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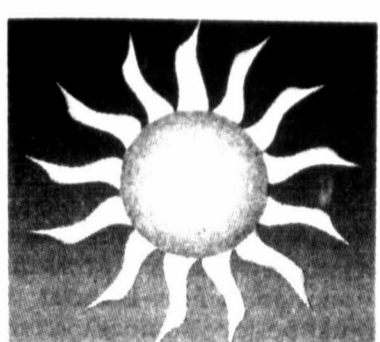
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**PAMPA** — Basic peace officer academy is set to begin April 1, according to Gray County Chief Deputy Charlie Morris.

The 668-hour course will be offered by Amarillo College Criminal Justice Center in cooperation with Clarendon College and Gray County Sheriff's Office.

The class will meet five times weekly plus Saturdays and conclude in September, said Morris.

Ten students are required for the class to make. To register and take the required entrance exam, prospective students must call Jerry Lane at Clarendon College Pampa Center, (806) 665-8801.

**MIAMI** — The Miami Independent School District board of education will meet in regular session Monday at 7 p.m. in the administration office.

Items on the agenda include district improvement plan, Panhandle Information Network, election of Region XVI board of directors, approval of TASB Policy Update 50, adoption of media resolution, approval of cheerleader constitution and revision of 1996-97 school calendar.

Also on the agenda is an executive session for teacher contract approval.

Meetings are open to the public.

**PAMPA** — The Pampa Lions Club will be having Easter lily sales this month, with proceeds benefiting the Lions Club Children's Eye-glass Program.

Orders for the potted Easter lilies will be taken until Thursday, March 21. Orders will be turned in on that date, with the lilies being delivered the following week.

Cost is \$12 for each potted lily.

Those wanting to order the Easter lilies may contact Rusty Tapp at 665-2323 or any Lions Club member.

**PAMPA** — The Lovett Memorial Library Advisory Board will meet Monday at 4:30 p.m. in the Texas collection room of the Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

Items on the agenda include Librarian Dan Snider's report, a report by Joe Kyle Reeve on the Panhandle Information Network and various committee reports.

Meetings are open to the public.

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## Harvesters: State 4A champs

By L.D. STRATE  
Sports Editor

AUSTIN — The Pampa Harvesters are state champions.

Like the Energizer Bunny, they just kept playing, playing and playing. And winning, winning and winning.

The Harvesters can let their batteries run down just a little now. There's no more teams left to conquer after Pampa beat Dallas Madison 82-68 for the Class 4A state basketball title Saturday at the Erwin Center in Austin.

Pampa finished with a 33-3 season record while winning the school's fifth state championship. The third time was

the charm for Pampa head coach Robert Hale, who had led the Harvesters to the final four in 1991 and 1992 only to be turned away in the semifinals both seasons. The Harvesters' last state title came in 1959.

Pampa senior guard Rayford Young closed out a spectacular high school career by being named the Class 4A tournament's Most Valuable Player. He scored 33 points against Madison to go with the 34 he had in Pampa's 63-59 win over Round Rock McNeil in the state semifinals Thursday night.

"We wanted to come out, get a big lead and put them away early," Young said. The Harvesters almost accomplished

that goal, taking a 10-point lead [24-14] at the end of the first quarter. Madison battled back and tied the score at 26 all mid way in the second quarter. However, Pampa scored nine of the next 11 points, all by Young, and Madison would never get closer than eight points the rest of the afternoon.

August Larson's three-point goal put Pampa up by 10 again, 38-28, with just over two minutes remaining in the half.

An eight-point run early in the third quarter gave Pampa a 16 point bulge, 50-34.

Devin Lemons, a 6-3 junior, was a big contributor for Pampa. He finished with 22 points and eight rebounds.

Senior forward Coy Laury had a team high nine rebounds along with four points.

"We really worked hard to win this one. We wanted to be a part of history," Laury said.

The taller Madison team led the Harvesters in rebounding, 38-32, and also had four fewer turnovers, 17-13, but the Trojans could never find a consistent shooting stroke, missing a number of shots from point-blank range. Pampa's was on target most of the afternoon and with pinpoint passing, hit the key baskets when needed.

Madison closes with a 26-7 record. See HARVESTERS, Page 10



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

**LaHoma Davis, a Green Thumb employee of the Social Security Administration's Pampa office, retrieves computer information for claims representatives on Tuesday. She logs 20 to 22 hours a week under the program which provides mature workers with employment and training opportunities in the non profit sector. "Mrs. Davis is doing a wonderful job," said Joe Deschaine, office manager. This is Hire the Older Worker Week, sponsored by Green Thumb.**

## Green Thumb marks Hire the Older Worker Week

WACO — Each year Green Thumb promotes Hire the Older Worker Week, which spotlights the senior work force and the contributions they bring to the labor market and encourages employers to profit from their skills, abilities and experience.

Since 1965, Green Thumb Inc. has operated the Senior Community Service Employment Program, which provides mature workers with part-time employment and training opportunities.

Funded through the U.S. Department of Labor, the program serves primarily the rural areas in 132 Texas counties. Green Thumb gives older, economically-disadvantaged job seekers the opportunity of sharing their years of experience, hard work and dedication through work assignments in locally-based organizations.

Through their participation, the seniors maintain their independence as productive contributors to their communities and profit from job-skills training which allows for transition back into private sector employment.

According to Diane Cowan,

program administrator, "During this important week, March 10 through March 16, let us focus upon the important contributions of our senior work force and strengthen our commitment to assure that this important resource continues in the mainstream of our state's economic and social development. Employers should invest in the skills and abilities of senior job seekers not only during Older Worker Week but year round. Hiring experience, dependability, reliability and dedication is just good business!"

In the Pampa area, Green Thumb workers have been employed by American Red Cross, City of Pampa Sanitation Department, Texas Employment Commission, Texas Department of Human Services, Devil's Rope Museum, Social Security, Gray County Probation Office and National Resources Commission Service.

For more information regarding senior employment and training opportunities, contact Green Thumb Inc., P.O. Box 7898, Waco, Texas 76714, phone (817) 776-4081.

## Taiwan condemns China

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — Taiwan condemned China on Sunday for planning live-fire war games off the island this week, saying the exercises will endanger air traffic and slow its booming trade with China.

China's plans are "unnecessary, irrational and irresponsible," said Kao Koong-liang, vice chairman of Taiwan's Mainland Affairs Council.

Beijing is trying to wipe out what it sees as a Taiwanese drive to dump the doctrine of reunification with China and declare itself an independent state. China claims sovereignty over Taiwan, seat of the Nationalists who were driven off the mainland by Mao Tse-tung's Communists in 1949.

Increasing pressure on Taiwan, China announced Saturday it will follow up last week's missile tests with eight days of war games southwest of the island, starting Tuesday.

Live ammunition will be used, making the war games potentially more menacing to Taiwan than the three missiles that landed on its doorstep Friday, and which were thought to have dummy warheads.

Taiwan's military said it was on high alert, and its president accused Beijing of destabilizing prosperous East Asia.

Officials said the area designated for the air and sea exercise is close to Taipei's busiest air corridor, which is traveled by 300 flights daily.

## Republican primary to decide next sheriff for Gray County

By CHIP CHANDLER  
Staff Writer

Randy Stubblefield and challenger Don Copeland will face off for the Gray County sheriff position in Tuesday's primary, the only chance this year county voters will have to elect their sheriff.

The two Republican candidates are the only ones in either party to seek the position.

Each candidate was interviewed by phone last week on what they felt the most important issue in the election was, their views on consolidating jail and dispatch services with the city and rebuilding relations with the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force.

The current sheriff argued that experience is the most vital issue of the campaign.

"The main issue [of this campaign] is that the operation of the Gray County Sheriff's Office entails millions of dollars in budgets, a 76-bed facility and 30 employees, and that I have the experience of the past four years operating this office," Stubblefield said.

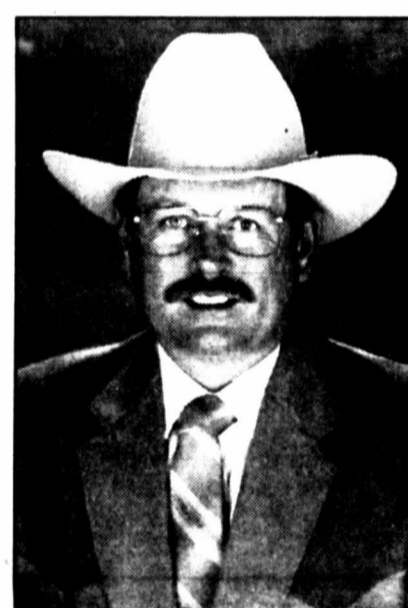
Stubblefield took office Jan. 1, 1993, after defeating incumbent Jimmy Free. Stubblefield was elected as a Democrat but switched to the Republican party last Nov. 3.

"My opponent's 30 years of experience in the highway patrol — the last 20 in licensing and weights — ... has not prepared him for what it would take to run the office," he said.

Copeland retired last year after working with Texas Department of Public Safety since 1968. He earned 2,061 hours of training through the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Officers Standards



Don Copeland



Randy Stubblefield

and Education and holds a master peace officer's license.

"I have hands-on experience in investigating murders, sexual assaults, drug cases ...," Stubblefield continued. "My opponent probably hasn't investigated a murder case in 20 years."

"Even though he has more years of experience, I have years of experience directed toward the sheriff's office," Stubblefield said.

Copeland argued that employee turnover and compensation time are among the crucial issues of the campaign.

"I'll try to cut down on it," he said. "I won't know until I get there [how to solve the problem], but there's got to be a way."

Records in County Treasurer Scott Hahn's office show that since Stubblefield's 1992 election, 54 employees have left the department.

Nine employees were not hired from Free's administration.

## Silverman, Alejandro seek Democrats' nod to run against GOP's Thornberry

By CHIP CHANDLER  
Staff Writer

Two Democratic candidates for 13th District U.S. representative have spent their primary campaigns looking to a future face-off with Republican Rep. Mac Thornberry instead of concentrating on each other.

Samuel Brown Silverman and Aaron Alejandro have repeatedly told Gray County voters their intention is to get Democratic representation back in the U.S. House of Representatives.

In the process, they have campaigned almost exclusively against Thornberry and not each other.

Silverman, an Amarillo patent attorney, has vowed a "responsive and responsible government," something he says Republicans, including Thornberry, have forgotten.

"Republicans are not doing a very good job for us in the 13th District, they are not doing a

very good job for us in Texas and they aren't doing good for the nation," he told the Gray County Democratic Club in January.

One issue on Silverman's platform is the multiple government shutdowns resulting from budget fights.

In a written statement, Silverman recently said, "I advocate putting people first, and like most folks, I am not impressed with the strategy by those Republicans to hold one group or part of the government hostage just for a special-interest tax break."

"Congress should have been working harder on the budget, like they promised they would," he continued.

Wichita Falls businessman Alejandro agrees with Silverman that representing the people will be an important issue in the November election.

"I believe that a congressman's first duty is to represent the people that sent him to Washing-

ton," Alejandro said in a statement, adding that he looks forward to campaigning against Thornberry.

"There will be critical issues that affect the people of the 13th District which Mr. Thornberry cannot avoid. Irresponsible cuts in Medicare, Medicaid, veteran benefits, student loan programs and agriculture will be issues which should be discussed," he said.

"In this district there are hard-working people who have sacrificed to make a better way for their children and those who served to protect the freedoms we have as Americans. I will work to make sure they are not abandoned," continued Alejandro, a former district director for then-U.S. Rep. Bill Sarpalius.

The victor of the Democratic primary will face Thornberry in the November general election. Thornberry is seeking his second term in office.

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## Nine races uncontested in local primary elections

By CHIP CHANDLER  
Staff Writer

Primary voters will have an easy choice to make in at least nine local races in Tuesday's balloting.

Seven Republican candidates and two of their Democratic counterparts are running unopposed on their party's ballot.

In the order they appear on each ballot, here's a rundown of the candidates:

### Republicans

• Warren Chisum is making his fifth bid for District 88 state representative, but this time he's appearing on a different ballot. Chisum, a Pampa resident, last June switched parties and is now a Republican. He has chaired the state House's committee on environmental regulation since 1993. In addition, he serves on the House Administration Committee and the House Committee on County Affairs.

• Roberts County Attorney Rick Roach is making a bid for district attorney for the 31st Judicial District. He has served in his current position since 1990, and has been a member of the State Bar of Texas for 18 years. He began a private practice in Miami in 1989 after working in Canadian, Lubbock and Breckenridge since 1978. He is Region 1 director of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association.

• Todd Alvey is running for reelection as Gray County attorney. He was first elected in 1994 to complete the unexpired term of Bob McPherson, after first being appointed to the position in 1993 after the retirement of McPherson.

• Sammie Morris is seeking her first full term as Gray County tax assessor/collector. She was elected in the 1994 November general election to complete the unexpired term of the late Margie Gray. Morris says she has completed 140 hours of continued education courses working toward her certification for Registered Tax Assessor-Collector with the Board of Professional Examiners.

• Joe Wheeley is running for his third term as Precinct 1 commissioner for Gray County. He is currently a member of Texas Association of County Judges and Commissioners, director of Resource Conservation and Development and member of Lake McClellan Improvement

Inc. Past civic activities have included serving as director of the Top o' Texas Rodeo Association for over 20 years, past director of the Gray County Junior Livestock Show and a member of the Gray/Roberts County Farm Bureau. He is past president of Farm Bureau. He is a member of Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce.

• Chris Lockridge is running for re-election as Precinct 2 constable. He is seeking his second full-term in the position, after first being appointed in 1990 to complete the unexpired two-year term of Herman Keith. He is a member of the Texas Justice of the Peace and Constable Association.

• Gerald Wright is hoping for his fourth term on the Gray County Commissioners Court as Precinct 3 commissioner. He has spent the past 11 years working with the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Congress for the restoration of Lake McClellan and served as president of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. for four years. He is a member of the Gray County Historical Society, Texas Association of County Judges and Commissioners and the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce. Wright was recently named to serve on the White Deer Land Museum board of directors.

### Democrats

• John Mann is running for his second full term as 31st Judicial Court district attorney. He was appointed by Gov. Ann Richards in 1992 to fill the unexpired term of Harold Comer. He has been a practicing attorney for 24 years, including seven years as a felony prosecutor. He says he has been involved in over 200 district court jury trials in his career as both a defense attorney and a prosecutor, including six capital murder cases.

• Local real estate appraiser Charles Buzzard is seeking the office of Gray County tax assessor/collector. He held that position for the city of Pampa and Pampa Independent School District from 1985-87. As tax assessor/collector, Buzzard held the designation of Registered Tax Assessor/Collector and says he would reapply for the designation if elected.

Also running unopposed on their respective party ballots are current Republican and Democratic party chairmen Tom Mechler and John Warner.

## Resolution for Chief Flemins



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Marcelline Flemins, widow of Pampa Police Chief Chuck Flemins, receives a commendation in her husband's memory from acting Chief Ken Hall. The resolution was delivered by the Texas Police Chiefs Association in honor of the late chief's "excellent leadership to the community."

## Where to vote in Tuesday's primaries

Below is a list of polling places for the Tuesday, March 12, primary elections for the Republicans and Democrats in Gray County balloting.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### REPUBLICAN Polling Places

Pct. 1 - Lefors Fire Station, 115 N. Main, Lefors  
Pct. 2 - South Fire Station, 1010 S. Barnes, Pampa  
Pct. 3 - Charles Bowers home, across from Grandview - Hopkins School, FM 293  
Pct. 4 - Alanreed School gym, Alanreed  
Pct. 5 - McLean Senior Citizens, 112 Main, McLean  
Pct. 7 - Horace Mann cafeteria, 400 N. Faulkner  
Pct. 8 - Austin School, front

hall, 1900 N. Duncan  
Pct. 9 - Wilson School, cafeteria, Hazel Street entrance, 801 E. Browning

Pct. 10 - Gray County courthouse, main hall  
Pct. 11 - M.K. Brown Auditorium, 1200 N. Sumner

Pct. 12 - Lamar School, front hall, 1234 S. Nelson  
Pct. 13 - Courthouse Annex, one mile east of Pampa on US 60

Pct. 14 - Travis School, cafeteria, 2300 Primrose  
Pct. 15 - Hi-Land Christian Church, 1615 N. Banks

### DEMOCRATIC Polling Places

Pct. 1 - Lefors Community Center  
Pct. 2 - Baker School, 300 E. Tuke

Pct. 3 - Grandview - Hopkins School, FM 293

Pct. 4 and 5 - Lovett Library, McLean

Pct. 6 and 14 - Travis School, 2300 Primrose  
Pct. 7 - Horace Mann School, 400 N. Faulkner

Pct. 8 - Austin School, 1900 Duncan

Pct. 9 - Wilson School, 801 E. Browning

Pct. 10 - Lovett Library, Pampa

Pct. 11 - Pampa Youth and Community Center

Pct. 12 - Lamar School, 1234 S. Nelson

Pct. 13 - Gray County courthouse Annex, one mile east of Pampa on US 60

Pct. 15 - First Christian Church family life center, 1633 N. Nelson

## City to unveil survey report

On April 2 a community survey report will be unveiled at the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon, according to Pampa Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Jack Ippel.

The report is the first step in Pathfinder Inc.'s effort to create an economic development plan for Pampa.

The final report should be complete by May 1, Ippel told Pampa city commissioners Thursday at a meeting which replaced their usual second-Tuesday-of-the-month meeting.

Pathfinder representatives David Brandon and Joe White conducted face-to-face interviews with elected officials, manufacturing representatives and community leaders in developing the report, Ippel explained.

Ippel also told commissioners 550 households have responded to a PEDC-sponsored labor survey. Fifty employers were contacted about participation in a wage and salary survey, he said, with 30 businesses expected to respond. Each employer category has three or four businesses represented and includes manufacturing, retail, oil and gas, and medicine.

In other action, city commissioners:

• Appointed three people to fill two-year terms on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board on Thursday. They are Gary Henderson, John Ryan and Rodney Springer, a present member.

Eileen Kludt was appointed to fill a one-year unexpired term left by the resignation of Terry Ledbetter.

• Took no action on a Pampa Economic Development Corporation vacancy following a one-hour executive session. During the work session, consulting engineer Gene Barber offered to serve on the PEDC board.

• Agreed to lease/purchase 40 hunter green golf carts from E-Z-Go Textron at \$2,050 each after trading in 40 Yamaha carts. An April 15 delivery is expected. Total price including interest is \$91,761.72.

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, if so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words any friend could say, perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts we thank you so much whatever the part.

### The Family Of Raymond Troy Ledbetter

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### To The Citizens of Gray County,

On March 12 you have the responsibility of electing a sheriff for the next 4 year term. This is a very important position and great care should be given in the selection of this person.

Four years ago you elected me to take over a very troubled department that was constantly in the news with problem after problem. A change was needed then and I welcomed the challenge to serve you as sheriff and build a professional department. I feel that with your help we now have a professional sheriff's office to be proud of.

You must now choose between me or my opponent and I ask you to consider the qualifications of each of us. I have 7 1/2 years experience that includes investigations of murder, robbery, forgery, drugs, sexual assault and civil process. I personally arrested Henry Watkins Skinner just 3 hours after he murdered Twila Busby and her 2 sons. I have the experience as your present sheriff of supervising a 30 member department with a 76 bed jail and a million dollar budget. I feel that I have a proven record and you have seen my ads relating that to you.

My opponent has over 25 years experience as a highway patrolman but the last 20 years have been spent as a license and weight trooper. This means that he has spent the last 20 years stopping, weighing and measuring trucks - no criminal or civil investigations for over 20 years. No manage-



ment experience and no experience with a budget or jail that we are aware of. He carries a special Texas Ranger Commission that is given to all honorably retired highway patrolmen. He says he can do the job but where is his real training and experience - working traffic and writing tickets. With all this in mind I am asking for your vote to return me to office so that I may continue to build a responsive, progressive and capable sheriff's office.

You will not see as many of my signs as I would like and I have not been able to personally contact each and everyone of you, because I have not taken away from my duties as sheriff to campaign as much as I should have. This does not mean that I do not want the job, it just means that I am working for you.

Sincerely Yours,  
Randy Stubblefield

## RE-ELECT RANDY STUBBLEFIELD IN THE MARCH 12 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

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## Opinion

### Castro anticipates U.S.'s next move

When it comes to Cuba, there's always a lot of history behind any specific incident - in recent years, a meandering U.S. foreign policy that just might have tempted Castro into testing and probing.

Thus it's difficult to come up with a coherent response to the reprehensible shootdown of a couple of unarmed Cessnas piloted by volunteer members of an anti-Castro exile group.

Whether or not one or both of the planes infringed on Cuban airspace - and there's some evidence that the organization that owned the planes, Brothers to the Rescue, was seeking to be provocative - the Cuban response amounted to deliberate, quite likely, premeditated murder. It deserves condemnation in the most clear-cut, unambiguous terms.

But what should be done beyond that? The conventional wisdom is that it's time to tighten up the long-standing embargo against Cuba, as President Clinton has promised to do, in line with the wish of most Republicans. That is certainly a predictable response. Is it the most intelligent?

Regarding Cuba, the Clinton administration has been leaning in the direction of softening hostility and authorizing more contact with the island dictatorship. But the course has been meandering, giving the appearance of being guided more by domestic political concerns and pressure than by principle or a long-term strategy. Perhaps it wasn't predictable, but it is hardly surprising that Fidel Castro might test a confused policy, perhaps hoping the U.S. government will eliminate nuisances like Brothers to the Rescue so Cuba won't "have to" do such unpleasant things.

President Clinton has responded by tightening restrictions on Cuban aviation, including a virtual ban on charter flights from the United States to Cuba. He seeks reparations for the families of the four dead Brothers to the Rescue members. And he said he will support legislation in Congress - which he had previously opposed - to tighten further the screws of embargo to which Cuba has been subjected for decades.

Anger at Fidel Castro's regime is fully justified. But if these kinds of trade restrictions were the key to bringing down the Cuban dictator, don't you think they would have done so already? Or at least weakened the regime substantially?

Communist states love to have Uncle Sam impose embargoes. They hate situations in which the people they rule have the opportunity to make direct comparisons between economic and political performance under communism and capitalism. New U.S. sanctions will simply be used by Fidel and his cronies as evidence of the villainy of the United States and a handy excuse for the failure of the communist system to produce a workers' paradise.

It would be more intelligent to lift the embargo and dare Mr. Castro to let American companies show the Cuban people what can be done with the resources of the island nation. Eventually, that is almost certain to happen, though perhaps not until the Cuban dictator dies.

But it could be done strategically, exacting useful concessions. It is appropriate to demand hefty reparations for the families of the murdered Cuban-Americans. It wouldn't hurt to demand that Cuba adhere to international standards on airspace incursions - chasing or forcing a landing rather than shooting first. It would be wise to demand that the Cuban government cease work on two nuclear reactors in the Cienfuegos province - which, with their Chernobyl-era technology, pose a real threat to parts of the United States in the event of an accident.

Why not let the Cuban government know that if it meets these demands - and possibly others - the United States will think about ending the trade embargo? That would put Mr. Castro in a pickle. Would he make a few concessions to end an embargo he has long claimed to deplore, but which he has used skillfully to bolster his power, which he knows hurts his people much more than it hurts him? If not, what credence can we - or the Cuban people - give to his bluster?

Such a course - using the end of the embargo as a carrot - is unlikely. But it would probably do more to undermine Cuban communism than all the restrictions and bluster Washington is more likely to produce.

## Viewpoints

# Doomsayers haven't changed

It's amazing how we listen to people who've been dead wrong time after time.

In 1975, the Environmental Fund took out full-page ads warning, "The world as we know it will likely be ruined by the year 2000 ... World food production cannot keep pace with the galloping population. Family planning cannot and will not, in the foreseeable future, check this runaway growth."

Paul Erlich, author of the *Population Bomb*, in 1968 predicted that by 1999 the U.S. population would fall to 22.6 million. According to Erlich, during the 1980s 65 million Americans would perish from starvation.

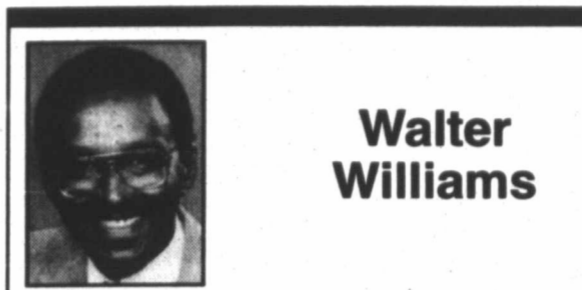
In light of these gross "errors," doomsayers haven't changed their story.

In January 1994, Lester Brown of the Worldwatch Institute said, "Seldom has the world faced an unfolding emergency whose dimensions are as clear as the growing imbalance between food and people."

Even the United Nations joined the chorus with its 1975 prediction there would be "500 million starvation deaths in Asia between 1980 and 2025." Asia, as it turns out, is experiencing unprecedented economic growth.

These grossly erroneous predictions can't simply be chalked up to ignorance. As Dr. Thomas Sowell points out in his new book, *The Vision of the Anointed*, statisticians deliberately invent crises as a means to gain more control over our lives.

In the early '60s, Planned Parenthood and other



Walter Williams

groups convinced the nation there was a "crisis" in teen pregnancy and venereal disease. They got Congress to give them our money to sponsor sex education (read: indoctrination) classes, often showing films to junior high school students depicting heterosexual and homosexual couples engaged in sex; teenage birth control clinics were set up and condom distribution programs started.

Was there a crisis in the first place? Since 1950, teenage fertility rates had been declining, as were venereal disease rates. By 1960, syphilis and gonorrhea infections were less than half of what they were in 1950. We all know the story after "sex education." Teen pregnancy rose from 68 per thousand in 1970 to 96 per thousand by 1980. The venereal disease rate skyrocketed 350% between 1965 and 1978.

It's the same story with poverty and dependency. When the "war on poverty" began in 1965, the number of people living in poverty had been

rapidly declining since World War II. Sowell reports, "The proportion of people whose earnings put them below the poverty level, without counting government benefits, declined by about one-third from 1950 to 1965." In other words, dependency was declining when the "war on poverty" began. Today, what the Bureau of Census defines as poverty is higher than in 1965, and there's much more dependency.

It's the same story with crime. The absolute number of murders committed in the United States in 1960 was less than in 1930, 1940 and 1950, even though the population was larger. After 1960, the courts succumbed to idiotic liberal ideology. Judge Brazelton opined the problem wasn't with "the so-called criminal population" but with society whose "need to punish" was a "primitive urge" that was "highly irrational." U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas said, "Rehabilitation of criminals has seldom been attempted. Killing them or locking them up is the tried-and-true ancient method. Why not turn our faces toward rehabilitation?" Court contempt for law-abiding citizens produced today's crime rampage.

The elite who've created or magnified our social problems see themselves as nobler and wiser than the ordinary person. They also see themselves as having been ordained to forcibly impose that "wisdom" on the "ignorant" masses. In the process, they've engineered one disaster after another. I want to know how long we, the benighted people, are going to sit on our butts and take it.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, March 10, the 70th day of 1996. There are 296 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On March 10, 1876, Alexander Graham Bell made what was, in effect, the first telephone call. His assistant, in an adjoining room in Boston, heard Bell over the experimental device say, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you."

On this date:  
In 1496, 500 years ago, Christopher Columbus concluded his second visit to the Western Hemisphere as he left Hispaniola for Spain.

In 1629, England's King Charles I dissolved Parliament; he did not call it back for 11 years.

In 1785, Thomas Jefferson was appointed minister to France, succeeding Benjamin Franklin.

In 1848, the Senate ratified the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the war with Mexico.

In 1864, Ulysses S. Grant became commander of the Union armies in the Civil War.

In 1880, the Salvation Army arrived in the United States from England.



# Giving credit where credit is due

I'd like to pay tribute to a liberal journalist with integrity and courage. He's Tom Oliphant, a columnist for the *Boston Globe*.

There's no question that Oliphant would disagree with Conservatives on virtually 100% of the issues, but he alone, to my knowledge, has shown the integrity and guts to defend not only Pat Buchanan but also Larry Pratt, executive director of Gun Owners of America, against the filthy smear campaigns launched against them.

"The fact is," Oliphant wrote, "that Pat Buchanan has been smeared by three of the ugliest words in public discourse - guilt by association ... Just as unconscionable is the fact that two of the most serious charges that can be thrown at a public person - racist and anti-Semite - have been hurled at Buchanan without the slightest confirming evidence of their accuracy."

Oliphant then goes on to point out that Bob Dole (and the rest of the Establishment Republicans I hasten to add) resort to smears because they don't want to address the issues raised by Buchanan, such as the North American Free Trade Agreement, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, gun control, abortion and runaway immigration.

Turning to Larry Pratt, one of Buchanan's campaign advisors, who was smeared as a racist and an anti-Semite because of where he spoke, Oliphant nails this shoddy smear with dead-on accuracy.

## Charley Reese

"This issue should be slam-dunk for Liberals. There is not one shred of evidence that Pratt has ever uttered one bigoted or anti-Semitic word in his life. But because he has attended meetings or appeared on television with people who have, Pratt has been tarred with their views, and this tar is now applied to Buchanan. What this amounts to as a matter of logic and fact is guilt by association of one's associates."

Pointing out that many people's lives were ruined because they attended meetings or signed petitions for causes that attracted a wide variety of organizations, including some Communists, Oliphant says, "For liberals to be silent simply because this filth is being directed at a creature of the right who happens to be a political roll is intolerable."

Oliphant goes on to point out that David Duke is being thrown at Buchanan even though Buchanan publicly repudiated Duke at the Republican convention in New Orleans.

Oliphant is so right. Whether one agrees or disagrees with a man's position, one should not sit idly by while he is unfairly smeared. One Liberal with integrity like Tom Oliphant is worth 50 "ethically challenged" (to use his wonderful phrase)

conservative journalists.

Oliphant indicts Liberals for failing to condemn these unethical smears. Well, I indict Conservatives, or people who claim to be Conservatives, for not only failing to defend Buchanan and Pratt against these filthy tactics but also for joining the lynch mob.

Buchanan is a lot more forgiving of Establishment Republicans than I am. I will never vote for characters like Dole, Phil Gramm, Bill Bennett, Jack Kemp, Lamar Alexander and the rest of that crowd, who have conducted such a blatantly unethical campaign against a man whose issues they are afraid to debate.

Nor do I have anything but contempt for journalists who have participated in this character assassination campaign. The public hates the press with good reason - it is all too often unethical, arrogant, inaccurate, unfair and deliberately false.

H.L. Mencken was not far off when he said the press has "the courage of a rat, the morals of a prostitute and the taste of a celluloid valentine."

Tom Oliphant deserves commendation for being the kind of honest journalist consumers of journalism have a right to expect. Oliphant will no doubt rip Buchanan's positions on issues because he disagrees with them. He would certainly oppose Pratt's view of the Second Amendment.

But Oliphant is a good and honest man, and journalism needs more like him.

# Buchanan: Tared with an unjust brush

The condition of the republic's press corps must be near exhaustion. Stop the primary season! The hawks need a rest. A few weeks ago, as Steve Forbes entered the race with a popular message, they went into a stampede toward his banner. Then, they were in a stampede to bury him. There was a slight frenzy for Lamar Alexander - or is it Alexander Lamar? I forget. That did not work out, but after Pat Buchanan won in New Hampshire, the press went again into stampede. This time, they were stampeding toward Buchanan with charges of extremism and worse. Now, Forbes is doing well again. Watch out, Steve - the bovine herd with its cameras and microphones might be headed your way again.

What drives the press' hysteria is their deep distrust of politics. They really do not like what Frank Kent, the *Baltimore Sun* political correspondent, called some decades back the Great Game of Politics. Furthermore, they know no more about politics than the received truths of the moment. They think, for instance, that the lively Republican race is "tearing the party apart." They forgot 1960, when a boring primary season for the Republicans put people to sleep and a rock-'em-sock-'em race among the Democrats set John F. Kennedy on the road to the White House. And was John F. Kennedy not disesteemed by Eleanor Roosevelt and Adlai Stevenson as being too far right? (OK, how about a quiz. Who in the Washington press corps can identify Eleanor and Adlai? What were their positions on cigarette smoking in public?)

Truth to tell, the average American who is desirous of learning about this campaign is at a

## R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

dreadful disadvantage if all he reads is the American press. And if he gets as excited as the press, his health may be impaired. Our press is incapable of dealing with the most elementary facts.

Fact No. 1: The economy and, in recent years, taxes are the major concerns of the electorate. Fact No. 2: The promise to cut taxes and withdraw the tentacles of government from private lives recently won Republicans their first Congress in 40 years. Fact No. 3: Tax cutters keep getting elected over their opposites. Fact No. 4: The Clinton economy is beginning to display the kind of anemia that Our President exploited in 1992. Fact No. 5: Clinton has no economic policy. Fact No. 6: Character will be an issue. And Emerging Fact No. 7: Any of the major Republican candidates will beat Clinton except for Alexander Lamar, who along with the burden of being just another slick Southern governor, has the burden of a financial record not unlike Hillary Rodham Clinton's.

To return to the press corps' uselessness, Steve Forbes, an attractive speaker with a sound economic grasp and a message not far removed from that of the most successful president since President Dwight D. Eisenhower, plus plenty of money and a record of how to manage it, was told he was hopeless before his recent victories. How did the press know? Well reporters looked around the Beltway

for what we might call "cooperating witnesses." They found plenty - for instance, Bill Kristol, fresh from prophesying the Colin Powell presidential juggernaut. Kristol pronounced in *The New York Times*, "I'm a friend of his, and I hope he gets out of the race." The rest of the piece spoke of Forbes in the past tense. Kristol had moved on to promote the candidacy of Mr. Alexander - or is it Mr. Lamar?

And then there is the sudden discovery by the press corps that their colleague in Washington broadcast punditry, Pat Buchanan, is an "extremist." Sen. Christopher Dodd, who has no national standing, called the millions voting for Buchanan neo-Nazi skinheads. Sen. Alan Simpson, who is retiring, accused Buchanan of fanning "racist fires." The stampede against Buchanan by people who were perfectly happy to work with him in media has been as idiotic as all the other stampedes. It is also supremely inconsistent coming from those moral paragons who decry "negative campaigning" and abusive rhetoric.

It is also inaccurate. I have had my disagreements with Buchanan, but I know he is no bigot. He has had years to blurt racist line and never has. In fact, Buchanan's beliefs square with 75% or more of the views held by most conservatives. These are people who've held distinguished themselves for over a decade at all levels of government. If Buchanan wins the nomination, he has my vote, and he will have millions of others' votes. Fact No. 8: There are no extremists or racists prominent in American life - save, in some instances, those partisan political animals who call others extremists or racists.

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# Letters to the editor

## Please be involved

To the editor:

For those of us who feel that "politics" is an arena that we have no expertise but at the same time become frustrated with politicians and our government in general, there is a process available to us that is so simple.

It's called THE PRIMARY or SUPER TUESDAY, which is MARCH 12. We can all get involved in such a simple way by first utilizing our right to vote for whom we feel would best serve and represent us.

To initiate changes in our government there is something called a PRECINCT CONVENTION. This meeting is held after the polls have closed at our particular precinct location beginning at 7 p.m.

At this meeting, each one of us can share in the process of letting those whom we have elected know how we feel about certain issues. It's our chance to make real changes in government at the grass roots level.

Resolutions are submitted which are statements on issues which we feel strongly. The process for change starts right there at this Precinct Convention. We have no excuse to complain about what is happening in our government if we choose to stay at home and not get involved. Each vote does count, and we can make a difference.

Let's put into practice our right to make a difference in this system of democracy for which our forefathers fought and died. If we do not act now, we not only suffer, but our children and their children as well.

**Kathryn Green, Secretary  
Gray County Republican Party**

## Get out and vote

To the editor:

As the Presidential Primary approaches, I would like to take this opportunity to encourage my fellow Christians to vote. Too often we have little say in things that directly affect us. However, the election process does give each of us a voice.

Your one vote is just as important as the one vote of anyone else. It carries just as much weight as the vote of the governor of our state. It is time for us to stand up for our Christian principles. We have the

opportunity to influence the direction this nation will take.

I fully believe that God expects us to take an interest in the political arena. Just as God requires us to be good stewards of our time, money, talents and blessings, so does he require us to be good stewards of our privileges. Voting is a privilege. We can, and must, be good stewards of our voting privilege.

The primary is only the beginning. We must take this first step boldly. We need a change in the White House. We need decent, moral leaders. We do have a choice. It is up to each of us to make the difference.

God calls some to serve as ministers, teachers, deacons, musicians, missionaries and witnesses. We cannot all serve in the same way. However, we can all vote. I encourage you to do so at this crucial time. God is waiting to use each and every one of us in this election year. Thank you.

**Joyce E. Porterfield  
Pampa**

## Why re-elect?

To the editor:

Are you aware that the Sheriff's Department has been through more employees in the past three years than he has prisoners housed now? That's quite a number of employees for anyone. Makes you wonder what the problem is. I'm sure they all didn't leave because of better paying jobs. It makes me want to sit back and hear Misty Beck's complaints. If the truth were known, there are probably more ex-employees with something to say but for their own reasons haven't.

Everything the sheriff has accomplished in the past three years (as though he's the first to have ever done them) is because it's his job to get them done. If he had not done them, we would want to know why. That's not to say someone new won't accomplish them just as well if not better. He also ran on a morals issue the last election. Can't do that this election, can he? Is that how he maintains a professional demeanor?

Since the sheriff has over-budgeted by \$270,000, then why can't the county commissioners use some of that money for those county offices that are under-budgeted such as Lockridge's? Seems the cost for vehicle expenses would be far greater with

all the sheriff's new vehicles than it would be for Lockridge's one.

As for all the training hours the sheriff and his jailers have, that just goes with the job. Most people in the field of law enforcement try to get all the training they can because they want all the knowledge they can get from every aspect that deals with law enforcement.

So when the ad reads "Why re-elect," that is exactly my point. "Why?"  
**Sandie Williams  
Pampa**

## Designated drivers

To the editor:

St. Patrick's Day provides everyone an opportunity to celebrate our nation's rich Irish heritage. As many of us here in Pampa toast St. Patrick on March 17, we should take a moment to consider the contributions of those who volunteer to be designated drivers.

Why? Because designated drivers help do what even the luck of the Irish cannot: stop drunk driving. According to a 1995 Roper Poll, 73 million American adults have been a designated driver or have been driven home by one, and 90 percent of the public endorse the designated-driver concept as an excellent or good way of curbing drunk driving. In fact, designated drivers have contributed to a 37 percent decline in drunk-driving deaths from 1982 to 1994.

As the Irish and would-be Irish congregate around town this St. Patrick's Day, let's all remember that having a good time means looking out for ourselves and others.

**Larry Lenderman  
Pampa District Manager  
Budweiser Distributing Company**

## Honor AFS families

To the editor:

This week is American Field Service (AFS) Host Family Recognition Week. It is the time when AFS recognizes the families who have opened their homes to AFS high school exchange students to share our American traditions and culture while learning about another culture.

The Pampa chapter honors the Lee Carter and Randy Molitor families for hosting Holly Liu of

Hong Kong and Ale Nunes of Brazil.

We thank those who opened their homes for the Christmas progressive dinner for area exchange students, the Bob Neslage, Robert Eskridge, Wallace Birkes and Richard Peet families. We also thank the large support group that helped with the dinner and the fall orientation as well as those who planned for the February orientation that the weather canceled.

We commend the teachers, administrators and other individuals and organizations, including the Pampa Noon Kiwanis members, for participating in our effort to encourage more understanding among the people of the world. What is it like to live in a city of 15 million, or what are the feelings of those living in a British colony about to become a part of China? We invite you to meet this year's exchange students and to learn about them.

For further information about hosting students or the variety of study programs offered abroad, call AFS 1-800-876-2377 or local AFS volunteers.

**Jan Morris  
Chapter President**

## A way to cure crime

To the editor:

I've heard and read about the mother of the child being made to spend some time in a "time out box" at school and the resultant problems the mother has been trying to cause for the superintendent and Pampa school system. To me, what it boils down to is how much trouble the situation is causing for our schools and the need to keep more control in the classrooms.

It's a shame and a disgrace to our nation, I feel, that parents and others have taken the authority away from our teachers and given it instead to the students. It's no wonder that young people are committing the crimes today as they are. Parents just don't seem to discipline their children anymore, and then complain when others, such as teachers and school administrators, try to do so.

You parents may read this as an admonition. I know that in this day and time it's a great responsibility raising up children with so many temptations lying before them. My heart goes out to you.

But I feel the cure of crime is not in the electric chair, but in the high chair.

**Noel Southern  
Pampa**

## Panhandle Heritage Foundation meeting set

CANYON — Internationally acclaimed wildlife photographer and author Wyman Meinzer will be the guest speaker at the 35th annual meeting of the Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation.

The luncheon is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 3, at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum in Canyon.

The Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation Inc. is the non-profit producer of TEXAS. With members from all 40 Panhandle counties, the organization oversees the financial and operational aspects of the famed musical drama that plays each summer in Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Meinzer's photographs first hit magazines in 1979 when he appeared in *National Wildlife* and *Texas Parks and Wildlife*. Two years later, he landed his first magazine cover for *Sports Afield*. Since then, Meinzer's work has graced the covers of 190 magazines and books including 45 national and international covers.

In 1995, Meinzer joined the TEXAS musical drama as the official show photographer.

"We are very lucky to have Wyman working with us," said TEXAS publicist Mary Allison. "His expertise and enthusiasm

will lend a fresh look to our photographs, and even further increase our appeal to magazine editors. He's also very entertaining, and I know he'll give a great talk at the annual meeting."

Meinzer has also worked as photographer for many books, most recently, *Texas Lost: Vanishing Heritage*. Authored by Texas Parks and Wildlife Executive Director Andre Sansom, the book will be available for purchase at the annual meeting.

Meinzer won the San Antonio Conservation Award for his book *The Roadrunner*, which he wrote in 1993. His other works include, *The Coyote* and *Playas: Jewels of the Plains*. He was voted one of *Sports Afield* Magazine's outstanding outdoor photographers of the year in 1985.

Meinzer has a degree in wildlife management from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He lives with his wife and two sons in Benjamin, Texas.

TEXAS will open its 31st season on June 12, 1996, and play

nightly except Sundays at 8:30 p.m. through Aug. 24 in the Pioneer Amphitheater in Palo Duro Canyon near Canyon and Amarillo.

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Cost for the luncheon meeting is \$10, and interested area residents are encouraged to attend. Reservations may be made by calling the TEXAS office in Canyon at (806) 655-2181 by Friday, March 29.

Tickets for TEXAS are also available by calling the Canyon office or writing P.O. Box 268, Canyon, Texas, 79015.

## DON COPELAND

### REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF



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Veteran law enforcement officer Don Copeland, a Republican, believes a change is needed in the Gray County Sheriff's Office and says he is the person to make that change. Copeland has 31 years in law enforcement experience.

He retired in August 1995 as a state trooper for Texas.

He holds the distinction of a master's certificate with Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE). Of 57,107 total peace officers in the state of Texas, only 3,318 have earned a master certificate with TCLEOSE.

Copeland has accumulated 2061 hours of TCLEOSE training hours which includes courses in Penal Code, Code of Criminal Procedure, Rules of Criminal Evidence, Drug Laws, Family Code, Vernon Civil Statute, United States Constitution, Texas State Constitution, and many other fields of law enforcement training. "With the amount of training and the continuous years of service I am certainly qualified for the responsibilities of the Office of Sheriff," Copeland said.

Copeland says, "I am very aware of the duties of the Sheriff and will assume full responsibility for my actions as Sheriff." He also stated that he can provide efficient management to the Sheriff's office.

"Excluding the nine people not rehired there have been 45 personnel turnovers under the current administration, which is during the last three years," Copeland said.

"Of those 45 turnover, 12 people were fired and 33 quit." Copeland said the facts of the turnovers under current management are public record at the Gray County Courthouse, available to anyone.

Another area of questionable management is the number of comp time hours which have been accumulated under the current administration. These records are also available for public inspection at the courthouse.

"The total comp time hours remaining on the books as of Feb. 29, 1996, are 3980.40 hours, which equals \$37,383.31 total liability to the Gray County citizens and taxpayers," Copeland said.

In the year 1995, 2996.90 hours have been carried over for \$28,274.88 worth of liability and in the first two months of 1996 there have been 983.50 hours that are still on the books totaling \$9,108.43 in liability for citizens and taxpayers of Gray County.

Copeland, with his knowledge of law enforcement experience, dedication and honesty, says he is qualified to deal more effectively with managing the Gray County Sheriff's Office, which would save the taxpayers money.

He was born in 1938 in Shamrock. He graduated from Shamrock High School and began his career with the

Shamrock Police Department in 1963 and went to the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department in 1966. In July 1967 he became a Texas State Trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety. Upon successful completion of the DPS recruit school, he was stationed at Wichita Falls with the Texas Highway Patrol. During his career with the Texas Highway Patrol, he also was stationed in Electra, Shamrock and Pampa. He possesses a special Texas Ranger Commission as an honorably retired member of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Copeland has arrested many felons including murderers, rapists, kidnappers, car thieves, burglars, drug dealers, drug users and numerous other criminals.

"If elected, I am going to take an aggressive stance on narcotic enforcement," Copeland said.

"I also want to expand drug awareness programs to all areas of Gray County for youth and civic organizations."

"I do believe the secret to stopping narcotics trafficking is the law of supply and demand. And as long as there is no demand, there won't be a supply. I think we need to do this through education as well as enforcement actions."

In working with other law enforcement agencies, Copeland said he intends to create a spirit of cooperation with all of the agencies which will enhance the effectiveness of enforcement in criminal activities.

"I want to increase the efficiency of the department by utilizing all of the available resources," he states. Copeland believes that there are some areas of service that can be combined with the City of Pampa in order to save tax dollars.

"It is my desire, if elected Sheriff, to provide the citizens of Gray County with fair, swift, and equal law enforcement services, enabling you to have the confidence in the officers who serve you."

Copeland has been married to his wife, Marilyn, for 38 years. They have been residents of Gray County since 1980. He has three children, Randy, Suzann and Ed. Randy is stationed in San Diego, Calif., in the U.S. Navy. Randy with his wife, Monique, have four children. Suzann is a homemaker and lives in Bristow, Okla., with her husband Craig Shaull, and their four children. Ed is an eligibility specialist with the Texas Department of Human Services. He lives in Pampa with his wife, Amanda, and their two children.

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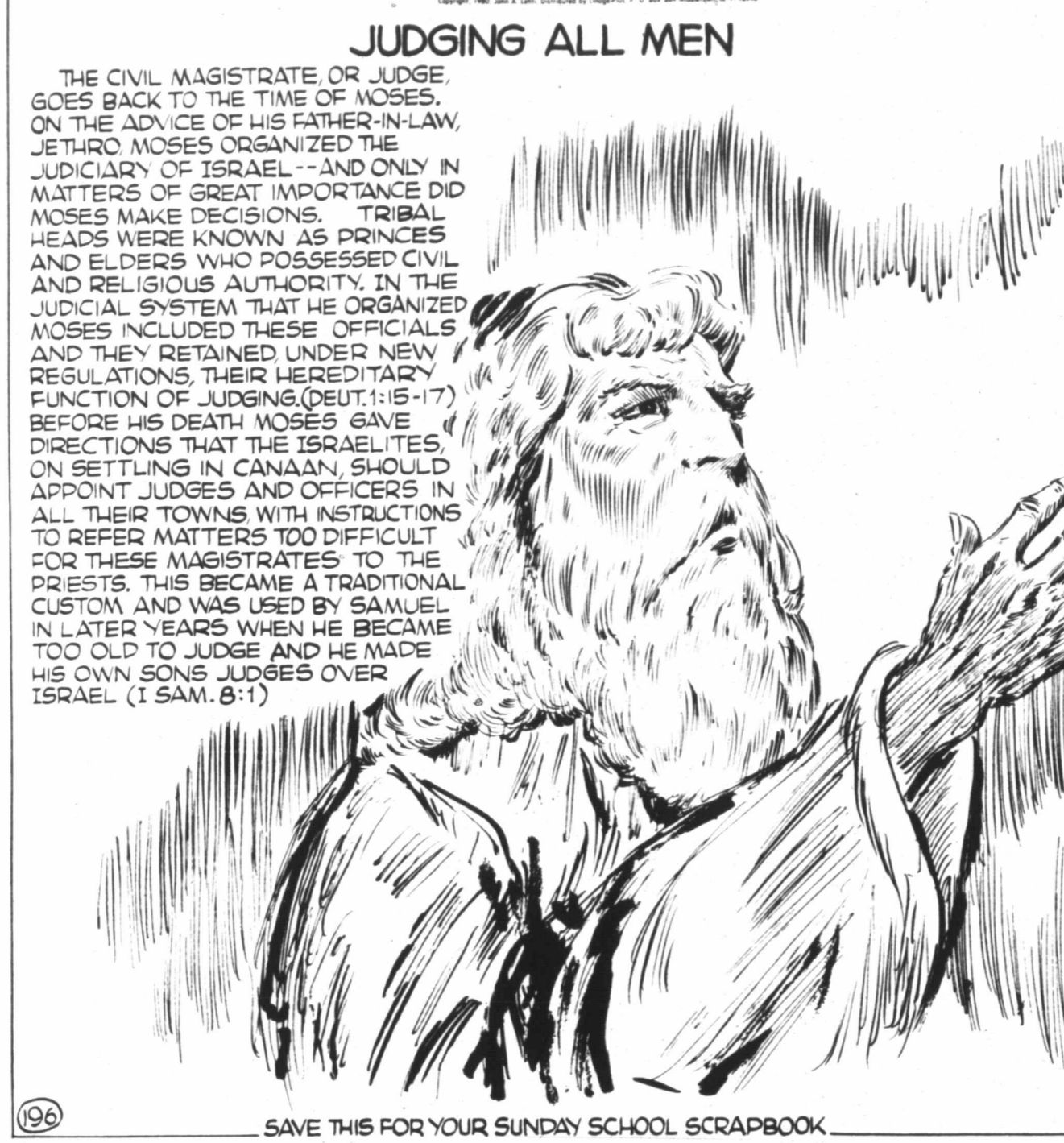
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### Community Concert artist



(Special photo)

The Kevin Roth Trio — consisting of Kevin Roth (pictured above) on piano, mountain dulcimer and vocals; Jill Haley on oboes and Chris Knowles on bass — will be one of the featured artists for the 1996-1997 Pampa Community Concerts Association season. In "Songs From the Heart," the trio presents standards by Irving Berlin and George Gershwin and originals by Roth, songwriter and recording artist. Also scheduled for the season are the Saint Lawrence String Quartet, classical music; Tian Jiang, piano solos; and Rhythm in Shoes, traditional American, English and Irish step dances and tap dances. The Pampa Community Concert Association currently is conducting its annual membership drive, which concludes Friday, March 16. For membership renewal or information, call (806) 665-0343.

## Square House Museum lecture series begins today

PANHANDLE — Dr. Don Blakeslee will talk about "The Coronado Expedition" at 3 p.m. today at the Square House Museum's Hazlewood Arts and Education Building at the corner of Texas Hwy. 207 and 5th Street in Panhandle.

This is his first public lecture since his recent discovery of numerous metal artifacts in Blanco Canyon, just south of Floydada.

Dr. Blakeslee's talk will deal with the route of the Coronado expedition of 1541. Francisco Vasquez de Coronado led an army of more than 1,000 men and 5,000 head of livestock north from New Spain into what is now the southwestern United States. He came looking for another Aztec empire to conquer, but he returned disappointed after visiting the pueblos of New Mexico and Arizona and the villages of Wichita Indians in Kansas.

The route of the Coronado expedition has been the topic of speculation and scholarly research for over 100 years. The few documents that survive from his day describe his route only in general terms, and they sometimes contradict one another. While some portions of the route are fairly well understood, the portion that involves the State of Texas has proved difficult to resolve.

Recent investigations by Blakeslee, assisted

by students, volunteers and local residents, have identified a scatter of material strewn over about three miles of the floor of Blanco Canyon in Floyd County that probably derives from one of the two major camps of Coronado's army.

The material includes copper points from crossbow arrows, a chain mail glove, at least five different varieties of iron nails, the tip of a sword scabbard and pieces of iron knife blades.

The copper crossbow arrow points are the best evidence of Coronado's camp. No other Spanish expedition to the Southwest is known to have carried crossbows, which were becoming obsolete in 1541, and similar points have been found in the pueblos known to have been attacked by Coronado. The site in Blanco Canyon has now yielded more of these distinctive artifacts than are known from the entire rest of the United States.

The Square House Museum has arranged to borrow some of the Coronado artifacts from the Floyd County Museum. They will be on display today only during Dr. Blakeslee's lecture.

Blakeslee is an archaeologist specializing in the Great Plains of North America. He has bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees in

anthropology from the University of Nebraska and a doctorate in anthropology from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee. He is currently an associate professor of anthropology at Wichita State University in Kansas, where he has taught for 19 years.

Today's lecture is the first in a series of three to be held this month at the Square House Museum in its Humanities Lecture Series made possible in part by a grant from the Texas Committee for the Humanities, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

On Sunday, March 17, Alvin Lynn of Dumas will lecture on "From Comanchero to Cattle Trails," illustrated with slides, videotape and maps. The history of Panhandle exploration continues Sunday, March 24, with "From Cattle Trails to Steel Rails," a slide presentation about the coming of the railroads by Dale Worley of Amarillo.

All lectures will be at 3 p.m. in the Hazlewood Arts and Education Building. Admission to the lectures is free.

Arrangements have been made with Amarillo College to award continuing education units to anyone attending all three of the lectures. Registration will take place at today's lecture.

## Central Texas growing fast

AUSTIN (AP) — Williamson County, on the north fringe of Austin, had one of the top population growths in the United States last year, leading a growing Central Texas population trend.

The population of Central Texas grew by almost 100 people a day last year, propelling a five-county region past the 1 million mark and into increased national prominence.

Williamson County led the way with a gaudy 6 percent growth rate between July 1994 and July 1995, the U.S. Census Bureau reported Friday.

No other Texas county with at least 100,000 residents grew faster.

But the most intriguing figure was the bureau's estimate for the five-county Central Texas area of Travis, Williamson, Hays, Bastrop and Caldwell Counties — 999,936 people as of July 1 last year.

Given the region's growth rate,

the population passed the million mark the very next day.

Topping 1 million people, though largely a psychological benchmark, confers a certain status that can make a region more attractive to firms relying on a large base of customers or employees, local economists said.

"It's going to make companies, mostly on the service or retail end, probably take more notice of Austin," said Darrell Glasco, vice president of economic development for the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce.

In the first half of this decade, the population of Williamson and Travis counties alone jumped almost 133,000, census figures show.

Newcomers attracted by one of the nation's hottest job markets accounted for most of that increase, with 82,000 people moving from outside the counties or other countries.

## Mailbox memberships for FCE

Gray County Family and Community Education Association is offering a new membership opportunity.

Mailbox memberships are an option to enable individuals to take advantage of opportunities to Family and Community Education club members and at the same time not be obligated to attend monthly meetings.

Mailbox Members will be a member of a county and a state Family and Community Education Association. They may attend any FCE club if they wish.

All Mailbox Members will receive the "FCE Update" newsletter monthly that keeps members up to date on activities and opportunities as well as provides members with current

research-based information related to family and consumer issues. A condensed version of the programs presented by the county extension agent at FCE club meetings will be mailed to Mailbox Members.

A yearly membership fee of \$5 provides Mailbox Members with many educational opportunities. Membership in the Gray County Family and Community Education Association is open to all persons without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

Persons interested in becoming a Mailbox FCE member should call Virginia Horton at 665-8045; Barbara Shaw at 665-2680, or County Extension Agent Donna Brauchi at 669-8033.

## UNT to build new concert hall

DALLAS (AP) — When more than 1,000 people showed up for a college symphony concert at the University of North Texas last fall, almost half the crowd had to be turned away.

With 1,400 music majors, UNT is one of the largest and most highly acclaimed music schools in the country. But UNT's concert hall seats only 615.

"We've never had a hall to document that quality," said David Shrader, dean of UNT's College of Music. "It's like sitting on a gold mine without a pick."

He's about to get a fine new gold-mining tool.

Armed with \$15 million, the state university is building a performing arts center, to include a 1,200-seat performance hall and a 400-seat lyric opera house and theater.

Construction begins in June. The center, yet to be named, is expected to open in two years.

Connecticut acoustician Christopher Jaffe and New York architect Malcolm Holzman will transform into reality the music college's dream of almost 60 years.

### "PEACE WITH GOD"

"Being therefore justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have had our access by faith into this grace wherein we stand; and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. (Rom. 5:1-2.) Peace with God, most assuredly, is the realization in one's heart that he is right with God. Through faith in Jesus Christ one is justified. Realizing this justification, one is at peace with God.

Paul does not say "by faith only", nor does he mean that a person is justified at the point of faith or the instant he believes in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. If this were true, the devil would be justified because he knows and believes that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Jas. 2:19; Mk. 1:23-24.) People who cling to the erroneous belief that one is justified (saved) the instant one believes in Jesus Christ without doing anything else, should read further in Paul's letter to the Romans. In Rom. 6:17-18, Paul wrote: "But thanks be to God, that, whereas ye were servants of sin, ye became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching whereto ye were delivered;

and being made free from sin, ye became servants of righteousness." It is clear from these verses that one cannot be freed from sin without obeying from the heart the form of teaching, which is the gospel. One certainly could not be at peace with God unless and until they were freed from sin.

Jesus Christ is the author of eternal salvation to those who obey Him (Heb. 5:9.) Faith is made perfect through works of obedience (Jas. 2:22-24.) The works of faith which justify a person are the works of God, or the works God gives man to do. In fact, faith itself is a work (Jn. 6:29), but it is a work God gives man to do. God gives us the facts concerning His Son, Jesus Christ in His word. The things Jesus did were written in order that we believe that He is the Christ, the Son of God (Jn. 20:30-31.) When we believe the facts concerning Jesus and obey the commands He gives us to obey, we realize justification and thus have peace with God.

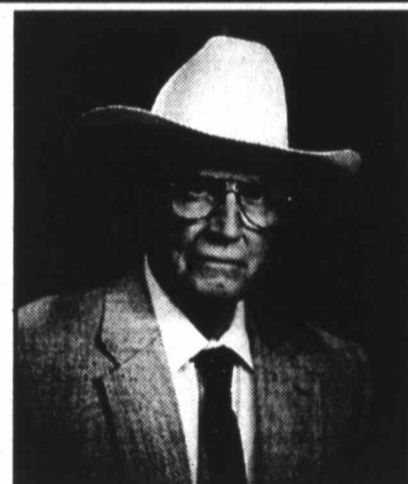
It is a wonderful thing to have this peace with God. But it only comes through a faith made perfect or complete by obedience to the commands of Jesus Christ.

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Business

**Minding your own Business**

By Don Taylor



**Finding ethnic niches**

Once upon a time America was a melting pot. Men and women from around the world crossed our borders, learned our language, assimilated our culture, pledged allegiance to our flag and became American citizens.

Today, the picture is different. Men, women and children are still pouring across our borders, but many of these groups are resisting the melting pot concept. They prefer to have their cultural cake and eat it too. As a result, we have growing numbers of "something hyphen Americans" who choose to live in this great country, but prefer to retain most of their own cultural heritage.

This cultural diversity issue causes some interesting social and political dilemmas. Since our main focus in this column is business, I won't get into the social and political ramifications here. What I do want to address is the business opportunities these new, diverse cultural groups offer to savvy business owners.

**The numbers are growing**

Today, four cultural minority groups represent nearly one-fourth of the U.S. population. Men and women of African, Asian, American Indian and Hispanic descent make up these four major groups.

By some estimates, these fast-growing ethnic segments will grow to more than one-third of the U.S. population shortly after the year 2000. In Texas and California, the experts are estimating that the white, non-Hispanic population will be the minority in another 15 years.

These are sobering statistics if you're a business owner creating a marketing strategy. Many entrepreneurs have virtually ignored these market niches. Yet, they represent growing numbers of American consumers who have the magic combination of needs and money to spend.

If you are going to be successful in attracting and satisfying these growing segments, you'll have to change your marketing strategy. If you're sharp, you'll think of the cultural differences as opportunities to hammer the competition as opposed to difficulties in doing business.

**Some ethnic lessons**

Several large corporations focused on these ethnic groups with the hope of increasing market share. Some efforts were miserably flops, a few were highly successful and most are educationally valuable if we choose to learn from them.

To get started, remember that marketing to ethnic segments is still marketing, and that successful marketing always involves a sharp customer focus. You must know your customers and understand their needs and wants. Only then can you utilize the cultural differences to prove your benefits and articulate your advantages.

The businesses that are achieving the most success are using the native language to target an ethnic segment. Advertising and store signs are a start, but having people involved in the business who speak the native language is more likely to prove profitable.

Understanding the culture, social customs, holidays and traditions are also important. One-shot advertising aimed at Martin Luther King Day or Cinco de Mayo probably won't win you any ethnic customers.

You may need to adjust your product mix to be successful. Your goal is to provide exactly what the customers want, just the way they want it, when they want it. If you're unsure, spend some time researching your target market. The best way to get answers, is to ask questions of people who know.

You still have to build trust and form relationships. Though this is true with any customer, Hispanics and Asian-Americans are particularly sensitive. You are more likely to influence them if they trust you than if you offer unique product features with highly-visible promotion.

Ethnic niches are good opportunities to grow your business. Move out of your comfort zone and discover that Americans come in different varieties with different needs. You may discover that these folks make good friends and neighbors, as well as customers.

**Subway takes honors as top franchise pick**

MILFORD, Conn. - Subway Sandwiches and Salads, the world's largest submarine sandwich franchise, took top honors once again in the annual Franchise 500 issue of *Entrepreneur Magazine*.

The magazine, which first began publishing the annual franchise ranking in 1980, has ranked Subway restaurants as the top choice for eight of the last nine years.

Subway restaurants have been expanding at a rate of approximately 1,000 locations a year since the mid-1980s.

The combination of expansion in non-traditional and international markets and the reinvesting of existing franchises in new locations put Subway Sandwiches and Salads over the 11,000 mark last year.

Of the 11,400 plus locations currently open and operating, over 1,000 are in non-traditional locations which include convenience stores, truck stops and gas stations.

In the last two months of 1995, Subway restaurants were opened in nine new countries. Included in the list were the first locations in China, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Honduras, Taiwan, Jordan, New Zealand, Indonesia and El Salvador. England was the first new country to be added in 1996.

According to director of franchise sales, Donald Fertman, "We are now in 35 countries and we are gearing up to double our number of international units this year. This will include additional units in our established countries as well as pioneering even more new frontiers."

The development success of the chain can be attributed to many factors, such as low start-up costs, flexible space requirements, ease of operation and a high quality product.

*Entrepreneur* considers various factors when calculating the top franchise opportunities, including length of time in business, number of franchised and company owned units and start-up costs.

The top ten franchise list contains eight food franchises this year. Runners up to Subway restaurants were 7-Eleven Convenience stores, Burger King, McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, Dairy Queen, Snap-On Inc., Mail Boxes Etc., Baskin-Robbins USA and KFC.

**Insurance agency receives incentive check**



(Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Representatives of Duncan, Fraser and Bridges Insurance Agency - from left, Bill Bridges, vice president; Brian Duncan, vice president; and Lee Fraser, president, on right - met Wednesday with Rudy Garcia, senior vice president of Texas Workers Compensation Insurance Fund, to receive a \$37,174 incentive check. The award honored the agency's superior loss ratio on \$1.4 million in premiums. Duncan, Fraser and Bridges received the largest check in the Lubbock region, said Garcia, and is among the top 10 honorees in the state.

**OSHCN establishes toll-free requests line**

AUSTIN - To help reduce workplace injuries and illnesses, the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission's Occupational Safety and Health Consultation Program (OSHCN) has established a new toll-free requests telephone line.

The OSHCON program offers on-site hazard identification and recommends corrective action, training and program assistance to employers in Texas. Priority is given to small, private sector employers with fewer than 250 employees on site.

Employers can now dial one toll-free telephone number, 1-800-687-7080, to request a free OSHCON consultation, request information on a previous OSHCON consultation, or for general information about Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards.

Employers also may request a copy of various health and safety publications by using the toll-free number.

In each of the past four years, employers participating in the

OSHCN Program have reduced injuries, which has resulted in significant cost savings for several employers, according to Jim Brightman, director of Workers' Health and Safety for the Commission.

For callers with touch-tone phones, an automated attendant will assist with the routing of calls.

Callers without touch-tone phones will be instructed to remain on the line until the end of the message so that an operator can assist.

**Energas named Top Utility Marketing Company**

LUBBOCK - Energas was recently named Top Utility Marketing Company for 1995 and Consultant of the Year at the Annual Utility Automation Awards Ceremony at Tampa, Fla.

The company was also a finalist for the Customer Care Award. These awards were in recognition of the company's "Smart Water Management" program.

This program demonstrates techniques and technologies that may

be used to reach maximum irrigation efficiencies. Energas provides natural gas to farmers for engines that power irrigation pumps.

These are the second and third national awards the company has won including an American Gas Association Marketing Achievement Award last year for its on-site power generation program, which also talked about water management and energy conservation.

Vice President of Marketing Lavon Pagett said, "Because Energas competed with more than 1,000 gas, electric, water and telecommunication utility companies from all across the nation, we feel very honored to receive this recognition."

Energas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corp. of Dallas, provides natural gas service to over 311,000 customers in West Texas.

**Oil, gas rig count increases by 12**

HOUSTON (AP) - The number of oil and gas rigs operating in the United States rose by 12 this week to 719, Baker Hughes Inc. said Friday.

There were 675 rigs operating nationwide during the same week a year ago.

Of the rigs running this week, 421 were exploring for natural gas and 290 for oil. Eight rigs were listed as miscellaneous.

Houston-based Baker Hughes has kept track of the count since 1940. The tally peaked at 4,500 in December of 1981 during the oil boom. It dropped to a record low of 566 in the summer of 1993, exceeding the previous low of 663 in 1986.

The rig count represents the number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, New Mexico gained eight rigs and Louisiana three. North Dakota, Oklahoma and Pennsylvania each were up by two and Texas added one.

**Chamber Communique**

Welcome new Chamber member, Sweet Repeats, a children's clothing consignment store at 115 N. Cuyler. Sue Campbell is the store manager.

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association office, located in the Pampa Community Building, will be closed March 11 through March 15.

Reservations for the March 19 Chamber luncheon, sponsored by the Gray County Red Cross, can be made by calling 669-3241.

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## Intentions to Drill

**DONLEY (WILDCAT)** Pride Pipeline Co., #71 Catholic Protection (1 ac) 5687.5' from South & 5500' from East line, Rockwall Co. School Land, 8 mi west from McLean, PD 300' (1209 North Fourth, Abilene, TX 79601)

**GRAY (WILDCAT)** Pride Pipeline Co., #72 Catholic Protection (1 ac) 825' from South & 50' from East line, Sec. 116, B-2, H&GN, 8 mi SE from Pampa, PD 300'

**GRAY (PANHANDLE)** Texaco E & P, Inc., #54 A. Chapman 'A' NCT-2 (160 ac) 653' from North & 1319' from West line, Sec. 50, 25, H&GN, 8 mi SE from Lefors, PD 3250' (Box 2700, Pampa, TX 79066) Rule 37

**GRAY (PANHANDLE)** Texaco E & P, Inc., #26 E. Key (280 ac) 712' from South & 714' from East line, Sec. 1, B&B, 4 mi east from Lefors, PD 2350'

**HANSFORD (WILDCAT & SHAPLEY Morrow)** Phillips Petroleum Co., #1 Alexander #1 (640 ac) 660' from South & 1600' from West line, Sec. 150, 2, GH&H, 12 mi NW from Gruver, PD 7300' (Box 358, Borger, TX 79008)

**HEMPHILL (S.W. CANADIAN Granite Wash)** Parker & Parsley Development, L.P., #5-207 Isaacs (640 ac) 3444' from North & 71' from East line, Sec. 207, C, G&MMB&A, 7 mi SW from Canadian, PD 10950' (9400 North Broadway, Suite 640, Okla. City, OK 73114)

**MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave)** Mesa Operating Co., #13R Sneed (8942 ac) 330' from North & 1500' from West line, Sec. 51, 6, T&NO, 13 mi SE from Dumas, PD 2300' (Box 2009, Amarillo, TX 79189)

**MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave)** Mesa Operating Co., #10R Thompson (11141 ac) 330' from North & 430' from East line, Sec. 25, 26, EL&RR, 13 mi SE from Dumas, PD 2300'

**MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave)** Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America, #2801 Johnson (1324.7 ac) 2475' from North & 2630' from West line, Sec. 28, PMc, EL&RR, 1.5 mi SW from Fourway, PD 2600' (Box 120, Fritch, TX 79036)

**POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE)** Mesa Operating Co., #A-213 Bivins '8' (640 ac) 330' from

North & 440' from East line, Sec. 8, 22, EL&RR, 22 mi NE from Amarillo, PD 3150'. Replacement well for #A-113 Bivins

**POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE)** Mesa Operating Co., #A-216 Bivins '21' (640 ac) 2160' from North & 1720' from East line, Sec. 21, 0, 18, D&P, 23 mi north from Amarillo, PD 3400'. Replacement well for #A-179 Bivins

**SHERMAN (WILDCAT & CRAIG RANCH Morrow & TEXHOMA Keyes)** Phillips Petroleum Co., #1 Schafer 'B' (976 ac) 467' from North & 1980' from East line, Sec. 77, 1, C, GH&H, 2 mi S-SE from Texhoma, PD 7175'

**Oil Well Completions**

**CARSON (PANHANDLE)** Hutchinson County) J.M. Huber Corp., #21 Burnett 'RH', Sec. 131, 5, I&GN, elev. 3113 kb, spud 10-13-95, drlg. compl 10-17-95, tested 2-27-96, pumped 6.3 bbl. of 40 grav. oil + 76 bbls. water, GOR 17143, perforated 2863-3206, TD 3230', PBTD 3218'

**GRAY (PANHANDLE)** Texaco E & P, Inc., #30 J.B. Bowers NCT-1, Sec. 89, B-2, H&GN, elev. 2959 kb, spud 1-27-96, drlg. compl 2-1-96, tested 2-23-96, pumped 28 bbl. of 40.7 grav. oil + 10 bbls. water, GOR 71, perforated 2866-3130, TD 3130'

**GRAY (PANHANDLE)** Texaco E & P, Inc., #17 J.E. Wright, Sec. 13, 3, I&GN, elev. 2857 kb, spud 2-10-96, drlg. compl 2-15-96, tested 3-5-96, pumped 38 bbl. of 44.5 grav. oil + 1 bbl. water, GOR 263, perforated 2710-3050, TD 3050'

**Gas Well Completions**

**HEMPHILL (WATERFIELD Upper Morrow)** Sonat Exploration Co., #1602 Waterfield, Sec. 16, A-1, H&GN, elev. 2567 gr, spud 10-17-95, drlg. compl 12-17-95, tested 1-16-96, potential 7000 MCF, rock pressure 3343, pay 13766-13785, TD 13912', PBTD 13903' — Drilling Permit for this well has not been received yet

**LIPSCOMB (BRADFORD Cleveland)** Midgard Energy Co., #5 C.C. Duke, Sec. 770, 43, H&TC, elev. 2603 kb, spud 12-30-95, drlg. compl 1-11-96, tested 2-21-96, potential 3450 MCF, rock pressure 1069, pay 7466-7566, TD 7700', PBTD 7694'

**LIPSCOMB (BRADFORD Cleveland)** Midgard Energy Co., #4772 Schultz 'A', Sec. 772, 43, H&TC, elev. 2606 kb, spud 12-26-95, drlg. compl 1-8-96, tested 2-20-96, potential 5100 MCF, rock pressure 1453, pay 7488-7584, TD 7800', PBTD 7795'

**MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave)** Mesa Operating Co., #9-R Thompson, Sec. 21, 44, H&TC, elev. 3539 gr, spud 12-3-95, drlg. compl 12-15-95, tested 2-16-96, potential 15225 MCF, rock pressure 330.9, pay 1850-2210, TD 2210'

**Plugged Wells**

**BRISCO (WILDCAT)** Patton Exploration, Inc., #1 Frank Reed Unit, Sec. 62, 3, T&P, spud 12-2-95, plugged 1-10-96, TD 5858' (dry)

**CARSON (PANHANDLE)** W.O. Operating Co., Fee '244', Sec. 109, 4, I&GN (oil) — for the following wells:

#96, spud unknown, plugged 6-12-95, TD 3098'

#162, spud unknown, plugged 6-16-95, TD 3060'

**CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE)** Conoco, Inc., #4 W.H. Fuqua, Sec. 6, 5, H&GN, spud unknown, plugged 12-19-95, TD 3150', PBTD 2940' (gas)

**HANSFORD (HANSFORD Morrow)** Crescent Exploration, #2 Hansford Gas Unit #19, Sec. 94, 4, T&NO, spud 4-30-95, plugged 1-17-96, TD 8100' (dry) — Form 1 filed in Rankin Energy

**HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE)** Mustang Oil & Gas Corp., #2084 SWD Bivins, Sec. 84, 47, H&TC, spud 4-24-62, plugged 2-7-96, TD 1115' (oil-disposal) — Form 1 filed in H.F. Sears

**LIPSCOMB (BRADFORD Tonkawa)** Unit Petroleum Co., Hamker 'A', Sec. 591, 43, H&TC (oil) — for the following wells:

#1, spud unknown, plugged 1-

## Advocate: Court deals blow to consumer protection

AUSTIN (AP) — A state law meant to protect consumers from deceptive trade practices has been made weaker by the Texas Supreme Court, a consumer advocate said Friday.

Reggie James, an attorney with the Southwest office of Consumers Union, said a Supreme Court decision last week undermines the intent of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act.

The Supreme Court ruled that a group of homeowners in La Porte could not sue the manufacturers of plastic plumbing that went bad in their homes after five years.

The manufacturers — U.S. Brass Corp., Shell Oil Co. and Hoechst Celanese Corp. — told the homeowners who purchased the plumbing that the piping would last at least 25 years.

The court, in a 6-2 opinion delivered Thursday, said homeowners could not sue the manufacturers because "these manufacturers' alleged DTPA violations did not occur in connection with the homeowners' purchase of their homes."

James said that means it's OK by the court if a manufacturer lies to consumers, as long as it is

through a third party.

"The Supreme Court said the relationship is between the manufacturer and the builder, not between the manufacturer and the consumer, and that's just bogus," James said.

"That is just the kind of legalese and deception that keep people from having faith in the judiciary," he said.

James said the DTPA has been attacked and watered down by the court and lawmakers several times since it first passed more than 20 years ago. But he added that consumers will catch on, and will insist that the act be shored up.

The court sided with some of the homeowners who sued under negligence laws, allowing

judgments in their favor to stand.

James said negligence laws and product liability laws could protect many consumers. But he said under the court's DTPA decision, many consumers will have no place to turn when they are misled or lied to in business deals.

Russell Serafin, president of the Texas Association of Defense Council and a partner in a Houston firm that represented one of the defendants, said no one with a legitimate claim will be denied protection.

"The original intent was to protect smaller consumers. It still does," Serafin said. "(The opinion) only eliminates the DPTA claim in this circumstance. That opinion runs to a certain set of facts."



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# Shuttle Columbia astronauts back home safely after disappointing mission

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The Columbia astronauts' joy to be home was loud and clear Saturday when the space shuttle landed safely, ending a 16-day mission fraught with anxiety and disappointment.

"Yeah!" "All right!" they shouted after Columbia rolled to a stop.

"We copy your elation," Mission Control said. "Welcome back."

The seven crewmen had to leave behind a satellite-on-a-cord and had to land with one less data-relay channel than desired.

NASA's oldest shuttle, carrying one of the most seasoned crews ever, glided through high, wispy clouds before touching down on the concrete runway at Kennedy Space Center just before 9 a.m.

Columbia was supposed to land Friday, but thick clouds scuttled those plans. Clouds rolled back in early Saturday, forcing Mission Control to pass up the first landing opportunity, but the sky cleared.

Complicating NASA's landing plans was the surprise failure last week of one of four computer circuits that control the wing flaps, rudder and brakes.

Even though only one of four identical channels is needed for a safe landing, National Aeronautics and Space Administration flight rules require that a mission end as soon as possible after such a failure. Shuttle managers bent the rules, deciding against a Friday landing at the backup site at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., in hopes the Florida weather would improve by Saturday.

Touchdown turned out to be flawless, NASA flight director Rich Jackson said. It ended a journey of more than 6 million miles that fell far short of its goal — unreeling a satellite on 12 miles of cable, generating electricity with the system for two days and then bringing it all back.

The tether broke without

## Three teens indicted for sex assault

DALLAS (AP) — Three male students who admitted to having sex with a 13-year-old girl at a Dallas school were indicted on charges of aggravated sexual assault.

The cases have prompted debate about the state's age-of-consent law, which makes it illegal for anyone 17 or older to have sex with someone who is under age 14. Authorities have said the girl went along with sex at Seagoville High School and provided a condom to one of the students.

One of the indicted men, Antrone Johnson, 19, already is in prison serving a life sentence on an unrelated rape case involving a minor. The other men, Quincy Burns and Reginald Harper, both 18, are free on bail.

The cases now have been heard by a grand jury three times. In October, grand jurors declined to indict the men. In December, the same grand jury indicted them on misdemeanor charges of public lewdness. A different grand jury heard the case Wednesday.

The public lewdness charges were dropped at the request of the girl's parents, who said they were outraged that the men were not charged with a felony.

The incident occurred Sept. 15, 1995. According to prosecution reports released Friday, Johnson admitted to having sex with the girl during the morning in a school bathroom. The girl at first told him she didn't want to have sex, but he said he talked her into it, the records state.

Later that morning, the girl had sex with Burns, Harper and a juvenile student behind a set of bleachers in the school gym, according to the records. She provided a condom to Harper, the records state. The juvenile faces a delinquency charge stemming from the incident.

warning, less than five hours into the \$400 million-plus experiment, and the satellite drifted off. Fortunately for the astronauts, the thin, copper and nylon cord snapped near Columbia, otherwise the shuttle may have become entangled.

Shuttle manager Tommy Holloway described the mission — in particular the tether experiment — as "a roller coaster of emotions."

If nothing else, scientists proved tethered satellites could generate significant electricity

while sweeping through Earth's magnetic field. Until the break, the satellite and cord had produced a satisfactory 3,500 volts of electricity and 1,000 watts of power.

"Our purpose is, really, to gain new knowledge about those

things that we don't understand and don't know ... so perhaps there will be a silver lining in the cloud of the tether break," Holloway said.

A NASA investigation board will study the remains of the tether and its reel. The satellite and

its 12-mile tail, meanwhile, are expected to burn up in Earth's atmosphere in less than two weeks.

Besides the tether debacle, Columbia's mission was vexed by false engine alarms and singed O-rings.

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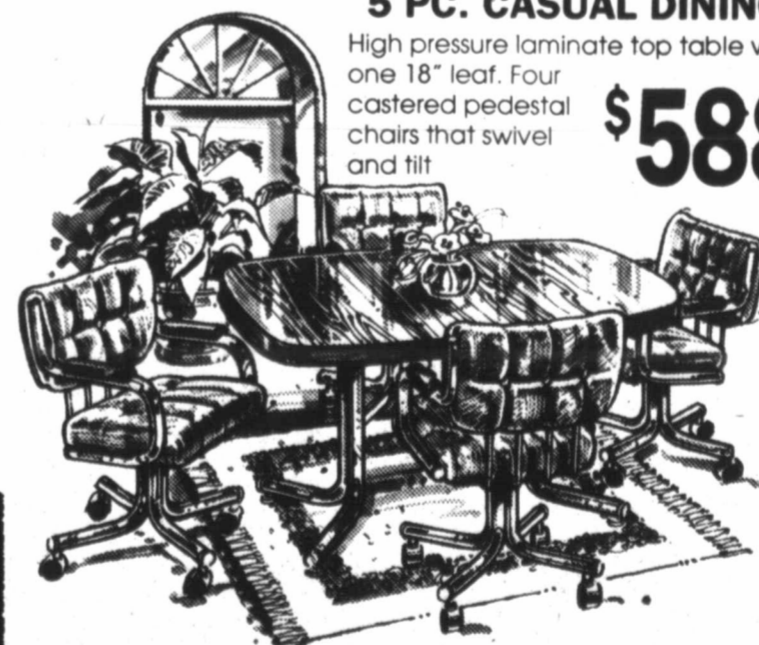


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Living with disability:

# 'You have to change priorities'



Martha Lou Schakel struggled from the wheel chair to the scooter. She grabbed the plastic arms on her motorized scooter, lifted her slim, unsteady body from its wheel chair seat, turned around and with a plop sat in the scooter's chair.

She putted around her kitchen on the motorized chair, checked the dishwasher and finally sat at the table and sipped a cup of tea with her mother, Mary Ann Kelley.

Then the routine was reversed. An unsteady rising and plopping from scooter to chair.

Schakel's multiple sclerosis has progressed from the "walking around like everybody else" stage to the wheel chair bound stage.

When she moved to Pampa in 1992, she was on a cane and had enough energy for a full time job while mothering a son and two daughters.

Then it was a walker.

Now its the chair.

She quit her clerical job at Shepard's Crook Nursing in July of 1995 because her hands were "getting bad."

Kelley does the shopping from Schakel's list. A household helper makes the beds, cleans the kitchen and starts supper. Someone helps her take a shower.

Schakel's days are spent alternating between bed rest and chores chopped into manageable bits of activity.

Seventeen years ago Schakel was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. For her the disease which sometimes

leaves no outward marks has been characterized by progression into disability.

Where she once skied, taught school and volunteered with Brownies now she is limited to board games with her daughters and spends time Bible reading in bed.

Besides the physical changes which have robbed her of strength, her biggest frustration is the day-to-day not knowing what will happen.

"The biggest thing is unpredictability. You go along and you don't know if you're gonna be bad. Another thing is employers. They could be bad or good about it," Schakel said.

"I was really lucky that Shepard's even gave me a job."

The frustration of slowing down is tempered by her faith.

"At certain times ... when I fall on the floor and can't do certain things I get real discouraged and frustrated. I read the Bible, I memorize verses. I depend on God ... There's a lot of Bible stuff I do," she said.

But she denies being mad at God for the disease which scars the nerves and debilitates the legs, hands and eyes.

"You see so many that are worse off," she said citing gratitude for her family.

"I just look at God. He's helping me. He's my strength. Then I look at my hope. Someday I'll be in heaven and I'll be a spirit and I won't be in a wheelchair. You have to look at that, too," she said.

Going out means reserving energy for the trip, knowing where the bathroom is, how long the event will last and who can take her.

"What bothers me, like I'm at church ... I called (my pastor's wife) and said, 'I can't stand there and talk to you,'" she said.

"I'm the kind that sees all these neat things in the paper and I can't go," she explained.

Daughters Shannon, 17, and Brandy, 11, take up a lot of slack around the house. Her son Brett attends Colorado State University in Fort Collins.

Brandy clears the dinner table, cleans her room and sweeps the floor.

"She kinda does all the things I can't do," Schakel said.

Shannon, a Pampa High senior, washes clothes, prepares a meal each week and drives.

"There's just certain things I can't do like sweeping and mopping and cleaning the bathroom," Schakel said.

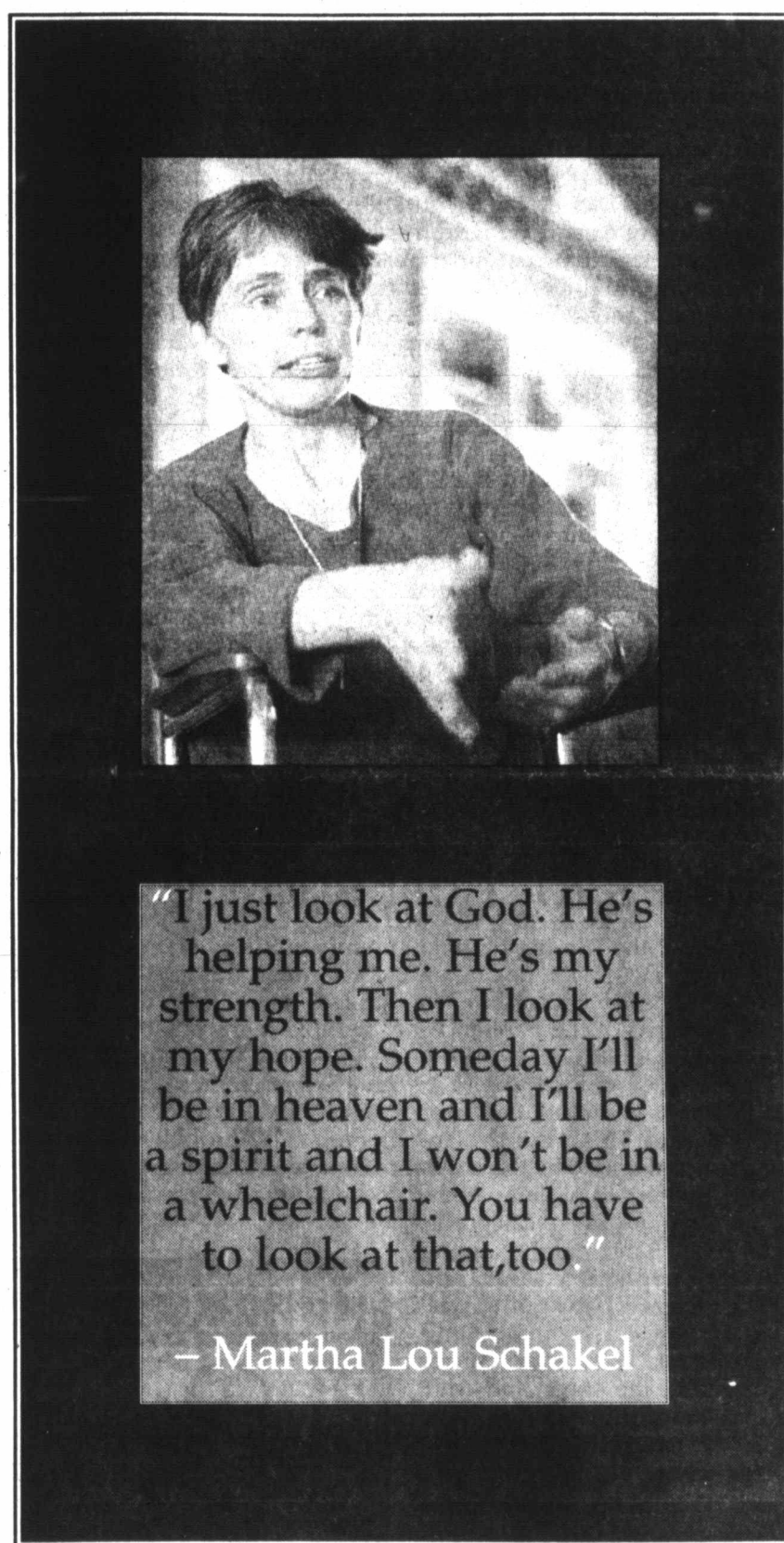
Coping with disability means changing one's style and expectations, she said.

She once tended a big backyard garden and butchered venison for the freezer. Now she selects easy to prepare food for supper, cares for her daughters and keeps up with her business affairs.

"I think you just have to change your priorities," Schakel explained.

As the MS encroaches on her lifestyle, privileges slip away.

"Everything you lose, you cry about," she said.



"I just look at God. He's helping me. He's my strength. Then I look at my hope. Someday I'll be in heaven and I'll be a spirit and I won't be in a wheelchair. You have to look at that, too."

- Martha Lou Schakel



Martha Lou Schakel divides her daily chores into increments which allow her to conserve strength during the day. In photo above, center, Schakel, on her battery powered scooter, drinks afternoon tea with her mother Mary Ann Kelley. The scooter and everpresent wheelchair allow Schakel to go outside, to attend church and other functions. When you're in a wheelchair, logistics are a consideration, Schakel said.



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Mrs. Russell Lee Martindale  
Sarah Catherine Whittenburg

## Whittenburg - Martindale

Sarah Catherine Whittenburg and Russell Lee Martindale, both of Amarillo, were married Saturday, March 9 at First Presbyterian Church of Amarillo. Dr. Alan J. Meenan officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mack Whittenburg, Amarillo, and Cathy Reavis, Lubbock.

The groom is the son of J.A. and Mary Martindale, Pampa.

Maids of honor were Secily Whittenburg, Galveston, and Amanda Whittenburg, College Station, both sisters of the bride. Maids of honor were Tracy Pincley of Fort Worth; and Shari Wittlake, Ann Hillerman and Erin Shafter, all of Amarillo. Jessica Bartlett of Amarillo was flower girl.

Standing as best man was Matthew Martindale of Amarillo. Groomsmen were Dax Hudson, Columbus, Ohio; William Simpson, Dallas; Paul Simpson, Houston; and Martin Wollman and Clark Peveto, both of Fort Worth. Jimmy Whittenburg of Union County, N.M. was ringbearer.

Head ushers were Brit Whittenburg of Lubbock and Justin Whittenburg of Austin, both brothers of the bride.

Ushers included Ben Whittenburg, James Whittenburg, Joe Bill Whittenburg and Robert Whittenburg, all of Austin and all cousins of the bride; and David Dewalch of Las Vegas, N.M.; and David Draper, Fort Worth.

Sign language interpreters were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sturkie of Amarillo. Guests were greeted by Graci Mac, the bride's hearing dog. Candles were lit by Jake Whittenburg, Amarillo, and Roy Whittenburg III, Union County, N.M.

Music was provided by the Vienna Conspiracy, Amarillo. Following the ceremony, the couple was honored with a reception at the Tascosa Country Club.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, where she earned a bachelor of science degree in habilitation of the deaf. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. She is employed by Amarillo Independent School District as a deaf education teacher at Fannin Middle School.

The groom graduated in 1994 from Texas Christian University where he earned a bachelor of science degree in psychology. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and the Lariats. He is employed by Sanabi Oil and Gas Company.

Following a honeymoon to Banff, Canada, they will make their home in Amarillo.

## Entries for quilt show open

Entries for the "Spring Festival of Quilts IV" will be taken through April 5, according to Susie Edwards of the Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild.

The show is set for April 20 in the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. This is fourth biannual show presented by the guild.

Area quilters may enter items in one or more of 11 categories including hand and sewing machine applique; hand and machine pieced; baby quilts; wall hangings; mixed technique and wearable art. There is no charge for entering the show and first, second and third ribbons will be awarded for each of the categories. There is a category for

young quilters where each will receive a ribbon for entering a quilted item.

Quilted items must be brought to the show by 9 a.m. April 19, unless arrangements are made.

For entry forms or more information call Karol Hervey at 669-0573; Jean McCarley, 665-7069; or Susie Edwards, 665-4268.



Mrs. Karl Vigil  
Kelly Schoenhals

## Schoenhals - Vigil

Kelly Schoenhals, Pampa and Karl Vigil, Amarillo, were married Saturday, March 9 in the First Baptist Church of Canadian by Bishop Floyd Schoenhals.

The bride is the daughter of Garner and Jean Schoenhals, Canadian. The groom is the son of J.J. and Feloniz Vigil, Springer, N.M.

Matron of honor was Sheri Drury, Stephenville, and Stanna Nelson, Claude, served as bridesmaid. Sarah Vigil, Cimarron, N.M. was flower girl.

Standing as best man was Michael Vigil of Cimarron, N.M. Kenny Vigil of Temecula, Calif. was groomsmen.

Ty Drury, Stephenville, served as ring bearer. Serving as ushers were Keith Schoenhals, Canadian; Jimmy Drury, Stephenville; and Danny Chaves, Windsor, Colo.

Candles were lit by Clay Hopkins and Miles Hopkins, Kilgore. Guests were registered by Susan Vigil, Bedford.

Music for the occasion was provided by Jolene Urschel, Canadian. Following the service, a reception was held in the church. Guests were served by Tonya Johnson, Amarillo; Paula Mueggenborg, Enid, Okla.; and Janis Schnieder, Cheyenne, Wyo.

The bride teaches sixth grade reading at Pampa Middle School The groom is employed by Santa Fe Railroad.

They plan to honeymoon in San Antonio.

## Moose scholarships available

Applications are available at all Moose Lodges for high school juniors in the class of 1997 to enter the annual R. Robert Dale Scholarship drawings. Approximately 60 winners of the \$1,000 scholarships will be selected at Moose Association conventions across the United States and Canada from July through October 1996.

Any student in the class of 1997 whose mother, father or guardian holds Moose membership and who grade point average is 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (C+) or higher is eligible to be in a Dale Scholarship drawing. Applications should be sent to Moose International and postmarked by June 15. All winners will be notified by Dec. 1.

The scholarship may be used for tuition, books and fees at any accredited voca-

tional or academic institution the winners choose to attend.

Moose International has awarded \$631,000 to sons and daughters of Moose members since its first Dale Scholarship winners were selected in 1987. For more information, call the local Moose Lodge or contact the R. Robert Dale Scholarship Office, Moose International, Moosehart, Ill. 60539 (708/859-2000 ext 231).



Summer Anne Ziegelgruber and Mike Kapeles

## Ziegelgruber - Kapeles

Summer Anne Ziegelgruber, Amarillo, and Mike Kapeles, Pampa, plan to marry June 8 at Hi-Land Christian Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Carol and Lee Ziegelgruber of Pampa. The groom-to-be is the son of Carol and Ted Kapeles of Casper, Wyo.

She is pursuing a general business degree from West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She formerly attended Texas Tech University, Lubbock. She is employed by Amarillo National Bank trust department.

He earned a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology and is employed by Hoechst - Celanese Chemical Group, Pampa.

## Lifestyles policies

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## Newsmaker

WILBURTON, Okla. - Danette Hoover, a freshman at Eastern Oklahoma State College was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the first semester with a 3.75 grade point average.

To qualify for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must make a 3.0 grade point with a minimum of 12 hours or more.

Hoover is playing on a softball scholarship for the Lady Mountaineers.

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  - b. Flowers and mail will be delivered to the patient.
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  - a. The patient will be issued an identification number by the admitting personnel. The patient will then be responsible for giving this identification number as access to persons from whom they wish to receive visits, telephone calls, and flowers.
3. For those patients that wish to be listed as **No Information "Confidential"**, the following will apply:
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  - b. No flowers or mail will be delivered to patients who have requested a "Confidential" designation.

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# Menus

March 11-15

**MEALS ON WHEELS**  
**MONDAY**  
 Stew, cornbread and pears.  
**TUESDAY**  
 Chicken & dumplings, green beans, pickled beets and fruit cocktail.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 Shepherd's pie, lima beans, candied carrots and Jell-O.  
**THURSDAY**  
 Barbecue beef, baked beans, potato salad and apricots.  
**FRIDAY**  
 Wieners, macaroni & cheese,

English peas and pistachio cream.  
**PAMPA SENIOR CITIZENS**  
**MONDAY**  
 Chicken fried steak or chicken spaghetti, mashed potatoes, broccoli, corn, beans, slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, butter pecan cake or chocolate pie, cornbread or hot rolls.  
**TUESDAY**  
 Corned beef n' cabbage or hamburger steak, boiled potatoes, carrots, fried okra, beans,

slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, banana nut cake or tapioca, cornbread or hot rolls.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, summer mix vegetables, fried squash, beans, slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, Mississippi mud cake or coconut cream pie, cornbread or hot rolls.  
**THURSDAY**  
 Swiss steak or taco salad, potato wedges, Mexican corn,

spinach, beans, slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, chocolate chip cake or lemon cream pie, jalapeno cornbread or hot rolls.  
**FRIDAY**  
 Fried cod fish or spaghetti & meatballs, french fries, California mix vegetables, beans, slaw, tossed or Jell-O salad, rainbow cake or bread pudding, garlic toast, cornbread and hot rolls.  
**PAMPA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
 Spring Break.

## 4-H Futures & Features

**DATES**  
 12 - Junior and intermediate consumer decision making project meeting, 1 p.m., Lefors First Baptist Church  
 Senior consumer decision making project meeting, 7 p.m., McLean  
 13 - Junior and intermediate consumer decision making project meeting, 7 p.m., McLean  
 14 - Junior and intermediate consumer decision making project meeting, 1 p.m., Lefors First Baptist Church  
 16 - Youth dance, 8 p.m., Expo Center, Perryton  
 17 - Barrel Futurity, Ochiltree County arena  
**HORSE PROJECT**  
 A horse project meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. today, March 10, at Gray County annex. Plans are underway for our fundraiser freeze branding day on April 13. We still have a lot of planning and work details to be done to get this done. Be there to help make decisions.  
**4-H CONSUMER DECISION MAKING**

4-H consumer decision making junior and intermediate groups will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 12 - 14 at the First Baptist Church of Lefors. Any 4-H member ages 9 - 14 may participate in the project. Anyone needing a ride to Lefors should call the Gray County Extension Office.  
**4-H FASHION SHOW**  
 Gray County 4-H fashion show will be Monday, March 18 at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in Pampa. 4-H members who have completed a group or self-determined clothing project are encouraged to attend.  
 Registration and judging begin at 4 p.m. A salad supper for participants and guests will begin at 6:30 p.m. Modeling of 4-H fashions and an awards program will be conducted at 7 p.m.  
 4-H Fashion Club will host this year's event. For more information call the extension office.  
**YOUTH DANCE**  
 The Youth Riders 4-H Club will sponsor a PBR Barrel

Futurity on Sunday, March 17 in the Ochiltree County arena. Books open at noon. For more information call Debbie Heath at 806-435-3247.  
**RESULTS OF MAJOR STOCK SHOWS**  
 Congratulations to all Gray County 4-Hers who participated in major stock shows this past month. A great big congratulations to those of you placed at these shows. Results are as follows: Megan Coutts, second light weight Duroc at El Paso; Sean O'Neal, second light weight Cross at San Antonio; Justin Thomas, 10th light weight OPB at Houston and Cassie Hamilton, second heavy weight Simmental steer at Houston. Again, congratulations to these 4-Hers and their parents.  
**THANKS FOR THE HELP!**  
 I would like to thank the following 4-Hers, leaders and parents for their help and support during the past month at El Paso, San Antonio and Houston. The people mentioned below helped show, wash, feed and

take care of numerous animals during these shows and I appreciate their hard work.  
 Megan Coutts, Emily Nusser, Nickie Leggett, Kelly McClellan, Royce O'Neal, Alan Parker, Tracy Tucker, Justin Thomas, Charlie Thomas, O.L. and Shirley Tucker, Terry O'Neal, Butch and Terry Leggett and Joe Coutts.  
 Again, thank you for all the help. I couldn't do it without you.  
 Congratulations all 4-Hers and leaders on a great year at the shows.  
**STEER PROJECTS**  
 Any 4-Hers wanting help finding a steer project needs to let me know as soon as possible. Give me a call if you plan to show a steer.  
**PROJECT RECORD FORMS**  
 All 4-Hers must turn in a project record form on their animal project before they can get their check from the county stock show. If you need help completing these forms or have a question, please call me.



Mr. and Mrs. M.E. McClendon

### McClendon anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. M.E. McClendon, Pampa, will be honored with a 50th wedding anniversary reception from 2 to 4 p.m. today, March 10, in the Central Baptist Church parlor.  
 Hosting the reception will be the couple's children, Mr. and Mrs. Richard McClendon, Mr. and Mrs. Max McCrummen, and Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Baker, all of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy McClendon of Snyder, and nine grandchildren.  
 The McClendons were married March 10, 1946 in Pearl.

### Panhandle writers to meet

Children's author Dian Curtis Regan of Oklahoma City is to be the guest speaker at the bi-monthly Panhandle Professional Writers meeting.  
 Registration is set for 9:30 a.m. March 16 at the Big Texan Steak Ranch, 7200 Interstate 40 East. The seminar fee for non members is \$10 and \$1 for college students.  
 At 10 a.m., Regan will speak on "How to Become a Children's Book Author in Only 15 Short Years." A time for questions will follow.  
 The afternoon session starts at 1 p.m. and features an informal discussion on writing topics.  
 A business meeting will begin at 2:30 p.m.  
 The deadline for lunch reservations is Wednesday. They may be made by calling Connee McAnear at 806-379-6721.

### Club news

**Gray County Family and Community Education Club**  
 Gray County FEC met at the Annex Feb. 26 for a cultural arts contest.  
 There were 11 categories represented. First place paintings went to Madeline Gawthrop; ceramics - Evelyn Williams; fiber arts - Mildred Thresher; wearable art - Boots Barnett; fabric creations - Beulah Terrell; fabric painting - Polly Benton; craft

painting - Polly Benton; holiday decorations - Polly Benton; miscellaneous - Polly Benton; and jewelry - Madeline Gawthrop.  
 A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by 15. The district FCE cultural arts contest and program will be in Amarillo on March 29.  
**Altrusa International Inc.**  
 The regular program meeting of Altrusa International Inc. of Pampa was held Feb. 26 in the

Starlight Room of Coronado Inn. Club guests were Gaye Honderich, Gladys Alexander, Joy Potts and Becky Johnson. The club welcomed new member Vijay Murgai.  
 Literacy committee chair

Connie Lockridge introduced guest Becky Johnson, a free lance home economist from Briscoe. She presented a program on 15 ways to look chic for cheap entitled "Second Hand Rose's Fashion Revival."

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## Sex, Violence And Profanity Are As Old As Human Nature

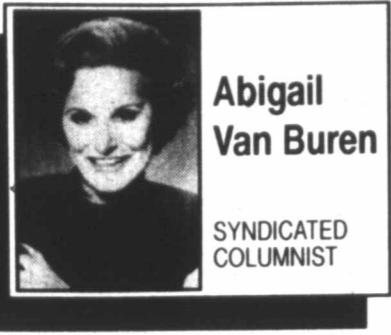
DEAR ABBY: I would like to address the contention that books, TV and the movies are corrupting today's citizens — especially its youth.

If that is so, please tell me what books Cain read before he murdered his brother Abel. What soap opera did Lot's two daughters watch that influenced them to get their father drunk and commit incest? And what vile movie prompted the woman at the well to take up a life of dissolution?

The media reflect human mores and values, not influence them. When I was a boy of 8 or 9, I knew all the "facts of life," which were given to me crudely by the "big boys" of the village of perhaps 200 souls, who were churchgoing people almost to a man. There were no daily newspapers, movies only occasionally, no TV, and only one radio in the village. So where did we hear of sex, violence and profanity? From our peers! It has always been thus. The media do not set the trends — they follow them.

If no one bought tobacco, apples or potatoes, no farmer would raise them. If there were no demand for smut, no one would go to the expense of providing it, because without profit, there is no incentive. Much of America has come to expect or demand sex, violence and profanity; thus we have it. Trendsetters are usually friends among us.

HOWARD CHILDRESS, MURFREESBORO, TENN.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR MR. CHILDRESS: There is no denying the truth in your observations. Thank you for writing — I appreciate your common sense. You've been contributing to this column almost as long as I have been writing it. Take good care of yourself, Howard. I need you.

DEAR ABBY: When I read the letter in your column from Polly Schrock, asking about couples who had lived 100 years or longer, I had to write.

Our friends and neighbors, who lived one mile from us for years, lived longer than that.

W.A. Fullingim lived to be 110 years old. He was born July 7, 1855, in Mount Vernon, Texas, and died Aug. 6, 1965, in Lawton, Okla. On his 100th birthday, I baked him a chiffon cake, and I subsequently baked him 10 more until his death. His wife, Nancy Ellen Fullingim,

lived to be 103 years old. She was born Nov. 1, 1860, in Decatur, Texas, and died on April 25, 1964. (I made four cakes for her, starting when she was 100 years old.)

The Fullingims had celebrated their 84th wedding anniversary in August 1963. They lived on their ranch in western Comanche County from 1917 until their deaths. They are buried in Lawton. They had three children and three grandchildren, but no great-grandchildren. The immediate family is gone.

DELORES CALLEN, HOBART, OKLA.

DEAR DELORES: Thank you for the input. I'll be very surprised if anyone can beat the Fullingims' record for longevity or marriage.

DEAR ABBY: I am getting on in years and have been widowed since 1986. I have many nice things and wonder if I should give them to my children now, so they can enjoy them. I have little use for these lovely things, and there is more chance of them being stolen if I keep them.

What should I do? WONDERRING IN MISSOURI

DEAR WONDERRING: I once answered that question this way:

Do your givin' While you're livin' And you'll be knowin' Where it's goin'.

## Horoscope



Monday, March 11, 1996

You may have numerous opportunities to achieve financial success in the year ahead. If you handle your funds wisely, you can build up a sizable nest egg by this time next year.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Watch what you say in front of people who can enhance your career. All of your comments will be evaluated and catalogued. Major changes are possible for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station,

New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** A nosy associate who does not have your best interests at heart might try to pry information from you today. Do not give him or her an opening.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Avoid taking a friend's investment tips at face value today. He or she may have good intentions, but your chances for financial gratification will be slim.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Make sure you can back up the commitments you make to others today. It will be better to lose a deal than to promise something you can't deliver.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** If your boss assigns a critical task today, make sure you know what he or she is talking about. You will not get fired for asking questions.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Do not take small details for granted in your financial ventures today. What appears to be insignificant may be extremely important.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** In order to maintain harmony in your household

today, emphasize praise and avoid criticism. Tolerance will set the tempo.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Instead of merely thinking about what should be done today, roll up your sleeves and swing into action. You cannot wish your work away.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Use common sense in regard to your expenditures today, especially small extravagances. The smallest purchases could produce the biggest aftershocks.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Your attention to detail will be extremely sharp today. You can use this quality to your advantage, provided it doesn't become a nonproductive obsession.

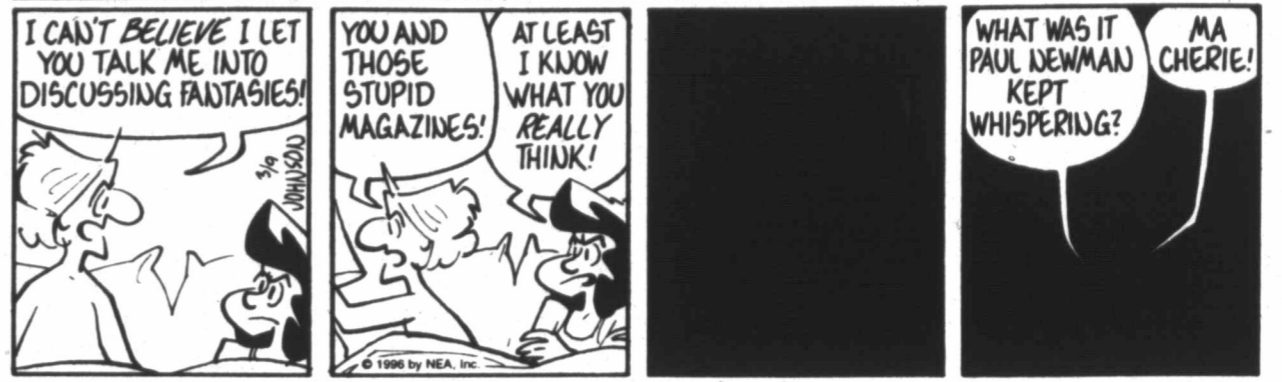
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** When conversing with a sensitive friend today, weigh your words carefully. A thoughtless comment could leave a scar that a band-aid can't cover up.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Today you will be uncomfortable around penny-pinching people. Try to select companions who extend their generosity freely.

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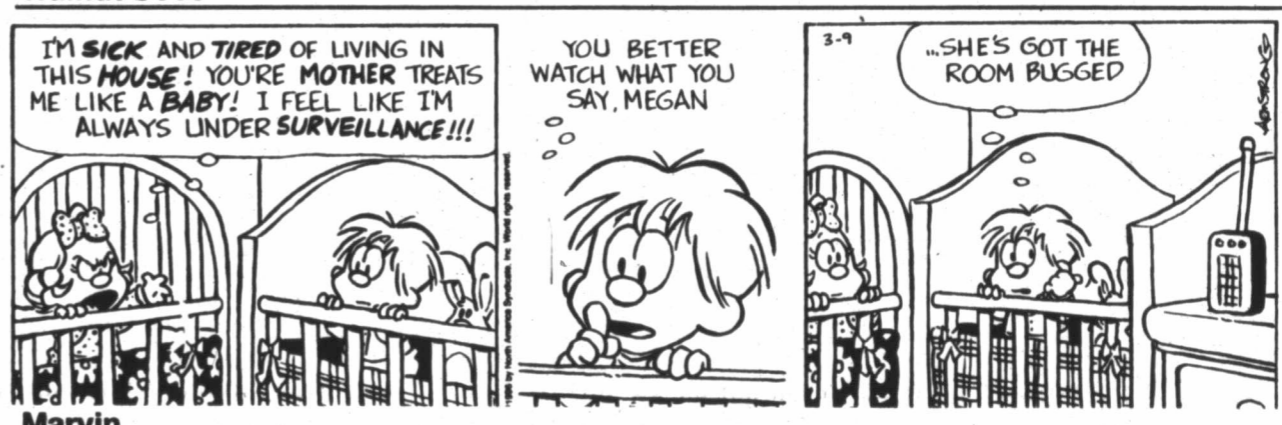
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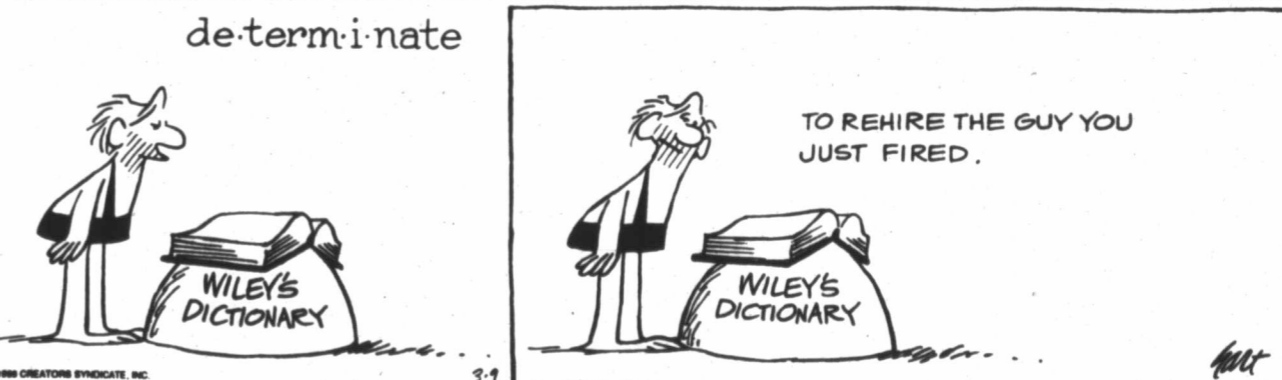
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"You can come out now, boys. All the birthday balloons are popped."



"He gets in line every Sunday just to shake hands."

### The Family Circus



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### Grizzwells



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### Peanuts





Entertainment

# Revamped 'Bonnie' hopes for better ratings

By FRAZIER MOORE  
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Bonnie Hunt is on pins and needles. Her comedy series, which had a brief run Fridays last fall, is returning to the CBS schedule this Sunday at 8:30 p.m. EST. She's glad to be back, but she's fretful.

"I just want it to work so badly," she says. "That would be really great."

By work, she doesn't mean "amuse and charm," which anyone who gave *The Bonnie Hunt Show* half a chance already knows it can do. No. She means work, as in "score a healthy Nielsen rating."

And, yes, that would be great. Great for Bonnie to find a secure home on TV and stop squandering so much time making movies with the likes of Robin Williams (the hit *Jumanji*) and, currently, Tom Cruise.

Great for viewers to have this break-the-mold alternative to the standardized contraptions that are most sitcoms.

Hunt's show, about a nice Midwestern gal and her co-workers in the newsroom of a Chicago TV station, is gentle but

high-spirited, quirky but true-to-life, and genuinely funny.

All of which hooked lots of viewers and lots of critics during *The Bonnie Hunt Show's* six airings last fall.

As these fans prepare to welcome Bonnie back, they are hereby advised: Her series now goes by a different title.

"Every interview I do, I'm introduced as Bonnie Hunt from *The Bonnie Hunt Show*. I go: No, no, that's not the name anymore. It's just *Bonnie*."

Well, it could have been worse. Maybe *Bon. Hunt. Or Central Park West*.

"That name change — a think-tank decision," Hunt says dryly, then chirps a theme song from hell: "Who's got a step that's lighter than air? Everyone knows it's Bon-nie! Oh, man!"

Whatever you call it, *Bonnie* is very Bonnie. After all, she co-created the show. Co-writes it. And recruited the finely tuned ensemble, including three fellow alumni of the Second City improv troupe — Holly Wortrell, Tom Virtue and Don Lake — who happen to also be her long-time pals.

All these reasons help explain why she longs for the series to

go on and on.

"I get to work with my friends and I get to do work I really care about," she says. "Also, my mother gets a big kick out of it."

Mom is back in Chicago, where Bonnie grew up near Wrigley Field, the sixth of seven children. Still close to her family, she speaks to her mother at least once every day.

So does Bonnie Kelly, the wouldn't-hurt-a-fly, never-say-die character Hunt has fashioned for herself, based largely on herself: A pretty young woman with long blond hair, a keen sense of humor and a mission to take care of everyone within reach.

"She's so likable and funny," raves David Letterman, who shares executive producer credit with her. "People are drawn to her."

Can CBS draw them to her series?

In an interview a few weeks ago, CBS Entertainment President Leslie Moonves hailed the show's "different voice," then wondered aloud whether a different voice can make it on the famously traditional CBS.

"That's our only question," said Moonves, careful to point

out that it was his predecessor who slotted the series on Fridays against ABC's killer lineup. "Creatively, I think it's a terrific show and I think she is a remarkable performer. We'll see how it goes."

*Bonnie* is being brought back in a time slot not much friendlier than the one it faltered in before. Although it has *Cybill* as lead-in (a vast improvement on *Dweebs*), *Bonnie* will go up against *NewsRadio*, *Married ... With Children* and the second half of *Lois & Clark*.

Hunt admits to being fretful.

"But then I watch the 11 o'clock news, and hear about bombings or something, and I feel like a jerk."

"That's my mother's fault," she says with a laugh.

"Whenever we would hurt ourselves when we were kids, she would say, 'I once knew a little girl who was in a terrible car accident. She never walked again.' And I'd say, 'That's terrible.' 'You see?'"

"So here I am worried about my time slot. But then I just watch the news and everything gets back into perspective."

The rest of us, let's watch *Bonnie*.

# Five questions with Kermit and Miss Piggy

By The Associated Press

Think of famous film duos and you think of Tracy and Hepburn, Liz and Dick ... and Kermit and Miss Piggy. The pair currently star in *Muppet Treasure Island*. Kermit, a hue-challenged amphibian (who can forget *It's Not Easy Being Green?*) and Miss Piggy, the original babe who knows her bon mots from her bon bons, talk about love, marriage and figs:

1. What's your actual age?  
How do you keep looking so youthful?

KERMIT: I've actually been around for about 40 years. I know I don't look it, but that's one of the great things about being a Muppet.

PIGGY: Pigs age gracefully. That is why you cannot tell how old moi is, although you might guess I'm 18. So, I'm timeless.

2. What's your stand on interspecies marriage?

PIGGY: Love does not recognize such petty boundaries as species. Love can break the rules. In other words ... I'm in favor of interspecies marriage

— and if it's a marriage between a certain frog and a certain pig, I'm not just in favor of it, I INSIST ON IT.

KERMIT: I like to keep an open mind, but if this is your way of asking if Miss Piggy and I are going to get married, I would have to close my mind back up a little bit.

3. If you were married, what would your offspring look like?

KERMIT: Not that it's going to happen, but I guess they would look like a cross between a frog and a pig — a fig, perhaps?

PIGGY: Whatever they look like, they would be loved.

4. Have you seen *Babe*? What do you think of all the attention it's getting?

KERMIT: I think it's wonderful. ... The entertainment industry needs as many talking animals as it can get.

PIGGY: I haven't seen it, but if that pig is going to start horking in on my publicity, he's got another thing coming.

5. Is it true what they say about frog legs tasting like chicken?

NO RESPONSE.

# What do all actors share, besides ham and egos? Try Bacon

By CHRISTOPHER MCDUGALL  
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Forget all that art-school drool you hear about Stanislavsky and Orson Welles. The stars in the movie universe revolve around Kevin Bacon, and there are plenty of bar jocks eager to prove it.

Name any actor and a chain of co-stars will lead you right back to the guy who made his world debut getting his butt whacked in *Animal House*.

The bar stool version of the challenge goes by "Six Degrees to Kevin Bacon," while on the Internet, it's "The Kevin Bacon Game."

Either way, the rules are the same — start with an actor, then hopscotch from connection to connection until you hit Bacon.

Take the great Marlon Brando. Brando starred in *A Dry White Season* with Donald Sutherland. Sutherland was the pot-smoking professor in *Animal House*, in which Bacon debuted as a walk-on frat boy. Jimmy Cagney?

Cagney faced Humphrey Bogart in *The Roaring Twenties*. Bogart to Katharine Hepburn (*The African Queen*); Hepburn

to Jane Fonda (*On Golden Pond*); Fonda to Robert Redford (*Barefoot in the Park*); Redford to Meryl Streep (*Out of Africa*); Streep to Bacon in *The River Wild*.

All within the requisite six moves.

This Buddhist notion of the interrelatedness of all film is a goofy twist on a theory popularized by John Guare in his 1990 play *Six Degrees of Separation* — that you and King Zwelithini of the Zulu Nation are just a half dozen handshakes apart.

So why Bacon? His father was wondering the same thing.

"I'd be greatly interested to know how he became the focus of all this," said noted Philadelphia city planner Edmond Bacon, who hasn't yet taken a crack at the game.

"I asked Kevin, but he didn't know," the elder Bacon said. "Call me back if you find out."

Bacon's press agent, Allan Eichorn, said the notably wary actor found the game "amusing and flattering." Beyond hearing that some college students with too few credits on their minds had dreamed it up, Eichorn said Bacon had no idea how he'd won the title.

He may have done his share

of fluffy numbers such as *Footloose* and *Quicksilver*, and campy thrillers such as *Tremors*, but now Bacon has moved on to hard-edged dramas like *A Few Good Men*, *The River Wild* and *Murder in the First*. All of this makes him an excellent candidate for movie trivia, film buff Mason Levinson says.

"You play once or twice, and suddenly you're Bacon-obsessed. You're constantly scanning for more and more bizarre combinations," said Levinson, who learned the game on a flight to Paris and spent the entire week shooting and fielding challenges with his tour guide.

Internet whiz Matthew Bennet will crack his knuckles and take on any challenge. He boasts of making Bacon chains to Elvis, Vanilla Ice, The Wicked Witch of the West and the entire cast of Gilligan's Island.

Remember Alan Hale Jr.? "The Skipper" was in *Back to the Beach* with Pee-wee Herman, whose fizzled film career perked up with a cameo in *Batman Returns*. Batman star Michael Keaton appeared with Bacon in *She's Having a Baby*.

Since October, more than

6,478 surfers have logged in to Bennet's "Makin' Bacon" page (<http://www.mindspring.com/~mab/kevin.html>) with curveball queries.

The trickiest challenges are the one or two-timers.

He cleaned up on beers one night when a bartender stumped every stool in the place with that short-lived James Bond, Timothy Dalton.

Dalton made one of his two James Bond appearances in *The Living Daylights*. Jeroen Krabbe was also in the film, giving Levinson a link to *The Fugitive* (Krabbe was the evil Dr. Charles Nichols). From Krabbe, it's a quick stroll to *Fugitive* co-star Tommy Lee Jones, and from Jones to Bacon in *JFK*.

"You can say it's only a game, but in some ways it's quite theological," said Bacon adept Andrea Burns. "Very Zen."

# Fad du jour: Hush Puppies

By The Associated Press

Call it revenge of the nerds: Trendy feet have discovered the pigskin pleasures of Hush Puppies.

Comedienne Ellen DeGeneres has 30 pairs of Hush Puppies (and wore a pale lavender pair as host of the Grammy Awards). Others putting on the dogs are Jim Carrey, Sharon Stone, Jeanne Tripplehorn and "Friends" Matthew Perry, David Schwimmer, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc and Jennifer Aniston.

David Bowie is so dogged that his supplier sends new pairs directly to him.

"On one extreme, it's so kitsch-Americana," said the supplier, Joel Fitzpatrick of the Los Angeles store, Pleasure Swell. "On the flip side, it's as

basic as a Levi. It's the ultimate unisex product."

Hush Puppies, in neutral pigskin suede oxfords or loafers, introduced casual shoes to the nation in 1958. After that, Hush Puppies settled into the comfort zone of a mid-priced shoe for the middle-aged, middle-class man and woman.

Then menswear designer John Bartlett and Fitzpatrick rediscovered them. They had them minted in more than two dozen unusual hues like Chinese violet, lemon butter, meadow mist and rusty hot pepper.

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# U.S. fat consumption declines - barely

A U.S. Department of Agriculture nationwide three year food survey found Americans consumed 33 percent of calories from fat in 1994, the first year of the study, continuing a downward trend. In the late 1970s, Americans consumed 40 percent of calories from fat and 34 percent of calories from fat in the years 1989 - 1991.

Even with the decrease, however, two-thirds of adult Americans still eat more than the 30 percent recommended limit of fat calories. The survey also found nearly as many are consuming more than the recommended limit for saturated fat.

Why reduce the saturated fat in the diet? For several years now, the reports on lowering saturated fat or fatty acids have proclaimed a connection with reduction in the incidence and costs of coronary heart disease in the United States. Coronary heart disease leads the mortality list accounting for one-third of the deaths annually. An economic burden with related medical care costs and lost earning totaling \$56.3 billion in 1994 was reported by the American Heart Association.

The past 40 years of evidence links dietary saturated fat and cholesterol intakes to the development of coronary heart disease. Numerous health organizations including the American Heart Association, the American Dietetic Association, the American Diabetes Association and the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute have recommended Americans follow a diet lower in cholesterol and lower in fat - especially saturated fat. The total fat intake should be 30 percent or

## Homemakers' News Donna Brauchi



less of the total caloric intake with saturated fat less than 10 percent of the fat consumed.

A recent study examined the effects of reduced dietary intake of saturated fat on the incidence and economic costs of coronary heart disease. Researchers Oster and Thompson examined the data from the Framingham Heart Study and three National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys, to estimate the effects on coronary heart disease and incidence and associated costs of reducing dietary saturated fat intake.

The findings revealed by reducing saturated fat intake from 10 percent by one to three percentage points, coronary heart disease incidence could be reduced by 32,000 to 99,700 events. This reduction yields combined savings in medical expenditures and lost earnings ranging from \$4.1 to \$12.7 billion over a 10 year period.

Geoffrey Greene, Ph.D., R.D., LDN, at the University of Rhode Island conducted a study that used specific eating behaviors as indicators of how close someone is to meeting the 30 percent or less of the calories from fat intake target. The study used the Stages of Change Model, which places people along a continuum - from pre-

contemplation to action and maintenance - according to their awareness of, attitude toward and action taken to change dietary habits. Look over the following Stages of Change to determine what stage you are in cutting your fat intake:

**Stage 1: Not quite ready.** It's difficult to get started, but reading about the relationship of a high fat diet to development of heart disease, cancer and increased risk of obesity may get you moving in the right direction.

**Stage 2: Thinking about it.** You're not yet committed to changing. Keep a food diary for a week or two to see how much fat you're consuming and how small changes can make a big difference.

**Stage 3: Getting ready.** Great, you're making small changes. Clip favorite recipes and get help from a dietician or your county extension agent to make lower-fat substitutions.

**Stage 4: Cutting the fat.** More intensive skill building such as learning to convert favorite recipes to lower fat ones and reading labels carefully. Help relieves boredom and resist temptation. Develop a support network.

**Stage 5: Staying with it.** At this point, emphasis needs to be on eating a balanced diet and not going overboard to avoid fat. For example, some fat free foods can be high in calories and some higher fat foods can be high in nutrients.

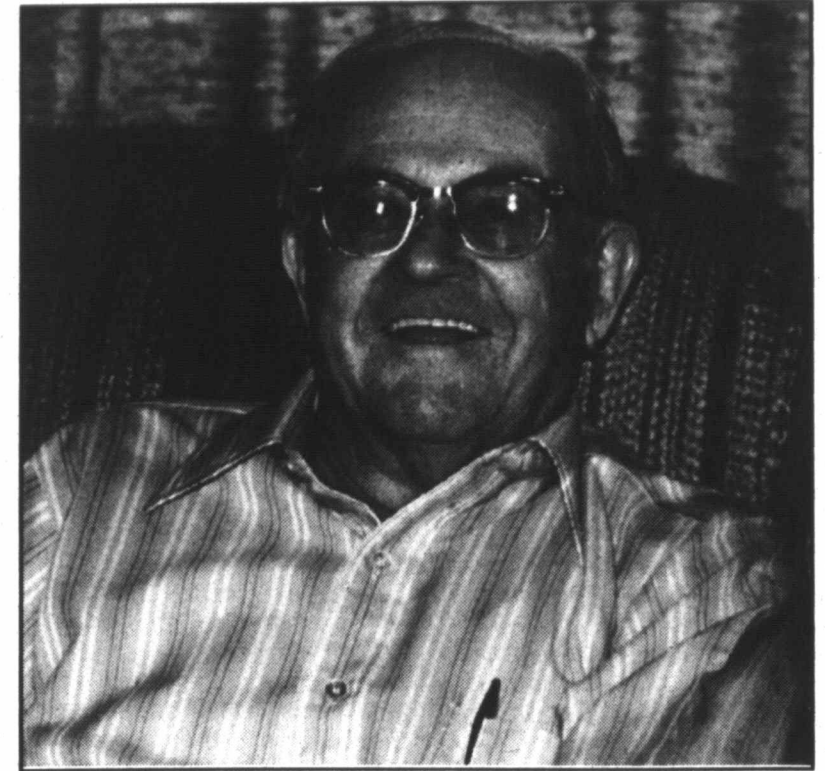
Consumers will need to read food labels carefully to determine the amount of fat and the types of fatty acids found in various products. Also, read labels to determine if other ingredients are found in the products ordinarily containing fat.

People may begin seeing new food products made with the new fat substitute Olestra recently approved by the Food and Drug Administration. The calorie-free fat-replacement Olestra will be used in salted snacks and crackers and will require Olestra-containing products be fortified with vitamins A,D,E and I. Potato chips, crackers, tortilla chips or other snacks made with Olestra will be lower in fat and calories than snacks made with traditional recipes using fat.

The FDA has found some drawbacks to this fat substitute. Olestra is a much larger molecule than fat so it is not absorbed through the intestinal wall as is fat. Therefore, Olestra may cause abdominal cramping and loose stools. Olestra absorbs fat soluble vitamins (A,D,E and K) from foods eaten at the same time as Olestra containing products.

Whatever choice you make to reduce your fat intake, eat a variety of foods and in moderation following the U.S. Department of Agriculture food guide pyramid to help you attain and maintain balance in your food selection.

## Happy birthday to you



M.M. "Mike" Ely

M.M. "Mike" Ely will be honored with a birthday celebration from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks.

Ely was born March 13, 1906, in Thornfield, Mo. At age five, he moved in a covered wagon with his family to Oklahoma. He was one of 11 children.

Ely worked for Oklahoma's Consolidated Gas Co. 17 years and moved to Pampa in 1943. He retired from Skelly Oil Co. in 1969 after 25 years service.

He is past Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge and has been a Mason for 63 years. He is a member of Highland Baptist church and Highland Seniors Club.

Ely is married to Opal Ely. His children are Charles Ely and Norma Hensley of Pampa. He has three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## Volunteer workshop begins March 19

"Volunteers - Change and Challenge" is the focus of a short course for volunteers to begin March 19 in Pampa. The session will be offered at the Gray County Annex on U.S. 60 east of Pampa. The course will provide information and help volunteers develop skills to better assist their clients.

"Cinderella Minus the Prince" will be the first session of the shortcourse from 1:30 to 3 p.m. March 19. A learning experience in diversity, this activity will help volunteers develop empathy for the problems faced by others. It will also help volunteers better empathize with clientele who must go through the social service maze to receive help.

On March 26 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. or 6:30 to 8 p.m., "True Colors for Volunteers" will be the topic. The session will focus on discovering your "colors" and how they can be used to create better understanding of yourself and others. Donna Brauchi, county extension agent, will conduct the afternoon session and Dr. Jerry Lane, counselor from Clarendon College - Pampa Center, will conduct evening sessions.

A "Resource Fair of Services" will begin the activities for the final session 5 to 6:30 p.m. April 11. Social service agencies and organizations will provide informal booths or tables with information about their agency or organizations, who they serve, how to access services and opportunities for volunteers.

From 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the focus will continue with "Networking for Success." This final session will help volunteers develop better skills at assessing client needs and accessing appropriate services. Knowing that services are available locally and working together to meet the needs of families and individuals will be emphasized.

Volunteers are invited to attend one or all sessions. The course is free as an educational effort of the Gray County Extension Family and Consumer Issues program development committee of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Volunteers are encouraged to preregister by calling the Gray County Extensions Office at 669-8033.

## Newsmaker

PENDLETON, Calif. - Marine Sgt. Kenneth R. Banks, son of Kenneth Banks of Pampa, has returned to Camp Pendleton after completing a six-month overseas deployment with the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) embarked aboard the Ships of the USS New Orleans Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).

Banks is one of nearly 2,000 Marines and sailors who traveled 30,000 miles aboard the four ship ARG, which included the amphibious assault ship

USS New Orleans, the amphibious transport dock USS Juneau and the dock landing ships USS Comstock and USS Mount Vernon.

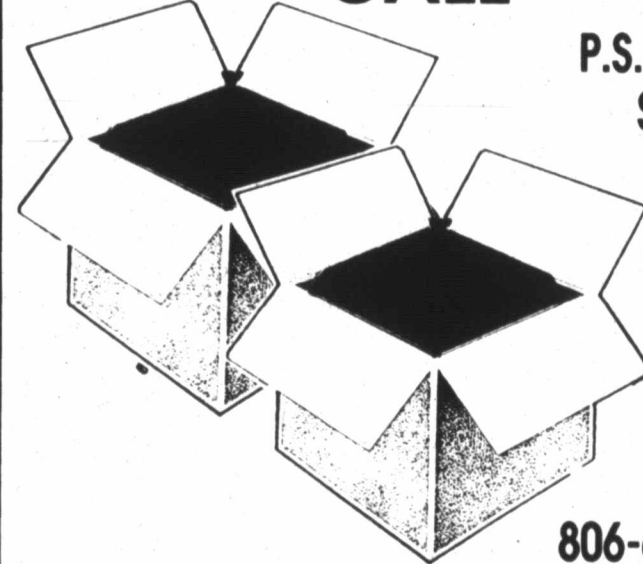
While on deployment, Banks participated in multinational exercises with forces from Jordan and Kuwait. While spending most of the deployment at sea, Banks also visited Australia, Bahrain, Hong Kong, Jordan, Kuwait, Singapore and the United Arab Emirates.

Banks joined the Marine Corps in September 1983.

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# Dentist accuses state board of cronyism, abuse of power

By KELLEY SHANNON and MIKE COCHRAN Associated Press Writers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - For more than 20 years Robert Beck competed or coached on Olympic pentathlon teams, battling rivals in riding, running, swimming, fencing and shooting.

Still fiercely competitive, dentist Robert Beck is locked in a legal duel with a powerful state agency. And the implications are both serious and sinister.

He is suing 13 past board members and staff of the State Board of Dental Examiners in federal court in an attempt to restore his reputation and expose what he claims is rampant cronyism and corruption by the state agency that polices the Texas dental profession.

"It's probably the toughest battle I've had," Beck said. "They try to totally destroy you."

Other Texas dentists also have questioned the board's practices. And the agency has come under fire from one of its former investigators and high-ranking state officials.

Beck and others claim dental board members targeted particular dentists they didn't like or who were competing against their friends. They insist also that board members ignored dental

violations by their pals.

"They abused power," Beck said. "They selectively prosecuted people. They overlooked things they should not have overlooked."

The Texas Attorney General's Office, which is defending the former dental board members in the lawsuit, denies Beck's claims.

"The state's defense is qualified immunity, and that means that these board members or directors of the board were acting in good faith. They were doing their job," said Ron Dusek, spokesman for the attorney general.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, for one, questioned that job and that good faith as far back as 1991.

"It appears that the Board of Dental Examiners is one of the state agencies desperately in need of cleaning up," Bullock told Beck and his supporters in a letter responding to inquiries about the Beck case.

"There are widespread complaints of lost files and non-responsiveness. My staff indicates that the Attorney General's Office and the Governor's Office are equally frustrated with this agency's poor performance."

Beck, in fact, maintains the attorney general should be prosecuting, not defending, the former board members.

A trial set for Feb. 26 was postponed because a defendant died. Indeed, Beck's battle is long-running. It's also a bit mysterious. Both sides say they have received death threats.

One telephone caller reportedly alluded to the case and told Beck's wife he would be killed, Beck said. It was one of many menacing calls he says his family has received the past six months.

By all accounts, Robert Lee Beck is no ordinary dentist.

A Harvard-educated, former Olympic bronze medalist in the pentathlon, Beck, 59, describes himself as a man who wants to deliver affordable tooth care to the masses.

His penchant for serving the proletariat and advertising his dental practice put him in disfavor with powerful people in the Texas dental establishment, Beck claims.

Beck's lawsuit maintains he was targeted for board discipline because he joined other dentists in suing the state board in the early 1980s to force it to allow advertising.

State attorneys deny his claim. One afternoon in July 1986, dental agency investigators stormed into Beck's San Antonio office and searched through pill and patient records.

"It was an overwhelming sort of blitz on their part," said Beck. The investigation led to the following findings by the state board:

— Beck did not account for 27 missing tablets of Valium.

— Beck did not account for 63 missing tablets of Seconal.

— For four months in 1986, Beck prescribed to himself 2,500 tablets of Empirin No. 3, a pain medication.

— Beck had held fellow dentist John H. Hatten at gunpoint under threat of death unless he signed certain papers.

— Beck had threatened the life of fellow dentist David H. Masters.

Beck claims he produced "exculpatory evidence" that resulted in a substantially different drug count but that his information was ignored or disregarded.

His lawsuit doesn't mention his threatening the other dentists. Beck denies he did it.

"I was innocent of every count that they had against me," he said. "I was framed."

The dental board revoked his license in 1987. Beck didn't show up at the hearing. He complained he wasn't notified of the meeting and that he never got a promised rehearing.

Houston attorney Richard "Racehorse" Haynes, arguing on

Beck's behalf in state district court, declared:

"We think that fairness, fundamental fairness, justice, requires it simply be sent back to give the man his hearing, let him put on whatever evidence he has and the Board can meet, and nobody will be irreparably damaged. Not to do so irreparably damages the professional man who's practiced in the community a long time."

Judge Michael Peden ordered a rehearing for Beck.

While the state appealed Peden's ruling, Beck and the board agreed to a settlement in 1992 suspending his license for three years, though all but the first 90 days was probated. Beck said he accepted the settlement to save his practice and to avoid the financial struggle of fighting an appeal.

While admitting no guilt, Beck agreed to take medicine record-keeping courses, do dental community service for poor people, submit written apologies to Hatten and Masters and participate in a dental peer assistance program.

Beck says the peer assistance program didn't want to treat him because it found no evidence he had a drug problem.

The disciplinary action, Beck claims in his lawsuit, caused him

to lose patients, employees and money and ultimately forced him into bankruptcy.

Worst of all, Beck insists, he later learned from former dental board investigator Wayne Youngblood - one of the men who searched his office - that Beck was targeted by the board because of his past turmoil with the agency over advertising.

Youngblood stated in an affidavit that he repeatedly heard a top dental board staff member state: "The Board wants to get Beck."

Youngblood had worked for the board off and on for 20 years until 1990 before he was fired. He filed a whistle blowers lawsuit against the state and received a \$60,000 settlement.

Youngblood testified in 1992 before the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission, which periodically examines an agency's performance. He told the commission the dental board abused its power on numerous occasions.

"Dentists were investigated because they were taking business away from Board members or their friends, or because a Board member may not have liked the dentists' political beliefs or affiliations, or the fact that a dentist was advertising," he testified.

# City built on noble concepts, but run on bad ideas

By DAVE FAVILA Valley Morning Star

PROGRESO, Texas (AP) - It has no police department and no city employees. It has debt in excess of \$10,000 owed to former city workers and the Internal Revenue Service.

It's a city that was built on noble concepts, but run on bad ideas and inexperience.

Yet this small city with big problems continues to muddle through - somehow surviving, but never thriving.

Progreso officially became a city in 1991, its future paved with hope for about 1,000 people who live there.

But the city was slapped back to reality by the fact that a city needs money to operate. It's something the city's founders apparently forgot.

Mayor Arturo Valdez was elected in January and has the job of trying to put Progreso back together again. He said former city officials failed to plan properly from the beginning.

Some of the problems the city has encountered in its brief history include the resignation of an alderman following a charge of holding money earmarked for drainage improvements, problems with sewage being improperly disposed of in residents' yards, the dismissal of the city's police department, the proposal of a \$150 jail and difficulty getting the six members of the Board of Alderman to meet.

But financial woes are at the heart of the city's problems. Progreso does not charge a property tax because former city officials thought the city could sur-

vive on sales taxes and franchise payments.

Ron Lane, a social science professor at the University of Texas at Brownsville, said taxes are the only way a government can stay in business.

"A government that has inadequate taxation will never work," Lane said. "However unpopular the idea of taxes is, they are needed for a government to function."

Lane also said poor planning and judgment might have caused the city's woes.

"It seems to me that the city leaders simply didn't look into what it takes to run a city," Lane said. "I believe that once city officials realized the city was in trouble, a plan of action should have been formulated."

But if taxes and poor planning caused the city's initial predicament, it was the city's short-lived, sporadic police department that perpetuated problems in the fragile municipality.

Valdez said the city originally budgeted \$7,000 for a police department - enough funds to support one full-time officer.

But when Valdez closed the department on Feb. 15, he said 11 part-time officers were parked on the payroll, yet the budget had remained the same. In effect, the department sucked the life out of the city, he said.

Valdez said former city officials had hoped revenue from traffic fines would have been enough to support the department.

"We had officers to pay and no money to pay them with," Valdez said. "There was just no way this town could support a police department and I could not jeopardize the whole city for one

department. I had to shut it down."

But Alderman Juan Serna disagrees with the mayor's decision to dissolve the police department. The department should not be blamed for the city's problems, he added.

"This city was in debt long before the police department was hired," Serna said. "It's not their presence that got us in this mess."

Serna blamed costly purchases made by city officials before he arrived, but could not specifically name any of the costly items nor would he specifically name anyone responsible.

Serna also said that a \$37,000 grant from the federal government was set aside to help pay for police. "This grant should give the city plenty of money to help it along. I just don't know why it has not been used," he said.

Valdez said the grant money can only be used for city improvements and not for paying employees, he said.

To add to its problems, the city became a mockery when aldermen approved a proposed jail.

Projected cost: \$150.

Valdez said the jail proposition

was proof of poor planning.

"There was no realistic assessment made on the jail," he said. "City officials thought you could simply put bars on a building and have a jail."

Liability and other costs were not examined, Valdez said. "It was simple inexperience and poor planning yet again."

But despite the drawbacks, Progreso plods on. Valdez believes that with community cooperation, the city can succeed by learning from its mistakes.

And it has plenty to learn from, said Valdez, who is realistic about the city's situation.

"I understand that things have to change before they can get better," he said.

Some improvements already are evident. Some roads have been paved and colonias conditions have been upgraded.

A plan is also in the works to build and maintain a public park. Even a fire department is on the drawing board.

But before anything can happen, the city has to pay back debts, Valdez said. After that, he plans to propose a property tax package that would fund a full-time police department and get the city back on its feet.



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## Agriculture

### The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

#### WHEAT - (BULL)

**OUTLOOK:** How high new crop wheat prices will ultimately go is dependent on the weather. It's my belief no one can accurately predict the weather more than a few days out.

One thing's for certain: Every day that goes by without drought relief for the Central Plains reduces this crop measurably. Plus, I've observed when in a drought pattern, the rain forecasts generally prove disappointing. With Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma producing a significant portion of the world's wheat supply, the situation will become critical soon.

We maintain our long held bullish bias, and look for new crop prices to eventually exceed \$5.

**STRATEGY:** Hedgers: Put options are a much better hedging tool in a bull market than futures, forward contracting, "hedge to arrives" and the like. Puts can assure you a floor price; however, they will not limit your upside potential.

Our program in 50 percent complete with prior purchases of July Chicago 420 and 430 puts for 19 cents. This locks in better than \$4 wheat at \$4.52 or less. Raise the risk point to lock in a break-even, for an objective above \$4.90.

**TRADERS:** We own July Chicago wheat at \$4.52 or less. Raise the risk point to lock in a break-even, for an objective above \$4.90.

#### CORN - (BULL)

**OUTLOOK:** I believe we've done a fair job of first discovering and then riding the bull wave in corn. After all, we've been bullish for about a year now.

The other part of my job as a

broker/trader/advisor is to help clients know when the bull is coming to an end. One tool which can help is W.D. Gann's *Zone Theory of Markets*. Gann was a legendary trader who made a fortune over 50 years ago. His theory says a market generally trades within a "normal zone." This period is generally characterized by quiet activity and prices fluctuating in quiet ranges. This is where the "smart money" - insiders and professionals, quietly accumulate (for a price rise) their positions.

When demand starts to outstrip supply, prices advance above the normal zone - but won't attract much attention. Gradually, there's greater activity with public interest increasing - but most people will decide to wait for a return to the normal zone to buy. It never comes.

As the market proceeds above the normal zone, the public gives up trying to buy lower and starts to buy at the market. The commodity starts to be featured in the mass media. The market advances for weeks with very few corrections.

This is where we are now. In this phase, the public will start to amass paper profits, but history has shown only 10 percent will ever cash in with good profits. We finally have a lot of company for our bullish position. We're not at the end yet, but maybe getting close.

What to look for near the end? The public starts to buy madly. Wild price projections are heard. There are wild fluctuations and high volume. When the end is near, the smart money (who bought in the normal zone) will be selling into the bullish news.

More about this next week.

**STRATEGY:** Hedgers: We still own paper corn [futures/options] as a replacement for cash sales made after harvest. We've used different strategies to regain over 50¢/bu. Currently, we own the May 360 calls. Hold.

**TRADERS:** Based on a previous recommendation we own July corn at an adjusted price of \$3.30 [this includes a 45 cent realized profit on our March position]. Raise the stop to \$3.66. Our ultimate upside objective remains above \$4.

#### CATTLE - (BULL)

**OUTLOOK:** The latest cattle on feed was downright bullish. Placements into feedlots were way down and marketings out of feedlots way up. As of this writing, the packers don't seem to care - they haven't raised their bids for live inventory yet, but I think they will.

Fairly soon, if our work is correct, the numbers should start falling. Demand's been good, and the seasonal tendency is for cattle prices to rally into April. The bull's in the box for now. It may only be a one month phenomena, but we've turned bullish!

**STRATEGY:** Hedgers: As we discussed last week, when the market trend is up, it makes more sense to buy put options for downside price protection than sell futures or forward contract. This looks like the preferred strategy now.

We own the April 65 and 66 puts purchased for less than \$2. Last week when the April traded above 6550, we extended protection via the purchase of June and August at the money put options as well.

**Cow/calf operators:** I continue to look for corn prices to rally and trade above \$4 per bushel. This could be devastating to feeder prices. Look to use puts and/or futures, whatever you're most comfortable with, for downside price protection for May through September.

**TRADERS:** We own the following spread: Long June/Short August at 20 points or less only. Risk 80 points from entry for a 200 point objective. This is a seasonally reliable trade with modest risk which works well in bull moves.

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## Study: Sludge, wastewater safe for food crops

WASHINGTON (AP) - Properly treated municipal wastewater and sludge can be used safely to irrigate and fertilize food crops, the National Research Council has concluded.

"Current technology to remove pollutants from wastewater, coupled with existing regulations and guidelines governing the use of reclaimed wastewater and sludge in crop production, are adequate to protect human health and the environment," said the council, an arm of the government-chartered National Academy of Sciences.

"The use of wastewater and sludge in the production of crops for human consumption presents a manageable risk," the council said. The study found no reported outbreaks of infectious disease associated with use of the reclaimed wastes on food crops.

Wastewater is often used to irrigate public landscapes, for air conditioning, industrial processing and construction. And farmers in the Midwest have long used treated sludge, mostly to fertilize hay, corn and other feed grains.

The council said broader use of wastes for irrigation and fertilization is hampered by a lack of public confidence in government regula-

tion and concern about odor and effects on property values.

Too, the report said, "farmers and the food industry in particular have expressed concern that the chemical and pathogenic contaminants in sludge may affect the safety of food products and the sustainability of agricultural land, and may carry potential economic risks."

Don't look for sludge to replace other fertilizers. The council said that all the sludge produced by municipal sewage systems in this country would cover only 1.6 percent of the nation's 309 million acres of cropland. About one-quarter of those acres are used to grow food for humans, and only 2 percent of that land grows food meant to be eaten fresh.

## Altered plant genes curb pests' appetite

WASHINGTON (AP) - Tinkering with the genes of plants has produced a hormone that curbs the appetite of the voracious hornworm and other pests that prey on tomatoes, tobacco and peaches.

The Agricultural Research Service is seeking an industry partner for an effort to refine the technology so that it can become a useful tool for growers.

The key modified gene, developed by the agency, an arm of the Agriculture Department, has been patented as a biotechnology tactic.

When plants engineered with the gene are chewed by insects, the plants pump out large amounts of the hor-

none, cytokinin. "Overproducing the hormone - at levels up to 70 times normal - jump-starts the plant's own biochemical defenses," said Ann Smigocki, a molecular geneticist with the research service in Beltsville, Md.

"Leaves of tomato and tobacco plants that carry the modified gene serve as less-satisfying meals for tomato hornworms, green peach aphids and possibly other pests," she said. Hornworms that ate the tinkered plants were not killed but ate much less than normal.

The few aphids that survived were smaller and often failed to mature.

Smigocki is trying to purify

natural insect-killing compounds that the plants make as part of their response to cytokinin.

"Cytokinin influences hundreds of plant genes to coordinate the plant's complex tasks of making and storing food, maturing and fighting pests and diseases," she said. "Cytokinin's influence on fighting insects is normally too little, too late to guard against yield loss."

Smigocki said her engineered gene may simulate plants' natural defenses more closely than today's most common biotechnology approach. In that approach, a plant's introduced gene makes it manufacture caterpillar-killing proteins nearly all the time.

## Local ag briefs

Attebury Grain Inc., at Groom and Hoover have become dealers for Evergreen Mills Inc., according to an announcement by Bob Byrd, manager, and Tony Treadwell, assistant manager.

Attebury Grain, located at 101 Front Street in Groom, and at Farm Road 2391 in Hoover, can supply an Evergreen feed products customer's request.

In announcing the new dealerships, Byrd said, "Our customers requested Evergreen products and we have good response with Evergreen products. We are pleased to offer these products to our customers in Hoover, Groom and the surrounding areas."

Evergreen Mills Inc., with headquarters in Ada, Okla., and its affiliated feed companies, Blue Seal Inc. in the Northeast and Kent

Feeds Inc. in the Midwest, are recognized as developers of many revolutionary products, feeding concepts and programs that have improved the efficiency of independent livestock producers.

Private applicator training for pesticide users is to begin at 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 11, at the Gray County Annex.

Producers wishing to receive an applicator's license or upgrade from their current license may attend. An application license is required by producers to purchase restricted use pesticides for farm use.

Training will include laws, regulations, labeling and safety. Testing will be conducted by Martha Edwards, area supervisor with the Texas

Department of Agriculture. For more information, call Danny Nusser at 669-8033.

Carson and Gray County Extension Services are conducting a clinic for home gardeners and commercial vegetable producers at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14. The meeting will be held at the White Deer Community Center in White Deer.

Dr. Roland Roberts, Dr. Carl Patrick and Dr. Harold Kaufman will discuss the production of vegetables including selection, fertility, water use and timing, and harvest. They will cover insect control, disease prevention and control, and vegetable growing in general.

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# U.S. oil stockpiles lowest in 19 years, but no energy crisis seen looming

By SHERI PRASSO  
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A drop in domestic oil stockpiles to the lowest levels since the tumultuous 1970s doesn't mean there is a new oil crisis on the horizon. There is plenty of oil available around the world for refiners.

The reason for low inventories is not because the oil isn't available. It's because exceptionally

cold weather has drained supplies and some companies have decided to keep inventories low to cut expenses.

"They're trying to cut back on expenditures," said John Lichtblau, chairman of the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation in New York. "It's part of the downsizing" being undertaken by U.S. corporations in general.

The ease of buying oil from

various sources in world markets to replenish supplies makes the gas lines and rationing of 20 years ago "not even remotely possible," Lichtblau said.

Over the last year, there has been a new trend among refiners in the United States: operate on razor-thin levels of crude oil stocks because it costs less. Stockpiles are at their lowest since 1977.

Storage charges, insurance

costs and taxes all get saved when refiners cut back the inventories of crude they intend to refine. The money that would otherwise be tied up by buying crude oil stockpiles and the interest earned on it all can be put to other uses.

It is difficult to estimate how much is being saved in taxes and earned in interest, but nationwide stockpiles at the beginning of this month were 100 million barrels less than at the same time last year, said Edward Murphy, chief statistician at the American Petroleum Institute in Washington, D.C.

The cost of keeping that oil warehoused would have run at least 25 cents a barrel, or \$25 million, a month.

"A lot of costs have been driven out of the system," Murphy said. "Prices are lower than they otherwise would have been."

Still, unleaded gasoline prices have gone up nearly 2 cents from last week, to a \$1.15 national retail average, and up nearly 3 cents from last month, according

to the Computer Petroleum Corp. The industry miscalculated when estimating U.S. energy needs over the winter, and the demand — particularly for heating oil — was a factor in driving up prices.

"It's an understandable misjudgment," said Thomas Petrie, the chairman of Denver-based Petrie & Parkman oil and gas investment banking firm. "It (weather) is the hardest thing to call."

Twenty years ago, U.S. refiners had to have bigger stores of oil in order to hedge against changes in a market heavily reliant on the Middle East. But now there are many more sources of oil around the world, and a dry-up of one producer just means another will take up the slack, the analysts said.

"There seems to be ample supplies available," said an executive for a major U.S. refiner who did not want his company identified. The refiner confirmed that he had joined the industry-wide trend of reduced inventories and reaped substantial tax savings as a result.

"I do not know of any refiners who feel threatened that lower stockpiles will lead to reduced (refined product)," he said.

Another factor keeping stockpiles low is the likelihood that a limited amount of oil from Iraq will enter the market later this year in a reprieve from United Nations sanctions. That entry of 700,000 barrels a day into the market is expected to drive prices down \$3 a barrel.

Indeed, the futures market reflects the expectation, with crude oil for delivery at the end of the summer about \$2.50 a barrel lower than for the current April contract on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Oil companies prefer to sell off the oil they have at a higher price now and then replace it in the future at a lower price.

"Low stocks cause high prices, and high prices cause low stocks," Lichtblau said. "The fact that futures prices in the autumn months are so much lower is an indication that the present price is not expected to stay."

## DPS: More eligible to carry concealed guns

AUSTIN (AP) — More than 23,000 Texans now have permits to carry concealed handguns, the Texas Department of Public Safety announced Friday.

As of Monday, the department had issued 23,615 concealed handgun permits, the agency said in a new report.

Under the state's concealed carry law, information about permit holders is released by postal Zip Code only. Other information, including age, race and sex, is provided separately by the department.

No names or personal addresses of permit holders are released.

The new report shows that white men continue to lead the pack of Texans who can pack

concealed handguns. As of Monday, 19,313 white men had been issued permits.

Overall, whites have been issued 22,662 of the 23,615 permits. That group includes Hispanics, who are not counted as a separate group.

Blacks hold 438 permits, with black men carrying 397 of those.

Sherri Deatherage Green, a DPS spokeswoman, said the agency continues to handle a large number of permit applications. Under the law, applications must be acted upon within 90 days.

The early March figures more than doubled the number of permits issued as of Feb. 13, the last time the agency reported such

numbers. At that time, 10,043 permits had been issued.

For the first time, the DPS released information on rejected applications. As of Monday, only 16 people had been turned down for permits.

No reasons were made public for any of them.

Mike Cox, another DPS spokesman, said only permit applicants can release information from their application.

Of those rejected for permits, 13 were white men, one was a black man and two were listed as other. All 16 were male.

Women continue to lag far behind men, carrying 3,444 permits. Men carry 20,171 permits, or more than 85 percent of the total.

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**\*Dates\***

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**\*Schedule\***

**Friday**

5:30-7:00 p.m.

Registration

7:00-10:15 p.m.

"Commitment to God's Design"

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"Husband/Wife"

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