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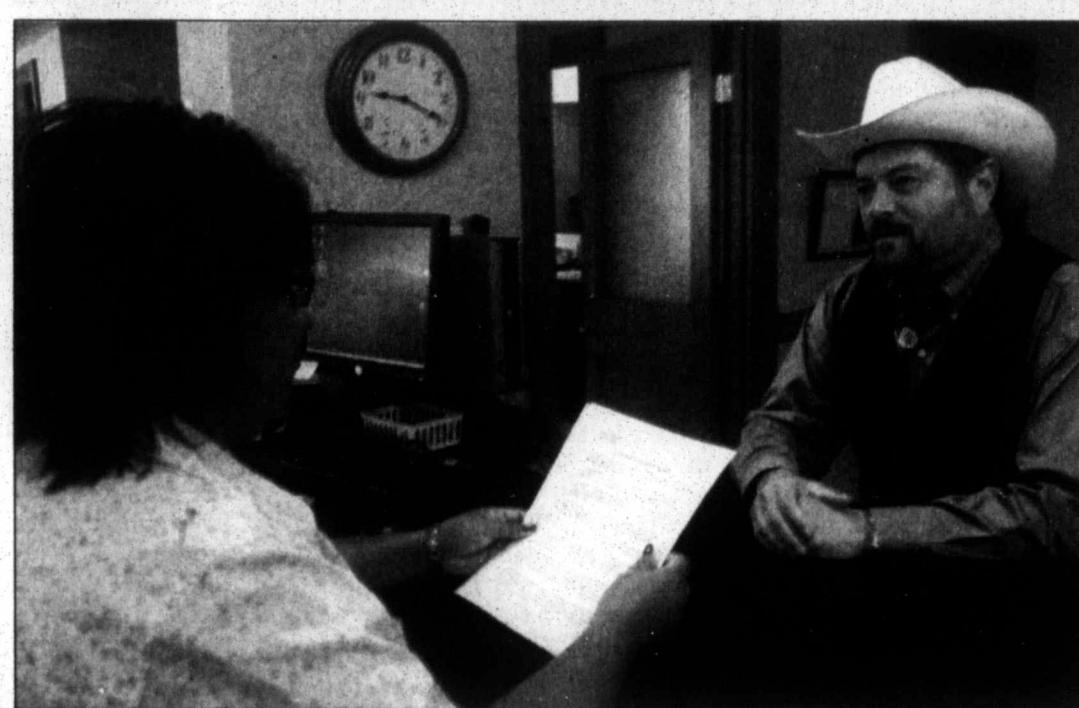
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David Van Os, Democratic candidate for Texas Attorney General, files an affidavit stating his intentions if elected with Irene Maddux in the Gray County Clerk's office today.

Van Os brings campaign to Pampa

By DAVID BOWSER

Staff Writer

In the cool of the morning today on the south side of the Gray County Courthouse, David Van Os railed against corporate America and its influence on state politics.

He said today's political system was being subverted by greed. He said the Texas Attorney General's office has the power, both under the state constitution and statutory law, to battle the monopolistic practices of health insurance, petroleum and packing industries.

Van Os, a Democrat, is running for Texas Attorney General against incumbent Greg Abbott, a Republican.

The Kilgore native, now a San Antonio lawyer, said the State of Texas has the second oldest antitrust law on the books in the country. They predate the federal Sherman Antitrust Act by almost a decade.

Van Os said the state antitrust law was successfully used by then Attorney General Jim Hogg in the 1880s against the railroad industry. Van Os said he'd use the same law, if elected attorney general, to battle the corporate special interest groups that now so

heavily influence state government.

The son of an independent petroleum geologist, Van Os said he hopes the number of drilling rigs that he's seen traveling across the Texas Panhandle doubles, but he said he's concerned the people working in the oil patch are living paycheck to paycheck while the giant oil and gas corporations are raking in billions of dollars in profits.

Van Os also spoke on the courthouse steps about the Trans-Texas Corridor, a super highway toll road planned for East and Central Texas. The government's right of eminent domain is expected to play a part in the land acquisition for the right-of-way, yet the toll road will be run by a Spanish company that will be able to lease part of the right-of-way to commercial developers.

While the project does not directly affect Pampa, Van Os said that if the state government can get away with such a project in East Texas, it can use the same procedures in West Texas. He said it was not a transportation issue, but a private property rights issue.

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County will vote on budget Friday

By MARILYN POWERS

Staff Writer

Gray County's Fiscal Year 2007 budget and tax rate will be voted on by county commissioners at their 9 a.m. meeting Friday in the second-floor courtroom of the county courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

No residents attended either of two public hearings held Aug. 31 and Sept. 8, to comment concerning the proposed tax rate.

A county tax rate of .445623 per \$100 valuation is being considered. The current rate for fiscal 2006 is .488926 per \$100 valuation.

The proposed rate is higher than the effective rate, which is the amount

required to generate the same amount of tax revenue as was collected the previous fiscal year, because it will generate more income than the previous year's rate due to increased property values. Increases in some county property values and in mineral values have resulted in an increase in the total taxable property value taxed by the county.

Current taxable property values subject to county tax total \$1,377,369,900, an increase from last year's \$1,175,561,634.

The proposed county tax rate would garner \$9,348,303 for fiscal year

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Lush surroundings



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS
A deer pauses in a stand of trees at Lake McClellan recently. The lake is currently closed to the public until approximately 300 trees that were killed or damaged during the March 11 wildfire can be removed.

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Obituaries

Services tomorrow

BUSS, Fred — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

FRIEND, Sandra — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

HOLT, McKenzie Joyce JoBeth — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

JORDAN, Edna — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Fred Buss, 61

AMARILLO — Fred Buss, 61, died September 10, 2006, at Amarillo.

Graveside services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Friday in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor of First Baptist Church of

Skellytown, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of 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.

Gene E. Dougherty, 75

Gene E. Dougherty, 75, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 13, 2006, at Amarillo, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Dougherty was born April 27, 1931, in McLean. He married Zetha Parker in 1952 in Pampa. He was a resident of Briscoe until moving to Pampa in 1952.

He worked for SPS for 40 years, retiring as a

lineman/serviceman.

He owned and operated Double D Baseball Shop for several years. He worked on a farm in Briscoe and worked cattle. He loved gardening and baseball. He was a devoted husband and father and will be sorely missed.

Survivors include his wife, Zetha Dougherty, of the home; three sons, Terry Dougherty and wife Robbie

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.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Sam and Adalee Dougherty; a brother, Alvie Dougherty; and a sister, Sammie Atherton.

MEMORIALS: Pampa Optimist Youth Club, 601 E. Craven, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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

Victor Jones, 59

Victor Jones, 59, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 14, 2006, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Jones was born Feb. 5, 1947, in Dumas. He had been a resident of Pampa for 18 years. He married Sue Williams on Sept. 15, 1995, in Pampa. He was a truck driver in the oil field for a number of years, working for Triangle Well Service for the past two years.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, serving in Germany.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Jones, of the home; two sons, Ronnie Jones and Richard Jones, both of Pampa; two daughters, Patricia Jones of Pampa and Amanda Jones of Pampa and Amanda

Lawrence of Borger; one stepson, Eddie Hasty of Pampa; one brother, Andy Jones of Wichita Falls; five sisters, Betty Sue Petty of Fairview, Shirley Jones, Peggy Turner and Ronda Elliott, all of Seymour, and Barbara Bingman of Dayton; and six grandchildren,

Jennifer Jones and Seger Jones, both of the home, Ashley Jones, Jo Lynn Jones, Brook Jones and Nikki Smith, all of Pampa.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Christine Malaska, and a grandson, Randall Jones.

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

Edna Jordan, 92

Edna Jordan, 92, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 12, 2006, at Canyon, Texas.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 15, 2006, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Powell, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church, officiating.

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

She was a homemaker and a member of the Hobart Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Kay McPhillips and husband John of Conroe and Myrtle

Mrs. Jordan was born Aug. 13, 1914, in Rockwall County, Texas, and had been a resident of Pampa since 1948. She married Alvin Jordan on Jan. 5, 1929, in Wellington. He preceded her in death on Nov. 28, 2000.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Hobart Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Kay McPhillips and husband John of Conroe and Myrtle

Carey of Pampa; one son, Charley A. Jordan of Pittsburgh, Texas; nine grandchildren, Darrell Carey and wife Linda of Canyon, Sharon Carey of Huntsville, Karen Carter and husband Jerry of Amarillo, Betty Jo Sanders of Pampa, Jay McPhillips and wife Kim of Conroe, Bobbie Annette Jordan of Anahuac, Rita Taft, Tina Jordan and Paul Jordan, all of South Dakota; numerous great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Bobby Lloyd Jordan; and a daughter, Lenora Blanche Jordan.

MEMORIALS: American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Taylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Twenty-four traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were reported in the 1900 block of North Duncan and the intersection of Lefors and Kingsmill.

Accidents were reported in the 100 block of South Starkweather and the intersection of Kentucky and Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported in the police department lobby, the 700 block of North Hobart, the 100 block of North Houston where a concrete bench valued at \$500 was destroyed, and the 900 block of South Wells where a vehicle window valued at \$150 was broken.

Thefts were reported in the police department lobby, the 100 block of East Harvester where \$60 in cash was taken, and the 1600 block of North Hobart where 13 movies valued at \$260 were taken.

Disorderly conduct reports were made from the 2400 block of North Charles, the 400 block of Hill, the 500 block of North Faulkner, the 2500 block of North Perryton Parkway, the

1000 block of North Hobart, and the 1000 block of Neel, where an assault with no injuries occurred.

Found property was reported in the 400 block of East Browning where a bag containing a glass tube, a lighter and a soiled rag was found, and the 1100 block of North Hobart where a Huff Blades 18 speed bicycle was found.

A domestic disturbance/criminal mischief report was made from the 1000 block of North Wells where a front door frame, garage door and 1977 Mercury Grand Marquis sustained damages of \$400.

Warrant service was attempted at one location.

A suspicious vehicle was reported on East Highway 60.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 2200 block of North Perryton Parkway.

A dead animal call was reported in the 300 block of South Tigner.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

A kidnapping was reported in the 2300 block of North Beech.

A domestic disturbance was reported at the intersection of Buckler and West.

Suspicious persons were reported in

the 2800 block of Charles and the 2500 block of North Perryton Parkway.

Sheriff

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

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Donna Lee Phillips, 25, of Magnum, Okla., was arrested on a charge of theft over \$20 and under \$500.

Fire

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

Wednesday, Sept. 13

10:23 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the intersection of Kentucky and Hobart on a vehicle accident.

5:36 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1000 block of South Christy on a medical assist.

5:48 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1400 block of West 23rd on an odor investigation.

6:34 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 300 block of West Browning on a fire safety program.

Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 83. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 89. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with

Choir car wash



Courtesy photo

The Pampa High School Choir will hold a car wash Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the NBC parking lot, 1224 N. Hobart, to raise funds for their spring trip to New York City. Getting some practice are, from left, Angela Mechelay, Aaron Pepper, Erwin Kuehne, Whitney Morris, and Haley Acker.

Bush meets with GOP; Powell opposes interrogation plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Secretary of State Colin Powell endorsed efforts to block President Bush's plan to authorize harsh interrogations of terror suspects, even as Bush lobbied personally for it today on Capitol Hill.

"I will resist any bill that does not enable this plan to go forward," Bush told reporters back at the White House after his meeting with lawmakers.

The latest sign of GOP division over White House security policy came today in a letter that Powell sent to Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., one of three rebellious senators taking on the White House. Powell said Congress must not pass Bush's proposal to redefine U.S. compliance with the Geneva Conventions, a treaty that

sets international standards for the treatment of prisoners of war.

The campaign-season development accompanied Bush's visit to Capitol Hill, where he conferred behind closed doors with House Republicans. His plan would narrow the U.S. legal interpretation of the Geneva Conventions treaty in a bid to allow tougher interrogations and shield U.S. personnel from being prosecuted for war crimes.

"The world is beginning to doubt the moral basis of our fight against terrorism," said Powell, who served under Bush and is a former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "To redefine Common Article 3 would add to those doubts. Furthermore, it would put our own troops at risk."

Leaving his closed-door meeting with the House GOP caucus, Bush said he would "continue to work with members of the Congress to get good legislation."

"I reminded them that the most important job of government is to protect the homeland," he told reporters after the session. Bush was accompanied to the Hill by Vice President Dick Cheney and White House adviser Karl Rove.

In an effort to drum up support for its proposal, the White House released a second letter to lawmakers signed by the military's top uniformed lawyers. Saying they wanted to "clarify" past testimony on Capitol Hill in which they opposed the administration's plan, the service lawyers wrote that they "do not object" to sections of Bush's proposal for the treatment of detainees and found the provisions "helpful."

Two congressional aides who favor McCain's plan said the military lawyers signed that letter after refusing to endorse an earlier one offered by the Pentagon's general counsel, William Haynes, that expressed more forceful support for Bush's plan.

The aides spoke on condi-

Former governor Ann Richards dies

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Two years before she was elected governor of Texas, Ann Richards electrified the 1988 Democratic National Convention with a keynote speech in which she joked that the Republican presidential nominee, George H.W. Bush, had been "born with a silver foot in his mouth."

A longtime champion of women and minorities in government who was serving at the time as Texas state treasurer, she won cheers when she reminded delegates that Ginger Rogers did everything Fred Astaire did, "only backwards and in high heels."

Richards died Wednesday at 73 after a battle with esophageal cancer. Her single term as governor had ended in a 1994 defeat to George W. Bush, who went

from besting his father's sil-

ver-haired critic to the governor's office to the presidency.

"Texas has lost one of its great daughters," President Bush said in statement after learning of Richards' death.

A homemaker before she entered politics, Richards cracked a half-century male grip on the governor's mansion and celebrated by holding up a T-shirt that showed the state Capitol and read: "A woman's place is in the dome."

She told an interviewer shortly before leaving office, "I did not want my tombstone to read, 'She kept a really clean house.' I think I'd like them to remember me by saying, 'She opened government to everyone.'"

Whether or not she succeeded at that, there was no question she cracked open the door.

high-profile administration pressure to rescue bills mired in turf battles and privacy concerns. It also gave GOP leaders a chance to press for loyalty among Republicans confronted on the campaign trail by war-weary voters.

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2007. The 2006 county budget was \$9,127,934, and the proposed 2007 budget totals \$10,078,024, reflecting increased operating costs of various county departments, said County Judge Richard Peet.

The \$729,721 difference between the proposed budget and proposed tax rate collection total could be taken from the county's projected \$2.1 million which will be left over after this fiscal year ends Sept. 30, Peet said.

That would leave approximately \$1.42 million in reserve funds, enough for a three-month cushion, Peet said. The

county currently requires about \$500,000 per month to meet expenses such as bills and salaries.

Three items of old business are once again on the agenda. They are amendments to the Gray County Personnel Policy Manual, updates to the Clyde Carruth Pavilion Rental Agreement, and the county's hazard mitigation plan.

A request from Wheeler County will be heard concerning having Gray County take over the salary and benefits package of a paralegal in the district attorney's office.

Commissioners will vote on whether to declare a Caterpillar 120 in Precinct 2 as surplus property.

Other agenda items include payment of bills and salaries, and the county treasurer's report.

equipment in the parks.

Horst said disbanding the board doesn't mean citizens couldn't make recommendations to the city.

"Citizens can still do that," Horst said. "I get calls regularly on various problems. Even without the board, citizens can still make recommendations."

While the advisory board was discussed, no action was taken.

Board

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funded in part from the water bill donation fund and the board recommended where it might best be spent.

Stokes said the board was also good about keeping the staff informed concerning broken or damaged

Two new solar panels unfurled on space station

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA unfurled two solar wings on the new 17 1/2-ton addition to the international space station early today after overcoming a software problem that delayed the maneuver for hours.

As they opened separately like accordion window blinds, the solar wings looked like cosmic blankets of gold bars in the reflection of an orbital sunrise.

"Big day for space station. Congratulations," astronaut Pam Melroy in Mission Control radioed Atlantis commander Brent Jett. "We're all extremely happy."

The astronauts had adjusted the space station's position before starting, then halted each deployment midway for about 30 minutes so the solar panels could be

heated by the sun to prevent them from sticking together, a problem astronauts have encountered before.

NASA engineers ran into one early glitch with the space station's new ferris-wheel-like rotating joint that allows the solar arrays to move with the sun to maximize the amount of power generated. They were able to fix the software problem, but it put the day's activities several hours behind schedule.

Space shuttle Atlantis' 11-day schedule is tightly packed, and the arrays needed to be deployed in order for astronauts to go on the third and final spacewalk of the mission Friday. The mission is the first since late 2002 to resume space station construction, which was halted after the Columbia accident in early 2003.

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Van Os

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Van Os said the last time he was in Pampa, it was to represent Clifford Martindale in a civil matter case in Judge Lee Waters' 223rd District Court about 10 years ago.

Martindale and Waters were the only two to greet Van Os at the courthouse this morning.

Van Os' stop in Pampa today was the 185th stop in his planned campaign to visit each of the state's 254 counties. He's filing a promise of his intentions if elected attorney general at each county seat.



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Viewpoints

Museum expanding months before opening

Months before its anticipated completion, founders of a museum currently under construction in Ohio are already gearing up for an expansion project. The budding museum, located near Cincinnati, was dreamed up, reports AgapePress in a recent article, by Answers in Genesis.

Answers in Genesis, or AiG, chose, correctly enough, Creationism as the museum's main theme.

In its article, Agape cites AiG President Ken Ham as describing response to the

project as overwhelming. So overwhelming that AiG has decided to expand the museum's parking area, restaurant and lobby or face woefully inadequate facilities for the current projected number of visitors.

The museum, to be called simply "Creation Museum," is expected to open as early as April.

What a great idea, and what a great place to take the family!

Creation Museum will take visitors through a number of exhibits, the largest of

which is "the Wonders Room." "Creation Walk" and "Corruption Valley" are also among the museum's featured attractions.

AiG's Web site (www.answersingenesis.org) provides an illustration by Jon Taylor, museum illustrator, of the aforementioned Walk and Valley: "This will be an exciting area of the museum," the Web site

states, "housing many of Buddy Davis' dinosaurs in an environment so natural that guests may think they are actually outside!"

The exhibit team is still working on the details for these exhibits, which will represent the events of Genesis 2-4.

"Guests will enter the path after walking through a dramatic portrayal of the six days of creation ... The

exciting events of Adam's first day of life — naming of the animals, creation of Eve — will unfold in life-sized dioramas re-creating (on a much smaller scale!) the Garden of Eden."

In the Agape article, Ham reports that funding for the museum is on schedule, noting that AiG only lacks \$2 million on the original budget and another \$2 million for the proposed expansion.

According to the Web site, AiG defines itself as "an apologetics (i.e., Christianity-defending) min-

istry, dedicated to enabling Christians to defend their faith, and to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ effectively. We focus particularly on providing answers to questions surrounding the book of Genesis, as it is the most-attacked book of the Bible. We also desire to train others to develop a biblical worldview, and seek to expose the bankruptcy of evolutionary ideas, and its bedfellow, a 'millions of years old' earth (and even older universe)."

I say, build on, AiG.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Sept. 14, the 257th day of 2006. There are 108 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key was inspired to write his poem "The Star-Spangled Banner" after witnessing the British bombardment of Fort McHenry in Maryland during the War of 1812.

On this date:

In 1812, the Russians set fire to Moscow in the face of an invasion by Napoleon Bonaparte's troops.

In 1901, President McKinley died in Buffalo, N.Y., of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded him.

In 1927, modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan died in Nice, France, when her scarf became entangled in a wheel of her sports car.

In 1948, a groundbreaking ceremony took place in New York at the site of the United Nations' world headquarters.

In 1959, the Soviet space probe Luna 2 became the first man-made object to reach the moon as it crashed onto the lunar surface.

In 1964, Pope Paul VI opened the third session of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, also known as "Vatican Two." (The session closed two months later.)

In 1975, Pope Paul VI declared Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton the first U.S.-born saint.

In 1982, Princess Grace of Monaco, formerly actress Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash the day before.

In 1982, Lebanon's president-elect, Bashir Gemayel, was killed by a bomb.

In 1985, Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon released the Rev. Benjamin Weir after holding him captive for 16 months.

Ten years ago: Bosnians went to the polls in their first national elections since the 3 1/2-year civil war that had ravaged the Balkan republic. Tara Dawn Holland of Kansas was crowned Miss America.

Five years ago: Patriotism mixed with prayer as Americans packed churches and clogged public squares on a day of remembrance for the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks. President Bush prayed with his Cabinet and attended services at Washington National Cathedral, then flew to New York, where he waded into the ruins of the World Trade Center and addressed rescue workers in a flag-waving, bullhorn-wielding show of resolve.

One year ago: Coordinated bombings killed at least 160 in Baghdad, the deadliest attack since Iraq's new government took office in April 2005.

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A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

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San Antonio Express-News on lenders and the military:

The Pentagon has discovered something that Texans already knew: Unscrupulous lenders are targeting the military community.

A recent Defense Department report estimates 17 percent of military personnel use payday loans. The average loan amount is \$350, typically due in 14 days, for which borrowers pay an effective annual interest rate of between 390 percent and 780 percent.

The report is filled with accounts of military personnel who, unable to repay such loans on time, fall into an accelerating cycle of debt. In one case,

an airman took out a payday loan for \$500 with an agreement to pay back \$600 in two weeks. Unable to do so, the total payments after more loans and rollovers reached \$12,750.

The Pentagon says predatory lending is undermining military readiness, harming morale of troops and adding to the cost of fielding an all-volunteer military. Among Navy personnel, for instance, financial problems account for 80 percent of security clearance revocations and denials.

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Now the Defense Department is asking for help from Congress. It wants a cap of 36 percent on annual interest

rates for loans made to military borrowers. U.S. Sen. Jim Talent, R-Mo., and Bill Nelson, D-Fla., added the cap in an amendment to the defense bill passed by the Senate in June.

The amendment and the bill are currently bottled up in a House-Senate conference committee. Meanwhile, the payday loan industry has well-heeled lobbyists working the Capitol's corridors.

All low-income workers, not just military personnel, are potential victims of predatory lending. But it's particularly galling that individuals who have volunteered to wear the uniform should be abused in this way.

Capping payday interest rates at 36 percent is a small way to protect the wallets of men and women defending the nation.

Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

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Learning the 'networking' terminology

If you've ever been around a computer geek very long, no doubt you've heard one of the following terms: network, Internet, Intranet, LAN, WAN, Client/Server, etc. But what do they mean? (In normal English!)

Let's start at the very beginning. A "network" is simply two or more computers connected together so that they can communicate. On a typical network, information and printers can be shared by any of the connected computers.

Two basic types of networks exist: "peer-to-peer" and "client/server." A peer-to-peer network is the most simple and basic network design. Let's say you work in a small office with three computers and two printers.

You want everyone in the office to be able to access information on the other computers and also be able to print on any of the printers. Setting up a small peer-to-peer network will meet that need.

To do so, you will need to

buy a network interface card (sometimes called a NIC) for each computer. They run about \$15 (or free with some rebates). Next, visit your local computer store and get some networking cable. Run it around to each computer, plugging it into the NICs. Windows and Macintosh

computers already come with the software necessary to make the connection. Decide who needs access to what, grant privileges to different devices and information, and then sit back.

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are for larger organizations. If your company has four or more computers that need to be connected, you might want to consider a client/server setup.

Here's why: Once your peer-to-peer network grows beyond three computers, much of your mission-critical information begins to migrate to one PC. It just makes sense. You want all of your important information on one PC so that everyone can find it and so that it can be backed up much easier. Well, if you have three, four or six machines all trying to access one PC, that poor PC will slow down to unusable levels. Enter, the server!

The server is a normal computer with special software (server software, to be exact). This software makes it easy and efficient for numerous PCs to simultaneously access the information on the server. A server usually sits in a closet somewhere. No one actually sits down and types on it since that would slow it down for everyone else. A server's job is to simply divvy out information to all the other PCs, known as "clients."

If you are interested in setting up a client/server system in your office, you might want to contract the work out. Configuring server software is not for the technologically timid. Usually, you will have three choices in server software: Windows Server (<http://www.microsoft.com/server>), Novell Netware (<http://www.novell.com>), and Linux (<http://www.linux.org>).

I listed them in order of "ease of use." If you want to try your hand at administering your network, go with Microsoft. Only computer gurus should attempt to use Linux.

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Canada: Shooting leaves 19 wounded

MONTREAL (AP) — A man with a black trench coat whose shooting rampage in a Montreal college killed one person and wounded 19 others before he was slain by police said on a Web site in his name that his favorite Internet game was about the Columbine shootings.

The gunman who opened fire at Dawson College on Wednesday was Kimveer Gill, 25, of Laval, near Montreal, a police official said Thursday, speaking on condition of anonymity because authorities were not ready to announce it publicly yet.

Six victims remained in critical condition, including two in extremely critical condition.

The official said police had searched Gill's home.

In postings on a Web site called VampireFreaks.com, blogs in Gill's name show more than 50 photos depicting the young man in various poses holding a rifle and donning a long black trench coat and combat boots.

One photo has a tombstone with his name printed on it — below it the phrase: "Lived fast died young. Left a mangled corpse."

The last of six journal entries Wednesday was posted at 10:41 a.m., about two hours before the gunman was shot to death after the college shooting.

He said on the site that he liked to play "Super Columbine Massacre," an Internet-based computer game that

simulated the April 20, 1999, shootings at the Colorado high school by two of its students that left 13 people dead.

'Before our technique was to establish a perimeter around the place and wait for the SWAT team. Now the first police officers go right inside. The way they acted saved lives.'

— Yvan Delorme
Montreal police chief

Montreal Police Chief Yvan Delorme said the lessons learned from other mass shootings had taught police to try to stop such assaults as quickly as possible.

"Before our technique was to establish a perimeter around the place and wait for the SWAT team. Now the first police officers go right inside. The way they acted saved lives," he said.

Witnesses said Gill started shooting outside the college, then entered the second-floor cafeteria and opened fire without uttering a word. At times, he hid behind vending machines before emerging to take aim — at one point at a teenager who tried to photograph him with his cell phone.

Police dismissed suggestions that terrorism played a role in the lunch-hour attack.

The gunman opened fire haphazardly at no target in particular, until he saw the police and took aim at them, Delorme said.

Police hid behind a wall as they exchanged fire with the gunman, whose back was against a vending machine, said student Andrea Barone, who was in the cafeteria. He said the officers proceeded cautiously because many students were trapped around the assailant, who yelled "Get back! Get back!" every time an officer tried to move closer.

Eventually, Barone said, the gunman went down in a hail of gunfire.

Delorme said some officers were at the school on an unrelated matter when the shooting erupted. He said reinforcements rushed to the scene and took part in the shooting.

Scores of students fled into the streets after the shooting began. Some had clothes stained with blood; others cried and clung to each other. Two nearby shopping centers and a daycare center also were evacuated and subway service was disrupted.

"I was terrified. The guy was shooting at people randomly. He didn't care, he was just shooting at everybody," said student Devansh Smriti Vastava. "There were cops firing. It was so crazy."

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Three other terms you need to know: LAN, WAN, and MAN. All three are acronyms. LAN is short for "Local Area Network." Whenever a computer is connected to a network that consists of computers in one office or building, they are said to be "on the LAN."

WAN is short for "Wide Area Network." WANs typically connect LANs over long distances. For instance, XYZ Corp. has offices in Los Angeles, New York and Amarillo. Each office has their own LAN. These LANs are connected to each other to create a WAN.

The term, MAN, is relatively new. It stands for "Metropolitan Area Network." Typically installed by large cities, MANs connect multiple businesses in an area to foster electronic commerce. MANs are usually funded by tax dollars and administered by city employees.

That leaves us with the last three terms you've probably heard bandied about: Internet, Intranet and the newest one: Extranet. We've all heard of the "Internet."

Essentially, the Internet is the largest public WAN on the planet. Anyone can connect to it. Today, most companies have set up Intranets. A company "Intranet" operates just like its older brother, but is only accessible by employees of the company. Large corporations are putting employee handbooks, policy manuals and other resources on their Intranets, instead of printing them.

An "Extranet" is simply a multi-company Intranet. Certain vendors and suppliers might set up extranets with their customers to facilitate product ordering. Off-limits to you and I, these networks exist on the Internet, but are only accessible by certain companies.

Over the next few years, networks will change. Look for data to merge with video and voice. Your computer, telephone and television may someday be the same device ...

One final note: All of the vocabulary terms you saw mentioned in this article are clearly defined at one of my favorite Web sites: WhatIs? (<http://www.whatis.com>).

See you in Cyberspace!

Bat tours offered this month

QUITAQUE — Caprock Canyons State Park and Trailway is offering tours to view the bat emergence flight from Clarity Tunnel through the end of this month.

September is the last month that tours will be offered because the bats will begin their winter migration to Mexico in October.

Clarity Tunnel is an abandoned railway tunnel on the Caprock Canyons Trailway, which is home to about half-a-million Mexican free-tailed bats each summer.

During these guided vehicle tours along the Trailway, visitors view the bat emer-

gence flight and enjoy spectacular views of the rugged and beautiful breaks of the Llano Estacado.

Tours are conducted each Friday evening and they take about 4 hours to complete. Reservations are required due to limited space in the Park van. Call (806) 455-1492 for reservations.

Reservations may also be made in the Park Headquarters office until 12 p.m. the day of the tour. Fees are \$10 per adult, \$7.50 for seniors (65 and over), and \$5 for children (12 and under).

For more information, call (806) 455-1140 or (806) 455-1492.

Events calendar

• 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. Tuesday 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.

• The Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m., Wednesday, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; and 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Sept. 21, Miami School Auditorium, Miami.

• 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.

• The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinic: Sept. 26, Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, both in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

• USS Columbus CA-74/C G-12/SSN-762 Reunion will be Sept. 27-30 at Washington, D.C. For more information, contact Allen R. Hope, president, 3828 Hobson Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46815-4505.

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Economy: August retail sales weakest in two months

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retail sales in August posted the weakest showing in two months as worried consumers tightened their spending habits.

The Commerce Department reported that the nation's retailers saw a tiny 0.2 percent increase last

month following a much bigger 1.4 percent rise in July. It was the weakest performance since sales had actually fallen by 0.5 percent in June.

Much of the August weakness reflected a sharp slowdown in auto sales, which edged up just 0.4 percent last month after having surged by 4.3 percent in July.

In another report, the Labor

Department said that the number of Americans filing claims for unemployment benefits fell to 308,000 last week, down by 5,000 from the previous week. The drop pushed claims to a seven-week low.

The tiny 0.2 percent rise in retail sales was slightly better than analysts had been expecting. They were forecasting an outright decline in sales of 0.1 percent.

Consumer spending, which has been the driving force in this economic expansion, slowed dramatically in the spring as consumers were battered by soaring gasoline prices, rising interest rates and a cooling housing market, which made homeowners feel less prosperous and less inclined to spend money.

The overall economy grew at an

annual rate of just 2.9 percent in the April-June quarter after turning in a sizzling pace of 5.3 percent in the first three months of the year.

While the sharp slowdown had raised concerns of a possible recession, economists have grown less concerned about that possibility because of a retreat in oil prices, which have declined significantly from their mid-July highs.

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Through this program, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services focuses on children and their families and seeks active involvement of the children's parents and other family members to solve problems that lead to abuse or neglect.

CPS staff understands the need for preventive and supportive services that originate from community involvement in the protection of children. They are committed to the development of resources and agreements to help families before abuse

and neglect occur.

They work cooperatively with other department programs, other state and local agencies, the private child welfare sector and the voluntary sector. Without community assistance and support, CPS would have a difficult time serving the families and children of Gray County.



Everyone can make a difference in the life of a child who is being abused or neglected. If you suspect a child is a victim of abuse or neglect, contact the statewide hotline at 1-800-252-5400.

Together we can make it our joint mission to protect the unprotected.

This article is one in a series of articles of profiles on the agencies and organizations supported by Pampa United Way. This information is being provided by Pampa United Way as part of its 2006 fund-raising campaign.

People in the news

MOSCOW (AP) — Madonna will not be sent into space, despite a lawmaker's proposal to book a seat for the pop star on a Russian flight to the international space station.

State Duma member Alexei Mitrofanov, referring to Madonna's reported desire to become a "space tourist," proposed that the lower house of parliament send a formal inquiry to the Russian space agency about organizing a space trip for her in 2008.

"Because of the television possibilities, it would be a pretty serious event in the year of elections in the United States and Russia," he was quoted as saying by the RIA-Novosti news agency.

The Duma turned down the proposal, agencies reported Wednesday without specifying the vote tally.

Later, space agency spokesman Igor Panarin was quoted by RIA-Novosti as saying no seats on the Soyuz spacecraft would be available until 2009.

"Taking into account her good physical preparedness and financial capabilities, the dream of (Madonna) Louise Ciccone of a space flight could be realized in 2009," Panarin was quoted as saying.

Like many Russians, he didn't use the 48-year-old pop singer's first name, apparently sensitive to the Russian Orthodox Church's objections to her use of religious imagery, especially crucifixion, in her "Confessions" world tour performances.

Madonna took the stage at Luzhniki Stadium on Tuesday night, where a crowd of about 35,000 watched her perform in spite of religious protesters' threats to disrupt the concert. No disorder was reported.

Three private individuals have paid a reported \$20 million each to be launched on 10-day trips to the international space station. American Anousheh Ansari is to become the fourth — and the first female — in a Sept. 18 launch.

On the Net:
M a d o n n a :
<http://www.madonna.com/>

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Vince Gill and Jimmy Webb have unveiled a song touting Oklahoma's "guts, grace and mercy" as the state nears its 2007 centennial.

They premiered "Oklahoma Rising" in a performance at the Civic Center Music Hall that opened with the Rodgers and Hammerstein classic "Oklahoma!" — the state song.

Gill wrote the music and Webb wrote the lyrics for the song, which will be used during the centennial celebration in 2007, said Lee Allan Smith, chairman of Centennial Projects and Events.

The 100th anniversary of the state's admission to the union is Nov. 16, 2007.

Joining Webb and Gill at Monday's performance were Mohican Indian Bill Miller, the Ambassadors and the Canterbury Choral Society. Gospel singer Sandi Patty and the Rev. Joe Bias of First United Methodist Church in Tulsa also performed.

Gill said he found the music easy to write. "Jimmy's music comes easily, and he makes such pretty pictures," he said.

Webb, 60, and Gill, 49, have known each other for years, but this marks their first professional collaboration.

Gill is a Norman native who grew up in Oklahoma City. His hits include "When I Call Your Name," "Don't Let Our Love Start Slippin' Away" and "I Still Believe in You."

Webb, a native of Elk City who grew up in Laverne, has hits including "By the Time I Get to Phoenix," recorded by Glen Campbell, "Up, Up and Away" (The Fifth Dimension) and "MacArthur Park" (Richard Harris).

On the Net:
Vince
<http://www.vincegill.com/main/index.php>

The Jimmy Webb Music Co.:
<http://www.jimmywebb.com/>

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Paul Rodriguez has settled a lawsuit accusing his former manager of forging his signature to gain ownership of the film "The Original Latin Kings of Comedy," then striking a deal with a major studio, a judge said.

The lawsuit alleged that Scott Montoya and his company, Payaso Entertainment, forged the comedian's signature on a contract and then entered a deal with Paramount Pictures to distribute the film.

The lawsuit alleges the forgery and resulting deal were done after the two men had agreed in 2001 to split profits from the movie, which also starred Cheech Marin and George Lopez.

The allegedly bogus deal with Paramount would have given Montoya, who was hired in 1997, control of the production and made Rodriguez simply an "employee," the suit said.

Rodriguez said in court documents he found out about the alleged forgery in October, 2004. He was seeking \$1 million.

"The entire action has been settled and dismissed," Superior Court Judge Susan Bryant-Deason said in court documents. The trial had been set to begin next week.

Calls made after business hours Wednesday to attorneys for Rodriguez and Montoya were not immediately returned.

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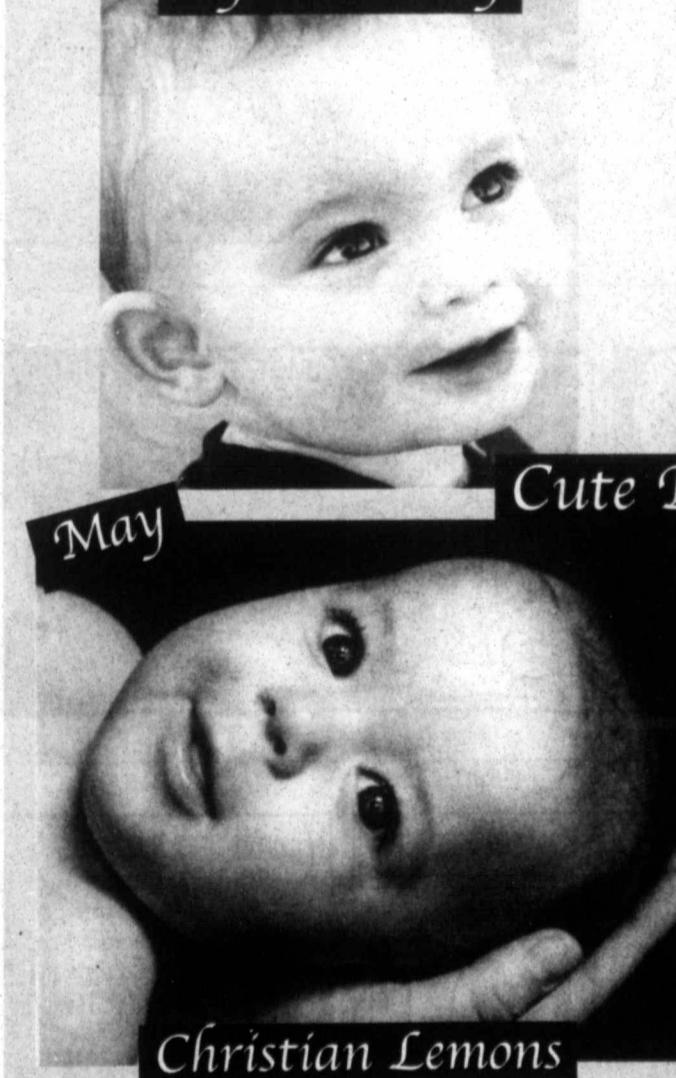
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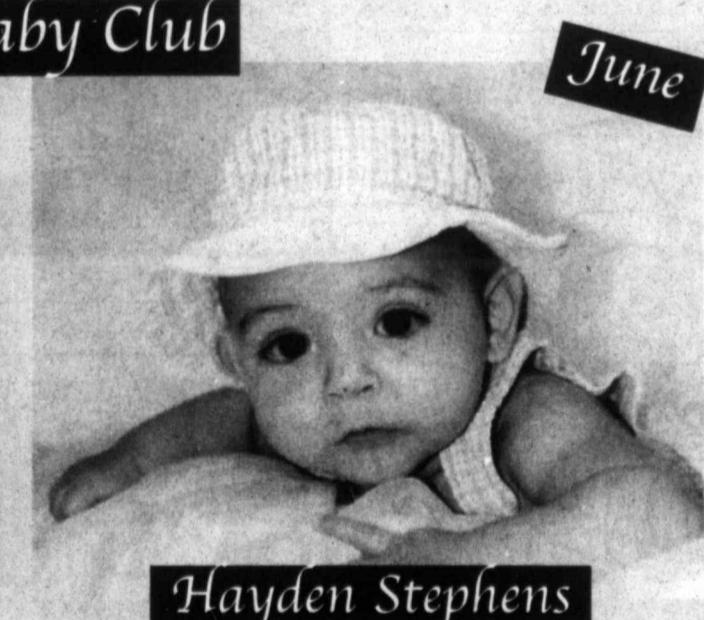
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: A few months ago, my husband and I had to go back to our home state for a family funeral. We have been married more than 25 years. While we were there, his ex-wife came to his father's home (we were staying there), and later to the visitation and funeral. She and I seemed to hit it off well. On the way home, my hubby told me she waited until I left the room, then kissed him on the cheek in front of the whole family and told him she still loves him. That's not all. I asked him if, for one minute, he was sorry he had married me. He said, and I quote, "No, but if I had known she still loved me, I would have never remarried." I was crushed. After we got home he told me he would not leave me for her, but if I should die before him, he would be knocking on her door. That also hurt. Abby, she hadn't seen him or anyone else in the family for 25 years! Why would she even show up at the funeral if not for wanting to see if she could get back with him? I can't seem to get over the feeling that my husband never was really in love with me -- that maybe he just married me so he would not be alone. What should I do? Should I even bring this subject up to him again? It has been five months and I am ... **BROKENHEARTED IN FLORIDA**

DEAR BROKENHEARTED: Your husband appears to lack sensitivity, good judgment and empathy for the feelings of others. He also appears to lack common sense, if he expected you would not take his comments personally. I don't think raising the subject would get you the result you are looking for. But my advice is not to obsess about this. It's water under the bridge, and possession is nine points of the law. Besides, women have a longer life expectancy than men, so the odds are in your favor.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing about the letter you printed from "Wondering," whose parents don't want her to attend the same college as her brother. I think her parents should allow her to go to the same college. She will have completely different experiences than her brother -- joining different clubs, playing different sports. If her major is different, she won't even have the same classes that he does. Her college life will be entirely different because each person gets out of the experience what he or she puts into it. Also, I do not understand her parents' statement that she looks elsewhere because she has "followed her brother" through school. If they lived in the same house, then they would've attended the same schools in their district. — **PAULA IN WENONAH, N.J.**

DEAR PAULA: I told "Wondering" that her parents appeared to be intelligent people, sensitive to the needs of both of their offspring, and that having a college experience entirely on her own could be a growth opportunity for her. My reasoning was as follows: The parents know her and her brother well, their personalities, their strengths and their weaknesses. It is possible that the son has always been a "big man on campus," and "Wondering" has coasted along in his reflected glory. Or, if the reverse is true -- and the girl has always outshone her brother -- then the young man should not have to be overshadowed once again by his sibling at the same college. That said, not one reader I heard from -- and I heard from quite a few -- agreed with my answer. Ouch!

Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1	Singing voice	1	Freshly	2	Mine	1	DOWN	CLAM	BIBB
5	Harridan	10	Lunch time	3	Clothes	4	Boxing	RATER	PIQUE
11	Tank top's lack	12	Sidle	5	Bias	6	Katherine of "Grey's Anatomy"	OZONE	ALTER
13	Relinquished	14	White House section	7	Gun	8	Cain raiser	WIN	ABILENE
16	Mystery writer Donald	17	Novelist Oz	9	Marry	10	Cheese choice	DECAGON	SOT
20	Fashionable rooms	21	Role for Welles	11	Cheese choice	12	Pub	RELAX	WTS
23	The Grinch's dog	22	Novelist Welles	13	Left	14	Alimony	UNSER	VIM
24	Drink to "Loma —	25	"Close	15	Alimony	16	Minne-payers	EXITS	EXITS
26	Leads to Connecticut town	27	Connecticut town	17	Hearty dish	18	Young fellows	DON	LAPTOPS
32	Mideast region	33	Role for Welles	19	Young fellows	20	Light filler	IT'S	SLATE
36	Help 39	40	Role for Welles	21	Light filler	22	Light filler	TATUM	PAL
39	Away from the wind	41	Role for Welles	23	Retained missile	24	Retained missile	CRETE	LIETO
40	Boxing champ of 1978	42	Role for Welles	25	Retained missile	26	Retained missile	SAKES	HYPE
41	Hen holder	43	Smallville name	27	Retained missile	28	Canine command	NASH	NAH

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"The fly Marmaduke was chasing turned out to be a bee."

The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



"Can I have the rest of this cookie I ate half of?"

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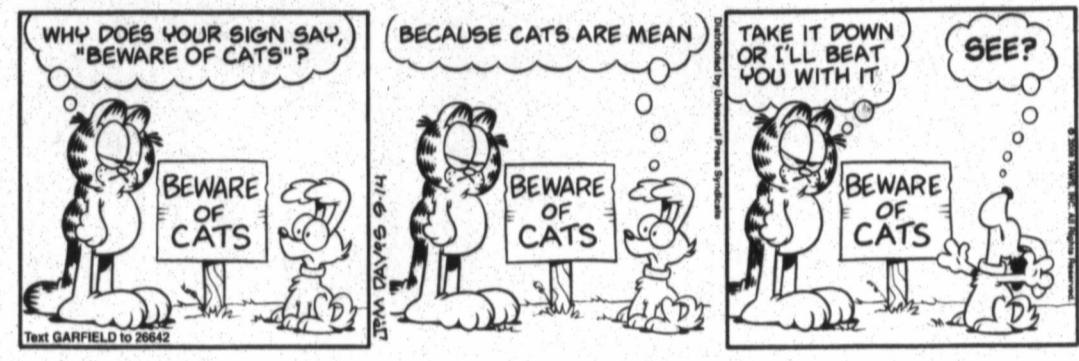
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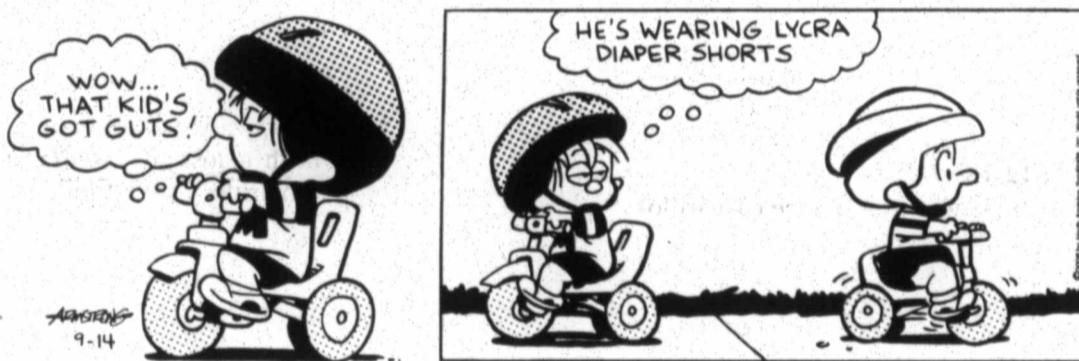
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Sports Day

Chautauqua: Jimenez, Wariner, Soria among event's top finishers

Chautauqua Fun Run/Walk, 5K
Sept. 4, 2006

Results

Fun Run/Walk-Female

8 and Under

1st Place Sarah Schoenrock
2nd Place Elaine Nava
3rd Place Allie Kupcunas (Dallas)

9-11

1st Place Krysten Miller
2nd Place Savanna Mertz
3rd Place Bailey Dixon

12-15

1st Place Kylee Wariner (female - best overall time 7:39)
2nd Place Claire Hopkins
3rd Place Lyndsey Ellis (McLean)

16-19

1st Place Marli Street
2nd Place Whitney Wichert
3rd Place Kaleigh Lucas

20-29

1st Place Lori Giles
2nd Place Stacy Hext
3rd Place Daisy Leal

30-39

1st Place Tisha Sieck
2nd Place Tammy Hernandez
3rd Place Lana Miller

40-49

1st Place Edie Mechelay
2nd Place Ann Tuke (Altamonte Springs, FL)
3rd Place Shannon Loter

50+

1st Place Kathy Cavalier
2nd Place Linda Huddleston
3rd Place Paulette Hinkle

Fun Run/Walk-Male

8 & Under

1st Place Brandon Sieck
2nd Place Benjamin Karson
3rd Place Alexander Karson

9-11

1st Place Tyler Whitson
2nd Place Josh Hernandez
3rd Place Chris Smith

12-15

1st Place Tony Surace (Amarillo)
2nd Place Trent Carter
3rd Place Blake Sieck

16-19

1st Place Matt Jimenez (male - best overall time 5:56)

20-29

1st Place Johnny Story

30-39

1st Place Kevin Sieck
2nd Place Kevin Keith
3rd Place Joe Anstey

40-49

1st Place Vincent Surace (Amarillo)
2nd Place Richie Hill
3rd Place Luis Nava

50+

1st Place Boyd Hutcherson
2nd Place Glenn Schafer
3rd Place Jack Sutherland

5K Female

19 and Under

1st Place Faby Soria (female - best overall time 19:40)
2nd Place Chelsey Knight
3rd Place Sarai Soria

20-29

1st Place Katy Moone (Moore, Okla.)
2nd Place Abby Cavalier
3rd Place Crystal Taylor

30-39

1st Place Sandee Stokes
2nd Place Mendi Bonner
3rd Place Vanessa Parker

40-49

1st Place Ronna Raber
2nd Place Vickie Barby (Perryton)
3rd Place Mary Alice Hughes (Canadian)

50+

1st Place Mary West
2nd Place Linda Huddleston

5K Male

19 and under

1st Place Matt Jimenez
2nd Place Miguel Tapia
3rd Place Andrew Van Houten

20-29

1st Place Trent Davis
2nd Place Adam Nugent (Austin, TX)
3rd Place AJ Taylor

30-39

1st Place John Hughes (Canadian)
2nd Place Mark Mertz
3rd Place Paul Smith

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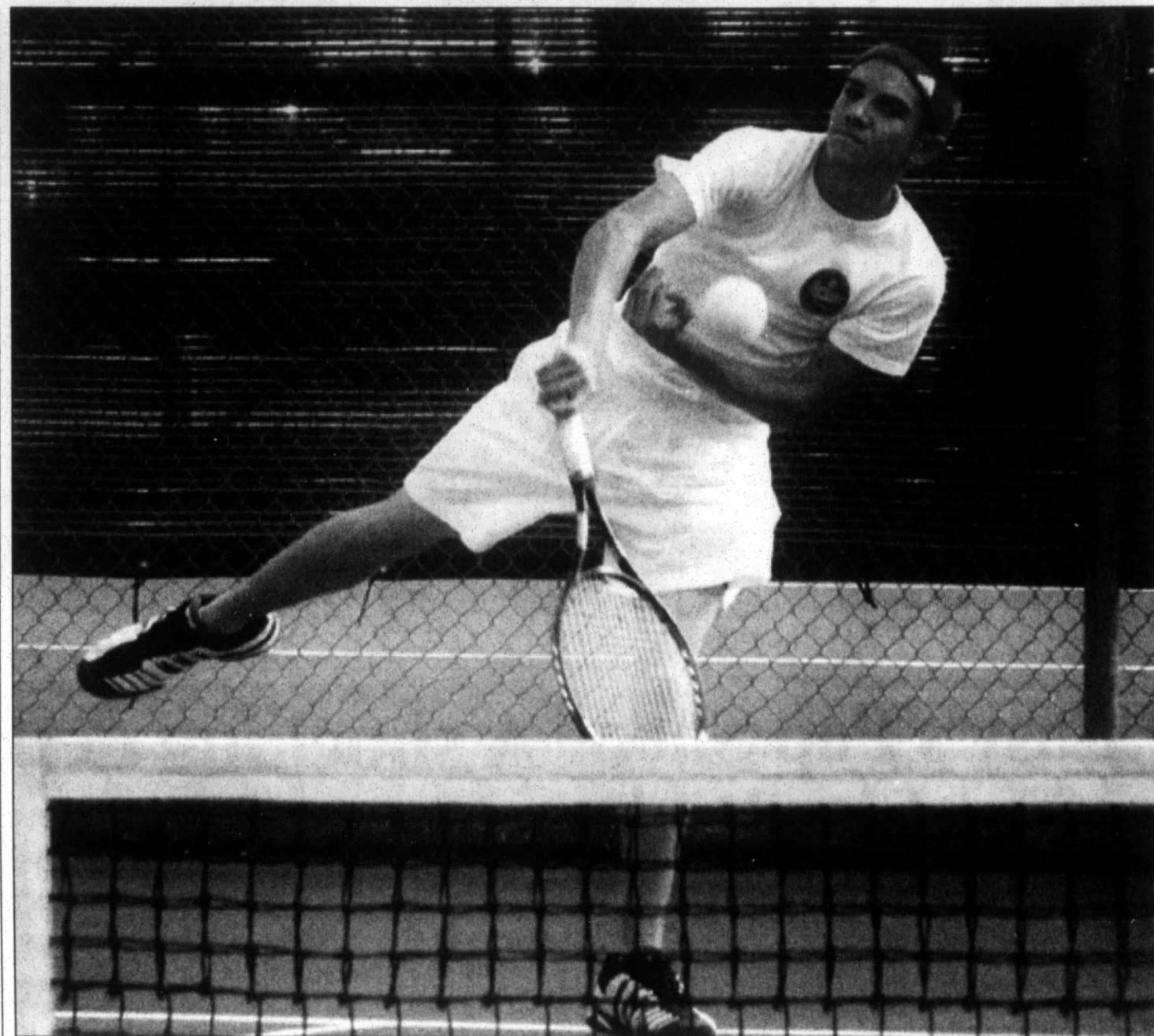
1st Place Charlie Hennessey (Amarillo) (male - best overall time 17:49)
2nd Place Raul Casus

3rd Place Todd Hutton (Borger)

50+

1st Place Jackie Cannon (Amarillo)
2nd Place John Wimberley (Claude)
3rd Place John Scheetz (Amarillo)

Note: This year's event raised \$1520 for The United Way campaign



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

► Pampa High School's Jack Ware serves during a mixed doubles match against Tascosa Tuesday afternoon. Ware was partnered with Krissa Whittley.

Pampa High tennis team wraps preseason; Green and Gold Tournament under way

The Harvester tennis team wrapped up the preseason with a loss to Tascosa at the Austin Tennis Complex in Amarillo. Coach Emily Laurence said afterward, "This was definitely a hard preseason schedule but we saw the benefits in our match against Tascosa. Although the scores aren't very impressive, the play of the team was." She added, "For the most part, everyone competed hard and played good tennis against good players."

Next on the schedule for the Harvesters is this week's annual Green and Gold Tournament. Every year the team is divided into two teams and they go through a week of competitions before the tournament on Saturday.

During the tournament, each player must find a doubles partner from the community and matches are played with lunch being served by the booster club.

Pampa will open the district season Tuesday by hosting Dumas. Coach Laurence encourages all Harvester fans to wish the team luck as they "Return to Dominance."

Pampa 0, Tascosa 21

Tuesday, Sept. 12

Boys Doubles

Foreman/Frels lost to Cramer/Ritchie 0-6, 0-6
Fortenberry/Morris lost to Hollabough/Hayhurst 0-6, 0-6
Foreman/McNeely lost to Smithee/Zavala 3-6, 0-6

Girls Doubles

Acker/Farmer lost to Cowden/Carter 3-6, 0-6
O'Neal/Julian lost to Greathouse/David 1-6, 0-6
Collins/Kloos lost to Collins/Kloos 0-6, 1-6

Mixed Doubles

Ware/Whittley lost to Porter/Rittenberry 1-6, 0-6

Boys Singles

Michael Foreman lost to Ben Cramer 2-6, 1-6
Kevin Frels lost to Jarod Russell 1-6, 0-6
Tyler Morris lost to Brason Hollabaugh 0-6, 0-6
Jareth Fortenberry lost to Will Porter

Myles Foreman lost to Ernie Hayhurst 1-6, 1-6
Landon McNeely lost to John Smithee 0-6, 0-6
Jack Ware lost to Jacob Zavala 5-7, 3-6

Girls Singles

Haley Acker lost to Mary Caroline Cowden 0-6, 0-6
Kourtney Farmer lost to Elizabeth Carter 0-6, 1-6
Katie O'Neal lost to Erika Greathouse 1-6, 1-6
Anna Julian lost to Madison David 1-6, 0-6
Megan Barnett lost to Colleen Collins 1-6, 2-6
Rachel Lee lost to Mary Ann Vardaman 2-6, 1-6
Krissa Whittley lost to Erin Kloos 1-6, 2-6

Hidden Hills Senior Scramble results

Seniors Scramble
Hidden Hills Golf Course
Sept. 13, 2006

3rd Place (63)

Carroll Pettit
Jim Bridges
Norman Willingham
Wayne Jones

1st Place (62)

Harley Knutson
Lucio Moreno
John Hervey
Marvin Allison

4th Place (63)

Jim Brashears
Doug Reeves
Jack Davis
Gene Winegeart

2nd Place (62)

Jerry Dorman
Dick Dunham
Bob Swope
Dick Abbott

Closest to the Pin

James Gray (#6)
Ray Covalt (#15)

PJHS CROSS COUNTRY Tapia takes second place at Perryton

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

New head coach Tim Davis and his Pampa Junior High School cross country team competed in Perryton Saturday. Seventh grader Sari Soria and 8th grader Miguel Tapia were among some of the top runners at the event.

Tapia finished 11th out of a field of approximately 220 with a time of 14:32 (two miles).

Tapia finished second with a time of 12:20.

Davis and his team will next compete Saturday in Follett.

PJHS at Perryton

Girls

7th Grade

Sari Soria- 11th (14:32)
Kaitlyn Ramirez- 32nd (15:19)

8th Grade

Karen Jimenez- 34th (14:28)

Team

6th place out of 29 teams

Boys

8th Grade

Miguel Tapia- 2nd (12:20)

Noah Cotton- 38th (14:32)

Team

7th place out of 11 teams

JV, freshman football teams in action today

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa High School junior varsity and freshman football teams will be in action this afternoon.

The freshman squad will travel to Perryton to face the Rangers at 5 p.m., while the junior varsity team will host Amarillo High at Harvester Field at 7 p.m.

The varsity team will tackle the Sandies in Amarillo Friday night at Dick Bivins Stadium.

Stokes takes week two as pack moves in on Stevens

Fantastic Five Picks

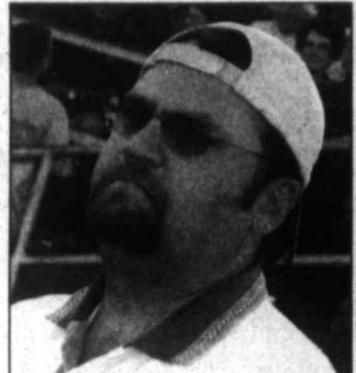
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College

Michigan State @ Pittsburgh
Iowa State @ Iowa
Ohio @ Rutgers
Oklahoma @ Oregon
Miami (Fla.) @ Louisville
Michigan @ Notre Dame
LSU @ Auburn
Texas Tech @ TCU
Florida @ Tennessee
WTAMU @ Texas A&M-Comm.
NFL

NY Giants @ Philadelphia
Arizona @ Seattle
Washington @ Dallas
Kansas City @ Denver
New England @ NY Jets
High School
Clarendon @ White Deer
Miami @ Higgins
Lefors @ Lazbuddie
Hedley @ McLean
Woodson @ Groom

Cumulative Totals: Stevens
32-7-0, Smith 30-9-0, Hooper
31-8-0, Boring 30-9-0, Stokes
31-8-0.

**MICHAEL J. STEVENS**

Last Week: 15-5-0

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Rutgers
Oregon
Louisville
Notre Dame
Auburn
Texas Tech
Florida
WTAMU
Philadelphia
Seattle
Washington
Denver
NY Jets
Clarendon
Miami
Lefors
McLean
Groom

**SEAN SMITH**

Last Week: 14-6-0

Michigan State
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Rutgers
Oregon
Miami
Notre Dame
Auburn
Texas Tech
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WTAMU
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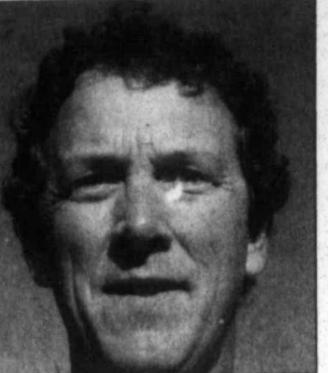
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**RAY BORING**

Last Week: 15-5-0

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Auburn
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WTAMU
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**SHANE STOKES**

Last Week: 16-4-0

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Easy's Pop Shop offers free drinks to F-5 winners

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Though I doubt stretch limos and Hollywood premieres are anywhere in our future, I am constantly amazed at the number of people who keep tabs on just how the Fantastic Five are performing week by week.

While standing at the north end of Harvester Field Friday night in anticipation of Pampa giving me a touchdown photo opportunity, I had two people come up to me and say, "You know, if you had taken TCU (who beat Baylor in week one), you would have been 18-1."

I get e-mails from people who either want to see me stay out front, or attempt to cast spells on me with

demonic text messages, most likely the bidding of my fellow pickers, though jealous they may be.

Now comes word that a well known Pampa icon wants to raise the stakes by tossing a weekly bone onto the F-5 table. According to Donny Hooper, Easy's Pop Shop has offered to reward each week's winner with a virtual bottomless cup of his favorite fountain drink for a week.

Offer accepted.

So now there is more to play for than just bragging rights.

Go ahead Shane Stokes, enjoy your soda. Drink up. That is, if your conscience will let you (16-4).

Let the burping begin.

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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B X X U S B I O Q . — N B O E V Q J O D

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED, YOU MAY BE AT YOUR LEVEL OF INCOMPETENCE ALREADY. — LAURENCE PETER

A shocking departure for Woods

VIRGINIA WATER, England (AP)

— Unbeatable for two months, Tiger Woods' winning streak came to a swift and sudden conclusion today when Shaun Micheel knocked him out in the first round of the World Match Play Championship.

Woods had a 15-foot birdie putt on the 15th hole to keep alive his slim hopes, but he removed his cap and walked over to shake hands with Micheel as the ball was still rolling left of the cup. The score was 4 and 3, matching Woods' worst loss in match play.

"I don't think you're ever excited when you've lost," Woods said.

It's been a long time since he has.

His winning streak began about four hours away at Hoylake, where Woods won the British Open won the British

Open for the first of five straight victories that restored some of his mystique.

That meant nothing to Micheel, who was runner-up by five shots to Woods at the PGA Championship last month, but was hardly fazed on a cloudy afternoon outside London.

After falling behind on the first hole of the 36-hole match, Micheel won four straight holes in the morning to build a lead that he never gave up. Woods won the first two holes in the afternoon to cut the lead to one hole, but he missed an 8-foot birdie putt on the par-5 fourth — a recurring theme — and failed to win another hole until it was time to leave.

And he had plenty of company.

Jim Furyk, who rose to No. 2 in the world ranking by winning the Canadian Open on Sunday, got hammered by Robert Karlsson of Sweden, 6 and 4, highlighting a first round in which six of the higher seeds were beaten.

But the biggest to fall was Woods.

He was the overwhelming favorite in the HSBC World Match Play Championship, which set a record for advance ticket sales with the No. 1 player in the world competing for the first time in eight years. The fans were packed around every green and rushed from hole to hole with their umbrellas,

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although this isn't what they came to watch.

Micheel is No. 77 in the world rankings, and he hasn't won a tournament since capturing the '03 PGA Championship at Oak Hill. But he looked solid from the start, rarely missing the green and holing enough par puts that Woods couldn't make up any ground.

"Anybody can beat anybody on any given day out here," said Colin Montgomerie, a 1-up winner over David Howell. "And that's what is happening today."

Even so, Montgomerie walked into the press center for his interview in time to see Micheel make a 10-foot eagle putt on the 12th hole to go 4 up with six holes to play, and he watched on just as stunned as everyone else.

Woods looked bewildered on the greens, badly missing putts on the low side of the hole as he struggled to find the right speed.

"I just had a hard time with my pace, and if you have a hard time with your pace, it's hard to read greens," Woods said. "It got a little better in the afternoon on the back nine, but by then it was already too late."

Woods also lost 4 and 3 to Darren Clarke in the 36-hole final of the Accenture Match Play Championship in California six years ago.

The winning streak had been the longest of his career.

Woods won six straight PGA Tour

events at the end of 1999 and the start of 2000, but he finished sixth in the Johnnie Walker Classic in the middle of that run. He will try to match that tour streak in two weeks at the American Express Championship outside London.

Next up is the Ryder Cup in Ireland, and Thursday was an ominous sign for a U.S. team that has lost four of the last five times. Woods and Furyk, the top two Americans and likely partners at The K Club, both were beaten badly.

The U.S. team is to arrive in Dublin on Monday, and it wasn't clear whether Woods and Furyk would stick around the British Isles for the next

four days or go home.

"Good question," Woods said. "Right now I'll probably go work out and get some of this frustration out."

Furyk didn't have much of a chance against Karlsson, who will be making his Ryder Cup debut.

The Swede tied a tournament record by making four birdies on the par 3s in the morning round, leading by as many as six holes while shooting 64. He cooled slightly in the afternoon, but by then the lead was too much for Furyk to overcome.

Micheel shot 70 in the morning and was 3 under through 15 holes in the afternoon — not the best golf of the first round, but more than enough. Woods needed to birdie the 18th hole in the morning for a 72; only Simon Khan (74) had a worse score.

Even so, Woods had two good chances to get back into the match. Both times, his putter failed him.

In the morning, he had putts inside 18 feet on five consecutive holes for the win, but missed them all. And after winning the first two holes in the afternoon to cut the deficit to one hole, he chipped weakly to 8 feet on the par-5 fourth and badly missed his birdie putt.

Woods also lost 4 and 3 to Darren Clarke in the 36-hole final of the Accenture Match Play Championship in California six years ago.

His departure was a big surprise, but only the corporate sponsor was shedding tears.

"It makes our job a lot easier," Michael Campbell said after a 3-and-1 victory over Khan.

Campbell, the No. 1 seed as defending champion, and Luke Donald (No. 7) were the only top seeds to advance in the 16-man field that is chasing the \$1.87 million prize, the richest among official golf tournaments. Donald went 36 holes before beating Tim Clark.

"I think we lose some TV ratings," Paul Casey said after whipping Retief Goosen.

Goosen was among a trio of South Africans sent packing, although one of them, Ernie Els, didn't have to travel far.

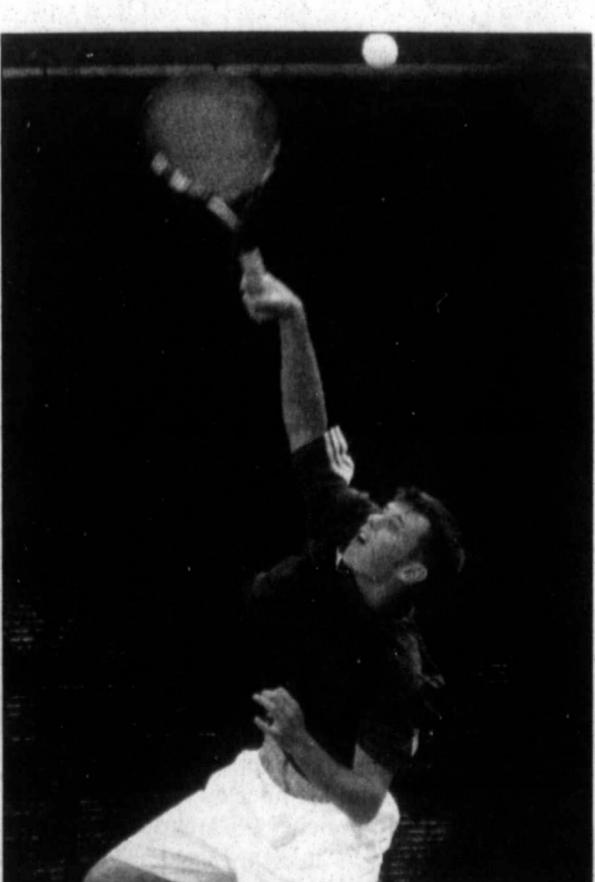
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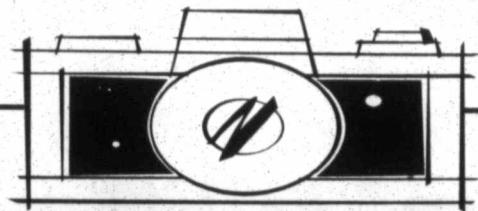
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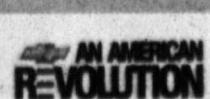
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