



Tomorrow's Weather

HIGH 68
LOW 39

See expanded weather on Page 2

BUY HERE PAY HERE NO CREDIT CHECK

Open 9 am - 6 pm Monday - Saturday • Hwy 60 • Hwy 70 • Pampa TX • 669-6062 • www.DougBoydMotors.com

DOUG BOYD MOTOR CO.

WTL
POWER EQUIPMENT

SALES & RENTAL

103 S. HOBART
665-2366

THE PAMPA NEWS

Thursday, March 13, 2008

Volume 103 • No. 293

50¢ Daily • Sunday \$1.50

We're Small But Good!
Friendly Faces and Competitive Prices

36+ Years Experience

Ceramics • Laminate
Hard Wood • Carpet

The Floor Store
2100 Perryton Parkway
665-4455

Floor Care Essentials by Mohawk
Professional Carpet &
Upholstery Cleaning
System

FREE PROFESSIONAL ESTIMATES

CHILDERS BROTHERS INC.
HOUSE LEVELING

Uneven Floors
Floor Bracing
Cracks In Bricks
Sticking Doors & Windows
Interior Wall Cracking
FREE ESTIMATES

1-800-299-9563
WWW.CHILDERSLEVELING.COM

WE CARRY THE LARGEST SELECTION AND THE LATEST STYLES OF FLOORING IN STOCK WITH THE BEST PRICES!
One STOP Flooring
1533 N. HOBART
MONDAY-FRIDAY 9-5
SATURDAY 10-1

24HR WATER EXTRACTION
RUG RATS
Professional Carpet & Air Duct Cleaning
FREE ESTIMATES
Ronnie Harvill Owner
665-1976 or 662-9219

Texas FURNITURE
PROUDLY SERVING PAMPA SINCE 1932
1415 N. HOBART • 806-665-1623
MONDAY-SATURDAY 9:00-5:30

Ashmore & Associates
INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC
1224 North Hobart
NHC Plaza 2, Suite 11
Pampa, TX • 806-688-7081
www.ashmoreassociates.com
"For your Business & Personal Needs"
JIM BRUTON

Rebecca McCall
Sales - Associate
PAMPA REALTY INC.
312 N. Quay
Pampa, TX 79065
669-0007
Fax: 669-0008
cell: 662-3190

Thomas Automotive Inc.
Premier Auto Service and Repair
665-4851
217 E. ATCHISON
Monday - Friday • 8am - 6pm

TOP OF TEXAS
Were Going Green!
1st Sat. of Month
9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
665-2061
Bring your old refrigerators & freezers for proper disposal!

Bell-Boeing delivers Aircraft delivered 100th V-22 Osprey

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO -- Keith Woods and a dozen or more other Pampans commute to Bell-Boeing every day to help protect the country. Woods said they're all proud of what they do.

What they did this week was deliver the 100th V-22 Osprey tiltrotor aircraft to the U.S. military. In this case, the plane will go to the Marine Corps, and Bell Helicopter and Boeing officials involved in the project hope Woods and his friends stay fully employed for years to come.

At ceremonies in a Bell hangar Wednesday, Gene Cunningham, Boeing vice

president and Bell-Boeing V-22 program director, said he they will deliver another 167 V-22s under a new contract expected to be signed this month. He said that four years from now, he hopes to be looking at the 200th V-22. Three years beyond that, he said the facility could be looking at the 300th V-22.

Chuck Allen, Boeing vice president and general manager of Rotorcraft Systems, said that in spite of skeptics of tiltrotor technology, the V-22 is transforming the fighting capabilities of U.S. armed forces.

"Go back 50 or 60 years," said Dick Millman, president

See BELL, Page 3



Pampa News Photo by DAVID BOWSER
Keith Woods of Pampa stands before his latest creation. The V-22 Osprey in the background, built by Woods and his cohorts at the Bell-Boeing facility in Amarillo, is the 100th of the tilt rotor aircraft to be delivered to the military.

Last chance to win Pampa Bucks in news photo contest

By KERRI SMITH
Managing Editor

If you want to enter a picture into the annual Pampa News Images contest, you only have until 5 p.m. Friday to turn in the photos.

The winner of the contest will receive \$100 in Pampa Bucks and will have their photo published on the cover of the Images section, which is part of "The Pride" special insert that is scheduled to come out in the paper on March 31.

To be eligible, the photos must be taken by an amateur photographer and be of people working, playing, relaxing or celebrating an event in Pampa during 2007 or

2008. Photos of animals or scenery with no people in them will not be considered for the contest and will not be printed.

Since the deadline is approaching, the photos must be brought into The Pampa News office at 403 W. Atchison by 5 p.m. tomorrow and should not be mailed. The photos can be an actual print that can be scanned or can be a "jpeg" on a CD. The name and daytime phone number of the person entering the photo must be included with the picture.

The winner of the contest will be notified by March 25.

For more information about this contest, contact the office at 669-2525.

Signs of Spring



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH
These daffodils were spotted recently at Pampa Junior High.

Easter egg hunt planned

By KERRI SMITH
Managing Editor

If you were wanting to take your children to the annual Easter egg hunt at Central Park again this year, you will be out of luck. A representative from KGRO-KOMX Radio said they are not having the event this year since Easter is so early (March 23) and the date conflicts with their Spring Bidder's Bargains Auction that is scheduled for March 25, 26 and 27.

"So much time and planning go into each of these events, that we just decided this year not to have both," the radio representative said. "We hope this does not inconvenience anyone that was planning to attend this event and if it does we are very sorry for that."

Parents who are wanting to take their children to an Easter egg hunt can take them to the Fourth Annual

Memory Garden Easter Egg Hunt, which is scheduled for 11 a.m. March 15.

The hunt will be done in an empty lot on the north side of Memory Gardens Cemetery, which is close to the intersection of Price Road and 23rd Street.

There will be five different areas designated for different ages of children and there will also be an area just for parents. Local businesses along with Memory Gardens have donated candy and prizes for the children and gift certificates for the parents.

A bounce house will be available for the kids to enjoy and additional drawings will be held for larger prizes during the event also.

In case of inclement weather, the Easter egg hunt will be held at 2 p.m. March 16. For more information on this event, call Memory Gardens at 665-8921.

Call for fight leads to arrest of two for drug possession

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Two Pampa residents were arrested and booked into Gray County Jail at 3:50 a.m. today after Pampa Police Department officers responded to a call concerning a fight in progress at 516 N. Frost.

"Upon arrival, they observed a gray 2005 Ford Expedition attempting to leave the scene," said PPD Sgt. Donny Brown.

Officers stopped the Expedition and, after further investigation, arrested both occupants, Brown said.

Gustavo Pena Jr., 34, the driver, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury after David Farrar, 45, of 516 N. Frost said that Pena struck him on the left side of his face and ear.

The passenger, Thalia Rodriguez,

19, was taken into custody on a runaway pickup order out of Travis County that is over two years old, Brown said.

"Officers conducting a search of the vehicle prior to impoundment found suspected narcotics under the passenger seat," Brown said.

The substance found was 18.9 grams of suspected cocaine, according to PPD Det. Casey Ingersoll.

Pena and Rodriguez were both charged with possession of over two grams but less than 400 grams of a controlled substance, a second-degree felony. Punishment could range from two to 20 years in a state penitentiary and a fine of up to \$10,000, Brown said.

"The case has been turned over to the PPD Criminal Investigations Division for follow-up," he said.




Pampa Chamber of Commerce Luncheon

March 18th at 11:45 a.m. in the M.K. Brown room, 200 N. Ballard.
Speaker will be John Horst with the City of Pampa.
Meal provided by R&R Catering will include CFS, Mashed Potato w/Gravy, Beans & Salad. Public is welcome, Please RSVP at 669-3241 by March 14th.

Thank you to this month's sponsor: The City of Pampa.

Still Time To Plant Trees!
Come by for a great selection!
West Texas Landscape
120 S Hobart St • 669-0158 • Mon-Sat • 9am - 6pm

NEXT DAY FORECAST

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		
Sunny	Sunny	Mostly sunny

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 68. Windy, with a west-southwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 39. Windy, with a northwest wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 62. North-northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 36. East-southeast wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 59. Windy, with a south-southeast wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Sunday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 40. Windy, with a south southeast wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Ⓢ This information brought to you by...

PRESTIGE
AUTOBODY & ACCESSORIES
 101 S. HOBART 806-665-3500
B & W HITCH PRODUCTS • WE INSTALL!

ID cards to cost less than anticipated

AUSTIN (AP) — Added security features for Texas driver's license and identification would cost \$107 million over the next two-year budget period — far less

than initially estimated — according to a preliminary estimate give to the state Public Safety Commission.

A previous estimate put the price for the federally-required additions at about \$102 million more. Rule changes made to address state concerns helped lower the cost.

One of the rule changes for the security features delays the time when everyone's identification has to meet federal REAL ID standards to board airplanes or enter federal buildings.

CITY BRIEFS

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

BARTLETT'S HARDWARE, Full-Time Employment. Excellent benefits! 500 W. Brown, Pampa.

BASEBALL / SOFTBALL Tryouts will be March 11th, 12th & 13th at the Optimist Park. Ages 9-15 boys & girls. For more information contact Kevin Davis at 664-2542

FOR SALE restaurant equipment, solid oak cabinets & large smoker on trailer. 669-2921 or 440-3577.

GARAGE SALE. 114 N. West. Antiques & collectibles. Fri. & Sat. 8:30am-4:30pm.

STEPHEN RINGEL MD
 F.A.A.O.S.
ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON

OPEN SCHEDULING
 USUALLY WITHIN 24 HRS

107 W. 30TH AVE
 806.665.1400

UNSURE WHETHER YOU CAN RETIRE? LET'S TALK.



Edward Jones
 MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING
 www.edwardjones.com

Preneed Arrangements Available Including Caskets
 Special Veterans Garden
Memory Gardens
 Cemetery & Mausoleum of Pampa
 665-8921
 23rd St and Price Rd
 www.memory-gardens.tripod.com

Obituaries

Harold 'Pug' Baston, 74



Harold "Pug" Baston, 74, of Pampa, Texas, died March 12, 2008, at Amarillo, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 15, 2008, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors. Mr. Baston was born Jan. 17, 1934, in Adair, Okla., and he attended schools in

Nowata, Okla. He married Earline Dick on Oct. 5, 1953, in Nowata, Okla., at the First Baptist Church. Harold worked as a heavy equipment operator and foreman on the pipeline for Carlson & Craddock for 16 years. He later owned and operated Harold Baston Construction for 20 years, retiring in 2003.

When his sons were home, they liked to ride motorcycles. Survivors include his wife, Earline Baston, of the home; one son, Darrell Baston of Pampa; 2 sisters, Georgia Kasler of Inola, Okla., and Sherry Sharp of Pryor, Okla.; one grandson, Anthony Baston of Pampa; two granddaughters, Miranda Baston of Austin

and Sarah Baston of Lubbock; and special friends, Richard and Mabel Tunnell of Pampa. He was preceded in death by a son, Harold Gene Baston, Jr.; four brothers; and three sisters. MEMORIALS: American Heart Association, 2514 82nd Street, Suite B, Lubbock, TX 79423. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Billy Authur Carter, 43



Billy Authur Carter, 43, of Pampa, Texas, died March 11, 2008, at Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, March 14, 2008, at First Christian Church with the Rev. Barry A. Loving, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors. Mr. Carter was born Sept. 18, 1964, in Pampa where he had been a resident most of his life. He attended Pampa schools, graduating from Pampa High School in 1983. Billy married Carolyn Brown on Aug. 1, 1985, in Pampa. He was a partner with Carter Sand & Gravel for 27 years. He was a member of First Christian

Church. Billy loved spending time with his wife and children and enjoyed arrowhead hunting and deer hunting. He loved animals, including his horses and dogs. Billy was the best husband and father. He was honest, fun-loving, hard working and had a great sense of humor. Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Carter, of the home; one son, Ryan Carter of Pampa; one daughter, Kerri Carter of Pampa; parents, Bill and Deana Carter of Pampa; sister, Tammy

Pickering of Pampa; brother, David Carter and wife Brenda of Pampa; grandmother, Velora McGee of Pampa; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Buddy and Geneva Hooper of Temple, Oklahoma; sister-in-law, Donna Edwards and husband Ernie of Oklahoma City, Okla.; two brothers-in-law, David Brown of Temple, Okla., and Bryan Hooper and wife Mary-Ruth of Arlington; five nephews, Michael Brown of Temple, Okla., Dustin Forney, Braden Pickering, Trent Carter and

Trace Carter, all of Pampa; four nieces, Tosha Linder of Pampa, Laurie Edwards and Christina Edwards, both of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Melinda McClure of Lawton, Okla.; and great-nephew, Ayden McClure of Lawton, Okla. Billy was preceded in death by grandparents, W.A. and Janice Carter and Ralph McGee; and a first cousin, Dean Payne. MEMORIALS: BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065, or Billy Carter Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 859, Pampa, TX 79066-0859. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Ed Collum, 71

AMARILLO — Ed Collum, 71, of Amarillo,

died Monday, March 10, 2008. Services are pending

with Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors in Amarillo.

Lloyd Edward Harvey, 63

Lloyd Edward Harvey, 63, of Pampa, Texas, died March 12, 2008, at Santa Fe, N.M. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors. Mr. Harvey was born Sept. 18, 1944, in Pampa and was a 1963 graduate of Pampa High School. He received a B.A. degree in advertising and photography from Texas Tech University in 1968. He married Kay Bryan on May 31, 1968, in Stanton. Lloyd served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam

War from 1968-1972. He worked in Houston as a photographer and managed Globe Discount Center's photo department. Lloyd returned to Pampa in 1974 where he farmed his family's land until his death. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Weatherly Sunday School Class. He served on the Lovett Library Board, the Pampa Farm Bureau Board, and the Woody Guthrie Center Board. He was a photographer

and loved to play the guitar. He was a certified ski instructor and worked as a part-time ski instructor at Ski Apache at Ruidoso, N.M. He was a devoted husband and father. Survivors include his wife, Kay Harvey, of the home; one son, Rankin Harvey and wife Jennifer of Ruidoso, N.M.; one daughter, Angela Overman of Dallas; two sisters, Mary Ann McIlvain and husband E. Jay of Victoria and Jeannine Johnson and hus-

band Bobby of Houston; one brother, Drew Harvey and wife Paula of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and four nieces and nephews. Lloyd was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd and Virginia Harvey. MEMORIALS: First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79066-1981. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Emergency Services

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Sixteen traffic stops were made. Stops in the 400 block of West Crawford, and the intersection of Oklahoma and Faulkner streets resulted in arrests. Traffic complaints were received from the 1300 block of West Somerville, the intersection of 19th and Hamilton streets, the 1100 block of Clark, the 400 block of Jupiter, the 1800 block of North Christy and the 700 block of North Davis. Animal control officers

made stops concerning animals in the 300 block of South Starkweather, twice in the 1200 block of East Foster, once in the 800 block of East Foster, the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, twice in the 500 block of North Somerville, once in the 1900 block of Hamilton, the 1000 block of Duncan and the 400 block of Rider. A welfare check was made in the 1200 block of East Foster. A civil matter was reported in the 900 block of Varnon Drive. One warrant service was attempted and resulted in at

least one arrest. Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Henry and Frederic streets, the 1300 block of Mary Ellen, the 100 block of East Foster, the 400 block of Hughes, the 1500 block of North Hobart, the 600 block of South Gray and the 800 block of Jordan. Arrests were made in connection with the incidents in the 100 block of East Foster and the 800 block of Jordan. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 300 block of West Kingsmill, the 100 block of South Hobart, the 1200 block of North Russell and the 500 block of North Frost. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 500 block of North Frost. Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of Tignor. Tires on a vehicle were slashed. Estimated cost of damage is unknown. Criminal mischief was reported at Cinema 4 movie theater, 1211 N. Hobart.

Graffiti was sprayed on the walls of the theater. Estimated cost of damage is \$200. Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Miami. Rocks were thrown at a house. Estimated cost of damage is unknown. An open container and possession of drug paraphernalia were reported in the 1100 block of North Hobart. Evading arrest/detention was reported in the 800 block of Jordan. An arrest was made in connection with the incident. Harassment by e-mail was reported in the police department lobby. Assault was reported in the police department lobby. One alarm was reported. One open door was reported. One building check was made. Theft was reported in the 1000 block of Varnon Drive.

See RECORD, Page 3

HICKORY SMOKED PRIME RIB EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!!

ENJOY OUR MOUTH WATERING PRIME RIB ALONG WITH YOUR CHOICE OF VEGETABLES, SALAD AND FRESH DINNER ROLLS.

TEXAS ROSE STEAKHOUSE
 2811 Perryton Pkwy • 669-1009

crop revenue coverage to **PROTECT** your crops

Let us tell you how multi peril crop insurance can be a lifesaver for your farming operation.



Jim D. Hubbard, CIC
 114 S. Trice
 Claude, TX 79019
 cell 806.679.9457
 office 800.658.2122
 jhubbard@neely.com

NEELY, CRAIG & WALTON L.L.P.

Looking for a homelike environment? Come to McLean Care Center!

We have 24 hour licensed care 7 days a week. Our goal is to ensure safety and happiness for our residents. We have open beds at this time. Interested in joining our family here at McLean Care Center or have a loved one who needs assistance - call Nita Massey, Administrator at 806-779-2469 or come by 605 W 7th St. in McLean. We are always here to serve to the best of our ability.

Happy cowboy



Courtesy Photo

Logan Ruth gives his stick horse a big hug while participating in St. Matthew's Day School's rodeo recently.

Defense attorney says man put infant in microwave to protect her

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — An Arkansas man who claims he was insane when he injured his infant daughter placed her in a microwave oven to keep himself from harming the 2-month-old, his attorney told jurors Thursday.

Joshua Mauldin is accused of placing his daughter Ana in a Galveston hotel microwave for 10 to 20 seconds last May. He is also accused of punching the baby and putting her in a refrigerator and a hotel-room safe.

Mauldin has a history of mental illness and put the infant in the safe, refrigerator and microwave to keep from harming her because he was hallucinating, said his defense attorney, Sam Cammack III.

Cammack said Mauldin has been hearing voices since he was 10 and has been "wracked by psychosis, bipolar (disorder), major severe depressive disorder, schizophrenia."

Just before the infant was harmed, Mauldin, who is very religious, started hallucinating, thinking about a strip club, feeling a white hot burning sensation in his

stomach and then feeling like "mud was running up his body and consuming him," Cammack told jurors during opening statements at Mauldin's trial.

"He places her in the microwave and says, 'I saw what was happening but I couldn't do anything about it.' Then he stops and says, 'Oh my goodness. My child is in the microwave.' He pulls her out," Cammack said.

But Galveston County prosecutor Xochitl Vandiver told jurors Mauldin was not insane. Vandiver said he hurt the child because he couldn't stop her from crying.

"He feels agitated. He just wants to get out of there. The baby is fussy," Vandiver said. "In the middle of hurting his child, he stopped, went to the hotel room door and he locked it. And that was to prevent his wife who was downstairs from coming in. And that shows you he knows what he was doing was wrong."

Mauldin lied to authorities about what happened to his daughter, telling different stories that never matched the child's severe injuries,

she said.

Ana, who had her first birthday last week, was hospitalized for 11 days with burns on her head and face and required two skin grafts.

Mauldin, 20, is facing a felony charge of injury to a child with a sentencing range from probation to life in prison if convicted.

Since his arrest, he has been held at the Galveston County Jail on a \$250,000 bond.

Mauldin's wife, Eva, blamed Satan for her husband's actions, saying the devil disapproved of his efforts to become a preacher in Galveston. Mauldin, along with his wife and mother, had just moved to Galveston, located about 50 miles southeast of Houston, from Warren, Ark., when Ana was injured.

Prosecutors have said Mauldin tried to challenge Mauldin's insanity defense by highlighting his personal history, including stealing a handgun from his baby sitter when he was 13 and being discharged from the Army after a court-martial conviction for stealing another soldier's laptop.

Record

Continued from Page 2

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Wednesday, March 12

Jose Guadalupe Larrazolo Jr., 23, of Pampa was arrested in the 200 block of West Kingsmill by Pampa Police Department for no seat belt.

Michael Dewayne Cox, 43, of Pampa was arrested in the 400 block of West Crawford by PPD for no valid driver's license and no insurance.

Journey Starr Mundell, 36, of Pampa was arrested in the 100 block of South Starkweather by PPD for driving while intoxicated, third or more offense.

Thursday, March 13

Juan Francisco Rocha, 32, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of Oklahoma by PPD for no valid driver's

license, no insurance, expired registration, no motor vehicle inspection and improper start from park.

Curtis Ray Smith, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 800 block of Jordan by PPD on a motion to revoke probation for failure to identify and evading arrest.

Thalia Rodriguez, 19, of Pampa was arrested in the 500 block of North Frost by PPD for possession of a controlled substance.

Gustavo Pena Jr., 34, of Pampa was arrested in the 500 block of North Frost by PPD for possession of a controlled substance.

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

Wednesday, March 12

2:56 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

4:52 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, March 11

12:09 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1900 block of North Banks on a lifting assist.

3:42 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 1900 block of North Wells on a grass fire.

7:04 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 400 block of Pitts on an open burning call.

Wednesday, March 12

12:05 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2000 block of Coffee on a lifting assist.

3:03 p.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to the 1800 block of Coffee on a smoke scare.

SCHOOL

Bingo for Books at St. Vincent

By KERRI SMITH
Managing Editor

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will be hosting "Bingo for Books" tonight at 7 p.m. for the school's students and parents.

The event will be for students to play bingo for the chance to win books to take home.

Students will also have the opportunity to hear a story being read to them, which will also serve as a model for parents on how

to read stories to their children.

Also planned during tonight's event is a home and school meeting for parents.

The parents will discuss fundraisers for the school, including one that will begin next month for a car wash.

A representative of the school said they will be raffling off a car in May and tickets should be available next month at the school office.

Bell

Continued from Page 1

and CEO of Bell Helicopter, "and think about the first person who climbed in a tiltrotor and had the courage to transition in flight from helicopter mode into an aircraft mode. The first time ever."

He said Marines in Iraq are getting up everyday and going to work flying the latest version of that aircraft.

Cunningham said that the Marines have 12 V-22s in operation in Iraq. The first squadron of V-22s went into combat with the Marines in October, 2007.

That squadron has been in Iraq for five months, car-

ried over 14,000 passengers, flown over 3,500 hours and carried more than a million pounds of cargo.

"A lot of important things are going on in Amarillo," Millman said standing before the 100th V-22 in an Amarillo hangar, "here in this facility and surrounding facilities, and I'm a luck guy to be a part of it."

Lt. Gen. George Trautman III, deputy commandant for aviation for the Marine Corps., said he remembers being on the flight line in the 1980s in Yuma, Ariz., standing next to the Secretary of the Navy following a tiltrotor demonstration.

"The Secretary said, 'Wow, we have to get some of those,'" Trautman said.

"I was standing there as a young major and said, 'Wow, we do need to get some of those.'"

He said he became a fan of tiltrotor technology at the very beginning of its development.

While attending the Naval War College in Newport, R.I., in 1988, Trautman wrote a paper entitled, "Can the Osprey Survive in Combat?"

That paper surfaced when Trautman assumed his duties as head of Marine aviation in 2007. He made sure that his officers read it. Trautman said the conclusion of his paper was right. It can.

"This machine can do things that no other aircraft in the history of mankind has been able to do," Trautman said.

Citing an article in Popular Mechanics last fall, Trautman said the V-22 is one of the big deals of the 21st Century.

"Slowly, over time, people are starting to realize what a big deal it is," Trautman said.

He said the V-22 has flown into battle and carried the wounded to get them to emergency care during the first critical moments of injury, something other aircraft wouldn't have been able to do.

"They've done that faster and with more efficiency than anything that's gone before it," Trautman said.

Is Keith Woods proud? "Oh, yeah," he said confidently Wednesday standing in front of the latest V-22.

You're Invited to a Conversation with

Congressman Mac Thornberry



Tuesday
March 18, 2008
8:30am - 9:30am
Chamber of Commerce
M.K. Brown Room
200 North Ballard
Pampa, Texas

For more information, please call 806-371-8844
<http://www.house.gov/thornberry>

HUGE SPRING SALE
EVERYTHING MUST GO!

50% OFF
GOURMET FOODS
SELECT BABY ITEMS
JEWELRY • PHOTO
ALBUMS
HOME ACCESSORIES
BAGS & MUCH MORE!

WEST TEXAS LANDSCAPE
120 S HOBART • 669-0158 • M-SAT 9AM-6PM

OPTIMIST
BASEBALL & SOFTBALL
TRYOUTS

MARCH 11TH • 12TH • 13TH
at the **OPTIMIST PARK**
Ages 9 - 15 boys and girls

For more info call Kevin Davis at 664-2542

United Way A Pampa United Way Agency

Viewpoints

Concepts with attitude fascinate me ...

I love creative news releases. Luckily, this is a taste I feed practically every day here at the news office by simply clicking on my e-mail account. For example, this week alone I have received the following electronic news releases:

- Sonnets for Spaniels, Poems for Persian Cats;
- Election Year Sparks Spring Fashion Revolution; and
- ForestEthics Launches Nat'l Stop Junk Mail Campaign.

Wow. Three doozies in a row. However did I deserve this?

Okay, at the beginning ... According to the first e-release, April is National

Poetry Month. To mark this monthlong landmark celebration, MeetMeAtTheCorner.org is sponsoring a poetry contest designed for children and "their favorite four-legged" pets.

"To honor the special month," the e-release states, "children ages 7-12 are being asked to write a poem and provide a photo of their favorite animal friend." Two grand prize winners will be honored in separate categories, the release reports. The deadline to enter is March 31. The e-release defines MeetMeAtTheCorner.org as a site that provides virtual field trips to students.

Go ahead, encourage your kid to write an ode to Fluffy or Fido. According to the e-release, your child COULD be the next Emily Dickinson or Robert Frost. Check out MeetMeAtTheCorner.org to learn more.

Now I have recently (in another column) touched briefly upon the importance of "election-wear," but now an e-release from ShoeMall.com reports that the impact on fashion trends by both past and present election hoopla is

"revolutionary."

In its e-release, ShoeMall declares that "this spring's dramatic shoe styles symbolize the incredible strides women have made since the suffragettes declared victory" circa 1920. Did you know ShoeMall even sponsored the "2nd ShoeMall U.S. Shoe Census?"

Talk about break-out ideas! According to ShoeMall, fashionistas should soon begin to see the following style modifications: Bright, bold colors;

pop art and graphic prints; architectural heels of all shapes and sizes; spectacular Gladiator-style sandals; and pumps that have gone from basic to wow!

Hmm ... Does that mean pumps are really "pumping it up?" Oh, I am too silly. (In case you're wondering exactly how bright, bold colors, pop art, graphic prints, etc., and the election relate, I am wondering that, too. ...)

Out of all three e-submissions, I really think ForestEthics may be closest to being on to something big. ForestEthics wants to end junk mail.

"ForestEthics," an e-release proclaims, "is urging Americans to sign a petition

at www.DoNotMail.org demanding a national registry that will finally offer citizens control over the unsolicited coupons, credit cards, catalogs and advertisements that fill their mailboxes on a daily basis."

I could get entirely enthused with this campaign if only ForestEthics would not be so discriminatory and reach out to ALL mail. I mean, why stop at postal mail? Why not target SPAM?

You'd think an ethical, eco-conscious organization like ForestEthics would grasp the vast implications for the greater good by

See BRYANT, Page 5

Skyla Bryant

News Editor



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, March 13, the 73rd day of 2008. There are 293 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 13, 1933, banks began to reopen after a "holiday" declared by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

On this date:

In 1781, the planet Uranus was discovered by Sir William Herschel.

In 1884, Congress officially adopted Eastern Standard Time for the District of Columbia.

In 1901, Benjamin Harrison, the 23rd president of the United States, died in Indianapolis.

In 1908, American billionaire, publisher and diplomat Walter Annenberg was born in Milwaukee.

In 1925, a law went into effect in Tennessee prohibiting the teaching of the theory of evolution.

In 1928, hundreds of people died when the San Francisco Valley in California was inundated with water after the St. Francis Dam burst just before midnight the evening

'We fear things in proportion to our ignorance of them.'

— Livy
Roman historian
(64 or 59 B.C. to A.D. 17)

of March 12.

In 1964, bar manager Catherine "Kitty" Genovese, 28, was stabbed to death near her New York home; the case generated controversy over charges that Genovese's neighbors had failed to respond to her cries for help.

In 1980, Ford Motor Co. Chairman Henry Ford II announced he was stepping down, the same day a jury in Winamac, Ind., found the company innocent of reckless homicide in the fiery deaths of three young women in a Ford Pinto.

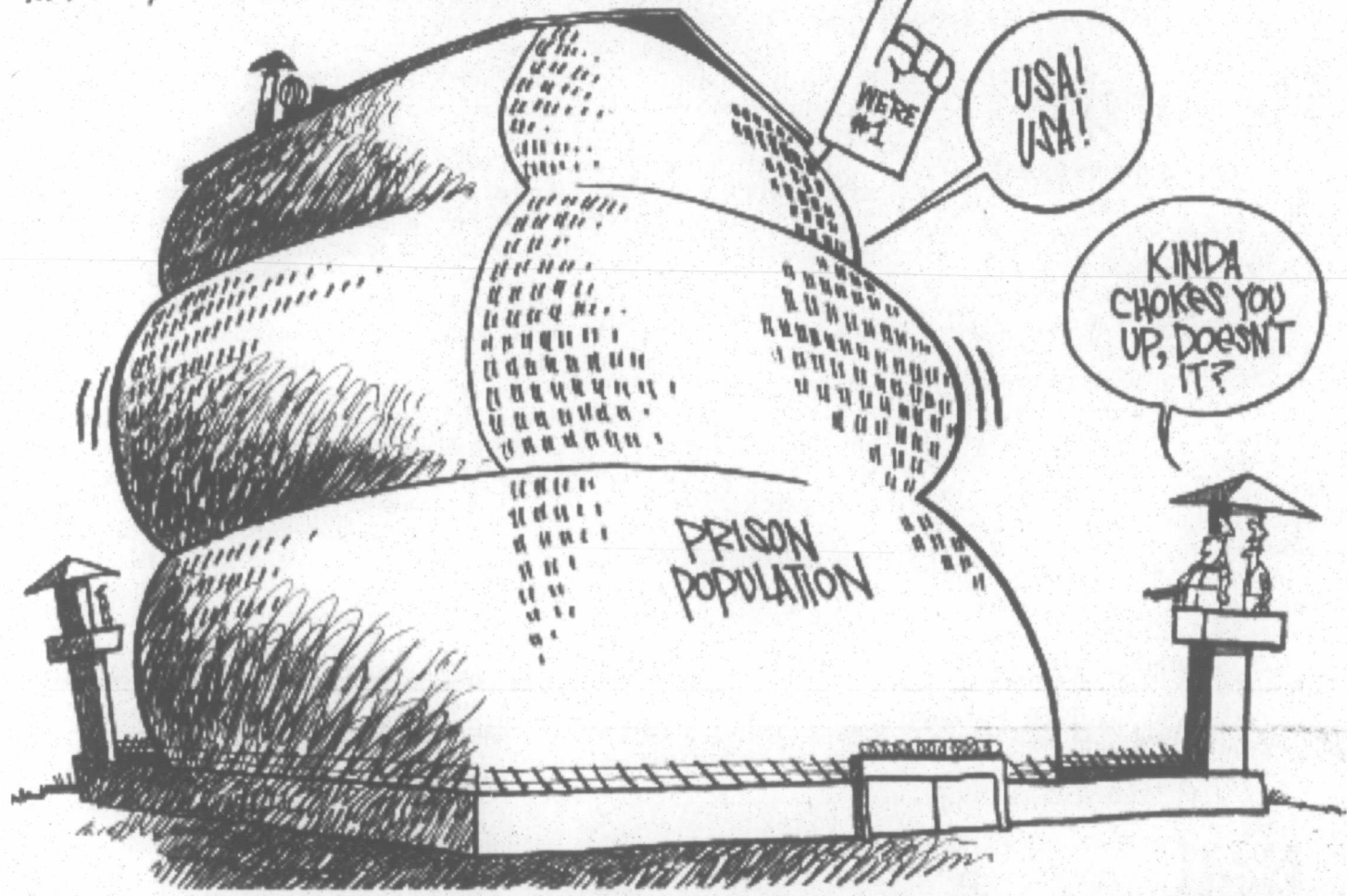
In 1988, yielding to student protests, the board of trustees of Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., a liberal arts college for the hearing-impaired, chose I. King Jordan to become the school's first deaf president.

In 1996, a gunman burst into an elementary school in Dunblane, Scotland, and opened fire, killing 16 children and one teacher before killing himself.

Ten years ago: Sgt. Maj. Gene McKinney, once the Army's top enlisted man, was acquitted at his court-martial of pressuring military women for sex, but was convicted of trying to persuade his chief accuser to lie. U.S. Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy II, D-Mass., announced he would not seek a seventh term.

Five years ago: Forced into a diplomatic retreat, U.S. officials said President Bush might delay a vote on his troubled United Nations resolution or even drop it — and fight Iraq without the international body's backing.

Mike Kape THE DENVER POST 03/10/08 www.denverpost.com



Ergonomics: Science of 'work comfort'

Have you ever been sitting at your desk, decided to get up and your back began to hurt? How many times do you rub your eyes or your neck when you work at your computer for long stretches? After typing multiple pages of information, do your hands ache or feel like they're "burning?"

If you answered "yes" to any of those questions, you need to know about ergonomics. No, it's not that course you flunked out of in college. It's the study of the relationship between humans and their environment.

For the longest time, ergonomics was not a respected field of study. It was considered a witch doctor science. But when more and more people turned up with carpal tunnel syndrome, experts took notice. Today, engineers, medical

practitioners and product design specialists work hand-in-hand to produce "human-friendly" processes.

As it relates to an office environment, ergonomics can be divided into three areas of study: Hand/wrist pain, back pain and eye strain.

Hand and wrist pain has definitely stolen the limelight when it comes to ergonomic problems. You can't stand around the office water cooler too long before hearing someone talking about Carpal Tunnel Syndrome.

This condition is caused by bone pressure exerted on the median nerve at the wrist. The median nerve provides feeling to the thumb-side of the palm, and to the

thumb, middle finger, index finger and the thumb-side of the ring finger. It also supplies mobility to part of the hand.

The nerve enters the hand through an opening formed by the wrist bones (the carpal bones) and the tough membrane that holds the bones.

This opening is called the carpal tunnel. The tunnel is stiff, so swelling of any of the tissues in this area can cause compression of the nerve, causing pain. By the way, if you're looking to impress your friends with your condition, call it "median nerve dysfunction."

To avoid this painful condition, take time out from your daily routine and per-

form some hand stretching exercises. For instance, every hour or so, clench your hands as tight as you can and then open them, stretching your fingers as hard as you can. Another easy exercise involves pressing your hand against a hard surface, stretching your fingers at the same time.

If you have a little money, invest in a keyboard wrist pad, so your hands don't have to bend so awkwardly to type. Some keyboards have also been created that are split down the middle and slanted. These help keep the arms straight and help avoid fatigue.

While wrist and hand pain get most of the attention, more people suffer from back pain than any other type of work-related ailment. In fact, statistics point

See SPELL, Page 5

Eric Spellmann
Columnist



THE PAMPA NEWS

403 W. Atchison • Pampa, TX 79065

806-669-2525 • 800-687-3348

Fax: 806-669-2520

email: editor1@thepampanews.com

Publisher: Randy Pribble

Managing Editor: Kerri Smith

Advertising Director: ReDonn Woods

This newspaper (UPS 781-540) is published daily, except Saturdays, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day, by The Pampa News. Periodicals postage, paid at Pampa, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to The Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

All carriers are independent contractors and The Pampa News is not responsible for advance payments of two or more months made to the carrier. Please pay directly to the Pampa News any payment that exceeds the current collection period. There are no mail subscriptions available within the city limits of Pampa. Mail subscriptions must be paid three months in advance.

© 2008 The Pampa News

Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Feb. 29

Odessa American on the Texas Forest Service:

Perhaps we should borrow a familiar advertising slogan to explain how West Texans appreciate the help being offered each time a grass fire gets out of hand oh thank heaven for the Texas Forest Service.

You can't help but wonder what misfortune might have occurred in the past few weeks without the wealth of services and expertise rolled out by that agency.

To some extent, we've been real lucky in the Permian Basin. An abun-

dance of undergrowth due to last years above-average moisture in the area leaves plenty of fuel for wildfires when conditions this dry exist. But the massive fires that have erupted in this region, including the one that burned more than 5,000 acres just southeast of Odessa, have been contained to mostly vacant land.

For the most part, structures have been spared. And no lives have been lost. It was fortunate that the high winds that fanned the blaze near Odessa were blowing away from populated areas.

At the same time, the hard work of hundreds of area firefighters and the Texas Forest Service had to work feverishly to head off the flames as they neared residences as well as the Bob

Derrington Water Reclamation Plant.

Yes, evacuations have taken place in some instances. But that is just a sign that area firefighters are on top of their game. So far, we haven't had to witness a repeat of the December 2005 fires that wiped out a significant part of the town of Cross Plains in the Abilene area.

As the fire danger continues to be a concern, fire departments across Texas are on high alert. As Taner Drake, assistant chief for the Odessa Fire Department explained, "Were basically going to make sure everything is ready to go in case a big grass fire breaks out. We're going to try to make sure our equipment is ready, and we have an

See TFS, Page 5

TFS

Continued from Page 4

overtime list just in case a fire gets too bad, and we need extra men at the scene."

And recent events also have imparted some valuable knowledge to those who may literally be in the line of fire. West Odessa Volunteer Fire Chief Jimmy Ellis said he hopes the department takes more caution at the next fire.

"We need to make sure we don't mess up our equipment next time," Ellis said. "Some

of the fire trucks only had a few scratches, but we were lucky. Those pumpers we have shouldn't have been that deep in the fire. Were lucky they weren't seriously damaged."

But that's where the Texas Forest Service comes in. Ellis pointed out that agency has the right equipment to go deep into fires. What's more, the state agency has the ability to call in aerial support to help extinguish raging range fires.

John Bear, Texas Forest Service public information officer, said forest service crews are to be ready at a

moment's notice. "We definitely won't have our guard down in the upcoming days," he said. "We have people ready to roll at any moment a grass fire breaks out."

Bear said all of the Texas Forest Service members are under "three-minute notification."

"They have three minutes to be in their truck and to be heading toward wherever a major fire is going to be," he said.

More than a quarter million acres of land have been scorched in this area alone. But the forest service is

charged with monitoring the entire state.

As dry as Texas is this year, that's a massive job to undertake. But a lot of dedicated firefighters from both the local and state ranks have accomplished some remarkable results.

And we have the opportunity to make their jobs a little less challenging and dangerous by being extremely careful not to do anything, from flicking a cigarette to burning things outdoors, that might touch off yet another grass fire. URL: <http://www.oaoo.com>

Study: Profanity in PG movies helps decide box office success

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A new study by The Nielsen Co. found that the PG-rated movies with the least profanity made the most money at the U.S. box office.

Sexuality or violence in those films had less to do with success than the language, the Nielsen PreView group said in a study being released Thursday.

"The reality is that profanity, within PG, is the big demarcation between box office winner and box office loser," research and marketing director Dan O'Toole said at ShoWest, a conference where studios unveil upcoming movie lineups.

"Parents are choosing PG films for their kids that have very, very low levels of profanity. We're talking one-third the level of the average PG film," he said.

The research firm cross-referenced box office data on 400 films in wide-release from the fall of 2005 to the fall of 2007 with their ratings for sex, violence and profanity given by Critics Inc.'s Kids-In-Mind.com Web site.

Controlling for marketing and production budgets of films, as well as depictions of violence and sex, movies that scored an average 0.8 on a 10-point profanity scale collected an average of \$69 million. Those that averaged 2.8 for profanity averaged \$38 million.

All PG movies averaged 2.3 on the profanity scale.

The Nielsen unit, which launched a fee-based research Web site for studios on Tuesday, also listed other early predictors of success.

Spell

Continued from Page 4

out that 90 percent of us will encounter a back-related disabling episode sometime in our lives. Unfortunately, in most cases, we can only treat the symptoms and not the cause. That's mainly because doctors can only diagnose a physiological reason for 20 percent of back pain sufferers. So, what can you do?

First, listen to your third grade teacher, and sit up straight! Poor posture is the leading cause of mild, daily back pain. Two types of posture-related activities can cause back pain — constant leaning forward in your chair and sitting in one position for long periods.

Obviously, to combat this condition, change your position often and try to sit back in your seat. Buy a lumbar support or roll an old towel and put it behind your lower back. Stand

up from time to time and stretch your back. Put your hands on your hips, lean forward, back, and then side to side.

Eye strain is the third most common malady caused by poor ergonomics. A number of factors (all fixable) can cause eye fatigue during normal office day. First, let's start with the lights. Fluorescent lights are evil and should be destroyed. While they are great at diffusing light in a large room, they can wreak havoc on your eyes over time. If you have your own office, turn off the fluorescent lights and use normal light bulbs. If this means bringing a few lamps to your office, so be it.

Next, take a look at your computer monitor. Are you having to tilt your head up or down to read it? Position your monitor so that looking straight ahead puts your vision in the middle of the screen. Also, check your resolution. Resolution refers to the number of pixels (dots) that make up a monitor's screen image. Most monitors have three basic settings in this

area: 640 x 480, 800 x 600, and 1024 x 768. You can see your current settings by right clicking on your desktop and choosing "properties." Then choose the "settings" tab on the display window.

From my personal experience, if you have a 14-inch monitor, stay with the 640 x 480 resolution. If you have a 15-inch monitor, you might try 800 x 600, but at the first sign of fatigue, switch back. If you are lucky enough to have a 17 or 19 inch monitor, work at a minimum of 800 x 600 and see if you can work at 1024 x 768. Remember, at the first sign of eye-strain, choose a lower resolution. If you wear contacts or glasses, check with your optometrist about special prescriptions for people who work on computers.

As time goes on, you'll see newer and more ingenious ways to stay comfortable while working on your PC. Just remember, don't trust every snake-oil, ergonomic doodad salesman you run into ...

I'll see you in Cyberspace!

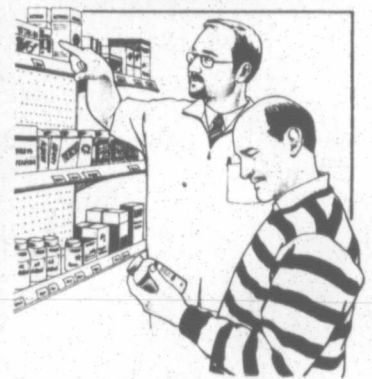
Bryant

Continued from Page 4

championing all types of worthless, unwanted correspondence. The e-release on this subject cites the need to junk junk-mail to ward against identity theft as well as to support eco-con-

sciousness. I just don't understand why ForestEthics has tunnel-vision. Wake up and smell the SPAM, ForestEthics, or, to mix my metaphors, can't you see the forest for the trees?!

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED



We do more than just fill all your prescriptions. We take the time to answer your questions and make sure you understand all your need to know about the medications you're taking. That's the difference you can expect from a pharmacy that Pampa has trusted for 25 years.

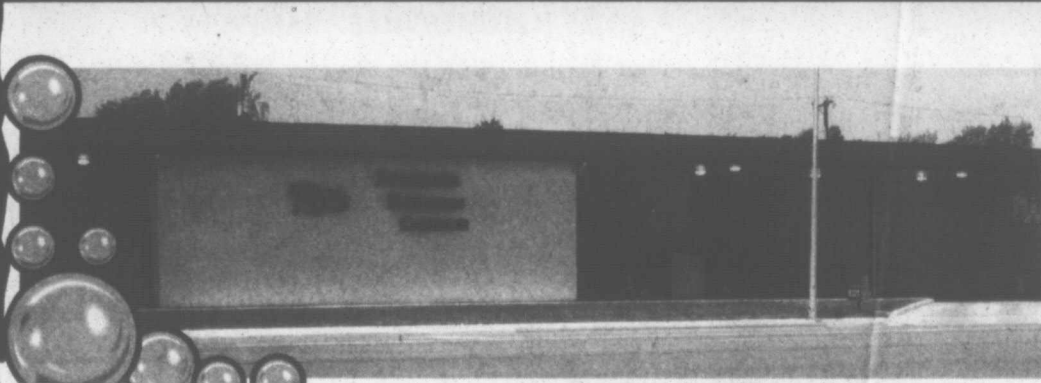
PHARMACY HOURS:
MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30-6:00
SATURDAY 8:30-1:00

KEYES PHARMACY

928 NORTH HOBART
LOCAL 806.669-1202
OUTSIDE PAMPA 800.842.3866

OPEN **24** HOURS

Mc's Car Wash



1901 N. HOBART AUTOMATIC
Brushless With SPOT FREE Water For Final Rinse
Wash Levels...

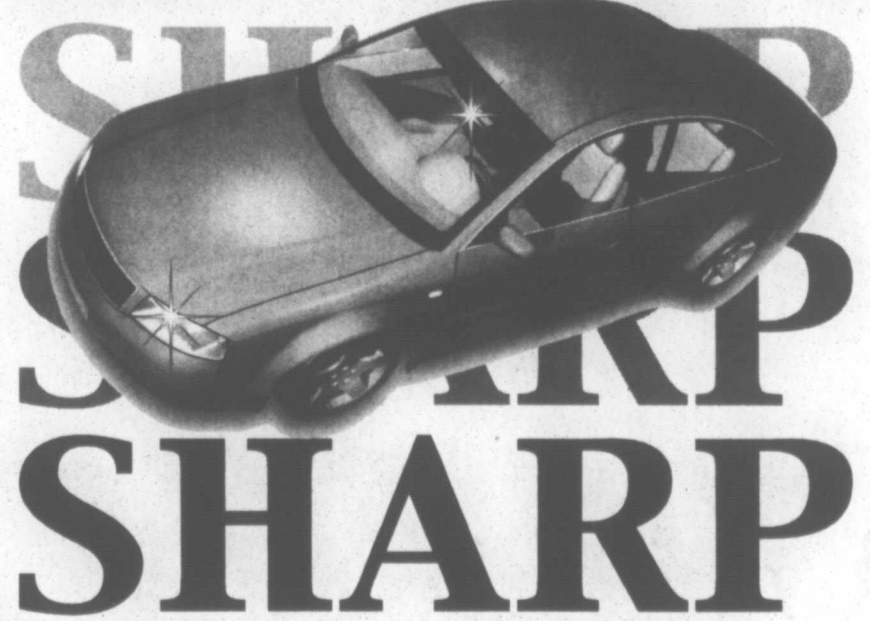
\$5 Regular • \$6 Deluxe • \$7 Super



SELF SERVICE 1811 N. HOBART

First \$1.00 4 Minutes
Additional \$1.00'S 5 Minutes

KEEP YOUR VEHICLE SHOWROOM



"Minor" problems like door dings, hail damage or paint scratches are a big deal when you care about your car. That's why we're here to help. We offer paintless dent repair service, with no filling, grinding or repainting, so your car won't lose its lustrous factory finish! We also do collision work and insurance repairs, and estimates are always free. If you take pride in your vehicle's appearance you'll want to bring it to Culberson Stowers Collision Repair Shop, where we're just as obsessed with appearance as you are!



Culberson - Stowers, Inc.
SINCE 1927

Collision Repair Facility

BUSINESS REVIEW

JESSICA WHITELEY PHOTOGRAPHY

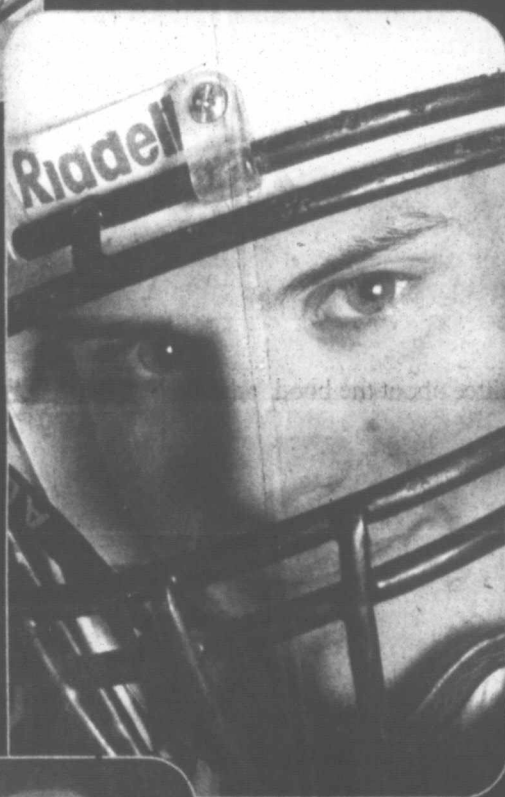
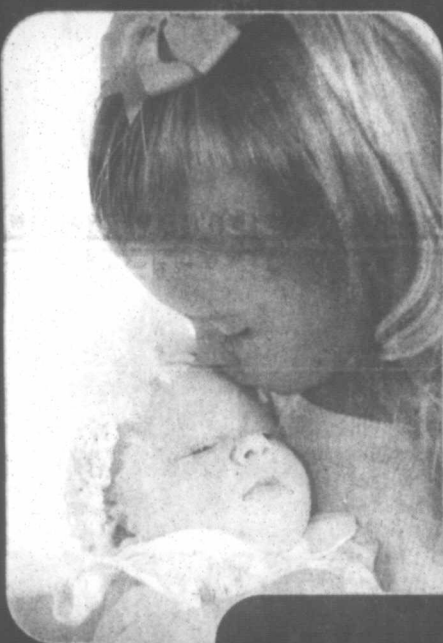
721 W. KINGSMILL • 806.662.6104 • www.imagesbyjessica.com



**Holiday
Family
Portraits**

*Personalized
Holiday Cards
Available!*

*No Need To Wait
For Special Prices...
It's Always
Affordable!*

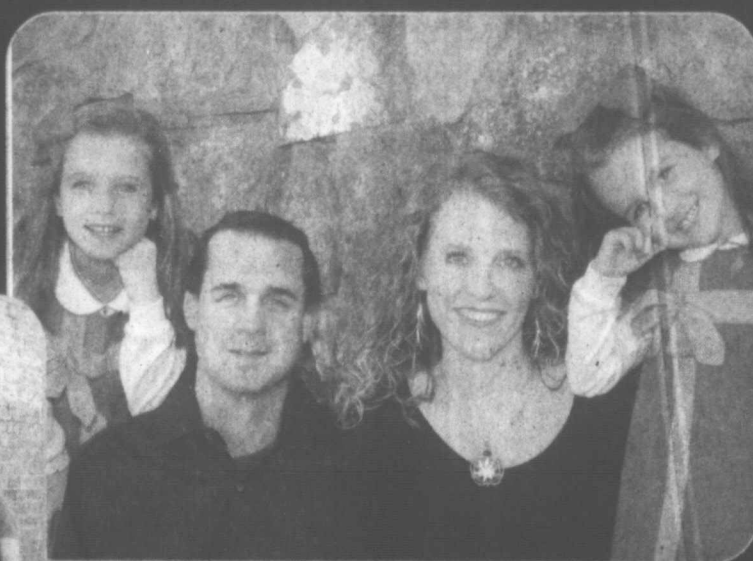


*Seniors Find
Your Style!*

**ENGAGEMENTS
WEDDINGS • PORTRAITS
SPECIAL EVENTS**

REGULAR STUDIO PRICES

SITTING FEE'S
\$10.00 In Studio
\$20.00 On Location*
*In Pampa



*Personalized Photos
Announcements Also Available!*

Pampa Realty Inc. 669-0007

Jim Davidson (BKR/OWNR)	662-9021
Robert Anderwald	665-3357
Katrina Bigham	898-8510
Christa Carpenter	664-0463
Donna Courter	595-0779
Twila Fisher (BKR)	440-2314
Linda Lapacka	662-9611
Rebecca McCall	662-2190
Melba Musgrave	440-3130
Zeb Sailors	664-0312
Sandra Schuneman (BKR)	662-7291

Visit CENTURY 21 COMMUNITIES™ on AOL@Keyword:CENTURY 21
Average Home A Month increases on average based upon all homes bought or sold through CENTURY 21 franchise during 1995.
*1997 Century 21 Real Estate Corporation® and™ trademark and service mark of Century 21 Real Estate Corporation Equal Housing Opportunity. EACH OFFICE IS INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED.

WE FINANCE and LEASE EQUIPMENT

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- > Adding New Equipment
- > Flexible Payment Terms
- > Preserving Working Capital
- > Growing Your Business

MANAGING YOUR CASH FLOW JUST GOT EASIER.

Call Us!

DIVERSIFIED LENDERS, INC.

806.795.7782 • 800.288.3024
diversifiedlenders.com

JESSICA WHITELEY PHOTOGRAPHY

FOR APPOINTMENT CALL
806.662.6104
721 W. KINGSMILL

PHOTOS WITH PERSONALITY

BATH FITTER® of Amarillo

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DAY MAKES!

In just **ONE DAY** Bath Fitter will install a beautiful acrylic tub and wall right over the old ones!

- Custom-formed tubs, walls and showers.
- Premium quality acrylic with 25-30 year life expectancy.
- Wide choice of colors and styles.
- Thousands of satisfied customers since 1964.

Call Now For More Information
Or A Free In Home Estimate
1-888-465-4978 Toll Free

CENTRAL BAIL BONDS
Kenneth Knowles, Owner

315 N. SOMERVILLE • PAMPA TX

Larry Ingram, Agent

24 HOUR SERVICE PAMPA 806-665-7716
CREDIT BONDS BORGER 806-273-5333
SE HABLA ESPANOL PANHANDLE 806-537-4795

Fireside Comfort
"Hearth & Home"
(806) 665-9333

Arbor™ Cast Iron Wood Stove

The top loading firebox offers incredibly easy wood loading. You can expect burn times up to 12 to 18 hours - depending on wood type.

AVALON
Firestyles for Life

experience the calming beauty of fireplaces
530 WEST BROWN

**FEATURE YOUR BUSINESS ON THIS PAGE
CALL 669-2525 FOR INFORMATION**

NATIONAL NEWS

Paterson faces challenges as NY governor after Spitzer resigns

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — As Eliot Spitzer departs the governor's office in disgrace, his replacement will face political challenges in place long before the prostitution scandal that paralyzed the state Capitol.

Lt. Gov David Paterson will try to heal bruised relations with lawmakers in both parties who were offended by Spitzer's confrontational leadership style. He also faces a tight budget in a slowing economy and memories of divisive issues from Spitzer's less than 15-month tenure.

But Paterson, a fellow Democrat who becomes New York's first black governor and the nation's first legally blind chief executive, plans to be well prepared for the job. He asked for a handover on Monday, five days after Spitzer's resignation.

Spitzer stepped down amid a call-girl scandal that made a mockery of his straight-arrow image and left him facing the prospect of criminal charges and perhaps disbarment.

Paterson said he needed more time to prepare before taking office and wanted Spitzer to say a proper goodbye to his staff. He plans to meet with lawmakers on Monday to lay out his positions and any revisions to Spitzer's budget, which faces an April 1 deadline.

"In these situations, most politicians would be like vultures swarming around the body," said Rep. Steve Israel, who said he had spoken to Paterson. "In contrast, David Paterson actually asked for more time to do his homework."

Spitzer and his successor have starkly different leadership styles. While Spitzer was famously abrasive, uncompromising and even insulting, Paterson has built a reputation as a conciliator, and lawmakers quickly embraced the new order.

"The first thing he can, and I think he will, do is end the era of accusation and contempt and ridicule," Democratic Assemblyman Richard Brodsky said. "I think everyone will be better off because of

it." Barely known outside his Harlem political base, Paterson, 53, has been in New York government since his election to the state Senate in 1985. Though legally blind, he has enough sight in his right eye to walk unaided, recognize people at conversational distance and even read if the text is placed close to his face.

Paterson said in a statement that he was saddened by the scandal, but added: "It is now time for Albany to get back to work, as the people of this state expect from us."

Spitzer resigned Wednesday, making an announcement without securing a plea bargain with federal prosecutors, though a law enforcement official said the former governor was still believed to be negotiating one. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the case.

"I cannot allow my private failings to disrupt the people's work," Spitzer said at a Manhattan news conference, his weary-looking wife, Silda, again standing at his side as he answered for his actions for the second time in three days.

The resignation brought down the curtain on a riveting drama — played out, sometimes, as farce — that made Spitzer an instant punchline on late-night TV and fascinated Americans with the spectacle of a crusading politician exposed as a hypocrite.

The scandal erupted Monday after federal law enforcement officials disclosed that a wiretap had caught the 48-year-old father of three teenage daughters arranging to spend thousands of dollars on a call girl at a fancy Washington hotel on the night before Valentine's Day.

Investigators said he had arranged for a prostitute named Kristen to take the train down from New York while he was in the nation's capital to testify before a congressional subcommittee about the bond industry.

'In these situations, most politicians would be like vultures swarming around the body. In contrast, David Paterson actually asked for more time to do his homework.'

— Rep. Steve Israel

Obama wins five more delegates than Clinton in Mississippi primary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Barack Obama picked up five more delegates than Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton in Mississippi's Democratic primary Tuesday.

But Clinton erased the gain Wednesday after final election results became available from a couple of Super Tuesday contests.

In Mississippi, Obama won 19 delegates and Clinton 14, according to an analysis of returns by The Associated Press.

Obama won the primary with more than 60 percent of the vote, according to unofficial returns. But Clinton was able to hold down Obama's delegate gains by winning one of the state's four congressional districts. Obama carried the other three.

Clinton eliminated the gain when she picked up delegates based on final results from the New York primary and the Colorado caucuses, both of which were held Feb. 5. Clinton gained four delegates in Colorado and one delegate in New York.

The results were delayed in New York because the race for one delegate was too close to call. Clinton won the New York primary, picking up 139 delegates, to 93 for Obama.

In Colorado, the Democratic Party did not release results by congressional district until this week. Ten delegates had been outstanding; three went to Obama and seven went to Clinton. Obama won the Colorado caucuses, getting 35 delegates, to 20 for Clinton.

Obama won the primary with more than 60 percent of the vote, according to unofficial returns.

Clinton also picked up two superdelegates Wednesday, but she lost a high profile one when New York Gov. Eliot Spitzer resigned amid a scandal involving a high-priced prostitution ring.

New York's incoming governor, David Paterson, already is a Clinton superdelegate through his position as an at-large member of the Democratic National Committee.

In the overall race for the nomination, Obama had 1,602 delegates, including separately chosen party and elected officials known as

superdelegates. Clinton had 1,496, according to the AP count.

It takes 2,025 delegates to secure the Democratic nomination at the party's national convention this summer.

The AP tracks the delegate races by calculating the number of national convention delegates won by candidates in each presidential primary or caucus, based on state and national party rules, and by interviewing unpledged delegates to obtain their preferences.

Most primaries and some caucuses are binding, meaning delegates won by the candidates are pledged to support that candidate at the national conventions.

Political parties in some states, however, use multi-step procedures to award national delegates. Typically, such states use local caucuses to elect delegates to state or congressional district conventions, where national delegates are selected. In these states, the AP uses the results from local caucuses to calculate the number of national delegates each candidate will win, if the candidate's level of support at the caucus doesn't change.

Charges brought against suspect in UNC slaying

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Authorities have charged a suspect in the slaying of the University of North Carolina student president with the January killing of a Duke University graduate student.

A warrant filed Thursday charges 17-year-old

Lawrence Alvin Lovette Jr. with first-degree murder in the death of Abhijit Mahato.

The 29-year-old computational mechanics doctoral student was found shot to death inside his apartment in January.

Authorities have charged

both Lovette and Demario James Atwater with first-degree murder in the death of Eve Carson. The 22-year-old was found last week lying on a street about a mile from campus.



SAVE NOW UP TO 50% STOREWIDE TO OFF LIST RETAIL

•QUEEN SLEIGH BED •DRESSER •MIRROR \$999

NIGHT STAND \$199

ASHLEY FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INC.

SAVE NOW ON BEDROOMS

TWO FOR ONE LA-Z-BOY RECLINER SAVINGS
 TWICE THE COMFORT FOR HALF THE PRICE.
 QUALITY CRAFTED LA-Z-BOY RECLINERS

TWO FOR ONLY \$599

TWO FOR ONLY \$699

TWO FOR ONLY \$799

SEALY TWIN SET \$249

SLEEP BETTER • TONIGHT •

"MARCELLE" QUEEN SET LUXURY PILLOW-TOP \$499

BY SLEEP DESIGNS
 SPECIAL ONE-TIME LIMITED OFFER

SEALY POSTURE PREMIER PLUSH

TWIN SET \$399	FULL SET \$449	QUEEN SET \$499	KING SET \$699
----------------	----------------	-----------------	----------------

QUEEN SETS AS LOW AS \$399

MONDAY - SATURDAY 9:00 AM TO 5:30PM

Texas FURNITURE

1415 N. HOBART • 665-1623

12 MONTHS NO INTEREST FINANCING WITH APPROVED CREDIT

Sports

Tennis team plays in Sandie Cup

Sandie Cup - Amarillo - Duro)
March 7-8, 2008

Black Division
Boys Singles
Jack Ware - 10th place
Lost to McElwain (Caprock)
Defeated McClure (San Angelo Lakeview)
Defeated Carter (Clovis)
Lost to Springer (Dumas)

Girls Singles
Megan Barnett - 13th place
Lost to Arrenondo (San Angelo Lakeview)
Lost to Wainwright (Caprock)
Bye
Defeated Ratsaboud (Palo Duro)
Sammi Finney - seventh place
Defeated Ratsaboud (Palo Duro)
Lost to Kauffman (Amarillo High)
Lost to Espinoza (Caprock)
Defeated Guajardo (Palo

Boys Doubles
Foreman-Frels - first place
Defeated Hernandez-Bridges (Palo Duro)
Defeated North-North (Clovis)
Defeated Forrester-Niegos (Amarillo High)
Defeated Miller-Wilson (Altus)

Girls Doubles
Kelley-Couts - 13th place
Lost to Fry-Loflin (Hereford)
Lost to Kim-Gohel (Amarillo High)
Bye
Defeated Lomas-Haire (San Angelo Lakeview)

Girls Doubles
Couts-Gage - fourth place
Defeated Cross-Limon (Caprock)
Defeated Vongprachahn-Montes (Palo Duro)
Lost to Bates-Mote (San Angelo Lakeview)
Lost to Barnes-Hernandez (San Angelo Lakeview)

Hernandez-O'Neal - second place
Defeated Sertuch-Leal (Caprock)
Defeated Boston-Franks (Amarillo High)
Defeated Barnes-Hernandez (San Angelo Lakeview)
Lost to Bates-Mote (San Angelo Lakeview)

Mixed Doubles
Barton-Smith - fifth place
Bye
Lost to Najera-Moss (San Angelo Lakeview)
Defeated Garcia-Luna (Amarillo High)
Defeated Coffey-Rogers (Amarillo High)
Silva-Hoelting - 11th place
Lost to Montano-Yarbough (Caprock)
Defeated Meadows-Walker (Altus)
Lost to Bishop-Harding (San Angelo Lakeview)
Defeated Smith-Luna (Caprock)

OPTIMIST BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Last day for baseball/softball registration

Today from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. is the last day to register for Pampa Optimist Baseball/Softball 2008. All players must register to be eligible to play.

The final tryout session will be held today from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Players who are nine through 15 years of age and did not play in Pampa last year or who are moving up to a new league should be present.

Nearly 500 players are registered with more expected today.

Drafts are scheduled to begin Friday in some leagues and should be completed in all leagues before March 24, which will be the first day of practice.

Games will begin the week of April 14. The season in most leagues will conclude around June 13.

"District tournaments for the 9-10 Cal Ripken All Stars and the 11-12 Cal Ripken All Stars will be held the end of June," Davis explained. "Pampa is going to play host to the State 11-12 Cal Ripken All Star Tournament in July."

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa

Stampede GM takes hard hit

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) — All she wants for Christmas is her three front teeth.

San Angelo Stampede Express general manager Bridget Jones can laugh about it now, but it sure wasn't very funny when it happened.

In the Intense Football League season opener March 1, the Stampede lost 63-44 to the Frisco Thunder at the Dr Pepper Star Center.

And none of the players on the field took as hard of a hit as Jones did.

She was sitting on the front row with her mother, Stampede co-owner Darlene Jones, when all hell broke loose.

To the best of Jones' recollection, here's what happened:

"I truly don't remember the play and how it occurred," Jones said. "It looked like (the Thunder was) going to fumble and we picked (the ball) up, and our guy was going to run it back, or something of that nature. They pushed our guy into the dasher pad right in front of me. And I saw that happen, which was fine.

"But then the Frisco guy put a late hit on our guy and it was literally like a split

second after the whistle blew. The momentum just carried him on through, and when he put the late hit on our guy, it basically flew his head into my head."

At San Angelo Coliseum, where the Stampede play their home games, the corporate, lower-level seating has an arena wall at about knee level. Frisco's arena wall comes up more to the spectators' shoulders, so the audience is literally head height at the arena.

Jones doesn't remember much about what happened right after the head-on collision, but her family and friends filled her in on the details.

"It was pretty painful," Jones said. "They said that I spit my teeth into my hand, handed them to my mom, and then my eyes apparently rolled back in my head and I went limp. The trainer said my eyes also rolled back and bounced side to side. But they don't think that I completely went unconscious because I remember my mom talking to me, saying, 'I'm right here, stay with me.' I remember her voice more than I remember the words.

"The only other thing I really remember is hearing a

bunch of applause and being on a stretcher carried out of the arena."

Jones acknowledges her accident was an isolated incident, but she'll be even more cautious the rest of the season.

"When I'm on the road, I try to pay pretty close attention because I know what can happen," Jones said. "It just all happened so quickly."

Ironically, Jones and her mother were telling some parents in Frisco to keep their children from leaning over into the field a few minutes before her head knocker occurred.

"I would caution parents to keep their kids from leaning into the playing field, because had I been leaning forward it probably would've really done some major damage to my face, because I was sitting back in my seat."

Jones will have to have more cosmetic surgery done in the next several weeks, and she joked about having a shiny grill made for her teeth in the Stampede colors of maroon and yellow.

The Stampede lost their home opener 63-7 Saturday night against the defending IFL champion Louisiana Swashbucklers, and Jones considered entering the coliseum incognito.

"I thought about coming into the game (Saturday) night with a helmet and a mouthpiece," she joked. "I will say that when a ball or a player comes my way, I'm a little quicker to react. It does put a certain level of caution on you."

Jones is not going to stay away from the action. She's tougher than that.

"That's kind of how I was raised," the Angelo State University graduate said. "I was raised on a farm. You don't have much of a choice. I'm a firm believer that when you get bucked off a horse, you get back on, so it didn't bother me."

Girls' Soccer



Pampa News photo by KATHERINE FLANARY
A Lady Harvester goes after the ball during Tuesday's game against the Randall Raiders. The Lady Harvester's last district game is Saturday against Palo Duro at noon. The Harvester will follow at 2 p.m.

China restricts Everest ascents

BEIJING (AP) — China is denying mountaineers permission to climb its side of Mount Everest this spring, a move that reflects concerns by the communist government that Tibet activists may try to disrupt its plans to carry the Olympic torch up the world's tallest peak.

In recent days, everyone from the U.S. government to rights groups and George Clooney have urged China to tackle issues as varied as its restrictions on religion; the poor working conditions of migrant labor; Beijing's oil purchases from Sudan to fuel the Darfur crisis; and Tibet.

The Everest restrictions were contained in a letter the government's mountaineering association sent this week to expedition companies. It comes as China's much criticized rule of Tibet, long a hot-button issue, is heating up, joining a growing list of other topics that pressure groups want Beijing to confront before the Aug. 8-24 Olympics.

Chinese police fired tear gas to clear Buddhist monks protesting for a second day Tuesday in Lhasa, the U.S.-funded broadcaster Radio Free Asia reported. In a sign of growing concerns over Olympic security, Beijing said Wednesday that the ruling Communist Party's law enforcement czar was named to a three-man committee overseeing Olympic preparations.

Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi also testily chastised critics trying to leverage the Olympics to draw attention to human rights violations and other issues. Those who "want to tarnish the image of China," Yang said in a rare televised news conference, "they will never get their way."

With less than five months to go to the games — and three weeks before the Olympic flame arrives in Beijing — events are taking on a harder political tone, and the criticism has put the government on the defensive at a time it hoped to be basking in praise.

"They see this as somewhat hostile and mainly because it's pressure to change, and that provokes a hostile reaction from them," said Susan Brownell, an American expert on China sports scene who is spending a year at Beijing Sports

University.

Annexed by Chinese troops 58 years ago but with a resilient exile community led by the Nobel Peace Prize laureate the Dalai Lama, Tibet has been a concern for Beijing Olympic security planners and crisis managers for months. In the past year, Tibet activists have unfurled banners at Everest base camp and the Great Wall, calling for Tibet's independence.

Bringing the Olympic flame to the summit of Everest is shaping up to be one of the grandest — and most politicized — feats of the already politicized Beijing games.

The 29,035-foot peak is battered by harsh weather and wreathed in thin oxygen, presenting a physical and technical challenge to the torch crews. The mountain also straddles the political border between Chinese-controlled Tibet and Nepal, home to Tibetan exiles and activists.

Activist groups have criticized the Everest run as an attempt by Beijing to lend legitimacy to Chinese rule. "Beijing is using the Olympics torch ceremony, which should stand for human freedoms and dignity, to bolster its territorial claim over Tibet," John Ackerly, president of the Washington-based International Campaign for Tibet, said in a statement.

Meanwhile, the Chinese government has said that the Everest relay would be a show of international sportsmanship, as well as a point of national pride.

"The torch relay to Mount Everest is a highlight of the whole relay, and it also represents the idea of green Olympics, high-tech Olympics and people's Olympics," Beijing Vice Mayor Liu Jingming told reporters in Beijing. He promised a successful ascent even if the weather was bad, saying a test-run went well last year.

Beijing has been secretive about the Everest leg of the symbol-freighted, popular Olympic relay. The Everest run is a side spur of the main event, a second torch that will be carried up the mountain while the relay is in Southeast Asia or elsewhere in China.

Beijing Olympic organiz-

ers have not released an exact date of the ascent, but preparations point to late April or early May.

The north side of Everest, which is in Chinese territory, contains some of the most difficult routes to the summit. The south side, through Nepal, is the most popular way to the top. China has tried to pressure Nepal to close the south side as well, according to Web site everest.net.

In September 2006, a Tibetan man and Buddhist nun were shot and killed by Chinese border guards at the 19,028-foot Nangpa La Pass, a common escape route for Tibetans fleeing to Nepal.

The shootings, which China said were in self-defense, were caught on video by climbers at a base camp for the nearby Cho Oyu mountain.

The letter sent to expedition companies this week by the government's China Tibet Mountaineering Association, which issues permits for Everest, said climbs of that mountain and Cho Oyu should be postponed until after May 10.

The letter, which was posted on a foreign mountaineering Web site MountEverest.net and verified by the association, cites "heavy climbing activities" as among the reasons but does not mention the torch.

Zhang Mingxing, general secretary of the association, said his group would still welcome several hundred climbers but suggested that most would be in the August to October climbing season. Besides, he said, "the climate in Tibet this year is a bit unusual. It is still snowing here and the wind is pretty big, so it is better to postpone the climbing."

Mountaineering groups, incensed by the decision, said they had been told that the relay was the main reason for the postponements.

"No applications for climbing Mount Everest between March and June are being accepted" because of the torch relay, said Li Hua with the Tibet Polar Land Exploration Tourist Co. in the Tibetan capital, Lhasa. "No matter whether you're an individual or group, it's impossible to get permission to climb the mountain during the period."

Houston Astros

Paulino sidelined for at least a month

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Houston Astros right-hander Felipe Paulino will be out at least a month with a pinched nerve in his upper throwing arm.

Paulino traveled to Houston on Monday to be examined by team physician Dr. David Lintner after experiencing upper arm discomfort. X-rays showed no structural damage to the shoulder and the injury will be treated with anti-inflammatory medication and daily treatment.

The 24-year-old, who was competing for a spot in Houston's rotation, will not be able to throw for a minimum of one month. He will be periodically evaluated during that month.

He's allowed four hits and five runs in two outings this spring.

Hidden Hills results

- Seniors Scramble
Hidden Hills
Golf Course
March 12, 2008
- 1st Place (60)**
G. McCabe
T. Taylor
B. Harwood
D. Abbott
B. Brown
- 2nd Place (62)**
E. Maxwell
C. Byrum
N. Lancaster
J. Lee
- 3rd Place (62)**
T. Holt
J. Davis
H. Malone
B. Housley
- 4th Place (63)**
R.D. Stephens
R. Davenport
D. Reeves
G. Devons
- Closet to the Pin**
B. Lyle (#8)
B. Henderson (#12)

Cowgirl



Courtesy Photo

Mayce Ogle enjoyed the St. Matthew's Day School rodeo recently with her mother, Christy Ogle. Mayce is in the Pre-K program at the school. During the "rodeo," the students got to play games, ride stick horses and play games with fellow students and parents.

Three boys who were thrown off overpass by mom survived

DALLAS (AP) — A mother threw her two struggling sons from a freeway overpass during Wednesday's morning rush before leaping off herself, police said.

All three somehow survived the 22-foot fall into traffic.

Khandi Busby, 27, and her sons, ages 8 and 6, walked away from her father, who had stopped for gas while driving them to a friend's house.

"She was not fleeing for her safety," Dallas police spokesman St. Gil Cerda said. "She just threw them over and decided to throw herself over."

Each boy struggled with his mother as she picked the children up and threw them over the edge, onto the freeway filled with fast-moving morning commuters, police said.

"It was a remarkably horrendous event, but there's a lot to be thankful for," said Lt. C.L. Williams. "Everyone's alive, and there were no injuries among the motorists. As horrific as it was, it could have been far, far worse."

Busby and the boys were in stable con-

dition at Dallas hospitals, police said. They are well enough to speak with investigators, although the 8-year-old is believed to have some internal injuries.

All three landed in the far left lane of westbound Interstate 30 around 6:30 a.m.

Police believe Busby and the 8-year-old were struck by cars, which managed miss the younger brother and also avoided collisions with other vehicles, Cerda said.

"It was really miraculous that we didn't have some fatalities with this incident," Cerda said.

Police said the woman took her two sons to the overpass while her father was paying for gas.

Her father had to make a U-turn to follow her in the car, but Busby had already thrown her sons and herself from the overpass before he could reach them, police said.

"The why remains a mystery to us," Williams said. "If you try to apply logic to these incidents, they totally defy any logical explanation."

South Texas sheriff unaccustomed to challenges threatens reporter

SAN DIEGO, Texas (AP) — For 20 years, Duval County Sheriff Santiago Barrera Jr. did what he pleased with no challenges to his reign.

He decided who sat in his jail and when they were released. Sometimes it was before a judge got involved and other times it was after.

He didn't appreciate competition from the ranks. Barrera had the commander of a tri-county drug task force demoted last year after the commander announced he was running against Barrera for sheriff of the southern Texas county of about 12,000.

"I brought the Sheriff's Department from nothing to what it is right now," he said. So no one took it lightly when the 67-year-old Barrera said Jan. 29 that he would lock up local reporters if they kept "interfering" in his business.

Barrera lost his re-election bid this month, but will have nine more months in office to make good on his threat.

Barrera is accustomed to things being done his way in

a part of Texas where elected officials don't easily fade into the woodwork.

It was less than 10 miles away where Alice Mayor Grace Saenz-Lopez told neighbors last summer the Shih Tzu she was dogsitting had died when, in fact, she was keeping it for herself. Saenz-Lopez later resigned.

One of Barrera's predecessors as Duval County sheriff, George Parr, is widely believed to have been behind the stuffed ballot box in neighboring Jim Wells County that swung a tight U.S. Senate race to Lyndon Johnson in 1948.

Even Barrera's threat to reporters was mild compared to the actions of a Jim Wells deputy sheriff who shot and killed radio reporter W.H. "Bill" Mason in 1949.

For Barrera's part, he released a 65-year-old man after he was arraigned on nine counts of child sex abuse in January 2006. The judge had set bail at \$875,000, but Barrera told the man to go home because he was diabetic and needed treatment the jail couldn't

accommodate.

"He's out on my own authority, but I told him he's on house arrest," Barrera told The Freer Press at the time.

Last December, he arranged for Romeo Ramirez to be demoted as commander of the drug task force to patrol officer. Ramirez told The Freer Press that Barrera was "letting people down" by saying fighting drugs was his top priority and then booting the task force's commander.

Ramirez won the March 4 primary, but Barrera claimed mail-in ballots had irregularities. So far, only one incorrectly addressed ballot has been brought to the district attorney. The county's elections administrator said she has not received any formal complaints about the sheriff's race.

"In my books, he was out

when he announced he was going to run," Barrera said. "The sheriff can't have anybody stabbing him in the back."

But the insult paled against a newspaper report that San Diego police had arrested Barrera's 42-year-old son, Miguel, on charges of public intoxication and resisting arrest on Jan. 4.

Alice Echo-News Journal reporter Christopher Maher, while working on another story two weeks later, identified himself to Barrera as the person who had written the story about Miguel Barrera.

"If you guys keep interfering with my business, I'm going to have you arrested," Barrera said, according to reports in the Alice Echo-News Journal. When Maher asked

Barrera to explain how reporters were interfering, Barrera said, "It's on the front page of the paper every day."

Nicole Perez, managing editor of The Freer Press and the Echo-News Journal, notified Duval County Attorney Ricardo Carrillo of the exchange.

"I am bringing these remarks to your attention in the hope that they will remain as such, just remarks," Perez wrote two days later. "However, considering the volatile political atmosphere in Duval County I have no doubt that Sheriff Barrera would carry out such a threat."

Barrera later acknowledged to the Corpus Christi Caller-Times that he made the threat. But he told The Associated Press on Tuesday his remarks were directed at Maher, who wanted access that day to the county jail to cover an incident where two inmates had barricaded themselves inside and were flooding it.

Barrera said the front-page story about his son's

arrest upset him. "To me that was bad," the sheriff said. "Of course, what can you do to them?"

A rocky relationship between politicians unaccustomed to media criticism and an aggressive newspaper is not unusual.

Perez received anonymous threats after she endorsed candidates in Jim Wells County races. She avoided making endorsements in Barrera's Duval County. "Too scary," she said.

Carrillo, the county attorney, said he was waiting to interview Maher before deciding whether to pass Barrera's comments along to the district attorney. As of last Friday, he had not yet spoken with Barrera.

Asked how Barrera managed to stay in office for 20 years, Carrillo noted that despite the scandals, the sheriff managed to receive 47 percent of the vote in the primary.

"He's a great politician and a terrible sheriff," Carrillo said.

For Barrera's part, he released a 65-year-old man after he was arraigned on nine counts of child sex abuse in January 2006.

The Pampa News Classifieds

1 Public Notice

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY LAND APPLICATION PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER NEW PROPOSED PERMIT NO. WQ0014813001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. National Oilwell Varco, L.P., P.O. Box 1101, Pampa, Texas 79066-1101, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a new permit, WQ0014813001, to authorize the disposal of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 13,500 gallons per day via non-public access subsurface low pressure dosing drainfields with a minimum area of 178,560 square feet. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into waters in the State. TCEQ received this application on June 5, 2007. The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located at 11659 US Highway 60, Pampa, Texas, approximately five miles west of the City of Pampa in Gray County, Texas. The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located in the drainage basin of Red River Creek located in the drainage area of the

1 Public Notice

Canadian River Below Lake Meredith in Segment No. 0101 of the Canadian River Basin. The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 North Houston Street, Pampa, Texas. PUBLIC COMMENT / MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material,

1 Public Notice

or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property / activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and, the statement "I / we request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; pro-

1 Public Notice

vide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

1 Public Notice

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and / or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and / or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of newspaper publications of this notice. AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from

1 Public Notice

National Oilwell Varco, L.P. at the address stated above or by calling Jeffrey D. Mann at (713)375-3732. Issuance Date Feb. 28, 2008 A-43 Mar. 13, 2008

5 Special Notices

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

10 Lost/Found

LOST male Poodle / Maltese mix dog. Sm. black dog. Missing since eve. of Mar. 7. Vicinity of Pampa Jr. High Sch. 662-2121.

FOUND male part Border Collie / Australian Shep. blue collar, no tags. Call 665-7004 lv. msg.

13 Bus. Opp.

GREAT investment opp. Pampa motel. Retired couple or individual. 665-1875, 806-383-1985.

14d Carpentry

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

OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

RICHARD'S General Carpentry Roofs & Painting. Building & Remodeling. 886-0267, 275-9038

14e Carpet Serv.

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

14h Gen. Serv.

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

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

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

JH Concrete Work. Stamps, driveways, addition, fences, patios. Free Est. 806-382-5408.

JAMES Landscaping. Fencing, Painting & Remodeling. 669-1029.

14i Plowing/Yard

LAWN Scalping, Fertilizing and General Lawn Cleanups. Call 662-6622

14s Plumbing/Heat

JACK'S Plumbing, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115. Plumbing, repairs, new constr., & septic sys.

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

19 Situations

WILL provide daycare in my home. Mon-Fri. Please Call 806-662-4807.

21 Help Wanted

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

REAL Estate Co. needs maintenance man w/ own tools. Apply at 1347 Coffee, Mon.-Fri., 8am-6pm, 665-4274, 665-1875.

COODER'S Dixie Cafe now hiring for Hostesses, part-time, 16 yrs. or older, Wait Staff, full-time, 18 yrs. or older. Apply in person, 2219 Perryton Pkwy. No phone calls.

MAINTENANCE Man needed, remodeling exp. for various properties. Painting, drywall & plumbing a must!! Must have own tools & trans. 665-1875, 665-4274.

McLEAN CARE CENTER has openings for the following positions: *Full-Time Housekeeper *Full-Time Dishwasher *Nurse Aides Come by 605 W. 7th or call 806-779-2469 to apply or for more info.

FULL Time employment. Must be 18 yrs., insurance, vacation, sick leave & retirement plan. Bartlett's Hardware, 500 W. Brown, Pampa.

POST OFFICE NOW HIRING. Avg. Pay \$20 / hr. or \$57K yr. incl. Federal benefits and OT. Offered by Exam Services, not aff. w/ USPS who hires. 1-866-483-6490.

21 Help Wanted

GREAT opp. for single or retired couple, for 12 unit motel in Pampa. Lrg. apt. incl. 665-4274, 665-4274.

KOYOTE Trucking needs Full-Time flat-bed truck driver. 1 year driving exp. req. 806-665-0984.

TEXAS Rose Steakhouse is now hiring Servers. Apply in person! No Phone Calls.

Petroleum Bulk Drivers

Eastex Crude Co. is taking applications in Pampa, TX. Applicants must have a Class "A" CDL with Hazmat & Tanker Endorsements *Home Daily *Full Benefit Package

(903)856-2401 x-137 (800)441-8580 Clint

CDL Drivers Needed!! Night & Day shifts, available in Miami, Tx. Must pass drug test. Competitive wages, paid weekly, 401K & insurance, 2 weeks vacation after 1 year. Please call Turner Energy at (806) 898-0414

TRUCK Drivers needed. Drug test and references required. Competitive pay! Call 665-0379.

Antique Sa...
H...
Americ...
Cabin...
Symp...
Works...
Parlor...
Chairs...
Stack...
Auth...
Action...
"Colt"...
1894...
Guns...
Collect...
Cut C...
Cast I...
Window...
Bring...
must b...
ments...
advert...
Make...
Aucti...
HAPP...
-14, 20...
This...
close...
from...
stand...
like a...
gift of...
in you...
ly cou...
single...
diffic...
the pe...
or sh...
you r...
flexi...
under...
The...
Have...
3-Av...
ARI...
★★★...
be m...
misu...
warp...
even...
going...
Ever...
Hom...
TAU...
★★★...
finan...
diffe...
dove...
going...
to fe...
what...
beco...
GEN...
★★★...
BUY...
\$5 M...
avali...
544-3...
DRIV...
-gharg...
thint...
www...
DRI...
team...
Jeni...
1-80...
DRIV...
Earn...
Need...
Truc...
NGO...
cont...

NOW HIRING:

Full-Time Gift Shop & Greenhouse Sales, CDL Driver, General Laborers, Diesel Mechanic/Assistant.

Must be at least 18 years of age and submit to a drug test.

Apply in person at:
West Texas Landscape
120 S. Hobart
Please No Phone Calls!!!

21 Help Wanted

FLOOR TECH / HOUSEKEEPER
PAMPA NURSING CENTER is currently hiring an individual to do housekeeping and floor care. Experience in floor care is a plus! Please apply at 1321 W. Kentucky or call Daniel Alley at 806-669-2551

REGISTERED NURSES \$2000 SIGN-ON BONUS

PAMPA NURSING CENTER is currently hiring an RN to work the Baylor Plan on weekends. Duties will consist of being the Charge Nurse on the 6 to 12 and 2 to 10 shift, passing meds and supervising the care of our residents.

Interested Applicants Please Contact Mandi Martin at 1321 W. Kentucky or call 806-669-2551

21 Help Wanted

JANITOR Full & Part-Time job. No experience needed, will train!
To apply call 665-2667

\$2000.00 Sign-On Bonus Licensed Vocational Nurses

PAMPA NURSING CENTER has openings for LVN's on all shifts. Apply in person to: Mandi Martin R.N., DON at 1321 W. Kentucky Pampa

\$1500.00 Sign-On Bonus Certified Nurses Aide

PAMPA NURSING CENTER has openings for Certified Nurses Aides on all shifts. Apply in person to: Mandi Martin R.N., DON 1321 W. Kentucky

21 Help Wanted

PART-TIME Cook needed. Background check. Pick up application @ First United Methodist Church, Foster & Ballard, during office hours.

CDL Driver needed, pulling Belly Dumps. Drug test required. Call 662-5005 or 663-0528.

THE PAMPA NEWS

needs a well-rounded **REPORTER** with some photography skills. We would like the person to have some experience, but entry-level reporters are encouraged to apply. A reporter who shows some initiative and ability will be able to move up to Editor in a short time. The Pampa News is located in a growing community of 18,000 people on the high plains of Texas. We are an hour from Amarillo, 6 hours from Dallas and Colorado Springs, 5 hours from Albuquerque and 3 1/2 hours from Oklahoma City.

Our local economy is booming with the rise in oil prices, but is also rooted in agriculture and a number of other major industries. The community is friendly and welcoming to newcomers. Join our team and help us produce a great community newspaper! The benefit package incl. a competitive salary, two-weeks paid vacation, a 401K plan and health / dental insurance. Please email resume and samples of your writing to: **Publisher Randall Pribble** rpribble@thepampanews.com

21 Help Wanted

Weekend LVN PRN/Parttime
People Person with Good Communication Skills a must!
Apply online at interimhealthcare.com
Or come by 1201 N. Hobart Space D (Coronado Center)

POSTAL JOBS
\$17.89-\$28.27/hr. now hiring. For application & free government job info, call American Assoc. of Labor, 1-913-599-8226 24 hrs. emp.serv.

NEED PART-TIME TEMPORARY PERSON TO BE A PROOF RUNNER & DO GENERAL OFFICE SKILLS

Apply in person at THE PAMPA NEWS or send resume to PO BOX 2198 PAMPA, TX. 79066 ATTN: REDONN

THE PLAZA III is now accepting applications for Full-Time Servers with good presentation & good references. Apply in person at Coronado Center Pampa No phone calls!!

HELP Wanted B&C Portable Must have good driving record. 806-595-0012.

CANADIAN Family Physicians is now taking applications for the position of LVN. Benefits package offered. Apply in person 1025 S. 3rd St., Canadian

PART-time help needed cleaning carpet. Must have valid dr. lic. and pass backgr. check. 665-1976

NEED Carpenter or Carpenter's helper for all phases of home construction. Must have transportation. Lots of work avail. Call Richard @ 886-0267.

SALES / CASHIER Must Be Honest & Dependable. Apply in Person Heard-Jones, Pampa.

PART TIME INSERTER Needed immediately! About 20 hrs. per week. Must work every Sat. & be 18 yrs. old. Apply in Person The Pampa News 403 W. Atchison Pampa No phone calls please

White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

60 Household
SALE! Mattress Sets Closeout 07 Models Q- \$229, \$289 or \$329 All Sizes avail. 806-677-0400

DRESSER, with mirror \$75 and Zenith TV \$200. Call 665-8678 between 6pm-8pm, or see Alicia at Wayne's Western Wear.

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

VHS movies \$2, books, furniture, Red Barn, 1420 S. Barnes, Sat. 10 to 5.

69 Misc.
VHS movies \$2, books, furniture, Red Barn, 1420 S. Barnes, Sat. 10 to 5.

69 Misc.
VHS movies \$2, books, furniture, Red Barn, 1420 S. Barnes, Sat. 10 to 5.

69 Misc.

1 Jazzy electric wheel chair unused, 1 Jazzy 1113 electric wheel chair used, 1 fold up walker, 1 bedside potty. 669-4150.

DEBBIE'S Used Furniture, 903 S. Main, Borger, Tx. Lrg. Inventory! Specials. 273-2905, 886-0268

CITY of Skellytown is accepting applications for trash truck driver. Must have current CDL & good driving record. Send resume to P.O. Box 129, Skellytown, 79080, come by 204 4th St. or email: skelly@amaonline.com

IMMEDIATE Openings! Roustabout Company now hiring for valid CDL Drivers, Backhoe Operators and Experienced Roustabouts in the East Texas area. We offer competitive pay and a monthly performance bonus. Please call 580-819-1073 for more info.

FOR Sale. New Clark Walking Shoes. Black, Size 8. \$40. 662-9921.

FOR Sale. Compact Computer with Desk & Chair. \$250 or best offer. 806-883-2105.

FOR Sale. New Black Walking Shoes. Black, Size 8. \$40. 662-9921.

GARAGE Sale. Sat. only 8-5. Furniture & misc. 345 Canadian.

GARAGE Sale. 114 N. West. Antiques & collectibles. Fri. & Sat. 8:30am-4:30pm.

77 Livest./Equip.
SERVICEABLE black Angus bulls for sale. Volume discounts. Contact Thomas Angus. 580-655-4318, 580-497-7217.

AQHA 4 yr. Blue Gray Gelding. Exp. rider. A real pet, \$2300. AQHA 8 yr. Sarrow Ready to go! \$1400. AQHA 6 yr. Paint Mare. Flashy. Gentle and ready! \$1850 Pampa 806-220-6404

80 Pets & Suppl.
FREE Pit Bull Puppies. 662-1535.

5 black Lab puppies to give away. Come by Larry Beck Electric, 1314 W. Kentucky, Pampa.

95 Furn. Apts.
White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

60 Household
SALE! Mattress Sets Closeout 07 Models Q- \$229, \$289 or \$329 All Sizes avail. 806-677-0400

DRESSER, with mirror \$75 and Zenith TV \$200. Call 665-8678 between 6pm-8pm, or see Alicia at Wayne's Western Wear.

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

VHS movies \$2, books, furniture, Red Barn, 1420 S. Barnes, Sat. 10 to 5.

96 Unfurn. Apts.

LAKEVIEW Apt. 1 & 2 bdr. unfurn. apt. Call for availability. References & deposit req. 669-4386

NUMEROUS Houses, Apts., Dupl. & Comm. properties thru-out Pampa. 665-1875, 665-4274.

THE Schneider House, now leasing apts. Seniors or disabled, utilities included. Stop by 120 S. Russell or call 665-0415.

99 Stor. Bldgs.

TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units. Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

102 Bus. Rent. Prop.
OFFICE Space for rent, ask about 3 months free rent. 669-6841.

DOWNTOWN office space for rent. Utilities & cleaning service provided. Ample parking. 669-6823.

103 Homes For Sale
Twila Fisher Century 21 Pampa Realty 665-3560, 440-2314 669-0007

4/2/2 2216 sq. ft. New driveway, granite countertops, hardwood floors. Lg. storage building. 2600 Evergreen. 662-7370.

FSBO 2124 Lynn St., \$129,500. Call 688-1976 or 664-4306. www.owners.com/WPW9503

FSBO 3/2/1, 1459 sq. ft. New carpet & paint. Built-ins, c.h.a. 84K. 2229 Zimmers. 669-6467.

HIGHEST CASH PAID FOR HOUSES! CALL 665-1875

OWNER FINANCE 1018 Duncan 1100 Terrace 313 Miami All 2 bdr. 105 Wilkerson-Groom 2 bdr. 2 story Easy to Qualify 665-4595 EZhomes@winioncompanies.com

Owner Finance Low Down & Low Payment: 1108 S. Faulkner 332 Sunset 931 E. Francis 313 Miami Habla Espanol Call Joe 806-336-1740 Or Milton 806-790-0827

115 Trailer Parks
TUMBLEWEED Acres, Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

121 Trucks
2003 Chevy Z71Ext Cab 74k miles. \$14,500 Call 898-2323.

122 Motorcycles
1998 Soft Tail Harley. Custom paint job. \$13k. Call 806-220-6620.

WTL SAND AND GRAVEL

NOW HIRING: Experienced Loader Operator, Bulldozer Operator, CDL A Plus

Must be at least 18 years of age and submit to a drug test.

Apply in person at:
West Texas Landscape
120 S. Hobart
Please No Phone Calls!!!

"LARGE ESTATES AUCTION"

Antiques-Furniture-Antique Firearms-Coins Saturday March 15th ~ 10 A.M. Sharp! BORGER, TEXAS Hutchinson County Aluminum Dome 1113 Bulldog Blvd.

American Antique Oak Curved Glass China Cabinet with Beveled Mirror Top! Rare Antique "Symphonion" Metal Disc Music Box! Rare Antique "Mills ~ High Top" Slot Machine ~ Works! Fantastic Antique 3 Piece Victorian Parlor Set with Beautiful Settee and Matching Chairs! Antique "Globe Wernicke" Lawyer's Stacking Bookcase. Antique Guns ~ Very Rare Authentic Antique 1886 Winchester Lever Action Oct. Barrel Rifle. Rare Authentic Antique "Colt" 1860 Army SAA. Rare Authentic Antique 1894 "Winchester" Lever Action Saddle Gun. All Guns in Great Working Condition and Other Antique Guns. Fantastic Gold & Silver Coin Collection. Outstanding Large Diamond Rings. Cut Crystal, Dresden, Leaded Glass Lamps, Cast Iron Banks, Cookie Jars, Leaded Glass Windows and

Bring Cash or Check with proper I.D. Dealers must bring copy of Sales Tax Permit. Announcements made day of sale supersede all other advertisement.

Make This Auction A Priority! ~ 405-381-3402 No Buyer's Premium! Auctioneer ~ Michael Mears Tx. Lic. # 12703

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, March 14, 2008:
This year you could easily swing from closed to open, from fatigue to energized, from domestic issues to your community standing. Though these swings could feel like a lot, ultimately you'll receive the gift of versatility from the new pendulum in your life. Using this strength positively could define your next year. If you are single, romance buds, but at times your sweetie could be a tad bit aggressive or difficult. Be aware of the negative and the positive. You don't need to break up or commit. Just accept the person as he or she is. If you are attached, the two of you might have a lot of fun with you flexing so easily and so much! CANCER understands and flows with you.

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' words might not exactly be music to your ears. Could you have misunderstood? If you go on the warpath, you might never find out. Let events play out, and see what is really going on. Don't whisper or tell tales. Everyone will be happier. Tonight: Homeward bound.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Your understanding of a financial and/or emotional tie could be different from the other party's. Getting down to basics and discussing what is going on might be very important. Listen to feedback and understand who is doing what. Tonight: A light exchange could become heavy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
If someone disagrees, don't

make it a big deal; otherwise, what had been intended to be light, humorous and fun will fall apart. Give up being controlling, and you'll find that others are far more docile — if not immediately, then in the near future. Tonight: Treat a pal to munchies.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Take your time before taking action. You pick up moods like osmosis. Knowing that fact could determine which way to walk down a pothole-ridden road. Your follow-through counts. Remember, not everyone has your energy. Tonight: As you like it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Use the morning, when you are a barrel of energy. Others could find you slightly offensive or difficult. A little diplomacy makes a big difference. Your abilities to run the show and get to the bottom of a problem emerge. Tonight: Take your time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You might not be comfortable with what is happening on a deeper level. You react to a pushy person. Who wouldn't? Being open allows much flow, resulting in increased opportunities. Listen and share. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Everyone has an issue at the present time! Try to work through another's sassiness. If you cannot get to the root of the problem, establish boundaries. Others eye your style, as you are in the limelight. Tonight: Be more aware of others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Don't allow others to interfere with an important relationship. You have every reason to be difficult or touchy. Listen to feedback knowing there are

opportunities as of yet unseen. Ingenuity could be the hallmark of the afternoon. Tonight: Opt for offbeat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
You might resent someone's pounding, and for good reason. Evaluate and understand what is happening. If you think that someone really cares, don't test this person by aggravating him or her! Be reasonable. Tonight: A close conversation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Even if your routine seems boring, know that you are coming to the end of the workweek. Decide how and with what you would like to infuse your life. Someone you know could be pushy or angry. Tonight: Opt not to be alone!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Right now, your mind knows no limit. Try to guide your thoughts rather than take an emotional risk. Your ability to change courses and head in new directions emerges. Listen to the voice of reason. Tonight: As you like.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Greet the tortoise in you as you drag around. If a fight erupts, consider using that energy to get going. Once energized, your creativity flows. A relationship is in the process of change. Don't push a child or loved one. Tonight: Lead the weekend celebrations.

BORN TODAY
Genius Albert Einstein (1879), actor Michael Caine (1933), band leader Les Brown (1912)

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at <http://www.jacquelinebigar.com>. © 2008 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK



TexSCAN Week of March 9, 2008

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES
ALL CASH CANDY Route. Do you earn \$800 in a day? Your own local candy route. 50 machines and candy. All for \$9,995. 1-888-255-5481. Multi Vend, LLC.

AMERICA'S FAVORITE COFFEE distributor. Guaranteed accounts. Multi billion \$5 industry. Unlimited profit potential. Free information 24/7. 1-800-729-4212. Continental Coffee

TIME-SHARES RESALES! The cheapest ways to buy, sell and rent Time-shares. No commissions, or broker fees. Call or go to 1-866-901-9796 www.buytimeshare.com

CARS FOR SALE
BUY POLICE IMPOUNDS! 96 Ford Mustang \$1,200 OBO! 97 Jeep Cherokee 97751 \$5 Mitsubishi Eclipse \$1,500! More cars available from \$500! For BNI Listings 1-800-544-1092 x.L750

DRIVERS
DRIVER: O/O'S: NEW pay scale/plus fuel surcharge. Company drivers \$5000 signing bonus for minimum 1 year experience Let's drop & hook! www.aesal.com. Guy at 1-800-387-1011.

DRIVER: OTR COMPANY drivers & teams needed. Average \$50,000+ Excellent benefits! Flexible home time. GTS. 1-800-326-8889 Ext. 1418.

DRIVERS: ASAP! Sign-On Bonus 35-42 cpm. Earn over \$1099 weekly. Excellent benefits. Need CDL-A and 3 months recent OTR. Melton Truck Lines, 1-800-635-8669.

DRIVERS-CDL-A The grass is Greener at PTL. Students welcome - excellent training program. Company drivers earn up to 46¢ cpm. Owner Operators earn \$1.21 cpm. 22 years of age, 12 mos OTR. No forced northeast! Company drivers call: 1-866-606-6200. Owner operators call: 1-877-774-3533. www.ptl-inc.com

DRIVERS STUDENTS: START your new career with sponsored training or tuition reimbursement! Possible \$40K 1st year. Experienced drivers, ask about \$5000 sign-on! www.ffeinc.com, 1-800-569-9232

NEW YEARS RESOLUTION You won't regret! OTR drivers wanted. Prepass EZPass. Every 60K miles raises. 2006 newer equipment. Passenger/Pet policy. 100% No touch. Butler Transport. 1-800-528-7825.

EXAM / PREP
POST OFFICE NOW Hiring. Avg. Pay \$20/hour or \$57K/yr. Including Federal Benefits, OT. Offered placed by Exam Services, not affiliated with USPS who hires. 1-866-918-1182

HOMES FOR SALE
FORECLOSURES & BANK REPOS! 4BR/3BA \$19,500! 3BR/2BA \$11,300! 5BR/3BA \$37,800! These homes won't last! For BNI listings call 1-800-544-6258, Ext. 9847

BUY HUD HOMES! 5BR/3BA \$310/Month or \$37,800! 4BR/2BA \$200/Month or \$14,110! Only 5% down, 20yrs@8%! For BNI Listings 1-800-544-6258 Ext. 5633

BUY FORECLOSURES! 3BR/2BA \$11,869 or \$199/Month! 4BR/2BA \$29,300 OR \$240/Month! 5% down, 20yrs@8%! Must see! For BNI Listings 1-800-544-6258 x.T303

MISCELLANEOUS

ATTEND COLLEGE ONLINE from home. Medical, Business, Paralegal, Computers, Criminal Justice. Job placement assistance. Computer available. Financial aid if qualified. Call 1-866-858-2121. www.OnlineTidewaterTech.com

REAL ESTATE
NEAR RUIDOSO NEW MEXICO. 140 acre ranch parcels. Great views of Sierra Blancas. Good horse property. Power & gravel roads. Borders national forest, may split. 1-888-812-5830. www.swpproperties.com

OWNER SACRIFICE LAKEFRONT land, \$79,900. 3rd largest lake in Texas. Views, trees, easy highway access from DFW. Must sell! EZ terms. Call 1-888-316-5253.

SOUTHERN COLORADO RANCH Sale. 35 acres. \$29,900. Spectacular rocky mountain views, year round access, electricity/ telephone included. Excellent financing available with low down payment. Call Red Creek Land Co. Today! 1-866-696-5263 x.3473.

STOP RENTING! GOV'T & Bank foreclosures! \$0 to low down. No credit OK. Consumer Resource Network, call now. 1-800-724-2595.

Run Your Ad In TexSCAN!
Statewide Ad \$450
303 Newspapers, 1,017,914 Circulation
North Region Only \$195
98 Newspapers, 276,653 Circulation
South Region Only \$195
103 Newspapers, 488,829 Circulation
West Region Only \$195
102 Newspapers, 252,398 Circulation

To Order, Call This Newspaper direct, or call Texas Press Service at 1-800-749-4793 Today!

NOTICE: While most advertisers are reputable, we cannot guarantee products or services advertised. We urge readers to use caution and when in doubt contact the Texas Attorney General at 1-800-621-0508 or the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP. The FTC web site is www.ftc.gov/bizop

Extend your advertising reach with TexSCAN, your Statewide Classified Ad Network.

DINING/RESTAURANT

SWEET CAREER!
Store Managers
\$30,000 base + Bonus (Not in all Markets)
(Average potential pay w/bonuses \$48K-Plus)
(Bonuses paid every 2 weeks)

Assistant Manager
\$27,000 + Bonuses (Not in all Markets)
We pay our Managers bonuses every 2 weeks

Shift Supervisors
\$9.25/hour

Full & Part-time Positions
\$6.50-\$8.25/hour
Advancement opportunities based on your performance
Day & Evening Shifts Available we will work with your schedule

Now hiring mail resumé to:
3000 Ne 63rd, Okc, Ok 73121
Fax To Recruiter: 405-475-2411
Email: Rpatton@braums.com

Or Apply At Your Neighborhood Braum's Store EOE

Sheriff: Kansas woman sat on boyfriend's toilet for two years

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Authorities are considering charges in the bizarre case of a woman who sat on her boyfriend's toilet for two years — so long that her body was stuck to the seat by the time the boyfriend finally called police.

Ness County Sheriff Bryan Whipple said it appeared the 35-year-old Ness City woman's skin had grown around the seat. She initially refused emergency medical services but was finally convinced by responders and her boyfriend that she needed to be checked out at a hospital.

"We pried the toilet seat off with a pry bar and the seat went with her to the hospital," Whipple said. "The hospital removed it."

Whipple said investigators planned to present their report Wednesday to the county attorney, who will determine whether any charges should be filed against the woman's 36-year-old boyfriend.

"She was not glued. She was not tied. She was just physically stuck by her body," Whipple said. "It is hard to imagine. ... I

'She was not glued. She was not tied. She was just physically stuck by her body. It is hard to imagine. ... I still have a hard time imagining it myself.'

— Bryan Whipple
Ness County sheriff

still have a hard time imagining it myself."

He told investigators he brought his girlfriend food and water, and asked her every day to come out of the bathroom.

"And her reply would be, 'Maybe tomorrow,'" Whipple said. "According to him, she did not want to leave the bathroom."

The boyfriend called police on Feb. 27 to report that "there was something wrong with his girlfriend," Whipple said, adding that he never explained why it took him two years to call.

Police found the clothed woman sitting

on the toilet, her sweat pants down to her mid-thigh. She was "somewhat disoriented," and her legs looked like they had atrophied, Whipple said.

"She said that she didn't need any help, that she was OK and did not want to leave," he said.

She was reported in fair condition at a hospital in Wichita, about 150 miles southeast of Ness City. Whipple said she has refused to cooperate with medical providers or law enforcement investigators.

Authorities said they did not know if she was mentally or physically disabled.

Police have declined to release the couple's names, but the house where authorities say the incident happened is listed in public records as the residence of Kory McFarren. No one answered his home phone number.

The case has been the buzz Ness City, said James Ellis, a neighbor.

"I don't think anybody can make any sense out of it," he said.

Ellis said he had known the woman since she was a child but that he had not seen her for at least six years.

He said she had a tough childhood after her mother died at a young age and apparently was usually kept inside the house as she grew up. At one time the woman worked for a long-term care facility, he said, but he did not know what kind of work she did there.

"It really doesn't surprise me," Ellis said of the bathroom incident. "What surprises me is somebody wasn't called in a bit earlier."

EDUCATION

Eighth-grader punished for buying candy at Conn. school

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — An eighth-grade honors student who was suspended for a day, barred from attending an honors dinner and stripped of his title as class vice president after he was caught with contraband candy in school will get his student council post back, school officials said.

Superintendent Reginald Mayo said in a statement late Wednesday that he and principal Eleanor Turner met with student Michael Sheridan's parents and that Turner decided to clear the boy's record and restore him to his post.

Michael was disciplined after he was caught buying a bag of Skittles from a classmate. The classmate's suspension also will be expunged, school officials said.

The New Haven school system banned candy sales in 2003 as part of a districtwide school wellness policy, school spokeswoman Catherine Sullivan-DeCarlo said.

"I am sorry this has happened," Turner said in a statement. "My hope is that we can get back to the normal school routine, especially since we are in the middle of taking the Connecticut mastery test."

Turner said she should have reinforced in writing the verbal warnings against candy transactions.

Michael had said that he didn't realize his candy purchase was against the rules, but he did notice that the student selling the Skittles on Feb. 26 was being secretive.



Dance competition

COURTESY PHOTO

Dancers from Madeline Graves Dance and Gymnastics Center in Pampa recently competed in the "Dance Showcase of America" in Oklahoma City. Above: (back, left-right) Jenna Gee, first place gold medal; Caylee Steward, gold medal; Cassi Denton, first place gold medal; Jenna Munsell, elite gold medal, third place elite gold medal; Danielle Zuniga, first place platinum award, third place elite gold medal; Marlee Richardson, gold medal; (front row, l-r) Adisson Hinkle, first place elite gold, gold medal; Gracey Durham, two first place platinum awards; Kirrah Powell, first and second place platinum awards; and Edy Brainard, elite gold duet award. Not Pictured: Elysa Clements, elite gold duet award, elite gold.

FORD FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC



REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER

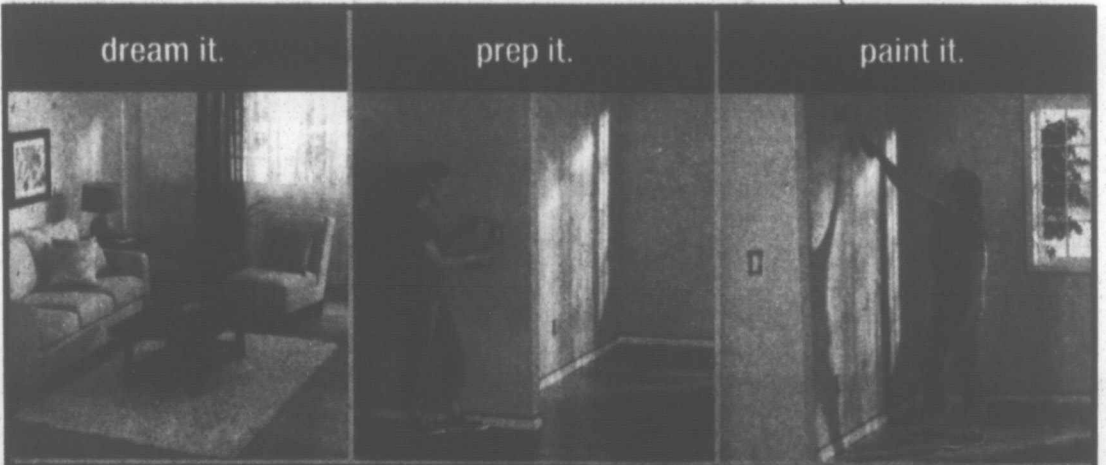
New location to better serve our community's healthcare needs

Opening March 17, 2008
at 701 N. Price Rd
Pampa, TX
(806) 665-7261

Services Include:

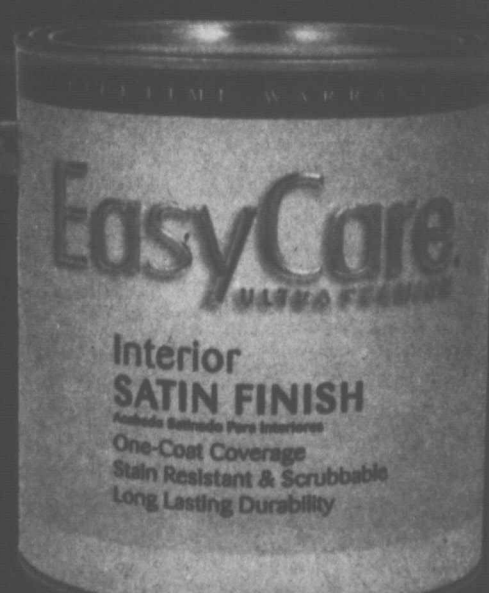
- State of the Art Modern Chiropractic Care
- New digital X-ray services
- Surface EMG
- Computerized muscle strength & range of motion testing
- Personalized therapeutic rehabilitative exercise program
- Digital orthotics casting
- Soft tissue & myofascial release (medical message) techniques
- Spinal distraction/decompression for disc problems
- Kinesiotaping for sports & other injuries
- Children's activity area

Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.
Dr. Samantha A. Ford



\$5 off
instantly!

When you purchase any gallon of EasyCare Ultra Premium paint



True Value.
START RIGHT. START HERE.®

FRANK'S TRUE VALUE
401 N BALLARD • 806-665-4495