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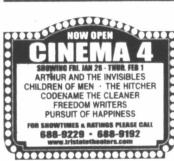


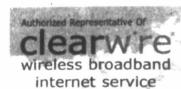
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Firm acquires interest in Titan Specialties

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Titan Specialties owners, from left, Jerry Wilson, Bill Berry and Clarence Marak. Carlyle/Riverstone Global Energy and Power Fund III L.P. has acquired an interest in Titan Specialties of Pampa.

By KERRI SMITH Staff Writer

Titan Specialties, Ltd. announced Wednesday that a significant equity investment made was Carlyle/Riverstone Global Energy and Power Fund III, L.P. to purchase a majority

of the limited and general

partnership interests in Titan.

These interests were held by Titan's existing owners and co-founders Bill Berry, CEO, and Clarence Marak as well as Jerry Wilson, CFO. Titan, which was founded 41 years ago in Pampa, has become a leading designer, manufacturer and distributor of perforating gun systems, shaped charges, well-logging instrumentation and other ancillary drilling products for the oilfield services

According to a press release issued Wednesday, Berry and Wilson will remain CEO and CFO respectively and will contin-

ue to own a significant stake in Titan. Carlyle/Riverstone intends to invest additional equity capital post-closing to support expansion and growth plans as well as other strategic initiatives along with their initial investment.

"We are excited to establish this partnership with Riverstone," Berry said. "We believe Riverstone clearly understands the company's rich history, its focus on providing quality products and service ... and our vision for the company's future. We look forward to the next phase of Titan's development with Riverstone as our partner.'

"Riverstone is an ideal partner for Titan given its industry knowledge and significant capital resources.' Wilson said. "We believe the growth prospects for Titan are excellent and that this investment by Riverstone

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County votes to increase fees for voting machines

Staff Writer

Gray County commissioners voted this morning to add a \$100 per machine rental fee to the amount charged to other governing entities for the county's electronic voting machines.

The new rent will be effective beginning with the May elections. The rent amount will be in addition to the amount already charged by the county, which is used to cover employee-related and equipment maintenance costs associated with the machines. An example of the charges already in place concerning the machines was given by County Clerk Susan Winborne, who said that

during the 2006 elections, Lefors covered most of the cost. The Honderich had requested Independent School District paid Gray County approximately \$200 for use of the electronic voting system for one election.

"At some time, this equipment will wear out and have to be replaced," Winborne said. "We need to have some kind of fund set up to purchase replacement equipment."

Gray County will also pay \$100 per machine per election into the

"The total cost of the equipment we have right now is \$140,000," said County Auditor Elaine Morris. The county's electronic voting machines were bought with funds originating from the federal government, which

machines are required by the federal government to be used at all elections in order to provide better opportunities for handicapped voters to cast their ballots.

industry

A survey of other Texas counties showed that many charged from \$100 to \$150 for each machine rented, plus a higher fee for related equipment, in addition to programming and other costs charged to the

renting entity. "Our programming cost us \$32,000 for the last election," Winborne said.

No action was taken on a request by District Clerk Gave Honderich for a permanent part-time employee.

employee as a result of a significant increase in passport applications due to new federal laws regulating travel to Mexico and Canada.

"We had budgeted for a part-time employee to deal with old records, but I need one to help with passports," Honderich said. "In January, there were 106 passport applications. We usually run around 200 per year. There is expected to be a steady increase over the next two to three

More new laws concerning out-ofcountry travel will go into effect in 2008, including cruise ship and land

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Construction begins on 350-foot tower

By DAVID BOWSER

Staff Writer Construction has started on the city's new 350-foot communications tower on the west side of Pampa, according to Ken Hall, Pampa and Gray County

emergency coordinator. "We've got the title to the property and the FCC and FAA licenses," Hall said.

A generator for the tower has been ordered, but it will probably not be delivered until March.

"It seems like it's a key time for people throughout the United States to buy generators," Hall said. "There's a great demand."

B&G Electric, who has the electrical contract, is waiting for dry weather to start trenching so they can run power from nearby

power lines to the tower.

"The tower company said that by mid-February, they should have 160 feet of the 350-foot tower in the air," Hall said. "From 160 feet on they've got to have power because they're required to have strobe lights up by then."

He commended Kim Lincycomb with the city and her crews who have been improving the access road to the tower.

"She's done a fantastic job," Hall said. "We appreciate that.'

Hall said the tower company has dug a pit and filled it with rebar and concrete then filled the hole back in with dirt.

"That's what's going to hold this thing," Hall said.

Suspect King pleads not guilty to two killings in Missouri

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

PINEVILLE, Mo. -- A man accused of murdering two people here and a family in Gray County south of Pampa is being held without bond today after pleading not guilty in connection with Missouri murder charges.

Levi King, 24, waved his preliminary hearing in Division I court here Tuesday and pleaded not guilty in Division II court to the murders of Orlie and Dawn McCool in McDonald County, Mo. McCool and his daughter-in-law were shot to death as they returned to McCool's home the afternoon of Sept. 29, 2005

King was indicted in Gray County in connection with the Sept. 30, 2005, shooting deaths of Brian Conrad, 31; his pregnant wife, Michell Conrad, 35; and her son, Zach Doan, 14, on Sept. 30, at their home between Pampa and Interstate '40. Michell Conrad was six months pregnant at the time of her death.

Michel Conrad's daughter escaped by

playing dead until after the assailant left the Conrad home. She then called 911

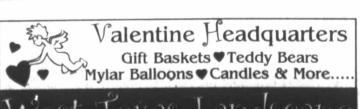
King was arrested later that day in Orlie McCool's pickup as he tried to cross back into the United States at El Paso from Mexico. He told authorities that after reaching Juarez, he became scared and returned to the United States.

Public Defender Charles D. Moreland and Thomas E. Marshall, attorneys with the Missouri Public Defenders office who are representing King, asked for a change of venue in the case, saying the McCool murders had drawn widespread press coverage in southwestern Missouri.

By agreement with Tim Finnical, special prosecutor in the case, the trial will be moved to Waynesville, Pulaski County, in central Missouri, according to a spokesman for the District Clerk here.

No trial data has been set.

King is being held in a state prison near Kansas City after what McDonald Sheriff's deputies describe as an attempted escape from the county jail last year.





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Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 27. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 17. South-southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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Obituaries

STARTEX, S.C. — Melba Styles Mullinax, 73, sister of a Lefors resident, died Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Magnolia Manor in Inman, S.C. Graveside services are scheduled at 1 p.m. Saturday at Wood Memorial Park with the Rev. Kenneth Sanford

officiating.

Arrangements are under Paul and Curtis Styles. the direction of Stribling Funeral Home in Duncan,

Mrs. Mullinax was a member of Living Water Holiness Church. She was preceded in death by her parSurvivors include her hus-

band, Billy R. Mullinax Sr., of the home; two sons, Billy R. Mullinax Jr. of Brighton, Colo., and Dennis Mullinax of Central, S.C.; two brothers, Joe Styles of Lefors and ents, Lee and Rosa Styles; Jerry Styles of Inman; two and three brothers, Fred, sisters, Gleanse Cooper of

Simpsonville, S.C., and Edna Kelly of Startex; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors between 7 and 9 p.m. Friday at Stribling Funeral Home.

Emergency Services

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

Thirteen traffic stops were made, including one for reckless driving.

A traffic complaint was received from the 1200 block of East Francis.

An accident was reported in the 1100 block of North Hobart.

Calls concerning animals were reported in the 1600 block of North Somerville, the 500 block of North Wells (two reports), the 1000 block of South Wells, the 1700 block of North Chestnut, the 2300 block of North Duncan, the intersection of 23rd and Chestnut, the 2200 block of North Evergreen, the 400 block of North Dovle, and at two undisclosed locations.

A 911 hang-up call was received from the 3100 block of North Crest.

Warrant service was attempted at three locations.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of West Foster, the 1400 block of Hamilton where tires valued at \$300 were slashed, and the 2800 block of Charles where a glove compartment was damaged and a dining room window was broken.

Domestic disturbance calls were reported in the 1200 block of East Francis, the 1000 block of East Francis, the 1500 block of North Wells, and two reports in the 1000 block of North Wells.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of West Brown where welders, welding supplies and tools valued at \$5,179.08 were stolen.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 100 block of North Houston where a curfew violation occurred, the 100

block of North Houston and the 2600 block of North Hobart.

Melba Styles Mullinax, 73

Aggravated assault occurred in the 2800 block of North Charles. No injuries were reported.

Assault was reported in the 2400 North Charles.

A civil matter was reported in the 1000 block of North Sumner.

Crossing guard duty was reported at one location.

An alarm was reported in the 2000 block of North Hobart. A welfare check was made in the

500 block of North Frost. Violation of a city ordinance was

reported in the 1800 block of Holly

A missing person was reported in the 1200 block of South Nelson.

An open door was investigated at the intersection of Highways 60 an d

A prowler was reported in the 500 block of Lowry.

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests. Wednesday, Jan. 31

Russell West, 39, of Amarillo was arrested by GCSO on a warrant for violation of probation for theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

Gabriel Ruiz Hernandez, 30, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department on a warrant out of Donley County for driving while intoxicated.

Jason Kelly Mulanax, 29, of Pampa was arrested by PPD on a warrant for bond forfeiture for aggravated assault.

Thursday, Feb. 1 Russell Whitehead, 46, of Marlow,

Okla., was arrested by PPD for public intoxication.

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

Wednesday, Jan. 31

12:40 p.m. – One unit and three personnel responded to the 800 block of West 25th on a medical assist.

3:50 p.m. – One unit and three personnel responded to the 1100 block of South Sumner on a CO check.

6:14 p.m. – Two units and seven personnel responded to the 700 block of North Hobart on a false alarm.

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour

period ending at 7 a.m. today. Wednesday, Jan. 31

10:15 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2200 block of Perryton Parkway and transported a patient(s) to BSA Hospital in Amarillo.

12:32 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Christine and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:40 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:25 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of North Sumner and transported a patient to PRMC.

Thursday, Feb. 1 12:58 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit

responded to the 1900 block of North Banks and transported a patient to



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AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Witty best-sell- after her death Wednesday evening that Ivins ing author and columnist Molly Ivins, a Texas liberal who died after a long battle with breast cancer, left legions of admirers, even among the politicians she regularly

President Bush, referred to as "Shrub" in Ivins' writings, said in a statement issued

was a Texas original who was loved by her readers and many friends.

"I respected her convictions, her passionate belief in the power of words, and her ability to turn a phrase. She fought her illness with that same passion," Bush said.

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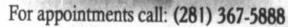
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travel rules, she said. The current change which has gone into effect deals with air travel.

A permanent part-time position was not budgeted for Honderich's office for the current fiscal year.

She anticipated asking that the part-time employee who is designated to handle records become a permanent employee.

"We're not getting the recording and scanning done to get records back into the courtroom," Honderich said. "We have three judges now, an increase in the workload."

revisiting the topic of a permanent commissioners.

part-time employee for Honderich in February or March, in part to see if the trend in increased passport applications and renewals continues.

The annual outside audit report by Doshier, Pickens & Francis, PC was presented by Cory Joiner of the firm. No non-compliances or other problems were mentioned in Commissioners recommended the report, which was approved by

Some tax records between the years 1954 and 1985 will be destroyed by the county clerk's office. Commissioners approved the destruction, which is allowable by law, Winborne said.

No property records with current liens are included in the items marked for destruction, she said.

Other records will be scanned into electronic storage after Winborne seeks requests for pro-

posals, a step also approved by commissioners. The records to be scanned are real estate records, and the process will be paid for out of \$65,000 in budget funds dedicated to records management.

A contract with Panhandle Regional Planning Commission for 911 database maintenance was renewed, as was a service contract with Trane for the courthouse's generators.

Titan

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will help us and our team accelerate the company's growth going forward."

Riverstone Managing Director John Lancaster said, "With a 40-year history of leadership in its core business, Titan is clearly a unique company with an incredibly strong franchise that is well positioned for growth. Riverstone is extremely pleased to have the opportunity to join forces with Bill, Jerry and the entire Titan management team and we look forward to continued success for the company."

The terms Carlyle/Riverstone's investment were not disclosed and the closing of the transaction is subject to customary conditions, including antitrust clear-

Titan was founded in

1966 with the goal of becoming the premier perforating gun and hardware manufacturer in the Texas and Oklahoma region. The company consists of three divisions which are perforating, energetics and instruments.

They have three manufacturing facilities in Pampa and Milford and 21 owned and independent distribution centers throughout the United States and Canada. Products produced by Titan's 295 employees are used throughout North America and globally by the oilfield service indus-

Riverstone Holding LLC and The Carlyle Group are the co-general partners of Carlyle/Riverstone Global Energy and Power Funds. Riverstone, a New York based energy and power focused private equity firm, was founded in 2000 and has \$7 billion under man-

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they get you. The crooks start talking about maybe there was a mistake and need some form of identification to check the list. They will ask you for your Social Security number, your driver's license number, date of birth, or, believe it or not, your credit card numbers.

If you give any information to them, then you have just become a victim of identity thefy.

The courts normally mail out notices for jury



Courtney

duty. If there is a problem with you serving, there is probably a place on the form to request an exemption. You mail it back or take it to the appropriate court clerk.

You might get a phone call from a clerk but it will be after you have initiated something. Believe me, the court system is busy and doesn't have the resources to harangue people about not serving on jury duty.

If a judge wants to do something about people not serving, you won't be asked for identification over the phone.

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Viewpoints

Check your wardrobe for chances of advancement

dah-ling, but are you for success? dressed According to a recent poll by an international staffing service, what you wear really can lessen or increase the obstacles of getting ahead professionally.

"Ninety-three percent of managers polled," a news release announcing the results of the survey reports, "said a person's style of dress at work influences his or her chances of earning a promotion.'

One-third of the pollees said wardrobe "significantly" impacts the individual's

I know it's terribly cliché, climb up the ladder of suc-

Wow. Significantly? So appearance, not necessarily job performance or personality, can dramatically enhance your chances of achieving greater responsibility and a higher income bracket?

The survey culled 150 senior executives from the country's 1,000 largest companies, the news release

Only 7 percent of those polled said clothes affect career advancement not at all. Thirty-three percent surveyed held wardrobe as a "significant" factor, and 60

percent found it "somewhat" significant.

Skyla

Bryant

Columnist

I wonder how much a body's weight and looks affect career stature? If surveyed, would any

these

managers such petty particulars do apply when they single out an underling for promotion?

The poll was developed by OfficeTeam and carried out by an independent research firm.

To help career-minded people better achieve their goals, OfficeTeam has the

following wardrobe tips to offer: Ask: "Would managers at my compawear

this? If the admit, even anonymously, if answer is "no," it's probably not a wise choice for you, either."

· Ask: "Is it a distraction? Unless you're in the fashion, entertainment or another creative industry, flamboyant or overly trendy attire can

detract from your credibili-

· Ask: "Does it give me confidence? When you're dressed sharply, you'll be more self-assured. Look for attire that is flattering and makes you feel good about vourself."

· Ask: "Is it clean and in good condition? Even in casual work environments, avoid clothes that are torn, wrinkled or messy. Sloppy attire may prompt your manager to question your attention to detail."

· Ask: "Is it comfortable? Clothing that fits well and allows you to move freely is especially important when you're interviewing for a job. Avoid wearing a new suit when meeting with potential employers. You want to look good, but you don't want to be distracted by clothes you're not used

Hmm, I'm afraid to ask what my clothes say about me, but I've got to tell you ... I'd far rather work with or for someone who is more than a trendy suit and a pretty face. I say brains and a good work ethic say more about a person, and an employee, than their choice of office attire.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Feb. 1, the 32nd day of 2007. There are 333 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 1, 2003, the space shuttle Columbia broke up during re-entry, killing all seven of its crew members. On this date:

In 1861, Texas voted to secede from the Union.

In 1896, Puccini's opera "La Boheme" premiered in Turin. In 1920, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police came into existence.

In 1943, one of America's most highly decorated military units of World War II, the 442nd Regimental Combat Team,

Americans, authorized. 'It isn't what they say about you, it's

— Errol Flynn Actor (1909-1959)

what they whisper."

made up almost entirely of Japanese-

In 1946, Norwegian statesman Trygve Lie was chosen to be the first secretary-general of the United Nations.

In 1960, four black college students began a sit-in protest at a lunch counter in Greensboro, N.C.,

where they'd been refused service.

In 1968, during the Vietnam War, Saigon's police chief (Nguyen Ngoc Loan) executed a Viet Cong officer with a pistol shot to the head in a scene captured by Associated Press photographer Eddie Adams and NBC News.

In 1979, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini received a tumultuous welcome in Tehran as he ended nearly 15 years of

In 1982, 25 years ago, "Late Night with David Letterman" premiered on NBC

In 1991, 34 people were killed when a U.S. Air jetliner crashed atop a commuter plane on a runway at Los Angeles International Airport. Ten years ago: Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori said

he would open a "preliminary dialogue" with rebels holding 72 hostages in Lima, but again rejected their main demand that the government release their jailed comrades. Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Herb Caen died in San Francisco at

Five years ago: President Bush responded to the collapse of Enron by proposing regulation reforms of 401(k) retirement plans. Justice Department investigators directed President Bush's staff to preserve the paper trail of any contact with Enron. Actress Winona Ryder was charged with four felony counts stemming from her shoplifting arrest at a Saks Fifth Avenue store in Beverly Hills, Calif. (Ryder was later convicted of felony grand theft and vandalism, and received three years' probation.) The NCAA placed Alabama on five years' probation, jolting the program with a two-year bowl ban and heavy scholarship reductions.

One year ago: In his first case on the Supreme Court, new Justice Samuel Alito split with the court's conservatives, refusing to let Missouri execute a death-row inmate contesting lethal injection.



ng privacy in an online world

A while back, I wrote about online privacy. A lot has changed since then, so let's get up to speed. First, more and more privacy complaints are stacking up at the (Federal Commission

http://www.ftc.gov). In case you didn't know, the FTC is the agency in charge of overseeing the privacy rights of U.S. citizens on the Internet.

Anyway, the Electronic Privacy Information Center

http://www.epic.org) filed suit a while back against the FTC claiming that they (FTC) are not doing enough to answer that stack of complaints. We'll see how that turns out.

How much do people actually know about your online travels? The answer is simple: Only as much as you tell them. Many companies will offer you low-price or even free services and products in exchange for your personal information. Is it a worthwhile trade? Depends.

Before I give any online company information about myself, I check out their "privacy policy." Any reputable company that asks for personal information will have one. It should be very specific about the use of your infor-

mation. Eric Will they Spellmann sell it to third parties Columnist or use it only internally? If

they use it internally, how will they use

This point becomes very important when accessing information on various Web sites. Some Web sites will give you free access to their information, but only after you tell them a little something about yourself. Read their privacy policy first. I'm not saying that you should never give out your personal information. In most cases, these companies will only aggregate the information to better determine their target customers. In other words, the tradeoff is worth it. Just be careful.

But what about your dayto-day surfing? Can a Web site know who you are when you visit them? Sort of.

Every computer on the nternet must have a unique ID called an IP address. "IP" is short

0 "Internet Protocol." The address is a series of four three-digit numbers, such as "134.056.002.253." ISP (Internet Service Provider) has large blocks of these IP numbers assigned to them by THEIR provider.

Chances are, your ISP does not have enough of these numbers to assign an IP address to every customer, so an IP pool of addresses is created. Whenever a person logs onto an ISP, their computer is

assigned one of these pooled IP addresses on a first-comefirst-served basis. Your IP address can change every time you access the Net. Not only does this give you more privacy, it makes it harder for criminal hackers to target your machine. We call this strategy, "dynamic address allocation."

When you visit any Web page, you leave a footprint, called a "hit." A hit actually consists of the following information:

- IP address of the visitor: - Date of the visit;

- Time of the visit;

- Operating System used by the visitor; - Browser used by the vis-

Please note that your email address is not included in that list. Reputable ISPs do NOT track where their

customers go on the Net. A customer's privacy is paramount to the surfing experience. ISPs only track when

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Jan. 22

El Paso Times on new U.S. policy on re-entering the country:

Beginning Tuesday, U.S. citizens reentering the United States by air will be required to show passports as an entry requirement.

The same rule applies to citizens of Mexico, Canada and Bermuda who are entering this country by air.

There's been some misinformation and consequent worry concerning the passports. It's been rumored that everyone re-entering the United States will need passports. That's not true, at least right now.

The new passport rule applies only

to those people traveling by air. At this time passports won't be required for citizens re-entering the United States by land or sea. Locally, of course, that means if you cross into Juárez for lunch or to shop or visit, you won't need a passport to re-enter this country.

However, the "land and sea re-entry" requirement for passports is scheduled to take effect between January 2008 and June 2009. This could have severe consequences along the borders and at the very least will certainly cause a lot of confusion.

Using passports to travel between countries is common practice throughout the world. But Americans aren't used to that when it comes to the northern and southern borders.

If such re-entry rules are put in place in 2008 or 2009, great care must be

taken that it doesn't interrupt commerce along the border. Indeed, after outcries from lawmakers who represent northern and southern border areas, Homeland Security officials are taking a look at options.

Just using El Paso as an example, there are a lot of U.S. citizens who cross the border every day, but who really can't afford to plunk down nearly \$100 for a passport. And at border crossings, where ways of speeding up traffic are always being sought, the use of passports could clog up the works.

We recognize that the new passport rules are a function of increased border security. That's certainly necessary. But common sense, logic and, yes, humanity must be used when increasing secu-

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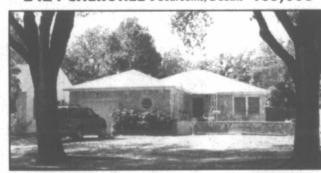
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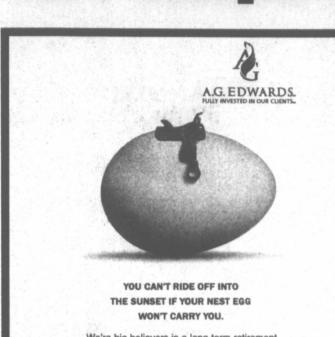
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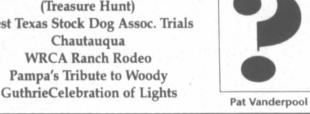


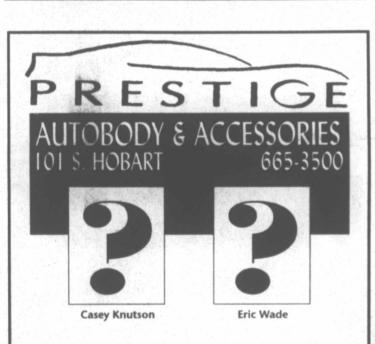
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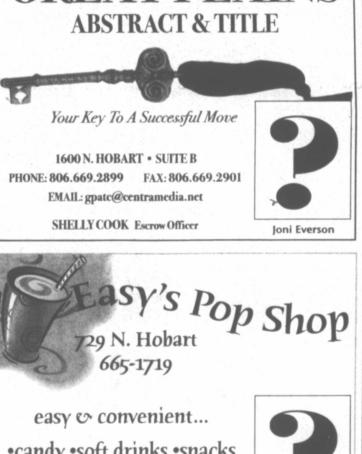


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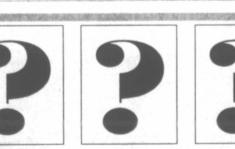


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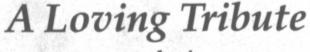


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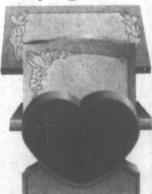






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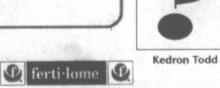




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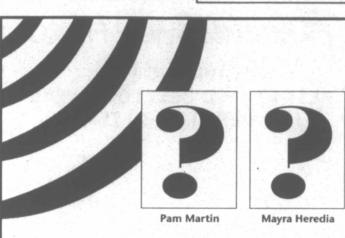
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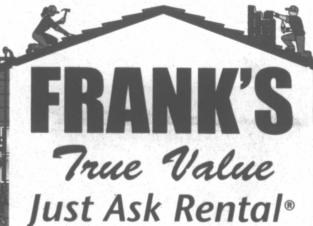
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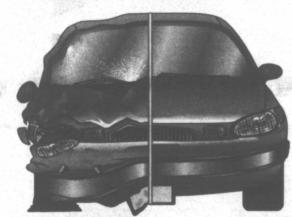




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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am one of your many male readers. Regarding "Betrayed in the Midwest" (Dec. 27), whose fiance, "Reid," impregnated her younger sister, "Lindy," there are at least two major issues that the writer should consider about this man.

No. 1: He's an adult who had sex with a minor. In all states that I know of, this is a crime, reportable to Child Protective Services and to the law, and it's punishable. It amounts to statutory rape. Reid is the guilty party here. Lindy is a victim and should not feel punished in any way.

No. 2: Reid had unprotected sex with Lindy, which means he disregarded the health and safety of not only the girl, but also his fiance and himself. With whom else is he sexually active? Who knows what risks he has exposed all of them to? Your advice to "Betrayed" was right on. She needs to distance herself and her sister from him as far as possible, as soon as possible. I hope that she'll continue to care for her sister, who obviously needs good parenting and role modeling. I hope she also realizes that the child of this situation is innocent and needs care as well. - CON-**CERNED** HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, PHOENIX

DEAR CONCERNED: Many readers were up in arms after reading that letter. They wrote and e-mailed to say that Reid belongs in jail as a pedophile. However, the age of consent is not the same in every state, and in the state where "Betrayed" lives, it is 16. (Lindy is 17.) Therefore, although Reid is a manipulative jerk with no conscience, he is not a "child molester." Read on:

DEAR ABBY: From the sound of it, Lindy is probably just a lonely, orphaned child looking for some attention. Reid is a user, and neither woman needs him in her life. You failed to point out that a man who has been "carried financially" by someone is

not "well off," nor does age equal maturity. Lindy is probably on her own if she chooses to raise a baby with him. If she cares about her sister, "Betrayed" should dump Reid and have a frank discussion with the girl about alternatives to raising the baby herself. -- ELIZABETH IN UPPER DARBY, PA.

DEAR ABBY: I am a high school teacher. The majority of my pregnant teen girls have boyfriends who are much older. This is the result of absent or divorced parents, or parents who must work several jobs to make ends meet. It is also the result of low expectations of female children and the media-led sexualization of young girls at an early age. Sometimes it makes me want to scream! -- CRANKY ADULT IN CAL-**IFORNIA**

DEAR ABBY: I strongly agree with your advice about kicking the deadbeat fiance out and, if she can handle it, allowing Lindy to live with her until she is 18 and graduates from high school. However, I would advise "Betrayed" to go one step further. If Lindy chooses to keep her child, start immediately to get legal papers on paternity and financial support activated on the "father." He had admitted it, at least to the two women. She does not have to wait until the child is born to go to court. Too many women wait until the child arrives, often existing on welfare, then try to fight the red tape to track down the man responsible. It doesn't have to wait. This suggestion is for Lindy and any other woman in her predicament. Sadly, there are far too many these days. I don't even want to start on "what's the world coming to ..." -KICK-'IM-WHERE-IT-HURTS

DEAR KICK 'IM: And often where they feel it the most is in the wallet.

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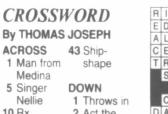
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Gray County 4-H Team Eagle recently participated in the NRA Open International Air Rifle Sectional held at the Amarillo Rifle & Pistol Club indoor range. Pictured here, team members, Jack Ware shoots while Olin Boyd checks his target. Team Eagle is coached by Steve Hawkins and Sandra Schuneman.



Team Eagle members collected first through sixth place in the Junior Class. Pictured here (L-R) are: Jack Ware (5th place - 239/600), Bill Haley (1st place - 442/600), Bobby Haley (3rd place - 350/600), Thomas Haley (6th place - 184/600), Dallon Poole (4th place - 254/600), and Olin Boyd (2nd place - 429/600).

A bright future in store for Lady Harvesters

With a memorable season rapidly drawing nearer to an end, the Lady Harvesters have a lot to look back on and be proud of.

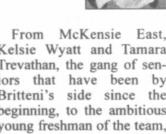
In my short time here, I've seen many examples of what true athleticism, sportsmanship, and Pampa Harvester spirit should be. In covering the basketball games, attending the football banquet, watching the swim team practice and witnessing my first high school soccer game, I've seen not only proud athletes, but a proud community backing them

My first day of work here at The Pampa News was the day that we discovered that Britteni Rice had not yet broken the career scoring record, as we all thought she

In a short period of time,

she overcame her disappointment and rose to the occasion, passing the record once and for all. Britteni would not have conquered these scoring records if it were not for her team,

Jordan Reagan Sports Editor



From McKensie East, Kelsie Wyatt and Tamara Trevathan, the gang of seniors that have been by Britteni's side since the beginning, to the ambitious young freshman of the team, Carlyn Teichmann, the Lady Harvesters have worked together this year to build a

legacy, and a season to remember.

After losing out to Caprock the first time early in January, the Lady Harvesters faced them again in one of the most exciting high school basketball games I've ever seen to come out on top, and take third place for district.

If anything, this season for the Lady Harvesters has been a perfect story of rising from the ashes, overcoming the odds, kicking butt and taking names.

Speaking of kicking butt, I hope you've heard about the freshmen girls underCoach Gene Valentine who happen to be having an incredible

Having lost only their second game to Palo Duro on Tuesday, the 9th grade girls are going into their next

game against Hereford with an impressive 16-2 overall

The freshmen seemingly never have just one person as the high scorer week after week, but rather a great variety of offensive players that equally contribute to the scoreboard.

With players like Ashley Facio and Shelbie Watson racking up points, and Andi pulling down Hutto rebounds, the 9th grade girls have had an extremely successful season so far, and will have much to offer for years to come.

Though it's not for certain who will be joining varsity next season, the community and this year's seniors can rest assured that the program is being left in good hands.

Bears' defensive coordinator could be Cowboy's coaching candidate

Bears defensive coordinator Ron Rivera may have a job opportunity after the Super Bowl — as coach of the Dallas Cowboys.

Rivera, interviewed for several head coaching jobs the past two seasons, reportedly has emerged as the latest candidate to replace Bill Parcells in Dallas.

"I haven't talked to anybody in Dallas," Rivera said Thursday morning at the team hotel. "Nobody has told me anything.

Rivera said his wife called him after Wednesday's practice and informed him of the report on ESPN.com. The report also said that leading candidate Norv Turner told Cowboys owner Jerry Jones

MIAMI (AP) — Chicago that if he got the job he'd want Rivera as defensive coordinator.

"I don't want to be a distraction," Rivera said.

The Bears play Indianapolis Colts Sunday's Super Bowl.

Coaches of teams in the game are off limits for job interviews until Monday.

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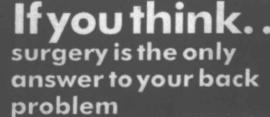
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Where's the patron saint of Super Bowl partying when we need him?

By JIM LITKE AP Sports Columnist

MIAMI (AP) — If it wasn't for the scantily clad models promoting liquor companies, men's magazines and the occasional Spanish-language TV network, you'd think an Amway convention was on tap this weekend instead of the most overhyped sporting event on the planet.

Whoever dubbed this the "most pious" Super Bowl ever was on to something.

Every time Colts coach Tony Dungy or his Bears counterpart, Lovie Smith, take the podium, every player is innately good, they're going to give their best come Sunday, and no matter who wins, they'll all be pals Monday morning and for the rest of their lives.

Things were getting so warm and fuzzy by mid-

week, in fact, that a news conference for Campbell's Chunky Soup — "each lipsmacking variety is loaded" threatened to turn into a standing-room only affair.

So where is the patron saint of Super Bowl partying when we need him, the guy who put visions of a nonstop bacchanalia into those Roman numerals the NFL is so fond of using?

On his way, apparently. Word that former Chicago Bears badboy Jim McMahon was bearing down on Miami for a handful of appearances

created as much buzz as any

real-time happenings so far.

People say be careful what you wish for, but anybody who's wishing for something anything — to liven up events in advance of Sunday's game should have one eye cocked on the hori-

We're not looking for legal wrangles mind you, though the Bears' Tank Johnson did a fair job of imitating a lawyer by dancing around questions about the half-dozen automatic weapons recently confiscated from his home.

Nor for moral tangles. So let's hope none of piety floating above the game this week bursts like a balloon, the way it did when Falcons safety Eugene Robinson was arrested at the 1999 Super Bowl for soliciting a prostitute just hours after receiving the Bart Starr Award for "high moral character."

And the last thing we need is something tragic, like the Super Bowl staged here in 1989, when riots erupted and Cincinnati running back Stanley Wilson didn't make the game after a cocaine binge the night before.

Instead, we could use some good, messy frat-boy fun, the kind we used to get when those vintage, 1980s Oakland Raiders swooped into town for the big game and kept bartenders on retainer.

what McMahon Or drummed up in 1986, when he led the crew from the "Super Bowl Shuffle" on a weeklong crawling tour of New Orleans. A few were spotted partying late every night on Bourbon Street, generating so many stories that if only half were true, Chicago's 46-10 destruction of the Patriots was even more impressive than it seemed.

And talk about tall tales: As if McMahon hadn't done enough to keep the rumor mills churning, a TV report incorrectly quoted him calling the town's women "prostitutes.'

On the other hand, the about McMahon mooning a television station's helicopter that hovered over the Bears' practice field turned out to be all too true. I got that on authority a few years ago from no less a source than William "The Refrigerator" Perry.

"Jim was having a problem with his hip and he had his pants down a little in the back because the trainers were working on him at that moment," Perry said.

And that, I asked, was all there was to the story?

"OK," Perry grinned a moment later, "maybe once Jim realized the 'copter wasn't going away, he pulled his pants the rest of the way down.'

No word yet on McMahon's itinerary, nor whether it includes counsel-

ing sessions for the slugs on both teams on how to have a good time - and still win. Then again, if there is any truth to the idea that teams are a reflection of their coaches, that would be one considerable waste of breath.

So it should come as no surprise that a puppet reporter has gone after the most revealing tidbit so far. The brown, furry, bug-eyed little interviewer at the end of Televisa Deportes reporter Edson Zuniga's arm asked Chicago Bears Danieal Manning whether players have sex the night before the game.

Getting right into the spirit of things, Manning replied, "I don't even want to talk about that."

Jim Litke is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press.

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Twelve-year-old Keegan Jernigan shot his first deer on Jan. 21, 2007, in Gray County on a hunting lease belonging to his father and a friend.

Bears try to emerge from '85 team's shadow

MIAMI (AP) — Now a 300-pound guard for the Chicago Bears, Ruben Brown was big even as a 13-year-old Pee Wee League lineman in 1985.

The Bears were big then, too. They had Walter Payton, Jim McMahon and William "The Refrigerator" Perry, a 375-pound defensive tackle who occasionally doubled as a ball carrier and became a folk hero.

That's why Brown's Pee Wee teammates wanted him to switch positions. "It was kind of funny, because people started thinking, 'Hey, let's put

Ruben at running back," Brown said. "I was one of the biggest kids, and they wanted me to be the Refrigerator.'

Brown declined. He was huge, but Fridge and the '85 Bears were larger than life — a team remembered for its colorful characters, Hall of Fame running back and a defense that ranks with the best ever.

That team also is remembered for

match Sunday by beating the Indianapolis Colts

"We love the '85 Bears, but we're trying to make some footprints of our own," Chicago receiver Bernard Berrian said. "We're going to be in their shadow until we win this game."

The '85 Bears are the franchise's lone championship team in the past 43 years, and that's only part of their legacy. With the Fridge, nonconformist McMahon and fiery coach Mike Ditka, the Bears may have set a league record for charisma.

They even came with a soundtrack. The Bears recorded "The Super Bowl Shuffle" way before they got to Bourbon Street, and were still dancing when the big game ended.

"The characters they had ... " current Chicago linebacker Lance Briggs said. "When I run into them in a bar, they tell stories about what they did. They were a wild group."

At least two Colts have ties to the winning the Super Bowl, an achieve- legacy. Indy receiver Aaron and enjoyed himself, and a lot of guys ment this season's Bears will try to Moorehead's dad, Emery, was a tight followed him."

end for the '85 Bears. Leslie Frazier, who coaches the Colts' defensive backs, started at cornerback for Chicago in the Super Bowl 21 years

"The bravado of that team — guys who had so much confidence in their ability," Frazier said. "Some were bigger than the sport. McMahon was huge. The Fridge was huge in his own way. Just big personalities.'

They were at their best during Super Bowl week in New Orleans, where the national media turned every quirky quote and escapade into a headline. Even a closed team practice made news when McMahon mooned a TV helicopter.

"It was probably the first time the Super Bowl was more like a rock concert," said Ron Rivera, a linebacker for those '85 Bears and now their defensive coordinator. "We didn't have a curfew until Friday night. We had a quarterback who was fun-loving

Suns looking to start new streak against San Antonio

PHOENIX (AP) — The against Spurs, Mavericks Phoenix Suns' recent clubrecord 17-game win streak stamped them as a legitimate NBA title contender.

It didn't reveal whether they can beat the Western Conference elite.

They'll have a chance to do that when San Antonio visits Thursday night and Utah comes to town Saturday night. The Suns are 0-4 against Dallas, San Antonio and Utah, who rank among the top five in the Western Conference stand-

"We haven't played a ton of top teams lately, and for us to get a chance to play against the Spurs right now, I think it's something we've been waiting for," point guard Steve Nash said after practice Wednesday. "It's important for us to see where we are and see how much improvement we've made."

After a 3-6 start, the Suns appear to be vastly improved, winning 33 of their last 36 games. Their 15 victories in January tied an NBA record set by the 1962-63 Los Angeles Lakers. They are a game behind Dallas in Western Conference standings.

The Suns' 17-game winning streak ended with a 121-112 loss at Minnesota on Monday night. That streak topped the previous club-record streak of 15 in a row, set from Nov. 20-Dec.

"It's too bad it ended," coach Mike D'Antoni said. "I think we're all really disappointed. It's almost like losing a playoff game. But it doesn't really mean a whole lot in the whole scheme of where we're going. It was fun while it lasted. Now hopefully we can get on another."

The two streaks were impressive. But they didn't show they could dominate in the West.

Although the Suns are winless in four games and Jazz, two of the defeats came in overtime, another by a basket on the road.

Three of the losses came during the 3-6 start. At that point, the club was still adjusting to the return of center Amare Stoudemire, who missed most of last season with knee injuries.

Stoudemire is averaging 18.6 points per game, fourth among NBA centers, and he's been a solid addition to a team averaging a leaguehigh 111.6 points, the most in the NBA since the 1992-93 Suns averaged 113.4 points on their way to the NBA finals.

The Suns are used to hearing they're too small and can't win a title with their up-tempo style. So they're not surprised that doubts persist even after an amazing two-month run.

"I don't get caught up, and I hope my teammates don't, in what (critics) say," guard Raja Bell said. "We know we're a good team, and when it comes right down to the final table, we'll be there ready to play. If we haven't beaten San Antonio at that point, we'll just have to beat them then.

"They're a good team and always one of the best in the West," Bell said. "We haven't had as much success as we'd like (against the Spurs) the last couple of years, so it'll be a good measuring stick for us. I think we're up for it."

A victory over the Spurs would quiet the critics for now. But D'Antoni shook his head when asked if his team needs to "make a statement."

"The playoffs are going to tell it all, and we know that," D'Antoni said. "We're just trying to win as many games as we can to get the homecourt seed, and if we're good enough, we'll see in the playoffs. But to make a statement today, we can't carry that over until April."

Tracy McGrady leads Rockets to victory over Sonics

HOUSTON (AP) Tracy McGrady and Ray Allen seemed to be going shot-for-shot times Wednesday night.

McGrady and Allen both scored 36 points, but McGrady sank a 3-pointer with 51 seconds left to clinch the Houston Rockets' 112-102 victory over the Seattle SuperSonics, who tied a franchise record with their 14th consecutive road loss.

When McGrady dribbled away from rookie Mickael Gelabale and swished his fourth 3-pointer, he glanced at the Sonics' bench and wryly grinned as Seattle coach Bob Hill called a time-

McGrady has been plagued by back problems the past three seasons, but ing basketball as much as he has in a while. It helps that the Rockets have won four in a row and eight of their last

"I just think that me being healthy, I'm playing with a great deal of confidence," he said, "and my team is doing the same."

Allen, meanwhile, isn't getting much support. The Sonics have been ravaged by injuries this season, leaving him to carry the team almost every night.

It isn't working, especially on the road, where the Sonics are winless since Nov. 22.

"We needed someone else to make an open jump shot," Hill said. "We put so much pressure on him (Allen) and

he's healed now and enjoy- he is unbelievable the way he keeps hitting those shots. He's been phenomenal."

Rafer Alston had 15 points and nine assists and Dikembe Mutombo had 10 points and eight rebounds for the Rockets, who've won 13 of 19 games since Yao Ming broke his right leg.

"We understand the task at hand," McGrady said. "We know that we don't have that big guy down in the post, who is giving us 25 (points) and 10 (rebounds) a night. That gives other guys opportunities to step up and take on that challenge and they've been doing a great job of it."

bounded Houston 41-34, but

dropped to 2-23 when they

The Sonics shot 52 percent (45-of-87) and outre-

trail after three quarters. "It's small, little stuff that

is hurting us," Allen said. "Our guys are learning on the job and it is a group effort. As a team, we have to do better."

McGrady hit his first three shots, including a 3-pointer, to keep the Rockets close as the Sonics made 18 of their first 24 shots. Allen scored twice early in the second quarter and Johan Petro hit a shot in the lane as Seattle retook the lead.

The Sonics then missed eight of their next 11 shots and the Rockets went on 10-2 run to take a 49-45 lead. McGrady drove for a layup and banked in a 3-pointer in the final 17 seconds of the half to lift Houston to a 59the break, but Seattle shot 60.5 percent (23-of-38) in the first half against the league-leading Rockets' defense. "They're a hard team for

us to guard," Houston coach Jeff Van Gundy said. "The only thing we did right defensively was not foul." Allen made his first four

shots of the second half, all of them with Houston defenders in his face, to cut the Rockets' lead to two. McGrady answered with two jumpers from the wing and a pass to Mutombo for an easy dunk as Houston stretched the lead to 79-73.

Nick Collison scored three baskets late in the third quarter and Houston led only 85-82 heading to the fourth.

McGrady had 21 points at Collison finished with 25 points and 17 rebounds.

McGrady skipped the fourth quarter of Houston's last two games, both blowout victories. He sat out the first six minutes of the final quarter on Wednesday and the Rockets led 93-88 when he returned. McGrady promptly found Luther Head open for a 3-pointer. Head hit three 3-pointers and scored 14.

"I knew I had to be a playmaker down the stretch and my guys did a great job of getting to open areas," McGrady said.

The Sonics started the final quarter 3-for-13. Allen missed three of his first five shots as the Rockets swarmed him with doubleand triple-teams.

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express their feelings. The truth is, you might have had enough of someone's

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) you. Perhaps you might be a bit too secure, and others see you as haughty. Go off and do something for yourself. Book a long weekend trip, or perhaps buy a

you. Tonight: Get some exercise.

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erratic behavior, especially financially. How you express these feelings might point in the direction this bond is heading. Tonight: A one-on-one talk. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Others cannot help but challenge

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Though many around you could

be off on a tangent or flipping over a sit-

uation, you are able to maintain an

overview. As a result, you will flow

through what could be a wild Full Moon.

Discuss a personal situation more deeply.

*** Others want to be clear and

Tonight: Try something different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

new book or CD. Tonight: Let others do their thing PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** You have a way with words that makes logic and sense of perhaps the most complicated situations. Your ability to follow through could define your success or how a key authority figure views

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But what about cookies? There's a lot of confusion about these little items, so let's clear it up. Many newspapers have Internet versions. In fact, on some sites, newspaper for free every out some basic demographics, you choose a username placed it there. Cookies are

and password to get into the

Now, if you go there everyday, you might get tired of typing in that username and password every time. Most have a little box on the screen saying "save password." If you check that box, it will save your username and password in a file on your computer called a cookie.

Next time you visit their site, their system will check that cookie and use that information so you don't have to enter it again. You go you can read the entire straight to the Front Page without lifting a finger. In day. However, most want other words, a "cookie" only something in return - your stores information about you information. After you fill on your system and it is only accessible by the server that

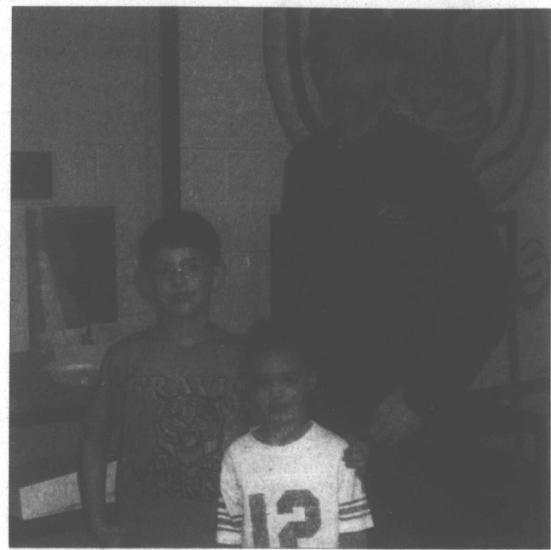
for convenience and do not represent a privacy concern.

Online privacy concerns aren't new. In fact, your privacy is being attacked on many fronts than just the Internet. How many times have you gone into a grocery store and had the cash register attendant ask you for your phone number? If you give it, they can find your name and address and link it to what you bought.

"Well, Eric buys a lot of Diet Coke from our grocery chain, so let's send him coupons for it and have a telemarketer call his home and offer him other Coke products."

AAAUUUGGGHHH! I'll see you Cyberspace!

Dad's Breakfast



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Shane Kennedy joined his two sons, Walker, left, and Gage recently during "Dad's Breakfast" at Travis Elementary School.

Exxon Mobil posts U.S. record annual profit

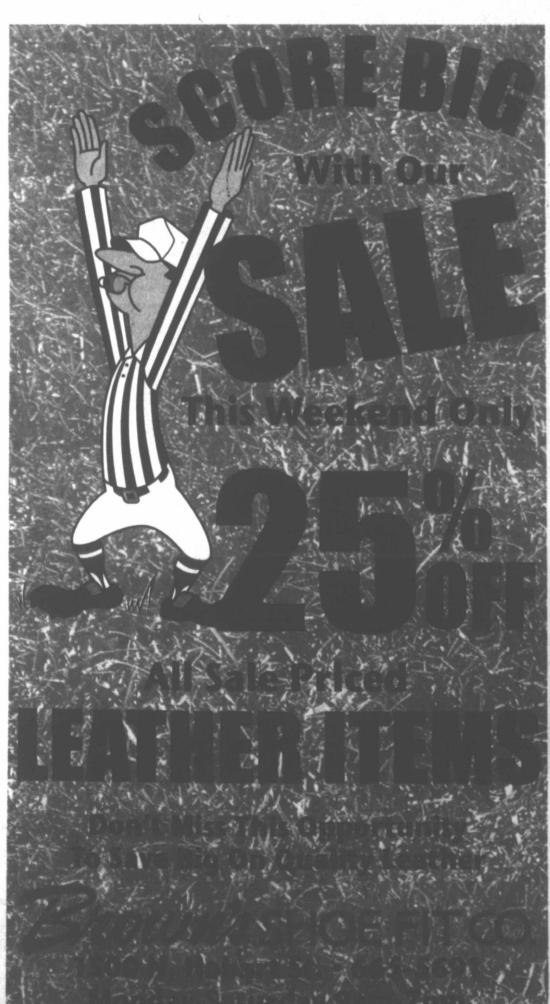
Mobil Corp. today posted the largest annual profit by a U.S. company — \$39.5 billion even as earnings for the last quarter of 2006 declined 4 percent.

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