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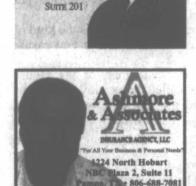
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# Pampa school board discusses site for junior high

**By KERRI SMITH** Staff Writer

The status of renovations at Pampa High School, choosing a site for the new junior high school and changing the entries to Austin, Wilson and Travis elementaries were the main topics of discussion at a special school board meeting held Thursday night by the Pampa Independent School Board.

Mike Baker from the architectural

gave a report on the status of renovations at the high school and gave the proposed time lines for work being

"We feel good about the work that was done over the summer," Baker said. "Most of the demolition was complete before school began and we finished installing air conditioning in McNeely Fieldhouse. There are temporary thermostats in the

firm of Parkhill, Smith and Cooper fieldhouse that will eventually run to a mechanical room which will be built in the future.

"On Sept. 28, we will hopefully issue the foundation and structural steel package so work can begin on the new science labs, classrooms and the commons area. We anticipate issuing the full architectural drawing package on Oct. 31. The concrete slab has been poured and structural steel is going up at the MPAC build-

ing. Around the end of the year, the MPAC building should be complete.'

Don Campbell was present at the meeting to discuss the site for the new junior high school north of town. He is part of the Campbell family that is donating land to the school district where the school and playing fields will be built. Campbell

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# Chisum, friends enjoy annual rodeo

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

Warren Chisum and almost 200 of his closest friends dined on prime rib Thursday night Cottonwood Springs Guest Ranch after a day of hunting and horseback riding.

The Pampa state representative's guests included Speaker of the House Tom Craddick, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples and Canadian Consulate General Norris Pettis, along with a dozen or so lawmakers from around the state.

and friends and lobbyists. Officially known as the

Rodeo, Becky Epps said Cottonwood Springs Guest Ranch has hosted the appreciation dinner for Chisum for the last 15 years.

Richard and Wanda Wagner of Gruver provided the food that was served off the chuckwagon of Paul and Barbara Stavlo, also from Gruver.

Epps said the reason they have the chuckwagon every year is because Chisum sponsored the bill that made the chuckwagon the official Texas vehicle.

"That's pretty cool," Epps

Jim Moyer of Pampa pro-

# Boy Scout exec enjoys shift in careers

Pampa's State Rep. Warren Chisum, left, and Speaker of the House Tom

Craddick share a joke at Chisum's annual ranch rodeo at Cottonwood Springs

Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Guest Ranch Thursday evening.

Being named district executive of the Adobe Walls District of Boy Scouts of America represents a career shift for

George Etier of Pampa. Etier, who began his Scouting duties May 1, holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from North Texas State University, now the University of North Texas, which he earned in 1977. He graduated from

Abilene Christian University at Dallas in 1982 with a master's in business administration.

He worked in the electronics field for a number of years in various management positions, and then worked in the mortgage industry for about 10 years before becoming a Scouting executive.

"It's a way to make a positive impact on society," Etier said of Scouting. "Since I'd been involved in Scouting for many years, I felt very strongly that

Scouting provided a method for youths to make ethical choices when they get older. In business careers, you don't always have people who make ethical choices."

Etier has been involved in Scouting since age 12. He lived in Carrollton most of his life. As a youth, he attended the National Conservation Training Camp at Philmont Scout Ranch in New

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Etier





Courtesy photos

The Fritch Fortress boat ramp area at Lake Meredith on July 20, 2006, at left, and on Sept. 6, 2007, at right.

# Fritch Fortress boat ramp closed temporarily

FRITCH — The Fritch Fortress boat ramp closed temporarily on Tuesday as Lake Meredith maintenance personnel began preparations to lengthen the launch ramp once again. Depending upon weather conditions, the extension should be completed within 10 - 14 days.

"When this segment is finished, we will have extended the launch

ramp at Fritch Fortress by over 150 feet," Chief of Maintenance Jimmy Muncy said. "While we will continue to provide lake access to the best of our ability, at some point this section of the lake may become too shallow to make ramp extensions practical." Lake Meredith continues to set new record lows each day, with the current level at 53.24 feet.

Boat launch traffic should use the Sanford-Yake Marina boat ramp or the Double R boat ramp at Harbor Bay until Fritch Fortress is reopened. The Double R ramp is accessible only to small or mediumsized boats, while larger boats should utilize Sanford-Yake.

Visitors are reminded that as lake levels continue to drop, hazardous

conditions will exist in some areas of the lake. Boaters should obey all hazard buoys and be aware of sandbars, limbs, and other submerged obstacles. For questions about lake access or lake conditions, please contact park headquarters at 419 E. Broadway, Fritch, Texas, or phone 806-857-3151.



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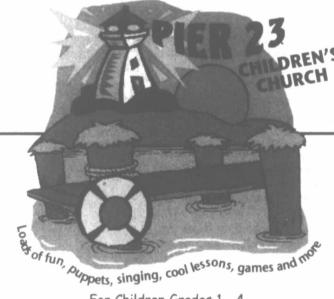
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#### **Obituaries**

#### Services tomorrow.

McCABE, Jimmie Lou Cuddeback — Funeral mass, 11 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.

#### Jimmie Lou Cuddeback McCabe, 71

Jimmie Lou Cuddeback McCabe, 71, of Pampa, died Sept. 5, 2007, at Pampa.

Vigil services will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, 2007, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, and funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with the Rev. Francisco Perez, officiating. She married

Entombment will be in Memory Gardens Mausoleum under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Aug. 14, 1936 in Grandfield, Oklahoma, Harvey and i e J i m m Cuddeback. She was reared in Loveland Oklahoma, and graduated from Loveland High School in 1955.

Gerald McCabe on June 1, 1957, in Wichita Falls.

Mrs. McCabe was born member of St. Vincent de Austin. Nine grandchildren,



**McCabe** 

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include her hus-Gerald McCabe, of the three home; daughters, Janelle Luellen of Little Elm, Teresa

McClintock of Fort McKavett, and She had been a resident of McCabe of Amarillo; one Pampa since 1969. She was a son, Blake McCabe of

Nina Morris, Cory Morris, Ian Luellen, Catron Luellen, Ryan McClintock, Mason McClintock, Jennifer Miller, Clint Miller and Jacob McCabe. Three great-grandchildren, Ethan Harral, Evan Harral and Aydan Morrison.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Owen Cuddeback.

Memorials: Alzheimer's Association, 1400 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

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#### **Emergency Services**

#### Pampa PD

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

Two traffic stops were made. An accident was reported at the intersection of 20th and Christine.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1000 block of South Hobart, the 2200 block of North Nelson, the 2400 block of North Charles, the 500 block of North Faulkner, the 1200 block of South Finley, the 1100 block of East Frederic, the 900 block of West Alcock, the 2200 block of North Nelson, the 800 block of West 23rd, the 700 block of North Deane, the 700 block of North Dwight, the 600 block of Hazel, the intersection of Price and Kentucky, and the 1300 block of Willow.

Three instances of thefts were reported in the police department lobby. Another theft was reported in the 300 block of North Christy.

Escort service was provided in the 1600 block of North Nelson.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of North Sumner where six slats of fence were knocked out in six different locations. Estimated damages are unknown.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 1000 block of South Love, the 300 block of North Somerville and the 1100 block of South Varnon.

An assault was reported in the police department lobby.

A stolen vehicle was reported in the 2400 block of North Rosewood. Lost property was reported in the police department lobby.

An animal bite was reported in the 400 block of South Russell and an

animal complaint was noted in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

A welfare check was made in the 1000 block of Sirroco.

Agency assistance was provided at the intersection of Crawford and Barrett.

#### Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today. Thursday, Sept. 6

Kenneth Ray Reed, 24, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a probation violation for possession of marijuana.

James Daniel Trammel, 29, of Lawton, Okla., was arrested by GCSO on a bench warrant for theft more than \$1,500 but less than \$2,900, enhanced.

# Employees cut payrolls by 4,000 in August, first such decline in U.S. jobs in four years

By JEANNINE AVERSA AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employers sliced payrolls by 4,000 jobs in August, the first such decline in four years and a stark sign that a painful credit crunch that has unnerved Wall Street is putting a strain on the national economy.

The latest snapshot of the employment climate, released by the Labor Department today, also showed that the unemployment rate held steady at 4.6 percent, mainly because hundreds of thousands of people left the work force for any

The surprisingly weak report provides the Federal Reserve with a reason to lower interest rates when it meets next on Sept. 18.

Job losses in construction, manufacturing, transportation and government swamped gains in education and health care, leisure and hospitality, and retail. Employment in financial services was flat. The weakness in payrolls reflected fallout from a deepening housing slump, a credit crisis and financial turbulence that has made businesses more cautious in their hiring.

"I think a lot of businesses are moving to the sidelines to wait and see how things shake out," said Ken Mayland, president of ClearView Economics.

On Wall Street, stocks tumbled. The Dow Jones industrials average was down more than 180 points in morning trad-

were forecasting payrolls to grow by 110,000. The drop of 4,000 jobs in August was the first decline. since August 2003. Payrolls fell by 42,000 at that time as the. job market was still struggling to recover from the 2001,

Economists were expecting a much stronger report. They

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, in a speech last week, said the Fed stands ready to do all that is needed to, keep the credit crunch that has rocked Wall Street from damaging the economy.

Economists increasingly believe the Fed will cut a key interest rate, now at 5.25 percent, by at least one-quarter percentage point at the September meeting. The Fed has not, lowered this rate in four years.

"Clearly the economy is struggling, and this is the kind of evidence that really makes a strong case for a Fed easing move," Mayland said.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., chairman of the House Financial Services Committee, called the employment report "deeply troubling" and urged the Fed to lower rates. "A strong response is required — specifically a meaningful, interest rate cut," he said.

Those with jobs, however, did see modest wage gains. Average hourly earnings rose to \$17.50 in August, a 0.3 percent increase from July. That matched economists' forecasts. Over the past 12 months, wages are up 3.9 percent. Wage growth supports consumer spending, a major ingredient for a healthy economy. If the job markets continues to lose steam, however, wage growth will eventually slow, too,

The modest wage growth could ease inflation fears, giving the Fed more leeway to cut interest rates.

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Kitzi - "I think they will have a good season because they looked good at last Friday's game."

Brenda - "I think they will do great."



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"I think they will do very well. They have a good quarterback, receivers and running back. The defense is also very tough."



Jim Pepper CVS **Pharmacist** 

"I think they will do good. They looked good Friday night, so I think they have a promising season ahead."

## **School**

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and Baker discussed with the board the issue they are currently working on, which is pipelines from Eagle Rock, Duke and Phillips that run under the ground in the area where the school was going to be

"There are certain restrictions about how far buildings have to be from the pipelines that we are researching," Baker said. "We are talking to these gas companies because we want to make sure that nothing is missed and we know all of the regulations before any construction is done at that site."

Campbell offered to take representatives Parkhill, Smith and Cooper and Western Builders out to that property so they can see exactly where the land is and what utilities are near

"All of the Campbell family is in favor of this plan and we want to pro-

ceed with the process," Campbell said. "We'll work with the school district and the gas companies because we don't want to do anything that would be dangerous for anyone."

The timeline for the junior high school is once the actual site is picked, it will take approximately six months to finish the architectural drawings and issue those to Western Builders. A lot of utility and road work will have to be done at the site before any buildings can go up. The new junior high may be complete some time in 2009 and be ready for occupancy for the 2010 school year.

Randy Stephenson gave a report on the new high school track and said it came in a few days ahead of schedule and \$200 under budget. He said it looks great and is getting great reviews from people who are using it. The track is now open to the public again for walking purposes.

**Business Manager Carol** Fields gave a report on how much of the bond amount has been spent so far and the total is \$1,449,721. She

also said the school district will soon go out for bids on putting in air conditioning at the temporary library in the vocational building and construction to make the public entrances to Austin, Travis and Wilson elementaries more secure and safer.

The board voted to change the provider for the employee assistance program to Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Services. This is a counseling service available to employees and their dependents for six sessions of counseling to help through a crisis.

The possibility of entering into an inter-local agreement with the Borger ISD was discussed. Pampa could contract with them for eight spots for DAEP (discipline alternative education placement). DAEP is an alternative education program for students who are unable to attend school at their home campus for persistent misbehavior. Fields said doing this would be cheaper than hiring a DAEP teacher for the Pampa district. Board members will discuss this at a future meeting.

## **Scouts**

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Mexico and served as a staff member of various district and council leadership training courses. He is a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, an honors camper society.

As a volunteer, Etier has served as an assistant scoutmaster, scoutmaster, committee member, troop committee chairman, district training team member and district vice-chairman.

He hopes to see Scouting grow in the region served by the Adobe Walls District, which includes Hutchinson, Roberts and Hemphill counties and the areas of Carson, Gray and Wheeler counties which are north of Interstate

"I'd just like to grow Scouting in all the communities we have it in now, and start it in communities we don't have it in right now," Etier said. "I'm hoping to start a cub pack in Fritch, which hasn't had one in

He also plans to provide more training, programs and staff resources for program

The Adobe Walls District currently has 13 packs, approximately 10 troops and two Venture crews, Etier said. Venturing is a high school program open to

boys and girls age 14 and older.

Scouting's real-world experiences will have to compete with the virtual world of electronic devices for youths' interest, Etier said.

"I think that we're going to have to be creative in how we attract the young people, because they're very electronically connected," he said. "Our greatest success is in the outdoor programs, so we have to build a bridge to bring them from the virtual environment to the physical environment."

Scouting's activities teach skills which can be used over a lifetime, Etier said.

"Swimming, canoeing, hiking, camping and backpacking are all lifetime sports that a person can do at any age and physical fitness level," he said. "Scouts may

share them with their families now and with their families as adults, and they may enjoy them for a lifetime."

Physical fitness and ethical choices are not the only things offered by Scouting to participants, Etier said. Leadership and spiritual development are imparted to Scouts.

Etier and his wife, Cindy, a registered dental hygienist, have two daughters.

The Adobe Walls District is part of the Golden Spread Council, which is headquartered in Amarillo and serves 24 counties in the Texas Panhandle and the three counties of the Oklahoma Panhandle.

For more information on Scouting in the Adobe Walls District, call Etier at 669-3421 or 679-9703, or contact him via e-mail getier@bsamail.org.



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# Truckers protest Mexican rigs

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — At the Flying J truck stop, a group of long-haul drivers watched television and worried whether an impending trickle of Mexican trucks onto U.S. roads might soon wash away their livelihoods.

The drivers have carved out a niche transporting goods that their Mexican counterparts had previously not been allowed to haul more than a few miles past the border. "That's my business," Gerald Fernow, a

36-year-old driver from Flatonia. "What am I supposed to do? I'm screwed." It was a sentiment shared by many

Thursday as they awaited the possible first arrivals under a pilot program allowing Mexican trucking companies to haul cargo anywhere in the country. The U.S. Transportation Department

granted permission Thursday to Transportes Olympic, based in a suburb of Monterrey, Mexico, to haul cargo anywhere in the United States as part of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Mexico granted authority to Stagecoach Cartage & Distribution Inc. of El Paso to travel anywhere in Mexico.

While the two companies may cross the

border immediately, they might wait a few days while they determine new routes, said John Hill, who runs the U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, which regulates truck safety.

"What we're hearing from the carriers is they could be ready to go as soon as days from now," Hill told reporters on a conference call from Washington.

Dozens of truckers protested at border crossings in Texas and California on Thursday, denouncing as dangerous and unfair the program that will allow up to 100 Mexican trucking companies to haul throughout the U.S.

Carrying signs reading "NAFTA Kills" and "Unsafe Mexican Trucks," a few dozen protesters circled in the heat for two hours at Laredo's port of entry at the World Trade Bridge on the U.S.-Mexico border.

"What do we want? Safe highways. When do we want them? Now!" they chanted.

By the end of the month, the U.S. plans to give up to 25 Mexican firms permission to haul cargo and will add another 25 per month until reaching 100 by the end of the year under a one-year pilot program, Hill said.

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#### Minister: porn was research

WACO, Texas (AP) - A minister who was arrested child pornography charges told authorities he was doing research to get some Web sites shut down, police said.

Henry Edgington, 63, of Chalk Bluff, was charged with seven counts of child pornography possession. He was released from the McLennan County Jail on \$70,000 bond Thursday after he surrendered to police.

Edgington is a minister at the Elm Mott Church of Christ near Waco.

A relative found a box containing child pornography at Edgington's home approached Waco Police's Crimes Against Children detectives last week, police spokesman Steve Anderson said.

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# Viewpoints

# Fall is great time to get outdoors

Autumn is fast approaching (even though it doesn't feel like it in the Texas Panhandle with 90degree temps) and that means the start of school, football and festivals. Fall is my favorite season with winter coming in a close sec-

I think one reason I like these seasons so much is because I'm always hot. It seems like I can never get cool enough, even with the a/c running. I hate it when it's really hot outside because then I don't enjoy doing activities outside. I usually let my flowerbeds get out of hand, I don't like playing outside with my son as much and forget going to an event like an outside meeting.

The fall is great because I can plant mums and pansies, my son and I can sit in the backyard and Chautauqua are fun to attend. You can open the windows at your house and just let the fresh air blow through.

My son is in Pre-K at St. Matthew's now and it's fun asking him what he did in class and finding out what new things he's learning. He's a child who really does better with structure, so being in class most of the day instead of just daycare is really great for him (and of course in the end is better for my husband and I also). The kids can usually go outside and play on the playground every day and the teachers don't have to worry about them getting too hot.

Last Friday, my family attended the first Harvester football game and we had a great time. Of course it was wonderful to see the team

play in the sandbox and events like win, but I'd forgotten just how huge football is to the whole town of Pampa. Cars were parked all over the neighborhood and it was hard to find a place to sit at 7:15

> Kerri Smith Staff Writer



It was fun to decide what junk food we wanted to eat while watching the game. It was neat to see so many people in the stands cheering for the team, even when they don't have kids in school. I was in the band in high school, so I loved hearing the band play in the stands and seeing them march during half-

It was fun to try and catch plastic footballs and T-shirts when the cheerleaders threw them up in the stands. And even better to see an adult that had caught one of these items turn around and give it to a child sitting behind him instead of keeping it. It was fun talking to the people sitting near us, even though we didn't know each other.

When we lived in Connecticut, I made and sold crafts at craft shows around the state and had a blast so I really enjoy going to fall craft shows and festivals. Even though I never need anything, I can always find something that I want.

Going to Chautauqua last weekend was fun. Again, we ate junk food, looked around at the booths and enjoyed the entertainment on

the stage. My son really had fun riding the train, ponies and a horse drawn cart. Even though he was too scared to talk to the firefighters or get on the fire truck, he did enjoy getting stickers and crayons from the firemen.

I enjoyed watching (and of course not participating in) the runners who did the one mile and 5K runs. There was a lady running with her bulldog (with a pooper scooper), lots of parents running with children and four generations of one family running.

I know I've said this a million times since we've moved back to Pampa, but it's great to live in a small town and enjoy the fall activities within the community.

# Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 7, the 250th day of 2007. There are 115 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

One hundred years ago, on Sept. 7, 1907, the British liner RMS Lusitania set out on its maiden voyage, from Liverpool, England, to New York, arriving six days later. (Lusitania was sunk by a German submarine in 1915.)

On this date:

In 1807, Denmark surrendered to British forces that had bombarded the city of Copenhagen for four days.

In 1825, the Marquis de Lafayette, the French hero of the American Revolution, bade farewell to President John Quincy

Adams at the White House.

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In 1957, the original version of the animated NBC peacock logo, used to denote programs "brought to you in living color," made its debut at the beginning of "Your Hit Parade.

In 1967, the situation comedy "The Flying Nun," starring Sally Field as a nun who finds that she can fly, debuted on

In 1977, the Panama Canal treaties, calling for the U.S. to eventually turn over control of the waterway to Panama, were signed in Washington by President Carter and Panamanian leader Omar Torrijos.

In 1977, convicted Watergate conspirator G. Gordon Liddy was released from prison after more than four years.

In 1979, the Entertainment and Sports Programming Network (ESPN) made its cable TV debut.

In 1987, Erich Honecker became the first East German head

of state to visit West Germany as he arrived for a five-day visit. Ten years ago: Mobutu Sese Seko, the former dictator of Zaire, died in exile in Morocco at age 66.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair, meeting at Camp David, said the world had to act against Saddam Hussein, arguing that the Iraqi leader had defied the United Nations and reneged on promises to destroy weapons of mass destruction.



# Perception: Cornerstone of human reality

human being on this Earth alive today believes he or she is right?

It's true. The Wall Street millionaire, the villager in Somalia, the Chinese general, the Amazonian Indian, the homeless wino in Chicago, the president of the United States, and you and I all are doing what we think at the moment is the right thing to do, based on the belief that our perceptions of the world are correct.

This is a built-in defect in the way human beings are constructed by nature. Human beings are braindirected animals. We can't lift a finger or speak the simplest word without directions from the brain. Yet the brain has no source of information except the human senses - sight, smell, hear-

ing, touch and taste. Throughout the millennia,

Do you realize that every humans have developed tal policies he disapproves elaborate codes, called languages, with which to describe and process the data we receive from our senses. We have an irresistible impulse to name things.

> Using the English code, we Charley name a cer-Reese tain segment Columnist reflected radiation

"yellow." If we use the Spanish code, we name it "amarillo." These names are chosen arbitrarily, vary from language to language and, as we often forget, are not the things they

The president's "axis of evil," for example, is neither an axis nor an evil. It's a judgment he (or his speechwriters) made about three countries whose governmenof. The countries were not allies. In fact, two of them (Iraq and Iran) were enemies. North Korea has a different culture, different language and different interests

> than other two.

As grow up, we grow up in a particular place, using a particular lan-

guage code, learning a particular history and a particular set of customs. The concept of the universal citizen of the world is just that, a mental abstraction that has no counterpart in reality. A common mistake Americans often make is to assume that people in foreign countries think the same way we do. In fact, of course, people in our own

country do not think exactly alike.

The cornerstone of human existence is perception. We normally act on the basis of our perception of reality, which easily can be defined as the way things are. The perception, for example, that we can beat a train to the crossing has life-or-death consequences if we act on it. Prejudice is the offspring of misperceptions. Millions died because of the perception that yellow fever was caused by noxious vapors from swamps. I don't think it is an exaggeration to say that 90 percent of human conflicts and tragedies are caused by misperceptions of reality.

Therefore, we all should attempt to sharpen our perception of reality in an attempt to make it as accu-

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#### Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

**Aug. 27** Houston Chronicle on Texas' religious freedoms act:

By its nature, lawmaking is a messy business. It is impossible for every lawmaker to read or fully grasp every bill that comes up for a vote, especially in the end-of-session crush.

It's not clear why legislators voted to pass the insidiously named Religious Viewpoints Antidiscrimination Act. Passed at the close of the legislative session that ended in May, the law forbids school districts from interfering with students who wish to use school events, and their captive audience of peers, staff and community, to express their religious views.

The law, also called the Schoolchildren's Religious Liberties Act, requires districts to adopt a policy under which certain student leaders must be given opportunities to speak at all school events at which students speak publicly, including graduation, football games and morning announce-

As long as students do not engage in "obscene, vulgar, offensively lewd or indecent speech," they will be permitted an open mic to express their religious beliefs. The law attempts to get around the constitutional prohibition against state promotion of religion by requiring schools to provide disclaimers stating that the students'

speech is not school or district sponsored.

According to Houston Independent School District spokesperson Norm Uhl, HISD has yet to vote on a religious speech policy.

Proponents of the law say it protects students from discrimination for expressing religious viewpoints verbally or in their schoolwork. But to what anti-religious biases are these advocates referring?

Rather than protecting students from religious discrimination, the law's true accomplishment will be the creation of state-sanctioned forums for students who wish to pray and proselytize to captive audiences. With that comes the

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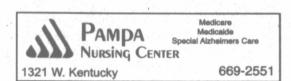
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# The Body of Christ

Church name: The Body of Christ, 210 N. Ward, 669-9599.

Minister: Pastor Joseph Smith.

Services: Sunday — 9 a.m. Bible Class, 10 a.m. Worship - followed by a meal; Wednesday — 5:45 p.m. class and dinner; Thursday — 7 p.m. youth meeting.

Activities: The youth take an annual ski trip as well as camp and summer activities.

Members: 75.

Denomination: Non-denominational.

How long here: Since 2000.

Goals: We are looking for a new building, as we have outgrown ours.

Other activities: We try to help anyone who needs it and we try and help on an individual basis.

Main goal: We are a relational / missional church, meaning we are interested in developing relationships and making others feel welcome and accepted, first and foremost. Through those relationships, we teach and show the Word and love of God.

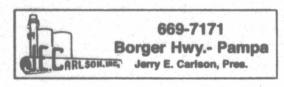
Church message: Our message is that no one has a past, only a future. We strive to meet people where they are at and give them hope.

Responsible parties: Mendi Bonner is in charge of relationships and Kellye Taylor is the secretary.

Information: We accept and love everyone who walks in the door. We are made up of primarily failures in one way or another, so we do not want others to be intimidated by visiting us.



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# Religion

# Minister's musings: Alcohol is a vice and a sin

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The time of year has come that Mothers Against Drunk Drivers is giving records of the fatalities caused by drivers affected by alcohol in 2006. In our nation, we lost an average of 1,495 live per month. More than 17,000 died in 2006 by alcohol-related accidents – the highest in 15 years.

Will our nation close its eyes? Will our preachers refuse to speak out against this evil because it's a negative subject? The Bible says use a little wine for your stomach's and infirmities sake. (1 Timothy 5:23)

Drunkenness is forbidden, and no drunk is accepted into heaven regardless of church membership. (1 Corinthians 6:9-10) Drunkards are to be disfellowshipped by the church according to 1 Corinthians 5:11.

Have you ever noticed what class of people the drunks are placed with in the Bible? "Unrighteous, fornicators, idolaters, adulterers, effeminate abusers of themselves

with mankind, thieves, covetous, drunkards, revilers, and extortioners." Corinthians 6:9-10)

The loss of so many lives to drinkers in 2006 should shame America to her knees. America has scarcely made any frown about what alcoholics are doing to themselves and to innocent people. Church people

often say that he or she is a Christian and excuse this behavior by saying the drinker "just made a mistake."

The Bible says it differently.

Christians, you might be able to help some of them if you tell them they can't go to heaven if they don't get saved from drunkenness.

America has closed her eyes to the evil of drunkenness so long, not considering that she is walking in darkness.

"Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath

wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? "They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to

seek mixed wine. "Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth

Does the war that we pray so hard to come to a close kill our people as fast? Not by thousands and thousands per year. America sets her eyes on tax revenue and closes her eyes to the suffering, the broken homes, the heartaches and loss of innocent

itself aright." (Proverbs 23:29-31)

Here me, church people, and all unbe-

lievers: Jesus is going to sit as judge of all the earth and every sin including the sin of voting for legalizing alcoholic beverages.

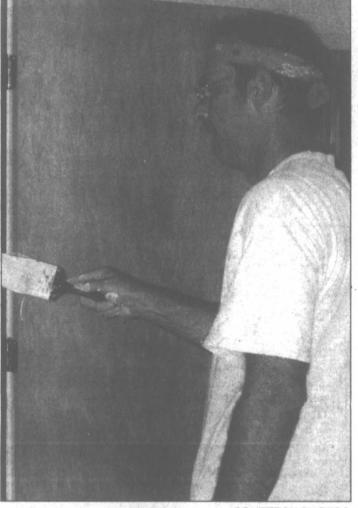
The apostles turned from excess use of wine (1 Peter 4:3) John the Baptist would be great in the sight of the Lord and not drink wine nor strong drink. (Luke 1:15) Samson's mother was forbidden to harm the baby in her womb with alcohol. The enemies of Jesus accused him of being a winebibber.

Winebibbing was a bad thing to be guilty of, and Jesus was not guilty of it.

In the feast of Passover, which was a type of coming out of a life of sin, only unleavened bread could be served, not a trace of fermenting power was acceptable. What a powerful church Jesus would have if alcoholic beverages were not used by its mem-

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Calvary Baptist Church recently sent 13 of its members on a mission trip to New Orleans. The group assisted the Southern Baptist N.O.A.H. (New Orleans Area Hope) organization with renovation of flood damaged homes including hanging sheetrock, painting, wiring and tiling floors. N.O.A.H. arranges work crews from all over the country to come in and assist the rebuild effort in New Orleans. Above: (standing, left-right) Mike Kelsey, Rebekah Bartel, Samantha Pearson, Pastor Richard Bartel, Rick Pearson, Jacob Collins, Deborah Henson; (seated, I-r) Haley Smith, Rachel Bartel, Gary Jameson, Delpha Cates, Doug Cates and Colleen Bartel. Above, right: Pastor Richard Bartel painting.

# Church brief

First United Methodist Church of Pampa is organizing a new children's program called "Kings' Kids." The program, open to children between 4 years of age and fifth grade, will start Sept. 12 and will be offered from 6-7 p.m. Wednesdays in the church's education building. For more information, contact First United Methodist Church. King's Kids will include puppet shows, coooking, art, science, music, storytelling and games.

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

In 1870, Edward Hopper became pastor of a small church in the New York harbor area known as the Church of Sea and Land. It was while ministering at his sailor's mission in New York City that Hopper wrote this hymn. The theme of the hymn text was suggested by Matthew 8:23-27, where Jesus calmed the raging Sea of Galilee. "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" was written especially for the spiritual needs of sailors in a language they knew well charts, compasses, and the absolute need for a competent pilot to guide their crafts over the tempestuous seas.

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#### ST. VINCENT'S

# Catholic author, television personality, Patrick Madrid to speak at local parish

Best-selling author and EWTN television host Patrick Madrid will visit St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa Sept. 15 to present a seminar on the biblical and historical foundations of the Catholic faith.

The seminar is scheduled to kickoff at 9 a.m. at the church with a Spanish session to follow at 3 p.m. in the parish office. Admission is free and open to the public.

The seminar is titled "Where is that in the Bible." According to a press release from St. Vincent's, it is 'an informative presentation aimed at showing how the Bible, current events, and the facts of Christian history can answer common questions and challenges to the Catholic Church, its teachings and practices."

The seminar will include a question-and-answer segment, refreshments and a book-signing by Madrid who will have many of his books, DVDs and CDs available.

Madrid edits the award-winning "Envoy" magazine, a print and online Catholic journal of apologetics and evangelization. Apologetics is a term in Catholic theology used to refer to the process of explaining the Catholic faith and answering questions and objections about the faith.

Madrid holds a bachelor of science degree in business management, has done advanced studies in theology at the University of Dallas, and is completing a master's degree



Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. He and his wife, Nancy, have 11

He has authored 12 books on Catholic themes including "Pope Fiction," "Search and Rescue" and "Does the Bible Really Say That?"

Madrid hosts four EWTN television and radio series and heads up the Thursday edition of EWTN Radio's "Open Line" broadcast.

At the invitation of numerous bishops and priests, he has conducted hundreds of apologetics and evangelization conferences in both English and Spanish at parishes, seminaries and universities across in theology at the Pontifical College America as well as in Europe, Asia

and Latin America. He is a regular presenter at Franciscan University of Steubenville's "Defending the Faith" summer conferences.

Madrid was invited to the Amarillo Diocese by Bishop John W. Yanta in November 2003 and has visited the DeFalco Retreat Center in Amarillo and the Immaculate Conception Church in Vega.

To learn more about the upcoming seminar at the local parish, call 665-8933 or visit Madrid's Web site at www.patrickmadrid.com on the Internet.

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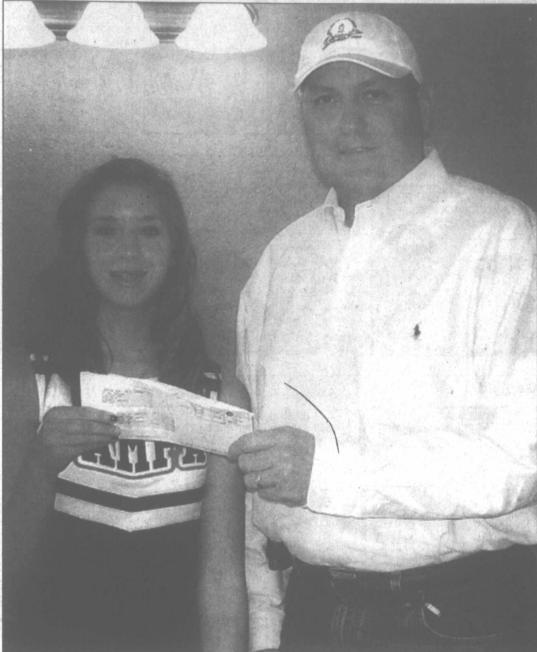
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Ashtin Sackett, left, recently accepted a donation check in the amount of \$100 from Bill Terry of Enbridge in Pampa. Sackett, a Pampa Junior High School student, is a member of House of Cheer.

## Reese

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rate as humanly possible. For the same reason we don't wish to drink dirty water or eat contaminated food, we should be careful about accepting other people's perceptions of reality as fact. Generalizations and excessive verbalization both hinder accurate perceptions. Propaganda, which is a deliberate misstatement of reality, is voluminous and constant in our times.

Ayn Rand said it well when she observed that we can evade reality, but we cannot evade the consequences of evading reality. Dogen, a great Japanese thinker, pointed out that "flowers die and weeds flourish without our permission." Our ability to affect reality is quite limited. We age and die whether we wish it or not, for example.

The point of all this is that conflicts are difficult to avoid, even under ideal circumstances. A good start would be to set harmony and balance as our goals rather

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potential to offend everyone, including the Christian activists who championed this bill's passage.

Students could cite their religious convictions to condemn gay and lesbian students. They could promote their faith as the only true religion. They could pray for the conversion of specific students. They could even promote atheism, Satanism or paganism.

School officials around the state are right to be concerned that this ill-conceived legislation could prove disruptive. It promises to foment the very religious intolerance it purports to guard against. It would allow students to hector nonbelieving children over schools' public address systems and encourage bullying of nonconforming peers. It promises to offend many across a wide religious spectrum, including audiences at graduations, where no one should involuntarily endure proselytizing speeches during these milestone-marking occasions.

In 2000, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled against student-led prayer at football games in a lawsuit involving nearby Santa Fe Independent School District. Spring Branch school trustee Theresa Kosmoski worries that school districts will face expensive litigation no matter how they implement the law. "That's money that could be spent educating children."

Students already have the federally protected right to voluntary prayer and discussion of their religious convictions. The 1984 Equal Access Act allows public school students to form special-interest clubs, including faith-based clubs, and to meet on campus. Texas' Religious Viewpoints law is a pernicious endeavor to foist what were once voluntary activities on others who might not

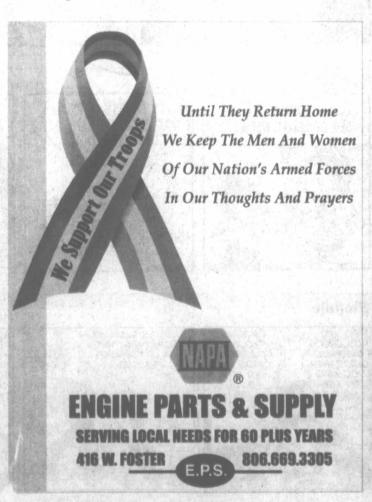
share their peers' faith. URL: http://www.chron.com

#### **Bin Laden plans** video for 9/11

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) -The first new images of Osama bin Laden in nearly three years will be released ahead of the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, al-Qaida's media announced, a move that would end the terror mastermind's longest period without a message.

The Department of Homeland Security said Thursday it had no credible information warning of an imminent threat to the United States, and analysts noted that al-Qaida tends to mark the Sept. 11 anniversary with a slew of messages.

Bin Laden's appearance would be significant. The al-Qaida leader has not appeared in new video footage since October 2004, and he has not put out a new audiotape in more than a







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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm married to a wonderful man with a big family secret. His brother "John" used to be his sister "Joanne." This does not bother me in the least because I met John as a man, and I consider him a man 100 percent. However, now that I am expecting, I have started putting photo albums and scrapbooks together. I want our future children to see pictures of my husband during his childhood -- right along with mine -- but his "sister" is in almost all of them. I have no problems being open and honest with our children, but because my brother-in-law doesn't know that I "know," I want to be sensitive to his feelings and don't want to share these albums with friends and family without having an answer to the question, "Who is that little girl in the picture?" This is something that no one in the family discusses, and I feel I'd be overstepping if I were to call another family member for advice. My husband doesn't know what to do, and I do not wish to strain a wonderful relationship with John, his wife and their adopted children by telling them that I know. How should I handle this? - ANONYMOUS IN ARI-**ZONA** 

DEAR ANONYMOUS: Please understand, if you don't already, that a transgendered person is someone who has been born in a body of the wrong sex. In other words, your brother-in-law was always a boy, but trapped in a female body. My advice is to continue assembling the albums, and if anyone asks about the "little girl" in the pictures, to relax and tell the person, "That's Uncle John when he was young. He may have looked like a girl then, but it really was Uncle John." Then turn the page and change the subject.

DEAR ABBY: I am a single mom with three children. I recently found out that I am pregnant once again. My boyfriend --I'll call him "Garth" -- had told me he'd had a vasectomy five or six years ago. My problem is, I feel like Garth trapped me into this pregnancy and lied about being "fixed." My brother-in-law has asked him several times to come up with proof that he had a vasectomy, but Garth refuses. He says he "doesn't need to prove it." Garth says he wants to marry me. However, I have strong reservations when it comes to starting a life as man and wife with someone I can't trust. I can't help but believe he did this on purpose. Is there any way for me to find out if he is telling me the truth? Garth has been wanting to be with me since high school, 20 years ago. - TRAPPED IN COLORADO

**DEAR TRAPPED:** Not all vasectomies are successful. If Garth is telling you the truth, he should have no objection to taking you to visit the doctor who performed the vasectomy and letting you see the medical record that proves it. If he refuses, well, then you will have to decide whether to carry the baby to term, to place it for adoption, or whether you want to raise the baby and be tied because of it to Garth for the rest of your life. Notice I used the word "tied" -- and not the word "married." The choice is yours.

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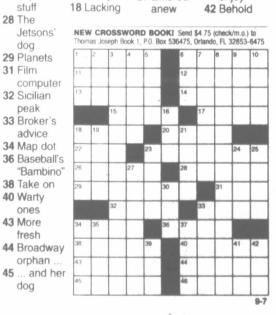


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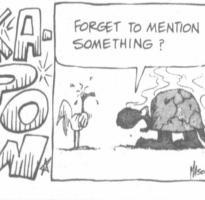
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# Sports Day

# Harvester defense pulls through in the lightning round

By JORDAN REAGAN Sports Editor

In a game that seemed. more of a marathon than a football game, the Pampa Harvesters defeated the Lubbock Estacado Matadors 28-20 Thursday night at Lowrey Field in Lubbock to improve their record to 2-0.

A thunderstorm almost cut the game short early in the fourth quarter when officials cleared the stadium due to a potential lightning hazard.

Pampa was leading 22-14. For two and a half hours, players and fans waited out the storm as Thursday night became this morning.

Just after midnight, the game continued as both teams scored one last touchdown on one another to finish with Pampa winning 28-

Before the storm hit, Pampa took an early lead in the first quarter.

With three minutes off the clock, quarterback Casey Trimble completed a long pass to receiver Heath Skinner, putting Pampa in a scoring position Estacado's 1-yard line.

A false start penalty brought the Harvesters further back, but Pampa scored their first touchdown as Skinner completed a 9-yard pass from Shavious Kelley.

Colby Copeland kicked the extra point, and the Harvesters led 7-0.

With just over four minutes remaining in the quarter the Matadors fumbled and Pampa recovered on their own 31-yard line, but the drive for another touchdown was unsuccessful.

Early in the second quar-Estacado receiver Jeremy Watson completed a 36-yard pass for the Matador's first touchdown, and Pampa's first touchdown allowed this season.

The kick was unsuccessful, and Pampa led 7-6.

Pampa responded in the best way they knew how as running back Shavious Kelley returned the kickoff 85 yards for a Harvester touchdown.

Trimble completed a pass to Ryan Funderburg for the two-point conversion, giving Pampa a nine-point lead at 15-6.

With two and a half minutes remaining in the first an emotional high for what

half, defensive back John Luke Covalt intercepted Estacado's ball on the Matador 45-yard line.

In the play that followed, Trimble completed a pass to Kelley in the end zone for Pampa's third touchdown.

Copeland sent the ball flying between the uprights for the extra point, and Pampa led 22-6 going into halftime.

The second half started with Estacado's Xavier Essix intercepting Pampa's ball on the Harvester 15-yard line just over 15 seconds into the third quarter.

The drive from that play was unsuccessful, as was another very close call under five minutes later that was put to rest by Pampa's outstanding defense.

The ball was turned over to Pampa on their own end of the field, but the tables turned as the ball was snapped to Trimble in the back of the end zone, and Estacado took him down to talley up two more points on the scoreboard, making the score 22-8.

With under five minutes remaining in the quarter, the Matadors drove to the 1yard line, giving sophomore back Dondre running Matthews the opportunity to run the ball in for Estacado's second touchdown.

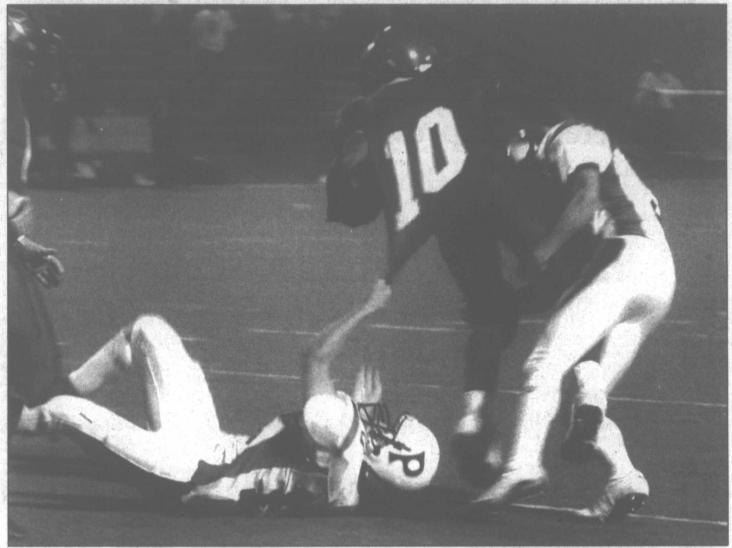
The Matadors' attempt at a two-point conversion was unsuccessful, and the score was 22-14 going into the fourth quarter.

The fourth quarter was scoreless so far, when, with 8:55 on the clock, officials called for the field and stands to be cleared as dangerous lightning appeared to be near the stadium.

At first, officials stated that a decision would be made in 30 minutes.

Thirty minutes became an hour, and an hour became two hours, as the fans waited under the stands, and players in the locker rooms.

"In the beginning of the delay my thoughts were on the best third down call we could make, then it soon became apparent that we were going to be in the locker room for quite some time," head coach Andy Cavalier said, "At that point I just wanted our kids to relax and not try to stay on



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Pampa linebacker Jeremy Martinez (left) and defensive back John Luke Covalt take down Estacado's sophomore receiver Devon Dixon early in the fourth quarter of Thursday night's game in Lubbock.

might be a couple hours. Eventually, I told them that one team would handle this whole situation better than the other, and we want to be that team."

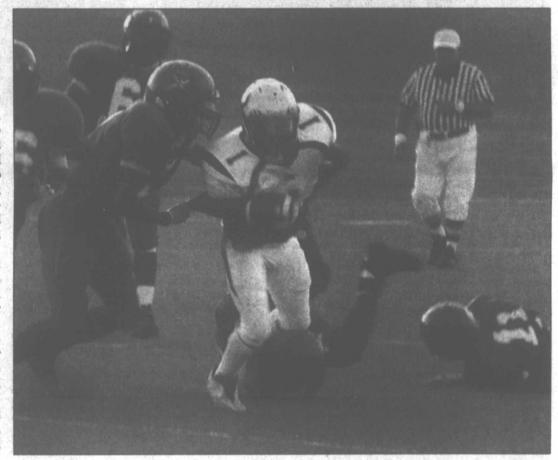
The game resumed play two and a half hours later, and soon after returning to the field, Estacado scored another touchdown, and were given a good chance to tie the Harvesters at 22: however, the two-point conversion attempt failed, and the score remained 22-20, in Pampa's favor.

The Harvesters found themselves on their own 6yard line soon after, and were forced to punt after another unsuccessful drive.

Estacado found themselves trying to work their way down the field, unable to get past their own 20-yard

Senior linebacker Jerrod Bivins had the tackles on both the second and third down of that drive, and an

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Shavious Kelley makes his way over Lubbock Estacado defenders during the first quarter. Kelley had 55 yards in pass receptions Thursday night.

# Once derided as cockroaches, Horned Frogs ready for Texas

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — It's an insult that has lingered 46 years, uttered after one of TCU's biggest victories.

It was 1961 when the Horned Frogs stunned then-No. 1 Texas 6-0, leading frustrated Longhorns coach Darrell Royal to say: "They are like a cockroach. It isn't what he eats or totes off, but what he falls into and messes up.

Make no mistake: No. 19 TCU (1-0) has every intention of keeping on messing things up for No. 7 Texas (1-0) and the Bowl Championships Series this year. Beat the Longhorns on Saturday night in Austin and the Horned Frogs are the front-runners to be this season's BCS busters.

"It's a measuring stick game," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. The Horned Frogs play in the Conference but have measured up quite well against the Big 12. A 5-0 run in recent years includes victories over Oklahoma (2005) and Texas Tech (2006).

Beating the Longhorns, old rivals from the old Southwest Conference, would be even more special for a school left on the sideline when Texas, Texas Tech, Baylor and Texas A&M joined with the old Big Eight to form the Big 12 in 1996.

That snub cast TCU as college football's vagabond as the Horned Frogs wandered through three conferences looking for the best place to play. With a one-game crack at the Longhorns this year, they would love to show that they can beat anybody, anytime, anywhere.

Lose and the Horned Frogs get stuck playing little sister to the big boys at Texas for a long, long time.

The time is right to find out where they stand, Patterson said.

"If you don't do that in life, someday you wake up and you just wonder what you did do," Patterson said. "I think that's what we're trying to get accomplished here, we're trying to find out."

TCU has the look of a team ready to mess things up for Texas once again, although unlike 1961, a Horned Frogs win wouldn't carry nearly the same shock value.

The Horned Frogs have won 11 games three of past four seasons. They have a nine-game winning streak now and four conference titles (in three different leagues) the past eight years. Fans are so excited that "Beat Texas" T-shirts were being sold on the schools' Web site before the first game against Baylor.

Texas coach Mack Brown agrees

the Horned Frogs should be excited. This is their big chance.

"They're the best-kept secret off all the non-BCS teams," Brown said. "They have earned the right to be considered one of the best teams in the country."

Texas players found themselves in the unusual position this week of being talked about as underdogs even with the higher ranking. The Longhorns looked very vulnerable in an unimpressive season-opening 21-13 win over Arkansas State, raising the prospect they are ripe for a beating.

wouldn't History Although the teams haven't played each other since 1995, Texas is 27-1 in the last 28 meetings.

The first game-struggles all are fixable, said Texas quarterback

Colt McCoy. "TCU doesn't scare me," McCoy said, perhaps shocked that he would even be asked. "They shouldn't. They're just another football team. They're going to come in here fired up and we've got to play as good as we can."

Texas defensive tackle Derek Lokey said the game is just as important to Texas as the Horned Frogs. After their stumbles through the season-opener, a Texas loss now likely kills any chance of playing for the national championship.

"It's a big game for them and a huge game for us," Lokey said. "They're trying to prove they belong on the national stage and we're trying to prove that as well."

For fans in Texas who grew up on the old Southwest Conference, the game conjures memories of bitter in-state rivalries played every

## Duke lacrosse prosecutor reports to jail; exonerated players seek settlement with legal reform

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The prosecutor who led the now-discredited lacrosse rape case reported to jail Friday to serve a 24hour sentence for contempt of court. The city, meanwhile, was in settlement talks with the three exonerat-

ed players. According to a person close to the case, attorneys

for the three players are seeking \$30 million from Durham and reforms in the legal process.

If the terms aren't met, they will sue early next

Speaking on condition of anonymity because the pro-

posed settlement wasn't The former district attorney, Mike Nifong, declined to speak with reporters as he arrived at the jail. He was disbarred for ethics violations in his handling of the case, and a judge found him in contempt for lying to the court when he insisted he had given defense attorneys all results from critical tests.

A small group of supporters accompanied Nifong

with signs reading, "We believe in your integrity and goodness."

A handful of hecklers also met him at the jail. One woman shouted out: "Justice works!"

Durham County Sheriff Worth Hill said Nifong likely will have a cell to himself for safety reasons.

The three university

lacrosse players accused of raping a woman who had been hired to strip at a team party in 2006. Nifong pursued the case and won indictments, but the charges were eventually thrown out by state prosecutors who declared the players innocent victims of a "tragic

rush to accuse." Durham's Police

Department, which helped Nifong secure the indictments, has also come under criticism. A special committee probing police handling of the case stopped working last month, however, because the city's liability insurance provider warned that the committee's conclusions could provide material for lawsuits.

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incomplete pass on fourth down by Estacado quarterback Kyle Jackson ended their chances of catching up with Pampa.

Bivins continued to pull through for Pampa as he ran the ball to the 4-yard line, putting the Harvesters in one last position to score and seal the win.

At third down, senior defensive lineman Ryne Malone ran the ball in for a touchdown with 1:14 on the

The extra point was blocked, and Pampa led at

The Matadors hoped to get one last chance to tie the game with just over a minute left to drive the ball all the way down the field after the kickoff.

With:53 on the clock, on Estacado's third down, not. We are going to have

Jackson threw an interception to senior defensive back Michael Fernuik, ending the game once and for

"We improved our penalty situation from last week. We are most definitely not a finely tuned machine yet, but I believe we are making progress," coach Cavalier said, " In spurts we played good football on either side of the ball, but there were also spurts where we did to be more consistent to beat teams like Amarillo High."

The Harvesters will take on Amarillo High in Pampa at 7:30 next Friday.

Tonight, the JV and freshman teams will play Estacado on Harvester Field.

The JV will go on at 5 p.m. and the freshman will follow at 7 p.m., assuming there will be no interruptions from lightning storms.

## JV football player dies after collapsing during a game

MANSFIELD, Texas (AP) — A 15-year-old junior varsity football player collapsed during a game and died.

Dozie Njeako, a sophomore at Mansfield Summit High School, fell to the ground Thursday night while . foot-2 defensive end, died heading back to the sideline after a play, said Richie Methodist Escovedo, a school district

Athletic trainers from Summit and their opponent, South Grand Prairie, tried to revive him by administering CPR and using an automated defibrillator, external Escovedo said. Njeako, a 6after being transported to Medical Center.

# Colts defense impressive in season-opening 41-10 victory over Saints

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indianapolis defense just wanted a fresh start in 2007.

The Colts did far better than that. A year after becoming the butt of league-wide jokes, Indy's rebuilt defense was dominant Monday night in the NFL season opener, even outscoring last year's topranked offense in a 41-10 rout of New Orleans.

"Who cares if they were the No. 1 offense, this is a new year," former Pro Bowl safety Bob Sanders said of the Saints. "That's what we've been saying all along. This is a new defense, a new offense and we did what we had to do. We played physical, smart and fast."

Super Bowl MVP Peyton Manning and his teammates looked like they were in championship form — thanks in large part to the good field position and scoring opportunities the defense provided.

Manning finished 18-of-30 for 288 vards with three touchdowns, and Joseph Addai carried 23 times for 118 yards and a TD. Pro Bowl receivers Reggie Wayne and Marvin Harrison combined for 11 catches, 198 yards and three TDs - all against Jason David, the former Colts cornerback who left the champions as a restricted free agent

"It was just another day at the

(David) a free touchdown, so I guess that was the appreciation we gave him."

New Orleans (0-1) managed only 293 yards in offense and one field goal. The other score came on David's nifty 55-yard fumble return for a touchdown.

"You couldn't hold the ball against them," Deuce McAllister said after running 10 times for 38 yards. "There are not a lot of Dwight Freeneys or Robert Mathises on other teams that pressure you like that."

And New Orleans stumbled all

Most expected the Colts' defense office," Wayne said. "I gave him to be the greatest obstacle to a

repeat as Super Bowl champs, especially after losing four starters from a unit that was the league's worst against the run in 2006.

That certainly wasn't the case on opening night.

With Super Bowl towels and a championship banner waving above the field, the Colts (1-0) showed they are every bit as dominant as last year.

They played fast, aggressive and opportunistic football as they made Pro Bowl quarterback Drew Brees and the Saints' vaunted running tandem of McAllister and Reggie Bush look ordinary.

Freeney, Mathis and their counterparts also managed to keep the

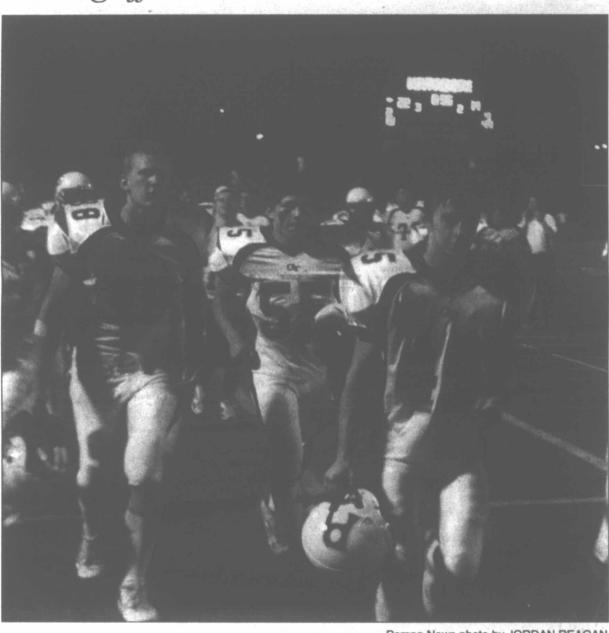
Colts close in the first half when the offense staggered. They allowed New Orleans to run only one play in Indy territory during nearly two full quarters, starting midway through the second quar-

Brees, last year's Pro Bowl starter for the NFC, was 28-of-41 for 192 yards with no touchdowns and two interceptions.

Bush, expected to become more of a focal point of the Saints' offense in his second season, carried 12 times for 38 yards and caught four passes for seven yards.

The lethargic performance was confounding, even to the Saints.

Walking off-



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With 8:55 still left on the clock, Travis Hagerman (left), Johnny Anguiano, Josh Mulkey and the rest of the players and fans exit the field due to the lightning danger at Thursday night's game against Lubbock Estacado at Lowrey Field. The game resumed two and a half hours later.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Sept.

This year you often feel that you are balancing and juggling situations. If they tumble one way or the other, the outcome could be quite different, and neither one acceptable. Tune in to your desires and needs. Often you appear far more serious than in the past. Investigate what is happening below the surface with others, and their vulnerabilities might be quite touching. You excel professionally, though you often feel that others are critical. Pull back and know that much of this is your stuff. You are hardest on yourself. If you are single, carefully check out someone you meet. This person might not be everything he of she says. If you are attached, take plenty of private time with your sweetie. You need that to recharge your bond on a regular basis. LEO understands you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) \*\*\*\* Your hot energy finally seems to find an avenue of self-expression. You feel fortunate, and you really are: Easy does it. Others might not feel as inventive or experimental as you. Much that has been a problem could be resolved. Tonight: Say yes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\* At last you feel a sense of freedom that up till now has been unparalleled. You might want to change gears and do something in a very different manner. As a result, you will come to a positive conclusion and understanding. Tonight: Happy at home

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Let your hair down and allow a greater sense of self-expression to emerge. Your life takes a new turn. You make quite a big difference. A romantic tie or child could become a higher priority. Tonight: Clear the air with a smile. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* You dance to a new tune and make a difference where you hadn't before. A family, property or real-estate matter comes to the forefront. You discover answers that previously were not accessible. Know what you want. Tonight: Entertain at home LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* Speak your mind. Listen to news that heads your way. Review facts with an eye to the future. Your ability to make headway and have someone respond is suddenly enhanced. Start opening up a difficult situation. Tonight: Be the gregarious Lion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Money often is a prime issue in people's lives today. You might want to approach a monetary matter differently. Investigate possibilities with an eye to feeling better. A purchase might be OK because of how you will feel. Tonight:

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friendship and understanding in your life.

Listen to your inner voice. Listen to

feedback with an eye to success.

\*\*\* Understanding takes you in a new direction. Realize the role of greater

Understanding comes through in a tight situation. Tonight: Others clearly want you involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\* Once more, try to understand what is going on with a friend. Between detaching and tuning in to your higher mind, you'll find solutions. Experiment and ask sensitive questions that have meaning for you. Tonight: In the whirlwind of a happening.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* Do rethink a situation more carefully. You might not be sure which is the best way to go. Investigate a situation with a clearer eye to what works. If you want, you can connect with a family member or someone you look up to. Tonight: The story reveals itself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Finally, opportunities strike to clear the air and see life from a revised, new perspective. Listen to what you are hearing, and remain sensitive to others. Someone finally lets you know how much he or she cares. Tonight: Sort through suggestions

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* An even attitude goes far when dealing with a routine matter that suddenly gets complex. If you need feedback, ask sensitive questions. You discover that others are becoming far friendlier than before. Tonight: Be sup-

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# **Baylor, Rice not much** to brag about this year

WACO, Texas (AP) — Baylor and Rice were still Southwest Conference rivals the last time they played.

When that old league disbanded after the 1995 season, the private school teams went different ways until they renew their rivalry Saturday night for the only time until 2010.

Neither has much to brag about for the nearly dozen years that have passed since their last meeting. Especially the way this season has

"If I was coach (David) Bailiff or I was a player at Rice, and I was watching us play, I'd have to believe they feel like they can come up here and get after us," Bears coach Guy Morriss

Baylor focused all summer on its opener, a second chance against No. 19 TCU, another former SWC foe they had played again for the first time last year. Then they lost again, 27-0.

Bailiff's debut at Rice wasn't any better. Coming off their first bowl since the Southwest Conference, and the only season under fast-bolting coach Todd Graham, the Owls lost 16-

14 to lower-division Nicholls State. Veteran quarterback Chase Clement had all five turnovers (two fumbles, three interceptions) in the game delayed about two hours by two weather delays before the even more

dreadful ending. "When we don't win, people need to be upset because that's how we're going to improve around here and get things done," said Bailiff, a former TCU defensive coordinator. "All our

goals for the season are still intact." The Owls are now in Conference

USA, but started their post-SWC days in Western Athletic Conference. A pair of 7-4 seasons right away were the only winning records until last year, when Rice finished 7-6 after a loss in the New Orleans Bowl.

Baylor was among four Texas schools from the SWC that went to the Big 12. The Bears are the only team in the power conference that still hasn't had a winning season or been to a bowl, and they once lost 29 straight Big 12 games.

Their three Big 12 victories last year were the most by the Bears in the same season, but their goal to undefeated in non-conference games is already out of reach.

"We can't dwell on it," quarterback Blake Szymanski said. "You can only take on one team at a time. You just have to go out and play them like they are the best team out there and try to defeat them."

Baylor has won three straight against Rice — but those games were back in the mid-1990s when some of the current players weren't even playing pee-wee games yet.

Adding to the dismay of Rice's opener was junior receiver Jarett Dillard having his streak of 15 consecutive games with a touchdown catch snapped. Dillard appeared to extend his streak when he caught a pass from in the end zone in the second quarter, but the catch was overturned after a

# Anderson sets Angels club mark with RBI in 11th straight game

has driven in more runs since the All-Star break than Garret Anderson.

If the 10-RBI game against the New York Yankees didn't make believers out of opposing pitchers, maybe his latest spurt will.

The Angels' career RBI leader extended his streak to a club-record 11 games with at least one RBI, knocking in three runs and leading Los Angeles past the Cleveland Indians 10-3 on Thursday night in the opener of a fourgame series between AL division lead-

Anderson's streak broke the previous club mark shared by Fred Lynn and Wally Joyner.

"As I've said all along, there's a lot of great players who played in this organization that just didn't play as long as I have," Anderson said. "It's just a tribute to my being here for my whole career. That's really what I attribute it to, because I have a lot of respect for the players who were here before me.

"I was just glad that the actual RBI that broke the record meant some-

Anderson hit an RBI single to spark a four-run fifth inning against former

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) - No one teammate Paul Byrd, then hit a tworun homer in the ninth against Juan Lara. The three-time All-Star has nine of his 15 homers in the last 16 games.

"This guy's just doing what he's capable of doing," Angels hitting coach Mickey Hatcher said. "A lot of it is just being healthy. His body's allowing him to do that. You know when he's going to go good by the way he's running. And right now, he's running as good as I've ever seem him. He's feeling pretty good about himself. I'm telling you, I've seen his swing at its best — and he's at it right now. It's fun to watch."

In other AL games, it was Detroit 3, Chicago White Sox 2, and Boston 7,

Baltimore 6. When Lynn had his streak of 10 straight games with an RBI in 1984, he finished that season with 79 in 142 games. Joyner had 100 in 154 games during the 1986 season. Anderson has 68 RBIs, but he has missed 46 games this season during two stints on the disabled list.

Anderson has 21 RBIs during his current streak, which began five games after he set another team record with his 10 RBIs in an 18-9 victory over the Yankees on Aug. 21.

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City of Lefors Notice of Public Hearing on the City of Lefors Proposed 2007-2008 Budget

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on the proposed 2007-2008 City of Lefors Operating Budget. The hearing will be held by the City Council on the 10th day of September 2007, at 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center, 101 N. Court, Lefors, Texas. All tax payers and other interested persons are requested to be present and participate in said hearing. A copy of the 2007-2008 proposed budget is on file in the Office of the City Secretary for public re-

Lindy Forsyth City Secretary Sept. 7, 2007

The Pampa Independent School District will receive sealed proposals in the Business Office at W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065, until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 25, 2007 to Construct / Modify Entryways at Austin, Travis & Wilson Schools; HVAC at Pampa High School Library and Vocational Building; Job Order Contracts / Trade Bids including but not limited to General Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrical, Roof Repair, Data Cabling, Security, Automotive Services. For a complete list and specifications or additional information please call BetPublic Notice

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City of Lefors Notice of Public Hearing on the City of Lefors

Budget

H-38 Aug. 31, Sept. 7, 2007

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Lefors, Texas will conduct a public hearing on a proposal to tax tangible personal property transit which would otherwise be exempt pursuant to Texas Tax Code, Section 11.253. The public hearing will be held on Monday, September 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lefors Civic Center, 101 N. Court, Lefors, Texas. A vote on the proposal will be held during the City Council meeting to be held Monday, September 10, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lefors Civic Cen-

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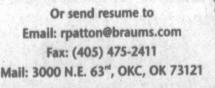
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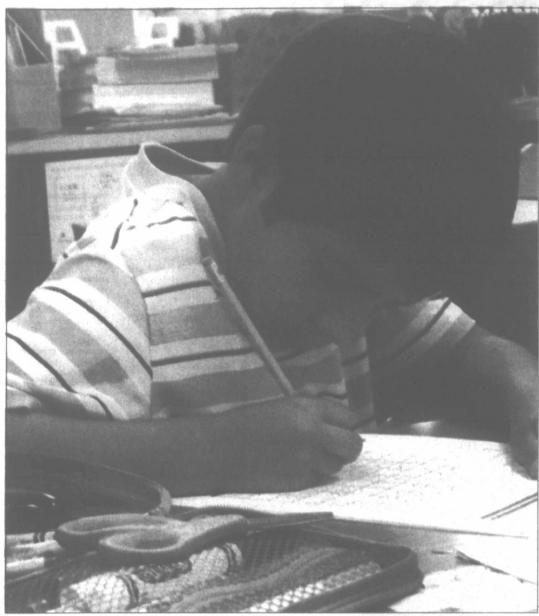
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# Lacrosse players seek settlement

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RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The three attorneys all results from critical DNA Duke lacrosse players who were falsely

accused of rape are seeking a \$30 million settlement and reforms in the legal process, a person close to the case said today, the same day the

case prosecutor was due to start his 24-hour jail sen-Former Durham County

District Attorney Mike Nifong won indictments against the three young men last year after a woman hired to strip at a lacrosse team party claimed she was raped, The charges were eventually thrown out by state prosecutors, who declared the players innocent victims of a "tragic rush to accuse."

Nifong was disbarred for more than two dozen violations of the state's

also found him in contempt and sentenced him to a day in jail for lying to the court when he insisted he had given defense

The former prosecutor was due to start serving that sentence at 9

a.m. today. The players attorneys, meanwhile, have proposed a settlement with the city of Durham that includes reforming the legal sys-

If the terms aren't met, the attorneys will file a civil rights lawsuit early next month, the person close to the case said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the proposed settlement wasn't complete.

Durham's police departhelped Nifong secure the indictments, and a special committee probing police handling of the case stopped working last month because the rules of professional conduct. A judge city's liability insurance provider warned

that findings could provide material for

## Search for aviator Steve Fossett widens

MINDEN, Nev. (AP) -The pilots and ground crews who set out to find Steve Fossett when the famed aviator disappeared this week hoped their quest would be a short one.

It hasn't turned out that way. Today, they'll return to the skies over a greatly expanded search area, having little clue where the 63year-old adventurer and his single-engine plane might have gone down.

Despite days of frustration and false leads, the search teams are trying to remain optimistic, aware that Fossett has a Houdinilike history of escaping seemingly impossible jams.

"Each day when I walk into the operational briefing, everybody's hopeful that this will be the day that we find Mr. Fossett," said Chuck Allen, a Nevada Highway Patrol trooper helping lead the effort.

The search grid was expanded to 10,000 square miles, an area about the size of Massachusetts, suggesting that rescuers have few clues about which direction Fossett was flying when he took off Monday from a private airstrip about 80 miles

southeast of Reno.

The terrain — a mix of bare desert playas, ravines and mountain ranges makes the quest to find Fossett especially tough.

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