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King murder trial back on docket in Missouri

By **DAVID BOWSER**
Staff Writer
and **JOHN FORD**
Neosho, Mo., Daily News
Associate Editor

PINEVILLE, Missouri -- The double murder trial of a Missouri man who is also accused of killing a family in Gray County is back on the docket after the Missouri Supreme Court cleared the way for prosecutors to seek the death penalty.

Levi King, 24, is charged in this tranquil community in southwest Missouri of murdering Orlie

McCool, 70, and his daughter-in-law, Dawn Burr McCool, 47, on Sept. 29, 2005.

King has also been indicted by a Gray County grand jury in the predawn shooting deaths of Brian Conrad, 31; his pregnant wife, Michell Conrad, 35; and her son, Zach Doan, 14, on Sept. 30, at their home between Pampa and Interstate 40. Michell Conrad was six months pregnant at the time of her death.

At his arraignment here in March, King pleaded guilty to the murder charges against him with regard to

the McCools. The charges at that time did not include special circumstances that would have allowed the prosecutors to seek the death penalty. Special Prosecutor Tim Finnical said that the prosecution had until the trial date to file the special circumstances.

In Missouri, as in Texas, there are special or aggravating circumstances, such as killing while committing another crime or committing multiple murders, in order for the prosecution to seek the death penalty.

When King pleaded guilty, Judge Timothy Perigo allowed prosecutors to redraw the charges against King to include the death penalty, and King was allowed to withdraw his plea.

Eventually, the prosecutors dropped and then refilled the charges against King, noting the special circumstances.

King's attorney, Charles Moreland of the Missouri State Public Defender System, argued that the state should not have been allowed

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Claude man convicted in online sex scheme

CLAUDE -- Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott commended an Armstrong County jury for convicting a Claude man Tuesday who e-mailed sexually explicit images of children to an undercover Cyber Crimes Unit investigator who was posing as a young teen online.

Mike Lee Campbell, 50, of Claude, was sentenced to 10 years in prison on each of two counts of promotion of child pornography, with the sentences to run concurrently. The jury also determined he should serve 10 years on each of nine counts of possession of child pornography, probated to run concurrently. Formal sentencing has been postponed by the 47th District Judge Hal Miner.

"People who possess and send child pornography are robbing our children of their

innocence and inflicting harm that these young ones will feel for the rest of their lives," Abbott said. "I commend this jury for taking a stand on behalf of Texas children. The conviction and punishment assessed in this case is a statement of condemnation for such acts against children, and it is a reminder that we must continue to be vigilant in our pursuit of these dangerous predators."

In April 2005, Campbell used a Web camera to display child pornography online to a person whom he thought was a 13-year-old girl. The "girl" was actually an undercover Cyber Crimes investigator. In September 2005, a search warrant was executed at the grain elevator in Claude where Campbell worked as a facili-

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Animal blessing



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS
Emma, a dachshund owned by Jennifer Bonnell, left, is blessed by The Rev. Linda Kelly of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church at the church's first Annual Blessing of the Animals Wednesday evening. Wednesday was St. Francis Day. St. Francis is known as the patron saint of animals and the environment.

Woody Guthrie tribute has full slate of events scheduled



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS
Brad Mathis, left, manager of Tarpley Music Co., 117 N. Cuyler, and Lorelee Cooley, member of the Pampa's Tribute to Woody Guthrie board of directors, try out some of the harmonicas being donated to Lamar Elementary School students. Pat Stewart, "The Harmonica Man," of St. Louis, Mo., will be at Lamar all day Friday to teach approximately 400 students how to play the harmonicas. M & H Leasing donated \$500 toward the cost of the instruments, an anonymous teacher donated \$100, and Tarpley Music Co. donated 200 of the harmonicas. The event is being held in conjunction with Pampa's Annual Tribute to Woody Guthrie Friday and Saturday.

By **MARILYN POWERS**
Staff Writer

Pampa's 2006 Tribute to Woody Guthrie is this Friday and Saturday at "Woody's Neighborhood," 320 and 400 S. Cuyler.

Following is the schedule of activities for the tribute:

Friday

All day -- Pat Stewart of St. Louis, Mo. will be at Lamar Elementary School teaching approximately 400 students in music classes how to play the harmonica. Stewart is known as "The Harmonica Man."

11 a.m. -- K.C. Matheny of Oklahoma City, Okla., will appear as Woody Guthrie at St. Matthew's Day School.

4:30 p.m. -- Matheny will perform at Create-A-Beat After School Arts Academy at Highland Christian Church.

7 p.m. -- Jam Session at "Woody's Neighborhood"

Saturday

10 a.m. -- Woody Guthrie Center, 320 S. Cuyler, opens at

10 a.m.

11 a.m. -- Performances begin on the outdoor stage at Woody Guthrie Inn, 400 S. Cuyler, and continue until barbecue supper.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. -- Hot dogs and beverages from The Coney Island Restaurant served at the shotgun shack behind the Center. Beverages will be served all day.

2 p.m. -- "From Pampa to New York," the story of Guthrie's life from 1937 to 1947, with Guthrie songs by guest artists.


6 p.m. -- Outdoor barbecue supper at the Inn.

7 p.m. -- Outdoor concert with "The Wanderers," Bill Murlin and Carl Allen of Portland, Ore., who tell the story of Guthrie's writing in the early 1940s of his Columbia River songs, created at the time the Grand Coulee Dam was being built. "The Wanderers" will perform songs from the Columbia River collection.

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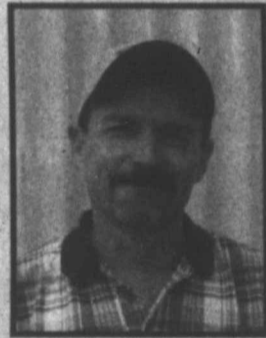
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Obituaries

Kenneth Dale "Ken" Reeves, 81
 Texas. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1947 and worked for Cabot and IRI, retiring in 1984 as a purchasing manager after 37 years of service.
 Mr. Reeves married Pat Williams on Feb. 14, 1984, in Amarillo; she died in 2004.
 He was a member of the First Baptist Church and

Kenneth Dale 'Ken' Reeves, 81

Everyman's Bible Class. He was a former member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Pampa Rotary Club, Boy Scouts and the Pampa Country Club.
 Mr. Reeves was a veteran of the U. S. Army Air Force, serving during World War II. He was a wonderful father.
 He was preceded in death



Reeves

by two brothers, Roy B. Reeves and J. C. Reeves.
 Survivors include two sons, Kent B. Reeves and wife Lora of Stephenville and Cary R. Reeves and wife Anita of Aledo; two brothers, Donald W. Reeves of Wheeler and Amos C. Reeves of Shamrock; and 11 grandchildren.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
 Nine traffic stops were made.
 A traffic complaint was reported in the 800 block of North Duncan.
 One accident was reported at the intersection of Hobart and Harvester.
 A suspicious vehicle was reported at the intersection of Foster and Wynne.
 A stolen vehicle was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.
 Thefts were reported in the police department lobby and in the 500 block of West Montague, where an air conditioner valued at \$165 was taken.
 Criminal mischief was reported in the 1200 block of North Nelson and the 1000 block of North Duncan where damage to a wall, a back door and carpet was sustained.
 A narcotics violation was reported in the 1300 block of North Banks.
 Driving while intoxicated, second offense, was reported in the 800 block of West Kingsmill.
 Evading arrest with a vehicle was reported in the 800 block of East Kingsmill.
 A domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of North Wells.
 Animal complaints were received in the 600 block of North Wells and the 800 block of South Barnes.
 A dead animal call was received

from the 200 block of North Sumner.
 Disorderly conduct calls were received from the 700 block of East Brunow, the 800 block of West Francis, the 900 block of Barnard, and the 1400 block of West Somerville.
 Escort service was provided in the 600 block of North Ward.
 A medical assist was provided in the 300 block of East 17th.
 Assisting another agency service was provided in the 500 block of South Barnes.
 Two suicide attempts were reported.
 Harassment complaints were made in the 1000 block of South Sumner and the police department lobby.
 A welfare check was made in the 1300 block of West Kentucky.
 An open door was checked in the 100 block of East Foster.
 A suspicious person report was made from the 1100 block of Juniper.
 A prowler was reported in the 1900 block of West Sumner.

Oklahoma, was arrested by GCSO on a charge of theft of property more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000.
 Renae Johnson, 27, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a charge of violation of probation, possession of marijuana.
 Travis Calvin Selby, 31, of Pampa, was arrested by Pampa Police Department on a charge of DWI, second offense.
 Arturo Ruiz, 21, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on charges of bond surrender resisting arrest, violation of probation-aggravated assault and violation of probation-burglary of a habitation.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Wednesday, Oct. 4
 11:17 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a medical assist.
 1:22 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 300 block of East 17th on a medical assist.
 3:30 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the intersection of Hobart and Harvester on a vehicle accident.
 6:17 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1900 block of Lynn on a medical assist.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.
Wednesday, Oct. 4
 William Iyvt Gardner, 42, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a charge of assault causing bodily injury.
 Richard Reyna, 30, of Elk City,

Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high near 76. East-southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.
 Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. South-southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.
 Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 78. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.
 Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.
 Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high

near 79. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.
 Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 57. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.
 Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 71. South wind between 5 and 10 mph becoming calm.
 Sunday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a low around 47. Calm wind becoming north between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25

mp.
 Columbus Day: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 63. North-northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.
 Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 48.
 Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 69.
 Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.
 Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 70.

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Corn	5.17
Soybeans	4.50

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY	45.86	+1.11
BP PLC ADR	64.65	-0.40
Cabot Corp	37.01	+0.01
Celanese	17.90	+0.12
Cabot Oil Gas	45.93	+1.55
Coca Cola	44.87	+0.07
VLO	50.60	-0.50
HAL	27.27	+0.36
TRJ	43.64	+0.32
KML	105.03	+0.03
XCEL	20.89	NC
Anadarko	42.31	+0.90
XOM	67.27	+0.66
Nat'l Oilwell	54.20	+1.35
Limited	27.92	-0.07
Williams	23.62	+0.67
MCD	39.82	-0.18
Atmos	28.85	+0.15
Pioneer Nat.	37.62	+0.50
JCP	71.04	-0.82
COP	58.03	+1.25
SLB	59.90	+0.80
Tenneco	22.74	+0.28
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Forest Hill standoff ends after gunman wounds three

FOREST HILL, Texas (AP) — A nearly 14-hour standoff between police and a man accused of shooting and wounding three people and holding a young boy hostage ended at dawn today with the boy safe and a suspect in custody.
 Police in the Fort Worth suburb of Forest Hill arrested Joe Dixon, 57, on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, Lt. Chris Hebert said.
 The boy, described as a 4-year-old nephew of someone who lived in the house, was found unharmed and placed in the custody of an unidentified guardian, Hebert said.
 He said the boy had been in the house with Dixon throughout the standoff, mostly asleep, he said.
 Also found in the house with Dixon were one handgun and one shotgun, Hebert said.
 Police first responded Wednesday afternoon to reports of a shooting in a residential area of this Fort Worth suburb.
 Police arrived to find vic-

tims in the area and in a home, including one person who was critically injured, Hebert said.
 The gunman then barricaded himself in the house and an hours-long standoff ensued.
 Hebert said authorities had established "sporadic" contact with the gunman.
 Around midnight, police broke a window and threw a cellular phone into the house to facilitate further negotiations. Those talks led to the surrender, Hebert said.
 The standoff began late Wednesday afternoon after the suspect barricaded himself in the home with at least one handgun, a shotgun and the boy, Hebert said.
 Police had arrived in the residential area to find shooting victims in the area and in the home, including one person who was critically injured, Hebert said.
 SWAT teams encircled the home overnight and authorities ordered the evacuation of everyone within a block of the standoff.

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The Woody Guthrie Inn, located at 400 S. Cuyler, will be open for tours at this year's Tribute to Woody Guthrie. The events begin Friday at 7 p.m. with jam sessions at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center, 320 S. Cuyler. Saturday's schedule starts with the Center's opening at 10 a.m. and includes lunch and a barbecue supper, along with performances by guest artists on the outdoor stage at the Inn.

Ethics committee to probe Foley case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Ethics Committee opened an investigation today into the unfolding scandal over Rep. Mark Foley's come-ons to congressional pages and accusations even by some Republicans that House speaker Dennis Hastert failed to protect the teens.

The committee, evenly divided between Republicans and Democrats, sat in closed session to take up a matter that imperils Hastert's leadership and has stirred extraordinary GOP infighting with midterm elections barely a month away.

Leaders of the ethics panel said they would speak pub-

licly about the session in early afternoon.

Hastert asserted that any Republicans urging his ouster are playing into the hands of Democrats and blamed his problems on the media and Democratic operatives, even suggesting former President Clinton might somehow be involved.

"All I know is what I hear and what I see," he said in an interview with the Chicago Tribune on the eve of the ethics meeting. "I saw Bill Clinton's adviser, Richard Morris, was saying these guys knew about this all along. If somebody had this info, when they had it, we could have dealt with it then."

Hastert said "people funded by George Soros," a liberal billionaire who has plowed millions into this and other election campaigns, want to see the scandal blow up. And he warned that when

the GOP "base finds out who's feeding this monster, they're not going to be happy."

An extraordinary political spectacle surrounded the committee's first meeting since Foley's resignation and the fallout that followed. Some leading Republicans publicly blamed Hastert for failing to take action after he was warned about the messages. And a former Foley aide said he told Republican leaders about the Florida congressman's conduct years earlier than they have acknowledged.

With Republicans concerned about maintaining their congressional majority in the elections, support for Hastert was ebbing. Republican officials said at least a few disgruntled members of the GOP rank and file had discussed whether to call on the speaker to step aside. The officials spoke on condi-

Amish community buries victims

GEORGETOWN, Pa. (AP) — Horse-drawn buggies glided past roadblocks this morning as Amish families gathered to bury four of the five young girls who were gunned down inside their tiny rural schoolhouse.

All roads leading into the village of Nickel Mines, where a milk truck driver had taken the children hostage and killed them, were blocked off for the funerals.

Their Amish families asked for privacy as scores of mourners prayed at the girls' homes before taking the bodies to a hilltop cemetery and burying Naomi Rose Ebersole, 7; Marian Fisher, 13; and sisters Mary Liz Miller, 8, and Lena Miller, 7.

The funeral for a fifth girl, Anna Mae Stoltzfus, 12, was scheduled for Friday.

Five survivors of the schoolhouse attack continued to fight their injuries today, at least four of them still hospitalized.

County coroner G. Gary

Kirchner said he had been contacted by a doctor at Penn State Children's Hospital in Hershey who said doctors expected to take one girl off life support so she could be brought home. Dr. D. Holmes Morton, who runs a clinic that serves Amish children, said today that the reports that a 6-year-old had been taken off life-support and taken home to die were accurate "as far as I know."

"I just think at this point mostly these families want to be left alone in their grief and we ought to respect that," Morton said.

National mourning of similar tragedies, such as the massacre at Columbine High School in Colorado, has

been enabled in part by media coverage — something the Amish generally shun.

In Lancaster County, there have been prayer services for the Amish school shooting victims at area churches, but the traditional funerals for the girls were closed. About 300 to 500 people were expected at each, said funeral director Philip W. Furman.

Amish custom calls for simple wooden caskets, narrow at the head and feet and wider in the middle. An Amish girl is typically laid to rest in a white dress, a cape, and a white prayer-covering on her head, Furman said.

King

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to seek the death penalty and that because King initially pled guilty to the murders without special circumstances the most King could be sentenced to was life in prison without parole.

The Missouri Supreme Court ended the summer of legal wrangling and indicated that the charges would stand and the case could go forward.

Judge John LePage has tentatively set Jan. 4, 2007, at the McDonald County Courthouse here as the time and place for a preliminary hearing on the McCools' murder case.

King was arrested Oct. 3, 2005, by U.S. Border Patrol agents as he tried to cross the border from Mexico back into the U.S. at El Paso.

He was driving Orlie McCool's red 2005 Dodge Dakota pickup. Authorities said they found a number of weapons in the truck along with an identification card belonging to Conrad.

King reportedly told law enforcement officers that he had crossed into Mexico, but became frightened and was trying to return to the United States when he was arrested on a murder warrant out of Missouri.

Officials said bullets found at the Conrad home matched one of the weapons found in the truck that King was driving.

King is being held without bond by the Missouri Department of Corrections. He was transferred to a state prison after an alleged escape attempt from the McDonald County Jail earlier this year.

Trial

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ty manager. A computer and external media were confiscated, and forensic analysis revealed images and video of children engaged in sexual conduct.

An Armstrong County grand jury returned indictments against Campbell in March 2006. He remains free on bond until formal sentencing.

Promotion of child pornography is a second-

degree felony punishable by up to 20 years in state prison and a fine of up to \$10,000. Possession is a third-degree felony punishable by up to 10 years in state prison and a fine of up to \$10,000.

The Cyber Crimes Unit, which targets online predators, and the Fugitive Unit, which locates convicted child sex offenders who have violated the terms of their parole and could be stalking children, have combined for more than 500 arrests of such offenders since December 2002.

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Viewpoints

Employers beware: National Boss Day is on the horizon

OK, time to score some points at work. Take out that palm pilot or day planner and scrutinize your calendar for the month.

Does Oct. 16 register on your radar of VSE, er, Very Special Events? If it doesn't, may I suggest you make note of it now. Why? Because that is the date for National Boss Day.

Plan ahead. You'll want to make the most of this opportunity to impress your employer.

A word to the wise? If you wait too long, all the pertinent greeting cards will be well and truly picked over. And that, tsk, tsk, would be a terrible thing to let happen.

A card would no doubt be a step in the right direction, but to truly ingratiate yourself with your employer,

think outside the box.

Since I am an inside a dilapidated box kind of person, you are officially on your own here. But I've got faith. Go for the gusto. You'll do great!

Remember: Sometimes sucking-up requires time, forethought, tact and judicial maneuvering.

How about those of you out there with a stinker for a boss? Does the hypocrisy of celebrating National Boss Day stick in your craw?

Well, don't despair. I have a suggestion for you, too.

Why not try anonymously (or not so anonymously, depending on your level of boldness and job commitment) e-mailing the following quiz to that cranky old curmudgeon?

The quiz is taken verbatim

from a news release provided by Merilee Kern Communications and is the work of John McKee, who is described by the news release as a "business success coach and author of '21 Ways Women in Management Shoot Themselves in the Foot.'" **Skyla Bryant**
News Editor

1. All employees generally dislike work

2. The best motivator for your team is money; it's what brings them back every day

3. Keeping emotions out of the management process has served the operation well

4. Your staff prefers to work as a team so that individual accountability is lessened

5. As much as I would like to, I just don't have the time to spend talking in-person to my subordinates

6. I encourage feedback from a suggestion box or other anonymous method

7. I live for the weekends -

this job is a paycheck to support my "real" life

8. I don't believe outsourcing can happen to my company

9. Regular team meetings are not justifiable as they take too much time, which lessens productivity

10. My current management position isn't very influential, but when I move up the ladder a bit I can make a "real" contribution to the company

Score Card: Give yourself 1 point for every time you said "No":

10 = Excellent!! You'll be running the show in no time!

9 = Brilliant. You obviously see your employees as an asset

8 = Solid. You have the right attitude, and the

team will see that

7 = Well done. You know people and their needs

6 = Good. You recognize the power of your role

5 = Fair. May be time to re-think your management strategy

4 = It's definitely time for an attitude adjustment

3 = Change or die (metaphorically). Things aren't good, but it's not too late to make impactful changes

2 = Do something significant that will be viewed in a positive light or your employees will leave

1 = It's time to consider a new job where you do not manage people

0 = Ever consider a job as a bounty hunter?

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Oct. 5, the 278th day of 2006. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 5, 1947, President Truman delivered the first televised White House address. (Speaking about the world food crisis, Truman called on Americans to refrain from eating meat on Tuesdays and poultry as well as eggs on Thursdays.)

On this date:

In 1830, the 21st president of the United States, Chester Alan Arthur, was born in Fairfield, Vt.

In 1892, the Dalton Gang, notorious for its train robberies,

was practically wiped out while attempting to rob a pair of banks in Coffeyville, Kan.

In 1921, the World Series was broadcast on radio for the first time. (By series' end, the New York Giants had beaten the New York Yankees five games to three in the best-of-nine contest.)

In 1931, Clyde Pangborn and Hugh

Herndon completed the first nonstop flight across the Pacific Ocean, arriving in Washington state some 41 hours after leaving Japan.

In 1937, President Roosevelt called for a "quarantine" of aggressor nations.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the United States, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1955, a stage adaptation of "The Diary of Anne Frank" by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett opened at the Cort Theatre in New York.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan signed a resolution granting honorary American citizenship to Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg, credited with saving about 100,000 Hungarians, most of them Jews, from the Nazis during World War II.

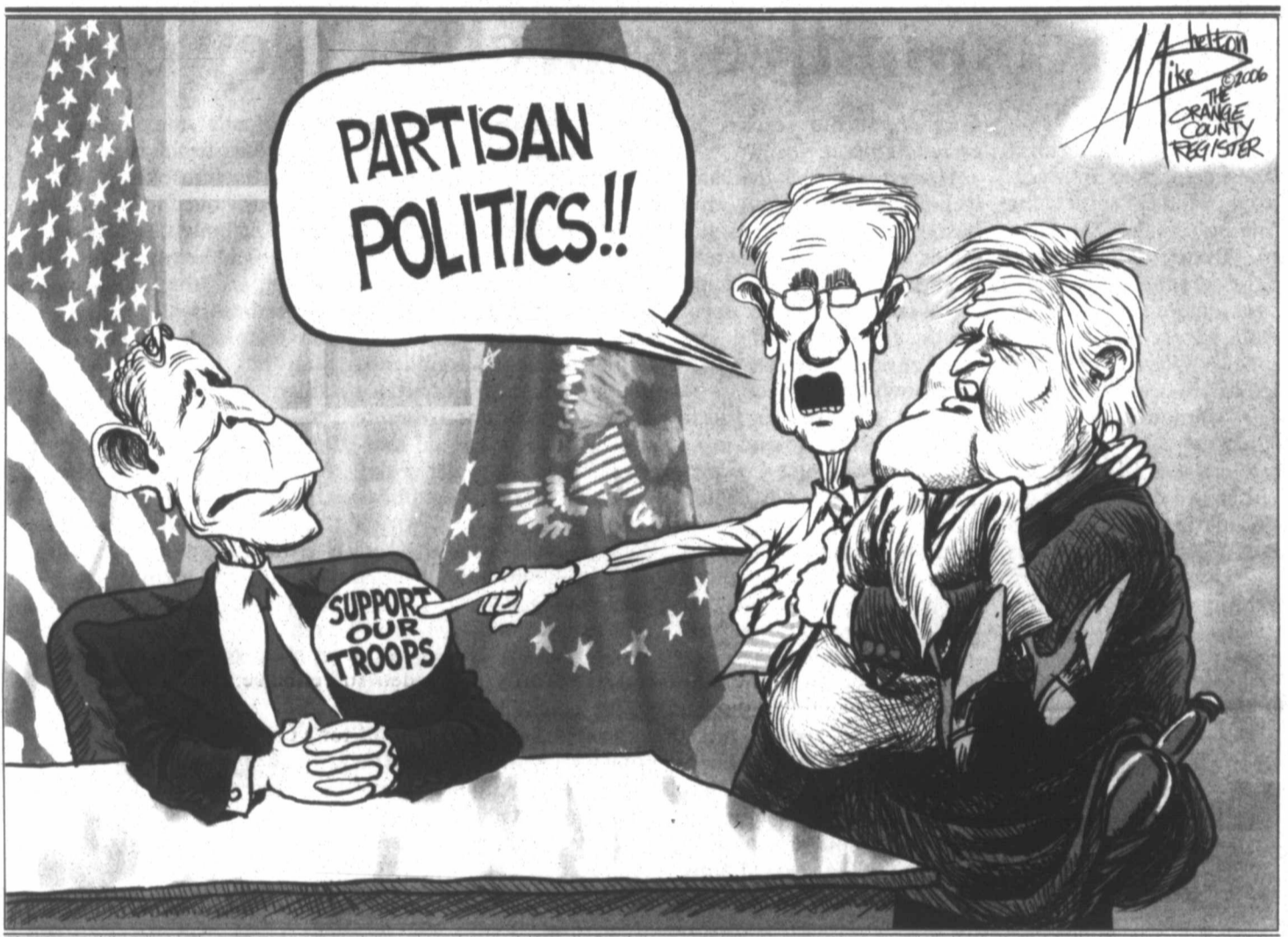
In 1986, American Eugene Hasenfus was captured by Sandinista soldiers after the weapons plane he was flying in was shot down over southern Nicaragua.

In 1988, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lambasted Republican Dan Quayle during their vice-presidential debate, telling Quayle, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

Ten years ago: Already under fire for his drug policies, President Clinton revealed that a secret FBI memorandum said the government's anti-drug strategy "had never been properly organized"; Clinton argued that the problems predated his administration.

'The usefulness of a meeting is in inverse proportion to the attendance.'

— Lane Kirkland
American labor leader (1922-1999)



The benefits of Xolox and Yahoo Messenger

Every now and then, I come across a program or two that catch my eye. Such was the case this week. Xolox and Yahoo Messenger are my two newest diversions ...

Xolox
When the famous music-trading program, Napster, bit the dust, many of us weren't quite sure who would fill the gap. Within a few months, two contenders, Kazaa and Morpheus, vied for dominance. Up until recently, I was a big Morpheus fan. The program is solid, and finds shared files quickly. The only thing I DON'T like about Morpheus is its intrusiveness.

For that matter, Kazaa suffers in that department, too. Both programs are free to the public. While this ploy can quickly add to market-share numbers, it doesn't add much to the bottom line. To compensate, both of these

companies signed agreements with advertisers. Basically, any personal information (including your e-mail address) you give one of these companies can, and is shared with these advertisers. To make matters worse, Kazaa monitors which songs and files you download, tying that information to your personal demographics.

Enter Xolox. Developed overseas (note the NL extension on the address), this program doesn't contain spyware of any kind. It's lean, mean, and accesses the same network of users as Morpheus and Kazaa. The interface is easy to use and quick to learn. Check it out at: <http://www.xolox.nl>.
Yahoo Messenger

Not much has changed in the instant messaging industry. You've still got the same players: AOL IM (<http://www.aim.com>), MSN (<http://messenger.microsoft.com>), and ICQ (<http://www.icq.com>).

However, another program is making waves: the **Y a h o o Messenger**.

What makes YIM stand out from the others is its connectivity options, specifically the "Super Webcam" feature. For those of you that may not have heard the term, Webcam, here's the short version - an eyeball-shaped camera that sits on top of your monitor, allowing video conferencing and video e-mail.

While all of these cameras come with some type of pro-

prietary software, no industry standard connects them all, until now. The Yahoo Instant Messaging software allows for two types of video connections - server-based and peer-to-peer. In a server-based environment, all video sent to or from your PC goes through the Yahoo server. In a peer-to-peer setting, the Yahoo server is bypassed altogether, instead attempting a direct connection between you and another user.

This approach, while hard to initiate, is much faster than the server-based method. However, by bypassing the middleman (the server), much higher data rates can be achieved. This increased speed translates into much higher quality video between the participants.

As an example, my brother
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Eric Spellmann
Columnist



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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ **Sept. 25**
Austin American-Statesman on fighting for the right to know:

Congratulations are in order for U.S. Sens. John Cornyn, R-Texas, and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt. Together, they finally got an improved government-in-the-sunshine bill out of committee. But it wasn't easy.

The bill (S.394) would update the existing Freedom of Information Act, which gives the public access to federal government records. According to groups that have watched the bill's progress, it is the most significant change in the open records law in a

decade.

Cornyn, a former Texas attorney general, has been pushing the bill all year, hoping to make the federal law more like the Texas Public Information Act. The changes he and Leahy added to the bill would indeed be significant improvements to the federal law.

The bill would more strictly enforce the 20-day deadline for federal agencies to disclose records requested by the public; would establish a hotline to track requests for records; give courts more authority to force agencies to reveal public records; and make it easier for requesters to recover attorney fees when agencies force them to sue. The bill also would penalize agencies for delaying responses to requests for public information.

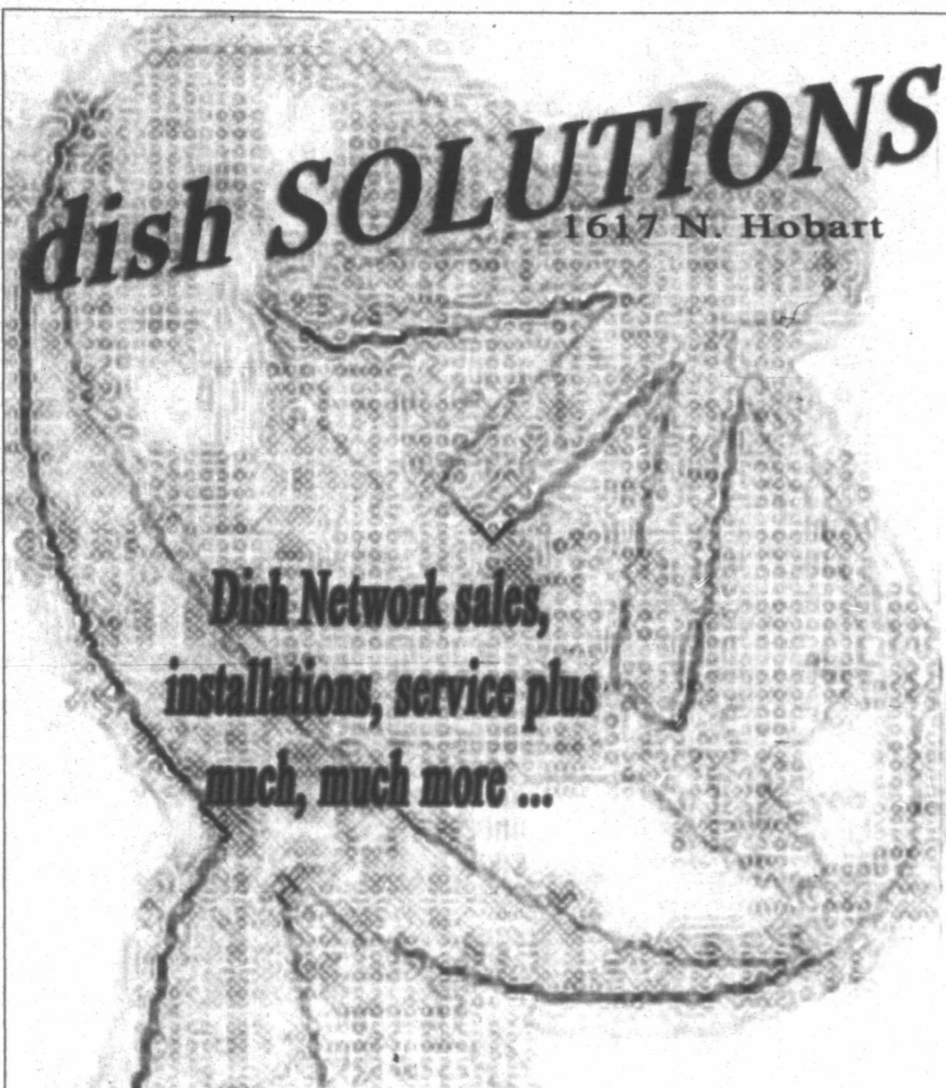
Groups that support openness in the federal government, including the media consortium Sunshine in Government Initiative, praised the bipartisan effort that got the bill through the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Access to government records requires constant attention from the public and legislators who understand and support government in the sunshine. Federal agencies have a long record of ignoring requests for information and delaying responses, sometimes for years.

A recent report by the Government Accountability Office found that federal agencies are taking longer than ever

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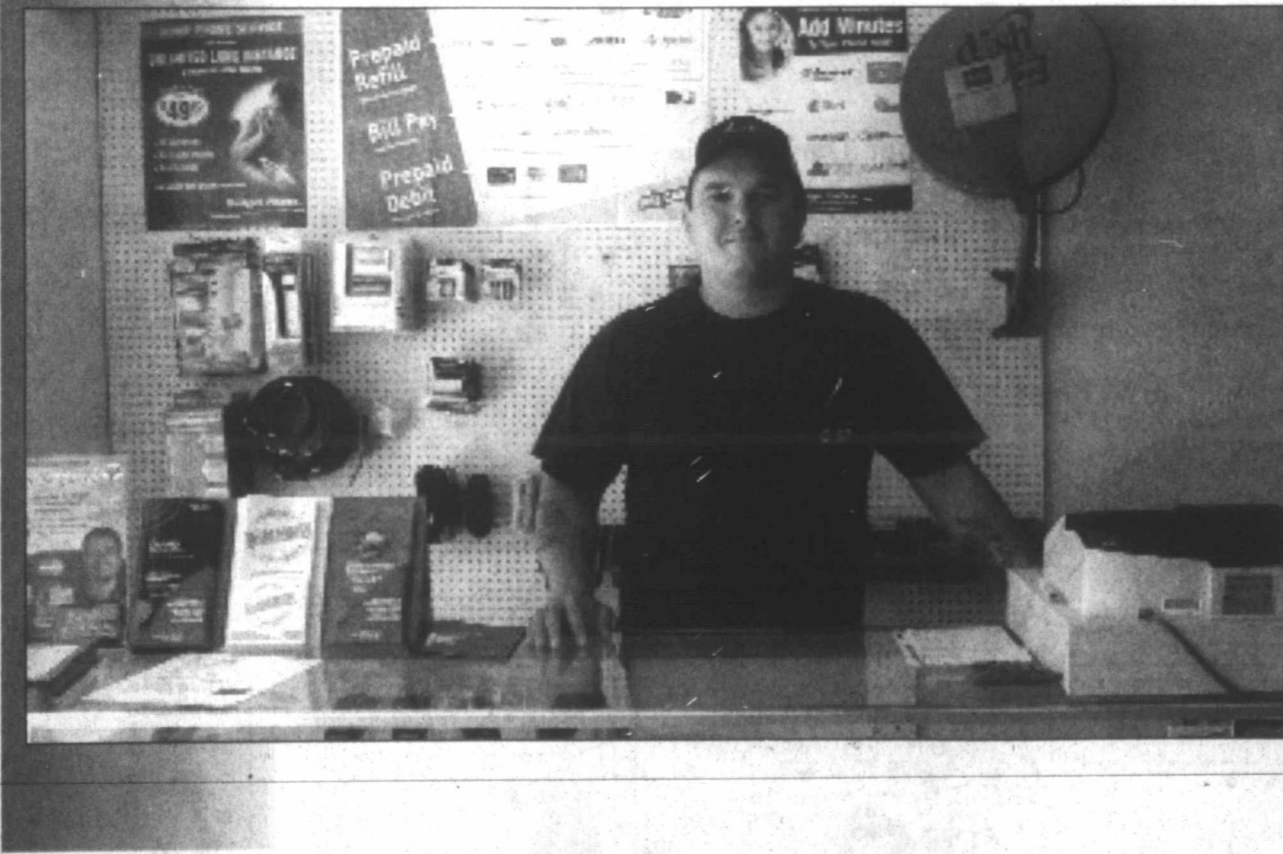
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Had It in Arlington, Wash." (8/29) was upset because her teenaged stepchildren didn't give her husband, their father, gifts even though he was generous with them. She could change that by inviting them to go shopping with her when she picks out a gift for him the next time they visit. If it's not a gift-giving occasion, that's OK. A "just because" gift is the best kind. If their relationship is close enough, she might feel comfortable suggesting they get something for him, too -- even if she has to pay the first few times. My guess is that, unless the kids are selfish, insensitive brats, they'll get the message and want to use their own money. The gifts need not be extravagant, just thoughtful. I get some of my most interesting things in flea markets, consignment shops and close-out stores. -- **IT WORKED FOR ME, DUNWOODY, GA.**

DEAR I.W.F.M.: You're a smart cookie, who I am sure not only endeared yourself to your husband for what you did, but also his children. And you're not the only smart lady who responded to that letter. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You were right on to say that the husband shouldn't punish his children for what amounts to their mother's poor teaching or example. I was divorced when my son was very small, and I always helped him get his father at least a small gift for Christmas and Father's Day. His father, on the other hand, never once responded in kind. He seemed to think it was the responsibility of some other man in my life to get me gifts -- first my father (since I moved back home for a short time), then my new husband. Have I pointed this out to my son? Heck, no. Has he

noticed? You bet he has! We teach our kids by example. What the stepmom could do is talk to the kids and say, "Your dad's been generous to you. Would you like some help in getting him a present for his birthday, to say thanks?" -- **KAREN IN SALEM, ORE.**

DEAR ABBY: I could not believe your response to "Had it in Arlington, Wash." You said, "Children behave as they have been taught, usually by their mothers." How incredibly insulting to mothers everywhere. Let me tell you that when I went through a divorce, it was their father who "taught" them such despicable behavior! My ex-husband was so bitter, he did not want my children to give me anything -- on birthdays, Mother's Day or Christmas. In fact, I was the one who took them to the store and gave them money to buy gifts for their father on each and every occasion, even though it was not reciprocated. At one point, my son asked me as I drove them to the store to get a gift for their father's birthday, "Why do you care, Mom? He doesn't care about you!" Let me add that the Christmas that I gave them enough money to buy everyone (including me) gifts, their father would let them spend only \$10 on a gift certificate for me, regardless of what they knew I wanted and they had wanted to buy for me! Shame on you, Dear Abby, for making such a hurtful comment. -- **UPSET IN BRIGHTON, COLO.**

DEAR UPSET: I offer my apology if what I said you took personally. It was simply an observation and not intended to be hurtful to anyone.

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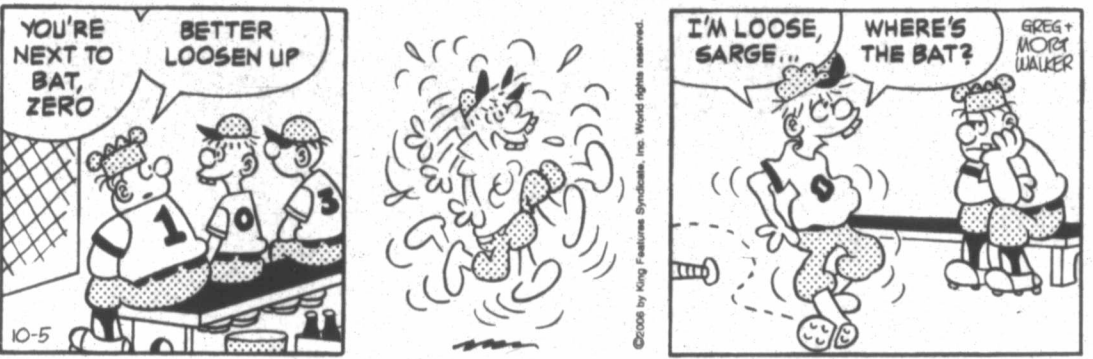
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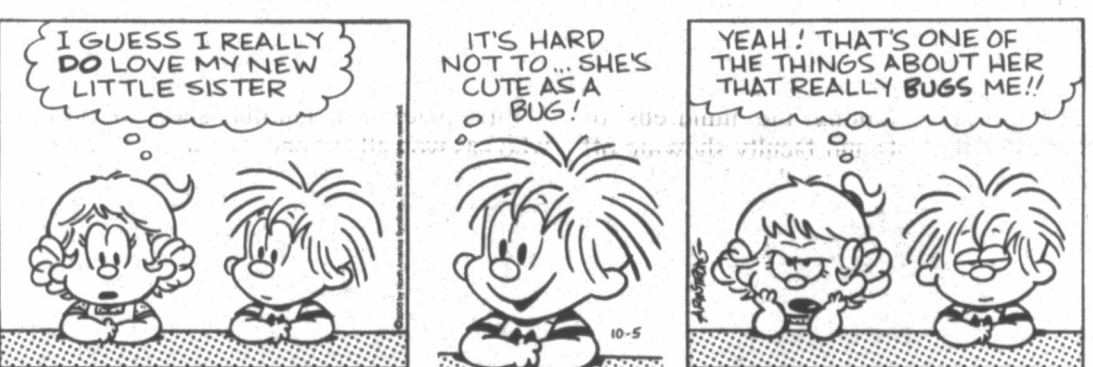
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 13 Easy run
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- 15 Treacherous ones
- 17 Cinch
- 18 Rope
- 22 Ring addition
- 24 Patriot Allen
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- 27 Surrenders
- 30 Bulletin board items
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- 42 Makes amends
- 43 Infamous czar
- 44 Sidewalk stuff
- 45 Irishman

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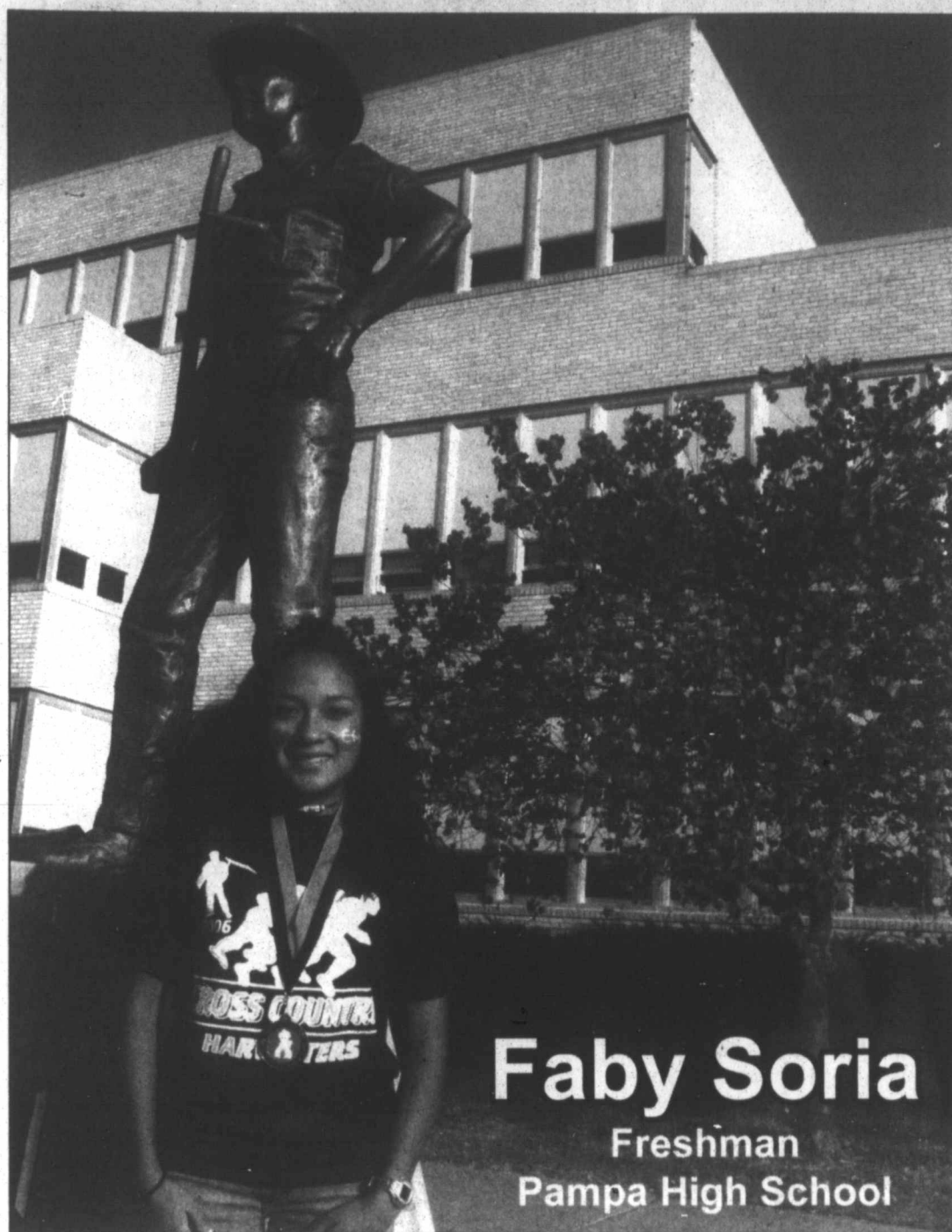
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Sports Day



Faby Soria
Freshman
Pampa High School

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Soria takes first in Stillwater

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Festooned in green and gold — face painted to match — Pampa High School freshman Faby Soria is among the hundreds of Harvester students and faculty showing off their Pampa pride during this Homecoming week.

The Harvesters will host the Plainview Bulldogs Friday night at Harvester Field.

Soria will no doubt blend in with her fellow classmates during the pep rally. Not a tall girl, she might even get lost in the crowd.

But when it comes to running, she stands tall among her competition.

She certainly did this past weekend in Stillwater where she and her Pampa Harvester Cross Country team competed in the oldest meet in the country, the 70th annual Cowboy Jamboree.

Soria competed against more than 200 other 3-4A girls at the meet. She led much of the race but fell into a battle near the end. That's where she met Jori Davis of Piedmont. The two battled over the final 200 meters of the two mile race, leading to a photo finish with Soria (11:44) in first,

Davis (11:45) in second.

PHS head coach Mark Elms called it the race of Soria's career.

Soria said, "I have never had to finish a race like that."

First place is a familiar spot for Soria who has won all but one race so far this season. The one she didn't win, she finished second.

So what does the future hold for Soria? "I would love to go to (Texas) Tech. I want to be a psychologist and a professional runner. It will depend on scholarship offers," she said with a smile.

Other top Pampa finishers from Stillwater were:

Girls

Team- 16th
Chelsey Knight- 13:20 (50th)
Kylee Wariner- 14:57 (140th)
Whitney Webster- 14:57 (141st)
Marli Street- 15:02 (146th)
Maggie Hopkins- 15:40 (166th)
Amanda Harkins- 15:41 (167th)

Boys

Matt Jimenez- 19:04 (74th)
Ryan Freudenrich- 22:15 (189th)

Pampa drops match to Randall

The Harvester Tennis Team completed the first half of the district season Tuesday with a 16-5 loss to Randall.

This was not an easy win for the Raiders as Pampa played them close. Coach Emily Laurence said afterward, "We were playing them so close in doubles, I really thought we would come out on top. But we struggled with finishing the match. We've got to learn to get on top and then finish it out!"

Laurence added, "One of the positive things coming out of the first half of district is that Haley Acker is undefeated at the No. 1 singles position. She is playing great tennis and is highly motivated to be the best girl in our district. Hopefully everyone else can learn to feed off of her motivation and we can have a more successful second half to our season."

Pampa next plays in Dumas Saturday.

Results:

Pampa 5, Randall 16

Boys Doubles

—Foreman/Frels lost to Davis/McKenzie 1-6, 1-6
—Fortenberry/Morris lost to Warren/Martin 6-4, 6-7(3-7), (5-10)
—Foreman/Ware def.
Olive/Acevedo 7-5, 4-6, (10-2)

Girls Doubles

—Acker/O'Neal lost to Wright/Mountain 6-4, 6-7(4-7), (10-12)
—Julian/Barnett lost to Shea/Plast 1-6, 1-6
—Lee/Hernandez lost to Coon/Lamberth 6-4, 4-6, (3-10)

Mixed Doubles

—Couts/Albracht def.
Dudley/Moser 4-6, 7-6(8-6), (14-12)

Boys Singles

—Michael Foreman lost to Steven Davis 2-6, 2-6
—Kevin Frels lost to Brad McKenzie 2-6, 3-6
—Tyler Morris lost to Mykey Warren 4-6, 3-6
—Jareth Fortenberry lost to Isaac Olive 1-6, 2-6
—Myles Foreman def.
Taylor Martin 6-4, 2-6, (10-6)
—Jack Ware def.
Wyatt Dudley 6-0, 6-2
—Garrett Coutts lost to Danny Acevedo 6-8

Girls Singles

—Haley Acker def.
M'Chele Wright 6-3, 3-6, (10-8)
—Katie O'Neal lost to Brittney Shea 2-6, 0-6
—Anna Julian lost to Emily Mountain 3-6, 3-6
—Megan Barnett lost to Amanda Plast 1-6, 1-6
—Rachel Lee lost to Shelby Moser 0-6, 2-6
—Krissa Whittley lost to Kerston Coon 4-6, 2-6
—Brenna Albracht lost to Nichole Lamberth 2-8

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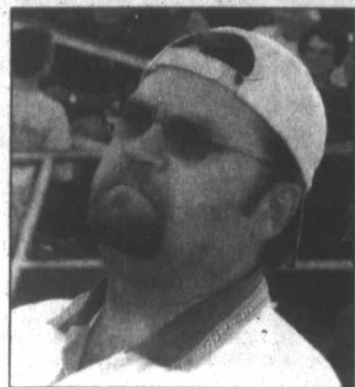
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 Texas A&M @ Kansas
 LSU @ Florida
 Texas @ Oklahoma
 Washington @ USC
 Michigan State @ Michigan
 Arizona @ UCLA
 Missouri @ Texas Tech
 Tennessee @ Georgia
 Midwestern State @ WTAMU

NFL
 Washington @ NY Giants
 JY Jets @ Jacksonville
 Dallas @ Philadelphia
 Pittsburgh @ San Diego
 Baltimore @ Denver

High School
 Happy @ Valley
 Ft. Elliott @ Hedley
 Holy Cross @ Groom
 Lefors @ Samnorwood
 McLean @ Miami

Cumulative Totals: Stevens 66-33-0, Smith 66-33-0, Hooper 71-28-0, Boring 68-31-0, Stokes 78-21-0.



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Last Week: 10-10-0

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 Florida
 Texas
 USC
 Michigan
 UCLA
 Texas Tech
 Tennessee
 WYAMU
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 San Diego
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 Happy
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 Groom
 Lefors
 McLean



SEAN SMITH
Last Week: 11-9-0

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 Texas A&M
 LSU
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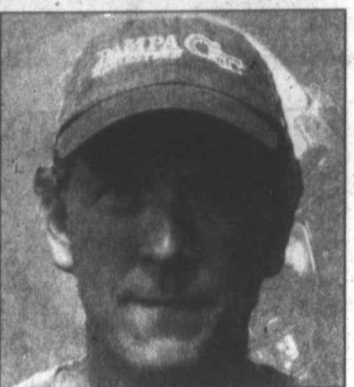
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RAY BORING
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SHANE STOKES
Last Week: 16-4-0

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Haynesworth's suspension: Pro or con?

Ready to play

Stevens
 Frankly, I don't think the penalty was stiff enough. I'm all about the 'physicality' of any contact sport. However, it seems that which goes beyond what is considered the norm in sports is doing so unchecked. I love a good fist fight at a hockey game. I look forward to the cat fights at the end of a heated NASCAR race (oftentimes, Bristol). There's something right about the dugouts clearing in the heat of a baseball battle.

I do not condone an attack on a player unaware, who is not in position to defend him or her self. That becomes assault. Especially to the degree of what Albert Haynesworth did to Dallas Cowboys center Andre Gurode Sunday. What makes this incident even more disturbing is Haynesworth is prone to fits of rage.

Reports suggest a day after Haynesworth stomped on Gurode's face causing a laceration that required a near-surgical procedure including 30 stitches to close, the assailant tried calling his victim's home without luck. He tried calling Gurode's family. No one wanted to speak with him. Why would they want to? What could Haynesworth say that could cause Gurode to respond, "It's all good. Don't even worry about it."

New NFL commissioner Roger

Goodell would have been right to suspend Haynesworth for the rest of the season. I would like to have seen him, (Haynesworth) handcuffed right there on the field and hauled off to jail. I would like to have seen it shown on the big screen at the stadium. It would have served the children attending the game well to know that big money doesn't always buy your way out of discipline.

Should Gurode file a lawsuit against Haynesworth? I would be shocked if the paperwork hasn't already been filled out.

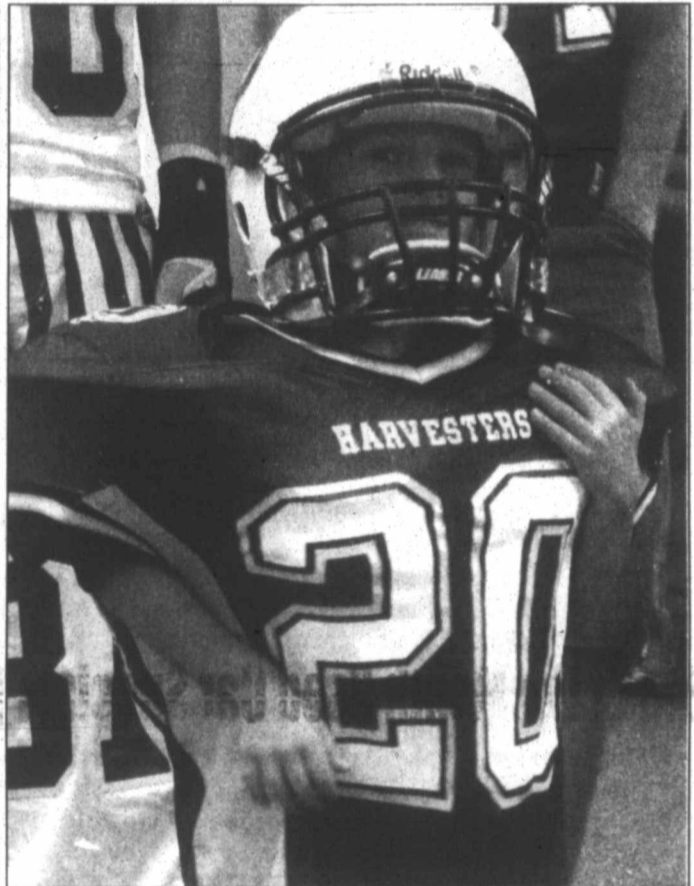
Hooper
 I think that the suspension was adequate. It was more than I thought they would do. They basically took 1/3 of his salary and bonus money away, which is more than I personally could handle. At-a-boy Roger Goodell...welcome to the NFL. The thing that upsets me is that the Players Union and Gene Upshaw actually considered an appeal! What in the world were they thinking? Football is certainly a game of emotions but there was no reason for Haynesworth to take it out on the man that kicked his tail on every play on the previous drive.

Boring
 Albert Haynesworth made a terrible mistake Sunday. Nobody and let me repeat, NOBODY messes with America's team! I was a little surprised

that the new commissioner didn't take advantage of the opportunity to make a statement in the NFL that he was the new sheriff in town. I think he missed a perfect opportunity to flex his authority. Instead of suspending Haynesworth for five games, it would have been a real gut check to make him play in the games without pay. I think he deserves a second chance. I think he should have to earn it. Playing without pay would send him the message that his behavior was unacceptable. Let him decide if he wants to be in this league.

Stokes (Easy's Pop Shop winner)
 I think the five game suspension is light for his actions. I think Jeff Fisher and the Titans should add 3 games and make it half a regular season. In addition, he should be required to do community service and all money from fines should go to charities chosen by Gurode.

Smith
 Obviously this incident was an attempt to purposely hurt another player and the league acted correctly by handing down Albert's punishment of five games. Roger Goodell is the new commissioner of the NFL and he sent a strong message that he would not tolerate this type of behavior in the league. This is good for the NFL and good for commissioner Goodell.



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MLB Division Series: Mets, A's get big wins

Mets 6, Dodgers 5
NEW YORK (AP) — Carlos Delgado hammered the ball all over the field in his playoff debut.

David Wright also delivered, and the pitching-depleted New York Mets looked like October regulars during their first postseason game since 2000.

Minus two top starters, the Mets capitalized on a wild baserunning blunder by Los Angeles and a perfectly respectable performance from emergency replacement John Maine in a 6-5 victory Wednesday over the Dodgers.

Billy Wagner closed Game 1 of this NL series for his first postseason save, fanning Nomar Garciaparra with a runner on second for the final out.

Playing in the first postseason game of his 14-year career, Delgado had four hits, a mammoth homer and the go-ahead RBI in the seventh inning.

Wright drove in three runs, helping the Mets jump ahead in the best-of-five series.

Game 2 is Thursday night, with rookie left-hander Hong-Chih Kuo on the mound for the wild-card Dodgers against 290-game winner Tom Glavine. Kuo pitched six shutout innings at Shea Stadium on Sept. 8 for his only major league win.

The Mets started a rookie of their own in the opener after Orlando Hernandez tore a muscle in his right calf while jogging in the outfield Tuesday. He is expected to miss the entire postseason.

Athletics 5, Twins 2
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Playing it safe? Not Torii Hunter's style.

That's why he has five Gold Gloves. Trying to make a tough catch right after his Minnesota teammates tied the game with back-to-back home runs, Hunter missed — and Oakland took advantage.

Mark Kotsay circled the bases for a two-run, inside-the-park homer after Hunter's ill-advised dive for a sinking line drive, lifting the Athletics over the Twins for a 2-0 lead in their first-round playoff series.

The A's handled the Boof — Bonser, that is — and here's the truth: Oakland has arrived at yet another elimination game. The perennial playoff underperformers are 0-9 in those since 2000, losing four straight first-round series.

The series shifts west Friday, with Twins right-hander Brad Radke taking his broken shoulder socket to the mound for possibly the final appearance of his 12-year career.

Dan Haren, in his first postseason start, will pitch for Oakland — which beat Cy Young Award favorite Johan Santana in Game 1 and now gets two chances to close it out at home.

The A's had one mishap. Second baseman Mark Ellis broke his right index finger swinging at a high, inside pitch, and Oakland said it would update his condition at Thursday's workout. Oakland starter Esteban Loaiza slipped in the sixth inning, surrendering consecutive solo homers to Michael Cuddyer and Justin Morneau that evened the game at 2.

But with Jason Kendall on first, two outs in the seventh and reliever Dennis Reyes pitching, Kotsay hit what should have been a single. Hunter, bothered by a sore left foot this season, charged forward.

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SWOSU Royalty



Homecoming king and queen nominees have been announced at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. The student body will narrow the field to three king and three queen finalists during voting on Oct. 10-11. Homecoming is planned Saturday, Oct. 28. Homecoming king and queen nominees at SWOSU are (front from left): Rhiannon Goodson, Kingfisher; Ashley Slomp, Gracemont; Jessica Speegle, Oklahoma City; Amanda Tyson, Oklahoma City; and Megan Rushing, Oklahoma City. Middle from left—Leslee Yount, Hobart; Amanda Crossgrove, Canadian TX; Mark Brady, Wakita; Joshua Miller, Pampa TX; Maggie Taylor, Enid; and Ashley Kehl, Cordell. Back from left—Greg Franklin, Oklahoma City; David Searcy, Tipton; Sheldon Webb, Cordell; and Jay Frymire, Thomas.

Yahoo

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er-in-law lives in Paris, France. We have used this feature quite successfully. The voice and video quality are GREAT. And of course, the lack of

long distance charges makes it all the better.

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to disclose records requested by the public. The number of requests carried over from year to year delays of more than 12 months and in some cases more than 24 months has risen by 43 percent since 2002.

That's an absurd response, and Cornyn and Leahy are right to push the federal agencies to perform as they should to information requests and punish them when they ignore or delay requests. Those agencies exist because the public pays their bills, and those records are kept in the name of the American people.

However, committee approval is a long way from law, and no one expects the full Senate, much less the House, to approve the bill this year. It's too late in the process. But getting the bill out of the Judiciary Committee gives it a good start when the next Congress convenes in January.

Progress is not an illusion, as George Orwell noted, it's just slow. He added that it's invariably disappointing, but we hope that will not be the case with Cornyn and Leahy's bill.

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Events calendar

• **Clarendon College** will air a Web cast of the Texas gubernatorial debate at 7 p.m. Friday in Bairfield Activity Center on campus. The debate involves Gov. Rick Perry, Chris Bell, Kinky Friedman and Carole Keeton Strayhorn. For more information, call (806) 874-4807.

• **Pampa Book Club** will meet and discuss "Strong West Wind" by Gail Caldwell, Wednesday; 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.

• **The next Cowboy Poetry Breakfast** will begin at 8 a.m. Oct. 14 at the Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo.

• **Panhandle Professional Writers** will conduct its used book and video sale from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 14 in the parking lot at 5800 W. 45th in Amarillo. The sale will include used books, videos and computer video games. Local authors will be on hand to sell and sign their books. Proceeds will help fund the "Frontiers in Writing" conference in June. For more information, log onto www.panhandleprowriters.org on the Internet.

• **The deadline for reservations** to the annual Poem in Your Pocket Awards Luncheon will be Oct. 18. The

luncheon will be staged at 11 a.m. Oct. 21 at Amarillo Senior Citizens in Amarillo. The program will begin at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call (806) 374-4354 or (806) 355-1986.

• **The Texas Department of State Health Services** will offer immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. 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., Oct. 18, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa. Call 665-4752 for more information.

• **Red Hat Ex's of Pampa** will meet at 11 a.m. Oct. 19 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.

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