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By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

WHITE DEER -- The Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District is lowering its tax rate 14 percent for their next fiscal year.

The PGWCD board of directors voted Wednesday to lower the district's tax rate to 1.24 cents per \$100 valuation for their 2006-2007 fiscal

They also adopted a \$1.2 million budget after shaving about \$11,000 off last year's budget.

The ground water district has lowered its tax rate each of the last five

Robbery in Progress

The board tentatively set Sept. 20 for a public hearing on rules changes. PGWCD General Manager C.E. Williams said most of the changes concerned bringing the district rules into compliance with state legislation.

The board also accepted the resignation of John McKissack, the board member representing Potter County. McKissack announced his decision to resign in July, citing an increasing workload with his job in Amarillo.

Upon McKissack's recommendation, the board appointed Tom Cambridge, an Amarillo oilman, to McKissack's position.

The board approved the sale of a tax delinquent lot in Clarendon.

They also heard reports on the production of water and transportation out of the district for the second

The Canadian River Municipal Water Authority with its well field in Roberts County and the City of Amarillo with its well field in Carson County were the major producers exporting water from the dis-

Conoco-Phillips and DeGussa Engineered Carbons in Borger produced and exported smaller amounts of water.

The board approved drilling permits for one-inch replacement wells for Jimmy Williams in Potter County, Raymond Custer in Potter County, Monte Lundegreen in Potter County, Stacey Johnson in Potter County, Jimmy Franks in Potter County and Lenore Ann Ayres in Potter County.

They approved drilling permits for a 1.5-inch well for Joe Richardson in Gray County and a one-inch well for Ted Hutto in Gray County.

The board also approved permit applications for a six-inch well by

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Three Pampa men were arrested Wednesday morning after execution of a narcotics search warrant at a Pampa home yielded several suspicious substances, including one substance in the toilet bowl water of a bathroom in the house.

Pampa Police Department's Special Response Team and narcotics agents, along with Gray County sheriff's deputies, served the warrant at 7:20 a.m. at 623 N.

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Pampa/Gray County Crime Stoppers at 669-2222 or the police department at 669-5700.

Russell. Deputies Cary Rushing and Robert Douglas were covering the front of the house when they saw a man running from the home. They took the man, Robert Brian Akins, 38, of Pampa into custody and found a syringe on his person, according to police reports.

Akins was issued a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia and later released.

The SRT entered the rear of the home and found Jeffery Price Rodgers, 38, and Leonard Jay Kane, 36, both of Pampa. Kane was standing at the door to a bathroom that opened off a back bedroom. Rodgers was in the back bedroom.

Both men were taken into custody, and officers began a search of the

Officers found sufficient evidence to charge the two with possession of less than one gram of a controlled

substance. The charge will be enhanced because the house is within 1,000 feet of Central Park, a drugfree zone.

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"The toilet bowl water was very cloudy. Officers suspected that Kane had tried to flush dope but did not have time to push the handle," said Lt. Fred Courtney of PPD.

"Kane is believed to have rigged an alarm system to alert him if police See ARRESTS, Page 2

Taxable values up and down

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

No new inductees

for veterans HOF

There will be no new inductees into the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame this year, according to Danny Martin, commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657.

"We only had two applicants this year," Martin said. The induction dinner, scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday at Dyer's Barbecue, will

instead be a dinner for muse-

um board members.

increase in taxable property values reported by Gray County Appraisal District, although two cities show a decrease. Property values taxable by

By MARILYN POWERS

Staff Writer

Most of the taxing entities

in Gray County have seen an

the cities of McLean and Lefors have decreased over last year. McLean's taxable value declined from \$13,430,318 to \$12,583,820, and Lefors' taxable value

dropped from \$5,338,974 to District, \$5,286,008.

The photos above are frames from surveillance camera video taken at the Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart, at 3:37 a.m. Aug. 8 during an

armed robbery of the store. Pampa police are seeking information on the three suspects, shown in the photos along with the store

clerk. The man with the light-colored cloth tied over his head had a handgun. The three took an unreported amount of cash and

consumables, including beer, from the store and left in a white Ford F-150 pickup. Anyone with information on the incident may call

3 Pampa men arrested on narcotics violations

The City of Pampa's taxable values increased from \$417,122,915 last year to

\$444,671,468 this year. All four school districts' property tax values have increased from last year, as did Gray County, the county road fund, and the water district.

Current values for each, followed by last year's values in parentheses, are: Pampa Independent School

\$943,301,277 (\$840,833,948); Lefors ISD, \$ 1 2 4 , 5 3 6 , 3 7 4 (\$77,809,339); McLean ISD, \$ 1 5 9 , 4 0 3 , 9 0 2 (\$123,860,778); Grandview-Hopkins ISD, \$114,870,912 (\$88,175,197); Gray County, \$1,377,369,990 (\$1,175,561,634); County \$1,367,616,100 Road, (\$1,165,531,744); and water district, \$1,377,369,990

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(\$1,175,561,634).

County commission to meet Friday to discuss budget

Gray County commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Friday in the second-floor courtroom at Gray County Courthouse, 205 Russell, to continue discussion of the fiscal year 2007 budget for the coun-

Public hearings on the proposed budget will be held Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. The county's fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

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### Services tomorrow

STROEBEL, Mary Alice Webb — 10 a.m., Zion Lutheran Church, Pampa. WALKER, Ruth "Ma" — 2 p.m., Memory Gardens Mausoleum, Pampa.

### Mary Alice Webb Stroebel, 90

Mary Alice Webb Stroebel, 90, of Pampa, died Aug. 15, 2006, at Bowie, Texas. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 18, 2006, at Zion Lutheran Church with the Rev. Michael Erickson, pastor, officiating.

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

Mrs. Stroebel was born June 1, 1916, in Romney, Texas, to Bryce and Willie Chandler Webb. She became a child of God through baptism on Aug. 20, 1930. She was confirmed in the Christian faith on April 4, 1937, at Grace Lutheran Church in Cisco. She married A.M. "Doc" Stroebel on Nov. 28, 1936, at the Grace Lutheran Church in Cisco. He preceded her in death on Sept. 1,

She had been a resident of Pampa since 1959, moving from Cisco. She worked as a respiratory therapist at Worley Hospital, Highland General Hospital and Coronado Hospital for 14 years, retiring in 1985.

Lutheran Church in Pampa.

Survivors include two daughters, Kathy

Gray County Weather

Hammer and husband Bill of Pampa and Nancy Hammer and husband Gerald of Bowie; two sisters, Katherine Dean of Lubbock and Betty Adams of Cisco; two grandsons, Todd Hammer and wife Debbie of Chico and Hoyt Hammer and wife Laura of Dallas; two granddaughters, Malley Underwood and husband Kevin of Sanger, and Amy Hammer of Pampa; four greatgrandchildren, Thomas Hammer of Chico, Katie Underwood and Bryce Underwood, both of Sanger, and William Alvin Hammer of Dallas; and special friend, Helen Hightower of Bowie.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Stanley Webb and Elwood

The family requests memorials be to Zion Lutheran Church, 1200 Duncan, Pampa, TX

The family will receive friends from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, 2006, at the funeral home.

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

## She was a faithful member of the Zion

chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain.

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Saturday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66. Northeast wind around 10 mph.

Sunday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thun-

### Ruth 'Ma' Walker, 88

Ruth "Ma" Walker, 88, of Pampa, Texas, died Aug. 15, 2006, at Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, 2006, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum with Pastor Kile Bateman, nephew and pastor of the Evangel Temple Assembly of God in Wichita Falls, and Dr. Miles Bateman, nephew from Trenton, Ill., officiating.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Walker was born July 1, 1918, in Hill County, Texas. She married Joe Bailey Walker on Aug. 7, 1937, in Hillsboro. He preceded her in death on June 2, 1982.

She had been a resident of Pampa since 1968. She worked for Gibson's Discount Center as a cashier for many years. She was

Survivors include one daughter, Judy Hoover of Pampa; one son, Gary Walker and

wife LaGwenda of Pampa; two granddaughters, Brandi Brewer and Cari Carrillo and husband Jerry, all of Pampa; four greatgrandchildren, Calli Jo, Corbin Lee, Raeli Blayne and Emori Ruth, all of Pampa; numerous nieces and nephews, including special niece, Betty White and husband Otis of Pampa and nephew, Bob Pritchett of Pampa; two stepgranddaughters, Debbie Hoover and Vickie Daley, both of Pampa; two stepgreat-grandchildren, Marcus and Carrie, both of Pampa.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, three sisters and her son-in-law, Lee

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or a favorite charity.

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

## **Emergency Services**

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

Wednesday, Aug. 16 Aaron Dustin Wheeler, 22, of Pampa was arrested in the 1900 block of North Hobart by Pampa Police Department for possession

Ryan Todd Schindler, 21, of Pampa was arrested in the 1900 block of North Hobart by PPD for possession of drug paraphernalia and no seat belt.

of drug paraphernalia.

Brandon Michael Lowrey, 18, of Pampa was arrested in the 1900 block of North Hobart by PPD for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana and no seat belt--passenger.

Jeffery Price Rodgers, 38, of Pampa was arrested in the 600 block of North Russell by PPD for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance.

Leonard Jay Kane, 36, of Pampa was arrested in the 600 block of North Russell by PPD for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance.

Roxie Diann Robinson, 50, of Pampa was arrested by the 223rd District Court

Jason Marc Neusch, 21, of Panhandle was arrested in the 700 block of West Kingsmill by PPD on a capias pro fine for no insur-

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

Wednesday, Aug. 16 8:45 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of 25th and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

8:45 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of North Christy and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

12:26 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of North Russell and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

12:46 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

1:16 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2400 block of Navajo.

4:52 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of North Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Pampa Police Department

reported the following accident today.

Tuesday, Aug. 15 9:05 p.m. - An unknown vehicle and driver collided with a properly parked 1995 Honda Odyssey, owned by Douglas E. Schepp of Pampa, in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill. unknown vehicle and driver then left the scene. Occurrence of injuries is unknown. No citations were

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

Wednesday, Aug. 16 8:42 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 800 block of West 25th on a medical assist.

12:39 p.m. – One unit and four personnel responded to the 1100 block of North Russell on a medical assist.

12:44 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky on a medical assist.

1:17 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 2400 block of Navajo on a medical assist.

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came to the house. It nearly worked," Courtney said.

Both men remain in Gray County Jail as of

bond each.

stances were found at the house, along with several pill bottles with different types of pills inside. Some of the bottles were prescriptions that did not belong to Kane or Rodgers, according to police reports.

#### press time in lieu of \$5,000 **Values** Several unknown sub-

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"We had an increase in just about all areas, both business and personal property. A lot of it was minerals and new property," Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley said of the increase in taxable values. "Most of the schools' increase was in oil and gas."

New homestead applications in Lefors and McLean, combined with no new taxable property in those areas, account for their decreases in taxable values, he said.

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# Viewpoints

# Newsmaker Interviews: What's next for Cuba?

Fidel Castro looks like he'll soon be joining his comrades Stalin and Mao in the communist hereafter. After 47 years of abusing the Cuban people and wrecking their economy, Fidel - hospitalized, possibly dying or already dead - has "temporarily" passed his dictatorial powers to Raul Castro, his vice president and younger brother.

No one is sure what will happen next. But Frank Calzon knows as much about what's going in Cuba and in the Cuban community in Miami as almost anyone. No friend of Fidel, Calzon is executive director of the Center for a Free Cuba, which calls itself "an independent, non-partisan institution dedicated to promoting human rights and a transition to democracy and the rule of law on the island." I talked to the Havana-born activist the other day by phone from his offices in Washington, D.C.

Q: Do think Fidel is really already dead?

A: There's no way of knowing that. You don't have an independent media. You don't have a media stakeout. You don't have film of a wife going into visit him. You don't have the kind of coverage that allows Americans to answer questions like about their leaders when they are sick.

Q: How have the people in Cuba reacted to the news?

A: Very quietly, very concerned. The Committees for Defense of the Revolution have been called to increase their vigilance. The army apparently has been mobilized in several provinces. So the Cubans are going to wait and even if Castro dies, we're dealing with a Castro dynasty now. We're just going to have to wait. We don't know how Cuba is going to be the day after Castro is dead.

Q: When he dies, what do you think will happen in the short and medium runs?

A: In the short term, something along the lines of what you have now, which is a military government. It's economic condition. Fidel

letter, not only transferred power to Raul but issued specific orders mentioning a number of other generals, and they are hard-liners in Havana. That's immediate. After that ... it's going to be very tricky, because we don't know how many people among the leaders of the government think differently than what they have said until now.

Q: What would you like to see happen in Cuba?

A: The Czech model – a transition to democracy along the lines of what happened in Prague. The emergence of a leader with the kind of ethical projection that Vaclav Havel has had. What Raul is looking for, however, is the North Korean model.

Q: How should U.S. policv treat this event?

A: U.S. policy should be thoughtful and careful and not be rushing to any decisions overnight. Secondly, I think the United States ought to reach out and make explicit to the Cuban people that the United States is not interested in controlling the destiny of Cuba, but that the United States is ready and willing to help with humanitarian assistance, with supplies, with know-how, if and when the Cuban people ask for it. And that's exactly what the administration has

Q: Can you compare Fidel the Socialist Hero with the real Fidel?

A: Well, Fidel is not a socialist hero if one thinks of the socialism in Sweden or Europe. If we are talking about Soviet socialism, that's what he is. In that sense, he's more like Stalin. I think Fidel has more followers outside Cuban than inside Cuba.

Q: The real Fidel - is he

A: The real Fidel has always put power ahead of everything. Ahead of his personal relationships, ahead of the well-being of the Cuban people. There is no reason for Cuba to be in such poor Cubans on the island, "You get remittances from the United States. You use that money to buy seeds or machinery

or to engage Bill in trade.' He would Steigerwald not do that, Columnist although

that by itself will have a tremendous

impact on economic recovery. He wants to control. He's running Cuba the way his father used to run his plantation. The old man used to pay his workers in tickets. They didn't get money. They would get these pieces of paper and they would go to the company store. That's what Castro is doing today.

Q: What is life like for the average Cuban right now?

A: It's a nightmare. Again, the Czechs, the Slovaks, the Hungarians, all those folks would understand it very well. Rationing after 40some years. Despite the propaganda, when a child turns seven he is no longer entitled to milk in the rationing system. That means there is no milk after age seven. The Cuban government has in place a sys-

interesting that Fidel, in his could have easily said to tem of apartheid where ing doctors. But the health they serve in the armed Cubans cannot enter hotels, beaches, restaurants that are set aside for foreigners. That includes medical care. Cuba

has a program called Servimed for "health tourism." They have all the medand icine any antibi-

otics they might need for foreigners but there are great shortages in Cuban hospitals and local pharmacies.

Q: The friends of Fidel would always argue that, "Yeah, but they have that free health care and free education."

A: It's true that they have education but I'm not sure that it is free. Cuban teenagers go to high school in the countryside hundreds of miles away from their homes. Sometimes they don't see their parents for a couple of months. They go to school in the morning and they work five or six hours in the afternoon. So, I don't know how "free" that is.

As far as health care, yes, there are many doctors in Cuba. Fidel cares – for propaganda reasons - about havcare of the Cuban people is severely limited. If you have food shortages, how does that have an impact on health? He also manipulates the health statistics. For example, Cuba, it is true, has a very low infant-mortality rate. But if you look at another page of the report you'll find out that Cuba has rate. When a woman has a problem pregnancy, the Cuban government policy is to strongly encourage her to have an abortion. So if you kill all the sick people, of course, you have better health for the others.

Q: Even if Fidel dies this weekend, is it too soon for the exiles in Miami and elsewhere to begin making plans to return to Cuba?

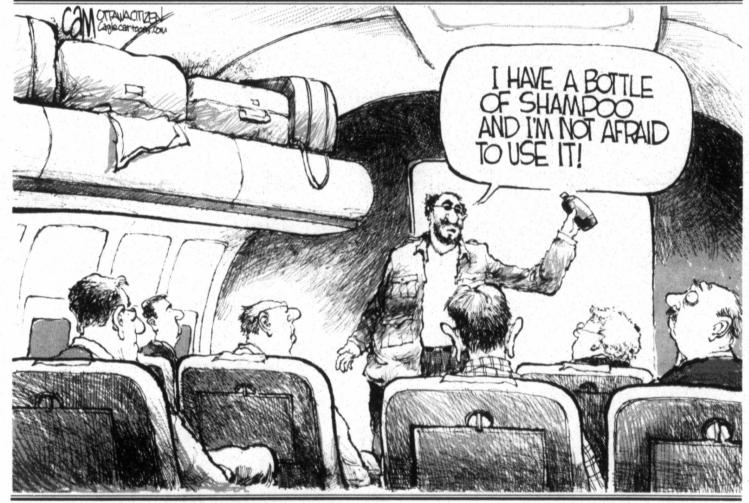
A: I'm not really sure. You're not talking about exiles who arrived a year ago. You're talking about thousands of people who came in more than 40 years ago. They married here. They had children. Their children married here. They have had children. These are folks who have spent two generations in the United States. They are elected to Congress, they pay taxes,

forces. I am sure that some Cuban-Americans will go back to stay in Cuba and many others will go back to visit. But I think a large percentage of Cubans now living in the United States after Castro is gone are going to discover that they see themselves more like Irish-Americans in Boston or a very very high abortion American Jews in New York or German-Americans in the Pittsburgh area.

> Q: Has anyone ever talked about Cuba becoming the 51st state some day?

> A: That was discussed a couple of hundred years ago, but I don't think it has any appeal beyond just a very small number of folks. I don't think the United States is ready to take over a poor island like that. The experiment with Puerto Rico continues to be an experiment. I think it would be much better to have a free, democratic and independent Cuba with a Cuban-American community here that would certainly help Cuba. But there's no need or any desire for such a thing as statehood.

> -Bill Steigerwald is a columnist at the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review.



# Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Aug. 17, the 229th day of 2006. There are 136 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 17, 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steam Boat began heading up New York's Hudson River on its successful round-trip to Albany.

Sumter in Charleston, S.C., harbor during the Civil War. In 1896, a prospecting party discovered gold in Alaska,

a finding that touched off the Klondike gold rush.

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# Ways to link the outside world to the 'Net

Throughout my career, people have told me that 'computers will be used for everything!" After attending some of the high tech trade shows and conventions, I find myself believing them. The Internet, however, has always seemed pretty straightforward. After all, there's only so much you can do online, right?

Well, get ready folks. Some inventive individuals are coming up with a slew of imaginative ideas for cyber-

space. First, let's start with the Coke machines. Yes, you heard right: Coke Machines. Back in 1984, two students Carnegie Mellon University, John Zsarnay and Lawrence Butcher, hooked a Coke machine up to the college network. The computer would monitor the little "empty lights" on the machine. At any time, the students could check the status of those lights from their computers by typing the "Coke" command.

Eventually, the college network connected to the Internet and now anyone can check the status of the machine. When people asked them why they did it, the two inventors simply shrugged their shoulders and said, "We got tired of mak- Center." ing the long trip to the machine only to find it out of our favorite beverage."

After the success of the Internet Coke machine started making the rounds, other students started connecting

Eric

Columnist

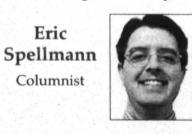
m o r e devices, the most popubeing coffee machines. (Funny how all of these

inventions revolve around caffeine.) While trivial in their use, these initial experiments in connecting items to the Net led to bigger and better

things. Take for instance the Telegarden (http://telegarden.aec.at/). Started back in 1995 by the University of Southern California, this project allowed people on the Internet to plant, cultivate, and harvest small crops in a small garden plot via an industrial robot arm. The circular garden allowed thousands of people to plant whatever they wanted and monitor the results of their care. Recently, the whole garden was transferred to Austria where it is on dis-

play at the "Ars Electronica

One of the more "useful" sites you'll find is the Micro Observatory at Harvard (http://mowww.harvard.edu/MicroObs ervatory/). Students, by invitation only, can control the



of five automated telescopes from their computers, viewing the results on

movements

Internet-connected computer. Classes halfway around the world have used the service to teach Astronomy. Of course, taking your daytime class "halfway around the world" allows you to view live nighttime images

from the telescopes. For a more down to earth experience, check out Mori (http://memento.ieor.berkeley.edu/). The scientists at Berkeley have hooked up a seismograph to the Internet. The device monitors the micro-shakings of the Hayward Fault in California. These vibrations are then displayed in real-time on your screen in the form of a planet-based EKG. I get the feeling from the writings on this site, that its creators are trying to send a political

message ... In the "most extreme" department, a guy in the Netherlands hooked hundreds of household devices to the Net. While you couldn't control them (imagine that nightmare), you could monitor the last time the microwave door opened, or the exact moment 'Sparky" the cat used the litter box.

Nine different Web cams monitored various events in the house, and a barcode scanner on the trashcan let you know EXACTLY what was being discarded. It was taken down a while back for obvious reasons ...

Finally, in case you haven't had enough, yet, check out David McAnulty's Web-wired remote controlled (http://www.hellspark.com/d m/). You can actually drive it around his house. The screen is updated quickly so you can avoid bumping into

walls. What's next? Well, if you can imagine it, chances are, someone is already working on an interface to tie it into the world's largest network. Bet on it.

I'll see you Cyberspace!

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

in Eau Claire, Wis." (June 5), who asked about proper attire at funerals: In modern times black is generally the approved color for mourning, white caskets are still customary for children, and purple is used to designate death and mourning for royalty and many Christian groups. However, in medieval times it was believed that black should be worn to funerals so that the spirit of the deceased couldn't recognize the family or friends and follow them home. My opinion: Wear any color you choose, as long as you go. -- R.G.K., FUNERAL DIRECTOR, GREENVILLE, TENN.

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DEAR R.G.K.: I couldn't wait to share your tidbit about the origin of the tradition of wearing black at funerals. It reminds me of another tradition from the Middle Ages -- saying "God bless you!" when someone sneezes because it was believed that when one sneezed, the soul left the body and could be "snatched" by an evil spirit. And bless my readers for sharing the choices about what they wore at the funerals of their loved ones:

DEAR ABBY: When my mother passed away a year ago, I couldn't bring myself to wear a somber color to her funeral. I wore an ivory pantsuit. Wearing a color other than black or gray helped me get through that already more than somber day. --WENDY IN VICTORVILLE, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: My brother, Dave, often wore bright Aloha (Hawaiian) shirts. When he died at 55, we buried him in one. A few hours before his funeral, one of his daughters mentioned that she had considered wearing an Aloha shirt to the service. She almost didn't mention it for fear of offending someone. But Dave's wife, his other daughters and I all agreed -- we had to wear Aloha shirts. We tried to get the word out, but reached only a portion of the attendees. Half the guests wore Aloha shirts.

DEAR ABBY: In response to "Wondering Anyone who knew my brother understood we were honoring him by breaking with tradition. My one regret was that we didn't contact the minister. He later assured us that if we had thought to call him, he would have worn one, too. -- CRAIG C., ORLANDO, FLA.

> DEAR ABBY: These days, hardly anyone wears black to funerals. I have attended five funerals over the past year or so. Three were for bikers, and their friends came dressed accordingly. Also, my religion dictates that at funerals, one should wear green or sage, as those are the colors associated with the crossing over of the spirit. -- KRISTI, ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

> DEAR ABBY: That letter brought back a vivid memory for me. My father died of lung cancer in 1987. The last time I visited him at the hospital, I wore a blue silk dress. His last words to me were, "You look so beautiful in that dress! I love you." He passed nine days before his 61st birthday, and I wore the blue silk dress to his funeral. I still treasure it. -- "LOVE IS BLUE" IN CALIFORNIA

> DEAR ABBY: When my husband died after a debilitating illness, I asked all family members to wear white to celebrate his release from a long, sad illness. Here in Alabama, many funerals are celebrations of the beginning of a new and better life. People wear clothes of many colors. Their respect and care for the family are demonstrated by their presence at the funeral. -ROSEMARY IN MOBILE, ALA.

> **DEAR ABBY:** After my father's funeral, I could tell you who was there, but not what one single person was wearing. Sometimes what you wear doesn't matter. The respect people show outweighs everything else. --LINDA T., HARRISON, N.Y.

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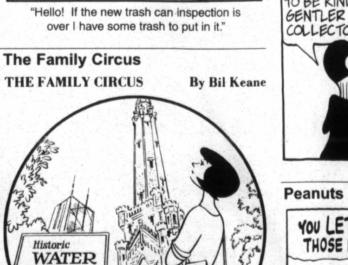
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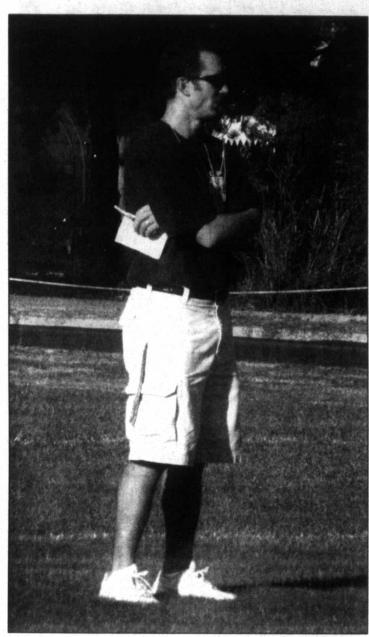
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# Sports Day



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa High School head football coach Andy Cavalier during a recent afternoon practice.

# Basic schemes, looks and notes Saturday night

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Coach Andy Head Cavalier will lead his Pampa Harvester football into Childress Saturday night for a scrimmage with Wichita Falls Hirschi. The JV squad will take the field at 6, followed by the varsity team at 7.

What is coach Cavalier looking forward to most Saturday night? Seeing his kids hit someone in a different colored uniform. "I'm very much looking forward to watching our kids com-Saturday," said Cavalier. "It's our first chance to block and tackle someone other than ourselves and that always makes it more enjoyable."

Pampa School, Hirschi is entering the season under a new head coach. The two coaches have shared some basic information as to what each team will be doing Saturday

night, "but that is as much information as we have (on Hirschi)," noted Cavalier.

Coach Cavalier says he and his staff will focus on trying to get a good look at every kid on the Harvester team during this scrimmage, evaluating every position on the field. The schemes will stay simple. "We will stay pretty basic and focus on our base offensive plays and defensive fronts," said Cavalier.

Quarterbacks Brett Ferrell and Casey Trimble will share time under center. Cavalier says both have been going through a steep learning curve and so far, both have shown excellent progress.

**Game Note** 

The scrimmage is Saturday night in Childress, not Friday as was reported in Wednesday's Sports Day.

# **Dateline in town Friday;** season ticket holders need to purchase seats

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

**Dateline** 

According to sources close to the Pampa High School football team, the NBC Dateline crew mentioned in Tuesday's Sports Day will be in Pampa Friday morning and has agreed to stay long enough to witness the annual Meet The Harvesters event set to begin with player and coach introductions at 7 p.m. at Harvester Field.

Organizers encourage all Harvester fans to fill the stands and raise their voices in support of the local green and gold programs.

The concession stand will open at 6 p.m.

The Harvester football team is among five being considered for a Dateline special.

**Season Ticket Holders** 

If you are a season ticket holder, you have until Friday to claim your seats. All seats left unclaimed will be put up for purchase at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

For more information, contact the Pampa High School athletic department, 669-4830.

### MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

## Kornheiser's maiden flight never got off the ground

So what did you think of Boomer Esiason, Joe the new Monday Night Football crew? I've read offerings from a few of my counterparts and they seem to approve of the trio for the most part. No, I'm not ignoring sideline reporters

Suzy Kolber and Michael J Michele Stevens Tafoya. These two

Sports ladies Editor know their stuff which ranks them among the best

in the business. I'm concerned more with the threesome in the press box -Mike Tirico, Theismann and Tony Kornheiser.

When the new crew which replaced the team of John Madden and Al Michaels, now at NBC was announced, I was bummed. Tirico was a good choice. His delivery is consistent and smooth. Theismann was a question mark for me. Not due to any one thing in particular, but because I worked with him once many years ago and found him to be a little more proud of himself than I thought he deserved to be. However, my disdain has mellowed over time and I find his commentary input and feedback to be spot-on. His knowledge of the game and today's players is still

sharp. The decision to add Kornheiser was a giant head-scratcher to me. The Washington Post columnist and radio/TV show host has a knack for being abrasive and one dimensional. I'm sure what the ESPN/Disney powers were hoping for by signing Kornheiser in the often awkward "Color" spot. The slot has left its share of commentator carnage in its wake over the years.

Namath and most recently, Dennis Miller come to mind. O.J. Simpson and Dan Fouts were shorttimers, but they really weren't that bad.

Kornheiser on the other hand



viewers can expect long, provided Mickey Mouse network executives are willing to go that long with him. Perhaps of more concern is this is what his CO-hosts can expect. And they, namely Theismann, may not have the patience for it. If you listened close enough you could almost

Kornheiser Monday night. Kornheiser isn't a comedian. He isn't naively cute. The man knows his stuff but may be better suited for the gigs he has already carved a niche in. Some folks just can't work and play well with others.

hear Theismann getting a

little

perturbed with

And if Monday's game really did extend beyond his bedtime (which he said it did), maybe the network should consider a two man team. It worked for John Madden and Pat Summerall as well as Madden and Al Michaels.

As with the Miller experiment, when I want comedy, I'll seek it.

But when all I want to do is watch a football game, I expect the commentators to provide me information relative to the game, not mindless chatter given with a presumed punchline and imagined applause.

Let's see how the MNF season unfolds.

# PHS tennis team opens fall season in Wichita Falls

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

tennis team will travel to Wichita Falls where the

Harvesters will open the 2006 fall = varsity season.

Coach E m i l y Laurence says the first tournament of the season is always a "learning

experience.' "I will use this tourna-

ment to help set my lineup for when district starts," said Laurence. "This tournament is also going to be a growing experience for the younger girls on the team."

suspensions mean Laurence had to take four girls off the JV team.

The Pampa High School "They will be forced to grow up in a hurry," noted Laurence.

The second year head

coach said one thing she This tournament has noticed

— Emily Laurence Head Coach, PHS Tennis

in practice to is also going to be a this point is growing experience leaderthe ship of her for the younger senior memgirls on the team." bers. She also believes this team holds great promise for a solid season.

"I think this is a team that is ready to live up to our motto this year of 'Return to Dominance," Laurence said, adding the team's goal is to get back on top of the district and dominate as the Harvesters once did.

# results; two fire hole-in-one shots

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1st Place (61) R.D. Stephens

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Lions Club Day/Night

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**2nd Place** (55)

P. Montoya

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**5th Place** (58) C. Miller

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B. Brandon (#15)

Hole-in-One Butch Shepherd aced No.

15 Aug. 10 using a driver to cover the 164 yards to the cup. Witnesses were Jimmy Cantrell, Carl Johnson, Harley Knutson and Terry Cox.

Buster Kelley used an 8iron to ace the No. 8 hole Saturday. Witnesses were Donnie Nail, Don Adams and Steve Williams.

# Owens off the bike and on the field

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Yes, that was Terrell Owens on the field with his Dallas Cowboys teammates. No, they didn't simply move the bike out there.

Sidelined the previous 14 training sessions with a hamstring problem, TO finally practiced Wednesday in pads and a football helmet — not a bike helmet and shorts.

Though he said he still wasn't 100 percent, Owens took part in the nearly 2 1/2hour practice and, as has been his custom throughout camp, was the last player on the field.

"Not where I want to be, definitely

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improvement," Owens said. "I just felt like with the things I was doing rehabwise, I could do some limited stuff. We're not going to overboard. They're going to work me in until I get my endurance."

Coach Bill Parcells has made several references to needing Owens back and working with quarterback Drew Bledsoe. If there was a veiled message, Owens certainly got it.

"I feel like a lot of people have been speculating with me sitting on the bike every day. ... I'm not going to let anybody, as far as mediawise, coachingwise, speculate as far as my health is concern. I feel like I've got nothing to prove to anybody," he said.

edged he didn't want to be a

"I don't want to have any friction with anybody," he

Still, Owens acknowl-

said. "But I feel like at some time, when someone starts to question my heart or my injury, it does get under your skin a little bit." Last week, Owens wore

the Discovery Channel pro

cycling team's silver and

blue uniform to poke fun at

his long stint on the bike. He did ride it Wednesday on the sideline, where he's spent the last two weeks, but this time just for a quick warmup before the only practice of the day - his

first since Aug. 2. Parcells, who spoke only before practice, said perceptions that he was angry at the receiver were wrong.

"Can you get a little frustrated from time to time? Yeah," Parcells said. "But that's all. We'll see. Things will work out. ... I don't want to jeopardize the early part of the season by making mistake here. I really

# **POYC** football sign-ups net 77 on first day; more expected later today

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

First day registrations were brisk for the upcoming Pampa Optimist Youth Club football season. Organizers report 77 kids registered to play Wednesday. Registrations continue this afternoon between 5 and 7 at

the POYC building. The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way

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relationships in perspective. You might

want to stay focused on your long-term

goals, and the daily ups and downs of life

will not have the same ramifications. You

discover how much you can create or

work with. People in general help you

get where you want to be. If you are sin-

gle, you find juggling a relationship with

your busy social schedule challenging. If

you are attached, you discover that shar-

ing more with your sweetie adds to the

special moments. Schedule frequent get-

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

\*\*\* You are likely to flip from one

issue to another. You respond to urgency,

which will force you to change your

plans. The more flexible you are, the eas-

ier a time you will have. Keep communi-

\*\* You will need to make firm deci-

sions as to the direction in which you

want to go. Observe a tendency for com-

munication, spending or life in general to

get out of control. Maintain a policy of

\*\*\* You might be hard-pressed to

think that you are in some of your best

days this week. Others prove to be chal-

lenging. Keep a perspective and maintain

communication. You will be a lot happi-

no risking. Tonight: Out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

cations open. Tonight: Head on home.

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er if you simply center and don't react to

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could be off. Perhaps you had a bad night's sleep, or you are simply drained. Notice how much better you feel as the day gets older. Tonight: Be spontaneous. LEO (July-23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* Use the daylight hours to home in on something you care about. Understand what needs to happen. You might need to cook up a plan. You can do this if you relax and decide not to judge others. Schedule a late lunch. Tonight: Take some personal time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Stand up for what you believe, even if someone comes down on you. You can handle the pressure by letting it wash over you. Your instincts guide you well. A meeting or getting together with friends could easily turn into a social

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* You see much more than many people. Read between the lines. Communication demands creativity. If you don't make your point the first time, try other words or a different approach. Friends pitch in. Tonight: In the lime-

occasion. Tonight: Where the gang is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\* Get to the bottom of a problem.

Your finances might be iffy or questionable. You can figure out a solution if you work closely with a partner. Be more aware of others' expectations. You will get far as a result. Tonight: Off to the movies

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AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Your imagination takes priority. You could disappoint a friend or two who would like you to follow their lead. You can only do so much. Listen to what is being offered. Follow through on what

you want. Tonight: Kick back. You deserve some downtime. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* You come from a grounded point of view. Listen to what is being shared, and work with information. You might

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### **ECONOMY**

# Job claims fall by largest amount in month

number of newly laid off workers fil- July as employers added just 113,000 ing claims for unemployment benefits fell last week by the largest amount in a month.

The Labor Department reported that 312,000 workers applied for jobless benefits, down by 10,000 from the previous week.

That was a larger-than-expected drop but was not likely to change economists' view that the labor market is softening under the impact of a slowing economy.

The decline of 10,000 in jobless applications was the biggest since a drop of 29,000 in the week of July 15. Even with the drop, the four-week moving average of claims increased slightly to 311,250, compared to 309,500 in the previous week.

The unemployment rate jumped to a sharp rise in layoffs. Employers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The a five-month high of 4.8 percent in new jobs, the fourth-straight month of mediocre job gains.

> The Federal Reserve last week broke a two-year string of increases in a key interest rate, declaring that they believed the slowing economy would lower inflation pressures.

So far the economic slowdown that began in the spring has not triggered have been content to trim their hiring plans but hang on to existing workers as they wait to see how severe the drop-off in economic activity will

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Reports this week that core inflation, which excludes energy and food, had declined at both the wholesale and consumer levels spurred a big stock market rally on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Investors are hoping that the lower inflation readings along with reports showing economic growth is slowing will convince the Fed to refrain from raising interest rates further.

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CANYON — Turquoise owners have a rare opportunity to have their gems identified and evaluated by Joe Lowry, owner of the Turquoise Museum in Albuquerque, N.M. Participants may bring one or two turquoise items to "Pieces of the Sky" from 2-3:30 p.m. Aug. 26 in Hazlewood Lecture Hall of Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon.

Lowry's family has been at the center of the turquoise trade for three generations. He will present a hands-on lecture on the geology, history, cultural significance and mythology of turquoise.

He will also sign copies of his book "Turquoise Unearthed: An Illustrated Guide" which will be offered for sale at the museum.

The upcoming program is being held in conjunction with the Duval Collection, an exhibition of gems, which continues through Jan. 29, 2007, at PPHM.

Pieces from the Duval Collection are taken from around the world and represent a variety of form and color. A highlight of the exhibit is one of the world's largest "gem quality" turquoise nuggets.

The fee for "Pieces of the Sky" will be \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. Participants should RSVP to Amy David by Aug. 18 at (806) 651-2233 or adavid@pphm.wtamu.edu.



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