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City OKs resolutions, finds increase in Web site use

By KERRI SMITH
Staff Writer

Pampa city commissioners Tuesday approved resolutions that would provide economic development money for a new firm and forgive a lien for Red River Dairy because terms of the loan were met.

Meeting at City Hall, commissioners also appointed two people to the Panhandle Elderly Apartments Board and appointed an interim city

secretary. Reports were presented regarding the city Web site usage and the Small Towns Environment Program, a grant available for repairs on water and sewer lines.

The commission approved an agreement between the Pampa EDC and MXT, L.L.C. which provides an economic development grant for the creation and retention of jobs. A forgivable loan that was given to Top O' Texas Dairy in 2000 and acquired

by Red River Dairy when they purchased the company was released because all of the employment requirements had been met.

City Manager John Horst gave a report on the usage of the city Web site, which is cityofpampa.org. According to a Web trends report, the visits for January of this year are up 231 percent from January of 2006.

"We had 3,089 visits to the city

Web site in January 2006 and 10,228 visits this past January," Horst said. "The average length of the visits also increased a great deal by going from 3 minutes last year to 25 minutes this year."

Horst said that hopefully this spring residents would be able to pay their water bills and municipal court fines online.

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County to look at reinvestment zones

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Guidelines and criteria to establish a reinvestment zone in Gray County will be discussed by county commissioners at their 9 a.m. meeting Thursday in the second-floor courtroom of the county courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

A reinvestment zone, once called an enterprise zone, is an area in which businesses could apply for potential tax abatements if they establish a facility within the zone, according to County Judge Richard Peet.

"We will discuss the criteria to classify an area as a reinvestment zone," Peet said Tuesday. "This is the first step in establishing such a zone."

If commissioners decide to create a reinvestment zone, the next step would be a public hearing concerning the zone and possible tax abatements, followed by a

resolution. The final step would be to negotiate exact abatements that would be available to businesses moving into the zone.

"When you create these investment zones, you're trying to encourage businesses to come to the area," Peet said.

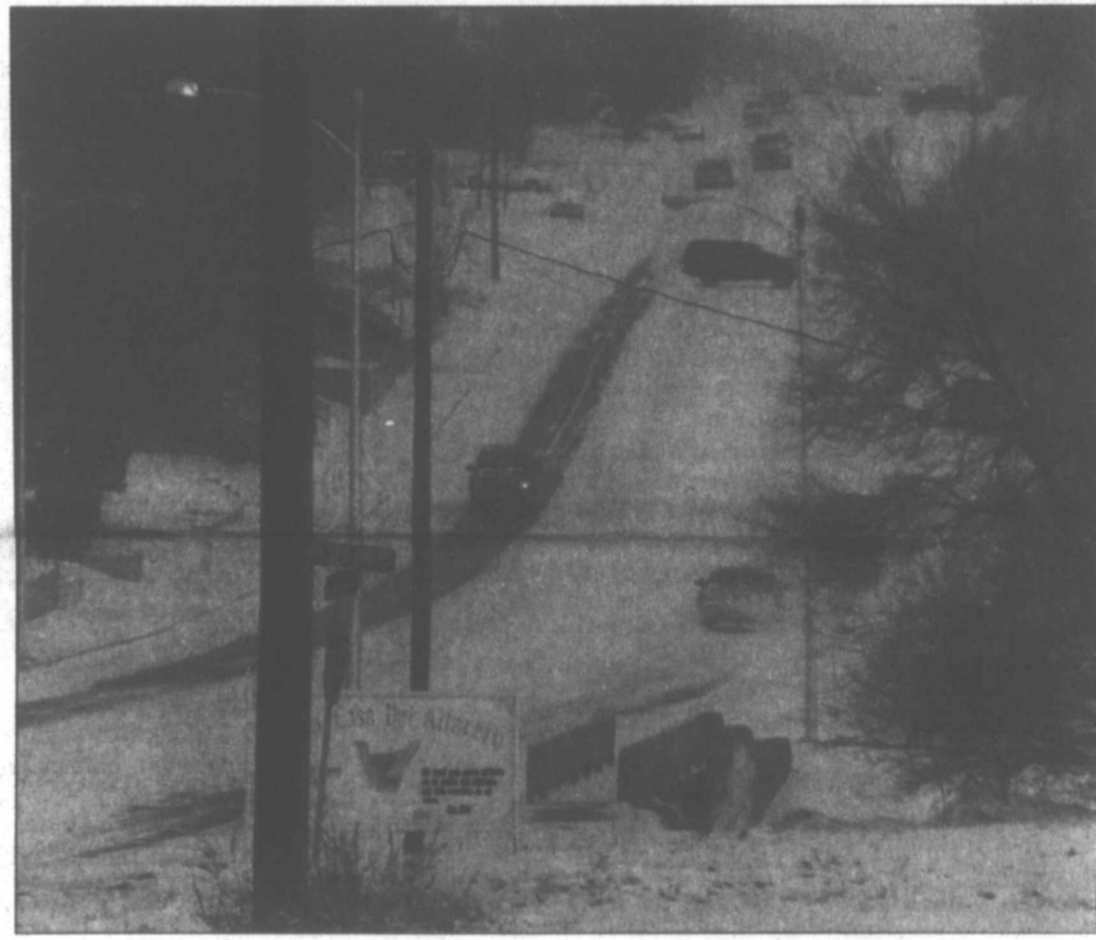
One possible location for a reinvestment zone is the area which has captured the interest of a wind energy company, north of Clarendon on Highway 70. The company has tentative plans to place 19 wind generators along that area of the county, along with 38 others in Donley County.

"Donley County voted yesterday to establish a reinvestment zone. They're already in their second step of the process," Peet said.

Gray County commissioners have been waiting for

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Wintertime hazard



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Pampans woke up to a white Valentine's Day today as snow once again blanketed streets, lawns and other surfaces. Motorists negotiated the hill and bridge on Duncan Street north of Central Park with care as packed snow became slick. More snow is forecast for tonight.

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Conservation districts upset with Bush budget

Leaders of the National Association of Conservation districts recently expressed concern about natural resources and environment provisions of the Bush Administration's proposed 2008 fiscal year budget.

While the budget provides limited increases for some key program areas, it proposed reduced funding

for others.

"We were surprised and disappointed with the proposal," said NACD President Bill Wilson while attending the organization's 61st annual meeting in Los Angeles, Calif. "We had hoped that the administration budget would reflect the commitment to conservation reflected in the U.S. Department of

Agriculture's 2007 Farm Bill proposal."

NACD expressed support for the concepts in the USDA proposal released last week and had hoped to see funding in the administration's budget reflect that commitment to America's working land owners and the nation's natural resources.

Key programs affecting conserva-

tion district members and customers, program funding levels as proposed in the president's FY 2008 budget and comparisons to last year include:

- Conservation Operations: \$802 million, up from \$791 million in FY 2007.
- Environmental Quality

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Odd robin



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This bird, which appears to be a robin with white splotches, was among two dozen robins in Evergreen Park Tuesday afternoon. The bird's coloring did not result in its being shunned by its feathered friends as the harbingers of spring foraged for tidbits before the snow arrived.

Bomb scare shuts Memphis schools

MEMPHIS — Memphis High School was evacuated Tuesday afternoon after a student found a note in the boys' restroom that read, "There is a bomb in the school."

A student found the note at 1:23 p.m. and alerted Principal Dick Hutcherson, who ordered the evacuation of the school. Students were taken to an area church.

Superintendent Tanya Monroe also ordered the elementary and middle schools evacuated to be on the safe side.

All schools were evacuated without incident. Parents were notified and picked up their children at designated locations.

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personnel assisted the Memphis Police Department and the Hall County Sheriff's Office with clearing the school. The Memphis Fire Department was instrumental in assisting with the evacuation and blocking off the area. The Department of Public Safety also assisted local authorities with the event.

At 5 p.m. Hall County Sheriff's Office and DPS called the school clear and shut down the road blocks around the school.

Memphis Police Department, Hall County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Rangers are investigating the incident.




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 Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 18. Wind chill: values between 5 and 15. North-northwest wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south-southeast.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 54. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.
 Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 27. Windy, with a northwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 47. North-northwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.
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DNA TEST

Judge orders Anna Nicole's body held in paternity case

By **MATT SEDENSKY**
 Associated Press Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Anna Nicole Smith's body must be held for DNA testing in the paternity dispute involving the former Playboy Playmate's partner, her 5-month old daughter and another man, a judge ruled today.

Circuit Judge Lawrence Korda granted the request in a brief meeting in his chambers with attorneys for photographer **Larry Birkhead**, who claims to be the baby's father.

He petitioned the Florida court Tuesday, asking that a California court order for DNA testing filed Friday — the day after Smith died — be enforced in Florida.

Nancy Hass, an attorney for Birkhead, said the Birkhead camp feared that accurate DNA testing would not be possible if the body was released and moved out of state.

Smith's partner, Howard K. Stern, also claims to be the father of 5-month-old Dannielynn, who could inherit millions from her mother's estate. Stern and Smith's mother, Vergie Arthur, had been opposing last week's decision by a Los Angeles judge that Florida authorities keep Smith's body for 10 days.

The Florida request was made so that work done to secure the Los Angeles court order "not be in vain," said another Birkhead attorney, Debra Opri.

As the dispute unfolded in court, Broward County's medical examiner warned that Smith's corpse is decomposing and should be released as soon as possible.

Obituaries

Lyda Jo Darsey

ALANREED, Texas — Lyda Jo Darsey died Feb. 12, 2007, at Pampa, Texas.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, 2007, at the Darsey Ranch with Thacker Haynes and Ronnie Ferguson officiating.

Lyda Jo Wright Davis Darsey of Alanreed passed away Feb. 12, 2007, in Pampa, Texas.

She was born Oct. 16, 1933, to John Frank, Sr. and Pearl Bostick Wright in Masterson, Texas, and spent her early years at the Bivins Booster Plant.

Lyda was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Pearl Wright; first husband, Bobby Frank Davis; and grandson, Kerry James Abbott; and Mother-in-law,

Edna Darsey. She is survived by husband, Les Darsey whom she married in 1989; daughters and son-in-law, Trudy King, Tonya Whipkey, Robbie and Vance Weldon; sons, Joe Bob Davis, Clayton Davis, stepson Mike and wife Leslie Darsey.

She is also survived by sisters and brother-in-law, Dolores "Bibs" and Jack Ruth, Malaga, Wash., and Kathryn Wright, Baytown, Texas; and brother and sister-in-law, John, Jr., and Billie Wright, Russellville, Ark.; and sister-in-law and



brother-in-law, Norma and David Purcell, Pampa; as well as 14 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, three nephews, one niece, and numerous cousins and extended family.

Lyda was a founding member of the American Chuck wagon Association and served on its original board.

Lyda and Les were feared and successful chuck wagon cook-off competitors and won the 2002 American Cowboy Culture Chuck wagon award and the 1998 Academy of Western Arts Award for Chuck wagon of

the year award in addition to numerous chuck wagon cook-offs in Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, and Arizona.

Lyda was an excellent cook and "guarded" her award-winning recipes fiercely and always said "she would rather talk about her sex life than give out her recipes."

Lyda loved the living on the ranch and cooking for the cowboys, and the only thing she loved better than cooking was dancing with Les.

She will be missed by everyone whose life she touched.

Donations may be made to the McLean, Texas, Volunteer Fire Department.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

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

Four traffic stops were made.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 400 block of South Cuyler, the police department lobby, and the 100 block of North Hobart.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 900 block of East Frederic, the 1100 block of East Browning, the 500 block of Magnolia, the 600 block of Doucette, and the 1600 block of East Highway 60.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 100 block of West Foster and on Highway 60 East.

A welfare check was made in the 2400 block of Charles.

Civil matters were reported in the 400 block of Magnolia and the 400 block of Lefors.

Warrant service was attempted on two occasions, resulting in at least two arrests.

A suspicious person call was received from the 1500 block of North Banks.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of Yeager and the 1800 block of North Christy.

Public intoxication was reported in the 400 block of Magnolia. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

A threat was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester.

Harassment was reported from an

unreported location.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of East Frederic.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 400 block of Magnolia, on two occasions in the 1800 block of North Nelson, and the 1100 block of Duncan.

Assault was reported in the 1000 block of Duncan.

Two burglar alarms were reported.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the police department lobby.

Sheriff

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

Tuesday, Feb. 13

Timothy Frank Davis, 35, of Pampa was arrested in the 700 block of North Sumner by Pampa Police Department for violation of a protective order.

Juan Renaldo Flores, 50, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of East Browning by PPD for public intoxication.

Tara Heather Johnson, 33, of Abilene was arrested by GCSO for securing execution of a document over \$1,500 and under \$20,000 by deception.

Joshua Ray Taylor, 29, of Pampa was arrested in the 300 block of East Francis by PPD for unlawfully possessing a firearm by a felon and stalking.

Robert Edward Selvidge, 35, of

Skellytown was arrested on Highway 60 at the county line by PPD on capias pro fines for no seat belt -- driver and failure to appear.

Fire

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

Tuesday, Feb. 13

2:37 p.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to the 1200 block of Finley on a lifting assist.

3:08 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 100 block of East Harvester for an escort.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Feb. 13

10:23 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

12:06 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Kentucky and transported a patient to PRMC.

4:43 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to a local nursing home.

Charges dismissed against ex-wrestler accused of hazing

FLOWER MOUND, Texas (AP) — The Denton County District Attorney's Office has dismissed hazing and assault charges against a former Flower Mound High School wrestler.

Dustin Everett, 19, was scheduled to stand trial today on three counts of hazing and three counts of assault stemming from a 2005 pool party held by the Dallas-area high school wrestling team.

Allegations of organized hazing, violent beatings and sexually charged actions led to the arrest of 18 students and the team's head coach.

Wrestling team members and their supporters maintained that the accusations were exaggerated accounts of boyhood roughhousing.

Jamie Beck, a spokesman for the district attorney's office, said the accusers requested that the case against Everett be dropped.

She said prosecutors still felt they had a strong case.

"We met with all of the victims and their parents, and through many discussions with them about the case, what a trial is actually like and just the length of time that's gone by for them, they felt it was in their chil-

dren's best interest that this be over," Beck said Tuesday.

Everett's attorney, Frank Jackson, couldn't be reached for comment on Tuesday.

But he said Monday that he was confident Everett, who was 17 when the party took place, would be acquitted at trial.

"I wouldn't plead this case for a \$5 fine," he said.

The dismissal of Everett's charges brings to an end all of the criminal cases resulting from the party.

Former wrestler Cory Talbert, 18, pleaded no contest last month to a charge of assault with bodily injury

and was sentenced to probation.

Last year a grand jury recommended that charges be filed against five juveniles at the party, ages 15 or 16, including two felony counts of sexual assault, a misdemeanor count of assault with bodily injury and 10 misdemeanor counts of hazing.

Charles Zascavage, the team's coach at the time of the party, also was indicted. A judge dismissed the hazing charge against Zascavage because the law was too vague. Zascavage is no longer the school's wrestling coach.

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Corn	7.45
Soybeans	6.36

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BP PLC ADR	62.73	-0.08
Cabot Corp	46.95	-0.01
Celanese	29.14	+0.15
Cabot Oil Gas	65.79	-0.20
Coca Cola	47.90	-0.31
VLO	56.02	+0.25
HAL	30.60	-0.05
TRI	49.49	+0.01
KMI	106.08	+0.04
XCEL	24.34	+0.13
Anadarko	41.95	+0.20
XOM	75.43	-0.02
Nat'l Oilwell	68.68	-0.35
Limited	28.70	-0.10
Williams	27.70	-0.02
MCD	44.72	-0.18
Atmos	32.87	+0.12
Pioneer Nat	40.41	+0.07
JCP	83.68	+0.34
COP	67.42	+0.15
SLB	64.52	-0.08
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Wal-Mart	47.92	-0.06
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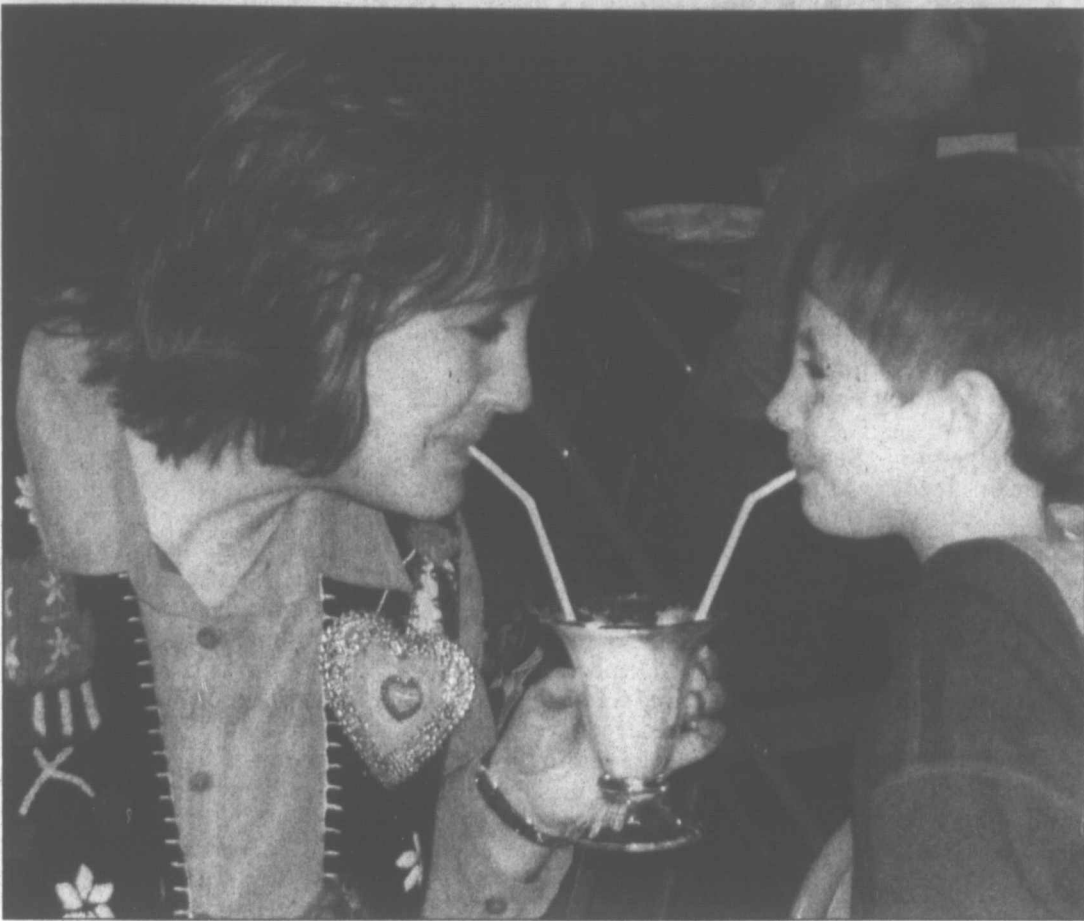
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Float for two



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

Stacie Brainard enjoys a root beer float for two with her 4-year-old son Landry Tuesday as part of the Valentine Sweetheart Luncheon put on by Linda Bodie's 4 and 5-year-old Mother's Day Out class at First Christian Church. The children got to invite their valentine for the occasion which included heart shaped sandwiches, fruit, chocolate dipped strawberries and the root beer float for dessert.

City

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Chris Sharp from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission reported on the STEP program, which is a grant that is available through the state that helps pay for repairs and upgrades to water and sewer lines.

"The process begins by being invited to apply," Sharp said. "There would have to be a public hearing, you would submit an application and then a meeting would need to be set up

involving city volunteers and a representative from the STEP program."

Sharp explained that the maximum allowed to apply for is \$350,000. This money would pay for materials only and the city would have to supply volunteer equipment and workers. He plans on getting more information regarding this program and getting back to members of the commission.

Reallocation of \$25.6 million, which is the remainder of the 2005-2006 bond issue of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, was approved and will be used for infra-

structure.

Mike Ehrle and Lance DeFever were appointed to the Panhandle Elderly Apartments Board filling two vacancies left after two people died.

Karen Price was appointed as the interim city secretary starting March 1, until a permanent person can be found after reviewing applications that are due by March 9. Price was also named as the joint election officer.

The commission approved moving the next meeting to Feb. 28 at noon since some members will be in Austin for Panhandle Day on Feb. 27.

Winter storm lashes Northeast

By CHRIS CAROLA
Associated Press Writer
ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Sleet stung the faces of pedestrians and snow and ice coated windshields and streets today as a Valentine's Day blizzard roared out of the Midwest and shut down parts of the Northeast.

Hundreds of thousands of people had lost electrical service in the cold weather. At least nine deaths were blamed on the huge storm system.

Airline flights were canceled and thousands of schools were closed in states from Maine to Kentucky, some in the Midwest for a second day. In Washington, the federal government decided to open offices two hours late.

The slippery streets and sidewalks posed a challenge for florists trying to deliver Valentine's Day flowers.

"People have to understand, we can't do it if it gets really bad. Other than that, we'll kill ourselves to get it delivered," said florist Dan Filer, whose shop in the Cleveland area was double-wrapping arrangements to protect them from the cold.

The snow and ice caused spinouts, fender-benders and traffic snarls during the morning commute.

"I'm a little nervous, but not too worried. It took a little extra time to warm up the car and get the ice off the car," said Kate Harris, 25, of New Haven, Conn. "I'm a little disappointed. I like the snow. It's not fun to drive in it, but I like a little snow."

The National Weather Service issued blizzard warnings for parts of New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Maine, where as much as 2 feet of snow was possible in the western part of the state. Maine Gov. John Baldacci declared a state of emergency to ensure the

smooth delivery of heating oil.

Snowplow operators were ready.

"We're geared up to handle snow. Barring a four-foot snow we're ready for it. That's our job," said Dana Wardwell, director of public works in Bangor, Maine.

Snowfall tapered off today in Illinois but many counties had closed some or all rural roads until the snow stopped drifting.

"It's really bad," said sales clerk Nathan Robinson at the

Auburn Travel Center truck stop about 10 miles south of Springfield, Ill., off Interstate 55. "We have a lot of trucks parked pretty much everywhere, clogging up the whole parking lot."

Most of upstate New York reported several inches of new snow on the ground this morning with 10 inches at Owego, on the Pennsylvania line. The weather service said some places around the state could receive as much as 3 feet.

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Budget

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Incentives Program: \$1 billion, down \$270 million from Farm Bill authorized levels.

- Conservation Security Program: Proposed spending cap of \$316 million, up from \$259 million in FY 2007.

- Conservation Reserve Program Technical Assistance: \$58 million, down from \$80 million.

- U.S. Forest Service State and Private Forestry: \$202 million, down from \$228 million in FY 2007.

- Resource Conservation and Development: \$15 million, down from \$51 million in FY 2007.

- Watershed Programs: \$6 million, down from \$75 million.

While expressing concern, Wilson said NACD will seek support in Congress to provide adequate funding levels for these and other key programs.

"This is just the start," he said. "We will work with Congress to address these numbers and hopefully improve funding levels for conservation programs."

The National Association of conservation districts is the non-profit organization that represents the nation's 3,000 conservation districts and 17,000 men and women who serve on their governing boards. For almost 70 years, local conservation districts have worked with cooperating landowners and managers of private working lands to help them plan and apply effective conservation practices.

NACD's web site is www.nacdnet.org.

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specific information from the wind energy company before proceeding further with the idea of creating the zone, he said.

Possible tax abatements which might be granted to businesses locating within a reinvestment zone can vary widely, Peet said. The wind farm near White Deer received 100 percent county tax abatement for the first seven years, followed by 100 percent valuation beginning with the eighth year. Another farm being built west of Panhandle was awarded 87 percent abatement for 10 years, Peet said.

Commissioners will also receive the resignation of Don Fletcher as Precinct 4 constable. Fletcher was re-elected in the Nov. 7 gener-

al election to finish the remaining two years of the four-year term. He had been elected in 2004 after campaigning on a platform promising to vacate the post if elected, in order to save the county the expense of the position.

Chris Broaddus filed as a write-in candidate last year in a bid to fill the remaining two years of the term, and Fletcher followed suit by also filing as a write-in candidate, on the same platform of resigning office if elected.

Precinct 2 Constable Chris Lockridge's annual racial profiling report will be presented, along with a tax collection report and treasurer's report.

A request by County Tax Assessor-Collector Gaye Whitehead to replace an employee is also on the agenda, along with payment of bills and salaries.

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Viewpoints

Making sense: Just who is blocking what?

Aside from the fact that it is patently untrue that Senate Republicans are blocking any debate on the current state of the war in Iraq, the hypocrisy of the Democrats on the issue boggles the mind.

If you believe what you read in the media (a very foolish thing to do nowadays when the boys and girls in mainstream media have finally bowed to reality and abandoned any pretense of being non-partisan), the GOP leadership is hell-bent on preventing any debate on the Senate floor about the planned surge of troops and the president's new strategy of cleansing the strife-ridden streets of Baghdad and neighboring Anbar province. That's flat-out untrue, but sticking to the truth is not

one of the things for which the Democrats and their media allies are best known.

According to CNN News recently, top Senate Democrats called on Senate Republicans to "stop blocking a debate" on President Bush's plan to send additional troops to Iraq.

"Before sending another 48,000 young Americans into battle, the Congress owes it to our troops, their families, and their communities to have an honest and open discussion about their mission," the Democrats said in a news release.

Oops! The President is sending about 21,000 new troops, not 48,000; but then, as noted above, the Democrats never let the truth get in their way when playing the demagogue game.

After all, 48,000 sounds scarier than 21,000.

Anyway, the Democrats are busy trying to convince the public that in blocking a vote on the "no confidence" Warner resolution criticizing President Bush's troop-surge and pacification strategy the Senate Republicans are trying to block any debate on the matter.

Michael Reagan
Columnist

they do want a full debate on the issue and not one limited to a single no-confidence vote on the president's surge strategy.

According to Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the U.S. mission in Iraq is the most important issue facing

the country.

"And this means, of course, that the men and women of this body have no higher duty than to express ourselves openly and honestly on this issue — to take a stand on where we stand."

And, adds McConnell, the best way to do that is for the

senators to "express themselves on whether to fund or not fund the war in Iraq."

By blocking a vote on the war-funding resolution, McConnell charged, Democrats are blocking a vote on the "essential question ... Do we oppose this war to the point of action, or do we simply want to make a point?"

The Democrats, he said, "do not want to vote on whether troops should be funded. Period. There is no more critical question at this moment. We have the duty to take it up, and we'll continue to fight for that right."

According to The Washington Times, McConnell — who previously insisted he won't "allow a vote on the resolution of no confidence" without a vote

on two other resolutions — has modified his stance.

One of the resolutions, authored by Sen. John McCain, "would endorse the 'surge' plan but set benchmarks for Iraqi self-governance," and the other sponsored by Sen. Judd Gregg, "would promise not to cut funding for the war."

McConnell now offers to allow the [Warner/Democratic] resolution to go forward in exchange for a vote on the "no funding cutoff" resolution only.

But according to USA Today, Reid told McConnell to go fly a kite, saying "negotiations are over."

You have to be amused by the Democrats' antics — after
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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 14, the 45th day of 2007. There are 320 days left in the year. This is Valentine's Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 14, 1929, the "St. Valentine's Day Massacre" took place in a Chicago garage as seven rivals of Al Capone's gang were gunned down.

On this date:

In 1778, the American ship Ranger carried the recently adopted Star and Stripes to a foreign port for the first time as it arrived in France.

In 1859, Oregon was admitted to the Union as the 33rd state.

In 1894, comedian Jack Benny was born Benjamin Kubelsky in Waukegan, Ill.

In 1895, Oscar Wilde's final play, "The Importance of Being Earnest," opened at the St. James' Theatre in London.

In 1903, the Department of Commerce and Labor was established. (It was divided into separate departments of Commerce and Labor in 1913.)

In 1912, Arizona became the 48th state of the Union.

'A lady of 47 who has been married 27 years and has six children knows what love really is and once described it for me like this:

"Love is what you've been through with somebody."

— James Thurber
American humorist
(1894-1961)

In 1920, the League of Women Voters was founded in Chicago; its first president was Maud Wood Park.

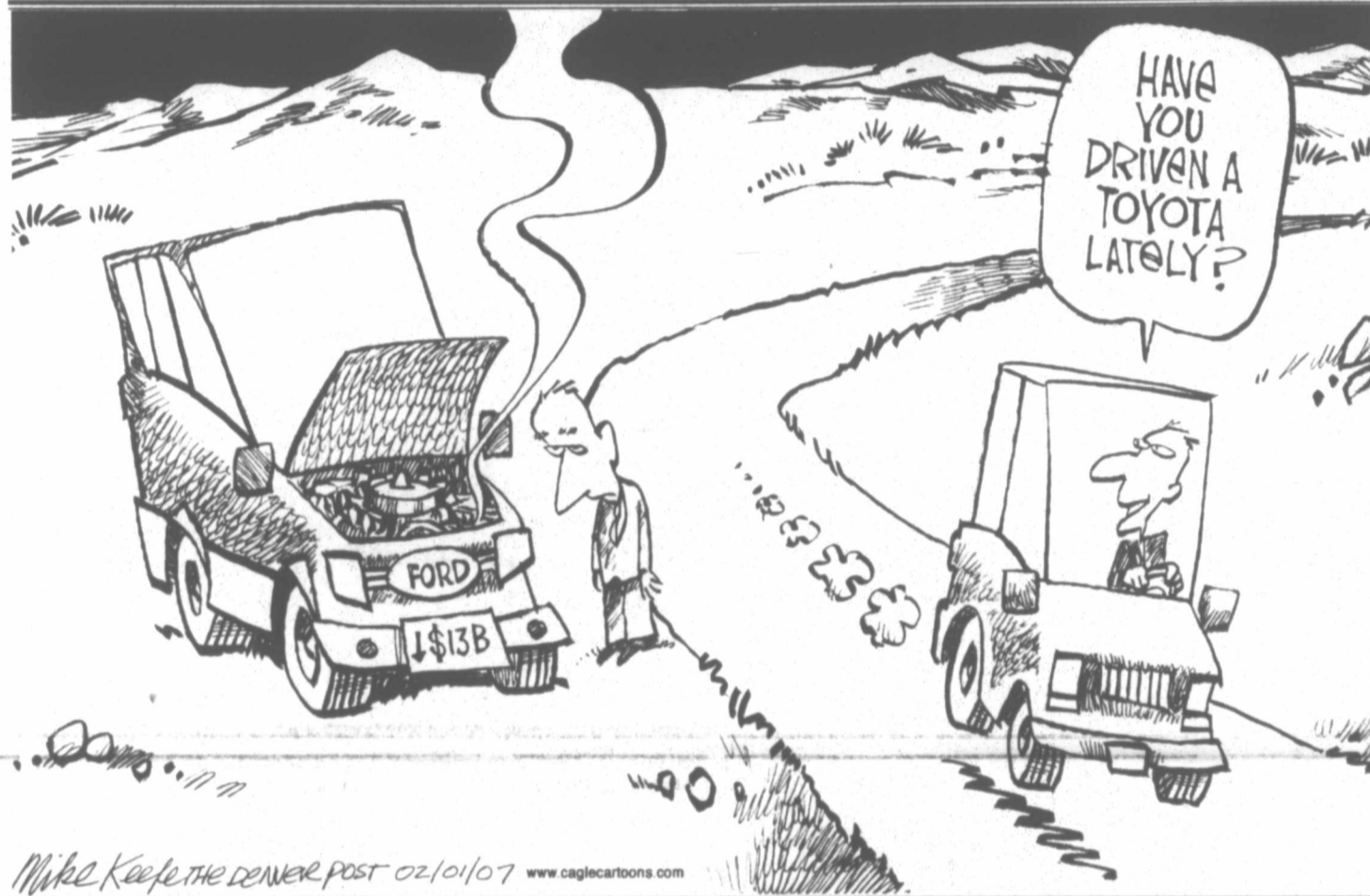
In 1962, first lady Jacqueline Kennedy conducted a televised tour of the White House.

In 1979, Adolph Dubs, the U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, was kidnapped in Kabul by Muslim extremists and killed in a shootout between his abductors and police.

In 1989, Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini called on Muslims to kill Salman Rushdie, author of "The Satanic Verses," a novel condemned as blasphemous.

Ten years ago: American Airlines and its pilots union continued contract talks as the clock ticked down to a midnight strike deadline. (The pilots did strike, but President Clinton immediately intervened, ordering a 60-day "cooling off" period.)

Five years ago: Launching his defense against war crimes charges, former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic justified his actions as a "struggle against terrorism" and said he was a victim of twisted facts and "terrible fabrication."



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American leaders too dedicated to Israel

Here it is barely February 2007, and the presidential race is already in full swing. At this point, polls only reflect name recognition, and therefore speculation about who's ahead of whom is pointless.

I will note that all of the candidates are making their ritualistic pledges of support to the state of Israel.

In my dreams, I hope that one day the American people will wake up to the fact that this is strange. After all, any American candidate who went around pledging undying support for France or Great Britain or Japan would likely be brought up short by the voters. "Hey, Bud, which country do you want to represent?"

The competition in the game of who loves Israel the most is just a reflection of Jewish financial and political clout. And please don't claim that all American Jews are poor and lacking in political influence. Many

American Jews have been quite successful, and they know how to use money to good effect. Their influence, therefore, is disproportionate to their numbers in the population. One of several books on the subject is "Jewish Power" by J. J. Goldberg.

As I have said often before, Jews should not be blamed for exercising the right every American has of making demands on politicians and backing them up with campaign money. The blame lies with the politicians who are so eager to barter their votes and influence for campaign dollars.

A proper stance by someone seeking the presidency would be that when Israel is right, I will back it, and when Israel is wrong, I will oppose it, bearing in mind

that the purpose of American foreign policy is to advance American interests, not those of a foreign country. As far as the Israel First crowd goes, that would be a kiss of death, but not all

American Jews are fanatic supporters of Israel.

At any rate, what those who cater to the pro-Israel lobby are telling us is that if they are elected, their Middle East policies will be a failure, too. The only key to a stable and peaceful Middle East is a just solution to the Palestinian problem. In case you don't know what that problem is, it is the fact that Europeans instigated a colonialist policy of establishing Israel on a land occupied by Palestinian Arabs. This policy necessitated the ethnic cleansing of several hundred

thousand Palestinians, who have since languished in refugee camps in Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, the West Bank and Gaza. Israel still refuses to allow either a return of the refugees or compensation for their lost property.

I'm not suggesting that most Arab leaders care a fig about the Palestinians. Most of them don't. But the Arab people as a whole do, and no Arab leader can afford to publicly disavow them. Therefore, America's one-sided support of Israel is the fly in every American scheme to advance our interests in the region.

The so-called two-state solution is just a ruse. It is as plain as tar on snow that no Israeli government will ever agree to a viable Palestinian state. What Palestinians should demand is a one-state solution — a secular state with equal rights for Arabs and Jews, and one man, one vote.

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Charley Reese
Columnist



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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ Feb. 5

Austin American-Statesman on Texas primaries:

State Rep. Roberto Alonzo, D-Dallas, has a lousy idea he wants made into law. He's not the first legislator with that desire he's just the latest one. On the surface, Alonzo's idea to move the Texas primaries from March to February during presidential election years has some appeal.

With its 34 electoral votes, Alonzo argues, Texas should have a bigger say in which candidates the parties nominate for president. He may be right about that, but pushing up the state's

primary date isn't the way to fix that problem.

Holding party primaries the first Tuesday in February means that the deadline for filing for office in Texas will move up to December, with early voting starting in January.

Political campaigns will be forced to compete for time, money and attention with holiday activities. Ask yourself: Given a choice a between festivities with family and friends or listening to candidates discuss the merits of tax reform, which would most people choose? The question assumes, of course, that candidates in a primary will discuss such high-minded concepts and not whether the opponent broke wedding vows or any other codes or laws.

Moreover, pushing primary election-creeching into the political black hole months of December and January gives an advantage to incumbents. With few paying attention, the candidate with the best name identification has a huge advantage over a field of lesser known or unknown challengers.

Texas primary elections have been moved twice since the 1940s. Texas primaries once were held in July, then pushed up to May, and starting with the 1988 presidential election, party primaries were moved up to March.

Democrats controlled the Legislature in the 1980s but grumbled that the party's liberal national candidates were undermining Texas Democrats on the

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DEAR ABBY: I took my grandsons to see a movie. They were looking forward to our outing all week. As we stood in line to buy tickets, I realized I had only a \$20 bill in my wallet. We had planned to lunch on hot dogs and drinks in the theater, but I knew I wouldn't have enough cash. I told my grandchildren we had a problem -- I was short of money -- but I figured I could write a check. The 7-year-old said, "No, MeeMaw! The sign says cash only." I replied, "That's OK because it doesn't cost much for kids." He piped up again, "MeeMaw, the sign says \$4 for children." As the line to the cashier grew shorter, we decided that we'd buy only one hot dog and one drink, and we'd share. Unbeknownst to me, a young lady standing in front of us overheard our conversation. When she reached the cashier, she purchased her tickets, then turned to me and handed me three tickets to see our movie. I was shocked and delighted and so were the boys. I tried to thank her, but she was gone in a flash. Abby, I will never forget that dear girl's kindness and neither will the boys. It happened more than a year ago, but I still think of it to this day and have tried to pass her generous act forward. I hope she sees this letter so she will know what an impact her spontaneous act of kindness had on us. -- **GRATEFUL MEE MAW IN AUSTIN, TEXAS**

DEAR MEE MAW: So do I. Acts of kindness are like pebbles tossed into a reflecting pool. The ripples radiate outward long after the deed is done.

DEAR ABBY: I know you sometimes enjoy sharing amusing incidents with your readers. Years ago, we lived in a friendly community of row houses with attached garages. I was attending college at the time, and usually returned home around

midnight. My best pal, my cat Peg, would wait for me on top of the garage. When I left the garage, Peg would jump on my shoulders and remain there for several hours after I went inside to study. One night I was delayed getting home. My next-door neighbor, an alcoholic, came home from a party stewed to the gills around the time I usually got there. There were no lights in the garage, and it was very dark. Assuming it was me, Peg jumped on his shoulders as he left the garage. My neighbor screamed and yelled. The neighbors came out to see what was going on. The police arrived. Hysteria ensued. The next day the morning paper had the headline, "Wild Animal Escapes From Zoo." -- **MORRIS W. IN ARIZONA**

DEAR MORRIS: And I know which one. It was one of their pink elephants.

DEAR ABBY: Please help me. My lover and I have been disagreeing lately and are considering couples counseling. However, he keeps insisting that we see the marriage counselor he and his wife are currently seeing. I want to make this relationship work, but I think it's inappropriate to receive counseling from the same one that they are currently seeing. What do you think? -- **NEEDS THERAPY IN TEXAS**

DEAR NEEDS THERAPY: I think you should definitely have some sessions with the therapist who is counseling your lover and his wife. They could prove enlightening. I'm willing to bet the farm that the same issues that have caused him to cheat on her are the ones at the root of your problems with him. And I'm not at all sure that "making this relationship work" would ultimately be in your best interests.

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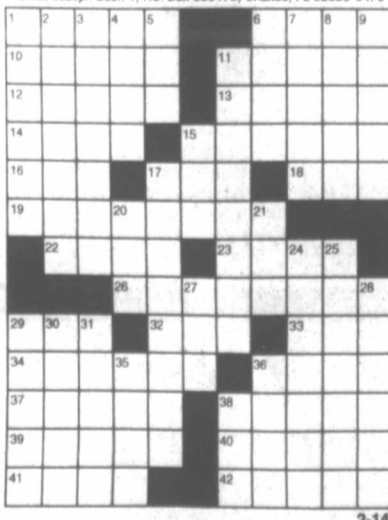
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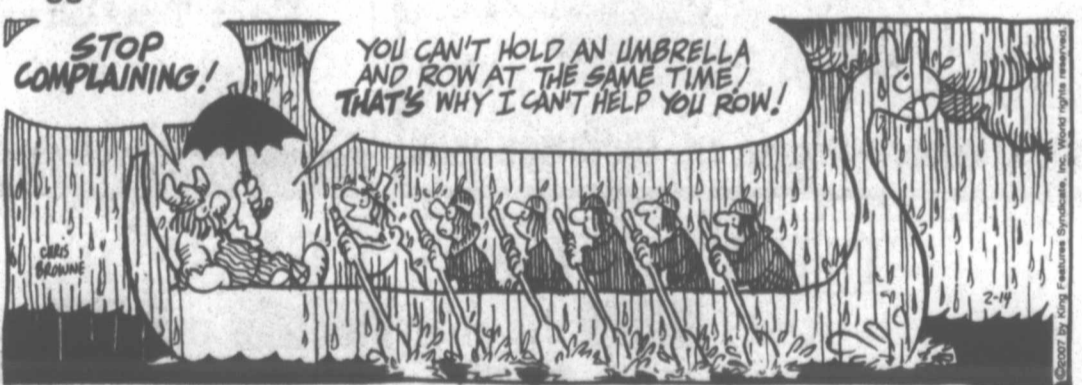
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Valentine's Day



Valentine's Day started in the time of the Roman Empire. In ancient Rome, February 14th was a holiday to honour Juno. Juno was the Queen of the Roman Gods and Goddesses. The Romans also knew her as the Goddess of women and marriage. The following day, February 15th, began the Feast of Lupercalia.

The lives of young boys and girls were strictly separate. However, one of the customs of the young people was name drawing. On the eve of the festival of Lupercalia the names of Roman girls were written on slips of paper and placed into jars. Each young man would draw a girl's name from the jar and would then be partners for the duration of the festival with the girl whom he chose. Sometimes the pairing of the children lasted an entire year, and often, they would fall in love and would later marry.

Under the rule of Emperor Claudius II Rome was involved in many bloody and unpopular campaigns. Claudius the Cruel was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military leagues. He believed that the reason was that roman men did not want to leave their loves or families. As a result, Claudius cancelled all marriages and engagements in Rome. The good Saint Valentine was a priest at Rome in the days of Claudius II. He and Saint Marius aided the Christian martyrs and secretly married couples, and for this kind deed Saint Valentine was apprehended and dragged before the Prefect of Rome, who condemned him to be beaten to death with clubs and to have his head cut off. He suffered martyrdom on the 14th day of February, about the year 270. At that time it was the custom in Rome, a very ancient custom, indeed, to celebrate in the month of February the Lupercalia, feasts in honour of a heathen god. On these occasions, amidst a variety of pagan ceremonies, the names of young women were placed in a box, from which they were drawn by the men as chance directed.

The pastors of the early Christian Church in Rome endeavored to do away with the pagan element in these feasts by substituting the names of saints for those of maidens. And as the Lupercalia began about the middle of February, the pastors appear to have chosen Saint Valentine's Day for the celebration of this new feast. So it seems that the custom of young men choosing maidens for valentines, or saints as patrons for the coming year, arose in this way.

Gradually, February 14 became the date for exchanging love messages and St. Valentine became the patron saint of lovers. The date was marked by sending poems and simple gifts such as flowers. There was often a social gathering or a ball.

In the United States, Miss Esther Howland is given credit for sending the first valentine cards. The town of Loveland, Colorado, does a large post office business around February 14. The spirit of good continues as valentines are sent out with sentimental verses and children exchange valentine cards at school.

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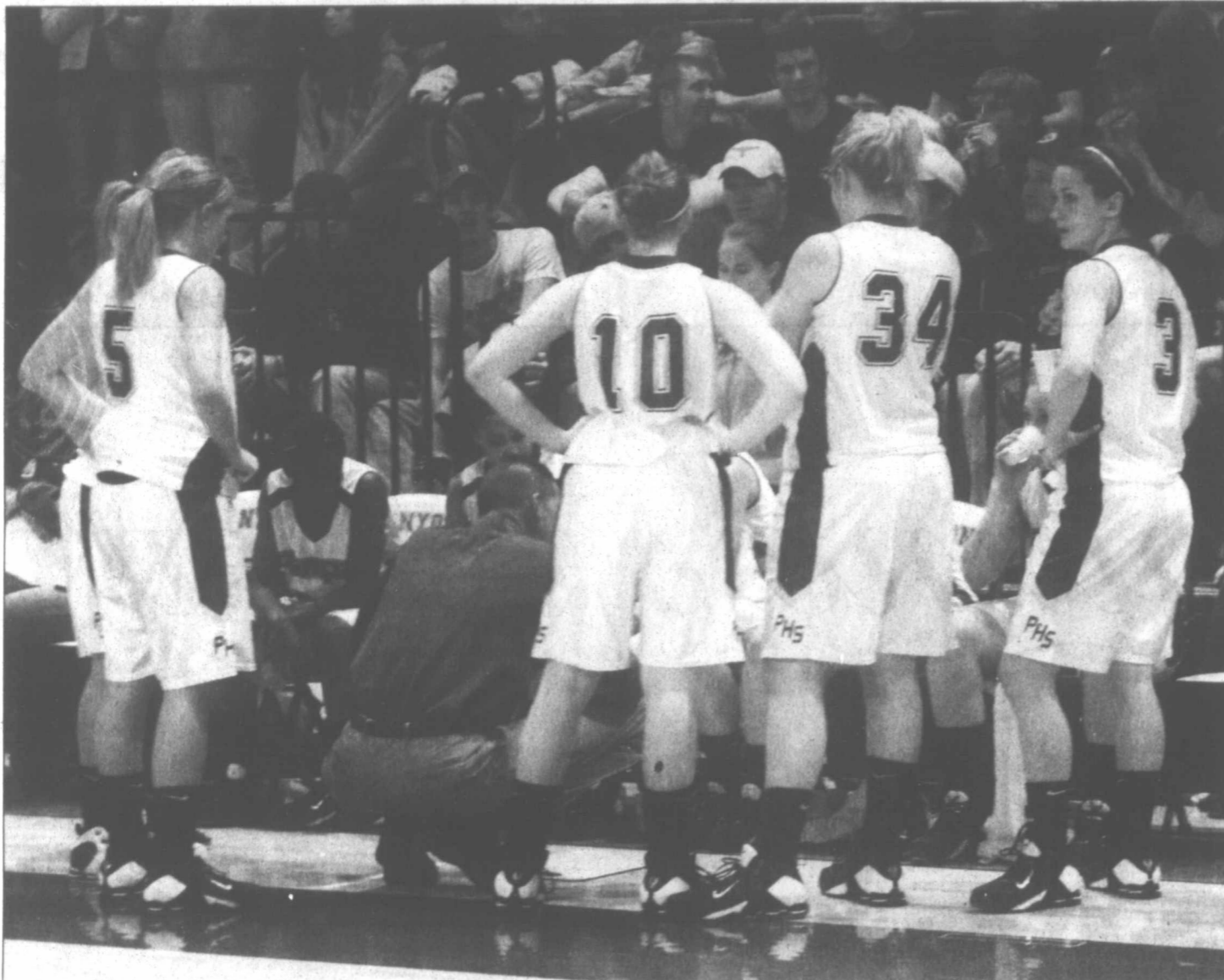
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Sports Day

Plainview paints the town red to end Lady Harvesters season



Coach Troy Fry takes a time out late in the exciting fourth quarter to go over some plays with the girls.

By **JORDAN REAGAN**
Sports Editor

Britteni Rice led Pampa against Plainview Tuesday night with a game high of 17 points.

The Lady Harvesters ended their season with a 46-41 loss to Plainview and a 14-16 overall record.

Just over a minute into the first quarter, Pampa started out behind 8-1, but with 5 points from Rice, a 3-pointer by Jasmine Moore and help from McKinsie East, the Lady Harvesters ended the quarter behind 14-12 with one last buzzer shot by Haili Kotara.

In the second quarter, Pampa held Plainview to just 5 points against their 11.

Halfway into the quarter, East threw in a free shot which tied the game at 19, but 7 more points by East and 3 from Rice helped the Lady Harvesters go into halftime with a comfortable 23-19 lead.

Plainview came back and pulled ahead several times during the third quarter, but 4 points by Kesli Wyatt helped keep Pampa in the game and take their 4 point lead back at the end of the quarter.

Just as the Lady

Harvesters' white jerseys were smeared with red body paint from the Plainview girls' arms as the game neared its end, the court was also painted red as the Lady Bulldogs pulled the game from under Pampa's feet in the fourth quarter.

Less than two minutes into the quarter, Plainview took a 36-34 lead with a 3-point shot.

After making several foul shots, Rice put the Lady Harvesters back in the lead before fouling out with 3:33 remaining.

"When she fouled out I was hurt cause I knew she needed and wanted to be on the court," Coach Troy Fry said, "She was having a great game controlling our team and keeping everyone involved."

With Rice gone, Plainview took the lead again, and were ahead 40-39 at 2:23.

Seconds later, Jasmine Moore stole the ball for an easy lay-up to put the Lady Harvesters ahead one last time.

The Lady Bulldogs instantly responded with a 3-pointer, and finally 2 free throws to finish the game at 46-41.



McKensie East takes a shot from under the goal during the first quarter. East scored 13 points during Tuesday night's game.



Matt Smith takes a jump shot over Caprock during Tuesday night's game.

Varsity boys end with victory at Caprock

By **JORDAN REAGAN**
Sports Editor

Taking a big lead from the first quarter, the Pampa Harvesters defeated Caprock Tuesday night at Caprock.

"It was a big game for us not knowing what was happening in Dumas, with us still having some playoff hopes," Coach Dustin Miller said, "We wanted to make sure we finished off Caprock then find out our fate."

The Harvesters outscored Caprock 14-8 in the first quarter, and were outscored in the second quarter to go into halftime with the game tied at 29.

Pampa fell one point short in the third quarter, but held Caprock to one shot in the

fourth against their 26 points to seal the 70-63 win over the Longhorns.

Tyler Hall led the Harvesters with 28 points, followed by Trent Harris with 18.

"I am very proud of these kids," said Miller, "It would have been easy to quite when things weren't going well but they chose to keep working hard and improving."

"I think we are playing some of our best basketball right now, unfortunately we are out of time," Miller continued.

In the JV game, Josh Humphrey led the team with 13 points to a 58-55 victory over the Caprock JV.



Trent Harris takes a shot during the second quarter of Tuesday night's game. Harris had 18 points.

Daytona cheating scandal: crew chiefs suspended, drivers docked points

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — NASCAR vowed last summer to crack down on cheaters, pledging to toughen penalties in a sport where bending the rules is as common as banging bumpers.

Officials made good on that promise Tuesday.

NASCAR suspended the crew chiefs for Matt Kenseth, Kasey Kahne, Scott Riggs and Elliott Sadler and docked all four drivers points before the season-

opening Daytona 500 — its strongest statement to date on cheating.

All four cars failed qualifying inspection, and a fifth, Michael Waltrip's startup Toyota Camry, faces additional penalties that could be even more severe.

"It's obvious that we've ramped up our penalties and we're going to get people's attention," competition director Robin Pemberton said. "We're going to grab this one by the horns."

Robbie Reiser, crew chief for Kenseth, and Kenny Francis, crew chief for Kahne, were suspended four races. Rodney Childers, crew chief for Riggs, and Josh Brown, crew chief for Sadler, were suspended two races.

Kahne, Riggs and Sadler are teammates at Everham Motorsports. Kenseth, the 2003 series champion and runner-up last season, drives for Roush Racing.

All four crew chiefs can

appeal, a process that could allow them to work the Great American Race. If they do and the committee cannot schedule a hearing before Sunday's race, they would be allowed to participate.

But Roush Racing already has a replacement for Reiser, and said the 500 will be the first race he has missed since the team's inception in 1999 — a stretch of 255 races.

Reiser and Francis may not appeal because delaying the suspension could cause

them to miss the debut of the Car of Tomorrow at Bristol Motor Speedway in March.

In toughening its penalties, NASCAR made the unprecedented move of taking points away before the season has even started. Kahne and Kenseth were docked 50 points apiece, while Riggs and Sadler lost 25 each.

Reiser and Francis also were fined \$50,000 each, while Childers and Brown were fined \$25,000 each.

All four drivers will start the season with negative points — a move that most likely infuriated the teams, but sent a strong message that NASCAR will no longer tolerate rule-breakers.

NASCAR is still investigating Waltrip, who had a car part seized and shipped back to North Carolina for further analysis.

It's the second straight season that NASCAR's biggest event has been marred by cheating scandals.

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Events calendar

• **Pampa Book Club** is scheduled to discuss the following books: "Widow in the South" By Robert Hicks, March 14; "Peace Like a River" by Leif Enger, April 11; and "The Last Promise" by Richard Evans, May 9. The group meets at 10 a.m. in the Texas Room at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

• **Pampa Community Concert Association** Presents "Live On Stage" has released its current concert sched-

ule. The schedule is as follows: "Puttin' on the Hitz, A Salute to Irving Berlin," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Borger High School Auditorium; Bronn and Katherine Journey, harpist and vocalist, 7:30 p.m., March 19, M.K. Brown Auditorium. Membership fees are \$30 for adults, \$70 for families; and \$15 for students. For more information, call 665-0343 or 665-2631.

Reagan

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all, these are the same people who made a career out of blocking up-or-down votes on the confirmation of hordes of constitutionalist nominees to the federal courts.

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—Mike Reagan, the eldest son of the late President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the Radio America Network.

Primary

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state and local level.

Moving the election date up to March, the argument went in Texas, would put more conservative voices into the mix. Despite all that talk and moving the primary date up two months, Democrats nominated liberal Michael Dukakis, then governor of Massachusetts, for the presidency. Dukakis, no champion of Texas conservative Democratic values, lost that

year to George H. W. Bush.

Scott Haywood, a spokesman for the Texas Secretary of State's office, said the agency has not and probably will not take a position on the proposed legislation to move the primary up yet again. "We'll do what the Legislature tells us on election dates," Haywood said. The secretary of state's office oversees state elections.

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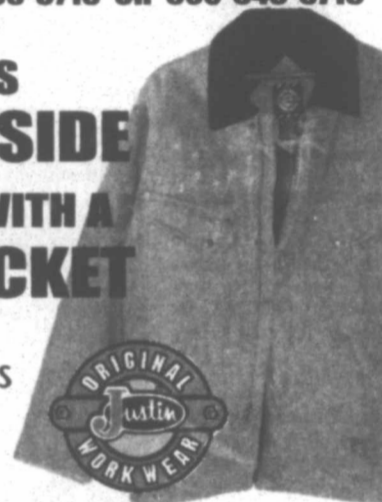
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All symptoms of
Fibromyalgia

Fibromyalgia is a common condition characterized by widespread pain in joints, muscles, tendons, and other soft tissues. Some other problems commonly linked with fibromyalgia include fatigue, morning stiffness, sleep problems, headaches, numbness in hands and feet, depression, and anxiety. Fibromyalgia can develop on its own, or secondary to other musculoskeletal conditions, such as rheumatoid arthritis, or systemic lupus. Diagnosis of fibromyalgia requires a history of at least three months of widespread pain, and pain and tenderness in at least 11 of 18 tender-point sites. These tender-point sites include fibrous tissue or muscles of the neck, shoulders, chest, rib cage, lower back, thighs, knees, arms (elbows), and buttocks. The overwhelming characteristic of fibromyalgia is long standing, body-wide pain with defined tender points. Tender points are distinct from trigger points seen in other pain syndromes. Fibromyalgia pain can mimic the pain experienced by people with various types of arthritis. The soft-tissue pain of fibromyalgia is described as deep-aching, radiating, gnawing, shooting or burning, and ranges from mild to severe. Fibromyalgia sufferers tend to awaken with body aches and stiffness.

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