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Contractor to be hired for high school renovation

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

High School renovation was the Pampa Independent School District's board of trustees' leading topic for a special meeting this week.

The board approved a proposal by Jay Edwards with the architectural firm of Parkhill, Smith and Cooper to hire a general contractor as construction manager to oversee the actual renovation of Pampa High School. Edwards said his firm would have weekly meetings with the contractor and school district. He said the architectural firm would make

sure the construction manager/general contractor would complete the project the firm designed.

"We're the watchdog for the district," Edwards said.

The board also approved a draft contract for the construction manager/general contractor.

PISD Supt. Barry Haenisch said the district's lawyer reported the contract being drawn up for Parkhill, Smith and Cooper would not be ready until next week. The board authorized Lance DeFever, school board president, to sign the contract for the district once the contract was

agreed upon by the district's legal counsel and the architectural firm.

The school board passed the \$1.1 million budget amendment to pay for roofing on one of the elementary schools, replacing the track at Harvester Stadium, adding security at one elementary school, replacing heating and air conditioning units for Travis Elementary School and building a security fence at Pampa Junior High School.

Carol Fields, executive director of business services, said the district had only one bid on the fencing at the junior high and that was \$37,500.

Fields estimated the district could install a 10-foot high chain link fence and two doors at each end of the breezeway at the junior high school for about \$20,000.

Haenisch recommended denying the bid and doing the work within the district.

Fields told the school board during their meeting Thursday evening that the district had more funds than had been budgeted over the last two years and the budget amendment would transfer some of those funds

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United Way's annual meeting set Tuesday

Pampa United Way Inc.'s, annual meeting will be at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the large meeting room of the Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The final total of the 2006 campaign will be announced.

New board members and executive committee members will be announced, and the 2006 annual meeting minutes will be approved.

Refreshments will be served.

Spaghetti supper nears

Pampa band boosters are preparing for their annual spaghetti supper fund-raiser from 5 to 8 p.m. Feb. 2 in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for those under 10, and are available from band members or at Home Sporting Goods.

Home on the range



Photo by MARK BAKER

This herd of antelope foraged for food Thursday morning along the Borger highway.

Beware of 'phishers' who want your information

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Junk mail can be annoying, but the 21st-century version can also lead to identity theft, unwanted pornography and computer viruses.

Spam is unsolicited, undesired bulk messages which can be sent via computer e-mail or pop-ups, mobile phone text messaging, and fax machines.

The goal of many spam messages is to trick the recipient into disclosing sensitive personal information which results in identity theft. This type of spamming is called phishing.

Some local residents have recently received e-mails from someone representing themselves as Bank of America, according to County Treasurer Scott Hahn and others at the Jan. 15 meeting of Gray County commissioners. Hahn and County Judge Richard Peet were among those who received the e-mail, on their office computers; others have received the messages on their home computers. The e-mail, which appears to be a legitimate communication from the local bank, asks the recipient to confirm identifying information for their account at the bank.

"Bank of America wouldn't ask you to

verify your bank account information and Social Security number online," said Lanya Blodgett, banking center manager and vice president at the financial institution's Pampa bank.

"We have people come in and say they gave out their Social Security number. That happens on a daily basis," Blodgett said. "We close their accounts for them. We have a fraud account."

"No bank is going to ask you for that type of information over the Internet," said Gladys Vanderpool, first vice president of National Bank of Commerce. "They also will not call. Do not give any personal information over the Internet or by phone."

Spammers who harvest personal identifying information by phishing can then use the information to pose as the victim and run up bills or commit crimes in that person's name.

"We're seeing a big increase in identity theft, forgery, and credit card abuse," said Assistant Chief Dennis Burton of Pampa Police Department. These types of crimes can be committed with information gained from successful phishing.

"We have seen an increase in identity

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How to protect yourself

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

• Never reply to e-mails or pop-ups requesting personal information. Legitimate businesses do not send e-mails requesting personal information.

• Do not follow links listed in e-mails to enter personal information. Open another browser window and type the correct Web site address of the company. Links in e-mail can be deceptive and might point you to a site other than the one listed.

• Call the organization using a phone number you know is legitimate.

• Do not send personal information in e-mail or through instant messages. E-mail and instant messages are not secure and can be intercepted and read by unintended recipients.

• Review credit card and bank statements closely every month and report discrepancies.

• Install security and scanning software onto your computer to protect it from hacking.

• Do not use your name, date of birth, address, or any other personal information for passwords. It is suggested that for any password, you should not use a word that is found in the dictionary, as there are hacking programs that will attempt every word in the dictionary.

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Partly cloudy Mostly cloudy Partly cloudy

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 36. Wind chill values between 12 and 22. North wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 21. Wind chill values between 10 and 15. North-northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 36. North-northwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 23. Northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Monday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 42. North-northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 23. North-northwest wind around 5 mph.

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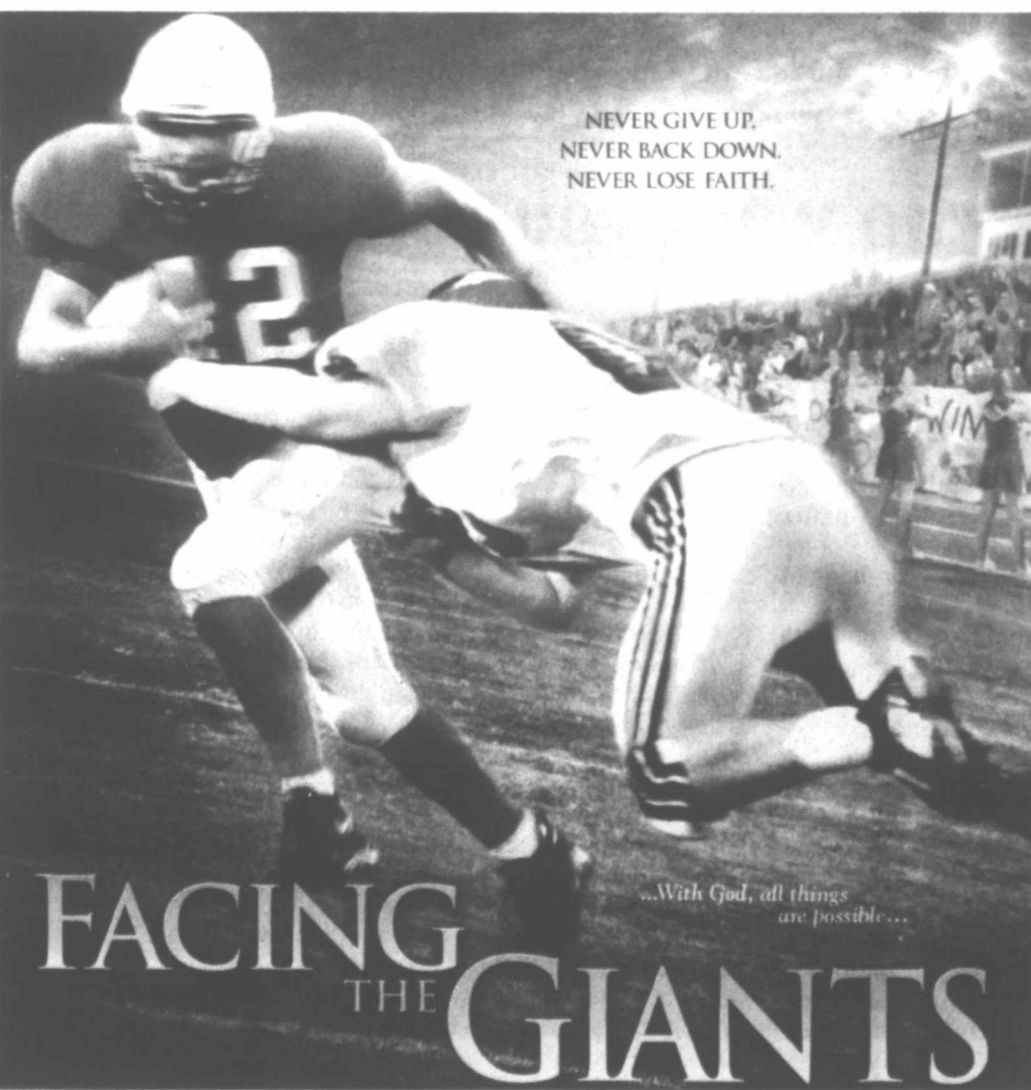
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Obituaries

Services tomorrow

MULLEN, Charlie Lloyd — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
WILBON, Ronnie — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.
WILLIAMS, Hattie Mae — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Lucille Grace Hall, 91

Lucille Grace Hall, 91, of Pampa, died Jan. 25, 2007, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Born Feb. 21, 1915, at Henrietta, Texas, Mrs. Hall had been a Pampa resident since April 1970.

She married Homer Lee Hawkins in 1931; he died Jan. 6, 1972. She later married Leo Franklin Hall on

Feb. 28, 1977, at Pampa.

She was an attendant for the Combs-Worley Building for 16 years, and also worked at Furr's Cafeteria. She was a member of the Top 'O' Texas Rodeo Association for several years and belonged to First Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Mrs. Hall was preceded in death by her parents, 3 sisters and 4 brothers.

Survivors include her husband, Leo Hall, of the home; a daughter, Lola Laury of Henrietta; three sons, Joe Hawkins of Riverside, Calif., Bradley Hawkins of Ontario, Calif., and Lon Hawkins of Pinetop, Ariz.; a stepdaughter, Joyce Pulse of Ft. Worth; a stepson, Irvin Hall of Pampa; six grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive

friends from 5-7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

MEMORIALS: BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas 79065, or the First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, Pampa, Texas 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Charlie Lloyd Mullen, 66

Funeral Directors.

Mr. Mullen was born April 7, 1940, at Roscoe and married Joyce Helbert on Sept. 4, 1960, at Skellytown. A longtime Pampa resident, he retired from Texas State Highway Department and was a veteran of Texas



Mullen

National Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Mullen, of the home; four sons, Charlie Mullen of Lefors, Floyd Mullen, Jerry Mullen, both of Pampa, and David Mullen of Odessa; two daughters, Linda and

Laura Mize of Lawton, Okla.; two sisters, Lela Jones of Sweetwater and Mary Emberlin of Wichita Falls; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79105.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Ronnie Wilbon, 55

Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Wilbon was born Sept. 24, 1951, at Amarillo and had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School in 1970.

He worked for Highland General Hospital for a number of years and was a welder for Texas Pipe and

Metal for several years.

Mr. Wilbon was a member of St. Mark CME Church and The Tree Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, L.C. and Vera Wilbon.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia Kelly of Plainview; a sister, Jo Ann King of Dallas; four broth-

ers, twin Donnie Wilbon, Herbert Wilbon, both of Pampa, Freddy Wilbon of Tulsa, Okla., and Billy Wilbon of Houston; and a granddaughter.

Memorials may be made to a church of your choice.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Emergency Services

Ronnie Wilbon, 55, of Pampa, died Jan. 22, 2007, at Pampa.

Graveside services are scheduled at 11 a.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with Pastor Charles King, of Dallas, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley

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

Wednesday, Jan. 24

Mark Stuart Covalt, 26, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a warrant for theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Gregory Alan Silver, 43, of Scottsdale, Ariz., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for driving while intoxicated.

Bobby L. Dorsey, 20, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, possession of a controlled substance, evading arrest/detention, and bond surrenders for possession of a controlled substance in a drug-free zone, two counts of evading arrest/detention with a vehicle, and possession of marijuana.

Kayla Michelle Likes, 17, of Pampa was arrested by PPD in the 2800 block of Charles for theft over \$50 and under \$500 and a capias pro fine for failure to attend school.

Heather Nichole Likes, 19, of Pampa was arrested in the 2800 block of Charles by PPD for theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Thursday, Jan. 25

Joshua Eugene Plaster, 27,

of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance.

Joshua Ray Taylor, 29, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a warrant for driving while license is suspended.

Charles Ernest Kane, 41, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a district court sentence for driving while intoxicated, third or more offense.

Anthony Dwain Baston, 17, of Pampa was arrested in the 400 block of Magnolia by Pampa Police Department for two capias pro fines.

Brian Doyle Reed, 21, of Amarillo was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for intoxicated assault with a vehicle causing serious bodily injury and driving while license is invalid.

Alfredo Campos Jr., 49, of Pampa was arrested by the Precinct 2 constable for 19 counts of issuing a bad check.

Christopher Charles Perez, 20, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana and a

warrant for assault causing bodily injury.

Sean Andrew Bauer, 19, of El Cajon, Calif., was arrested by GCSO on a probation violation for criminal mischief.

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Jan. 24

9:58 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of East Browning and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Faulkner and transported a patient to PRMC.

1:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to BSA.

4:49 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to North West Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

10:11 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of North Sumner and transported a patient to PRMC.

Thursday, Jan. 25

1:10 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to N.W.T.H.

Stocks

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

Wheat	4.29
Milo	6.48
Corn	7.29
Soybeans	5.94

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

OXY	45.70	+0.30
BP PLC ADR	63.84	+0.19
Cabot Corp	43.59	+0.20
Celanese	25.28	-0.46
Cabot Oil Gas	62.32	+1.01
Coca Cola	47.88	-0.06
VLO	52.81	+0.67
HAL	29.73	-0.01
TRI	41.65	-0.65
KMI	106.53	-0.02
XCEL	23.05	-0.17
Anadarko	42.29	+0.36
XOM	74.11	+0.59
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Williams	26.70	+0.11
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crimes over the last 20 months," said Assistant 31st District Attorney Franklin McDonough. "It seems to be getting worse."

It can take years to get the results of identity theft straightened out, McDonough said, and can destroy the victim's credit rating.

"It can cause legal problems, because a lot of people find out about identity theft when the thief overdraws their account or buys things in their name with bogus checks signed with their name," McDonough said. "Many find out about the theft when they're about to be brought before a county or district attorney for bogus checks, theft, forgery, or any number of charges."

McDonough echoed local bank officers' advice to not give out any information on the phone or via e-mail.

"If you're called on the phone, hang up and call back on a number you know is for the company that called," he said.

McDonough warned against responding to calls purporting to be from a court of law.

"If you get a call from court, do not give out any information, and call the court," he said. "The caller would say the person was being fined for missing jury duty and ask for their Social Security number to verify it."

Courts would never ask for such information over the telephone, McDonough said.

Another type of identity theft to begin watching out

for is that perpetrated against children.

"We haven't seen it here, but a number of cases have popped up in other areas of the county," McDonough said. "People need to be sure to protect their children's identifying information."

Statistics from the district attorney's office, however, do not indicate an increase in crimes which could be linked to identity theft.

Evelyn Rutherford, a paralegal in the DA's office, said that in 2005, two credit card abuse cases were filed, four fraudulent use or possession of identifying information, and six forgery involving checks. In 2006, there were four forgery cases filed, two fraudulent use or possession cases, and no credit card abuse cases, she said.

"Maybe we're getting the message out not to respond to these requests," Rutherford said.

Daniel Silva of Vision Computer Services spoke to Gray County commissioners at their Jan. 5 meeting concerning the growing problem of spam e-mails in county employee's computer mailboxes at the courthouse. Silva's company is under contract to the county to provide computer services for county computers.

"I did a survey of county employees. A few didn't have a problem with spam; they didn't really use their e-mail," Silva said. "Those who use their e-mail on a regular basis have significant amounts of spam, some over 300 per day. The average is 50 spam messages a day."

Five seconds is wasted per spam message to purge such e-mails from each mailbox, Silva said.

"There are 77 county employees with e-mail. Over a year, that translates into 81 days of lost productivity," he said. "And it's not going to get better, it's only going to get worse."

Commissioners put the topic on the agenda for their Jan. 15 meeting, and on that date approved having Silva's company to filter spam from county e-mails.

In addition to e-mail, text messages and faxes, some phishers set up phony Web sites to trick their victims into providing personal information such as passwords and credit card, Social Security, and bank account numbers, Silva said in a later interview. The spam sent by phishers appears to be from a legitimate business or organization.

"Some examples of businesses that are targeted in phishing schemes are banks, corporations, and online merchants," Silva said. "By spamming large groups of people, the phisher counts on the e-mail being read by a percentage of people who will take the bait and surrender the information requested."

Bank of America has an e-mail address for reports of spamming or phishing involving their name. Blodgett said that any fraudulent e-mails can be reported to the bank at abuse@bankofamerica.com.

A Web site to combat phishing can be found at www.antiphishing.org. Phishing may also be reported to reportphishing@antiphishing.org, the Securities and Exchange Commission at enforcement@sec.gov, and to the Federal Trade Commission at uce@ftc.gov.

Schools

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to pay for work on facilities not covered by the bond issue passed last year.

Fields also reported that revenues and expenditures were tracking last year. She said she was still gathering information on investing the money to be raised on the bond issue.

She said the district had spent about 41 percent of the budgeted expenditures not including accrued wages, which would bring the amount to about 50 percent of the budget.

Use of the high school in the evenings and on weekends by various groups had added overtime for the custodial staff, but that money was to be reimbursed by the people using the high school.

Fields said she expected about 87 percent of the budgeted revenues to be in

by the end of January.

The board approved a bid by Daktronics of \$16,847 for a baseball scoreboard. The district will be reimbursed by Culberson Stowers, who is donating the sign.

They also approved a change in the local purchasing policy.

Under the old policy, the school board had to give prior approval of expenditures over \$10,000 per fiscal year. That cap was based on state law 15 years ago. The state has since raised that cap to \$25,000.

Fields explained that because of rising costs, many other school districts in the state had also raised the limit to \$25,000 to reflect the move by the state. She said food service and utility costs already exceed the \$10,000 limit.

The board discussed the demolition of the woodshop at Pampa High School, but no action was taken after Haenisch said

that for now the district planned to use the building as a temporary library as renovations started on the high school.

They also discussed renting or purchasing four to six portable buildings for use as science labs and classrooms for the art department and yearbook during the high school renovation. The portable buildings would likely be placed in front of and at the east end of the high school. Mike Baker with Parkhill, Cooper and Smith said he expected the renovation of the school to take about 24 months.

The school board denied a request to lease office space for district use so long as office space was available at district facilities.

The board also concluded the superintendent's evaluation during an executive session.

Nugent denies remarks at ball

WACO, Texas (AP) — Rocker Ted Nugent is denying that he said anything about non-English speakers while performing at Gov. Rick Perry's inaugural ball last week.

In a guest column in Thursday's Waco Tribune-Herald, Nugent said allegations that he shouted the offensive remarks — reports made by some who attended the Jan. 16 ball — were "pure, unadulterated lies."

"In total defiance to the vicious lies and hateful allegations of 'racism' leveled at me by irresponsible, unprofessional and downright goofy media punks, I never said a word about immigration or language, specifically not the alleged slam against 'illegal immigrants' or 'non-English-speaking' anyone," Nugent wrote.

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Keep close track of dates on mail-in rebates ...

Thrifty consumers know the benefits of clipping coupons and redeeming instant cash rebates at the checkout counter. Manufacturers and retailers often draw in shoppers by offering these immediate discounts at the time of purchase.

But many rebates are of the mail-in variety, which can cause some confusion. The consumer is required to pay the full price of the item at the time of purchase, and then send proper documentation to the manufacturer or retailer in order to receive a full or partial reimbursement by mail.

Typically, consumers

must provide copies of the rebate slip, the sales receipt, the service agreement or invoice, the UPC code, and the customer's name, address and telephone number. The paperwork usually has to be postmarked no later than 30 days from the date of purchase. Consumers generally receive their rebates up to 12 weeks later. The rebate check itself may have an expiration date and need to be cashed by a specific date.

Our office encourages consumers who are trying to claim mail-in rebates to keep good records of the purchase. Follow the instructions on the rebate form

carefully and submit all required documentation timely when filing for a rebate. Keep a copy of what you send the manufacturer or retailer so that you have a record of the transaction in case problems arise.

The Federal Trade Commission advises that, by law, companies are required to send rebates within the time frame promised, or if no time is specified, within a "reasonable" time frame. "Reasonable" often is interpreted as within 30 days.

Greg Abbott

Attorney General of Texas



If you don't receive your rebate check as promised or within a reasonable time frame, contact the company first. Look for an address to write to or a phone number to call. Most manufacturers and retailers will make a good faith effort to try and resolve disputes with their customers. Many times, a lack of notice to a customer that a rebate check will be late is the result of poor customer service, rather than a violation of the law.

If you're dissatisfied with

the way the matter is handled, however, or the rebate check never arrives or is late, you may file a complaint with my office online at www.oag.state.tx.us or by phone at 1 (800) 252-8011. You may also file a complaint with the Better Business Bureau and the Federal Trade Commission.

Consumers often ask about missing out on a rebate check. Patience is the key to mail-in rebates. Read the fine print of the rebate agreement and familiarize yourself with the expiration dates of the offer so that you can claim the promised discount.

POINTS TO REMEMBER

•Keep close track of the date of purchase, the expiration date of the rebate offer, and the expiration date on the rebate check.

•Submit required paperwork in a timely fashion.

•Keep copies of the transaction for your own records.

If your rebate never arrives or arrives late, file a complaint with the Attorney General's office online at www.oag.state.tx.us or by phone at 1 (800) 252-8011.

If you suspect the business may have broken the law, file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission online at www.ftc.gov or by phone toll-free at 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357).

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 26, the 26th day of 2007. There are 339 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 26, 1788, the first European settlers in Australia, led by Capt. Arthur Phillip, landed in present-day Sydney.

On this date:

In 1837, Michigan became the 26th state.

In 1841, Britain formally occupied Hong Kong, which the Chinese had ceded to the British.

In 1861, Louisiana seceded from the Union.

In 1870, Virginia rejoined the Union.

In 1907, Congress passed the Tillman Act, which prohibited corporations from making direct campaign contributions to federal election candidates.

In 1911, the Richard Strauss opera "Der Rosenkavalier" premiered in Dresden, Germany.

In 1942, the first American expeditionary force to go to Europe during World War II went ashore in Northern Ireland.

In 1950, India officially proclaimed itself a republic as Rajendra Prasad took the oath of office as president.

In 1962, the United States launched Ranger 3 to land scientific instruments on the moon — but the probe missed its target by some 22,000 miles.

In 1979, former Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller died in New York at age 70.

Ten years ago: The Green Bay Packers beat the New England Patriots 35-21 to win their first Super Bowl in 29 years.

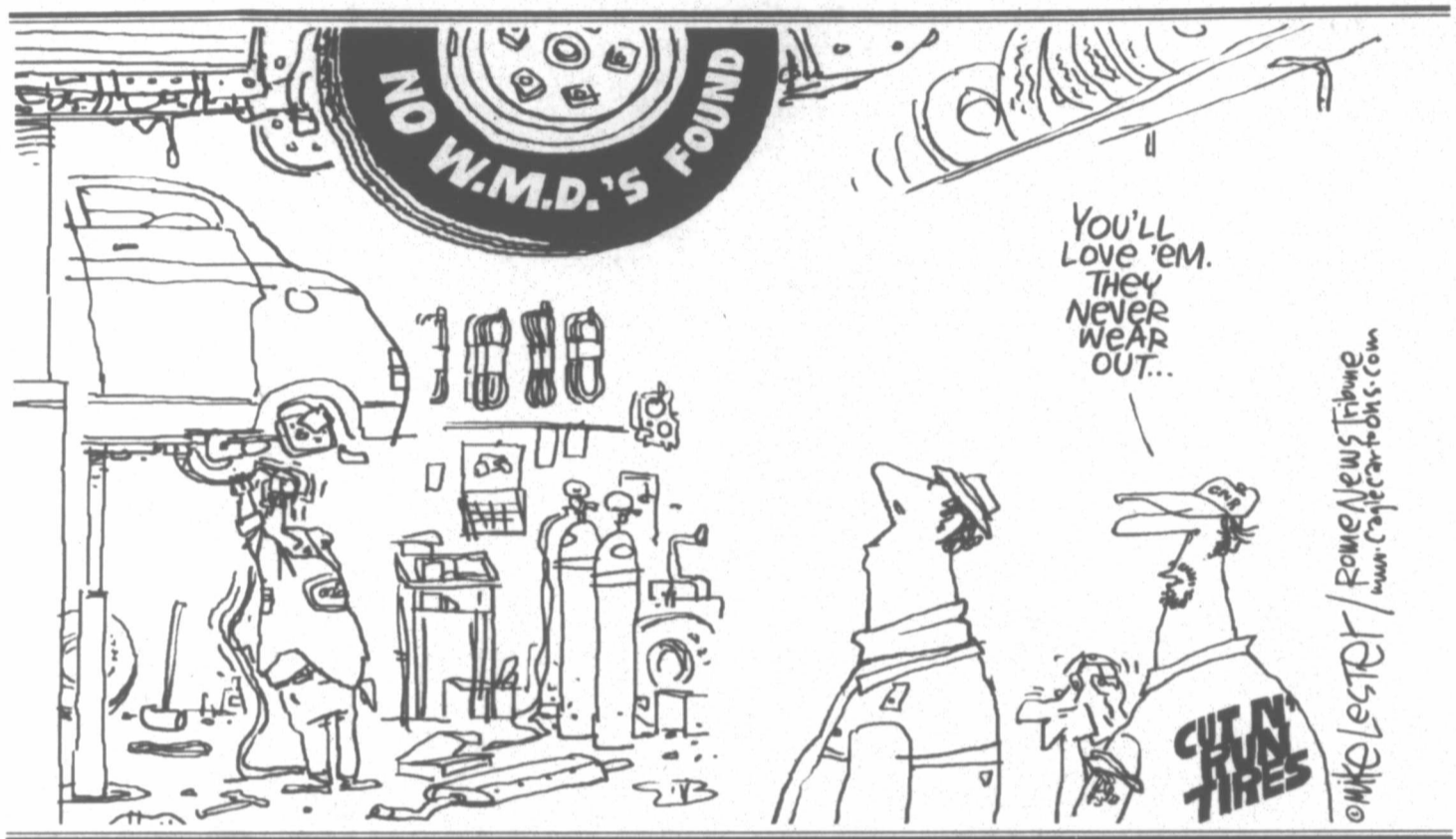
Five years ago: In a preview of his State of the Union address, President Bush pledged in his Saturday radio address to "work to create jobs and renew the strength of our economy." Jennifer Capriati produced the greatest comeback in a Grand Slam final to overcome Martina Hingis and defend her Australian Open title, 4-6, 7-6 (7), 6-2.

One year ago: Saudi Arabia recalled its ambassador from Denmark to protest caricatures of the prophet Muhammad published in a Danish newspaper. (Protests spread across the Muslim world for weeks, and dozens of people were killed.) Confronted by Oprah Winfrey on her syndicated talk show, author James Frey acknowledged lies in his addiction memoir "A Million Little Pieces."

Today's Birthdays: Actor Charles Lane is 102. Actress Anne Jeffreys is 84. Actor Paul Newman is 82. Actress Joan Leslie is 82. Cartoonist Jules Feiffer is 78. Sportscaster-actor Bob Uecker is 72. Actor Scott Glenn is 68. Singer Jean Knight is 64. Activist Angela Davis is 63. Rock musician Corky Laing (Mountain) is 59. Actor David Strathairn is 58. Singer Lucinda Williams is 54. Rock singer-musician Eddie Van Halen is 52.

'My experience of the world is that things left to themselves don't get right.'

— T.H. Huxley
English biologist and author (1825-1895)



Robert E. Lee was almost a perfect man

Within the long arms of the Rio Grande, the Potomac and the Ohio, and in scattered gatherings beyond the great rivers, Southerners in January lifted a glass of buttermilk to toast the birthdays of two of the greatest Americans who ever lived.

Robert E. Lee was born on Jan. 19, and Thomas J. Jackson was born on Jan. 21. Stonewall Jackson's fame lay on the battlefield where he died. Lee's fame was of a broader nature. If ever a human being approached perfection, it was Lee.

Appointed to West Point, he finished second in his class (Sen. John McCain finished in the bottom five at Annapolis). Lee never received a single demerit during his four-year stay at the Point. So far as I know, it is a record that still stands.

He and Jackson both distinguished themselves during the Mexican War. Jackson became a teacher at Virginia Military Institute. Lee was appointed superintendent of West Point and afterward served with the 2nd Cavalry on the Texas

frontier.

Home on leave, he was asked to lead the troops against John Brown and his renegades. So well thought of was he that when the secession crisis arose, Lee was the first choice to lead the Union army. Now think about this. Here is a man who chose the profession of arms as his life's work. He did not approve of secession, and he thought slavery was a moral evil. Here he was offered the apex of a professional soldier's ambitions.

Yet, after much anguished thought, he turned it down and resigned his commission in the U.S. Army. He could not take up arms against family, friends and his home state.

In a letter to his sister, Lee wrote: "With all my devotion to the Union, and the feeling of loyalty and duty of an American citizen, I have not been able to make up my

mind to raise my hand against my relatives, my children, my home. I have, therefore, resigned my commission in the Army."

Gen. James Longstreet summed up what was unique about Lee. "As a soldier, his men respected him," Longstreet said, "but as a man, they loved him." This was illustrated time and again on the battlefield. Southerners expected to be led from the front, but they made an exception in Lee's case. On several occasions when he rode to the front, enlisted men blocked his way and set up a chant: "Lee to the rear! Lee to the rear!" I don't think before or since have enlisted men loved a general, but Lee they loved.

That's because they knew Lee cared for them. He never spilled their blood to win glory for himself. He never claimed credit for victory

nor avoided responsibility for defeat. Luxuries sent to him by family and friends went to the wounded. He lived in a tent or slept on the ground. Most days he was on horseback.

After the war, Lee was more famous in defeat than Grant was in victory. Lucrative offers poured in, and Lee turned them all down. He refused to profit from the sacrifice of so many men on both sides. That, of course, is in stark contrast to today's generals, who grab book contracts, speaking fees and corporate directorships all based on a mediocre career and a good public-relations agent.

The best book to read about Lee is "Recollections and Letters of Gen. Robert E. Lee," by his son, Capt. Robert Lee. That would be a good book to give to any young man still in school. The advice Lee gives his children in various letters is needed more now than ever.

—Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.

Charley Reese
Columnist



Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ **Jan. 12**
Austin American-Statesman on will America start living within its means?

One of the messages that voters sent Washington on Nov. 7 is their desire to have Congress practice the kind of fiscal responsibility most Americans exercise at home.

Living within a budget requires hard choices — buying a new car or putting money in a college investment fund for the kids; staying in your home or getting a second job to upgrade to a larger home.

Some people living on lower incomes make harder choices: between food or medicine, for instance.

For too long, the Republican-controlled Congress ignored that kind of fiscal common sense. The conse-

quences are seen in a \$248 billion deficit for fiscal 2006. To make matters worse, Congress has engaged in wasteful spending on pork and run up the national debt to nearly \$9 trillion.

To bring spending under control, the House Democratic leadership recently enacted a "pay-as-you-go" budgeting rule. We welcome that provision, and others that restore accountability to the budget. We welcome, too, a rule requiring that lawmakers disclose the sponsors of earmarks, those last-minute special favors inserted anonymously into spending bills that cost taxpayers billions of dollars.

Under the pay-as-you-go provision, the House will be required to pay for tax cuts or spending increases on the most costly federal programs by raising taxes or cutting spending elsewhere in the budget. We're glad Democrats revived the rule that was abandoned about six years ago.

For Republicans, pay-as-you-go makes it more difficult to extend President Bush's tax cuts. Similarly, it makes it harder to repeal the Alternative Minimum Tax, which Democrats want scaled back.

U.S. Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, said Congress can reform the alternative minimum tax under pay-as-you-go by making hard choices elsewhere. We hope he is right. Middle-class families will be burdened with additional taxes if Congress doesn't address the alternative minimum tax.

Republican members of the Central Texas congressional delegation don't share Doggett's enthusiasm. They believe that Democrats will be more inclined to raise taxes to finance their priorities rather than cut spending. If that happens, it means Democrats didn't hear the voters. And they, like Republicans, would be turned out of office.

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Minister: C. W. Parker Jr.

Services: Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Bible Study;
10:30 a.m. — Morning Worship;
6 p.m. — Evening Worship;
Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. — Mid Week Service.

Activities: Bible Study and Fellowship for all
ages, Blended Worship.

Members: 35.

Denomination: Southern Baptist Convention.

How long here: Began November 2005.

Goals: Remodeling of recently purchased
facility. Making people feel at home.

Other activities: Participate in Pampa Crisis
Pregnancy Center, Celebration of Lights, local,
state and foreign missions, Youth activities.

Main goal: To proclaim the love and grace of
God through His Son Jesus Christ; to worship
Him in spirit and truth; and to empower God's
people to live lives of courage and integrity
through missions and ministry.

Church message: Harvest Fellowship desires
to reach people in Pampa with the love of Christ,
people who may not feel comfortable in the more
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Religion

Minister's Musing: The meanest teacher at PHS

I graduated 151 in a class of 327, so it would be safe to say that I wasn't exactly the brightest light bulb in the room. Some of that had to do with not having a top 10 brain, but more had to do with effort, or should I say the lack thereof? My parents tried hard to get me to try harder in school and to even "like" school. Both were futile efforts.

But we did have a rule at my house, and it was: "If you make anything below a B, you are totally grounded."

Now grounding at my house was the REAL THING — no cheap talk, just total grounding for the entire following grade period (six weeks). Of course, I only made less than a B when I just goofed around and therefore had no one to blame but me. That is until my senior year. That is when I met the meanest teacher at PHS.

His name was John English, and appropriately he taught senior English. I still remember him telling us that he couldn't help most of us be gifted writers, but that he could see to it that we could write our thoughts accurately, according to the rules of grammar and punctuation.

His approach was easy: Make any mistake in grammar or punctuation and you get an automatic "F." In fact, he didn't even read the rest of the paper. If he found a mistake in the first line, he marked the error, put a big F on the top and didn't read the rest. Would you like to guess what my first theme was on my first theme? Right, F. Second? Right, F. Third? Right, F.

Now by this time, I was looking at a serious six week grounding. I began to work harder than ever before, and by the end of the year I brought things up to the lowest B possible. I wasn't a gifted writer, but I could write accurately.

To compound the problem, I was a pain-in-the-neck the whole time. Mr. English probably should have just rung my neck and been done with it. But he didn't.

I graduated and went to WT. I enrolled in freshman English only because I had to. The first day of class we all told our name, where we were from and a little about ourselves. In

my class were two valedictorians, two salutatorians and several other honors students. I wasn't even in the top half of my freshman English class. Part of me wondered what in the world I was doing at college.

Then I got my first paper back. Expecting an F, I was shocked to see a big, red A. WOW! I couldn't believe it. It was the first time I had ever felt smart in English. When the final grades for the course were posted, no one was any prouder than I was: 4.0 = A.

I loaded up my belongings for a summer in Pampa, but on my way home I stopped by PHS. It was near the end of the school day. I stood in the hall outside Mr. English's classroom, an experience that I was all too familiar with. When all of the students had left, I stepped inside and said, "Hi, Mr. English."

I'm sure you can guess what kind of look was on his face. "Hummmmm, I sure didn't expect to see you, Mike."

Respectfully I told him, "Mr. English, I

just wanted you to know that I made an 'A' in my freshman English course and I owe it all to you. Sorry for being such a pain. And by the way, you were right. You always told us that if we could pass your senior English course, any freshman English college course would be a piece of cake. Thanks for all you did for me."

He was rigid, hard-lined, uncompromising, hard-headed and even a little mean. But I have thanked God for Mr. English countless times since then and once again I do the same in this article.

"Holy Father, thank you for teachers like Mr. English, who were willing to be hard on us. They cared enough to prepare us for life and we'll owe them as long as we breathe. So please bless each teacher who has taught or still teaches like Mr. English did. And Lord, bless Mr. English wherever he is."

When I wrote this article, I thought about hunting Mr. English up and sending him a copy. But then I thought about how "RED" it would be when it was returned fully corrected. I love ya' and God bless you, Mr. English.



Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian

MUSIC

Grammy Award winner coming to local church



Steve Archer

Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester, will present Steve Archer at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the church.

Born in Southern California and raised throughout the Golden State, this Grammy Award-winning recording artist grew up in a musical family. He and his brothers and sister formed "The Archers."

The group has been credited, a news release from the church said, with creating some of the earliest contemporary Christian music to arrive on the scene. The Archers toured extensively throughout the United States and abroad, performing for President and Mrs. Carter and making numerous television appearances.

Steve has now embarked on a solo career. His latest project is "Call It Grace."

Mother's Day Out



COURTESY PHOTO

The 4- and 5-year-old First Christian Church Mother's Day Out class of Linda Bodie recently enjoyed an excursion to McDonald's. Above: William, Jayden, Sdynee, Jarren, Stori, Timmy, Abby, Bailee, Braden, Sterling, Halie, Evan and Jesus.

Calvary Baptist to host 'Tune-Up' retreat

Troubled marriages need help. Good marriages can use guidance to stay on course. Both types of marriages may benefit from the Marriage "Tune-Up" Retreat at Calvary Baptist Church Feb. 2-3.

The retreat will be led by Sonny and Cindy Spurger of Dallas. The Spurgers have been leading marriage retreats for over 25 years.

The Friday evening session will be from 7-9 p.m. and the Saturday session will be from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday.

The cost is \$25 per couple, which includes all materials and meals.

Space is limited. Stop by the church office, 900 E. 23rd, to purchase tickets.

Judge supports Christian-only health program

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — A Christians-only health plan that serves nearly 20,000 churchgoers nationwide can continue operating in Kentucky, a judge has ruled.

Franklin County Circuit Judge Thomas D. Wingate ruled Jan. 18 that the Medi-Share program isn't insurance and therefore doesn't violate the state's insurance laws.

The Kentucky Office of Insurance had asked Wingate to ban the program because it is not subject to the same laws and regulations that govern conventional health insurance companies.

Richard Masters, a Louisville attorney representing Medi-Share, said the plan is

simply a cost-sharing program, not insurance.

Medi-Share, which is supported by contributions from participating churchgoers, is based on the biblical belief that Christians should take care of one another's needs.

The program excludes non-Christians because, organizers say, their lifestyles can result in unnecessary medical care. Participants in Medi-Share can't smoke, use illegal drugs or abuse alcohol. They're also not allowed to enroll if they have pre-existing conditions like heart disease, diabetes or cancer.

Briefs

Cornerstone Baptist Church of Pampa has started Team Kids for 2007 in a brand new building at 2410 W. 23rd. All children from kindergarten through fifth grade are encouraged to join the fun from 6:30-8 p.m. every Wednesday.

Transportation is available by calling the church office at 669-6509.

Sixth through 12th grades also have a class with Bible Study and activities.

For more information, call the Cornerstone at 669-6509.

"Will The Circle Be Unbroken?"
Many people consider this an Appalachian folk hymn, because it was popularized by the Carter Family, the founding family of country music. A.P. Carter, father of Johnny Cash's wife, June, wrote the bluegrass version between 1931 and 1939, and the Carter Family's version became so well known that he is sometimes credited with composing the song. It was actually written by a brilliant London Bible teacher named Ada Ruth Habershon, who wrote over two hundred hymns. She also wrote a number of books that are still in print which include "Study of the Miracles," "Study of the Parables," and "Study of the Tabernacle."
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My next-door neighbors are renovating their house to sell and have installed motion-sensor lights. Unfortunately, their floodlights shine on our deck and hot tub, and have destroyed our privacy. I have spoken to them about it several times, and they turned them off for a while. Now that they're getting ready to sell, they have turned them back on. Their property is only about 45 feet wide. One light that shines down the center of their property seems sufficient to me. Despite my having talked to them, they seem unconcerned. They say they need them to walk through their property at night, but they don't do it that often. I don't want to do anything that could escalate into something ugly. Other than politely asking them again to do something about the floods, what's my recourse? They have seen the lights shining on our property and acknowledged that they do shine on our deck and hot tub, but it doesn't seem important to them. I hope you can help. — **BLINDED BY THE LIGHT**

DEAR BLINDED: Write your neighbors a nice registered letter and ask them to reposition their sensor lights so that when they go on, they do not illuminate your property. If they ignore you, then consult an attorney. I seriously doubt their property will sell easily if there is the taint of forthcoming litigation.

DEAR ABBY: I have one child, a daughter. When I was divorced, "Maddie" was 17. I have been there for her in good times and bad. She now has three beautiful children. The problem is Maddie treats me like dirt. She yells at me constantly for stupid reasons, or because she's in a bad mood or maybe had a fight with her boyfriend. I have stopped loaning her money because all I get is empty promises to pay it back. When things don't go her way, Maddie

threatens me with "you won't see your grandkids." She wasn't raised this way, but she is one of the rudest people I know. I cry all the time. I can't sleep, and my nerves are shot. I just don't know how to deal with her anymore. By the way, my daughter is 25. Because she is my only child, I don't want to lose her or my grandkids. — **HEART-BROKEN MOTHER AND GRANDMA**

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: Your daughter may be 25, but she appears to have the maturity of a young teenager. It's time to realize that her abusive behavior is having an effect on your health. For your own sake, you must draw the line. Absence sometimes makes the heart grow fonder, so please step back and devote some time to healing yourself. Spend time with friends, devote some energy to activities that bring you pleasure. I promise, the next time your daughter needs something, you will hear from her, and she'll be reminding you how much your grandchildren "need" to see you, not threatening you with banishment.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 43-year-old woman with a lot of experience in my field of expertise. My problem is, my boss hired a student intern full time. I have been working here four years and, basically, run the store — opening up, etc. — but the student is making more money than I do. What would you do? Move on, or stay and feel unfairly treated? — **THE OLD SHOE**

DEAR OLD SHOE: I would certainly explore other employment opportunities. Money talks, and by paying you less than the intern, your boss has sent you a message. It appears your boss is taking you for granted. But before you leave, have a chat with the boss and give him or her the opportunity to offer you a raise and retain a trusted employee.

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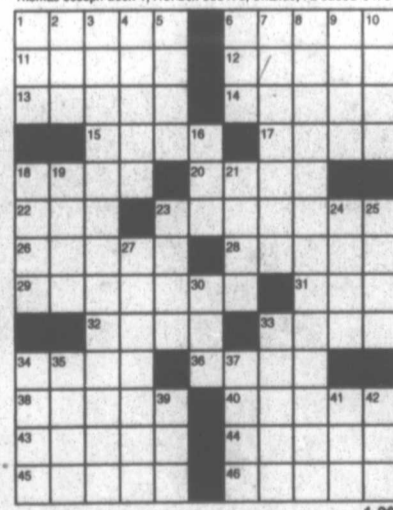
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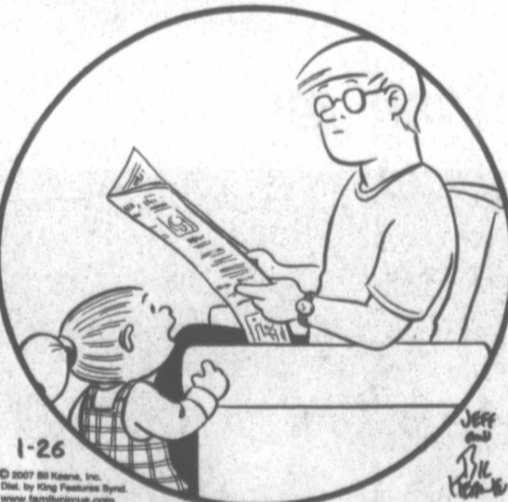


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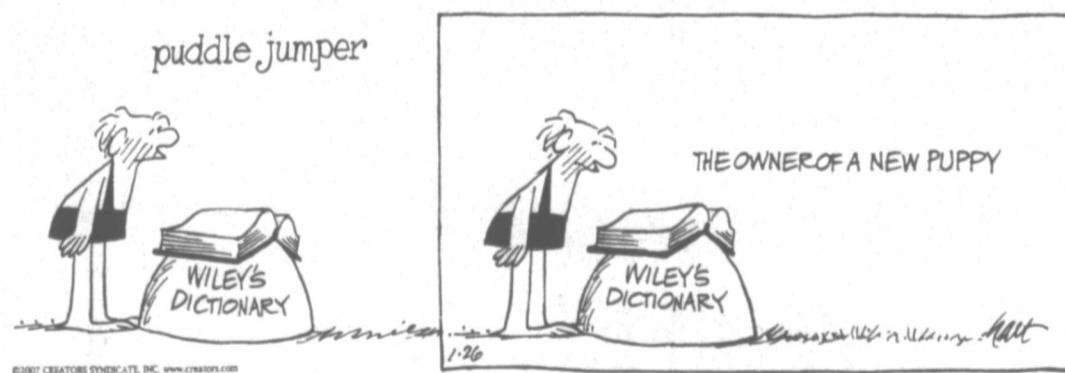


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By Bil Keane



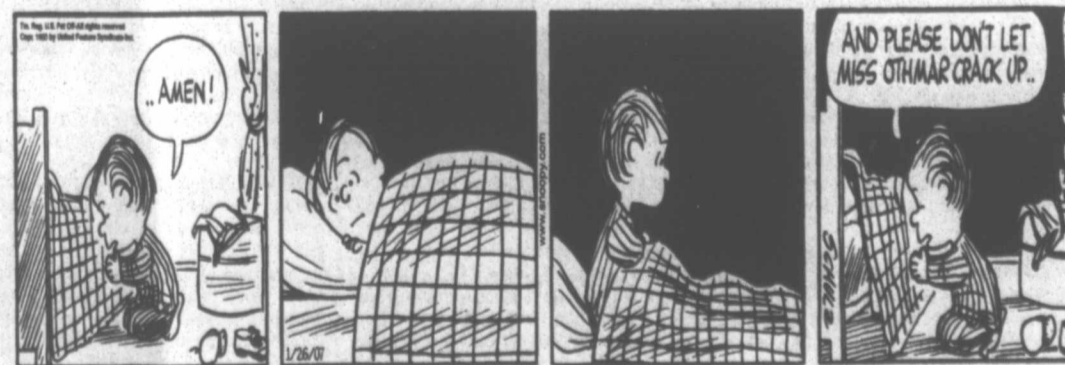
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Sports Day

Hustlin' Harvesters take on Caprock Longhorns tonight

By JORDAN REAGAN
Sports Editor

Tonight, the Pampa Harvesters take on Caprock at McNeely Field House in hopes of attaining their second victory this week.

Tuesday's victories over Dumas have given an element of confidence to both teams as they prepare for tonight's games.

"I think we have a pretty good chance of winning," senior Andrew Winton said.

Confidence isn't the only thing that the Harvesters have a good grasp on going into this game, as there are several high scorers on both teams that can be relied upon to bring in the points needed to win.

Britteni Rice contributed 26 points to the girls' win against Dumas on Tuesday, and Tyler Hall put 27 on the scoreboard.

The boys are now 1-3 for district, and the girls are 3-3. The players are also antici-

ipating a huge turnout of fans tonight for Pack the Pit, a Harvester Basketball promotion put together by the Pampa Basketball Booster Club.

Everyone is encouraged to attend both the girls and boys games to help cheer them on to a victory over Caprock.

More than \$1,000 in door prizes will be given away, and the first 300 Pampa fans to arrive will be given a rally towel, all to get as many fans together as possible for Pampa's second-to-last home game this season.

Top door prizes include an Apple iPod and an HP digital camera, but in order to be able to win these prizes, one must arrive prior to halftime of the girls game and be present when the names are drawn.

The varsity girls will go on first at 6 p.m., followed by the varsity boys at 7:30 p.m.



Senior Tyler Hall brings the ball in through the Demons during Tuesday night's game in Dumas. Hall contributed 27 points to Pampa's 68-54 victory over Dumas.

Chicago Bulls stop Mavs' eight game winning streak

CHICAGO (AP) — P.J. Brown's first priority was guarding Dirk Nowitzki. The key points Brown scored in the fourth quarter were a bonus for the Chicago Bulls.

Brown played his typically good defense and scored six points down the stretch to help Chicago snap the Dallas Mavericks' eight-game winning streak with a 96-85 victory Thursday night.

"Tonight things were rolling and the ball felt good, said Brown, who finished with 12 points." Sometimes you have to want to take the shot. I got in a nice little rhythm and after that I just kept shooting. It was just one

of those nights. "I didn't think we needed much from me on the offensive end. Most important was for me to stay with Dirk and not let him have a monster night."

Nowitzki had 28 points and 11 rebounds, but shot 7-for-22 from the field and the Mavericks lost for just the second time in 23 games.

Ben Gordon scored 30 points for Chicago and Luol Deng added 21.

After nearly blowing an early 17-point lead, the Bulls pulled away late in the fourth quarter.

Nowitzki's 3 closed Chicago's lead to 79-76 with

4:31 left. Brown followed with a basket and Kirk Hinrich added a 3, making it 84-76. Erick Dampier's dunk for Dallas cut the lead to 86-81, but Brown answered by going around Nowitzki for a basket and hitting a jumper to make it 90-81 with 1:16 left.

Hinrich added 15 points and eight rebounds and Ben Wallace had 17 rebounds for Chicago, who improved to 19-6 at home.

Jerry Stackhouse scored 16 points and Jason Terry added 12 points and six assists for Dallas.

"It's a disappointing loss

but sometimes a loss wakes everybody up again and we know we haven't arrived," Nowitzki said.

Josh Howard, Dallas' No. 2 scorer behind Nowitzki, also had poor shooting game. Entering the fourth quarter, Nowitzki was 4-for-16 and Howard was 1-for-15.

They finally got it going in the fourth.

Nowitzki went to the basket and scored and Howard followed with a jumper to make it 72-67. After Gordon hit a jumper, Howard converted a three-point play to close the gap to 74-70 with 6:24 left.

Nowitzki's jumper cut Chicago's lead to 53-48 early in the third quarter, but the Bulls responded with a 12-3 run. Brown had back-to-back baskets for the Bulls and Gordon followed with a jumper. Deng's steal and a dunk gave the Bulls a 65-51 lead with 2:28 left in the quarter.

Howard finished 4-for-20 and Dallas shot 31.2 percent, its worst of the season.

"I thought we didn't execute very well offensively. We had a lot of good looks that we normally make. It was just an all-around bad offensive night for us," Nowitzki said.

The Bulls jumped out to a 23-6 with Deng scoring eight points. Dallas was held to 13 points in the first quarter, its season-low for a quarter.

"One thing this team does really well is come out and really established ourselves early and kind of put teams back on their heels," Gordon said.

Nowitzki and Stackhouse kept Dallas in striking distance in the second quarter. Stackhouse came off the bench and scored 13 points on 5-of-8 shooting and Nowitzki scored 15 points. Nowitzki was just 3-of-10 from the floor, but made all nine free throw attempts.

Cowboys add Garrett, but not as head coach — yet

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys added Jason Garrett to their coaching staff Thursday night, and said he would remain a candidate to replace retired head coach Bill Parcells.

Garrett, the backup to Hall of Fame quarterback Troy Aikman for two Super Bowl titles in Dallas from 1993-99, was quarterbacks coach in Miami the last two seasons — his only coaching experience. Garrett also had been in line to become the Dolphins' offensive coordinator for new head coach Cam Cameron.

The Cowboys said Garrett's responsibilities and title won't be determined until the head coaching search is complete. The most likely scenario, however, is that Garrett will become the offensive coordinator if he's

not the head coach.

"The nature and timing of this hire is unique in that we were dealing with a limited window of time in which to talk to Jason about returning to Dallas," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said in a statement.

The Dolphins gave Dallas permission to talk to the 40-year-old Garrett, but also told the former quarterback that he had to decide by Thursday if he was going to sign a contract extension. That deadline passed with Garrett still in Texas.

"Jason is someone who is held in high regard as a bright offensive mind throughout the NFL," Jones said. "We are grateful to the Dolphins for granting the Cowboys permission to explore this opportunity. Jason will now proceed fur-

ther in our head coaching search as an in-house candidate."

San Diego defensive coordinator Wade Phillips, the former head coach at Denver and Buffalo who also had interim stints in New Orleans and Atlanta, is scheduled to interview Friday about the head coaching vacancy.

The Cowboys also plan to talk to San Francisco offensive coordinator Norv Turner, a former head coach for Washington and Oakland, and New Orleans defensive coordinator Gary Gibbs. Both are former Dallas assistants. It wasn't clear when those interviews would take place, but Turner is coaching the Senior Bowl on Saturday.


Parcells retired Monday after going 34-32 with two

playoff losses in four seasons with the Cowboys, ending a 19-season career that included two Super Bowl titles with the New York Giants.

On Tuesday, Jones interviewed three of Parcells' assistant coaches: assistant head coach Tony Sparano, receivers coach Todd Haley and secondary coach Todd Bowles, who is a minority coach.

Haley became the Arizona Cardinals' offensive coordinator Thursday.

Phillips has a 48-39 record with New Orleans (1985), Denver (1993-94), Buffalo (1998-2000) and Atlanta (2003). He was an interim for the Saints when he took over for his father, Bum, for four games, and with the Falcons was interim head coach for three games after Dan Reeves.



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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)
★★★★ Deal with basics this morning and liberate yourself for more fun and enjoyment. You might want to share some special news. Wait. Someone you meet might not be the easiest person to relate to. Careful. Tonight: Hang out.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You feel your energy and power in the morning hours. By the afternoon, you could be waning or tired. You also could be in the mood to let your hair down because you are exhausted from being so true-blue and efficient. Tonight: Could be memorable. A friend plays a big role.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Make it OK to be lazy this morning, though by the afternoon, you might be hard-pressed to stay put. A compliment is heading your way. This person means what he or she says. You

make quite an impression right now! Tonight: Ask with the expectation of receiving.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Use the morning for any important projects, calls or visits. In the afternoon, take some time off just to wander or to simply relax. You don't have to have every moment booked. Tonight: Do only what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Check in with an older relative or friend in the morning. Though you might feel burdened with responsibilities, you are also clearing the path to feeling free. Friends invite you here and there. Where you go is your call. Tonight: The center of the party.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ If you have plans to take off, do it in the morning. You could get snarled up in some project or responsibility this afternoon. Even if you do, this "job" might be as simple as organizing a get-together. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ A loved one's presence makes all the difference in the morning. You feel quite complete. Your mind could be an endless source of fantasy and creativity, as the afternoon will demonstrate. Tonight: Daydream all you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Someone clearly steals the scene, whether you like it or not. What you discover is how important it is to be easygoing. A budding relationship is in the process of developing more warmth. Go off together. Tonight: Add that magic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ If you really want to enjoy the remainder of your day and weekend,

clear out what you must do. Relax and be the natural extrovert your sign is noted for. Still, you might want to buy something special for a friend or loved one. Tonight: Choose the most appealing invitation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Squeeze every moment out of the morning, when someone might be more gentle or amorous. Whatever idea or hobby you like or have been putting off hits center stage in the afternoon. You become a doer. Tonight: Relax in a favorite way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You clearly want to get certain tasks completed so you can enjoy yourself. The child in you emerges, full of mischief and fun. Let go and be that free spirit your sign is renowned for. Spending could turn into splurging. Tonight: You might go on and on.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Return calls in the morning. Your instincts and events encourage you to cocoon, not for lack of invitations. You might be weighing the pros and cons of an emotional situation. Take your time. This decision could be important. Tonight: Light a candle; add atmosphere. Sit in front of a fire.

BORN TODAY
Author Lewis Carroll (1832), actress Bridget Fonda (1964), rapper Tricky (1968)

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Time out



Freshman girls coach Gene Valentine takes a time out with his team during Monday's game against the Dumas Demonettes.

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