

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

A public meeting to discuss the future of Lake McClellan will be from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m. Wednesday at the Gray County Annex, 12125 E. Frederic.

The Cibola National Forest and Grasslands, which manage Lake McClellan as part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service, is holding the meeting.

Wednesday's meeting will include information on the initial phase of the planning process, called the Comprehensive Evaluation Report. The report details the area's existing conditions and any need for change in management of resources or land uses on the Kiowa, Rita Blanca, Black Kettle, and McClellan Creek National Grasslands.

Senior breakfast

The revised plan which will be developed for the grasslands will include a long-term vision of the desired conditions and a general strategy for managing natural resources and land use activities. It will describe objectives that will be used to set priorities and guidelines for future proposed action.

The plan will not establish any limitations or prohibitions, commit to implementing specific actions or projects, or address localized, sitespecific issues or concerns.

The plan would change the name of Lake McClellan to the McClellan Creek Recreation Area. Boating, swimming, fishing, and lake symbols on maps would be removed. "Although the water level needed

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Appraisal board OKs **'07 budget**

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Gray County Appraisal District's Board of Directors approved a proposed \$576,404 budget for the district's 2007 fiscal year this morning at their meeting in the conference room of the district offices at 815 N. Sumner.

The budget total is a 3.3499 percent increase over 2006 budget of the \$557,721.

A public hearing preceded the vote on the budget. No residents of the district's area of coverage attended or offered comments.

The budget increase is due in part to rising costs of travel, insurance and postage equipment, said Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley. Another possible cost increase may occur concerning the contract for a minerals appraiser for the district,

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Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Ashley Martinez, left, talks with her mother Alice Martinez during the Pampa High School Senior Breakfast today in the Heritage Room of the M.K. Brown Civic Center. The annual breakfast is hosted by the Pampa Independent School District board of trustees for the high school senor class and their parents.

Hereford ethanol plant groundbreaking Thursday

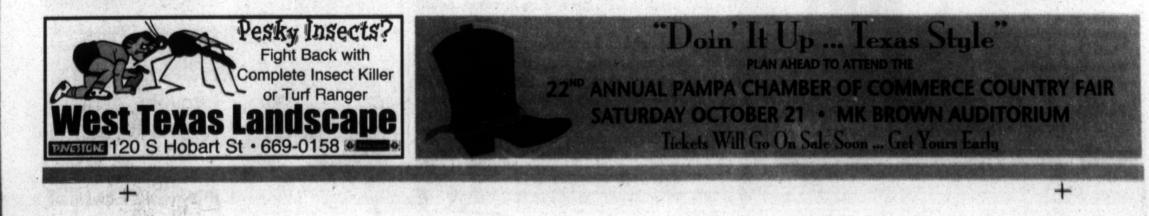
HEREFORD - Groundbreaking ceremony for Panda Ethanol's 100 million gallon ethanol plant will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday at 4300 County Road 8.

In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held at Spicer Gripp Memorial Arena at 1498 New York Ave. in Hereford.

Expected to attend are Hereford Mayor Bob Josserand, motivational speaker Suzie Humphries, Panda Ethanol Chief Executive Officer Todd Carter, Texas Commission of Environmental Quality Chairman Kathleen White, Renewable Fuels Association Spokesman Matt Hartwig, Texas State Senator Kel Seliger, and Texas State Representatives David Swinford, Warren Chisum and John Smithee.

The facility will generate the steam used to manufacture ethanol by gasifying more than 1 billion pounds of cattle manure a year, and annually refine approximately 40

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Obituaries

Fred Buss, 61

AMARILLO — Fred Buss, 61, died September 10, 2006, at Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Buss was born Sept. 2, 1945, at Vinita, Okla. He moved to Pampa in 1982 and worked for Halliburton.

He married Ava Nell Bingham on Sept. 10, 1999, in Amarillo.

Survivors include his wife, Ava Nell Buss,

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of the home; two stepsons, John Rush of Amarillo and Brian Rush of Pampa; a stepdaughter, Lesa Rush of Tulsa, Okla.; a sister, Trella Roberts of Gainesville, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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

Margaret P. Robinson, 84

AMARILLO — Margaret P. Robinson, 84, of Amarillo left this world to be with the Lord, Sept. 9, 2006, in Amarillo.

Memorial graveside services will be Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2006, at Lieb Cemetery in Morse, Texas. Arrangements are by Rector Funeral Home, Osage Chapel, 2800 South Osage, Amarillo TX 79103.

for five years; she was a loving

and great-great-grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her husband, son, parents, one brother, two sisters, and one grandson.

She is survived by a son, Bill Robinson of Pampa; three daughters, Dorthy Manning and husband Clarence of Marietta, Okla., Liz Farmer of Amarillo, and Carol Davis and husband Larry of Lancaster, Calif.; one brother, Fred Clason of Santa Maria, Calif.; 16

grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and friends.

chance of showers and thunderstorms. Areas of fog before noon. Otherwise, partly cloudy, with a high near 75. Northeast wind around 5 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. East wind around 5 mph becoming south.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 81. South-southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday: A 20 percent

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Partly cloudy, with a high near 81. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. - Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 86. South-southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 per-

thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Saturday: Mostly sunny,

with a high near 86. Southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 62. Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 80.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 58. Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Nine traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were received in the 2700 block of North Navajo, the intersection of Harvester and Duncan, and an unknown location.

Accidents were reported in the 1200 block of North Duncan, the intersection of Cuyler and Thut, and the 2200 block of Chestnut.

Forgery was reported in the 1100 block of North Frost and forgery by check was reported in the police department lobby.

Criminal mischief reports were made in the 2200 block of North Perryton Parkway and the 1800 block of North Banks where a window valued at \$100 was shot with a BB gun.

Runaways were reported in the 2400 block of North Charles and the 600 block of East Browning. One was later found.

Telephone harassment was reported in the police department lobby.

A violation of Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission was reported in the 2400 block of North Charles.

Disorderly conduct calls were received in the 1400 block of North Hobart, the 500 block of North Faulkner, and the 300 block of North Hobart.

Civil matters were reported in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill and the 1600 block of North Christy.

Warrant service was attempted at one location.

An animal complaint was received from the 1200 block of Darby and an injured animal report was made from an unknown location.

North Hobart. A missing person was reported in the 400 block of Hughes.

A welfare check was made in the 1100 block of Seneca.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 800 block of North Duncan, the 100 block of North Sumner and the 400 block of North Magnolia.

Escort service was provided in the 500 block of East Francis and the 200 block of North West.

Sheriff

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

Monday, Sept. 11

Neal Martin Shorter Jr., 29, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department on charges of no seat belt and failure to appear.

Jeremy Jo Hernandez, 28, homeless, was arrested by PPD on a charge of disorderly conduct/language.

Tuesday, Sept. 12

James Mack Thomas, 34, of Amarillo was arrested by GCSO on a bond forfeiture of theft by check.

Troyce Glenn Brewer, 38, of Pampa was arrested on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon, expired registration, expired insurance, expired inspection, no valid driver's license and an open container.

Fire

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

Monday, Sept. 11

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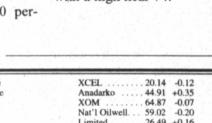
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regulators this week to resume operation of a segment of its pipeline so further tests can be made in hopes of restoring full production on Alaska's North Slope, a company executive told a Senate hearing

WASHINGTON (AP) -

BP PLC plans to ask federal

Tuesday. Robert Malone, chairman of BP America Inc., said hundreds of tests on the pipeline segment, shut down after extensive corrosion was found in early August after a spill, "have shown little corrosion" and that damaged segments can be bypassed.

If remaining inspections "show that the line has integrity we will request per-

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mission to restart the line," likely this week, said Malone. He cautioned that further tests will still have to be made before full oil flow could resume.

Any resumption of the system will have to be approved by the Transportation Department's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

Barrett, Thomas the agency's chief, said in remarks prepared for the Senate hearing that the agency is ready to hear BP's request for resuming operation.

"We recognize the importance of these pipelines to the nation's oil supply. ... But at the same time we must be assured that even a temporary, limited restart can be operated safely before it can proceed," Barrett said.

The shut eastern leg of BP pipeline system has cut production from the Prudhoe Bay fields in half to 200,000 barrels a day. The western leg had been restored earlier. Malone, testifying before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, apologized for the pipeline corrosion problems that have interrupted the flow of oil from Alaska.

Fraud was reported in the 900 block of South Wells.

Assaults were reported in the police department lobby and the 1100 block of South Christy.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 600 block of North Lowry and the 900 block of North Duncan.

Thefts were reported in the 1400 block of North Williston and the 700 block of nel responded to the intersection of Kentucky and Duncan on a vehicle accident.

5:58 p.m. - Two units and six personnel responded to the 2000 block of Charles on an alarm malfunction. Call was canceled en route.

8:49 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to the 700 block of East Brunow on a trash fire.

Cocaine addict set to die for 1991 slaying

of Huntsville, who was left

weapon in both those attacks

Evidence showed he stole

Josey's car and drove to

Houston, where an argument

over his continued drug use

led to a fight and Anderson's

the same week in July 1991.

ly pleaded guilty to the Anderson slaying at the

advice of his trial lawyer,

who argued Matchett should

death sentence," the inmate

"He set me up to get the

received a life prison term.

All three attacks occurred

Matchett said he ignorant-

was a hammer.

slaying.

HUNTSVILLE, Huntsville and who had as Texas (AP) — Condemned prisonmuch as a \$600-a-day crack cocaine habit, had pleaded er Farley Charles Matchett was headed to the Texas guilty to murder and took a life sentence for killing death chamber Tuesday for Melonee Josey, a 74-yearkilling his uncle 15 years old woman in Huntsville ago as part of a three-day who refused his request for violence spree that also left a woman dead and another \$10. He also agreed to a 99seriously injured. year sentence for beating 91-Matchett, 43, pleaded year-old Ola Mac Williams

guilty to capital murder and a Harris County jury decided with brain damage. The he should die for the fatal stabbing and beating of his 52-year-old in uncle Houston, Uries Anderson.

The execution would be the 21st this year in Texas, the nation's busiest capital punishment state.

Matchett's attorneys went to the courts to try to halt the lethal injection.

At the time of his trial in 1993, Matchett, who lived in

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Celanese Ltd. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to State Air Quality Permit No. 5083A and issuance of Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Quality Permit No. PSDTX1076 which would authorize modifications to and initial issuance of a PSD Permit for the Pampa Power Plant. The applicant has provided the following driving directions to the site: from Pampa, proceed west on Highway 60 for 5 miles and the plant is on the south side of the highway, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. Additional information concerning this combined application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

his case.

"You're so used to going forward on death penalty cases, anticipating a plea of not guilty," recalled Donna Goode, the Harris County assistant district attorney who was prosecuting Matchett. "It kind of caught everybody off guard."

But she said she had a "good jury and a strong case" that produced the death sentence.

"It's sad for the family and the victims," she said. "They're the ones who call me and it reminds me that their pain is still there. It's justice denied."

"He's definitely caused pain in my life and throughout the lives of my family members," Uries Anderson Jr., who lost his father, told the Houston Chronicle from Norfolk, Va., where he is a Navy officer. "Will death suffice for his punishment? Maybe. Maybe not. I think it's up to the higher being. Let him decide."

said on a Web site devoted to She Never Looked Finer. ut This Birthday Is Not



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Faulty chart blamed in crash LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - Comair was using an outdated chart of Lexington's Blue Grass Airport when one

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increase from 2006 to 2007

in budget comparisons are

salaries/wages, \$317,087 to

\$5,095; employment insur-

ance, \$45,000 to \$52,000;

mileage reimbursement,

\$950 to \$2,000; and

postage, \$5,000 to \$5,300;

account for the lion's share

of the 2007 budget,

accounting for \$446,759 of

the total. Personal services

include salaries and wages,

retirement, training, travel,

insurance, health/dental/life

insurance, worker's com-

pensation, and license, fees

The second most costly

item in the budget is con-

tractual services, which was

allocated \$86,215 for 2007.

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sulting fees, janitorial serv-

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of its planes took off on the wrong runway and crashed in flames, and the airline is now urging pilots to use "extreme caution," according to an e-mail obtained by

Lake

The Associated Press.

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for lake activities is not reliable enough to market it as a lake, the lake basin will periodically fill with water to provide boating, swimming, fishing, and other lake-based recreation reviewed our current plan opportunities at this site," and public comments from according to the proposed plan. Topics addressed in the proposed plan for the four grassland areas include roads, recreation opportunities, developed recreation sites, off-highway vehicle use, scenic resources, fire prevention and other public health and safety issues, community relations, livestock grazing, oil and gas, mineral and

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Airline spokeswoman Kate Marx said Monday that the alert was prompted because the airline had an old diagram of Blue Grass Airport.

The airline got a newer diagram on Friday, but even it didn't reflect all the recent changes to the taxiway.

grazing, clear identification of grasslands property boundaries, and formalized agreements for road main-"We have thoroughly

cial audit, and building, grounds and equipment maintenance. Supplies, materials and

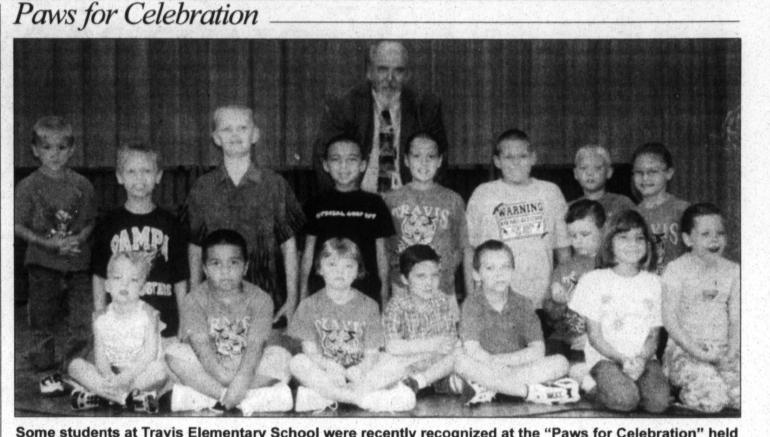
> equipment are budgeted \$21,250 in the district's new fiscal year. Included are office supplies, printing costs, janitorial supplies, photographic supplies, office equipment and furniture, postage, and items for the mapping system.

> The remainder of the budget is split between utilities, with \$13,730, and other expenses, at \$8,450.

Other expenses include legal notices, publications and subscriptions, liability and building insurance, and appraisal review board expense.

The appraisal district's income for 2007 will be \$26,200.10 from Grandview-Hopkins ISD; \$129,531.03, Gray County; \$299.24, City of Lefors; \$26,597.77, Lefors ISD; \$1,911.88, City of McLean; \$41,728.65, McLean ISD; \$65,256.76, City of Pampa; \$281,066.24, Pampa ISD; and \$3,812.33, water district.

No action was taken at the conclusion of a 30minute executive session during this morning's meeting concerning evaluation of Bagley.



Some students at Travis Elementary School were recently recognized at the "Paws for Celebration" held during morning assembly at the school. Students are recognized by their teachers for being outstanding Travis Tigers. These special assemblies are scheduled the first and third Friday of each month. Pictured: (Back row, left-right) Joshua DeMaroney, Ethan Eakin, Andrew Vogel, Cody Maddox, Sage Dorn, Wade Reagan, Nathan Bass, Jacie Studebaker; (front row, I-r) Reid Smith, Sidney Armendariz, Mariah Schiffman, Austin Doyle, Hunter White, Hunter Lane, Kathlyn Cummins and Samatha Clancy. Not pictured: Dayanna Frogge. Standing in the back is Travis Principal Doug Rapstine.

Spacewalker loses bolt, worries about damage

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) ---Spacewalking astronauts worried they have may have gummed up a successful job connecting an addition to the international space station today when a bolt, spring and washer floated free.

Astronaut Joe Tanner was working with the bolt when it sprang loose, floated over the head of Heidemarie Stefanyshyn-Piper and skittered across the 17 1/2-ton box-like truss that they were hooking up.

While the washer went out into space safely, Tanner worried the bolt and spring could get into the truss's wiring and tubing and causing problems.

"Not a good thing," Tanner said. "Let's hope it doesn't end up somewhere in the mechanism.

"I don't see it anywhere."

NASA managers were examining whether the lost bolt would be a problem. Space debris can be dangerous if it punctures space station walls or spacesuits and can jam crucial mechanisms. However, spacewalkers have a long history of losing material in space. In July, Discovery spacewalkers lost a 14inch-long spatula that floated away.

The free-flying bolt marred an otherwise successful and speedy six-hour, 26-minute spacewalk Tuesday morning.Two other spacewalks are planned for later this week.

"You did a phenomenal job and set the bar very high for the rest of the assembly," Pam Melroy radioed from Mission Control when the spacewalk

ended late Tuesday morning.

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Tanner and Piper zipped through a jam-packed list of arduous but mundane construction tasks, putting NASA ahead of schedule in connecting the addition. With extra time, Mission Control assigned them half a dozen extra jobs of bolt removing and cover unlatching that would have been part of a Thursday spacewalk.

That's when the bolt got lost.

Atlantis astronauts Dan Burbank and Steve MacLean will head into space on Thursday.

The spacewalk was a first for rookie astronaut Piper, who joined an elite club of female spacewalkers.

Angry conservatives like what Kinky says

AUSTIN (AP) — Cigar-chomping cowboy Kinky Friedman seems to be offering a home for conservatives disgruntled by Gov. Rick Perry's administration.

Friedman, the independent gubernatorial candidate, has said he'll reduce state spending, eliminate the new business tax and use the state surplus to curtail illegal immigration and crime in Houston if he's elected in November. It's a platform that resonates with Republicans who say they feel betrayed by Perry's policies, especially the new business tax they call a state income tax in disguise.

New Taxes and Citizens for Lowering Our Unfair Taxes that conservative radio host and state Senate candidate Dan Patrick wonders whether Friedman stole their ideas.

"What his campaign platform is now is what I've been talking about for years," said Patrick, who is heavily favored to win his northwest Houston district in November. "I think it's fascinating that he has figured out in his campaign where the majority of conservatives stand on the issues when others have not."

praises conservative icon Ronald Reagan and other GOP leaders.

And he's taking a harsh stance on illegal immigration, saying he'll add 8,500 National Guard troops to the border, fine companies tens of thousands

tenance.

Items which may be changed or updated under the new plan include unrestricted motorized vehicle travel, spread of invasive trees and plants, livestock

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past planning efforts on the Grasslands, and drafted an initial evaluation of what management trends should be modified or continued into the future," said Forest Supervisor Nancy Rose. "I encourage the public to communicate with the planning team as we revise the Grasslands Plan so it will reflect the resource conditions and land uses wood that you would like us to heritage

maintain into the future." For more information, call the Cibola National Forest Service office in Albuquerque, N.M. at (505)-346-3900.

His platform so closely matches the agendas of groups like Texans for No

Friedman also stands with Republicans who want to see prayer and the Ten Commandments back in schools and he frequently quotes or

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of dollars for hiring illegal immigrants and force migrants who want jobs in Texas to pass a criminal background check and buy a foreign taxpayer ID card.

Experts say Friedman has almost no chance of pulling enough voters away from Perry to win the race. And Perry spokesman Robert Black said he believes conservative voters will stick with what they know.

Ethanol needs. **Continued from Page 1**

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Viewpoints

Nature: It beats eye-strain and writer's cramp

What is it about fishing that is so enjoyable, at least for some people?

Maybe it's the use of strategy, of pitting one's skills and knowledge against that wily old monster fish that is lurking at the bottom of the lake and knows how to eat all the bait off of hooks without ever getting caught.

Maybe it's the thrill of the catch, or the knowledge that you have the ability to obtain food from nature if necessary.

Maybe it's just being away from offices, desks, telephones, computers and all the other accoutrements of the workaday world, and instead being in the great

outdoors.

it.

I have been fishing since childhood, and I still enjoy Whenever possible, unless I plan to eat my catch day. or give it to someone I know will eat it, I release the fish, but I'm not one of those peonose ple who scream that catching fish for sport is cruel or

immoral. I recently got a chance to go fishing at Lake Fryer and at Recreation Park Lake. I had a blast.

None of my fish would ever justify a photo in the paper, or be worth mounting to hang on the wall. I can't even force myself to lie big enough to make any of them sound like whales.

managed to catch some catfish, bluegill, perch and bass, all in one

Marilyn If I pulled hard on the Powers and Staff Writer tail of my biggest

recent catch, it

might stretch far enough to be a foot long. I didn't care. I was too busy enjoying myself.

My smallest catch of the small fry I reeled in was -I'm not kidding – less than three inches long. It was a little perch whose mouth wasn't even big enough to fit

But I had fun anyway. I around the hook. It was hanging on for dear life to the worm I was using as bait,

and lost its grip just as I got it over dry land. Feeling as though I was now so desperate I was fishing

for bait, I got the little fellow back into the water and he zoomed off, hopefully to get a little bigger before trying to bite another hook.

What made my perch even more hilarious to catch was the fact that a nursing home minibus had parked not too far from my spot and an eld-

erly gentleman in a wheelchair was drinking in every moment of the drama, grinning at my antics.

One of the fellows who was helping the small group had brought a couple of fishing rods and reels, and some bait was obtained for the elderly fisherman and his helping friend.

It was my turn to enjoy the show. I got a great kick out of watching the old fellow's delight as he caught and reeled in a small bass and a small catfish or two.

Of course, not everyone you meet at the lake is your idea of an ideal encounter. At Recreation Park Lake, there was the inevitable dog let

loose by its owners without being on a leash, contrary to park rules. And naturally, the pooch was very interested in me and what I was doing, and succeeded in getting underfoot and being very distracting.

But such incidents fail to dampen my enthusiasm for fishing. I enjoy being outdoors, away from it all, even if I don't catch a single fish.

I think we all need to spend some time outdoors once in awhile, to reconnect with nature and remind ourselves of the various ways in which Nature is beautiful and wonderful.

Besides, it sure beats eyestrain and writer's cramp.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 12, the 255th day of 2006. There are 110 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 12, 1609, English explorer Henry Hudson sailed into the river that now bears his name.

On this date:

In 1880, author and journalist H.L. Mencken was born in Baltimore.

In 1914, during World War I, the First Battle of the Marne ended in an Allied victory against Germany.

In 1938, Adolf Hitler demanded self-determination for the Sudeten Germans in Czechoslovakia.

We must be willing to pay a price for freedom, for no price that is ever asked for it is half the cost of doing without it."

— H.L. Mencken American author and journalist (1880-1956)

In 1943, German paratroopers took Mussolini Benito from the hotel where he was being held by the Italian government.

In 1944, the second Quebec Conference opened with President Roosevelt and British Minister Prime Winston Churchill in attendance. 1953. In

Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy married Jacqueline Lee Bouvier in Newport, R.I.



In 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy addressed the issue of his Roman Catholicism, telling a Protestant group in Houston, "I do not speak for my church on public matters, and the church does not speak for me."

In 1966, "The Monkees" debuted on NBC TV; the situation comedy "Family Affair" premiered on CBS.

In 1977, South African black student leader Steven Biko died while in police custody, triggering an international outcry.

In 1986, Joseph Cicippio, the acting comptroller at the American University in Beirut, was kidnapped; he was released in December 1991.

Ten years ago: Last-minute intervention by Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole led to Senate postponement of action on a treaty designed to eliminate chemical weapons. President Clinton said the agreement was threatened by "a bitter partisan debate."

Five years ago: Stunned rescue workers continued to search for bodies in the World Trade Center's smoking rubble a day after a terrorist attack that shut down the financial capital, badly damaged the Pentagon and left thousands dead. President Bush, branding the attacks in New York and Washington "acts of war," said "this will be a monumental struggle of good versus evil" and that "good will prevail."

One year ago: Officials in New Orleans reported the bodies of more than 40 mostly elderly patients were found in a flooded-out hospital.



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There's so much confusion and emotionalism about discrimination that I thought I'd take a stab at a dispasanalysis. sionate Discrimination is simply the act of choice. When we choose Bordeaux wine, we discriminate against Burgundy wine. When I married Mrs. Williams, I discriminated against other women. Even though I occasionally think about equal opportunity, Mrs. Williams demands continued discrimination.

You say, "Williams, such discrimination doesn't harm anyone." You're wrong. Discriminating in favor of Bordeaux wine reduces the value of resources held in Burgundy production. Discriminating in favor of Mrs. Williams harmed other women by reducing their opportunity set, assuming I'm a man other women would marry.

Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

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Fort Worth Star-Telegram on the Wright Amendment:

Small wonder that some members of Congress, most notably certain senators, have raised serious questions about the locally crafted agreement to immediately change, and eventually repeal, the Wright Amendment's flight restrictions at Dallas Love Field.

The agreement has flaws that cause even some of its proponents to wince. Still, the crucial question is whether those flaws are so awful as to make the proposed agreement an unacceptable replacement for the significantly less-

Our lives are spent discriminating for or against one thing or another. In other words, choice requires discrimination. When we modify the term with race, sex, height, weight or age, we merely specify the choice criteria.

Imagine Walter how silly, Williams not to mention impos-Columnist sible, life would be if discrimination were

outlawed. Imagine engaging in just about any activity where we couldn't discriminate by race, sex, height, weight, age, mannerisms, college selection, looks or ability; it would turn into a carnival.

I've sometimes asked students if they believe in equal opportunity in employment. Invariably, they answer yes. Then I ask them, when they

than-ideal status quo.

Reasonable people in Congress could argue either side of that question, and perhaps this month they will. No one should fear that debate.

Congress returns to work today after a monthlong recess. Legislation to approve the Wright Amendment agreement - negotiated earlier this year by Dallas Mayor Laura Miller and Fort Worth Mayor Mike Moncrief, and signed by representatives of American Airlines, Southwest Airlines and D/FW Airport - was pending when lawmakers began their August break.

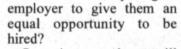
The House and Senate Judiciary committees are set to review antitrust concerns about the agreement. Insiders say that the House committee is not expected to dedicate a full hearing to

graduate, whether they plan Indian, to give every employer an equal opportunity to hire them. Most often they answer no; they plan to discriminate against certain employers. Then I ask them, if they're not going to give

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every employer an opportunity to them, what's fair about requiring an



Sometimes students will argue that certain forms of discrimination are OK, but it's racial discrimination that's truly offensive. That's when I confess my own history of racial discrimination. In the late 1950s, whilst selecting a lifelong mate, even though white, Mexican,

Chinese and Japanese women might have been just as qualified as a mate, I gave them no chance whatsoever. It appears that most Americans act identically by racially discriminating in setting up marriage contracts. According to the 1992 Census Bureau, only 2.2 percent of Americans are married to people other than their own race or ethnicity.

You say, "All right, Williams, discrimination in marriage doesn't have the impact on society that other forms of discrimination have." You're wrong again. When there is assortive (non-random) mate selection, it heightens whatever group differences exist in the population. For instance, higher IQ individuals tend toward mates with high IQs. High-income people tend to mate with other high-income people.

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the matter. Whether the Senate committee will hold a hearing is yet to be determined.

On at least one area of concern reduction in the number of gates authorized at Love Field - those who oppose the agreement are wasting their breath. On other issues, serious antitrust worries about the agreement are both reasonable and justified - but are they so bad as to scuttle local leaders' months of hard work and difficult negotiations and plunge North Texas back to the decades-old, battle-scarred flight restrictions of the status quo?

Love Field's current master plan allows 32 gates under the Wright Amendment's destination restrictions

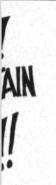


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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: You printed a letter on Aug. 2 from the grandmother of a 5-year-old boy, "Andrew Jr.," whose father has refused to see him. And when the father remarried and had another son, the child was also given the name Andrew Jr. She said she didn't understand why the man was punishing the boy. Abby, I suspect the father may have learned that he is not the child's biological father. Or, he believes that he is not. I found out that one of my children was fathered by someone else because of a blood test for medical reasons. My wife was quite promiscuous, and my mother-in-law didn't have a clue that her daughter could only guess at who might be the father of at least one of her children. We are now divorced for other reasons, but I never let any of my children know that I was not their father. They have turned out to be delightful, wonderful human beings, and I am happy to be their "father." My exwife is now looking for happiness with soon-to-be husband No. 5. She just cannot be satisfied with one man at a time. --SEES BOTH SIDES IN SAN FRANCIS-CO

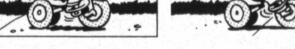
DEAR SEES BOTH SIDES: The number of readers who wrote to say they have had the same experience you did, frankly, raised some eyebrows in my office -including my own. I applaud you for doing the right and compassionate thing. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The same thing happened to me as a child when my parents divorced, but the person who refused to see me was my mother. She also did not call or send letters to me and my younger brother. She died 10 years later, after refusing to even tell us she was ill. (We found out after her funeral.) Not only did my mom stay away, but her whole family did, too, including half-brothers I was raised with. Like the child in the letter from "Concerned Grandma," I, too, had a lot of questions growing up about why Mom didn't want us anymore. Sad to say, my dad and stepmom handled the situation badly. I would urge the mother and grandmother not to badmouth "Andy's" father or tell the boy his father didn't want him or abandoned him. Instead, remind him how much he is loved, and simply answer that of course his father still loves him -- it's just that some fathers can't show it as well as others. Maybe someday that father will come around and realize the mistake he made in missing out on his firstborn's life. - FORGOTTEN **DAUGHTER IN MISSOURI**

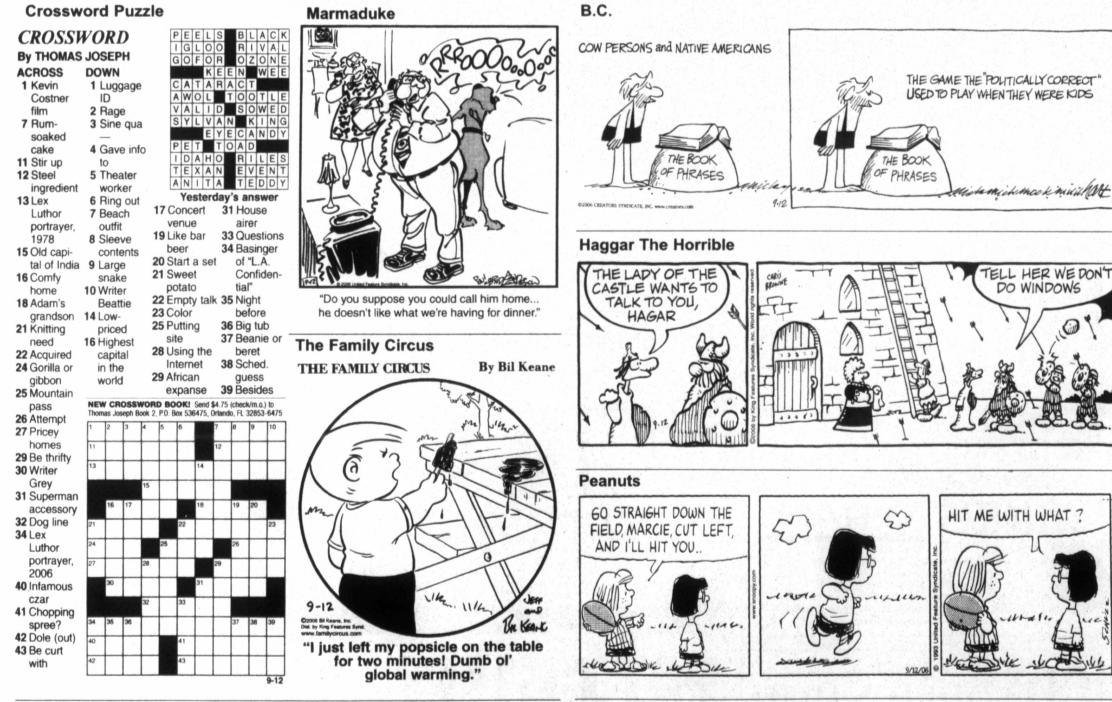
DEAR ABBY: I experienced the same thing. I handled it like this: I never said a bad word about his father, his new life or his family. I explained that we can never really understand what goes on in someone else's life, but the day would come when he might look for answers himself. When I received one of the few -- very small -support checks, rather than cash it I'd put it someplace where I knew my son would see it. In my state there is a logo on the check that identifies it as a support check. This allowed my son to think, and sometimes even say, "At least he sends money for me." Those checks were so few and far between that many of them were never cashed, as the 180 days expired before I received a new one to lay around. But it worked. My son grew up without anger, and that was my goal. And now, at the age of 22, he is just beginning to know his dad. My ex has thanked me for what I did, but what I did was for my son -- for his spirit and sense of self-worth. -- LOVING **MOTHER, BEAVER DAM, WIS.**

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Sports Day

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Coming off a bronze medal performance at the Wayland Baptist Coca-Cola Classic, head coach Sonia VanGilder and her Pampa volleyball team traveled to Amarillo to face a very talented Tascosa squad Saturday afternoon.

Though the Lady Harvesters lost in straight sets (16-25, 20-25, 16-25), VanGilder saw plenty of positives her team can use to build on as the start of the district season looms just one week from today. "We lost in three," VanGilder said, "but I think we played well. We looked good. Hopefully we will get a few more touches with a new rotation and get even better."

Pampa faces another tough test as the Lady Harvesters return to Amarillo tonight for a meeting with the No. 1 5A team in the state (TGCA poll), Amarillo High. The junior varsity game will begin at 6, varsity at 7.

Pampa opens the District 3-4A season Sept. 19 at home against Dumas.

Pampa at Tascosa (16-25, 20-25, 16-25) Saturday

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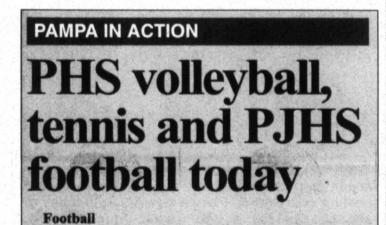
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Libby Dyson- 8 digs Stephanie McVay- 2 kills, 1 solo block, 4 assisted blocks, 2 digs, 1 save, 16 assists Krishna Henderson- 4 kills, 1 assisted block, 2 aces, 6 digs Logan Winkelman- 4 kills, 1 solo block, 1 ace, 3 digs, 1 save Kelby Doughty- 2 digs, 2 assists Nicole Clark- 3 kills, 1 solo block, 1 assisted block, 2 aces, 10 digs Cassy Tice-1 ace, 4 digs Jackye Barber- 5 kills, 4 solo blocks, 1 assisted block, 5 digs

Stephanie Jasso- 1 kill, 1 dig



The Pampa Junior High School 7th and 8th grade football teams open the season today against Borger. The 7th grade teams will host the Bulldogs at PJHS field starting at 5 p.m. The 8th grade team will travel to Borger. Those games are also set for a 5 p.m. start.

Pampa falls to Lady Rebels; It was a 'special' win for many reasons faces Amarillo High tonight

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

A few days have passed, enough time to allow the thrill of the game and all that surround it to dissipate. Time to prepare for the next challenge, Amarillo High.

Still, it is worth a moment of reflection. The week-long intrusion by the NBC network cameras. The first home game of the season. And a Cavalier back on the Pampa sidelines, coaching the Harvesters.

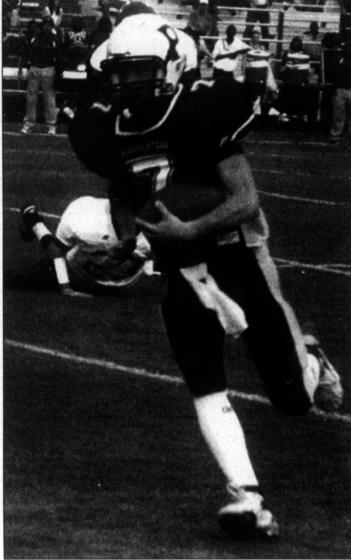
Coach Andy Cavalier guided his team to its first win of the season, a 21-18 decision over a scrappy Estacado bunch. It was also his first win as the new head coach of the team his late father coached for many years.

That being said, how big was Friday night's win for Coach Cavalier? "The win on Friday night was very special to me for several reasons," Cavalier said. "First, for our players. They deserved a victory for the effort and overall team spirit they displayed all week. Our staff deserved a victory for the long hours they have been putting in as we work hard to transition to our new schemes. And for me personally, it was my first win as a head coach on our home field in front of our community, what more could you ask?"

Among the bright spot for Pampa Friday night was the leg of kicker Dock Mackie. Despite missing his one extra point attempt the week before in Perryton, Mackie was a rock against the Matadors, going three-for-three, including one extra point attempt made even longer by a Pampa penalty. "Dock really came through for us Friday night," Cavalier said. "Of course against Perryton we missed our only attempt, so I was a little concerned with his confidence. His extra points were the difference in the way the score board turned out."

In summarizing his team's performance against Estacado Friday, Coach Cavalier said, "Overall I thought our effort was much better than last week (Perryton). Our execution still leaves much to be desired, but if we continue to work as we have, it will automatically get better."

And though a wonderful opportunity to spotlight our community, his team and his staff, not having an NBC camera man or sound guy attached to your hip must be a nice break. "It is nice to be able to focus on Amarillo High," Cavalier said, adding, "and we better do a good job of just that. Amarillo High is an excellent football team that will be very confident. We are playing them on their Homecoming atmosphere should be the great." Pampa and Amarillo High will hook up Friday night at Dick



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa quarterback Casey Trimble runs for big yardage against Estacado Friday night. The run set up a Harvester touchdown.

Bivins Stadium. Cavalier says James Coffee, Madison Wilson and Dustin Forney should be back in uniform and ready to play. "Those three make us better just with their presence," Cavalier said.

PHS tennis team drops two in Frenship

The Harvester Tennis Team competed against Frenship and Midland Christian in Frenship Saturday. The Harvesters lost both of the matches but as most coaches will say, "they played better than the score reflects."

Pampa head coach Emily Laurence said, "We played well in the afternoon, but our problem is being able to finish." She continued, "We would get close in the games and then lose them at three-all which is tough. Right now we are still at the stage of beating ourselves, not losing to the opponent." The only wins in the morning match came courtesy of Michael Foreman and Kevin Frels in doubles, and Jack Ware in singles. In the afternoon, the only wins came by way of Ware and Ashley Hernandez, both in singles. "I was especially proud of Jack Ware," Laurence said. "He has a huge desire to win and plays with a lot of heart." Pampa faces Tascosa in Amarillo this afternoon. "I purposely set up a tough schedule for this fall and it will continue with a great Tascosa team. It has been a difficult preseason for us, but in the long run, it has better prepared us for district play," Laurence said.

- 6. Landon McNeely lost to S. Mantooth 3-6, 4-6 7. Jack Ware def. Balko 8-3
- **Girls Singles**
- 1. Haley Acker lost to J. Bell 4-6, 2-6
- 2. Kourtney Farmer lost to C. Oliver 1-6, 1-6
- 3. Anna Julian lost to M. Rey 0-6, 2-6

Volleyball

The varsity and junior varsity Lady Harvester volleyball teams are in Amarillo tonight for matches against Amarillo High. The JV will take the court at 6, followed by the varsity at 7.

Tennis

The Pampa High School tennis team is on the road this afternoon to face the Tascosa Rebels at the Austin Tennis Center at Austin Middle School. Matches are scheduled to start at 4 p.m.

Pampa's Jimenez takes third at Wolf **Creek Classic**

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The Pampa Cross Country team traveled to Lake Fryer near Perryton Saturday to compete in the Wolf Creek Classic. An estimated 150 JV runners and 130 varsity runners were on hand for the event.

Audri Leak led the way for the Pampa junior varsity girls, finishing 46th with a time of 17:04. Other top Harvester finishes include:

-Amy Adams, 65th (18:14)

- -Teysha Parker, 74th (18:40)
- -Hannah Hopkins, 80th (19:100
- -Megan Gragg, 88th (19:34)
- -Olivia Chairez, 93rd (19:53)

For the junior varsity boys, Ryan Freudenrich finished 34th with a time of 22:20.

On the varsity side of the event, Chelsey Knight led the Pampa girls, finishing 14th with a time of 14:11. Other top Harvester finishes include:

-Kylee Wariner, 61st (15:31)

-Marli Street, 66th (15:40)

- -Maggie Hopkins, 81st (16:07)
- -Amanda Harkins, 90th (16:23)
- -Whitney Webster, 97th (16:39)
- -Victoria Jenkins, 99th (16:43)

For the varsity boys, Matt Jimenez finished third (17:20) while Jimmy Logan finished 57th (22:10)

Pampa next competes Saturday at Thompson Park in Amarillo.

Pampa 2, Frenship 18 **Boys Doubles**

- 1. Foreman/Frels def. Fillman/Macha 6-4, 6-0
- 2. Foreman/Morris lost to Blako/Wurst 2-6, 2-6
- McNeely/Fortenberry lost to Shui/Wilkinson 2-6, 2-6 **Girls Doubles**
- 1. Acker/Farmer lost to Bell/Oliver 1-6, 5-7
- 2. Julian/Barnett lost to Day/White 1-6, 0-6
- 3. Albracht/Hernandez lost to Mayne/Metzler 0-6, 1-6 **Mixed Doubles**
- 1. Ware/Whittley lost to Nugent/Rosen 6-7 (6-8), 2-6 **Boys Singles**
- 1. Michael Foreman lost to J. Macha 3-6, 3-6
- Kevin Frels lost to C. Fillman 4-6, 0-6
- 3. Tyler Morris lost to J. Chui 0-6, 0-6
- Jareth Fortenberry lost to J. Wilkinson 0-6, 3-6 4.
- 5. Myles Foreman lost to N. Wurst 3-6, 6-7 (5-7)

- 4. Megan Barnett lost to A. Day 3-6, 3-6
- 5. Krissa Whittley lost to W. White 4-6, 0-6
- 6. Brenna Albracht lost to O. Metzler 0-6, 0-6

Pampa 2, Midland Christian 19 **Boys Doubles**

- 1. Foreman/Frels lost to Hilliano/Burkes 3-6, 6-4, (6-10)
- 2. Foreman/Morris lost to Moore/Aylesworth 1-6, 2-6
- 3. McNeely/Fortenberry lost to Daugherty/Hilliano 5-7, 1-6

Girls Doubles

- 1. Acker/Farmer lost to Fitzgibbons/Roberts 1-6, 4-6
- 2. Julian/Barnett lost to Weiner/Durham 4-6, 1-6
- 3. Albracht/Hernandez lost to Sweatt/Bell 3-6, 5-7 **Mixed Doubles**
- 1. Ware/Whittley lost to Carrol/Smith 5-7. 0-6

Boys Singles

- 1. Michael Foreman lost to James Aylesworth 3-6, 4-6
- 2. Kevin Frels lost to Bradley Hilliano 1-6, 1-6
- 3. Tyler Morris lost to William Burkes 0-6, 1-6
- 4. Jareth Fortenberry lost to Riley Boone 3-6, 1-6
- 5. Myles Foreman lost to Seth Donnell 4-6, 3-6
- 6. Landon McNeely lost to Dustin Hall 6-1, 2-6, (5-10)
- 7. Jack Ware def. Ben Scott 8-6

Girls Singles

- 1. Haley Acker lost to Megan Fitzgibbons 3-6, 1-6
- 2. Kourtney Farmer lost to Samantha Weiner 4-6, 6-3, (5-10)
- 3. Anna Julian lost to Shelly Durham 2-6, 0-6
- 4. Megan Barnett lost to Amanda Roberts 4-6, 2-6
- 5. Krissa Whittley lost to Sarah Carter 3-6, 2-6
- 6. Brenna Albracht lost to Emily Bradshaw 1-6, 2-6
- 7. Ashley Hernandez def. Claire Sweatt 8-5

Landis attorney wants doping charges dismissed

(AP) — The attorney for Floyd Landis is questioning the accuracy of the positive testosterone tests attributed to the Tour de France winner and asking that doping charges be dismissed.

In a letter sent to the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, attorney Howard Jacobs disputed the accuracy of the carbon isotope ratio tests performed on Landis' urine sample at a lab in France.

Jacobs also argued the analysis of a different test, the testosteroneepitestosterone analysis, "is replete with fundamental, gross errors," including mismatched sample code numbers. Jacobs said the positive finding on the backup 'B' sample came from a sample number not assigned to Landis.

"It's incredibly sloppy" work, Jacobs said Monday in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "It has to make you wonder about the accuracy of the work."

Both Landis and USADA had representatives at the testing of the 'B' sample.

Jacques de Ceaurriz, the head of the French lab that conducted the Landis tests, had no immediate comment, his office said Tuesday.

USADA general counsel Travis Tygart said the doping agency couldn't comment on specific cases but noted it is not unusual for athletes and their attorneys to seek dismissal of cases.

"Our standard process allows all athletes to make a submission to the USADA review board, and those submissions are seriously considered prior to any case going forward," Tygart said.

A review board is expected to issue a recommendation on Landis' case sometime in the next week.

That process could be delayed if USADA responds directly to Jacobs'

letter.

If the review board recommends sanctions against Landis, he is expected to appeal and ask for an arbitration hearing. Jacobs has said he would seek a public hearing, and USADA has said it would agree to that.

Landis issued a statement reasserting his innocence.

"I did not take testosterone or any other performance-enhancing substance, and I'm very happy that the science is confirming my innocence," he said. "I was relieved, but not surprised, when I learned that scientific experts found problems with the test."

Dr. Gary Wadler, a member of World Anti-Doping Agency and a spokesman for the American College of Sports Medicine, said Landis' attempt to have the charges dismissed by questioning the science behind the tests wasn't unusual.

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AP High School Football Poll

Here is The Associated Press' high school poll after week two, with first place votes in parentheses, records, points based on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1, and the team's ranking in last week's poll: Class 5A

Team	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. Southlake Carroll (17)	1-0	196	1	
2. Lufkin (3)	2-0	180	2	
3. Garland	2-0	131	3	
 A&M Consolidated 	2-0	122	4	
5. Smithson Valley	2-0	108	6	
6. Euless Trinity	1-0	97	5	
7. Austin Westlake	2-0	94	7	
8. Galena Park North Shore	2-0	70	8	
9. Katy	2-0	45	9	
10. Richardson Berkner	2-0	20	10	

Also receiving votes: Plano 9, Spring Westfield 9, Cedar Hill 8, SA Madison 3, Leander 2, Allen 2, S. Grand Prairie 1, EP Coronado 1, Lubbock Monterey 1, Killeen Ellison 1. Class 4A

Class 4A				
Team	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. Brenham (17)	2-0	197	1	
2. Copperas Cove (1)	2-0	151	3	
3. Texarkana	2-0	148	2	
4. Stephenville (1)	2-0	133	4	
5. Corpus Christi Calallen	2-0	107	5	
6. La Marque	2-0	93	7	
7. Rosenberg Lamar Consolidated	2-0	76	8	
8. Highland Park (1)	2-0	64	9	
9. Wolfforth Frenship	2-0	56	10	
10. Aledo	2-0	27	x	

Dropped out: Denton Ryan.

Also receiving votes: Waco 24, Keller Fossil Ridge 11, Marshall 5, Denton Ryan 3, McKinney North 2, EP Riverside 1, Plainview 1, New Braunfels Canyon 1

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Team	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. Cuero (13)	2-0	192	1	
2. Gilmer (7)	2-0	171	2	
3. West Orange-Stark	2-0	143	3	
4. Giddings	2-0	141	4	
5. Texarkana Liberty-Eylau	2-0	110	6	
6. Hutto	2-0	95	7	
7. Palestine	2-0	65	T8	
T8. Sweetwater	2-0	59	10 .	
T8. Celina	2-0	59	T8	
10. Dallas Madison	2-0	16	X	

Dropped out: Cameron Yoe.

Also receiving votes: Cameron Yoe 13, Carthage 9, Bellville 8, Wimberley 4, Abilene Wylie 3, Canyon 3, Monahans 2, Midland Greenwood 2, Gatesville 2, Caldwell 1, Decatur 1, Canton 1. Class 2A

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Team	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. Crawford (12)	1-0	183	3	
2. Mart (1)	2-0	161	6	
3. Newton (3)	1-0	152	4	
4. Tatum (4)	1-1	135	1	
5. Jefferson	2-0	96	7	
6. Lexington	1-1	88	2	
7. Hempstead	2-0	55	8	
8. Blanco	2-0	53	10	
9. New Boston	2-0	50	9	
10. Early	1-1	49	5	

Also receiving votes: Childress 19, Paradise 16, Altair Rice 13, Arp 11, Marlin 9, Stratford 7, Troup 2, Hooks 1.

Class 1A				
Team	Rec	Pts	Pvs	
1. Windthorst (18)	2-0	197	1	
2. Alto (2)	2-0	166	2	
3. New Deal	2-0	144	3	
4. lola	1-0	136	4	
5. Chilton	0-1	118	5	
6. Goldthwaite	2-0	112	6	
7. Roscoe	2-0	79	7	
8. Wolfe City	2-0	66	8	
9. Grapeland	2-0	21	x	
10. Albany	1-1	14	10	

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complete games and 12

He had been 0-1 against

the Astros this season while

allowing nine runs in 14

innings. The Astros were

shut out for the second

straight game, and 13th

time overall, after Adam

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year, has worked eight or

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Carpenter, the NL Cy

for the major league lead.

ST. LOUIS (AP) -Chris Carpenter threw a six-hitter and Ronnie Belliard had four RBIs, helping the St. Louis Cardinals take advantage of a fill-in starter in a 7-0 victory over the Houston Astros on Monday night.

Juan Encarnacion had two RBIs for the Cardinals, who dominated in the first of seven meetings with the Astros over the final 20 games. St. Louis ended a three-game skid and leads the NL Central by five games over Cincinnati and six over the Astros, who beat them in the NLCS last year to go to the World Series.

Taylor Buchholz was recalled from Triple-A Round Rock to sub for Andy Pettitte, who was pushed back a day because of a heavy workload and a minor ankle sprain. Buchholz (6-10) made his appearance for first Houston since July 27 and allowed five runs in 3 1-3 innings. Carpenter (14-6) is 4-0

with a 2.27 ERA in his last seven starts. He lowered his NL-leading ERA to 2.84

ASTROS NOTES

Pettitte pushed back due to ankle injury

ST. LOUIS (AP) Houston Astros pitcher Andy Pettitte was pushed back a day from his scheduled start on Monday night to give him some extra rest and allow his left ankle injury more time to heal.

Taylor Buchholz started the opener of a three-game series against the St. Louis Cardinals, with Pettitte reset for Tuesday. Pettitte, who is 13-13 with a 4.34 ERA, apparently was injured while shagging fly Saturday balls in Milwaukee.

innings and he's pitched in tough games for us,' Garner said. "He did twist his ankle a couple of days ago, although that doesn't seem to be as much of a factor.

Buchholz, a 24-year-old rookie, was recalled from Triple-A Round Rock before the game. He was making his first major league appearance since being optioned to Round Rock on July 31

Previously, the Astros had not listed a starter for Tuesday.



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Megan Barnett serves during last week's home meeting with Borger. Pampa is in Amarillo today to take on Tascosa at the Austin Tennis

Dropped out: Electra.

Also receiving votes: Electra 8, Nazareth 5, La Villa 5, Joaquin 5, Memphis 4, Rocksprings 4, Falls City 4, Groveton 3, Tolar 2, Ranger 2, Winters 1, Tenaha 1, Wink 1, Hull-Daisetta 1, Axtell 1.

Astros manager Phil Garner said the workload for Pettitte, who has pitched a staff-high 193 innings, was as much of a factor as the injury. He also noted that Buchholz was pitching on his regular day. "He's pitched a lot of

"If something happens the last day of the season and it means something and I have to come back on three days' rest, I'll pitch that day," Pettitte said. "We'll worry about that if we get to that situation."

Bledsoe entrenched as Cowboy's starting QB - 'right now'

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Drew Bledsoe put his hands behind his hips, arched his back and grimaced, partly from the pain and perhaps partly to brace himself for the questions he knew were coming - about his lousy outing in the Dallas Cowboys' seasonopening loss and about the inevitable cries for backup Tony Romo to take his place.

Bledsoe usually speaks to reporters on Wednesdays, but made an exception Monday because of the circumstances. He said he was merely being accountable, like a starting quarterback should.

He didn't emphasize the words "starting quarterback." Still, his message was clear: This remains his team.

And if you don't believe him, then take it from coach Bill Parcells: This remains Bledsoe's team ... "right now."

Parcells defended his longtime quarterback Monday, insisting that plenty of others were to blame for a 24-17 loss to the Jacksonville Jaguars. He said Bledsoe will definitely start Sunday night against the Washington Redskins and that calls for him to turn to Romo are premature.

However, Parcells' loyalty to Bledsoe has its limits. By qualifying most of his comments with "right now," he opened the door to the exact speculation he was trying to deny.

Maybe that's why he got so testy about it.

"I told you I was getting Romo ready to play. And at some point in time, I'm hopeful I will be able to play him this year," Parcells said. "Now, I don't know when, where or under what circumstances. But that shouldn't be the story for today because it's a non-story."

Asked about it again, Parcells said, "Well, I tell you what let's do - you write what you want, I'm going to explain it the best way I can. ... I think you're trying to get me to say at some point in time I'm going to get Romo in. That time is not now, OK? Is that clear enough? Do you want me to repeat it?"

'Any time you have a couple of quality players at a position, that's always going to happen. At the same point, it's a long season. All I'm here to do is help this team win, whatever capacity that is.'

> — Tony Romo Backup OB, Dallas Cowboys

There's no denying Bledsoe had a bad day. After taking a 10-0 lead after two drives, the Cowboys didn't score again until late in the game, when they were already down by 14 points. He threw two interceptions in between, then a third on Dallas' last-gasp drive.

"I think that he could have played better and I'm hopeful that he will," Parcells said. "But I am going to give him an opportunity to do that.'

Dallas committed nine penalties, many of them drive-killers. One of the worst was offensive interference on tight end Jason Witten, wiping out his go-ahead touchdown in the third quarter. The Cowboys ended up trying a field goal and Shaun Suisham, filling in for inactive Mike Vanderjagt, missed. Jacksonville scored on its next possession and was in control the rest of the way.

"If we go out and play with focus and eliminate the mistakes, we're going to be hard to beat," Bledsoe said. "But if we go out and make mistakes and get in our own way, then we can lose to anybody."

Bledsoe is being scrutinized more than last season for several reasons, starting with higher expectations. Dallas went 9-7 last year, has a strong defense and added Terrell Owens on offense

Another reason is Bledsoe's track record. He hasn't been the starter on a playoff team since 1998. He's 0-forhis-last-6.

Then there's the perceived readiness of Romo, who has been on the Cowboys three years without throwing a pass in a regular season game.

He's earned Parcells' trust on the practice field and validated it in the preseason, earning a contract extension. That's heightened anticipation among fans, turning this week's buzz into Bledsoe vs. Romo instead of how close Dallas came to winning its opener on the road against a team that was 12-4 last season.

"Any time you have a couple of quality players at a position, that's always going to happen," Romo said. "At the same point, it's a long season. All I'm here to do is help this team win, whatever capacity that is."

The easiest way for Romo to get into a game is if Bledsoe gets hurt, which appeared to be the case in the fourth quarter Sunday, when Bledsoe was throwing passes on the sideline to keep loose. He insisted Monday that his back is fine.

Bledsoe also insists he learned long ago to ignore whatever is being said about him, good or bad. He knows he can't do anything about it until Sunday night.

"In this league and, really, probably just in life, how you respond to things defines who you are," he said. "I'm looking forward. I'm preparing to play the next game. I've got plenty on my plate in terms of going out and competing with the Redskins and hoping to lead this team and get us where we want to go."

Center. Matches are scheduled to begin at 4 p.m.

Two of Armstrong's former teammates admit to using EPO

NEW YORK (AP) Two of Lance Armstrong's former teammates said they used a performanceenhancing drug when they were getting ready for the 1999 Tour de France, according to a newspaper report.

Frankie Andreu, a 39year-old former team captain, and another teammate who requested anonymity because he still works in cycling, told The New York Times they used EPO in preparation for the 1999 race, when Armstrong won the first of his seven titles in cycling's biggest race.

"There are two levels of guys," Andreu said in a story published on the newspaper's Web site Monday night. "You got the guys that cheat and guys that are just trying to survive."

Andreu said he took EPO for a few races and is admitting the use now because he's worried doping is having a negative effect on the sport.

Neither of the teammates ever had a positive test for performance-enhancing drugs. Both said they never saw Armstrong take any banned substances.

Armstrong, who overcame testicular cancer to win the Tour a record seven consecutive times, faced constant doping allegations toward the end of his career. He has repeatedly denied using performanceenhancing drugs.

Floyd Landis, a former

Armstrong teammate, won the Tour de France this year before it was announced that he tested positive for elevated testosterone and synthetic testosterone after one of the Tour stages. Landis has denied using any performance-enhancing drugs.

UCL president Pat McQuaid said he did not understand Andreu's objectives in revealing that he had used EPO.

"If Andreu wishes to say that, that's up to him to say that," McQuaid told The AP by telephone. "I don't know what he's trying to achieve because he cannot achieve anything by saying this."

McQuaid said neither admission should cast doubt on Armstrong's record or his 1999 Tour victory.

"To take dope is an individual decision by an individual rider," McQuaid said, noting that most cases of cheating occur through contacts with doctors outside of the sport.

"Do people point the finger at any of the other Phonak riders because of what Landis is alleged to have done?" he said.

On Monday, Landis' attorney disputed the accuracy of the tests performed on the cyclist's urine sample at a lab in France.

McQuaid didn't want to address Landis' "position at the moment," but defended the way the tests were conducted.

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and/or limits on aircraft size. Airlines operate 19 of those gates today. The Miller-Moncrief agreement would drop the number of authorized gates to 20 but would allow nationwide flights on large aircraft.

An airport consultant's study paid for by the city of Dallas shows that a 20-gate Love Field without the Wright Amendment restrictions would produce roughly the same amount of noise, air pollution and traffic congestion on nearby roads as a 32gate airport with the current restrictions in place. Under long-existing federal law, airport owners can restrict the size of their facilities to con-

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trol those environmental factors, and Dallas has a strong interest in doing so to protect neighborhoods near Love Field.

Opponents are beating this number-of-gates issue to death. They've got no standing there, and they should get over it.

There are, after all, issues of real concern in the Miller-Moncrief plan. The most serious is this: American and Southwest have agreed, in exchange for the benefits in the agreement, to suffer serious penalties if they should decide in the future to step outside of it for competitive reasons.

Specifically, the agreement would force American or Southwest to give up some of the gates they control at Love Field if:

Congress repeals the

Wright Amendment sooner than the eight years specified in the agreement and the airline takes advantage of that repeal by starting nonstop flights beyond the Wright boundaries; or

The airline begins service at any other airport within 80 miles of Love Field (except, in the case of American, at D/FW) before the year 2025.

In either case, the airline would be operating within the law for the purpose of expanding its service to consumers. Yet either step would bring a penalty.

Companies are supposed to compete, not form agreements to restrict their competition. Normally, agreements in restraint of free trade are considered violations of antitrust law. The Wright Amendment legislation before Congress asks for an

exemption from antitrust law. Congress can't blithely

pass out antitrust exemptions. It has to give this request serious study first. The argument for the agreement and the proposed federal

approval legislation is this: Dallas and Fort Worth have fought over the Wright Amendment for decades. Members of Congress asked representatives of the two cities to try their best to come up with a locally written plan to remove flight restrictions from Love Field, and this is that plan.

The plan is a compromise, and its provisions are what they are because that's what was required to obtain agreement from all the parties involved. On the whole, it would provide outstanding benefits for North Texas consumers when compared to the status quo.

Indeed, one consultant study shows that immediate through-ticketing - a benefit called for under the Miller-Moncrief agreement allowing Love Field passengers to buy tickets to any U.S. destination so long as their flight makes a stop within the current Wright Amendment boundaries would boost North Texas air traffic by 2 million passengers a year and save consumers \$259 million annually. Other benefits from full Wright Amendment repeal would come later.

The choice facing Congress is this: Swallow the agreement's provisions (despite the somewhat foul taste of some of them) for the sake of the overall benefit, or start over again from the status quo.

Time is short. Congress is set to adjourn again on Oct. 6,

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and a final decision must come before then.

In fact, it shouldn't take long. The benefits of the agreement far outweigh its negatives. A perfect world might offer something better, but Congress knows that the perfect world doesn't exist.

This agreement offers immediate and substantial consumer benefits and sets up two major airlines for headto-head competition the likes of which North Texas has never seen before. There is ample opportunity for other airlines to enter the fray at Love Field or D/FW if they wish.

Dallas and Fort Worth leaders have given the members of Congress what they asked for: a local solution to the problems of the Wright Amendment. Congress should approve that solution.

It's the same with education. To the extent there is a racial correlation between these characteristics, racial discrimination in mate selection exaggerates the differences in the soci-

Gladys Vanderpool recently presented a National Bank of Commerce Scholarship to Raeanna Cowan, left. Cowan is attending Clarendon College-Pampa Center.

ety's intelligence and income distribution. There would be greater equality if there weren't this kind of discrimination in mate selection.

In other words, if high-IQ people were forced to select low-IQ mates, high-income people forced to select lowincome mates, and highly educated people forced to select lowly educated mates, there would be greater social equality. While there would be greater social equality, the divorce rate would soar since gross dissimilarities would make for conflict.

Common sense suggests that not all discrimination should be eliminated, so the question is, what kind of discrimination should be permitted? I'm guessing the answer depends on one's values for freedom of association, keeping in mind freedom of association implies freedom not to associate.

Texas youth prison under scrutiny

AUSTIN (AP)Federal investigators planned to visit a South Texas youth prison today as part of an ongoing probe into possible civil rights violations.

The U.S. Department of Justice investigators were expected to observe and inspect the Evins Regional Center Juvenile in Edinburg, talk with youth who live there and question employees, said Tim Savoy, spokesman for the Texas nile centers.

Youth Commission.

The Justice Department notified Gov. Rick Perry in June that it planned to look into the conditions of confinement and treatment of inmates at Evins.

The federal investigation comes as the state Senate **Criminal Justice Committee** conducts its own investigation into confirmed reports of inmate abuse at Evins and a general rise in reports of abuse in other state juve-

Events calendar

· Pampa Book Club will meet and discuss "First Mothers" by Bonnie Angelo Wdnesday; "Strong West Wind" by Gail Caldwell, Oct. 11; and "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini, Nov. 8. The club meets at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of every month in the Texas Room at Lovett Memorial Library.

 Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle will hold a reception from 2:30-4 p.m. Sunday, to showcase two fabric exhibits. Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle is hosting a couple of quilting exhibits throughout September and October. An exhibit by Betty Biggs includes vests, coats, table runners, wall hangings and more. Five generations of quilts is represented in the other exhibit courtesy of the Mayo and Gill families. To find out more, contact the museum at (806) 537-3524.

· The exhibit opening for prints and memorabilia for the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure will be from 4-6 p.m.

Sept. 19 at A.G. Edwards office, 801 S. Fillmore, Suite 170, in Amarillo. The display will be on view from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 18-Oct. 30.

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· Red Hat Dollies Society of Pampa will meet at 11 a.m. Sept. 21 in the private meeting room at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. The meeting is open to interested women 50 and older. For more information, call 669-9297 or 669-9916.

· The next Third Thursday at Amarillo Museum of Art will be from 6-9 p.m. Sept. 21 at the museum. This month the event will include the film "Art of Indonesia: Tales from the Shadow World," coffee tasting, entertainment by Mela Dailey, a soprano and Amarillo Opera Resident Artist, and an activity segment for both children and adults. The art activity this month will be "Painting a Poem." For more information, contact the museum at (806) 371-5050.

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