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## Duncan's bill would streamline court system

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

Pampa's state senator is busy modernizing the Texas court system.

Texas Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, is sponsoring a bill that would reorganize and modernize the state's court system.

The bill, SB 1204, would require standardization in the jurisdiction of different courts and direct more resources to the third branch of government.

Duncan, who said his committee heard testimony concerning the bill last week, admitted that parts of the bill are controversial, but he maintained that the state's court system needs work.

"Many counties have statutory county courts that have different jurisdictional levels than other county courts," Duncan said. "What we're trying to do is go

through, for the first time in 100 years, and be sure that those courts are streamlined.

More importantly, he said, the bill directs more money into the courts.

"For many years," Duncan said, "we've underfunded our courts."

The judicial branch of the state government gets about a half of a percent of the state's total revenue.

"This is the third branch of government that decides capital murder cases, decides all of our criminal cases, that deals with the administration of civil justice and transfer of wealth, probate, all of these different very important functions," Duncan said. "Our approach here is to try and modernize that, streamline it and put more state resources into it."

One controversial issue of the

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## Library sale nears



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS  
Library Clerk John Mead, left, and Roy Morriss of the Friends of the Library sort videotapes to be included in the annual spring book sale at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston. Videos of movies and television series will be available, as well as a large number of blank videocassettes. Hardback and paperback books and music on LPs, cassettes and compact discs will also be sold. Sale hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Proceeds from the sale go toward projects sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

## Volunteers honored at banquet

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Staff and volunteers with eight local non-profit agencies were the guests of honor at the Somebody Cares America volunteer banquet Monday evening in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins recognized CASA of the High Plains, Good Samaritan, Harvest House, Pampa Meals on Wheels, Pampa Regional Medical Center Auxiliary/Volunteer Service, Pregnancy Support Center and Hope House Maternity Home, The Salvation Army and Tralee Crisis Center for Women.

Dr. J. Doug Stringer, founder and president of Turning Point Ministries International and Somebody Cares America - International, was guest speaker.

"There are so many needs in the world today," Stringer said. He was homeless at age 18, living in broken-down trailer homes along the West Coast and traveling up and down the coast in trains when he finally ended up in Houston, where he eventually founded his ministries.

Stringer is a licensed pastoral counselor

and ordained minister. He holds a Ph.D. in leadership and human development.

The Somebody Cares network grew from Stringer's ministries. The network is a collaborative group of organizations which addresses issues such as gangs, youth outreach and assistance during recent hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico.

"Church-based people really have a heart for their communities," he said. "We don't just put on a good work hat, we go out every day because we truly care for our community. You are the champions. You are the heroes."

Robbins also praised volunteers and organizations who exist to help others.

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"Right at the very heart of Pampa every day are unsung heroes," he said. "We don't just put on a good work hat, we go out every day because we truly care for our community. You are the champions. You are the heroes."

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS  
Dr. J. Doug Stringer, left, founder of Turning Point Ministries International and Somebody Cares America - International was guest speaker at the Somebody Cares America banquet Monday evening at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins recognized the heads of eight local non-profit organizations along with the staff and volunteers of those agencies.

## New 'Kids Cafe' opens

By KERRI SMITH  
Staff Writer

Briarwood Church is offering their version of "Kids Cafe" every Friday evening for children who need a good hot meal.

Kids Cafe is currently available on Monday and Wednesday evening at Wilson Elementary and Tuesday and Thursday evening at Lamar Elementary.

Karen Putman from Briarwood Church said hopefully this meal will help children make it through the weekend easier since they have another night for a free hot meal.

"The meals the children get at Kids Cafe may be the only hot meal they get," Putman said. "We decided to fill in the gap by doing ours on Friday. We even try to pack up

some food for the kids to take home for the weekend if we can."

The Friday night meal which is free and open to anyone is mainly geared toward children and elderly, but anyone is invited to attend.

"Having the meal at this location hopefully will cater to the Travis school district a little bit," Putman said. "Since the other Kids Cafes are at Wilson and Lamar, any kids who do not have transportation are out of luck. So, we hope that anyone in the area is able to walk if they don't have reliable transportation."

Briarwood Church hopes to get a van or bus in the near future so they can provide transportation to those

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Courtesy Photo  
Proudly displaying the banner announcing the start of the Briarwood Church Kids Cafe are, from left, Karen Putman, Walt Miller, Lindsey Rhoades, Cayden Stout, Brenda Miller and Jerry Rhoades.

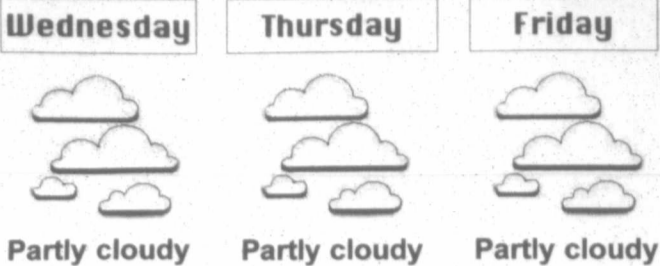
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**Wednesday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 39. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Thursday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 52. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Thursday Night:** A chance of rain showers. Some thunder is also possible. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 36. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east-northeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

**Friday:** A slight chance of rain and snow showers before 9 a.m., then a slight chance of rain showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 57. North-northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east-southeast. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

**Friday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 35. South-southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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Cabot Corp	47.97	+0.45
Celanese	31.51	+0.52
Cabot Oil Gas	34.39	-0.48
Coca Cola	48.94	+0.42
VLO	63.65	-1.28
HAL	32.37	+0.10
TRI	52.39	+0.02
KMI	106.57	-0.04
XCEL	24.95	-0.04
Anadarko	43.29	-0.41
XOM	75.87	-0.29
Nat'l Oilwell	77.30	-0.90
Limited	26.73	+0.30
Williams	28.49	-0.40
MCD	45.13	+0.31
Atmos	31.38	+0.08
Pioneer Nat	42.88	-0.43
JCP	84.37	+1.36
COP	67.47	-0.72
SLB	70.19	-0.63
Tenneco	26.01	+0.18
CXV	74.81	-0.02
Wal-Mart	48.18	+0.78
OKE	44.51	-0.78
New York Gold	671.50	
Silver	13.39	
West Texas Crude	65.94	

**Feds say 32,000 owed pension**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Having trouble making ends meet living on your retirement nest egg? You might be owed some pension money.

A total of \$133 million in retirement benefits haven't been claimed, the federal agency that insures private pension plans reported Tuesday.

The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. said 32,000 people are owed money. Individual benefits range from \$1 up to \$611,028. The average unclaimed benefit is about \$4,950.

"Although the vast majority of workers receive their full pension, sometimes people lose track of benefits earned with former employers," said Vince Snowbarger, the agency's interim director.

The agency urged people who may have lost track of a pension earned during their career and think they may be owed retirement benefits to conduct a search using PBGC's online directory — [www.pbgc.gov/search](http://www.pbgc.gov/search). People can search by their last name, company name or state where the company was headquartered, the PBGC said.

The states with the most missing pension participants and unclaimed pension money are:

- New York, 6,885 people, accounting for \$37.49 million in unclaimed benefits.
  - California, 3,081 people, \$7.38 million
  - New Jersey, 2,209 people, \$12.05 million
  - Texas, 1,987 people, \$6.86 million
  - Pennsylvania, 1,944 people, \$9.56 million
  - Illinois, 1,629 people, \$8.75 million
  - Florida, 1,629 people, \$7.14 million.
- The PBGC insures pensions for 44 million workers and retirees.

**Obituaries**

**Loraine Noel Fite, 91**

Loraine Noel Fite, 91, of Pampa, Texas, died April 2, 2007, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Fite was born Dec. 30, 1915, in Pampa, and graduated from Pampa High School in 1934. She married Elmer Fite on Aug. 25, 1934, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on July 29, 1998.

She and her husband owned and operated Ostrom and Fite Grocery in Phillips from 1943 until 1954. In 1954, they opened Fite Food Market in Pampa, which they operated for 28 years, retiring in 1981.

She had been a member of the First United Methodist Church in Pampa since she was 12-years-old, and was very active in the UMW.

She was active in Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, and was on the board of the American Red Cross for several years. She was also on the Pampa City Traffic Commission for several years.

She belonged to the Pampa Country Club and several local bridge clubs.

She was a former member of the Pampa Community Concert Association.

Survivors include one daughter, Marilyn Brown and husband Paul of Edmond, Okla.; one son, John Fite of San Diego, Calif.; one sister, Pauline Quible of Abilene; three grandchildren, David Brown of Seattle, Wash., Mark Brown and wife Ivy of Angleton, and Jane Calfy and husband Bryan of Round Rock; three great-grandsons, Walker Brown and Garrett Brown, both of Angleton, and Connor Calfy of Round Rock; a brother-in-law, Marvin Fite and wife Earlene of Amarillo; and numerous nieces and nephews.



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**Parker Robert Redman**

February 3, 1987 — March 31, 2007

Parker Redman died Saturday morning. He was a native of Austin, a junior at Rice University, and an all-around fine human being.

The world had Parker for only 20 years, but he left his mark. He had personality and style, traits that became apparent when he was very small. At age 3, he was playing with his brother, Philip, and a 5-year-old friend. The friend cried, "I'm He-Man, and I fight with Battle Cat!" Philip chimed in, "I'm Flash Gordon, and I kill ice robots!" And Parker said, "And I'm ... I'll be the lawyer." Once when he was 4-years-old and playing in the front yard, his parents went to check on him and found him happily taping ants to the sidewalk.

Parker attended Austin public schools: Highland Park Elementary, Lamar Middle School, Kealing Junior High, and McCallum High School, where his favorite memories were his American history class and a spring-break trip to Italy with his fellow Latin students. He loved animals, his 13-year-old Honda Accord, anything involving hazelnuts or chocolate, and all kinds of music and movies. (Once, watching an old sci-fi flick with him, a friend comment-

ed, "This isn't even a B-movie-it's a C-movie." To which Parker replied, "I think they were making it Pass/Fail.")

He despised, among other things, snobs, bullies, and the year of band he suffered through playing an instrument he dubbed the "assoon." He was a self-taught computer whiz, having earned pocket money from age 13 on as a neighborhood Mr. Cyber-Fix-it. In high school, he and a friend built a trebuchet that worked alarmingly well.

Two years ago he cut off his ponytail — all 11-inches of it — and donated it to Locks of Love. He was proud to be a fifth-generation Texan who was one-quarter Hispanic as well as one of nine family members who attended Rice University. His future plans had included a post-graduation ramble around Europe and Asia, teaching science and math to elementary-school students, and the adoption of infant girls from China.

Parker is survived by his mother, Anne Dingus; his father, Patrick Redman; and

his brother and best friend, Phil Redman. Other grieving family members include his grand-

parents, Isela Romero Redman of El Paso and Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Dingus of Pampa; many aunts and uncles, including Kati and David Timmons of Austin (his second parents); Jane

Dingus and John Hildebrandt of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina; Nancy Crites of Hannover, Germany; Joe Crites of Hannover, Germany; Bill and Mary Anne Dingus of Midland; and Bobbo Redman of Durango, Colorado.

He loved his wealth of cousins: Joseph Timmons of Austin; Katherine Hildebrandt of Houston; Dayton Crites of San Francisco; Caroline Crites of Houston; Margaret Crites of Waco; Lizby, Paul, and Mariah Dingus of Midland; Sam Redman of Durango; and Sean, Joy, Elizabeth, and Julia Hildebrandt of Portland, Oregon. Honorary family includes Tristan Letscher of Austin and the Hudson-Zirl family of Alberton, Montana. Parker



Redman

also had many long-time loving and caring friends. He was predeceased by his uncle Michael Redman and his grandfather Robert E. Redman.

Visitation will be Wednesday morning from 10 a.m. to noon at Weed-Corley-Fish funeral home, 3125 N. Lamar. As Parker would have wished, this will be a strictly secular, casual, drop-in-and-out event. Everyone is welcome. Private family-only interment will follow at Austin Memorial Park.

To everyone kind enough to think of sending flowers, please consider instead donations for the Parker Redman Memorial Fund, c/o Baker College — Masters, Baker College, Rice University, 6320 Main St., Houston, TX 77005.

Parker, it hasn't yet sunk in that you are gone. We love you, good boy.

May you have the finest laptop in heaven, plus a celestial supply of music and games. And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78705 (512) 452-8811. Obituary and guestbook online at [wcfish.com](http://wcfish.com).

**Stuart Vernon Stoddard, 88**

FORT MYERS, Fla. — Stuart Vernon Stoddard, 88, of Cape Coral, Fla., died Monday, March 26, 2007, in Fort Myers.

Services were held Friday, March 30, 2007, at Woodland Memorial Park in Orlando.

Mr. Stoddard was born

Sept. 30, 1918, in Rockland, Mass. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. He went to work for Cabot Corp. in Boston and transferred to Pampa, Texas.

In Pampa he met his

future wife, Mary Mallow Keahey. They married in 1942 before he went into U.S. Navy.

He retired from Cabot in 1968 after 27 years service.

Survivors include two daughters, Nancy Stoddard Bailey of Cape Coral, Fla., and Janis Elaine Stoddard-

Smith of Austin, Texas; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be to Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's resource Center, Inc., 10061 McGregor Blvd., Ste. 101, Fort Myers, Fla. 33919

**Emergency Services**

**Pampa PD**

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

Seventeen traffic stops were made.

A traffic complaint was received from the 600 block of North Naida.

Motorist assistance was rendered in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 1000 block of South Faulkner, the 100 block of North Hotiston and the 700 block of North Somerville.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 800 block of Beryl, the intersection of Starkweather and Terrace streets, the 2300 block of Primrose, the 2200 block of North Nelson, the 100 block of South Nelson, the 700 block of North Nelson, the 900 block of South Nelson and the 1300 block of Coffee.

A civil matter was reported in the 900 block of Duncan.

Found property was reported in the police department lobby. A Social Security card was found.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 1100 block of Sierra, the 300 block of West Albert and the intersection of Crawford and Varnon streets.

A missing person was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 1200 block of East Kingsmill, the 1200 block of North Hobart, the 600 block of West Brown and the 100 block of West Foster.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the police department lobby, the 2800

block of Charles and the 400 block of North Russell.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Harassment was reported in the 2100 block of Lynn and the police department lobby.

No driver's license, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of less than two ounces of marijuana in a drug-free zone were reported in the 100 block of East Worrell.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Domestic disturbances were reported at the intersection of Sumner and McCullough streets, the 1300 block of Coffee, the 400 block of North Perry and the 2100 block of North Dwight, where an arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Assault and a domestic disturbance were reported in the police department lobby. No injuries were reported in connection with the incident.

Sexual assault was reported in the 100 block of West 30th.

One burglar alarm was reported.

Theft over \$50 and under \$500 was reported in the 800 block of South Barnes. A flip phone was taken.

Theft was reported in the 900 block of South Dwight.

**Sheriff**

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

**Monday, April 2**  
 Diana Amanda Wood, 29, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a probation

violation for theft over 50 and under 500.

Marvin Monrow Finney III, 31, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for assault causing bodily injury.

Shanna Eve Tambunga, 44, of Pampa was arrested in the 1400 block of West McCullough by Pampa Police Department for assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

James Micheal Brown, 33, of Pampa was arrested in the 2100 block of North Dwight by PPD for interfering with an emergency call.

**Tuesday, April 3**

Charee Nicole Page, 23, of Amarillo was arrested by GCSO on capias pro fines for no valid driver's license and expired registration.

Michael Eugene Horton, 45, of Pampa was arrested in the 1400 block of West McCullough by PPD for failure to maintain financial responsibility and no valid driver's license.

**Fire**

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

**Monday, April 2**

11:03 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 600 block of Jupiter on a vehicle fire.

1:32 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 12000 block of East Highway 60 on a good intent call.

**Tuesday, April 3**

3:55 a.m. — One unit and five personnel responded to the 1200 block of Finley on a lifting assist.

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# Deputies have busy weekend with stolen car, five drug busts

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Gray County deputies had a busy weekend as they arrested one person in connection with a stolen car and five others for drug-related offenses.

The sheriff's department had received information Friday afternoon concerning two people in a vehicle headed to Amarillo, reportedly with a load of drugs, said Lt. Joe B. Hoard.

The vehicle was stopped on Highway 60 West near the Cabot plant. Deputies obtained consent to search the vehicle and found a small quantity of marijuana.

Michael Angel Orozco, 17; and Immanuel Guadalupe Orozco, 24, both of Pampa, were arrested and

booked into Gray County Jail by Deputy Carey Rushing for possession of two or more but less than four ounces of marijuana. Immanuel Orozco was also charged with no driver's license, and Michael Orozco was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Deputy Robert Douglas and Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing were also on patrol Friday afternoon when they observed a vehicle park in front of a house on Varnon Drive. The vehicle then left the residence, and a check of the license plate numbers showed it to be stolen out of Houston, Hoard said.

Sergio Silva, 21, of Pampa was arrested and charged with unauthorized use of a

motor vehicle, along with a Donley County warrant.

More marijuana was found by Deputy Rhett Rollins at 7:04 p.m. Friday after he stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation in the 200 block of West Albert.

"During a search of the person, the officer found a plastic bag with less than two ounces of marijuana," Hoard said.

George Hamlin Jackson, 37, of Pampa was arrested and booked into jail on a charge of possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

A suspected controlled substance was found when Deputy Steven White made a traffic stop at 3:30 a.m. Sunday in the 1900 block of North Wells.

During the stop, probable cause to search was determined to be present, and White found suspected methamphetamine in the vehicle, Hoard said.

The driver, Nicole Sharee Ramey, 24, of Pampa, was arrested and booked into jail for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance.

Deputy Douglas attempted to stop a vehicle at the intersection of West Street and Highway 60 at about 2:38 p.m. Sunday because he knew the driver's license of the person operating the vehicle was suspended,

Hoard said. "He attempted to stop the driver, and the chase was on," Hoard said.

The traffic stop was finally made in the 1000 block of Neel Road. The driver fled the scene on foot and warrants for his arrest were issued, Hoard said.

Deputies found a sack filled with marijuana in the vehicle, as well as a white rocklike substance. A lockbox inside the trunk contained money and several plastic bags filled with a white powdery substance believed to be cocaine and methamphetamine, Hoard

said. A passenger in the vehicle, Tracey Don Matthews, 39, of Amarillo, was arrested and charged with two counts of possession of over four grams but less than 200 grams of a controlled substance, possession of over four ounces but under five pounds of marijuana, and a Randall County probation violation for violating a court order.

"The driver of the vehicle is still at large at this time," Hoard said. "There are outstanding warrants for his arrest."

## Active hurricane season predicted

DENVER (AP) — The 2007 Atlantic hurricane season should be "very active," with nine hurricanes and a good chance that at least one major hurricane will hit the U.S. coast, a top researcher said today.

Forecaster William Gray said he expects 17 named storms in all this year, five of them major hurricanes with sustained winds of 111 mph or greater. The probability of a major hurricane making landfall on the U.S. coast this year: 74 percent, compared with the average of 52 percent over the past century, he said.

Last year, Gray's forecast and government forecasts were higher than what the Atlantic hurricane season produced.

There were 10 named Atlantic storms in 2006 and five hurricanes, two of them major, in what was considered a "near normal" season. None of those hurri-

cans hit the U.S. Atlantic coast — only the 11th time that has occurred since 1945. The National Hurricane Center in Miami originally reported nine storms, but upgraded one

storm after a postseason review.

Gray's research team at Colorado State University said an unexpected late El Nino contributed to the calmer season last year.

## Following a plan



Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Silhouetted in the morning light as another work day begins, Wayne Evans, foreman for Diversity Interiors, reviews plans as he directs his work crews at the old Wal-Mart building that's being remodeled for Trinity Fellowship Church.

## Cafe

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who need it. The meals are served from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. on Friday in the new family life center at Briarwood Church, which is located at 1800 W. Harvester. For more information, call Putman at 665-7201.

## Banquet

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"They are serving people on a daily basis, and that is so vital to the life of a community," he said.

Janet Watts has been executive director of CASA of the High Plains for the past 12 years. CASA, or Court Appointed Special Advocate, employs volunteers who act as advocates for children of child abuse and neglect in the courtroom. CASA started with one county and eight volunteers in 1994. Last year, the agency served 159 children in eight counties with 40 volunteers and four staff members.

Good Samaritan opened its doors in 1983. The agency provides food, clothing and household goods to its clients, and also may fill prescriptions, pay utility bills, provide gasoline for out-of-town doctor visits and provide short-term lodging. Ellen Malone has been director for four and one-half years, and her husband, Danny, has been president of the agency, which is supported by 16 churches. The Malones have recently retired from Good Sam's.

Harvest House has been co-directed by Ed and Carolyn Stroud for 14 years. It opened in May 1988 and has 95 volunteers who help provide a back-to-school program, Christmas outreach, Kids Cafe, Lunch in the Park, a clothing and household goods warehouse, and groceries.

Jean Autry has been director of Pampa Meals on Wheels for five years. The agency has 175 volunteers who served 29,174 meals to shut-ins in 2006.

Pampa Regional Medical Center Hospital Auxiliary/Volunteer Service has 47 volunteers and eight chaplains. The auxiliary, begun in 1964, has been headed by Betty Scarbrough for the past two years.

Volunteers work the front information desk, outpatient desk, pharmacy and health information management areas of PRMC. They escort patients, help with dismissals and deliver mail, flowers and newspapers.

Monica Galloway has been executive director of the Pregnancy Support Center for seven years. She also heads the Hope House Maternity Home, which opened in October 2006.

The support center was established in 1992 and provides free pregnancy tests, lay counseling and parenting

skills training. A benevolence program gives additional support to mother and baby by providing diapers, clothing and baby food and formula. Ultrasound scans are also available.

The maternity home can accommodate three residents and provides support for mothers-to-be with career planning, financial counseling, life skills training, parenting classes and Bible studies while offering a residence.

Captains Mark and Laura Martin have headed The Salvation Army in Pampa since June 2006. The Pampa agency was established in 1929 and has about 50 volunteers. The organization provides food, food vouchers and clothing vouchers; emergency rent and utilities; a mobile canteen to respond in emergencies and disasters; and holiday assistance programs.

Tracie Crisis Center for Women began in 1984 and now has 20 volunteers serving eight counties. Dee Dee Laramore has recently been appointed director of the center, which helped victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families through crisis intervention, counseling, a safe house and items to establish a new home, such as clothing and furniture.

## Courts

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bill, he said, is a provision that would allow for certain type of very complex cases to be assigned to specialized judges. Those cases would have additional resources so they could do a more efficient and expedient job of adjudicating those cases, he said.

"That is very controversial," Duncan said. "I think it's misunderstood by many folks, and we certainly heard about eight to nine hours of testimony with regard to that one provision alone."

He said the next step is to negotiate

with other lawmakers and decide on different options that might alleviate some of the concerns that people have raised concerning the specialized courts.

"I believe that we will come out with a very strong consensus with regard to how to modernize our courts," Duncan said. "It is important for Texas because our courts provide us with the ability to resolve disputes."

Duncan filed the bill March 6. It would create one structure within the state instead of many different and convoluted justice systems, varying from county to county.

"Essentially, Texas justice is administered by a different system in each of its 254 counties," Duncan said. "The fundamental goal with SB 1204 is to

bring consistency to our system. Texans should know what to expect from their courts."

Texas' courts structure dates back to 1891 when the state had three tiers of trial courts with little overlapping jurisdiction. Today, there are seven tiers of trial courts in Texas, many of which overlap because they have been added in each county on an as-needed basis.

Duncan noted that Texas Chief Justice Wallace Jefferson, in his state of the judiciary report, said people are leaving the court system for alternative forms of justice because of the inefficiency of today's court system.

"Our goal here is to make our courts more efficient and responsive to the needs of all Texans," Duncan said.

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Suzanne Wilkinson

# Viewpoints

## Full calendar gives proof banquet season is here ...

Banquet season is official here.

I know because I suddenly have a calendar full of evening appointments at places like M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium, Pampa Country Club and Pampa Community Building.

One memorable spring stands out in my mind because everyone had decided on the same menu.

I won't say what the meal was for fear of giving the impression that I won't eat that food or don't like that food. It's just that after the seventh banquet in 10 weeks, all with the same meal, it wears a little thin.

Let's call this meal "ditto."

That spring, my editor assigned me my first banquet of the season with the good news that ditto was the

meal to be served. I was happy because at that time, I hadn't become a victim of ditto overkill, and I normally like ditto.

I went to the banquet, enjoyed a good meal of ditto, and made my report for the next day's paper.

The next week, I was assigned another banquet. This time, my editor had not been told what was being served.

I arrived at the feast, and learned that the organizers of this shindig had also decided to serve ditto.

OK, I thought. I like ditto and even though I'd eaten it at the previous event, I was by no means burned out on it yet.

The third week, I had two feasts to attend. Imagine my growing horror when, at my fourth banquet of the season,

I realized that I was going to be served ditto for the second time that week and the fourth time in three weeks.

My editor must have taken pity on me after the fourth ditto debacle because a couple of weeks went by without my being assigned any more banquets.

But the inevitable day came, of course, when I was the person available to attend yet another seasonal sit-down dinner.

My poor editor hadn't had the nerve to find out what was being served. I went into battle with no idea of whether I would be dittoed to death or shown mercy by being treated to some other

cuisine.

I entered the fray with shields up and battle flags flying high, sure that the curse had been broken by now and I would get to eat something other than ditto.

But it was not to be. My shields shattered and my battle flags wilted as I gazed at what was on the buffet. Yep, you guessed it. I was going to have to

choke down what seemed like my hundredth plate of ditto.

I staggered from the scene of the crime as soon as the speechifying was over and went home to whimper in private.

I began to have night-

mares in which I was being tortured by being force-fed plate after plate of ditto.

Dishes heaped with ditto and all the fixings intruded on my thoughts, and I became sensitized to the smell of ditto. My eyes would water and my nose would twitch if a stray particle of ditto scent reached my nostrils. I lived in fear of being assigned any more banquets.

The next spring, I accepted my first banquet assignment with no little trepidation. I hardly dared look at what was being served on the buffet line.

Imagine my joy when I realized there was no ditto anywhere within sight or scent.

Still gun-shy, I made my way nervously through the rest of that banquet season,

expecting to be confronted with the dreaded ditto at any moment.

But a miracle had happened. That year, everyone chose a different dish to serve, and it made the banquets enjoyable feasts to look forward to with stomach-growling anticipation.

I like to think that word had gotten around that everyone had served the same meal the year before, and they all swore not to do that again to anyone.

Meanwhile, I am just now recovering fully from the year of the ditto. I have even begun choosing it as a meal once in awhile, proving that the healing process is moving right along.

I only hope that this year, everyone doesn't pick "identical" to serve at their banquets.



**Marilyn Powers**  
Staff Writer

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, April 3, the 93rd day of 2007. There are 272 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 3, 1860, the legendary Pony Express began service between St. Joseph, Mo., and Sacramento, Calif.

On this date:

In 1865, Union forces occupied the Confederate capital of Richmond, Va.

In 1882, outlaw Jesse James was shot to death in St. Joseph, Mo., by Robert Ford, a member of James' gang.

In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was electrocuted in Trenton, N.J., for the kidnap-murder of the Lindbergh child.

In 1946, Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, the Japanese commander responsible for the Bataan Death March, was executed outside Manila, Philippines.

In 1948, President Truman signed the Marshall Plan, designed to help European allies rebuild after World War II and resist Communism.

In 1968, the day before he was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., civil rights leader the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his famous "mountaintop" speech to a rally of striking sanitation workers.

In 1968, North Vietnam agreed to meet with U.S. representatives to set up preliminary peace talks.

In 1974, deadly tornadoes struck wide parts of the South and Midwest before jumping across the border into Canada; more than 300 fatalities resulted.

In 1982, Britain dispatched a naval task force to the south Atlantic to reclaim the disputed Falkland Islands from Argentina.

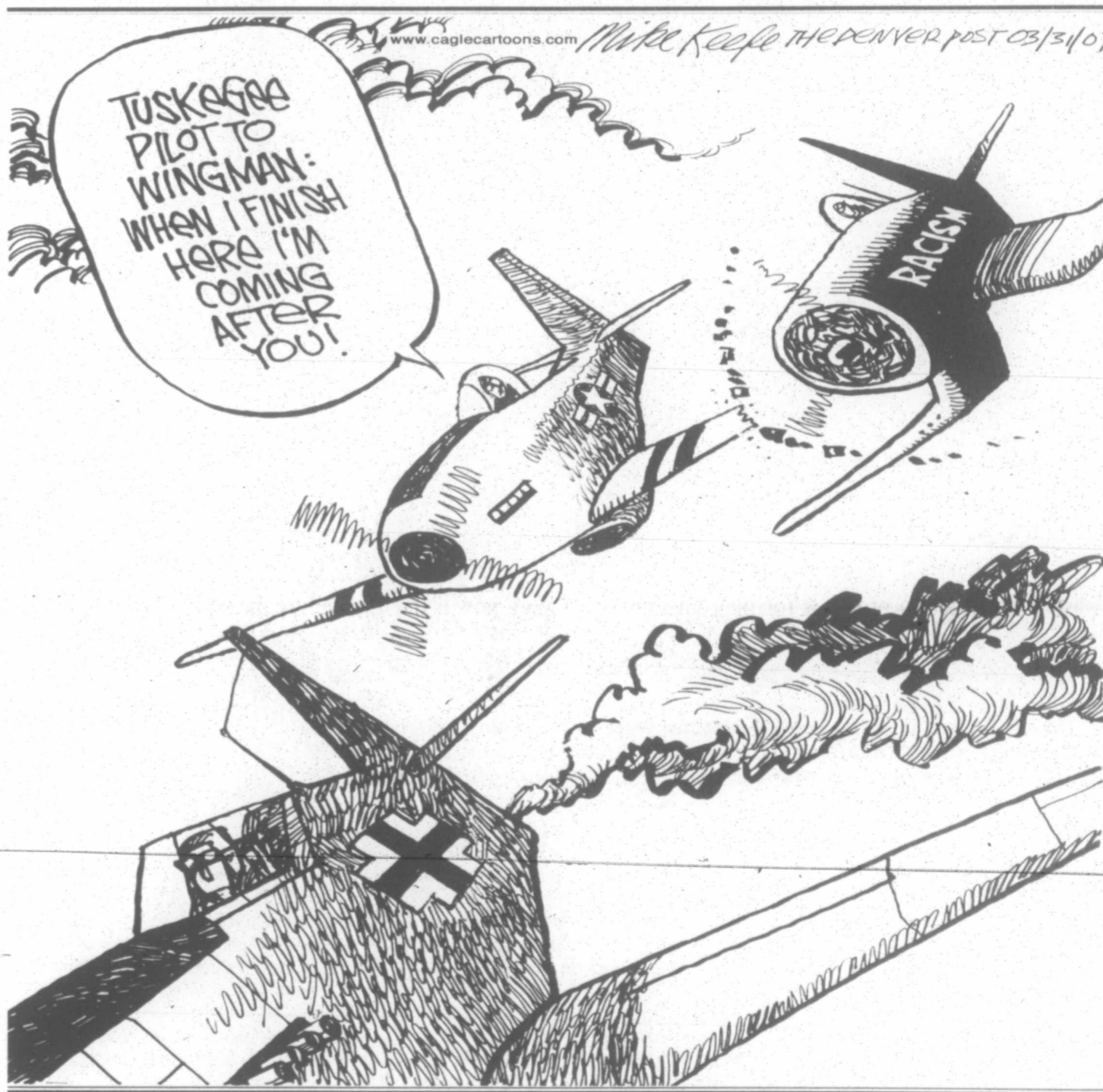
In 1996, an Air Force jetliner carrying Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and American business executives crashed in Croatia, killing all 35 people aboard.

Ten years ago: About 2,000 youngsters in California and Georgia lined up for shots to protect them against hepatitis from a contaminated shipment of frozen strawberries.

Today's Birthdays: Actress-singer Doris Day is 83. Actress Miyoshi Umeki is 78. Former German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is 77. Jazz musician Jimmy McGriff is 71. Actor William Gaunt is 70. Actor Eric Braeden is 66. Actress Marsha Mason is 65. Singer Wayne Newton is 65. Singer Billy Joe Royal is 65. Singer Tony Orlando is 63. Comedy writer Pat Proft is 60. Singer Richard Thompson is 58. Country musician Curtis Stone (Highway 101) is 57. Rock musician Mick Mars (Motley Crue) is 51. Actor Alec Baldwin is 49. Actor David Hyde Pierce is 48.

*'The difference between gossip and news depends on whether you hear it or tell it.'*

— Anonymous



## Global warming fanatics brook no dissent

Most climatologists agree that the earth's temperature has increased about a degree over the last century. The debate is how much of it is due to mankind's activity. Britain's Channel 4 television has just produced "The Great Global Warming Swindle," a documentary that devastates most of the claims made by the environmentalist movement. The scientists interviewed include top climatologists from MIT and other prestigious universities around the world. The documentary hasn't aired in the U.S., but it's available on the Internet. (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XttV2C6B8pU>)

Among the many findings that dispute environmentalists' claims are: Manmade carbon dioxide emissions are roughly 5 percent of the total; the rest are from natural sources such as volcanoes, dying vegetation and animals. Annually, volcanoes alone produce more carbon dioxide than all of mankind's activities. Oceans are responsible for most greenhouse gases.

Contrary to environmentalists' claims, the higher the Earth's temperature, the higher the carbon dioxide levels. In other words, car-

bon dioxide levels are a product of climate change. Some of the documentary's scientists argue that the greatest influence on the Earth's temperature is our sun's sunspot activity. The bottom line is, the bulk of scientific evidence shows that what we've been told by environmentalists is pure bunk.

Throughout the Earth's billions of years there have been countless periods of global warming and cooling. In fact, in the year 1,000 A.D., a time when there

were no SUVs, the Earth's climate was much warmer than it is now. Most of this century's warming occurred before 1940. For several decades after World War II, when there was massive worldwide industrialization, there was cooling.

There's a much more important issue that poses an even greater danger to mankind. That's the effort by environmentalists to suppress disagreement with their view. According to a recent article in London's Sunday Telegraph, Timothy Ball, a former climatology professor at the University of Winnipeg in Canada, has

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## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ March 25

Houston Chronicle on Spain's new sexual-equality laws:

Today is the first day of a different society," said Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero recently, ushering in a sweeping sexual-equality bill that aims to give women a much

greater presence in all levels of government and business.

Zapatero's Socialist Workers Party scored a stunning victory over the ruling conservative Popular Party in 2004 in the aftermath of terror attacks in Madrid that killed 200 people. Zapatero, a self-proclaimed feminist, lost no time in making equality for women a hallmark of his administration, naming women to half of the 16 cabinet positions, a first in Spain's his-

tory.

While the new law could have some problematic areas strict quotas for male and female members of boards and staffs seem too inflexible to ensure an appropriate role for merit and does not address Spain's accelerating rate of domestic violence, it is to be applauded for at least providing an arena of opportunity for women to become more involved in the political and business

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# Williams

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received five death threats since he started questioning whether man was affecting climate change.

Richard Lindzen, professor of Atmospheric Science at MIT, said, "Scientists who dissent from the alarmism have seen their funds disappear, their work derided, and themselves labeled as industry stooges."

Nigel Calder, a former editor of New Scientist, said, "Governments are trying to achieve unanimity by stifling any scientist who disagrees. Einstein could not have got funding under the present system."

Suppressing dissent is nothing new. Italian cosmologist Giordano Bruno taught that stars were at different distances from each other surrounded by limitless territory. He was imprisoned in 1592, and eight years later he was tried as a heretic and burned at the stake. Because he disagreed that the Earth was the center of the universe, Galileo was ordered to stand trial on suspicion of heresy in 1633. Under the threat

of torture, he recanted and was placed under house arrest for the rest of his life.

Today's version of yesteryear's inquisitors include people like the Weather Channel's Dr. Heidi Cullen, who advocates that the American Meteorological Society (AMS) strip their seal of approval from any TV weatherman expressing skepticism about the predictions of manmade global warming.

Columnist Dave Roberts, in his Sept. 19, 2006, online publication, said, "When we've finally gotten serious about global warming, when the impacts are really hitting us and we're in a full worldwide scramble to minimize the damage, we should have war crimes trials for these bastards — some sort of climate Nuremberg."

There are literally billions of taxpayer dollars being handed out to global-warming alarmists, not to mention their dream of controlling our lives. Their agenda is threatened by dissent. They have the politician's ear; not we, who will suffer if they have their way.

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

# Spain

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realms and for new fathers to be more involved with their children.

It was telling that the final vote in the 350-seat Congress of Deputies was 192-0, with 119 abstentions and 39 lawmakers absent. All of the abstentions were from the conservative Popular Party, which has opposed almost all measures taken by the current government. As Zapatero introduced the new law, opposition members tried to drown him out, shouting "You are a feminist!"

One of the most popular provisions is a 15-day paternity leave for new fathers, which in 2013 will expand to a month. New mothers can lend a portion or all of their 10-week leave to the father, but few use this provision. While some feel that Spain's vacation practices are already generous enough to accommodate time off for a new baby, many welcome the paternity leave as a family strengthener and a boon to the new mother.

The law also calls for women

to make up 40 percent of candidates for elected office and on company boards, and offers favorable consideration in bidding for government contracts to companies that bring women closer to parity at executive and lower levels. The unemployment rate for women is twice that of men more than 14 percent versus 7.5. Although more women attend university than men, women are scarce at the top levels of business, making up only 2 percent of board members on the Spanish stock market's main index.

In making these changes, Spain joins most other developed countries in family-friendly work policies. The United States, where neither maternity leave, paternity leave nor sick leave are guaranteed, is an exception.

But several Spanish women expressed regret that the new bill does not address the increasingly serious problem of domestic violence. Amnesty International has cited the vulnerability of Spanish women (95 percent of victims of domestic violence make no official complaint) and the indifferent, uncoordinated responses from authorities. One

woman, now living in the United States, said, "It's everywhere, every day, on the news; women slaughtered and tortured by boyfriends or husbands, and it's getting worse. Spain has advanced economically, educationally and politically, and has become an important part of the European Union, but it has not advanced socially as quickly or as far. It still has some of that macho mentality."

On the same day the sexual-equality law was passed, Spain announced it would donate \$3.9 million to the United Nations Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women, the largest contribution ever to the 10-year-old fund. Secretary of State Leire Pajin said at a ceremony to mark the occasion, "This is a responsibility and an ethical obligation to women globally."

Spain is to be congratulated for its enlightened new laws and for its generous gift to the United Nations. This indeed might be the dawn of a different society in Spain, but domestic violence should be fought more vigorously as one of the last painful barriers to Spanish women's equality.

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**This Week: Bunny Buddies**

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**Make a Paper Bunny!**

In Japan, folding paper into animals, plants and objects is an art called *origami*. Try the art of paper folding. Cut out the square below. Then look for direction 1. Find direction 2, and so on until you have completed your origami bunny.

Standards Link: Visual Arts: Understand the visual arts in relation to history and cultures.

**Crack Up!**

The secret code to crack the answer to this riddle is hidden in this egg border.

is the letter A.

To find out what letter each egg stands for, find

The alphabet follows in order by going clockwise around the border. Each egg stands for one letter of the alphabet.

Standards Links: Decoding: Recognize letters of the alphabet. Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

**Fun with the Bunny Buddies!**

Find some bunny to be your bunny buddy and do this page together! If this page looks easy to do, share it with some bunny younger. If it looks hard, share it with some bunny older.

**Easter Egg Hide and Seek**

Three bunnies are hiding in the stack of eggs (plus Beeper). But that is not all. Can you find these things, too?

**Extra! Extra!**

**Two by Two**

Look through the newspaper for two things that you think make a pair. Explain why the two things go together. Repeat with two more pairs of objects.

Standards Link: Research: Locate information in informational text.

**The Kid Scoop Puzzler**

**What's the Sign?**

Buzz has put an egg over the symbol needed to make each sentence true. Write the hidden symbol for each number sentence on each egg.

6  3 = 9      18  4 = 22

14  2 = 7      55  13 = 68

24  4 = 6      27  9 = 3

9  4 = 36

12  6 = 6

Standards Link: Number Sense: Solve problems involving numeric equations.

**Double Double Word Search**

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

BUDDIES  
 ORIGAMI  
 ALPHABET  
 SYMBOL  
 RIDDLE  
 EASTER  
 OLDER  
 CRACK  
 JAPAN  
 PAIRS  
 SHARE  
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 EGGS  
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 A E H A R D G P S S  
 R E L D D I R A O G  
 C I T Y R E E N A G  
 H Y O O U S H A R E

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

**FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY**

**Scrambled Eggs**

With a buddy, look through today's newspaper for the letters that spell **Easter Eggs**. Cut them out. Take turns mixing up the letters and spelling a new word. A player gets a point for every letter used.

Standards Link: Spelling: Spell grade-level appropriate words correctly.

**Write On! My Buddy**

Who is your buddy? What do you like to do together for fun? What do you have in common? Describe the things you like about one of your buddies.

**Kid Scoop Together: TRY THIS AT HOME**

Find where each missing word belongs to fill in the blanks in this article.

**Bunnies & Chicks: Not Good Easter Gifts**

The American Humane Society says that giving a \_\_\_\_\_ or baby chick at Easter time is not a very good \_\_\_\_\_ In fact, giving live \_\_\_\_\_ as gifts anytime during the year is never good unless the person getting the pet is \_\_\_\_\_ in selecting the animal.

Baby chicks, bunnies and ducklings need special \_\_\_\_\_ care and must never be allowed to get too cold or too warm. People unfamiliar with \_\_\_\_\_ these animals find out too late how much care is \_\_\_\_\_ After the Easter \_\_\_\_\_ is over, children often get \_\_\_\_\_ of the animal. The American Humane Society recommends giving children \_\_\_\_\_ toy rabbits or chicks instead of live ones.

**STUFFED INVOLVED**  
**RAISING TIRED**  
**IDEA FOOD**  
**REQUIRED SEASON**  
**ANIMALS BUNNY**

**Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS**

This week's word: **ORIGAMI**

The noun **origami** means the Japanese art or technique of folding paper into shapes and figures.

Kevin folded a dollar bill into the shape of a shirt using **origami**.

Try to use the word **origami** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I was so glad to see the letter from "Irritated in Missouri" (Feb. 11), referring to people calling each other "retarded." I have a son with Down syndrome who is my absolute joy, and it breaks my heart to hear people use his disability as a derogatory insult. My son is my hero, and I am proud to be his mother. I cannot say his name without smiling. No parent I know denies that their "special" children are mentally retarded, but to use the name of their disability in a derogatory and insulting manner is inexcusable. Thanks for letting me vent! -- **PROUD TO BE SHANE'S MOM**

**DEAR PROUD:** You're welcome. I, too, have heard the word "retarded" abused, and some of the people who have done it are in public life and should know better. When I printed that letter, it resonated with many readers who have family members with disabilities who also described how hurtful it is. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** I am the younger sister of a mentally retarded woman. Anyone who knows my sister knows she is sweet, funny and caring. She also has feelings and knows when she's being ridiculed, even if she doesn't always understand what is being said about her. I have heard people my whole life use the word "retarded" as a derogatory slur. They stare and talk like we can't hear them when we're out with my sister. I was taught from an early age that teasing anyone for any reason is wrong. I would have been punished for behaving that way. I can understand the curiosity of small children. But older children and adults need a refresher course on basic manners, and parents and schools should stop turning a blind eye toward children who behave like this. -- **MISS M. IN ORMOND BEACH, FLA.**

**DEAR ABBY:** The letter from the special ed teacher and your response hit me emotionally. I am the sister of a mentally retarded individual, and my heart breaks every day when I see her struggle, her triumphs and her innocence. Surely those teens and adults who use the term "retarded" in an abusive manner are not personally acquainted with an individual who is truly retarded. Mental retardation is no joy ride, nor is it the end of the world. Those who are afflicted are to be protected and loved by those who have the ability to do so. My son has become a psychologist specializing in adults with mental retardation. My sister has taught me to deal with grief and anger, and also to have patience, gratitude, hope, acceptance, empathy and unconditional love. She has been my most distinguished teacher, and my world is a better place because she is in it. -- **EVELIA IN CARSON CITY, NEV.**

**DEAR ABBY:** I am the parent of a daughter with developmental disabilities, and it is painful when I hear a friend or colleague use the term as an insult. Thank you, Abby, for reminding people to treat others with respect. For people who would like to learn how to talk sensitively about people with disabilities, I recommend a Web site: [www.disabilityisnatural.com](http://www.disabilityisnatural.com). There they will find commentary regarding "People First Language." I hope this is helpful. -- **TRICIA T., ROSWELL, GA.**

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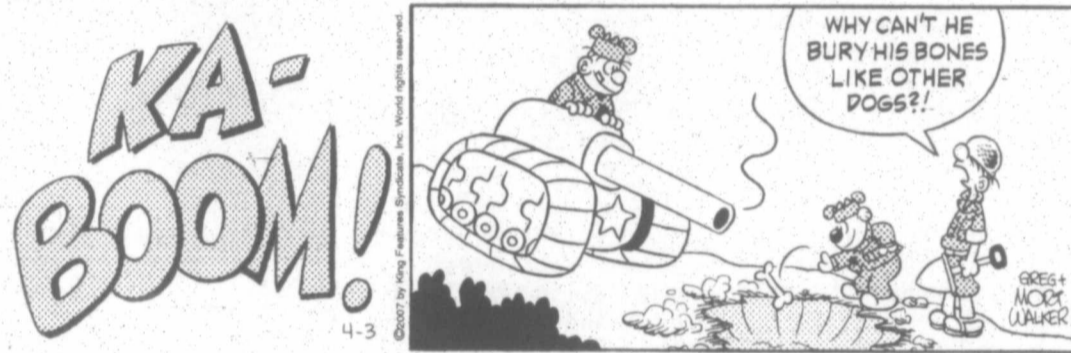
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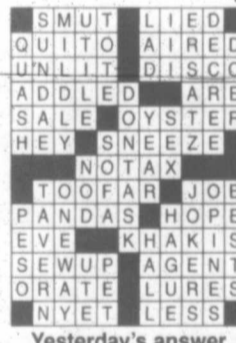


## Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

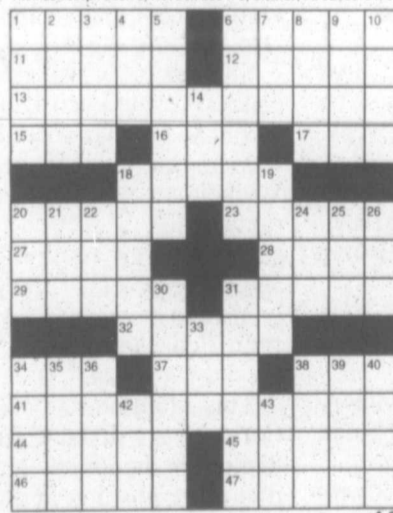
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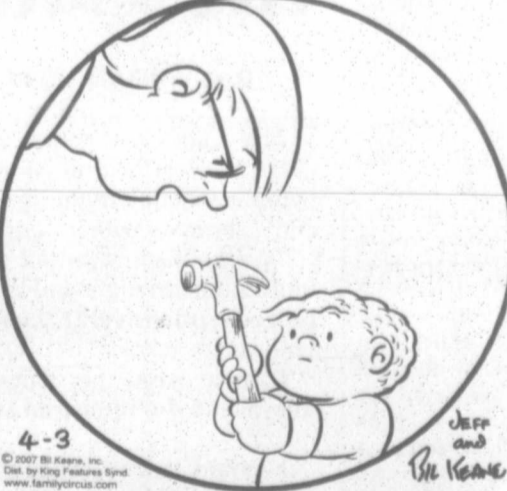


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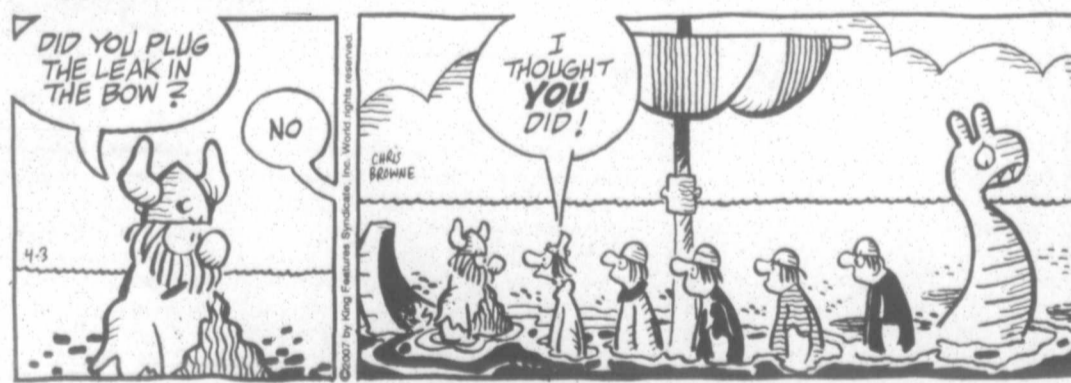
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# Sports Day

## Boys golf swings Local Champs by Hereford

By JORDAN REAGAN  
Sports Editor

After a weekend of unpredictable Panhandle weather, the PHS boys golf team played in beautiful weather on Monday in Hereford.

In their second-to-last round of the season, the Harvesters took advantage of the calm weather and left with some scores to be proud of.

"I have seen excellent progress in all of these kids all year long," coach Josh Blackmon said. "I am proud of each and every one of these boys for their commitment and work ethic."

Results from Hereford are as follows:

- Stephen Simmons - 85
- Ricky Davis - 89
- Hayden Skinner - 93
- Coleby West - 94
- Hayden Parker - 96
- Cameron Webster - 98
- Garret Fatheree - 120

The boys' next round is set for Tuesday, April 10 at Comanche Trails Golf Course.

"I expect them to go out and fight with their groups and battle until the day is over," Blackmon said. "As long as I see progress, I guess they are doing their job."

## Varsity, JV baseball start the week off right

By JORDAN REAGAN  
Sports Editor

The Pampa Harvesters improved to 2-0 in district and 15-5-1 overall after Monday night's 17-13 victory over Caprock.

Brett Ferrell started on the mound, pitching through the first two innings and into the third.

Ferrell had three strikeouts and allowed eight runs, and was replaced by Blake Sieck in the third inning.

Sieck finished the game through the seventh inning and allowed five runs on five hits and threw eight strikeouts, and took the win to improve to 2-1 for the season.

Leading offensively, Bradley Johnson batted in two runs and hit two home runs, brining him to five for the season.

Brady Eakin and Ryan Funderburg each hit a home run and had two RBIs, and Brett Powell scored two runs along with batting in two runs.

The JV boys also had a victory, in Pampa Monday night over Palo Duro.

The team improved to 6-3 overall and 2-0 in district following their 14-4 victory over Palo Duro.

Mitchell Killgo and Casey Trimble each hit a triple and had two RBIs, and Heath Skinner had two doubles, one single and batted in two runs.

John Luke Covalt pitched for two innings with three strikeouts, and Jeremy Maxwell pitched two innings with two strikeouts.

Today, the varsity boys will take on Palo Duro at 4:30 on Harvester Field.



ABOVE- These second-grade Raiders recently entered themselves into the 3rd-4th grade bracket at the Shamrock Tournament. The Raiders lost one game, and took 3rd place at the tournament. Pictured here are: (Back Row, L-R) Coach Roy Lott, Heath Bivens, Jared Lake, Kyndan Lott, Kutter Gill and Coach Kacy Bivens. (Front Row, L-R) Hadley Fields, Tre Shewmake, Holt Bivens and Jacob Gething.



LEFT- The Pampa Shockers third grade basketball team just finished up a tough 3-week tournament schedule that had the team competing in Perryton, Panhandle and Borger. The Shockers finished 5th in Perryton, 6th in Panhandle and 3rd in Borger. Pictured here are: (Back Row, L-R) Cade Engle, Nathan Furgason and Cory Chidester. (Front Row, L-R) Kolton Jeffries, Landon Taylor, Josh DeLoach and Solon Wilson.

## NFL to take games around the world

NEW YORK (AP) — The exhibition game scheduled for China in August was postponed by the NFL, which said it wanted to concentrate its "global resources" on next October's regular-season game in London.

The game had been set for

Aug. 9 in Beijing, the second of two consecutive contests between the New England Patriots and Seattle Seahawks, who had been scheduled to meet in Seattle the previous week. NFL spokesman Michael Signora said that game also had been called off.

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 11, 2007:

This year you want to head in a new direction. Though you might act tamer than usual, your mind soars. Your imagination knows no limits. You have a gentle manner that many, but not all, respond to. Friends encourage you to manifest your long-term wishes. Understanding will open doors and allow new beginnings. If you are single, you might be stunned by what occurs on the home front. Understand what others expect from you, but remember that you are in charge of your own life. If you are attached, you will make strong choices. Let your partner feel more a part of the process. AQUARIUS is unusually friendly.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Zero in on what makes you happy. Certainly, opportunities rarely come your way that have you rethinking your decisions. You might want to talk about what is going on in your mind. Tonight: Away you go.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ A take-charge attitude could take you far. Right now your intuition could play into a decision. Your bright ways and positive energy take you quite far. Investigate options with an eye to only better. Tonight: Count on burning the midnight oil.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Take a leap of faith, and you'll feel much better very quickly. You have style and happiness on your team. Do

needed research and be willing to find an expert, if need be. Understand what might be going on around you. Tonight: Get as much insight as you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You might have difficulty seeing what a partner means if you don't relax and open up. A must appearance takes you in a new direction. Use care in the next few weeks — your feelings could be hurt more easily. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You might want to veer in a new direction or do something very different. You don't need to have all the answers. You do need to trust yourself more fully. Others respond to your inquiries. Reach out to someone else. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might want to approach a personal matter a lot differently. Work with one person to get a project done. Too many cooks could spoil the mix. Funnel your energy in an appropriate manner. You'll get a lot done, quickly. Tonight: Go for a walk.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Your creativity bubbles up. Think through a decision more carefully. Others inspire your creativity. You might want to rethink your decisions and ideas. Investigate opportunities. Reach out for experts. Tonight: Make plans to take off.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Basics do count. You might not have the say or impact you'd like. Understanding will take you down a new path if you flow with a situation. Think positively. If you are focused on getting the job done, you might be surprised by what you achieve. Tonight: Order in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Talk up a storm and focus your creativity. Evaluate what might be happening. Speak your mind and get past an immediate hassle. Others smile far more when you are around. You do add a lot to others' lives. Relationships warm up. Tonight: Visit with friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Investing money into your career can make a big difference in its outcome. You might want to add to your security. Check out an investment with care. Don't think you have a money tree in your backyard. Tonight: Treat a friend to dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You are all smiles and approach life quite differently. Pressure could build and force your hand. You know what you want. Ask and make the right inquiries. You might be surprised and pleased by what lands in your lap. Tonight: Look again at a loved one or new friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Know when to pull back and approach others for a subtler perspective. Your mind could be working overtime about a financial matter. Follow your sixth sense with confidence and direction. Tonight: Some personal time.

BORN TODAY

Singer Joss Stone (1987), singer Lisa Stansfield (1966), actor Joel Grey (1932)

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## Gill's girls out-bat the Lady Whitefaces

By JORDAN REAGAN  
Sports Editor

The Lady Harvesters took their game to Hereford on Monday after being rescheduled due to the weekend's stormy weather.

"We kind of came out of the hitting slump last night and looked really good offensively," coach Bobbi Gill said.

Pampa won the game 7-3 to improve to 4-0 in district and 18-6-2 overall.

Nicole Clark recorded the victory from the mound to improve to 2-0 in district and 6-3-2 on the year.

Kelby Doughty led offensively

with a triple and a home run, and also had four RBIs.

Stephanie McVay, Cassy Tice and Callie Preston each batted in a run, and Kati Jimenez scored two runs.

Jasmaine Moore, Logan Winkelman and Clark also had one run each.

"When you commit some errors and give up some runs you definitely have to have good bats to make up for it," coach Gill said. "That is what we did last night."

This afternoon at 4:30, the Lady Harvesters will take on Randall in Pampa in hopes of retaining their first place position in district.

## Gators win it all, again

ATLANTA (AP) — The Florida Gators were too much to handle once again, keeping their stranglehold on the college basketball world with an 84-75 victory over Ohio State for their second straight national championship.

The Gators became the first team to repeat since Duke in 1991-92 and adding their name to the debate

about the best teams of all time.

This win completes a 2007 championship-game sweep of the Buckeyes in the two biggest college sports — men's hoops and football. Florida, a 41-14 winner in the football title game in January, remains the only program in history to hold both championships at the same time.

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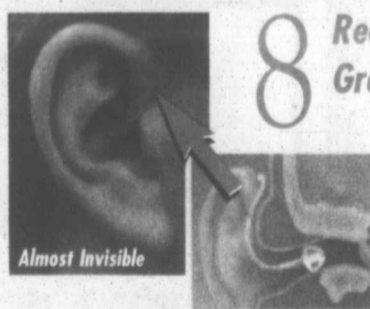
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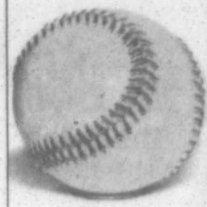
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## Current school dress code said difficult to enforce

By MARILYN POWERS  
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One thing several participants in Tuesday evening's public hearing agreed on is that Pampa independent School District's dress code is difficult to enforce.

About one-fourth of the 20 who attended the hearing addressed the committee formed to examine the current dress code and formulate a recommendation to the school board concerning the code. The hearing began at 6 p.m. in the Pampa High School library at 111 E. Harvester.

"As a teacher responsible for trying to enforce the dress code on the 8th grade hall, it is nearly impossible," one woman said. "It's difficult if not nearly impossible to enforce a dress code when you know you're going to get lambasted by a parent. The knowledge of being attacked by a parent makes you reluctant to enforce the dress code."

Another teacher also commented on junior high school clothing.

"I can walk down the 8th grade hall every morning and pick out at least 75 boys with sagging pants,"

she said. "How do I enforce that?"

Others commented on the subjectivity of some of the code's rules, including what is objectionable to different individuals.

Several agreed that the code needed to be changed, although the type of change varied widely.

"I'm in favor of either standardized dress or uniforms," one woman said. "Kids are more concerned about what they're wearing than what's going on in the classroom. It's a big distraction." She said that if standardized dress or uniforms were

adopted, "you won't be able to distinguish between the haves and the have-nots."

One attendee asked who would furnish the uniforms. PISD Superintendent Barry Haenisch and PISD board member Derrell DeLoach said they were unsure if the school district would pay for the uniforms if chosen.

"Parents don't realize kids leave for school dressed one way but are in school dressed another way," one

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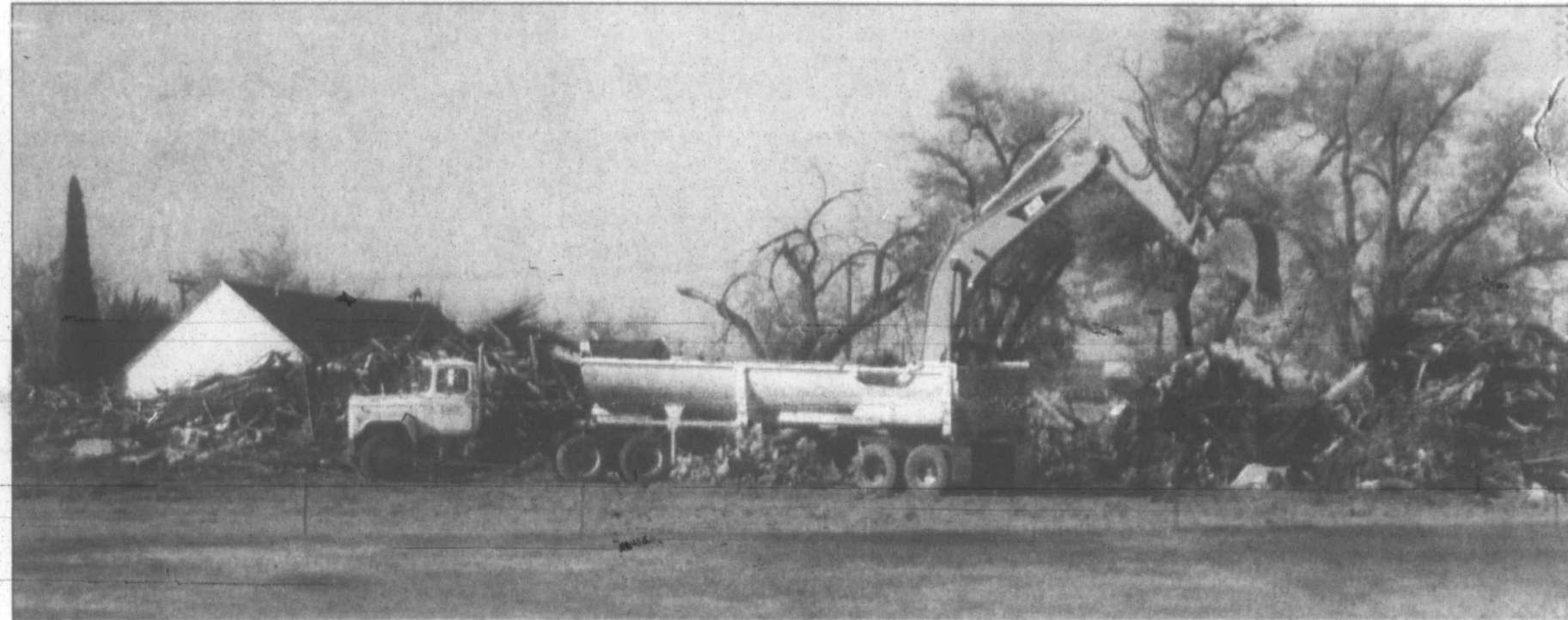
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## Sam Houston nearly gone



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The old Sam Houston elementary school is no longer. Demolition is complete on the building and now the debris is being hauled off. The school board has not yet decided what to do with the property once it is cleared.

## Wheat Producers seeking applicants for board

The Texas Wheat Producers Board (TWPB) biennial election began March 26 and will continue through April 10th. Any person qualified to vote may pick up a ballot at the county agricultural extension service office, the county Farm Service Agency (FSA) office, or at their local elevator.

Ballots must be mailed to the polling place at 5405 I-40 West, Amarillo, Texas 79106, with a postmark on or before April 10.

This year, the six-year term of five of the current 15 board members will expire.

Board members are responsible for the allocation of funds from a statewide wheat producer assessment of two cents per bushel.

These funds are applied to wheat research, education and market development. The Texas Agricultural Commodity Referendum Law prohibits such funds from being used for lobbying or legislative efforts.

Board members' terms expiring in 2007 include District I: Cagle Kendrick of Stratford; District II: Tommy Womack of Tulia; District III: Fred Dwyer of Wichita Falls; District IV: Ken Davis of Grandview; and Jack Norman of Howe. All of these board members are eligible for re-election.

Any person living within the following counties who is engaged in the business of producing, or causing to be produced, wheat for commer-

cial purposes, is eligible to vote and/or have their name on the ballot. This includes owners of farms and their tenants and sharecroppers, if such person is subject to paying the assessment that is collected on a refund-only basis on wheat within the following counties:

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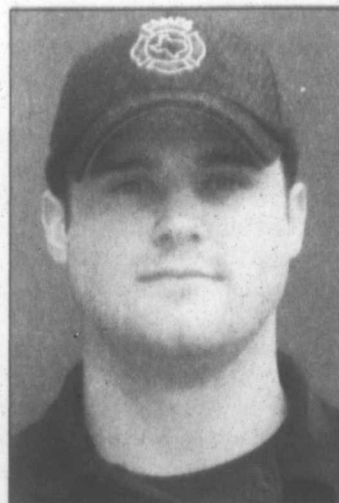
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Jason Brown is the newest man on the squad, being there for one month. He grew up in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School in 2004. He said no one in his family

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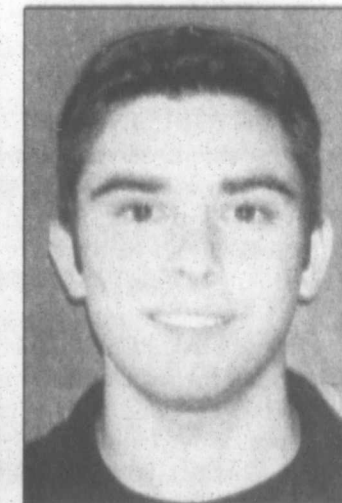
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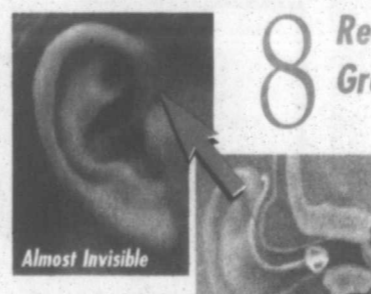
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