteers for a number of civic and community groups.

Paulette Hinkle



Ms. Hinkle is married to Benny Kirksey and has two children: Mary Ann Richards, and Joe Reed. She is a graduate of Pampa High School and is the President /Owner of M & H Leasing and Top O' Texas Ice Co Ms. Hinkle is a member of the First Baptist Church. She was awarded Pampa Cittizen of the Year in 2001, and is extremely active in the community.

Tim O'Sullivan



Mr. O'Sullivan and wife Kathy have five children: Trey, Elizabeth, Andy, Matty & Gretchen. He has a Masters Degree in Psychology from the University of North Texas. Mr O'Sullivan is employed at Coronado Healthcare Center and attends St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church. In addition to being an active member in his church, he has volunteered for the United Way in Fort Worth, Texas.

Denise Daves



Ms. Daves and her husband Bill Daves are parents of Matt Daves. Shanda West, Jimmy Story and Johnny Story. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from The University of Phoenix. Ms. Daves is currently the Chief Nursing officer of Pampa Regional Medical Center and is a member of Calvary Baptist Church. She has past experience in fundraising for United Way and other charities.

Mark Gilbert



Mr. Gilbert and his wife Laurey have one child, Brody. He has attended Texas Tech University. He is employed at United Supermarke in Pampa and is a member of St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church. Mr. Gilbert is active in the Knights of Columbus and has been a Loaned Executive before. Additionally, he has experience leading the United Supermarket's in-store United Way Fundraising Campaign.

Campaign.

Janet McCracken



Ms. McCracken and husband Roger have three children: Ethan Erin & Moriah. She has attended Clarendon College, West Texas University, and Amarillo College and is employed as Volunteer Coordinator for BSA Home Care and Hospice. Ms. McCracken attends Heald United Methodist Church. She understands that a strong United Way Campaign is important for the support and growth of the community.

Sean Smith



Mr. Smith and wife Christina have two daughters: Avery & Halle. He attended the College of Charleston in South Carolina. Mr. Smith is employed as Publisher of The Pampa News and is a relatively new resident of Pampa. He believes that the success of the United Way fund drive is critical in sustaining the livelihood of the 17 agencies it supports.

Kevin Davis



Mr.Davis and his wife Whitney have two children: Keenan and Tanner. He is a graduate of Pampa High School and has a strong conviction to support the community. He is a 16 year veteran of Xcel Energy. Mr. Davis is an active member of the First Baptist Church and is deeply involved in the Pampa Optimist Club. He is a former Loaned Executive for the United Way

Barry Haenisch



Mr. Haenisch and his wife Linda have two grown children, Kyle and Kayce. He has recieved his education at both McMurry University and Texas Tech University. He is currently employed as Superintendent of Schools for the Pampa Independent School District and is a member of the First United Methodist Church. He currently volunteers his time for several organizations here in Pampa.

Gail Nabors



Ms. Nabors and her husband Larry Nabors reside in Pampa. She is a 14 year veteran employee of Atmos Energy. She has prior experience volunteering for the United Way. She is a firm believer that the United Way is a good organization and helps a lot of local people and welcomes the opportunity to share those thoughts with interested groups here in Pampa.

Sharon Wadley



Ms. Wadley is the mother of five children: Rick, Monte, Danny, Jennifer & Shayna. She is a Registered Nurse at Coronado Health Care Center. She has been an active contributor to the United Way in the past and states,"I believe that the United Way helps so many at the local level that I am always pleased to take part in the fundraising campaign."

The United Way Loaned executives are available to speak to interested groups regarding the importance of funding United Way and the significant needs of the 17 agencies that the United Way supports. "Community Matters • Catch the Spirit"

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Amusement park buying spree ends with debt, firm for sale

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Premier Parks went on a shopping spree in the late 1990s that would be the envy of any fun-lover. Among the items: Elitsch Gardens Amusement Park in Denver, Waterworld USA water parks in California and Great Escape and Splashwater Kingdom in New

By the time the company gobbled up the Waliby Family Parks, with locations in France, Belgium and Holland, it was pretty clear to some analysts that things were getting out of hand.

Then in 1998, the Oklahoma City-based company acquired the Six Flags chain of parks for \$1.9 billion and later took on the Six Flags name. Now it finds itself saddled with more than \$2 billion in debt and the company is up for sale in the middle of a proxy battle.

Ned DeWitt, who served as Six Flags president from 1973 to 1982, said the string of purchases didn't

"I think there was a mania, no question," said DeWitt, who led Six Flags when the company was viewed as the icon of the seasonal theme-park industry. "I did a lot of acquisitions when I was president, but those were all contiguous to the main entertainment of Six Flags.

"This acquisition mania put them into all kinds of properties they just couldn't bring value to."

Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder, who has bought 11.7 percent of the company, says the company needs to be streamlined. He'd like to increase his holdings and oust the current management team, including Kieran Burke, the CEO and chairman who presided over the buying spree.

For his part, Burke points to reported revenues for the second quarter of 2005 that were 8.4 percent higher than the previous year, and attendance that increased by 6.6 percent. These reports come

after years of declines in attendance and sagging revenues.

Analysts largely attribute these declines to operational problems at some parks, including a lack of attention to detail, and to an overexpansion that saw Six Flags purchase some weak amusement properties. These problems were in addition to a general downturn in the amusement park industry after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, a downturn that now shows signs of reversing itself.

Burke, who declined requests for interviews, said in a statement that the better recent performance reflects an investment program that has added new attractions in many parks, initiatives to improve services to guests and an advertising campaign featuring "Mr. Six," a dancing elderly man in a tuxedo.

"We are pleased with the broadbased strong performance of our parks during the first half of 2005,"

2005, the company reported revenues of \$440.9 million, a nearly 10 percent increase over the previous year, but a loss in net income of more than \$167 million.

Under Snyder's plan, ESPN programming whiz Mark Shapiro would come aboard as the company's new CEO and Snyder would become chairman. The proposal detailed in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission — is to get rid of properties that aren't critical to the management plan, rework the company's advertising and marketing strategies and establish a "clean, safe and fun" image for the compa-

"I haven't ever met Dan Snyder .. but it sounds like he's dead on," DeWitt said.

Late last month, Six Flags responded with an announcement that it was putting itself up for sale at auction. Its stock was trading at

Over the first six months of \$7.30 on Tuesday, near the top of its 52-week range. That makes its market capitalization around \$680 million.

The company was founded in 1961 by Texas oil baron Angus Wynne, who was searching for a cash infusion into an industrial district he was building on the dusty, sparsely populated plains between Dallas and Fort Worth. After a visit to Disneyland, Wynne found what he was looking for — a clean, family oriented business that would provide some quick cash flow.

Six Flags gets its name from the six national flags that flew over the area that is now Texas: U.S., Texan, Confederate, Mexican, French and

"It was a historical theme park ... the whole purpose of the six flags was to portray the architecture and layout of the different countries," DeWitt said. "We focused on natural, environmental landscapes."

From rural China to upstate New York and back to China

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Some weren't sure she could make it in America.

He Mei's home in rural China had no electricity, and no roads. When she walked over the mountains to school at the beginning of every semester, her older sister escorted her before dawn with a torch.

From this remote beginning, Mei has made it to a university in upstate New

At the end of the year, Mei will do what few visiting take her new master's degree back." in educational leadership and go all the way home, not to the booming urban areas that are luring back graduates, but back to the mountains where she started.

She wants to teach the children of her Mosuo ethnic group and send them on their long way into the world, one that moves so much faster than their own.

"Others say, 'You deserve not to go back," Mei says, in enthusiastic and almost fluent English. "I say, 'My vil-

Mei, 27, is one of about 450 students chosen every year from 22 countries to join the Ford Foundation International Fellowship Program. The 10-year program was created in 2000 with the largest grant in the foundation's history, \$280 million, to bring together bright young people from the ends of the world.

Fellows can choose where they would like to study. When they've completed their degree, the foundation encourages them to return

Mei, already holding an undergraduate degree from an institute for ethnic minorities in her province, chose The College of Saint Rose because she knew of another Chinese student

The program looks for people with stories like Mei's, with less privileged backgrounds but with open minds, in the hope of giving them a voice at an increasingly global table.

Many fellows do go Keith home, says Clemenger, director of the Beijing office that chooses about 35 Chinese fellows a year from hundreds of applications.

But Clemenger adds, "Few have come from more remote areas than He Mei."

Mei arrived in America in the spring of 2003 with a new laptop from the foundation, but she didn't know how to turn it on. She didn't understand credit cards. Her roommate taught her about coin-operated washing machines.

"I encounter so many difficulties," Mei wrote then for her first class, Introduction to Education Leadership. "Sometimes I even do not understand what is the teacher's assignment.

"But I am a little Chinese bamboo, and here, there are a lot of sunlight, rain, breeze and so on," she wrote. "I will

grow up quickly."

Three months later, Mei was linking a digital camera to her laptop to send photos to her home's closest cybercafe, two days' travel from her village in southern China's Yunnan Province. She had joined a conversation group at a local library and was advancing quickly through English. She still trembled when speaking in front of people, but she was no longer so shy.

"As far as I'm concerned, she's the future of the China we'll be growing up with," says her academic adviser, Perry Berkowitz, an assistant education professor at Saint

Mei thanks her father, Tser, for getting her this far. Years ago, he left the village to join a logging project. Meeting people from other parts of China opened for him a new world. He couldn't even speak Mandarin, the major language that overlaps China's dialects, so his new colleagues taught him to speak it and write.

He decided Mei would have a proper education, so she could go even farther.

Her ambition started early. In fourth grade, the highest class her village offered, she realized she'd have to study harder than her classmates for the rare chance to study on the far side of the mountains. When she left, villagers sent her off with eggs, chickens, pork and other gifts.

She grew up and became a teacher, in the town with the cybercafe, Ninglang. She took an unusual approach.

"Most teachers in China are very serious, or they think they can't control their students otherwise," says Sharon Lou, Mei's roommate, who also is from China. "But Mei talks to them in a much mature way, so they love her."

Mei encouraged students to relax and talk openly, giving them her phone number and address.

She taught them English through American songs, and they came to her for translations and for advice.

"I don't care if they go to a very good college or be a farmer, as long as they find themselves," Mei says.

"One student wrote that he failed again and wanted to commit suicide. I said, 'What? College is your whole life? No.' He said he felt much better."

Now in America, Mei hums with ideas.

She wants to see how parents back home can get involved in education.

She speaks enthusiastically of parent-teacher associations.

"There's a sense of community Mei has I wish we had," Berkowitz says. "It will be very hard when she

Asian students do. She'll lage deserves me to go

Horoscopes for Sunday, September 25 & Monday, September 26, 2005

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Sept

You will tend to go to extremes and excess this year. Sometimes you can be found handling many different tasks at one time. Focus on your career and your public image this year if you want to greet success. Others admire you and your abilities. A partner or associate could be very critical of you. Listen to and sort through this person's comments. Some might be true, but others might come from jealousy. If you are single, you will probably choose to remain so this year, though you will expand your horizon. If you are attached, your relationship will improve if you don't take your sweetie's comments personally. CANCER pushes you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Your competitive attitude

emerges, even if you try to contain yourself. Try to go easy on those around you. A cooperative attitude goes far. You might be surprised by how much others will give. Tonight: Entertain at home, even if it's just you and the cat TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** If you direct your high energy well, you could mow down work, clear out paperwork and accomplish everything else that needs to be done. Your energy seems limitless. Use this quality right now. Tonight: Join a friend. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Money dominates your thoughts because you are ready to make an investment. On the other hand, the urge to

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Sept.

HYou have a way of shaking things up.

Refuse to take what others say personal

ly, and quit worrying so much. It's

important to establish strong communi-

cation and not get upset at misunder-

standings. It could be you who misunder-

stands. Confirm facts, meetings and

intentions this year. You are frequently

sought out. Others need and want your

leadership or opinions. Get used to being

in the limelight. If you are single,

romance is important to you. Be careful

about being possessive. You could push

someone away. If you are attached, agree

to disagree, and explore new ways of

thinking. Share other aspects of your life.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

*** You might want to anchor in and

allow others to find you. You might be

surprised by everything that goes on.

Some days you are better off simply not

being available. Read the Sunday paper.

Make calls to those at a distance.

This Week: You might accomplish much

more at home or behind closed doors.

**** Plans for brunch could easily

develop into quite an escapade if you let

spontaneity take over. Be very careful

with a touchy friend. What he or she says

might be a bit different from what you

hear. Verify conversations and meetings

Tonight: Enjoy a good game of Scrabble,

This Week: Take the initiative, but also

examine your motives in a touchy matter.

** Kick back right now, understanding

your limitations. You might get a lot of

personal work that you've been putting off done quickly and efficiently. You will

feel good once you clear your home of

extra clutter. Tonight: Try to make it an

4-Positive;

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Others prove to be distracting.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

early night.

Tonight: Lie low.

CANCER demands a lot

25, 2005:

spend could take over and be a way of working out stress. You're more ingenious than that. Tonight: Fun doesn't have

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** A meeting lights a fire under you, and perhaps several other associates. Together you can do anything. An important domestic matter comes up. Deal with it after you clear out some "must do's." Tonight: Act as if there is no

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** You might hear a lot that you choose not to share. Your sixth sense comes into play with someone you look up to or someone who has a lot of prestige. Sometimes the less said the better. Many opportunities drop into your lap · Do for yoursel

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Aim for more of what you want. Your natural sense of how to handle a touchy situation comes into play. You might feel that you need more information. Seek out different sources. Making money happens easily, as does spending it. Tonight: Gather your friends

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** You have a way of taking charge and gathering support for your projects. A partner or associate tests his or her limits. This person tells you exactly what he or she thinks, whether you want to hear it or not. Tonight: Don't think that others aren't watching! SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** You need to take an overview Think in terms of solutions. It might be very important not to get triggered by Someone might be on the warpath. Don't let this person get to you.

This Week: Don't lose sight of costs.

**** The Moon in your sign high-

lights you. Unfortunately, others might

not be in as good a mood as you. Know

when to stop trying to change someone.

Split for a day in the country or visit a

favorite spot, if you want. Tonight: It's

This Week: There's no stopping you.

Still, be reasonable about spending from

** Of all Sundays, this Sunday you

need to kick back and do nothing.

Someone tries to lure you into his or her

activities. You just need some downtime,

no matter what goes on. Someone could

give you quite a surprise. Tonight: For

This Week: You don't feel up to snuff

until Tuesday. At this point, you become

a veritable tiger - excuse me, Lion. You

Meetings highlight your plans.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Wednesday on.

re unstoppable

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Tonight: Let your mind wander to some good music

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** You are best off dealing with individuals rather than groups. You have very high energy, which could actually irritate others because you move so quickly. They simply don't feel as energetic as you. Tonight: Let a friend per CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Others come forward with many ideas. You have no shortage of ideas yourself. In fact, you seem to come up with many different concepts. A boss or someone who looks up to you feels as if there is nothing you cannot do. Tonight

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Your ma job done. You have a lot of fire that, if not directed properly, could cause a problem in your domestic life. Make an effort to reach out to others at a distance Tonight: Seek out an expert.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Being spontaneous lands you where you want to be. You need to make the first move. Your creativity draws many to you. A partner or associate is more than pleased with what is happening. Tonight: Pretend it's Friday night.

BORN TODAY Tennis player Serena Williams (1981), actress Julie London (1926), actress Linda Hamilton (1956)

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). **** Your plans could easily fall to the wayside. Your comfort level could be a bit off, as the unexpected runs through others' actions. You need to center on the Clear out clutter.

long-term. Understand just how much you have to offer. Tonight: So what if tomorrow is Monday? This Week: Use Monday for important matters. Play it low-key from Tuesday

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** Others seek you out because they

need your help. The issue might be something as easy as helping make plans. An older family member would appreciate your time. Verify communication Tonight: Start thinking about tomorrow. This Week: Others look for your leader ship on Monday. Decisions and actions point to you being a winner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** You mean well, though others seem to misunderstand your intentions. Don't worry; just be willing to communicate and clear up a misunderstanding. Understand what it feels like to be a certain friend. Tonight: Choose something you can relax to, like a movie

This Week: Research facts and informa tion on Monday. You will need this knowledge from Tuesday on. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Someone wants to become a lot

closer to you. Spend the day with this person, though you might disappoint others. Know your priorities, and you will naturally make the right decisions. Tonight: Reveal your inner self. This Week: A partner or associate reads

you cold. Share with this person. Seek out unusual solutions. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Others hold the cards and are in control. Though on some level you might want to wander off, you will be happier following another's lead. A friendship adds a new dimension to your life. Tonight: Make sure you aren't alone This Week: Others need to feel that they are in control. Let them right now

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Get into a hobby or project. You might be more tired or worn out than you realize. Take some downtime Communications could easily be misunderstood. Make sure that you and someone else are on the same page. Tonight:

This Week: You start the week on an efficient note, but quickly start networking and socializing. Don't buck the trend. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Your zip draws some very wild and childlike people. You might want to have a serious conversation with a partner or friend, as there seems to be a misunderstanding. Clearing the air might need to happen tomorrow. Tonight: Play as if there is no tomorrow. This Week: Your imagination takes you down a special path. Act on your ideas.

BORN TODAY Actor Will Smith (1968), actor Michael Douglas (1944), actress Catherine Zeta-Jones (1969)

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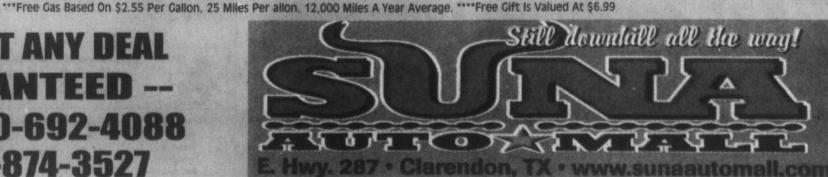


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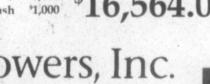
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