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Junior high building would consolidate offices

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of a five-part series on the upcoming school bond election. By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

The existing junior high school could be renovated for students, said Lee Porter, chairman of the Pampa Independent School District's Facilities Committee, but it doesn't make economic sense.

Renovating the old junior high for classroom use would cost about half of what a new junior high would cost and the life expectancy would be about a third as long. Porter also pointed out that if the junior high was kept at its present location, more money would have to be spent on Carver Center and other facilities

that the school board wants to consolidate at the existing junior high building.

"There has been very little work done to Carver Center since it was converted to administrative offices in 1969," Porter said. "There's been some painting and that sort of thing, but major renovations haven't taken place.'

Studies by the Texas Association of School Administrators and architects Parkhill, Smith and Cooper have indicated that Carver has long exceeded its life expectancy.

"At the present time, our administration is split between Carver Center and Horace Mann," Porter said. "Of course, part of Horace Mann was built in 1928.

At the time the elementary schools were renovated, about 10 years ago, Horace Mann was in a good geographical location, but because of the age of the building and the state of repair it was in, the decision was made to enlarge Lamar instead of Horace Mann, but as soon as the students were moved out of Horace Mann, different administrative groups moved in and took over the space.

Now, architects with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper warn that part of Horace Mann is structurally unsound, a fact confirmed by the collapse of part of the building's roof earlier this year.

The district's technology division was in Horace Mann.

Pampa Learning Center had been in Horace Mann, but the district has had to purchase three portable buildings in which to lodge the learning center until a permanent home could be found for it.

The Facilities Committee last summer recommended to the school board that a new junior high be built and the learning center be moved from Horace Mann to the old junior high. They also recommended that the administrative offices at Carver be moved to the old junior high school along with various support services that are spread across town.

The consolidation, Porter said, makes sense.

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Fading glory



Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Wildflowers like these along the highway west of Pampa will be in short supply soon as the weather turns cooler. A cool front is expected to pass through the area Wednesday and Thursday.

Revenue increases for Pampa schools

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

The Pampa Independent School District has more students than they expected. That means the school board will make an adjustment to the district's \$22.5 million budget to reflect additional funds from the state.

State revenue will increase by \$400,000, district officials said this week.

The PISD Board of Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. Wilson Thursday at Elementary School, 801 E. Browning.

The board will also review requests for fund-raisers.

The Pampa High School wrestling team plans to raffle

off two quarters of beef, having a cookout luncheon one Sunday this fall at the Methodist Church and having a booth at the Shepherd's Helping Hand chili cookout Nov. 11 to sell baked goods. The money will go for out of town travel expenses, according to Bobby Burns, president of the wrestling booster club.

The Pampa High soccer booster club plans on selling PHS Soccer T-shirts, sweat suits and bumper stickers during the PSA soccer tournament to raise money for travel and equipment, according to

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New tax for businesses called 'taxpayer's nightmare'

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

AMARILLO -- An Austin lobbyist thinks that as soon as business owners begin writing checks for the new margin tax passed by the Texas Legislature last spring, things will change.

The lobbyist, Ed Small, noted that under the new margin tax, a company could lose money and still owe taxes.

Dale Craymer, an economist with the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association, reviewed the new margin tax at the joint Texas Cattle

Cattle Raisers Associations here this month, explaining that the new tax was passed by the Texas Legislature in special session last spring as part of a school finance package that included property tax relief. Craymer said the Legislature will revisit the margin tax when they meet in regular session beginning in

January. Craymer's assessment of the new tax is that it is complex and compli-

"It is a taxpayer's nightmare," he

Feeders and Texas and Southwest a year as opposed to \$2.5 billion for the old franchise tax it replaces.

'This is a major change in tax policy," Craymer said. "This is a major tax and will have major impact on business.'

This is worse than a state income tax," said Jay O'Brien, an Amarillo rancher and businessman.

O'Brien said former Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock had proposed a state income tax a decade ago, but O'Brien said the time wasn't right then.

"It's time for a state income tax," O'Brien said.

When the Legislature meets in It will also raise about \$6.5 billion their regular biennial session begin-

ning in January, they will consider the Technical Corrections Bill, proposed legislation to clean up some of the problems already connected to the margin tax.

The first margin tax payment isn't due until May 2008. The margin tax takes effect Jan. 1, 2008, but it's calculated on business in 2007.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2007, business is going to be subject to the margin tax, Craymer said, even though business won't have to pay for it until the following year.

"It's going to come due all at

See TAX, Page 3

City to hold Refrigerator Amnesty Day at landfill

In an effort to remove the threat that children could become trapped and suffocate in abandoned refrigerators, the City of Pampa is holding a Refrigerator Amnesty Day.

Old refrigerators can be taken to the Pampa landfill between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.,

Saturday, Nov. 4, for disposal.

City officials said the program is only for Pampa residents and proof of residency will be required. Officials said a water bill and driver's license would be sufficient

proof of residency. There is a limit of two refrigera-

tors per household, city officials said.

City Manager John Horst said the city has done this before.

Normally, he said, there is a charge for accepting refrigerators at

the landfill. "That charge," Horst said, "is to extract the refrigerant out of the appliance."

Refrigerators cannot be put into the landfill until a certified technician removes the freon, Horst said.

Refrigerator During their Amnesty Program, he said, the charge will be waived.



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WATIE, W.H. "Bill" - 10 a.m., St. Mark's CEM Church, Pampa.

W.H. 'Bill' Watie, 58

W. H. "Bill" Watie, 58, died Saturday, Vietnam War. He was a member of St. Oct. 14, 2006, in Pampa. Services

will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2006, at St. Mark's CME Church with the Rev. Raymond McKever, pastor, officiating.

will Cremation follow. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Watie was born Dec. 24, 1947, in Pampa and had lived in Pampa most of his life. He was a U. S. Navy veteran serving during the ley.com.



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Mark's CME Church.

Survivors include two sisters, Eula Bradshaw and Kaye Simmons, both of Pampa; a brother, Herman D. Watie and wife Loretta of Baytown; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Southside Senior Citizens Center, 438 W. Crawford, Pampa, TX 79065.

-Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-what-

Fannie Ruff West, 91

Monday, Oct. 16, 2006, in Pampa. Services grandchildren and great grandchildren.

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

Mrs. West was born Feb. 23, 1915, in Mobeetie and attended Mobeetie schools. She married Alphus Allin West in 1936 in Mobeetie. He preceded her in death in 1981.

She was a member of the Priest West Park Church of God where she played the piano and taught

Sunday school for many years. She was president of the Ladies Willing Workers in Pampa.

She loved to cook and bake for others, and she was famous for her rolls and pies. She www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Fannie Ruff West, 91, of Pampa, died loved spending time with her children,

Survivors include a daughter, Marlene Kyle of Pampa; son, Aubrey West of Pampa; a sister Juanita Lightfoot of Amarillo; a son-in-law, the Rev. Fines Marchman of Pampa; seven grandchildren; and 15 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mary and Cliff Ruff; a daughter, Pat Marchman; a daughter-in-law, Linda West; a son-inlaw, Earl Kyle; and by four sisters

and two brothers.

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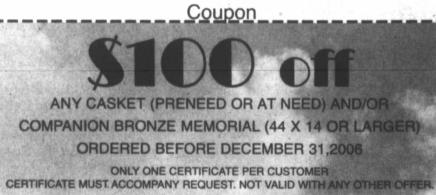


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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Sixteen traffic stops were made, resulting in at least two arrests.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart and the police department lobby.

A traffic complaint was received from an unreported location.

Calls concerning animals were received from the 600 block of East Foster, the 1900 block of North Christy, the 1400 block of South Barnes, and the 1100 block of Perry.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 800 block of Lefors and the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

Warrant service was attempted on one occasion. A welfare check was

made at the intersection of Kentucky and Sumner streets.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 100 block of West Francis, the 1200 block of South Nelson, and the 2700 block of North Hobart, where two arrests were made in connection with the incident. The arrests were made for violating a city ordinance by solicitation without a permit.

Prowlers were reported in the 700 block of Naida and on two occasions in the 2100 block of North Sumner.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 500 block of North Hobart and the 300 block of North Faulkner.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of East Murphy. Harassment was reported

in the 800 block of South A domestic disturbance

was reported in the 100 block of Fast Harvester Criminal mischief was

reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart. A window frame sustained an estimated \$400 damage.

Evading arrest or detention was reported in the 700 block of North West. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Theft was reported in the 500 block of Harlem, the 1500 block of North Banks, and the 2200 block of Beech, where a wallet and contents, including cash, was taken. Estimated value of loss is \$75.

Theft of services was reported in the 500 block of West Kingsmill. The incident concerned concrete work valued at \$1,120.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 700 block of North

Forgery, two counts of failure to identify as a fugitive, no driver's license on person, expired vehicle registration, and burglary of a motor vehicle were reported in the 300 block of West Kentucky. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Sheriff

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

Monday, Oct. 16

Alonzo Leonardo III, 28, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a warrant for burglary of a building.

Johnny Ray Carver, 17, of Pampa was arrested in the 2600 block of Seminole Pampa Police Department for unlawful use of a motor vehicle.

Damon Cox, 44, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of Fisher by PPD on a motion to enforce child support.

Andrew Keller, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 700 block of North Banks by PPD on a bond surrender for burglary of a vehicle and evading arrest.

John Franklin Ellis, 28, of Pampa was arrested in the 2700 block of North Hobart by PPD for solicita-

Tuesday, Oct. 17

Kristina Diane Wood, 21, the 2700 block of North Hobart by PPD for failure to identify as a fugitive, theft by check, and solicitation

with no permit. Susan Lanette Miller, 43, of Pampa was arrested by

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Kenyon Joseph Kendall, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart by PPD for forgery of a financial instrument, burglary of a motor vehicle, and two counts of failure to identify as a fugitive.

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Accidents

Police Pampa Department reported the following accidents today. Saturday, Oct. 14

1:12 p.m. - A 2006 Dodge Ram 1500, driven by Jon Rockwell Pierce III, 17, of Sayre, Okla., and a 1992 Pontiac Trans Sport, driven by Brenda Lee Lucas, 43, of 930 S. Finley, collided in the 2100 block of North Hobart. Lucas was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center Guardian EMS ambulance with possible injuries. Pierce was cited for following too closely.

11 p.m. - An unknown vehicle and driver collided with a legally parked 2002 Pontiac Aztek, owned by Carl Thomas Shook of 2132 N. Williston, in the 1200 block of Duncan. The unknown vehicle and driver then left the scene. No injuries were reported, and no citations were issued.

Sunday, Oct. 15 4:55 p.m. - A 1996 Ford Explorer, driven Guillermo Antonio Lopez, 16, of 1531 N. Faulkner, collided with a legally parked 2004 Ford Mustang, owned by Misti Flanery of 1328 N. Starkweather, in the 1300 block of North Starkweather. No injuries were reported. Lopez was cited for backing without safety, no valid driver's license, and no proof of liability insurance.

Pampa Fire Department f Pampa was arrested in reported the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Oct. 16 8:45 a.m. – Five units and eight personnel responded to the 2300 block of Primrose on a fire preven-GCSO on a municipal court tion program.

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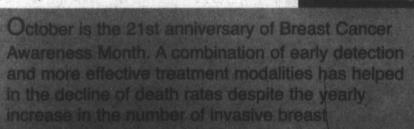
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The major problem with the old junior high school, according to TASA and the architects, is space. The state is pushing for larger classrooms and more science labs. The old junior high lacks the space for any expansion. Even if the space were there, Porter argues, pouring more money into the existing junior high to bring it up to current standards could be a waste of money.

"In looking at the whole scheme of things," Porter said, "the junior high school can certainly be used for students. We could spend \$12 million on that facility, and we could get it into the shape that it needs to be in for our students."

The problem is, he said, the district would also have to spend some \$7.5 million in renovating Horace Mann for the other services. There would also have to be money spent on Carver Center.

Even then, the life expectancy of those buildings would be extended about 25 years as opposed to 75 years for a new build-

"We're looking at in 25 or 30 years having elementary schools, a high school and a junior high that are all long in tooth and need to be renovated or rebuilt," Porter said.

He said it made sense to the school board at this point in time to build a junior high school so that it won't be a concern for future boards at the same time they'll have to address a new high school and elementary schools.

The new junior high school will cost \$25.9 million. To renovate the existing junior high school so that the Pampa Learning

Center, administrative offices and support facilities can be consolidated will cost \$3.3 million.

"If it's converted to the administrative building,' Porter said of the existing junior high, "we're going to keep the gyms as gyms, and they'll be open to the pub-

The auditorium will also be used for school functions and for the public, he said.

"Again, flexibility is the key word here," Porter said. "We're trying to use as much space as we can."

The major problem with the existing junior high is a lack of space for the students, and there is no room

The plan is to move the Pampa Learning Center to the west wing of the school and use the east wing for support services. The middle wing will be used for administrative space.

Porter said he doesn't think there will be any wasted space.

"It is our intent that because we have space to fill that with people," Porter said. "We are not looking at increasing the administrative staff."

The plan is to consolidate many of the district's sectors into one place.

room than it has ever had," Porter said.

will have more room than

they've ever had, he said. Porter said there is an enormous need for storage space for books and supplies.

Plans call for the demolition of Horace Mann, Carver, Sam Houston and "The facilities have to be

abated for asbestos," Porter The district also has to

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board would ever want to school. put that in the landfill

because it would simply fill up that landfill too soon," Porter said. "There are several options open to us with that debris."

If there are places within the county that are eroding, the debris can be used to stop the erosion.

On the other hand, the contractor tearing down the school may be required to dispose of the debris.

"When we let a contract on the demolition," Porter said, "we can make that part of the contract.'

The use of the land upon which Carver, Horace Mann, Sam Houston and Baker now stand will be determined by future school boards, Porter said.

The sites could be turned into parks or recreational sites or the land could be sold to pay off part of the bonds.

There have been some inquiries about Baker, Porter acknowledged. There has also been talk about turning Carver into a south side Senior Citizens Center.

Concerning the Senior Citizens Center, Porter said he had no problem with that but he would want to make sure the building is safe. At this time, he said, that's not

While the classrooms at "PLC will have more the existing junior high are smaller than recommended state guidelines, Porter said Central administration they would be suitable for office space.

To renovate the existing junior high to move the Pampa Learning Center, administrative offices and support services into the building would cost about \$3.3 million versus the estimated \$12 million to renovate it for students.

The existing junior high school would be renovated for consolidated uses, he said. There won't be any

WEDNESDAY: "I don't believe that the Renovations to the high

Tax

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once," Craymer said. 'It's not like the corporate income tax where you make quarterly payments. You'll notice it when you write the check."

The margins tax, he said, is part of a greater issue. That issue is school finance. The Legislature was under court order to come up with a school finance plan last spring.

"I've been working around the State Capitol since the early 1980s," Craymer said. "Probably for as long as I've been involved in the process, it seems like we've been under some court order dealing with public school finance."

In Texas, he explains, financing public schools is the shared responsibility of the state and local school districts.

"The way the system works," Craymer said, "is

the school district levies a local property tax for maintenance and operation. They can levy up to \$1.50 per \$100 of value."

Beyond that, school districts can levy a separate tax for debt service to build facilities.

"That's the local part of the program," Craymer said. "The state distributes state aid to the districts. The way it does that is it looks at property values relative to the number of students."

Texas has moe than 1,000 school districts. Some of them have a significant amount of property and few students, such as the Miami school district with a small population and large oil and gas reserves. At the other extreme is the property poor school district.

Craymer said there is a tremendous amount of disbetween parity wealthy districts and very poor districts. The state tries to level out those dispari-

There are about 100 wealthy school districts that generate so much property

wealth that there's no way the state can bring everyone up to that level, Craymer said.

"Those districts," he said, "end up having to pay back to the state a portion of the

taxes they collect." The system, developed by the Texas Legislature about a decade ago, is known as recapture or "Robin Hood."

In 1996, more than 500 of the 1,000 school districts in Texas had school tax rates below \$1.25. Craymer said the \$1.50 cap wasn't a particular problem except for about 75 districts that were at the \$1.50 maximum.

By 2005, almost 600 of the 1,000 school districts in the state were at the \$1.50 maximum. The Texas Supreme Court said that essentially made for a statewide school property tax, which is unconstitutional.

The school finance package caps school property taxes for maintenance and operations at one dollar.

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VanHouten.

The TAFE at Pampa High wants to sell candy during November to raise money for teacher appreciation and trip expenses, according to Amanda Haiduk.

The Pampa High softball booster club wants to sell advertising in their programs to fund a softball tournament and equipment needs, said Mark McVay.

The board will also consider the sale of tax delin-

quent property. Bids were received for \$5,151 for 402 Lefors, \$2,601 for 109 Lowry, \$5.151 for 530 N. Gray, \$111 for 832 S. Banks, \$5,151 for 704 N. Gray, \$5,151 for 1003 S. Sumner, \$111 for Lot 4 Block 11 of Finley Addition, \$15,751 for 1209 Duncan, \$501 for 700 Frederic, \$500 for 701 Browning, \$853 for 619 Carr, \$853 for 1100 N. Faulkner, \$500 for 640 N. Christy, \$500 for 824 Beryl, \$1,030 for 517 Ash, \$,1,030 for Lot 12 Block 1 of the Miller Addition, \$158 for 1017 Campbell, \$255 for 601 Francis, \$400 for 329 N. Banks, \$100 for 1030 Browning and \$1,000 for 814 Reid.

The school board will also consider bids for high school and junior high supplies and equipment for spring sports.

They will also review names for the Textbook Selection Committee.

The board will consider their annual financial audit report, quarterly financial report, annual investment report and Texas Association of School Districts policy updates.

They will consider a proposal to purchase land for a school parking lot.



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Viewpoints

Isn't never-changing weather boring?

There is something both exhilarating and saddening about this time of year.

One downside is that the days are getting shorter. I'm a great fan of daylight saving-time, and when we reach the end of the year and it's dark at 5:30 p.m., I get disgusted at the whole time of year.

I'm not a fan of cold weather and all that comes with it. I don't enjoy plowing through snow, either in my vehicle or on foot, and I especially don't relish the thought of driving on ice again.

I have an aversion to cracked lips, dry skin, fissures on my fingertips, and wearing enough clothes to look twice my size.

pipes, being without power due to an ice storm, paying outrageous heating bills and catching colds and flu are particularly fun, either.

Of course, there are some great compensations. Cold weather means a parade of holidays to brighten even the dreariest days.

The first holiday that can occur in really cold weather is Halloween. There is something very appealing to kids about disguising yourself in a costume, maybe even one that is scary, and going door to door after darkness falls, warning that you might play a trick on the resident if they don't fork over a treat, usually candy.

Unfortunately, Halloween

I don't think burst water can be more like the dead of over the river and through winter than the middle of autumn. Freezing weather is always possible, and even sleet and snow can put a damper on things.

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Staff Writer

h e Michelin Man than a ghost, what with all the layers of

clothing I under my white sheet complete with eye holes.

Thanksgiving provides another opportunity to pig out at a table laden with traditional food. But it is some-

the woods to Grandma's house when snow and ice blanket the landscape.

Of course, Christmas is the star of the season. The first day of winter arrives a few days before the big day, and makes

its presence known sometimes with frigid temperatures, howlwinds, and wintry

precipitation. Christmas is the only hol-

iday where snow is hoped for by many. As for me, the only white stuff I need in order to feel Christmasy is times difficult to make it the glittery stuff on orna-

tree skirts and other decora-

We proceed to shiver our way through New Year's Day and usually Valentine's Day as well, but our hopes for a return of spring start rising by the time Easter is on the horizon.

Some people say they would find it boring to live on a part of the globe where the weather remains about the same year-round, such as in the middle or at either

They say the change of seasons makes life more interesting, colorful and enjoyable.

Then there are those who wouldn't at all mind living in a cold climate year-round.

ments and the fluffy stuff on They love snow and freezing temperatures.

It's good that some people like wintry weather, because we can't all bunch up along the equator. It would get mighty crowded, I imagine.

I can understand the argument about never-changing weather getting boring. I've never lived in a place where temperatures stayed the same year-round.

Even though I get tired of the cold, I might get bored, too, if nothing ever happened to signal a change of seasons and the march of

Nevertheless, along about the middle of January, I'm sure I'll be wishing I could have that chance to get bored.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 17, the 290th day of 2006. There are 75 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 17, 1777, British forces under Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered to American troops in Saratoga, N.Y., in a turning point of the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

In 1919, the Radio Corporation of America was chartered. In 1931, mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion (sentenced to 11 years in prison, Capone was released in 1939.)

In 1933, Albert Einstein arrived in the United States as a

from Nazi refugee Germany.

The philosophies _ of one age have become the absurdities of the next, and the foolishness of yesterday has become the wisdom of tomorrow.

> — Sir William Osler Canadian physician and educator (1849-1919)

In 1941, the U.S. destroyer Kearny was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Iceland; 11 people died.

In 1945, Col. Juan Peron, the future president of Argentina, was released from prison after protests by trade unionists, ending a crisis that began with his forced resignation from his government posts and his arrest.

In 1956, the all-star movie "Around the World in 80 Days," produced by Michael Todd, had its world premiere in New York

In 1973, Arab oil-producing nations announced they would begin cutting back oil exports to Western nations and Japan; the result was a total embargo that lasted until March

In 1977, West German commandos stormed a hijacked Lufthansa jetliner on the ground in Mogadishu, Somalia, freeing all 86 hostages and killing three of the four hijackers. In 1979, Mother Teresa of India was awarded the Nobel

In 1989, an earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale struck northern California, killing 67 people and causing \$7 billion in damage.

Ten years ago: Russian President Boris Yeltsin fired security chief Alexander Lebed, one day after the former general was accused by a rival of building his own rogue army. The Atlanta Braves won the National League Championship Series, beating the St. Louis Cardinals 15-0 in Game 7.



Income is result of one's productivity

Democrats plan to trumpet the income and wealth gap for political gain in this year's elections. According to The Wall Street Journal article "Democrats' Risky Strategy," Democratic candidates blame Republicans for economic inequality.

This strategy might sell because, in addition to envy, many people erroneously use income inequality as a measure of fairness. Income is a result. As such, results cannot establish whether there is fairness or justice.

Let's look at it. Suppose Tom, Dick and Harry play a weekly game of poker. Tom wins 75 percent of the time. Dick and Harry, respectively, win 15 percent and 10 percent of the time. Knowing only the poker game's result permits us to say absolutely nothing as to whether there has been poker justice. Tom's disproportionate winnings are consistent with his being either an astute player or a clever cheater.

To determine whether for 3 pounds of steak and a there has been poker justice, the game's process must be examined. Some process questions we might ask are: Were Hoyle's Rules obeyed, were the cards unmarked, the

Walter

Williams

Columnist

were cards dealt from the top of the deck, and did the players play voluntarily? these

questions yield affirmative answers, there was poker justice regardless of the game's result, with Tom winning 75

percent of the time. Similarly, income is a result. In a free society, for the most part, income is a result of one's capacity to serve his fellow man and the value his fellow man places on that service. Say I mow your lawn and you pay me \$30. That \$30 might be seen as a certificate of performance. Why?

I go to the grocer and ask

six-pack of beer that my fellow man produced. In effect, the grocer asks, "Williams, you're asking for something that your fellow man produced; what did you do for

your fellow man?" I say, served fellow my man mowing his lawn." The grocer says,

"Prove it." That's when I give him my certificates of performance, the \$30.

Google founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page are multi-billionaires. Just as in the case of my mowing my fellow man's lawn, they became very wealthy by serving their fellow man. The difference is they served their fellow man far more effectively than I and hence received more "certificates of performance," enabling them to make greater claims on what their fellow man

Their greater income is a result of their pleasing millions upon millions of their fellow man. They created wealth by producing a product that improves the lives of millions upon millions of people all around the globe. Should people like Messrs. Brin and Page, who have improved our lives, be held up to ridicule and scorn because they have a higher income than most of us? Should Congress use the tax code to confiscate part of their wealth in the name of fairness and income redistribution?

For the most part, income is a result of one's productivity and the value that people place on that productivity. Far more important than income inequality, there is productivity inequality. That suggests that if there's anything to be done about income inequality, we should focus on how to give

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Texas Thoughts.

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Oct. 8

San Antonio Express-News on the 700-mile fence to keep undocumented immigrants from crossing the border:

About that 700-mile fence, the one designed to keep undocumented immigrants from crossing the U.S.-Mexico border and that can be counted among the few achievements of Congress this year don't look for it anytime soon.

The estimated cost to construct the much-touted double-layer fence is

between \$3 million and \$10 million per mile. Congress budgeted \$1.2 billion for the project. So even under the most implausibly optimistic contracting scenario, the fence authorization would buy only 400 miles of border protec-

As Sen. John Cornyn told reporters, 'It's one thing to authorize. It's another thing to actually appropriate the money and do it."

But even that shorter length of fence will have loopholes in it. The authorization includes provisions that allow members of Congress, governors, municipalities and Native American tribes to determine its exact placement. And the executive branch will have the ability to choose non-physical alternatives, such as employing technology to create a virtual barrier "when fencing is ineffective or impractical."

Proponents and detractors, both playing to their political bases during an election year, have portrayed the fence as a steel and concrete monolith crowned with barbed wire. For some it is a durable security barrier serving the national interest. For others it is the reincarnation of the Berlin Wall.

Reality, however, will be somewhat

less dramatic.

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- 11) Carne Guisada (tender, tasty stewed beef) \$6.95
- 12) Barbacoa (beef) \$6.95
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Taco (choice of beef or chicken)

Enchilada (choice of beef, chicken or cheese)

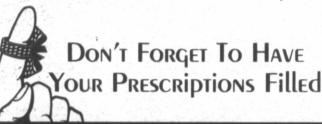
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Choice of three/\$8.49

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with Pico de Gallo and choice of tortillas

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I have a couple of issues with the answer you gave "Dumbfounded in San Jose" (8/16), the woman who discovered that her husband had a homosexual relationship in college 20 years ago. Had she discovered the relationship was with a woman, would you have advised her similarly? You implied that, because he was bisexual, he is more inclined to be adulterous and unsafe. Being bi does not mean you necessarily have relationships with men and women, but that you can be attracted to and possibly have relationships with both sexes. You have perpetrated a stigma that homosexuals and bisexuals are unfaithful and unsafe. He has chosen to spend his life with her, so it's possible he has been faithful to that commitment. -PHILADELPHIA READER

DEAR PHILADELPHIA READER: Let me refresh your memory. The man was overheard discussing the four-year affair he had with his college roommate when the man came to visit. They were overheard by his 16-year-old son. The wife would like to discuss it with her son and her husband "to control the damage" -- but the son "refuses and is now pretending it's not important." I advised her that if her son didn't think it was important, he wouldn't have told her. I also said she needed to find out if her husband's bisexual activity had continued after college, and that she should be tested for STDs. That is, by the way, the same advice I have given in the past to spouses of both sexes who suspect their partner has had heterosexual affairs. In addition, I urged family counseling because the writer was unaware of her husband's prior sexual history and the news is bound to have an effect on their marriage -- and because their son may need reassurance and help working through this. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled by your response to "Dumbfounded in San Jose." For many people, attraction is not neces-

sarily about gender. It's about the other person. It's entirely possible that this homosexual affair was a one-time thing, based on a special attraction, and that the husband is not skulking around back alleys with other men. If so, he is not automatically an AIDS risk. You should be fair and give this man, and his marriage, the benefit of the doubt before rushing to the emergency room. (And yes, I live "there," and maybe have been brainwashed by the evil homosexual underground into thinking there's more than one way to approach sexual orientation.) — APPALLED IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR APPALLED: Although it is possible that the four-year affair in college was a "one-time" thing, in my opinion "experimentation" is taking a nibble of the cake, not consuming the entire thing. And remember, this man kept it a secret from the woman he married. If there were no men carrying on clandestine affairs with other men while pretending to be strictly heterosexual, I wouldn't be concerned. What I find extremely worrisome -- and it goes beyond the facts of this letter -- is that sexually transmitted diseases that could be prevented are rampant in this country because of ignorance. Sexually active seniors are getting AIDS because they think they're somehow exempt from having to take the same precautions young people do. Parents are refusing to have their daughters vaccinated against a virus that's linked to cervical cancer because they're afraid it will give them permission to have sex before marriage. (Has it not occurred to them that these girls can cross the altar as virgins and be infected by their husbands?) Men have unprotected sex with other men and call it something else. Sometimes I ask myself if we're living in the United States or a State of Denial. My advice was the prudent thing to do.

For Better Or For Worse



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Beetle Bailey



Marvin





Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

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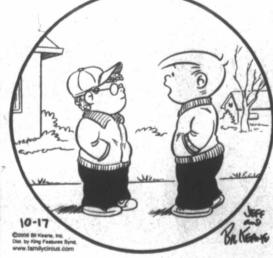
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"I'm worried. The only time he looks innocent is when he's guilty of something."

The Family Circus

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"They're gettin' me a wall phone. I've lost three cell phones in my room."

B.C.



Haggar The Horrible



Peanuts





Flo & Friends



Blondie



Sports Day

to PD; JV drops Dons

Pampa @ Palo Duro Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006

Pampa 2, Palo Duro 19 **Boys Doubles**

Foreman/Frels lost to Mingboupha/Trinh 2-6, 0-6 Fortenberry/Morris lost to Westmoreland/Perez 3-6, 4-6 Foreman/Ware lost to Campos/Souvannasacd 4-6, 3-6

Girls Doubles

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Acker/O'Neal lost to Mingboupha/Hy 0-6, 5-7 Julian/Barnett lost to Truong/Hoang 1-6, 0-6 Lee/Hernandez lost to Sihaphon/Le 2-6, 3-6

Mixed Doubles

Couts/Albracht lost to Khamvongsa/Ha 2-6, 2-6

Boys Singles

Michael Foreman lost to Detrick Westmoreland 6-2, 6-7(3-7), (7-10)

Kevin Frels lost to Julio Perez 4-6, 1-6 Tyler Morris lost to Donald Mingboupha 6-4, 0-3 DEF Jareth Fortenberry lost to Cho Trinh 1-6, 2-6 Myles Foreman lost to Aaron Souvannasacd 1-6, 3-6 Jack Ware def. Sunny Khamvongsa 6-0, 6-0 Garrett Couts lost to Hanh Son 6-8

Girls Singles

Haley Acker lost to Anna Mingboupha 6-7(2-7), 4-6 Katie O'Neal lost to Mai Hy 1-6, 0-6 Anna Julian lost to Linda Truong 2-6, 2-6 Megan Barnett lost to Cindy Hoang 0-6, 0-6 Rachel Lee def. Meme Sihaphon 7-5, 7-5 Krissa Whittley lost to Hoai Ha 2-6, 2-6 Brenna Albracht lost to Gina Le 7-9

Junior Varsity Results Pampa 12, Palo Duro 3 **Boys Doubles**

Couts/Conner def. Son/Pham 8-5

Girls Doubles

Hoelting/Finney def. Braden/Vasquez 8-6 Couts/Fernuik lost to Nguyen/Le 4-8 Buck/Winegeart def. Kongvongsay/Huong 8-1 Acker/Marak def. Vongphrachanh/Reyes 8-3

Boys Singles

Ryan Conner def. Truong Pham 8-4 Ryan Conner def. Romiro Treuizo 8-2

Girls Singles

Lauren Couts lost to Melinda Braden 4-8 Sammi Finney def. Vy Nguyen 8-5 Alysaa Hoelting def. April Vasquez 8-1 Robin Fernuik def. Litta Kongnongsay 8-4 Erin Buck def. Phuong Le 8-4 Kaitlin Winegeart def. Tina Huong 8-2 Hilary Acker def. Kelly Vongprachanh 8-2 Kallie Marak lost to Reyes 2-8

NOTE: Pampa will host Hereford today at 3:30.

PHS Tennis: Varsity falls POYC girls basketball registration, tryouts begin today, end Thursday

Registration and tryouts for Optimist Girls' Basketball for girls in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades will be today, Wednesday and Thursday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Optimist Gym, according to Optimist Girls' Basketball Commissioner Teresa Eubank.

A \$35 playing fee will be requested. Scholarships are

"We will be bringing a team of girls from Miami and Lefors," said Ron Carr. "White Deer will bring at least one and, maybe two teams," said Kenneth Cox.

Eubank outlined changes in the Third and Fourth Grade Division at a meeting held Monday night at the Optimist Club. "In the third and fourth grade division, we will have a 'skill of the week" Eubank explained. "For example, the first week all fouls will be called but officials will be lenient on walking, double dribbling, etc. with the exception of repeated offenses by the same girl if it is affecting the outcome of the game.

"The next week officials will call fouls and walking. The third week, fouls, walking and double dribbling will be called. The fourth week officials will call fouls, walking, double dribbling and five seconds in the lane."

She continued, "This will help the girls learn but will also keep the games moving. No double teaming except in the lane will be allowed, and a man-to-man half-court defense will be required.'

All players will be rated and then selected through a blind draft. Each team will get approximately the same number of "A," "B" and "C" players. A mandatory play rule will require each girl to play at least seven minutes of each half. Instead of a City Tournament, extra games will be scheduled for the regular season.

"Right now, we do not have enough coaches to accommodate the girls we are expecting," Eubank said. "People interested in working with these girls may call me at 662-7916. We also need referees and league officials."

Attending the meeting were Eubank, John Studebaker, Darin Rice, Carr, Cox, Marvelle Collins, Denise Dodson, Pamela Mathis, Robert Dixon, Barbara Craig, Teresa Keith, Ronnie Haynes, John Warner and Kevin Davis.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way

Court warriors

The PJHS 7th grade volleyball B team took second place at the recent Pampa Tournament, defeating San Jacinto Christian Academy (25-20, 25-20) and Hereford (21-25, 27-25, 16-14) before losing to Dumas in the championship game (18-25, 18-25). Pictured with their trophy are (left to right), Back row-Callie Coleman, Ellen Cambern, **Ashtin** Sackett, Laura Kirkland and K'Lyn King. Middle row- Coach Sarah Course, Danielle Savior, Samantha Powell, Tierra Lewis and NaKayla Hardman. Front row-Megan Pirtle. Miranda Patterson, Margo Mendoza and Courtney Ward (lying down).



Pampa outlasts Lady Dons

District 3-4A Volleyball Pampa @ Palo Duro Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006

Pampa def. Palo Duro, 25-22, 25-23, 25-21

Individual Stats Libby Dyson- 10 digs

Stephanie McVay- 2 kills, 1 solo block, 1 touch block, 1 ace, 4 digs, 33 assists

Krishna Henderson- 9 kills, 1 solo block, 5 touch blocks, 2 digs

Jackye Barber- 15 kills, 1 touch block, 4 aces

Logan Winkelman- 10 kills 1 ace, Kelby Doughty- 1 kill

Nicole Clark- 3 kills, 1 touch block

Megan Crawford- 1 touch block Stephanie Jassso- 2 serve receive

Kara Stephens- 2 kills, 1 touch block

NOTE: Pampa will host Hereford tonight – Senior Night – at 7:30. JV to play at 6.

City volleyball leagues currently forming

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be sponsoring a Mixed Adult volleyball league which is scheduled to begin play in November.

Also to be offered is a Mixed Competitive and Recreational 6-on-6 divi-

Players who wish to compete must be at least 14 years old.

Entries are currently being accepted.

Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. Nov. 1. Organizers expect the season to begin

the week of Nov. 6.

Entry fee (sponsor's fee) is \$150 with a player's fee of \$15 per player, minimum eight players.

Roster forms, fact sheets, and league bylaws are available at the recreation office located in City Hall, room 204.

For more information please call 669-5740 between 8 a.m. 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Junior High Cross Country: Pampa, Lefors wrap season with solid performances

Cross Country Canyon Meet Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006

Pampa Junior High School

Crystal Garcia- 11th (13:51)* Karen Jimenez- 16th (13:54)* Kaitlynne Ramirez- 19th (14:07)* Bree Howard- 36th (14:34)* Kendal Ramey- 49th (15:09)* Sarai Soria- 74th (15:55)** Kasie Ramirez- 78th (15:58)*

Boys

Miguel Tapia- 1st (11:41)* Rudy Rodriguez- 21st (13:19)* Colton Adams- 24th (13:29)* Douglas Smith- 33rd (13:44)* Sam Cain- 45th (14:32)* *Personal bests **Competed with illness

Lefors High School Results

Valerie Miller- 18th (13:15) Emily Jackson- 21st (13:22) Tori Meeks- 47th (13:59) Kara Davis- 48th (14:04) Lacie Johnston- 87th (15:08) Misty Pairsh- 114th (16:13) Ashley Shephard- 124th (17:48) Team-7th

Gabriel Miller- 23rd (20:39) Lefors Junior High Taylor Overstreet- 25th (14:20) Amber Shephard- 40th (14:40) Monica Pairsh- 70th (15:46)

NOTE: The Pirate's next compete at District to be held in Canadian Monday.

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championship with a franchise that hasn't been to a World Series since 1945 and hasn't won one since 1908.

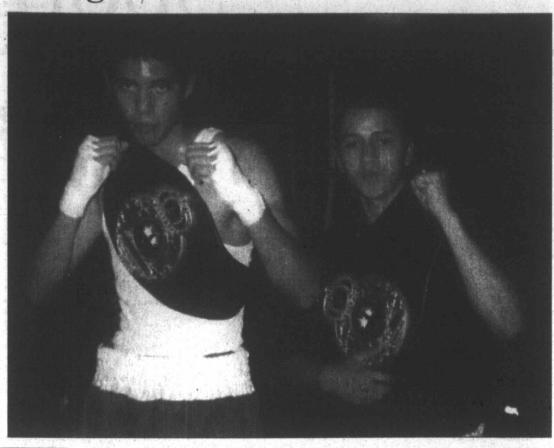
Piniella, who will be introduced today at a news conference, has a deal that is worth about \$10 million.

Piniella replaces Dusty Baker, another veteran manager with a strong resume, who left after four years when his contract was not renewed following a 66-96 last-place finish in the NL.

Piniella has 19 years' experience managing in the big leagues with four teams the Yankees, Reds, Mariners and Devil Rays.

Meanwhile, Ken Macha was fired as manager of the Oakland Athletics, two days after the West champions were swept out of the playoffs by Detroit.

Belting out wins



HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2006

This year, you get a lot done quickly and efficiently. As a result, your reputation precedes you. You have energy, magnetism and spirit. What more could you ask for? You might want to try to do something very different and unusual. You might want to rethink a situation. Your creativity flourishes. You will want to do something more dynamic this year. Allow that to happen. You cannot hold yourself back any longer. If you are single, check out who you meet. Shop around. If you are attached, communication will flourish if you reveal more of yourself. VIRGO understands you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Though you might experience some disruption that you would rather not discuss, you'll get the job done. You are focused and direct. Read between the lines and listen to what isn't being said. Tonight: Find your favorite chair. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Your creativity comes out when dealing with others. You find answers while others create an uproar. You have reason to smile. You could find a family member or domestic issue a bit weighty. Know when to say you have had enough. Tonight: Acting as if there is good for you! no tomorrow -GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You might come to a new level of comprehension. Understand what is happening with someone who can be touchy or a little difficult. You might feel put off by someone's attitude. Look at the big picture. Do you really want to pull away? Tonight: Happy at home. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** You have the right words. Make calls and reach out to the many people in your life. Foundations count, and that thought marks your sign. Many of you will opt to work from home or do something totally different. Think positively. Tonight: Hang out with a pal LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Spending often creates a hassle. Think in terms of gaining through solid and direct action. You have what it takes to make a difference. Use that talent. Trust yourself, as well as others, to ask the right questions. Tonight: Your treat. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** You are all smiles and make choices accordingly. Think in terms of positive changes. A purchase could help you get where you want to be. Think carefully about what you want: Tonight: As you like.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

** Know when to back off and try something totally different. Sometimes you might do or say things that could be offensive. Know when to bail out and stay out of trouble. You are strong and direct with dynamic actions. Expenses could soar. Tonight: Know when to call it

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nev. 21)

*** You might be overwhelmed by what is going on around you. Others seek you out. As a result and a side benefit, all this activity puts you in a strong position.

Let others think that your ideas are theirs. Tonight: The center of the party.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** You are happiest doing what you do well. You are a natural leader, one who is understanding. You demonstrate your innate caring for others. Listen well. Tonight: In the limelight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Read between the lines. You will see what is happening. If you can, gather others together and circle the wagons, so to speak. Listen to what is happening with someone who is important and can shake up your life. Tonight: Relax your mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You might want to add more vitality to a partnership. The real question is: Does this person want the same? You might be startled by what comes up, but not totally displeased. Trust your intuition. Tonight: Encourage another to display his or her true colors PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You will want to handle a matter in a different manner. However, acting quickly could shake up many people. Explaining and, at the same time, understanding where they are coming from help. Tonight: Let others state their case.

BORN TODAY

Singer, guitarist Chuck Berry (1926), actor Jean-Claude Van Damme (1960). tennis player Martina Navratilova (1956)

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

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Marcus Pena (left) and Cris Larrazolo represented the Pampa Boxing Club Saturday night during Thunder & Lightening II at the Maverick Boys and Girls Club in Amarillo. Larrazolo defeated Edward Hernandez of Lubbock in a 120-pound bout. Pena, now 2-0, bested Isaah Hernandez in a 155-pound affair. PBC boxers will compete in Garden City.

NLCS Game 5 postponed

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The starting pitchers are rested and the days off are done. Now, the NL championship series comes down to a best-of-three.

Daylong rain caused Game 5 between New York and St. Louis to be postponed Monday, meaning Mets lefty Tom Glavine and Jeff Weaver of the Cardinals will start tonight on full

The teams are tied at two games each in the best-of-seven playoff. Game 5 was rescheduled for 8:19 p.m. EDT at Busch Stadium.

"I think this next game is probably the pivotal game of the series," St. Louis third baseman Scott Rolen said.

For the second time in the NLCS, the clubs will travel without a day off. They'll play Game 6 at Shea Stadium in New York on Wednesday night, as scheduled, with a potential Game 7 the following night.

Glavine and Weaver had been slat-

ed to start Monday night on only three days' rest after rain pushed back the series opener by one day last *AD(

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But another washout eliminated the need for that.

"It's certainly not a bad thing," said Glavine, who has tossed 13 scoreless innings in two playoff starts. "It's just something in this day and age we're not conditioned to do.'

St. Louis manager Tony La Russa played down the issue of regular rest, saying Weaver and Glavine both knew the task at hand all along and had been preparing for it since Game 1. La Russa thought a bigger concern Monday was the drenched field.

"I think both guys have been gearing themselves to go, so they are ready. I think the position players would have had to deal with the elements," he said. "It would be dangerous and a lot to ask."



China is the world's most populated country and the third largest

in size. The Chinese also have one of the world's oldest civilizations. In fact, many things used throughout the world today began in Ancient China.

At one time Chinese culture was the most advanced in the world. Early Europeans traveled to China to bring back admired inventions. A few of these inventions are described on today's Kid Scoop page. 50 51 Use the Move SOUTH 2 squares. compass Move EAST 1 square. and follow Move SOUTH 2 squares. these Move WEST 8 squares. directions. **Compass:** The Chinese were Move NORTH 1 square. Move WEST 2 squares. the first to use a magnetic object that рариа алру пог Move SOUTH 2 squares. could show direction. дігесіюня соггесііу, an jollowed the Write the number of the Standards Link: History: Students understand that folk tales reflect the ways of living of various cultures VN2MEB' square you're in: Kites: The Chinese were the first people to make and fly kites. Every April, China holds a national kite-flying day. Some Chinese kites are so big that it takes four or five people to operate them. Fireworks:

Follow the tangled strings to see which kite belongs to which dragon. Uh oh! The dragons have mixed up the sentences in the legend

Extra! Extra!

below. Cut out each strip and put them in the correct order to reveal the legend. One summer day while visiting a distant region of his realm, he and the court stopped to rest. The servants

According to legend, an early Chinese Emperor, Shen Nung, was also a scientist. He required that all began to boil water for the court to drink. Dried leaves from a nearby bush fell into the boiling water, and As a scientist, the Emperor was interested in the new liquid, drank some, and found it very refreshing. And so, according to legend, tea was created. turned the water brown.

The story of tea began in Ancient China over 5,000 years ago.

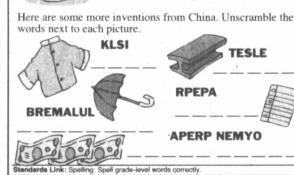
Plural Select ten singular nouns from the newspaper and write them on a sheet of paper. Next to each noun, write its plural form.

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The Chinese discovered a way to make pots and dishes using a type of fine, white clay and coal dust. The material is baked at a very high temperature and makes a hard white or creamcolored pottery. The porcelain eventually became known as china



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INVENTIONS SOUTH MAGNETIC **MEDICINE GHOSTS** DRAGON **CHINA** LEGEND KITE

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skirn and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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Ad Math

In today's newspaper, find an ad that interests you. Write a two-step math problem using the subject of the ad. Have a friend solve the problem. Did you both get the same answer?

Standards Link: Math Reasoning: Make decisions about how to approach problems

Fascinating Facts

Find out at least three fascinating facts about the country of China. The facts could be about its history, geography, culture, sports, art ... you decide!

The great thinker Confucius was

known throughout China as 'The Master." His teachings were based on virtue or goodness. They were lessons to tell people how to live a good life. The following ancient Chinese proverbs are based on the sayings of Confucius. Unscramble the CAPITALIZED word in each sentence.

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A smile will gain you ten more years of FLIE.

A sly rabbit will have HETRE openings to its den.

Standards Link: Spelling: Spell grade-level

Lid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: PORCELAIN The noun porcelain means a hard, white, shiny

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Mortensen starring in film airing at Rome Film Festival

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ROME (AP) — For Viggo Mortensen, it's loyalty to friends — not to flag or country — that keeps soldiers on the battlefield, as depicted by his character in the film "Alatriste" about a soldier in 17th century Spain.

king, but for his friends," the 47-year-old actor said Monday before presenting the movie at the Rome Film Festival.

"There's a sense of honor and pride, some of them, of course, fight for their countries, but for some, first comes friendship, the people you're there with," Mortensen said, going as far as to compare his character, an aloof and loyal hero to "the American, Italian or even Spanish soldiers who fight in Iraq."

Mostly shot in Andalusia, Spain, the movie is based on Arturo Perez-Reverte's saga of Captain Alatriste. It's been an enormous success in the author's native Spain and in Latin America.

The first-ever Rome Film Festival has drawn a handful of stars promoting their films to the Italian capital, although the 16 films in competition are mostly smaller films.

"Alatriste" was being shown out of competition. The festival runs through Saturday.

HONG KONG (AP) — Jackie Chan, famous for his daredevil stunts, says he's frustrated by Hollywood's safety rules.

"There are so many safety and insur-ance rules to follow," Chan said in an interview on his Web site Sunday. "I know that they want to make sure that I'm safe when I do my stunts, but sometimes they insist that I use protective gear for even simple things, and that is frustrating. It takes so much time."

Chan, best known in the United States for the "Rush Hour" movies with Chris Tucker, said he feels less encumbered when making films in Hong Kong.

"In Hong Kong we just go ahead and do what needs to be done. There is no safety "Alatriste is not really fighting for his captain on the set. I use my own stunt

> team because they have experience and I trust them to make the action and stunts safe," he said.

Chan, 52, also said that when he first broke into Hollywood, he'd had little control over his own moves, even though he'd been choreographing stunts for decades in Hong Kong.

But that that has changed over time.

"When I first started making Hollywood films, the directors wouldn't listen to anything I said when it came to the action," he said. "It's different now; the directors respect me and listen to me. Over the years I have gotten more involved in the planning of the action and stunts on my American movies and that makes me happy. But

mostly it is difficult.'

On the Net: http://www.jackiechan.com

BUSAN, South Korea (AP) — It's that time of the year when South Korea's entertainment elite descend upon a southern beach resort town for the country's flagship film event, the Pusan International Film Festival.

But this year the toast of the town isn't a Korean director or actor, it's Hong Kong movie star Andy Lau.

Lau is one of Pusan's honored guests this year because it named him Asian filmmaker of the year for his efforts in promoting new Asian film talent.

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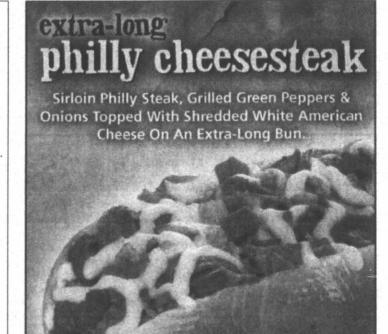
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people greater capacity in serving their fellow man, and we should make sure there's a climate of peaceable, voluntary exchange.

Think back to my poker example. If one is concerned about the game's result, which is more just? Taking some of Tom's winnings and redistributing them to Dick and Harry, or teaching Dick and Harry how to play poker better?

-Dr. Williams serves on the faculty of George Mason University as John Olin Distinguished Professor Economics.



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Child being adopted by Madonna arrives in Britain

officers escorted the African child being adopted by Madonna off a British Airways flight Tuesday, whisking him past photographers hoping to get a glimpse of the boy as he made his way to the pop star's home.

One-year-old David Banda was carried off the Boeing 747 and into the arms of a woman who cov-

LONDON (AP) - Police ered his head with a light child gray coat.

> Three armed police officers together with airline and airport officials escorted the party through Heathrow's Terminal 1 to the baggage hall. From there they were taken out of a back door and put into a silver Mercedes minivan.

The pop star and her husband, Guy Ritchie, were not seen at the airport with the

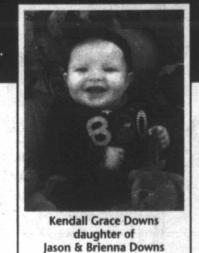
The boy left his native Malawi as human rights and child protection groups said they would go to court Tuesday to challenge the speedy court decision awarding Madonna temporary custody of the child.

Liz Rosenberg, Madonna's publicist in New York, said the child was issued a passport and a visa Monday.

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