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## District Attorney's office has new staff members

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Five new staff members have joined the office of 31st District Attorney Lynn Switzer.

Jan Allen began her duties as victims assistance coordinator in October 2007. Her duties are to assist victims in obtaining crime victims' compensation, accompany victims to court and notify victims whenever anything concerning their case arises.

Allen's previous employment includes four years in the office of attorneys who collect delinquent taxes for Gray County and over 20

years working with her husband in his business.

She is a Pampa High School graduate and holds degrees in English and communications from West Texas State University.

"I like working with the victims, trying to make things easier for them," Allen said of her new job.

Investigator Bill Boden, who began his duties in November 2007, is a veteran in law enforcement and investigations.

Before coming to Pampa, he was chief investigator of the district attorney's office of the 13th Judicial District in northeastern Colorado for about five years. His work in law enforcement and as an investigator

spans 20 years. He has also worked in the engineering field.

Denver, Colo. is Boden's hometown. He graduated from high school and completed law enforcement academy work, along with some college courses and extensive continuing education courses.

"Our family lives here," Boden said concerning his reason for coming to Pampa.

"When we came to visit, we fell in love with the area. The people are super-nice and genuine."

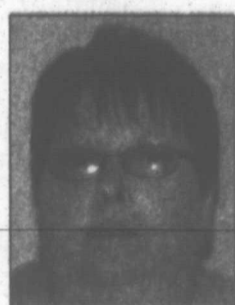
Assistant District Attorney Jeff Mathews has been in the 31st District Attorney's office since December 2007.

He received his doctor of jurisprudence degree from Texas Tech University in May 2007 and was notified in November that he had passed the state bar exam.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas Tech in agriculture and applied economics. He is a graduate of Woodson High School.

Mathews' duties include prosecution of all levels of felonies. He has already served as prosecutor on 25 cases, one of which was a bench trial with the remainder settled by pleas.

"When I graduated from law  
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Allen



Mathews



Oney



Poole

## Tree seedlings offered

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District is currently accepting orders for windbreak and wildlife tree seedlings and shrubs.

Deadline for ordering the tree seedlings and shrubs is March 10, and orders will arrive at the District office at the end of March, according to a news release from the office.

District representatives suggest that tree orders be placed early as many species sell out quickly.

The conservation tree program is designed to offer tree seedlings at nominal cost with the aim being to protect cropland, feedlots and buildings and to control erosion and enhance wildlife.

Several species of potted conifers are available, including arborvitae, Austrian pine, pinyon pine, red cedar, Rocky Mountain juniper, Scotch pine and spruce.

Bareroot hardwoods available include bur oak, caragana, catalpa, chokecherry, cotoneaster, golden

willow, green ash, hackberry, honeylocust, hybrid cottonwood, lilac, Lombardy poplar, Nanking cherry, native plum, pecan, sand cherry, sawtooth oak, Siberian elm, skunkbush sumac and smooth sumac.

Two different wildlife packets are also being offered. Each wildlife packet contains 25 seedlings each of four different species designed to enhance populations of deer and squirrel.

Larger trees are also available, including hardwoods in five- and 10-gallon sizes, fruit trees and shrubs in the five-gallon size and evergreens in one-, three-, five-, 10- and 15-gallon sizes.

Deadline for ordering the larger trees is March 30, and expected delivery date is the end of April.

Anyone interested in ordering any of the plants may obtain an order form at the Gray County SWCD office located in the Gray County Annex, 12125 E. Frederic, or by calling the office at 665-1751, ext. 102.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

## City commission meeting

By KERRI SMITH  
Managing Editor

City commissioners will consider approving an ordinance calling for a special election to be held regarding a tax freeze for senior citizens and will possibly award two contracts at a special meeting to be held at 11:30 a.m. Monday on the third floor of City Hall, 201 W. Kingsmill.

If approved, this special election would be held on May 10 and

would be for voters to vote on a tax freeze limiting the amount of Ad Valorem Taxes imposed on the residential homestead of persons age 65 and older and those who are disabled in the city of Pampa.

Commissioners will consider awarding a contract in the amount of \$61,923 to GEODETIX, Inc. of San Antonio for aerial surveying, photogrammetry and orthophotog-

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## School board meeting

Pampa Independent School Board members will meet to possibly approve a donation of approximately 40 acres of land, located west of Perryton Parkway just north of Pampa, from Campbell Brothers Enterprises for possible construction of a new junior high

school at a special meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert.

The board will also consider approving the GMP for the architectural package on Pampa High School renovations currently being done.

## Quilting runs deep in woman's family roots

By DAVID BOSWER  
Staff Writer

The first time Janice Parker walked into Sands Fabric at the corner of Cuyler and Kingsmill, she didn't even own a sewing machine.

"I had a friend that quilted," Parker said. "Her son and my daughter had dated for a couple of years in high school."

After Parker's daughter graduated from Pampa High School, the friend made a T-shirt quilt for the girl.

"She took T-shirts from things they wanted to remember and cut them out into blocks and put sashings and borders around them," Parker said. "When she laid it out, it was just gorgeous, and she told me I could do it. She told me that I needed to start quilting."

Her husband, Dudley, told her she should because he wanted a T-shirt quilt.

That led her to Sands Fabrics to look at the quilts on display there. She

walked out with a sewing machine.

"And I signed up for a class in quilting," Parker said. "All on the same day."

That was four years ago, and Parker has been quilting ever since.

Parker said she had a grandmother on her father's side of the family that quilted. She remembers playing as a child beneath the large quilting frame. Her mother's grandmother, Grandmother Minnie, was a quilter.

"I never knew her," Parker said of her great-grandmother, "but I know her through her quilts."

Parker said that her quilts are like kids. She loves them all.

With a laugh, she said her family has benefited from her passion for quilting.

"I do what they call straight pieces, which is very simple," Parker said, "and I also do appliques."

The appliques are specifically formed pieces that are sewn on top, or

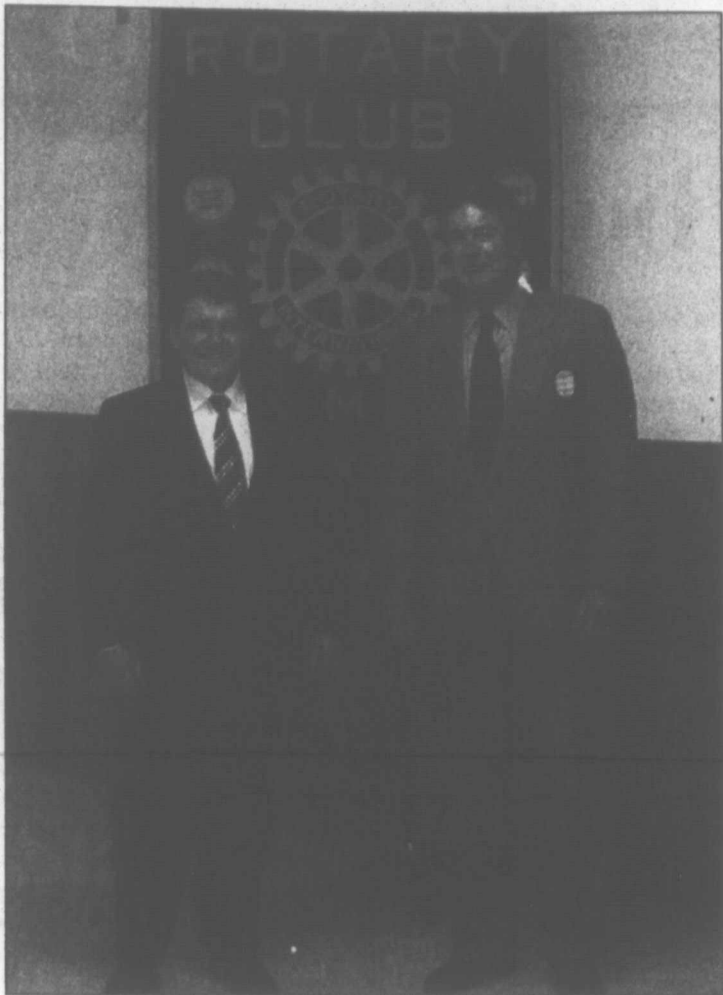
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Pampa News Photo by DAVID BOSWER  
Janice Parker examines a quilt she's just finished in the quilting room of Sands Fabrics. The quilt on the wall behind her was done by Carol Wade, a Pampa High School teacher.



Meeting



Courtesy Photo  
Bill Jenkins, an investment representative with Merrill Lynch, recently spoke at a Rotary meeting. Pictured with him is Gene Thompson.

Stimulus plan: Consumers should get rebates

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The success of the federal \$150 billion emergency economic stimulus plan will hinge on whether American consumers do what they do best — spend, spend, spend.

The stimulus has been debated in Washington for more than a week as the economic outlook worsened, and now Americans are armed with specifics: Individuals will get up to \$600, working couples \$1,200 and those with children \$300 more per child.

President Bush and leaders in Congress hope people will spend those rebates — a flat-screen television, maybe, or a trip to Disneyland — to help revive an economy sagging from bad mortgage lending and a lack of confidence in the stock market.

One problem: The spending habits of Americans, many of whom used the rising value of their homes during the real-estate boom like a piggy bank, may be changing as housing prices tumble and credit dries up.

So many consumers, like

Jennifer Galligos of St. Louis, may put the money into savings or use it to pay down debt instead. The 24-year-old accountant is married and has a 5-year-old son, so she and her husband could get up to \$1,500 in rebate money.

"I'd probably put something like that in a CD or another investment," Galligos said during her lunch break Friday. "It's not often that I get a chance to save something."

The National Foundation for Credit Counseling urged consumers Friday to use the money to pay down debt and past-due bills. But the group also recommended spending the money on home repairs or remodeling that might cut down on future energy bills.

The stimulus package isn't a done deal yet. While approved by Bush and leaders in the House, it goes to the House floor for full approval next week, and later to the Senate. Democrats there are already promising to try to amend it.

Consumer spending accounts for roughly 70 per-

cent of the U.S. economy, so putting money in the hands of shoppers is an easy way to boost economic output — at least in the short run.

"I think it will have a positive effect — I think it's a good package. But I don't think it's going to be enough to avoid a recession," said Steve Fazzari, a professor of economics at Washington University in St. Louis.

The rebate isn't likely to create the kind of broad eco-

nomie resurgence that happened after the recession of 2001, Fazzari said. Historically low interest rates then created a boom in home refinancing. That put more money in consumers' pockets and lowered mortgage payments. But most home owners have already refinanced, and tightening credit markets make another mortgage bonanza unlikely, he said.

Cat's discovery of porn leads to arrest

AUSTIN (AP) — A cat snooping around its new apartment found a hiding place where the previous resident hid a stash of child pornography, police said.

The woman who owns the cat noticed it could stick its head in a gap between the pantry and ceiling, then a friend reached into the gap and found DVDs containing child pornography, according to an arrest warrant.

The woman took the

DVDs to the apartment office and police tracked them to Luis Jimenez, who had moved out of the apartment last year.

Jimenez, 24, has been charged with possession of child pornography and was being held on \$40,000 bail. Possession of child pornography is a third-degree felony punishable by up to 10 years in jail and a fine up to \$10,000. There was no attorney listed in Jimenez's jail file Friday.

Digital music sales up, CD sales decline

LONDON (AP) — Record companies' revenue from digital music sales rose 40 percent to \$2.9 billion over the past year, but the growth is still failing to cover losses from collapse of international CD sales, the music industry's global trade body said Thursday.

The International Federation of the Phonographic Industry, or IFPI, said the increase in legitimate music sales did not come close to offsetting the billions of dollars being lost to music piracy, with illegal downloads outnumbering the number of tracks sold by a factor of 20-to-1.

But the trade group said it welcomed efforts by French President Nicholas Sarkozy, who has proposed a clampdown on those who violate copyright laws.

Sarkozy called in November for Internet service providers in France to automatically

disconnect customers involved in piracy.

IFPI chief John Kennedy said the plan is "the most significant milestone yet in the task of curbing piracy on the Internet."

The industry body said CD sales fell 11 percent between 2005 and 2006 and were likely to drop further in 2007. Digital music revenue has so far failed to make up for the decline and is also showing signs of slowing, the IFPI said.

From \$380 million in 2004, digital revenue roughly tripled in 2005 and nearly doubled in 2006, but brought only a modest 40 percent increase in 2007, the IFPI said.

But it said digital downloads have grown in five years to account for 15 percent of the world's music sales, with more than 500 legally licensed music sites selling around 6 million tracks of music.

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raphy.

Also on the agenda for consideration is a second contract for \$50,150,

which may be awarded to Mid-West GIS for mapping and GIS project phase II.

The city will consider employing the law firm of Lloyd Gosselink to represent Pampa for securing approval from TCEQ for an alternative liner design for the city landfill.

Quilt

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applied to the top, of the quilt with decorative thread. She said emphatically that she does not do the appliques by hand.

"You can do them by machine," Parker said. She said quilting is very relaxing.

"To me it's fulfilling because you find your artistic talent in it," Parker said.

She said it's also enjoyable because of the camaraderie involved. Whether

it's with friends or during classes, Parker said she enjoys the 'hen parties.'

"It's like years and years ago when women got together and quilted in quilting bees," Parker said.

She said that quilting is soothing.

"You rarely find a cranky

quilter," Parker said.

With a smile, she added that most quilters are very good cooks.

"That can be a killer," Parker laughed. "Somebody's always bringing something to eat."

Staff

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school, I was looking for a small town area to practice in," Mathews said. "I like the small town atmosphere. I grew up in a small town, and I like prosecution."

Assistant District Attorney Jeromie Oney joined Switzer's staff this month.

A graduate of Monahans High School, Oney earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and his doctor of jurisprudence degree from Texas Tech University. He was notified in November 2007 that he had passed the state bar exam.

Oney practiced civil law briefly in Fort Worth before coming to Pampa. His duties are to prosecute all levels of felonies.

"I wanted to do criminal law," he said. "I came here because it was a good job and a good opportunity. I was born and raised in West Texas, and Pampa has the same atmosphere."

Leigh Anne Poole has been case intake coordinator for Switzer since June 2007. Her duties are to take in all cases and route them to the proper felony level and to receive and route all telephone calls.

Before coming to Pampa, Poole was jail administrator

for Hemphill County for one and one-half years after serving as dispatcher and jailer there for five years. She is a 1988 graduate of White Deer High School.

"Everyone gets along so well," Poole said of the district attorney's office. "Everything flows so well."

"I am very, very excited to have them on my staff," Switzer said of the new employees. "I think they will do, and I know they have already done, an awesome job for this office."

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PAMPA ISD EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28-FEBRUARY 2

PAMPA HIGH SCHOOL

- January 28-Open House Come & Go 6:00pm
- January 29-Band Spaghetti Supper 5:00pm Cafeteria
- January 31-Progress Reports
- January 31-Basketball King and Queen Election
- January 31-Speech UIL CX District WTAMU
- February 1-Blood Drive Auditorium
- February 1 & 2-Speech Tournament Tascosa

PAMPA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

- January 29-Progress Reports sent Home
- January 29-Student Council 1:55 pm
- January 31-Dyslexia Parent Training Library 7:00pm
- February 2-Band UIL Solo/Ensemble

AUSTIN ELEMENTARY

- January 31-5th Grade Math Benchmark #3

LAMAR ELEMENTARY

- January 28-Bingo for Books 6:00-7:00 pm
- January 29 & 31- Kid's Café 5:30-6:30

WILSON

- January 28 & 30-Kids Café 5:30-6:30
- January 29-ESL 1:30-2:30 pm
- January 30-Power-Hour 2:00PM

For the most up-to-date Pampa ISD information, Go to the school website at [www.pampaisd.net](http://www.pampaisd.net) From the parent information drop-down menu, click on the Pampa ISD Event Calendar.



# Viewpoints

## Why Girl Scout cookies must be banned ...

The Girl Scout cookie season is upon us. That means one thing. The annual cookie sale must be banned.

How can we allow anyone, in these progressive times, to inflict empty calories on an already obese public?

How can we be so inconsiderate to diabetics and others who are unable to consume sugar?

How can we allow any organization, regardless of its cause, to use children to pimp products loaded with trans fat, the partially hydrogenated oil that Americans fear more than communism?

It is true that the Girl Scouts organization was founded in 1912 to help girls develop physically, mentally

and spiritually. I know the annual cookie sale has become a tasty part of American culture since it originated in 1917.

But the fact is this: The annual sale is teaching girls TERRIBLE values.

It is teaching them raw capitalism — how to exploit the weak and the helpless. My own niece, an otherwise sweet and lovely child, knows I can't help but eat shortbread cookies by the row. I eat Thin Mints as though they were Tic Tacs. I down Peanut Butter Patties the way grizzlies dine on wild salmon.

I'm addicted. But rather than protect me from my addiction, she preys on me. She calls or visits just before

dinner — when I am at my most hungry and vulnerable. She tells me about her troop's good deeds and how my order will fund even more.

The clever little manipulator always walks away with a sizable order.

**Tom Purcell**

Columnist



All Girl Scouts do. They probably meet in private to laugh about the helplessness of their victims — they laugh about the strong-arm techniques they use to part friends, family and neighbors from their hard-earned dough.

In the process, they are

destroying our environment. More than 200 million boxes of Girl Scout cookies are sold every year — that's \$700 million in annual revenue. Precious trees must be felled to farm the grains and sugars needed to produce them — trees that are essential to dissipating carbon dioxide.

What's worse, as those cookies are manufactured, packaged and shipped, more carbon dioxide is pumped into the air. That's right, the Girl Scouts are causing the Arctic ice cap to melt. The next time you dip a shortbread cookie into

a cup of milk, the least you can do is remember the starving polar bears stranded on hideously small ice floes.

That's why the annual Girl Scout cookie sale must end.

Look, if the Girl Scouts want to teach girls how to market products and manage inventory and money, can't they be more socially responsible? Instead of selling cookies, why not sell low-energy-consumption light bulbs? Why not sell something that makes the girls aware of man's thoughtless destruction of our fragile ecosystems?

Better yet, instead of teaching the girls the principles of capitalism, why not teach them how to be government bureaucrats

instead? America is moving toward European-style socialism. The careers of the future will be in government, not the private sector. Why not have the government produce a pamphlet on the harmful effects of cookies, then mandate that the girls develop a program to distribute it?

Sure, I know some people will criticize me for demanding an end to the cookie sale. They'll say that it really does teach girls useful business skills. They'll say that it's as much a part of American culture as baseball and apple pie — that we should celebrate it and enjoy it. They'll say that America has real problems;

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## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Jan. 27, the 27th day of 2008. There are 339 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 27, 1967, astronauts Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom, Edward H. White and Roger B. Chaffee died in a flash fire during a test aboard their Apollo spacecraft at Cape Kennedy, Fla.

On this date:

In 1756, composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria.

In 1880, Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent lamp.

In 1901, opera composer Giuseppe Verdi died in Milan, Italy, at age 87.

In 1943, some 50 bombers struck Wilhelmshaven in the first all-American air raid against Germany during World War II.

In 1944, the Soviet Union announced the complete end of the deadly German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for more than two years.

In 1945, Soviet troops liberated the Nazi concentration camps Auschwitz and Birkenau in Poland.

In 1951, an era of atomic testing in the Nevada desert began as an Air Force plane dropped a 1-kiloton bomb on Frenchman Flat.

In 1967, more than 60 nations signed a treaty banning the orbiting of nuclear weapons.

In 1973, the Vietnam peace accords were signed in Paris.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan greeted the 52 former American hostages released by Iran at the White House.

*'All history is modern history.'*

— Wallace Stevens  
American poet and author (1879-1955)

## Our readers write

### Candidates touting their 'experience'

We are hearing about all the experience the presidential candidates are bragging about, but look at the results that their experience has put us into.

I have been watching them explain how they can solve all the problems that we are having, but I have not

believed them for the last 40-50 years.

There is a sure way to make up our minds. They should publish all their legislation that they have voted on and how they voted.

**Kenneth Williams**  
Pampa

Sometimes phone calls from my Uncle Mort down in the thicket call for considerable dissection.

A recent one certainly did when he asked if the word "paparazzi" is singular or plural.

It seemed to me that an "I'm not sure" answer might be safest. ...

"It's definitely plural," he cackled, adding that there's "no need for singular designation for meddling photographers who travel in packs."

Again, he was certain that his foresight is better than the collective 20/20 hindsight of the rest of us.

"If you ever run into just one paparazzo, let me know," said my uncle before turning serious. ...

Mort then explained why the Dallas Cowboys implod-

ed in their first play-off game.

"If they had listened to me, they'd still be playing," he claimed. "We invited Tony Romo and his buddies, to hang out down here in the thicket during the bye week."

He said Jessica Simpson would have been welcome, too, figuring that she would add a spark down at the fire hall where the guys gathered to watch games on TV. ...

Then, he switched back to the paparazzi.

"We learned how to handle those guys when they showed up at Cut 'N Shoot 50 years ago," Mort said. "They thought they'd barge in here to get the goods on

good-old-boy Roy Harris when he was training for the world heavyweight boxing championship."

He said none of the "stalkarazzi" had ever been in East Texas, and got so interested in frog-gigging that they forgot all about why they were there in the first place. ...

Rambling continued. (Those lacking sensitivity might call it babbling.)

Whatever, Mort talked about the importance of keeping an eye on the ball, setting the tone, leading the team, rallying the troops, thrilling the fans, etc.

"I think Jessica rearranged priorities," Mort said. "If Tony shows up at training

camp with a shaved head, they'd best check to make sure Jessica's middle name isn't Delilah."

My uncle said that if outcomes could be choreographed, the game with the New York Giants could have turned out like "The Sound of Music."

But reality has a way of trumping choreography.

Dallas fans were urged to "wear white" to the game that became a wash-out. And the rally towels handed out to the first 40,000 fans became crying towels. Fans WERE ready for some football. ...

My old uncle was hoping for a Dallas/Seattle division championship game. New York and Green Bay, however, made the plan moot.

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## Idle American: Mort and the paparazzi

**Don Newbury**  
Columnist



## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ Jan. 21  
The Dallas Morning News on the unrealized dream:

Martin Luther King Jr. envisioned a race-blind society character would matter; skin color would not. So it is a great accomplishment that Barack Obama, the son of a black father and a white mother, now marshals a historic campaign for the White House in which race has largely been set aside as an issue.

That is progress, but not necessarily proof that Dr. King's dream is nearing reality. It does not guarantee racial reconciliation, something this nation still

struggles to achieve amid many complex contradictions.

With the Illinois Old State Capitol as a backdrop, Mr. Obama last February announced his presidential candidacy before an enthusiastic, racially diverse audience. But also last year, a noose in Jena, La., reminded the nation of still-simmering racial anxiety.

A year earlier, assumptions about race and class allowed a misguided prosecutor to wrongly accuse several Duke lacrosse players of a heinous crime. More recently, an ugly dust-up between Clinton and Obama campaigners over supposed racial affronts revealed the destructive power of race when wielded as a political bludgeon.

On this celebration of Dr. King's birthday, it's important to remember

that justice and equality were central to his soul and thus go hand-in-glove with reconciliation. Sadly, that message is lost on too many deaf ears, or devilishly manipulated for partisan purposes. The mere mention of race generates divisive accusations of playing the race card, race baiting or racism often in instances when none of those exist.

What's lacking is an honest racial conversation, an understanding leading toward Dr. King's ultimate goal reconciliation from the heart. Instead, silence, confusion, hurt, frustration and suspicion fester in hearts and minds.

Hope can bring about change, and change can fuel progress. Hope requires more than faith in the future. It

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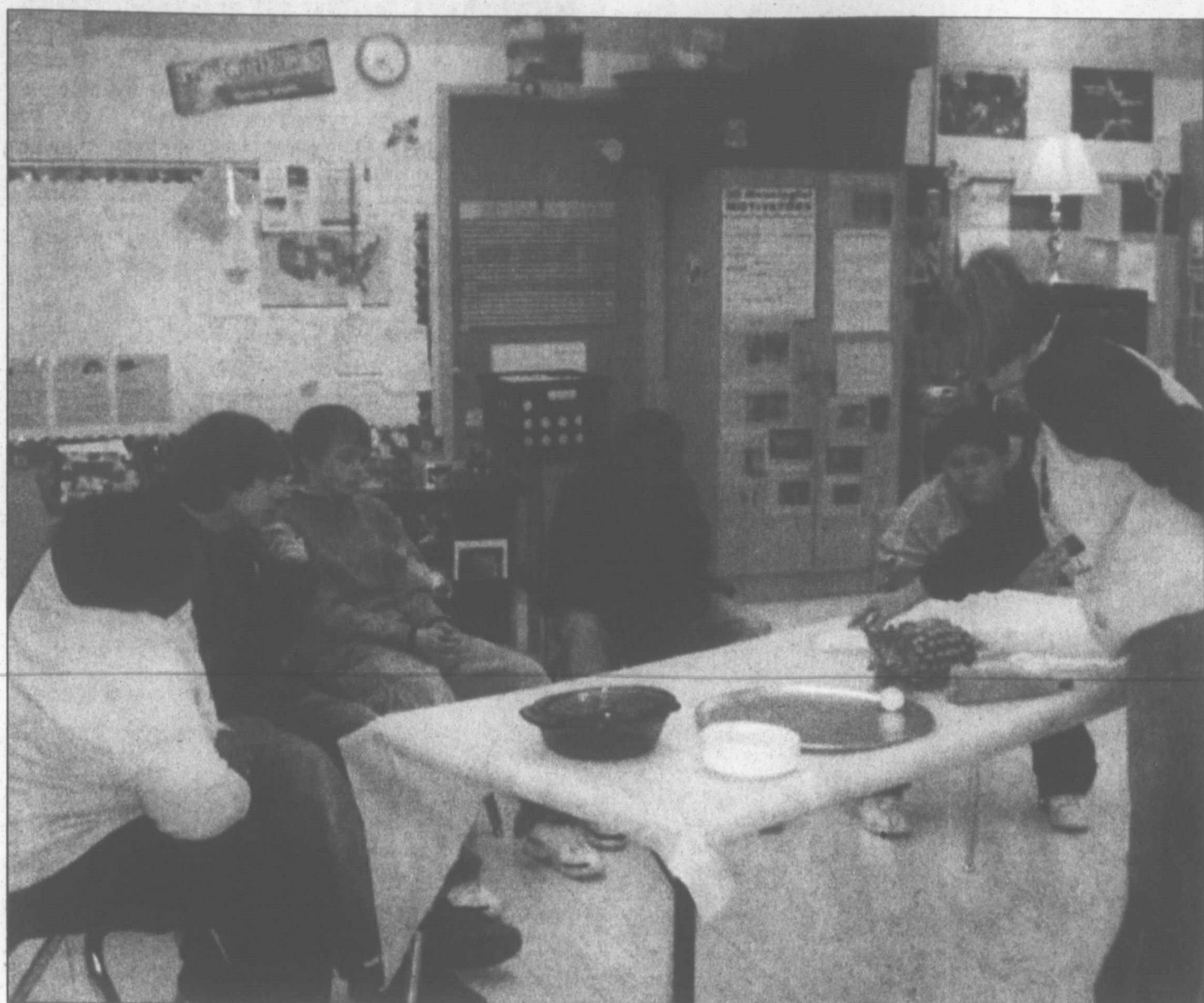
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## Hawaii

Dane Farmer recently brought items from Hawaii to her class at Pampa Junior High School. Farmer showed students coral, papaya seeds, lava rocks and more. Above, from left: Monty Ware, Ziriix Nix, Brandon Carroll, Jamare Ballard and Jacob Vargas.

## Events calendar

• **“Meet Leon Church: Potter County Extension Agent”** will be from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Feb. 2 at Amarillo Botanical Gardens in Amarillo. Admission to the event is free. Church will discuss what the Extension agency can do for you.

• **Pampa Book Club** will review the following books in the coming months: “I Heard That Song Before” by Mary Higgins Clark, Feb. 13; “Night” by Elie Wiesell, March 12; “A Tree Grows in Brooklyn” by Betty Smith, April 9; and “Walking Drum” by Louis L’Amour, May 14. The club meets at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month in the Texas Room at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

• **Miss Texas International Pageant System** is currently seek-

ing entrants for the Miss Pampa International 2008 Pageant. The deadline for applications is March 1. Contestants will compete in personal interview, fitness wear, fun fashion wear and evening gown. To find out more or to request an application, call (210) 403-0589 or log onto [www.misstexasinternational.com](http://www.misstexasinternational.com) on the Internet.

• **Scholarships are currently available for grant-writing workshops** March 25-26 in Dallas and March 27-28 in Houston. The partial scholarships are available to nonprofit and faith-based organizations, government agencies, schools and students. For more information, call 1-800-371-5703 or visit [www.zockgrant.com](http://www.zockgrant.com) on the Internet.

## Dream

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requires both the will to have the discussions about prickly issues and the will to understand and right wrongs.

America needs a frank conversation about race underpinned with the resounding promise of making this the society that Dr. King envisioned. That would be the commitment that would best honor the man. URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com>

## Newbury

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“I heard that Seahawk fans were going to smuggle double-barrel distractions into Texas Stadium,” Mort said.

He claimed they were going to wave cardboard fans of Jessica’s face with one hand and Tony Romo “bobble-thumb” dolls with the other. The dolls were to

remind Tony of the fumbled extra-point snap last year in Seattle. (No doubt this shenanigan would have gotten a good ride on ESPN. ...)

Uncle Mort reminded that despite the Cowboys’ loss, the sun is still rising in the east and setting in the west daily.

“Time heals all wounds and wounds all heels,” he joked.

Mort and some of his plumber friends are determined to salvage good memories

from the 2007 season. “After all, we named Tony’s East Texas fan club,” Mort bragged, promising to send me a “Romo Rooter” coffee mug. ...

Finally, he “waxed poetic,” quoting his altered version of the late Grantland Rice’s lines.

Here’s the way Mort put it: “For when the One Great Scorer comes, to write ‘gainst the Cowboys’ names, he marks down that they won or lost, and how Romo

played the game. ...”

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He ended our visit calling for a more balanced Dallas offense next year.

“I took a vote in the thicket, and it’s unanimous that Marion Barber will give the ground game a boost,” Mort believes.

“It was detailed, in-depth balloting,” he assured.

Mort called it “The Barber Poll’ ...

—Dr. Newbury is a speaker and author in the Metroplex.

## Healthy hearts topic of next senior seminar

AMARILLO — Not all fats are created equal. Consequently, some are healthier than others. Knowing which ones to include in our diets and which ones to limit can be a challenge, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service agent.

The February senior seminar entitled “Let’s Have a Heart to Heart: Good Fats and Bad Fats” will be held at 11 a.m. Feb. 14 at the Amarillo Senior Citizens

Center, 1217 S. Tyler. “It’s only fitting that we give attention to our heart health on Valentine’s Day this year by focusing on better choices that we can make with fats in our diet,” said Sue Church, AgriLife Extension family and consumer sciences agent for Potter County. “Trimming out more of the saturated and trans fats will have long-term benefits.”

Elizabeth Kahlich, Amarillo Veterans

Administration Clinical dietitian, will present the fat facts to seniors, caretakers or other adults wanting to help their heart health by learning about better dietary choices. She’ll offer healthy snack ideas and better suited cooking techniques for reducing fat in diets.

The seminars are open to the public free of charge. For more information, contact AgriLife Extension in Potter County at (806) 373-0713.

## Purcell

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and that I ought to focus on those rather than something as harmless as a lousy cookie sale.

Well, nuts to that. I urge you to write your senator and congressman. If the

Girl Scouts won’t willingly stop foisting their cookie pox on the rest of us, we must use the might of the federal government to mandate a ban on their annual sale.

I hope the ban goes into effect before my niece talks me into placing another order.

—Tom Purcell is a humor columnist nationally syndicated exclusively by Cagle Cartoons.

## Lamar Elementary honor roll

Lamar Elementary School recently announced its honor for the third six-weeks grading period of the 2007-08 school year.

### SECOND GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Monica Apodaca, Moses Avila, David Soria.

**AB Honor Roll.** Allison Armendariz, Shelby Burnett, Jordan Deshane, Alexandra Galvon, Katie Hernandez, Nathan Herrera, Ruby Lopez, Gabriel Mendex, Joseline Madrid, Cristobal Madrid, Esmeralda Madrid, Ezequiel Murgado, Jennifer Price, Paola Resendez, Alex Rodriguez, Ailen Ruiz, Carla Salazar, D’Asia Smith, ShyDay Smith, Jacey Steel, Blanca Urrutia, Alexia Vasquez.

### THIRD GRADE

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**AB Honor Roll.** Skyler Brawley, Montaisha Brown, Austin Burton, Arturo Chanax, Nikolas DeLeon, Rubi Garcia, Keanan Hanks, Ale Jimenez, Marco Lopez, Guadalupe Macias, Naymi Madrid, Katya

Madrid, Cynthia Perez, Alejandra Resendiz, Juana Salazar, Alexandria Zamora, Copper Zepeda.

### FOURTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Zach Hill, Osmar Madrid, Kyler Ramming, Luis Rivera, Francisco Salazar.

**AB Honor Roll.** Iriscel Cabrales, Willie Castillo, Ana Chavez, Henery Garcia, Andres Lasoya, Monica Neri, Nellely Ortega, Alan Rodriguez, Cindy Romero, Julissa Torres, Raeli Walker.

### FIFTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Karen Duarte, Jaiden Johnston, Evelyn Resendez, Hernan Silva, Yesenia Soria, Karoley Villareal.

**AB Honor Roll.** Ty’Randa Archie-Johnson, Petra Campos, Phyllis Chennault, Ana Cota, Lakin Cox, Tyler Curfman, Patricia Dorado, Rebekah Foster, Olga Garcia, McKinley Nunn, Mireye Salazar, Quenia Servin, Samantha Van Houten, Francisco Veneges, Montre Williams, Landon Wright.

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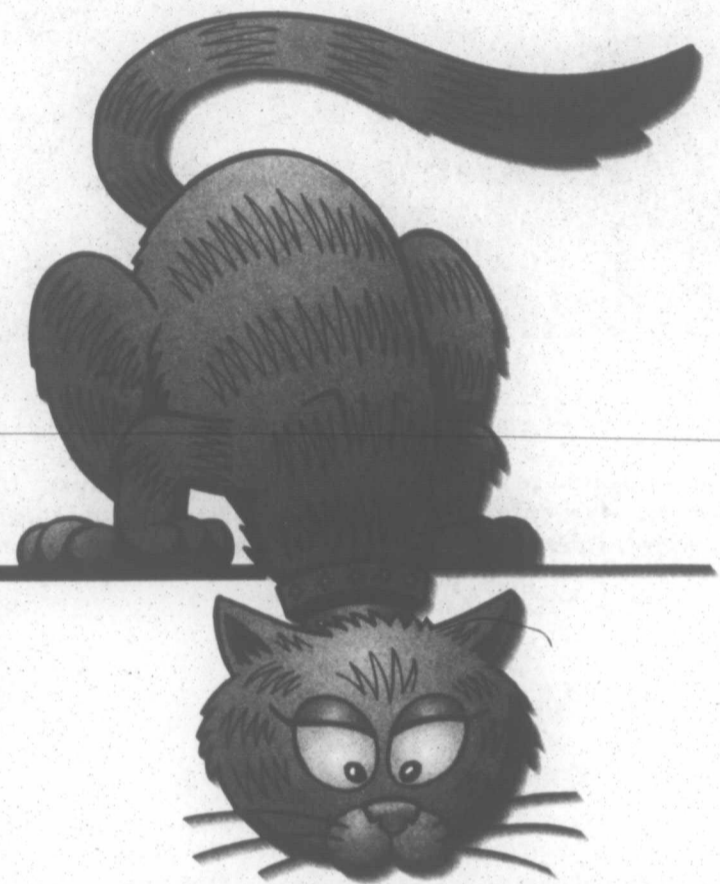


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# animal awareness



**Pets are popular because they provide companionship, joy, unconditional love, a sense of safety, and often a service. A pet is your daily responsibility, so make an informed pet selection. Don't let the playful antics of the first puppy, kitten or bird you see or the latest status-symbol pet charm you into accepting a responsibility for which you and your family are not prepared. There are millions of unwanted pets that have to be put to death each year -- pets selected on impulse. When choosing a pet, you must first look at yourself, your personality and lifestyle. Just like us, animals have their own individual personalities. Your goal is to identify the best animal(s) for your living space, lifestyle and budget. DO YOU HAVE ROOM FOR A PET** Active dogs need more space and more daily exercise than older or more sedentary dogs. Some pets may get enough exercise within the confines of a house or apartment.

**WHAT ACTIVITIES DO YOU ENJOY** What will you expect your companion to do with you. Join in on outdoor activities or share quiet pastimes at home? Choose the pet that best matches your lifestyle.

**HOW DO YOU SPEND YOUR DAY** Pets depend on people for daily affection and attention. Young puppies and kittens require time for housebreaking, training and feeding. Feeding, exercise, grooming and play are daily time commitments that must be considered in caring for a healthy, happy pet.

**HOW MUCH WILL YOUR PET COST** All pets need food and shelter, and most should have regular visits to a veterinarian for health checkups and fascinations. Other cost considerations include sterilization, emergency medical treatment, grooming, boarding, licensing, training and accessories.

**PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR YOUR PET** Before bringing a pet into your home, prepare a special place for it to eat and sleep. You should pet-proof your home just as you would child-proof your home to avoid accidents. Harmful cleansers, plants, electrical cords and breakable objects should be removed from potential contact with your pet.

**BE AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHERS** Always show your pets the love and good care they deserve. It's more than just food, water and adequate shelter. If you think your animal is sick, bring him to the veterinarian. Be responsible and have your animals spayed or neutered. Be a concerned citizen who reports animal cruelty. Your phone calls can make a difference in an animals life.

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 HUTCHINSON (PAN-HANDLE) WO Operating Co., Harvey Unit, Sec. 14, M-21, TCRR, PD 3450', for the following wells:  
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& 2334' from East Sec. line. Oil well  
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 WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Linn Operating, Inc., #3 Miller Spinney '39', 660' from South & 1980' from East line, Sec. 39, A-

3, H&GN, PD 16700'.  
 WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.L.C., #1750 Sophia, 1050' from South & 367' from West line, Sec. 50, M-1, H&GN, PD 14000'.  
**Oil Well Completions**  
 HUTCHINSON (PAN-HANDLE) Linn Operating, Inc., #198 South Herring, W. Archer Survey, spud 6-11-07, drlg. compl 8-9-07, tested 12-11-07, pumped 6 bbl. of oil + 178 bbls. water on 24 hour test, GOR 3667, TD 3650',

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TD 13758', PBTD 13510'  
 HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy, Inc., #4615P Graham, Sec. 46, A-2, H&GN, spud 10-11-07, drlg. compl 10-25-07, tested 12-21-07, TD 12840', PBTD 12688' —  
 HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy, Inc., #4632P Graham, Sec. 46, A-2, H&GN, spud 9-23-07, drlg. compl 10-7-07, tested 12-7-07, TD 12815', PBTD 12702' —  
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# Kimbo invites 'big brother' to join Amarillo Symphony

AMARILLO — Kimbo Ishii-Eto returns to Amarillo with the man he considers his "big brother" for a spectacular concert of virtuosic violin music.

Maro Shinozaki, the concertmaster of the NHK Symphony Orchestra in Tokyo and a world-renowned solo artist, will join the Amarillo Symphony for a pair of concerts on Feb. 8 and 9.

Repertoire for the concerts is inspired equally by Ishii-Eto and Shinozaki's long friendship and by Shinozaki's internationally

acclaimed skills.

Concerts begin at 8 p.m. in the Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets normally run from \$18 to \$56 (\$16 for students and seniors), but by taking advantage of the Fly Standby with the Symphony offer, many audience members will get their seats for \$15 each in some of the best seats in the house. For these limited standby seats, call the Symphony office at 376-8782 or visit [www.amarillosymphony.org](http://www.amarillosymphony.org). Otherwise, patrons can purchase tickets through Panhandletickets

through its several outlets, via phone at 378-3096 or its Web site, [www.panhandletickets.com](http://www.panhandletickets.com).

Ishii-Eto first met Shinozaki when the latter began attending the Vienna Conservatory of Music, where Ishii-Eto, then 12 years old, was already one of the top violin students.

"All of the sudden, I heard there was this new genius from Japan — only 17 years old, but he played like Paganini. I heard him in recital, and I still remember the sensation. My chin just literally went down to my

belly. I was so shocked," Ishii-Eto said. "I thought, 'I have to practice more!'"

Quickly, the pair established a bond built on mutual respect and friendly rivalry — a bond that has only grown now that the two are building their musical reputations around the world.

"My first season as the conductor of a major orchestra wouldn't be complete without having Maro join me," Ishii-Eto said. "Without him, I wouldn't be who I am today. I was very shy. It was he who made me be so open, so I want him

here for my first season. I feel very honored to have him."

Ishii-Eto asked Shinozaki to perform two of the most virtuosic pieces for violin in the orchestral repertoire: Franz Waxman's "Carmen" Fantasie for Violin and Orchestra and Pablo de Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen (Gypsy Airs)."

The Waxman piece, considered by many to be the hardest piece in the violin repertoire, is based on themes from Georges Bizet's opera "Carmen." It will be complemented during the concert by the opening piece — an excerpt from Bizet's "Carmen" Suite No. 1.

Waxman wrote his Fantasie as part of his score to the film "Humoresque," and it was originally recorded by Isaac Stern. Sarasate's piece, a favorite among violin virtuosos, is based on

music of the Gypsies, particularly the czardas, a Hungarian folk dance. The composer wrote it for himself to show off his own virtuosic talents.

The concert's second half features Brahms' Symphony No. 2 in D major — a generally sunny composition that reflects a summer vacation the composer took in the Austrian village of Portschach. True to form for

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# Researchers collaborate on ... popcorn

By ANN PERRY  
USDA ARS News

On a long winter's night, no treat seems simpler than a big bowl of popcorn — until you start to trace the connections between traditional races of popping corns and modern commercial varieties of popcorn.

Plant geneticist Amalio Santacruz Varela — then a graduate student at Iowa State University and currently a professor and researcher at el Colegio de Postgraduados in Mexico — teamed up with Mark Widrechner to assemble some popcorn pedigrees. Widrechner is a plant geneticist with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), working at the agency's North Central Regional Plant Introduction Station (NCRPIS) in Ames, Iowa.

They focused on 56 maize (*Zea mays* L.) varieties from the United States and Latin America — emphasizing popcorns — and measured 29 morphological traits based on heritable qualities and popping characteristics. They also obtained genetic data from DNA markers and from variations in proteins called enzymes.

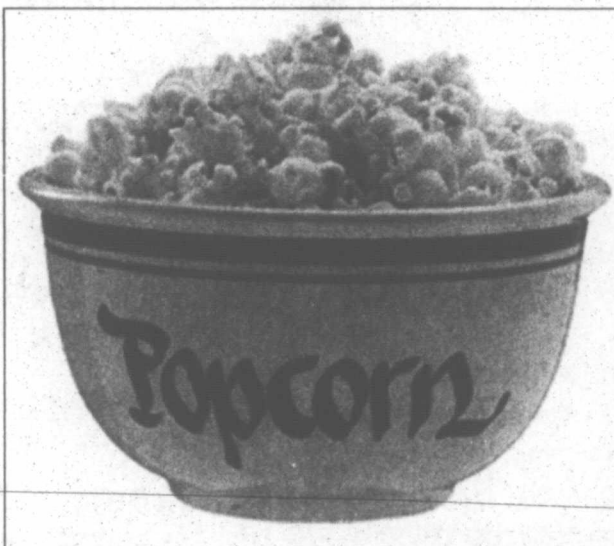
Statistical programs were used to analyze these data and estimate the probability of close genetic relationships among the maize varieties. Drawing on the results, the team proposed classifying the majority of U.S.

popcorn varieties into three main groups.

Most of the common U.S. commercial varieties belong to the North American Yellow Pearl Popcorns group. This type of popcorn may have its origins in a Chilean popcorn variety adapted to growing conditions similar to conditions in typical U.S. production areas.

The second group, North American Pointed Rice Popcorns, has two subgroups. One contains genetically similar, white popcorns with pointed kernels from the United States, and another represents the major pointed popcorn races from Latin America.

A third group, North American Early Popcorns, appears to be closely related to Northern Flint varieties, which in turn originated from Mexican maize progenitors. Northern Flint varieties have contributed significantly to the development of other important U.S. corn varieties, including Corn Belt Dents — the yellow field corn grown on millions of acres in the United States and other nations — and many sweet



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Corn breeders can use new information about the origins and genetic relationships of U.S. popcorns to create improved varieties for popcorn enthusiasts.

corn types.

Plant breeders can use this information about the origin and genetic relationships of U.S. popcorns to develop even better varieties of popcorn for snacking enthusiasts.

ARS is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific research agency.

# Gray County Extension Agency to host child safety seat classes

Gray County Extension Agent Joan Gray-Soria warns that motor vehicle crashes are the leading killer of children from age birth and up, and more than 50 percent of children killed in crashes are unrestrained. However, parents can take steps to prevent such tragedies.

By using age-appropriate child safety seats and keeping children 12 and under

properly restrained in the back seat of the vehicle, parents can greatly reduce the risk of injury.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service of Gray County will be conducting a "SafeRider Child Safety Seat Distribution and Education Class" on Jan. 29 at the Gray County Annex in Pampa. The SafeRider program is for low-income families who travel on Texas

highways.

To qualify to participate in the program, families self-certify financial need. They must have a vehicle and working safety belts (lap and shoulder belts are required for booster seats). One member of the family MUST attend a one-hour class in order to learn how to use the safety seat correctly. One seat per family.

Participants must preregister for the class by calling 669-8033. Classes are limited. There is no charge or fees for class participants. Families who are not preregistered will not be able to attend the class.

For more information, call the Texas Cooperative Extension office at 669-8033 and ask for Gray-Soria.

## NEWSMAKERS

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

To qualify for the list, a student must maintain a 3.25 grade point average while enrolled full-time for the semester.

## FREE VARICOSE VEIN SCREENING EVENT

Local solutions are now available for this national problem — varicose veins. Approximately 25 million Americans are afflicted with varicose veins — nearly twice as many patients as those suffering from coronary artery disease.



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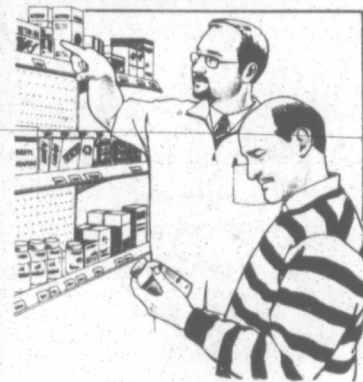
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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I married a man with two adult children. When I met him, "Jerry" was a single father whose ex-wife had died soon after their divorce. I have two small children who live with us. Jerry has been a wonderful husband and stepfather. When we married years ago, we both owned our own homes. We jointly decided to rent mine and live in his. Whenever we go away on a vacation, his children use our home without asking. There have been parties, complaints from neighbors, our house left in disarray, and "friends" I don't know sleeping in my children's beds. In the past, Jerry tolerated this behavior. Now that my children and I live here, I asked my husband to talk to his children about this. He did, and things have toned down, but they haven't stopped. It bothers me that they use our home when we're not here. I feel it's an invasion of privacy, lack of respect and a risk. Jerry feels it's their home, too, and he's reluctant to be firm with them. I don't think they or their friends should be here when we're gone. Am I out of line? — **HOME INVASION IN CALIFORNIA**

**DEAR HOME INVASION:** No, I agree with you. Circumstances have changed since your husband's children lived there, and your feelings need to be considered. It is no longer "their" house. Throwing wild parties, inviting strangers to use the beds and leaving the place in disarray is disrespectful to both you and their father, and should not be tolerated. Your husband's reluctance to make this clear may have to do with lingering guilt over his divorce from their mother, but it's time for him to step up, do what's right and draw the line.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm in the eighth grade, and I have crushes on two boys. One is in 11th grade and the other is a senior. The boy in 11th grade treats me like a queen, and I don't exactly like that. On the other hand,

the senior treats me like I'm nothing, and I really like him. My friends think I should be with the one who's in 11th grade. What do you think? — **HARRISBURG, PA., TEEN**

**DEAR TEEN:** I think you have confused the excitement of a "challenge" with a real relationship. Before you begin dating anyone, it's important that you figure out exactly what it is about being treated well that turns you off, and why you're attracted to someone who is even mildly abusive. The sooner you do that the better, because you'll save yourself a world of disappointment and pain. PS: Right now, I think both of those boys are too old for you.

**DEAR ABBY:** What should a person do when he or she works with a pathological liar? This woman brags about extravagant trips to New York, Europe, etc., from which she never brings any pictures to show. She brags about what she has or what she buys. She even tells people that she's a lawyer when she's really a secretary, and tells everyone that she's going to school, but she has never enrolled at any colleges. This woman and I have friends in common, and I know that none of what she brags about is true. Because she works with a lot of professional people, I guess she feels she has to make up lies to fit in. I wish everyone knew what she's doing so they wouldn't fall for her lies. What do you recommend? — **FED UP IN PASCO, WASH.**

**DEAR FED UP:** The person you have described has enough problems without you creating more for her. I recommend you bide your time and keep your distance. People who lie usually trip themselves up and give themselves away eventually.

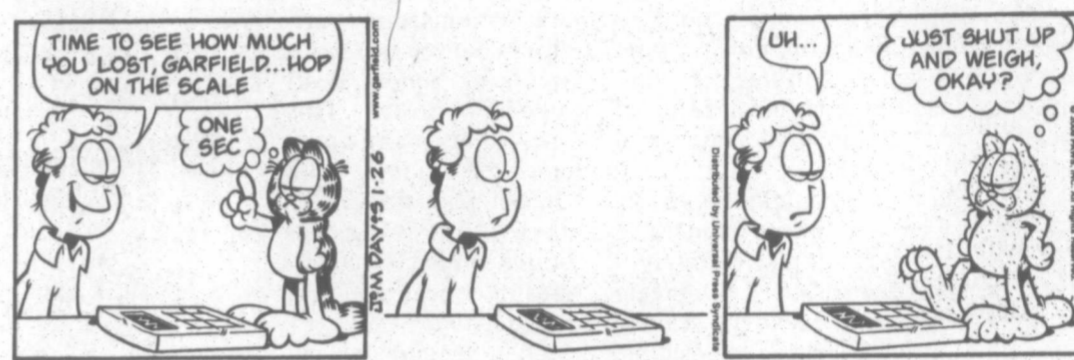
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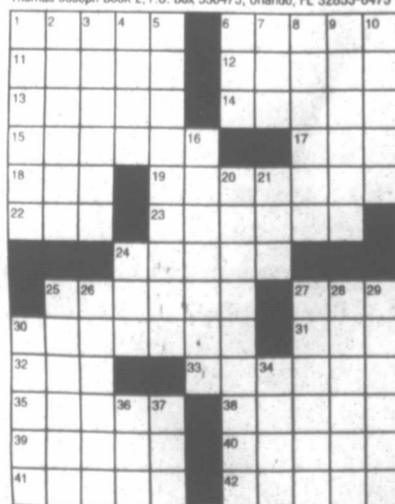
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  - 14 Singer Haggard
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  - 19 Egyptian symbols
  - 22 Hog home
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  - 24 Like some mouth-wash
  - 25 Position
  - 27 Nile snake
  - 30 Uses plastic
  - 31 Old car
  - 32 Sound of delight
  - 33 Plant pores
  - 35 Speedy
  - 38 Fuming
  - 39 Lesson leader
  - 40 Green Party candidate
- DOWN**
- 1 Sung music
  - 2 Shortly
  - 3 Marbles, so to speak
  - 4 All even holders
  - 5 Impressive
  - 6 Tiara beam
  - 7 Smeltery feature
  - 8 Human supply
  - 9 Unscripted lines
  - 10 Ocean regions
  - 16 Torch holders
  - 20 Certifying puzzles
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  - 24 Spoil
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# Austin Elementary School honor roll for third six weeks

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the third six-weeks grading period of the 2007-08 school year.

## SECOND GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Patrick Allen, Fernando Anguiana, Dylan Childress, Tori Dalton, Ali Dancer, Cierra Ditmore, Mason Eldridge, Makenna Henderson, Tell Ingersoll, Dylan Johnson, Alexander Karson, Micaela King, Alex Loving, Logan Martindale.

Kaileigh McIntosh, Jared Minyard, Mateo Mosqueda, Jordan Parsons, Destiny Peet, Kennedy Phillips, Bobbie Robicheaux, Alex Smith, Avery Smith, Kaydan

Stidham, Aspen Sullivan, Samantha Touchstone, Michael Villarreal.

**AB Honor Roll.** Sonny Ambriz, Thomas Costley, Mackenzie Gordon, Jessica Hall, Brooke Hancox, Seth Langley, Evan Read, Amalia Rivera, Brittny Towles, Zane Ward.

## THIRD GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Sierra Albers, Brady Albert, Sean Anstey, Ethan Brock, Lily Brown, Ariel Cambern, Emily DeLoach, Brayden Dyson, Garrett Ely, Nicholas Garcia, Adisson Hinkle, Bailey Joyce, Anastasia Lemke, Brandt Logan, Mason McKay, Kyra Moyer, Elaine Nava.

Rylee Novian, Bryson Paronto, Meredith Pooley, Danikka Resendiz, Jett Richards, Rachel Robinson, Ryan Roden, Uriel Saenz, Brandon Sieck, Ashten Snapp, Nick Stevens, Indy Sullivan, Sarah Sutherland, Brett West, Greyson Wilson, Zachary Wilson.

## AB Honor Roll.

Chaine Corley, Kylie Gordon, Jarrod Groomer, Jordan Moore, Dalton Norris, Mason Richards, Jarrett Rivera, Kami Ware.

## FOURTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Auriana Bird, Millie Borunda, Bryson Burrell, Chase Cree, Kristen Duree, Cade Engle, Kolton Jefferis, Ben Karson,

Shelby Langley, Tatum Magee, Brynna McKinney, Ajay Mitchell.

**AB Honor Roll.** Cody Beyer, Megan Brock, Bailee Budd, Reata Collins, Cade Ferguson, Bryce Gordon, Gage Greenhouse, Austin Hendricks, Eric Hendrickson, Zoe Hulsey, Kassie Jerome, Ryan Lee.

Kendra McIntyre, Michael Mechelay, Ericka Nanez, Cherish Peet, Aubrey Pickrell, Sarah Schoenrock, Landon Taylor, Hadley Thompson, Cecilia Vasquez, Solon Wilson, Kenda Young.

## FIFTH GRADE

**A Honor Roll.** Jonah Bagley, Beau Benson, Taylor Bolton, Bennett Cambern,

Jenna Gee, Hailee King, Hope Lane, Josh Miner, MaKenna Rex, Christopher Smith, Greg Smith, Johnathan Stevens, Blaze Sullivan, Dylan Zawicki.

**AB Honor Roll.** Jacob Brown, Braden Childress, Tianni Costley, Jaycee Devoll, Lena Dyer, Hunter

Hall, Alec Hendricks, Kirsten Hood, Macie Loggins, RyLee Lowry, Braxton Maul, Vanessa Ontiveros, Ashjen Payne, Brianna Robicheaux, Alexis Stoddard, Zach Stout, Jasmine Villarreal.

## Kimbo

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Brahms, though, the piece also reflects his melancholy, particularly in the second movement. First performed in 1877 in Vienna, the symphony was an unqualified success, with the audience demanding an immediate encore of the ebullient third movement.

The symphony was the first piece performed by Shinozaki and Ishii-Eto as they sat next to one another in their school orchestra — Shinozaki as assistant concertmaster, Ishii-Eto as principal second violin.

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For more information, please contact Nathan Newbrough, executive director, at (806) 376-8782 or via e-mail [nathan@amarillosymphony.org](mailto:nathan@amarillosymphony.org).

# State's agriculture agencies change names

COLLEGE STATION — Two state agricultural agencies that have served Texans for a combined 224 years are beginning 2008 with new names and renewed missions.

Texas AgriLife Research is the new name for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, which annually conducts more than \$150 million in agriculture and life sciences research in such areas as improving food and fiber production, enhancing human and animal health, and conserving water, soils, wildlife and other natural resources.

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is the new name of Texas Cooperative Extension, which provides Texans in all 254 counties with objective, research-based education programs and services in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H and youth development, family and consumer sciences, and community economic development.

"We are making these changes to better communicate the life-sustaining and life-changing impacts that both AgriLife Research and AgriLife Extension deliver to the people of Texas and

beyond," said Dr. Mark Hussey, director of AgriLife Research.

Both agencies remain members of The Texas A&M University System, with the same commitment to their partners, clients and mission.

"But we also want to tell our story to a larger audience and a changing state population, attract new resources and build new partnerships, while strengthening our existing ones," Hussey said. "In this way, we hope to better serve the people of this great state."

The name changes are part of a re-branding initiative launching this year after two years of study and planning. These efforts were led by former vice chancellor Dr. Elsa Murano, who was named president of Texas A&M University on Jan. 3.

The re-branding efforts are centered on one foundational message: "Agriculture is Life!" Hussey said. "The central idea is that life itself is the core value that our agencies seek to sustain and enhance."

"People usually don't realize how much we all depend on agriculture and the life sciences. Discoveries and innovations in these fields directly impact the quality of the food we eat, the clothes we wear, the air we breathe, the water we drink, the homes we live in, and, more and more, even the fuels we pump into our vehicles."

"This is more than a name change, or even a new logo design," said Dr. Ed Smith, director of AgriLife

Extension. "These new brands will impact not only our marketing materials and signage, but also the way we position and prioritize our programs and work with our federal, state and county partners to serve the state of Texas. It is vitally important to tell our story and that people connect our agencies to the tremendous impacts they have on the state."

One of the drivers of the re-branding initiative was a market study that showed that the work of the research and extension agencies was not widely known across the state of Texas.

"We hope to help people better understand the vital role that agriculture and life sciences still play in improving the prosperity of their lives," said Smith. "We believe that if they come to know us better, they will see that connection more clearly, even within a state population that is now 85 percent urbanized."

AgriLife Research, established in 1887, employs a team of 425 scientists on the campus of Texas A&M University and at 13 centers across the state. Research has made many innovative

advances over the years, including development of the Texas 1015 onion and the TAM Mild Jalapeño pepper, which revolutionized the U.S. salsa industry.

Current major research includes the efficient use and conservation of water resources, the development of fruits and vegetables with higher levels of disease-fighting compounds, and the adaptation of crops and other agricultural products for making biofuels.

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## Hemphill gets new agent

CANADIAN — Shonna Covin has been appointed to the position of Texas AgriLife Extension Service family and consumer sciences agent position for Hemphill County, said Dr. Galen Chandler, district AgriLife Extension administrator in Amarillo.

Covin will begin training on Feb. 1 in Wheeler County through the First Step program, which will allow her to work with other AgriLife Extension agents on a variety of programs before taking her position in Hemphill County on March 1, Chandler said.

"I believe Shonna will be a great addition to the AgriLife Extension program in Hemphill County," Chandler said. "She has a positive attitude and is willing to learn her new role in family and consumer science program—See AGENT, Page 12

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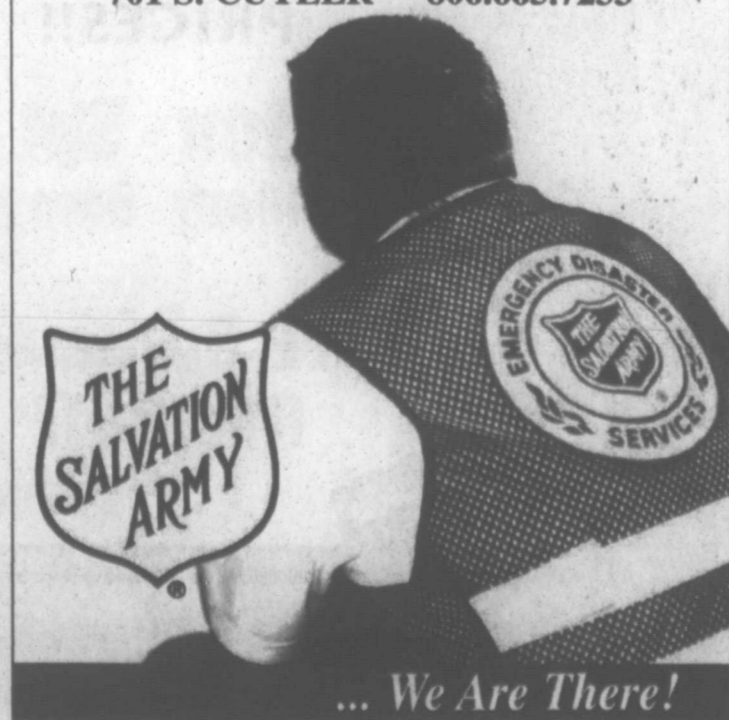
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# Elephant, 40, dies while giving birth

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A 40-year-old elephant died while trying to give birth to a calf that also died, zoo officials said. Babe, an Asian elephant that arrived at the Fort Worth Zoo in 1991 for its breeding program, was the oldest female elephant there. Last month as the end of her 22-month gestation period neared, elephant keepers started watching her around the clock, zoo officials said. Babe went into labor Sunday afternoon and her contractions continued for two days, but the calf did not move into the birth canal. Although Babe rested and

did normal physical activity, her health unexpectedly declined and she died Thursday morning in her sleep. Ron Surratt, the zoo's director of animal collections, said staffers were stunned and having a difficult time with the loss. The zoo has six other elephants. A necropsy showed that Babe had a torn uterus, which probably caused her death, said zoo spokeswoman Remekca Owens. The calf that died during labor was full-term, she said. In 2002, Babe gave birth to a full-term stillborn calf.

# Fight over jeans leads to jackpot at casino

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — All week, Sammy Zabib was getting an earful from his girlfriend for forgetting to buy her a pair of designer jeans she spotted in a casino boutique last weekend. "She was mad," said Zabib, a 42-year-old limousine fleet manager in New York. "We had an argument. More than one." They're not arguing now. On a return trip to pick up the jeans and end the grief Friday morning, Zabib won nearly \$800,000 playing a slot machine. He got up at 5 a.m. and drove three hours to Atlantic City, arriving at the Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa before

the boutique, Whim, opened at 10 a.m. In his pocket was a photocopy of a picture of the jeans that his girlfriend printed out for him, just to make sure there would be no confusion. With some time to kill, he sat down at a Brazil Slingo slot machine and started playing, betting \$4 a spin for about an hour. "I was just trying to kill time until the store opened so I could get her those jeans," he said. "Then the machine stopped working. I didn't know why, so I called security. They came over, took a look at it, and said, 'You won the jackpot!'" He called his girlfriend, whom he

identified only as Anna, and she started screaming. "She wasn't mad anymore," he said with a laugh. "She's waiting for me at home now." After receiving his payout from the casino, Zabib bought a pair of Dojo 7-brand jeans that Anna had wanted so badly. "They're the hot brand right now," said Borgata spokesman Michael Facenda. "They go for \$149 a pair." Zabib doesn't know what else he'll do with his newfound riches. "Maybe buy her some more jeans," Zabib said.

# AgriLife

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AgriLife Extension, established in 1915, provides Texans with continuing education programs and services. More than 900

professional educators team with some 90,000 volunteers to serve families, youth, communities and businesses throughout the state. Some 600,000 children annually participate in Extension's 4-H and youth development programs. For more information, see <http://agrilife.tamu.edu>.

# Agent

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ming in the adult and 4-H areas." Covin earned a bachelor's degree from Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kan. and a master's degree from West Texas A&M University. Since 2006, she has been the owner/presenter for Abundant Living, where she prepared and presented nutrition and weight-loss seminars. Prior to that, she

worked as the marketing specialist with Covin Insurance Agency in Canyon and a physical fitness instructor at Amarillo College. She also owns the Rodeo Drive of Canyon gift shop. "My family and I are looking forward to being a positive addition and contributor to the Extension office in Hemphill County," Covin said. "I am excited about learning new educational training programs that will offer Hemphill County residents a variety of programs in the areas of family and consumer sciences."

# Luncheon Bunch



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The "Luncheon Bunch" met recently at The Coffee Shop in Pampa. Present were (front row, left-right) Betty Tucker, Mary Denham, Chleo Worley, (second row, l-r) Helene Baumgardner, Mary Jean Johnson, Sidney Jackson, Levena Abbott, (third row, l-r) Emily Washington, Lillian Cheshier, Ruth Abbott, Dorothy Walls, Doris Smith and Joyce Gray. Not pictured: Janie Shed. The Luncheon Bunch dates back to the 1950s. The group originally met at members' homes for covered dish salad luncheons. Since April 2004, the bunch has convened at The Coffee Shop. Washington leads the group which meets at 11:30 a.m. the second Monday of each month.

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# Sports

## Harvesters continue winning at Caprock Friday

By JORDAN REAGAN  
Sports Editor

The Pampa Harvesters are getting to know what it feels like to win again, as they defeated the Caprock Longhorns Friday night in their fifth district game.

Trailing the Longhorns through the majority of the game, the Harvesters came back in the fourth quarter for a 78-67 victory.

Caprock opened the first quarter with a bang, sinking two three-pointers in the first minute, leaving Pampa in the dust, 6-0.

At the 7:03 marker, senior Mark Stone tossed in the first basket for Pampa, and followed with another moments later, but with 4:00 remaining in the first quarter, Caprock hit another three-pointer to take a big 13-4 lead.

A basket by junior Matt Smith and two by sophomore Alex Clendening kept Pampa in the game, and with 46 seconds remaining, Smith sunk two free throws, and Pampa trailed 18-12 going into the second quarter.

Senior Josh Humphrey

opened the second quarter with a three-point shot 30 seconds in to put Pampa within three points of the Longhorns.

Two minutes into the quarter, Smith scored to put Pampa ahead, 19-18.

The Longhorns put some more points on the scoreboard to take back their lead, but a three-pointer by junior Alex Torres put Pampa ahead by one again, 23-22.

With 36 seconds remaining, junior Hayden Skinner was given two free throws, and made the first.

When his second shot bounced from the rim, the ball was rebounded by Clendening, and passed to Stone, who threw it in for two more, and Pampa trailed Caprock 36-33 going into halftime.

A minute into the second half, Skinner executed a three-point play to tie the game at 36-36, and two minutes later, Stone hit a basket to give the Harvesters a 38-36 lead.

The score went back and forth through the remainder of the quarter, but with 15

seconds remaining, Clendening scored one last time to tie the game at 49-49 when the buzzer sounded for the third quarter.

The Harvesters exploded in the fourth quarter, and almost immediately took an eight point lead.

With 2:30 remaining in the game, the Harvesters had scored 20 points in the quarter and maintained a 69-60 lead.

In the last two minutes, the Harvesters shot 9 for 14 from the free throw line, and strengthened their lead to 11 points as they claimed a 78-67 lead at the end of the game.

Alex Clendening led the Harvesters with 19 points. Matt Smith had 15 points, Hayden Skinner and Josh Humphrey had 13 each, Alex Torres had 12 and Mark Stone had eight.

The JV boys were defeated by Caprock, 66-65.

The Harvesters improved to 2-3 in district and 11-14 overall.

Travis Hagerman led with 20 points. Ryan Jimenez had 18 and Nathan Webb had 14.



Pampa News photo by JORDAN REAGAN  
Pampa junior Alex Torres takes a shot over a Longhorn defender during Friday's game at Caprock. Torres had 12 points in the game.

The Harvesters will play again Tuesday night as they welcome the Palo Duro Dons to McNeely Fieldhouse in Pampa, 7:30 p.m. at McNeely and the JV boys will play at 6 p.m. at the MPAC gymnasium.

## Lady Harvesters lose close match with Lady Longhorns

By JORDAN REAGAN  
Sports Editor

In the district match-up that was undoubtedly an excitement for fans on both

sides of the gymnasium, the Caprock Lady Longhorns avenged a previous loss to the Lady Harvesters with a 61-54 victory Friday night.

Jasmaine Moore lit up the scoreboard for the Lady Harvesters in the first minute of the game, sinking two free throws early on.

With 1:30 remaining in the first quarter, Krishna Henderson scored to put the Lady Harvesters in the lead, 8-6, but Caprock came back with the little time they had left.

With one second remaining, Caprock threw the ball in from the sideline and make a three-point shot at the buzzer to take a 12-8 lead going into the second quarter.

Pampa continued to make their free throws through the second quarter to finish the first half 8 for 10 from the free throw line.

Shelbie Watson opened the second quarter with a three-pointer, putting Pampa only one point behind the Lady Longhorns.

Caprock led by only one going into halftime, 24-23.

Five minutes into the second half, Watson hit another three-pointer as the Lady Harvesters trailed by two, 28-26.

With two minutes remain-

ing, Kiersten Taylor hit two free throws, and the Lady Harvesters found themselves behind, still, going into the final period, 36-32.

Taylor scored another goal early in the fourth quarter, which was followed by a goal by teammate Jessica Miner, to give Pampa a 38-36 lead.

With six minutes remaining, Watson hit her third three-point shot of the game, as Pampa led, 41-37, and as Caprock made their way back up, Emilie Troxell completed a three point play at the four minute marker.

The Lady Harvesters fell behind again in the final minutes, but shot 5 for 6 from the free throw line.

With three seconds

remaining, Miner executed one last three-point play, but it was not enough as the Lady Longhorns claimed the game, 61-54.

Jasmaine Moore, Jessica Miner and Shelbie Watson all had 10 points to lead the Lady Harvesters.

Kiersten Taylor had nine points, Krishna Henderson and Emilie Troxell had seven points, and Meagan Crawford had two.

The Lady Harvesters will continue their district run Tuesday, as they play the Palo Duro Lady Dons at McNeely Fieldhouse in Pampa.

The varsity girls will play at 6 p.m. at McNeely and the JV girls will play at 7:30 in the MPAC gymnasium.



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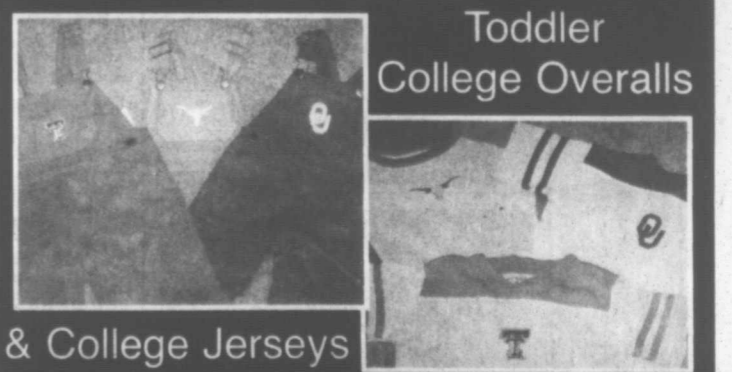
Pampa's Meagan Crawford scores two points during the first half of Friday night's game at Caprock. Also pictured here is teammate Jessica Miner (22).

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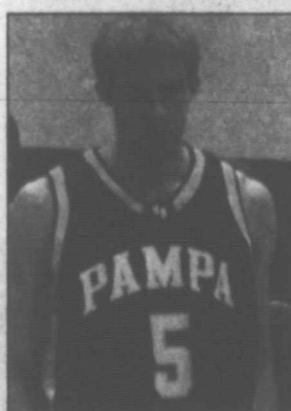


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## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

### Matt Smith



### Basketball

It's not unusual for junior Matt Smith to be among the leading scorers with the Harvesters, but he really stepped up his game this week, leading Tuesday against Dumas with 22 points, and scoring 15 points Friday against Caprock.

### Kiersten Taylor



### Basketball

In Friday's match against the Lady Longhorns, Kiersten Taylor was a big part of what made the game exciting, playing as a reliable shooter from the free throw line and scoring nine points total in the game.

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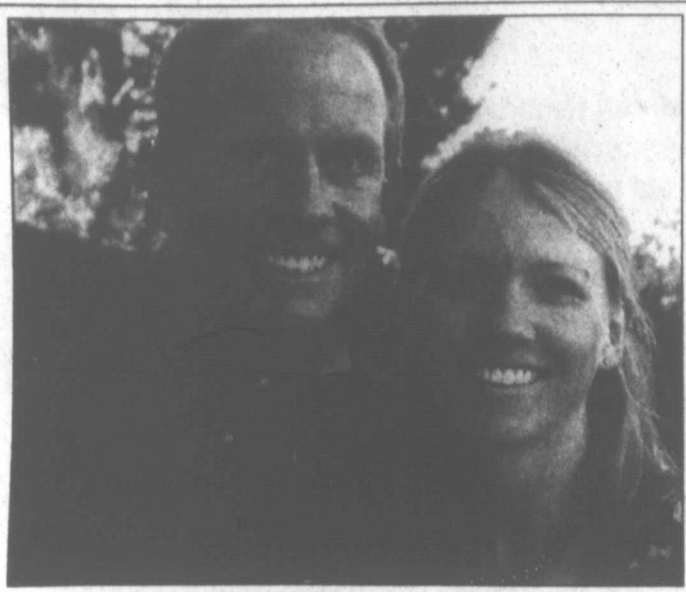
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**WEDNESDAY**  
 Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.  
 Lunch: Pigs in a blanket or pizza dippers, mashed potatoes, English peas, fruit.

**THURSDAY**  
 Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls.  
 Lunch: Chili or nachos, pinto beans, corn, fruit.

**FRIDAY**  
 Breakfast: Not available at press time.  
 Lunch: Not available at press time.

**Kid's Cafe-Wilson**  
**MONDAY**  
 Beef taquitos, ranch-style beans, salad, fruit.

**WEDNESDAY**  
 Beef and noodles, asparagus, corn, bread, fruit.

**Kid's Cafe-Lamar**  
**TUESDAY**  
 Pork fritters, mashed potatoes, corn, dessert.

**THURSDAY**  
 Chicken pot pie or chicken broccoli/cheese, English peas, salad, dessert.

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 Chicken fried steak or teriyaki chicken/rice, mashed

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 Salmon patties or Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, English peas, carrots, beans, ugly duckling 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, cream corn, fried okra, beans, pistachio chocolate cake or lemon icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**THURSDAY**  
 Chicken strips or taco salad, mashed potatoes, cheese hominy, spinach, beans, coconut cream cake or pineapple squares, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**FRIDAY**  
 Catfish/hushpuppies or spaghetti/meatballs, potato wedges, California blend, beans, peaches and cream cake or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or cornbread.

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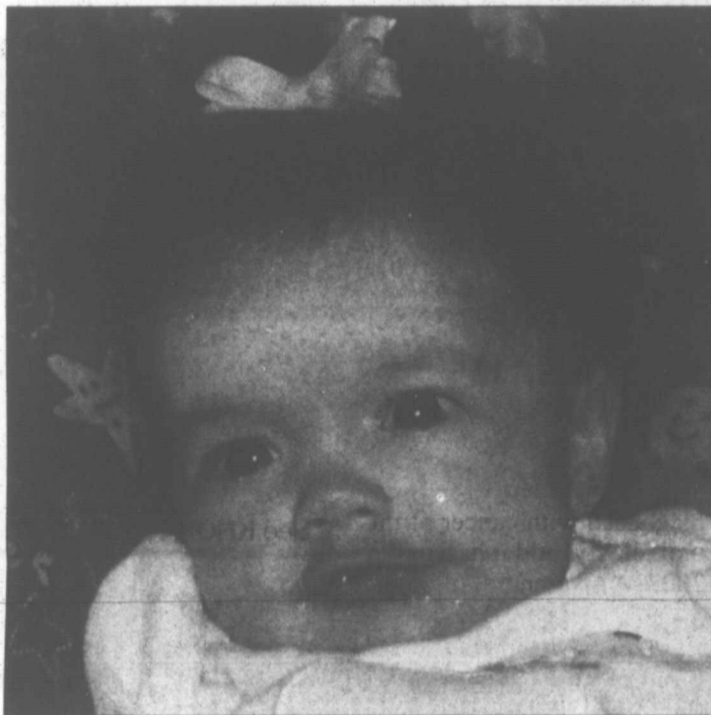
**TUESDAY**  
 Hamloaf, hominy casserole, asparagus, pineapple.

**WEDNESDAY**  
 Chicken nuggets, baked potatoes, peas/carrots, peach-  
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**THURSDAY**  
 Shepherd's pie, pickled beets, corn, jello.

**FRIDAY**  
 Soft chicken taco, pinto beans, Spanish rice, apple-  
 sauce.

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**Reagan Rae Archibald**

Reagan Rae Archibald was born at 9:23 p.m. Nov. 8, 2007, at BSA Hospital in Amarillo, to Chris and Mandy Archibald of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 6-pounds, 13-ounces and was 20-inches long. Reagan is sibling to sister, Rylee; and is the granddaughter of Gary and Sherry Tyrrell, Keith and Trisha Eastham, and Wade and Angie Archibald.



**Kanan Quinn Reeves**

Kanan Quinn Reeves was born at 9:17 p.m. Oct. 29, 2007, at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Darian and Christy Reeves of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 8-pounds, 7-ounces. Kanan is sibling to four brothers, Dathan, Barak, Jakan and Abram Reeves, all of Pampa; is the grandson of Ken and Carolyn Hall, and Liz Reeves, all of Pampa; and is the great-grandson of Eula Berry and Opal Reeves, both of Borger, and Francis Hall of Pampa.

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# Border Patrol targets smugglers 800-miles from border

By ALICIA A. CALDWELL  
Associated Press Writer

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Packed into the Suburban, he discovered, were 14 illegal immigrants, two suspected smugglers, and a spiral notebook on the front seat, listing the passengers and their destinations in Spanish — “Arterio Ramires to Nuy Yersey; David Luna to Nueva York; Marcelina and Jasmin to Carolina del Norte; Jose Aguilar to Alabama; Josefina Ortega to Chicago; Gustavo Ribera to Florida.”

The arrests — some 800 miles from the Mexican border — represented a new and dramatic shift in U.S. immigration enforcement strategy.

Federal agents, with help from local law officers like McLendon, a Pearl detective, have begun intercepting illegal immigrants and smugglers along stretches of highway deep in the U.S. interior, where those who

have slipped into the country usually have little chance of getting caught.

“They think they’re pretty much home free once they get up here,” said Bill Botts, the assistant chief patrol agent in charge of the Border Patrol’s Gulfport, Miss., station. But Operation Uniforce, as the two-week crackdown begun Jan. 13 is called, “is pretty much a shocker for the smuggling organizations.”

More than 300 immigrants and suspected smugglers had been arrested as of Tuesday, more than a week into the operation.

Interstate 20 has become a major corridor for immigrant smugglers. It peels off from I-10 in West Texas and runs across the South, passing through Atlanta and linking up with other major highways, including I-95, which leads to Miami to the south and Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston to the north.

About 40 Border Patrol and customs agents who normally work at or close to the border have been temporarily assigned to the crackdown. They and local law officers have spread out along several miles of I-20 and some of its connecting highways, parking their vehicles out in the open in the median or by the side of the road.

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After the two weeks are up, they will return to their usual jobs and evaluate what they learned. In the coming weeks or months, they may return to I-20 and do it again.

The hope, though, is whether they come back or not, the crackdown will put immigrant smugglers on notice and disrupt their business by forcing them to take longer, slower and more costly detours.

Border Patrol spokesman Ramon Rivera said the vast majority of those caught in the crackdown are Mexicans headed to the East Coast, where they typically land jobs in agriculture, construction and manufacturing. Agents also found a Mexican who had paid a smuggler \$400 to get him home to avoid a murder charge in Chicago.

The Associated Press was allowed to document the operation during an nighttime ride-along last week in Mississippi.

On that night, McLendon, who normally pulls over motorists in a search for drugs, found the exhausted immigrants crammed in the Suburban, shoes off, a few blankets on the floorboards, a half-empty jug of water in the back. The passengers, including a girl of about 10, had crossed into the United States from Mexico near Nogales, Ariz., some 1,200 miles away from this Mississippi town.

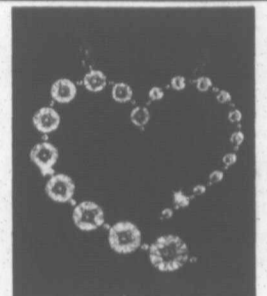
It was unclear whether they sneaked across the open desert on foot, or passed through a border crossing station and then climbed into the SUV. But the Suburban had made it all the way from the border in Arizona — a receipt in the vehicle showed that someone bought a new battery there on Wednesday — and passed through Dallas on Thursday — the driver stopped for an oil change about 1:30 p.m. — before being stopped outside Jackson, Miss.

If McLendon had come across these immigrants a week earlier, he would have

issued a ticket for the missing light and sent them on their way. The nearest fixed Border Patrol station is 160 miles away in Gulfport, and he wouldn’t have called it because the agents wouldn’t have made the three-hour trip for such a routine matter.

This time, Border Patrol agents posted along the highway promptly arrived on the scene, and all 16 people were arrested and held for deportation.

“When Border Patrol pulled up you could see the disappointment on their face, that they would be going all the way back,” McLendon said.



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Forty-seven million uninsured Americans present a challenge impossible to ignore for the 2008 presidential candidates. And with rising health insurance costs being passed from employ-

ers to workers, candidates know this is an issue that touches almost everyone. For more information, visit [www.eHealthInsurance.com](http://www.eHealthInsurance.com)

Respiratory syncytial virus is a microbe that causes respiratory tract infections in children and adults. The QuickVue RSV test allows for the rapid, qualitative detection of RSV. For more information, visit [quidel.com](http://quidel.com).

“Ready to cook” does not mean “ready to eat.” Products such as Banquet Pot Pies are labeled “must be cooked thoroughly” and

need full cooking before consumption. To help ensure food safety, Banquet recently updated the packaging of its pot pies with enhanced microwave cooking instructions.

Approximately 34,000 Americans will have been diagnosed with cancer of the oral cavity and pharynx in 2007. “Awareness of signs and symptoms of oral cancer is essential, because if caught early, there is a much greater likelihood of survival,” says Michael Kahn, DDS, professor of oral pathology at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston.

ConAgra Foods is launching a program that provides people with a new way to balance out their busy lives without spending extra time and money. The free program, called Start Making Choices(tm), lets people create a personalized plan that

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VIDEO BEST SELLERS. A section featuring weekly charts for Top Music Video Sales, Top DVD Sales, and Top Video Rentals, listing titles like 'The Ultimate Hits', 'The Wedding Planner', and 'Resident Evil: Extinction'.

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** Our divorced daughter has been dating "Brian," a man she met online, for a little over a year. My husband and I are concerned about the behavior of our 13-year-old granddaughter, "Lolita," toward him. Lolita is naive in many ways and unaware of the pitfalls she may encounter. She's constantly sitting on Brian's lap, hugging him, or talking to him in very close proximity. We feel that our daughter should have a talk with Lolita and explain that a "young woman" who is rapidly developing should not act this way with a man who is not her father. Failing that, we feel that, as the adult, Brian should discourage it -- which we haven't seen him do. On a trip to the beach a few months ago, their "play" in the ocean looked more like a couple than a girl with a potential stepdad. Our daughter also has an 8-year-old girl to whom Brian does not show the same kind of attention. I don't want to make unwarranted accusations about something that may be entirely innocent. It could seriously jeopardize our relationship with our daughter. Do we have a valid concern, or are we just two Puritanical old fogies? -- **FEELING UNEASY IN FLORIDA**

**DEAR FEELING UNEASY:** It would be interesting to know how involved in your granddaughters' lives their father has been. If the answer is "Not very," then it's possible that Lolita is trying to elicit from Brian the kind of affection she has craved from her dad. She may not realize that boundaries are being crossed unless it's explained to her. Because what you saw aroused your concern, you should certainly mention it to your daughter, and urge her to have "that talk" with Lolita. It concerns me that Brian does not treat both of your granddaughters equally. He may be flattered by the attention he receives from Lolita. Or, he could

be flirting with her with an eye to molesting her. Not knowing Brian or his background, I can't predict what might or might not happen. Has it occurred to you to Google him or check the state sex offender Web site? If you haven't, your daughter should.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a feeling that my girlfriend of one year, "Wanda," may be trying to manipulate our relationship in a way that I don't get to spend time with my friends, my ex and our kids. When I try to spend time with them, Wanda either gets sick or some terrible situation happens. She has told me many times that she is a jealous person. I have backed off spending time with all the other people in my life, and now she's hanging out with her girlfriends, saying that because I work nights -- and she works days -- that she "can't just sit at home." She also says that when I'm off I should want to spend all my free time with her. I was thinking about asking her to marry me, but now I feel cold feet approaching. What should I do? -- **BEEN HERE BEFORE IN MISSOURI**

**DEAR BEEN HERE BEFORE:** You appear to be a young man with good sense -- including your sixth. Jealousy and an attempt to manipulate are often signs of insecurity. Trying to quell your girlfriend's insecurity by isolating yourself won't make her less jealous because jealousy and insecurity are insatiable. Unless your girlfriend is willing to accept that she has a problem and get some counseling, my advice is to pay attention to those cold feet and keep walking.

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### Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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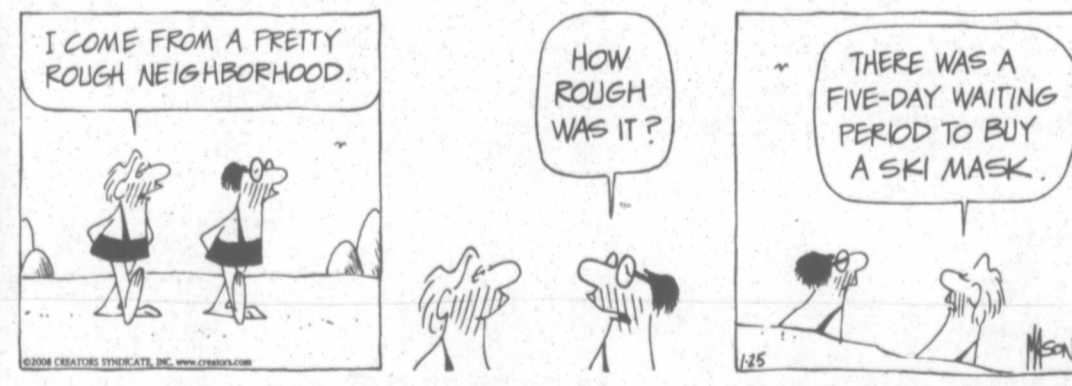
### The Family Circus

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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LAS VEGAS FIRE

## Fire forces gamblers to flee resort on Vegas strip

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A fire on the roof of the Monte Carlo hotel-casino forced guests and gamblers to flee and sent a plume of smoke above the Las Vegas Strip before easing about an hour later, hotel officials said.

No injuries were reported and the fire was contained, Clark County Fire Chief Steve Smith said.

"As we go out of the danger zone, we'll methodically check each floor," he said. "No rooms are burning."

The fire, which was reported around 11 a.m., halted gambling at the casino as it spread from the center of the building across the roof. Fiery debris fell to the street below, and orange flames lapped at the casino's script sign.

Officials went door-to-door evacuating the 32-story hotel, said Gordon Absher, a spokesman for the resort's owner, MGM Mirage Inc.

Larry Wappel, 25, of San Pierre, Ind., said he and his brother, Eric Wappel, were in a room on the 30th floor when they heard housekeeping staff banging on doors and yelling "Fire, get out!" He said it took about 10 minutes to walk single-file down the stairs to get to ground level.

"There were a couple of ladies crying, but it was pretty calm," he said.

Another guest, Renza Badilla, 45, said she exited through the hotel kitchen to find burning debris and embers falling from the roof.

"I think people were shocked when they

saw the smoke," said Badilla, who said she was in the buffet on the main casino level when fire alarms sounded.

Investigators were trying to determine whether the fire had simply burned the resort's facade or penetrated rooms in the upper floors, which contain suites. Guests were being taken the MGM Grand Garden Arena and employees were evacuated to the adjacent New York-New York hotel, Absher said.

There was no immediate indication of criminal activity or arson, Smith said. He called it an external fire but said heat and smoke set off alarms and sprinklers inside the building.

The facade was made of a foam building material that "melted off the side of the

building and started a few fires below," Smith said.

Huge crowds formed to watch the fire, and traffic on the Las Vegas Strip was gridlocked as streets were blocked off around the hotel.

The nearby resorts Bellagio and New York New York were not evacuated.

The Monte Carlo Resort & Casino has 3,002 guest rooms and 211 suites. The resort, located on Las Vegas Boulevard, near Tropicana Avenue, opened in June 1996.

The casino-hotel modeled after the Place du Casino in Monte Carlo, Monaco, was a joint venture between Steve Wynn's Mirage Resorts and Circus Circus Enterprises.

## Forget practicality, Audi S5 Coupe tempting two-door

By ANN M. JOB  
For The Associated Press

Two-door cars aren't popular these days because practical-minded consumers prefer the versatile cargo and passenger spaces found in hatchbacks, some sedans, sport utility vehicles and crossover SUVs.

But oh, how the 2008 Audi S5 Coupe can tempt car buyers to forget all about practicality.

This new Audi, with harmonious lines mixed with a sumptuous sportiness, looks

gorgeous and sounds great, with deep, rich V-8 tones emanating quickly when the gas pedal is pushed.

And the all-wheel drive S5 handles its brawny engine power in a classy fashion, with smooth, no-fuss acceleration and capable tire grip.

Who cares if the back seat is confining and will accommodate only two people? Who cares that the S5 is rated at only 14 miles a gallon in city driving, which is less than many SUVs? Who cares that the starting manu-

facturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge and federal gas guzzler tax, is \$52,575 for a manual-transmission model?

This isn't your everyday, practical ride.

A low-volume model, the S5 is the uplevel, sporty version of Audi's mid-range A5 line.

And the S5 just may go down in history as a timeless car with sexy grand turismo styling where details are done right.

I marveled every time I walked up to the test S5 at

how perfectly the 19-inch tires fit inside the car's wheel wells with nary any empty space left.

I rarely like white cars — they can look too much like kitchen or laundry appliances. But there I was, admiring the lustrous qualities of the Ibis White paint on the S5.

And there was the shape — sleek, low to the pavement and masking the rather large dimensions of this two-door car.

The S5 is more than 15 feet long, which is about as

long as a Honda Pilot SUV. At around 3,900 pounds for a manual transmission model, the S5 weighs as much as some SUVs, too.

Its dimensions and left are capably handled by the ample V-8 engine power, precise suspension settings and standard quattro all-wheel drive.

Best of all, the ride is balanced by a blend of luxury and sporty characteristics, including thick, comfortable, front leather bucket seats, awesome, optional Bang & Olufsen premium sound sys-

tem and well-designed controls that are no nonsense and functional, not gimmicky.

The S5's 4.2-liter, double overhead cam, direct injection V-8 isn't new. But for this coupe, it's reworked a bit to deliver 354 horsepower and 325 foot-pounds of torque at 3,500 rpm.

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Ian and Martha Mackay request to re-zone the following described property from Single Family 2 (SF-12) to Commercial: God's Plateau Subdivision 5.08 acres, Section 116, Block 3, I&GNRR, City of Pampa, Gray County, Texas for the purpose of building Storage Units.  
The Public is encouraged to attend this hearing. Public comments on the proposed development are welcome and will be heard.  
A-16 Jan. 27, Feb. 8, 2008

Gray County will be accepting bids to repair the roofs on the Gray County Hangar and Gray County Airport Terminal at Perry Lefors Airport. Bid specifications may be picked up at the Gray County Judge's office, 205 N. Russell, Pampa, Texas. Only bids from companies that are bonded will be considered. Bids should be submitted by 10:00 a.m., February 15, 2008.  
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A-14 Jan. 25, 27, 2008

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Monday, Jan. 28, 2008:

Often this year you will need to start from square one. How you deal with someone and the end results could vary substantially, as you often note confusion or mixed messages. Learn to confirm what you have heard. If you have a meeting, do make sure you are on the same page as others. These little tips can save you a lot of time this year, because you won't have time to waste! Creativity is one of your strong points. Use it to the max. Learn to write down ideas. If you are single, you'll head in a new direction or start on a new life course. The person you might decide is "it" might not be revealing his or her true self. If you are attached, spend more quality time together. GEMINI always provokes your mischievousness.

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) ★★★★★ Others continue to have the cards stacked in their favor. You might wonder if that implies that the cards are not stacked in your favor. Not necessarily, especially if your people skills are good. Work with others' ideas. Tonight: Say yes to living.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★ Responsibilities call. You must answer and handle the demands in your life. How you deal with someone, what you do and your decisions could define your ability to relate. Curb wild spending if possible. Tonight: Easy does it.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Your playfulness might be

misunderstood, though you cannot see why. Don't allow someone to get to you or cause a problem. Be true to your values, and you will be very happy. Tonight: You might be playful, but others might not be.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★ You might want to make your workplace more like home and treat co-workers more like family. You function best in this type of surrounding or situation. Create situations that work. You will love the end results. Tonight: Order in.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Zero in on what you want. Do be careful with your choices. Listen carefully to someone you really care about. He or she will help you manifest a forgotten desire. Tonight: Hanging out is fun to do.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ You could be out of kilter as the day progresses. How you deal with this and the choices you make as a result might need rethinking in the near future. Pull back. You have much to laugh about. Think positively. Tonight: Curb wild spending.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You are all smiles as long as you remain positive. Possibility is your middle name. Don't let a nagging feeling or insecurity dominate. Once more, your abilities prove to be more than competent. Tonight: Do absolutely what you want.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★ Take your time and move forward. You might need to spend time with yourself in order to get to the bottom of a problem. Your vision might change dramatically given time. A friend could start

waffling out of the blue. Tonight: Easy does it.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Zero in on what you want. Because of an underlying tone of confusion, some of you might need to pull back and rethink your priorities. Success will come through this process. Don't allow yourself to become overwhelmed. Tonight: As you like.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★ You might want to rethink a situation or approach it a lot differently. Investigate and attempt to improve a situation. Listen to someone you care about. You might not have the control you desire. Tonight: Let others know where you stand.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Take the high road, and you will be a lot happier. Others might want to pull you down, especially a key partner. Don't take this person's actions personally. Just know that he or she is in a rut. Tonight: Movie time.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★ Work with a key associate to get the reaction you desire. Sometimes you push way too hard for your own good. Know when to say you have had enough. A key figure in your life creates his or her share of uproar! Tonight: Be sensitive to someone you care about.

**BORN TODAY**  
Actor Elijah Wood (1981), artist Jackson Pollock (1912), actor Alan Alda (1936)

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1-26 CRYPTOQUOTE

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A P C I N C I Z F C O K P C N A P C I D M  
H D H F P H F P ; E P L E D N C I Z F  
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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Jan. 27, 2008: Deal with growth and opportunity. Life is an adventure, and you need to pursue the untrodden path. Sometimes others might try to hold you back. Slowing down and assessing what you are doing can never hurt. You see life with renewed vitality and interest. Try to let your enthusiasm flow to others. If you are single, you certainly cut a remarkable swath. Many people will be drawn to you. Get to know someone completely before committing. If you are attached, you will enter a new phase. Make sure to include your sweetie in your adventures in order to keep the closeness. LIBRA understands you.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Others roll with the moment. In fact, you might be more observant and develop this art too. Though you love the role of pioneer, kissing it goodbye might be perfect. Listen to your sixth sense when dealing with a friend or loved one. Tonight: Go for broke. This Week: Others run the show, like it or not!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Knowing when to kick back and relax could be far more important than you realize. You are coming from a vantage point of understanding and ease. Don't feel like you have to act like others. Be a bold Bull. Do what you want. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's. This Week: Plunge into work Monday. Socializing quickly becomes a theme.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You have style, energy and va-va-voom. Others draw in much closer, as they cannot resist and want some of what you have to offer. Clarity emphasizes new directions, and others willingly bend in your direction. How nice. Tonight: Let the wild child in you out. This Week: Creativity plugged into your

work is unbeatable. CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Dig into the moment and make appropriate decisions. You will discover a lot more going on around your home base. If you want to open new doors within your immediate circle, you can. Indulge a partner. Tonight: Togetherness works. This Week: This is a tortoise week: slow to start, but you'll come out on top. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You revise your thinking as a result of listening to others and hearing the other side of a story. You know what to do and when. Your popularity soars in direct proportion to your openness. Think through decisions. Tonight: Hanging out is fun. This Week: Speak your mind, but don't be surprised if you are alone or feel isolated. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Expenses could set you back. Discussions and evaluations could lead to an answer or solution. Touch base with an associate or co-worker. You know when enough is enough. Listen to your instincts regarding your daily life. Tonight: Easy does it. This Week: Expenses could be overwhelming if you aren't careful. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ The Moon in your sign adds glow and energy. Others clearly know who has ideas and solutions. Take a bow and enjoy those around you. Understand precisely what you have to offer. Know that others want some too. Tonight: Let go and relax. This Week: You are all smiles. Others respond. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Your depth and energy come out most of the time. If you feel the need to pull back, do exactly that. You might want to evaluate and attempt a change or new direction, but this is not the time. Tonight: Reach for the stars. This Week: Tuesday, you are a force to be dealt with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You might want to let someone else run the show. Enjoy those who surround you in your daily life. New ventures prove to be powerful and can help you change your momentum. At the same time, you could be eying a long-term desire. Tonight: Go for what you want. This Week: Monday and Thursday rock — in between, stay cool. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You might want to try another approach or do something differently. The time might be now. Others want you to state your case. Tonight: A must show. This Week: Responsibilities demand your attention all week. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ If the whim hits to take off, do just that. You might be up for adventure and change. You might be surprised by who chooses to be your companion. Blaze a new trail with a big smile. Understand where you want to go. Tonight: Try something different once more. This Week: Take an overview before you take a stand. The end results will be better. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ A partner sees you with new eyes. How you see a situation could change substantially. Investigate news with an eye to more success. Step back and gain new knowledge. Tonight: Togetherness works. This Week: Work as a team. Success walks through the door.

BORN TODAY Actress Donna Reed (1921), actress Bridget Fonda (1964), author Lewis Carroll (1832)

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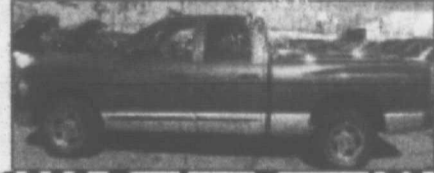
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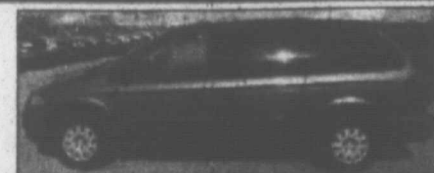
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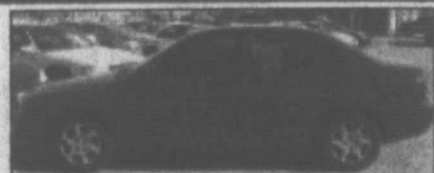
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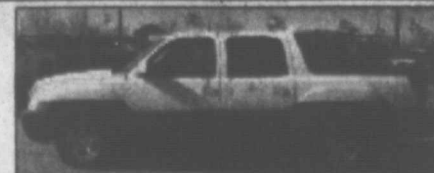
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### Preceptor Theta Iota

Preceptor Theta Iota Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi of Pampa met Jan. 14 at First Christian Church with President Carolyn Smith presiding and Ann Franklin acting as hostess.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Pat Kindle delivered the treasurer's report in the absence of Barbara Benyshek.

—A dinner is scheduled Feb. 9 at Pampa Country Club to honor this year's Beta Sigma Phi sweethearts.

—A couple's social was recently held at First Christian Church.

—Scholarship Chair Nancy Brogdon announced the submission of scholarship information to the local high school.

—Members signed a book for Carol Carpenter.

—Franklin presented the program, "Hints for the Kitchen."

The next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 28 at the home of Brogdon.

### Red Hat Dollies

Red Hat Dollies Society of Pampa met Jan. 17 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center with Helene Baumgardner acting as hostess.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Karen Kerns displayed donated door prizes to be awarded at future meetings.

—The monthly coffee was planned for February.

—Members worked on a craft project using keepsake and vintage teaspoons.

—Pictures and past service projects were reviewed.

—Sidney Jackson read to the group.

—Rita Geiger delivered the sick report of members who are ill.

—Mary Gruben was welcomed as a guest. The next meeting will be at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 5 at Braum's in Pampa.

### Genealogical society

Gray County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

During the meeting, 2007 President Scott Nisbet will install the following officers for 2008: Cindy Foshee, Donna Wilkinson, Lucille Roden, Lorene Paris and Mildred Knight.

Members will make plans and discuss ideas for 2008.

### Altrusa

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met Jan. 22 at Pampa Country Club with President Terri Williams presiding. Janet Bridwell and Gayla Rigdon served as greeters.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—The Accent was delivered by Kadda Schale on "Add an Altrusan" event, held last Thursday at Lovett Memorial Library. Members were encouraged to invite guests.

—Beth Miller conducted new member initiation for Frances Isbell and Ann Thrasher.

—Embracing the World Pins were presented to Karen Bridges, Bridwell, Kelly Porter, Lynn Switzer, Julia Sparkman, Leona Willis and Pat Johnson for sponsoring new members during the past year.

—Barb Hahn conducted a Mid-Year Evaluation using reports from members to evaluate the club's meetings and projects.

—An orientation for new members is scheduled at 12 p.m. Jan. 28 at The Coffee Shop in Pampa.

—The spring style show will be held April 12 at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

—District Conference will be April 18-20 at Richardson.

The next meeting will be at 12 p.m. Feb. 12 at First United Methodist Church.

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