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## Legislation caused influx of doctors to Texas

**By KERRI SMITH**  
Staff Writer

Three years ago, voters in Texas passed Proposition 12, which gave the state legislature authority to set limits on non-economic damages awarded to plaintiffs in civil lawsuits against physicians.

Many people thought this was necessary because the rates for malpractice insurance kept rising and were getting too high, but this caused a problem for the Texas Medical Board which has to process applica-

tions from out-of-state doctors seeking a Texas license.

According to reports issued by Joe Nixon, a former Houston state representative and author of the medical reform bill, a record 4,026 applications were received by the medical board last year. That is 34 percent more than 2005, which previously was the busiest year.

Five months into the current fiscal year, new applications are on pace for another record year.

"Three years ago, we were having

trouble attracting doctors to our state," Nixon said. "Now, we can't keep up with the demand. Clearly, the lawsuit protections passed in Texas have made this state a magnet for new physicians."

Eighty-two percent of the applicants for new licenses are from out-of-state. Quite a few of those applying are from New York, Florida, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. These states are all designated by the American Medical Association as states in liability cri-

sis.

The current number of those on the waiting list for licenses is 2,594. This number is greater than the total number of new doctors the state licensed last year.

"Lawmakers were hoping the reforms would end soaring insurance costs and the exodus of doctors and indeed they have," Nixon said. "The immediate surge in applications caught everyone by surprise. By fix-

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## Deadline, rules for photo contest

**By DENNIS SPIES**  
Editor

Readers of The Pampa News have called inquiring about the rules and deadlines of this year's Pampa Portraits photo contest.

The deadline for photos to be delivered is 5 p.m. Thursday.

The contest is a part of the publication of the annual Pride Progress edition, scheduled to be delivered on March 30.

One section of the edition will be dedicated to photographs only. The winner of the Pampa Portraits contest will have their photo published on the cover of the section and will win \$50 in Pampa Bucks. The best photos will be published in the section.

Eligible entries should be photographs of Pampa people in Pampa, taken by amateur photographers. Subjects will be of Pampans working, playing, relaxing or celebrating a special occasion. Photos of

animals or scenery will not be considered, nor will photos that are copyrighted.

Entries can be prints or digital images in jpg format burned on a CD. They may be mailed or brought to the newspaper office. If mailed, they must be received by the deadline for entry. Photos submitted on a CD should be of the contest entry only.

Accompanying the photos should be identification of the people appearing and what they are doing. Also, include the date and place with each entry. If a person other than the entrant is in the photo, a signed release to have their likeness published is also required. Photos that do not include identification of subjects and an explanation of the event will not be considered.

Entries must include the entrant's name, address, e-

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## Parking lot accident



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

An accident occurred in front of Pampa Regional Medical Center around 1 p.m. Friday. An F350 Ford Pickup traveling south on Perryton Parkway hit a lightpole, traveled across the grassy area in front of the hospital, entered the hospital parking lot and crashed into a Chevy Cavalier which was pushed into a GMC Yukon. At the time of this photo, police were still investigating the cause of the accident.

## DST has new changes this year

**By KERRI SMITH**  
Staff Writer

Daylight-saving time begins at 2 a.m. Sunday so don't forget to "spring forward" an hour. This event is happening one month earlier than usual this year due to the Energy Policy Act of 2005 signed by President George W. Bush.

The act changed the dates for daylight-saving time in the United States beginning in 2007 to conserve energy. It will now begin on the second Sunday in March and end on the first Sunday in November.

Studies done by the U.S. Department of Transportation show that daylight-saving time trims the entire country's electricity usage by a small but significant amount, about one percent each day, due to less electricity being used for lighting and appliances in the evening when the sun stays up longer.

According to several studies, this time change also has a public health benefit. Traffic accidents and fatalities are decreased by close to one percent by having more daylight hours. It also prevents crimes since

people do more errands and chores in daylight rather than darkness, when more crime usually occurs.

Most people in the United States like this change that allows them to do more outside activities, but there are a few that oppose it.

People with sleep disorders find this transition difficult. Some believe that severe automobile accidents increase and work productivity decreases as people adjust to the time change. Protests are also put forth by those who wake at dawn or whose schedules are tied to sunrise, such as farmers.

Benjamin Franklin, while a minister to France, first suggested the idea of daylight-saving time in an essay titled "An Economical Project for Diminishing the Cost of Light," which was first published in 1784. More than 100 years passed before it was suggested again by Englishman William Willett in 1907, when he wrote a pamphlet called "The Waste of Daylight."

In March 1918, in order to conserve resources for the war effort, the U.S.

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## Tralee to conduct volunteer training

**By MARILYN POWERS**  
Staff Writer

Training for anyone wishing to volunteer to help victims of domestic violence or sexual assault will be March 19 through May 28, sponsored by Tralee Crisis Center.

Newly-trained volunteers will have a choice of duties, said Lyn Ledbetter, a staff member at the center. Volunteers are needed to make direct contact with victims, work in the office, work in the resale store, work in the warehouse, make household repairs and move large items.

Deadline to register for the training is March 15.

Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older, and must provide three references.

Classes will meet from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. once each week during the training period. Training will be provided by Tralee staff and by representatives of law enforcement, the judiciary system and the medical profession.

Interested individuals may register by calling 669-1131 or by sending their name, address and telephone number to Tralee Crisis Center, P.O. Box 2880, Pampa, TX 79066-2880. Each applicant will be pro-

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**Obituaries**

**Drama Roden Lindsey, 83**

Drama Roden Lindsey, 83, died March 3, 2007, at Mesa, Ariz. Arrangements were handled by Allen Funeral Home & Arizona Cremation.

**Ola Mitchell, 85**

Ola Mitchell, 85, of Pampa, died Friday, March 9, 2007, at Oklahoma City. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. —Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

**J.E. "Chris" Walsh, 87**

J.E. "Chris" Walsh, 87, of Pampa, Texas, died March 9, 2007, at Pampa. home; three daughters, Donna Stephens of Lancaster, Becky Henderson of Yukon, Okla., and Debbie Dalton of McLean; five grandchildren, David Henderson, Stephen Henderson, Christy Pritchett, Tina Anderson and April Houser; seven great-grandchildren, Curtis Pritchett, Jeremy Pritchett, Austin Pritchett, Kayle Anderson, Aaron Anderson, Logan Houser and Brayden Houser; and one great-great-grandchild, Taylor Pritchett.



Walsh

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, March 12, 2007, at First Baptist Church with Dr. Johnny Funderburg, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Walsh was born July 7, 1919, in Wichita Falls and had been a resident of the Pampa area since 1923. He married Doris Taylor on April 2, 1943, in Pampa. He worked for Fraser Insurance Agency for many years and retired from Culberson-Stowers Chevrolet in 1999. He also worked in the tire business for several years.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Parlor Sunday School Class, and the Sunshine Club. Chris loved people, and he never met a stranger. Survivors include his wife, Doris Walsh, of the

He was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Amy Walsh; two sisters, Wilma Gordon and Peggy Brady; and a granddaughter, Laurie Henderson.

MEMORIALS: First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066 or Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

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Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a low around 47. North wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 64.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47. North-northwest wind around 5 mph.

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**Emergency Services**

**Sheriff**

Gray County Sheriff's Office recorded the following arrests on Saturday.

**Friday, March 9**

Homer Lee Hughes, 40, of Pampa was arrested by

GCSO and charged with driving while license is invalid.

Oaty Don Scott, 31, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department and charged with assault causing bodily injury.

Gregory Edmondson, 27,

of Pampa was arrested by Pampa PD on a bond surrender for DWI.

Kimberly Winter, 30, of Mobeetie was arrested by GCSO on a violation of probation for theft by check.

Carl Wayne Dunn, 52, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa PD and charged with no driver's license, no insurance and failure to appear.

Edd Gordon Drew, 49, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO and charged with theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Kerlee Rea Parker, 27, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa PD and charged with possession of less than 2 ounces of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**Saturday, March 10**  
Arthur Murphy, 49, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO and charged with no insurance.

Larry Dominguez, 29, of Pampa was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety and charged with DWI.

**Fire**

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

**Friday, March 9**  
7:06 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1900 block of Charles on a call for lifting assistance.

11:39 p.m. — Four units and eight personnel responded to the 700 block of Denver on a structure fire.

**Ambulance**

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

**Friday, March 9**  
11:39 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Sierra and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

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## TYC employee suspected of withholding information

By APRIL CASTRO  
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas Youth Commission employee was suspended with pay Friday after allegations surfaced that he redacted information in documents related to an investigation of a West Texas State School caught in the middle of an expanding sex abuse scandal and alleged cover-up.

Ray Worsham, the TYC youth care investigator, had participated in an internal investigation into allegations at the school in Pyote.

"There were allegations that he had done some unauthorized redacting of documents," said TYC spokesman Jim Hurley. "I can't comment on the legality of what was done, but ethically it's wrong. No state employee should ever do that. It will not be tolerated."

The investigation is set to come before a Ward County grand jury the week of March 19. Lawyers with Attorney General Greg Abbott's office said Friday they would appear before the grand jury.

Texas Ranger Brian Burzynski found in 2005 that key employees of the West Texas State School had repeated sexual contact with inmates. An internal TYC investigation confirmed Burzynski's findings and said top officials knew of the abuse but did nothing to stop it.

But Burzynski told lawmakers this week that he could not get federal, state or local officials to prosecute the case.

Assistant Attorney General Lisa Tanner sent a letter to the Ward County district attorney on Friday confirming that she and her colleagues would appear before a grand jury meeting the

week of March 19 to investigate allegations of wrongdoing at the school.

At a Thursday legislative hearing, Republican state Sen. Chris Harris of Arlington criticized the attorney general's office for not getting involved in the case sooner.

Burzynski said he e-mailed the attorney general's office in February 2006 saying he was worried the prospects of taking the suspects to court was growing dim. Two days later he received a short reply saying Abbott's office didn't have jurisdiction in the case, he said.

"Our attorney general's office didn't even at least in courtesy to the Ranger call that prosecutor and ask that prosecutor informally 'Hey, do you need our help?'" Harris asked Deputy Attorney General Don Clemmer.

## Tralee

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vided with a registration form to be completed and returned.

Tralee Crisis Center serves victims of domestic

violence and sexual assault in Gray, Carson, Childress, Collingsworth, Donley, Hemphill, Roberts and Wheeler counties. Volunteers work in their county of residence, although they may request another county in which to volunteer, Ledbetter said.

## DST

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Congress placed the country on daylight-saving time for the remainder of WWI. It was observed for seven months in that year and 1919, but the law proved so unpopular that it was later repealed.

When the United States went to war again, Congress reinstated daylight-saving time in February 1942 to save energy. Time remained advanced one hour year-round until September 1945.

From 1945 to 1966, there was no U.S. law about daylight-saving time, so states and localities were free to observe it or not. This caused confusion though for the broadcasting industry,

trains and buses. Because of the different local laws, radio and TV stations and transportation companies had to publish new schedules every time a state or town began or ended daylight-saving time.

By 1966, about 100 million Americans were observing daylight-saving time through their local laws and Congress decided to step in and end the confusion. The Uniform Time Act of 1966 created daylight-saving time to begin on the last Sunday of April and end on the last Sunday in October. This law was amended in 1986 to begin this change on the first Sunday in April.

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 was passed by Congress to begin daylight-saving time on the second Sunday in March, which is three weeks earlier than pre-

vious years, and end the first Sunday in November, which is one week later than usual. Making the end of daylight-saving time in November gives children more daylight hours to trick-or-treat for Halloween, which should make it a safer holiday.

Daylight-saving time has had an impact on a wide variety of people. According to the Web site webexhibits.org, a man avoided the Vietnam War draft by using a daylight-saving loophole. When drafted, he argued that standard time was the official time for recording births in his state of Delaware in the year of his birth, not daylight-saving time. The man, born just after 12:00 a.m. daylight-saving time, was actually born on the previous date, under standard time. That previous day had a much higher draft lottery number

which allowed him to avoid the draft.

In September 1999, the West Bank was on daylight-saving time while Israel had just switched back to standard time. West Bank terrorists prepared time bombs and smuggled them to their Israeli counterparts, who misunderstood the time on the bombs. As the bombs were planted, they exploded one hour early which killed three terrorists instead of the intended victims, two busloads of people.

In regard to twins, daylight-saving time can change birth order, on paper anyway. During the time change in the fall, one baby could be born at 1:55 a.m. and the sibling born ten minutes later at 1:05 a.m. In the spring, this effects births and birthdays. There is a gap when no babies are born at all from 2 a.m. to 3 a.m.

## Doctors

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ing one problem, we created another, but this latest problem is good to have."

Applications for new physician licenses have jumped 57 percent since the passage of Proposition 12, but the number of people processing applications at the Texas Medical Board has remained the same. The staff is overwhelmed by the increased workload.

Three years ago, a doctor with a clean and complete application could be licensed in 60 days. Today, the application process is taking six months and longer.

"By adequately staffing the medical board, Texas could license up to 4,000 competent and qualified physicians annually," Nixon said.

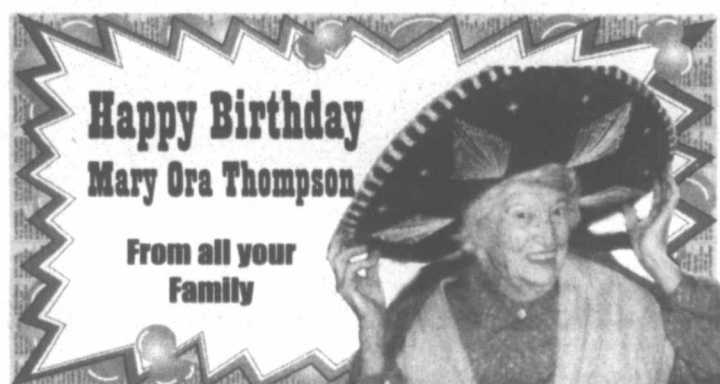
Since the passage of the 2003 reform, Texas has improved its national standing from 45th to 42nd in the American

Medical Association's measurement of patient care doctors per capita. Nixon said that if the medical board was fully staffed, the state could move into the middle of the pack within a few years.

The Texas Medical Association reports that every professional liability insurance underwriter in Texas has reduced its premi-

ums for physicians in the past three years. The Texas Medical Liability Trust, the largest carrier in Texas, posted rates they charge physicians for \$1 million/\$3 million coverage now compared to 1999 and 2003.

An internal medicine doctor in the Panhandle area paid \$6,478 for coverage in 1999, which jumped up 125 percent to \$14,582 in 2003. The current rates for 2007 have dropped 26 percent to \$10,713.



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# Viewpoints

## Let the sunshine in; the unsavory work of politics

This week is national Sunshine Week, an annual observance led by American Society of Newspaper Editors.

ASNE commissioned a poll conducted by Scripps Howard News Service and Ohio University. It revealed that most Americans see the federal government becoming cloaked in secrecy.

The poll shows that Americans believe federal leaders have become sneaky, listening to private telephone conversations or opening private mail without getting permission from the courts, according to Scripps Howard News Service.

By a 2-1 margin, the poll found, people want the FBI and other agencies to obtain search warrants before monitoring private communica-

tions, even if they suspect terrorism.

And more than 25 percent said they would not be surprised to learn that their own phone calls and mail have been intercepted.

According to the poll, 25 percent believe the federal government is either "very open" or "somewhat open," while 69 percent said it is either "somewhat secretive" or "very secretive."

"This is quite disturbing news," said David Westphal, Washington editor for McClatchy Newspapers and co-chairman of ASNE's Freedom of Information Committee. "When only 25 percent of the people consider their is an open government, that's a real problem in a democracy."

And that is what Sunshine

Week is all about. It urges government to come out of the darkened shadows and let the sun shine on them.

I first noticed this story in The New York Times last week, and it has grown since then. It aptly describes the unsavory inner workings of politics.

At first it surprised me, but then I remembered all the sleazy politics of Vietnam and Watergate and it was just business as usual.

In an effort to get more U.S. attorneys in lockstep with the current administration, the Justice Department

has fired eight federal prosecutors.

By firing the prosecutors, positions have opened up for other favored candidates to be chosen, others who think more along party lines.

Democrats and Republicans alike were dismayed by the action, calling it a political purge that would halt corruption investigations and get rid of independent-minded prosecutors.

It was reported the furor surprised the Bush administration. The Justice Department claimed the firings were not politically motivated and that no pres-

sure came from the White House.

Now Congressional ethics committees are meeting with the fired prosecutors. Of the eight who were fired, six have told Congress they felt pressured by interventions from politicians while they were prosecuting cases.

And, not surprisingly, fired prosecutors from previous years are coming forward with tales of pressure from politicians.

One of the stories reported by The Associated Press last week said that Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., intervened in a Justice Department corruption investigation in an alleged Democratic kickback scheme.

The U.S. attorney, David Iglesias, told Domenici no

indictments would be handed down before November elections.

Iglesias said he was also contacted by Rep. Heather Wilson, R-N.M., who asked if he was intentionally delaying corruption prosecutions. Iglesias responded he was not because he had few people to handle the cases.

Iglesias was subsequently fired. Domenici and Wilson have denied any part in that action.

Another NYT report quoted a former federal prosecutor in Maryland as saying he was fired in 2005 due to political pressure because of public corruption investigations involving friends of Gov. Robert L. Ehrlich Jr., a Republican.

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**Dennis Spies**  
Editor



## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, March 11, the 70th day of 2007. There are 295 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 11, 1942, as Japanese forces continued to advance in the Pacific during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur left the Philippines for Australia, vowing: "I shall return." (He kept that promise nearly three years later.)

On this date:

In 1810, Emperor Napoleon of France was married by proxy to Archduchess Marie Louise of Austria.

In 1861, the Confederate convention in Montgomery, Ala., adopted a constitution.

In 1888, the famous "Blizzard of '88" began inundating the northeastern United States, resulting in some 400 deaths.

In 1941, President Roosevelt signed into law the Lend-Lease Bill, providing war supplies to countries fighting the Axis.

In 1957, Charles Van Doren's 14-week run on the rigged NBC game show "Twenty-One" ended as he was "defeated" by attorney Vivienne Nearing; Van Doren's take was \$129,000.

In 1957, American explorer Richard E. Byrd died in Boston at age 68.

## Our readers write

### Remember: Life can be a vicious cycle

What goes around, comes around! People apparently have no morals anymore.

I've been through two open heart surgeries in 20 months, not to mention all the complications and heart-break that went along with it. As soon as spring rolled around, I planned on riding my mountain bike to get back in shape. I checked on it and it has been stolen from my garage, southwest of Pampa.

The morality of this country is sadly lacking and I find it disgusting. It angers me to no end that they took the best bicycle of two, that they felt they had the "right" to help themselves to it.

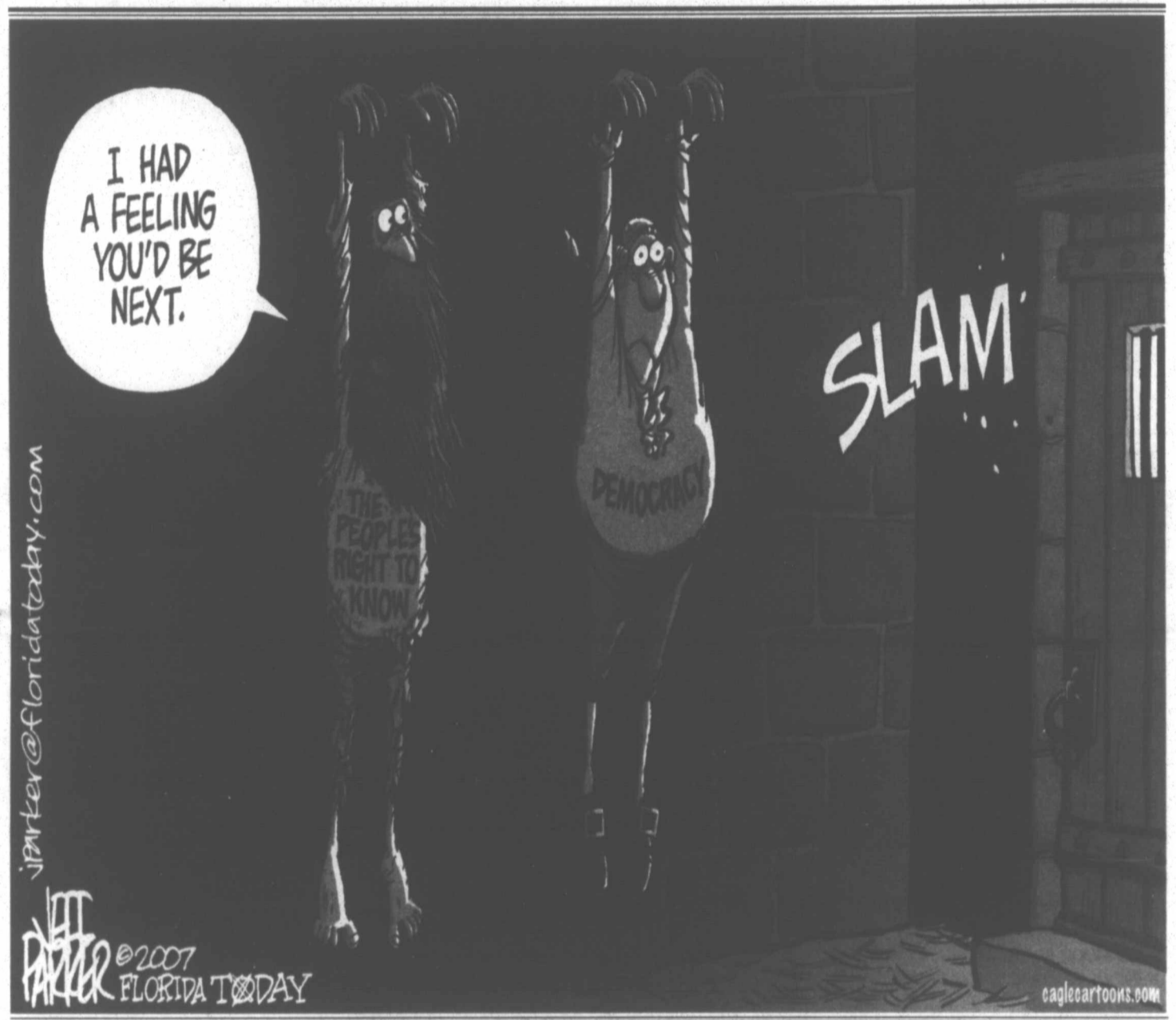
Vengeance isn't mine. God has a way of "paying back" those who hurt or steal

from me. I've seen it time and again. However, I'd rather have my bicycle back than witness the payback. Maybe I should, but after what I've been through for two years, I feel no sorrow for the thief.

It still makes me quite angry. I now have to let go of that anger, in spite of the fact that I kept the bike in good shape for 20 years and desperately needed it because I can't afford another and can't afford heart rehabilitation.

It's not just that the bicycle was stolen when I needed it the most that angers me. The moral decay of this country angers and saddens me. The thief just thought

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## Collegians face multiple 'whammies'

The new century has not been kind to college students. A pair of the "whammies" struck this year mere days apart, so parental allowances should be offered if mid-term grades slide downward instead of climbing upward.

Way back in the 90s, collegians didn't have nearly so much to grouse about. Oh, textbook costs had skyrocketed, but other costs were in check. One dad, staring in disbelief at the \$109 price tag on a biology book, put it in perspective.

"That's three times bigger than monthly payments on our first house," he fumed.

Don't get me started on tuition spirals. When the Texas Legislature decided it wanted nothing to do any more with tuition caps, the hot potato of funding needs was passed to boards governing public institutions.

And we know the results, don't we? Most financial aid people are pedaling as fast as they can to keep pace, but there's no way.

Alas, I must get back on track, zeroing in on current news affecting college students.

What are the odds that two of collegians' most basic food items, I mean the "sta-

plest of the staples," would make front pages? I'm talkin' ramen noodles and peanut butter.

Momofuku Ando, 96, succumbed in Japan. He invented ramen noodles in 1958, and generations of college students are in his debt. Many feel that the noodles were of life and death importance as they trudged toward degrees.

They're probably right. As recently as 2005, 85.7 billion servings of the noodles were sold.

Then there was the peanut butter scare. Reckon how many parents feverishly called their college kids, urging them to MAKE SURE the peanut butter they scarf up daily was okay?

The peanut butter contamination could have been even more catastrophic. And mountains of law suits seem inevitable.

Historically, litigants threw lawsuits against walls to see if they'd stick. Now, they're tossing peanut butter against the roofs of their mouths, and if it sticks.

Life will go on, of course. Ando's death will NOT end

production of ramen noodles, nor will peanut butter disappear from grocery shelves.

College students who failed to note the passing of Mr. Ando may wish to lower their hearts' flags to half-mast for a time. Or maybe face the east to bow and salute to honor the

memory of the man the Japanese credit for Japan's "most important invention in the last century." Or perhaps reflect on the times they caught the noodles on sale at eight for a dollar.

One student sized up the ramen noodle/peanut butter news this way: "Actually, my parents are going to worry to the limit anyway, so this will at least give them some new topics of concern."

Memories abound from my treasured 40-year pilgrimage of working with collegians AND their parents.

One mom, anxious to the utmost about her son's well-being in his very first try at apartment living, called daily, exhorting him to eat properly. "You must eat something green every day,"

she said.

"Relax, Mom, I get lots of green," he comforted. "Why just this morning I ate some toast."

One set of parents showed up unexpectedly on campus, and put up a fuss for their daughter to take them to the university cafeteria for dinner.

Reluctantly, she agreed. But she froze upon entry. Her parents couldn't fathom why she put her foot down about eating there.

"When there are six knives in the peanut butter bowl, it's a terrible night to eat in the cafeteria," she explained.

A few graphs earlier, I mentioned the legislature.

A while back, a veteran legislator returned to his home district. He addressed a local group about goings-on in Austin, largely in the vaguest of terms. Pausing, he added, "Now I can be vague or I can lie. And I'll take 'vague' every time."

Before taking his seat, he reflected on his university days, bragging that he finished in just two terms — Truman's and Eisenhower's.

—Dr. Newbury is a speaker/author/columnist in the Metroplex. He welcomes inquiries and comments.

**Don Newbury**  
Columnist



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## Events calendar

• **The three local Edward Jones offices** will host a free satellite broadcast titled "How to Protect Yourself from Scam Artists" at 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. March 13. Author and investigative reporter Chuck Whitlock will provide practical tips on how to avoid becoming a victim of identity theft and financial scams. To reserve a seat or for more information, call Duane Harp at 665-6753; Tom Reynolds at 665-7137; or Ben Watson at 665-3359. Additional viewing opportunities are available if necessary.

• **Pampa Book Club** will have 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.

• **Carson County Square House Museum** in Panhandle will host a reception between 2:30-4 p.m. March 18 for artists Georgetta Tempel and Mary Lynn Pruett. Deborah Summers, author of "The Canadian River: A Visual Journey," will also be on hand to sign copies of her book. An exhibit with Tempel and Pruett is currently on display in the museum's Hazlewood Gallery. The reception was initially scheduled in January but was canceled due to inclement weather. For more information, call (806) 537-3524.

• **Pampa Community Concert Association** Presents "Live On Stage" has released its current concert schedule. The next scheduled show will be with Bronn and Katherine Journey, harpist and vocalist, at 7:30 p.m., March 19 at 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.

• **S.T.A.R.** will sponsor "Make Parenting A Pleasure" parent training for parents of children 6 and under on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. March 19-May 21 at 1500 S. Taylor in Amarillo. For more information or to register for the free training, call (806) 359-2005.

• **The Texas Department of State Health Services** will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The

amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinic(s) will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m./1-3:30 p.m., March 21, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

• **The deadline to register** for father/son craft day at Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will be March 20. Tom "Stretch" Bowerman will demonstrate and assist participants in making braided key chains and wrist bands from 1-3 p.m. March 24 in Hazlewood Lecture Hall. To register or for more information, call (806) 651-2258.

## Contest

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mail address and telephone number. Photos that do not include this information will not be considered.

The Pampa News will not be responsible for any photos that are lost or damaged. Do not submit photos that are irreplaceable.

Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. March 15. Entries received after that time will not be considered. The winner will be notified by March 23.

Entries may be submitted by mail to Pampa Portraits Contest, The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198, or brought to 403 W. Atchison.

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## Spies

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The dismay expressed by the general public is because most of those who were ousted were considered successful, competent and effective.

Justice Department officials who fear speaking out publicly say the whole affair was mishandled because of a failure to anticipate the attention the group firing would draw.

Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales and his deputy Paul J. McNulty approved the firings.

One of those fired was well-regarded

John McKay of Seattle, whose brother, a former U.S. attorney who was President Bush's 2004 campaign vice chairman in Washington state.

It was said McKay was targeted because conservative activists were unhappy because he did not pursue a voter fraud investigation after a close election for governor of Washington in 2004, although no one demanded an investigation.

These ousted prosecutors will all find other jobs. That is not the point.

The point is this: pushing a political agenda by manipulating people and apparently breaking ethics rules is simply not right, no matter what Tom DeLay thinks.

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they were stealing a bicycle, instead they stole my heart rehabilitation.

The bicycle was a girls' royal navy blue full-size mountain bike with puncture proof tires. To the thief, it's just a bicycle. To me, a healthy heart and body again.

It's obvious this thief has no conscience, is a prowler and drives a pickup or pulls a trailer. Shame on you. Now you are on God's pay back list unless you return it. I pray it isn't a child who unjustly receives your reward for stealing. The thief is lucky - a woman alone might shoot first and ask questions later.

Jequita Risley  
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Between 1871 and 1914 the artists drew the images by hand, canvassing the town and sketching individual buildings from the predetermined direction and converting them to the desired aerial perspective. The artist might spend several days in the smaller towns and weeks in the larger ones.

These highly detailed and oversized lithographic prints, created by the artists as if seen from high above, came to be known as "bird's-eye views."

Eleven different artists drew and published at least 67 bird's-eye views of Texas cities. They had to act as traveling salesmen, securing funding to cover their costs before the views could be drawn and then printed. The editors of local newspapers were enlisted as allies to sell the idea of a bird's-eye view as a matter of civic pride.

In some instances, banks, real estate firms, and other merchants paid to have their ads printed on the views in the form of small vignettes in the margins.



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## Drilling Intentions

**Intentions to Drill**  
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., Graham, Sec. 46,A-2,H&GN, PD 14000', for the following wells:

#4608P, 2460' from North & 467' from East line of Sec.

#4623P, 1810' from North & 2520' from East line of Sec.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #4205P Teas '42', 1800' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 42,M-1,H&GN, PD 13500'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #1 Mendota Ranch '15', 1980' from South & East line, Sec. 15,1,I&GN, PD 12240'.

HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #6 Mendota Ranch '36', 620' from South & 467' from West line, Sec. 36,1,I&GN, PD 12600'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT) Cimarex Energy Co., #17 Byrum '27', 900' from South & 1500' from East line, Sec. 27,B-1,H&GN, PD 11000'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & RFC Upper Morrow) Range Production Co., #5H D.D. Payne Ranch, 9871' from North & 2767' from West line, Clay CSL Survey, PD 10500' (BHL: #1, 11231' from North & 470' from West Survey line, #2, 9871' from North & 2767' from West Survey line, #3, 11231' from North & 470' from West Survey line) Horizontal

ROBERTS (RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Bluegrass Energy, Inc., Byrum, Sec. 5,B-1,H&GN, PD 10600', for the following wells:

#805, 2584' from North & 750' from West line of Sec.

#905, 1860' from North & 1810' from West line of Sec.

ROBERTS (RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Bluegrass Energy, Inc., #2066 Hall-Osborne, 722' from North & 1701' from East line, Sec. 88,M-2,H&GN, PD 10600'.

WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., Finsterwald-Dobbs, Sec. 51,M-1,H&GN, PD 13700', for the following wells:

#1151A, 2045' from North & 467' from East line of Sec.

#1351A, 1650' from South & 467' from East line of Sec.

#1451A, 607' from South & 2310' from West line of Sec.

#7051A, 700' from North & 467' from East line of Sec.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.P., #5037 Hefley, 467' from North & 2250' from West line, Sec. 37,M-1,H&GN, PD 14500'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & DYCO Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #1 Zybach '12', 467' from South & West line, Sec. 12,RE,R&E, PD 14753'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & IVESTER Atoka) Sanguine Gas Exploration, L.L.C., #1058 Coltharp, 1320' from North & East line, Sec., 58,A-7,H&GN, PD 16200'.

WHEELER (LISTER Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #2212 McAllister, 2144' from South & 667' from West line, Sec. 22,L, J.M. Lindsey, PD 13900'.

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Atoka) Apache Corp., #903 Stiles '3', 467' from North & East line, Sec. 3,A-3,H&GN, PD 18000'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Pogo Panhandle 2004, L.P., #5003 Thomas, 467' from North & West line, Sec. 3,5,B&B, PD 16000'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #3 Rizley '22', 660' from North & West line, Sec. 22,A-3,H&GN, PD 16708'.

#### Oil Well Completions

ROBERTS (ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #4 Chambers '79', Sec. 79,B-1,H&GN, spud 6-30-06, drlg. compl 7-18-06, tested 8-12-06, flowed 40 bbl. of 54.9 grav. oil + 155 bbls. water thru 21/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 37537/1, TD 10650', PBTD 10605' —

ROBERTS (ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #5 Chambers '79', Sec. 79,B-1,H&GN, spud 8-4-06, drlg. compl 9-23-06, tested 10-2-06, flowed 54 bbl. of 54.6 grav. oil + 270 bbls. water thru 22/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 37537/1, TD 10595', PBTD 10547' —

#### Gas Well Completions

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #19 Zybach '66', Sec. 66,M-1,H&GN, spud 8-28-06, drlg. compl 9-19-06, tested 10-27-06, TD 13845', PBTD 13325' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #5726P Holland 'C', Sec. 57,M-1,H&GN, spud 6-24-06, drlg. compl 7-6-06, tested 12-13-06, TD 11970', PBTD 11822' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #6821P Meek '68', Sec. 68,M-1,H&GN, spud 6-19-06, drlg. compl 7-1-06, tested 12-8-06, TD 11845', PBTD 11797' —

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## Lions Club



Drs. Rob and Rebecca Hough were guest speakers at a recent Lions Club meeting.

## Personal management seminar coming up in Lubbock

LUBBOCK — A two-day conference designed to help agriculture human resource managers will be held April 3-4 at the Ashmore Inn in Lubbock, said a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

The conference, Effective Employee Management in Agribusiness, will feature experts from around the country who will address problems of hiring, retaining and disciplining employees, said Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist in Amarillo. The experts also will discuss the paperwork involved in dealing with a multi-cultural workforce.

"We held a similar conference in Amarillo with the same speakers," Amosson said. "We received a number of comments from participants saying how great and knowledgeable the speakers were and how this was the best conference on personnel management they ever attended."

"In fact, a six-month post meeting survey of participants revealed that 91 percent of respondents had

changed their personnel management practices based on what they learned in the conference," he said. "All I can say is that if you have any problems with personnel management, attending this conference is a must."

Dr. Bernie Erven, with Ohio State University's department of agricultural, environmental and development economics, will open the general session with "Cultivating Culture," focusing on creating an environment where people can succeed, Amosson said. Erven also will talk about transformational leadership and conduct a break-out session, "Being a Boss vs. Being a Friend."

Other speakers are Dr. Tom Fuhrmann, owner and operator of Dairy Works in Phoenix, Ariz.; Dr. Gregory Billikopf, a labor management farm advisor with the University of California Agricultural Extension; Shawn Twing, a labor and employment lawyer in Amarillo; and Sarah Fogleman, Kansas State University Extension agricultural

economist.

Registration is \$125 per person, and \$100 for each additional registrant from the same operation if post-marked by March 19. After March 19, the registration fee is \$150 per person.

The conference is open to any interested individuals and is sponsored by Plains Cotton Growers Inc., Purina Mills LLC, Select Milk Producers Inc., Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Texas Cotton Ginner's Association, Extension and Texas Extension Education Foundation.

Partial funding for the conference is provided by the Southern Risk Management Education Center.

For a registration form, go to <http://mastermarketer.tamu.edu>. Make checks payable to: TEEF Acct. # 8200 and mail to Personnel Management Conference, Box 946, College Station, TX 77841-0946. For more information, contact Margaret Freeman at 806-677-5600.

## First Ag declares patronage dividend

LUBBOCK — The board of directors of First Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services recently declared approximately \$8.2 million in cash patronage payments for the year ending December 31, 2006. The patronage will reduce most members' cost of borrowing by approximately 70 basis points, or almost three-quarters of a percent. This marks the ninth consecutive year that over 6,500 First Ag Credit stockholders will receive a cash payment, and they can expect their checks in early 2007.

With this year's declaration, First Ag Credit has returned more than \$57 million in cash patronage and stock retirements to its stockholders since 2001. Keith Vandivere, chairman of the board from Lubbock, said, "The refund is a result of the financial strength of the association as well as our dedication to our members and their success."

Terry Dane, chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased that once again we are able to return a substantial cash patronage dividend to our stockholders. This is just an example of the value we try to provide our stockholders."

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Energy Production, Inc., #5422P Vandiver, Sec. 54,M-1,H&GN, spud 11-4-06, drlg. compl 11-22-06, tested 1-30-07, TD 12100', PBD 11975' —

Directional HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #5048 Irene Dixon, Sec. 48,A-2,H&GN, spud 12-17-06, drlg. compl 1-6-07, tested 2-2-07, potential 3289 MCF, rock pressure 2761 psia, TD 12971', PBD 12856' —

HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #7R Mendota Ranch '13', Sec. 13,1,I&GN, spud 9-4-06, drlg. compl 9-25-06, tested 11-5-06, TD 11405' PBD 11250' —

HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #8 Mendota Ranch '51D', Sec. 51,1,I&GN, spud 9-29-006, drlg. compl 10-17-06, tested 11-11-06, TD 11402', PBD 11183' —

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) SNW Operating Co., #1 Klyne, Sec. 77,46,H&TC, spud 11-11-06, drlg. compl 11-16-06, tested 2-13-07, TD 2699', PBD 2644' — Form 1 in Rimrock Gas Co.

WHEELER (ALLISON-BRITT 12350') Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #4 Grayson '22', Sec. 22,RE,R&E, spud 9-16-06, drlg. compl 10-11-06, tested 1-25-07, potential 4708 MCF, rock pressure 1633, TD 14300', PBD 14210' —

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Texas E&P, Inc., #20 Zybach '65', Sec. 65,M-1,H&GN, spud 9-11-06, drlg. compl 10-2-06, tested 11-9-06, TD 13638', PBD 13618' —

WHEELER (LISTER Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #2901 Sessom, Sec. 29,A-8,H&GN, spud 6-8-06, drlg. compl 7-6-06, tested 11-28-06, TD 13750', PBD 13686' —

WHEELER (LOTT RANCH 14500') Newfield Mid-Con., Inc., #1049 Horn, Sec. 49,M-1,H&GN, spud 3-29-05, drlg. compl 4-12-05, tested 1-4-07, potential 208 MCF, TD 14949', PBD 14585' — SWR #10 approved

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #11 Britt Ranch 'B' 45, Sec. 45,A-3,H&GN, spud 9-2-06, drlg. compl 10-1-06, tested 12-13-06, potential

2659 MCF, rock pressure 2388 psia, TD 15650', PBD 15601' —

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #11 Britt Ranch 'H' 46, Sec. 46,A-3,H&GN, spud 8-30-06, drlg. compl 10-3-06, tested 1-15-07, potential 2506 MCF, TD 15850', PBD 15698' —

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## City Recreational Department offering spring softball leagues

The City of Pampa Recreation Department will offer the following leagues for Spring Softball: Men's Open, Mixed Open, Women's Open, Men's Church, Mixed Church.

age 16 and up. The entry fees or sponsors' fees for teams are \$200 per team, per league. The players' fee is \$15 per player with a minimum of 11 persons for all Open Leagues, and 12 persons for all Mixed Leagues.

The entry deadline is March 14 at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date. Play will begin the week of March 26.

Roster forms, fact sheets and bylaws are available at the Recreation Office at City Hall Room 204 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or may be downloaded from the city's Web site, [www.cityofpampa.org](http://www.cityofpampa.org).

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### TOP TEAMS

## Favorites get some of their swagger back

By The Associated Press

One day after several tournament favorites fell nationwide, top teams returned to form with a few notable exceptions.

In Las Cruces, N.M., Chaz Spicer hit two free

points from Brandon Rush.

No. 11 Washington State was also upended, losing 70-61 to Southern California, which got 26 points from Gabe Pruitt in the Pac-10 semifinals. The Trojans will play in the final Saturday against No. 16 Oregon, which cruised to an 83-61 victory over California behind 24 points from Taj Porter.

Mostly the favorites prevailed, though some had to rely on unusual performances.

Texas' Kevin Durant rebounded from a dismal first half to finish with 29 points and 13 rebounds,

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throws with 2.5 seconds left and Utah State took advantage of an intentional foul call for a 79-77 victory over 10th-ranked Nevada in the Western Athletic Conference semifinals Friday night.

Mario Boggan provided the heroics for Oklahoma State against No. 7 Texas A&M by scoring from the right block with 11.5 seconds left to give the Cowboys a 57-56 victory over the Aggies in the Big 12 quarterfinals in Oklahoma City. Earlier, No. 2 Kansas rolled to a 64-47 victory over Oklahoma behind 16

and the 15th-ranked Longhorns rallied from a 20-point deficit to beat Baylor 74-69 in the Big 12 quarterfinals.

Ohio State center Greg Oden, known for his defensive prowess, showed off his offensive moves, scoring 22 points — 15 in the second half — to lead the top-ranked Buckeyes to their 15th straight win, 72-62 over Michigan in the Big Ten quarterfinals.

Also in the Big Ten, Alando Tucker bounced back after being held to three free throws in the opening half to make four

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# Remembrance...

This March marks the one year anniversary of the largest wildfires in Texas History.

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## Fishing report ...

By JOHN PAUL GREESON  
For The Associated Press

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for March 7. (Report also available on Web as [www.tx.fishing.com](http://www.tx.fishing.com).)

### PANHANDLE

GREENBELT: Water lightly stained; 49 degrees; 27.96 low. Black bass are good on firetiger crankbaits, dark jigs and live bait. Crappie are slow on jigs and minnows. White bass are good on live bait and crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are good on firetiger crankbaits, live bait and crankbaits. Walleye are fair on live baits. Catfish are good on cut and prepared baits.

MACKENZIE: Water lightly stained; 39 degrees; 6.72 low. Black bass are fair on jigs and live baits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass and striped bass are fair on slabs and live bait. Smallmouth bass are fair on live bait and crankbaits. Walleye are good on slabs tipped with minnows. Catfish are fair on live baits.

MEREDITH: Water lightly stained; 38 degrees; 32.2 low. Black bass are fair on imitation shad crankbaits and live bait. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. White bass are fair on live bait and crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are fair on jigs and live bait. Walleye are fair on slabs tipped with minnows and jerkbaits. Channel catfish are fair on cut baits.

PALO DURO: Water lightly stained; 36 degrees; 47.8° low. Black bass are fair on jigs and live bait. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. Smallmouth bass are slow. Walleye are fair on crankbaits and live bait. Channel catfish are fair on prepared baits.



# Spring training ...

## Bonds goes deep, Sosa faces Cubs, Pavano misses start

By The Associated Press

Barry Bonds and Sammy Sosa are swinging the bat like a couple of players in their prime.

After a bout with the flu, Bonds hit his first home run of spring training Friday when he connected off Esteban Loaiza in the San Francisco Giants' 5-3 loss to the Oakland Athletics at Scottsdale, Ariz.

"I hit it pretty good," Bonds said. "But it's spring training. I don't take spring training seriously besides getting in shape."

The 42-year-old slugger was sidelined last weekend by a flu bug that ravaged the Giants. But since returning to the lineup Tuesday, he is 4-for-7 with a homer and two doubles. He said he is mostly over the flu, and his oft-injured knees are feeling pretty good.

Bonds is hoping to get off to a faster start this season as he closes in on Hank Aaron's record of 755 home runs. The seven-time MVP needs 22 to break the mark.

Sosa has 588 homers — and it appears he can still hit even after sitting out last sea-

son. The former star was too focused on his comeback to get nostalgic about facing the Chicago Cubs in Surprise, Ariz. But the way he's hitting, he figures to see his old team again in June, when the Cubs visit the Texas Rangers for the first time.

The 38-year-old Sosa, in camp with the Rangers on a minor league contract after a year out of baseball, went 2-for-3 with a walk as Texas beat a Chicago split squad 11-9.

Sosa is 9-for-18 with two home runs and four RBIs through six games.

"I know I was playing against them, but I was thinking about a normal game," insisted Sosa, a seven-time All-Star with the Cubs from 1992-2004 and the 1998 NL MVP. "I'm just happy to have an opportunity to have another good game."

Sosa had his second infield single in two days and a sharp hit to right field. While he's expected to be primarily a designated hitter, he played seven innings in right field and caught three fly balls, including a running grab near the wall to end the third.

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— Sammy Sosa

The Cubs traded Sosa to Baltimore before spring training in 2005. He was then among several players who testified before a congressional committee looking into steroid use in baseball. He hit .221 with 14 homers and 45 RBIs in 102 games for the Orioles.

After skipping last season, Sosa persuaded the Rangers — the team he originally signed with as a 16-year-old from the Dominican Republic in 1985 — to give him another chance. Sosa said the Cubs weren't interested, and now everyone in the Texas front office looks like a "genius."

"I had an opportunity with Texas," Sosa said. "When you were out for a year like I was, sometimes they think you are finished — and I'm not."

Carl Pavano has had a difficult time just getting started with the New York Yankees, and his comeback stalled again when he was scratched from his scheduled outing Friday night against Tampa Bay.

The oft-injured right-hander was excused to address a personal matter. He took part in pregame drills, then left Legends Field about 45 minutes before the first pitch.

Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said Pavano didn't ask for permission to leave, but was told to do so by manager Joe Torre. Pavano's personal matter was not thought to be a physical ailment.

"He's somewhere he should be right now," Cashman said. "He really doesn't need to be here tonight. It's something that

just came up right before game time and Joe let him go and rightfully so."

A Florida man involved last year in an accident with a Porsche driven by Pavano has sued the Yankees' pitcher for injuries allegedly sustained in the crash, which the player initially tried to hide from the team.

Ernest DeLaura, 47, also named the Yankees as a defendant when he filed the lawsuit two months ago in Bronx state Supreme Court. Although the suit was brought in New York, DeLaura lives in Port St. Lucie, Fla., and the accident occurred in West Palm Beach, Fla.

DeLaura sought an

unspecified amount of money in the lawsuit, which requested a default judgment of \$5 million if Pavano and the Yankees failed to answer the complaint. DeLaura has already undergone shoulder surgery and faces a possible operation on his neck, said his lawyer, Paul Edelman.

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3-pointers in the second half and lift No. 3 Wisconsin to a 70-57 victory over Michigan State. Tucker, the league's player of the year, finished with 21 points — his 39th straight game in double figures.

No. 9 Georgetown got a career-high 30 points from Jeff Green, including the winning basket with 13 seconds left, in the Hoyas' 84-82 victory over No. 20 Notre Dame in the Big East semifinals. Georgetown advanced to the final against No. 13 Pittsburgh, which overcame an 11-point deficit to defeat No. 12 Louisville.

In an ominous sign for national title contenders, No. 6 Florida showed signs of waking from its recent slumber in a 74-57 victory over Georgia in the Southeastern Conference quarterfinals.

The Gators scored the first 17 points of the game and built a 25-point lead before halftime in romping past the Bulldogs.

Also advancing were No. 5 Memphis 71-49 over Tulane, No. 8 North Carolina 73-58 over Florida State, No. 23 BYU 96-84 over Wyoming and No. 25 UNLV 88-72 over Colorado State.

### Big Ten

Oden scored 11 of his points in the final 8:27 after Michigan (21-12) pulled within four.

"I was just trying to do something for us to win. I was just trying to go at the other team and fire my team up," Oden said. "It was just to be more aggressive, take what the defense was giving us. They weren't doubling, so I had to go to work."

Oden was 8-for-12 from the field and 6-for-10 from the free-throw line to go with eight rebounds and four blocks. The Buckeyes (28-3) overcame a 47-25 rebounding disadvantage to advance to a semifinal Saturday against Purdue, which beat Iowa 74-55.

When the Badgers' 15-point halftime lead began to evaporate in the second half, Tucker found his range and led the Badgers to victory, hitting four 3-pointers to cut off a Spartans rally.

The Badgers will play Illinois in the semis. The Illini beat Indiana 58-54 in

overtime.

### Big East

At New York, DaJuan Summers added 18 points and Patrick Ewing Jr. tied his career high of 15 to help the top-seeded Hoyas (25-6) advance to the tournament final for the first time since 1996 with their 14th win in 15 games. They will face Pittsburgh in the championship game Saturday.

Russell Carter had 21 points, including five 3s, and freshman guard Tory Jackson added 20 for fourth-seeded Notre Dame (24-7).

Antonio Graves scored 10 of his 23 points during Pittsburgh's 20-2 run to start the second half, and the Panthers (27-6) advanced to the championship for the sixth time in seven years.

Terrence Williams had 18 points and seven rebounds, and Earl Clark added 12 rebounds for second-seeded Louisville (23-9).

### Big 12

At Oklahoma City, Boggan and David Monds scored 11 points apiece to lead the Oklahoma State (21-11), which rallied from nine points down in the second half and won after trailing at halftime for only the second time in 11 chances this season. The Cowboys advanced to a semifinal Saturday against Texas.

Joseph Jones led the Aggies (25-5) with 18 points.

For Texas, Durant got help from an unexpected source. Seldom-used Craig Winder scored eight points, including a basket with 1:56 left that put the third-seeded Longhorns (23-8) ahead for the first time since the opening minutes.

Curtis Jerrells scored 19 points to lead Baylor (15-16), which has lost 20 straight to Texas, a run that dates to 1988.

### SEC

At Atlanta, Taurean Green scored 19 points to lead Florida (27-5), which looked vulnerable by losing three of four to close out February. The Gators advanced to a semifinal against Mississippi, an 80-60 winner over LSU.

Takais Brown scored 12 points for Georgia (18-13), which hasn't been to the NCAA tournament since 2002 and is likely headed to the National Invitation Tournament.

### ACC

At Tampa, Fla., Wayne

Ellington scored 18 points and Ty Lawson had 14, and the Tar Heels' balanced attack was too much for the Seminoles' one-man show, Al Thornton. FSU (20-12) never led, and Thornton — the ACC's leading scorer and runner-up for conference player of the year — scored 12 points before fouling out with more than 6 minutes to go.

North Carolina (26-6) advanced to a semifinal Saturday against Boston College, which beat Miami 74-71 in overtime.

### Pac-10

At Los Angeles, Taj Gibson added 15 points and nine rebounds, and Lodrick Stewart also scored 15 for Southern California (23-10), which shot 10-of-16 from 3-point range and 18-of-38 overall (47.4 percent).

Derrick Low led second-seeded Washington State (25-7) with 15 points.

Malik Hairston added 22 points and Maarty Leunen 13 for Oregon, which shot 62 percent from the floor in beating California (16-17). The Ducks advanced to the final for the first time since winning it in 2003 by beating the Trojans.

### Conference USA

At Memphis, Tenn., Chris Douglas-Roberts scored 17 points, and Memphis extended the nation's longest winning streak to 21 straight by beating Tulane (17-13) in

the semifinals.

The top-seeded Tigers (29-3) will play in the championship Saturday against Houston, which beat Rice 77-62. The regular-season champions will be playing for consecutive tournament titles on a court where they have won 31 consecutive games.

### Western Athletic Conference

At Las Cruces, N.M., Jaycee Carroll scored 24 points to lead the Aggies (23-10), who beat Nevada for the second time in a week to move into the championship game against New Mexico State, which beat Boise State 88-69.


Nick Fazekas posted his 20th double-double of the season with 20 points and 10 rebounds for Nevada (28-4), which hurt its seeding but is assured of a fourth straight NCAA tournament bid.

### Mountain West

At Las Vegas, Trent Plaisted tied his career-high with 27 points to help BYU beat Wyoming (17-15) in the semifinals and send the Cougars (25-7) to the conference championship for the first time since 2001.

They will face a resurgent UNLV Rebels (27-6), who handily beat Colorado State (17-13) to win their 16th straight game on their home-court, where they're 17-1 this season.

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**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 14**  
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**FRIDAY • MARCH 16**  
Lady Harvesters JV vs Hereford • TBA

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Bronn and Katherine Journey do not typically use a written program. They instead enjoy choosing each piece through interaction with their audience.

Their performances include humor, pop, classical, folk and sacred music.

Attendance to the upcoming concert is by membership only; however, tickets for individual performances may be purchased at the door for \$25 apiece.

Season tickets are also accepted in Borger and Plainview.

The next Borger concert will be Andy Stein's Blue Four Swing/Chamber Music at 7:30 p.m. April 27 in Borger High School Auditorium.

For more information about the association or the



Bronn and Katherine Journey

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next show, call 665-0343 or 665-2631 or write: Pampa Community Concert Association, P.O. Box 1935, Pampa, TX 79066-1935. Ronnie Holmes is president of the association.

### FUND-RAISER

## P.E.O. to hold annual review

Chapter CS, the local chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, will again present its annual book review with Carol Smith Headrick at 2 p.m. March 25 in the parlor of Pampa's First Presbyterian Church.

Ms. Headrick will review "Florence Nightingale" by Cecil Woodham-Smith.

Headrick is a Texas native and speech-language pathologist. She holds a bachelor of arts degree from Baylor University and a master's degree in community disorders from the University of Oklahoma. A professor emeritus from Oklahoma State University, Headrick was an educator for 24 years. She and her husband, Charles, have three sons and three grandchildren.

Headrick reviews one book each spring and has been presenting book reviews to the public for 15 years. She memorizes the text and presents the review from a first-person perspective.

This year's book delves into the life of famed nurse Florence Nightingale who died in 1910 at the age of 90. Born in 1820 to Fanny Smith and William (Shore)

Nightingale, a socially prominent family in England, Nightingale was the second of two daughters. She lived in England and was a pioneer of statistical science. She wrote numerous publications and was dedicated to correcting many social conditions and improving the education and status of many, particularly soldiers and nurses.

Nightingale was recognized and respected in the United States, India and many other countries before her death.

Tickets for the upcoming book review are \$10 apiece and will be available to the public at the door. Advance tickets are available by calling 665-7064. Proceeds from the review benefit the chapter's scholarship fund.



Carol Headrick

## Lefors ISD Honor Roll

Lefors Independent School District recently released its honor rolls for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2006-07 school year.

**A Honor Roll.** Tabitha Shae Courter, Sharon Brooke Franks, Seth Zachary Fry, Jacob Grant Gething, Damyane Shaye Gilbert, Colten Jarrett Helfer, Murissa Kaye Horton, Emily JoAnn Jackson, Harli Nicole Jernigan, Gabriel Heath Miller, Kurtis Wayne Murray, Taylor Mckenze Overstreet, Christen Lauren Passini, Tanner Michael Ray, Nichole Kathryn Robinson, Teryn Jon Shackett, Alana Len Shephard, Ashley Nicole Shephard, Lynnyzy Joy Standerfer.

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## NEWSMAKERS

PERRYTON — M. Brent Porter of Perryton, grandson of Pampa residents, was recently named a United States National Honor Student Award winner by the United States Achievement Academy.

A student at Perryton High, Porter will appear in the academy's Official Yearbook published nationally.

In addition, Porter was named a United States National Leadership and Service Award winner by the academy. The academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students with this award.

The Academy selects USAA winners based upon the following criteria: academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and coopera-

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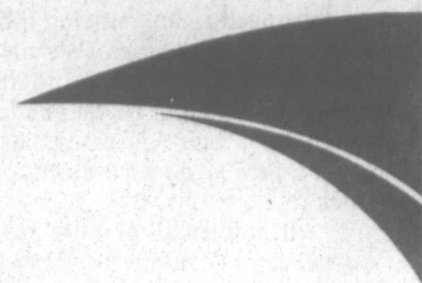
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## PROM TUXEDO HEADQUARTERS

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## Baggett, Williams Wedding

Jennifer Baggett and Shane Williams, both of Pampa, exchanged wedding vows Feb. 10 in Central Baptist Church of Pampa with Rick Parnell officiating.

Jessica Baggett, sister of the bride of Amarillo, acted as maid of honor. Samantha Kilcrease, cousin of the bride of Pampa, was the bridesmaid, and the flower girl was Serina Palacios of Pampa.

Standing up as best man was Seth Williams, brother of the groom of Pampa. Cody Jones of Pampa was groomsmen and Brekyn Kilcrease of Pampa was ring bearer.

Christy Heuston of Amarillo handled the guest book.



Jennifer Baggett and Shane Williams

A reception followed the service at the church with Amanda Kilcrease, cousin of the bride, and Tiffany Weatherly serving the guests.

The bride graduated from Pampa High School and is the daughter of Eddie and Princess Clement of Amarillo and J.R. and Janice Baggett of Pampa. She holds an associate degree in business administration from Clarendon College.

The groom graduated from PHS as well and works for G&W Services in Pampa. He is the son of Ronnie and Terri Williams of Pampa.

The newlyweds intend to make their home in Pampa.

## QUARY ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. James Quary of Pampa will celebrate their 67th wedding anniversary March 31.

James Quary and the former Clara Lincycumb met in Pampa and were later married in Pampa on March 31, 1940.

James and Clara have lived in Pampa for 76 years. James retired from the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. after 70 years of service. Clara has worked as a nurse for Drs. Kelly and Lee prior to retiring at the age of 75.

Both have been members of Central Baptist Church since 1963.

They have one daughter, Clarice Doss of Pampa; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. James Quary

## Menus

Week of March 12-16

**Pampa Schools**  
MONDAY-FRIDAY  
No school.

**Lefors Schools**  
MONDAY-FRIDAY  
No school.

**Kid's Cafe-Wilson**  
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY  
Closed.

**Kid's Cafe-Lamar**  
TUESDAY & THURSDAY  
Closed.

**Senior Citizens**

**MONDAY**  
Chicken fried steak or baked cod/rice, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, strawberry cake or chocolate pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**TUESDAY**  
Pork roast/dressing or Salisbury Steak, au gratin potatoes, corn, fried okra, beans, German upside-down cake or butterscotch icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, English peas, baby carrots, beans, applesauce cake or cherry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

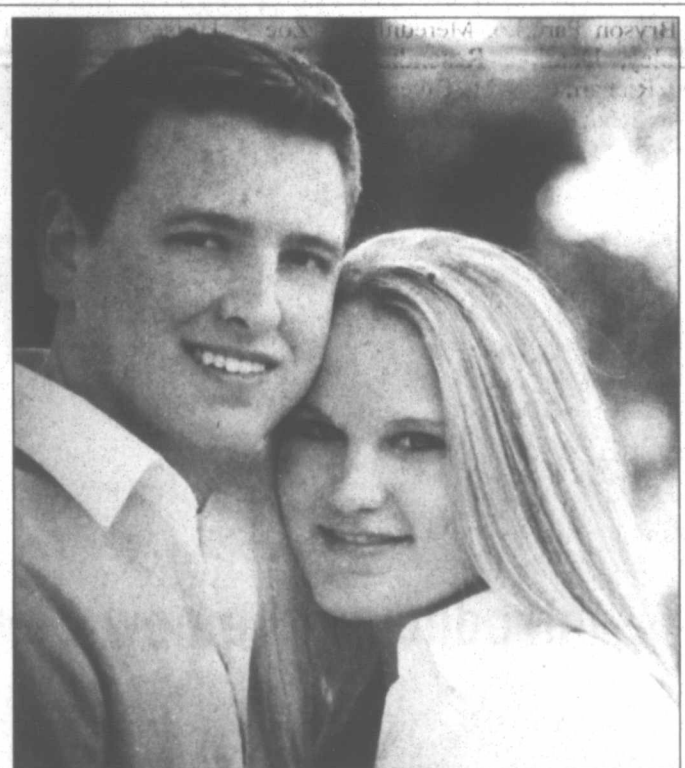
**THURSDAY**  
Chicken strips or beef enchiladas, tater tots, cheese grits, Italian green beans, pinto beans, peanut butter cake or blueberry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**FRIDAY**  
Catfish/hushpuppies or beef stroganoff/noodles, potato wedges, broccoli, casserole, beans, cinnamon rolls, tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or cornbread.

**Meals On Wheels**  
MONDAY

Chicken casserole, toma-

See **MENU** Page 3-B



## Eiland/Strate

Afton Alyne Eiland and Shawn David Strate, both of Champaign, Ill., plan to wed April 21 in Five Oaks Lodge in Jenks, Okla. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Craig and Alyne Eiland of Tulsa, Okla. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in psychology with a minor in English from Oklahoma State University. She is field supervisor for the Survey Research Laboratory at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The future groom is the son of L.D. and Lois Strate of Stillwater, Okla., formerly of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 2001 and holds a bachelor of political science degree, with a second major in geography, from OSU. He is scheduled to complete a master's degree in urban planning from the University of Illinois in May and is planning to intern with the City of Champaign Planning Department.

## Travis Elementary Honor Roll

Travis Elementary School recently announced its honor rolls for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2006-07 school year.

**THIRD GRADE**  
**A Honor Roll.** Anthony Nguyen, Lindsey Thompson, Trevor Turner, Baile Johnson, Holly Osborn, Jeffrey Sirmans, Jacie Stuebaker, Justin Timmons.

**AB Honor Roll.** Michaela Blalock, Kathlyn Cummins, Alli Hampton, Erin Rankin, Colton Thompson, Chantelle Brewer, Brittney Gonzales, Taylor Stone, Brionna Wadsworth, Joshua Archibald,

Zachary Beedy, Zachary Butler, Savannah Davis, Austin Odell, Katelyn Peters, Braden Watson, Gerrek Watson.

**FOURTH GRADE**

**A Honor Roll.** Taylor Eubank, Emilee Frost, Colin Hampton, Mackenzie Parks, Reid Malone, Tori Robles, Dakota Etheredge, Maggie Hayes, Kelsey Henry, Allison Noble, Sarah Spain, Laura Zubia.

**AB Honor Roll.** Echo Barnett, Misti Bowers, Jacob Clark, Danna Eppison, Brittney Green, Dacie McGill, Tristen

See **TRAVIS**, Page 3-B

# Remembrance...

This March marks the one year anniversary of the largest wildfires in Texas History.

The 2006 Commemorative Magazine contains information and full color photos that captures a historical moment in the Texas Panhandle History.

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## Cradle call



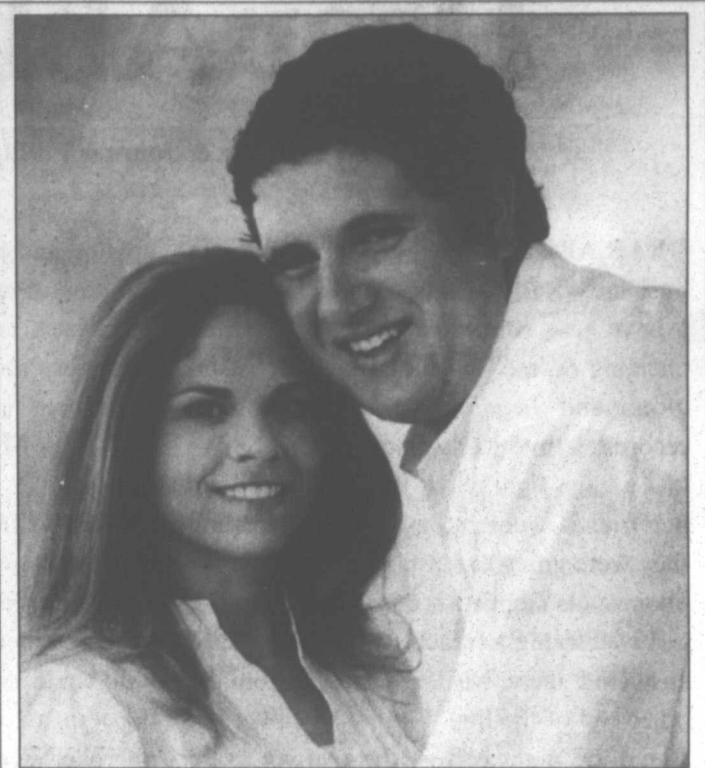
### Carsyn Elizabeth Hunt

Carsyn Elizabeth Hunt was born at 10:16 p.m. Feb. 19 at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Kevin and Shawna Hunt of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 6-pounds, 8-ounces and was 18 1/2-inches long. Carsyn has two brothers, Braden Hunt and Ethan Hunt of Pampa. Her grandparents are Brad and Mary Hunt of Pampa, Dan Austin of Altus, Okla., and the late Lou Austin of Tulsa, Okla.



### Weatherly/Oliphant

Tiffany LeAnn Weatherly and Cory Russ Oliphant, both of Amarillo, plan to wed May 5 in Westminster Presbyterian Church in Amarillo. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Cindy and James Weatherly of Canyon. She graduated from Canyon High School in 1995 and received a degree in business management from West Texas A&M University in 2004. The future groom is the son of Melody and Keith Oliphant of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1996 and is currently pursuing a degree in radiology technology at Amarillo College.



### Curtis/Hicks

Emily Gail Curtis and Christopher Scott Hicks plan to wed June 16 at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Jack and Gail Curtis of Pampa; and is the granddaughter of Mrs. Phyllis Curtis of Amarillo and the late Jack Curtis, and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent L. Simon of Pampa. She holds a bachelor of science degree in human development and family studies from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority at the university and is scheduled to complete her master of education degree in higher education in May. She is currently employed by TTU as assistant director of retention and transition programs at the Center for Campus Life. The future groom is the son of Dusty and Peggy Hicks of Midland; and is the grandson of Mrs. Barbara K. Reynolds of McKinney, Bob Hicks of Spain, the late Hon. George E. Cire, and Mr. and Mrs. James B. Graves of Montgomery. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta at TTU and holds a BS degree in health, exercise and sport sciences from the university. He currently owns-operates M.H. Oil and Gas in Lubbock.

## Austin Elementary Honor Roll

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor rolls for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2006-07 school year.

### SECOND GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Sienna Albers, Brady Albert, Lily Brown, Ariel Cambern, Chainee Corley, Mason DeWitt, Brayden Dyson, Garrett Ely, Nicholas Garcia, Shae Hendley, Bailey Joyce, Mason McKay, Jordan Moore, Elaine Nava.

Bryson Paronto, Meredith Pooley, Danikka Resendiz, Jett Richards, Jarrett Rivera, Ryan Roden, Brandon Sieck, Ashten Snapp, Nick Stevens, Indy Sullivan, Kami Ware, Brett West, Zachary Wilson.

**AB Honor Roll.** Ethan Brock, Bryce Chidester, Adisson Hinkle, Brandt Logan, Sarah Sutherland, Greyson Wilson.

### THIRD GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Cody Beyer, Auriana Bird, Millie Borunda, Megan Brock, Bailee Budd, Bryson Burrell, Reata Collins, Chase Cree, Kristen Duree, Cade Engle, Cade Ferguson, Gage Greenhouse, Eric Hendrickson.

Zoe Hulsey, Kolton Jefferis, Kassie Jerome, Benjamin Karson, Kristi Klusmeyer, Shelby Langley, Brynna McKinney, Ajay Mitchell, Ericka Nanez, David O'Rear, Cherish Peet,

Jimmy Townson, Solon Wilson.

**AB Honor Roll.** Evan Free, Ryan Lee, Michael Mechelay, Mackenzy Millburn, Michael Mojica, Gavin Ward.

### FOURTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Bennett Cambern, Erika DeWitt, Jenna Gee, Alec Hendricks, Mackenzie Parker, Chris Smith, Greg Smith, Christian Solis.

**AB Honor Roll.** Jaycee Devoll, Lena Dyer, Colton Lesly, Caragan Niccum, Vanessa Ontiveros, Blaze Sullivan.

### FIFTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Destry Baten, Logan Boehmisch,

Cyler Clifton, Paul Cuellar, Jessie Dixon, Kyle Gant, LeAnne Hinton, Morgan Hookings, Madison Joyce, Allison Leigh, Tanner Logan, Casey Martindale, Taylin Neff, Cager Osborne, Jesse Poston, Jacob Sexton, Kelly Silva, Emily Terry, Logan Turley, Bailey Wichert.

**AB Honor Roll.** Damon Campbell, John Cryer, Tre Dildy, Mattie Eldridge, Jake Freelen, Brandon Gage, Taylor Giles, Josh Hernandez, Hunter Hughes, Emily Licklider, Hunter Hughes, Emily Licklider, Alexa O'Brien, Michael Parnell, Ashlyn Paronto, Cindy Schepp, Taylor Smith, Kaylee Suttle.

## Lamar Elementary Honor Roll

Lamar Elementary School recently announced its honor rolls for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2006-07 school year.

### A HONOR ROLL

**Second Grade.** Skyler Brawley, Montaisha Brown, Kierstyn Colpetzer, Nikolas DeLeon, Lauren Littlefield, Deisy Olivias, Jaylee Remington, Belica Silva, Christian Tapia, Brendon Woelfle, Callie Wright.

**Fourth Grade.** Yesenia Soria.

**Fifth Grade.** Macy Cochran.

### AB HONOR ROLL

**Second Grade.** Austin Burton, Tori Cadena, Alexis Darton, Haylee Horton, Ale Jimenez, Marco Lopez, Katya Madrid, Ashlynn Organ, Dannon Rickles.

**Third Grade.** Iriscel Cabrales, Rosa Cabrales, Willie Castillo, Ana Chavez, Erika Hernandez, Brittany Lang, Monica Neri, Kyler Ramming, Shiann Regalado, Francisco Salazar, Corby Snapp, Raeli Walker.

**Fourth Grade.** Tianni Costley,

Rebekah Foster, Tyranda Johnson, Jaiden Johnston, Luis Neri, Mckinley Nunn, Quenia Servin, Herman Silva, Samantha Van Houten, Karoley Villarreal, Montre Williams, Sarai Zarate.

**Fifth Grade.** Saige Brawley, Amanda Cline, Ruben Granillo, Michael Heuer, Katie Hulsey, Kaytlynne Hulsey, Karen Lopez, Irasema Madrid, Cory Ponce Nickerson, Edgar Ramirez, Korbin Ramirez, Crystal Sandoval, Shay Shook, Aston Standerfer, Deisy Vasquez, Daniella Vizcaino, Kirsti Winegeart.

## Travis

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Morgan, Cheyenne Williams, Tyler Lambright, Avery Malone, Shattner Reeve, Samara Villanueva, Logan

Hageman, Daniel Martinez, Kristin Miller, Denisse Morales, Ericka Spence.

### FIFTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Bret Troxell, Brooke Woelfle, Rebekah Yearicks, Lacey Dodson, Damara Dorn, Ashlee Keith, Savanna Mertz.

**AB Honor Roll.** Alex Barraza,

Falon Canaday, Alexandra Gutierrez, Tyler Hamel, Keenan Hughes, Ceygan Jameson, Danielle Kirby, Bryan Yates, Blake Chisum, Samara Cummins, Ethan Hunt, Sandra Ramos, Cesalee Rogers, Ryan Thompson, Alex Marrufo, Trey Miller, Brandon Stokes, Caitlyn Tracy.

## Menu

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toes, mixed vegetables, pears.

### TUESDAY

Burgers, tater tots, pineapple.

### WEDNESDAY

Ravioli, chuck-wagon corn, salad, green beans, jello.

### THURSDAY

Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, applesauce.

### FRIDAY

Baked fish, rice pilaf, garlic bread, green beans/tomatoes, apricots.

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been married to my husband, "Rolly," for nine and a half years. I have just confirmed that he has been cheating on me -- again! I had my suspicions and began checking his phone records. I love Rolly unconditionally. We had a huge fight about it, and the girl and her friends were calling my home saying they were going to slit my throat. Then the phone calls stopped -- until yesterday. The girl was trying to reach Rolly, and when I answered there was only silence on the other end of the line. I know he called her friend the night before, the one who said she would cut my throat. It's hard to believe he would call someone who would say that to me, but he did. He tried to lie about it, but I have the phone records. Please tell me what to do. My heart tells me one thing and my head tells me another. -- **BROKENHEARTED IN COLUMBUS, MISS.**

**DEAR BROKENHEARTED:** You have my sympathy. I'm sure it hasn't been easy being married to a womanizer, and from your description of your husband's behavior, Rolly definitely qualifies. I hope you will contact your doctor so you can be checked for STDs, because the quality of the women he's chasing could not be lower. The time has come to ask yourself "the" question: Are you better off with him or without him? And when you answer it, please use your head this time, because listening to your heart has given you nothing but grief.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have two children, ages 6 and 4. A couple of months after our 4-year-old was born, my husband's brother and sister-in-law were killed in a car wreck. My husband and I took it very hard, and both of us went into deep depression. We are currently on medication and doing much better, but the damage has already been done. Because we both suffered from depression, our kids were often

spoiled and not disciplined consistently. I am now at my wits' end about how to get them back under control. I love my children very much and regret not doing the right thing from the start. -- **WITS' END, BEVIER, MO.**

**DEAR WITS' END:** It's not too late to sit your youngsters down, individually and together, and explain exactly what you expect of them and what the consequences will be if they misbehave. It should be done in a loving, but firm manner with unbroken eye contact. Then if they break the rules after that, you must mete out the consequences consistently, and not allow them to make you lose your cool. And when they do things right, they should be praised and rewarded for it -- but not "bribed."

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I feel terrible. Our dog just killed the next-door farmer's young turkey. We saw "Tuffy" running away, dragging the bird in his mouth. Needless to say, Tuffy will never be allowed off his leash outside anymore. What is the proper way to make this up to the farmer? -- **EMBARRASSED IN LIBERTY, S.C.**

**DEAR EMBARRASSED:** Pick up the phone and call the farmer next door, or go over there in person to apologize and explain what happened. Then offer to either buy them another turkey to replace their feathered friend who died so tragically, or take them out for a turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

**A TIMELY REMINDER TO MY READERS:** Daylight-saving time starts early this year, at 2 a.m. tomorrow morning. So don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour tonight at bedtime. Remember the old saying: "Spring forward, fall back."

## For Better Or For Worse



## Zits



## Garfield



## Beetle Bailey



## Marvin



## Crossword Puzzle

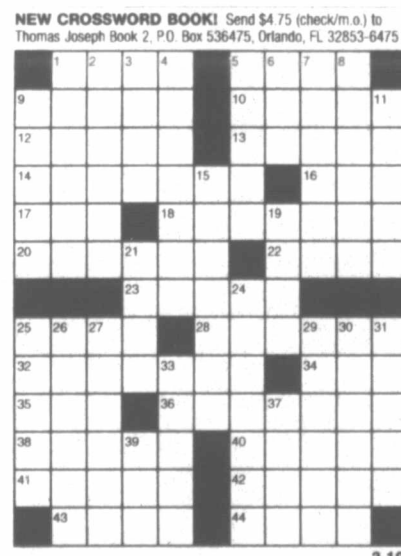
### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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  - 14 Lack
  - 16 Spotted cube
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  - 18 Boston team
  - 20 Arthur's adviser
  - 22 Wallet bills
  - 23 Extreme
  - 25 Blinds part
  - 28 Station worker
  - 32 Pledge drive reward
  - 34 Shelley work
  - 35 Sturgeon eggs
  - 36 Apple pie order
  - 38 Whatever
  - 40 Occupied
  - 41 Cuban cash
- DOWN**
- 1 Disney car
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  - 5 Record company
  - 6 Alias, for short
  - 7 Meal, in slang
  - 8 Lure
  - 9 Empire
  - 11 Shot in the dark
  - 15 Pivotal
  - 19 Swamp croaker
  - 21 Mando-lin's kin
  - 24 Yacht contest
  - 25 Bra part
  - 26 Blackout criminal
  - 27 Comfortable table
  - 29 Not raw
  - 30 Venomous vipers
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  - 39 Court hit



Yesterday's answer



## Marmaduke



## The Family Circus

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



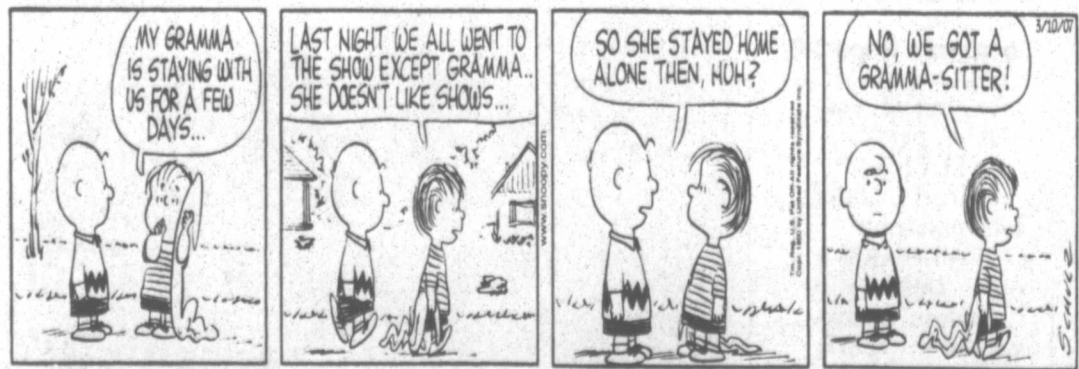
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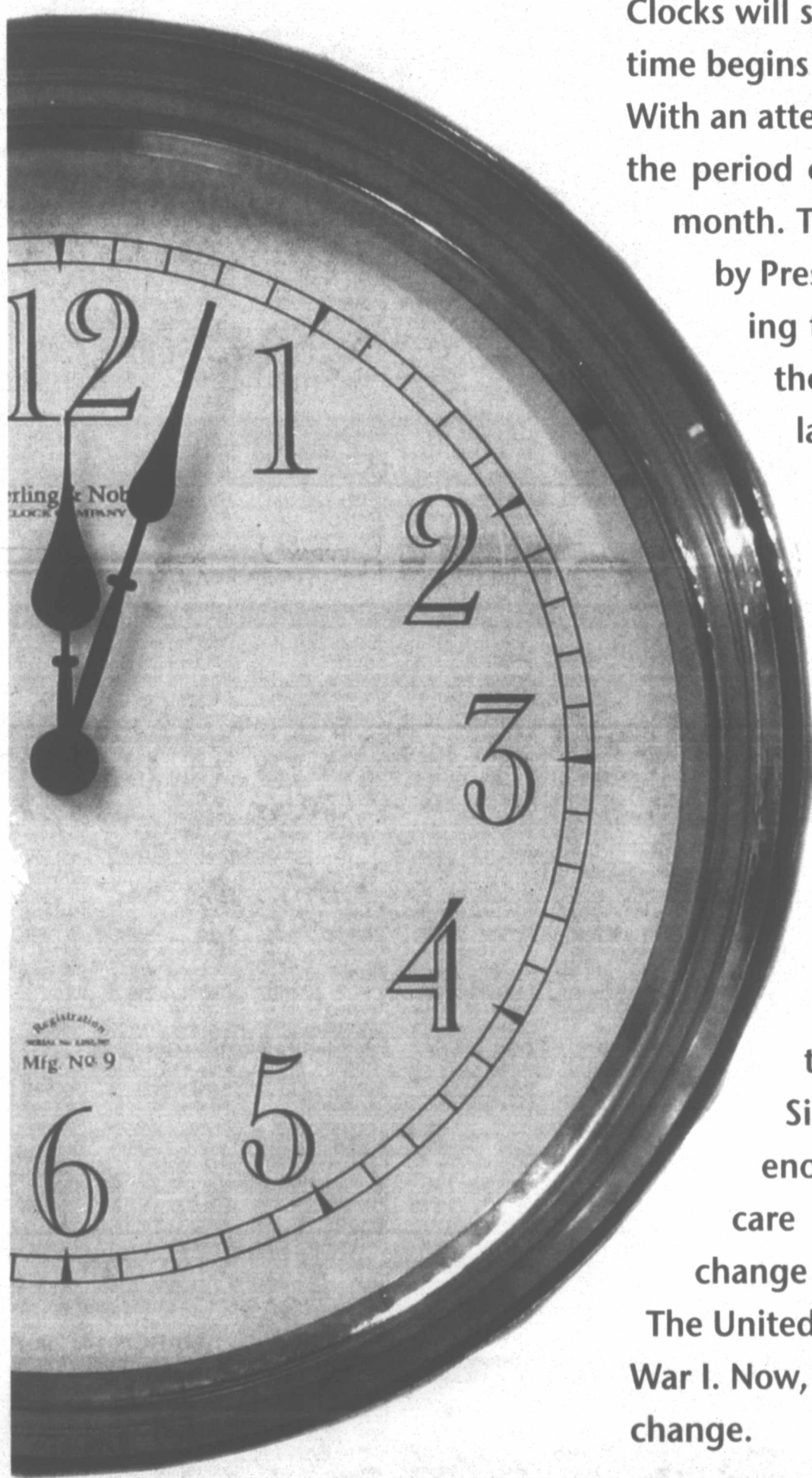
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# DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

## SUNDAY MARCH 11



Clocks will spring forward a little earlier this year. Daylight-saving time begins March 11 - three weeks ahead of last year.

With an attempt to save energy nationally, Congress has extended the period of Daylight Saving Time here in the US by an entire month. The adjustment is part of the Energy Policy Act signed by President Bush in 2005. The act declared the daylight-saving time will start the second Sunday in March instead of the first Sunday in April. And instead of ending on the last Sunday in October, the period now will end the first Sunday in November.

Though the time difference isn't all that radical, some are wondering if the time change could cause headaches for users of computers and other high-tech devices.

While most computers, cell phones, personal digital assistants, operating systems and software applications adjust time automatically, some computer experts worry some systems may not react to the time change. A lot depends on several factors - the vintage and version of your hardware, software and the device you are using.

Since the energy act was passed in 2005, there was enough time so most companies and venders have taken care of this issue. Home computer users can manually change their computer's time display whenever necessary.

The United States first began daylight savings time during World War I. Now, 50 states and about 70 countries take part in the time change.

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING MARCH 11, 2007. Table with columns for time slots (12pm to 10pm) and rows for various TV channels (KACV, KAMR, KCIT, KZBZ, KVII, A&E, AMC, ANPL, BET, DISC, ESPN, ESPN2, FAM, FSSW, HGTV, HIST, LIFE, NICK, SCIFI, SPIKE, TBN, TCM, TLC, TNT, TOON, TVLAND, UNI, USA, WGN, WTBS, HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC) listing programs and their descriptions.

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TUESDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING MARCH 13, 2007. Table with columns for time slots (12pm to 10pm) and rows for various TV channels (KACV, KAMR, KCIT, KZBZ, KVII, A&E, AMC, ANPL, BET, DISC, ESPN, ESPN2, FAM, FSSW, HGTV, HIST, LIFE, NICK, SCIFI, SPIKE, TBN, TCM, TLC, TNT, TOON, TVLAND, UNI, USA, WGN, WTBS, HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC) listing programs and their descriptions.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING MARCH 14, 2007. Table with columns for time slots (12pm to 10pm) and rows for various TV channels (KACV, KAMR, KCIT, KZBZ, KVII, A&E, AMC, ANPL, BET, DISC, ESPN, ESPN2, FAM, FSSW, HGTV, HIST, LIFE, NICK, SCIFI, SPIKE, TBN, TCM, TLC, TNT, TOON, TVLAND, UNI, USA, WGN, WTBS, HBO, MAX, SHOW, TMC) listing programs and their descriptions.

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING

Table of TV listings for Thursday Afternoon/Evening, March 15, 2007. Columns include time slots from 12pm to 10pm and various channel listings with program titles.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING

Table of TV listings for Friday Afternoon/Evening, March 16, 2007. Columns include time slots from 12pm to 10pm and various channel listings with program titles.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING

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MEETINGS & PSAs

MUSEUMS, MILITARY: 82ND AIRBORNE. The 82nd Airborne Division Association is seeking new members. AIRBORNE MUSEUM. Freedom Museum, USA, 600 N. Hobart, is open from 12-4 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday through the winter season. HARRINGTON HOUSE. The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing.

MUSEUMS, MILITARY: mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information call (806) 374-5490. OLD MOBEETIE JAIL MUSEUM. Old Mobeetie Jail Museum in Mobeetie offers various volunteer opportunities to interested individuals. PPHM STORY TIME. Panhandle Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will present "Story Time" at 2:30 p.m. every second Saturday of each month except December and January on the second floor of the museum. WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM. White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) winter visiting hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No charge for admission; elevator provided.

MISCELLANEOUS: BALLROOM DANCERS. United States Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association is seeking support for a chapter for beginner social or recreational ballroom dancers in the Amarillo area. GEEZER.COM. Green Thumb, Inc., the nation's oldest and largest provider of training and employment for mature workers, now offers consumers Geezer.com, an on-line service featuring the handiwork of seniors from across the country.

COMMUNITY, CHURCHES: ACCORD. Gray County Chapter of Active Citizens Concerned Over Resource Development in Agriculture, Inc. (ACCORD INC.), meet the first and third Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., at the Lovett Memorial Library. BOY SCOUTS. Boy Scout leaders meet at 6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at First Presbyterian Church of Pampa. CHAPEL BUILDERS. Jordan Chapel Builders holds its board meetings at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Zion Lutheran Church of Pampa.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Sunday, March 11, 2007:  
 You make a difference, and others know it. As a result, many attempt to draw you to their cause. Be aware of your power and ability to turn others' thoughts in your direction. Use this skill only when it is appropriate. Your energy and focus need to be funneled in order to succeed. Like everyone, you have limited energy and time. Use what you have to the max. If you are single, you could meet someone at work or at a community event. If you are attached, you might want to change your course or do something very differently. Let your sweetie in on what you're doing way before you take action. SAGITTARIUS pushes you into the limelight.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
 ★★★★★ As you assume greater responsibility, you also gain wisdom. A day trip might open up some uncomfortable doors, but ultimately great ones. Your creativity makes many smile. Distance yourself if you're feeling unsure. Tonight: The time to act has come.  
 This Week: What a mixed bag! You can be sure the end results will be good if you say "yes" to change.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
 ★★★★★ A partner has more leverage than you might want to acknowledge. Head down the right path to make what you want happen. Sometimes people are a touch difficult. Don't worry so much, and simply flow. Tonight: Togetherness happens.  
 This Week: Midweek, you hit a period where you are pragmatic and visionary.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
 ★★★★★ Others run with the ball. You can either join in the game or decide not to play. What feels the most comfortable certainly might be the correct path at this point. Play fewer games and stay more

centered. Tonight: Out and about.  
 This Week: Others are in charge. You might get a chance to play catch Thursday.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
 ★★★★★ Knowing what you want to accomplish might be half the battle. Others might not be easy. If you have a project, count on bringing it to completion yourself. Nothing is halfway. Love and enjoy the moment. Tonight: Easy does it.  
 This Week: Others respond. You do your thing.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You might want to think less and play more. Let go of verbiage and greet action. You find that letting go of your inner demands helps you relax oh so much. You'll like what happens if you allow a child or loved one greater say. Tonight: Fun and games.  
 This Week: Ever playful, creativity becomes your nickname.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You might or might not realize how important a key roommate or family member is to your well-being. Stop hemming and hawing; acknowledge this person. You find that much happens very quickly. Tonight: Easy does it.  
 This Week: You don't need to push yourself. Thursday you become a steamroller.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You might not be comfortable sharing everything that is on your mind. At the same time, you could consider backing down some. Investigate the possibilities. Think positively. You break patterns and head down a new path. Tonight: Fun and games for those who reach out to others.  
 This Week: Your ability to communicate and touch others manifests.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
 ★★★★★ Be careful about committing to any extravagances right now. You could be a touch uncomfortable with the end results. You know what works for you. Think through your actions, as there is much energy around you. Tonight: Gather bills.

This Week: Your possessive streak emerges — careful. Talk rather than act out.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
 ★★★★★ You are on top of your game, though others might play major interference. Toss the ball to someone else, and you might hit a home run when you least expect it. Someone at a distance might be unusually uptight. Tonight: The Force is with you.  
 This Week: You bloom, and others come in closer.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
 ★★★★★ Know when to call a timeout, and you'll be a much happier and more fulfilled person. You might want to make plans by yourself or head in a new direction. Please don't hesitate. Creativity stems from financial awareness. Tonight: Keep your own counsel.  
 This Week: From Tuesday on, you are on a roll.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
 ★★★★★ Though many would be touched by all the positive energy, you act on it, making a dream a reality. Don't waste timing or opportunity. A friendship plays into the mix much differently from what you thought possible. Tonight: Leading the parade!  
 This Week: Happiness earmarks your actions Monday and Thursday. Don't put in between.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
 ★★★★★ Others come to you for guidance. Though you might not be in the mood to accept any responsibility, you will. But at what cost? Remember, ultimately the only person who takes care of you is you. Tonight: In the limelight.  
 This Week: Dance to someone else's tune. You will see change.

**BORN TODAY**  
 Bandleader Lawrence Welk (1903), singer LeToya Luckett (1981), newspaper mogul Rupert Murdoch (1931) \*\*\*  
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# On Sunshine laws, government talks loud but big stick not used

By ROBERT TANNER  
 AP National Writer

Though laws in every state say government records and meetings must be open to all, reality often falls far short: Laws are sporadically enforced, penalties for failure to comply are mild and violators almost always walk away with nothing more than a reprimand, an Associated Press survey of all 50 states has found.

Even in the handful of states that monitor such cases, when citizens appeal over lack of access to information, the government usually wins.

Why does it matter? Advocates for open government say public trust is at the heart of our democracy, that scrutiny keeps public officials honest, and that information is the foundation of informed debate.

"We're in an era, clearly, where there's a lot of distrust in government," said Bill Chamberlin of the Marion Brechner Citizen Access Project at the University of Florida. "The more the public officials are open in their conversation and show the documentation that they're basing decisions on, it's going to help the public have faith in what officials are doing."

The AP's survey gathered material from each state on its open government laws and penalties. Additionally, for the years 2004 to 2006, it sought more detail on open government complaints in states with the best record-keeping. The AP found that fewer than 10 states effectively track what happens in such cases.

Looking more closely at those monitoring efforts, a snapshot emerges: Oversight agencies and attorneys general are more likely to rule in favor of government offices that keep documents secret and doors closed. And when they rule that the law was broken? The overwhelming majority of decisions bring a "don't do it again" warning.

In Fort Smith, Ark., a resident fought to learn what city officials were doing when they secretly decided to buy a vacant downtown building. David Harris proved in court that the officials broke the law, but the state Supreme Court last year declined to levy the only punishment possible — the \$10,000 in legal fees it cost Harris to make his case.

And in southern Connecticut two years ago, the water authority that oversees a small lake stonewalled a former member who sought financial audits, then went behind closed doors to settle policy on winterizing boats. After the former

member complained, the state oversight commission ruled that the authority violated the law, but rejected a request for a civil penalty and instead told officials to make the documents available and be public about their business.

"There is largely a culture in state and local government that violating public meetings and open records laws is not the same as committing a crime," Chamberlin said. "It's largely treated as a nuisance rather than a law."

Those charged with enforcement of open government laws strongly disagree.

They take the law very seriously, they say, but contend a reprimand is usually punishment enough for a local council member or village mayor who is guilty only of misunderstanding the law.

"We think the carrot is preferable to the stick. We use the carrot in almost every case," said Nebraska Attorney General Jon Bruning, who helped toughen his state's open government or "sunshine" statutes when he was a state senator. "Our experience is that local officials want to abide by the law, but they often don't know how."

The AP analysis found that nearly all states have crafted penalties for those who violate sunshine laws, but the majority do little to keep track of how often the law is broken and what the punishment might be.

The federal government does a much better tracking job, but has no provision for punishment and little sympathy for appeals when federal agencies reject requests for documents.

Two states have no penalties at all if someone breaks the law; eight more have no sanctions for one of the two guarantees of open government — open meetings or open documents. In practice, few penalties are ever sought.

Many states allow for people who sue to win attorneys' fees, but place the standard so high that it's rarely met.

Consider a dispute over spending in a volunteer fire department in Riverdale, Iowa, a town of 650 people just up the Mississippi River from Davenport.

Two citizens — an interior designer and a chiropractor — became suspicious of spending in the department, spurred by what they said were drunken come-ons at a Christmas party and the purchase of several ladder trucks in a town with no high-rise buildings. They asked for information. They didn't get it.

Tammie Picton and Allen Diercks didn't give up. They fought the case themselves, spending two years and \$28,000 in legal expenses — and they won.

Now Mayor Norma Wren, who didn't return calls seeking comment, is facing more scrutiny. The state auditor is looking at possible financial mismanagement, and the attorney general has been asked to investigate.

It could be seen as proof the system works, but that's not how the plaintiffs saw their long struggle.

If he didn't push so vigorously, Diercks notes, nothing would have happened. "There are so many loopholes in the law," he said.

Like most states, Iowa's handling of cases is mixed.

It has an oversight body to which citizens can make a complaint, and that office received 445 complaints from 2004 to 2006. But the office ruled that only 63 cases were substantiated. And because it has no enforcement powers, that meant it relied upon the moral weight of its decisions to convince officials to change their behavior.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Monday, March 12, 2007:  
 You have a way of setting precedent this year. You will change your direction and possibly reinvent yourself. You need to understand what a dynamic and special year you are entering. Think in terms of having your professional and personal images head in a new direction. You might not always have control. Analyze and see if your desires are truly authentic. If you are single, a relationship will develop through a friendship. Be aware that you might not be able to juggle both. If you are attached, your relationship blossoms to a new level. Let it happen. The two of you will be much happier as a result. CAPRICORN proves to always be a friend.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
 ★★★★★ Read between the lines, and most of the day will be an eye-opener. Knowing when to toss your hands in the air and head in a new direction can and will earmark the behavior of the ever-adventurous Ram. If you want something, you make it happen. Tonight: Count on others being aware of you.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
 ★★★★★ Relate intensely to someone very special. New beginnings come via a special partner. Think in terms of growth and new dynamics. You have unusual insights because of that special person. Tonight: Rent a movie or choose an off-beat activity.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
 ★★★★★ Others run through the door and carry on and on. You might want to

distance yourself and handle a situation. Consider others to be a resource, especially a special friend and loved one. Deal with financial matters head-on. Tonight: Togetherness marks your actions.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
 ★★★★★ Dance to a new tune. Do something very differently, because you can. You will set a precedent if you want to. At the end of the day, others step forward saying, "Ah, I understand — finally." You did what you wanted! Tonight: Just say "yes."  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You are high energy and happiness plus — if you can go with the flow. Bright ideas will pop up left and right if you are willing to talk and brainstorm with the many innovative people in your life. Creativity sparks news. Tonight: Slow down. Everyone needs some downtime.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You deal with fundamental security issues. You might need to change a matter that involves home and family. Your high energy and creativity emerge as you see light at the end of the tunnel. Tonight: Dance up a storm.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
 ★★★★★ Reach out and understand what is happening in your immediate circle. You are finally able to state your case, but you might need to revise your thinking and style of projection. If you try hard enough, others will hear you. Tonight: Happy to be home.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
 ★★★★★ You could talk up a storm and make a substantial difference in what comes down your path. Still, wait to plead your case until you are absolutely sure of yourself. Sometimes you don't

have the right answers! Tonight: Chat up a storm.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
 ★★★★★ You are hot stuff. You have done much and will continue to. Head out the door with a smile, making anything and everything possible. You could revise many of your thoughts and ideas. Know when to go in another direction. Tonight: Treat yourself to what you consider a luxury.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
 ★★★★★ You feel better and better as the day becomes older. Think positively about a change or a whole new mind-set. Understanding takes you to a new level and takes away some of the pressure. Tonight: Smile away.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
 ★★★★★ Realizing what can happen might be the first step in living your life well. Someone you thought was a friend just might not be. You could be shocked. Don't be. Remember, times change and people change. Let it go. Tonight: Some downtime.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
 ★★★★★ Realize your possibilities by taking the first step or by being a leader. Listen to feedback and know when to head in another direction. Aim for the ultimate core of a goal. Don't settle for the frills. Tonight: Where the gang is.

**BORN TODAY**  
 Actress Liza Minelli (1946), baseball player Darryl Strawberry (1962), writer Jack Kerouac (1922) \*\*\*  
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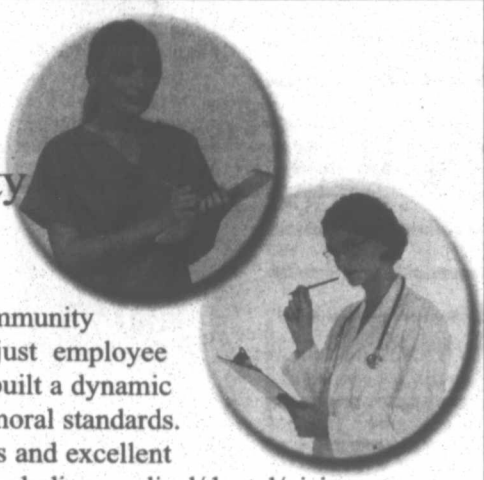
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