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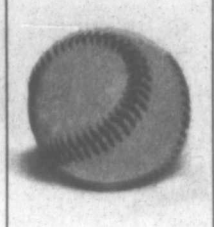
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Vanderpool seeking input for enhancement projects

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

Pat Vanderpool is looking for a vision.

"We want input from people as to what their vision of Pampa would be in terms of transportation enhancement projects," Vanderpool said this week.

He said things like entry signs into Pampa, work along Texas Highway 70, work along U.S. Highway 60 and work along Cuyler coming into the downtown area would fall into the parameters of such projects.

"They would all qualify," said

Vanderpool, executive director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

In conversations with State Rep. Warren Chisum, Vanderpool said there may be some Texas Department of Transportation funding available for such projects.

"We want to approach this, to some extent, from a safety standpoint," Vanderpool said. "We're talking curbs, gutters, wheelchair ramps, sidewalks and lighting."

He said there have been talk of installing new street lighting from a safety standpoint, but it could be of an historical nature.

Vanderpool said that Ted Hutto has indicated he wants to use historic lighting on his construction project on Hobart. Vanderpool said he has looked at Hutto's lights.

"They are the kind of thing that would really look nice on Cuyler," Vanderpool said.

He said the project might also want to look at awnings and storefronts.

"That would qualify for a project like this," Vanderpool said.

He said he thinks such a project could tie together with the city's study on updating downtown access

to meet the guidelines in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Vanderpool said such a project, particularly downtown, would not be imposed on storeowners, but it could make funds available to make changes they would like to see.

"We want to do something that would enhance their businesses," Vanderpool said.

Vanderpool said he would be working on developing a vision of what Pampa could be over the next six to eight weeks. He said he envi-

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Ag waste gone



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality was in Pampa to collect agricultural waste products Monday. The turnout was light probably due to the rain. The materials were moved by a forklift, driven by Gerald Jenkins, and were then loaded onto trucks to be hauled off.

PGWCD to look at permits

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

WHITE DEER -- Friday's Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District meeting will revolve primarily around new drilling permits, although the board is expected to review the 2006-2007 budget and review the ag loan accounts and consider agricultural water conservation equipment loan requests.

The board will also consider bids for tax delinquent parcels of land in Carson, Donley and Potter counties.

Mesa Water has applied for six Initial Pumping Permits with special provisions covering 52,131 acres.

The Canadian River Municipal Water Authority has applied for a new Initial Pumping Permit covering 469.74 acres.

James A. Epps, who sold the 469.74 acres of water rights to CRMWA out of a 659.74-acre permit, is asking to amend his previous Initial Pumping Permit for

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Funeral protests sparked DA's published article

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

A new law prompted by protests at the funerals of military personnel inspired 31st District Attorney Lynn Switzer to write an article which was published in the March-April 2007 issue of "The Texas Prosecutor" magazine.

Statute 42.055, created during a special session last year by state legislators, makes it a Class B misdemeanor to disrupt a funeral service.

The first test of the new law within the 31st Judicial District was expected to be at the funeral of Army Chief Warrant Officer Miles P. Henderson, who died last Nov. 6 in Iraq from injuries suffered when the AH-64 Apache helicopter in which he was flying crashed.

Henderson's remains arrived in Amarillo on Nov. 14 and were taken by motorcade to Canadian, his hometown. Funeral services were held Nov. 19 in Canadian.

Hemphill County Sheriff Gary Henderson had received advance notice by members of the Westboro Baptist Church in Kansas that church members intended to protest at the funeral. Members of the church have protested at the funerals of other fallen soldiers around the region.

Henderson called Switzer to tell her about the planned protest. She in turn contacted Rob Kepple, executive director of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association.

"When I talked to Rob about the issue when it first arose, he said, 'Keep me posted,'" Switzer said.

"At the TCDA conference Nov. 29 through Dec. 1 in Austin, he said I ought to write an article. I sat down and wrote about what took place."

The article Switzer authored and submitted for publication explained the occasion which prompted an examination of the new law and the steps taken to make the Canadian soldier's funeral a peaceful, respectful event.

Switzer contacted a district attorney in Brazoria County whom she knew had had previous experience with Westboro Baptist Church. The attorney suggested videotaping the services and contacting the Patriot Guard Riders, a group of motorcycle riders who assist law enforce-



Switzer

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Jurors side with Merck in Vioxx trial

By JIM SUHR AP Business Writer

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill. (AP) — Jurors in the Midwest's first trial over the once-blockbuster painkiller Vioxx today cleared the drug's maker in the 2003 deadly heart attack of a 52-year-old woman.
A Madison County court jury deliberated more than two days before siding with Merck & Co., which had argued that Patty Schwaller's weight and other health issues might have posed risks that better explain her collapse and sudden death.
Schwaller had taken Vioxx for about 20 months. Her husband claimed that Vioxx contributed to his wife's death and that Merck failed to sufficiently warn consumers that the drug increased the risk of cardiovascular problems.
The victory was Merck's 10th in 15 cases that have been tried in the mushrooming litigation over the drug Merck pulled off the market in 2004 after its research showed it increased the risk of heart attacks and strokes.
During the monthlong trial in this St. Louis suburb, where large jury awards favoring plaintiffs earned Madison County the label by some as a "judicial hellhole," Merck lawyers insisted that Patty Schwaller had several risk factors for heart disease, including obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure and a sedentary lifestyle.
The 5-foot-2 woman's weight fluctuated between 250 and 300 pounds for roughly two decades before her death, attorneys have acknowledged.
But attorneys for Schwaller's widower, Frank Schwaller, pressed that the woman

had no heart attacks, strokes or symptoms of congestive heart disease before her fatal collapse, fueling their belief that Vioxx contributed to her demise.
Mikal Watts, a Schwaller attorney told jurors Monday that Merck pushed consumers like Patty Schwaller "over the cliff" by failing to adequately study Vioxx's possible side-effects on people at risk of heart disease. Watts said Merck publicly downplayed worries by outside researchers that Vioxx could put users at greater risk of heart attacks or strokes.
Top Merck executives "kept cutting the data until it told them what they wanted it to say," Watts insisted.
Watts argued that Merck put profits ahead of patient safety by allegedly rushing Vioxx to market. The drug became the company's No. 2 drug, generating more than \$11 billion in sales from May 1999 through September 2004, according to regulatory filings and other information from the company, based in Whitehouse Station, N.J.
"I'm not against companies making money, but not at the expense of their patients," Watts told jurors.
But Dan Ball, an attorney for Merck, accused the Schwaller family's attorney of cherry-picking and misrepresenting Merck e-mails to "assault" the reputation of a company he said was dedicated to making lives better.
Ball said Vioxx labels in 1999 and 2002 — well before Patty Schwaller's death — urged caution among users with cardiovascular risks including hypertension. He urged jurors to look to Schwaller's health troubles in deciding what caused her death.

Gas prices affecting economy

NEW YORK (AP) — Rising gasoline prices and stock market turbulence undermined consumer confidence in March, increasing worries about one of the economy's pillars, a widely watched index showed today.
The New York-based Conference Board said that its Consumer Confidence Index fell to 107.2, down from the revised 111.2 in February. Analysts had expected a reading of 109. The March index was the lowest since November 2006 when the reading was 105.3.
"Apprehension about the short-term future has suddenly cast a cloud over consumers' confidence," said Lynn Franco, director of the Conference Board Consumer Research Center, in a statement.
"The recent turmoil in financial markets coupled with the run-up in gasoline prices may have contributed to consumers' heightened sense of uncertainty and concern. The direction of both components over the next few months bears watching to determine whether this decline is just a bump in the road or something more substantial," she added.

Mueller defends FBI performance

By MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI Director Robert Mueller labored today to persuade skeptical senators that the FBI can properly use its Patriot Act authority to gather telephone, e-mail and financial records of Americans and foreigners while pursuing terrorists.
He appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee after the Justice Department inspector general revealed abuses in the FBI's use of documents called national security letters to gather such data without approval from a judge.
"We're going to be re-examining the broad authorities we granted the FBI in the Patriot Act," Committee Chairman Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., told Mueller.
Mueller urged the panel not to revise the law.
"The statute did not cause the errors," Mueller said. "The FBI's implementation did."
He said he instituted procedures to police the use of these letters. "What I did not do and should have done is put in a compliance program to be sure those procedures were followed," the FBI chief added.
He said he has now begun to do that, has ordered an audit to determine the full extent of the problem and to determine if any agents should be disciplined.
"We are committed to demonstrating to the committee, the Congress and the American people that we will correct the deficiencies," Mueller said.
"I still have very serious qualms," Leahy replied.
Citing the inspector general report on national security letters and his previous

reports criticizing FBI reporting of terrorist cases, of weapons and laptops losses, Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said, "Every time we turn around there is another enormous failure by the bureau."
"There's another headline virtually on a daily basis," Specter added, citing a Washington Post report today that agents had submitted inaccurate data to a court that issues warrants for foreign intelligence surveillance.
"The question arises as to whether any director can handle this job and whether the bureau itself can handle the job," Specter said, proposing that the panel give serious consideration to establishing a separate domestic intelligence agency like Britain's MI-5.
Mueller said he had reduced the problem since learning of it in 2005 but noted that the warrant applications are very long and contain thousands of facts.
"I'm not impressed with your assertion that there are thousands of facts," Specter said. "That's your job. You asked for these powers; we gave you them. If these applications are wrong, you're subjecting people to an invasion of privacy that ought not to be issued."
But Republican Sens. Jeff Sessions of Alabama and Orrin Hatch of Utah made clear they opposed altering the law to curb FBI authority. "You've acknowledged the problems and pledged to fix them. That's what Congress and the American people need," Hatch said.
The committee plans to hear April 17 from Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, who is struggling to keep his job amid criticism of the NSL abuses and the firings of eight U.S. attorneys.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Eighteen traffic stops were made.
Motorist assistance was rendered in the 1400 block of North Hobart.
A vehicle accident was reported in the police department lobby.
Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 100 block of East Harvester, the 300 block of East 17th, the 1600 block of East Highway 60, an unreported location, the 1400 block of Williston, the 2600 block of Dogwood, the intersection of 23rd and Chestnut streets, the 2600 block of Perryton Parkway, the 800 block of North West, the 1500 block of Williston, the 300 block of Anne, the 400 block of North Perry, the 900 block of South Nelson, the 1100 block of South Nelson and the 600 block of Plains.
Welfare checks were made at the intersection of Tyng and Canadian streets and the 100 block of North Nelson.
Agency assistance was rendered in the 1400 block of Charles and the 700 block of Magnolia.
A missing person was reported in the 1400 block of West Somerville.
An unattended death was reported in the 600 block of Plains.
Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 1200 block of East Francis, the 900 block of East Denver, the 2300 block of Comanche, the 1000 block of Neel Road, an unreported location and the 2200 block of Evergreen.
Attempts to serve papers were made on seven occasions.
Warrant service was attempted on one occasion.
Suspicious person calls were received from the 700 block of North Frost, the 500 block of East Browning, the 200 block of North Naida, the 100 block of West Foster and the 700 block of North Hobart.
Suspicious vehicle calls were received on two occasions from the 1600 block of East Highway 60.
Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of Hazel, the 1100 block of Neel Road and the 300 block of South Tignor.
Disorderly conduct, possession of less than two ounces of marijuana in a drug-free zone and criminal trespass were reported in the 100 block of East Harvester. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.
A narcotics violation was reported in the police department lobby.
Criminal trespass was reported in the 400 block of North Perry.
Theft was reported in the 100 block of North Ward. Tires valued at \$2,000 were taken off of a vehicle.
Theft was reported in the police department lobby.
Attempted theft and information were reported in the 400 block of Texas. An attempt was made to take lawn tools valued at \$45.
Burglary was reported in the 800 block of North Somerville.
Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the police department lobby.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.
Monday, March 26

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Monday, March 26
9:46 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of East Craven and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
10:19 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient to PRMC.
10:59 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Plains. No transport.
12:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road and transported a patient to PRMC.
1:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to the 800 block of West 25th.
3:07 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road and transported a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital.
5:00 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to BSA and transported a patient to the 1300 block of West Kentucky.
7:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Somerville and transported a patient to PRMC.
9:18 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the intersection of Frederic and Barnes and transported a patient to PRMC.
Tuesday, March 27
2:45 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of Tignor and transported a patient to PRMC.
4:39 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2200 block of Evergreen and transported a patient to PRMC.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Monday, March 26
11:03 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 600 block of Plains on a medical assist.
Tuesday, March 27
4:44 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2200 block of Evergreen on a medical assist.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident today.
Sunday, March 25
6:41 p.m. — A 1995 GMC Yukon, driven by Logan Blake Howard, 18, of 926 Sierra, and a 201 Ford F250, driven by Felipe Armendariz Romero, 41, of 631 N. Wells, collided in the 2500 block of West Gwendolyn. No injuries were reported. Romero was cited for no valid driver's license. Howard was cited for failure to control speed and driving under the influence -- minor.

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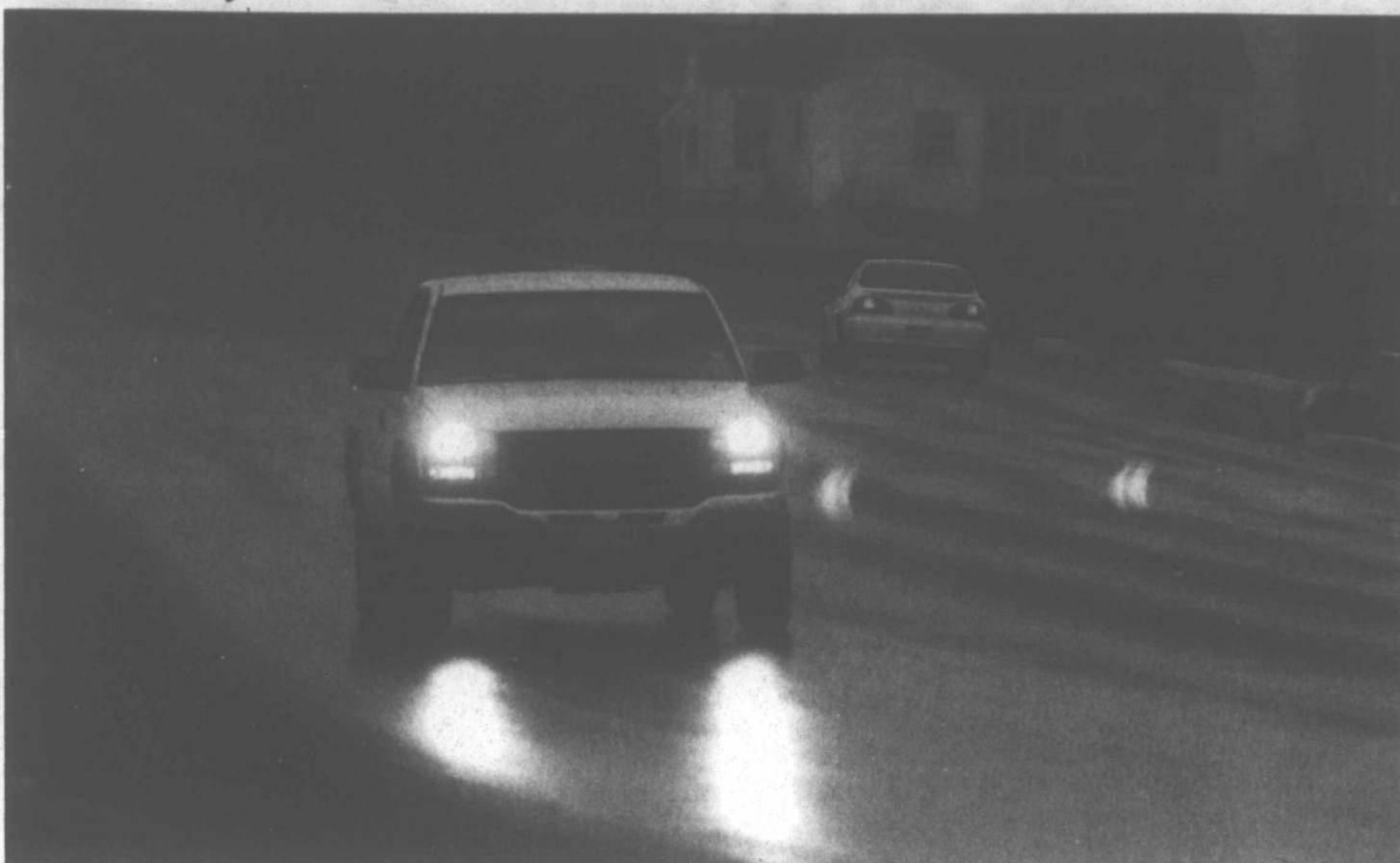
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Morning commuters were blessed with a light drizzle and scattered showers the past few days reflected in the roadways as the work week dawned.

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Pet projects added to Iraq bill questioned

By ANDREW TAYLOR
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate conservatives and the Bush administration are taking aim at billions of dollars of non-war spending added to President Bush's \$100 billion funding request for Afghanistan and Iraq.

In addition to money and equipment for overseas troops, there is \$100 million for state and local law enforcement agencies in Denver and Minneapolis-St. Paul to provide security for next year's presidential nominating conventions.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., won renewal of an income subsidy program for small-operation dairy farmers that promises to cost taxpayers \$1.2 billion

over the next five years.

And while the Senate bill has no money earmarked for spinach and peanut farmers — as there is in a House companion bill — sugar beet growers in the Red River Valley stand to get \$24 million to cover crop losses from flooding two years ago.

But there's a problem facing conservatives striving to knock out what the White House calls "excessive and extraneous" spending: Many Republicans support the extras.

Take \$20 million obtained by Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., to combat Mormon crickets. The insects aren't simply plaguing Nevada, but also the solidly Republican states of Idaho and Utah — whose delegations support

the funding.

While conservatives such as Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., took to the floor Monday to question the funding for sugar beet growers, the provision has the support of Sen. Norm Coleman, a Minnesota Republican facing a potentially difficult re-election battle next year.

Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., wants to kill the \$100 million for convention security. The money — for security costs due more than a year from now — has no place in a bill funding U.S. troop activities through the end of this September, he contends.

"Members will have to make a difficult choice between booze and balloons or body armor and bullets," Coburn said.

Snow suffering from recurrence of cancer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Presidential spokesman Tony Snow's surgery to remove a small growth showed that his cancer has returned and spread to his liver, the White House said today.

President Bush, making a brief statement to reporters in the Rose Garden, struck an optimistic tone that echoed how aides said Snow was feeling. Bush said he looked forward to the day when Snow returns to the White House.

"His attitude is one that he is not going to let this whip him, and he's upbeat," Bush said. "My attitude is that we need to pray for him, and for his family."

Snow, 51, had his entire colon removed in 2005 and underwent six months of chemotherapy after being diagnosed with colon cancer. A small growth was discovered last year in his lower right pelvic area, and after months of monitoring, tests now show

that it has grown slightly. It was removed Monday.

Doctors determined that it was cancerous, and found during the surgery, which was exploratory, that his cancer had metastasized, or spread, to his liver, White House spokeswoman Dana Perino said.

She said Snow is comfortable and feeling fine after his surgery and has pledged to aggressively fight the disease.

Vision

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sions the development process coming together through the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, merchants and the city.

"I see this as being a

joint effort between the chamber, the Downtown Business Association and the City of Pampa," Vanderpool said.

He said that he expects to start having informal weekly brainstorming sessions.

"People can drop by with ideas," Vanderpool said. "They can call me."

Lefors ISD to meet

Lefors Independent School District's School Board will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school library at 209 E. Fifth St. Agenda items include textbook and senior trip approval and a bid of \$150

for delinquent tax property at Blackwell Unit 2, Block 1, Lot 3 and the east 33 feet of Lot 2.

An executive session will be conducted during the meeting.

Water

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the land. Epps also wants to transfer 12 acres of an Initial Pumping Permit to CRMWA.

There are four applications for

domestic wells on the board's agenda. William and Shelley Dodson and the Mays Trust have each applied to drill a four-inch well or smaller in Potter County. Brad Smiley has applied to drill two domestic wells southwest of Pampa in Gray County.

There are also two applications for stock wells and one for a replacement irrigation well.

Curtis Schaefer has filed an applica-

tion for a two-inch replacement well in Donley County. Crow Hollow LLC has applied for two three-inch stock wells in Donley County.

The board will also hear a legislative update and a manager's report during the meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Friday at the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District offices, 201 W. Third St., White Deer.

Switzer

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ment in protecting families from Westboro members at military funerals.

Switzer then called Sheriff Henderson with the suggestions and learned of his plans and precautions for the funeral which would allow the protesters their legal right to protest while at the same time preventing interference with the funeral or additional grief to the mourners.

Switzer and Connie Lockridge, investigator for the 31st District Attorney's office, went to Canadian on the day of the funeral and attended a strategy session before the services were scheduled to begin. The detailed plan was presented by Sheriff Henderson to area law enforcement officers and other volunteers, and it

proved effective when 10 protesters arrived, held up their signs and sang a few songs out of sight and then left without the peace of the proceedings having been disturbed.

"It was so heartwarming because everybody came together on it," Switzer said of the effort made to protect the mourners from the protesters.

The law was written not only "because it was a brand-new statute that not a lot of people had had to deal with yet," she said, "but also because I wanted to tell about what was going on in Canadian to honor our fallen soldiers and protect their families from protesters."

The new law states that it is against the law to picket during the period one hour before a funeral service begins to one hour after the service is completed. The picketing must be done within 500 feet of a facility or cemetery being used for the funeral service.

Picketing is defined as standing, sit-

ting or repeated walking, riding, driving or other similar action by a person displaying or carrying a banner, placard or sign; engaging in loud singing, chanting, whistling or yelling, with or without use of a sound amplification device such as a bullhorn; and/or blocking access to a facility or cemetery being used for a funeral service.

Switzer's name also appeared in the Executive Director's Report, written by Kepple, in the March-April issue of the magazine.

Kepple contrasted the situation in the 31st District Attorney's office under the leadership of Rick Roach and under that of Switzer. He mentioned Roach's sentencing for state and federal charges concerning possession of handguns and controlled substances, and praised Switzer for "a string of successes" in court.

"The peace and dignity of the State have been restored along the north fork of the Red River," Kepple said in the magazine.

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Viewpoints

Local oil, gas industry spotlighted in special section

I recently completed seven stories with accompanying photos for The Pampa News' annual special edition, to be included in Friday's issue of the paper.

Once again, I was struck by the wide variance of responses to a request for an interview.

There were those who were happy to take the time out of their busy day to let me ask questions, write down their answers and take photographs. Some bent over backward to provide information and help me get a good photo, even if it meant moving equipment, calling in employees to be in the photos, or providing

additional photos of their own for consideration.

There was one to whom I had to explain that it would not cost them anything to participate, that I was not selling advertising but writing a news article and taking photos to accompany that article.

And then there was the fellow who got nervous the minute I explained who I was and what I wanted. He didn't immediately answer after I finished my explanation, and I began to think my phone call had been disconnected somehow.

Finally he asked, "You're not going to quote me, are you?"

I explained that I was doing a news story and would use the information he provided to explain what his company does in the oil and gas industry, and would most likely use a few direct quotes in the process.

Apparently his alarm was going off full blast now, because he said he didn't think he wanted to be involved in any such endeavor.

A reaction like that always leaves me scratching my

head. It also prompts a knee-jerk reaction in which I wonder what the person has to hide.

Some people don't have anything to hide. They may be snowed under in work or are by nature very private people who like to stay far out of the limelight. Some may doubt the interviewer's ability to accurately report what they said.

Although I had explained to one company owner that I was not selling advertising, in effect what I was offering

that fellow was a little free advertising. He would have had his company's name and description of services and/or products printed in the paper free of charge.

The most common reaction I found, however, to my requests for an interview were not reactions at all. It was difficult to contact several of those on my list, simply because I wrote about the oil and gas industry, and that industry is very busy right now.

I diligently called some companies daily and left my name, telephone number and the reason for my call, along with a request for the person responsible for public rela-

tions to return my call.

I think the ratio was 10 calls by me for each return call I got. And many of those return calls occurred while I was out of the office, resulting in a message that my call had been returned and to call them back.

Another round of telephone tag would ensue, and ended only when I gave up because I had run out of time to schedule any more interviews.

Although this state of affairs was aggravating, it at least proved one thing. The oil and gas industry here is still in the midst of a boom.

Marilyn Powers
Staff Writer



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, March 27, the 86th day of 2007. There are 279 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 27, 1977, 583 people were killed when a KLM Boeing 747, attempting to take off, crashed into a Pan Am 747 on the Canary Island of Tenerife.

On this date:

In 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted Florida.

In 1625, Charles I ascended the English throne upon the death of James I.

In 1794, Congress approved "An Act to provide a Naval Armament" of six armed ships.

In 1836, the first Mormon temple was dedicated, in Kirtland, Ohio.

In 1957, "Around the World in 80 Days" won the Academy Award for best picture; Yul Brynner won best actor for "The King and I," Ingrid Bergman was awarded best actress for "Anastasia" and George Stevens received best director for "Giant."

In 1958, Nikita Khrushchev became Soviet premier in addition to first secretary of the communist

'Fanaticism consists in redoubling your effort when you have forgotten your aim.'

— George Santayana
American philosopher (1863-1952)

party.

In 1964, Alaska was rocked by a powerful earthquake that killed 131 people.

In 1968, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin, the first man to orbit the earth, died in a plane crash.

In 1980, 123 workers died when a North Sea floating oil field platform, the Alexander Keilland, capsized during a storm.

In 1996, an Israeli court convicted Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's confessed assassin of murder, then sentenced former law student Yigal Amir to life in prison.

Ten years ago: Dexter King, son of civil rights leader the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., met with James Earl Ray, the man in prison for the older King's assassination. Ray denied having had anything to do with the shooting, to which King replied, "I believe you." Russian workers staged a nationwide strike to demand overdue wages.

Five years ago: Twenty-nine Israelis were killed in a suicide bombing during a Passover Seder in Netanya, Israel. A gunman killed eight members of the Nanterre city council outside Paris; a suspect killed himself the next day while in police custody. Death claimed Oscar-winning filmmaker Billy Wilder at age 95; comedian Milton Berle at age 93; and actor-comedian Dudley Moore at age 66.

One year ago: Al-Qaida conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui testified at his federal trial that he was supposed to hijack a fifth airplane on Sept. 11, 2001, and fly it into the White House.

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It's time for donors to stand up to leftists

James W. McGlothlin, chairman and CEO of The United Company of Bristol, Va., and a former member of The College of William & Mary's Board of Visitors and a longtime donor, withheld his pledge of \$12 million to the college. He made his decision because of the actions taken by Gene Nichol, the college president, who ordered the removal of the cross from Wren Chapel. The cross had been displayed on the chapel altar since around 1940. Nichol's justification was that he wanted to make the chapel welcoming to non-Christians.

That's a lie. President Nichol was a chapter president of the American Civil Liberties Union for North Florida, and an ACLU board member in North Carolina and Colorado. The ACLU has maintained an attack on religious symbols for decades, but usually through the courts. President Nichol's actions simply

spared them a costly court battle to remove the religious symbol from William & Mary's Wren Chapel.

Nichol's actions caused a storm of controversy that he probably didn't anticipate. Caving in to the pressure, on March 6th, he agreed to return the cross to Wren Chapel. The ACLU has enjoyed phenomenal success in attacking our religious values. Unless they are stopped, I guarantee you they get some judge to order the removal of crosses from the graves at Arlington and other military cemeteries.

The College of William & Mary's Wren Chapel cross issue is simply the tip of a much larger problem. For decades, college administrators and professors have sanctioned or participated in an attack on traditional

American values. They've denied campus access to military recruiters, promoted socialism and attacked capitalism, and instituted race and sex quotas in admissions

and in the awarding of scholarships.

They've used their positions of trust to indoctrinate students with anti-Americanism. Despite this attack, taxpayers and private donors have been extremely generous, pouring billions upon billions of dollars into institutions that often hold a generalized contempt for their values.

Mr. McGlothlin is to be congratulated for his courage in taking a stand against this liberal attack on American values. Other wealthy donors ought to emulate Mr. McGlothlin's courage by withholding their donations to colleges that

foster or sanction attacks on traditional American values and decency. While it's a bit more difficult, since their money is taken from them, taxpayers ought to rebel as well by pressuring their legislators.

Many college benefactors fondly recall their experiences at their alma maters some 20, 30 or 40 years ago. Often, what they remember bears little or no resemblance to what goes on at campuses today. With relatively little effort, benefactors can become more informed simply by visits to the college's Web site to discover whether there are activities offensive to their values. If there's an office of diversity, it strongly suggests the college is practicing some form of race or sex discrimination.

The Foundation for Individual Rights in Education provides information about colleges that have

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ **March 18**
Houston Chronicle on U.S. fiscal reform:

The sky isn't falling yet. But David M. Walker, the comptroller general of the United States, is sounding his fiscal alarm outside the Beltway in a three-year commitment to educate the public about the monumental, unchecked federal deficit.

Don't blame the nearly \$500 billion spent on the war in Iraq or the \$125 billion to rebuild after Katrina, Walker says. These expenses don't help, but the culprits he names are the large federal entitlement programs Social

Security and Medicare in combination with demographic forces and political irresponsibility. It also doesn't help that there are no meaningful budget controls in place.

And don't be lulled by the recent reduction in the deficit over last year at this time, as tax collections surpass growth in expenditures. Walker claims even an optimistic projection of economic growth over the long term won't fix the underlying budget issues.

Walker has undertaken the Fiscal Wake-Up Tour that recently landed him on CBS' 60 Minutes hoping his unprecedented campaign will provoke citizens to demand action from their government.

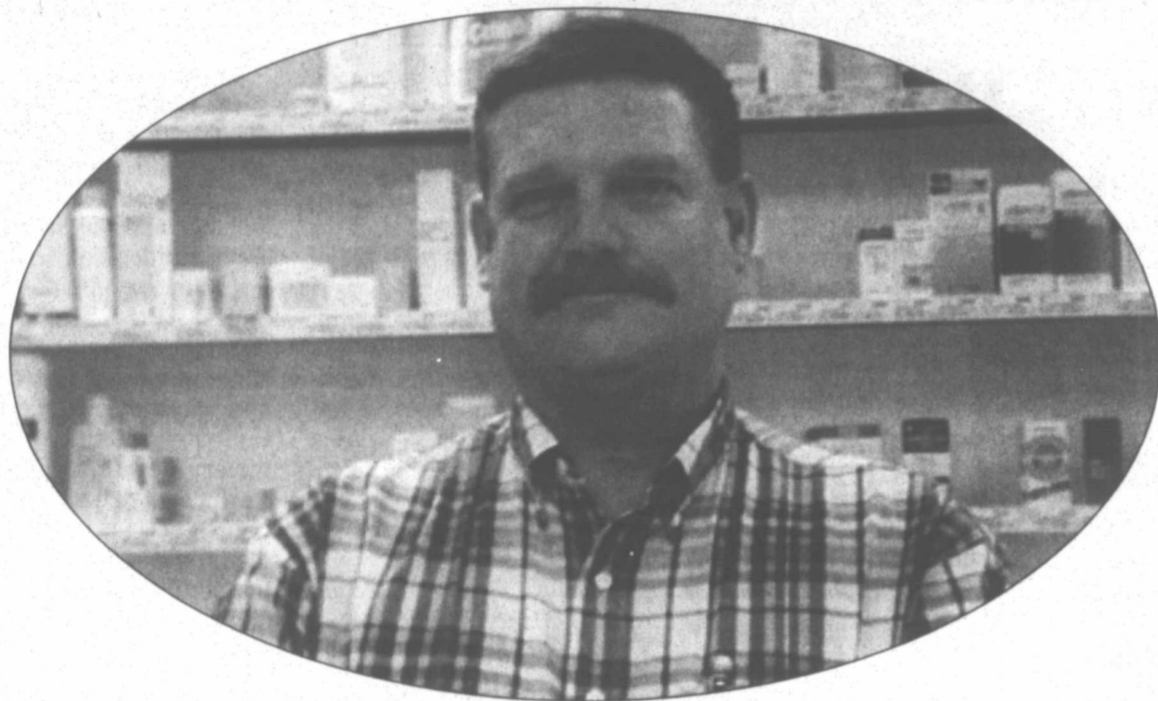
We are in debt to the tune of \$9 trillion. In fiscal year 2006, revenues

increased by \$255 billion, but costs exceeded revenues by \$450 billion and cash outlays exceeded cash receipts by \$248 billion. The numbers either scare your pants off or cause your eyes to glaze over. Walker thinks it's primarily the latter.

Walker began his tour, supported by partnerships with organizations as diverse as the Heritage Foundation and AARP, in 2005 because he felt elected representatives of all stripes were ignoring the issue. He will continue speaking on college campuses and at city forums through the 2008 presidential elections. He has been heartened by recent pledges from the Bush administration to reduce the deficit by 2012

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BUSINESS REVIEW



▲ Pharmacist Dennis Roark provides friendly service to customers at the local B&B Pharmacy at 300 N. Ballard. Business phone for the pharmacy is 665-5788.

B&B Pharmacy offers personal service

A small town pharmacy offers services a larger pharmacy cannot provide.

Home-owned and operated, B&B Pharmacy is dedicated to providing personal service to all of its customers. Dennis Roark and his wife Donna have owned the local pharmacy since 1988.

The pharmacy offers a full line of medical needs, including ostomy supplies. Special orders can be obtained in one day. Crutches, canes, braces and wraps are always in stock. Medical needs for sports-related injuries can also be found.

Customers at B&B Pharmacy receive personal service from the Roarks. "We try to make our customers feel comfortable and free to ask any questions they might have," said Roark.

The staff at B&B Pharmacy strive to provide the personal service a big chain cannot provide.

"We try to stay away from the personalities of a big chain where you are just a number," he said. "Drugs have some interactions that can cause serious medical problems. We welcome our customers to come to us with

any concerns about interactions with their medications. It is important to us to know them and their needs."

"If any person has questions about the over-the-counter medications and possible reactions with their prescriptions, I would be more than happy to assist them."

Long time customers know that the staff at B&B Pharmacy will do all they can to meet the needs of their customers. New customers will find the personal service appealing to them.

"We want to provide our customers with their needs," said Roark. "New customers are always welcome."

The store covers almost all insurance plans.

B&B also provides free prescription delivery service.

The pharmacy is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturdays. The business is closed on Sundays and holidays.

B&B Pharmacy is located at 300 N. Ballard, and their phone number is 665-5788.



▲ Located at 300 N. Ballard, B&B Pharmacy has been owned by Roark and his wife Donna since 1988. Customers at B&B Pharmacy receive personal service from the couple and their staff that a large company cannot provide.



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Events calendar

• Pampa Chapter of Ducks Unlimited will meet Friday for a "ruffling of feathers" at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, 200 N. Ballard. The price of admission is \$35 for singles or \$45 for couples. The fee to sponsor a couple is \$270. For more information, call 663-9616.

• S.T.A.R. will sponsor a free "Back in Control" parent training from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at 1500 S. Taylor in Amarillo. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Some CEUs will be available. To pre-register or for more information, call (806) 359-2005.

• St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will serve an enchilada dinner from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday in the school cafeteria as a fund-raiser. Cost per person is \$6.

• Texas Cooperative Extension will conduct a private pesticide application and M-44 license certification worth three CEUs on April 3 at the Clarendon College RFO Building in Clarendon. The private pesticide

license training will begin at 8 a.m. A state certification test will be administered at 1 p.m. by Texas Department of Agriculture for all who qualify. The M-44 license training will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the same location. For more information, contact the Donley County Extension Service at (806) 874-2141.

• Miami Lions Club will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a formal banquet at 7 p.m. April 10 in Roberts County Museum Art Room in Miami. Past Miami Lions are invited to attend. District Gov. Gaye Cotton of Hereford and Zone Chair Gaye Henderson of Perryton will be present. The club was established on April 12, 1957, and was sponsored by Pampa Evening Lions Club. For more information, call (806) 868-9061.

• Pampa Book Club has scheduled to discuss the following books: "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.

Reform

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and by the U.S. House voting to bring back the so-called "pay as you go rules."

What would really make the nation's chief accountant a happy man is for Congress to address the much-needed revamping of Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare important stabilizing programs that are unsustainable in their current form. He believes lawmakers can maintain the integrity of the programs while realistically addressing the demographic challenge of the aging baby boomers.

The worst-case scenario for Walker would be failing to address these issues and defaulting on the debt, as did Argentina.

Tough choices need to be made, he says, and the sooner the better. With entitlement reform, restraining some spending and raising revenues, the bleeding can be staunch. Walker is right that accomplishing these goals will take sacrifice on the part of all. His campaign interjects a needed cautionary note in a fiscal landscape that cannot fail to make those paying attention uneasy. He raises thoughtful questions that demand thoughtful answers from officials and candidates in the months to come.

TEXAS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Quail Appreciation Day in offing near Wellington

WELLINGTON — A Quail Appreciation Day will be hosted by the Texas Cooperative Extension office in Collingsworth County on April 5 on the Mill Iron Ranch, 7 miles east of Wellington on Highway 203.

The purpose of the Quail Appreciation Day is to educate the public on the necessity for quail conservation, said Andy Hefley, agriculture Extension agent for Collingsworth County.

The Rolling Plains of Texas is one of the last and best concentrations of native bobwhite quail in the U.S., Hefley said. Conservation is the key to preserving this natural resource for many years to come.

There is no charge for registration or lunch and out of town guests are asked to call the Extension office to sign up.

For any questions or to register for the course, contact the Collingsworth Extension office at 806-447-2313 or e-mail at Collins@ag.tamu.edu.

Williams

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"politically correct" speech codes that suppress debate. The Young America's Foundation publishes information about inane courses at some of our colleges, such as UCLA's "Queer Musicology" or Johns Hopkins' "Mail Order Brides."

Some colleges have brazenly violated donor intent. Princeton University has been taken to court by the Robertson family for misuse of \$207 million of a gift estimated at \$700 million in today's prices. Because they violated donor intent, Boston College, USC, UCLA, Harvard and Yale have been forced to return multimillion-dollar gifts.

It's high time that donors large and small summon some of Mr. McGlothlin's courage and hold colleges accountable to standards of decency and honesty.

—Dr. Williams serves on the faculty of George Mason University as John M. Olin Distinguished Professor of Economics.

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A Newspaper Activity Page for Young People

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This Week: An American Legend

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Baby Sally Ann
"HOWDY! I'm Sally Ann Thunder Ann Whirlwind!" Sally Ann shouted on the day she was born. Then she went on to brag that she could, "out-talk, out-grin, out-scream, out-swim, and out-run any baby in Kentucky!"

Sally's nine brothers didn't much care for their new baby sister and they called her a liar.
"Let's race to the top of the mountain and back!" challenged Sally Ann. She beat them by a mile!

Off to the Frontier!
At 8 years old, Sally Ann decided she was grown-up enough to head into the frontier. Read her journal. Then number the pictures she drew in the correct order.

How Sally Ann Met Davy Crockett
One day, while walking through the woods, Sally came upon the frontiersman, Davy Crockett. He had stopped for a nap and rested his head between two branches of a tree. His head became stuck, and two eagles were pulling out his hair for their nest!

Sally Ann let loose a scream that was so loud it blew the feathers off the eagles' heads. This scared off the birds, allowing Sally Ann to pull Davy out of his predicament. Not only had she rescued the frontiersman; Sally Ann had just created creatures we treasure to this day.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

KID SCOOP AMERICAN LEGENDS

You won't find Sally Ann in any history book, but she is an authentic American frontier legend.

Help Baby Sally Ann race to the top!

Alligators Away!
They say Sally Ann once battled a large gang of alligators. She battled so hard that she stirred up a tornado that swept the alligators away. For days they say alligators fall from the sky from New Orleans to Minnesota!
How many alligators can you find on this page?

Extra! Extra! Sally Ann to the Rescue
Find a newspaper article about a problem facing your community. Write a tall tale telling how Sally Ann saves the day and fixes the problem. Be sure to include who, what, when, where, why and how.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Students know the sequence of events in a story.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write in a variety of forms or genres.

Davy Crockett, incidentally, is not just a tall tale. He really existed, and served in Congress from 1827 to 1835.

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The Kid Scoop Puzzler

Dressing Up For Davy
Sally Ann thought Davy Crockett was mighty cute. She prettied herself to catch his heart.

Do the math to discover a couple of the things she used to make a big impression. The correct answers are the ones that add up to odd numbers.

So, did she win Davy's heart? Well, now we call her Sally Ann Thunder Ann Whirlwind Crockett. What do you think?

Sally Ann's hat was made of:
 porcupine quills (33 + 9 + 6 =)
 hornet's nest (29 + 7 + 5 =)

To make perfume, Sally Ann used a:
 skunk (19 + 5 + 3 =)
 rose (21 + 6 + 5 =)

Standards Link: Number Sense: Solve problems involving numeric equations.

Book Scoop To read more about Sally Ann, check out **Sally Ann Thunder Ann Whirlwind Crockett** by Stephen Kellogg

Double Double Word Search
Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

SALLY ANN WHIRLWIND THUNDER CROCKETT LEGEND WINTER NEST SKUNK DAVY GRIN SCREAM LIAR WOODS RESCUE

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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Create a Tall Tale
Tall tales depend on exaggeration. Read an article in today's newspaper. Select one person mentioned in the article and exaggerate everything about that person. Write a tall tale with your exaggerated version of the person.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write in a variety of forms or genres.

Write On! TALL TALE NEWS
Read a tall tale about a character such as Paul Bunyan. Rewrite as a news article one event from the tale. Start by telling who, what, when, where, why and how.

Kid Scoop Together: TRY THIS AT HOME

Quotables
With your learning buddy, look through today's newspaper to find an article in which someone was interviewed. Look for quotes from the person interviewed. What question do you think the reporter asked to get each response?

Headline of article: _____

Quote #1 from article: _____

Question you think the reporter asked to get the answer quoted above: _____

Quote #2 from article: _____

Question you think the reporter asked to get the answer quoted above: _____

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Answer questions based on information contained in text.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **FRONTIER**
The noun frontier means the part of a settlement, exploration or field of study which is being newly discovered.

Davy Crockett explored the western frontier of Texas.

Try to use the word frontier in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old high school senior. Last summer I lost my virginity. Since then I have slept with six guys. Do you think my future husband will be seriously upset about it, even though he will probably have been out there more than I have? I guess I want to know whether you think I have become free-spirited or just promiscuous. — **POSSIBLY PROMISCUOUS IN MURFREESBORO, N.C.**

DEAR POSSIBLY: What I think is less important than what YOU think is appropriate behavior. And if you were comfortable with what you have been doing, you wouldn't have written me. If you continue on this path, you are in for trouble. The first thing that comes to mind is whether or not you know how to protect yourself from an unplanned pregnancy or a sexually transmitted disease. If the answer is no, then you need to see a doctor or visit a Planned Parenthood clinic and learn about the real "facts of life." These include being checked for any STD you might have already been exposed to. In addition, you say that in the last seven or eight months you have slept with six different men. At the rate you're going, in another six months that number could double, and by the time you are 25, the total could be close to 100. That is not what people refer to as "free-spirited." It definitely is what they call promiscuous. So, please take a break from men for a while and think carefully about how casual sex could affect your future.

DEAR ABBY: Three years ago, my husband told me he was no longer in love with me. We hadn't been getting along, and I hadn't been giving him the attention he deserved. When he said he didn't want to come home from work at night, it hit me like a ton of bricks. It was the wake-up call I needed. We have worked things out and managed to stay together, and my husband says he loves me. But I found out that he told a friend at work that he was no longer

in love with me before he told me! I'm on an antidepressant, which helps some, but I still feel sad about what he said. I also have a hard time when I see that friend of his. I want to run away and hide. How can I get over the hurt and shame? — **HEART ACHES IN CALIFORNIA**

DEAR HEART ACHES: It's possible that in addition to the antidepressant, you could use some counseling. You are viewing this life lesson from a negative perspective. You have nothing to be ashamed of. You and your husband worked out your problems, and you are both winners. So stop feeling like a loser, and call your doctor for a referral.

DEAR ABBY: I have a dear friend who recently met a man through an online dating service. When she told me about him, I thought he sounded too good to be true. Through public records, I did a check on him. While I did not find anything criminal, his financial picture is not a good one. There are foreclosures, liens, bankruptcy, nonpayment of child support, etc. He is a professional man, and I think he is misrepresenting himself as being successful. I am very worried about my friend. I don't want to spoil things for her. She's an adult and could do her own checking. I know it's really none of my business, but I'm never going to be able to forgive myself if something happens to her because of him. What would you suggest I do? — **LINDA IN OHIO**

DEAR LINDA: You're right -- this was none of your business. However, now that you know the truth, it's time to observe the Golden Rule and ask yourself how you would feel if the situation were reversed and you were in your friend's shoes. If the answer is you would prefer to know all the facts before becoming further involved, tell her what you have learned. What she chooses to do with that information is up to her.

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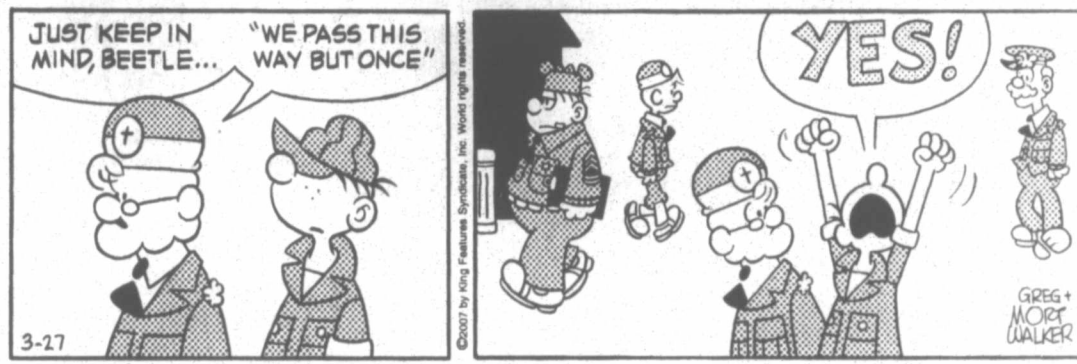
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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| 18 Perfume unit | 7 Spanish dance |
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| 27 Milk buy | 18 Truman's dates |
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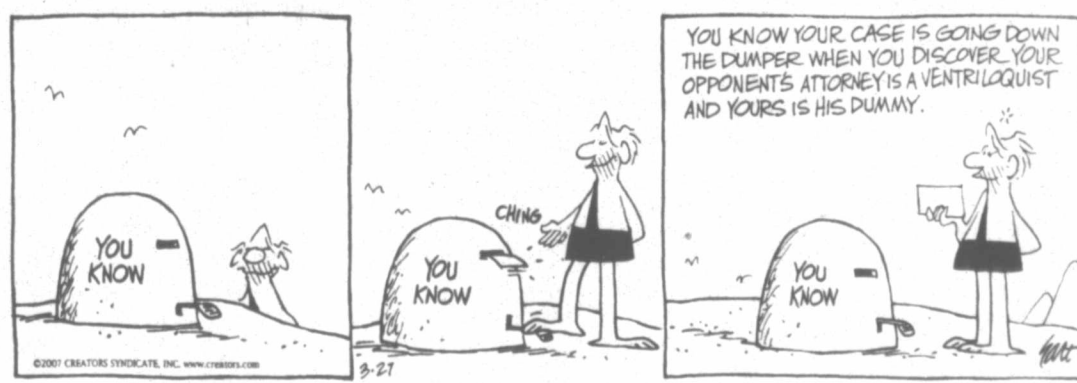


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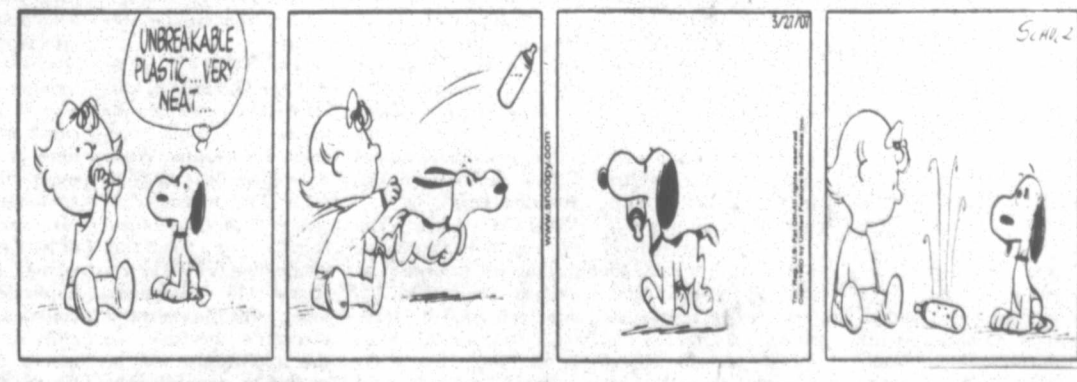
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Sports Day

No cash prizes for this loyal Tech fan

It's hard to believe that March Madness is already coming to a close, but it's no surprise to see that Florida has worked their way into the Final Four again.

That's good news for me, because I, like the majority of bracket junkies across the country, picked them to at least make it this far.

While I've done good as far as Florida goes, the rest of my bracket has looked bad almost since day one.

Right now, I'm ranked #1,253,399 on Facebook.com with 59 points and 53.3% correct.

For all of you who are under 30 years of age, Facebook is an online social network, much like

MySpace, but without the predators.

About a week or so before the tournament began, Facebook started a huge NCAA bracket pool, in which the first place winner would receive some sort of cash prize that started with a 1 and ended with a lot of 0s.

In hopes of getting first place, I devised a strategy which consisted of going for the underdogs, unless they played Kansas, and putting my favorite school in the Final Four, just because I'm loyal.

As you can guess, my plan didn't work too well, but #1,253,399 isn't too bad, considering Texas Tech was defeated by Boston College in the first round, and Kansas was taken out by No. 2 UCLA.

I still have Florida and Ohio State in the tournament, as I predicted, so there's still potential for improvement in the Facebook rankings.

Regardless of what my bracket says, however, the team I want to see win it all is Georgetown, not only because by rooting for

them, I would indirectly be rooting for Tech, but because their game against UNC on Sunday was simply incredible.

I watched the game with family and friends, all of whom were going for the Tar Heels, so it was exciting to see them come back from a huge deficit and win by 12 in overtime.

According to my bracket, Kansas and Ohio State will face off in the championship, but since that's out of the picture now, I'm going to go ahead and call it, again - Georgetown will beat Florida for the championship.

We'll see what happens, though.

Jordan Reagan
Sports Editor



Americans complete takeover of Liverpool

LIVERPOOL, England (AP) — American investors Tom Hicks and George Gillett Jr. finalized their takeover of Britain's famed Liverpool soccer club on Tuesday.

The pair's takeover vehicle, Kop Football, told the London Stock Exchange it has reached agreement to buy 98.6 percent of the club's shares. Under stock market rules, the remaining shares can now be compulsorily purchased, meaning the process is now complete.

Hicks and Gillett will now seek to take Liverpool off the exchange and register the club as a private company.

The takeover clears the way for the club to move from 45,000-seat Anfield to a new 60,000-seat stadium in nearby Stanley Park.

Liverpool's board agreed to the takeover on Feb. 6 after rejecting a rival bid from Dubai International Capital.

Earlier this month, Hicks and Gillett gained unconditional control of the club by passing the 80 percent threshold of shares.

Hicks is a Dallas businessman who owns the NHL's Dallas Stars and Major League Baseball's Texas Rangers.

Lady Harvesters improve over Caprock

By JORDAN REAGAN
Sports Editor

The Lady Harvesters got the chance to take on Caprock on Monday afternoon, and defeated the Lady Longhorns 6-0 to improve to 16-6-2 overall and 2-0 in district.

Cassy Tice took the mound and allowed only three hits, and improved to 11-3.

Nicole Clark brought in three runs, and hit her first home run of the season to help the Lady Harvesters

keep hold of a solid lead. Tice, Kelby Doughty and Stephanie McVay also had one run each, Logan Winkelman had one base hit, Kelly Preston had three base hits and one RBI, and Kambra Jimenez had one base hit and batted in three runs.

Pampa was originally scheduled to take on Palo Duro this afternoon at 4:30, but the weather has pushed it back to Wednesday afternoon at the same time.

'Hawkeye' Henson to judge Saddle Bronc event

By TAMMY WILLIAMS
Special to The News

BEAVER, Okla. — Beaver River Match of Champions, slated for Saturday, April 21, 2007 will host local cowboys Trell Etbauer and Will Payne of Goodwell, Okla., and Wade Payne of Pampa, Texas, in the Saddle Bronc event. Judging this event will be three-time World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider, Monty "Hawkeye" Henson.

Henson, 52, is considered by many to have been among the most colorful

characters and best saddle bronc riders of his era and perhaps the sport's history.

Henson thrilled rodeo audiences around the world for more than 25 years with his flying dismounts and trademark feather in his hat.

The three-time World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider and PRCA Hall of Fame member qualified 14 years in a row for the NFR, won the NFR saddle bronc riding average four times and now adds the Texas Rodeo Hall of Fame and Cheyenne Hall of Fame to his list of accomplishments.

Henson's rodeo career ended in 1991 when he was thrown from a horse into the chutes, breaking his neck.

Turning a near-tragic event into triumph, the singing cowboy has an album to his credit as well as television and movie appearances. Hawkeye will return to Los Angeles, Calif., this summer to film the final episodes of the HBO series Deadwood.

He will take breaks from filming to perform at the Woodward, Okla., rodeo, Days of 76 Rodeo in

Deadwood, S.D., and sing at the Western Heritage Center in Spearfish, S.D.

Recently, Hawkeye was chosen as national spokesman for the National Day of the Cowboy.

A long time friend and rodeo companion, Guy Allen, will perform as a contestant in the Beaver River Match of Champions. Allen is a 16-time World Champion Steer Roper, who tied Jim Shoulders' record of 11 straight titles.

Five investigations after Tillman's death, his family accuses Pentagon of misleading them

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)— Pat Tillman's family firmly rejected the Defense Department's findings into the former NFL star's friendly-fire death in Afghanistan, calling for congressional investigations into what they see as broad malfeasance and a coverup.

"Perhaps subpoenas are necessary to elicit candor and accuracy from the military," his family said in a statement Monday night, after hearing the results of the latest probes.

The men who shot Tillman have always claimed the April 22, 2004, incident was a terrible mis-

take in the fog of war, and the Army officially agreed Monday, declining to press charges.

But possible punishments still hang over several high-ranking officers who allegedly botched the investigations and key administrative tasks.

Nine Army officers, including four generals, made errors in reporting the friendly fire death to their superiors and to the Tillman family, the Pentagon said. Defense officials said one or more of those officers who provided misleading information as the military investigated could be charged

with a crime.

A central issue in the case is why the Army waited about five weeks from the time it suspected Tillman's death was friendly fire until it told his family. Several officers have testified they wanted to wait until the early investigations were complete, but regulations required the Army to notify family members if friendly fire was even suspected.

The latest investigation reserves its strongest criticism for Lt. Gen. Philip Kensinger, the now-retired three-star general who was in charge of Army special operations.

"We found compelling evidence that Kensinger learned of suspected fratricide well before the memorial service and provided misleading testimony" on that issue, the report said. That misrepresentation, the report said, could constitute a "false official statement," a violation of the Military Code of Justice.

Because Kensinger is out of the military, it would be difficult to charge him criminally, however.

Acting Army Secretary Peter Geren asked Gen. William Wallace, who oversees training for the Army, to review the actions of the

officers and to provide a progress report on possible punishments in 30 days.

"We as an Army failed in our duty to the Tillman family, the duty we owe to all the families of our fallen soldiers: Give them the truth, the best we know it, as fast as we can," Geren told reporters at the Pentagon. "Our failure in fulfilling this duty brought discredit to the Army and compounded the grief suffered by the Tillman family. For that, on behalf of the Army, I apologize to the Tillman family."

"The briefing we just received was shamefully unacceptable," the family

said in a statement issued from their home in San Jose, where Pat Tillman grew up.

"Our family is therefore compelled to continue our (pursuit of) the full truth about the circumstances of Pat Tillman's death and the so-called 'missteps' and 'deficiencies' of Pat's unit, the Army, the Department of Defense, and this administration."

Though dozens of soldiers knew quickly that Tillman had been killed by his fellow troops, the Army said initially that he was killed by enemy gunfire when he led his team to help another group of ambushed soldiers.

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT
PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBERS: 5083A AND PSDTX1076
APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Celanese, Ltd., P.O. Box 937, Pampa, Texas 79066-0937, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for modification of State Air Quality Permit 5083A and issuance of Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Quality Permit PSDTX1076, which would authorize modification of the Pampa Power Plant located as follows: from Pampa, proceed west on highway 60 for 5 miles; plant is on the south side of the highway near Pampa, Gray County, Texas. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on July 12, 2006. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants

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in a significant amount: particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter, nitrogen oxides, and sulfur dioxide. In addition, the facility will emit the following air contaminants: volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, hydrogen fluoride, hydrogen chloride, sulfuric acid, and metals. No PSD increment has been predicted to be consumed by the proposed facility. The TCEQ Executive Director has determined that the emissions of contaminants from the proposed facility which are subject to PSD review will not violate any state or federal air quality regulations and will not have any significant adverse impact on soils, vegetation, or visibility. All air contaminants have been evaluated, and "best available control technology" will be used for the control of these contaminants from sources being constructed. The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a prelimi-

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nary decision to issue the permit. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Amarillo Regional Office, and at the Lovett memorial Library, 111 North Houston Street, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Amarillo Regional Office, 3918 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, Texas. MAILING LIST. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public

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meeting is not a contested case hearing. You may submit additional written public comment to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comment, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comment. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. A contested case hearing request must include the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing

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address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing;" following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application / permit which

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Lions Club sweetheart



Acker



Skinner

Pampa Lions Club Sweethearts of the Month for March are Haley Acker and Halei Skinner. Acker is the daughter of Greg and Lisa Acker and is the granddaughter of Wayland and Donna Acker and Dan and Geneva Michael. Her activities, honors and accomplishments include tennis (eight years); Pampa High varsity tennis (three years); varsity cheerleader (two years); PHS Concert Choir (three years); and sound technician, PHS Show choir (one year); All-District Tennis (both singles and doubles); class representative (junior and senior years); National Honor Society (one year); and National Achievement Academy (four years). Her future plans are to pursue a degree in the health care field at Texas Tech University.

Skinner is the daughter of Jeff and Kim Skinner and Traci Biggers and is the granddaughter of Jane and Joe Don Skinner, Jerry Evans, and Betty and Vernon Stowers. She belongs to First Baptist Church where she is active in the youth group and has participated in several mission trips. Her activities, honors and accomplishments include PHS yearbook staff (one year); varsity basketball (two years); S.A.A.D Advisory Board (one year); Children's Shopping Tour volunteer; and Good Samaritan House volunteer. She worked at Community Daycare Center last summer. Her future plans are to pursue a degree in physical therapy at West Texas A&M University.

Man charged with stealing underwear

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — A man was charged with theft and burglary after police said they found 93 pounds of women's panties, brassieres and other underwear at his home.

Investigators believe Garth M. Flaherty, 24, took as many as 1,500 undergarments from apartment complex laundry rooms before he was caught, police Cmdr. Chris Tennant said.

A man was seen taking underwear from two laundry rooms Saturday, a witness recorded his license number, and Flaherty was identified

from photographs, Tennant said.

Police found enough underwear in his bedroom to fill five garbage bags, Tennant said.

"He said he had a problem," Tennant said.

Flaherty has been jailed on 12 counts of second-degree burglary and one of first-degree theft.

Police had previously received 12 reports of underwear thefts in the northeast part of town, where Washington State University is located.

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