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Weather delays completion of M.K. Brown project

By **DAVID BOWSER**
Staff Writer

The exterior concrete work won't be finished by the time the Country Fair is held at M.K. Brown Auditorium, Shane Stokes told the Pampa City Commission at their meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The concrete replacement on the walks and curbing and the parking project is still under construction.

"It's probably 40 percent completed, maybe," Stokes said. "They start-

ed on the north side, and they're pouring concrete."

The rain and cool weather during the past few days has slowed down the work crews.

Stokes, the city's recreational director, said the work schedule, however, will leave the south entrance open while the work on the north entrance is under way. When the north entrance way is complete, traffic will be directed there while work begins on the south entrance.

"So far, it hasn't been a problem," he said.

They've had several major events at the auditorium without difficulty.

"We're going with color added to the concrete," Stokes said. "It's the same color throughout, so if we get some breaks in the concrete later on, it won't show as much."

He said the basic color was tan. Every 12 feet, there is a stripe.

"It basically looks like brick embedded in it," Stokes said. "It's a

little bit darker brown to offset it."

Stokes said that the heating, air conditioning and ventilation project is about 95 percent complete at the auditorium.

"Everything is installed," he said. "The heating portion of everything is working properly."

He said one air conditioning unit had come from the factory with a faulty coil. It's being repaired, but

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Enjoying the evening



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

A deer pauses to cast a wary eye on the vehicle of the photographer as she travels one evening across rocky outcrops and riverbeds in Roberts County.

Use of swimming pool at all time high

By **DAVID BOWSER**
Staff Writer

Shane Stokes, the City of Pampa's recreation director, said use of M.K. Brown Pool this past summer was at an all time high.

"We had 11,415 patrons at the pool for the summer," Stokes told the Pampa City Commission Tuesday. "We were open 78 days. We had an income of \$25,034.12, which is an all time high."

That's the third time in the last 11 years that the pool has made more than \$20,000, but it's the first time, it's been more than \$25,000.

Last year, the pool made \$20,560.57 with 10,377 patrons over 74 days. They averaged 140 patrons per day.

Before that, he said 2001 was the last time the pool made more than \$20,000. That year, they were open 84 days and had 11,667 patrons. The averaged 138.2 patrons per day.

This year, the municipal pool averaged 146 swimmers a day, which again is an all time high.

"We had 22 days where

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Phased program to deal with locust trees at Lovett Library

By **DAVID BOWSER**
Staff Writer

The City of Pampa will deal with trees at the Lovett Memorial Library in a phased program.

Pampa City Manager John Horst reported to the city commission during their Tuesday afternoon meeting at City Hall that the bean-like seedpods of the locust trees on the library grounds are a problem.

"The beans are a problem," Horst said. "Not necessarily the trees."

After complaints about the seedpods and broken branches at the library, Horst said firefighters had gone up on the roof of the building to check for overhanging limbs that might break off during an ice storm this winter and for seedpods that might clog

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Lost dog causing grief for pal

By **MARILYN POWERS**
Staff Writer

Linus and Charlie Brown may be looking for the Great Pumpkin as Halloween approaches, but Jeannette Miller would be happy just to find her own Punkin.

Punkin is a 1-year-old female English setter who has been missing since Sept. 29 from Miller's home in the 2300 block of Beech.

Lost pets are nothing unusual, but what makes Punkin's case special is the void she has left behind in the lives of Miller's father, neighbor, and remaining dog, a 9 1/2-year-old female Gordon setter named Sophie.

The Millers had had another dog besides Sophie for seven years, until the other dog died. Sophie was inconsolable

over the loss of her pal.

"She cried and howled all the time. Our neighbors asked what was wrong," Miller said. "No matter what we did, she cried."

Then came Punkin. Sophie stopped grieving after the arrival of the new pooch.

"She got happy. She turned into a young dog again," Miller said of Sophie. "Now she's at it, crying again. She brings Punkin's toy and lays it down in front of us and whines. She's not eating. She's not happy no matter where she is."

Others are also feeling the loss of Punkin. One of Miller's neighbors is in his late 70s and is blind. Miller found

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Courtesy photo

Punkin is a white English setter with light brown markings who has been missing from the 2300 block of Beech since Sept. 29. She is shown here younger than her 1 year of age, with her friend Sophie, a Gordon setter.

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Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high near 52. Northeast wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 38. East-northeast wind around 5 mph becoming south.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 65. South-southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. South wind around 10 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 70. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 55. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 73. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58. South-southeast wind around 5 mph becoming west-southwest.

Monday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 78. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 52.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 66.

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ACT I presents "Feiffer's People", comedy sketches Clarendon College, Pampa Center Atrium, Oct. 13, 14, 20, 21, 7pm, Oct. 15, 2pm, \$7.50 adults; \$5 students.

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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.

Fifteen traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were received from the 100 block of East Harvester and the 1200 block of South Nelson.

Lost property, a sapphire and diamond ring valued at \$1,200, was reported in the police department lobby, and a purse and contents valued at \$115 was reported in the 400 block of South Hughes.

Thefts were reported in the 400 block of South Hughes and the 1900 block of North Faulkner where a bicycle valued at \$75 was taken.

Assault/domestic violence, with unknown injuries and unknown assailant, was reported at One Medical Plaza. The victim was reportedly uncooperative.

Criminal mischief incidents were reported in the 500 block of West Foster, the 300 block of Jean, the 400 block of North Rose where a steering column and ignition valued at \$150 were damaged, and the 1200 block of North Russell where a lawn decoration valued at \$60 was damaged.

Assaults were reported in the 800 block of East Browning and the 100 block of East Harvester.

Public intoxication was reported at the intersection of Browning and Rose.

A dead animal was reported in the 600 block of North Somerville.

A 911 hang-up call was received from the 1300 block of East Foster. Medical assistance was provided

in the 1300 block of East Kentucky.

Violations of city ordinances were reported in the 700 block of North Frost and twice in the 300 block of Sunset.

A welfare check was made in the 2200 block of North Beech.

Forgery was reported in the police department lobby.

Civil matters were reported in the police department lobby and the 400 block of East Frederic.

An alarm was checked in the 300 block of West Francis.

Disorderly conduct reports were received from the 2400 block of North Charles, the 2200 block of North Hobart, and twice in the 900 block of Barnard.

Found property was reported at an undisclosed location.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1900 block of North Grape.

A stolen vehicle was reported in the 400 block of Rose.

Harassment was reported in the 700 block of East Scott.

A prowler was reported in the 1800 block of North Sumner.

motion to revoke, possession of marijuana.

William Zane Roe, 39, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a charge of evading arrest.

Kaleb Logan Hart, 17, of Pampa was arrested by PPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Chad Blackford, 28, of Marengo, Ill., was arrested by transport system on a charge of possession of marijuana.

Wendy Gammage, 23, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a charge of violation of probation, possession of a controlled substance.

Fire

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

Wednesday, Oct. 11

9 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky on a medical assist.

9:20 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the 2300 block of Primrose on a fire prevention program.

12:52 p.m. — Two units and five personnel responded to the 1200 block of South Nelson on a fire prevention program.

8:13 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 900 block of East Browning on a medical assist.

8:43 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 500 block of North Russell on a natural gas leak.

Sheriff

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

Tuesday, Oct. 10

Yvonne Cheri Bridgeman, 35, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department on a charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Wednesday, Oct. 11

Dustin Merle Whaley, 31, of Vega was arrested by GCSO on a charge of

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

COATS, Rita Griffith — 2 p.m., South Plains Church of Christ, Lubbock.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of White Deer.

Wheat	4.93
Milo	4.48
Corn	5.34
Soybeans	4.57

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

OXY	44.98	+0.32
BP PLC ADR	64.28	+0.42
Cabot Corp	38.12	+0.27
Celanese	18.00	+0.16
Cabot Oil Gas	47.68	+0.08
Coca Cola	44.11	-0.01
VLO	50.88	+0.76
HAL	27.23	+0.15
TRI	42.47	+0.22
KMI	105.18	-0.01
XCEL	20.86	-0.15
Anadarko	43.40	+0.73
XOM	67.07	+0.54
Nat'l Oilwell	53.65	+0.32
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Pioneer Nat	38.48	+0.49
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West Texas Crude.....\$7.59

Economy: Soaring oil prices push deficit to August record

By **MARTIN CRUTSINGER**
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's trade deficit hit an all-time high as record imports of oil swamped a solid gain in U.S. exports. The politically sensitive deficit with China set a record, a point that Democrats are sure to use in attacking President Bush's trade policies in the closing weeks of the battle for Congress.

The deficit rose to \$69.9 billion in August, up 2.7 percent from July's \$68 billion deficit, which had also been a record.

The sharp deterioration in the deficit in recent months has occurred because soaring global oil prices have pushed America's foreign oil bill to historic highs.

Analysts believe the deficit will begin to show improvements in coming months, reflecting the fact that oil prices, which had surged to \$77 per barrel in July, have fallen by about 25 percent since that time.

In a second report, the number of newly laid off workers filing for unemployment benefits rose by 4,000 last week to a seasonally adjusted total of 308,000.

The widening trade gap

The deficit with China shot up by 12.2 percent to a record of \$22 billion in August and is running 13.5 percent above last year, when it hit \$202 billion, the highest ever recorded with a single country.

occurred even though U.S. exports of goods and services set a record, rising by 2.3 percent to \$122.4 billion. This increase, however, was offset by a 2.4 percent rise in imports, which also set a record at \$192.3 billion.

The trade deficit is on track to set a record for a fifth consecutive year, running at an annual rate through August of \$784.2 billion, 9.4 percent higher than last year's \$716.7-billion record.

Democrats, campaigning to wrest control of Congress from the Republicans, contend that the string of record deficits documents failures of Bush administration trade policies that they contend have not addressed unfair trade practices by other nations, particularly China.

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when it hit \$202 billion, the highest ever recorded with a single country.

Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, the former head of Goldman Sachs, has made negotiations with China over its currency system and other trade policies a top priority.

But it remains to be seen whether his efforts will produce any better results than his predecessors.

American manufacturers contend that China is keeping its currency artificially low against the dollar by as much as 40 percent in order to make Chinese goods cheaper in the United States and American products more expensive in China.

Paulson has argued that China should move more quickly to allow its currency's value to be set by markets but Chinese officials say they are concerned about what such volatility would do to the country's banking system.

For August, the \$2.7 billion rise in exports reflected record sales of American farm products and U.S. consumer goods including artwork and antiques.

The \$4.6 billion increase in imports was led by a \$1.1 billion increase in oil imports, which hit a record high of \$29.7 billion.

That reflected an increased volume of oil shipments and a record average price of \$66.12 per barrel of imported crude, topping the previous record of \$64.84 per barrel set in July.

Analysts believe that with spot oil prices falling below \$60 per barrel, down from a record of \$77 set in July, the oil bill will start to fall, helping to narrow the trade deficit in coming months.

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ACT I comedy



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Trish Sudbury, left, Kyra Touychet and Rochelle Lacy rehearse a scene from "Feiffer's People," comedy sketches by Jules Feiffer being presented by ACT I at Clarendon College Pampa Center Atrium Friday, Saturday and Oct. 20 and 21 at 7 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. Admission is \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for students.

Project

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there was no way to recognize the problem until the unit was on the roof and installed.

"We had a little bit of a problem with the return air on both sides," he said. "There was not enough return air getting to the unit."

But that problem has been resolved.

"Another two or three weeks on that project," Stokes said of the air conditioning, heating and ventilation system, "and that project will be done."

Pool

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there were over 200 patrons at the pool," Stokes said, "which is pretty good."

They had 32 parties at the pool.

"That's up a little bit from most years," Stokes said.

He said that they have not gone up on admission since 1998, when they went from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per person.

"That was the last increase we've had," Stokes said.

He said that two years ago when the city added a concession stand, which sells ice cream, at the pool, the concession stand brought in an extra \$2,014, of which about \$600 was profit.

This year, the concession stand brought in \$4,000, of which \$1,400 was profit. "All-in-all," Stokes said, "it was a good year at the pool."

He credited the increased revenue with getting the new pool heater installed before the pool opened last spring.

"From the word go, we had comfortable water," he said. "Many of those couple hundred days were in those first couple of weeks that we were open."

In response to questions from commissioners, Stokes said there were several things the city could do to improve the facility.

He gave them three options.

Stokes suggested adding features such as a water slide, mushroom or tipping bucket to the existing pool. He said that would cost between \$100,000 and \$125,000.

"I think we could add to that pool and make it a water park type pool," Stokes said.

He said they could do like Sunray has done and make it into a splash park with 18 inches to three feet of water and water slide and other features. That cost Sunray about \$1.5 million, but they had the county involved with the city and a grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The third option would be to cover the pool and make it an indoor facility and add basketball courts and other sports facilities. That would be well more than \$1.5 million.

"If we went with the \$100,000 to \$150,000 even, I think you could get a pretty good slide," Stokes said. "You might be able to even get two slides."

He said he thinks there are improvements that could still be made to the pool.

Trees

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water drains on the roof. Horst reported that there was more than a 10-foot clearance of the limbs from the roof.

"There were no beans or very few beans on the roof at the time we checked," Horst said.

Horst said that there were several possible solutions for handling the seedpods littering the grounds and the roof.

He said he was checking to see if the trees could be sprayed to prevent them from producing seedpods. He also suggested trimming the limbs more closely. Horst said that prison labor could be used to clear the grounds of the seedpods.

"I've had a lot of calls requesting that we do not cut down trees," Horst said.

While there had been some concern that the seedpods could clog the drains on the flat roof of the library, Horst said that right now there's no evidence of that.

"But if that's the case," he admitted, "there won't be any choice."

Horst said that if water backed up and stood on the roof, it could cause structure problems and the trees would have to be removed.

Vera Plunk with the Friends of the Library told the commission that she had toured the library grounds with Pedro Arreola, president of A&T Yard Service, and that Arreola told her the trees could be trimmed back. He said that November and

December would be the best time to trim them.

"It's not just the locusts," she said. "Everything there needs trimming."

Arreola has trimmed the trees twice in the past nine years. He said some of the trees need to come down. He said the branches were getting into the power lines crossing the library grounds.

There was also some concern about root systems from the trees breaking up the sidewalks and foundation, but Arreola said he hadn't seen any evidence of that, although he admitted that locust and elm trees have bad root systems.

Plunk said there is a red-bud tree on the north side of the library that they're going to lose despite past attempts to save it.

Arreola said that if some of the trees have to be removed, he would suggest replacing them with Magnolia trees.

"They don't get real big," Arreola said.

He said Magnolia trees keep their leaves all year.

Besides the trees, part of the floor at the north end of the library appears to be sinking. Horst said the city will call for bids to repair that because it is expected to cost more than \$25,000.

Plunk also complained that the brick at the south end of the front of library is crumbling.

Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins suggested trimming the trees back and see if that works by next year.

"If that doesn't eliminate our problems," Robbins said, "we can come back and take out the trees and replace them."

Grief

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out that the man had formed a bond with the missing English setter and had petted her and talked to her every day.

"He asked, 'What happened to my buddy?'" Miller said. "He said he misses her."

Miller's father is also feeling Punkin's loss. He is battling Parkinson's disease and bone cancer, and also grieving over the loss of his cat in April.

"After his cat died at the end of April, I would bring Punkin to visit him," Miller said. "He became very attached to her, and misses her. It's like she's his dog, too. He asks, 'Have you found my baby yet?'"

Punkin disappeared from the Miller's back yard Sept. 29 when Miller opened her back gate to take out the trash and heard her telephone ringing. She went to answer the phone, forgetting that she had left the gate open.

When she remembered the open gate, both Punkin and Sophie had already gotten out of the back yard, Miller said. Sophie returned home, however, and Miller found her in the front yard. But Punkin has not been seen since by the Millers.

"She spent the night on Gray Street with some high school girls on the second night she was gone," Miller said of information she had learned later. "The first night, she had been seen at Austin Elementary."

Miller has done everything she can think of to find Punkin. She has placed advertisements in the newspaper and on the local radio station, distributed flyers around town, talked to people, and checked with the animal shelter. She has recently upped the reward for Punkin from \$100 to \$200.

Anyone with information on Punkin's whereabouts is asked to call Miller at 440-3105 or 440-3177. Punkin was wearing an orange collar with no tags at the time of her disappearance; her vaccinations were current at that time, Miller said.

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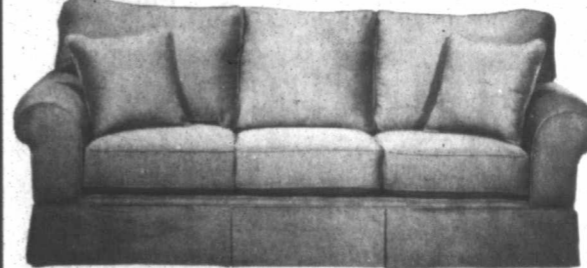


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Viewpoints

Some good news about food ...

Have you heard the good news about chocolate?

Just when you've resigned yourself to a no-frills kind of diet, you stumble across a news item that weakens your resolve and calls into question the bad reputation of foods you actually enjoy.

According to a press kit from Kellen Communications, dark chocolate, salad dressing, beer and coffee are no longer persona non grata on the nutritional A-list.

Yup, these fine foods really are fine foods. At least,

that's what the folks at Kellen Communications claim.

"As science evolves," one news release from Kellen, titled "Delicious Meets Nutritious," says, "researchers are finding that some indulgences or guilty pleasures that were once thought to be luxuries, may actually do a body good."

Hip, hip. What a message of encouragement to those of us with severe lack of food-control: Diet pills take a hike! Come to me, chocolate

According to "Delicious Meets Nutritious," studies carried out at the University

of Glasgow and Italy's National Institute for Food and Nutrition Research go far in sanitizing the unhealthy stain against dark chocolate, that most demonized of confections.

The article reports that dark chocolate "can improve blood flow to the heart and

lower high blood pressure." Said to contain health enhancing flavonoids that

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Hmph, I guess an ounce is better than nothing.

As for beer, coffee and salad dressing ...

"Baristas rejoice! It turns out that your morning cup of

Joe can do more than wake you up," the "Delicious Meets Nutritious" chirps. "It can also chase away the blues and protect against diabetes, Parkinson's disease and some forms of cancer."

The article goes on to cite research from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases as discovering that just two cups of the hot elixir can "dramatically cut the risk of chronic liver disease," and salad dressing has been found to facilitate the absorption of certain nutrients such

as vitamins C, E, B6 and folic acid.

"Delicious Meets Nutritious" says beer may significantly combat prostate cancer and prostate enlargement.

"Researchers at Oregon State University," the article read, "say that the compound xanthohumol, found in hops, inhibits a protein in the cells along the surface of the prostate gland."

So indulge that craving for dark chocolate or savor that next sip of java — enjoy the simple things in life, guilt-free!

Skyla Bryant

News Editor



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Oct. 12, the 285th day of 2006. There are 80 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 12, 1492 (Old Style calendar; Oct. 21 New Style), Christopher Columbus arrived with his expedition in the present-day Bahamas.

On this date:

In 1870, Gen. Robert E. Lee died in Lexington, Va., at age 63.

In 1915, English nurse Edith Cavell was executed by the Germans in occupied Belgium during World War I.

In 1933, bank robber John Dillinger escaped from a jail in Allen County, Ohio, with the help of his gang, who killed the sheriff, Jesse Sarber.

'Everyone's quick to blame the alien.'

— Aeschylus
Greek poet and dramatist (524 B.C.?-456 B.C.?)

In 1942, President Roosevelt delivered one of his so-called "fireside chats" in which he recommended the drafting of 18- and 19-year-old men.

In 1960, Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev disrupted a U.N. General Assembly session by

pounding his desk with a shoe during a dispute.

In 1968, the summer Games of the 19th Olympiad officially opened in Mexico City.

In 1976, it was announced in China that Hua Guofeng had been named to succeed the late Mao Zedong as chairman of the Communist Party.

In 1986, the superpower meeting in Reykjavik, Iceland, ended in stalemate, with President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev unable to agree on arms control or a date for a full-fledged summit in the United States.

In 2000, 17 sailors were killed in a suicide bomb attack on the U.S. destroyer Cole in Yemen.

In 2002, a bomb blamed on Islamic militants destroyed a nightclub on the Indonesian island of Bali, killing 202 people, many of them foreign tourists.

Ten years ago: President Clinton signed into law the Water Resources Development Act, which authorized federal water projects across the country. Thousands of Hispanic-Americans marched in Washington to push for simplified citizenship procedures and a \$7 minimum wage.

Five years ago: NBC announced that an assistant to anchorman Tom Brokaw had contracted the skin form of anthrax after opening a "threatening" letter to her boss that contained a suspicious powder. The United Nations and its secretary-general, Kofi Annan, won the Nobel Peace Prize. Polaroid Corp. filed for bankruptcy protection.

One year ago: China launched its second manned space flight, during which two astronauts orbited Earth for five days. Syria's interior minister, Brigadier General Ghazi Kenaan, committed suicide in his Damascus office. German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder announced he would not participate in Germany's new coalition government, ending seven years in power.



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Merits of going completely 'wireless'

"Always On, Always Connected" — the techno-mantra of every computer geek in the world. Until now, that goal seemed unachievable. After all, "always connected" meant being tethered by some sort of "cord."

But today's wireless solutions are allowing home users and professionals alike access to the Net from any location.

Armed with a strong industry standard and numerous vendors offering inexpensive solutions, you should be able to set up wireless access to your business or home network for less than \$200. But, let's start at the beginning.

The "industry standard" I mentioned is called 802.11b/g. I know, I know, that sounds pretty cryptic, so many of us in the tech-world gave it a nickname: WiFi (pronounced like HiFi). For those of you in the "know",

another version of WiFi exists called 802.11n. However, that protocol hasn't been accepted as a standard yet.

Why Wireless?

People typically choose to set up wireless access for one of two reasons: (1) It's easier than

running network cable through your attic and walls. Or (2), you want your laptop computer to have access anywhere in your home or business.

Personally, I tend to go with the second reason most of the time. At home, I can use my laptop at the kitchen table, living room couch, in bed, or in the bathroom (just kidding), and stay connected to the Internet the whole time.

What You Need

To give a laptop wireless access to your network, you will need to purchase two devices — a wireless access point and a wireless NIC (Network Interface Card). An access point plugs into your existing network.

However, many of today's routers have them built in. It acts as the primary gateway for all wireless information. Its only purpose is to allow wireless-enabled devices access to your wired network.

A wireless NIC is the device you directly connect to your laptop. For most laptops, a wireless NIC comes in the form of a PCMCIA card (those credit-card sized gizmos that slide into slots on the side of your laptop).

Basically, once plugged in, the access point and the wireless NIC find each other automatically. Very simple. But ...

Watch Out

In large, metropolitan cities, some hackers have discovered a new pastime — war-driving. It works this way: A bunch of friends load up in the station wagon, armed with a laptop, wireless NIC, and high-gain antenna. They slowly cruise up and down streets in the business district, allowing their laptop to "search" for wireless networks. When one is found, their software, usually Netstumbler (<http://www.netstumbler.com>), determines if it is an open network, closed network, or WPA/WEP protected.

An open network will allow any wireless-enabled

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Eric Spellmann
Columnist



Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ **Oct. 1**

San Antonio Express-News on Mexican drug cartels quash media:

Like all terrorists, Mexican drug cartels do not have to fire a shot to spread fear and anxiety. The mere threat of violence and chaos is enough to do their evil work. Residents see this phenomenon playing out in the border town of Nuevo Laredo, where journalists have lost their vitality in the wake of attacks on their colleagues.

In a compelling and disturbing story by Express-News staff writer Mariano Castillo, media representatives acknowledge the intimidation that has

stifled the press, a situation that became apparent when a recent shootout went unreported.

"Call it self-censorship," Raymundo Ramos, a former police reporter who now runs a local news Web site, said. "This is a silenced press, enforced because there is no guarantee for our safety."

What makes the situation doubly tragic is that self-censorship is worse than the kind imposed by a tyrannical government. When journalists mute their own voices, they become the enemy. They become the force that stamps out freedom of the press.

Still, it is hard to blame them. They have their well-being and that of their loved ones to consider. Recklessness should not be a prerequisite for the job.

The fact remains, however, that a muzzled press contributes to the reign of terror fostered by the drug cartels. And, in some cases, the journalists may abet the criminal activities. One reporter told the Express-News that colleagues serve as spies for the drug lords.

The U.S. State Department has issued a warning for U.S. residents traveling to Mexico, and law enforcement officials on both sides of the border have pledged to cooperate in the investigations of a series of kidnappings in Nuevo Laredo.

That may not be enough. The U.S. must help its neighbors, but the Mexican government must take the

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Arts & Crafts Festival



Roy Morriss recently purchased cooking supplies for the Santa Fe Stew he's making for the upcoming Pampa Fine Arts Association Arts and Crafts Festival Saturday and Sunday at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Festival hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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computer to connect, giving the user full access to the business network and Internet. Unfortunately, most wireless access points and NICs are set up by default to operate this way. Hackers are counting on this fact. A closed network will deter most hackers as it will only allow access from certain machines. Specifically, the wireless access points are tied to certain NIC addresses. What's that, you ask? Well, believe it or not, every NIC (wireless and wired) has a unique address.

No two NICs on the planet have the same address. This address is hardwired into every NIC, and broadcast every time you access something on the network. (By the way, this is one of the secret methods law enforcement officials use to find hackers on the Internet). Anyway, wireless access

points can be set to only talk to machines broadcasting certain NIC addresses.

If the hackers discover a WPA or WEP protected network, they typically move on to the next target. WPA is short for WiFi Protected Access and is the most popular form of wireless transmission security available. WEP is short for WiFi Encrypted Protocol and is a much stronger form of protection. All information between the access point and the receiving NIC is scrambled (or encrypted), so that only those two devices can communicate. Coupled with a closed network architecture, your wireless network is practically impenetrable.

The Big Decision

So, should you invest in wireless access to your network? Yes. The advantages far outweigh any potential security hazards. As long as you set up appropriate security, you and your staff (or family) can enjoy the many benefits of untethered access. Until next time ...

Odds and ends ...

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (AP) — A woman's pet parrot flew away from her in Johnson City and turned up hundreds of miles away in Long Island, N.Y., despite being a weak flyer.

Kim Kendrick lost her 47-year-old Amazon parrot Buzzy nearly two months ago while walking with him outside. But she got an unexpected phone call Tuesday from a New Yorker named Josh Ruderman, who said he had found Buzzy.

"When I heard he was in New York I was skeptical at first," Kendrick said. "But then I talked with Buzzy on the phone and Josh sent me photos and it's no doubt that it's him."

The bird didn't fly to New York. Ruderman had been visiting East Tennessee for two months and found Buzzy in Johnson City four days after Kendrick lost him on Aug. 14.

Ruderman said he searched the papers during the last three weeks of his visit, but could not find Buzzy's owner. So Ruderman took him home to Long Island.

Ruderman finally found Buzzy's grateful owner after reading a Sept. 20 article in the Johnson City Press about the missing parrot and e-mailed her Tuesday.

"It really is nice when a story comes together with a happy ending, but for me I will miss Buzzy very much," Ruderman said.

Kendrick said she planned to drive up from Tennessee to Long Island next week to pick up Buzzy.

LA CROSSE, Wis. (AP) — A man who visited La Crosse to help his elderly mother ended up spending 17 hours in jail after a background check during a routine traffic stop uncovered an arrest warrant for a 1984 ticket.

Michael L. Saxton, 60, of Phoenix said he never knew about the citation for failure to

display boat registration numbers that a Wisconsin circuit court Web site listed as having been issued against him in June 1984.

Saxton, a La-Crosse native, was jailed until a Milwaukee County court commissioner reviewed the case.

The Arizona man said he believes the citation was sent to him right after he moved to Seattle in mid-June 1984. If he had known about the ticket, he would have taken care of it before leaving the state, Saxton said.

County Clerk of Courts Pam Radtke said it is common for people in the county not to show up for citations and county judges only issue arrest warrants for criminal offenses.

When someone in La Crosse fails to make a court appearance on a citation, the judge normally finds them guilty by default, and a letter is sent ordering the person to pay the fine within 60 days.

"If they don't pay, we then do a warrant for failure to pay or we do a tax intercept or civil judgment," Radtke said.

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Tickets are on sale at the FAC Box Office, located on the corner of Russell Long Blvd. and Wisdom Road in Canyon. Tickets to the live performance, \$100 each (all sales cash or check with proper I.D.) and limited to six per person, must be purchased in person.

Jones' on-stage performance will be broadcast live in the Studio Theatre and Jerry Williams Acting Studio. Tickets are \$15 each and are also available at the FAC box office.

Jones' performance is the headline act for WTAMU's Oct. 20 grand opening celebration showcasing the new Fine Arts Complex.

All other activities, including performances, presentations and demonstrations featuring soprano Emily Pulley, the Harrington String Quartet, playwright Octavio Solis and West Texas A&M art, dance, mass communication, music, speech communication and theatre majors, are free and open to the public.

For more information, go to www.wtamu.edu/grandopening.

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lead in ferreting out corrupt officials and journalists.

"It seems to me that drug violence has overwhelmed the governments of the PAN, the PRI and the PRD," Mexican President-elect Felipe Calderon said in a recent radio interview,

according to the Associated Press.

If the problem is "overwhelming," one of the reasons is that the Mexican government has failed to address it adequately. Calderon must show that he is more willing to tackle the problem than his predecessors. And he could start by cleaning out the soiled officials in the Mexican government.

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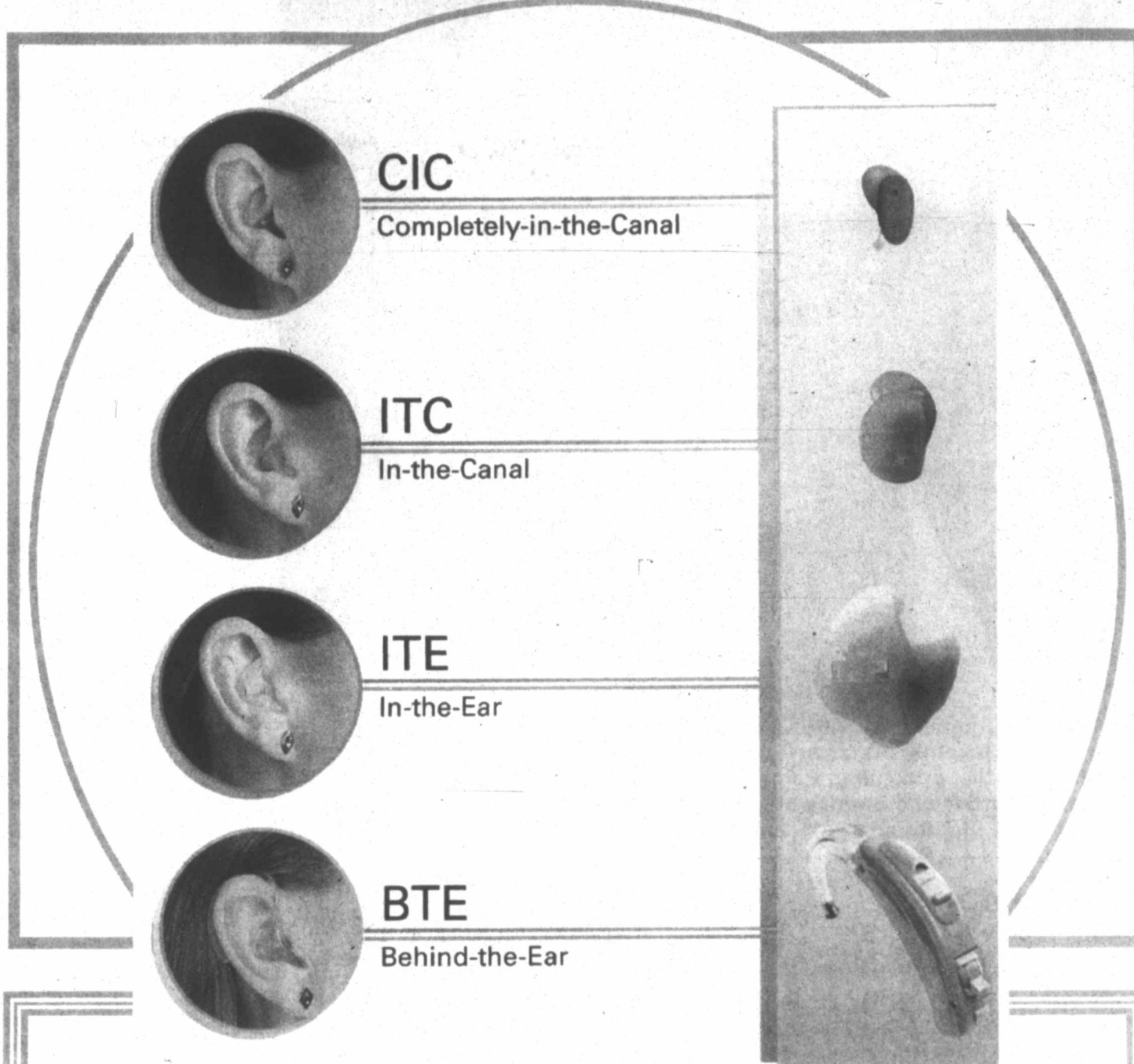
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Five steps to better hearing

The very first step to better hearing is admitting you have a hearing problem – and that's probably the most difficult. Perhaps that's because hearing loss typically occurs gradually.

"Most people don't realize that every day, in some way, they probably damage their hearing," says Shirley Moore, hearing specialist and owner of High Plains Hearing Aid Center.

Moore knows that it is still difficult for most people to admit they have a hearing problem, but even former President Clinton was fitted for hearing aids.

"There is absolutely nothing to be ashamed of," Moore says.

Hearing impairment affects approximately 10 percent of the population. Although people of all ages can be affected by a hearing loss, the majority of people with impaired hearing are over 60-years-old and their hearing loss is related to the aging process. Because the deterioration of hearing ability typically is not painful, often it is not taken seriously.

But once you've accepted that you have hearing loss, it is time to take it seriously and make a personal choice to seek help with a good attitude. That good attitude about going through the process to improve your hearing must be yours – not that of your spouse, son or daughter.

"We offer a free hearing assessment in a friendly, no-pressure environment, so avoiding a visit is much worse than actually coming in," Moore says.

The third step to better hearing is personal education – learn all you can about your hearing problem. The highly trained and certified staff at High Plains Hearing Aid Center can explain the different types of hearing loss: conductive, sensorineural, and mixed hearing loss.

They can also work with you to determine what type of hearing loss you have and assist you in choosing the Assistive Listening device which best meets your needs.

Fourth, it's important to set realistic expectations. Once fitted with the right hearing aid, you should notice results within minutes, but it may take several months to completely realize the benefits of your new hearing instruments. Hearing tends to deteriorate gradually over time, so when sounds are reintroduced to the brain in a 30-minute fitting session, it can be overwhelming.

Finally, practice, time and patience are your keys to success. You will need to wear your hearing aid consistently and follow the advice of your hearing professional. Also, should you have any questions or just become frustrated, it's essential that you call your hearing professional for help – and High Plains Hearing Aid Center makes it easy.

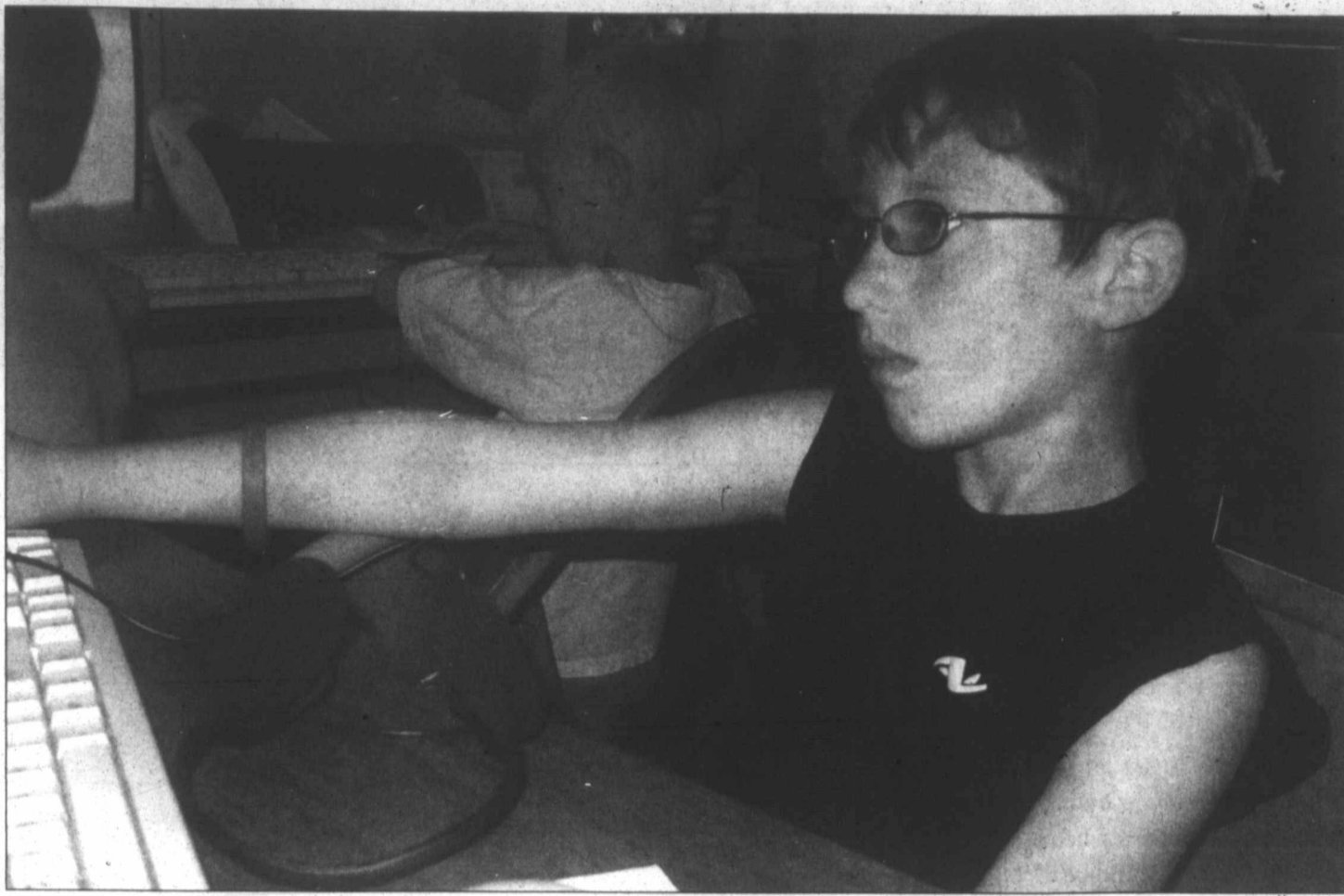
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Arts program engages young minds

It was his first day at CREATE-a-Beat! After School ARTS program. He was 5-years-old and had just found his way back to his mom after being taken from her.

Mom was struggling with leaving him, but had to work. And he was struggling with getting left. That was more than two years ago. Now he bolts from the bus each afternoon after school and can't wait to see all of his CREATE-a-Beat! friends.

She and his brother had a very hard life at home. They both came to CREATE-a-Beat! for a while and loved it, but difficult life circumstances interrupted that. A few weeks later, another family member brought them back and the 5-year-old immediately ran over to CREATE-a-Beat! Director Julie Long, grabbed her leg and wouldn't let go. When asked why he was holding on

so tightly, he said, "Because I missed ya'll so much."

CREATE-a-Beat! is the inspiration of Julie Long to use "the arts" to make a real difference in the lives of Pampa's kids.

"When she first came to me and shared what her dream was, I wasn't sure if CAB was possible," said Pastor Mike Sublett. "But the more I listened to Julie, the more her enthusiasm rubbed off. Now, I get to be 'Preacher Mike,' the big old welcomer when the kids first arrive each day."

Others began to catch part of the vision of the possibilities, and in 2003, CREATE-a-Beat! Inc., received IRS 501(c)3 status and opened its doors. The after school arts program was the initial project of the CREATE-a-Beat! Board of Directors.

The doors were opened Aug. 12, 2003, with 15 stu-

dents and five volunteers and employees. Now over 100 different children attend CREATE-a-Beat!'s three programs which include the after-school program, the Community Arts Academy and the Summer ARTS Program. CREATE-a-Beat! currently has 30 volunteers, teachers, instructors and employees.

Long said, "Our first kids usually arrive for the After School ARTS Program about 3 p.m. and our day ends with the last kids being pick-up by 5:45 p.m. They begin their CAB time with a tasty snack, a vigorous play time, followed by homework (if necessary) and classes."

"Our goal," she continued, "has always been to make opportunities in the arts available to both children who can afford it and scholarships for many of those who need a little extra help. So far our After School ARTS Program has been able to keep those two ratios at about half."

There are hundreds of children in Pampa who might never get to experience a dance lesson, an art lesson or a lesson in computer art. CREATE-a-Beat! is committed to making these opportunities available to every child in Pampa who wants this experience.

CAB has always been housed at Hi-Land Christian Church, 1615 N. Banks. The church gladly donates its facilities to assist the program. Pastor Sublett said, "God didn't give us a building to be open just two days a week. We're glad to have the opportunity to help enable this awesome blessing to Pampa."

The after-school program offers classes in music, dance, drama, creative writing, visual arts and computer art, giving the kids plenty to keep them busy and excited.

The arts academy has pri-

vate and group lessons in a variety of art mediums such as voice, piano, guitar, music theory and more. This year, the program has begun offering music therapy to children.

CREATE-a-Beat! is a National Roster Internship Site for the American Music Therapy Association, training senior college level music therapy students.

For more information or a guided tour of CREATE-a-Beat!, call 665-7474.

One last story ...

She lost her grandma the day before. When she got out of the car, you could see that she was on the verge of tears. Preacher Mike tried to be cheery, but she just wasn't in the mood.

As she entered the front door, she walked over to Miss Tamra and just laid her head in her lap and sobbed.

She still didn't have her grandma, but life was just a little better with Miss Tamra's TLC.

In conclusion, Long said, "The most important thing that we promise every child who comes to CAB is that we will love them no matter what and try to help them in any way we can."

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.

Friedman ducking NAACP event

AUSTIN (AP) — Kinky Friedman, whose racially charged comments have infuriated minority groups, is the only major gubernatorial candidate who won't speak at the Texas NAACP state convention this week, the event's coordinator confirmed Wednesday.

Friedman's campaign said he didn't receive an invitation.

"We're really disappointed that Kinky won't have an opportunity to speak with them. If they'd given him the time I think they would have been pleased with what he has to say and with the kind of candidate he is," campaign

spokeswoman Laura Stromberg said.

Linda Lydia declined to discuss why Friedman wasn't participating, referring questions to the organization's president, Gary Bledsoe.

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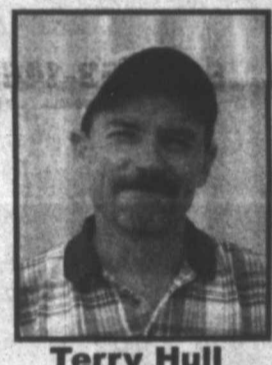
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: The letter you printed on Aug. 30 from that nurse who wants to change careers after only one year could have been written by me. I became a nurse in 2000. While I loved the intellectual stimulation and fulfillment of being a skilled and compassionate nurse, dealing with the "other nurses and the environment" was an entirely different matter. There's a saying in nursing that "nurses like to eat their young." While it doesn't seem logical that experienced nurses would sabotage younger ones, it does happen -- more frequently than you might think. I finally decided to change careers after only five years in the field. But then, I live in a small town. If I still lived in the large city I moved from three years ago, I'd have simply changed employers or gone into a different type of nursing. Unfortunately, there are no such options here. More and more nurses are opting for career changes, Abby. It's a shame, too, considering the nursing shortage in our country. Your advice to "Susan in St. Louis" was right on. Living where she does, she's bound to find something better suited for her than where she is now -- or maybe she should switch to a different department in the same hospital. -- **BEEN THERE, DONE THAT IN VIRGINIA**

DEAR BTDT: With the shortage of skilled nurses in this country, your departure from the field is everybody's loss. Until I read your letter, I had never heard the expression "nurses eat their young." But it was echoed by a surprising number of nurses who responded to that letter. Like you, they wanted to remind "Susan" that other opportunities are available in this specialized and important field. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Susan in St. Louis" has many ways she can use her nursing training. If she likes hospital work, among the specialties she might try are: obstetrics, pediatrics, intensive care and dialysis. If

she doesn't like hospital work, there is school nursing, which includes teaching, screening for various problems like scoliosis, as well as first aid. There is also industrial nursing, where you work for a private company. In addition, there is research, writing for journals, flight nursing, IV therapy, case management, holistic, forensic, home health, nurse-anesthetist, nurse-practitioner, and many other options. Once you become a nurse, the world is your oyster. I know of few other careers that offer so much variety. -- **VETERAN NURSE OF 24 YEARS**

DEAR ABBY: Please tell "Susan in St. Louis" that with just a little more training, she can use her skill as a nurse to help attorneys understand and read medical records. She will do the same job as a normal paralegal, but she'll be working mainly in medical malpractice and personal injury areas, reading medical records. -- **LEGAL SECRETARY IN OHIO**

DEAR ABBY: There are unlimited opportunities for that young woman to apply her nursing/medical education to other careers. Plenty of drug and medical companies would welcome someone with nurse's training and experience for positions in clinical testing protocols, data review, on-site visits, customer support and interaction with medical professionals. Many years ago, I graduated with a high school biology/science teaching degree, only to find after one year of teaching that I hated it. I have used my education to do something I could have never imagined: I have been successfully consulting to domestic and international medical device companies for more than 20 years. -- **CAROLANN IN LILBURN, GA.**

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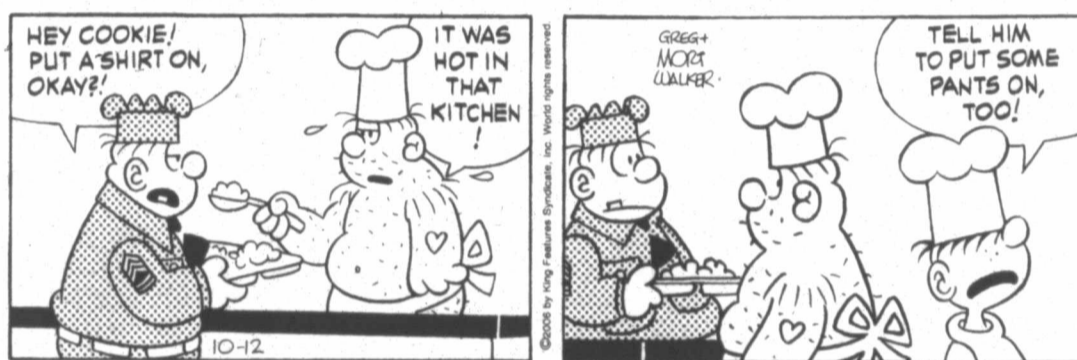
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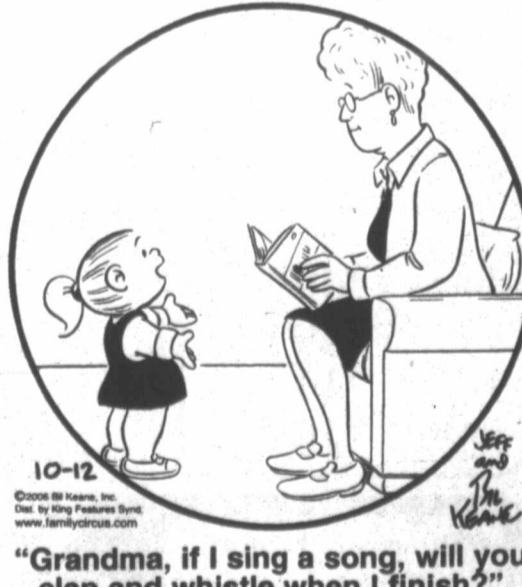
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Sports Day

PYOC seeks coaches, interested parents for girls' basketball

Miami will send a team to compete in the fifth and sixth grade division of the Pampa Optimist Youth Club's Girls' Basketball league, Commissioner Teresa Eubank announced today. This will be the seventh year that Miami has brought a girls' team to play in the Optimist program.

"We are looking for coaches to help these kids learn to play," Eubank said. "People interested can call me at 662-7916. We need all potential coaches and interested parents to attend an

organizational meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Optimist Club. That way we will know how many teams we can have and how many girls we can offer the opportunity to play. Registration and tryouts will be held Oct. 17, 18 and 19 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Optimist Gym."

Ron Carr will coach the Miami team. He has coached Optimist Girls' Basketball for eight years and has also coached in the Optimist football, baseball and boys' basketball programs. He is a former vice-president of the

Optimist Club.

"All of our children have been through the Pampa Optimist sports programs," Carr said. "We appreciate the Optimist Club because it gives Miami kids a chance to play. They can also practice close to home which allows us to get more kids involved. Right now we have three fifth graders and two sixth graders who are going to play this year. We are looking for more."

"Optimist basketball gives the girls a sense of belonging. It teaches them team-

work. They learn the game and prepare themselves for high school basketball. Three of the girls and two of the boys I have coached have started on the high school varsity team as freshmen."

"Miami's kids have enjoyed Optimist basketball over the years," Carr added. "I try to teach more than just basketball. Basketball is like life. The girls learn that if they work hard and have a good attitude, they will be successful at both basketball and life. I have had several

of my players from years ago come back to tell me how much they have appreciated the opportunity to play basketball and how it impacted their lives."

"Through basketball they learned to put more effort into their school work and into their other activities. Basketball helped them to become better

kids and better adults." Carr is a member of the Miami Area Youth Organization (MAYO).

"We think it is important for kids to play different

schools and different towns," he said. "Our kids find it challenging and exciting. Every year MAYO sponsors a basketball tournament in Miami where we have as many as 50 teams from other towns and states compete."

Carr and his wife, Sandy, are the parents of two boys, Jono, 17, and Aaron, 16, and one girl, Shelbie, 10. They are members of the First Baptist Church in Miami.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

Answers sought in Lidle's fatal plane crash in high rise

NEW YORK (AP) — Investigators sifted through debris inside a luxury high-rise apartment today for clues to why a small airplane with New York Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle aboard slammed into the building, killing the pitcher and a flight instructor.

National Transportation Safety Board member Debbie Hersman said federal investigators arrived Wednesday evening and found debris scattered everywhere.

Aircraft parts and headsets were on the ground. The propeller broke apart from the engine, which land-

ed on the floor of an apartment. The bodies fell to the street.

"There's a significant amount of damage," Hersman told CNN this morning.

She said investigators were taking fuel samples, looking at maintenance records and examining Lidle's flight log book, found in the wreckage — "anything that will give us a clue about what happened."

Lidle talked often of his love of flying, describing it his escape from the stress of professional baseball and a way to see the

world in a different light.

"No matter what's going on in your life, when you get up in that plane, everything's gone," Lidle told an interviewer with Comcast Sportsnet out of Philadelphia while flying his plane in April.

Lidle boarded the same single-engine plane Wednesday afternoon with an instructor for what was supposed to be a leisurely flight around New York City. They took off from a suburban New Jersey airport, circled around the Statue of Liberty, flew past lower Manhattan and north above the

East River.

But something went wrong just moments after passing above the 59th Street Bridge. The plane smashed into a luxury high-rise condominium building on the Upper East Side, killing Lidle and the other passenger and showering fiery debris on the sidewalk and street below, officials said.

The crash briefly raised fears of another terrorist attack in this scarred city.

"It was very scary," said Diane Tarantini, who was sitting in an outdoor courtyard across the street

when she heard a loud boom and saw a big fireball that reminded her of Sept. 11. "It brings back all these memories about planes hitting buildings, the terror of that day in September."

Lidle's passport was found on the street, according to a federal official, speaking to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity. It was not immediately clear who was at the controls or who was the second person aboard.

Gomez unlikely hero as Tigers take 2-0 lead over Athletics

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Alexis Gomez thought it was a joke when Jim Leyland told him at a morning workout in the hotel that he would start in Game 2 of the American League championship series.

When it comes to baseball, the Detroit Tigers manager isn't kidding around.

In another great call this postsea-

son, Leyland went with the little-used Gomez as Detroit's designated hitter. The result: Tigers are heading home to Motown with a 2-0 advantage.

Gomez hit a go-ahead, two-run single and later added a two-run homer to lead Detroit past the Oakland Athletics 8-5 on Wednesday, a somber night following the death of former A's pitcher

Cory Lidle in a plane crash earlier in the day.

"There's no surprise in me. I know why I came to the big leagues," Gomez said. "When I went to Toledo this year, I didn't put my head down. I worked hard every day."

A career minor leaguer, Gomez had just one home run in the majors and contributed only six

RBI in 103 at-bats this season.

"He does have big-time power," Leyland said. "Unfortunately, he showed most of it in batting practice."

Milton Bradley homered twice for the A's and also beat out an infield hit with two outs in the ninth inning to load the bases, but closer Todd Jones retired Frank Thomas on a harmless fly for his

second save in these playoffs.

"What a challenge," Jones said. "It was a lot of fun. We're up 2-0 and we're going back to Detroit."

Game 3 is Friday at Detroit's Comerica Park, featuring Rich Harden for Oakland against former A's pitcher Kenny Rogers.

Rainout in NLCS gives Cards edge over Mets

NEW YORK (AP) — Rain gave the St. Louis Cardinals a reason to consider changing their pitching rotation, which means the New York Mets might have to face Chris Carpenter sooner than expected.

Game 1 of the NL championship series was postponed Wednesday night because of steady showers, offering the Cardinals a chance to pitch their ace on full rest in Game 2.

The best-of-seven series will begin tonight now, and the second game at Shea Stadium is to be played Friday — which was supposed to be an off day in the series.

Carpenter had been slated to start Game 3 on Saturday, when the series shifts to St. Louis. But if the Cardinals decide to bump him up to Friday, the 2005 NL Cy Young Award winner would be working on his regular four days of rest.

"You've got to seriously think about what that means. It's up for grabs in my opinion," St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said. "My first 30-45 minutes of looking at it, I said I'd probably stay with it. Sitting here for 15, there's more there. There's a decision to make, no doubt about it."

The Mets will stay with Tom Glavine in the opener, and the 40-year-old left-hander said he expects to come back and pitch on only three days' rest in a potential Game 5.

"I've done it before. I know what to expect, how to prepare from tomorrow's start to my next start knowing it's going to be on short rest. But you still have to go out there and do it," Glavine

said. "The most important game for me is tomorrow, and trying to win that game for us — then worry about starts I may have after that."

Jeff Weaver will get the ball for St. Louis in Game 1, as originally planned. He also would start on three days' rest in Game 5 on Monday.

Rookie right-hander John Maine is slated to pitch Game 2 for New York. Jeff Suppan had been penciled in for the Cardinals, but he could be pushed back.

"I don't know what's going to happen. They didn't really say anything yet," Suppan said before the postponement. "But as far as my preparation, it would be the same as if it wasn't getting rained out."

Minutes before the game was called, La Russa said a rainout probably wouldn't alter his rotation at all, explaining that he didn't think there was any benefit in switching pitchers and he thought Carpenter was a better choice for Game 3 — and a possible Game 7.

But after the postponement, La Russa sounded as though he might change his mind.

"There have been times an important decision was made because of coincidence, and the coincidence is we got rained out, and it's Chris' fifth day," La Russa said. "So that's why you can't dismiss it lightly."

Carpenter went 2-0 with a 2.03 ERA against San Diego in the first round of the playoffs, a series the Cardinals won in four games after stumbling late in the regular season and nearly squandering their big NL Central lead.

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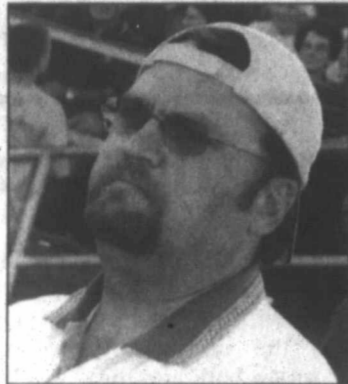
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Last Week: 15-5-0

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DONNY HOOPER
Last Week: 14-6-0

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RAY BORING
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SHANE STOKES
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In game obsessed with numbers, still room for manager to think

By **TIM DAHLBERG**
 AP Sports Columnist
 OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — It's a game obsessed with numbers, inundated by sta-

tistics. At this time of year, when decisions are often computed instead of made, few managers dare to venture too far off the spread-

sheet. Jim Leyland knew all the stats. It was hard not to, because they practically screamed for his attention.

Kenny Rogers was almost unbeatable over the years in Oakland. In 41 starts at the Coliseum since 1995, he was an amazing 23-1, including two wins this season. There was no rational reason why he wasn't pitching Wednesday night to try and give the Detroit Tigers a 2-0 lead in the American League championship.

The great thing about baseball instincts, though, is that they aren't always rational.

Leyland went with a rookie instead, albeit a pretty good one in Justin Verlander. He didn't exactly look like Cy Young on a somewhat somber night at the Coliseum, but the Tigers more than compensated for it with timely hitting.

Now they go home to Detroit in command of the this series, and on the verge of making their way to the World Series for the first time in 22 years.

And, in the it-can't-get-any-better-than-this category, they will have their veteran lefty ace on the mound fresh and frisky for Friday's Game 3.

"I've always said I manage for the fans, I don't manage with them," Leyland said. "When you take a position like that, you're always subject to second-guessing. But if the guy in section 207 knows more about my team than I do, then he should be managing and I should be sitting in 207."

The guy in 207 wouldn't even need a few \$8 beers in this series to begin questioning some of Leyland's judg-

ment. He not only didn't pitch Rogers, but he had a shortstop playing first base and a career minor leaguer who hadn't swung a bat in nearly two weeks as his DH.

Still, the guys in Tiger uniforms bought into it. "When Jim puts out the lineup, it's the right nine. He's the only one who has to know the decision," closer Todd Jones said. "If I walk in there on Friday and see my name as the cleanup hitter, I'd expect to get a hit."

The way this series is going, it's not out of the realm of possibility. But, somehow, it's all worked out for the Tigers, just like Leyland promised it would when he stood up for a club that looked overmatched in their first-game loss to the Yankees.

The Tigers went on to sweep the next three games, which included a magnificent — and emotional — performance by the 41-year-old Rogers in the third game in Detroit. Rogers, a dismal playoff performer before this year, held the Yankees to just five hits in 7 2-3 innings, then almost couldn't talk afterward because he was so emotionally spent.

That was part of the reason Leyland decided not to pitch Rogers on what would have been his scheduled day of work, though he admitted it was awfully hard to overlook the dominating stats that Rogers had in this ballpark, both for and against the A's.

But Leyland's gut, like his team, is on a roll.

It also told him to play his

shortstop at first base and take a chance on Alexis Gomez as the DH in this game. Gomez, who spent much of the season in Toledo and had exactly one home run in the bigs all year, had four RBIs, including a two-run home run in the sixth inning to give the Tigers some breathing room.

There is, of course, a fine line between a managerial genius and managerial goat. And that's what Leyland still might have been in this game, especially when the A's loaded the bases in the ninth inning and had Frank Thomas at the plate against Jones.

A younger — or less secure — manager would have gone by the numbers, played it by the book, and shrugged his shoulders if it all went wrong.

But Leyland already has one World Series ring from his short tenure with the Florida Marlins, and a lot of people already believe he has some serious managerial genius in his genes. He did, after all, take a Detroit club that finished 28 games out of first in the AL Central last year and lead it to the playoffs.

And he's been around long enough to know the job comes with some heat and not let it get to him.

"When fans call into talk shows and stuff, most of them don't know what they're talking about," Leyland said. "But, to be honest with you, I don't really mind it because it's better that they're doing that than not talking baseball."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 ★★★ Your focus goes from work to the whimsical. You want to try something different. Opposition can occur if you take a too-ubepath. Handle what you know works, but also be willing to pioneer in a new direction. Tonight: Happy at home.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ★★★★★ Communicate what you must rather than what you would like to. Others might develop an attitude out of the blue. How you handle a situation and the choices you make could change substantially. Think positively. Tonight: Christen the weekend.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ★★★ Finances could color your day. Could you have been overspending or taking a risk? Listen to your sixth sense

with someone you really care about. This person needs extra attention and time. Use your high energy level constructively. Tonight: Your treat.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ★★★★★ You might mellow out or head in a new direction. Your ability to make waves could be a good thing or a bad thing depending on your focus and direction. Beam in only what you want. Tonight: You get to choose!
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ★★ Do step back, or you could develop a bad case of "foot-in-mouth disease." Show your generosity of spirit through smiles. Yes, play it safe. If you can, call it an early day and become the reclusive Lion. Right now your lair is the best place. Tonight: Slow down. You need some personal time.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ★★★★★ You might see life quite differently if you listen to a friend. Say no to stretching your budget beyond its limits. You will be happier if you surround yourself with creativity and imagination. Not everything has to cost you. Tonight: Say yes to a pal.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ★★★★★ Others want advice and feedback. You might not understand what is happening on a deeper level. Realize what needs to happen with a boss or higher-up. Yes, you might not be comfortable with what goes down. Tonight: Say yes to a must appearance.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ★★★★★ Dig for more information. If you are worried or concerned about someone or something, check it out. You might have a tendency to exaggerate a problem more than usual. Detach, and

you will see that a problem isn't as bleak as you think. Tonight: Take off ASAP.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ★★★★★ Working with others might be nothing but a pleasure if you relax and don't get uptight. You might judge that someone is pushing you way too hard. You have a way of intuitively knowing what others want. Tonight: Go for a togetherness theme.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ★★★★★ Others are far more in control than you might think or wish. Stay grounded and follow your priorities, even if you are a bit distracted. Your creativity emerges as a strong suit. Tonight: In the limelight.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ★★★★★ You are busy and active. You can do a lot, and quite quickly at that. Take time to pull away and see what is going on. Gather information and use what you hear to add to the quality of your life. Tonight: Mellow out.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
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Landis goes public with defense in doping case

By The Associated Press

Floyd Landis rolled out key elements of his defense against doping charges in an online presentation today, several months before the cyclist is to present his case to an arbitration panel in hopes of keeping his Tour de France title. Early Thursday, Landis posted a PowerPoint presentation prepared by Arnie Baker, a retired doctor and longtime coach and adviser, as well as several hundred pages of documents related to the charges on his Web site, www.floydlandis.com.

The presentation highlights what are said to be a number of inconsistencies in both the paperwork and the results provided by the French lab that reported elevated ratios of testosterone to epitestosterone in Landis' "A" and "B" samples, as well as the presence of synthetic testosterone.

"We have no reason to question the conclusions of the Chatenay-Malabry lab," Tour de France director Christian Prudhomme said Thursday, referring to the town where the French lab is

located.

The alleged inconsistencies were part of a motion that the cyclist's attorney, Howard Jacobs, submitted to a U.S. Anti-Doping Agency review board seeking to have the case dismissed. That request was denied last month.

Landis is scheduled to present his formal appeal to a panel from the American Arbitration Society in late January or early February. He also could appeal to the Swiss-based Court of Arbitration for Sport.

Tour de France organizers already have said they no longer consider Landis the champion, elevating second-place finisher Oscar Pereiro instead. They also planned to begin proceedings to formally strip Landis' title when the appeals process is exhausted.

Landis' positive test results were reported less than a week after his triumphant July 23 ride into Paris. In the days following the report, Landis contended a number of factors could have triggered the result.

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