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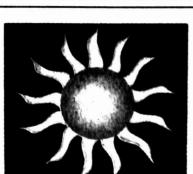
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No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the Lotto Texas game. The ticket would have been worth an estimated \$22 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 5, 21, 28, 36, 40, 43. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$28 million.

AMARILLO - Texans 60 years or older have the chance to become a representative to the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature and work with the Texas Legislature on senior issues which may become law. Candidates may file through March 31. TSHLs are elected to two-year terms and pay their own expenses. Elections will be May 26. For more information, to vote or to obtain forms for filing, contact the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle within Amarillo at (806) 372-3381.

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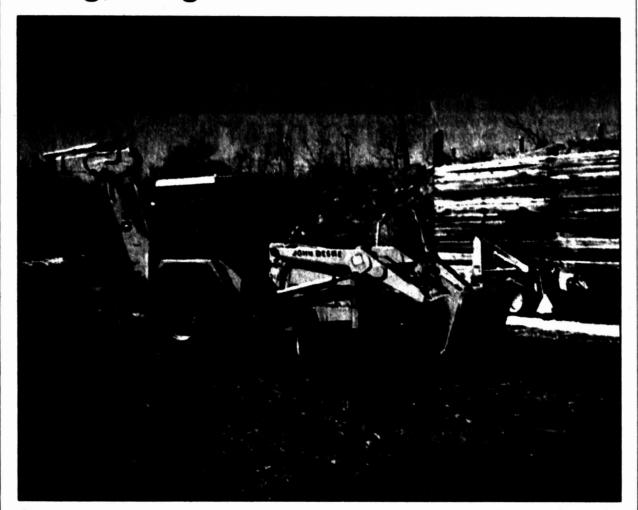
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Bang, bang



City crews were busy building a house for shooting today. Pampa police and city street employees were leveling ground around a foundation that has been poured for a "shoot house.' The roofless structure will provide a training facility for live fire tactical training for police officers. The thick-walled building is being built by city crews and police officers using recycled material in an effort to keep costs down. It is located next to the police department's firing range east of the city. Israel Ulloa with a tractor and front end loader and Dean Bliss in a smaller front loader were leveling and smoething the dirt around the foundation under the supervision of Terry Brown.

DOE orders investigation of Pantex safety records

AMARILLO (AP) — A team will examine safety Richardson in a statement Friday. "Lam committed documentation for Pantex weapons facilities as part of a three-month federal review at the facility which dismantles nuclear warheads near this

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said that the investigation at the plant will follow up on a 1996

report on Pantex safety management. "Protecting the safety and heath of workers, the public and the environment is an integral part of the Department of Energy's mission, including the responsibilities carried out by the National ter. Nuclear Security Administration,"

to continuing the department's emphasis on independent safety reviews while transitioning our nation's defense activities to a new organization."

A 12-person team from the department's Office of Environment, Safety and Health will conduct the review to determine it safety documentation is current and technically adequate. It is scheduled to

start March 27 A DOF deputy area manager told the Amarillo Globe-News the safety review was a routine mat-

(See PANTEX, Page 2)

Police release accident stats

The Pampa Police Department released the monthly accident report for February, 2000.

In February, six accidents resulted in injuries, with no fatalities. So far, Pampa is on par for injury-accidents. There were 6.2 injury-accidents per month in 1999 in Pampa. There were 74 accidents resulting in injuries in 1999.

In February, 21 accidents did not result in injuries. The number is up from 20 non-injury accidents in January. And it is also higher than the 1999 average of 15.7 non-injury accidents per month. There were 188 non-injury accidents in too closely.

Four of the six injury-accidents occurred on a Tuesday. The most common locations for injuryaccidents were 1000 W. 23rd, and 1300 N. Hobart. There were two injury-accidents at each location. Tuesday was also the busiest day for noninjury-accidents, with eight occurring on a

Four accidents involved parked cars.

Five citations were issued for failure to yield right of way, and five were issued for following

Future of area water supply meeting topic

The second of two water planning meetings will be in Pampa this

The Panhandle Water Planning Group will hold public meeting in Dumas Tuesday and Pampa Thursday, according to Roberts County Judge Vernon Cook, vice chairman of the group, C.E. Williams of White Deer is chairman.

Mandated by the Texas Legislature, Water Planning groups across the state are trying to determine the amount of water available in each region of Texas over the next 50 years, water needs of each region and how to match needs and availability.

The public meetings scheduled by the Panhandle Water Planning Group, which covers 21 counties, will deal with the description of the planning region and analysis of population and water demands in the region, available water supplies.

The meeting in Pampa will begin at 7 p.m., Thursday, at Pampa City Hall, 200 Foster.

The Dumas meeting will begin at 7 p.m., Tuesday, at the Dumas Meals on Wheels Room, 310 East First Street.

"These meetings are open to all interested parties," Cook said. "The Panhandle Water Planning Group welcomes and encourages participation from anyone interested in the future of the water resources of our region."

Pampa man faces charges in auto death

Managing Editor

A Pampa man remained in Gray County Jail this morning tollowing his arrest by Gray County deputies Saturday on a warrant for first-degree manslaughter charges in connection with a carwreck in Oklahoma on January 16.

Bryan Neal Hooks, 22, 704 E. Browning, who was driver of a 1995 Dodge Neon, was also charged with DUI, transporting an open container and failure to wear a seat belt which were related charges in the incident that killed Jay Brennan Collins, 24, Booker.

Collins was a passenger in the Hooks vehicle which, according to Oklahoma Highway Patrol reports, was traveling eastbound at a high rate of speed eight miles south of Bryan's Corner on Highway 83 at 3:45 a.m. on January 16.

(See AUTO DEATH, Page 2)

Incumbents only so far

Only the incumbents have Hall. indicated an interest to serve an additional term as the deadline to tile for office approaches for those seeking a position on the Pampa City Commission.

The terms of current Pampa City Commissioners Jeff Andrews and Faustina Curry are expiring. Both commission members have filed to seek reelection to the commission.

Deadline for filing to have a place on the May 6 ballot is at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Pampa City

Pampa Independent School Board members Sue Fatheree and Lee Porter have been the only candidates to file for that election. It will also be May 6.

If no other candidates file to seek places on the city and school governing boards, elections for the two entities will not be held as provided by law.

First day of early voting by personal appearance is April 19 while the last day is provided to be May 2.

A day at work on the Bush campaign

By J.B. HORTON For The News

(Pampa's J.B. Horton has an internship with the Bush For President Campaign and he writes an occasional column for The Pampa News)

Ring-o-ring, the alarm clock makes its presence known around 6:45 a.m. As I wake, my mind races with thoughts of the exciting day that awaits. My hand reaches with great force to press the snooze button for a few more moments of precious sleep. After repeating this process a few times, I roll out of bed and get ready for the day.

I leave San Marcos, where I have the good fortune of staying with a triend who has an extra-

bedroom, and enter 1-35 traffic on a 30 minute commute to Austin. Traffic is not overwhelming because my internship does not require my services until atter morning rush hour. Nevertheless, Austin traffic tends to generate an adventure in one way or another, almost like a roller coaster ride.

After I reach my driving destination, a tree parking lot south of Town Lake, I walk to the nearest trolley stop and wait for the next Dillo (Armadillo) tram which provides free service to commuters. The Dillo takes me into downtown Austin and drops me off at 301 S. Congress Avenue where I walk inside a 22story skyscraper, a structure not often seen in the panhandle. This building is home to the presiden-

tial campaign of Texas Gov. George W. Bush. It is located about eight blocks south of the Texas Capitol Building.

In this building, the second floor is completely occupied by the campaign, a campaign that is very complex and yet extremely organized. All 125 full-time employees call this building their national headquarters where they perform duties in one of the following sections of the campaign: Administration, Correspondence, Advance, Executive, Finance, Legal, Texas First Lady's Office, Policy, Political, Press, Scheduling, Strategy and Treasury. My duties on the campaign reside mainly special subsection of the Press

The e-campaign will send out anywhere between 10,000 and 500,000 e-mails a day to targeted states hosting primaries or special events relating to the campaign. We receive an average of 1,200 volunteers from the Web each day from all over the United States, over a million dollars total in donations though the georgewbush.com website, and thousands of e-mails from people requesting information or giving their opinions on issues. In this new age of technology, business is not the only segment of society being revolutionized; simultaneously, politics is being affected, too. To say the least, now is an exciting time to in the e-campaign division, a be involved with technology in politics.

Behind the scenes of the web

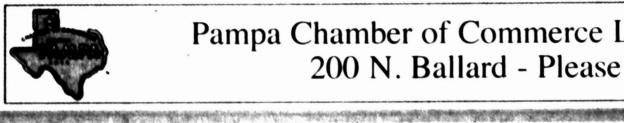
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page and the various mass emailings, four principle devo-(See CAMPAIGN, Page 2)



Pampa Chamber of Commerce Luncheon - March 21th, 2000 200 N. Ballard - Please RSVP at 669-3241

Services tomorrow

ARMSTRONG, Abigail McKenzie — 10 a.m., Schooler Funeral Home Brentwood Chapel, Amarillo.

BURRELL, Glenda Kay — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

ELLISON, Robert II — 2 p.m., Mount Zion Baptist Church, Mangum, Okla.

MOTLEY, Lula Mae — 2 p.m., Open Door Church of God in Christ, Pampa.

Obituaries

ABIGAIL McKENZIE ARMSTRONG

AMARILLO - Abigail McKenzie Armstrong, infant daughter of Shana and Thomas Armstrong Jr., of Amarillo, died Saturday, March 18, 2000. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Schooler Funeral Home Brentwood Chapel with Dr. Stan Coffey, of San Jacinto Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Kathy and Thomas Armstrong Sr., all of ers. Amarillo; her great-grandparents, Helena Powell, Connie and Roy Armstrong and Dean and Floyd Clark, all of Amarillo, Fern Hiltbrunner of Shamrock and Marlene and Howard Temple of Mesa, Ariz.; and her greatgreat-grandparents, Wilma and E.W. Johnson of

GLENDA KAY BURRELL

Glenda Kay Burrell, 42, died Friday, March 17, 2000. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the dren. Rev. Barry Loving, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery at Shamrock under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of

Ms. Burrell was born Oct. 10, 1957, at Borger She had been a Pampa resident for 38 years, moving from Borger. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1976 and belonged to First Christian Church,

Survivors include her parents, Bobby Burrell and Katherine Burrell, both of Pampa; a sister, Lisa Jones of Sunray; and a brother, Robby Burrell of Pampa.

THELMA JO CASKEY

Thelma Jo Caskey, 76, of Pampa, died Sunday, March 19, 2000, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Caskey was born March 19, 1924, at Chickasha, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1930, moving from Spearman, and graduat-Pampa after retiring from Santa Fe.

She belonged to Zion Lutheran Church and Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

Survivors include a son, Michael Dennis of

Dallas; and three grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to Zion Lutheran Church, 1200 Duncan, Pampa, TX

DAVID JOSEPH DARCE

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AUSTIN - David Joseph Darce, 46, son of Roland and Jo Darce of Pampa, died Saturday, March 18, 2000. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa

ROBERT ELLISON II

MANGUM, Okla. - Robert Ellison II, 86, died Friday, March 17, 2000, at Mangum City Hospital. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Mount Zion Baptist Church with the Rev. James Callins and the Rev. Sam Callins officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery under the direction of Greer Funeral Home of Mangum.

Mr. Ellison was born Aug. 29, 1913, at Dallas, to Robert and Melissia Coker Ellison. He married Vernita Ellison on Aug. 18, 1983, at Odessa. He had been a Mangum resident since 1989, moving from Shamrock. He was a custodian for El Paso Natural Gas and Bell Telephone and shined

shoes for over 50 years. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Bertha Jones; his parents; and a sister, Valerie

Jackson. Survivors include his wife, Vernita; six sons, Robert Ellison III and Harold Wayne Ellison, both of Pampa, Joe Eddie Ellison of Odessa, Paul Dean Ellison of Denver, Colo., Royce Ellison of Muskogee, Okla., and Artie Neal Ellison of Pacific Grove, Calif.; two daughters, Jewelene Wilson of Denver and Lillie Ruth Ellison of Dallas; 21 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchil-

MARY E. HATFIELD

Mary E. Hatfield, 95, of Pampa, died Sunday, March 19, 2000. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Hatfield was born Feb. 2, 1905, at Mill Creek, Okla. She married John Hatfield on Feb. 27, 1923; he died Aug. 7, 1960. She formerly lived at Lefors from 1928 until moving to Pampa in 1996. She belonged to First Baptist Church of

Survivors include two daughters, Colleen Dunn of Coahoma and Lena Cain of Borger; a sister, Iva Ables of Lubbock; seven grandchildren, Dennis Dunn and Terry Dunn, both of Pampa Independent School District and was Lefors, Sandra Tarbet of Angleton, Susan Lowder of Borger, Michael Dunn of Coahoma, Daryl Cain of Coppell and Jonetta Sweatt of Big Spring; and 11 great-grandchildren

JIM KING

Jim King, 85, of Pampa, died Saturday, March 18, 2000. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of

Mr. King was born April 3, 1914, at Paris, Texas, to James Arthur and Annie Evelyn Miller King. He had been a Pampa resident since 1928. He married Grace Hazelwood on April 26, 1936. He worked for Celanese Chemical Corporation, and two great-great-grandchildren. retiring in 1979 after 35 years of service.

He belonged to First Christian Church and Amateur Radio Operators.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Mandy Hutchins.

Survivors include his wife, Grace, of the home; a daughter, Carolyn Gerik, of the home; a son, Mike King of Pampa; a sister, Anita Calin of Middleburg, Va.; four grandchildren; five greatgrandchildren; and three great-great-grandchil-

WILLIE MAE 'BILL' MANRY

Willie Mae "Bill" Manry, 84, of Pampa, died Friday, March 17, 2000. Services will be at 4:30 p.m. today in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Powell, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Manry was born Sept. 6, 1915, at Mangum, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1933 moving from Mobeetie. She married Claude Earnest Manry in 1933 at Pampa; he died in 1971 She was a homemaker and belonged to Hobart Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by an infant daugh-Survivors include her parents; a brother, ter, Paula Mae Manry; three sons, Jerry Kirk Gregory Thomas Armstrong of Amarillo; her Manry, on Dec. 24, 1947, John Hardy Manry and grandparents, Twila and Boyce Hiltbrunner and Roy Don Manry, on Nov. 8, 1972; and three broth-

> Survivors include three daughters, Doris Johnson of Hobbs, N.M., Kay Hampton of Odessa and Mary Williams of Weatherford; four sons, Claud Manry of Stinnett, Jack Manry of Pecos, Earnest Manry of DeQueen, Ark., and Jim Manry of Norman, Okla.; a sister, Bessie Nadine George of Seminole; two brothers, Roy Melvin Norris of Deer Trail, Colo., and John Hardy Norris of Compton, Calif.; 23 grandchildren; 45 greatgrandchildren; and two great-great-grandchil-

> The family requests memorials be to Pampa Nursing Center, 1321 W. Kentucky, Pampa, TX 79065; or to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

JERRY T. MAYBERRY

BORGER - Jerry T. Mayberry, 65, died Wednesday, March 15, 2000. Services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Bunavista Baptist Church with the Rev. David Langen officiating. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. in Memorial Heights Cemetery at Lefors. Burial will be under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mr. Mayberry was born at Lefors. He married Zela Perdue in 1968 at Borger; she died in 1994. He had been a Borger resident since 1950 and was a heavy equipment operator out of International Union of Operating Engineers #419.

Survivors include two daughters, Lynn Smith of Hoistington, Kan., and Kelly Michelle Shelton of Grand Prairie; six sons, J.D. Mayberry, Haley Mayberry and Terral Mayberry, all of Borger, ed from Pampa High School in 1942. She was a Ricky D. Mayberry of Russell, Kan., Ronny telegrapher for Santa Fe Railroad in Mayberry of Natoma, Kan., and Jerry T. Mayberry Albuquerque, N.M., retiring in the late 1960s Jr. of Woodward, Okla.; a stepson, Elize Leon after over 20 years of service. She moved back to Beam of Sayre, Okla.; a sister, Roenna Gerrard of Stinnett; two brothers, Gerald Mayberry and John Mayberry, both of Stinnett; 18 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

MILAN PAUL MERTEL

 Milan Paul Mertel, 76, SHAMROCK Wednesday, March 15, 2000. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. James Sturgis officiating. Burial will be in Pakan Cemetery at Pakan under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Mertel was born at Pakan, near Shamrock, and has been a lifelong resident of the area. He was a farmer and a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Cyndy Needham of Pampa; two sisters, Anna Lesky of Colorado and Dorothy Pakan of Indiana; and two grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to Trinity Lutheran Church of Shamrock.

The body will be available for viewing from 10 a.m. today until 9 a.m. Monday at the funeral home in Shamrock.

LULA MAE MOTLEY

Lula Mae Motley, 74, of Pampa, died Saturday, March 18, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Open Door Church of God in Christ with the Rev. Hubert Kelly officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Motley was born Dec. 25, 1925, at Idabell, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1940, moving from Mangum, Okla. She graduated from Carver High School in 1942 and attended Langston University for two years. She married Samuel Motley on Sept. 8, 1946; he died Jan. 13, 1999.

In 1989, she retired as an insurance clerk from IRI International. She belonged to Open Door Church of God in Christ, serving as a missionary, Sunday school superintendent and director of Young People Willing Workers program.

Survivors include a daughter, Karen L. Andrews of Amarillo; a son, Edwin Earl Motley of Valley Mills; and a grandchild.

CLARENCE UPTON

Clarence Upton, 85, of Pampa, died Tuesday, March 7, 2000. Services were held March 10 in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Pastor Paul Nachtigall, of Highland Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Upton was born Sept. 15, 1914, at Hart, Okla. He worked at a grain elevator at Memphis, Texas, prior to moving to Pampa in 1947. He married Edna Cox in 1968 at Pampa. He was a custodian for employed with the U.S. Postal Service.

He moved to Moore, Okla., in 1992, to Pampa in 1994, to McLean in 1995 and back to Pampa in 1998. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II, and belonged to Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna. Survivors include four stepchildren, Frances Winters of Moore, Dutch Parks of Shattuck, Okla., George Parks of Canyon Country, Calif., and Sam Parks of Pauls Valley, Okla.; three sisters, Dorothy Searl, Drucilla Totty and Imogene Adams, all of Pampa; 13 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren;

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CAMPAIGN

tees, including myself, spend hours on end bringing updated news and information to the millions of recipients who have signed up on the campaign home page. My specific duties entail scripting the messages into two different computer languages, HTML and plain text, so that all computers can read the e-mail messages. This experience has given me great respect for computer programmers and the unbelievable creativeness already displayed on the World Wide Web.

As the day goes on in the campaign world, continuous news monitoring of all presidential candidates from the press office keeps the campaign personnel informed on current events. Two doors down from the e-campaign section is the "news room" where 15 television monitors cover all major news events. Often we hear cheers or boos from the news room depending on individual reactions of the news coverage. Regardless of the negative or positive reaction, the spontaneous atmosphere creates an interesting environment.

As 6 p.m. approaches, most of the daily volunteer information is finally downloaded from the main campaign website. It is then separated by state and

sent via e-mail to the appropriate state offices where these volunteers can be more readily mobilized. Volunteers are asked to participate on phone banks, deliver yard signs, help with state mailouts and a variety of other tasks. Volunteers serve on the front lines of most campaigns and are very important to the success of a candidate.

Along with volunteers, I have heard it said many times, "Communication is the key to success. Technology is an avenue for more efficient and effective communication. The e-campaign helps to unite the entire presidential organization, as do the volunteers, making the effort much more efficient.

Suddenly, 7 p.m. rolls around and 7:30 flies by, too. Finally, the day begins to come to an end or at least the day at the office. After a walk down Congress Avenue over the Congress Bridge crossing Town Lake, I find my car sitting alone in an empty parking lot. I enter post rush hour traffic for another 30 minute commute home. The political day is over and I return home after a 12-hour day.

Up, down, twisting along unexpected turns, a normal day on the campaign rushes by with excitement and chaos in a manner very similar, it seems, to a roller coaster. The ultimate question for the candidates is, Where will this ride stop?

God Bless.

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AUTO DEATH The incident occurred five miles inside

Oklahoma, according to Beaver County Sheriff Bill Cassingham.

As Hooks' Dodge Neon traveled east, the 22-year old driver ran off the roadway and crossed to the south ditch, rolling once, according to a OHP spokeswoman.

Collins was pinned in the wreckage one hour and 40 minutes, according to the reports, and was pronounced dead at the scene.

Hooks and a passenger in his vehicle, Pamela Hooks, 31, also of Pampa, were both transported to Ochiltree County Hospital in Perryton where they

were each treated for head and arm injuries before they were transported to an Amarillo hospital for additional treatment. Two additional passengers in the vehicle, John

Laton, 24, Elmwood, Öklahoma, and Angela Gatlan, 19, of Perryton, were both treated at the OGH medical facility and released. Gray County Sheriff Dan Copeland said his

department is working with Beaver County Sheriff's Department on extradition of Hooks.

Investigating the wreck was Trooper Robert Benedict of Turpin. He was assisted by Beaver County authorities, Texas Department of Public Safety and fire department personnel and emergency services technicians of Perryton.

Plant officials earlier this month acknowledged

a toxic industrial solvent called trichloroethylene,

or TCE, was found in the Ogallala Aquifer, an irri-

gation and drinking water supply for Amarillo.

According to DOE officials, the solvent used in

the plant was found at levels significantly greater

than federal drinking water standards during test-

ing in June. It was found again, at lower levels, in

nation until March 3. But the high June reading

was found at a test site a half-mile from a well

field that provides about a third of Amarillo's

The Pantex plant is part of the Energy

Department's complex of nuclear weapons facili-

ties. Its primary function is to dismantle nuclear

warheads and store plutonium "pits" from dis-

On the Net: For more on Pantex:

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PANTEX

'Periodically, they come in and evaluate us and see how we are doing," the manager, John Bernier,

Richardson said the 1996 report cited concerns about safety documentation by contractor Mason & Hanger Corp., the Colorado Springs, Colo.-based company which runs the plant.

Investigators also plan to evaluate methods the DOE and Pantex Mason & Hanger use to develop, review, approve and maintain safety documents. The team will report its findings to Richardson at the investigation's end.

The Energy Department said in a statement that the review was designed to "assess progress that has been made toward resolving previous concerns and highlight areas that may require further action.

The DOE currently is investigating whether Mason & Hanger properly reported on contamination of a nearby underground water source last

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests for the 72 hour period ending

arrested on warrants charging him with speeding and possession of drug paraphernalia.

probation violation. Gregory Keith Lang, 29, 508 Russell, was arrest-

Barney E. Sawyer, 43, Lefors, was arrested in connection with a burglary and assault. Weldon Tyrone Evans, 35, 846 S. Somerville, was

arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, not having a valid driver's license and not having liability insurance.

Larry Donnell Freeman, 45, 112 Albert, was arrested on a Lubbock County warrant charging him with burglary of a build-

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at 7 a.m. today. Saturday, March 18 Michael Craig Knutson, 41, 1012 Terry, was

Ricky Arguijo, 20, 1811 N. Hamilton, was arrested on a Gaines County warrant in connection with

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Weather focus

PAMPA - Mostly sunny and windy today with a high in the lower 70s and wout-southwest winds increasing to 20-30 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy and breezy with a 20 percent chance of rain and a low in the mid 40s. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy with 40 percent chance of thunder showers and a high in the low 60s. Yesterday's high was 64; the overnight low 40.

STATEWIDE — The start of spring was a mild, dry one for much of the state, with some

gusty. rainfall predicted by midweek. Skies were mostly clear to partly cloudy across North should continue for Tuesday

western and southern sections of the state.

Early-morning readings from upper 50s in the Rio Grande Valley.

37 degrees, 39 at Tyler and 51 at

Winter officially ended at 1:35 a.m. CST.

Winds were mostly southerly to southeasterly at 5 to 15 mph except for the western Panhandle, with westerly and southwesterly breezes, some

Sunny to partly cloudy skies

Texas, with high clouds over across the state, along with increasing winds during the morning hours.

In West and North Texas, the 30s in the north and west to showers and thunderstorms were expected to develop by Tuesday in advance of an Readings included Paris with upper-level low pressure system and cold front. Some storms could be severe, the weather service said.

Afternoon highs were expect-

ed in the 50s to 70s. By early Tuesday, more cloud cover was expected with temperatures overnight in the 30s to

Southerly winds should increase to 15 to 25 mph, the weather service said.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331. CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-3988. TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For more information, call Diane Wells at 669-1131 or 1-800-658-

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is extending clinic hours in Pampa. The clinic is now open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A. Special evening hours until 6 p.m. are available by appointment. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle. LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Lovett Memorial Library's Spring Story Hours will be at 10 a.m. every Tuesday from Jan. 11-May 16. The program, which includes crafts and stories, is open to all children 18 months to 5-years-old. Story hours are free and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

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Western Swing Music Society of the Southwest will host the second annual western swing festival from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. March 17 and 18 in the Henson Activity Center Ballroom on the West Texas A&M University campus. The festival is open to the public. Admission is \$10 for non-members and \$5 for members. For more information, call Odis James at (806) 622-3271 or Bobby Wynne at (806) 372-3612. TREPAC AUCTION

Pampa Board of Realtors will hold its Annual TREPAC Auction Tuesday, March 21 at Pampa Country Club. A social hour and silent auction, sponsored by Gray County Tile and Great Plains Tile, is slated from 6-7 p.m. followed by a Mexican Buffet for \$12.50 per person. The auctioneer will be Terry Conn. Proceeds will benefit Texas Association of REAL-TORS Political Action Committee. RSVP by March 17. For more information, call 669-2522.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB Republican Women's Club will hold its monthly luncheon from 11:45-1 p.m., March 22 at Furr's Cafeteria. Visitors are welcome.

SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES CLUB Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday,

March 23 at the Senior Citizens Center. PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. March 23 at

Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis, For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome. **PAS DANCE**

M.K. Brown Auditorium. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the dance will be from 8-11 p.m. Entertainment will be Indian Summer. Cost is \$5 per person. The event will be alcohol and smoke free. For more information,

TOP O' TEXAS QUEEN CLINIC

Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is sponsoring a "Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Queen Clinic" from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Saturday, March 25, at Pampa Community Building. Cost of the clinic is \$5 per person. This year's pageant will be discussed in detail and pageant clothes will be accepted for resale. For more information, call the rodeo office at 669-0434 or Sonja Daniel at 665-5501. HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold FreshStart, a free two-week smoking cessation support series sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, from 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 21-30. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235. WTAMU 'e CAMP'

West Texas A&M University's "e Camp" for youngsters will explore the radio, television and film industry. For more information, write, call or email the following: Dr. Leigh Browning, e Camp director, WTAMU Box 60747, Canyon, TX 79016-0207; (806) 651-2412; lbrowning@wtamu.edu. **BROWN BAG LECTURES**

Dr. Jerry Lane, Clarendon College-Pampa Center, will present a series of topics during the noon hour every Thursday through March 23. Topics include: Couple Communication, Feb. 24; Time Management, March 2; Dealing with Anger in the Family, March 9; and Expressing and Communicating Feelings and Emotions, March 23. The public is cordially invited to bring a lunch and attend one or more of the sessions.

FPC HANDGUN CLASS Frank Phillips College Office of Continuing Education and Hutchinson County Sheriff's Office will sponsor a concealed handgun class from 6-10 p.m. March 21-23 in the Classroom Learning Complex, Room CLC-4, FPC, Borger. The qualifying portion of the class will be from 8 a.m.-12 noon Saturday, March 25 at the gun range. For more information, call the Office of Continuing Education at (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 789.

MRS. TEXAS AMERICA Mrs. America Pageant officials are seeking representatives from the Pampa area to compete for the title of Mrs. Texas America 2000 to be held May 26-28 at the Sheraton Brookhollow Hotel in Houston. Contestants will compete in Evening Gown, Swimsuit and Personal Interview. Contestants range in age from 23 to 72 years. For more information, call (480) 563-4216 or visit www.mrstexasamerica.net. on the World Wide Web. SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAM

Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-

American Intercultural Student Exchange is a non-profit educational Pampa Area Singles will hold a potluck dinner and dance March 25 at foundation seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange

Travis Elementary honor roll

recently announced its fourth sixweeks honor roll for the 1999-00 school year.

FIRST GRADE A Honor Roll

Mandy Cross, Colby Cudney, Brandon Gannaway, Destiny Keown. Hilton, Chris Lucas, Jenna Munsell, Monica Parish, Ashtun Roberts, Garrett Sewell, Madilyn

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Visiting the library ...

Travis Elementary School Gibson, Dakota Turlington, Dale Montgomery, Danielle Wall, Dillon Green, Emily Nicklas.

Kayla Hughes, Kylee Wyatt, Maleesa Martinez, Noah Cotton, Rhett Skinner, Taryn Eubank, Erica Blaine, Cody Cole, Haley Clark, Ciera Cook, Jordan Hukill, Kyle Kieth, Shanna

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AB Honor Roll Kalee McElreath, Jeffrey

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Dustin Neef.

AB Honor Roll

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ell Carter, limmy Craig Larri Golleher, K'Lyn Holmes, Ryne Malone, Jad McGuire, Rushing, Valerie Anguiano.

Jordan Bynum, Joseph Johnson, Kayla Mendoza, Morgan Reagan, Brody Russell, Andrew Roy, Meagan Crawford, Kristen Dunn, JaCee Villarreal.

AB Honor Roll

Krishna Henderson, Rachel Nunn, Megan Pettit, Stephanie Jasso, Conrad Munguia, Emily Woodruff, Joshua Humphrey, Shealyn McGahen, Ashley Owen, Jacob Davis, Tyler Dodson, Chelsea Cain, Kayla Kidd, Mason Stanfield.

> **FIFTH GRADE** A Honor Roll

Van Houten, Andrew Alexandra Long, Jake Russell, Meagan Patterson, Ryan Olson, Whitney Morris, Richard Leal, Adam Gonzales, Jacklyn Cargill, Meredith Couts, Ben Gibson, Bradley Johnson, Kristen Roye.

AB Honor Roll Logan Howard, Sara Swan, Kerri Carter, Coutney Meyer, Levi Cave, Tyler Hucks, Brittany Taylor, Tanner Ross, Brandon Crook, Andrea Burkhalter, Lauren Bowen, Shauna Friend, Ryan Goldsmith, Alicia Kirkwood, Brooke McGraw, Lisa Rodriguez, Jade Skinner, Carla Hefner.

students for the 2000-01 school year. The students, which come from 25 countries throughout the world, live with American families and attend local high schools during their 10 month exchange. Host families provide the students with a place to sleep, meals and a family atmosphere. For more information, call 1-800-SIBLING or visit AISE website,

MS SOCIETY

The Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a monthly program for people with MS every third Thursday of each month. Some of the topics covered include: "Moving Forward: A Program for People Newly Diagnosed with MS," "When MS Progresses," "Intimacy and MS," "Life after Diagnosis: A Wellness Approach" and much more. A transcript is provided at the site after each program. For more information, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or (806) 468-7500 or contact the National MS website at www.nmss.org and select **Educational Programs.**

TEXAS LS/AMPHIBIOUS ASSOCIATION

The Texas chapter of LST/Amphibious Association is seeking former amphibious shipmates for its next reunion, April 27-29 at the 11th Street Holiday Inn in Beaumont. For more information, contact R.H. Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, TX 75948.

COLGATÉ YOUTH SERVICE CONTEST

Local Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls Clubs, Girls Inc., Camp Fire and 4-H organizations are invited to enter their best community service projects in the 2000 "Colgate Youth for America" campaign. Cash grants of up to \$2,000 will be awarded to the most creative and best executed projects from local clubs and troops. Entry forms are available through regional offices of the national organizations or by sending a SASE to: Colgate Youth for America Campaign, P.O. Box 1058, FDR Station, New York, NY 10150-1058. Deadline for entry into this year's program is March 31. Forms are also available on-line at www.colgate.com.



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- male or female - should raise a hand in anger toward

the other. Since your wife

seems to have such poor control of her anger, it concerns me that your children are in her care. If incidents of female-to-

male violence are not being taken seriously, I'm stating for the record that police should have further training to help them to deal evenhandedly with

abuse by both sexes.
DEAR ABBY: Please advise your

telephone number of an emergency animal clinic before they need it.

Tonight my neighbor's dog was hit by a car. Valuable time was

saved because she had the tele-

phone number of an after-hours

emergency animal clinic pro-

grammed into her cell phone. Luckily, I also had a card for the clinic

with a map and directions on the

moments count. A moment of

preparation now could save a

precious life later.

the unexpected.

When an accident occurs,

DEAR A.J.: That's a terrific suggestion, and I'm pleased to pass it along to my pet-owning and animal-loving readers. Con-

sider it added insurance against

P.S. It's also a good idea, when traveling with your pet,

to take along its vaccination

an emergency, the vet will need them.

A.J. WARE, ATLANTA

aders to take the time to get the

Man in Abusive Relationship **Also Fights Others' Disbelief**

DEAR ABBY: Finally, someone was willing to point out that women can be as abusive as men. The letter I'm referring to came from "Worried Mother in Oregon." When I read the "15 Reasons to Leave Your Lover, Warning Signs of an Abusive Personality," I was disappointed, but not surprised. You have no idea how many men are in abusive relationships. People assume that women can never be as violent or controlling as men. It's even harder to believe if the man is much bigger than the woman.

Because of my ex-wife, I lost my dream job and several friends. This woman had kicked, punched, choked and scratched me. She had thrown things at me in the middle of the night. Possessions of mine were destroyed or tossed outside. I never wanted to fight with her. If there was a problem, I tried to communicate by talking things out. She preferred to hit or verbally assault

I tried to leave several times so I could cool down and the children wouldn't have to see any more violence. My wife would stop me by blocking the door or threatening to call the police. If one of us did call the police, I was always the one who had to leave.

Because I believe so strongly in family and having two parents in the house, I kept coming back. Things only got worse. I tried to convince my wife, whom I still cared about, to go to counseling with me. She refused, saying I was the one



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

who needed help.

Well, I got the help I needed —
my dignity and self-worth are returning and I'm finally out of the situation. However, the problem remains unsolved because she still wants to control what I do with my children and the time I have with them. Since I will not allow her to do this, she has become more desperate and volatile.

I pressed charges when she hit me while I was picking up the chil-dren. The police would not take her to jail; they just talked to her. This is the main reason why you do not hear much about men who are abused. If we hit a woman, we automatically get a ride to jail. Unless you have it on camera, with 20 witnesses and the judge present, a woman can do what she wants.

For men in abusive relationships, all I can say is, "Get out as fast as you can. It will take time to heal, but you'll be much better off."
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DEAR OTHER SIDE: No one







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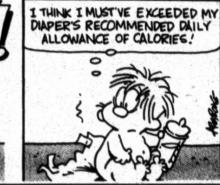




THAT'S THE LAST TIME I'M LETTING YOU'READ THE MAP BEETLE!

Marvin











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I THINK I'LL GO







Horoscope

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

* * * * * The unexpected occurs with a friend. You're unconventional and full of surprises, others present different points of view. Fortunately, you don't get stuck in thinking that things have to go a certain way Tonight. Allow another to make the call.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

* * * Dig into work, and flow with change and unpredictability. You accomplish a lot as long as you don't have a rigid game plan. Your ability to flex and move breeds success. Bosses are unpredictable, and you'll need to manage their energy. Tonight: Work late.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

* * * * An unexpected change promotes creativity and allows you to use your imagination Tap into your resources, knowing full well what you want from an important relationship. A surprise encounter can develop into a lot more. Are you ready? Tonight: Add more fun to your life.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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* * * An associate makes you laugh and adds to the levity of different situations. Dig into work; discuss the implications of a long-term project. Work with others. Consider a home office or anoth-

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er type of investment. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

* * * * Allow greater flexibility into your life. You'll be a lot happier, and communication will flourish. Working with others becomes a snap. Another might sometimes irritate you with his temperament. Choose to enjoy his unpredictable behavior instead! Tonight: Out and about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

* * Get feedback from others. Financial matters flourish. Stay ahead of changes. Be willing to learn and let go of what hasn't worked, especially in your professional life. Examine your financial long-term goals and those within a partnership. Tonight: Treat yourself well. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** * You are a force that is difficult to stop. You know what you want and will be most ingenious in making it happen. You intrigue a new friend or a special loved one. Do not minimize the importance of a partnership. Honor an established tie. Tonight: Be spontaneous. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

* * You could be rattled by a boss or parent. Think about the different points of view that are being presented. Yours might not be the only valid one. Question whether there is a right and wrong, or if present issues revolve around individual differences. Tonight: Get a good night's

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Aim for what you want, Friends play a significant role in present decisions. Tonight: Where the gang is. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

* * All eyes turn to you. Make solid decisions, knowing what you want. Let your sense of humor come into play. Your luck with money is akin to a roller coaster ride right now. Take responsibility. Make decisions for the long run.

Tonight: Make a must appearance. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

* * * * You work better with others when you detach and take an overview. Many attempt to get your attention, but you have your own unique filtering system. Make calls; reach out for those at a distance. Learning doesn't have to be through formal education. Seek information. Tonight: Where the music is. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

* * * * Your instincts could take you in new direction. Visualize what you want. Think through a question carefully. Your sense of what is appropriate plays into an important partnership decision. Schedule a lunch meeting. Tonight: Take a hard look at taxes and financial well-

BORN TODAY

Actor Matthew Broderick (1962), actor Timothy Dalton (1946), actor Gary Oldman (1958)

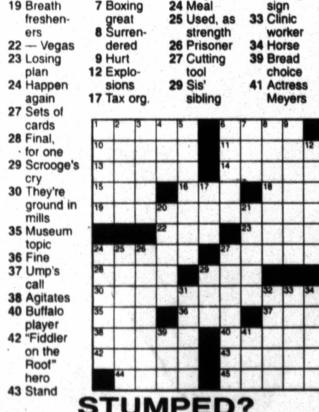
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The Family Circus



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And this last one sure weighs a lot. Daddy said it's the POUND key."

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PHOENIX (AP) - Forget what you hear about those emotionless Swedes. There were plenty of tears when Charlotta Sorenstam won her first LPGA tournament at the Standard Register Ping.

And she did it Sunday by beating arguably the two best golfers in the world - her sister Annika and Karrie Webb.

"She was solid as a rock," Webb said. "I just hope she takes it easy on herself now. She knows she can do it.

Webb's bid to become the first in 22 years to win four consecutive LPGA tournaments died in a sand trap on the 16th hole. Before her loss, she had won all four tournaments she entered this year - three LPGA events and the non-tour Ladies Australian

Charlotta Sorenstam, at 26 three years younger than her more famous sister, pulled way from a tie after 15 holes to defeat Webb by two strokes. Charlotta wrapped it up with a 15-foot birdie putt

on the 18th. "I wanted to do it in style,"

she said with a smile. Then Charlotta burst into tears, first hugging her father Tom, then Annika, who also brushed away a tear as she walked off the green. There were hugs from Charlotta's husband and from her inlaws.

The hug from mother will have to wait. She is to arrive from Sweden later this week.

"She played awesome," Annika said, still crying. "I'm so proud of her. She's always been in my shadow, and now she broke through.

Charlotta, who lives in nearby Scottsdale, shot a 4under-par 68 in the final round for a 72-hole total of 12-under 276 on the sunbaked course at The Legacy Golf Resort.

Webb was 2-under 70 on Sunday to finish at 10-underpar 278. Annika Sorenstam, who started the day tied for the lead with her sister and Webb, was a distant third at 7-under 281 after a finalround 73.

Webb needed to win two more in a row to tie the record of five straight set by Nancy Lopez in 1978.

"I'm disappointed a little bit about that, especially for the LPGA," Webb said, "but I'm not going to have near as much attention next week, so I might be able to concentrate a little more.

Charlotta, known by her family as "Lotta," said that while the victory is wonderful, she knows her sister will always be the more famous of the two.

"I've never felt I've been in her shadow, but I guess I've been and I'm always going to be," she said. "No matter how many tournaments I win, I'm always going to be her sister. There's no way

around that. I don't mind." In a way, Charlotta was sorry to see Webb's streak end, because if it kept going, it would bring Tiger Woodslike attention to the women's tour.

Wide-open NCAA tourney hits second week

By JOHN NICHOLSON **AP Sports Writer**

Mike Montgomery's blank look said it all.

"It's numbing to think the sea-son is over," the Stanford coach said after the top-seeded Cardinal failed to reach the second week of the loss of Kenyon Martin, and the wide-open NCAA tourna-

A day after Wisconsin stunned top-seeded Arizona and Gonzaga the West Regional, the Cardinal dropped out with a 60-53 loss to North Carolina in the South.

Cincinnati, Temple, Ohio State and defending champion Connecticut also lost Sunday, and Duke needed a late basket and steal from freshman Carlos Boozer be explained in words. to avoid yet another shocker against Kansas.

Stanford's loss left the tournament with as many No. 10 seeds -Gonzaga and Seton Hall - as No. and demeanor to this team," the 1s — Duke and Michigan State.

reach the round of 16 was 1981, when DePaul and Oregon State failed to survive.

Injuries played a big role in Sunday's games.

Cincinnati couldn't overcome Connecticut was lost with Khalid El-Amin slowed by an ankle

Martin, the All-American center who broke his leg in the upset second-seeded St. John's in Conference USA tournament, could only watch in despair as beat second-seeded Cincinnati 69-61 in the South. "It's hard when you can't help,

champion Martin said. "It is a helpless feeling. It's very tough in this room right now. It's something that can't With El-Amin hobbled.

> Tennessee beat Connecticut 65-51 in the South. "I know that I bring the energy star point guard said. "And with-

Since seeding started in 1979, the out me, we weren't able to go only other time two No. 1s didn't offensively like we are normally

> Seton Hall found a way to beat second-seeded Temple in the East after Shaheen Holloway, the hero of the Pirates' first-round victory over Oregon, injured his left ankle.

Ty Shine, Holloway's backup, hit the deciding 3-pointer with 18 seconds left in overtime as the Pirates beat the Owls 67-65. "I just tried to step up when I

saw him go down," said Shine, who had a career-high 26 points. "When I got into the game we were kind of down. I just wanted to provide a boost. Seton Hall will play Oklahoma

State on Friday in the regional semifinals in Syracuse, N.Y. Oklahoma State beat Pepperdine 75-67. In the other semifinal, Florida will play Duke, a 69-64 winner over Kansas. Florida beat Illinois 93-76.

will play Tennessee. Tulsa will face that wins," the 68-year-old coach for Kansas (24-10).

sixth-seeded Miami, which beat third-seeded Ohio State 75-62.

The West and Midwest semifinals are Thursday. In the West in Albuquerque, N.M., Wisconsin will meet LSU, and Gonzaga will play Purdue. In the Midwest in Auburn Hills, Mich., Michigan State will be matched against Syracuse, and Iowa State will face

At Buffalo, N.Y. Seton Hall 67, Temple 65, OT

Shine was 7-for-11 from 3-point range, and Seton Hall finished with 15 3-pointers in 30 attempts.

Rimas Kaukenas added 18 points for the Pirates (22-9). Mark Karcher led Temple (27-6) with

Temple coach John Chaney saw yet another season end without reaching his first Final Four.

"This team certainly had a lot more talent and a lot more depth In the South Regional in Austin, 'than any team I've had, but your 50th NCAA tournament victory. Texas, on Friday, North Carolina best team isn't always the team

Oklahoma St. 75, Pepperdine 67 Fredrik Jonzen scored 21 points as third-seeded Oklahoma State broke open a close game in

the second half. Joe Adkins added 18 points for the Cowboys (26-6). Brandon Armstrong led Pepperdine (25-9)

with 19 points. Pepperdine was 7-of-32 from 3point range, while Oklahoma State made half of its 14 attempts. At Winston-Salem, N.C.

Duke 69, Kansas 64 Shane Battier had 21 points, eight rebounds and a career-high eight blocked shots for Duke (29-4) in a rematch of the Blue Devils' victory in the 1991 championship

Boozer made the go-ahead follow shot with 53.5 seconds left and stole Nick Bradford's pass 29 seconds later to help seal coach Mike Krzyzewski's

Kirk Hinrich had 12 points

Willingham is the new manager of Bank of America BR team

PAMPA - Billy Willingham, another coach who grew up playing Optimist sports, takes over as manager of the Bank of America Team in the Babe Ruth Baseball League this season.

Willingham coached in the 11-12 league for two years before moving up to the Babe Ruth League.

"I can't wait to get started," he

Willingham has a son, 13-yearold Eric who will be playing Babe Ruth ball this year.

Willingham will be working with the 13-year-olds while will play other towns on weekends so that they can get additional play-

Baseball

ing time. He is the manager of J&M Machine, a member of the First Assembly of God Church and serves on the Cable Advisory Board for the City of Pampa. The Babe Ruth League is for

boys 13 to 15 years of age. Other leagues offered this year

include T-Ball, Beginners, 9-10 Cal Ripken, 11-12 Cal Ripken, and girls softball for ages 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, and 13-15.

Signups for all Optimist baseball and softball leagues will be held April 4-6 at Optimist Park.

under way later in April and scholarships will be available.

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) -Indians left-hander Mark Langston retired after 16 major league sea-

The four-time All-Star allowed four runs in the seventh inning of Cleveland's 10-0 loss to Kansas City Sunday. He allowed 12 runs in nine innings during six appearances this

Langston, a seven-time Gold Glover, finished with a 179-158 record and 3.97 ERA with Seattle, Montreal, California/Anaheim, The season is expected to get San Diego and Cleveland.

Timberwolves reach high mark Philadelphia. Iverson, who had which gave Toronto its 11th win

By The Associated Press

The Minnesota Timberwolves have never been this good before. Not that many people have noticed.

Billy Willingham is new Babe Ruth manager.

Rookie Wally Szczerbiak scored a career-high 27 points, and point guard Terrell Brandon had 28 points and 13 rebounds as the Wolves moved 13 games above .500 for the first time in the team's 11-year history

The Wolves (39-26) buried the games and six straight on the road, with a 41-12 third-quarter blitz in which they shot 76 percent and got 14 points from Brandon and 13 from Szczerbiak.

'We're still learning and we're young," Szczerbiak said. "We haven't played well at home, especially against teams under .500. If we can start taking care of those guys, we'll be much, much

Seven of Minnesota's nine home losses have been against sub-.500 opponents.

Because they are in the Western Conference, though, the Wolves often are ignored as by the Lakers, Trail Blazers, Jazz and defending champion Spurs get the headlines. That doesn't make them any less formidable, Bucks guard Ray Allen said.

"They have a great team, but they're overshadowed by the Western Conference," Allen said. The West is dominant. When they get going, look out. You can't stop them.

The Wolves stopped Allen, who is in a horrendous shooting slump. He finished with 10 points on 2-for-16 shooting and missed 29 of 36 shots in a pair of weekend losses.

"Right now, Ray Allen is searching," coach George Karl said. "He got off to another bad start. His confidence is a little low right now, and when you miss your first few shots it tends to snowball. We're in a little funk offensively as a team."

Sunday, Philadelphia 89, Orlando 85; the Los Angeles Lakers 92, New York 85; Phoenix 99, Golden State 82; Utah 92, New Jersey 88; Toronto 100, Houston 98; Detroit 101, Vancouver 99; and Dallas 89, Atlanta 85.

76ers 89, Magic 85

Allen Iverson had 18 points, a man and two-year all-district season-high 10 assists and a player for Canadian from career-high nine steals at

seven steals in a spirited first in 12 games. half, was gunning for his first Houston (24-42) broke a streak

career triple-double. Ron Mercer scored 26 points for Orlando.

Lakers 92, Knicks 85 Shaquille O'Neal scored 43 points to pass Iverson in the NBA scoring race, 29.02 per

game to 28.98. Scoring only six points on dunks, O'Neal displayed a variety of low-post moves as he had Bucks, who have lost 15 of 20 his second-highest point total of

O'Neal finished 18-for-31 from the field and 7-for-13 from the line with 10 rebounds. The Lakers won their their 21st in the last 22 games while also snapping host New York's four-game winning streak. **Jazz 92, Nets 88**

Karl Malone scored 24 of his 32 points in the second half, and Howard Eisley hit two crucial baskets in the final minute.

The victory was the 10th in the last 11 games for the Jazz, playing their fifth straight game on the road. The Utah victory snapped New Jersey's winning streak at four games and was just the fourth loss at home for the Nets in the last 23.

Stephon Marbury led the Nets with 23 points and 12 assists. Raptors 100, Rockets 98

Vince Carter's two-handed dunk with 1.6 seconds remaining handed visiting Houston its seventh straight loss.

Carter, who had 37 points, took Pistons 101, Grizzlies 99 an inbounds pass from Tracy

of 15 consecutive seasons without a losing record. Suns 99, Warriors 82

At Oakland, Jason Kidd had 15 points, 14 assists, nine rebounds and three steals in the Suns' 18th victory in 23 games. Kidd came within one rebound of his sixth triple-double of the season. He leads active players with 31

career triple-doubles. Clifford Robinson had 25 points, Rodney Rogers had 21 and Penny Hardaway had 16 for the Suns, who have won 15 of their last 17 games against the Warriors.

Larry Hughes had 25 points, nine rebounds and a career-high five steals for the Warriors, who have lost nine of 10. Jason Caffey added 20 points for Golden State.

vericks 89, Hawks 85 Michael Finley scored 20 of his 51 points in the first quarter, and Dallas held Atlanta scoreless

over the final 3:50. The Hawks, playing their first game since top scorer Isaiah Rider was placed on waivers, had gone more than 10 quarters without leading until Jason Terry hit a 3-pointer with 7:14 remaining for an 81-80 edge.

It was short-lived. Finley worked inside for a basket with 6:49 to go, putting the visiting Mavericks ahead to stay.

Atlanta has lost 11 of 13, including four in a row.

Grant Hill's 31 points and 23 McGrady with 11 seconds left. by Jerry Stackhouse helped He drove past Shandon Detroit end an 11-game road los-Anderson for the winning dunk, ing streak.

Canadian athlete is inducted into Texas High School Hall

WACO — Former Canadian State and in two professional football leagues, was inducted Saturday into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame.

The Texas High School Football Hall of Fame is part of the larger Texas Sports Hall of Fame located near Baylor University.

1943 to 1946.

Cross was a four-year letter-

The "Canadian Comet" running back Bill Cross, who went on to earn national later played for West Texas recognition at WT, averaging 9.51 yards per carry as a senior and helping the Buffaloes to a pair of Border Conference Championships.

Cross also played in the National Football League for the Chicago Cardinals, and he was one of the smallest players in league history at 5-6, 146 pounds. He also played for the Toronto Argonauts of Canadian Football

Pampa girls meet EP Parkland in area play

PAMPA — The Pampa Lady team this year. Harvesters go against El Paso Parkland at noon Tuesday in 11-6 regular-season record

the Class 4A soccer playoffs. Pampa was given a bye in the bi-district round of the playoffs.

Tuesday's area-round action will be a rematch of last year when Pampa shut out Parkland 2-0 to advance into the regional quarterfinals.

Danielle Martinez and Desiree Vigil scored for Pampa and goalie Samantha Ford was

outstanding in the nets.

The Lady Harvesters have an going into this year's playoffs and were 8-2 in the district standings.

Pampa goes into the playoffs with a young, but talented squad again this season.Only one senior returned to the starting lineup.

Down the stretch, the Lady Harvesters finished strong to win their last three matches.

Misty Northcutt scored five goals in the final two matches Ford allowed just one goal in All three returned to the last three outings.

Tyler wins JUCO championship

Guild scored 16 points and Johnnie Selvie had 24 points twin sister Nicole had five and assists and four steals as Tyler Southeastern (Texas) beat Southwestern Calhoun (Ala.) 84-70 Saturday Illinois 57-39 Saturday night to night in the championship win its first National Junior game of the National Junior College championship

SALINA, Kan. (AP) — Jessica HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP) -12 rebounds Iowa College tournament.



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Texas Tech women will meet Tulane in second-round action

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Tulane's Janell Burse and Grace Daley have Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp's attention as she prepares for the second round of the NCAA Mideast Tournament.

The No. 22 Green Wave beat Vermont 65-60 Saturday to advance to Monday night's game against the sixth-ranked Lady Raiders.

"I don't think there is any question that they want to have Daley be the center of everything and for Burse to have some good looks at the basket," Sharp said.

Throughout the season, Daley and Burse have been the team's leading scorers. Daley has scored 21.3 points per game and 30 on Saturday against Vermont. The team's center, the 6 foot, 5 inch Burse, has averaged 19.9 points per game, despite the seven points Vermont held her to in the tournament's first-round game.

"The key to our success has been Janell and Grace," Tulane coach Lisa Stockton said. "One thing that has been really key for Grace has been Janell."

Daley noted that the Green Wave (25-6) and Tech (26-4) both like to run. If Tulane can cut down on Tech's running game and Tulane's can flourish, "then we should come out on top," she said.

The Lady Raiders are just as confident they will be the ones to advance to the semifinals after an 83-54 victory

over Tennessee Tech in first-round play on Saturday.
"I think any time you come out and have a good game like we did last night, that helps you and hopefully you can carry it over and use it to your advantage," Tech guard Melinda Schmucker-Pharies said Sunday.

A good defense with the right amount of offense will be necessary to defeat Tulane, Sharp said.

"We'll see if we can't come up with an attack that is good for us," she said. "We have to take away their strengths, but we also can't give away our strengths in order to do that.

"Obviously, Grace Daley is one of the best guards in the nation and they have a nice supporting cast around her," Sharp said. "You're not going to steal the basketball from Grace. You are going to have to contain her."

And Burse isn't a player the Lady Raiders can overlook,

"I've seen enough film to know that she can do some damage in a hurry if you let her," Sharp said. "It could come down to which team stays out of foul trouble the longest. Burse has a little bit of a problem with that. It will be important for us to go and attack her there and see. Obviously, with her off the floor, it is a much different game

Burton wins 400 race

DARLINGTON, S.C. (AP) - Bill Davis didn't believe it, not even as he saw it unfold.

His cars don't win races. They take poles, break track records, even hold leads late in races. But win, no way. At least not until Ward Burton's dominating run at

Darlington Raceway to take the Mall.com 400 on Sunday. "We've been so close so many times, I purposely didn't get excited," Davis, Burton's car owner, remembered These races are so hard to win."

But no one was going to take this one from Davis and Burton, not even Ward's younger brother, Jeff, who took the checkered flag the three times Ward finished as high as second a year ago.

About the only thing Ward, who owns the track's qualifying record, had to do to keep the Burtons' Darlington win streak alive was stay out of trouble. "The car was so strong, it was a privilege to ride in it," said Ward, who gained his first Winston Cup victory since October 1995 at Rockingham.

He moved past Matt Kenseth 36 laps from the end. He finished 1.4 seconds in front of Dale Jarrett. Dale Earnhardt, a winner last week in Hampton, Ga., was third in a Chevrolet. Tony Stewart finished fourth, just ahead of Jeff Burton, who talked like a proud brother.

"When two members from the same family can win races in Winston Cup, that means an awful lot," Jeff said. "I just feel so good for Ward and those guys."

"It was almost hard not to get emotional when there were five, six laps to go," said Ward Burton, who won \$132,725. "I knew if we kept doing what we were doing, we would come through.

Jeff came to congratulate his older brother, and Ward got on the phone with his parents, who no longer have to tiptoe around Jeff's victories during family gatherings in

"I think everyone was relieved a little bit," Ward said. And while it meant a lot to outrun Jeff, "it was that we beat 40 other teams out there. We came out and beat Bobby Labonte and Dale Jarrett and Dale Earnhardt and Mark Martin," Ward said. "We beat those racers because we had a car that was better."

It was the first time a Pontiac won at Darlington since Joe Weatherly took the Rebel 300 in 1963, and only the third time in 94 races that the manufacturer can claim a Darlington victory.

Everything went right for Ward in this one. He moved to the front for the first time on lap 15, passing Jeff Gordon. He returned to the front three other times and gradually stretched out to a 2-second lead over Jarrett with 30 laps remaining.

The win ended a 132-race drought for Davis' team. Burton led 188 of the 293 laps and finished with an average speed of 128.076 mph. Burton became the fifth winner in five races this season.

Jarrett said Ward Burton had the best car most of the

"When the sun was out, we were just as good," said Jarrett, who started 17th. "But he was definitely

It looked like a group of nervous drivers early on worrying if rain would delay a third straight Darlington

Ken Schrader, Terry Labonte and Joe Nemechek tangled on the first lap and, after a five-lap caution, Kenny Irwin spun out and collected Jeremy Mayfield and Jerry Nadeau.

In all, 15 of the first 22 laps were slowed by caution.

Three-time series champion Gordon hoped that his pole run Friday would signal a return to the top. He finished eighth, his best result of the year, but stretched his winless streak to 10 races heading to Bristol, Tenn., for the Food City 500 next Sunday.

Earnhardt had his fourth top-10 finish in five races this season after generating a lot of excitement with last week's victory by 2 feet over Bobby Labonte. He said his performance should have come as no surprise to anyone. "I don't know where anybody said I was going," Earnhardt said. "We're just doing what we have to do."

The results left few to complain about the competition among manufacturers. There were five Fords, three Chevys and two Pontiacs - Ward Burton's and Stewart's — in the top 10.

Scoreboard

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Seton Hall 72, Oregon 71, OT Temple 73, Lafayette 47 Oklahoma State 86, Hofstra 66 Pepperdine 77, Indiana 57

At Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Co Winston-Salem, N.C. Illinois 68, Pennsylvania 58 Florida 69, Butler 68, OT Kansas 81, DePaul 77, OT

Oklahoma State 75, Pepperdine 67 Seton Hall 67, Temple 65, OT

Florida 93, Illinois 76 Duke 69, Kansas 64

At The Carrier Dome Syracuse, N.Y. Regional Semifinals Friday, March 24.
Seton Hall (22-9) vs. Oklahoma State (26-6) Duke (29-4) vs. Florida (26-7)

Semifinal winners SOUTH REGIONAL

First Round Friday, March 17 At Nashville Arena Cincinnati 64, North Carolina-Wilmington 47 Tulsa 89. UNLV 62

Ohio State 87, Appalachian State 61 Miami 75, Arkansas 71

Birmingham, Ala.
Tennessee 63, Louisiana-Lafayette 58
Connecticut 75, Utah State 67
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Tulsa 69, Cincinnati 61 Miami 75, Ohio State 62 At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Cente

ee 65, Connecticut 51 At Frank Erwin Center Austin, Texas Regional Semifinals Friday, March 24

Tulsa (31-4) vs. Miami (23-10) North Carolina (20-13) vs. Tennessee (26-6)

MIDWEST REGIONAL First Round Thursday, March 16 At Goodman Arena

Kentucky 85, St. Bonaventure 80, 2OT Syracuse 79, Samford 65 Michigan State 65, Valparaiso 38 Syracuso
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Utah 48, Saint Louis 45
At The Hubert H. Humphrey M
Minneapolis

Auburn 72, Creighton 69 lowa State 88, Central Connecticut State 78 Maryland 74, Iona 59

Second Round

Syracuse 52, Kentucky 50 Michigan State 73, Utah 61
At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome

lowa State 79, Auburn 60

At The Palace of Auburn Hills

Michigan State (28-7) vs. Syracuse (26-5) lowa State (31-4) vs. UCLA (21-11)

WEST REGIONAL First Round Thursday, March 16 At The Jon M. Huntsman C Salt Lake City

Texas 77, Indiana State 61 LSU 64, Southeast Missouri State 61 Arizona 71, Jackson State 47

Tucson, Ariz. Oklahoma 74, Winthrop 50 Purdue 62, Dayton 61 Gonzaga 77, Louisville 66

St. John's 61, Northern Arizona 56 Saturday, March 18 At The Jon M. Huntsman

Salt Lake City LSU 72, Texas 67

Wisconsin 66, Arizona 59 At McKale Center Tucson, Ariz. Purdue 66, Oklahoma 62 Gonzaga 82, St. John's 76

At The Pit

Wisconsin (20-13) vs. LSU (28-5) Gonzaga (26-8) vs. Purdue (23-9)

Semifinal winners

THE FINAL FOUR At The RCA Dome Saturday, April 1

lidwest champion vs. West champion East champion vs. South champion

Same times: 5:42 p.m. and 30 minutes after first game National Champions Monday, April 3 Semifinal winners, 9:18 p.m.

NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament

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EAST REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 17
At Maravich Assembly Center
Baton Rouge, La.
Stephen F. Austin 73, Xavier 72 Stephen F. Austin 73, Xavier 72 LSU 77, Liberty 54 At Harry A. Gampel Pavillon Storrs, Conn. Clemson 64, Drake 50 Connecticut 116, Hampton 45 Saturday, March 18 At Mackey Arena West Lafayette, Ind. Oklahoma 86, Brigham Young 81 Purdue 70, Dartmouth 66 At Cameron Indoor Stadium Durham, N.C. Western Kentucky 68, Marquette

Duke 71, Campbell 42

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it Lafayette, Ind. homa (24-7) vs. Purdue (23-7), 8:05 p.m. ameron Indoor Stadium m Kentucky (22-9) vs. Duke (27-5), 8:35 p.m.

At Richmond, Va. Regional Semifinals Saturday, March 25 Connecticut (32-1) vs. Oklahoma-Purdue winner LSU (24-6) vs. Western Kentucky-Duke winner

MIDEAST REGIONAL

At University Hell
Charlottesville, Va.
Boston College 93, Nebraska 76
Virginia 74, Pepperdine 62
At Joyce Center
South Bend, Ind.
George Washington 79, UCLA 72
Notre Dame 87, San Diego 61

Saturday, March 18 At United Spirit Arena Lubbock, Texas Tulane 65, Vermont 60 Texas Tech 83, Tennessee Tech 43, Tennessee Tech 43, Tennessee Tech 41 Thompson-Boling Arena Knoxville, Tenn.
Arizona 73, Kent 61

Tennessee 90, Furman Second Round Sunday, March 19 Charlottesville, Va. Virginia 74, Boston College 70

At Joyce Center
South Bend, Ind.
Notre Dame 95, George Washington 60
Monday, March 20
At United Spirit Arena
Lubbock, Texas Tulane (27-4) vs. Texas Tech (26-4), 9:05 p.m. At Thompson-Boling Arena Knoxville, Tenn. Arizona (27-6) vs. Tennessee (29-3), 9:07 p.m.

Anzona (27-6) vs. Tennessee (29-3), 9:07 p.m.
At Memphis, Tenn.
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 25
Virginia (25-8) vs. Arizona-Tennessee winner
Notre Dame (27-4) vs. Tulane-Texas Tech winner

MIDWEST REGIONAL First Round Friday, March 17 At Hilton Coliseur

Ames, Iowa Illinois 75, Utah 58 owa State 92, St. Francis 63 At Bryce Jordan Center
University Park, Pa.
Auburn 78, Southwest Missouri State 74
Penn State 83, Youngstown State 63
Saturday, March 18
At ODU Fieldhouse

Norfolk, Va. Southern Methodist 64, North Carolina State 63 Old Dominion 94, Wisconsin-Green Bay 85 At Thomas Assembly Center

Ruston, La. Louisiana Tech 95, Alcorn State 53 Vanderbilt 71, Kansas 69, 20T Second Round Sunday, March 19 At Hilton Coliseum

Ames, Iowa
Iowa State 79. Illinois 68 At Bryce Jordan Cente University Park, Pa.
Penn State 75, Auburn 69
Monday, March 20
At ODU Fieldhouse

SMU (22-8) vs. Old Dominion (28-4), 7:05 p.m. At Thomas Assembly Center

Ruston, La.
Louisiana Tech (29-2) vs. Vanderbilt (21-12), 9:37 p.m.
At Kansas City, Mo.
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 25 lowa St (27-5) vs. Penn St. (28-4) SMU-Old Dominion winner vs. Louisiana Tech-Vanderbilt winner

onday, March 27 Semifinal winners WEST REGIONAL

First Round Friday, March 17 At Louis Brown Athletic Center Piscataway, N.J. St. Joseph's 69, Texas 48 Rutgers 91, Holy Cross 70 At McArthur Court Eugene, Ore. Mississippi State 94, St. Peter's 60 Alabama-Birmingham 80, Oregon 79, OT Saturday, March 18 At Stegeman Coffseum Athens, Ga. Georgia 74, Montana 46 Stanford 81, Michigan 74 At Thunderdome Santa Barbara, Calif North Carolina 62, Maine 57 Rice 67, UC Santa Barbara 64 Piscataway, N.J. Rutgers 59, St. Joseph's 39 At MacArthur Court

Eugene, Ore. Alabama-Birmingham 78, Mississippi St. 72 Mondey, March 20 Georgia (30-3) vs. Stanford (21-8), 7:37 p.m. At Thunderdome Santa Barbara, Calif North Carolina (19-12) vs. Rice (22-9), 12:07 a.m. At Portland, Ore. Regional Semifinals

Seturday, March 25 Rutgers (24-7) vs. Alabarna-Birmingham (21-12) Georgia-Stanford winner vs. North Carolina-Rice

THE FINAL FOUR At First Union Cente Friday, March 31 Mideast champion vs. West champion East champion vs. Midwest champion Sunday, April 2 Semifinal winners

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Washington 101, Chicago 88
Indiana 113, Charlotte 99
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L.A. Lakers vs. Miami, 8 p.m. Orlando at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
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Boston at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
shington at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
New Jersey at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Miami at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Niam at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Deriver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Golden State at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Detroit at Seattle, 10:30 p.m.
Washington at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League BOSTON RED SOX—Optioned INF Dernell Stenson, INF David Eckstein and LHP Tim Young to Pawtucket of the International

League. CLEVELAND INDIANS—Announced the retirement of LHP Mark Langston. Released OF Ruben Sierra outright. Optioned OF Scott Morgan to Buffalo of the International League. Reassigned INF-OF Bill Selby and C Mandy Romero to their minor-league camp. MINNESOTA TWINS—Optioned RHP Jack Cressend, LHP Benj Sampson, 1B Doug Mientkiewicz and C Chad Moeller to Salt Lake of the Pacific Coast League. Reassigned 3B Brian Richardson to their minor-league camp.

minor-league camp.
NEW YORK YANKEES—Optioned RHP Jake Westbrook to NEW YORK YANKEES—Optioned RHP Jake Westbrook to Columbus of the International League.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Optioned RHP Chad Harville, RHP Ariel Prieto and LHP Leo Vasquez, INF Jose Ortiz and OF Mario Encarnacion to Sacramento of the Pacific Coast League. Reassigned LHP Tim Kubinski, LHP Rich Sauveur, LHP Barry Zito, C Javier Flores and OF Greg Martinez to their minor-league camp.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS—Optioned RHP John Riedling to Louisville of the International League. Reassigned C Guillermo Garcia and INF Chris Sexton to Louisville.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Reassigned RHP Wade Miller, C Scott

Sexton to Louisville.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Reassigned RHP Wade Miller, C Scott
Chapman and C Frank Charles to their minor-league camp.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Optioned RHP Jamie Arnold, C Angel
Pena and OF Kevin Gibbs to Albuquerque of the PCL. Reassigned
LHP Rick DeHart and OF Brent Cookson to their minor-league camp.
NEW YORK METS—Traded LHP Jesse Orosco to the St. Louis
Cardinals for INF-OF Joe McEwing. Optioned C Vance Wilson to
Norfolk of the International League. Assigned INF-OF Domingo Cedeno, OF Mike Kelly, OF Jason Tyner, INF-OF Ryan McGwire, INF David Lamb, INF-OF Mike Kincaid to their minor-league complex for reassignment.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Reassigned LHP Brian O'Connor to their

minor-league camp.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Activated G Lazaro Borrell from the injured list. Placed G Emanual Davis on the injured list.

HOCKEY National Hockey League

At A Glance
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Philadelphia 6, Boston 2 Washington 5, Tampa Bay 2 Dallas 5, San Jose 3 New Jersey 5, Florida 2 Anahelm 3, Detroit 1 Nashville 2, Los Angeles 1, OT Calgary 3, Edmonton 2 Pittsburgh 5, N.Y. Rangers 4

Belfour returns to the nets as Stars defeat Sharks 5-3

DALLAS (AP) - When the Dallas Stars' starters were announced, goalie Ed Belfour received a louder ovation than normal.

Belfour's been in the news lately, and the Reunion Arena sellout crowd gave Belfour a confidence boost Sunday. They know the Stars need Belfour at the top of his game if their team hopes to repeat as Stanley Cup champi-

In his first game at Reunion Arena since his season on Sunday. arrest on March 8, Belfour made 32 saves as the Stars beat the San Jose Sharks 5-3.

Belfour returned to the nets Saturday in Chicago after missing five games following his arrest for misdemeanor assault and resisting

on Saturday, then won his 29th game of the them down defensively this season.

"I felt a little uneasy yesterday, but today I felt better the longer the game went on," said Belfour. "My teammates and the fans have been 100 percent supportive. They've made me feel good to be back."

The Stars clinched a playoff spot on Sunday, He preserved a 2-2 tie with the Blackhawks scoring five times against a team that had held

Now field test of Branch Davidians is over, analysis begins

By SHERRI CHUNN **Associated Press Writer**

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KILLEEN, Texas (AP) - The weapons have been fired, the infrared video has been recorded - and now the painstaking task of reviewing the data

Federal officials and the Branch Davidians who are suing the government for wrongful death in the 1993 Waco siege are sifting through the results of an elaborate field test which may resolve whether federal agents fired at sect members during the stand-

Representatives of sect members were also to dis-

The nonpublic field test, ordered by the federal judge presiding over the Davidians' lawsuit, was designed to determine whether the Forward Looking Infrared camera is capable of detecting people, debris heated by exhaust from tanks, sunlight reflections and, of course, gunfire.

cuss preliminary findings today from Sunday's tanks rolling - the government had insisted that its ation. The government contends their deaths, high-stakes demonstration at a Texas military base.

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Infrared experts from both sides are comparing test footage with the FBI's 1993 tape to determine whether muzzle blasts fired during the test have similar thermal signatures.

The government presented its side early today in a repeatedly delayed news conference, contending that initial analysis of the evidence helps show FBI sharpshooters did not open fire on sect members.

"We have now completed a preliminary review of the materials that were provided to us today from the test at Fort Hood and while this was a preliminary examination - we will obviously be doing a much more detailed examination of the results but we are very pleased with the results we have seen so far," said U.S. Attorney Mike Bradford, one of the government's lead lawyers in ongoing Branch Davidian litigation.

Even before Sunday's choreographed simulation - complete with aircraft equipped with infrared lowers perished during the fire that consumed their their fire-retardant clothing and body armor was

forces fired no shots on the siege's final day. That's when the FBI launched a tear-gassing operation own hand. The plaintiffs argue government gunfire

designed to end the 51-day standoff.
"There are some particular matters that we think are important in confirming our position," said Bradford. "And we believe we will clearly demonstrate that through the comparison (of) these materials to the tapes" of the April 19, 1993 raid.

But Branch Davidian plaintiffs suing the government for wrongful death have insisted Sunday's field test will confirm their experts' analysis: that rapidfire bursts of light appearing on the FBI's 1993 aerial infrared surveillance footage represent gunfire from government positions into the Davidians' retreat.

The plaintiffs' lead counsel, Michael Caddell, was expected to release preliminary results from one of his FLIR experts during a news conference today in

Caddell had hoped to air portions of the test video. But U.S. District Judge Walter Smith barred release of the film, while permitting discussion of its contents. The judge, calling the video evidence, said the court's infrared expert will release its own analysis within 30 days.

Davidian leader David Koresh and some 80 folcameras, military personnel firing weapons and compound several hours into the tear-gassing oper- similar to that of the soil.

whether from fire or gunshot wounds, came by their cut off Davidians' only avenue of escape as the infer-

Bradford has acknowledged that infrared technology can detect gunfire — a statement Caddell has described as a stunning reversal of the government's earlier position.

Flashes — as well as people — were visible in all tapes reviewed Sunday, said Bradford.

'Of those items that we think are especially significant are the fact that the debris field in these tapes clearly reflects flashes," he said, adding that test footage would be reviewed in greater detail for several weeks. "It's clearly visible that there are flashes created over the debris field."

The critical issue, Bradford and other federal officials contend, is whether the cameras detect people on the ground. No people were visible on the 1993 infrared tape until after the fire erupted and FBI agents emerged from armored vehicles to search for survivors.

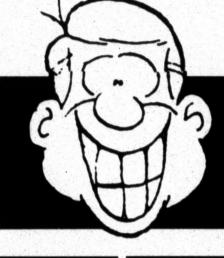
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Study questions whether estrogen prevents heart disease

By DANIEL Q. HANEY **AP Medical Editor**

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Challenging a medical doctrine that has stood for two decades, a study found no evidence that estrogen supplements protect older women from heart disease

The findings are likely to confuse doctors and patients alike about the already complicated decision of whether to take estrogen for many years after menopause. Estrogen has both benefits and risks, including an increased chance of breast can-

The latest research is the second major study in women with heart disease to question the doctrine that hormone replacement is a powerful way to ward off heart attacks, the leading killer of older

That belief has been a centerpiece of women's health care since the 1980s and has helped make the estrogen pill Premarin the most widely prescribed medicine in the United States.

Many doctors think estrogen helps the heart largely because it seems to improve cholesterol levels after women go through menopause. The pills lower total cholesterol and "bad" cholesterol, while raising "good" cholesterol. Doctors assume these changes translate into less heart disease, even though no experiments definitively prove this.

The first to put the idea to the test was the landmark Heart and Estrogen-progestin Replacement Study — HERS — finished two years ago. Its conclusion shocked doctors: Four years of treatment with combination estrogen and progestin pills failed to lower the risk of new heart attacks in women who already had heart disease.

While some physicians immediately stopped putting their elderly heart patients on long-term hormone replacement, many others have simply refused to believe the results.

The latest report backs up HERS' disturbing conclusion. It studied post-menopausal women with heart disease to see if hormone replacement slows the buildup of fatty deposits in their heart arteries, the major underlying cause of heart attacks. It, too, found no benefit from hormones.

"These results are indeed somewhat surprising in view of the large body of evidence indicating that estrogen does have a favorable effect on cholesterol and heart disease," said the study's director, Dr. David Herrington of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, N.C.

"We can't say for certain there is no benefit, but we can rule out a large effect," he said. Herrington presented the results in Anaheim at the annual scientific meeting of the American College of Cardiology.

The results are unlikely to settle the question.

Dr. Sidney Smith of the University of North Carolina, a spokesman for the American Heart Association, noted that neither HERS nor the latest study shows whether hormone replacement helps if begun early in menopause or before women develop heart disease.

The answer to those questions should come from the federally sponsored Women's Health Initiative. which is examining the effects of hormone replacement on more than 27,000 women ages 50 to 79. The first results are expected in about five years.

Weighing the risks and benefits of estrogen is already complex. Many women use it for a few years to relieve hot flashes and other ill effects of http://www.wfubmc.edu menopause. Others stay on the hormone for many years to improve cholesterol levels and to prevent http://www.acc.org

brittle bones and vaginal changes, even though the treatment can also increase the risk of breast cancer.

Now doctors are clearly confused and divided over what to expect from estrogen on the heart. However, many agree that even if the hormone proves to be good, its benefit is unlikely to be as large as that of statin drugs, which clearly lower cholesterol and save lives.

In Herrington's study, sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, 309 older women with heart disease were randomly assigned to Premarin, the estrogen-progestin combination Prempro or dummy pills. After four years, doctors measured their heart arteries and found no difference in the progression of their disease.

Dr. Marion Limacher of the University of Florida said that until recently, she routinely recommended estrogen supplements for older women with heart disease. Now she takes them off hormone replacement, largely as a result of HERS.

Nevertheless, she said, "some doctors discount HERS as flawed or not to be believed.'

However, Dr. Michael H. Davidson of the Chicago Center for Clinical Research said estrogen may still turn out to be good for many women's hearts. He presented evidence that estrogen plus a statin lower cholesterol more than does a statin

"We have several years to go before we know which women will benefit from hormone replacement therapy and which ones should avoid it," Davidson said.

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The supplements are marketed as treatments for osteoarthritis, the degenerative joint disease that afflicts about 21 million people nationwide. They are sold in health food stores and became popular after being recommended in a 1997 book, The Arthritis Cure."

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Dr. Timothy McAlindon, a Boston University rheumatologist and lead author of the has existed."

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CHICAGO (AP) - Two pop- ing" chondroitin and glu- publication bias," McAlindon ular nutritional supplements cosamine, "but I certainly don't said, referring to selective publi-McAlindon said.

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The authors evaluated six studies on glucosamine and nine on chondroitin published between 1966 and 1999. All involved patients with arthritis in the hip or knee.

Overall, the studies showed moderate to large benefits from the supplements. Chondroitin seemed to be the most effective.

But studies showing the biggest benefits were also the most flawed, McAlindon said.

Many failed to detail how the http://www.arthritis.org analysis, said his conclusions authors hid the identity of subare "a little more positive" than stances given to subjects — a the "profound skepticism which crucial element in placebo-controlled studies.

Most, if not all, of the studies were sponsored in some way by the supplements' makers.

While some of the most comconventional arthritis treatments - aspirin, acetaminophen and ibuprofen — can cause gastrointestinal bleeding tilage growth, though whether or liver damage, none of the they do in humans remains to studies showed significant side

The analysis is "an important contribution" because the authors deciphered hard-tointerpret studies and provide a useful assessment of the latest research, said Dr. John Klippel, medical director of the Arthritis Foundation.

The analysis was funded by the National Institutes of Health.

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"We also found evidence of

A recent study suggests that heart patients may sig-nificantly reduce their risk of a second heart attack if they get vaccinated against influenza. The finding is still considered preliminary and

heart attacks.

needs to be confirmed by further studies. Still, doctors say it raises the possibility of a powerful and underused way of keeping the heart healthy.

influenza shot may do more than represent a shot in

the arm to preventing the flu. It might also reduce

The study, directed by Dr. Morteza Naghavi of the University of Texas, supports the theory that a variety of infections can inflame the buildups that clog the arteries, making them more likely to break open and trigger heart attacks.

Naghavi based his study on 233 patients who were presented the results at a meeting of the American College of Cardiology.

At the same meeting, two other studies were released showing that heart attacks tend to be more severe during the cold months, and cardiac arrest is most common in the winter.

Naghavi's study compared people who suffered second heart attacks with those who did not. Those who had flu shots reduced their risk

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Getting an annual of new heart attacks by 67 percent.

If flu shots truly do protect heart patients, he said, "educating this population and physicians could help increase the rate of vaccination, which is still under 65 percent."

He cautioned, however, that studies like his cannot prove that flu shots are the reason for the reduction in new heart attacks. That would require following larger numbers of heart patients before they get sick to see if the shots affect their risk.

Many studies have shown that heart problems are most common during the cold months, when flu and colds are also circulating. Dr. Geoffrey Tofler of Royal North Shore Hospital in Sydney, Australia, said Naghavi's study suggests "there may be a way of reducing this increased risk by vaccination."

A report by Dr. Robert A. Kloner of Good Samaritan treated between October 1997 and March 1998. He Hospital in Los Angeles reviewed data from two large studies involving more than 1,200 patients to see if the severity of heart attacks varies from season to season.

His team looked at victims' blood levels of creatine kinase MB, an enzyme released by dying heart cells. The higher the level of this enzyme, the more severe

Kloner found that heart attacks average between 15 percent and 22 percent smaller in the summer, even in parts of the country where winters are mild.

Parents shouldn't ignore children who snore

as good of an idea about snoring in children as we do in adults," an enlarged soft palate and uvula, the lobe hanging from the back of the roof of the mouth. ate director of the Sleep Disorders Center at Baylor College of Medicine. "We do know, however, that it can run the range from being relatively minor to being a

symptom of sleep apnea."

Obstructive sleep apnea is a ities or developmental delay. It occurs when enlarged adenoid glands or tonsils block the upper airway passages during sleep, child from achieving a truly rest-making it difficult for the child to ful state.

however, is showing signs of sleep apnea. In adults, only 20 to 30 percent of those who snore suffer from the condition.

HOUSTON — For many children, snoring can be more than a noisy nuisance.

In general, snoring occurs when the floppy tissue in the airway relaxes and begins to vibrate.

In general, snoring occurs when the floppy tissue in the airway relaxes and begins to vibrate. "Unfortunately, we don't have Many times the noise is caused by

> "Anything that limits the size of the airway, such as breathing through the mouth, sedating medications or chronic inflammation of the nose can increase snor-

ing," Hirshkowitz said. He does warn, however, that serious, life-threatening condition even "simple" snoring carries that can trigger various abnormalcan beat down throat tissue, leading to infection. The multiple sleep disturbances can also keep a

"At school, these children will Not every child who snores, often wiggle around in their seats owever, is showing signs of or doodle, all very subtle signs of sleepiness," Hirshkowitz said. "They become wound up, are unable to control their fidgeting

child's ability to make the grade at school. Many also suffer from weight problems, morning headaches and frequent bed wet-

ting.
Although parents might try to tune out their child's earsplitting habit, Hirshkowitz recommends getting a professional evaluation as soon as possible. A check-up can help diagnose any serious conditions and pinpoint any potential sleep-related problems. "Many of the adults we treat for

sleep apnea have symptoms that can be traced back to childhood," Hirshkowitz said. "Sleep prob-lems can have a huge effect on schoolwork and parents should not wait until the ill effects surface in the classroom."

NIH: Cheaper blood pressure drug good as new competitor WASHINGTON (AP) — The likely to be hospitalized for con- zosin, sold as Hytrin, and pra-

government has halted part of the nation's largest blood pressure study because one of the tested drugs proved less effective than an old standby treatment, a diuretic.

The National Institutes of Health advised that Americans

In the study, patients who took an alpha blocker called doxazosin, sold under the brand name Cardura, were twice as

gestive heart failure as were zosin, sold as Minipress. patients given an older, cheaper diuretic called chlorthalidone, the NIH announced.

High blood pressure is a common cause of heart failure.

best choice for blood-pressure drug.

patients, said Dr. Jeffrey Cutler Of some 24 million Americans

The study did not address how well alpha blockers work when used together with other i hypertension drugs, the primary way Cardura is prescribed, The study results mean taking said Dr. Joseph Feczko of Pfizer an alpha blocker alone is not the Inc., which manufactures the

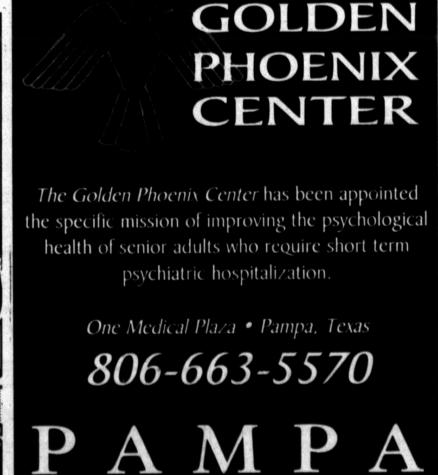
drug called an "alpha-adrenergic blocker" ask their physician of the NIH's National Heart, taking high blood pressure if they should switch medicines. Lung and Blood Institute. Although the study used alpha blocker, the NIH said. Cardura, the effect should be Some alpha blockers are also the same for all alpha blockers, used for other disorders, such Cutler said. Others include tera- as an enlarged prostate.



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