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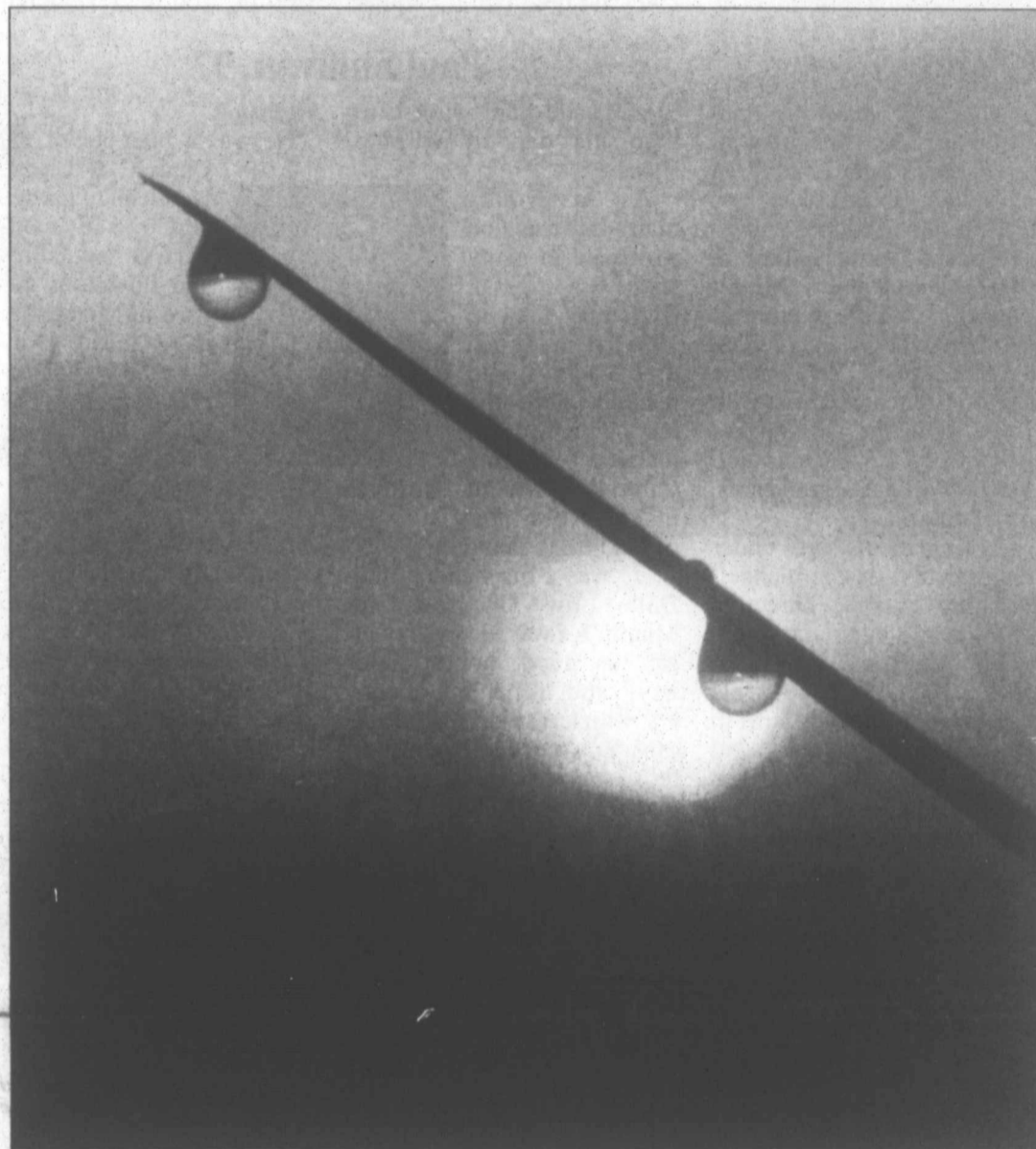
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Nature's teardrops



Dewdrops on a blade of grass west of Pampa reflect the rising sun. Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Burnin' the Bricks back again next weekend

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Automotive enthusiasts will get a chance to show off their rides and admire those of others at the fourth annual Burnin' the Bricks in June events, June 9 and 10.

A car show, craft show, burnout contest and cruise night are scheduled for Saturday.

The car show, sponsored by the High Plains Cruisers, will be at Recreation Park. Five classes have been added to the show, along with third place honors in each class.

Judging will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and trophies for first, second and third place in 26 categories will be awarded at 3 p.m.

Goodie bags will be given to the first 100 entrants in the show. An entry fee of \$15 will be charged.

Categories are: antique car, pre-'49 street rod, '49-'60 custom rod, '61 to present custom rod, pre-'60 original restored, '61-'75 original restored, '76 to present original unrestored, rat rod, special interest, original unrestored, '55-'57 Chevy, '53-'79 Corvette, '80-present Corvette, '67-'73 Camaro, pre-'73 Chevy muscle, pre-'73 other GM muscle, pre-'73 Mopar mus-

cle, pre-'73 Ford muscle, modern muscle car, pre-'50 antique truck, original truck, '50-'72 classic truck, custom truck, '73-up modern truck, all years convertibles and non-street legal race cars.

A craft show, sponsored by Carson County Crime Stoppers, will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the bull barn at Recreation Park.

Pampa Peace Officers Association will once again sponsor a burnout contest. Registration for the event will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Recreation Park, with the contest to begin there at 11 a.m. First and second place will be awarded in outlaw, stock and super stock categories.

Cruise Night will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday at the old Pampa drag, which involves a circular route between downtown Pampa and Hobart Street. An entry fee of \$10 will be charged, and all entries must be street legal, with closed headers and liability insurance.

The cruise is sponsored by the High Plains Cruisers and 99.3 KEFH FM radio station. It is open to cars and trucks only, and will end at 8:30 p.m.

An event held for the first time last year returns Sunday when the "Run What



Austin Bruner earned Best of Show honors with his 1969 GMC pickup at last year's burnout competition during the Burnin' the Bricks in June weekend. This year's events are scheduled for June 9 and 10 and will include a cruise, car show, craft show, burnout competition and drag racing. Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

You Brung" drag races begin at 9 a.m. at Perry LeFors Airport.

Races will continue until noon, and elimination races will begin at 1 p.m. There is a \$20 entry fee to race all

day. The quarter-mile races will feature more classes this year, plus second place. A fee of \$1 per spectator will be charged.

High Plains Cruisers is

sponsoring the races along with the FBA Racing Team of Dumas.




First and second place trophies will be awarded in the

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 Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 79.
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Police chief keeps job after rape accusation

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Corpus Christi Police Chief Bryan Smith will keep his job after being accused of sexual assault by an ex-girlfriend, but he must submit to random alcohol tests and see a psychologist under an agreement reached with the city.
 Smith will end a voluntary leave of absence when he returns to work Monday, more than a month after his 32-year-old former girlfriend alleged that Smith forced her into sex after showing up outside her apartment at 2 a.m.
 A grand jury last week found there was not enough

evidence to indict Smith, 46, who became engaged to another woman two weeks before the alleged sexual assault.
 "There is no doubt that I used poor judgment in my personal life through my interaction with a former girlfriend," Smith said. "As a result, I embarrassed my fiancée, my family, my fellow police officers and myself. ... I blame no one but myself."
 Smith has denied the accusation from the start, saying any sex was consensual and that the accuser was jealous over his recent engagement.

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

Services MONDAY

NIDIFFER, James Edwin — Memorial services, 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Pampa.

James Edwin 'Jim' Nidiffer, 61

James Edwin 'Jim' Nidiffer, 61, of Pampa, Texas, died May 31, 2007, at Pampa.
 Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, June 4, 2007, at First Christian Church with the Rev. Barry A. Loving, pastor, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.
 Mr. Nidiffer was born Oct. 1, 1945, in Oklahoma City, Okla., at the Tinker Airfield Base to William and Bernita Hayes Nidiffer. He graduated

from Pampa High School and attended West Texas State University.
 He married Donna Jo Vaughn and had one son, Timothy Stewart Nidiffer.
 He had been a resident of Denver, Colo., and Ohio, working for the American Motorcycle Association and the Cherokee Nation.
 He was preceded in death by his wife Donna, and his father, William Nidiffer.
 Survivors include one son, Timothy Nidiffer and wife Rachel of Memphis, Tenn.; his mother, Bernita Nidiffer of Pampa; one grandson, Nicholas William Nidiffer of Memphis, Tenn.; two granddaughters, Stephanie Jo Nidiffer, Rebecca Maureen Nidiffer, and their mother,

Chris Nidiffer, all of Sherman; one sister, Nancy Broggin and husband Robert of Pampa; one brother, Bill Nidiffer and wife Kathy of Thatcher, Ariz.; three nephews; and five great-nieces and great-nephews.
MEMORIALS: First Christian Church Memorial Fund, 1633 N. Nelson, Pampa, TX 79065.
 —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Paul Sullivan, 97

MIAMI, Texas — Paul Sullivan, 97, of Miami, Texas, died June 1, 2007, at Canadian, Texas.
 Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 5, 2007, at the Miami Cemetery, and memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 5, 2007, at the Miami Church of Christ with Boyd Williams, son-in-law, and Gary Williams and Kevin Williams, grandsons, officiating.
 Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mr. Sullivan was born May 10, 1910, at his Granddad Whitlow's farm in Gray County, to Dora and Millard Sullivan. He lived all his boyhood years in Miami and Mobeetie. His dad owned a barber shop in

Miami, and Paul worked to help his dad by shining shoes.
 As a young man, he traveled and lived in many states. On Christmas Day in 1929, he returned to Miami and resided there the rest of his life. He married Pauline Cantrell of Miami in 1930. She preceded him in death in 1977.
 He was a mechanic at the Dale Low Chevrolet in Miami. He was always noted for his good, honest hard work, and his helping of others with car troubles on all off-hours, never charging for those services. He was given many distinguished service awards by Chevrolet, and for Best Service Station

Attendant.
 He was a member of the Church of Christ. He loved to garden and raised wonderful vegetables and flowers in his yard in Miami. He gave these away for others to enjoy. His regret as he grew older was that he could no longer hoe weeds.
Our Granddad left us wonderful examples to follow. He was the best of Dad's and loved and cared for his family. He took care of his invalid wife for 15 years. He will be so greatly missed and always remembered.
 Survivors include two daughters, Wilma Nelson of Amarillo, and Nell Williams and husband Boyd of



Sullivan

Miami; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.
 He was preceded in death by two brothers, Oscar Sullivan and Ralph Sullivan; one sister, Anabel Knowing; one grandson, Paul Martin Nelson; and a beloved son-in-law, Sam Nelson.
MEMORIALS: World Mission Reachout for Needy Children, c/o Boyd Williams, P.O. Box 162, Miami, TX 79059.
 The family will be at 213 Mobeetie in Miami and will receive friends at the funeral home in Pampa from 2-4 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2007.
 —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Emergency Services

Police

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents before 7 a.m. Friday.
Thursday, May 31
 Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of East Francis, the 1100 block of Juniper and the 1100 block of Sierra.
 A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 900 block of Brunow.
 Forgery was reported at the intersection of Frederic and Barnes streets.
 A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.
 Warrant service was attempted and resulted in an arrest at an unknown location.
 Welfare checks were made at the intersection of

Atchison and Starkweather streets and the 300 block of Anne.
 Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1800 block of North Evergreen.
 A domestic disturbance was reported in the 2200 block of Dogwood.
 A silent/abusive 911 call was reported in the 800 block of North Bradley.
 Burglary was reported in the 1100 block of South Faulkner where two saws, a clamp and a propane lamp valued at \$580 were taken.
 An alarm was reported in the 100 block of South Hobart.
 A prowler was reported in the 400 block of East Short.
 Suspicious persons were reported at the intersection of Albert and Finley, the 200

block of West Craven and the 400 block of East Short.
 An assault was reported in the 800 block of North Bradley.
Friday, June 1
 Suspicious persons were reported in the 800 block of North Frost, the intersection of Twiford and Lefors and the 1200 block of North Hobart.
 Criminal mischief reports were made in the 400 block of North Zimmers and the 700 block of North Nelson.
 A threat was made in the 800 block of North Bradley.
 Domestic disturbances with no injuries were reported in the 300 block of Anne and the 800 block of Bradley.
 Harassment was reported in the 700 block of South Barnes.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office recorded the following arrests before 8 a.m. Saturday.
Thursday, May 31
 Ronnie Ray Roble, 31, of Quitaque, was arrested by GCSO on a probation violation for failure to identify.
 Steven James Wayne, 17, of Glazer, Texas, was arrested in the 900 block of Varnon by Pampa Police Department for possession of less than 2-ounces of marijuana and unlawful carrying of a weapon.
 Brent Keith Crossman, 48, of Pampa was arrested in the 1800 block of Hamilton by Pampa PD on three warrants for no insurance, no Texas driver's license and failure to appear.
Friday, June 1
 Austin Chase McCarthy, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 300 block of Anne for simple assault and evading arrest or detention.
 Melodee Brooke Marlow, 28, of White Deer was arrested by GCSO on bond surrenders for evading arrest, for theft over \$20,000 and under \$100,000, and for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. She was also charged with forgery by passing.
 William Kirkham Jr., 45, of White Deer was arrested by Pampa PD and charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor and public intoxication.
Saturday, June 2
 Aaron Andrew Heiskell, 24, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a bond surrender for evading arrest with a vehicle and for capias pro fines for speeding and no driver's license.

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Change in minimum wage will necessitate a change in posters

By **KERRI SMITH**
Staff Writer

In May, President Bush signed the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 which will increase the minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7.25 over the next two years.

While this is good news for

those who will get a raise, business owners should be aware they may receive deceptive labor law poster offers.

Ashley Kaplan, compliance attorney with G. Neil, said the change to federal posting requirements will open the floodgates for

new poster companies that open just to take advantage of the minimum wage increase.

Kaplan said that a business owner with the time and know-how could get all of the appropriate posters free from government agencies, but it is difficult to keep

up with all of the federal and state postings.

Many business owners may turn to companies that will manage the process for them and they just need to make sure they are not being taken advantage of.

"Business owners should check

with the Better Business Bureau to ensure the seller has a satisfactory rating," Kaplan said. "They should confirm with the seller that the people who monitor changes are labor law experts and attorneys qualified to interpret the posting requirements."

TPWD stocks lake with catfish

AMARILLO — Catfish stockings and a new have been announced for Medical Center South Lake.

Amarillo anglers should see some great fishing action this summer and fall a lot closer to home. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department stocked about 1,000 channel catfish in Medical Center South Lake last week as part of the Texas Neighborhood Fishing Program.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will stock catchable size channel catfish in Medical Center South Lake throughout the summer and into fall. The lake will be stocked every two weeks, except during the month of August. TPWD has not scheduled stockings during August because of the potential for water quality problems due to warmer water temperatures. The lake will receive approximately 1000 fish, at least 12 inches in length during each stocking.

Enjoying the sport of fish-

ing in Amarillo is now easier than ever. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has teamed up with Don Harrington Discovery Center and is providing the necessary basics to go fishing for the day.

Rods and reels, hooks, line, sinkers, and even bobbers are available on loan at Don Harrington Discovery Center on the shore of Medical Center South Lake in Amarillo.

The equipment can be checked out by an adult or a child under adult supervision the same as checking out a library book at the library. The equipment is available Tuesday through Sunday during the Discovery Center's business hours.

The equipment may be used overnight, but must be returned within 7 days of check-out. Late fees may apply and replacement cost of lost or damaged equipment may be charged.

Equipment is limited and

will be available on a first come first served basis. Bait is not provided as part of this program. This program, in conjunction with the Texas Urban Fishing Program, makes it easier than ever for everyone to experience fishing at a minimal cost.

TPWD stocks fingerling catfish in public lakes all over Texas. However, these special stockings of adult channel catfish are part of the Texas Neighborhood Fishing Program.

The primary objective of the project is to increase the quality of fishing in urban areas that will provide family fishing opportunities all season.

Anglers are reminded that Community Fishing Lakes have special regulations for channel and blue catfish: the bag limit is five fish per day, and there is no minimum length regulation for catfish on these small lakes.

A valid Texas fishing license is required for anyone who doesn't meet state exemption guidelines. Only fishing by pole and line is permitted.

For more information on statewide and community fishing regulations consult a 2006-2007 Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual available at any license retailer or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Web site at www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

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following classes: High school students, ladies, cruisers/street rods, imports/four-wheel drive, stock, pre-'84 street car, '84 and up street car, gasoline pickups, diesel pickups and outlaw/pro street.

All entrants must be licensed drivers and at least 16 years of age. They must wear helmets. Those under age 18 must have a parent or guardian on site.

No excessive leaking and no hubcaps are allowed on drag entry vehicles. All lug

nuts must be in place, and the vehicles must have radiator overflow, battery hold-down and seat belts.

Proceeds from the weekend's events which are sponsored by High Plains Cruisers go to fund a local auto-tech scholarship.

The High Plains Cruisers are a non-profit organization which in the last three years has awarded \$9,500 in scholarships to students going to college and majoring in the automotive field.

For more information on the events, call Denver Bruner at 665-8783. Information on the drag races may also be obtained by calling Casey at (806) 934-9343.

IRS

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the Internet is known as "phishing" for information.

The IRS and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration work with the U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) and various Internet service providers and international CERT teams to have the phishing sites taken offline as soon as they are reported.

Since the establishment of the mail box last year, the IRS has received more than 17,700 e-mails from taxpayers reporting more than 240

separate phishing incidents. To date, investigations by TIGTA have identified host sites in at least 27 different countries, as well as in the United States.

Other fraudulent e-mail scams try to entice taxpayers to click their way to a fake IRS Web site and ask for bank account numbers. Another widespread e-mail tells taxpayers the IRS is holding a refund (often \$63.80) for them and seeks financial account information. Still another e-mail claims the IRS's 'anti-fraud commission' is investigating their tax returns.

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Viewpoints

'Kick the can' ad brought back some childhood memories

Television as an entertainment medium has grown in the past 60 years to become a giant that has spawned a myriad of channels.

So many, in fact, that the 60-plus channels I get at my home often offer nothing to watch.

Most of the popular shows offer little more than inane junior high school locker room humor.

There are some clever shows that I watch, but not many.

What got me to thinking about this was an advertisement I saw in a mailing from Lowe's, the hardware and lumber giant.

It featured a page on an old game that I played as a youth called "kick the can."

The ad called for introducing a new generation to this classic game.

The game is played by someone being "it." This player counts while the other players find a place

to hide. When it finishes counting, usually to 50 or so, he or she begins to look for the players hiding. When another player is spotted, it shouts the player's name and both race to the can and try to kick it first.

If it kicks the can first, the other player must go into a designated area known as jail. If the other player kicks the can first, he and all other players in jail get to go free and it has to count again.

I can remember countless summer evenings playing this goofy game in the neighborhood where I grew up.

We used coffee cans or tomato cans or soup cans. When they were kicked so much they could not stand on their own, we would fetch another.

But the Lowe's ad took a different twist. In true capitalist fashion, it offered empty paint cans for \$13

plus tax, and assorted decals to spruce them up.

I do not think those fancy cans with colorful decals would have lasted too long in my neighborhood.

Another game we played was "eenie eenie over." It was a game of throwing a tennis ball over a house or garage. Usually it had two

Dennis Spies
Editor



people in the front yard and two people in the back yard.

The team with the ball would shout, "eenie eenie over" and throw the ball over the house to the other team, which had to catch the ball. They, in turn, would return the

favor. It was not rocket science by any means, but it helped pass the time.

Since there was no television back then, we used our imaginations.

Other games we played included getting two sticks nailed together to form a T. With the top part of the T on the ground, we could push barrel rings down the sidewalk. Sounds pretty exciting, doesn't it.

Other pursuits were building vehicles. My brother and I started with scooters made from 2 by 4s and plywood. Metal roller skates were used as wheels.

As we grew older, we evolved into push cars. The rear wheels were roller skates and wagon wheels were used for the front. We could turn the cars via ropes tied around the front axle.

There was a paved alley a few blocks away from our house, and

we would race other kids who had built their own cars. Some spirited competition ensued. But that had to pass because the folks who lived where the paved alley was complained about the noise.

Another pursuit we followed was trading comic books. I had a box in which I kept comic books. When I had read them all, I would tote my box around the neighborhood and trade with the other kids.

My favorites were the Classic Comics that introduced me to the tales of The Three Musketeers, Moby Dick and others.

I suppose we were all healthier then with all the exercise we got, unlike a lot of kids today who are at risk of diabetes and obesity because they watch television and play video games rather than go outdoors and play.

But they were good days, and I am happy I lived them.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, June 3, the 154th day of 2007. There are 211 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 3, 1965, astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of Gemini 4.

On this date:

In 1621, the Dutch West India Company received its charter for a trade monopoly in parts of the Americas and Africa.

In 1808, Jefferson Davis — the first and only president of the Confederacy — was born in Christian County, Ky.

In 1888, the poem "Casey at the Bat," by Ernest Lawrence Thayer, was first published, in the San Francisco Daily Examiner.

In 1935, the French liner Normandie set a record on its maiden voyage, arriving in New York after crossing the Atlantic in just four days, 11 hours and 42 minutes.

In 1937, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the British throne, married Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France.

In 1948, the 200-inch reflecting Hale Telescope at the Palomar Mountain Observatory in California was dedicated.

In 1968, pop artist Andy Warhol was shot and critically wounded in his New York film studio, known as "The Factory," by Valerie Solanas, an actress and self-styled militant feminist.



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Our readers write

The road is dangerous ...

This little girl's death on Gwendolyn was a really tragic thing to happen in Pampa.

But this is one of the busiest streets in Pampa and one of the most dangerous. It's dark, no lights after dark, you can't see.

Apparently none of the city leaders have been down it after dark. It's a wonder more accidents haven't happened. It's not just kids on bicycles or walking at night. You're almost on people before you know it and you don't have to be drinking either. And why do parents even allow the kids to play in the middle of it during the day?

And the sign at Price Road and Gwendolyn, why hasn't the city or county warned people or put up signs way before you get to it? You're on it before you know it.

This is a tragic accident that shouldn't have happened. This little girl should never have been allowed on that road. The city should have been doing something a long time ago. And the boy shouldn't have been going so fast. So whose fault is it really? That road is dangerous.

**Sue Meek
Pampa**

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Pew poll shows how Americans uninformed

"What do you mean Americans are uninformed?"

"According to a Pew Research Center survey, Americans are slightly less aware of world events than we were 18 years ago — despite 24-hour cable news and the explosive growth of the Internet."

"How so?"
"In 1989, 74 percent of Americans knew that Dan Quayle was vice president. Today, only 69 percent know who our vice president is."

"Hubert Humphrey?"
"Americans aren't able to identify other world leaders, either. When asked to name the president of Russia, only 36 percent named Vladimir Putin."

"Vladimir Putin? Isn't he one of the Keebler elves?"
"Celebrity is a factor. Ninety-three percent of

Americans know Arnold Schwarzenegger is the governor of California. The same percentage knows who Hillary is. But only 49 percent know that Nancy Pelosi is speaker of the House."

Tom Purcell
Columnist



"What's worse, only 15 percent of Americans are aware that Harry Reid — who is playing a daring game of chicken with the president during a time of war — is the Senate majority leader."
"I thought he was an extra on 'The West Wing.'"
"In a few areas, however, Americans are slightly better informed. For instance, 76

percent of Americans are aware that the Democrats are in control of Congress, compared with 68 percent in 1989."

"Democrats are in control of Congress? I thought America's left fringe is in control of Congress!"

"Overall, Americans are no better informed now than they were 18 years ago. The least informed are between 18 and 29. And Americans with a high-school degree are likelier to be less informed than those who are college educated."

"You'd be uninformed, too, if you had to work three jobs to make ends meet."

"On the flip side, the most

informed Americans get their news through traditional means — newspapers, magazines and television. Americans over 65 are among the best informed."

"I'd be among the best informed, too, if I could devote my days to keeping up with the news."

"One surprise is that the highest scorers were people who watch fake news shows, such as 'The Daily Show with Jon Stewart' and 'The Colbert Report.' To enjoy such shows, one has to have awareness of world events."
"Those are FAKE news shows!"

"But what is most troubling about the Pew survey is this: Many Americans have no desire to keep informed. They prefer entertainment and celebrity news

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Idle American: Hats off to tomorrow's leaders

"Hats off to yesterday; coats off to tomorrow." That's the credo of a small newspaper whose weekly reminder at the top of page one urges focus on what is yet to be rather than on what already is done.

It's particularly meaningful in the season when young Americans are crossing stages by the millions, "commencing" toward whatever comes next. Graduates of schools and colleges across the land take celebratory deep breaths about what has been accomplished.

Parents, other relatives and friends will exhale, realizing that for the graduates, many rungs remain on the

ladder of life. ...

Pomp is equaled only by circumstance at these proud events.

Don Newbury
Columnist

administrator and now well into my fifth decade as a public speaker, I've participated in several hundred high school and collegiate commencement exercises.

Perhaps the biggest gaffe occurred in the ceremony immediately following my retirement from the presidency.

More than 3,000 persons crammed into Brownwood Coliseum for Howard Payne University graduation exercises. They saw a calamity developing before those of

us on the platform knew what was coming down. ...

The crowd let out a collective gasp as the curtain backdrop, maybe 40-feet wide and 20-feet tall, blew forward, covering most of the platform guests.

Somehow, simultaneous opening of both the front and rear doors of the coliseum created a draft that whooshed forward. For a few seconds, we were covered in curtains.

No one was hurt, and as we dug out of the mess of fabric, I whispered to my successor, "This never happens."

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USDA announces new proposed rules for rural broadband service

WASHINGTON — Agriculture Under Secretary for Rural Development Thomas C. Dorr recently announced the publication of new proposed rules designed to facilitate the further deployment of broadband services to rural communities nationwide.

"These proposed changes will improve broadband coverage in rural America," said Dorr. "Refining eligibility and coverage areas, along with increased emphasis on reaching areas with limited service are priorities within these proposed rule

changes." Dorr outlined several key elements of the proposed rules: Promoting deployment to rural areas with little or no service; Ensuring that residents in funded areas get broadband access more quickly; Limiting funding in urban areas and areas where a significant share of the market is served by incumbent providers; Clarifying and streamlining equity and marketing survey requirements; Increasing the transparency of the application process, including legal notice requirements, to make

more informed lending/borrowing decisions; Promoting a better understanding of all application requirements, including market survey, competitive analysis, business plan, and system design requirements; and ensuring that projects funding are keeping pace with increasing demand for bandwidth.

Dorr noted that significant progress has been made in facilitating rural broadband deployment since the program began. Over 70 loans have been made totaling \$1.2 billion for broadband deployment projects head-

quartered in 36 states. Through these loans, more than half a million households in more than 1,000 rural communities will receive broadband service. Over 60 percent of these communities had little or no broadband service at the time.

In addition, as part of its 2007 Farm Bill proposal, the USDA has requested reauthorization of the broadband program through 2012. Because of broadband technology, to an unprecedented degree, people have choices about where to live and how to work. From a rural development perspective, this allows rural residents to live

locally and compete globally.

Broadband is eliminating the barriers of distance, remoteness, and time that face rural businesses, teachers, and physicians. Children growing up on farms, ranches and in small towns can have the same access to the best education our nation can provide. Rural citizens are offered access to health care and rural economies prosper and grow with new markets only a computer screen away.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and

improve the quality of life of rural residents. Rural Development has invested more than \$76.8 billion since the beginning of the Bush Administration to provide equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure.

As a result, more than 1.5 million jobs have been created or saved through these investments. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA's web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

PCTA banquet



COURTESY PHOTO

Pampa Classroom Teachers Association recently held its annual end-of-year banquet at Briarwood Church. Janet Abbe, the association's scholarship chair, is pictured congratulating Holly Owens. Each year the association awards a scholarship to a high school senior who intends to pursue a degree in education. Owens won the scholarship named for Kenneth and Essie Mae Walters. Owens plans to attend Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.



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Government can't eliminate all fires

"Secondhand smoke" may indeed be a "proven cause of cancer, heart attack and other serious problems," however, there are too many sources of secondhand smoke to imply that "comprehensive legislation" will improve the breathing in the state of Texas.

Would comprehensive legislation to eliminate smoking in work and public places actually do anything to improve the breathing of clean air in Texas? I think not. There have been designated smoking areas in work places for at least 20 years that I know about, but non have done anything to improve the breathing in of other secondhand smoke caused from chemical fires, laboratory fires, grass fires, house fires, motel fires, etc.

If we could eliminate all fires in general, then we could eliminate smoke in the workplace.

Texas legislators have increased the taxes on cigarettes by \$10 per carton, effective Jan. 1, 2007. We want people to buy their cigarettes in Texas, but we want to make it illegal to

smoke them in the state. Perhaps we should try the "prohibition" theory that was tried by our ancestors concerning alcohol or try making it illegal for Texas residents to purchase cigarettes in other states.

I do visit other states from time to time, and I may start purchasing my cigarettes in other states now, but I will still smoke them in Texas.

I've worked all my life and I am not a second class citizen just because I happen to smoke cigarettes. I have always tried to be respectful of non-smokers, regardless of whether they should be family members, friends or co-workers.

Would the new smoke-free Texas mean that all fires in Texas would be illegal? Does this mean that if a forest in Texas should catch fire, then all the forest rangers and fire-fighters would not have to concern themselves with having to breathe firsthand or secondhand smoke from the fire?

My fellow Texans and especially the legislators that I have voted for in the past, should realize that the day you can eliminate all fires then you can eliminate smoke and secondhand smoke. The day that you can do that is the day that I will start trusting my legislators to be able to breathe easier in Texas. That is also the day that I will be worshipping my legislators, instead of my Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

**Alinet L. Eldredge
Pampa**

Work to enhance learning ongoing

Bravo to Rep. Warren Chisum, whose vision and leadership throughout the legislative session paved the way for significant improvements in public education. He and his fellow lawmakers passed legislation to create new end-of-course exams that will replace the high school TAKS test and dramatically improve how we measure student achievement in Texas.

The Legislature also continued our state's innovative teacher pay for performance program — the largest of its kind in the nation and a proven method to attract and keep quality teachers in the classroom.

The public education system also benefited from the diligence of our leadership including Gov. Perry, Lt. Gov. Dewhurst and Speaker Craddick, who demonstrated their commitment to accountability in our schools as the path toward educational excellence. Our work to enhance education is never complete, as we can always improve, but the efforts of these lawmakers should be applauded as real progress.

**Charles McMahan
Texans for Excellence in the Classroom
Austin**

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God made rainy days so gardeners could get the housework done. ~ Author Unknown

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., Peak Bourassa, for the following wells:

#406, 990' from North & West line, Sec. 6,4,AB&M, PD 12950'.

#1207, 1650' from South & 990' from West line, Sec. 7,4,AB&M, PD 12989'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co., Hobart Ranch, PD 12800', for the following wells:

#1867, 1360' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 67,A-2,H&GN.

#2068, 1240' from South & 467' from East line, Sec. 68,A-2,H&GN.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) B&B Operating, L.P., #2190 A. Webb Estate, 2148' from

South & 2907' from East line, Sec. 190,C,G&MMB&A, PD 11000'.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Stallion Energy, L.L.C., W.A. Carver, J.J. Hall Survey, PD 3650' for the following wells:

#57, 2181' from South & 4966' from West line of Survey.

#58, 330' from South & 4357' from East line of Survey.

#59, 1005' from South & 3707' from East line of Survey.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Stallion Energy, L.L.C., #25A David & Hansen, 2290' from North & 1750' from West line, Sec. 1,M-16,AB&M, PD 3600'. Replacement well for the #25 David & Hansen

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Stallion Energy, L.L.C., Herring 'A&B', Sec. — W. Archer Survey, PD 3650', for the following wells:

#A-54, 1530' from North & 350' from East line of Survey.

#A-55, 450' from North & 1450' from East line of Survey.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Stallion Energy, L.L.C., #197 South Herring, 610' from South & 615' from West line, W. Archer Survey, PD 3650'.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Stallion Energy, L.L.C., #3 Spurlock, 330' from South & 6072' from West line, G. Martinez Survey, PD 3650'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ST. Clair Granite Wash) Texakoma Operating, L.P., #5 McMordie '84', 541' from North & 1635' from West line, Sec. 84,C,G&M, PD 10500'.

WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., Helton, Sec. 60,M-1,H&GN, for the following wells:

#1360A, 1800' from South & 2310' from West line of Sec., PD 14000'.

#5060A, 1050' from North & 2310' from West line of Sec., PD 14000'.

#99060A, 2310' from North & West line of Sec., PD 14100'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & B&B Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #4 Frye '9', 2300' from South & 1400' from East line, Sec. 9,A-3,H&GN, PD 16378'.

WHEELER (FRYE RANCH Granite Wash 'A') Forest Oil Corp., #1410 Frye Ranch, 990' from South & 1650' from West line, Sec. 10,A-3,H&GN, PD 15000'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & P.C.X. Granite Wash) EOG Resources, Inc., #9 Britt '7', 467' from South & West line, Sec. 7,1,B&B, PD 15000'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & P.C.X. Granite Wash) EOG Resources, Inc., Williams '33', Sec. 33,RE,R&E, PD 15000', for the following wells:

#5, 500' from South & 1760' from West line of Sec.

#6, 2050' from South &

630' from West line of Sec.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Apache Corp., PD 18000', for the following wells:

#904 Stiles '4', 568' from North & 2072' from West line, Sec. 4,A-3,H&GN.

#1018 Stiles '18', 467' from North & 2640' from West line, Sec. 18,A-3,H&GN.

#1403 Stiles '3', 467' from South & 660' from West line of Sec. 3,A-3,H&GN.

#4016 Stiles '16', 467' from North & 1980' from West line, Sec. 16,A-3,H&GN.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #2 Davis '26', 900' from North & 500' from West line, Sec. 26,—,OS-2, PD 18000'.

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., Britt, Sec. 1,5,B&B, PD 15900', for the following wells:

#401, 878' from South & 2310' from West line of Sec.

#501, 990' from North & West line of Sec.

Oil Well Completions

ROBERTS (ALPAR-LIPS St. Louis) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #15 Courson Ranch '136', Sec. 136,C,G&M, spud 1-11-07, drlg. compl 2-11-07, tested 4-15-07, pumped 20 bbl. of 39 grav. oil + 18 bbls. water on 24 hour test, GOR 1750, TD 9528', PBD 9171' —

Gas Well Completions

GRAY (EAST THORNDYKE) Maxwell Operating, Inc., #2A 74R Mathers, Sec. 74,A-6,H&GN, spud 11-16-06, drlg. compl 12-10-06, tested 1-29-07, potential 575, TD 8150', PBD 7901' —
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1459A L.A. Johnson, Sec. 59,M-1,H&GN, spud 3-1-07, drlg. compl 3-21-07, tested 4-23-07, potential 18153 MCF, TD 13507', PBD 13380' —
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #1254 Meek 'G', Sec. 54,M-1,H&GN, spud 2-16-07, drlg. compl 3-4-07, tested 4-20-07, TD 12900', PBD 12823' —

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #4 Thorne '75', Sec. 75,A-2,H&GN, spud 2-9-07, drlg. compl 2-28-07, tested 3-30-07, TD 12010', PBD 11843' —
HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Mewbourne Oil Co.,

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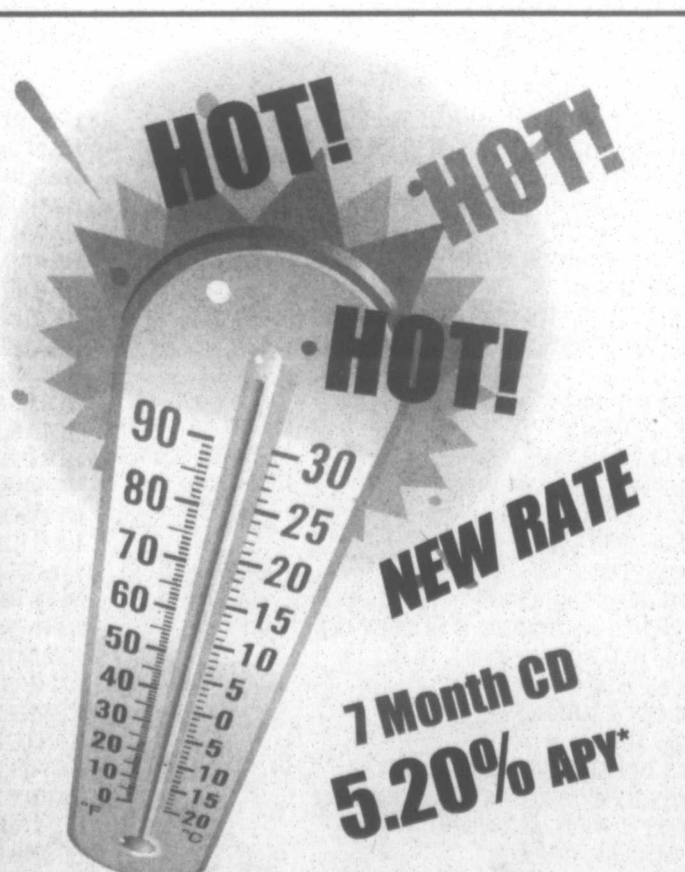
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New student orientation in offing at campus

CANYON — The New Student Orientations (NSO) at West Texas A&M University offer beginning freshmen information for now and later.

WTAMU has revamped its five scheduled orientations this summer with upbeat, tech-savvy elements to teach beginning freshmen the skills they need now to be successful in college and later in their eventual careers. Those attending will learn how to use clicker technology and will be encouraged to create a myspace account to use during orientation. Plus, jump drives will be distributed to each beginning freshman attending.

"New Student Orientation is not just a time to come and register for class," Shawn Thomas, director of admissions, said. "It's a time to learn

how strong academic preparation plays into the real world."

The University's first NSO for beginning freshmen and their parents kicks off June 7-8 with additional orientations set for June 14-15, June 28-29, July 26-27 and Aug. 2-3. Registration deadline for the first orientation is Wednesday, May 30. Those attending must have completed admission requirements and testing. A pre-orientation is available each Wednesday prior to NSO sessions for those needing to complete testing requirements.

Check-in for NSO is 7:30 a.m. Thursday, June 7 at the residence hall. Registration is from 8-8:30 a.m. at the Alumni Banquet Facility, and the program will begin at 9 a.m.

Activities during the two-day orientation will explore education and

career information with an added focus on building community and relationships. The group will use clicker technology in a University version of the Identity Game to learn more about faculty members. There will be an Amazing Race to learn about the campus and what it has to offer. Prizes will be awarded for challenges met. The group will review academic work habits and how to develop high-performance behavior. The final day will focus on advising and registration.

"We've centralized the advising for NSO," Thomas said. "There will be one central location for advising and registration. The students will meet with their faculty adviser, then log into Buff Advisor and register for fall classes."

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Program helps heat needy families' homes in winter

LUBBOCK — Atmos Energy Corp.'s West Texas Division recently announced the distribution of \$25,000 from its "Sharing the Warmth Program" to five West Texas Energy Assistance Agencies including Panhandle Community Services.

Each agency will receive \$5,000 apiece, the second installment this year by the division which matches funds contributed by customers to the program.

The program helps the elderly, the disabled and families in need keep their homes warm. Atmos customers can make a monthly contribution of \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20 or any other amount.

They can also simply "round up" their natural gas bill payments to the next highest dollar amount.

All donations are voluntary. Enrolled customers can change or stop their participation at any time. Donations appear as separate items on bill statements and are tax deductible.

Atmos supports the program with donations from its employees and matching funding from shareholders.

"Matching what our customers give is extremely important and the right thing to do," said Gary Gregory, president of the West Texas Division. "We are committed to helping those in need in our communities."

Gray County heroes



COURTESY PHOTO

White Deer Land Museum is currently honoring area firefighters with the exhibit "Gray County Firefighters: Heroes Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow." The display will be up throughout the summer. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Intents

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#1932 Arthur Webb, et al 'S', Sec. 193,C,G&MMB&A, spud 3-9-07, drlg. compl 3-25-07, tested 4-23-07, TD 10800', PBDT 10730' — Operator plans to commingle w/other fields

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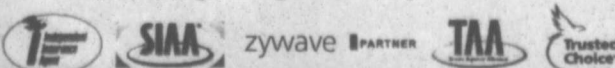
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NSO

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NSO cost is \$80 for students and \$30 for each parent or family member attending. The \$80 student reservation fee includes an overnight stay on campus, two meals, the jump drive and orientation materials. The \$30 parent fee includes two meals and orientation materials.

Parents of beginning freshmen are encouraged to attend. A parent program during orientation offers information on services available and answers questions about the University.

For more information about the WTAMU New Student Orientation, call 806-651-2020 or visit <http://www.wtamu.edu/orientation/>.

Farm Credit reports growth

AUSTIN — The Tenth Farm Credit District, a network of rural financing cooperatives, today reported outstanding first-quarter financial results highlighted by record growth and earnings.

The district is composed of the Austin-based Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT) and 20 rural lending institutions in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas.

Total loans outstanding increased to almost \$13.5 billion at March 31, 2007, up 4.4 percent from \$12.9 billion at Dec. 31, 2006, and up 29.9 percent from \$10.4 billion reported at March 31, 2006.

The overall quality of the loan portfolio remained very strong, with 98.8 percent of all loans classified as acceptable at March 31, 2007, a slight increase from a year earlier.

Earnings also increased significantly. Net income totaled \$67.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007, up 18.5 percent from the \$56.6 million reported for the same period of 2006. This increase was largely due to a 14.1 percent increase in net interest income driven by higher loan volume and an increase in noninterest

'To achieve 30 percent loan growth and an 18.5 percent increase in net income over the same quarter a year ago is outstanding, but to do so while also improving credit quality is particularly significant. These results attest to our associations' sharp focus on competitive loan pricing, customer service, and increased efforts to penetrate their local markets.'

— Larry Doyle
FCBT chief executive officer

said FCBT Board Chairman Ralph W. Cortese.

The cooperative structure of the Tenth District financing co-ops allows them to distribute patronage, thereby reducing their borrowers' costs of financing. In 2006, the Tenth District's 20 lending cooperatives declared more than \$124.8 million in cash and equity patronage distributions.

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas also reported strong first-quarter results, highlighted by \$17.5 million in net income at March 31, 2007. This was an 11.5 percent increase from a year earlier.

The Tenth District lenders provide loans and financial services to agricultural producers, agribusiness firms, country homeowners and other rural landowners. They are part of the nationwide Farm Credit System, established by Congress in 1916.

Nationally, the Farm Credit System reported combined net income of \$654 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2007, compared with combined net income of \$554 million for the same period of 2006.

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"To achieve 30 percent loan growth and an 18.5 percent increase in net income over the same quarter a year ago is outstanding, but to do so while also improving credit quality is particularly significant," said Larry Doyle, FCBT chief executive officer. "These results attest to our associations' sharp focus on competitive loan pricing, customer service, and increased efforts to pene-

trate their local markets."

At March 31, 2007, district assets totaled \$16.4 billion. Members' equity in the cooperatively owned lending organizations totaled \$2.17 billion.

"We are extremely pleased with the district's strong start for 2007, because the better we do throughout the year, the more our associations' customers will benefit through patronage payments after year end,"



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Travis Elementary honor roll

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AB Honor Roll. Michaela Blalock, Kathlyn Cummins, Rilee Didway, Alli Hampton, Erin Rankin, Jazmine Smith, Colton Thompson, Ausin Guillen, Chantelle Brewer, Brittney

Gonzales, Priscilla Silva, Brionna Wadsworth, Kinley Aikin, Zachary Beedy, Zachary Butler, Savannah Davis, Baile Johnson, Nallely Ortega, Jeffrey Sirmans, Gerrek Watson.

FOURTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Misti Bowers, Jacob Clark, Taylor Eubank, Emilee Frost, Mckenzie Parks, Cheyenne Williams, Tori Robles, Shattner Reeve, Reid Malone, Avery Malone, Taylor Lambright, Maggie Hayes, Kelsey Henry, Denisse Morales, Allison Noble, Sarah

Spain, Laura Zubia.

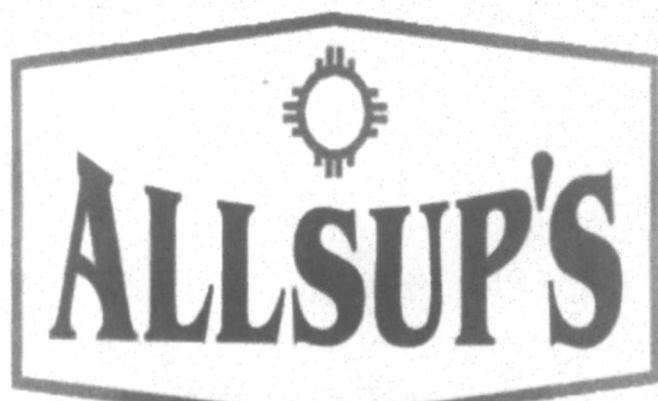
AB Honor Roll. Echo Barnett, Danna Eppison, Brittney Green, Colin Hampton, Sean Harding, Dacie McGill, Tristen Morgan, Natalie Rodriguez, Samara Villanueva, Erick Kuehne, Brendan Ponce, Kylie Kreider, Jonathan Doyle, Dakota Etheredge, Kenzie Griffin, Brooklyn Jones, Daniel Martinez, Selena Munguia, Ericka Spence.

FIFTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Blake Chisum, Samara Cummins, Lacey Dodson, Sandra Ramos, Sage Dorn, Ashlee

Kieth, Savanna Mertz, Falon Canaday, Alexandra Gutierrez, Tyler Hamel, Ceygan Jameson, Bret Troxell, Brooke Woelfle.

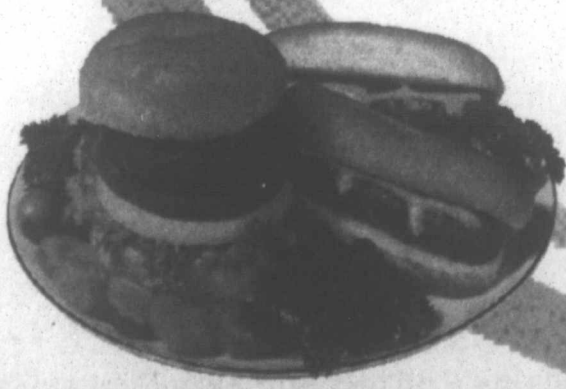
AB Honor Roll. Ethan Hunt, Susie Joiner, Cynthia Lara, Cesalee Rogers, Bella Tarrango, Ryan Thompson, Shasta Triplett, Destine Conkle, Alex Marrufó, Trey Miller, Kyler Payne, Larry Ragan, Corey Savoy, Brandon Stokes, Caitlyn Tracy, Alex Barraza, Harley Elliott, Aaron Hernandez, Keenan Hughes, Danielle Kirby, Erin Parr, Rebekah Yearicks.



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COMBO NO. 5	SPICY POPCORN CHICKEN & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.69	COMBO NO. 10	2 BEEF & BEAN BURRITOS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.59

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Events calendar

- **Registration for the first summer semester** at Clarendon College-Pampa Center is ongoing through June 4. Classes offered include English, composition, technical writing, Web site design, non-western world literature, federal and state government, U.S. history, psychology and more. For more information, call 665-8801.
- **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: 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 or 3:30 p.m., June 6 and 20, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.
- **A newly-formed "Christ-centered" cancer survivor and caregiver support group** will meet at 7 p.m. June 7 at First United Methodist Church Parlor, one door east of chapel at the corner of Foster and

Ballard. The hosts will be Kevin Taylor and Gloria Willson. For more information, call 669-3544.

- **The 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc.**, upcoming schedule of activities include the following events: 25th SW Airborne Days, June 7-10, Houston; 61st National Convention, Aug. 13-19, Harrisburg, Pa.; National Airborne Day, Aug. 16; and 45th All Ohio Day's, Oct. 19-20, Clearwater, Ohio. For more information and membership details, call (937) 898-5977.
- **Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services** will hold a "Congregations Helping in Love and Dedication" meeting at 6 p.m., June 11 at the "New You" Building in Borger. C.H.I.L.D. is a collaboration between faith-based communities and CPS to find loving homes for children who have come into the state's care due to abuse and neglect. Its goal is to recruit and license as foster parents at least two families from each participating congregation. Additionally, each congregation will have the opportunity to develop supportive services for their foster families. To learn more about this ministry opportunity, call (806) 354-6230 or attend the upcoming meeting.

Record

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Wednesday, May 30
9:58 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2200 block of Dogwood on carbon monoxide check.
1:18 p.m. — One unit and one personnel responded to the 300 block of Tignor on an investigation.
3:15 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1100 block of North Hobart on a medical assist.

Thursday, May 31
11:34 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a medical assist.
12:26 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 100 block of Russell on an alarm.
12:46 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to the 100 block of North Cuyler on an odor investigation.
4:51 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the intersection of Tyng and Starkweather on a gas leak.

Friday, June 1
1:21 a.m. — Four units and eight personnel responded to the 1300 block of

East Kingsmill on a structure fire.
10:01 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 100 block of North Cuyler on an odor investigation.
1:47 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1100 block of South Christy on a call for medical assistance.

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Wednesday and 7 a.m. Saturday.

Wednesday, May 30
8:51 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of North Russell and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
11:36 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to Hemphill County Hospital in Canadian.
3:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of North Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.
4:28 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Alcock and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.
6:11 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient(s) to BSA Hospital in Amarillo.
10:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Scott and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Purcell

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— things that just don't matter."
"Sanjaya's mom got busted for growing pot and that doesn't matter to you!"

"Thus, Americans are vulnerable to being misled by charlatans. They're vulnerable to being manipulated by misinformation and lies."
"What kind of lies?"
"Take Social Security. We all know the program is unsustainable — a ticking time bomb. To resolve the

problem, President Bush offered innovative ideas to privatize the program."
"I thought he wanted to destroy the program."
"That's because Democrats who opposed his ideas chose not to debate them. They simply spread lies and misinformation."

"But I thought courageous Democrats saved the program."
"Partisan Democrats manipulated uninformed Americans to achieve their desired result. They clouded and confused the debate to scare people. Because many Americans were unable to

discern lies from truth, the Social Security debate was swiftly brought to an end."
"So long as I keep getting my check, who cares?"
"When you consider the daunting challenges America is facing, you realize how essential it is that Americans be informed. It is essential that voters be knowledgeable so that we elect people who will carry out the most sensible policies. Otherwise,

the incredible blessings America enjoys could be lost."
"Lost? What do you mean lost?"
"I mean that what happens on "American Idol" could become the least of your worries."
—Tom Purcell is a humor columnist nationally syndicated exclusively by Cagle Cartoons.

Newbury

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opened when I was president."

The event went on without serious incident.
I have no doubt but that the video capture of this incident would have made TV's funniest videos, but somehow, the video tape was placed under lock and key. Too bad. The university could have used the first-place money. (Perhaps revisiting this incident will cause officials in charge of graduation ceremonies to make sure everything is nailed down.)
Many's the time I've joked about Howard Payne being the knowledge center of the world. "With freshmen bringing so much in, and with seniors taking so little out, it is stacking up on our campus."

As we think of chapter openings and closings at this time of year, it is noted that it is likewise the time for distribution of gold watches to educational employees who have fought the good fight and finished the race.
That was the case a few nights back when faculty and staff retirees of Lubbock Independent School District received back-pats. Gold

watches went to 66 recipients whose combined service totals 1,389 years. (That's an average of more than 21 years each in a district where turnover is low, and where bond issues have never been defeated.)
Superintendent Wayne Havens cocked his head sideways when longtime principal Tom Brown stepped forward. "Haven't we already sent you out to pasture?" he asked. ...

Brown admitted that he indeed already had been so honored.
"But my watch broke, and I just wanted to see if I can get the warranty!" he joked.
Truth to tell, he was standing in for a principal who was unable to attend the dinner, and Brown saw no reason to leave a big steak uneaten. ...

Let us offer prayers for both graduates — and retirees — that they will be equal to whatever comes next. Pray, too, for students who fail to graduate.
One prospective graduate many years ago learned how unfair life can be. Lacking just one elective credit for high school graduation, he figured he'd blow off basket-weaving, his final class.
He was immediately worried upon learning that his 10 classmates were Cherokee Indians. And, yes,


the teacher graded on the curve....

May all lives be strengthened by strong faith and much resolve.
I heard of such a man the other day. Despite his illness calling for chemotherapy, he

forges on.
"I've developed a friendship with my therapist," he said. "I call her 'Chemosabi.'"
—Dr. Newbury is a speaker and author in the Metroplex.

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Carl Jack Lewis of Bell Ranch, N.M., takes a ride on Buckle Your Shoe during the first night of the Coors Ranch Rodeo Friday in Amarillo.

Pampa News photo by JORDAN REAGAN

Torre gets ejected as Yankees beat Red Sox

By The Associated Press

Joe Torre certainly has no problem leading by example.

The Yankees manager, calling on his club to "be a little more fiery," got himself tossed for arguing a caught stealing in the fifth inning and New York beat the Boston Red Sox 9-5 Friday night to climb out of the AL East cellar.

Torre was joined by reliever Scott Proctor, whose errant pitch in the ninth dusted Kevin Youkilis and cleared the benches and bullpens. Proctor was ejected, and the fans who remained began their traditional anti-Yankees chant.

"I think we showed fight tonight. We need to assert ourselves ... just get that determination back," Torre said. "I hope we can build on this because we're good. We're much better than we've been playing, but obviously the results haven't shown."

Jorge Posada's three-run double capped a six-run rally that broke a fourth-inning tie. Alex Rodriguez reached base three times and scored twice despite the constant mockery of the Fenway crowd.

Chien-Ming Wang (4-4) scattered 10 hits and two walks over 5 2-3 innings, allowing three runs while striking out one to win for the third time in four starts.

Tim Wakefield (5-6) lasted 3 2-3 innings — the shortest outing for a Red Sox starter this year — and saw his ERA balloon from 3.36

to 4.24. He gave up eight runs and five hits with six walks, a wild pitch and a hit batsman.

In other AL games, it was: Cleveland 12, Detroit 11; Kansas City 4, Tampa Bay 1; Chicago White Sox 3, Toronto 0; Los Angeles Angels 3, Baltimore 2; Minnesota 3, Oakland 2; and Texas 9, Seattle 8.

No longer tied for last in the division with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, New York still trails Boston by 12 1/2 games.

"I don't think the New York Yankees are ever a last-place team," Youkilis said. "They have too much potential."

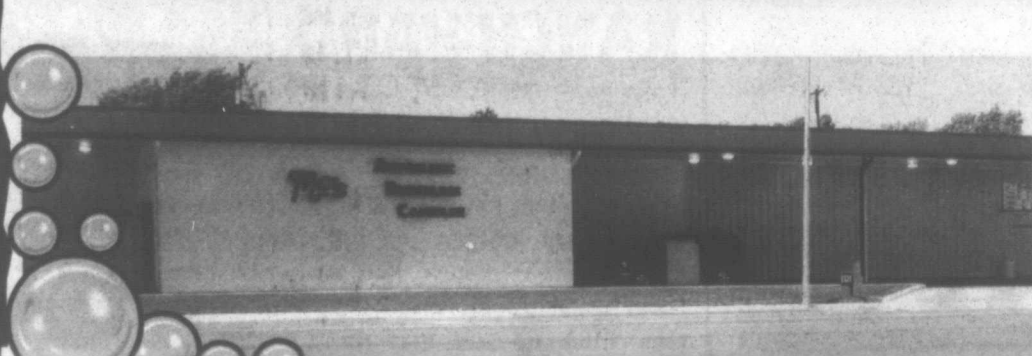
Manny Ramirez had four hits and Dustin Pedroia three for Boston, which lost both third baseman Mike Lowell and right-fielder J.D. Drew to apparently minor injuries during the game.

A-Rod dealt with heckling throughout the game, including barbs lobbed by a contingent of a few dozen in the seats near the New York dugout that pulled on masks of a woman with blonde hair, a reference to the woman photographed with Rodriguez last weekend at a Toronto hotel. In a front-page story on Friday, the New York Post reported she is a former Las Vegas stripper.

"The fans thought about what they were going to do all day instead of enjoying the beautiful weather," Yankees outfielder Johnny Damon said. "If that floats their boat, so be it."

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Donovan bolts for NBA job with Magic

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Billy Donovan's boys didn't reach for the NBA until the Gators made history with a second title. Before they're even drafted, Donovan's beating them to the pros.

The 42-year-old said in his first appearance as Orlando Magic coach the decision was agonizing, and it took the right mix to lure him away. Orlando had it with a young, talented team, close proximity to Donovan's home in Gainesville and a big paycheck.

"I think the easy decision for me personally could've really been to stay at Florida and just try to continue to move on," Donovan said Friday. "Well, the next step could be to try to do something that would really challenge me as a person, as a coach and help me grow and help me get better."

"I've always been intrigued by the NBA. I've been intrigued by the just 24 hours of basketball."

Donovan was the country's hottest college coach, and the Magic weren't the first to make a run at him. In April, Donovan declined an offer at Kentucky, where he began as an assistant 17 years ago. He also was linked to the Memphis Grizzlies job.

But Donovan said Friday he would only have left Florida for the NBA, and only then if it was a special case. And as vacant pro jobs go, he's in decent shape. The Magic made the playoffs this season for the first time in four years, but got beat in the first round. Donovan's wife and four children will be able to stay in Gainesville for now, and he'll make the 115-mile trip from Orlando to see them when he can.

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Besides that, he just didn't know what the future held at Florida.

"I think in this day and age with so much publicity and so much attention on college and professional basketball now, it's really hard to stay at a place for a long, long period of time. I'm talking about 20, 25, 30 years," Donovan said.

He was at Florida 11 years, and in that time led the school to three NCAA championship appearances. The Gators won the last two, the first team in 15 years to repeat.

Donovan's deal is worth \$27.5 million over five years, and his former players' payday is coming soon. Joakim Noah, Corey Brewer and Al Horford — all early entrants as juniors — could be top-10 draft picks. Three other players from Donovan's two-time champion team — Taurean Green, Chris Richard and Lee Humphrey — have a good shot at the NBA.

Already, Donovan's star power is selling Magic tickets. The team took orders for more than 200 season packages within 24 hours of his hiring.

The Gators also are preparing for the transition. Athletic director Jeremy

Foley said Friday the school was laboring to install a new coach, hoping to keep recruits from leaving. Donovan signed the consensus No. 1 class in the country this year.

He replaces Brian Hill at Orlando, who was fired after two consecutive losing seasons.

Donovan has been a head coach for 13 seasons — two at Marshall besides his career with the Gators. He played in the NBA, but only for a year before leaving to join Rick Pitino's staff at Kentucky.

In Orlando, Donovan will try convert that college success into a pro championship — a difficult feat in the all-business pros. He'll bring at least one assistant from Florida, Larry Shyatt, to help.

Donovan said finding a perimeter scorer was a priority for the Magic — someone to team with All-Star Dwight Howard and 7-footer Darko Milicic. Donovan said he knows several of the Magic players, having unsuccessfully recruited the likes of Howard, Trevor Ariza and J.J. Redick while at Florida.

"Certainly it's going to be an adjustment, but I've got to coach to my personality and how I feel comfortable," Donovan said. "A lot of guys on the team right now, there is some prior relationship."

Barely made it



The cowboys from Sneed-Pool Ranch out of Amarillo almost missed their chance to get on the scoreboard in the cattle roping competition with a time of 1:59.

Pampa News photo by JORDAN REAGAN

Aussies everywhere on Memorial leaderboard

DUBLIN, Ohio (AP) — When Adam Scott was on autopilot, he was racking up the birdies. It was only when he started thinking about just how low he could go that his run at a magical 59 turned to vapor.

Scott matched his career low with a 10-under 62 — he was 9 under through the first 12 holes — to grab a one-stroke lead Friday after the second round of the Memorial Tournament.

"I didn't know what it (the course record) was, but I figured 59 was probably going to be it if I got there," Scott cracked.

Scott's 62 was the lowest round of the day by five shots.

"Adam obviously played amazing today," said fellow Aussie Aaron Baddeley, who shot a 68 to tie for third place. "Eleven birdies — that's pretty impressive."

Tiger Woods, left in the dust by a full 10 shots through 36 holes, said Scott is as good as anyone.

"You know, he's won two pretty good tournaments in The Players Championship and the Tour Championship. He just hasn't seemed to have contended in majors," Woods said. "But, hey, he's still young. He's got all the talent in the world."

Scott had his chances — certainly at matching the course-record 61 set by John Huston in 1996, and possibly

even the PGA Tour mark of 59 held by Al Geiberger, Chip Beck and David Duval.

Scott missed a 4-foot birdie putt at No. 13, barely missed a lengthy birdie putt at 14 and had to settle for birdie at the 15th after hitting his second shot on the par-5 hole to 8 feet.

He picked up his only bogey at 16 after hitting his approach on the par-3 hole into the gaping bunker in front of the green, but then rolled in a 16-footer for birdie at the next hole before closing with a par.

The 26-year-old Scott, with five wins on the U.S. tour and seven overseas, said that as the birdies began to pile up, he started thinking

about making history.

"On 13 I kind of put two and two together, if I make this 4-footer, then I'll be 10-under and I've got five holes (to make) three birdies. The way things were going, it was realistic with a par 5 in there," he said. "I think the only times I did something wrong was on those couple of putts where I thought about the outcome. That's what you can't do."

Scott said he never should have started figuring out scores in his head for what it would take to get to 59.

"I shouldn't be so good at math," he said with a laugh.

Rod Pampling, the first-round co-leader after a 65, shot a 68 and was a shot

back at 11-under 133. He said he kept looking at the leaderboards, waiting for Scott to slow down, but was stunned by what he saw.

"I couldn't believe it," said Pampling, yet another Aussie. "He kept going, didn't he? He just didn't stop. He had the one hiccup on 16, but he obviously had it dialed in."

Baddeley and Bubba Watson, a Florida native who

is the only non-Australian among the top four players, each shot a 68 to get to 10-under 134.

"They're trying to take over the world, I think," Watson said.

Scott said what's remarkable about all the players from Down Under is that they all seem to be coming on the scene at the same time.

Sharapova advances at French Open

PARIS (AP) — Maria Sharapova reached the fourth round of the French Open for the fourth time in her career Saturday, coming back from 4-1 down in the second set to beat Alla Kudryavtseva 6-1, 6-4 despite an apparently bothersome right shoulder.

The second-seeded Russian needed only 28 minutes to win the first set, breaking her opponent's serve three times. But Sharapova was broken three consecutive times in the second set, before winning five straight games.

"I was making a lot of unforced errors," Sharapova said. "Not a lot of people are going to let me get away with that. It's a good reminder for the future not to let that happen again."

Sharapova, who lost in the fourth round last year and reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros in 2004 and 2005, will next face either No. 14 Patty Schnyder or Karin Knapp — and could also meet No. 5 Amelie Mauresmo in the quarterfinals.

Sharapova, who has 15 career titles and lost to Serena Williams in the final of the Australian Open, has yet to win a title this year.

Earlier in the tournament, she said she still felt soreness from a shoulder injury that caused her to miss about two months of action. Against Kudryavtseva, Sharapova stretched or flexed her right shoulder between points.

"Like I said, I can't expect a lot from my shoulder this

week," Sharapova said. "At times I still feel it during the match."

No. 3 Svetlana Kuznetsova of Russia, a finalist last year, beat Dominika Cibulkova of Slovakia 6-2, 6-3.

Also Saturday, No. 7 Ana Ivanovic of Serbia advanced to the fourth round after beating qualifier Ioana Raluca Olaru of Romania 6-2, 6-0.

"I didn't feel as comfortable out there as the other two matches," said Ivanovic, a quarterfinalist at Roland Garros in 2005. "My serve was not working as well."

Last month, the 19-year-old Ivanovic won on clay at the Berlin Open.

"I think getting confidence winning Berlin helps a lot," Ivanovic said. "My movement is a lot better."

Later, Mauresmo was to play No. 25 Lucie Safarova. Two-time defending champion Rafael Nadal was to play Albert Montanes, and two-time Grand Slam winner Lleyton Hewitt and No. 6 Novak Djokovic were also scheduled to play.

On Friday, Williams advanced to the fourth round by beating Michaella Krajicek of the Netherlands 6-3, 6-4.

"For me, it's just another Slam," said Williams, who won her only French Open title in 2002. "I don't make it a big deal."

Serena's sister, Venus Williams, is one of 18 American men and women who have come and gone from the tournament. She

lost to fourth-seeded Jelena Jankovic 6-4, 4-6, 6-1.

Justine Henin, trying to win her second straight French Open title and third overall, also won, and top-ranked Roger Federer eased into the fourth round of the men's draw by beating Potito Starace of Italy 6-2, 6-3, 6-0.

Despite her relatively routine win over Krajicek, Serena Williams was still concerned about her game.

"I didn't think I played well at all," she said. "I'm trying not to peak too soon, but at some point I need to start playing better."

Federer is playing just about as well as anyone, but the 10-time Grand Slam champion could face some familiar opponents if he gets past No. 13 Mikhail Youzhny and makes it to the quarterfinals.

No. 29 Filippo Volandri could be waiting in the last eight, and No. 19 Guillermo Canas is a possible semifinal opponent. Both Volandri and Canas beat Federer earlier this year, giving him three of his four losses this season.

"I'm just happy that things are going well," said Federer, who also lost to Nadal this year. "I haven't lost a set (at the French Open). I'm feeling well, anyway."

Volandri, who beat Federer in the third round of the Rome Masters, upset No. 7 Ivan Ljubicic of Croatia 6-4, 6-7 (4), 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, and Canas defeated Kristof Vliegen of Belgium 6-2, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3.

No. 4 Nikolay Davydenko

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The Texas Panhandle's Oldest and Largest Soccer Club is holding Open Practices and Try-Outs for the 2007-08 Soccer Seasons.

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 June 7th, 14th, and 28th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm
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 5:00pm to 6:30pm U14 to U16 Boys and Girls
 7:00pm to 8:30pm U17 to U19 Boys and Girls

Monday, July 2nd:
 3:30pm to 5:00pm U17 to U19 Boys and Girls
 5:30pm to 7:00pm U11 to U13 Boys and Girls
 7:30pm to 9:00pm U14 to U16 Boys and Girls

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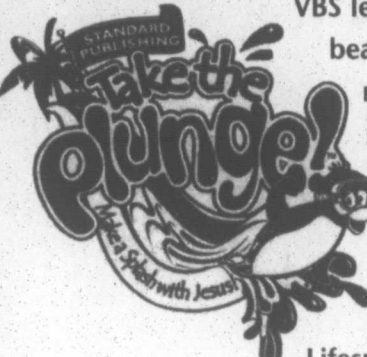


COURTESY PHOTOS

TOP: If you ever wondered what your hair would look like if you spent about 10 minutes in Franks Hardware's Big Clown Bouncy Bounce, just check out Madison Roby.

RIGHT: Joseph Munsell's egg catching technique must be right (sticking his tongue out) because it is just like Michael Jordan used to do when he was about to slam dunk a basketball. The contest was part of the Create-a-Beat! "Good Behavior Games" recently.





VBS leaders at Trinity Fellowship Church are grabbing their beach gear for a water park adventure you won't want to miss. At the **Take the Plunge** water park we're not just slipping and sliding, we're ready to **Make a Splash with Jesus!**

This water park adventure will take place daily from 9:00am to 12:00pm, June 4-7, right here at Trinity Fellowship, 1200 S. Sumner. Beginning each day at Lifespring Lagoon, our Park Crews will explore Bible stories where Jesus uses the common element of water to teach some uncommon lessons. Kids will be challenged to plunge into obedience, worship, courage, faith and service.

Your kids won't want to miss the ride of their lives at the **Take the Plunge** water park! Secure their positions on the Park Crew today! **Sign up at Splash Zone ... A Preregistration Event**, on Sunday, June 3, from 2-4pm. We will have waterslides, bouncers, snowcones & lots of fun. Let's put on our bath suits and grab our beach towels. It's time to dive in and **Make A Splash with Jesus!**

Contact Julie Towles 665-3255

Museum's Podcast technology outstanding

CANYON — The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum has ranked number seven in the newly released 2007 Top Ten Podcasting Museums list. The rankings are determined by Museum Pods visitors, graduate students and other organizations.

PPHM was one of only three museums that remained in the Top 10 for a second year.

"To appear for a second year in the world-wide top 10 podcast list is exhilarating. We are in really good company," podcast facilitator and Operations Manager Buster Ratliff said.

The podcasts are judged as a body of work. The winning museums and their podcasts can be found on the Museum Pods site, www.museumpods.com.

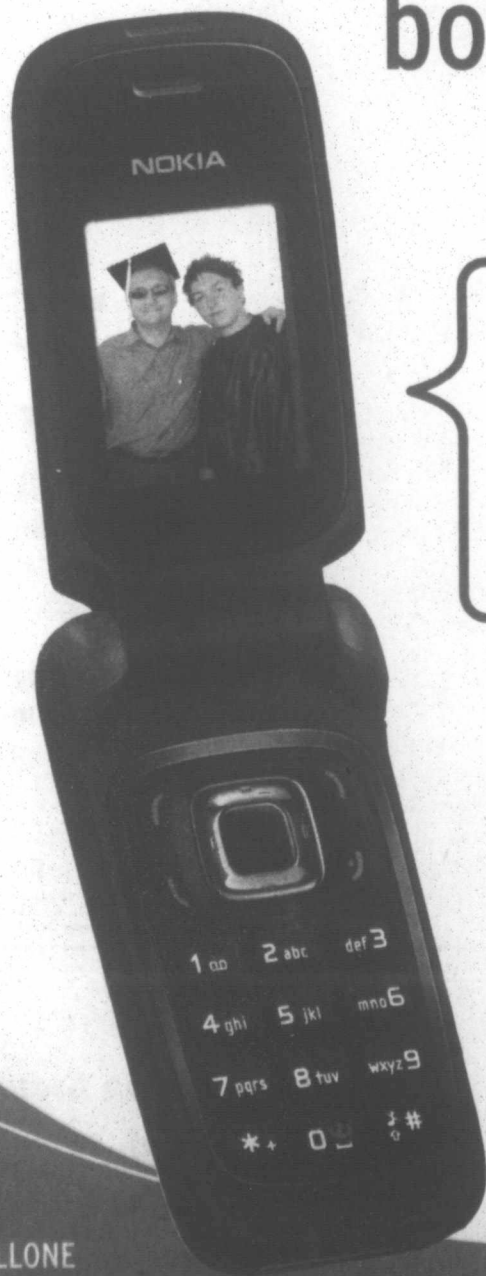
PPHM recently unveiled the first in a new series of podcasts called ConnectionCasts. Unlike the prior recordings where a curator narrated an exhibit, ConnectionCasts feature a variety of people discussing how the exhibit connects to them personally.

In the first ConnectionCast participants Ryan Brantley, student worker, Dr. Harold Lenfestay, assistant professor of art history at West Texas A&M University and Buster Ratliff, operations coordinator, discussed how the JA Ranch exhibit invoked a personal connection to each of them.

Podcasts with curator commentary will continue as exhibits open, but the ConnectionCast offers another point of view. Later this year, PPHM will premier another series of podcasts with a twist.

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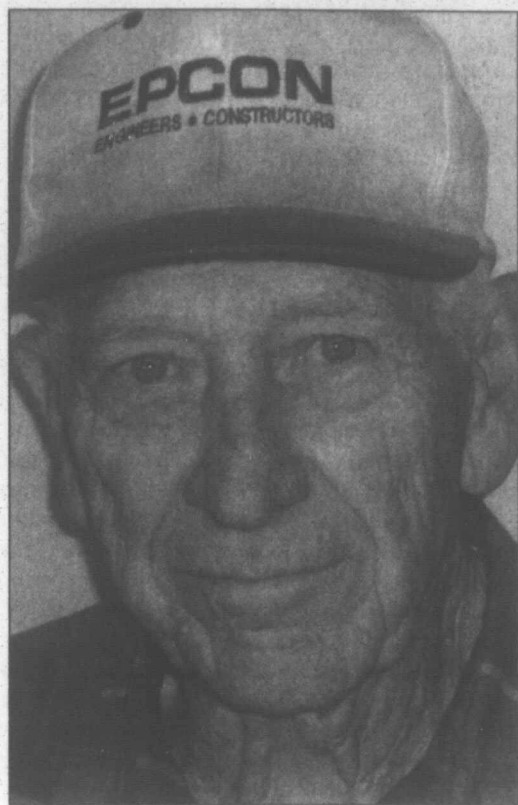
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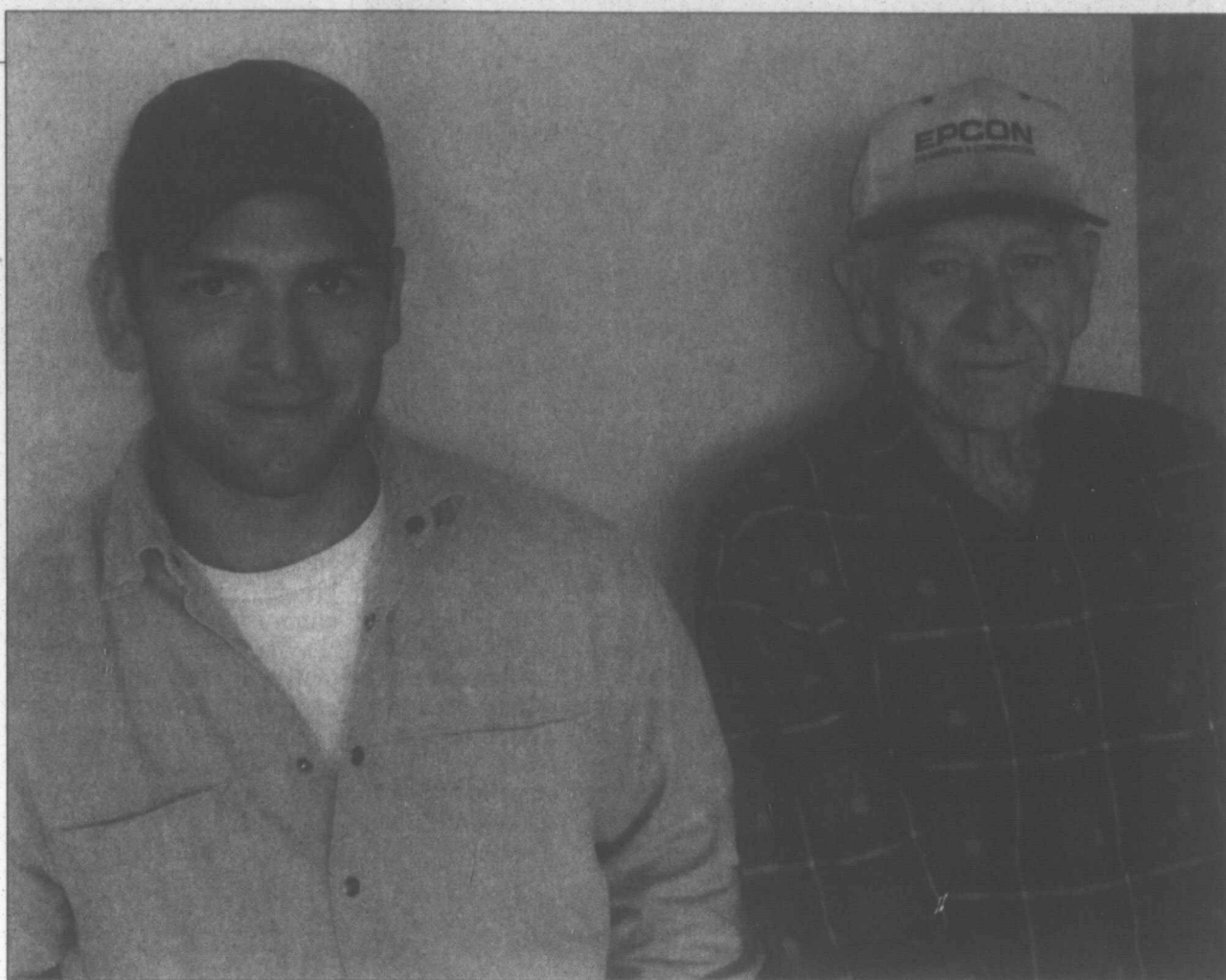
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Lifestyle



▲ Raymond Barrett.



▶ Barrett and grandson, Aaron Birtell.

Local farm getting distinction from TDA

A hundred years is quite a milestone ...

By SKYLA BRYANT
News Editor

Farming and agriculture have been the life's work of 77-year-old Raymond Barrett of Pampa. This month Texas Department of Agriculture is honoring his family's farm for turning a hundred.

Barrett Farms was established in 1906 by Barrett's grandfather, Edward Exum Barrett. His brother Floyd Lee Barrett retained an interest in the operation. Barrett said he and Floyd bought out the rest of their brothers and sisters. There were nine children in all.

The original farm consisted of 1/2 section or 320 acres, Barrett said.

The abstract for the farm is dated Jan. 29, 1906. Though Barrett has added to the acreage, even buying his dad's brother's land back, only the original property is eligible for the TDA Family Land Heritage distinction. The TDA stipulates a property must be in continuous control and ownership by the same family the required number of years to receive the honor.

"I think the program started in the '70s," Barrett said. "I'd see it listed in the paper

occasionally."

He decided he'd apply — "IF," he said, "I was still alive" — in 2006.

The farm will be honored in a special ceremony Friday, June 8 at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Barrett Farms and other farms and ranches will be singled out for what the TDA describes as "continuous agricultural production for 100, 150 and 200 years."

The agency lists Barrett and wife Dorothy (Dixon), and Floyd and wife Ruth (Matheny) as among current honorees. Floyd and Ruth, Barrett said, still live on the property. Floyd is retired from an oil company. He is the oldest by five years.

Barrett has been farming since he got out of the U.S. Navy in the 1950s, growing mostly wheat and milo. He is a veteran of the Korean War, serving from 1950-1958.

Barrett Farms is located south on Highway 60 2 1/2 miles on Price Road.

Barrett and Dorothy are both lifelong Pampa residents. They have four children, 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Grandson Aaron Birtell, 21, of Borger helped Barrett with some of the farm work while waiting to take a summer

job with Phillips Petroleum in Borger.

Birtell is a senior majoring in mechanical engineering at Texas Tech University. His grandfather says he's interested in farm work, but is uncertain of making it his life's career. "He's getting a degree, so he'll have something to fall back on!" Barrett said.

Barrett is a member of the local Meals On Wheels board of directors. He has been volunteering with Pampa Meals on Wheels for about 20 years. "I'm old enough, I should be getting some of those meals now!" he said.

Dorothy is a registered nurse. During her extensive career, she has worked many years for the local school district. She formerly worked at the Laycock clinic and at Highland General Hospital. She currently puts her experience and skills to good use at the Crisis Pregnancy Center.

Barrett says he's not exactly retired, but he's not actively farming either! He doesn't know what the future holds or how long Barrett Farms will remain in the family. A hundred years is a milestone.

Amarillo Symphony Guild finds exotic village ...

AMARILLO — Fine wines and a dramatic auction are on tap for Vintage Amarillo 2007: Pacific Rim, an extravagant fundraiser sponsored by the Amarillo Symphony Guild.

The event is set for 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 23, at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens, 1400 Streit Drive. A VIP Preview Party is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, June 14, at the home of Patrick and Marci Hand, 1607 Rusk St.

Admission is \$100 for Vintage Amarillo, \$50 for the preview party or \$140 for both. For reservations, call the Symphony office at 376-8782.

"Vintage will offer a sumptuous dinner catered by chefs Chad and Amber Burns of Macaroni Joe's and Bourbon Street, and a thrilling auction conducted by Fritz Hatton, one of the country's leading wine auctioneers," said Alice Kemp, event chairwoman.

"This is the top auction in Amarillo: The prizes are just absolutely spectacular, and Fritz will make the evening so exciting," Kemp said.

The top item up for sale is an exclusive dinner with Kimbo Ishii-Eto on Wednesday, June 27, in the home of Bill and Sandra Gilliland, during his week-long visit to Amarillo. Popular singers Mary Jane Johnson and Eric Barry will perform at the dinner with pianist Jim

Gardner.

Among the other items for sale are magnums of critically acclaimed wines, pieces of fine jewelry, wine-tasting classes and trips to vineyards.

Vintage serves as the Guild's major fundraiser for its education initiatives, including KinderKonzerts, the Young Performers Competition and other projects.

NEWSMAKERS

LUBBOCK — Miranda H. Woodruff was recently named to Texas Tech University's College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Honor List for the 2007 spring semester.

To qualify for the honor list, Woodruff maintained a 3.5 or better grade point average for the semester.

SAN ANGELO — Jennifer A. Mackie was named to the Dean's List for the 2007 spring semester at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.25 or higher grade point average while enrolled full-



Woodruff

time at the university.

CORN, Okla. — Melissa Erin Lewis, 18-year-old daughter of Jannie Lewis and the late Gene W. Lewis of Pampa, recently graduated from Corn Bible Academy. She attended the academy for six years.

Her honors, activities and accomplishments include senior class secretary; principal's honor roll; SWIM test accounting nominee; four-year academic team member, excelling in Bible and history; choir; CBA Worship Team lead singer;



Lewis

district/state vocal performance contest (superior rating); CBA spring concert soloist; Girls Ensemble member (superior team rating at district/state competition); CBA Distinguished Christian Student in Fine Arts award; CBA Vocal Music Student of the Year award; Ado Annie in "Oklahoma" (sophomore year) as well as roles in junior and senior plays; band; and first chair trumpet.

Lewis considers her greatest honor in high school being a member and graduate of the academy's class of 2007.

"I have been a part of something that God has His hand in," she said.

She attended Herald Mennonite Church in Corn and belongs to First Baptist Church of Pampa, where she is active in the youth group. She plans on going to Arkansas with Frontliners, her sixth year to participate. Her hobbies include singing and reading.

During the summer, Lewis will work at Wal-Mart and help out maintaining family rental properties in addition to taking four summer courses at Clarendon College. She will enroll at Clarendon College-Pampa Center in the fall for her freshman year. Her future plans are to pursue a degree in pre-med at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. Her favorite Bible verse is Jeremiah 29:11.

Lynch, Yeatman Wedding

Jessica Lynch of White Deer and Warren Yeatman of Turanga, New Zealand, were married Saturday, May 12, in White Deer First Baptist Church. Alan Wilson of White Deer First Baptist Church and Dan Reynolds of Kress First Baptist Church officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Miriam Lynch of White Deer. Grandparents of the bride are Thad and Cora Carroll of White Deer and Bill and Captolia Lynch of Skellytown.

The groom is the son of Brett and Annette Yeatman of Turanga, and Danny and Jackie VanSchalkwyk of Wangau, New Zealand. Grandparents of the groom are Les and Ruth Yeatman of Turanga and Richard and Barbara Grieg of Wilshire, England.

The maid of honor was Lauren Willson of Lubbock. The bridal attendants were Rebecca Warminski of White Deer, Sally Sparks of San



Jessica Lynch and Warren Yeatman

Marcos, Juila Hudler and Laura Anson, both of Rolla, Mo.

The best man was Chris Smith of Lubbock. The groomsmen were Tyson Snow of Raton, N.M.,

Nathan Lynch of White Deer, Tito Schwabe of Plainview and Jonathan Jimmerson of Plainview.

The flower girl was Raelyn Gabrel of Booker. The ring bearer was Carter

Estes of White Deer.

The ushers and candlelighters were members of the Wayland Baptist University Rugby team of which Warren Yeatman is coach.

Special music was provided by Nathan Lynch, brother of the bride; Bill Lynch, father of the bride; and members of the Wayland Baptist University International Choirs.

The Texas-themed reception and dance was held at the White Deer Community Center for all who attended.

The bride is a vocal music education major at Wayland Baptist University and will graduate in December 2007. The groom is a business administration major at Wayland Baptist University and will graduate in May 2008.

After a honeymoon trip to New Zealand, the couple will reside in Plainview.

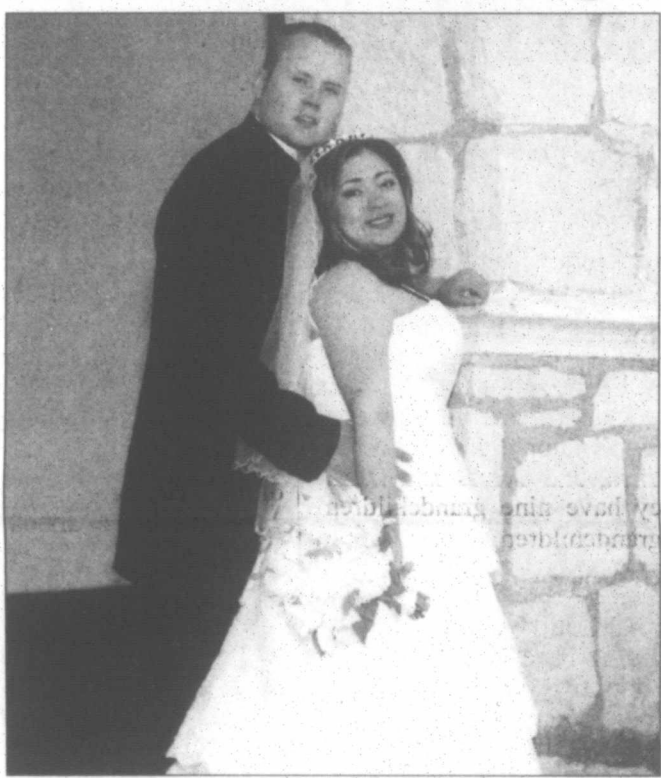
Muñoz, Thornhill Wedding

Felicia Muñoz and Michael Thornhill, both of Dallas, were married March 3, 2007, in the R olm Room of the Radisson Hotel in Dallas. The Rev. Al Larsen of Dallas performed the ceremony.

The maid of honor was Jessica Garcia, cousin of the bride of Dallas. The bridesmaids were Laura Carr, cousin of the bride, Yessenia Martinez and Carmen Olivarez, both friends of the bride all of Dallas, and Jennifer Martin, sister of the groom of College Station.

The flower girls were Alexis Ortiz and Kayla Perez, both cousins of the bride of Dallas.

The best man was Angel Olivarez, friend of the groom of Dallas. The groomsmen were Manuel Muñoz and Gustavo Marin, Jr., both brothers of the bride, Ross Russell and



Felicia Muñoz and Michael Thornhill

Matt Kostial, both friends of the groom, all of Dallas. The ring bearer was

Andrew Olivarez and the train bearer was Anthony Lopez, both of Dallas.

A reception and dinner was held following the service in the Champagne Room of the Radisson Hotel with festivities and dancing following.

The bride is the daughter of Ida and Gustavo Marin of Dallas. She grew up in Dallas and graduated from North Garland High School in Garland. She is currently employed by Elite Cast Stone in Royse City.

The groom is the son of Dean and Joetta Thornhill and Renee Hopson, all of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School and from Amarillo College with an Associates Degree in Computer Assisted Drafting and is currently employed by the engineering firm Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., in Dallas.

The newlyweds are making their home in Dallas.

Menus

Week of June 4-8

PISD Summer Nutrition Program MONDAY

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast.

Lunch: Corndogs or turkey sandwiches, corn, spinach, pineapple.

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Toast.

Lunch: Burritos or macaroni cheese, pinto beans, Spanish rice, fruit.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak or turkey sandwiches, mashed potatoes, English peas, pears.

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Sausage, donuts.

Lunch: Cheese cups/tortilla chips or macaroni cheese, green beans, carrots, peaches.

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

Lunch: Hot dogs or turkey sandwiches, fries, mixed vegetables, applesauce cups, cookies.

Lunch in the Park MONDAY

Corndogs, cheese portion, applesauce cups.

TUESDAY

Burritos, cheese portion, peach cups, fruit.

WEDNESDAY

Steak on a bun, cheese portion, applesauce cups, raisins.

THURSDAY

Cheese cups, tortilla chips, peach cups, carrot sticks.

FRIDAY

Hot dogs, cheese portion, applesauce cups, pickles.

Kid's Cafe-Wilson MONDAY

Corndogs, macaroni cheese, green beans, fruit.

WEDNESDAY

Tacos, tomatoes, lettuce, Spanish rice, refried beans, fruit.

Kid's Cafe-Lamar TUESDAY

Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, dessert.

THURSDAY

Chicken with broccoli and cheese, salad, dessert.

Kid's Cafe-Briarwood FRIDAY

Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert.

Senior Citizens MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or tuna casserole, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, beets, beans, peaches & cream cake or blueberry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY

Moch filet mignon or chicken/ham tetrazinni, tater tots, spinach, cream corn, beans, orange cake or lemon icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, cabbage, carrots, beans, dump cake or banana pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, turnip greens, squash, beans, cherry chocolate cake or coconut cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or tamales/chili/cheese, potato wedges, brussels sprouts, beans, cinnamon swirl cake or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Sloppy joes, tater tots, pork beans, pineapple.

TUESDAY

Biscuits, eggs, bacon, gravy, hashbrowns, fruit.

WEDNESDAY

Chicken pot pie, pickled beets, corn, pudding.

THURSDAY

Catfish, pinto beans, cole slaw, apricots.

FRIDAY

Beef patties, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, carrots, pumpkin bars.

Pointers for parents from Yamster the Hamster

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

(NAPSA) — Breakfast is not just the first meal of the day—it can be one of the most important.

Students who eat breakfast before starting school have better grades and reading scores, are better behaved and have fewer visits to the school nurse.

Children who eat breakfast find it easier to keep their weight under control.

So what's a great way to start the day? Why not yam

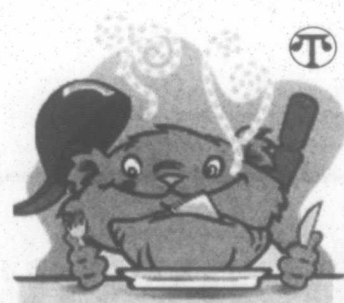
it up and add some sweet potatoes to your breakfast menu?

Adding nutritious sweet potatoes to children's breakfast menus is a great way to boost their daily intake of important vitamins and minerals.

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Yamcakes

1 cup mashed sweet potatoes or 1 (15-ounce) can sweet potatoes, drained
1 1/2 cups skim milk
1 egg
2 tablespoons canola oil
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 cups all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons light brown sugar
1 tablespoon baking powder



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der
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

In a small bowl, mix together the sweet potatoes, milk, egg, oil and lemon juice.

In another bowl, combine the flour, brown sugar, baking powder, baking soda and cinnamon.

Stir the flour mixture into
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Keeping pets and their masters in good health

(NAPSA) — A pet's health is an important consideration for families — and not just because they care about their four-legged friend.

Although rare, it is possible for pets to pass certain diseases to humans. In fact, the Centers for Disease Control estimates between 1 and 3 million people are zoonotically infected (meaning made ill by their pets) each year in the U.S. Additionally, as many as 4 to 20 percent of children in America contract roundworms from their pets each year. Roundworm infection can result in devastating diseases, including major organ damage and blindness.

The good news is that these types of illnesses are completely preventable. Experts at www.growingup-withpets.com, a Web site dedicated to pet and family health, say the best place to start is with basic hygiene. Kids should be taught to wash their hands after playing with pets, after playing outdoors and before eating.

The site offers these additional tips:

- Take your pet to the veterinarian for checkups as recommended, use a convenient, monthly oral pet parasite preventive year-round and keep up with all vaccinations recommended for the area.
- Wash your hands

with soap and running water if you have come into contact with pet feces.

- If your dog bites you, wash the area right away with soap and water.

- Wash your hands after handling your pet—especially before eating or preparing food.

- People with weakened immune systems should take special precautions, including never letting pets lick them on the face or on an open cut or wound, never touching animal feces and never handling an animal that has diarrhea.

- Don't let your pet drink from toilet bowls or eat feces.

Protective Measures
You can also reduce the risk of zoonotic infection by keeping your family's and pet's indoor and outdoor environments clean:

- Remove your pet's fecal matter from your lawn or surrounding outdoor environment daily. Feces can be bagged and put in the trash, burned or flushed down a toilet.

- Cover your children's sandboxes when not in use.

- Use appropriate methods to reduce mosquito populations in your outdoor environment.

For more information and tips, visit www.growingup-withpets.com.

Yake, Gonzales Wedding

Triniti Yake of Stinnett and Andrew Gonzales of Pampa were united in marriage May 26 at First Baptist Church of Stinnett by Johnny Brantwein.

Parents of the bride are Tonya and Ivan Yake of Stinnett. Parents of the groom are D'Ann and Johnny Gonzales of Pampa.

The maid of honor was Casandra Evans of Carthage, Texas. The bridesmaid was Jackie Reeves of Stinnett. The flower girl was Cheyenne Whittington of Pampa.

Standing up as best man was Roger "Mutt" Vallirillo. The groomsman was Angel Segovia. The ring bearer was Collin Gonzales of Pampa.

Ushering guests to their



Triniti Yake and Andrew Gonzales

seats were Cody Young, Nathaniel Arands and Trevor Hotop. The candlelighters were Katarina Arands and Kiana Hotop.

Katarina Arands of Stinnett registered the guests. Tommy Yake of Tampa, Fla., provided the music.

A reception followed the service at the church with Haylee Shipley and Tamra Arands of Stinnett serving the guests.

The bride is studying to be a licensed vocational nurse at Frank Phillips College in Borger. The groom is employed at Halliburton.

The newlyweds plan to honeymoon with a cruise to the Bahamas and intend to make their home in Pampa.



SIMMONS, THORNTON WEDDING. Angie Simmons and Brian Thornton, both of Pampa, tied the knot May 24 in Pampa. Jim Sinyard presided over the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Jean Parks. The groom is the son of Marlene and Don Riddle of Pampa and Bill and Glenda Thornton of McAlester, Okla. The bridal attendant was Loria Simmons. The best man was Daniel Simmons. A reception was held at Sisters Spudnuts for the couple.

Making best use of water

(NAPSA) — Your daily water use may seem like a drop in the bucket, considering how much H2O is actually out there. However, experts say that you may be using more water than you think.

In fact, each American household uses more than 94,000 gallons of fresh water each year, enough to fill 2 1/2 Olympic-sized swimming pools. Also, the average American uses approximately 168 gallons of water a day.

Fortunately, there are simple ways to reduce excess water use, lower water bills and protect the environment—even in the warm weather months. Try these tips. They come from American Water, the largest water services provider in North America, serving 17 million people in the United States and Canada.

Get Efficient

The American Water Works Association estimates Americans can cut their water use by 35 percent by installing more efficient water fixtures and regularly checking for leaks.

Green Grass

Water your lawn only when it needs it. An easy way to tell if your lawn needs water is to walk across the grass. If you leave footprints, it's time to water.

If you do have to water, do so in the early morning. As much as 30 percent of water can be lost to evaporation if you water during midday. In addition, plan for a few deep-soaking waterings rather than frequent sprinklings, which can evaporate quickly. Setting your lawn mower one notch higher can reduce evaporation as well.

If you have sprinklers, check their heads and valves for leaks and adjust the timer according to water needs and weather conditions. Also, make sure each sprinkler is covering lawn and shrubs, and not sidewalks and roads.

Landscaping

Native and drought-tolerant plants may have lower water needs. A local nursery or state agriculture extension office can be a good information resource for planning a water-wise garden. Also, use mulch in the garden and around plants and shrubs to preserve moisture.

Outdoor Maintenance

Control the flow from hoses with an automatic shutoff nozzle, and if you have a pool, use a cover to

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Mr. and Mrs. Gerald B. McCabe



MCCABE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald B. McCabe of Pampa observed their 50th wedding anniversary June 1. Gerald married the former Jimmie Cuddeback on June 1, 1957. They are members of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

and are the parents of James Blake and Jennifer McCabe, Paula McCabe, Janelle and Dennis Luellen, and Teresa and Mark McLintock. They have nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Many Baby Boomers don't understand vision problems

(NAPSA) — While many people are aware of and concerned about their heart health, and a variety of cancers that become more prevalent with age, many adults do not often consider how their vision will be affected.

For instance, many boomers do not understand that a condition known as presbyopia will inevitably affect each and every one of them to the point of being forced to wear reading glasses to see things that used to be crystal clear.

According to a Harris Interactive survey recently conducted by the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery, 79 percent of the general population is not at all knowledgeable about presbyopia, and 56 percent of patients who have had corrective surgery

for presbyopia do not even know what the condition is. Clearly, it is time to bring this treatable condition to the forefront of people's minds.

Presbyopia, an age-related change that is marked by a hardening of the eye's lens as our eyes age, is the very condition that causes people to hold their menus farther and farther away from their faces every time they go to a restaurant.

In addition to having to hold reading materials at arm's length, other symptoms of presbyopia include headaches or "tired eyes" while reading or doing other close work, temporary blurred vision for distant objects after reading or doing close work, and difficulty focusing on near objects such as reading

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Yammy

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the sweet potato mixture, stirring only until combined. Heat a nonstick skillet coated with nonstick cooking spray over medium heat.

Pour about one-fourth cup batter onto skillet and cook about 1 to 2 minutes or until bubbly. Turn to cook on other side until light brown.

Makes 16 pancakes. For more kid-friendly recipes and to learn more about Yamster, visit www.sweetpotato.org.

Lifestyles Policy

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.

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4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

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6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

7. Birth announcements will only be published for 0- to 3-month-olds. (See form for more details.)

8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

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Canyon university receives grant to help landowners monitor wind

CANYON — Landowners in Texas who are thinking of installing a wind turbine or a wind farm first need to know if their property can provide an optimum return on the investment.

The Alternative Energy Institute (AEI) at West Texas A&M University may be able to help.

Thanks to a \$40,000 grant from the State Energy Conservation Office, AEI will administer the Texas State Anemometer (anemometer) Loan Program, which has two goals: to assist qualified landowners in the collection of data necessary to assess the wind resources at their location, and to generate public wind data that will improve general knowledge and understanding of wind resources in Texas.

Anemometers are instruments used to measure wind speed over time. Due to a limited supply of the devices made available through the grant, only the most promising sites will be selected.

AEI has set the following general criteria for applicants: they must be Texas landowners with a minimum of one section of land, they must be located at least 10 miles from any other program participant, and they must be able to use a tower of 100 feet or more in height.

"This is a statewide ini-

tiative that will go a long way toward increasing our state data base of wind resources," Ken Starcher, director of AEI, said. "It will also help landowners and investors make informed decisions about the possibility of locating wind turbines in specific areas."

Fieldwork and installation of the loaned equipment will be the responsibility of the landowners. Data collected from each site will be analyzed for two years, and AEI will provide participants with monthly data updates.

At the end of two years, participants can terminate data collection and return the borrowed equipment, or they can pay \$75 a month to continue data collection for an additional year. If they choose to purchase equipment of their own, AEI will collect data from it for \$10 a month — to cover postage.

West Texas A&M's AEI is the major information resource on wind energy for the state of Texas and has had a cooperative agreement since 1976 with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

For more information about AEI or to apply for the Texas State Anemometer Loan Program, contact AEI at 806-651-2295 or visit <http://www.windenergy.org>

NEWLYWEDS

New guide offers entertaining tips ...

(NAPSA) — Whatever the occasion, dinner with the in-laws, an upscale party for friends or a romantic dinner for two, cooking and entertaining can leave some new brides with cold feet. In fact, according to a recent survey¹, one out of every two brides and brides-to-be now feels more pressure to cook and entertain compared to when they were single.

The Pampered Chef(r), the premier direct seller of high-quality products for cooking and entertaining, teamed up with entertaining and lifestyle expert Debi Lilly to help brides and brides-to-be put more love and less labor into cooking and entertaining. Lilly is founder of A Perfect Event in Chicago, Ill., a successful special event company with a faithful (and famous) following, including Oprah Winfrey.

"We're working together to help brides-to-be prepare for their first years of marriage when they likely will be cooking and entertaining more. One of the first things we developed is our new online guide, 'Entertain With Ease: How to Put More Love and Less Labor Into Cooking and Entertaining,'" Lilly said.

The new entertaining guide offers recipes, Lilly's expert tips and must-have products, suggested tools and an event checklist. It's the perfect resource for brides, brides-to-be and anyone who needs cooking and entertaining inspiration and is available for free download at www.pamperedchef.com. Just click on the Wedding Registry.

"Entertaining is supposed to be fun, but it's hard to have a good time if you're not well prepared," Lilly says. "'Entertain with Ease' offers fabulous recipes and inspiring decor and tabletop ideas that can apply to any occasion from a sit-down dinner to a buffet brunch. The goal is to make every occasion memorable and more enjoyable."

For example, create an elegant tabletop by simply overlapping two jewel-toned runners or fabric, in contrasting colors, down the center of the



Entertaining doesn't have to be complicated to be fabulous, says entertaining expert Debi Lilly. For her tips on entertaining with ease, visit www.pamperedchef.com.

table. Top it off by adding light-use a mix of tall taper candles or low votives for various levels of height on the table-and you have a magnificent tabletop!

The guide includes several great recipes and this idea for a Black Velvet Truffle Bar. It's a fun dessert for a party because the truffles can be prepared ahead of time and guests can roll truffles in a topping of their choice.

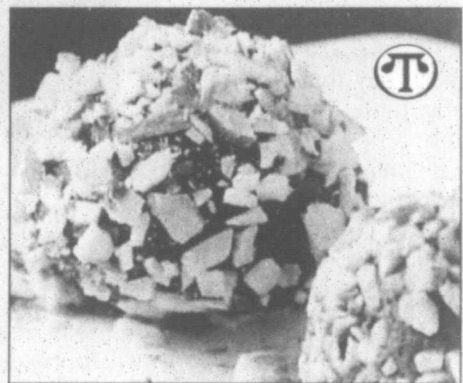
Black Velvet Truffles
6 ounces fine-quality bittersweet chocolate (60% cocoa)
2/3 cup heavy whipping cream
1/2 teaspoon double-strength vanilla

1/2 cup assorted coatings such as toasted coconut, finely chopped almonds, and finely chopped toffee candy bars

Finely chop chocolate and place in small bowl. Add cream. Microwave, uncovered, on high, 30 seconds; stir until smooth. If necessary, microwave an additional 15 seconds or until smooth. Stir in vanilla. Cover; let

stand at room temperature until mixture is firm enough to scoop (at least 3 hours or overnight). Using a small scoop, scoop truffles onto serving platter. Cover with plastic wrap until ready to serve. Prepare assorted coatings and place into individual serving bowls. Set up a small dessert bar where guests can roll their truffles in the coatings. Yield 12 truffles.

* Online Omnibus survey of 1,000 brides and brides-to-be conducted by Impulse Group on behalf of The Pampered Chef(r); Jan. 2007.



Fitness expert offers advice to staying healthy and active

(NAPSA) — Getting into your favorite swimsuit may now be a bit easier thanks to Harley Pasternak, M.Sc., one of the nation's most sought-after diet and fitness experts and author of the book "The 5 Factor Diet." Here are his five tips to help you spring into shape.

Power up the Pantry

When Harley starts working with someone new, one of the first things he has them do is some housecleaning in their pantry. Making sure you have the ingredients for healthy meals each week will help keep you on track. Hit the store once a week and stock up on plenty of fruits (with their skins, please), low-sugar beverages, proteins (like skinless chicken or salmon) and veggies.

Eat Well, Eat Often

Eat five small meals throughout the day. Your body is like a furnace; food is the fuel that stokes the fires and keeps the metabolism working throughout the day. Eating throughout the day will help keep you full and thinking and feeling your best.

Count to Five Before Each Meal

Make sure each meal meets five simple criteria—a lean protein, healthy carbs, fiber from fruits and vegetables, healthy fats and a low-sugar beverage. The beverage doesn't

have to be water; there are plenty of options, like sparkling or low-sugar flavored waters. Harley also picks up meal replacements such as the Special K(tm) Protein Bars. Special K20(tm) Protein Water is another easy way to add protein (5g per bottle) to your diet while also staying hydrated.

Get Moving

Your diet is half the battle. To truly get into shape, incorporate at least 25 to 30 minutes of activity five times a week. Check with your doctor before you start any fitness plan to make sure there aren't any restrictions on your hitting the gym and getting in that important mix of cardio and strength training.

Keep a Journal

Whether you are working to meet your individual goals or trying to trim down an entire family, a journal can be a good way to keep track of recipes you like and keep you motivated as you work toward your goal. We all need to remind ourselves of what we're working toward. A journal can be a great way to keep track of those successes and your progress.

For more information on getting into shape, search for "Special K" at Yahoo.com.

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material, books, etc.

Although this misunderstood eye condition affects nearly all adults by the time they are between the ages of 45 and 65, doctors are giving patients good news about the many treatment options that are available to not only treat the condition, but also improve overall quality of life. Treatment options range from wearing reading glasses to undergoing vision cor-

rection surgery, but no matter how patients decide to treat their vision problems, studies show that those who proactively talk to their doctor are happier overall.

In fact, most patients who have undergone vision correction surgery would recommend the procedure to a friend, and a majority of people said it has literally changed their life. Benefits of surgery were numerous, including improved vision, not having to wear glasses and being more self-confident.

For additional information, visit www.readclearlyagain.com.

Water

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cut evaporation loss by as much as 90 percent. Use a broom instead of a hose to clean sidewalks and driveways and wash your car with soap and water from a

bucket. Finally, disconnect hoses and make sure outdoor water is shut off during cold weather.

For more information, visit www.amwater.com.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My beautiful wife of 34 years passed away eight months ago. I miss her very much. Her dying wish was that she be cremated, which I respected. She asked that her ashes be scattered at sea, which I will do this summer. Her ashes are in a beautiful urn in the shape of a vase. After her ashes are spread in the ocean, would it be proper to use her urn as a vase? I would like to display it as a reminder of our love for each other and keep a dozen red roses in it at all times. I have never seen a discussion of urns before in your column. Just what are you supposed to do with an urn that, in my circumstances, I will be done with after this summer? — **BUS DRIVER IN AUBURN, CALIF.**

DEAR BUS DRIVER: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your wife. I took your question to a wonderful woman named Lisa Carlson, the executive director of the Funeral Ethics Organization. Lisa assured me that it would be "absolutely proper" to use your wife's urn as a vase. Then she added that if you eventually get a girlfriend, you may want to be discreet about the "vase," and if you have children, you might consider passing it on to them as a family heirloom after your own death.

DEAR ABBY: What is the "proper" way to pass on baby clothes and baby items? I was blessed with a child later in life (I am 40). I will not be having more children. I gave a lot of clothes to a friend and kept some for sentimental reasons, but my question is this: Items like the swing, vibrating chair and exer-saucer were gifts. Do I have to give them away since they were shower gifts to me? Or is it OK to sell them at a yard sale? I have a friend who is expecting me to just give her all my stuff. I am torn.

Am I being stingy? Or just frugal? Why am I so weird about passing on my baby stuff? Help! — **DANICA IN DALY CITY, CALIF.**

DEAR DANICA: When someone receives a gift, whether it be at a holiday or a shower, that item becomes the property of the recipient to do with as she (or he) pleases. I don't think you are being "weird" about your baby things. Your friend is being presumptuous to expect anything, and should be grateful for any items you give her without feeling entitled to more.

DEAR ABBY: I am a woman with friends of all ages, and I receive lots of phone calls. I like people and enjoy hearing from them. However, several of the "regulars" who call me talk nonstop. As long as I listen, they're fine. But if I try to launch into a subject that interests me, they tell me they're really busy and terminate the call. How should I interpret this? I have tried laughing it off, but it feels like a put-down. — **FEELING USED IN THE SOUTH**

DEAR FEELING USED: It seems you're spending a lot of time on the phone. The people you have described appear to be quite centered on themselves. They appear to be in love with the sound of their own voices, rather than calling to converse -- which implies an exchange of information. I don't think they are trying to put you down. It's just that in their "universe," listening to someone else is too great an inconvenience. People like this are more interested in an audience than a friendship, so budget your time accordingly.

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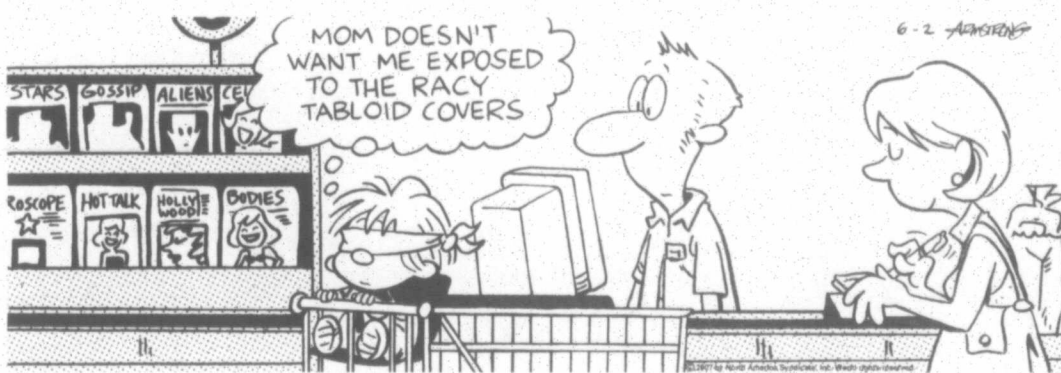
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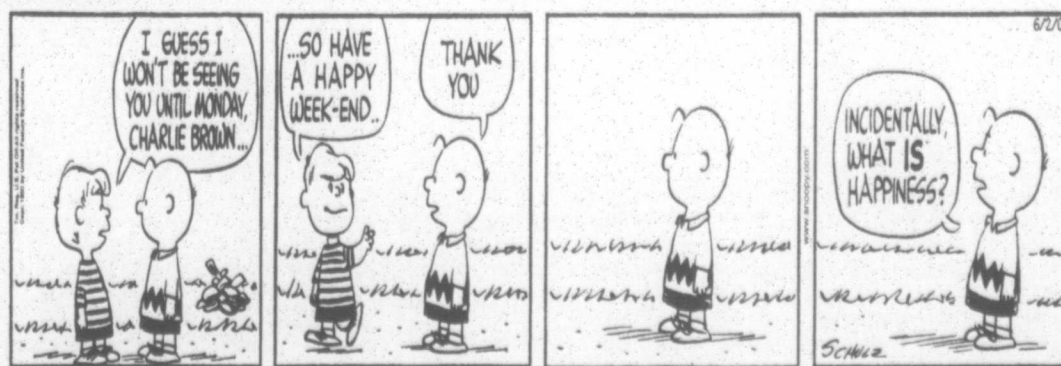
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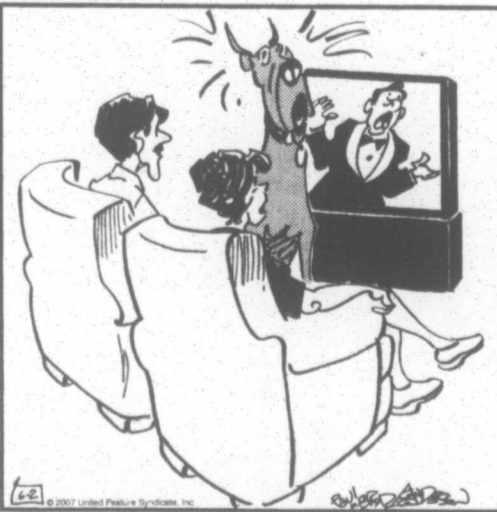
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Atlantis crew focused on mission; launch set for Friday

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
Associated Press Writer
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — This has been a weird year for the U.S. space agency, more notable for contributing a story line for the TV series "Law & Order" than for spaceflight.

NASA bosses hope a Friday launch of the shuttle Atlantis and a successful mission to the international space station will fade some of the past months' more sensational scenes.

Predictably, Atlantis commander Rick Sturckow said he and his crew haven't been distracted from their

preparations for continuing construction of the space station.

"We've just been focused on our training and are ready to go," Sturckow said.

NASA has had several months worth of troubling distractions.

In February, astronaut Lisa Nowak, the married mother of three children, was arrested on charges that she tried to kidnap a woman who had won the affections of her astronaut-paramour. Nowak drove 900 miles from Houston to Florida to confront the woman and wore an astronaut diaper so she wouldn't have to make restroom

stops, according to police.

Weeks later, steamy e-mails surfaced and kept the story going. Nowak has pleaded not guilty and her trial is set for September. She had been scheduled to work on this mission's ground team, working with the astronauts in space and Mission Control, but NASA dismissed her a month after her arrest.

As NASA looked forward to a March shuttle launch that would return the agency to a more positive light, golfball-sized hail from a freak February storm pocked Atlantis' fuel tank. Liftoff was canceled.

A few months later, with just six weeks left until the new June launch date, a seventh astronaut, Clayton Anderson, was added to Atlantis' crew — a jarring adjustment that meant working overtime to get Anderson on track with his duties during the mission.

There also was a murder-suicide at Houston's Johnson Space Center and the derailment of a train carrying rocket booster segments for future shuttle flights. Neither event directly involved Atlantis' mission but reinforced a feeling that, so far, this isn't NASA's best year.

"I think life presents challenges

in many shapes and sizes and part of the way we deal with those challenges shapes who we are," Anderson told The Associated Press recently. "They weren't the greatest of times, but I'm looking forward to (Atlantis) getting off and cranking back up again so we can focus on the things that are positive."

Atlantis had been scheduled to lift off in mid-March as the first space shuttle mission of the year. But the hail storm left thousands of dings to the insulation foam that prevents ice from building up on the external fuel tank.

Dairy prices up and could head higher

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Liz Kooy loves sharp cheddar cheese and is willing to pay almost any price for it.

"Ten dollars a brick, I'd still buy it" and cut back on other purchases, the 36-year-old social worker laughed as she browsed the dairy aisle in a grocery store near downtown Chicago on Wednesday.

She might want start looking for places to cut back.

Dairy market forecasters are warning that consumers can expect a sharp increase in dairy prices this summer. By June, the milk futures market predicts, the price paid to farmers will have increased 50 percent this year —

driven by higher costs of transporting milk to market and increased demand for corn to produce ethanol.

U.S. retail milk prices have increased about 3 percent, or roughly a dime a gallon, this year, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

But University of Illinois dairy specialist Michael Hutjens forecasts further increases of up to 40 cents a gallon for milk over the next few months, and up to 60 cents for a pound of cheese.

That would drive the cost of a gallon of whole milk around the country to an average of \$3.78, based on the USDA's monthly survey of milk prices in 30 metro areas.

Prices in the last survey, earlier this month, ranged from \$2.76 a gallon in Dallas to \$3.86 in Chicago and \$4.09 in New Orleans, where the dairy industry has struggled to bounce back from Hurricane Katrina.

Hutjens and others said higher gasoline prices have increased the costs of moving milk from farm to market, and corn — the primary feed for dairy cattle — is being gobbled up by producers of the fuel-additive ethanol. The USDA projects that 3.2 billion bushels of this year's corn crop will be used to make ethanol, a 52 percent increase over 2006.

Michigan middle schoolers reduce infant mortality rate

By JEFF KAROUB
Associated Press Writer
PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Shantaya McDaniel and Victor Reyes, teenagers who are refreshingly sensible for their age, now know what contributes to the high death rate of infants in their city and steps they can take to help keep babies alive.

Credit a six-week class called Crib Notes offered at their Lincoln Middle School for helping them apply lessons on healthy and proper eating, sleeping and living.

It was more than an academic exercise. Shantaya, 14, is helping her cousin and stepsister with their babies. Victor, 15, is using his newfound knowledge to help raise his 3-month-old son, Giovanni.

"I was nervous at first, very nervous," said Victor, an eighth grader. "I thought it was going to be a little bit complicated until they showed us a video and brought a demonstration baby in. ... Now that I'm good at it, it's not even a problem."

Crib Notes, which was created and taught by public health nurses, was designed to reduce infant mortality in Pontiac, which has the highest rate in Oakland County. If the program delivers on that promise, it could serve as the catalyst for a larger effort in a state with high infant mortality rates, although not the highest in the nation. That distinction goes to Washington, D.C., and Mississippi.

State and federal experts on infant mortality, including those at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, are unaware of similarly structured programs in other states. And Crib Notes' creators say the hands-on program is uncommon in the way it reaches and teaches children in middle school.

Developers of the joint project between the county's health division and Pontiac schools say it made sense to tailor the curriculum for that age group based on their interaction with babies and the opportunity to instill healthy behaviors in themselves.

"When you look at middle school-age children ... these are kids that are crossing the bridge from childhood into adolescence," said Lois Winer, a nursing supervisor for the county who oversees the program. "We thought this was a perfect population to begin to educate on ... prevention."

The program, taught to sixth- and eighth-graders in three schools, is not a sex-education class or one that teaches about reproductive health or pregnancy. Instead, it focuses on areas that research has linked to prematurity or infant mortality, such as smoking, obesity and sleeping in unsafe positions and places.

The message appears to be getting through. Victor told his girlfriend and their respective parents, who help raise Giovanni, about removing bumper pads from the crib because he could be smothered. He and Shantaya also have counseled family members about sleeping with babies.

"We learned not to sleep on the couch," Shantaya said. "That's what

my mom did. She's still doing that. I had to tell her, 'No, that's not good.'"

Teachers, counselors and administrators select the pupils for Crib Notes. They could be those likely to share the information with peers, help care for younger family members, baby-sit for others, or have a child of their own.

Winer said the program, which started as a pilot project in spring 2005, doesn't yet have data to show its progress. But health officials are developing a plan to follow up with participants through high school.

Funding is provided by the county, but money from the state allows for home visits by nurses to first-time, low-income pregnant women in Pontiac with a focus on black mothers. A main goal is to reduce infant mortality and the discrepancies between black and white infant mortality rates.

In Pontiac, the infant mortality rate for all races has decreased from 16.6 per 1,000 live births in 1998-2000 to 13.2 per 1,000 live births in 2003-05 — still higher than the county's average rate of 6.7 for the most recent three-year period. Michigan's overall average infant mortality rate was 8.09 per 1,000, compared with the national average rate of 6.86, according to 2002-04 figures, the most recent available from the CDC.

For that recent period, the nation's capital had an average of 11.42 deaths per 1,000 live births followed by Mississippi, with 10.32 per 1,000.

D.C.'s infant mortality rate has dropped dramatically from a high of 20.3 in 1989-91. The rate for blacks decreased from 23.89 in 1989-91 to 14.8 in 2002-04.

Recognizing the high rates and racial disparity, Congress in 1992 mandated a federally funded research program, the D.C. Initiative to Reduce Infant Mortality. One of its projects, Pride in Parenting, provided primarily black mothers with information about child health and resources available to them through home visits, developmental play groups and support groups.

Rather than using nurses for home visits, the program recruited people from the mothers' communities and trained them in child health and development. Federal health officials said that has led to higher acceptance than standard programs and the mothers were more likely to begin child well-care earlier, make frequent visits to the pediatrician and complete scheduled immunizations.

Mississippi's rate and ranking have been relatively constant since 1989, although the state saw an increase from 9.7 in 2004 to 11.4 in 2005 — its highest rate since 1993.

In response to its high rates, Mississippi is about to complete a similar, federally funded pilot study in eight counties. The three-year program called Closing the Gap on Infant Mortality: African-American Focused Risk Reduction, is part of the Department of Health and Human Services' Healthy Start Program.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, June 3, 2007:

Getting through others' self-defenses this year might be difficult if not, at times, impossible. Allow others to reveal themselves, and you will find that relating becomes less stressful. Many will become argumentative if events and plans don't go their way. Be more independent, and you will be happier. Learn to understand but not necessarily condone. If you are single, making a relationship work will take a lot of effort from both parties. You are likely to meet someone very important this year who will take on this challenge. If you are attached, learn to agree to disagree. You might appear to be heading in different directions, but that might be only for a short while. CAPRICORN can be a bit overwhelming with his or her financial knowledge.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Physical exercise certainly doesn't have to be a drag. Your job is to choose an enjoyable activity. Invite others to join in. Everyone needs a stress-buster, more often than not. Touch base with an older relative. Tonight: A must appearance. This Week: Take a stand, and you will be happier.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Rethink a decision about a trip or about contacting someone at a distance. You might feel uncomfortable and need a change. Be willing to support yourself in your needs. You also could go overboard. There is a tomorrow. Tonight: Decide what works for you first. This Week: Read between the lines. Take a stand.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ A partner or friend has strong opinions of what to do. Truth be told, you might need to respond to a different drummer. Take care of yourself, and everything else will fall into place — if

necessary.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Knowing when to say "no" might be important, but perhaps even more so is saying those words in a diplomatic manner. A child or loved one might be touchy. At the same time, avoid risk-taking. Tonight: Dinner out or order in.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might be energized and could get nearly anything accomplished. You discover how upset someone could become if he or she doesn't have your attention. Unexpected news heads your way. Tonight: Be spontaneous. This Week: You are empowered Monday. The remainder of the week, oh well. Deal with facts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Step back. You easily could misread someone's reaction and be uncomfortable or angry. Trust that right now you might not have the full story or your perspective is bent. Use logic with funds, not hunches. Tonight: Get some extra sleep.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Though you know where you are going, clearly others do not. Be ready to discuss alternate ways to the same goal. Refuse to overspend in order to make a wish happen, even if you would make quite a few people happy. Tonight: Where your friends are. This Week: Understand what is possible, then plot rather than act!

BORN TODAY

Singer Suzi Quatro (1950), actor Tony Curtis (1925), poet Allen Ginsberg (1926)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, June 4, 2007:

You don't lack enthusiasm or drive this year. If you slow down, others quickly step in and help recharge your batteries. Taking timeouts to question your direction and achievements could be quite important. Friends often push hard, specifically a male friend. Sports, movies and other group activities play a strong role in your year. If you are attached, a partner keeps displaying his or her true colors. What you see now could be a touch extreme. By winter 2007, your sweetie might slow down some. If you are single, use this year to socialize. Someone important could be standing in the shadows. CAPRICORN sometimes can be too realistic!

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your energy and actions will clue in others as to how to act or what to do. Even if you tend to stay at your desk, today you need to take a walk or play a game of softball after work. Sometimes too much energy can cause trouble! Tonight: As you like it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You might be questioning strong feelings on a deep level. Not acting on them might be close to impossible. Try to detach and give yourself space. Perhaps a walk at lunchtime or a drive might help. Tonight: Try to look at this situation differently in order to understand.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Though many might push you to follow a certain course, a partner gives

you the best advice. This person also has strong feelings about the outcome. Curb a tendency to overindulge or spend as if there were no tomorrow. Tonight: Go along with another's suggestion.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Others clearly know what they want, while you could be a touch iffy. Orders come down from those running the show. Don't buck the leadership, knowing full well you'll have many options at a later time. Tonight: Sort through appealing ideas.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Though your mind could wander to very pleasant thoughts, work or daily life demands your full attention. What you can accomplish, especially if you think outside of the box, could be amazing, even to you. Tonight: Let your imagination loose now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your creativity seeps through, even if you are simply signing checks. You cannot help yourself as your ingenuity and creativity merge. You might want to act quickly on a couple of these ideas, while you feel positive. Tonight: Have fun.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Take a stand while you can. Do exactly what seems right, especially as far as taking an action toward a loved one or an important person in your life. This person might have been a bit feisty lately. Tonight: Choose a physical activity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You speak your mind, but you will back up your words with strong actions. Your energy seems endless. Be sure to plug it in where it will make a difference, for you and for others. The time has come for more physical exercise!

TONIGHT: Make it an early night.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ No matter what happens, you have a smile on your face. Your focus might be financial, be it investments or your earning power. Your vision proves to be extraordinary at this point. Tonight: Take a hard look at your budget.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Stand up for what counts. Others might be surprised by your directness and high energy. Though you could cause an uproar — especially on the home front — trust your judgment. Do what you must. Tonight: Slow down, you bundle of energy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Your mind is akin to ticker tape, though you might not choose to leap on a situation just yet. Friends might be overly enthusiastic. You also might think the same about co-workers. Know when to step back. Tonight: Now, come out of your shell.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Friends surround you. A meeting might prove to be very important if you simply go with the flow. Just the same, if you don't make a decision by sunset, don't. Spending continues to be an issue. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

BORN TODAY

Actress Angelina Jolie (1975), actor Noah Wyle (1971), sex therapist Dr. Ruth Westheimer (1928)

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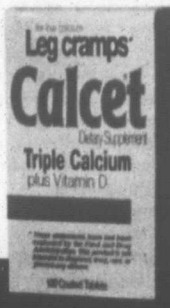
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Lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick located on a corner lot. Large formal living room, oversized kitchen with fireplace. Lots of updates. Brick patio off of den. Guest house in back. Double car garage. Call for an appointment. 7631.

REDUCED PRICE
Beautiful 4 bedroom brick, huge great room. Den, formal dining room. Kitchen-breakfast room. Isolated master bedroom and bath. Huge walk in closet in master bath. 2 1/2 baths. Three car garage, large shop in back has overhead door to alley. Automatic yard sprinkler in lawn and flower beds. Too many amenities to mention. Call Irvine to see. 7647.

RENTAL INVESTMENT
Permanent renter wants to stay in this 3 bedroom, 1 bath, single car garage. Excellent return on the investment. Call Jim. 7616.

NEW LISTING
3 bedroom, 2 baths, single car garage. Approved for HUD rental with excellent return on your investment. Call Jim for details. 7647.

GREAT STARTER HOME
Cute 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 baths, vinyl siding, ceramic tile, new carpet, central air. 7638.

CALL FIRST LANDMARK FIRST FOR ALL OF YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS. WE APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS.
Irvine Riphahn GRI . 665-4534
Chris Moore GRI . 665-6172
Jim Ward . 665-1593
Bobbie Nisbet BKR . 665-037

1 Public Notice

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Pampa Independent School District will receive proposals for asbestos abatement at Pampa High School and Pampa High School Band Hall and Choir room. Proposals shall be addressed to Carol Fields, Chief Financial Officer, Pampa ISD, 321 W. Albert Street, Pampa, TX 79065-7801. Proposals shall be received until 4:00 PM, Monday, June 11, 2007. Proposals must be clearly marked ASBESTOS ABATEMENT-PAMPA HIGH SCHOOL AND PAMPA HIGH SCHOOL BAND HALL AND CHORAL ROOM. Any proposal not received on time will be returned unopened. Faxed proposals are not acceptable.

A 5% bid bond for the highest acceptable proposal must accompany each proposal. A 100% payment and performance bond will be required by the successful proposer. Both the bid bond and the payment bond shall be written by a Surety Company listed by the United States Department of the Treasury (Federal Register Circular 570) as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and shall hold a B+ or better rating by A.M. Best Co., Oldwick, N.J.

For information you may call:
King Consultants
1205 E. 46th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79404
(806)763-6157

Pampa ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive all formalities.
G-78 May 30, June 3, 2007

INVITATION TO BID
Western Builders of Amarillo, Inc. will be accepting Subcontractor & Supplier bids for the demolition, renovations & new construction for: Pampa ISD-DEMOLITION PACKAGE Pampa, TX
Bids will be received at the office of: Construction Manager-At-Risk Western Builders of Amarillo
700 South Grant
Amarillo, TX 79101
806-376-4321
Attn: Mark Benton
Until 2:00 pm CST, June

1 Public Notice

5th, 2007
Contract Documents may be examined after May 23 at:
AGC Plan Room
(Amarillo) 374-1924
Western Builders office
(Amarillo) 376-4321

There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting for all interested subcontractors On Wednesday, May 30, 2007 at 1:30 pm. CST Meeting outside the old Shop Building on the North Side of Pampa High School (Pampa High School is located at 111 E. Harvester Ave.) Western Builders is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender or national origin.
G-73 May 27, June 3, 2007

NOTICE TO PROPOSERS
The City of Pampa, Texas will receive sealed proposals for the following until 2:00 p.m., June 20, 2007 at which time they will be opened and read publicly in the City Conference Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Pampa, Texas:

COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE
Proposals may be obtained from the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Pampa, Texas, Phone 806/669-5750. Sales tax exemption Certificates shall be furnished upon request. Proposals may be delivered to the City Secretary's Office, 200 W. Foster, City Hall, Pampa, Texas 79065 or mailed to P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499. Sealed envelope should be plainly marked "HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PRO-

1 Public Notice

POSAL, PROPOSAL NO. 07.03.U and show date and time of proposal opening.
The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted and to waive any formalities or technicalities.

/s/ Karen Price
Interim City Secretary
G-79 June 3, 10, 2007

5 Special Notices
ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

13 Bus. Opp.
A CASH COW!!
30 Vending Machines/ You approve ea. location Entire Business- \$10,970 1,800. Vending (836.3464) www.1800vending.com

14d Carpentry
Carpentry, Roofing, Replacement Windows, steel siding & trim. Continuous gutters. Jerry Nicholas 669-9991, 662-8169

OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

14e Carpet Serv.
NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

14h Gen. Serv.
HOUSE Cracking? In bricks or walls? Childers Brothers, Inc. 800-299-9563, 806-352-9563

COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

CERAMIC tile work. Remodeling floor, shower, kitchen. Texture, painting, dry wall. Free est. Call 665-3453 leave message, Jesus Barraza.

14h Gen. Serv.

RICHARD'S Construction. Porches, decks, patios, carports, roofing, painting, complete house remodeling. 273-2907, 886-0267.

JH Concrete Work. Slabs, sidewalks, driveways, additions, roofing, fences. Free Est. 806-382-5408.

14s Plumbing/Heat
JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop. 715 W. Foster, 665-7115. Faucets, plumbing supplies, new constr., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

Larry Baker Plumbing
Heating/ Air Conditioning
Borger Hwy. 665-4392

21 Help Wanted

NOTICE
Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

Local Non-Profit Agency
now accepting applications for Houseparent. Applicant must be stable, caring, dependable and possess positive discipline skills. Individual must possess a genuine desire to work with adolescents with a history of substance abuse. Must be willing to live in home and work a flexible schedule. Stable working environment and opportunity to be a positive influence on youth. Generous benefits package. Salary ranges from \$25,000 to \$30,000 per year. Pre-employment drug screen and background check required. Interested persons call (806)665-7123 Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm and (806)665-0235 after hours & weekends EOE

POST OFFICE NOW HIRING. Avg. Pay \$20 / hr. or \$57K annually including Federal benefits and OT. Paid Training. Vacation, FT / PT. 1-800-584-1775 ext. 5928 USWA.

21 Help Wanted

Int-rim Home HealthCare
Is now taking applications for **HOME PROVIDER (PAMPA AREA)**

CALL **1-800-892-3301 (ASK FOR MINERVA)** OR
Apply in person at, **1201 N. Hobart, Space D (Coronado Center)**

OUTREACH Health Services is hiring a PHC Supervisor to cover the Pampa, Clarendon and Memphis areas. Must have supervisory exp.; home health exp. a plus. We offer 9 pd. holidays, 401K, paid time off. Please contact 806-373-0986 or 800-800-0967. www.outreachhealth.com EOE.

SEMCRUDE, L.P. has opening for full-time Mechanic in Pampa shop. Must have own tools & meet DOT qualifications. Exc. benefit pkg. 806-934-7505 for application.

21 Help Wanted

FULL time LVN needed on 3-11. Benefits, shift differential and recent base pay increases. St. Ann's Nursing Home, Panhandle. 537-3194.

SEMCRUDE has openings for full time Bobtail & Transport drivers in the Pampa and surrounding areas. Must have Class A CDL with the X endorsement and meet DOT qualifications. Exc. benefits pkg., incl. medical, dental, vision & life ins., along with a 401K pkg., paid vac., sick & holidays. Please apply at www.semgroup.com/careers or call 806-934-7505 for application.

21 Help Wanted

Join the BEST TEAM IN TEXAS!

If you seek a challenging career, a team-oriented environment & rewarding experiences daily, consider **Pampa Nursing Center**. We're a premier provider of long term care with IMMEDIATE opportunities for:

CNAs (all shifts)
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www.savaseniorcare.com EOE/m/f/d/h

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AUCTION FARM & RANCH EQUIPMENT SAT. JUNE 9, 9:03 A.M.

Loc.-PAMPA, TX.-1400 Morrison Ranch Rd., from Hwy. 152 & Price Rd. / FR. 282 (stop light), take Price Rd. north 9 mi. (curve in road), then continue on north on Morrison Ranch Rd. 14 Mi.

MORRISON RANCH & OTHERS HOUSEHOLD & ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES WILL SELL FIRST FARM & RANCH LISTING START SELLING AT 1:00 P.M.

Tractors-01 Case IH MX200 MFWD 1840 hrs., 89 Deutz-Allis 6275 MFWD w/ Front End Loader (needs clutch), Old IH Crawler (bad mtr.), OVERHEAD FEED BINS, 2 Jim Dennis Mfg. 25 & 30 ton O/H Bins, PICKUP & TRUCKS- 99 Ford F-350 Diesel, 4x4 Ext. Cab, 76 Chevy C60 Truck Tractor, 95 Nissan 4x4, FOUR WHEELERS, TRAILERS, FARM EQUIP., White 8700, 3 pt. 8 Row Planter, Case IH 1840, 3 pt., Cushion Gang No-Till 8 Row, 30" Cultivator, Marlliss (3 pt. 20"-10" D/D Drill, 9800 D/T 3 pt. 20" Colter Caddy; Schaffer, Krause, Offsets.; Shredders-AG LEADER N324 GUIDANCE SYSTEM, HAY EQUIP., GRAIN HANDLING EQUIP., CATTLE EQUIP., TANKS, POLY PIPE, PIPE & METAL, BUILDING MATERIAL, WELDER, GENERATORS, CEMENT MIXERS & PUMPS, WIND CHARGER, TOOLS, TRACTOR TOOL MAKEUP.

Full Listing on Web Page www.loydsauktion.com

Lyndon Loyd Auctioneers
806-826-5850 or 334-0407
Wheeler, TX (Lic. TX. 7119)

21 Help Wanted

RIG moving co. currently seeking qual. drivers & truck pusher w/ wench rig moving exp. Must have fairly clean driving & criminal history. Drug test req. Salary paid \$5000-\$9000 a month. DOE. Health ins., benefits, & profit sharing prog. 665-0729 or 866-415-4104.

21 Help Wanted

MAINTENANCE Man needed. Must have own tools & plumbing exp. a must!! Call 665-1875.

PAMPA Country Club is now hiring certified life-guard, swimming instructors, and pool manager. Apply in person at Pampa Country Club. No phone calls please!!!

21 Help Wanted

NOW hiring Code & Structural Welders & Pipe Fitters. \$16-\$20 hourly depending on experience. Must be able to pass weld test. Apply in person at Conner Industries, 118 Bunton, in Borger. 806-274-2281.

21 Help Wanted

DOMINO'S PIZZA w/ hiring Delivery Drivers. Must be 19 with 2 yrs. driving history. Apply at 1332 N. Hobart.

YARD/Salesperson needed. Must be self-motivated. Full time, heavy lifting req'd. White House Lumber, 101 S. Ballard.

21 Help Wanted

SIVALLS Inc. is looking for Welder Fabricators. Welding and drug tests req. Benefits: health ins., profit sharing, 401K, 8 paid holidays and 10 days vacation per year. 806-665-7111, Pampa.

21 Help Wanted

GENERAL handyman needed. Some welding & plumbing exp. a plus. Exp. with horses & cattle a plus also. Salary will commensurate with exp., health ins. provided. Send resume to: Gray County Vet, P.O. Box 1456 Pampa, TX 79066-1456. No phone calls!!

21 Help Wanted

CNAS needed full-time. New starting pay, exc. benefits. Will assist with CNA classes starting in 2 weeks. St. Ann's Nursing Home, Panhandle, 537-3194

21 Help Wanted

GREAT Part Time job for dependable hard worker buffing local supermarket floors nightly. Call 1-888-535-9319.

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FRANK Phillips College Nursing Instructors for Perryton/Guyton (full-time) and Dumas/Dalhart (full-time) and Pampa (part-time). Minimum 3 years as RN with varied experience. Send letter of interest, Application for Employment form, resume, and names and daytime phone numbers of three professional references to: Gloria Rummel, Frank Phillips College, PO Box 5118, Borger, TX 79008-5118

21 Help Wanted

LVN and CNAs needed at Edward Abraham Memorial Home. **SIGN ON BONUS** of \$1000 for LVNs and \$500 for CNAs. Competitive wages, benefits incl. paid holidays, vacation and health ins. Apply at 803 Birch Str., Canadian or call 323-6453. EOE.

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DIETARY Staff needed at Edward Abraham Memorial Home. Competitive wages, benefits incl. paid holidays, vacation and health ins. Apply at 803 Birch Str., Canadian or call 323-6453. EOE.

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CNAs or Nurse Aides Immediate openings! Experience preferred, but will also consider recent grads! Competitive rates and company benefits avail. for FULL TIME employees! EOE / MFHV. For more info, call (806)273-3785, or apply in person, Mon-Fri. 9am-4pm. **BORGER HEALTH CARE CENTER**, 1316 S. Florida, Borger, Tx. 79007

21 Help Wanted

CLERICAL position opening. General clerical, computer, and communication skills required. Any bookkeeping or accounting knowledge would be a plus. Send resume to PO Box 2535, fax to 806-669-6880, or come by 2601 W Kentucky, Pampa

21 Help Wanted

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS on many shifts. Requires Texas state certification. Long term care facility experience a plus! EOE. For more information call (806)665-5746, or apply **CORNADO HEALTHCARE CENTER**, 1504 W. Kentucky Ave., Pampa, TX.

21 Help Wanted

Hughes Christensen a Division of Baker Hughes currently has an opening for a **Technical Field Rep** located in Pampa, TX. To learn more about this opportunity, please visit our website at www.bakerhughes.com and click on the JOBS tab to access current openings. Baker Hughes is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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NEW LISTING - LYNN - Nice three bedroom home with 2 living areas, central heat and air, storage building, double garage. MLS 07-7669.

E. 2ND • WHITE DEER - 3 commercial buildings located on Hwy. 60. It was a feed and hardware store. Oil changing and tire balancing area. All inventory plumbing and electrical supplies. MLS 07-7528.

WILLISTON - Corner lot, has been completely updated with carpet, tile, new paint and textures. New counter tops, light fixtures and custom built-in island. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, single garage. MLS 07-7625.

N. SUMNER - Nice three bedroom home in quiet neighborhood. Central heat and air. Storage building, new replacement windows and new doors. Single carport, new sewer line in 2003. Vinyl siding for low maintenance. MLS 07-7658.

CHESTNUT - Three bedroom home with wood burning fireplace. Storm cellar, home has some hardwood floors, other updates have been made. Kitchen has been updated with flooring and appliances. Single garage. MLS 07-7655.

ZIMMERS - Two story home with three bedrooms, 2 living areas, sewing room, large utility room, sunroom. Dining room has tile floors. Den has atrium doors to back yard. New fence, storage building, double garage. MLS 06-7468.

ZIMMERS - Corner lot. Three bedrooms, 1 3/4 baths, central heat and air. Large den with fireplace. Home is total electric. Double garage. MLS 07-7642.

ZIMMERS - Three bedroom home with new flooring and crown moldings. New paint inside. Ready to move into. Single garage. 07-7632.

LYNN - Very nice 3 bedroom home with finished basement. New paint on the inside. New tile in entry. New carpet on porch and a pond in front yard. Open living/dining & kitchen areas. Double garage. MLS 07-7596.

JUNIPER - Nice three bedroom home close to Travis School. Neutral color. Paint throughout. Large yard. Wall heat. Single garage. MLS 07-7655.

GARLAND - Two bedroom home with 1 bath. Extra large garage with good storage in front. MLS 07-7525.

GRAPE - Lovely colonial home with custom built entertainment center. Isolated master bedroom, master bath has a Jacuzzi tub and a separate shower. Storm cellar, shop could be a 3rd garage. Sprinkler system, nicely landscaped yard, 4 bedrooms. MLS 07-7578.

BEECH - Corner lot with three car garage. Lovely three bedroom home with finished basement. Office, formal dining room. All rooms are extra large. 2 living areas, lots of storage and closets. Sprinkler system, sunroom, playhouse and much more. MLS 06-7206.

DUNCAN - Large open living and formal dining room. Kitchen has lots of storage. Den area off kitchen. 1 3/4 baths, lots of storage. Corner lot. Double garage in back. MLS 07-7642.

21 Help Wanted

Becky Baten 669-2214
Roberta Babb 665-6158
Held Chronister 665-6388
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Sandra Bronner 665-4218
Linda Burt 665-2524
Dennis Edmondson 669-6582
Don Donaldson 665-2800
JUDI EDWARDS GRI, CRS
BROKER-OWNER 665-5667
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BROKER-OWNER 665-1449

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Tejas Real Estate

2734 Comanche	3/1.75/2	\$119,500
2858 CC22	4/2/1 6+ acres	\$215,000
401 Rider	1/1.50/2 3 lots	\$105,000
12006 White Ac. Rd.	5/3/3 1 acre	\$229,900
12004 White Ac. Rd.	3/2/2 1 acre	\$219,000
12002 White Ac. Rd.	3/2/2 1 acre	\$189,000
1013-1015 N. Wells	Duplex	\$109,500
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Sue Baker, Agent ... 669-SOLD (7653)
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 Susan Hudson 580-338-9627

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Sales Associate

Sherwin-Williams, a leader in the paint and coatings industry has an opening at our Pampa, TX store for a (part-time) Sales Associate. In this position, you will assist customers, stock and price products, maintain store displays and tint and mix paint. (Position requires 20 to 25 hours per week.) Here's what you get: Competitive salary, company paid training, uniforms, employee discounts and growth opportunities.

Here's what you need: High school diploma or equivalent, ability to work all scheduled hours and valid driver's license.

Apply in person to: Scott Porter, Store Manager

Apply at: The Sherwin Williams Company
 2109 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065
 Tel: (806) 665-5727

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SHERWIN WILLIAMS

WANTED: Experienced Automotive Technician. Top Pay, average 50 hours per week. Thomas Automotive, 665-4851

J&L Cementing Service, LLC is seeking exp. personnel with or without current Class A CDL licenses to work in the oilfield cementing industry. We are seeking applicants for cementing and pump operating positions with a minimum of 3 yrs. exp. Positions also available in the bulk plant and operating a bulk truck. Great pay and benefits available to incl. health & life ins., paid vacations, 401K and scheduled days off. Applicants must be capable of lifting 100 pounds plus and be capable of acquiring a Class A CDL.

You can reach our 24 hour dispatch at (580)938-2020 or apply at 300 E. Airport Rd., Shattuck, O.K. 73858

BEST WESTERN NORTHGATE INN
 Front desk position Housekeeping position Apply in person 2831 Perryton Pkwy.

NURSE: RN WEEK-ENDS ONLY. Must have TEXAS State license. Competitive rates! EOE. Call (806)665-5746, or apply in person at CORONADO HEALTHCARE CENTER, 1504 W. Kentucky Ave., Pampa.

NEED Assistant Manager for large apt. complex in Pampa. No exp. necessary. Call 665-1875.

PUMPER / Operator wanted. We are looking for an individual who wants a career in the oil & gas industry. If you are interested, please contact Terry Grantham, 806-217-0168, our office 620-624-5546 or fax your resume to 620-624-2732.

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Attendant Needed in Pampa and McLean Part-time Weekdays and / or Weekends. Experience needed to do house cleaning, shopping, preparing meals, personal care and other duties for the elderly and disabled. Must be 18 yrs. old and have reliable transportation. Spanish speaking preferred. Come join our professional team. Send resume referencing Ad #5831 Fax to (806)-747-0491 Call (806)747-0173 Email to opportunities@girling.com or apply at 2207 34th St. **GIRLING HEALTH CARE, INC.** Lubbock, TX E.O.E. M/F/D/V

The Main Fax Line
669-2520 and Internet Line at the Pampa News is back in working order! Sorry for any inconvenience!

AUCTION
TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2007 10:00 AM
DOUGLAS BACKHOE
 502 JUNIPER, PERRYTON, TEXAS
 DAVID IS DOWNSIZING HIS OPERATION AND WILL OFFER THE FOLLOWING INVENTORY AT AUCTION CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT IH DRESSER 580 WHEEL LOADER, 3 YD. BUCKET, AIR BRAKES (SN34705306002365), 92 CASE 580K EXTENDA HOLE, NEW MOTOR, NEW TRANSMISSION CASE 580C BACKHOE VERMEER V-454A DITCHER, DSL, BLADE, BACKHOE DITCHWICH 2300 DITCHER W/BLADE DITCHWICH R40, DSL, BOLADE, HOE, SALVAGE TRUCKS 1995 FREIGHTLINER TRACTOR TRUCK, 10 SP, FULLER, CUMM., AIR RIDE 42', FLAT TOP SLEEPER, 494 KMI, 1995 VOLVO TRACTOR TRUCK, SINGLE AXLE, 9 SP, FULLER, AIR RIDE, SLEEPER, 1987 COLVO WINCH RUCK, POLES, ROLLING TAIL, 1983 IHC 1754 WINCH TRUCK, 145' BED, 9 LITER DSL, 4 SP, 2 SP, 11R22 RUBBER MACK R600, 9 SP, MACK ENG., TANDEM, 89 MACK R68ST, EATON 9 SP, TANDEM, BROKEN FRAME, 1989 CHEV C70 WINCH RUCK, 5 SP, 2 SP, DSL, HYG. WINCH, FORD 7000 TRUCK, SINGLE AXLE W/ROCK BED, GMC 7000 TRUCK, SINGLE AXLE W/ROCK BED, NEEDS MOTOR, FORD 9000 CAB-OVER, SINGLE AXLE, 1990 Chev Kodiak, Cab 3116, dsl, 6sp, 362K mi., Western hauler bed, 1992 Ford F600 Crew cab winch truck, 5 sp, 2 sp, Ford 7.0 LEH, doesn't run, IHC tandem truck, steel grain bed, no title, TRAILERS, 1990 R-WAY SINGLE DOOR ROCK TRAILER, 1974 TALBERT STRAIGHT TRAILER, 45' DUAL TANDEM DROP DECK, 10 DECK, 25 W RAMP, DIAMOND GSN 20' W/5' DOVETAIL, TANDEM, 5X14 TANDEM TRAILER DITCH WICH T8 TRAILER, 25' PIPE TRAILER 2 OLDER 45' STRAIGHT TRAILERS, Childress 30' GSN trailer, triple axle, dove tail, Golf Cart 1998 Club Golf cart w/ charger, needs battery PICK-UPS, 1996 Chev Caprice, power, air, 1995 DODGE 3500 1 T FLATBED, AUTO, 1995 FORD F 350 XLT winch truck, dsl, 4 sp, 1998 DODGE 2500 V10, AUTO, AIR, FLATBED, 1992 CHEV 1500 4X4, AUTO, 1991 CHEV 1 T CREW CAB, 4 SP, FLATBED, 1989 CHEV 2500 CREW CAB, 5 SP, 1982 CHEV S10, 4 SP, 1981 Chev 30, 1 T, cab/chassis, 4 sp, doesn't run, 1978 Ford F150 4x4, doesn't run, 1970 CHEV C10, 350 ENG, 3 SP, FLATBE, SALVAGE, 1992 FORD 350, 5 SP, 4X4, 1993 FORD 350, 5 SP, 1980 FORD 350, 4 SP, FLATBED NON-CLASSIFIEDS' BUCKET FORKS, 1 LOT 3" VALVES, TULSA ULR8 WINCH, COMPLETE, 1 LOT 2" HAMMER UNIONS, BRADEN WINCH, 1 LOT KIMRAY PRESSURE VALVES, PARCHEL ROLL 6-03 WIRE, 1 WKM 600 VALVE, 14" 4" PIPE, 2 SECURITY LIGHTS, 36" 2.78 PIPE, 4 HOSE REELS, 10-2 3/8 PIPE, 200 GAL. ALUM, DSL, TANKS, 1 LOT MISC PIPE, 1 BARION METER, 10 2" COLLARS, 1 LOT DITCHER TEETH, 5 LOTS 2" NIPPLES, 1 LOT WOOD POS, 1 LOT 2" T'S, 1 LOT T POST, 1 LOT 2" ELBOWS, 1 LOT WELL GUARD PANELS, 1 LOT 3" COLLARS, 1 LOT PIPE CORNER POST, 1 LOT BELL REDUCERS, 10T BARBED WIRE SHOP EQUIPMENT LINCOLN 225 WELDER, 2 PAINT SPRAYER, TRANSMISSION JACK, CENTER LINE TOOL CHES, ACETALYNE TORCHES, POWER WASHER, PICKUP BED TOOL BOXES, PIPE THREADERS, PORTABLE AIR TANK, AIR HAMMER, JACK, 2 WORK BENCHES, MISC. SHOP, DRILLS, SKILSAWS, SANDERS

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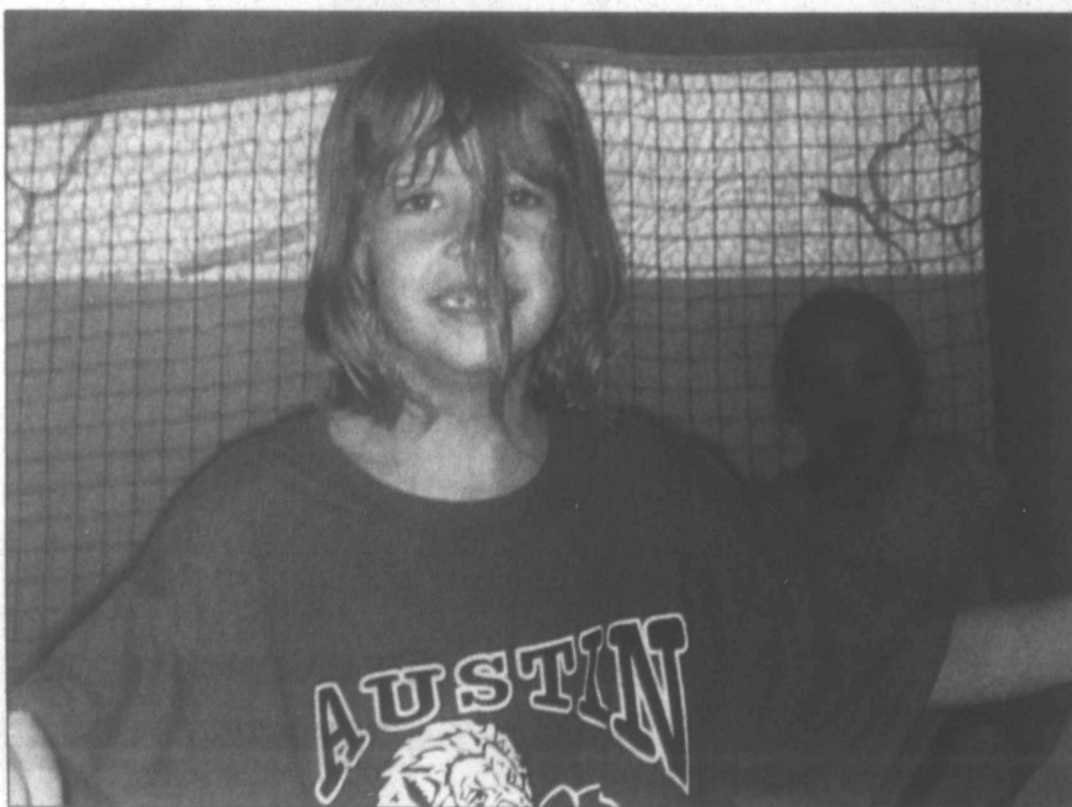
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Chanceton Roberts and LaDonna Honeycutt check out the refreshment table at a recent Create-a-Beat! program at Hi-Land Christian Church.



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Vanessa Valenzuela sure was glad that her part of the Create-a-Beat! Program, held recently at Hi-Land Christian Church, was over.



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Jacey Montgomery shows that 10 minutes in the big clown bouncy bounce makes some people's hair go WILD and CRAZY. The bouncy bounce was part of the Create-a-Beat! Good Behavior Party recently.

Ancient tree falls in the forest, found 380 million years later

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — The tree stood tall and spindly in the hot sun some 380 million years ago when something toppled it, maybe a storm or an earthquake.

It fell into water and dammed up in a muddy delta. The mud and sand on top hardened into sedimentary rock, hiding the fossilized tree for eons — until Frank Mannolini came by with a hammer and chisel.

Over the last three years, Mannolini and his fellow New York State Museum fossil hunter Linda VanAller Hernick painstakingly uncovered and curated the tree crown and a separate trunk specimen found in a remote rock quarry in upstate New York.

Their efforts were rewarded with an article in the April 19 issue of the weekly journal *Nature* describing their finds as significant examples of the oldest known tree: *Wattieza*. The chipped-away pieces are kept in the museum's storerooms. A portion of a 28-foot trunk impression, put back together like a jigsaw, lies on a floor.

"It took a lot of glue to put it back together," Mannolini said, looking over his work, "a lot of patience."

The trees were found about a half-hour southwest of Albany, in an area that has been on the paleontological map since 1870, when workers at a separate quarry stumbled upon a group of fossilized stumps. Shaped like big fat stone pears, the finds were dubbed the "Gilboa stumps" after the little town nearby.

The stumps had been cited as evidence of the world's oldest forest, but they provided only partial information about the ancient trees. It was like finding just a dinosaur leg.

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— Frank Mannolini
Fossil hunter

Scientists could make only educated guesses about what the rest of the tree looked like until Hernick and Mannolini uncovered the specimens.

It was especially meaningful work for both of them.

Hernick, the museum's paleontology collection manager, had been fascinated by the Gilboa stumps since seeing them on display as a girl.

Mannolini's connection to the site is stranger and sadder. His younger sister, Sharon Mannolini, was the museum's paleontology collection manager when she was killed four years ago in a car accident at age 35.

Brother and sister were fascinated by geology growing up. He would even bring his sister rocks he found when he went exploring in the woods.

He found out after her death

that she had kept them her whole life.

Mannolini landed a temporary job at the state museum and eventually earned the same position his sister held. He now has his sister's old desk, and Sharon's picture stares out at him when he works there.

When he went to the quarry in 2004, he decided to start digging where his sister dug.

That's when he found a fossil of a tree's crown. The tree had branches fanning out at the top, making it look like a long-handled brush. Its profile slightly resembles a palm tree, but *Wattieza* had no leaves. It reproduced through spores.

"It's a look at the way the first trees were constructed," Hernick said.

The 28-foot-long section of a trunk was found in the summer of 2005. Scientific analyses on the finds were performed by state paleontologist Ed Landing, William Stein of Binghamton University and Christopher Berry of Cardiff University. They shared credit with the pair for the article in *Nature*, which said the specimens provide new insight into Earth's earliest trees and forests.

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