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Bond issue expected to come up in fall

'We can't do everything we want to do.

We have to set priorities.

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

As the focus narrows on a master concerning Pampa Independent School District facilities, so to is a nearing deadline on deciding what the district's priorities are for the next 25 years.

"We can't do everything we want to do," school board member Lee Porter said Wednesday night at a meeting with the school board, district staff and members of a 40 member citizens advisory committee at Pampa High School. "We

district for at least the next 25 vears.

In earlier meetings, Jay Edwards with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper Architects told the school board

and advisory committee that his company's initial review of the district's facilities indicated that both Pampa High School and Pampa Junior High School needed to be replaced and there were serious problems with other facilities,

bus barn. Proposed replacement and renovation of the various facilities would be financed with a bond issue expected to be placed before voters in November.

The school district is limited to a \$45 million bond debt. Since it already has \$6 million in indebtedness, the maximum amount that would be available for renovation and replacement of buildings and facilities would be \$39 million.

- Lee Porter

School board member

To build a new high school would cost an estimated \$30 million with little left over for other renovations.

The discussion Wednesday night centered around building a new junior high school and renovating

Pampa High School and adding classrooms, gym and library along with a commons area that could be used for cafeteria space.

As discussed, part of the old junior high school would be demolished and the rest would be renovated. The school district administrative offices and other support programs such as Pampa Learning Center would move into the old junior high school building.

The preliminary estimates of the money that would be needed to replace and repair district facilities still came in some \$10 million more than what a hoped for bond issue would raise.

Edwards said the total estimates based on wants and needs from previous meetings with the school board and advisory committee totaled more than \$48 million.

The scenario Edwards laid out was building a new junior high

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have to set priorities." Wednesday's meeting was the first of three this week to develop a master plan that Porter indicated he hopes will give direction for the

including the football stadium and





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resulting in an increased danger of wildfires.

The Pampa area has received 2.39 inches of rain this month, and 0.86 inch of rainfall in June.

Action taken at the June 30 county commissioners' meeting will be rescinded and new action taken at Friday's meeting. The action concerned passage of a motion to allow the 31st District attorney to use forfeiture funds to supplement the salaries of her assistant district attorney and investigator.

The motion was invalid, said County Judge Richard Peet, because the investigator was not included in the agenda item for the June 30 meeting, and therefore no action could be taken concerning that person.

After last meeting's motion is rescinded, com-

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Courtesy photo

Beverage-seekers at last year's Chautauqua sought drinks at the Boy Scout-Methodist Youth soft drink booth. This year's Labor Day event in Central Park marks the 25th year for the family festival, sponsored by Pampa Fine Arts Association. For more information and booth reservations, call the PFAA office at 665-0343 and leave a message with telephone number.

- Break-out sessions on the following topics grades, credits, attendance, school rules, Harvester pride & traditions, extracurricular opportunities, decision-making, peer pressure, bullying.

Campus tours.

- Mini class schedule.
- Games and prizes.

Organizers gearing up for annual celebration

New exhibits and craft demonstrations are being sought for the 25th annual Chautauqua celebration, which will be Sept. 4 in Central Park.

The day's events will begin at 8 a.m. with a 5K and Fun Run, sponsored by Pampa Regional Medical Center. Registration for the run will begin at 7 a.m.

Free stage entertainment will be provided from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A variety of vocalists, bands and choral groups will perform. A special opening ceremony will be held at 9 a.m., and the entertainment will close with Chautauqua's traditional song, "Day is Done," at 4 p.m.

The registration fee for each sales booth is \$20 if postmarked by Aug. 1, and thereafter \$25. A 10 percent gross sales fee is due from sales booths at a 4 p.m. check-in time. All sales booths must be in operation by 9 a.m. and remain until closing at 4 p.m.

Registrations may be mailed to Chautauqua, Pampa Fine Arts Association, P.O. Box 818, Pampa, TX 79066.

Artists and crafts people who donate an item for the Pampa Fine Arts Association raffle by 9 a.m. are excluded from paying the 10 percent gross sales fee.

Food booths are limited to non-profit organizations. Returning organizations have a choice of their same item for this year's event.

There is no charge for exhibits, demonstrations and displays at the annual event, which provides opportunities to learn, visit and participate in the tradition of the first Chautauquas held throughout the United States beginning in the 1870s.

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Obituaries

Services tomorrow.

THOMPSON, Madge Marie — 2 p.m., Bailey Funeral Home Chapel, Clyde.

Audrey Ann Ladd, 71

LUBBOCK, Texas - Audrey Ann Ladd, Eloise of Weatherford, Okla., and Brett Ladd 71, died July 11, 2006, at Lubbock, Texas. and wife Tracy of Lubbock; two daughters, Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 15, Pam Branscom and husband Ray of Grand

2006, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Marlon Sparks of Perryton officiating.

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

Mrs. Ladd was born Nov. 6, 1934, in Niotaze, Kan. She graduated from Clayton High School in Clayton, N.M. She was a former longtime resident of Pampa, and

she had been a resident of Lubbock since 2002, moving from Elk City, Okla.

She married W.J. "Bill" Ladd on Jan. 3, 1953, in Clayton, N.M. He preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 1986.

Survivors include four sons, Kent Ladd and wife Cathie of Bedford, Doug Ladd and wife Stacey of Pampa, Jeff Ladd and wife

Junction, Colo., and Karen Wasiak of Colleyville; one brother, Dan

Meadows of Colorado Springs; three sisters, Norma Patterson of San Diego, Calif., Shirley Robinson of Phoenix, Ariz., and Lana West of Parker, Colo.; 15 grandchildren; and one greatgrandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Lowell and Georgia Meadows; a sister, Mary; and two brothers, Paul and Donny.

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sunny, with a high near 95.

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clear, with a low near 72.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of Lubbock, P.O. box 16800, Lubbock, TX 79490 or the American Cancer Society in care of Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

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Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy and thunderstorms. hot, with a high around 97. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east.

Friday: Partly cloudy and hot, with a high around 98. South-southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east-northeast.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and

Partly cloudy, with a low near 74. East wind 5 to 10 mph

becoming south-southwest. Saturday: Partly cloudy

and hot, with a high near 98. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 72. Southeast wind around 10

mph becoming southwest. Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 96. wind South-southwest between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly

In other business, commissioners will hear the county treasurer's report and designate a person to be responsible for records retention in non-elected offices.

The remainder of Friday's agenda consists of tax bids on tax delinquent

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Thirteen traffic stops were

made. Traffic complaints were received from the 700 block of North Roberta, the inter-

section of Hobart and Kentucky streets, and the intersection of Hobart and Alcock streets, where a vehicle was blocking traffic in the turning lane.

A vehicle accident was reported in the 2800 block of Charles. Motorist assistance was

rendered on Highway 60 East. A welfare check was

made in the 12000 block of East Frederic. Lost property was report-

ed in the police department lobby.

A civil matter was reported in the 400 block of Pitts. A suspicious person call was received from the intersection of Harvester and Coffee streets.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 700 block of West Wilks and the 1300 block of Mary Ellen.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1300 block of Coffee, the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, the intersection of Short and Wynne streets, and One Medical Plaza.

A prowler was reported in the 200 block of Tignor.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1200 block of Charles.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Naida and the 1200 block of North Christine, where shoe polish was applied to a windshield and hood, resulting in an estimated \$10 damage.

Harassment was reported in the police department lobby.

Assault/family violence was reported in the 1900 block of North Wells. A large stick was used in connection

Failure to identify, disorderly conduct/language, public intoxication, and public lewdness were reported

with the incident.

in the 1400 block of North Hobart. Theft was reported in the

police department lobby. Fraud was reported in the 1100 block of North Charles. Forgery was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in an unknown location and involved forged checks totaling \$510.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 600 block of North incident Sumner. The involved a 1999 Hyundai Elantra.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported at Building Maintenance Co., 1415 N. Banks. A vacuum valued at \$400 was taken.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart. A purse, miscellaneous cards, cell phone, asthma inhaler and money were taken, resulting in an estimated loss of \$471.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of Sandlewood.

Burglary was reported in the 400 block of Graham.

Sheriff

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

Wednesday, July 12 Zerina Ann Carrego, 37, of Pampa was arrested in the 1900 block of North Wells Pampa Police by Department for assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

Jerry Lynn Rivers, 38, of Pampa was arrested in the 1900 block of North Wells by PPD for assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

Nicholas Warren, 26, of Pampa was arrested by the Lefors Marshal for public intoxication.

Thursday, July 13

Steve Cory Gardner, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 1400 block of North Hobart by PPD for disorderly conduct/lewdness, failure to identify, public intoxication, and disorderly conduct/language.

Fire

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

Wednesday, July 12 7:53 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded on a service call to the 1600 block of North Hobart.

9:38 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 2200 block of North Chestnut on a natural gas leak. The source of the gas was a space heater. A valve on the heater was turned on that shouldn't have been.

Thursday, July 13 3:46 a.m. - Two units and seven personnel responded to the 1900 block of North Hobart on a structure fire. An electrical system had caught on fire.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, July 12 8 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 100 block of North Nelson and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:51 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of Tignor and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

12:06 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway and transported a patient(s) to the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

9:08 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of Miami and transported a patient(s) to PRMC



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salaries of the two employees. Both employees are listed in the item on Friday's agenda. 🦄

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with a cost of \$22 million, renovating the high school at a cost of \$9.5 million, re-roofing-four elementary schools for \$1.7 million, renovations for support facilities at a cost of \$2.5 million and renovating auxiliary facilities, including the stadium and track, at a cost of \$13 million.

A suggestion by the architects that a library and a science classroom wing be added to the front of the existing high school building to the east of the main entrance was met with opposition by one, but not all, at Wednesday's meeting.

A gym and cafeteria and/or commons would be added to the north side of the building east of the parking lot at the north entrance.

Porter said he didn't think any bond money should go to re-roof the elementary schools since the roof would likely have a life of seven years and the bond payment would extend over 20. He said he thought is should be up to the school

board to put that in their maintenance budget and maintain the district's facilities, particularly any new buildings that might be built.

Porter said he thought the renovations and expansions to the high school proposed by the architects could add another 25 years to the life of the building that was constructed in 1941.

"Another board will have to decide in 25 years whether to build a new high school," he said.

He also praised previous school boards for their renovations to the elementary schools 10 years ago, saying that allowed this board the ability to deal with the secondary schools.

The architects, school board and advisory committee will meet at 6 p.m. tonight and again at 6 p.m. Friday to further develop a master plan.

Edwards said they had about six weeks to develop a plan that everybody could live with. The school board is expected to call for a bond election the end of August, and it would go to the voters on the November general election ballot.

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DA to seek death penalty in Odessa slayings

ODESSA, Texas (AP) -A West Texas district attorney will seek the death penalty for an Odessa man accused in the shooting deaths of his pregnant common-law wife and her mother.

Leo Luna is accused in the December slayings of Diana Ponce, 19, his common-law wife, and her mother, Blanca, 49. Diana Ponce's unborn baby died at the hospital, and her brother, William Ponce, was shot in the face but lived.

March on two counts of Zavoda said. "But he took it capital murder and one like a man."

count of aggravated assault. He also is charged with aggravated assault in the shooting of William Ponce.

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In a jailhouse interview a few weeks after the shootings, Luna said he is innocent and that the shootings were an accident. He remained in the Ector County Detention Center on bonds totaling \$1.6 million.

David Zavoda, Luna's attorney, said Wednesday he told his client he faces the possibility of death.

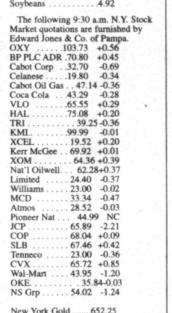
"It kind of stunned him Luna, 21, was indicted in like anyone would react,"

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Study shows higher rate of birth defects in Corpus Christi area

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) -Babies born in the Corpus Christi area are more likely to have birth defects than those born in other parts of the state, according to a newly released state study.

The study by the Texas Department of State Health Services analyzed six years of data from a state

INSANE OR NOT?

Corpus Christi babies were 17 percent more likely to have a severe birth defect and nearly twice as likely to be diagnosed with any birth defect.

Concerned residents requested the study to determine if there's a link between birth defects and environmental hazards such as refineries,

registry of birth defects. It found that chemical plants and landfills in year. Nueces County.

Dr. Peter Langlois, senior state epidemiologist with the department of health services, said further investigation is warranted. A second phase of the study will examine where mothers lived in relation to potentially haz-

"The tricky part with epidemiology is that you will always have some areas that are higher and some that are lower," said Langlois, who conducted the study. "It's important to proceed with the case-controlled

group Citizens for Environmental Justice, which requested the study, has two grandsons who were born with holes in their hearts.

"What I remember is being in the waiting room holding my 4-day-old grandson and wondering how anyone so little can need a cardiologist," she said

Pathologist: Yates organized, even methodical on day murders committed

HOUSTON (AP) -The boys still clad in their pajamas were eating cereal when Andrea Yates called them one by one into the bathroom, where her infant daughter was in her

Harry Lee Wilson testified Wednesday in her second murder trial. Yates used "a sequential

another, privately, secretively," said Wilson, a pediatric pathologist who reviewed the autopsy and

> and Yates' police confession. "The behavior was organized and methodical."

Yates, 42, is being retried in the drownings because her 2002 conviction was overturned by an appeals court that ruled erroneous testimony might have influenced the jury.

She has again pleaded innocent by reason of insanity. Her attorneys say she suffered from severe postpartum psychosis and did not know her actions

were wrong. Testimony was to resume Thursday. Prosecutors, now in the rebuttal phase of the trial, said they planned to call She held 3-year-old Dr. Park Dietz, the foren-Paul, 2-year-old Luke and sic psychiatrist whose tes-5-year-old John under timony inadvertently led to Yates' conviction being water, then carried their limp bodies to a bed. She overturned. also drowned 6-month-old Dietz evaluated Yates Mary and 7-year-old and told jurors in the first Noah, taking the baby's trial that she knew drowning the children was body to the bed but leaving her oldest son floating in wrong. Dietz, also a "Law & Order" television series Yates killed Noah last consultant, said that one because she knew he episode showed a woman would struggle the most, being acquitted by reason possibly alerting the others of insanity after drowning who might have escaped her children in the tub. and called for help, Dr.

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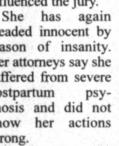
sequential approach, doing one after another, privately, secretively," said Wilson, a pediatric pathologist who reviewed the autopsy and crime scene photos and Yates' police confession.

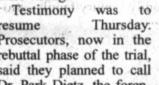
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After her husband left for work, she only had an hour before her mother-inlaw would come over to help take care of the youngsters.

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High schoolers nabbed at Canadian border

RICHMOND, Texas -Two high school seniors accused of murdering a classmate and burying her body in a shallow grave were arrested as they tried to cross into Canada, authorities said.

Sean H. Brown and Matthew R. McCombs, both detained were 18, Wednesday evening in Port Huron, Mich. Hours earlier, the men had been charged in the weekend death of 16year-old Ashton Glover, Fort Bend County Sheriff Milton Wright said.

Upon being charged, the suspects' names were entered into a national crime database with a description of the truck they were thought to be driving. Wright said the county would immediately begin extradition proceedings.

"I am thankful they caught those boys and are bringing them back to Texas," said Sue Smith, Glover's mother. "I'm happy they are going to be brought back to justice."

Workers installing utilities for a new subdivision discovered Glover's body on Monday afternoon at a con-

struction site west of Missouri City. Brown and McCombs, who are nextdoor neighbors in Sugar Land, disappeared from their homes about two hours after the body was unearthed, authorities said.

Glover's family reported her missing Saturday. She was last seen by her friends getting into a pickup in Sugar Land early Saturday morning. Police said Glover and her friends had been out "mudding," or driving pickups and off-road vehicles through muddy fields.

Brown and McCombs were questioned Saturday evening, but police now say the two gave a fabricated story about seeing Glover get into an unknown truck.

An autopsy showed Glover to have died from blunt force trauma. Wright said there were no signs of robbery or sexual assault. He said the motive for the slaying is unknown.

Detectives believe the suspects fled when they came home to find police outside their houses, shortly after the body was discovered, Wright said.

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Viewpoints

Stem cell research, science or politics?

Stem Cell Research. Science or Politics? By Michael Reagan

It keeps popping up like weeds in your garden. Just when you think you've weeded out all their myths and falsehoods, the advocates of embryonic stem cell research (ESCR) are back pounding on your door and demanding your tax dollars to fund this latest example of junk science masquerading as the real thing.

The Senate is once again taking up the matter at the behest of Majority Leader Bill Frist, a doctor who ought to know better and who is going all out to revive the issue and push for federal money to fund embryonic stem cell research, now all but banned from getting taxpayer dollars by presidential

fiat. As always, the proponents of ESCR have one big thing going for them: vast public misunderstanding of what it's all about.

Thanks to the liberal media, opportunistic politicians and a highly vocal segment of the dollar-hungry research community, opponents of ESCR are universally pictured as being against stem cell research. They are never identified as being wholeheartedly in favor of non-embryonic stem cell research, the most promising kind, but instead as being against all stem cell research, period.

This is an important distinction which has not been American people have been convinced that opponents of ESCR are a bunch of yahoos

who don't understand or appreciate science and those who practice it, or the medical miracles ESCR research promises.

Poppycock! It needs to be said right up front: At this time, those promised ESCR

miracles are merely Michael the products of the Reagan proponents' Columnist hopes and dreams, and mostly based on

the now admittedly falsified claims of a South Korean scientist - not of the current

Disease to spinal cord injuries, and a whole host of other medical problems as

proponents promise, all ESCR has produced thus far is cancerous tumors in lab animals. And even top ESCR scientists now admit that any progress in the field is 25 years away, after they stop killing lab animals, that is.

Yet you hear proponents say that cures f o r Alzheimer's and spinal cord injuries are right

around the corner and if only science had been allowed to go ahead with ESCR a long time ago my dad could have been cured of Alzheimer's and Christopher Reeve would have lived to walk again.

The ESCR community

based most of their inflated claims on the work of South Korean scientist Huang Woo-suk, who claimed to have created the world's first cloned human embryos and extracted stem cells from them, raising hopes of cures for diseases like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.

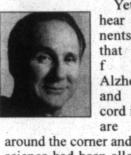
Dr. Huang was widely acclaimed as a world-class stem cell pioneer and treated as a hero until investigations disclosed that he had fabricated key data in two papers published in the U.S. journal, Science. He has now admitted the fraud and has been indicted along with five of his associates.

It's important to remember that there is no ban on embryonic stem cells research. Anybody who wants to do it is free to do so,

he just can't do it on the public's dollar. If it held the promise that proponents claim, top pharmaceutical companies would be vying for chances to throw their research dollars at it. After all, if it worked as promised they could expect to make huge profits. That they don't see such prospects should tell us something.

As a result, those seeking to continue to spend their time working on ESCR have to go looking for other sources of funding, and all that's left for them is the federal treasury. And that's what it's all about.

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



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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, July 13, the 194th day of 2006. There are 171 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 13, 1793, French revolutionary writer Jean Paul Marat was stabbed to death in his bath by Charlotte Corday. On this date:

In 1787, Congress enacted an ordinance governing the Northwest Territory.

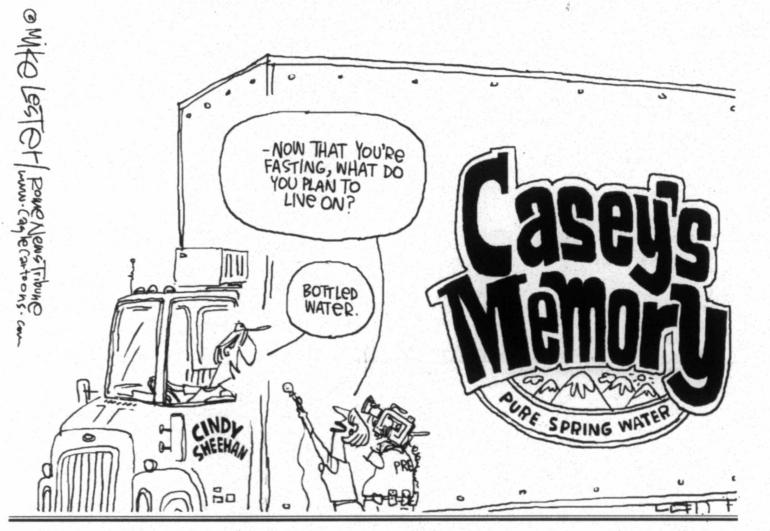
In 1863, deadly rioting against the Civil War military draft erupted in New York City.

In 1878, the Treaty of Berlin amended the terms of the Treaty of San Stefano, which had ended the Russo-Turkish

War of 1877-78. In 1886, Father Edward

The worst cynicism — a belief in luck." Joyce Carol Oates American author

Joseph Flanagan, the founder of Boys Town, was born in Roscommon, Ireland. In 1960, John F. Kennedy won the Democratic presidential nomination at his party's convention in Los Angeles.



In 1967, race-related rioting that claimed 27

lives broke out in Newark, N.J. In 1977, a blackout lasting 25 hours hit the New York City area

In 1978, Lee Iacocca was fired as president of Ford Motor Co. by chairman Henry Ford II.

In 1979, a 45-hour siege by Palestinian guerrillas began at the Egyptian Embassy in Ankara, Turkey.

In 1985, "Live Aid," an international rock concert in London, Philadelphia, Moscow and Sydney, took place to raise money for Africa's starving people.

Ten years ago: After battering the Carolina coast, the weakened remnants of Hurricane Bertha moved north, spawning tornadoes and dumping rain from Maryland to Massachusetts.

Five years ago: Beijing was awarded the 2008 Olympics. A judge in San Jose, Calif., sentenced Andrew Burnett, the man who'd tossed a fluffy little dog to its death in a bout of road rage, to the maximum three years behind bars.

One year ago: A suicide car bomb exploded next to U.S. troops handing out candy and toys in Iraq, killing more than two dozen people, including 18 children and teenagers and an American soldier. Former WorldCom Inc. boss Bernard Ebbers was sentenced to 25 years in prison for leading the largest corporate fraud in U.S. history. A fuel gauge that mistakenly read full instead of empty forced NASA to call off the first shuttle launch in 2 1/2 years.

Today's Birthdays: Former Housing Secretary Jack Kemp is 71. Actor Patrick Stewart is 66.



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Two misunderstood Internet topics

A lot of confusion exists on the Web. Two of the most misunderstood topics are Internet cookies and pop-up ads. To many people, just mentioning these words conjures up thoughts of privacy invasion and information theft. However, these two Internet "objects" do have a place in the online world. Read on ...

Cookies

Based on my stack of e- ID number mail, one of the most com- is mon questions I get is "What is an Internet Cookie?" Let me answer by giving an example: Chances are, you've heard of Amazon (http://www.amazon.com). They are one of the largest ecommece sites on the planet. If you've ever purchased something from them, you've dealt with cookies. During the "check out"

process, Amazon asks you changes the content to for some personal information: name, address, credit card, e-mail address, etc. It stores that information on it's system and assigns you a number. customer I.D. Here's

where the cookies Eric come in. A Spellmann copy of that customer Columnist then

your computer, in the form of a tiny little file called a "cookie." The cookie is stored in your Temporary Internet files and can only be accessed by Amazon.

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The next time you visit the Amazon Web site, their server reads the cookie on your system, cross-references your ID number, and reflect your personal tastes. The most obvious difference will be the "Welcome back, Eric Spellmann!" message you see at the top.

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mation any online company has about you is what you tell them. The cookie simply allows them to "recognize" you the next time you visit.

If, however, you are truly paranoid and don't like the idea of servers placing small files on your computer, you can delete cookies at any time. In Internet Explorer,

drop down the "Tools" menu and choose "Internet Options." Under the "General" tab, you will see a button labeled, "Delete Cookies.

· Pop-Up Ads

How many of you have been surfing a site only to be surprised when an ad pops up? You know what I mean. For no apparent reason, a new window pops up with some advertising in it. In order to get rid of it, you have to use your mouse to close it. And to make matters worse, some ads refuse to close. When you click on the Close button, another ad just pops up. Talk about frustrating.

In addition, a new type of ad has surfaced recently, the "pop-under ad." Used most

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

June 29

Houston Chronicle on Supreme Court insistance on due process for Guantanamo detainees:

The longer it has endured, the more the hastily assembled prison at Guantanamo Bay has weighed on America's reputation and conscience. President Bush admitted as much last week in Europe.

"I'd like to end Guantanamo. I'd like it to be over with," he said at a Vienna news conference June 21. But first, Bush said, he wanted to hear the Supreme Court's position on the military court system the government set up to try Guantanamo detainees.

Thursday the court delivered its ruling. Bush, it said, had overstepped his authority by planning to try detainees by "military commission" trials marked by their lack of legal protections for defendants. Considered a sharp rebuke, the court's ruling nevertheless gives the administration a chance to restore U.S. credibility at home and overseas.

Simply put, the ruling says the United States conducts its affairs under the rule of law. Even the most violent and malevolent criminals and Guantanamo surely houses some must, under U.S. and international law. receive protections such as knowing the evidence against them and being present at their trials.

The court's ruling focused on the

case of Salim Ahmed Hamdan, driver to Osama bin Laden. Hamdan's lawyers didn't dispute his identity or the government's right to prosecute him. But, they successfully argued, Hamdan was protected by U.S. law and the Geneva Conventions.

The Bush administration, which says Hamdan also helped transport weapons for al-Qaida, has held him for four years at Guantanamo on charges of conspiring against U.S. citizens. He was one of 10 detainees slated for a rarely used military tribunal.

The court also affirmed its right to review the Hamdan case, which the administration had disputed.

Both rulings reinforced the court's

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Cookies

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prominently by X10 (http://www.x10.com), the "spy camera" store, these ads are created under your current Web browser. You don't see them until you start closing windows. Pretty sneaky, eh?

Is there a way to get rid of them? You bet. A great free program, the Google Toolbar (http://toolbar.google.com), allows you to block most ads. This program looks at the size of an ad graphic and skips downloading it if you want. If you are on a slow Internet connection, this can really speed things up. Not all ads conform to size standards, though, so Google can't catch them all.

Another great program to consider is Ad Killer by Softcows

(http://www.softcows.com/killer). This small program monitors sites while you surf, squashing any pop-up windows and banner ads that attempt to display. You can try it free for 30 days. If you like it, though, they want \$19.95, which includes free updates.

These programs are great at what they do, but keep in mind one very important fact: If everyone starts blocking Internet ads, Web sites will generate less revenue from them, thereby hurting the "free information" concept that makes the Web so popular. In other words, advertising keeps most Web sites in business.

Also, I wouldn't go around talking about sites with many pop-up ads. The majority of these locations are adult-oriented and people might start to wonder about your surfing habits ...

I'll see you in Cyberspace!

Detainees

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warning in a related case two years ago. The president, it said does not have a "blank check" for pursuing war against the nation's enemies. Even in matters of national security, he must defer to checks and balances posed by other branches of government and the U.S. Constitution.

At the same time, the court's ruling does not speak directly to whether Guantanamo should close. Though only a few of Guantanamo's 450 prisoners have been charged with crimes, at least some probably pose profound threats to U.S. security. Under the court's ruling, they wouldn't go free, but could be

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tried under regular military courts-martial or in U.S. district courts.

"Can this make the trials more complicated? Of course," said Bridget Arimond, who wrote an amicus brief on behalf of the Center for International Human Rights. "But that happens in U.S. trials, as well."

U.S. courts, she pointed out, successfully try organized crime figures and terrorists. Our courts can try Guantanamo detainees without depriving them of their bedrock rights under U.S. and international law.

Guantanamo's prison was founded under national duress in the first months of war. Its flaws have grown more apparent ever since. The U.S. Constitution, by contrast, has protected civilians and bolstered fair trials effectively for three centuries. As the Supreme Court indicated, it remains the best template for American justice.

Big Red, the rooster, dies after being mauled by dog

SCIO, Ore. (AP) - Big Red, a rooster who drew tourists with his daily stroll down Main Street, died this week after getting mauled by a dog.

The Rhode Island Red was attacked Tuesday while walking to his home at the Scio Feed and Country Store in this town of through the open window of a parked car and pounced on the rooster, said Marian Heikkila, who had cared for the bird.

Heikkila said Big Red staggered for several steps before collapsing at the front door of a veterinarian's office. The cause of death was broken ribs and internal about 700 people. The dog leaped bleeding, the Albany Democrat-

Herald reported.

Big Red came to town in the bed of a pickup truck in 1998, but no one knew who he belonged to. He jumped out of the vehicle and wandered to Heikkila's store, where he made a home in the warehouse and crowed to be let out every morning at 8 a.m.



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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: For nearly 30 years, I believed my marriage to be rock solid. Imagine my shock, disbelief and pain when my husband announced he no longer loved me and wanted out of our marriage. And, although he initially denied her existence, he married the other woman soon after our divorce became final. With our children grown, there was no reason for us to remain in contact, even though we live within a few miles of each other. From the time he left, my ex made it clear that the break was to be complete. I haven't seen him for years and have never met his new wife. One of our children married recently and the festivities brought my former spouse and me into contact. We were cordial but restrained in each other's company. Given the years that have passed and the nature of our reunion, I was surprised at the obvious insecurity shown by his wife. Now he is calling me. His calls always have a purpose, though the reasons are flimsy. They are increasingly warm and friendly. I can't say that I don't enjoy them, but I'm beginning to feel a little uncomfortable about their frequency. I don't know if this is because of my own possible dormant feelings or repugnance at the thought of ever becoming "the other woman." I asked him if his wife knew he called. He side-stepped giving me a direct answer. Now I'm in a real pickle. It would be nice to have some measure of friendship, but a renewed relationship with my ex also scares me. I can't talk to my children or friends about this. I'd appreciate some advice. -- OLDER BUT NOT WISER

DEAR NOT WISER: You are too wiser! If you weren't wiser, you would not be questioning the situation. How delicious it must be that your ex is now sneaking around on the woman he left you for, and calling you.

My advice is not to give in to the temptation to gloat or allow it to continue. The wife made it clear at the wedding that she's threatened by you. (And probably any other woman!) She's threatened because she knows exactly what he's capable of. A legitimate, aboveboard friendship isn't possible under these circumstances. So, unless you're bored and looking for drama -- and possibly more pain -- the next time your ex calls, tell him enough is enough. It will save you a world of heartache.

DEAR ABBY: 1 am a security officer. 1 started this job only three weeks ago. Yesterday was pretty stressful. I kept my cool because I was dealing with explosives. After three attempts to find out what building they belonged in, this one employee told me "not to get my panties in a bunch." I told my boss what happened and demanded an apology. It has yet to happen. I am a contract worker. Do I have a right to report this on my own? I know the name of the person who said it. I had to " go to the hospital because my blood pressure was 166/109, and I had pain in my chest and dizziness. Then I had to go back to the doctor the next day for a checkup. What are my rights? -- UNSURE OF WHAT TO DO

DEAR UNSURE: You are within your rights to report what happened, but I can't guarantee the results. However, because of your physical problems, I am recommending that you re-evaluate your career choice. Security work is often stressful, and more stress could adversely affect your health.

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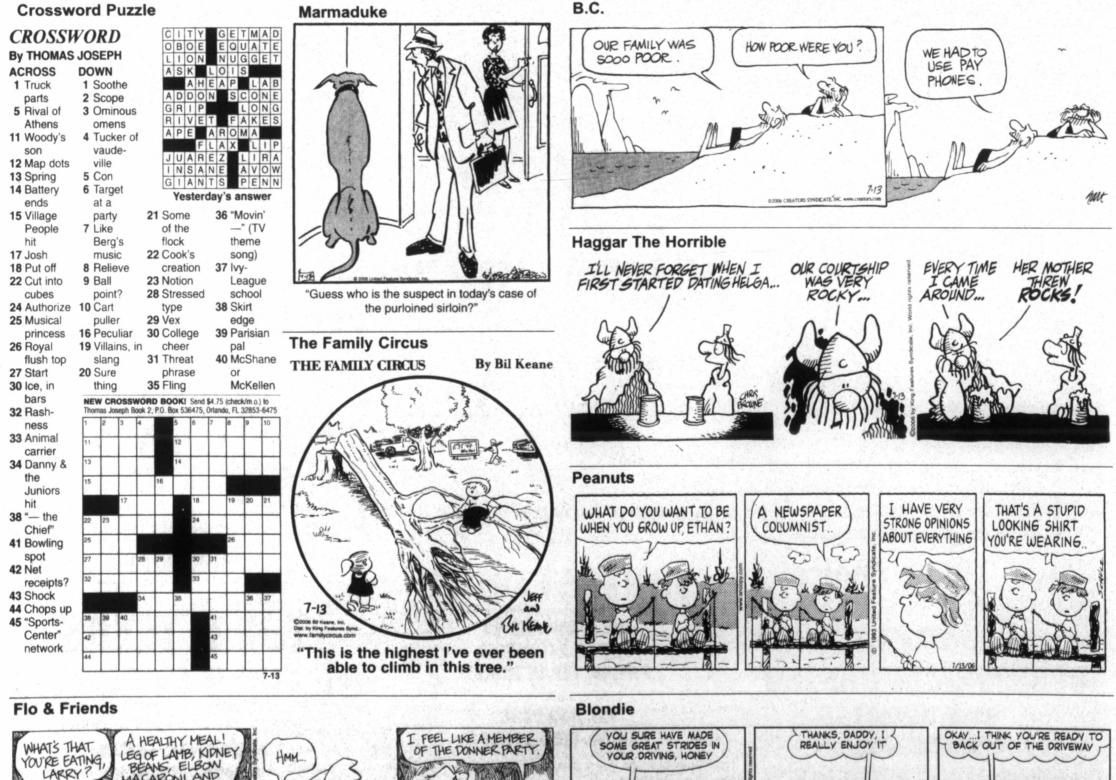


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Sports Day

Fans fills stands to see first Coach Q&A ever ULB All-Star game

EDINBURG - In a historic night at Edinburg Baseball Stadium that produced a record standing room only crowd of 6,212, and the first ever All-Star Game in the history of United League Baseball; it was the the

Edinburg Coyotes winning by a 12-2 margin thanks to a nine run sixth inning.

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The All-Stars struck first off of Coyote starter Bric Steed. After a single by Alexandria shortstop Aces Luis Guance and a walk to San Angelo DH Kevin Bass, Laredo Broncos catcher Jose Salas blasted the Steed offering, off the top of the left-center field wall and over for a

three-run homer. The runs on the Salas blast would be all the All-Stars needed.

The Coytoes, who were without any other position players other than their starters, got their first tally in the fourth inning. It was a manufactured run as Coyote second baseman Lorenzo Grijalva walked then stole two bases and came home on a sacrifice fly by Coyotes All-Star first baseman Jose Olmeda.

The Coyotes cut the deficit to one in the fifth inning. Coyotes leftfielder Carlos Gallardo scorched a Mike Kesten pitch down the right-field line pin-balling into the

corner and allowing Gallardo to end up at third base with a triple. Gallardo came in on a groundout by Abigail Sandoval capping the Coyotesí scoring.

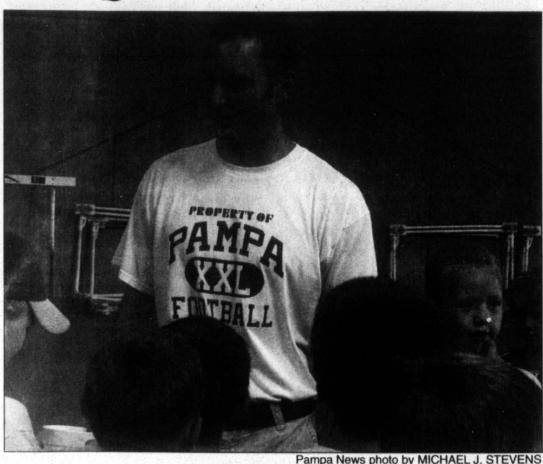
The ULB All-Stars however put the United League All-Stars that prevailed over game out of reach in the sixth inning plating

nine runs on five hits including 3 homeruns. All-Star MVP and Laredo Broncos infielder Edwin Maldonado hit two home runs, both solo shots, and San Angelo Colt second base-John man Anderson hit a three run homer into the left field bullpen. Angelo San

starter Adam Hanson recorded the victory while Coyotes lefty Bric Steed was given

the loss. The United League will begin play again on Friday with series openers in Laredo, Harlingen, and Alexandria.

The Edinburg Coyotes are part of United League Baseball, an independent league of six professional baseball teams located in Texas and Louisiana. The United League is in its inaugural season this summer with teams located in Amarillo, Edinburg, Laredo, Harlingen, and San Angelo, Texas; and Alexandria, Louisiana. The ULB will play a 90-game schedule between May and August 2006.





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Flight 2 (Men)

Men's Senior Championship

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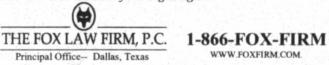
Flight 1 (Ladies) 1st Place, Debbie Hargus, (169) 2nd Place, Joyce Swope (179) 3rd Place, Yolanda Guelker (181) 3rd Place, Gail Curtis (190)

1st Place, Daniel Heuston (140) 2nd Place, Doug McFatridge (146) 3rd Place, Frank McCullough (148)

Flight 3 (Super Senior) 1st Place, Weldon Talley (167) 2nd Place, Harrold Salmonl (169) 3rd Place, James Stavenhagen (170) 1st Place, Frank McCullough (148) 2nd Place, Sam White (172) 3rd Place, Joel Smith (185)

Women's Senior Championship 1st Place, Joyce Swope (179) 2nd Place, Johnnie Marx (201) 3rd Place, Lynette Keel (211)

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HOUSTON (AP) -North Carolina lefthander Andrew Miller, who led his team to within one game of the College World Series championship, won the third annual Roger Clemens Award on Wednesday.

The Astros pitcher presented Miller the award honoring the top pitcher in baseball during a sold-out banquet.

"I was almost certain it would be somebody else," Miller said. "I didn't think I had a chance with the numbers the others guys put up. I would never have thought this could happen.

"To win an award with Roger's name on it is special. He talked to us all about baseball earlier and it was really an honor to talk with him."

The 6-foot-6, 210-pound Miller was Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year as he went 13-2 with a 2.48 ERA for the Tar Heels.

He set school records for single-season strikeouts with 133 and career strikeouts with 325. He was taken by the Detroit Tigers with the sixth pick in the major league draft last month.

finalists were Other Houston righthander Brad Lincoln, Rice righthander Degerman and Eddie Washington righthander Tim Lincecum.

Lincoln was 12-2 with a 1.69 ERA for the Cougars and struck out 152 for the

season. The No. 4 overall pick by the Pittsburgh Pirates, he had 293 career strikeouts.

Degerman was 13-2 with 2.00 ERA while a Lincecum was 12-4 with a 1.94 ERA and led the nation in strikeouts with 199.

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Miller wins Clemens Award | Barbaro critical

KENNETT SQUARE, Pa. (AP) - Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro was fighting for his life Thursday after developing a severe case of laminitis, a potentially fatal disease brought on by uneven weight distribution in the limbs

Dean Richardson, the chief surgeon who has been treating Barbaro since the colt suffered catastrophic injuries in the Preakness on May 20, called the Derby winner's chances of survival "poor."

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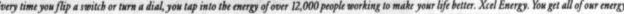


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2006 Harvester Soccer Camp drawing near

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Pampa High School soccer staff invites area boys and girls to take part in the 2006 Harvester Soccer Camp, July 17-21 at the Pampa Soccer Association fields. The camp is open to students entering the first Campers will learn proper skills and techniques while receiving age appropriate evaluations.

Fee for the camp is \$45 with all pre-registered students receiving a T-shirt. Entry forms are available at T-Shirts and More, 111 W. Kingsmill.

camp is open to students entering the first through eighth grade. Camp will begin at 8 John True, 632-2325.

Hidden Hills regular senior scramble results

Regular Senior Scramble Hidden Hills Golf Course July 12, 2006

a.m. each day and conclude by 11:30.

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But Zidane didn't go into specifics about what Marco Materazzi said. Materazzi swears he never insulted Zidane's mother.

WORLD CUP

And FIFA is still investigating. Relaxed and soft-spoken, Zidane repeatedly apologized to fans — especially to children — in several interviews late Wednesday.

PARIS (AP) - The Zinedine Zidane

"Above all, I'm human," he said.

The 34-year-old midfielder said he didn't regret the abrupt, violent outburst Sunday that marked the end of his 18-year professional career.

"I tell myself that if things happened this way, it's because somewhere up there it was decided that way," he told TF1 television. "And I don't regret anything that happened, I accept it."

Zidane sidestepped questions about exactly what Materazzi said.

"I would rather have taken a punch in the jaw than have heard that," he told the Canal Plus channel, stressing that Materazzi's language was "very harsh," and that he repeated the insults several times.

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Zidane and Materazzi exchanged words after Italy broke up a French attack in extra time. Seconds later, Zidane lowered his head and rammed Materazzi in the chest, knocking him to the ground.

Zidane was sent off, reducing France to 10 men. Italy went on to win in a penalty shootout with Zidane — an excellent penalty-taker — in the locker room.

The act of aggression marred the end of the World Cup, with many warning it would tarnish Zidane's formidable legacy. Zidane retired after the tournament, and he said Wednesday his decision was definitive.

The France captain stressed that he felt no regret about his outburst "because that would mean (Materazzi) was right to say all that."

"My act is not forgivable," Zidane said. "But they must also punish the true guilty party, and the guilty party is the one who provokes."

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, July 14, 2006:

You want to understand what makes others tick. Though you might approach these issues from a strong perspective, patience and listening will direct you toward the right goal quicker. Understanding develops. Discover more of what you want from life through sharing and talking. Others have an impact on you this year. In fact, they want to get into power plays or have life their way. Know when to head in another direction. If you are single, you easily could go through several different suitors before you feel comfortable with someone. Make that OK. If you are attached, you'll discover a new dynamic in how you relate. AQUARIUS helps you bottom

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ Don't waver from your goals. You find a strong dose of imagination and a touch less cynicism. Listen to suggestions carefully, but know that you don't need to commit to anyone's thoughts or "great ideas." Tonight: Where the crowds are. TAURUS (April 20- May 20)

change and more positive actions. You find taking in the big picture instrumental to your well-being. You forge ahead in the right direction. Unexpected developments mark your work life. Tonight: New vistas.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Think positively about the end results. You know where you are heading, and your expectations could change as a result. You are more willing to walk in someone else's shoes, Don't push your checking account beyond its limits. Tonight: Say yes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Others might not be so receptive to your ideas if you are negative or difficult. You might want to rethink situations involving people you care about. You might not always be on the right track. You might want to think through a decision or head in a new direction. Tonight: Say yes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You might view a situation a lot differently because of your ability to understand what is going on with others. To achieve this goal, you might need to distance yourself or take in another perspective. Others are willing to work with you. Are you willing to work with them? Tonight: Be logical want to sort through the pressure and what is happening. Trust your abilities and your intellect. Tonight: Head home. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

 $\star\star\star\star$ New information forces its way into your mind, even if you don't want to be a "receiver." You could shut down, but you won't. Think about more effective ways of communicating and organizing your daily life. Tonight: As you like.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could want to do something differently, especially involving someone you are perceiving as touchy and difficult. How you view a changeable matter could be very different given time. Tonight: Your treat. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Your personality melts others' resistances, to some extent. Be careful that hostility doesn't develop into a cold shoulder. If you relax, you will get far as a result. Others need to speak their mind, but in a mutually acceptable manner. Tonight: As you like. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ You might want to try to do something in a totally different style. Don't allow inhibitions to slow you down or stop what you want to do. Don't doubt your abilities. Tonight: Thinking time. BORN TODAY

Astros fire Gaetti

Zidane explains - partly

-what led to head butt

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros shook up their slumping offense Wednesday night by firing hitting coach Gary Gaetti.

The Astros have the secondworst batting average in the National League and their run totals (408) ranks 23rd in the majors.

Earlier Wednesday, the Astros acquired Aubrey Huff from Tampa Bay, but general manager Tim Purpura said he, manager Phil Garner and owner Drayton McLane decided more changes were needed.

"We wanted to make sure no stone was left unturned as far as making sure the players have what they need to succeed," Purpura said.

The Astros promoted minor league hitting coordinator Sean Berry to replace Gaetti. Purpura said Berry would be the hitting coach for the rest of this season, then be evaluated at the end.

New Orleans.

Berry will take over for Gaetti on Thursday in Miami, where the Astros open a four-game series with Florida.

"This does not at all absolve the players of their responsibilities," Garner said. "We've got to get on track. We're looking forward to see how the players respond."

The Astros and San Diego have the second-worst slugging percentages in the NL, ahead of only the Chicago Cubs. Garner said he's looking for "tougher at-bats" from his team in the second half.

"At times, we've had some very tough at-bats," he said. "Too many times, our time of possession (on offense) is too short. We need to have longer innings and put more pressure on the opposition. That's what I expect going forward."

Berry played for the Astros from 1996-98, batting .283 with 39 home runs and 190 RBIs. He concluded his playing career with parts of two seasons in Milwaukee (1999-2000) and Boston (2000).

*** You might want to take the lead or go in a particular direction. Visualize more of what you want. You might feel pushed or between a rock and a hard place. You have a tendency to be a bit touchy. Remember your long-term goals. Tonight: In the limelight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Take an overview rather than trigger or get upset. Think in terms of

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ While friends make demands and meetings could be exhausting, you come up with answers. Your creativity is an endless resource and, if used correctly, you'll come out ahead. Think positively, and you'll find the answers! Tonight: Live it up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

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Gaetti had been with the Astros since 2004. He began his coaching career in the Houston organization in 2002 as a coach for Triple-A The Astros are 43-46, six games behind St. Louis in the NL Central. Though the bullpen has struggled and cost Houston several games, Purpura said no more coaching changes were imminent.

"The No. 1 issue," he said, "is to get the offense purring again."

Anthony takes guaranteed money; LeBron, Wade opt to take a chance

By BRIAN MAHONEY Associated Press

Carmelo Anthony can brag about having one decided edge over his rivals from the class of 2003: biggest contract.

That's OK with LeBron James and Dwyane Wade. They planned it that way.

The three superstars agreed to new deals Wednesday, but only one was the big-money package originally expected.

Anthony took more guaranteed dollars. James and Wade took a chance.

Anthony signed a five-year extension with the Denver Nuggets that begins after the 2007-08 season and is worth an estimated \$80 million. The exact amount can't be determined until next year's salary cap is set.

"It was a no-brainer for me," Anthony said. "When all the rumors were out there saying I was signing this type of deal or that type of deal, my family called me and said, 'Look, are you crazy?' Growing up we don't have (much)."

James and Wade could have chosen similar deals. Instead, they went for three years with an option for a fourth — and the chance to become free agents sooner and potentially make even more money.

"It was a great business decision by me," Wade said. "As a young player, going for the three-year with a fourth year (option) is the better option."

Anthony and Chris Bosh, another top-five pick from the '03 draft who has yet to agree to an extension with Toronto, could have gone the same route. But Anthony took the maximum deal, while James and Wade face a potential "what if?" scenario if either is hurt before the end of his deal.

"I thought this was the best move for me as a young player and I'm looking forward to it," Wade said. "I think with everything coming with LeBron and Carmelo and Chris, we all make our own decisions. Of course, we all talk, no question about it, because we're all friends. ... But everyone makes a decision for themselves, thinking about their futures and their families."

Elsewhere, the draft-night deal sending Rudy Gay from Houston to Memphis was finally completed, New Orleans added Peja Stojakovic but lost Speedy Claxton, and the Los Angeles Clippers brought back Sam Cassell but watched Vladimir Radmanovic head down the Staples Center hallway to the Lakers.

But the biggest news, as usual, was made by James and Wade, the MVP of the NBA finals.

The five-year deals would have been worth around \$80 million, but James and Wade settled for some \$20 million less. However, when they become unrestricted free agents in the summer of 2010 as seven-year veterans, they can earn maximum contracts worth 30 percent of the salary cap under rules of the collective bargaining agreement. Players with fewer than seven years' experience can earn only 25 percent of the cap.

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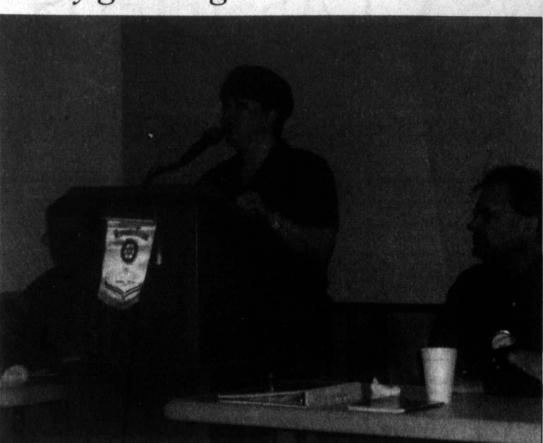
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Roxanne Carter, director of The Bridge Children's Advocacy Center, was a guest speaker at a recent meeting of Pampa Rotary Club. Each year, The Bridge provides service for child abuse cases to more than 1,400 children in the Panhandle. Janet Watts, executive director of CASA, also spoke at the meeting.

Events calendar

 Pampa Community Concert Association Presents "Live On Stage" has released its current concert schedule. The schedule is as follows: "The Centurymen" 7 p.m., Sept. 20, First Baptist Church in Pampa; pianist Alpin Hong, 2:30 p.m., Oct. 1, M.K. Brown Auditorium; "Puttin' on the Hitz, A Salute to Irving Berlin," 7:30 p.m., Feb. 15, Borger High School Auditorium; Bronn and Katherine Journey, harpist and vocalist, 7:30 p.m., March 19, M.K. Brown Auditorium. Membership fees are \$30 for adults, \$70 for families; and \$15 for students. For more information, call 665-0343 or 665-2631.

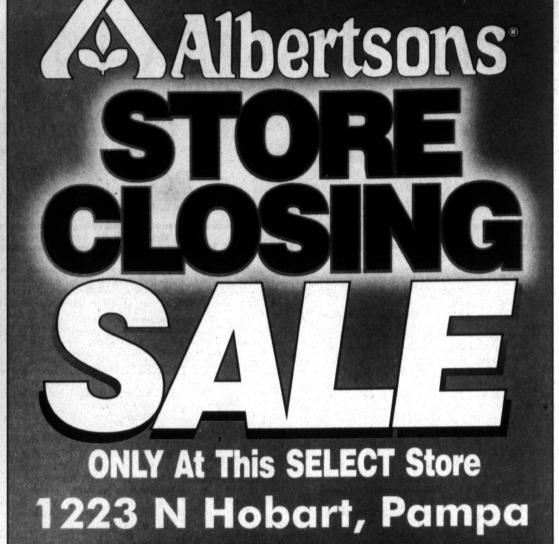
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pleting the hunt. Enjoy live music. Create your own unique art. Learn about sculpture from children-friendly films. Treat your taste buds with complimentary refreshments. The museum is located at 2200 S. Van Buren.

· Registration for the second summer semester at Clarendon College-Pampa Center will last through July 17. the day classes officially begin. Courses will be conducted Monday through Thursday and include English Comp I and II, Microbiology, Web Site Design, Fundamentals of Criminal Law, Non-World Literature, State Western Government, U.S. History, General Human Growth and Psychology, Development, Micro-Economics, Interpersonal Speech and Social Issues. To learn more or for a complete schedule, call the campus at 665-8801 or edavid.bradford@clarendoncolmail lege.edu. Offices are closed Fridays.

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Kevorkian: I wouldn't choose suicide

DETROIT (AP) — Jack Kevorkian, southwestern Michigan. He is eligible for whose failing health may deny him a chance to be paroled, said he still believes in assisted suicide but would not choose it for himself.

"Remember that I did not advocate assisted suicide," Kevorkian, 78, said in a written response to questions from The Detroit News published Thursday. "I only advocated that a person should have the right to have the option if he or she, in sound mind, needed and desired it while in irremedial pain and suffering and terminal."

Kevorkian claimed to have assisted in at least 130 deaths in the 1990s. Since being imprisoned in April 1999 for his role in the last of the deaths, the former pathologist has promised he would not assist in a suicide if he was released from prison.

"Only as a person who will speak out to its legalization," he told The News. "I will not be involved otherwise."

Kevorkian is being held at the Lakeland Correctional Facility near Coldwater in

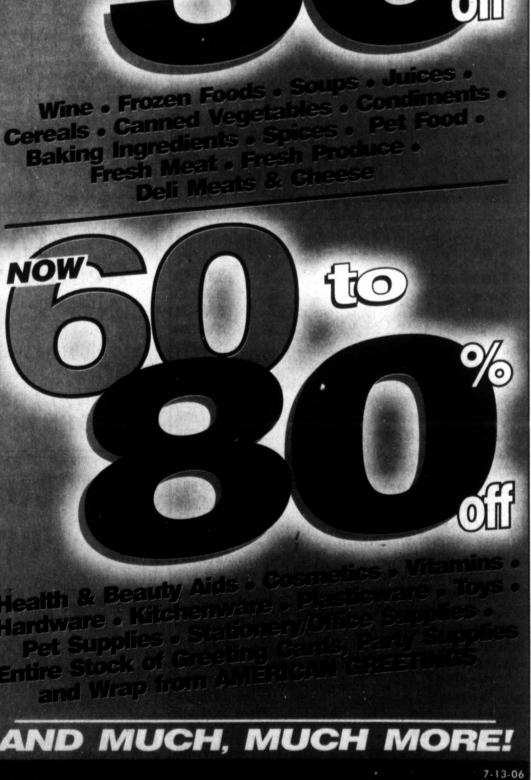
parole in June 2007 but his attorney, Mayer Morganroth, has said he doubts he will live that long.

In court papers, Kevorkian's defense lawyers say he weighs 113 pounds, resembles a "walking cadaver" and "can barely walk and no longer has the energy to read or write."

The Michigan Parole Board has rejected four of Kevorkian's requests for early release.

"Essentially prisoners seeking early release are asking the state to overturn minimum sentences passed by juries, judges and courts. It is not done lightly,' said Russ Marlan, a Michigan Department of Corrections spokesman. "He has stated he wasn't going to live in every (past) request. Since he is up next June, this will probably be examined again next March."

Kevorkian is serving a 10- to 25-year sentence for second-degree murder in the 1998 poisoning of Thomas Youk, 52, of Oakland County's Waterford Township.



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