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## Sheriff's office off

Missing horses

## to busy start in '07



By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer Staff Writer
The first weék of 2007 has proved to be a busy one for Gray County Sheriff's
Office, as arrests were made in two cases while two others remain under investiga-
tion.
Miguel Antonio Valdez, 28, of Pampa was first
arrested on Jan. 4 on a arrested on Jan. 4 on a war-
rant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. The vehicle had been reported missing from a Pampa business, and deputies spotted Valdez driv
ing it in the 300 block ing it in the 300 block of
East Craven last Thursday East Craven last Thursday
Valdez was arrested and the vehicle was recovered. Valdez' charges did not stop there, however. He has since been charged with
theft and two counts of for theft
gery.
"A
"A subsequent investigation indicated he'd stolen
some checks from that same
business where the vehicle
came from," said Lt. Joe B. Hoard of GCSO. "He also


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## Craftsman uses pallets to make unique creations



Pampa News photos by DAVID BOWSER
"Casey" Evans works at his Cayson "Casey" Evans works at his lathe turning a piece of wood destined to house a unique writing instrument.
Out of the past


The top of the building at 217 N . Cuyler has a very ornate facade. Built in Pampa News photo by KERRI SMITH The top of the building at 217 N . Cuyler has a very ornate facade. Built in 1929, this building originally
was the home of Montgomery Ward \& Co. until 1962. It was vacant for many years and then housed was the home of Montgomery Ward \& Co. until 1962. It was vacant for many years and then housed the 1980's. In 1990, The Hobby Shop moved into this building and was open until it closed recently. Currently, work is under way inside the building to become the home of yet another business.

## By DAVID BOWSER

 Staff Writer In a world of mass produced items, one man in Pampa make Cayson Evans produces ind vidual writing instruments with the care of an Old World craftsman. ${ }^{\text {mThere's no two alike," Eva }}$ "There's no two alike," Evanssaid. "I don't have a jig. It's all said. "I don't
free handed."
Known to his friends simply
as 'Casey,' the retired electrician
turns out these pens from his
workshop at home. While he
sells some of them through
sells some of them through a
couple of stores in Pampa, most couple of stores in Pampa, most
go to family and friends, especo to family and frie
cially over Christmas. everyone here for kids and said the 74 -year-old Evans.

One of those children, his son
Pete, got him started turning the wooden cases for the Cross Pen inserts two years ago.
Pete Evans bought some Pete Evans bought some
wooden blanks and gave them to his father and helped him get started. Soon Casey Evans was busy developing his own designs and found a surprising source of ood for the pens.

## pallets," he said.

Each pen is unique, he said. "I don't go by the books or "I make anything," Evans said "I make everyone of them differcian, he still works part time for
See EVANS, Page 3
See EVANS, Page 3
 woods in his creations to form a cross for Cross Pens.

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gusts as high as 35 mph .
Wits Wednescay Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around
39. Wind chill values between 32 and 37 . South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph , with gusts as high as 30 mph .
Thursday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 61. Southhigh as 25 mph .
20. South wind 5 to 15 mph becoming north-northeast Winds could gust as high as 20 mph .
Friday: Mostly cloudy, with a hign
northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph .
Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a
East-northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph .
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## Man shot, killed in struggle with officer

## man involved in a struggle popped the officer's thumb man involved in a struggle popped the officer's thumb with a police officer was out of the socket"

 $\begin{aligned} \begin{array}{l}\text { with a police officer was } \\ \text { shot and killed Monday after }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { out of the socket. } \\ \text { Authorities said the offi- }\end{array} \\ \text { using the officer's stun gun } & \text { cer moved away and drew }\end{aligned}$ using the officer stun gun cer moved away and drewto attack him, marking the his weapon, shooting the second officer-involved man in the chest. It was
shooting in Houston in as unclear how many times the shooting in Houston in as
many days. Officer Leonard Smith,
37, was taken to a Houston officer fired.
At least one witness says hospital after he was struck in the neck and right shoul-
der by the Taser stun gun der by the Taser stun gun
Monday. Authorities didn't release
the man's name late the man s name late
Monday. Family members said the man was Robert
Mclntosh, 23 . He was a passenger in a
car that the officer had stopped because of a defective tail light. The driver,
McIntosh's girlfriend, had an arrest warrant, said Capt Dwayne Ready.
the female diver had taken the female driver into cus
tody, he returned to the vehi cle and asked the passenger
to get out of the car. The officer had smelled the odo of narcotics, Ready said. The passenger began patrol car. The man broke away and the two ended up in a ditch, where the office attempted to stun the man
with his Taser, Ready said. "The suspect was able to grab the officer's hand with

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## Obituaries

Mose Samuel Hughes, 84
Mose Samuel Hughes, 84 ,
a deoted family man and
Christian, died Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007, in Pampa.
Services will be
Wednesday at Stewarts Funeral Home in Hollis,
Okla., with the Rev. Richard Okla., with the Rev. Richard
Bartel, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating.
Mr. Hughes was born July 19, 1922, in Mangum, Okla. He had been a resident of
Pampa since 1946. He marPampa since 1946. He mar-
ried Juanita Crabb on Dec. 24, 1943, in Hollis, Okla. He lived in the Gould and


## Emergency Services

## Pampa PD

 Pampa Police Department reportedpate period ending at 7 a.m. today. Seven traffic stops were made, including one in the 900 block of Love which involved possession of less than arrest was made in connection with the incident.
A vehicle accident was reported in
the police department lobyy the police department lobby. Calls concerning animals were received from the block of of North Sumner, the 500 block of Lowry, the
500 block of North Starkweather, the 2100 block of Beech, the 2100 block of North Zimmers, the 1300 block of East Kingsmill, and on four occasions from an unreported location Agency assistance was rendered in the 900 block of South Wells and on
two occasions in the 1300 block of Coffee.
Woffee.
Whrant service was attempted on
three occasions, resulting in at least three occasions, resulting in at least
one arrest. one arrest.
Lost prope
Lost property was reported in the
police department lobby $\underset{\text { A solice department loby. }}{\text { A }}$ A suspicious person call was
recived from the 1300 block of
Hamilton Hamilton.
Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of North Davis, the 1300 block of Coftee, and at Pamp
High School, 2401 Charles.
CCiminal trespass was reported in
the 1600 bock of West Somerville and the 1600 block of West Somerville
the 2200 block of North Nelson.

Sex offender registration was
reported in the police department reporte
lobby
Viola Violation of a protective order was reported in the police department Assault
Medical Plaza
reported at One Medical Plaza,
One open door was checked.
Theft was reported on two occasions
in the police department lobby and at
Wal-Mart Supercenter, 2801 Charles, where four jackets, two pairs of pants and bubbere gum were taken. Estimated value of loss is 575 .
Identity thett was
Identity theft was
400 block of Powell.

## Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Offic Mo foilow, Jans. 8 .
Monde
Joseph Hyle Horvath, 37, of
Hermosa Beach, Calif, was arrested
by GCSO by GCSO on a bond surrender for pos-
session of over 30 . session of over 30 pounds but under 50
pounds of marijuana. pounds of marijuana.
Donald Dane Johnson, 42, of Pampa was anrested by GCSO on a probation violation for possession of marijuana. Herculano B. Oroz 47, of McLean was arrested by GCSO for OKlahom
authorities on a fugitive warrant authorities on a fugitive warrant out of
Pawnee County, Okla. Christopher
Pampa was arrested in the 200 block of West Kingsmill by Pampa Police Department on a probation violation A
wife, Connie Juanita Hughes
wife, Connie Juanita Hughes
of Pampa; a daughter, Gloria Hamilton and husband Glenn Hamilton of Pampa; a grandson, Shane Hamilton and a granddaughter-in-law
Starla Hamilton of Pampa
 great-grandson,
Hamilton; two sisters-in-law Virginia Hayes and husbanc Roger of Olustee, Okla., an Carrie Rose of Pampa; and several nieces and nephews. Flowers may be sent to
Stewarts Funeral Home 417 E. Broadway, Hollis, Okla $\stackrel{\text { E. Broad }}{\text {. } 73550 \text {. }}$

## Texas today ...

Council to put immigra-
tion measure on ballot
Opponents of the ordinances had
Submitted a petition in hopes of forcing a
for aggravated assault.
Colby Wayne Scott, 19, of Pampa by PPD for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

## Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24 -hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
8:09 Monday, Jan. 8 sonnel responded to the and three perSirroco on a lift assist.
10:58 a.m. - One unit and three per-
Crane on an odor investigation.
6:39 p.m. - One unit and three per-
sonnel responded to Central Park on
an investigation

## Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance respondhour periof following calls for the 24 Monday Jan. \&oday. 8:09 a.m. - A mobile 8 responded to a call for medical assistance in the 1100 block of Sirroco.
$9: 05 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. - A mobile ICU unit $f$ North Nelson. in the 2200 block f North Nelson. At least one person

Tuesday, Jan. 9 12:04 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit
sponded to a call in the 300 block of Anne.
$\qquad$ FARMERS BRANCH Texas (AP) - Voters will get the chance to decide whether the city should keep a new rule
requiring apartment landlords requiring apartment landlords
to verify the citizenship or immigration status of their tenimmigra
ants.
Durin
During a meeting Monday, the City Council voted to put a
rental ordinance they approved rental ordinance they approved
late last year on the ballot May 12. But in the meantime, the council plans to let the new rule take effect Friday. The Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund plans to ask the courts for an injunction to
immediately suspend the ordiimmediately suspend the ordi-
nance from being enforced,

Sheriff
Continued from Page 1 he had some marijuana in his pocket. Butler then handed marijuana to the handler, Hoard said. "During an inventory o the vehicle, deputies found
a small brown bottle of liq a smar brown bottle of liq-
uid," Hoard said. "They asked Butler what it was and he said it was cannabis
Butler was booked into Gray. County Jail on
charge of possession of two or more but less than four ounces of marijuana. An investigation into
report of criminal mischie report of criminal mischief at Dyer's Bar-B-Que, on
Highway 60 West, is still Highway 60 West, is still
open. An alarm signal was
received from the restaurant received from the restaurant at about 4:30 a.m. Saturday.
Upon arrival. deputies Upon arrival, deputies
noticed that the windows on noticed that the windows on
the north side of the build ing and near the main entrance were broken.

## The building

hecked and no one was the 1100 block of Prairie found inside, Hoard said. Jose Luis . GarciaThe owner was called Martinez, 36, of Pampa was and came to check the arrested and booked into building. Nothing was Gray County Jail for evadeported missing.
"The perpetrator discon-
ing arrest. He was also
charged with no insurance The perpetrator discon-
charged with no insurance,
nected power to the build-
no driver's license, and duty nected power to the build- no driver's license, and
ing and then threw rocks on striking a fixture. through the windows," A burglary rounded Hoard said. "This case is the week's reports for the currently being worked as a sheriff's office.
criminal mischief," At 2:19 a.m. Monday, $\begin{aligned} & \text { One who didn't get away } \\ & \text { was arrested after being }\end{aligned} \begin{aligned} & \text { deputies were dispatched to } \\ & \text { the Sadie Hawkins store at }\end{aligned}$ observed by deputies who 1301 S . Hobart in reference had made a traffic stop. to a burglar alarm. Sunday, deputies made a ness and discovered that traffic stop in the 100 block one of the north doors of the of East Albert. During the building had been broken stop, they observed a pick- out. The owner of the busi-
speed south on Barnes ness was contacted and Street, Hoard said Barnes "The pictuid. light pole on Barnes, light pole on Barnes,
backed up, and took off," backed up, and took off,"

Hoard said. "They pursued him to said. "They pursued | him to $\begin{array}{c}\text { McCullough } \\ \text { Avenue. . } \mathrm{He} \text { turned on }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | Varnon Drive, and then pulled into a driveway in

came to the address. The wner said that 20 packs of cigarettes, some beer, and
some disposable cigarette some disposable cigarette
lighters had been taken. Estimated value of the stolen merchandise is $\$ 150$. "The investigation is con-
tinuing at this time," Hoard

A tumbleweed tangled in the fence is silhouetted in the dawn last week on the Bowers City Highway.

Mild winter causes oil prices to drop

County awarded federal funding

Gray County has been
awarded federal funds under the Emergency Food and Program. Gray County has been
chosen to receive $\$ 9,767$ to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the
county. county.
The selection was made by a national board that is chaired by Department of
Homeland Federal Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and
consists of representatives from American Red Cross; United Jewish Communities; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.; The Salvation Army and United Way of America. To distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high need areas around the coun-
try. A local board made up of A local board made up of
United Way, Gray County Judge, Ministerial
Associations, City of Pampa Representative, Salvation Army, Pampa Meals on Wheels, Good
Christian Services, Southside Senior $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Services, } & \text { Soutnside } \\ \text { Citizens } & \text { Cenior } \\ \text { Cralee }\end{array}$ Crisis Center, and the Harvest House will determine how the funds awarded to Gray County are to be disgency food and shelter progency food and shelter pro-
grams run by local service
agencies in the area. The
saw,
router."
The crosses are created by making two cuts at 90 degree angles and inlaying a different colored wood on the lathe. Evans said it would be quicker to use a table saw, but then with a grin, he added, "I've got more time than money." He started making the
pens for friends sells them through Pampa Custom Framing, when he has extras to sell. Most of them still end up going to friends and kin-
folks, he shrugged Evans, from Shamrock, and his wife, the former Mary Bird from Bowers City. will have been married 50 years on April 3 .
He and his wife both He and his wife both
corme from large families. "I'm the oldest of seven and she's the youngest of seven," Evans said. "When you start getting into nieces and nephews and grandnieces and nephews, you
need lots of gifts for Christmas and birthday presents."
local board is responsible for
recommending agencies to recommending agencies to
receive these funds and any additional funds availabl
under this phase of the gram. grant from the national board, local agencies chosen
to receive funds must: 1) be to receive funds must: 1) be
private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and / o
shelter programs, and 5) shelter programs, and 5) if
they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board.
Qualifying agencies are urged to apply.
Gray County has distrib uted Emergency Food and Shelter funds previously with The Salvation Army Center, Good Citizens Christian Services, House, Tralee Crisis Carvest and Pampa Meals on Wheels participating. These agencies were responsible for providing 3,457 meals, 230 nights
lodging, 18 paid utilities and 2 rent payments.
Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency
Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Katrina Bigham at the United Way office at 200 N . Ballard,
suite 105 or call the office suite 105 or call the office a
$669-1001$ for an application The deadline for applications is Jan. 15.

## Drugs

 1999 Toyota pickup travel-ing eastbound was stopped.
A K-9 alerted on the vehicle 4 . 1 and troopers discovered the marijuana is $\$ 29,259,13,000$ grams of cocaine $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Julian C. Walter, 31, of } & \text { hidden inside a speaker } \\ \text { box. The estimated value of }\end{array}$ New Orleans was arrested $\begin{aligned} & \text { box. The estimated value } \\ & \text { the cocaine is } \$ 728,000 \text {. }\end{aligned}$
 Investigators believe this arrested and booked into load originated in Las the Carson County Jail. Vegas and was headed for This load is believed to
New Orleans. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { New Orleans. } \\ \text { The second seizure of the } & \text { have originated in San } \\ \text { Diego and was headed for }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text { The second seizure of the } & \text { Diego and } \\ \text { weend occurred at 10:40 } & \\ \text { Greenville }\end{array}$

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## Viewpoints

Flu: Does your nose shy away from tissues?


## Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 9, the ninth day of 2007. There are 35 daays's Highlight in History
Today's
Today's Highlight in History:
On Jan. 9,1913 , Richard Milhous Nixon, the 37 th president of the United States, was born in Yorba Linda, Calif. On this date:
In 1788, Con
U.S. Constitution. In 1793, Frenchman Jean Pierre Blanchard, using a hot-air balloon, flew between Philadelphia and Woodbu
In 1861 , Mississippi seceded from the Union.
In 1861, the Star of the West, a merchant vessel bringing Federal troops at Fort
Sumter, S.C., retreated after being fired on by
battery in the harbor. with the working and the living. Do it as if American forces began your life depended on $\quad$ landing at Lingayen it, and first thing you In 1957, Anthony know, you'll have made a life out of it.
A good life, too.'

- Theresa Helburn American theatrical
producer
Eden resigned as
British prime minister he was succeeded by Harold Macmillan. rioting broke out in the resulting in the deaths resulting in the deaths
of 21 Panamanians and
three U S. three U.S. soldiers. Surveyor 7 space probe made a soft landing on the moon, marking the end of the Amer
unmanned explorations of the lunar surface. In 1972, reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes, speaking
by telephone from the Bahamas to reporters in Hollywood, said a purported biography of him by Clifford Irving was a In 1987, the White House released a memorandum pre-
pared for President Reagan in January 1986 that showed a definite link between U.S. arms sales to Iran and the release Ten years ago: A Comair commuter plane crashed 18 miles short of the Detroit Metropolitan Airport, killing all 29 people on board.
Five years ago: A U.S. military tanker plane crashed in
western Pakistan Islamic militants stormed an Israeli army post near the Gaza Strip, killing four soldiers before being shot dead in a gun battle. The Bush administration and the auto industry agreed to promote development of pollution-free cars and trucks

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selves with anything which
might threaten public health might threaten public health
said that the unpleasant odor was not dangerous, even though they didn't know
what was causing it or what, exactly, it w Same situation, different destination: The city offi cials are just trying to fore stall any type of panic or other undesirable reaction. killing Austin's birds. Meanwhile, I continue with my own respiratory misadventure and hope that whatever it is goes away before too much longer. My poor
more.



Rules more important than personalities
Not that many compli- about the fairness of the
mentary things are said division. Those arguments
about politicians. When a ended with Mers rule. abourlem arises, people say, Whoever cuts the cake lets
proble "Government ought to do the other take the first piece. something." They seem to have forgotten that it's the
politicians who are running politicians who are running
the government. Many think the government. Many think
things can be changed by electing different politicians, but I ask: Given the incen-
tives politicians face, why should we expect one politi-
cian to differ significantly cian to differ significantly
from another? We should focus less on personalities and more on rules.
The kind of rules we should have are the kind that we'd make if our worst
enemy were in charge. My enemy were in charge. My
mother created a mini-vermother created a mini-ver-
sion of such a rule, Sometimes she would ask either me or my sister to evenly divide the last piece of cake or pie to share
between us. More times not, an argument ensued
was at stake, the game ended
peacefully and winners and
losers were civil to one losers we
another. As if by magic or divine intervention,
emerged and
argess emerged and arguments
ended. No matter who did the cutting, there was an even divi-
By creat- Walter ing and Williams neutral Columnist rules, we
$\qquad$ Consider one area of ruthless competition - sports. In
Super Bowl XL, the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Seattle Seahawks had a lot on the line. Specifically, there's the $\$ 73,000$ payment per man, contract enrichment and other benefits to the winners. Despite a bitter-
ly fought contest and all that

## Texas Thoughts

| By The Associated Press | operations of specific agencies of the | bosses or their supporters in Congress |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| A sample of editorial opinion around | U.S. government to help ensure that |  |
| beleaguered taxpayers are getting their |  |  | after investigations cited agencies for | poor performance, excessive spending |
| :--- | :--- |



Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest Road, has its heart in Pampa, but strives to provide quality in-home health care to the entire locality. The agency is symbolic of the care of a shepherd's staff (crook) guiding those in his care to a better path and safety. So are the goals of the Shepard's staff in assisting our clients to a healthier life.

Owners Ernie and Suzie Wilkinson, both Pampa natives, have been in business for 19 years. They are members and ministers of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa.

Suzie and Ernie have a BA in business and a Masters in Health Management. They both have extensive background and training in federal and state regulations, and have served on many state and national boards and committees representing Home Health.
"Our nurses are board certified in home health, pediatrics and wound care," Suzie said.

The agency currently employs 75 skilled workers including licensed RNs and LVNs, a Licensed Physical Therapist, a Physical Therapy Assistant, and a number of Texas Certified Home Health Aides.

Michael Kirkpatrick acts as administrator and director of nursing. Teresa Henson is office operations manager. Both have been with Shepard's Crook since its inception.

Shepard's Crook currently serves all counties in the Texas Panhandle and has offices in Pampa, Amarillo, Borger, Clarendon and Shamrock.

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## Rotary meeting



Angie Robinson, dean of students at Clarendon College, recently discussed the various types of financial aid available to today's college students. Grants, scholarships, work study and student loans were four types of financial aid discussed. Mrs. Robinson advised students to keep a close watch on application deadlines and recommended starting the process as early as possible.

## Jolie says she wouldn't have adopted like Madonna

PARIS (AP) - Angelina tion in Malawi, where he have three children: Banda. He joined her two
Jolie says she was horrified was born," Jolie was quoted Maddox, adopted from children, Jolie says she was horrified
by attacks on born," Jolie was quoted
Madonna
as saying in this week's edi- Cambodia; Zahara, adopted $\begin{aligned} & \text { adopted } \\ & \text { Rocco, in Britain in October. }\end{aligned}$ about her adoption of a tod- tion of Gala, a gossip maga- from Ethiopia; and another Ruman rights groups in dler from Malawi, but sug- zine. "In that country, there daughter, Shiloh, who was $\begin{aligned} & \text { Malawi have said they are } \\ & \text { gested the pop singer took a } \\ & \text { isn't really a legal frame- born to the couple in May. }\end{aligned}$ concerned the govenment $\begin{array}{llll}\text { gested the pop singer took a } & \text { isn't really a legal frame- } & \text { born to the couple in May. } & \text { concerned the government } \\ \text { risk because of the African } & \text { work for } & \text { adopting. } \\ \text { Madonna and her film- } & \text { cut legal corners to fast-track }\end{array}$
 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { country s adoption laws, a } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Personally, } 1 \text { prefer to stay } \\ \text { French magazine reported. }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l}\text { maker husband Guy Ritchie } \\ \text { are adopting a } \\ 1 \text {-year-old }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { the adoption and that they } \\ \text { want adoption laws there }\end{array}\end{array}$ "Madonna knew the situa- Jolie and actor Brad Pitt Malawian boy, David clarified.

## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## Scooby-Doo cartoon creator dies at age 81

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Iwao Takamoto, the animator who created the beloved Scooby-Doo and directed the cartoon classic "Charlotte's Web," has died. He was
Takamoto died Monday of heart failure at CedarsSinai Medical Center, Warner Bros. spokesman Gary Miereanu said.
In a career that spanned more than six decades, Takamoto assisted in the designs of some of the biggest animated features and television shows for Disney and
the Hanna-Barbera animation team. They included the Hanna-Barbera animaion "Cinderella," "Peter Pan," "Lady and the Tramp," "101 $\underline{\underline{D} \text { Dalmatians," "The }}$
Takamoto said he Jetsons" and "The created
Scooby-Doo after talking with a Great Dane
breeder and named him after Frank Sinatra's final phrase in
"Strangers in the Night." But it was his cre ation of Scooby-Doo the cowardly dog
with an adventurous heart, that captivated audiences and endured for generations. Takamoto said he created Scooby-Do Great Dane breeder and named him after Frank Sinatra's final phrase in "Strangers
The breeder "showed me some pictures and talked The breeder "showed me some pictures and talked
about the important points of a Great Dane, like a about the important points of a Great Dane, like
straight back, straight legs, small chin and such," Takamoto said in a recent talk at Cartoon Network Studios.
"I decided to go the opposite and gave him a hump back, bowed legs, big chin and such. Even his color is wrong."
Takamoto also created other famous cartoon dogs such as Astro from "The Jetsons" and Muttley, the mixed-breed that appeared in several Hanna-Barbera animations. He
"Charlotte's Web."
Born in Los Angeles to parents who had emigrated from Japan, Takamoto graduated high school when
World War II began. He World War II began. He and his family were sent to the
Manzanar internment camp in the California desert where he learned the art of illustration from fellow internees.
Despite a lack of formal training, he landed an interview with Walt Disney Studios when he returned to Los Angeles and was hired as an apprentice.


## Williams bat mand dixio- tem owners bringing law-

 as biased referee decisions, and games end-Continued from Page $4 \begin{aligned} & \text { sions, and games end- } \\ & \text { ing in rancor and fights. }\end{aligned}$
There would be a reduction in the skill and fitness There would be a reduction in the skill and fitness of all players and a lower overall quaiity of the sport.
After all, if the outcome is determined by how well the team influences the referees, why spend resources recruiting and training superior players? It's better to
use those resources for lobbying and bribes use those resources for lobbying and bribes.
We have a set of rules that are known, neutral and
intended to be durable intended to be durable. Those rules were created by
our founders and embodied in the U.S. Constitution Those rules have been weakened by a Congress of both parties that picks winners and losers in the game of life. The U.S. Supreme Court, which was intended to be a neutral referee, has forsaken that role and become a participant. All of this means we can expect a futur
flict.
-Dr. Williams serves on the faculty of George Mason University as John M. Olin Distinguished Professor of Economics.

## Opinion <br> Bowen's job was saved by a coalition of Republicans who objected to efforts to eliminate

Conunued it.
it. In another headline-making item,
directors of the Legal Services Corp., the federal legal-aid program for the poor, discussed earlier this year the possibility of firing Kirt West, the agency's tures of tax dollars by top agency managers on limos, upscale hotels and \$14 "Death by Chocolate" desserts. It hardly should be surprising that efforts to can or muzzle IGs often come from those who have been embarrassed by the findings of their investigations. Although some IGs occasionally might be overzealexamining, we've generally found them to be effective public watchdogs who foster good government by helping ensure that taxpayers get more bang for their buck.
If there's anything harder to exterminate than cockroaches, it might be government "waste, fraud and abuse." The federal IGs help ensure that those bane
of taxpayers are at least kept somewhat in check Shame on anyone who tries to muzzle these watchdogs.

Events calendar

- Pampa Book Club will has scheduled to dis cuss the following books Cokie Roberts Wednesday; "First Man in Rome" by Colleen
McCullough, Feb. 14; "Widow in the South" B Robert Hicks, March 14 "Peace Like a River" by "The Last Promise" by Richard Evans, May 9. The group meets at 10 a.m. in the Texas Room a Pampa. Pampa is offering a series of eight classes for hear ing infants and their fami lies. "Baby Sing \& Sign" is divided into eight-week
sessions. The enrollment fee is $\$ 100$. Sessions begin Wednesday (10 a.m.); March 21 (10 a.m.); and March 20 (6:30 p.m.) To register or to find ou more, call 665-7474 or e-
mail
cmoore@createabeat.org. - Leadership Perryton and other sponsors wil present Jeff Tobe, of 8 p.m. Thursday at Frank 8 p.m. Thursday at Frank Campus in Perryton. Registration will be from 6-6:30 p.m. Tobe will present "Coloring Outside the Lines." Individuals, business owners and attend the free seminar For more information, contact Perryton (806) 435-6575.
- The next monthly Cowboy
Breakfast will be at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Big Texan in Amarillo. Marianne Logan will be the facilitator. The guest performer will be - The Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization
clinics for vaccines that
give protection against childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria,
lock jaw (tetanus) lock jaw (tetanus), whoop-
ing cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered
at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to
 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1 3:30 p.m., Jan. 17, TDH 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa. - The 19th annual Texas High Plains Grain
Elevator Workshop is planned Jan. 18 at the Amarillo Civic Center in Amarillo. The program has been approved by the state ag department for is $\$ 35$. To register or for is $\$ 35$. To register or for Gray County Extension Office at 669-8033. Youth Diamond Miss Program will be at 1 p.m. Jan. 20 at Pampa information or an entry form, call 665-8921 or (405) $378-0250$. Competition is open to
infants and youth up to 19 infants and youth up to 19
years of age. Categories years of age. Categories
are modeling, talent, glamour, photogenic, portfolio, World of Babies, Beautiful Baby, baby photo and portfolio. ent training will be offered ent training will be offered 9 a.m. 4 p.m Jan 20 at Opportunity Program in Wellington. Registration for the class will be at $8: 45$ a.m. The class is being offered
through Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation's STAR program. For more informa-
tion, call (806) 359-2005.


## Fast-spreading short-lived blaze wipes out

 four mansions in Malibu, damages moreMALIBU, Calif. (AP) - Firenighters watched for flare- was reported about 5 p.m. Monday
ups Tuesday in an exclusive seaside neighborhood after a Her publicist, Alan Nierob, said her home wasn't dam-fast-moving wildfire swept through multimillion-dollar aged. "She covered her house with water," he said.
homes, destroying four and a guest house
Four other houses were significantly damaged by the wind-driven fire Monday and one resident who was not identified was hospitalized because of smoke inhalation.
Properties were still smoldering early Tuesday and about 150 firefighters and arson investigators were on the scene. how this happened," Inspector Rick Dominguez said early Tuesday.
The blaze was fanned by Santa Ana wind as it raced through the celebrity enclave near Pepperdine University. "Red flag" fire danger warnings posted by the effect for much of Southern California because of the strong wind and low humidity.
"Anything that was down there that could burn, did burn," said County Fire

The blaze was fanned by Santa Ana wind as it raced through the celebrity enclave near Pepperdine University. "Red flag" fire danger warnings posted by the National Weather Service remained in effect for much of Southern California because of the strong wind and low humidity. Victoria Pinero, co-owner of Little Angels and other animals, was housesitting at one of the homes destroyed in the blaze. She said she wasn't home at the time the fire erupted, but rushed back to save the owners' four dogs.
She said she found two dogs, but "we are still looking for the last two dogs.
We did everything we could" she said crying. "For these people, the dogs were basically their children."
The blaze burned near the Malibu Colony one of the area's original beachfront neigh borhoods, dating to the 1930s. The densely built stretch of luxury homes has been favorite of celebrities over the years.
Residents of Malibu include Mel Gibson, Pierce Brosnan, Pamel Anderson, Barbra Streisand, Ted Danson, David Geffen, and Courteney Cox-
Arquette.
Malibu has frequently been the scene o Malibu has frequently been the scene of S. In 1993, hundreds of homes were lost and Fire officials didn't release the names of property owners devastating fires. In 1993, handreds of homes were lost an those who rushed out to hose down their houses after the fire destroyed six homes.

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## Dear Abby...

## By Pauline \& Jeanne Phillips

DEAR READERS: Mail keeps arriving DEAR ABBY: Here in Anchorage, Alaska, regarding names that match occupations. we have a dentist named Dr. Phil Wright. My staff and I have been having a wonderful time reading it, and I would love to share more with you. So, if you're up for a DEAR ABBY: I have two names for you chuckle, read on. (If not, just go back to the My daughter's pediatrician is Dr. LeFevere, national news.) and my former priest's was Father O'Pray. STEPHANIE IN BLOOMINGTON, MINN.
Miss Hunger, the dietitian at Stout University, I had to write. My father was DEAR ABBY: When I first moved here, I born in Menomonie, Wis., where Stout is was looking for a new ob/gyn and came located, and later taught there. He used to across a listing for a Dr. C. (Cynthia, I tell me about a law firm there called believe) Hymen. -- MEGAN IN STRATKetchum and Cheatum. Also, he had a high FORD, CONN.
school classmate named Iva Liver. -- ANN H., COLUMBUS, OHIO

DEAR ABBY: A few years ago I needed minor surgery and went to the VA hospital in Palo Alto. The young female anesthetist DEAR ABBY: Years ago, 1 interviewl an was a novice named Mallet. Try as she important matter for me. His name: Rex R. might, she could not find a vein -- and Case. (Needless to say, I did not hire him!) when I took the "Mallet by the handle" and -- LINDA, N.J.

DEAR ABBY: The day your column on funny names appeared, I had a good laugh and then began reading the front section of DEAR ABBY: I once met liquor sale the paper, where I encountered the follow- man named Casey Sause. -- PAMELA IN ing. It's from The Associated Press with a Baton rouge, la.
byline of Lauran Neergard, which I am
enclosing. It's titled "Circumcision of DEAR ABBY: I have diabetes and see a African men can cut HIV risk by half." The dietitian and a diabetes educator. Their last physician quoted from the World Health names are Short and Stout. I'm sure they Organization is Dr. Kevin De Cock. I could never hear the end of it. -- NANCY IN not believe the two articles appeared in the NIE IN WABASH, IND

DEAR ABBY: For many years the Internal Revenue supervisor in Oklahoma City was DEAR ABBY: There's a nudist colony in OKI. Filer." -- ANONYMOUS IN northern New Jersey that is owned by a Dr. OKLAHOMA Lust. -- ADRIAN IN PRINCETOWN, DEAR ABBY: My sister lives in Williamsvitle, N.Y. (near Buffalo), where DEAR ABBY: Years ago, here in Fort there " is a funeral home that seems nothing Worth, Texas, we had a doctor named Dr. out of the ordinary, except for the name: Rumph. His specialty? Proctology, of Amigone Funeral Home. (Am I Gone.) course! -- HAD TO LAUGH IN FORT True! Look them up -- they're in the phone WORTH book! -- ALAINE IN JAMESTOWN
 THE FAMIIY CIRCUS。 By Bil Keane


Flo \& Friends



Garfield


## Beetle Bailey



Marvin

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Haggar The Horrible


Blondia


Florida defies all odds, reverses spread at National Championship

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP)

- For more than a month, - For more than a month, silence.
Asked about Heisman
Trophy winner Troy Smith Trophy winner Troy Smith,
they heaped on the praise. they heaped on the praise.
Asked about No. 1 Ohio State, they
compliments.
When they got on the field Monday night, the Gators
showed how they really felt. showed how they really felt.
Second-ranked Florida turned out to be way too
good for the Buckeyes, embarrassing them 41-14 to run away with college foot-
ball's national champi-
onship. "Honestly, we've played a lot better teams than them,
Florida defensive end Jarvi Moss said. "I could name that could probably compete with them and play the same type of game we did against
them."
Florida got all but one of the 65 first-place votes in the
final Associated Press poll. Ohio State dropped from No 1 and finished second. Chris Leak and Tim
Tebow showed off coach Urban Meyer's twin quarterthe Gators became the first Division I school to hold basketball at the same time.
Now, only one question
remains: What about 13-0 Boise State, the last unde-
feated team left standing feated team left standing
after stunning Oklahoma on
the very same field in the
Fiesta Bowl on New Year's
Day? The No Fiesta Bowl on New Year's
Day? The No. 5 Broncos got
the other first-place vote in the other fir Florida's amazingly easy
victory left the Gators with a
$13-1$ record and the victory left the Gators with a
$13-1$ record and the
Buckeyes at 12-1. That, and with Wisconsin and
Wouisvill Louisville also having lost just once, will almost surely
renew calls for a playoff sysrenew calls for a playoff sys-
tem. "I love Boise State. We
don't want to go play them don't want to go play them.
We're done, we're done We're done, we re done,
we're finished," Meyer said.
"There are we're finished," Meyer said. six, seven great football
teams in this country and there is one way to figure out who the better team is and
that's to go play the game," he said.
Meyer was certain his team was among the best, even though many questioned whether Florida
belonged in this game belonged in this game. The
coach urged his Gators not to coach urged
take the bait.
"Always say great things
about your opponent. If you're going to talk, , talk about your teammates,"
Meyer said. "Like I said, motivation, it was not an issue. If you are speech; didn't have to make any. We had one for 30 days there," he said.
Ohio State starta Ohio State started out like the one-touchdown favorite
it was, but only for an

Ted Ginn Jr. returned the University of Flori
opening kickoff 93 yards for here," Leak said. opening kickoff 93 yards for
a touchdown, but then it
quickly fell apart for the
here," Leak said.
Smith, meanwhi Smith, meanwhile, joined Trophy list of Hearterbacks

Texas Tech shuts down Kansas State's offense

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP
Fourteen years later and Bob K
still has Bob Huggins' number. till has Bob Huggins' number night losing both of them.
 Jarrius Jackson scored 23 points in
a $62-52$ victory center Esmir Rizvic, led 27-26 at
halftime before building a $41-32$ lead first meeting between the two famed with about 10 minutes left in the coaches since they joined the Big 12.
Martin Zeno added 12 points and Martin Zeno added 12 points and
freshman Decense White had 11 for freshman Decensae White had 11 for
the Red Raiders (13-4, 2-0 Big 12), he Red Raiders (13-4, 2-0 Big 12),
who have won seven of their last eight and are off to their best start in three years.
It w between Knily the third meeting ogether have 1,459 career wins who rank first and seventh among active Division I coaches in victories. The two hadn't faced each other since Dec. 19, 1992, when
Knight was at Indiana and Huggins at Cincinnati. Knight has won all three meetings by double digits.
"I think it's kind of amazing, in this league this year any win is going to be
really good for whoever gets it," Knight said. "There is going to be a lot of evenly played games in this league, just like Kansas State has had
 State's first offensive play. By the time he returned for the second half on
crutches, Florida led 34-14 crutches, Florida led 34-14. play of the game and from keep the pressure where w needed it to be," Buckeye
coach Jim Tressel said coach Jim Tressel said. "Ohio State d
done," he said. done," he said.
Leak, maligned winning the big for neve pleted 25 of 36 passes for 213 yards and a touchdown. The Rambo-like Tebow
threw for one TD and pow threw for one TD and pow-
ered into the end zone for ered in
another

Jason White, Eric Crouch and Gino Torretta, among hem - to fall apart in bowl
games. He was just 4 -of- 14 games. He was just 4 -of-14
for 35 yards with one interception, sacked him five
times and held him to minustimes and held him to minus29 yards on 10 runs. "Not everything in life is going to go the exact way ou want it," Smith said. "I
on't have any regrets, hough. I really don't. We came out and fought. We came up short.
"Sometimes you have you don't."
Defensive ends Derrick
Harvey and Moss made it miserable night for Smith. Linebacker Earl Everett got into the act, too, running down Smith on one play
despite missing his helmet. despite missing his helmet. chance at all," Florida "We came here with a chip on our shoulder and some-
thing to prove. Nobody gave thing to prove. Nobody gave
us a chance, but finally us a chance, but finally
can throw up the No 1." can throw up the No. ..
It was the second nationa title for Florida, adding to the one Heisman winner
Danny Wuerffel brought Dome in 1996 under coach Steve Spurrier with a 52-20 romp over Florida State in the Sugar Bowl.
charge was the 42 -year-old once Florida got the ball.
Meyer, once a .200 hitter in In the first footbal Meyer, once a 200 hitter in
the low minors in Atlanta's be low minors in Atlanta's aseball farm system. Since
then, he's made a rocket rise in the coaching ranks, topped off by a title in his second year at Florida. perfect bookend for the one perfect bookend for the one
the basketball Gators won by beating UCLA for the national championship
Indianapolis last Indianapolis last spring. "How do I compare them? Both have confetti landing
on my head," athletic direc on my head," athletic direc-
tor Jeremy Foley said. "I couldn't believe it in April, I can't believe it now. I can't believe I can talk about it
without
jinxing

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'They earned that national championship, no doubt about it.

Jim Tressel
Ohio State Head Coach

## Obviously, things had to break our way to even get bre

 Thile, , team, meanbelonged at the Holiday Bowl, because it took this night off. Given 51 days to In the first footballmatchup between these schools setween these played the sport for 100 -plus years - the Gators emphatically stopped Ohio State's
19-game winning streak. 19-game winning streak.
The Buckeyes beat a pair The Buckeyes beat a pair
of No. 2 teams, defending of No. 2 teams, defending
champion Texas and Michigan, earlier in the season, but they were no match for Florida's speed, strategy and style.
Ohio St Ohio State hoped to win its fifth national title, having
taken it behind Maurice Clarett in 2002. But these Buckeyes
looked completely flum looked completely flum-
moxed by Florida's freser moxed by Florida's frenetic
offense at the outset. Trying offense at up with the Gators shifting formations, they often jumped around at the
line and still were out of position. Leak gladly took advantage of the confusion, pick
ing wide-open receivers at ing wide-open receivers
will and hitting his first nine passes. Criticized most of his career for a lack of fire, the guy with the soft, green eye
seemed real comfortable. By the end, the numbers were numbing. Florida out-
gained the Buckeyes 370 yards to 82, led in first downs 21-8 and time of pos-
session 40:48 to 19:12. "They earned the national championship, no doub
about it," Tressel said Varsity, JV travel to Caprock tonight

By JORDAN REAGAN Sports Editor After having played
Dumas to open district just 4 days ago, both the varsity and JV girls will be on the
road tonight, playing at Caprock. Like all of the district
opponents that the varsity opponents that the varsity girls will face, they have not previously gone up against
Caprock yet this season. "I hope the girls can carry on with their goood defense," on with their good defense,
Coach Troy Fry said, "We have had a consistently good defense, and a great offense as well."
Fry has especially been working on the Lady
Harvesters' skills lately, in hopes that they can come out impervi-
ous to those of Caprock's -
particularly the skills of two particularly the skils of the
certain talented post girls. As the team prepares to
face Caprock among other district opponents, the Lady Harvesters' star player,
Britteni Rice is drawing closer to breaking the alltime scoring record.
After having broken what was thought to have been the record earlier this season, the actual record of 1,889 points is expected to be broken by
Rice within the next few games, if things keep going the way they've been going. As far as the JV goes, they
hope to redeem themselves hope to redeem themselves after losing their first district game against Dumas on Tonight, the JV will begin at 6 p.m. at Caprock, fol-
lowed by varsity at $7: 30$ p.m.

Freshman girls outplay Iverson helps Nuggets snap five-game skid

Caprock for 12 wins
By JORDAN REAGAN 45-28. Sports Editor
Continuing in an almost
Shelbie Wantributors were perfect season, the Pampa points, 6 steals and 4 assists,
freshman girls basketball team defeated Caprock on rebounder, with 12 points Monday to improve their ecord 12-1. Led by Ashley Facio with 15 points and 6 steals, the
freshman girls took the game

Next up on the freshman Next up on the freshman girls' list is Palo Duro, who
they will play at home at 10 a.m. Saturday.

## City League Volleyball

 deadline approachingThe City of Pampa Recreation Department will sponsor men's, women's and mixed, adult 4 on 4 (four players on o participate.
Entry deadline will be Jan 12, at 5 p.m., and the season will begin the week of Jan 22, 2007. Entry fee (sponsor's fee) is $\$ 100$ and player's fee is $\$ 15$ per player with a minimum of five ( 5 ) players per team.
Roster forms, fact sheets, and league bylaws are availa at the Recreation Office at City Hall, Room 204. For more information please call $669-5740$ between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

"If it was cut off, I'd
play," Iverson said.
The last thing the Nuggets The last thing the Nuggets
need is another injury.
 Michael [Redd] is Michael [Redd] is not here, you have
to have someone step up for him and figure out a way to win.

Milwaukee Buck

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## Iverson shot 9-for-21 from the field and finished with 23 the field and finished with 23

 points.Milwa Milwaukee was without
injured guard Michael Redd and lost his backcourt mate Mo Williams to a sprained shoulder in the second quarshoulder in the second quar-
ter. The Bucks also were without forward Charlie Villanueva, who missed his
third straight game with an third straight game
injured right shoulder. "It's not an excuse to get a loss just because Michael is not here," Milwaukee's Andrew Bogut said. "You have to have someone step way to win."

Ruben Patterson, who played in Denver last season, started in Redd's spot and scored 29 points, three shy of
his career high, and had 12 his career high, and had 12 rebounds.

Redd learned Monday that he'll miss four-to-six weeks
because of an injured left because
knee.
Nugg
Nuggets forward Eduardo
Najera bruised his lef Najera bruised his left shoulder in the first half and didn't
return.

Duke University president defends decision to allow lacrosse players to return
DURHAM, N.C. (AP) - three men were dropped last DURHAM, N.C. (AP) - three men were dropped last
The president of Duke month, after the woman who University on Monday said she was attacked defended his decision to
allow two lacrosse players accused of sexual assault to resume taking classes, and he criticized the lead prose cutor in the case
Richard Brodhead also
called for a civil debate called for a civil debate
about race and class, issues that arose after the accuser in the case alleged in March that she had been raped at a lacrosse team party. All but
one of the players. one of the players on last
year's team was white. The accuser is black. Lacrosse players Collin Finnerty and Reade Seligmann had been barred from attending class during case was pending. A third
cher case was pending. A third
player, Dave Evans, graduated in May, the day before he was charged.
wavered on some key charged with sexual offense and kidnapping; they are not expected to go to trial before the spring. "Although the two stu-
dents still face serious charges, in the changed circumstances, it seems only right to strike the balance at different point. The fair hing is to allow the students ies," Brodhead wrote in a letter to students and faculty. Lawyers for Seligmann and Finnerty have said their clients have not decided whether to return. Brodhead has been critical
District Attorney Mike Nifong since the charges were dismissed, and he continued that criticism

## Houston Rockets come back against Chicago from halftime deficit

 McCoady was tred, tight
and couldnt
defender
shake
his defender. He was feeling
much beterer by the time the fourth quarter started.
"I knew I was going to take over," McGrady said.
McGrady scored 15 of his 31 points in the final period hitting the go-ahead jumper
to lift the Houston Rockets to lift the Houston Rocket
to an $84-77$ victory over the to an 84-77 victory over the
Chicago Bulls on Monday night. i. couldn't seem to get II couldn't seem to get
going, physically," McGrady said.
But once he found the But once he found
energy, he didn't stop. jumper with 1:19 left to break a $77-77$ tie. Houston's Shane Battier blocked a driv ing layup by Ben Gordon
with 25 seconds left. with 25 seconds left.
McGrady then hit one of two McGrady then hit one of two
free throws to make it a
three-point game and Chuck


Fund raising


For having raised the most money for their organization, the Pampa Takedown Club, two youngsters were rewarded for their efforts. Landin Leal (left) raised the most money and was rewarded with $\$ 50$. Hylee Gomez, who raised the second-most was rewarded with $\$ 25$. The fund raiser was organized in order to help everybody in the club be able to afford traveling expenses, competition fees,
Pampa Takedown Club is a non-profit local youth wrestling organization for younger children
game as he hobbled into the
locker room on crutches, his leg in a brace "We're a team that hangs in there," coach Jeff Van
Gundy said. "We've Gundy said. "We've been
without Yao or McGrady or both since (early December). It hasn't been a situation of woe is me. We've tried to fight and claw, play good
and find a way to win and find a w."
given night." given night."
Yao's presence wasn't enough to spark the Rockets early. They shot 1 -for-17 from 3-point range in the first half and trailed 40-30 at the break. Or, as McGrady put it, the Rocket
terrible basketball." terrible basketbal."
McGrady got going, an the Rockets wiped out the lead. They were ahead $54-51$ going into the fourth and used the long ball to make it a seven-point game in the
opening minutes
his first nine shots after failing to connect on his last 11 Minnesota overtime loss to Minnesota, started the quarer with a 3. McGrady added
two more as the lead reached two more as the lead reached finished. They scored eight straight and 11 of 13 to take a 69-67 ead with 6:25 left. Gordon scored seven during that
stretch. His jumper off the dribble put the Bulls ahead by one, and he hit a 3 -pointer after a basket by McGrady o make it 69-67 Chicago. McGrady said "In defense," McGrady said. "In the third quarter, we came out and the defensive end. We put a stop to their tough guys and made them take shots they idn't want to take. On the other end, we came down got ourselves back in the got oursel Rafer Alston, who missed ballgame.

## Los Angeles defeated by Oilers in overtime

| LOS ANGELES (AP) - | Smyth's assist on the winning goal gave him 10 points in seven games after missing |
| :---: | :---: |
| Less than a minute into the game, Edmonton's Jan |  |
| Hejda was knocked over the |  |
| and into the Lo |  |
| Angeles Kings' bench by fel- | Pushkarev, the |
| rookie Konstanti |  |
| Pushkarev. He got | he bumped |
| ay poss | en he bumped ro |
| Hejda scored his | the puck in the left corner. |
| NHL goal with 3:46 left in overtime, giving the Oilers a | Pushkarev then backtr toward the Oilers' blue |
| 2-1 victory Monday night. | got a pass from Lubon |
| What made it even sweeter was that Pushkarev's first | Visnovsky and took a long |
|  | wrist shot that beat Roloson |
| NHL goal had tied the score | through a screen. |
| with 14:11 left in regulation. "This is my first NHL | We were doing a good |
|  | job cycling in the corner and |
| goal, and for me a great | shootin |
| moment because it was the winning goal for the team which is most important," | hor |
|  | ing can |
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| Hejda said. "Ryan made a great pass and it was not | Stoll opened the scoring at |
|  | - |
|  | h his 12th |
|  | er from the top of the left |
| Jarret Stoll had a power- | circle that beat |
| play goal and Dwayne Roloson made 34 saves for | Garon high to |
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| Oilers in the only | erving a hooking penalty. |
|  |  | the Oilers in the only game

on the NHL schedule.

serving a hooking penalty.

Irsay ready to face the heat when Colts return to Baltimore

INDIANAPOLIS $($ AP $)-\mathrm{Jim}$
Irsay has almost Irsay has almost ever
NFL owner could want. The Indianapolis Colts' All-Pro quarterback is still in his prime, two receivers are headed to the Pro Bowl and there's a budding star at running back. They've reached the playoffs seven times in eight years. bright: There's a new stadium under construction and an expanding season-ticket list.
But Irsay has one other wish-
that 23 years after the Colts' bitter that 23 years after the Colts' bitter move from Baltimore to Indy, some of the hard fe
would finally heal.
"We're talking about a long time the team complex under the
ago, really a quarter-century ago," of darkness in March 1984 . ago, really a quarter-century ago,"
Irsay told The Associated Press on Irsay told The Associated Press on
Monday. "That was another time, another place and another era." Some Baltimore Colts fans may never forgive the Irsay family. And now they'll get another chance to vent their frustration with the Colts
coming back to Baltimo coming back to Baltimore to play
the Ravens in a divisional playoff game Saturday.
The Irsay name has been hated and cursed for more than two decades by Baltimore fans.
They're still angry at the images of the infamous "midnight move,"
Mayflower vans pulling away from

At the time, Jim Irsay, was a 20 something recent college graduate in the Colts front office who had
little influence on his father, the little influence on his father, the
team owner. Irsay called his dad his "own man," and acknowledged he only learned of the impending move
town.
Irsay explains his late father did't think the Colts could be competitive with an outdated stadium, and when the city refused to build a new one it threatened to keep the Colts by using eminent domain,

## f ownership

From Jim Irsay's perspective, if the city or state made any effort to his father would have kept the team in Baltimore. Instead, Robert Irsay wouldn't risk losing his team. I know he didn't want to move, but the business model was crum-
bling and his attorneys felt with the bling and his attorneys felt with the
eminent domain threat, the city was going to move on the team," Jim Irsay said. "That's why there was a sudden move - there was so much fear on both sides."
The secondary role Irsay played in the ticket office and accounting
to the fans of today. After all, he's
still an Irsay still an Irsay.
The 47-year-old owner, who inherited the team from his late weekend's reception will be more pleasant than his first trip back home in 1998. On that trip, Irsay emembers seeing a T-shirt with a avens fan urinating on his father's grave.
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Indianapolis returned to 39-27 before finally winning lost t Baltimore finally winning 24-7 pener. Saturday will ine season first playoff game in Baltimore first playoff game in Baltimore
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Chavez to nationalize Venezuela's power, phone industries

CARACAS, Venezuela powers to legislate by presiembarked on another six years under Hugo Chavez, the president announced plans to nationalize power make other bold changes that will concentrate more power in his hands.
Chavez, who will be sworn in Wednesday to a
third term that rus then 2013 , also said he wanted a 2013, also said he wanted a strip the Central Bank of its autonomy and would soon ask the National Assembly, solidly controlled by his
powers to legis dential decree.
"We're moving toward a
recpublic of
Vocist
Venezuela, and that requires
a deep reform of our nation-
al constitution," Chavez said
in a televised address after
swearing in his new Cabinet.
"We're heading toward
socialism, and nothing and
no one can prevent it."
The changes are in keep-
ing with pledges he made
after his re-election last
month to take a more radical
turn toward socialism. His
critics have voiced concern
that he would use his sweep-
ing victory to tighten his grip
'The nation should recover its ownership of strategic sectors. All of that which was privatized, let it be nationalized.'

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- Hesident of Venezuela
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on power, following in the Chavez ally, moved to
footsteps of Fidel Costr Cubtsteps of Fidel Castro.
Cuba, one of Chavez's $\begin{aligned} & \text { nationalize key sectors } \\ & \text { taking office last year. }\end{aligned}$ closest allies in the region, nationalized major industries shortly after Castro came to shortly after Castro came to
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ing laws, setting up stateing laws, setting up state-
funded cooperatives and starting a land reform program that has turned over large swaths of ranch lands to poor farmers. Chavez
calls it his Bolivarian Revolution, named after South American independence hero Simon Bolivar. "The eight-year transition
entering a new era - the Simon Bolivar national plan, Bolivarian socialism,"
Chavez told his audience of cheering supporters. The nationalization appeared likely to affect owned by Arlington, Wirginia-based AES Corp., and C.A. Nacional Telefonos de Venezuela, known as
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Chavez said lucrative oil Chavez said lucrative oil
projects in the Orinoco River basin involving foreign oil
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## targets in southern Somalia

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The aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower arrived off Somalia's coast
and launched intelligenceand launched intelligence-
gathering missions over
Somalia, the military said. Somalia, the military said
Three other U.S. warships are conducting anti-terror operations off the Somali
coast. coast.
U.S. warships have been
seeking to capture al-Qaida
members thought to be flee ing Somalia after Ethiopia
invaded Dec. 24 in support
of the government and drove
the Islamic militia out of the
capital and toward the
Kenyan border.
used heavily against the The in Afghanistan. The airstrike occurred
Monday evening after the suspects were seen hiding on remote island on the southhe Keny Somalia, close to officials sen border, Somali officials said. The island and
hit. 155 miles north were The main target was Fazul Abdullah Mohammed, who
allegedly planned the 1998 attacks on the U.S. embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, hat killed 225 people. planning the car bombing of a beach resort in Kenya and the near simultaneous attempt to shoot down an sraeli airliner in 2002. Ten Kenyans and three Israelis hotel, 12 miles north of Mombasa. The missiles missed the airliner.
Fazul, 32, joined al-Qaida there with Osama bin Laden, according to the transcript of an FBI interrogation of a Known associate. He came to married a local became a citizen and started teaching at a religious school near Lamu, just 60 miles south of Ras Kamboni, Somalia, where one of the airstrikes took place
U.S. sub, Japanese ship collide in Straits of Hormuz DUBAI, United Arab No one was hurt in the rine and the supertanker was
Emirates (AP) - A U.S. accident that happened light and there was no result-nuclear-powered submarine Monday night in the 34 -mile ing spill of oil or leakage of collided with a Japanese oil wide straits, which are bor- nuclear fuel, officials from
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