



# Obituaries

## Alma Lee Cumberledge, 86

LEFORS — Alma Lee Cumberledge, 86, of Lefors, died Friday, Oct. 22, 2004, at Amarillo.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in First Baptist Church of Lefors with Shaun Lynch, pastor of Temple Baptist Church of Hereford, officiating.

Burial will be in Memorial Heights Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Cumberledge was born Aug. 2, 1918, at Shelby, Miss., to Robert and Jessie Holley. A Lefors resident for the past 35 years, she



Cumberledge

worked for Cut Rate Grocery for 15 years and was the oldest living member of First Baptist Church.

She married Paul "Bud" Cumberledge on Jan. 1, 1939, at First Baptist Church of Lefors; he died June 6, 1997.

Mrs. Cumberledge was preceded in death by a grandson, Douglas Dane Reeves; and by a great-grandson, Jonathan Reeves.

Survivors include two daughters, Paula Jo Eubanks of Hereford and Karen Sue Reeves of Lefors; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, 315 E. 4th, Lefors, TX 79054.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whitley.com](http://www.carmichael-whitley.com).

## Services tomorrow

CUMBERLEDGE, Alma Lee — 10 a.m., First Baptist Church, Lefors.

# Emergency Services

## Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department on Saturday reported the following arrests, according to Gray County Sheriff's Office jail records.

### Friday, Oct. 22

Lucinda Tollison, 27, Skellytown, was arrested on a capias pro fine for public intoxication.

Reggie Williams, 34, 1040 Huff Rd., was arrested on capias pro fines for open container, for ran stop sign and for failure to maintain financial responsibility.

Kerrance R. Brown, 34, Amarillo, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and for assault causing bodily injury to a family member out of Potter County.

Steven Mark Kimbley, 31, Skellytown, was arrested for theft by check.

William Frank Groves, 48, Pampa, was arrested for driving while under the influence and for possession of marijuana.

Francisco S. Cruz, 27, 1035 E. Fisher, was arrested on capias pro fines for no seat belt and for failure to appear.

### Saturday, Oct. 23

Lacey Dawn Horton, 21, Borger, was arrested for possession of marijuana under 2 ounces, for speeding, for failure to appear and for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Crystal Tambunga, 21, 933 S. Faulkner, was arrested for possession of marijuana under 2 grams and for no valid driver's license.

Roger Michael Briley, 22, Memphis, was arrested for speeding, for failure to appear, for no driver's license and for no insurance.

Luis Ubaldo Baca, 18, 923 Rham, was arrested for criminal trespass.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice, was returned to Gray Co. on a bench warrant.

## Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

### Friday, Oct. 22

11:44 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a 2-vehicle accident at Highway 60 and Price Rd. No injuries were reported.

5:51 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to the 800 block of South Faulkner on a downed power line.

9:38 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to Fenton Motors, 123 N. Hobart, on a vehicle fire.

9:50 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to Meredith House, 812 W. 25th, on a false alarm. The call was canceled en route.

## Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office on Saturday reported the following arrests.

### Friday, Oct. 22

David Gene Tucker, 17, 1426 S. Barrett, was arrested for aggravated sexual assault/child.

Undral Dewayne Jernigan, 22, Fort Worth, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance over 1 gram and under 4 grams.

Monty Paul Givens, 50,

## Ambulance

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

### Friday, Oct. 22

2:41 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of Zimmers and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

7 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa High School football stadium on a medical standby.

## Beef

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precise methods for determining age.

"There's never been a need to identify animals 20 months or younger before ... We proposed a way to do it and we're going to be working together to verify that it does work," a second member of the U.S. delegation said on condition of anonymity.

He said Tokyo and Washington would hold future meetings.

Japan's Foreign Ministry declined comment.

But dental checks have rarely been used on animals so young, and the two sides have yet to agree on details, he said. Public broadcaster NHK said Japan has demanded more precise methods for determining age.

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For 26 years Eugene and Katie called Pampa "Home". During our time of need, the entire community expressed it's love for our family with an overwhelming display of love and support. We are eternally thankful. God Bless each one.

Katie Williams & Family

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### Drilling Intentions

**Intentions to Drill**  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA, S.W. Granite Wash) Pablo Energy, Inc., #4011 Campbell Ranch '11', 970' from North & 467' from East line, Sec. 11,1,I&GN, PD 12200'.

**Oil Well Completions**  
ROBERTS (COURSON RANCH Middle Morrow Range Production Co., #204 Courson Ranch, S. PA-5, Sec. 4,A,H&GN, spud 5-24-04, drlg. compl 6-3-04, tested 8-10-04, flowed 18 bbl. of — grav. oil + 3 bbls. water thru 20/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 10388, TD 9250', PBTD 9025' —

ROBERTS (COURSON RANCH Middle Morrow Range Production Co., #4150 Courson Ranch S. PA-2, Sec. 150,C,G&M, spud 5-10-04, drlg. compl 5-20-04, tested 7-27-04, pumped 10 bbl. of — grav. oil + 5 bbls. water, GOR 3000, TD 9250', PBTD 9178' —

**Gas Well Completions**  
GRAY (EAST PANHANDLER) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #303 Ashby, Sec. 3,30,H&GN, spud 7-17-04, drlg. compl 7-21-04, tested 9-15-04, potential 215 MCF, TD 2295' —

GRAY (EAST PANHANDLER) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #304 Ashby, Sec. 3,30,H&GN, spud 7-10-04, drlg. compl 7-14-04, tested 9-15-04, potential 171 MCF, TD 2380' —

GRAY (EAST PANHANDLER) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #304 Huggins, Sec. 4,30,H&GN, spud 6-25-04, drlg. compl 6-29-04, tested 9-15-04, potential 121 MCF, TD 2448' —

GRAY (EAST PANHANDLER) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #404 Huggins, Sec. 4,30,H&GN, spud 7-3-04, drlg. compl 7-7-04, tested 9-15-04, potential 372 MCF, TD 2428'

GRAY (EAST PANHANDLER) Gryu Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #10 Lewis, Sec. 64,E,D&P, spud 6-16-04, drlg. compl 6-21-04, tested 7-23-04, potential 194 MCF, TD 2710' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #6801 Grant Meek, Sec. 68,M-1,H&GN, spud 8-29-04, drlg. compl 7-14-04, tested 8-25-04, potential 4991 MCF, TD 11828', PBTD 11798' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #7 Fillingim-Teas '87', Sec. 88,M-1,H&GN, spud 7-8-04, drlg. compl 7-18-04, tested 8-25-04, potential 544 MCF, TD 11625', PBTD 11585' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #7 Fillingim-Teas '87', Sec. 87,M-1,H&GN, spud 7-28-04, drlg. compl 8-17-04, tested 9-27-04, potential 3823 MCF, TD 11800', PBTD 11765' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #11 Fillingim-Teas '87', Sec. 87,M-1,H&GN, spud 7-7-04, drlg. compl 7-23-04, tested 9-2-04, potential 43336 MCF, TD 11800', PBTD 11700' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #1212p Carr '12', Sec. 12,4,AB&M, spud 6-14-04, drlg. compl 6-28-04, tested 9-25-04, TD 11720', PBTD 11575' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4212P Teas '42', Sec. 42,M-1,H&GN, spud 6-25-04, drlg. compl 7-12-04, tested 9-25-04, TD 11835', PBTD 11758'

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #9 Hobart Ranch '67', Sec. 67,A-2,H&GN, spud 6-15-04, drlg. compl 7-5-04, tested 8-11-04, potential 2416 MCF, TD 12609', PBTD 12500' —

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #11 Hobart Ranch '20', Sec. 20,A-1,H&GN, spud 6-29-04, drlg. compl 7-22-04, tested 8-21-04, potential 4458 MCF, TD 13016', PBTD 12940' —

HEMPHILL (TEXFEL Douglas) Upland Resources, Inc., #1 Nancy, Sec. 23,42,H&TC, spud 9-10-03, drlg. compl 9-15-03, tested 7-6-04, TD 77850', PBTD 7150' —

WHEELER (WEST BRITT RANCH Granite Wash 'A') Questar E&P Co., #2028 Puryear, Sec. 28,A-3,H&GN, spud 6-19-04, drlg. compl 7-9-04, tested 8-23-04, potential 1660 MCF, TD 12435', PBTD 12320' —

### Civic Amarillo, Amarillo Opera joining together on summer youth program

AMARILLO — Civic Amarillo and Amarillo Opera recently negotiated a mutual working arrangement concerning the annual Civic Amarillo's Summer Youth Musical, an annual youth musical held each year in Amarillo during the summer, according to a press release from Amarillo Civic Center.

The association is structured so both groups, the release said, can share resources and further develop opportunities for the Panhandle youth. From the beginning, Civic Amarillo has worked with Amarillo College to present the annual musical and to provide scholarships to AC theater and music departments.

The most obvious result to date of the agreement is the addition of Linda Dee Hughes to the staff of Amarillo Opera as musical theatre program coordinator.

Hughes, recently retired director of Amarillo College's Theatre School for Children, has served as artistic director for the summer youth musical from its conception in the fall of 2002 and will continue the post next year. She established the theatre school at AC and oversaw it for 20 years.

Additional staff for the youth musical include Musical Director Dr. Steve Weber; Jim Elliot, tech/lighting director for Amarillo Opera; Mary Reynolds, production assistant/costumer; Mila Abbasova, accompanist; Lugene Cole, choreographer; and Kris Miller, producer with Civic Amarillo.

Auditions for this summer's Summer Youth Musical production of "Beauty and the Beast" are scheduled Feb. 3-8 in Amarillo. Required audition materials will be available at Amarillo Civic Center and Amarillo Opera Administrative offices beginning Nov. 1.

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### Young Conservatives plan campus event

CANYON — The Young Conservatives of Texas (YCT), a chartered student organization at West Texas A&M University, is pleased to announce plans for its third annual Veterans Day Memorial Service.

The service will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11 at Hill Chapel on the WTAMU campus.

"Considering the sacrifice and patriotism exhibited by veterans, we just want to let them know that we appreciate them," Summer Lyons, president of YCT-WTAMU, said.

State Sen. Kel Seliger and State Rep. John Smithee are scheduled as keynote speakers for the service. The event is open to the community as well as all students. Following the closing prayer, "Taps" will be played outside the chapel.

"Too often the impression people have of

young people is that they are uncaring or unappreciative," said Patrick Bond, executive director of YCT-WTAMU. "We want to erase that myth."

Lyons added, "Our message to veterans is loud and clear: we support you and everything that you do. Thank you for your service."

Young Conservatives of Texas is a non-partisan conservative youth organization. YCT has chapters at West Texas A&M University, University of Texas, Texas A&M University, Baylor University, Hardin-Simmons University, Southern Methodist University, University of North Texas, University of Texas-Dallas, Texas Tech University, Stephen F. Austin University and Tarrant County Community College.

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**Events for Pampa ISD for the week of October 24 - October 30**  
**All Campuses • Red Ribbon Week**  
**Austin Elementary**  
October 24 • 10:00 • 4th Grade Music Program  
**Wilson Elementary**  
October 26 • 9:30 - 2:00 • Fall Make & Take  
**Pampa Jr. High School**  
October 29 • Choir Pictures by Blunck's  
October 30 • Choir All Region Clinic/Concert  
**Pampa High School**  
October 24 • 7:00 • Road to College • For Juniors & Seniors & Parents • Library  
October 24 • 8:00 • Football Boosters • Valhalla  
October 30 • Choir Auditions • Canyon  
For the most up-to-date Pampa ISD information, Go to the school website at [www.pampaisd.net](http://www.pampaisd.net). From the parent information drop-down menu, click on the Pampa ISD Event Calendar.  
This PISD Events Calendar courtesy of the Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau Agents  
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# Viewpoints

## Pols love to mislead Americans at election time

Politicians have a field day misleading Americans who, as a result of having been dumbed down by our education system, can't think, reason or analyze. How many times have we heard the political lament "There are 43 million Americans without health insurance"? While that observation might very well be true, what are we to make of it? Does it mean that there are Americans dying on the streets for want of medical treatment? Were that the case, you can bet the rent money that the major TV networks would feature nightly stories of medically indigent Americans in various stages of pain, suffering and death.

I've seen no such stories.

So what does the absence of health insurance mean? Among the things that it might mean is that you don't receive medical treatment on the same terms as a person with health insurance. You might spend a day waiting for treatment at a clinic instead of having an appointment at a chosen time at a physician's office. It might also mean that you'll receive a smaller quantity and lower quality of medical care such as hospitalization in a ward instead of a private room, interns rather than specialists, and treatment at voluntary clinics and free hospitals such as Shriners.

Let's face it: People who can buy insurance get benefits that those who cannot

afford it don't. Those with lots of money get things that those with little money don't. Whether we like it or not, these are facts of life. By the way, a healthy young person might opt for self-insurance and not purchase health insurance because he believes that the money could be better spent elsewhere.

According to some of the electoral rhetoric, President Bush has been responsible for shipping the best American jobs overseas, thus turning us into a nation of hamburger flippers. But

according to a study by Bruce Bartlett, a senior fellow at the Dallas-based National Center for Policy Analysis, "How Outsourcing Creates Jobs for Americans," over the past 15 years, foreign corporations have moved jobs to the United States at a faster rate than jobs have left. "Jobs insured to the United States increased from 4.9 million in 1991 to 6.4 million in 2001," reports Bartlett. There's been an 82 percent increase in insured jobs compared to a 23 percent increase in outsourced jobs.

Moreover, because of the higher and increasing productivity of American workers, the jobs that move here pay more than the ones that leave. Insourced jobs pay roughly 16.5 percent more than the average domestic job, and one-third of them are in the manufacturing sector, says Bartlett. Americans who lose their jobs due to outsourcing might have to make painful adjustments. But should we listen to political proposals to ease their pain by erecting trade barriers that will make the nation as a whole worse off?

Speaking of jobs, let's look at the numbers. Our unemployment rate, which the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics put at 5.4 percent

in September, is one of the lowest in the world and in our history. France's unemployment rate is 9.4 percent, Germany's 9.9 percent and Italy's 8.6 percent. Our Canadian neighbor's is 6.6 percent. The only reason for today's hysteria over jobs is because it is an election year, and one of the ways politicians gain power is to create fear among the electorate. The next time you hear a politician whining about our "awful" job climate, ask him which European country we should look to for guidance in job creation. The fact of business is that our country is the world's leader not only in job creation but in terms of where the world wants to invest its money.

**Walter Williams**  
Columnist



## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Oct. 24, the 298th day of 2004. There are 68 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 24, 1952, Republican presidential candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower declared, "I shall go to Korea" as he promised to end the conflict. (He made the visit over a month later.)

On this date:

In 1537, Jane Seymour, the third wife of England's King Henry VIII, died 12 days after giving birth to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.

In 1861, the first transcontinental telegraph message was sent as Justice Stephen J. Field of California transmitted a telegram to President Lincoln.

In 1901, Anna Edson Taylor, a 43-year-old widow, became the first person to survive going over Niagara Falls in a barrel.

In 1931, the George Washington Bridge, connecting New York and New Jersey, opened to traffic.

In 1939, nylon stockings were sold publicly for the first time, in Wilmington, Del.

In 1940, the 40-hour work week went into effect under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

In 1945, the United Nations officially came into existence as its charter took effect.

In 1962, the U.S. blockade of Cuba during the missile crisis officially began under a proclamation signed by President Kennedy.

*'Religion without humanity is a poor human stuff.'*

— Sojourner Truth  
*American abolitionist (1797-1883)*

## Our readers write

### Birds disturb the peace

To the editor:  
We in the northeast section of Pampa are faced with a dilemma. We have an infestation of thousands of birds who are causing damage to our trees, to our homes, to our lawns and, in addition, they are disturbing the peace.

They are creating a health hazard by making our yards,

homes and streets public toilets with their waste material. I think that you will probably receive calls from several people who agree with me that the city should institute some semblance of an animal control over these birds.

Joe Cree  
Pampa



## Volunteer with a political campaign

This quadrennial triathlon we call our presidential election will soon be over. On one side there will be singing, dancing, hugging and great anticipation of the future. On the other, to use the biblical phrase, there will be weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth, not to mention gloom and bitterness.

The millions of dollars, the endless campaigning and the mind-numbing speeches and advertising will produce only one winner. All the sweat, cash, hopes and dreams of the losing side will produce nothing but memories and contacts. In American elections, there are no place and show tickets.

Years ago, a mercenary friend of mine, fresh from Angola's civil war, said

every male owes it to himself to spend two weeks in Rio de Janeiro. He was referring to the sexual delights available.

Well, I think every American owes it to himself or herself to get deeply and personally involved in at least one political campaign. I don't promise you any sexual delights (sometimes romances are born, or even marriages wrecked), but it will be an emotional experience you will always remember.

Working on a political campaign, from the inside, is like being a member of the cast of a play. There is the early read-through, the long

rehearsal, and it all culminates on one night in either victory or defeat. All those seemingly endless hours of hard work form a bond most people take with them after the votes are counted. The election-night emotions we see on television are quite real.

It needn't be a presidential campaign. Nearly all of the insiders in those campaigns are paid professionals, but local races for the legislature, the mayor's office, the county commission and certainly for the governor's office rely largely on volunteers. The mechanics are the same as a presidential race. The only difference is the

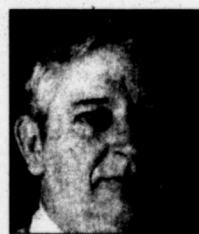
scale. There is, first of all, fundraising, organizing, position research, speeches to be written, schedules to be devised and maintained and advertising to be planned, produced and purchased. There is an enormous amount of work to be done, and every candidate needs a team of people to get it done. The fact that everything has to be done by a certain time adds to the excitement.

If you're a social person, if you like interacting with people, then politics is something you really should look into. You yourself might want to run for an office or serve in some party post, such as a committeeman or committeewoman.

Most Americans look at

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**Charley Reese**  
Columnist



## Senate bill closer to 9/11 panel's vision

Both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives have passed bills that partly implement the recommendations of the federal 9/11 commission. But the two measures differ considerably, with the Senate version coming closer to what the panel recommended to overhaul the nation's intelligence agencies.

The Senate version creates a new position of director of national intelligence and gives it considerable authority to coordinate the U.S. intelligence community.

The bill, however, does not give the new post full budgetary and personnel authority over Defense

Department intelligence agencies, as the 9/11 panel recommended. That is the chief flaw of the Senate measure, because without this additional power, a

director of national intelligence would have less ability to shift intelligence resources quickly as changing conditions warranted.

The House version does not go as far as the stronger Senate bill, and the House measure includes controversial provisions on law enforcement and immigra-

tion that the 9/11 commission did not include in its recommendations.

"The provisions, which would strengthen the government's surveillance and deportation powers, have been opposed by Democrats in Congress and civil liberties groups," The New York Times reported.

Former New Jersey Gov. Thomas Kean, the Republican chairman of the 9/11 commission, called on the congressional conference committee working to recon-

cile the two bills to take out these House additions.

"We're not for or against them, because we did not consider them," Kean said. "But if they are controversial, they can impede the progress of the bill. We'd like to see them moved to a separate piece of legislation."

Both Kean and the chairwoman of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, Republican U.S. Sen. Susan Collins of Maine, have called on President Bush to become personally involved in securing congressional passage of the Senate version.

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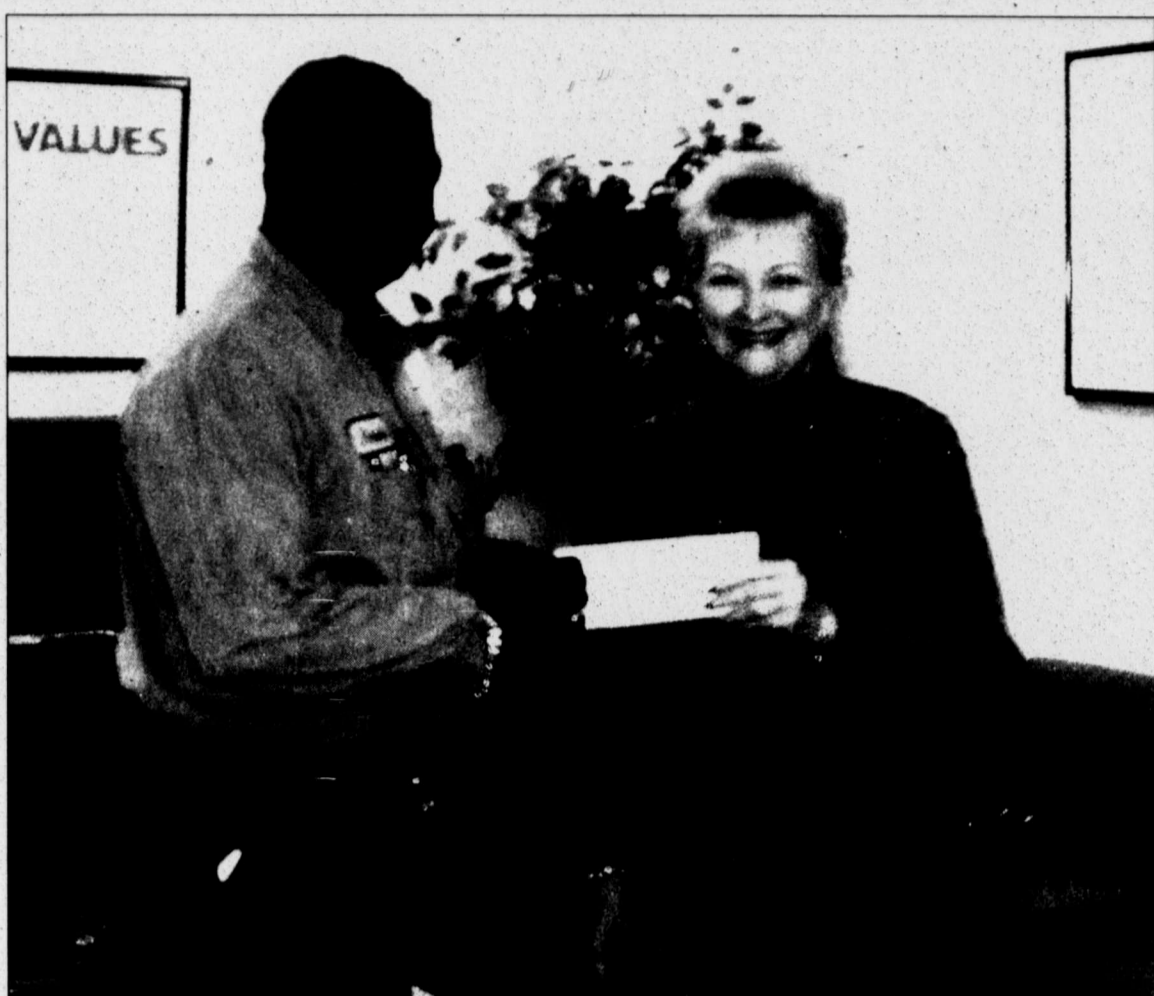
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## 'Community matters'

Porter Briggs, WPS Supervisor with Cabot Corporation, presents a \$2,000 donation to Katrina Bigham, executive director of the Pampa United Way. Briggs, a past president, has served on the United Way Board since 1992. He was one of the individuals awarded the Cabot Community Champion Award. Cabot made the donation in recognition of Briggs' volunteer service. Bigham he has exemplified this year's theme, "Community Matters." After the fifth check-in meeting Thursday, Campaign Chair Bob Marx reports that \$131,509.41 has been collected for the 2004 campaign, resulting in 42.15 percent of this year's goal.

## Pols

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politics from the outside. They watch the ads, maybe go to one event, then vote. The difference, though, between a campaign viewed from the outside and a campaign participated in is enormous. From the outside, politics can be dull. From the inside, it's really exciting and fun. And I speak from experience, having at one time been a paid professional in the campaign business and in state government.

Outsiders can easily become bored and cynical about democracy, but the

real miracle of our country is the fact that year after year, literally thousands of campaigns and elections are held for every conceivable public office across this country. I've seen people run for offices that not only didn't pay anything, but actually had no power to do anything.

And American after American has risen from obscurity to prominence by running for public office. The point to remember when you volunteer to work in a local campaign is that you might be helping to start the career of a future president, a future governor or a future U.S. senator. One man I first met when he was an assistant county prosecutor went on to become a state senator,

a governor, a U.S. ambassador and a presidential candidate. Another man who asked my advice when he first considered running for office (I was one of many he consulted) later led the fight to impeach Bill Clinton.

Sure, you'll find there's a dark side to politics, but you will also find honest men and women eager to do the right thing because it's the right thing to do. As an old Wall Street financier once said, "Don't sell America short." So cast your vote for president, take a holiday break, and when the next election cycle starts, find a candidate and volunteer. Politics might not beat Rio, but it's a whole lot safer.

## Bills

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"I would certainly urge the president to do everything in his power to get a final bill to his desk before the election," Kean told The Times.

"The Senate bill is obviously a good bill," Kean said. "The House bill has some good things in it, but it doesn't have a strong national intelligence director. We think the national intelligence director has got to have full budget and personnel authority to do the job. And that is much clearer in

the Senate bill than in the House bill."

"It would be very helpful for the president to be involved, even though I realize this is an extraordinarily busy period for him," Collins added.

Although he initially opposed congressional creation of the 9/11 commission, Bush has given its report and recommendations some support. But he has not yet invested much time or effort into pushing Congress to act.

In contrast, the Democratic presidential nominee, U.S. Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, has called on his colleagues in Congress to adopt the 9/11

panel's report as written and has made that a campaign issue.

With the presidential election now only two weeks away and with Bush trying to position himself as the stronger candidate on national defense and homeland security, he should see the political sense in lobbying Congress to pass the bill that more closely resembles the 9/11 commission's recommendations.

More than that, he should do so because it is right and because the cost of further delay in overhauling the nation's intelligence community could be very high, indeed.

## Votes

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"My goal for the last year has been to turn out large numbers of Republican voters in Collin County to offset as many counties around the nation as possible," said Neudorff, who's enlisted volunteers to knock on doors and call potential voters.

But Democrats — trying to mobilize voters in a county where no Democrat has run for sheriff or commissioner in 20 years — say they're working just as hard.

Their goal: to persuade Kerry supporters that their votes count, even in Republican-dominated Collin County.

"You hate your state being written off as not being a player," said Deborah Angell Smith, chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Collin County. "There are lots of us who think if we had more resources from the national campaign that Texas could be a battleground state."

That's debatable, particularly in Collin County, where political conversations inevitably turn to issues such as abortion, gay marriage, gun rights and capital punishment.

Folks here tend to like big churches, big shopping malls and big youth sports complexes. But they frown on big government.

"The perception has been that there aren't Democrats in Collin County," said Smith, who moved to the county six years ago from Corpus Christi. "That's one of the reasons we are working hard to get out yard signs and bumper stickers — to be visible."

Smith said she encourages activists to be "evangelical Democrats," and in some places that approach seems to be working.

On the leafy Pebble Beach Court cul-de-sac in Richardson, between Plano and Dallas, Kerry-Edwards signs actually outnumber Bush-Cheney signs 5-2.

For Tanja Sewell-Pattist, one of the neighbors with a Kerry-Edwards sign, that's progress in itself.

## House

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Tickets are \$5 per person. But it's all in fun and for a good cause. They use the funds raised to buy shoes for Christmas for needy children in Pampa.

"Last year we raised about \$2,000," said Craig Harkcom, who is co-chairing the event with Jim Sirmans. Both are firefighters with the Pampa Fire Department and members of the Pampa Firefighters Association, two organizations which are co-sponsoring the event.

Harkcom estimates that approximately 600 people went through the haunted house in 2003.

This year's "House of Fright" will feature five new special effects, said firefighter Jerry Tomaschik.

"We've made some additions to the maze, too, to make it a little more exciting," he added.

They'll also be showing

scary old movies for those waiting for their turn to go through the haunted house.

They don't want to give away all the new spookiness planned for this year.

"We could tell you, but we'd have to kill you," one firefighter offered with a sardonic smile.

Not only is this a joint

project of the Pampa Fire Department and Firefighters Association, but also includes the talents of the firefighters' families and friends and local correctional officers.

"We really have to thank the school district for letting us use this building," the firefighters added.

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## Bush's childhood home in Midland set to open next year

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — The small house on Ohio Avenue in this oil-rich region of West Texas once was home to two U.S. presidents — both named Bush.

And though it won't look like it's had an extreme makeover, about \$1.5 million went into restoring the childhood home of President George W. Bush, where he lived with his mother and father, the nation's 41st president.

When it opens early next year, the modest one-story, three-bedroom house will look as it did in the 1950s, from the furniture and carpeting "down to a transistor radio that the president might have listened to ball games on," said Bill Scott, president of the non-profit George W. Bush Childhood Home project.

The group wanted to "preserve the home as it was when the president was a young boy growing up here and where he learned the values that he talks about so often," Scott said.

First lady Laura Bush has said she and the president at first thought the idea of preserving the home was odd. But, after meeting someone with Save America's Treasures, a public-private partnership between the National Park Service and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the couple gained a larger perspective.

"I thought, 'well, maybe that's not so odd because, of course, this was the home of two U.S. presidents,'" said Laura Bush, who also grew up in this small city of about 96,000 residents but didn't meet her future husband until 1977.

In July, the Bush home was added to the National Register of Historic Places, which is overseen by the park service. Other presidents whose childhood homes are on the register include Bill Clinton, Gerald Ford, Abraham Lincoln, Ronald Reagan and George Washington.

Built in 1939, the tiny house had been enlarged with a couple of

additions by November 1951, when the Bushes moved to 1412 W. Ohio Avenue.

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— Laura Bush  
First Lady

President Bush, the oldest child of George H.W. Bush and his wife Barbara, was about 5 when his parents moved to the home, and Bush's little sister, Robin, was about 2. She died of leukemia about two years later.

After Jeb and Neil were born,

the Bushes decided they needed a bigger home for their growing family, so they moved to another Midland house before Marvin was born in 1956. The youngest Bush sibling, Dorothy, was born three years later after the family moved to Houston, where the elder Bush went to work for an offshore drilling company.

Restoration on the vacant home began in 2001 after organizers bought the home from a Dallas man who had rented the property for several years. Most of the money came from donors within the region, with a few contributions from charitable foundations in Texas, Scott said.

Dealey Herndon, president of Austin-based Herndon, Stauch & Associates, heads the restoration project. A well-known preservationist in the Southwest, Herndon helped guide the \$190 million restoration of the state Capitol, completed in 1995, and restoration of buildings now housing the Bob

Bullock Museum in Austin and the Women's Museum in Dallas.

Progress has been slowed by heavier than normal rainfall over the past several months, delaying work on the home's exterior. Windows, electrical wiring and the plumbing have been replaced. Asbestos, black mold and lead-based paint have been removed. The roof still needs replacing, and work crews still need to finish out interior walls and other details.

Organizers used family photos from the elder Bush's presidential library and museum at Texas A&M University to research the colors of the home's exterior and interior, as well as wall decorations and furniture. The group was able to match the paint, but the family's furniture is long gone, so organizers are looking for similar vintage pieces.

Jenna Welch, Laura Bush's mother, who is in her 80s and still lives in Midland, donated a 1955

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## Meals on Wheels delivering hot meals to elderly Pampans for 25-plus years

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Meals on Wheels has been feeding Pampa since its beginning in 1978, when meals were prepared at the Leisure Lodge Nursing Home, now known as Coronado Nursing Center. Helen Kastein, MOW "Angel Volunteer," has been delivering meals since the first meal was sent out. At the time, she was working from 10 p.m. until 7 a.m. for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and delivering meals, on a daily basis, with her three small children.

Today, she continues to drive, on a weekly basis. She has many interesting stories to tell of those to whom she delivered.

Mr. D. is MOW patron on Kastein's delivery route. Mr. D. is physically disabled, and his only means of mobility is either his wheelchair or his knees. He wears knee pads so that he can crawl to his destination. He seems to prefer this means of mobility over his wheelchair.

Helen said he is such an inspiration to her because he flashes her a bright smile on each visit and is always happy. He also sends cards and letters to those employed at MOW, telling how much he enjoys and appreciates the meals. He, like most of patrons, is confined to his home and some days the only outside contact he has is the MOW volunteer.

Kastein's first deliveries were to the south side of Pampa. One patron that stands out in her mind is Mrs. J. who was always so pleasant and wrote poems for her. Mrs. J. would walk to the old Clarendon College building where Meals on Wheels held their garage sale and buy clothes. She was taken off the program in 2001, when she was admitted to a nursing home, but MOW continues to hear from her through Kastein.

Meals on Wheels moved into its newly purchased building, located at 302 E. Foster, on the 11th of June.

"This has been an act of faith," says the MOW's director, Jeanne Autry, "because we are dependent on the support of the community to continue feeding those who are unable to prepare meals for themselves. Ours is not a money making operation and in fact, we receive very little from our patrons.



"Mr. D.," a current MOW recipient.



Longtime MOW volunteer Helen Kastein.

The cost to prepare a meal averages \$3.60 and the average we receive from our patrons is \$4.9. We serve approximately 115 meals per day and are grateful to the United Way for assisting us each year in our ministry of serving others."

## Scandal

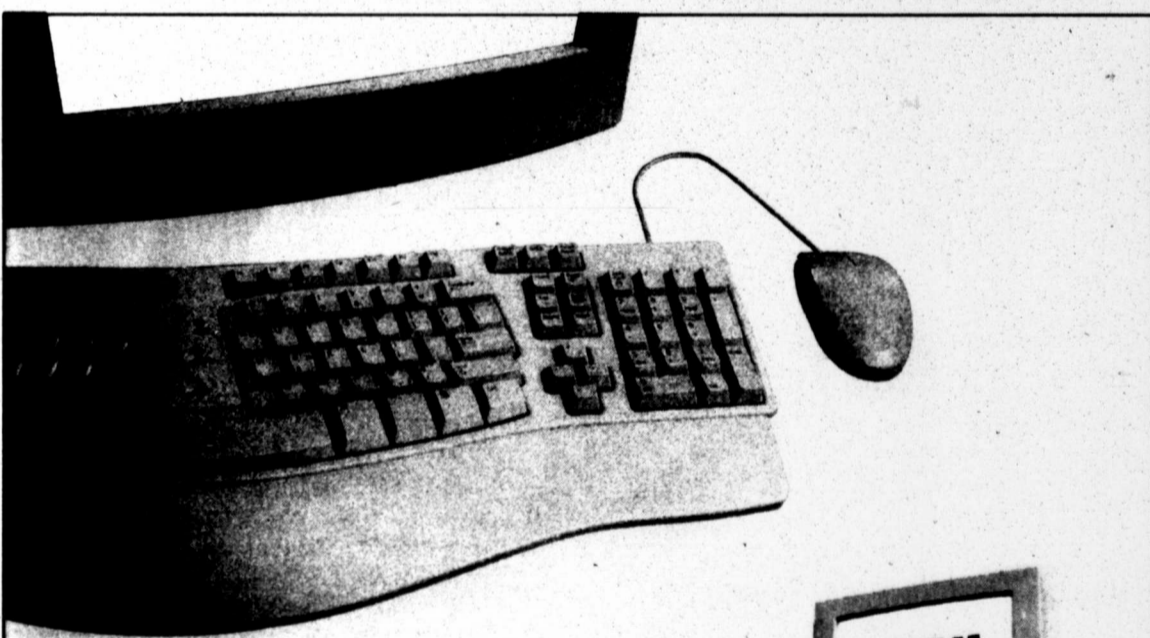
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"Prior to last year, March & McLennan had been viewed as one of the best managed companies in the insurance industry," said Matthew Roswell, an analyst

at the investment firm Legg Mason. "With the issues at Putnam over the last year, this reputation took a hit ... (the new) allegations, by being so company specific, raise additional concern regarding management."

It's not only investors weighing these issues. Its clients must, too. It turns out

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### Golden Trowel

Gordon L. Fore, far right, was presented the Golden Trowel Award by Dustin Larkin, far left, Worshipful Master of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. Standing between the two men is Virginia Fore. Mr. Fore is current secretary of the lodge.

## Bush

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General Electric refrigerator.

"What a great thing to have the first lady's refrigerator that she used as a child and from that era," Scott said.

The president and first lady didn't know one another while growing up, though they attended the same high school. They met in 1977 when mutual friends introduced them at a backyard barbecue. They were married later that year and lived in Midland, where their twin daughters were born, until 1988.

After the Bush home opens, the group will take their fund-raising campaign nationwide for the next step of the project — building a museum and a visitors and education center across the street from the home.

Two homes in the residential neighborhood were purchased by the group and the city has tentatively agreed to close a portion of the street adjacent to the three houses to accommodate traffic and parking.

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## Authors to visit museum

CANYON — Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will host an Autograph Party with children's authors Roxie Munro, Tim McKenzie and Joyce Gibson Roach. A news release from the museum said the book-signing and reception will get under way at 4:30 p.m. and last until 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the museum in Canyon.

Munro is the creator of 23 books for children, the news release said. She is the author/illustrator of the acclaimed Inside-Outside series on New York, Washington, D.C., London, Paris, Texas and American Libraries.

"The Inside-Outside Book of New York City" won the New York Times Best Illustrated Award. Recent books include "Mazescape," "Amazement Park," "Ranch," "Doors," "The Great Bridge-Building Contest" and "Gargoyles, Girders & Glass Houses: Magnificent Master Builders."

Munro studied at the University of Maryland, the University of Hawaii (bachelor of fine arts degree in painting), Ohio University (graduate school) and earned a Yaddo Fellowship in Painting.

After college, Ms. Munro lived in Washington, D.C., and worked as a television courtroom artist for CBS, the Associated Press, and the Washington Post. In 1980, she moved to New York City and began illustrating New Yorker covers and children's books.

Tim McKenzie plays bass for Blue Prairie, a Lubbock-based acoustic trio, and has opened for such artists as Asleep at the Wheel, Michael Martin Murphey and Jerry Jeff Walker.

McKenzie appeared on PBS children's television series "Imaginedland," which has aired in over 90 coun-

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# Medical

## Trying again to grow bypasses around clogged leg arteries

By LAURAN NEERGAARD  
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Peter Cummins lay still as doctors administered 20 injections into the 81-year-old's calves and thighs, hoping the genetic experiment will spur new blood vessels to grow around his clogged leg arteries.

The experiment at the National Institutes of Health marks a resurgence in attempts to get the body to grow its own bypasses, at first in the legs and, if that works, perhaps later in the heart.

It's called therapeutic angiogenesis, a field that flourished a few years ago when early attempts proved disappointing. Now, a few companies are trying unique new approaches.

They're in the first stages of human testing with no way yet to predict success. Specialists are intrigued, however, because the experiments are based on a much-needed better understanding of complex artery-controlling genes.

It's an evolution that Dr. Brian Annex, Duke University's angiogenesis research director, characterizes as going from hope to hope.

"There definitely is a renewed interest," he said. This time around, "we've moved from the idea that this is an incredibly powerful magic bullet that you just have to have somewhere nearby and patients instantly get better. It was unrealistic to expect that."

The body sometimes reroutes blood flow around blocked arteries, particularly during peripheral artery disease, or PAD, which afflicts at least 12 million Americans like Cummins, of Falls Church, Va.

Their leg arteries stiffen and narrow, slowly choking off blood flow to muscles until patients find walking difficult.

Cummins, for example, can go only about two blocks before getting an aching pain called claudication. In more severe cases, PAD can lead to amputation. And having it quadruples the risk of a heart attack or stroke, because if leg arteries are clogged, other blood vessels probably are, too.

In the late 1990s, scientists tried injecting PAD patients with proteins called growth factors — the most famous was known as VEGF — involved in growth of new blood vessels.

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### CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.

#### FOLLOW CHIROPRACTIC TIPS FOR PAIN-FREE TRAVEL

Long automobile or airplane rides can wreak havoc on various parts of the body, including the back, shoulders and legs. Doctors of Chiropractic offer several suggestions on how to reduce or eliminate problems from long trips. These include:

- Complete warm-up exercises before sitting for long periods of time.
- While in the car or plane, occasionally tighten and then relax toe, calf and thigh muscles. Roll shoulders back and forth and up and down and slowly rotate head in all directions.
- When reaching your final destination, perform cool-down exercises.
- In the car, sit close to the steering wheel, with knees somewhat higher than hips. Do not hold the wheel too tightly.
- Purchase special back supports for long automobile trips. Put the widest part of the support between the bottom of the rib cage and waistline.
- In a plane, tuck a pillow behind your back, just above the beltline. Put a second pillow across the gap between neck and headrest.
- Sit up straight in both the car and plane. Do not slouch.
- Do not carry heavy bags.

When your work entails considerable driving or you are taking a long trip, visit your chiropractor. He/she can make necessary spinal adjustments to reduce any possible side effects. If you feel achy after a trip, make an appointment as soon as possible to get back in shape.

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### The business of medicine

## DIET: Hospital equipment outfits catering to obese patients seeing booming business

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — At St. Luke's Hospital, each of the 14 new neurology intensive care rooms has a feature that's becoming standard in the health care industry: a patient lift system that can handle 600 pounds.

Hospital officials had the equipment installed out of safety concerns — it can take five or six nurses to lift extremely overweight patients, said Jennifer Ball, a patient care director with St. Luke's.

"I think we're seeing more (obese patients) and people are more conscientious about it," she said.

Severely overweight people tend to have more health problems and they often can't fit in standard beds or wheelchairs built for 300-pound people. The \$3 billion market for

hospital beds, wheelchairs and other equipment designed for plus-size patients is rapidly growing as more Americans become obese.

*"I think we're seeing more (obese patients) and people are more conscientious about it."*

— Jennifer Ball  
Hospital patient care director

The government estimates about two-thirds of Americans are overweight or obese; 31 percent fall into the obese category.

Kinetic Concepts Inc. of San Antonio said its line of specialty hospital beds and mattresses, including those for obese

patients, took in \$282 million last year, a 6 percent increase from the year before.

"There's more and more and more of these patients showing up at hospitals now," said Ron Dziedzula

of KCI.

SIZEwise Rentals of Las Vegas, which specializes in medical equipment for the obese, said its business has grown 15 percent to 20 percent a year.

"Everywhere there's this awareness of obesity," said chief operating officer Trevor Frickey.

Health care providers are calling companies such as KCI and SIZEwise for beds built to support up to 1,000

pounds and wheelchairs that are 32 inches or wider.

The equipment often costs much more than its regular counterparts. A typical hospital bed can cost \$2,000, but a reinforced bed for heavier patients can cost \$6,000 or more.

"Everything has to be custom," said DuWayne Kramer, president of Kansas City, Kan.-based Burke Mobility Products, a key manufacturer.

*"Everything has to be custom. You have to be thinking in a different way for everything."*

— DuWayne Kramer  
President of Burke Mobility Products

"You have to be thinking in a different way for everything."

Kramer said that in the past, hospital workers were forced to improvise to care for severely overweight patients.

"People were welding beds together or putting beds on the floor," he said. "When we first got into this (in 1979), there was nothing out there."

The equipment can be a blessing for hospital staff, who have the

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## Stroke screening to be offered at local First Baptist Church

Residents living in and around Pampa will have the opportunity to participate in a stroke screening on Wednesday, Nov. 3 at First Baptist Church in Pampa.

Appointments will begin, a press release from Life Line Screening said, at 9 a.m.

Stroke, the release said, is ranked as the third leading killer in the world among women. Through preventive screenings, the risk of stroke can be greatly reduced.

"Screenings are fast," the press release stated, "painless and low cost," and "involve the use of

ultrasound technology."

According to the press release, each screening takes 10 or less minutes to complete.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-697-9721.

## Birth control pills may cut risk of heart disease, cancer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Women on the birth control pill had surprisingly lower risks of heart disease and stroke and no increased risk of breast cancer, according to the largest women's health study ever done.

The findings by the Women's Health Initiative, the biggest study on oral contraceptives, are contrary

to what many previous studies have found. Results from nearly 162,000 participants were presented recently at an American Society for Reproductive Medicine conference.

The same federal study that led millions of women to abandon use of hormones after menopause now provides reassurance that the

pill is safe. Doctors say the type of hormones and the stage of life when they're used may be what makes them helpful at one point and harmful at another.

"We're still learning more and more about the biology," said one of the researchers, Dr. Michael Diamond of Wayne State University in Detroit.

About 16 million American women currently take birth control pills and hundreds of millions have used them since the first one came on the market in 1960. Most combine synthetic forms of estrogen and progesterin in various doses.

Women taking these hormones after menopause were more likely to have heart disease and certain cancers

— a finding that prompted part of this study to be stopped in 2002.

Previous research on oral contraceptives suggested that they, too, raised the chances of heart disease. But the new study found the opposite — lower risk of heart attacks, strokes, high cholesterol, high blood pressure and other heart-related problems among the 67,000 women in the study who had ever taken the pill.

Overall, "there's an 8 percent risk reduction of ever having cardiovascular disease" among women who had ever taken birth control pills, said the lead researcher, Dr. Rahi Victory of Wayne State. "If you use

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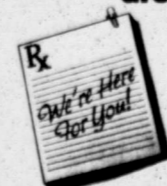
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# Clogs

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That proved too simplistic: when new arteries grew, they tended to be weak and leaky. It turns out different types of growth factors — four forms of VEGF alone — are needed in different amounts to react to different blockages, Annex explains.

"These are all delicate symphonies," Dr. Robert Lederman of the NIH's National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, said, describing the body's artery-growing machinery.

So instead of trying to manipulate just one part of the machinery, there's a new focus on jump-starting the over-arching genes that control the process and letting the body finish the job naturally. Among the research:

—At NIH, Lederman recently began the first human study of a genetically engineered substance that acts as a master gene switch. Called a "zinc-finger transcription factor," it turns on the patient's own VEGF-controlling gene to spur production of the growth factor's different forms. In animals, the drug spurred new blood vessels that didn't leak.

*'At my age, if it doesn't work, it doesn't work. But if this works out, I'm sure hoping it'll motivate other people to participate in studies such as this, with the outlook that mankind is going to benefit.'*

— Peter Cummins  
Patient

Cummins was the first of 36 PAD patients who will get either the drug, made by California-based Edwards Lifesciences Corp., or dummy injections.

While the NIH-financed study mostly tests the injections' safety, Lederman will use special high-powered MRI scans to hunt any improvement in the leg muscles' blood flow, key to determining the drug's promise.

—Massachusetts-based Genzyme Corp. will begin Phase II studies early next year of a different master gene switch.

The body naturally produces this

substance, called HIF-1, when tissues run low on oxygen, Annex says. The HIF-1 in turn switches on production of a series of proteins linked to blood vessel formation. Initial testing suggested the injections are safe, with some hints of improved blood flow.

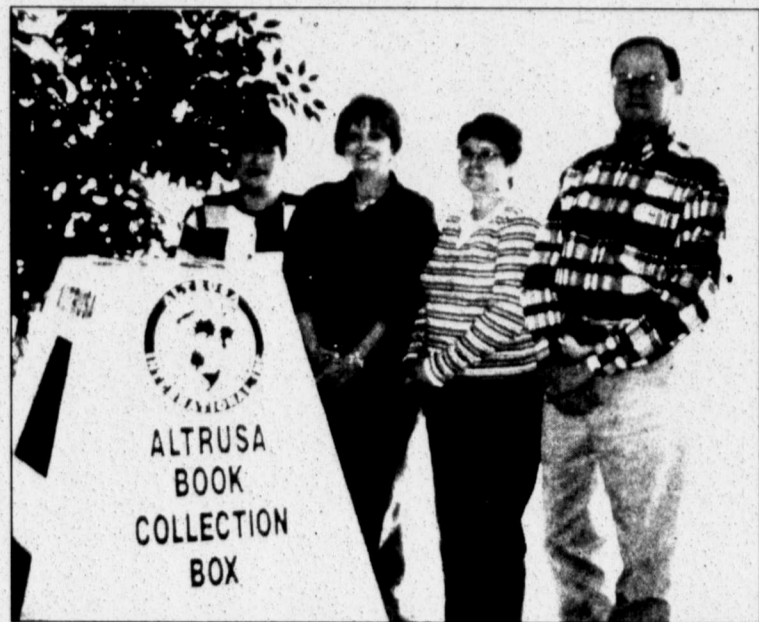
—California-based Valentis Inc. is testing a substance called Deltavasc that essentially forms the scaffolding necessary for angiogenesis. "It works with the theory that everything is there to make a blood vessel; you just need to make the infrastructure," Annex explained. He expects results from Phase II testing soon.

There's no way to know which if any will pan out. If nothing else, the new research is focusing important attention on PAD, says NIH's Lederman. Too many people consider trouble with walking merely a consequence of aging, not disease.

"At my age, if it doesn't work, it doesn't work," said Cummins. "But if this works out, I'm sure hoping it'll motivate other people to participate in studies such as this, with the outlook that mankind is going to benefit."

EDITOR'S NOTE — Luran Neergaard covers health and medical issues for The Associated Press in Washington.

# Book boxes



Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa has established book collection boxes for donation of gently used books to stock a book nook at Southside Senior Citizens Center. (Left-right) Gladys Vanderpool, Terry Gamblin, Terri Williams and Jerry Foote with the book collection box at National Bank of Commerce.

# Pills

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oral contraceptives early on, you're probably going to be protected later in life."

Women on the pill also had a 7 percent lower risk of developing any form of cancer — a small benefit that increased with length of use, Victory said. For example, women who took birth control pills for four years or more had 42 percent lower risk of ovarian cancer and 30

percent lower chances of developing uterine cancer.

No effect was seen on the risk of some specific cancers — breast, colon or bladder. But that was good news because of the previous work suggesting pill use made breast cancer more likely.

Studies in animals suggest that estrogen may reduce inflammation in the blood-stream and help prevent deposits from forming and blocking vessels, Victory said. But that was seen in animals whose estrogen lev-

els were relatively constant for a long time — not the situation of women whose estrogen declines before menopause.

"Those women went for a prolonged period of time without estrogen and then were re-exposed to estrogen" when they took so-called hormone replacement therapy after menopause, Victory said.

"By that time, they may already have atherosclerotic plaque in their arteries," Diamond added. "At that time, estrogen may aggra-

vate the disease."

The \$625 million Women's Health Initiative study was done at 40 locations around the country and funded by the National Institutes of Health. Wyeth provided the hormone pills for the menopause portion of the study, but no oral contraceptive makers financed any part of that research.

On the Web:  
Women's Health Initiative:  
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# Diet

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third-highest rate of injuries or illnesses among industries with 100,000 or more reported cases, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Many of those injuries come from lifting and moving patients, an activity made more dangerous when the patient is obese.

"With the average nursing age in the mid-40s, we need to protect our older, more experienced nurses," said Ball, the St. Luke's patient care director.

Novation Inc., an Irving, Texas-based hospital supply company, said it sold \$847,000 worth of patient lifts in 2001. Last year, that number was up to \$3 million.

Another source of growth for the industry is the increase in bariatric surgery, such as gastric bypass, or so-called "stomach stapling." The American Society for Bariatric Surgery estimates 140,600 bariatric procedures will be performed in the nation this year, more than eight times the 16,200 procedures 10 years ago.

The growing demand for the procedure has led hospitals to open their own bariatrics practices and set up wings for bariatric patients. That means hospitals that were renting equipment for the occasional patient are now buying whole suites of specially

designed beds, walkers and commodes.

"The volume (of operations) has dramatically increased, and that had drawn more companies to what they see as a lucrative field for them," said bariatric society president Dr. Harvey Sugerman. "The number of people getting the surgery is only 1 or 2 percent of those eligible for the surgery."

While most in the industry agree that the number of obese patients is fueling the current boom, others say society is becoming more accepting of overweight patients. People who might have stayed home for years out of shame now get treatment and equipment built for their needs.

"People would not be doing this if there wasn't market share to be captured, but the reason there is a market share is that this population has been underserved," said Walter Lindstrom, founding partner of the San Diego-based Obesity Law and Advocacy Center. "This isn't just for bariatric surgery. Bariatric patients also need to get their gall bladders taken out or they get cancer."

Many industry executives said they don't foresee a downturn for their products unless the country undergoes a fundamental shift in how it views diet and exercise. In the meantime, with federal statistics showing that 15 percent of children are now overweight, a second surge of potential customers may not be too far away.

# Nursing society to look at self-care during fall program

CANYON — The West Texas A&M University chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International, the honor society of nursing, will focus on self care at its Fall Research Program from 8:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, Oct. 30 at the Agriculture and Natural Sciences Building, Room 101 on campus.

Three local members of

the Delta Delta chapter will present their studies and welcome discussion. Cost is \$20 for members, and students may attend free of charge.

Registration is at 8:30 a.m., and welcoming remarks will be given at 9 a.m. by Dr. Heidi Taylor, chapter president and head of the Division of Nursing at

West Texas A&M.

At 9:30 a.m., Kim Wright, M.S.N., R.N., a WTAMU graduate, will present "The perceived impact on development of self-care agency among adolescents who experienced non-suicidal death of multiple peers."

At 10:30 p.m., Dr.

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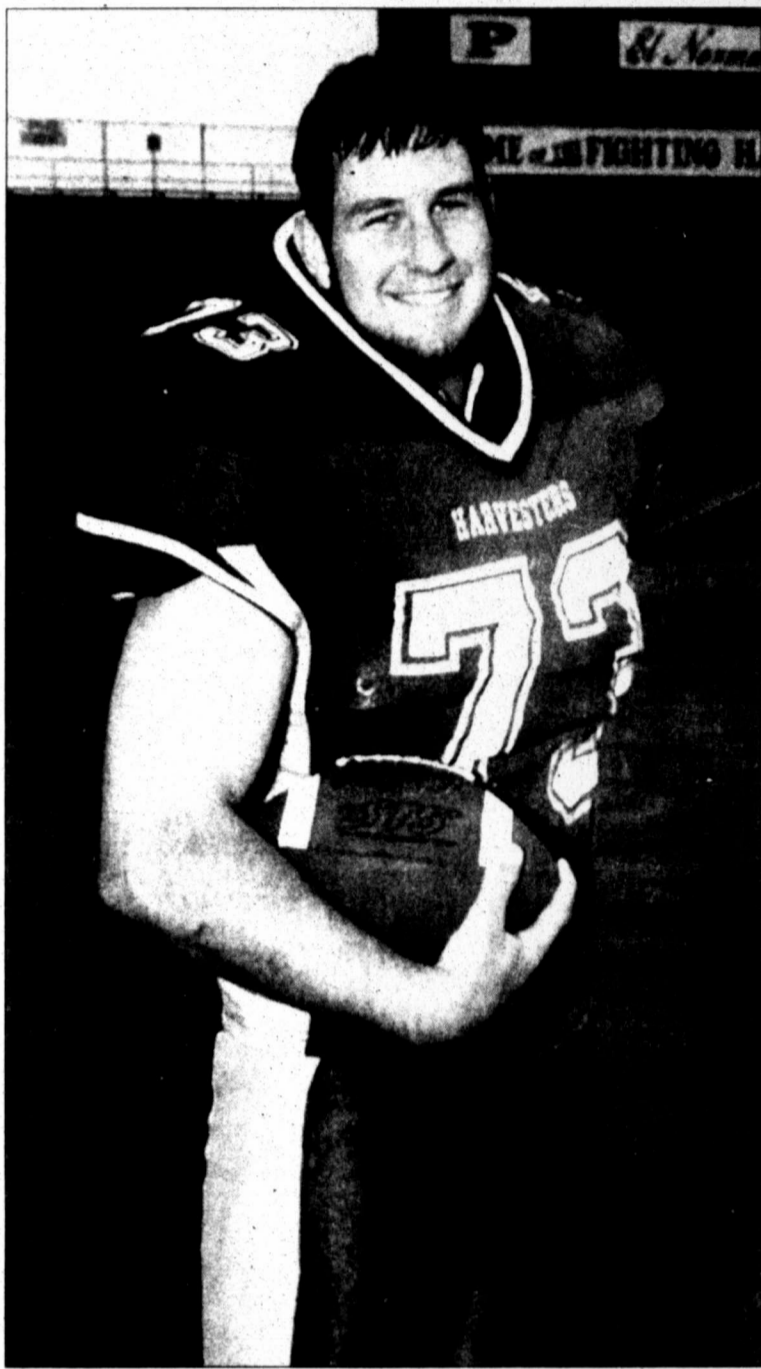
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# Sports Day

## Senior spotlight



Pampa Senior Aaron Hunt has the size and skill to take him to the next level.

## Aaron Hunt, OL/DL

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

At 6'2", 245 pounds, Aaron Hunt has the frame and the skill to move on to play on Saturdays. He is a force to deal with no matter where he lines up.

Aaron Hunt  
Player Jersey: #73  
Player Position(s): Left Guard  
Player Grade: 12  
Player Parent(s)/Guardians(s): Jean Hunt  
School Activities/Interests: Football, Rodeo Club, Harvest Time Production, Ag  
Player information provide by the PHS Football Booster club.

## Newman wins pole

MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) — Ryan Newman must be close to perfect the rest of the way to win the Nextel Cup championship, and he took a positive step by grabbing the pole Friday at Martinsville Speedway. "It's a good start to the entire weekend," said Newman, ninth among 10 drivers and 271 points behind series leader Kurt Busch halfway through NASCAR's 10-race play-off. Newman needs outstanding finishes in final five races, and quite a bit of good luck. The narrow half-mile oval at Martinsville —

where bunched fields frequently leads to crashes — might be a good place to find a little good fortune. Like six of the other drivers in the title chase, Newman can't contend without bad finishes by Busch, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Jeff Gordon, who have been turning the competition into a three-way battle. "We're looking for places to make up major ground because we need that now," Newman said. "We're not out of the championship by any means. We're not in the best position, but we'll keep our nose to the grindstone."

## Palo Duro shuts out Pampa 24-0

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

Pampa was held out of the end zone Friday night against Palo Duro en route to a 24-0 District 3-4A loss. Pampa is now 4-4, 2-1, while Palo Duro is 6-2, 3-0 and riding a 6-game winning streak.

The Dons won the opening toss and elected to defer to the second half. Pampa took the ensuing kickoff but was unable to do generate anything in its opening series and was forced to put from near its own 30-yard line.

Palo Duro brought the ball out to its 43-yard line and went to work from there. The Dons moved down field on a series of runs before finding the end zone on a short quarterback keeper up the middle. A little assistance from a Palo Duro lineman pulling his teammate across the line helped to insure the score. The extra point was good and with 6:45 left in the first quarter Palo Duro had a 7-0 lead.

Sharod Young gathered the Palo Duro kickoff. A face mask penalty against the Dons allowed Tyler Doughty and his offense to set up near the Pampa 32-yard line. From there they went to a no-huddle offense. They were able to move the ball with some runs and short passes but would be stopped and forced to kick. A Doughty quick kick and Palo Duro would take over near its 22-yard line.

The Harvester defense stepped up to the plate at that point. Q.B. Cobb looked like a steer wrestler at times as he collared Palo Duro runners. Tyrel Bolin had a couple of big sticks in the first half as well. Michael Pergeson, Jacob Potter, Brittin East and Shea Brown all had good nights.

Palo Duro would be held in check most of the half with the exception of the touchdown and a 37-yard field goal with 5:28 to go in the half.

With under two minutes to go, Head Coach Heath Parker barked out an adjustment to Chase Harris. It turned out to be a good call as Harris intercepted a pass on the play. Pampa took over on its own 8-yard line and simply moved the ball out from the shadow of its own goal post, running out the clock in the process. At the end of the first half it was Palo Duro 10, Pampa 0.

As the teams came out for the second half, Pampa running back Mark Williams was dressed in street clothes. He had injured a shoulder earlier in the game. He would be spelled by junior Brody Smith. Smith offered immediate glimpses of promise as he was able to gain small chunks of

real estate whenever the Harvesters had the ball. On its first possession of the second half, the Dons moved down field on a drive made up of almost nothing but runs. They controlled the clock in the process, scoring a touchdown with 4:30 left in the third quarter. Following the point after, the Dons led 17-0.

The ensuing Palo Duro kickoff went out of bounds giving Pampa the ball at its own 30-yard line. And Smith was put to work. Following an 9-yard run by East, Smith ran for a good gain and a Pampa first down. A pass from Doughty to Clayton Hall was marked wrong by officials, costing Pampa a first down. The Harvesters would later fail on a fourth-and-short, turning the ball over to the Dons.

Unable to move it themselves, Palo Duro fired off an end-over-end punt in the direction of Sharod Young, who muffed it. Palo Duro fell on the ball and got a fresh set of downs near the Pampa 30. They would stall and punt as well.

At the end of the third quarter it was Palo Duro 17, Pampa 0.

The fourth quarter got messy. Lots of emotion and anger. Lots of yellow laundry. Early in the quarter, a Palo Duro defender was ejected for unsportsman-like conduct following a forearm shot to Doughty's head.

Pampa would move up another 15 yards thanks to the penalty but would lose the ball on an intercepted Doughty pass.

Palo Duro would score one more touchdown and the final on this night would be Palo Duro 24, Pampa 0.

Pampa's defense was solid in the first half taking into account Palo Duro played much of the half on the Harvester side of the 50-yard line and only scored 10 points.

Pampa's offense was stymied by a swarming Palo Duro defense. The Dons are fast and aggressive. The no-huddle provided some yards at times. And Brody Smith tossed in a yeoman's night of work in relief of Mark Williams.

The officiating could be called in to question. Poor spots, missed calls and more seemed to plague the crew most of the night.

Following the game Parker said, "They whipped us but our guys never quit. They never gave up." He added, "We're not going to base the season on this game, so we better get over it quick."

Pampa travels to Dumas next week to face the Demons. Kick off will be at 7:30 p.m.

*'We're not going to base the season on this game, so we better get over it quick.'*

— Heath Parker  
Head Coach, Pampa



The referees measure for a Pampa first down. The ball was short and Pampa was forced to punt.



Coach Parker talks with Seth Brown Friday night.

Photos by CAROLYN THERO

## Texans running back in mired in slump

HOUSTON (AP) — Domanick Davis proudly boasted in the preseason of his goal to join the NFL's ultra-exclusive club of 2,000 yards rushers. He'd better pick up the pace. Davis would need to aver-

age 177 yards over the next 10 games, a rate that even he acknowledges is all but an impossibility.

"I'm still going to try my best to get it," Davis said. "I'm not going to change anything, not my goals or anything. Maybe it's impossible to do it, but there's nothing going to stop me from trying." Davis' first goal should be simply turning around a season that appears to be mired in a sophomore slump. As the Houston Texans' first 1,000-yard rusher as a rookie, he's run for just 233 in six games this season and has a tenuous hold on his job.

Costly fumbles, nagging injuries and the emergence of former fourth-string tailback Jonathan Wells have kept Davis on the bench a lot more than he might have expected.

Davis is getting treated for a bruised left thigh during this week's bye, an injury that kept him out of the second half against Tennessee last Sunday. That injury came a week after he

returned from a sprained right ankle that kept him out of the previous two games. "What Domanick is using this week for is to get healthy and get his legs back under him," Texans coach Dom Capers said. "Domanick has just had some nagging injuries that you always get in this game. We fully expect him to come back strong and be his old self."

A fourth-round draft pick out of LSU in 2003, Davis has been on the injury list almost as often as on the field since coming to Houston. He missed much of his first training camp after breaking his right hand. He missed two games last season with groin and thigh injuries and was slowed by chest and hip ailments in two other games.

As a result, the 5-foot-9, 221-pounder is hearing many of the same concerns about his size and durability that he heard coming out of college. "It's frustrating, but that's just part of the game," Davis said. "If people aren't happy with it, it's their problem.

The team hasn't lost any confidence in me."

No, but it might not be long before the Texans lose patience. Davis wasn't playing all that well even before he got hurt.

Davis is averaging 2.9 yards a carry, and his longest run has been only 10 yards. He's also got fewer touchdowns (three) than fumbles (four), the same number of turnovers he had his entire rookie season.

Even while Davis has struggled, Houston's offense has thrived.

The Texans have the NFL's 10th-ranked unit behind the emerging pass-catch combo of David Carr and Andre Johnson. Wells has provided a powerful running presence since Davis and backup Tony Hollings have missed time with injuries.

"There's no question Jonathan has improved his position," Capers said. "He started out this training camp as the No. 3 back and he has come on very strong. Any time we've called on him, he has come in and performed very well."

Davis insists he isn't worried about his role as a starter.

"I know what I can do when I'm healthy," Davis said. "I know I can still do the job."

*'I know what I can do when I'm healthy. I know I can still do the job'*

— Domanick Davis  
Running Back, Houston Texans

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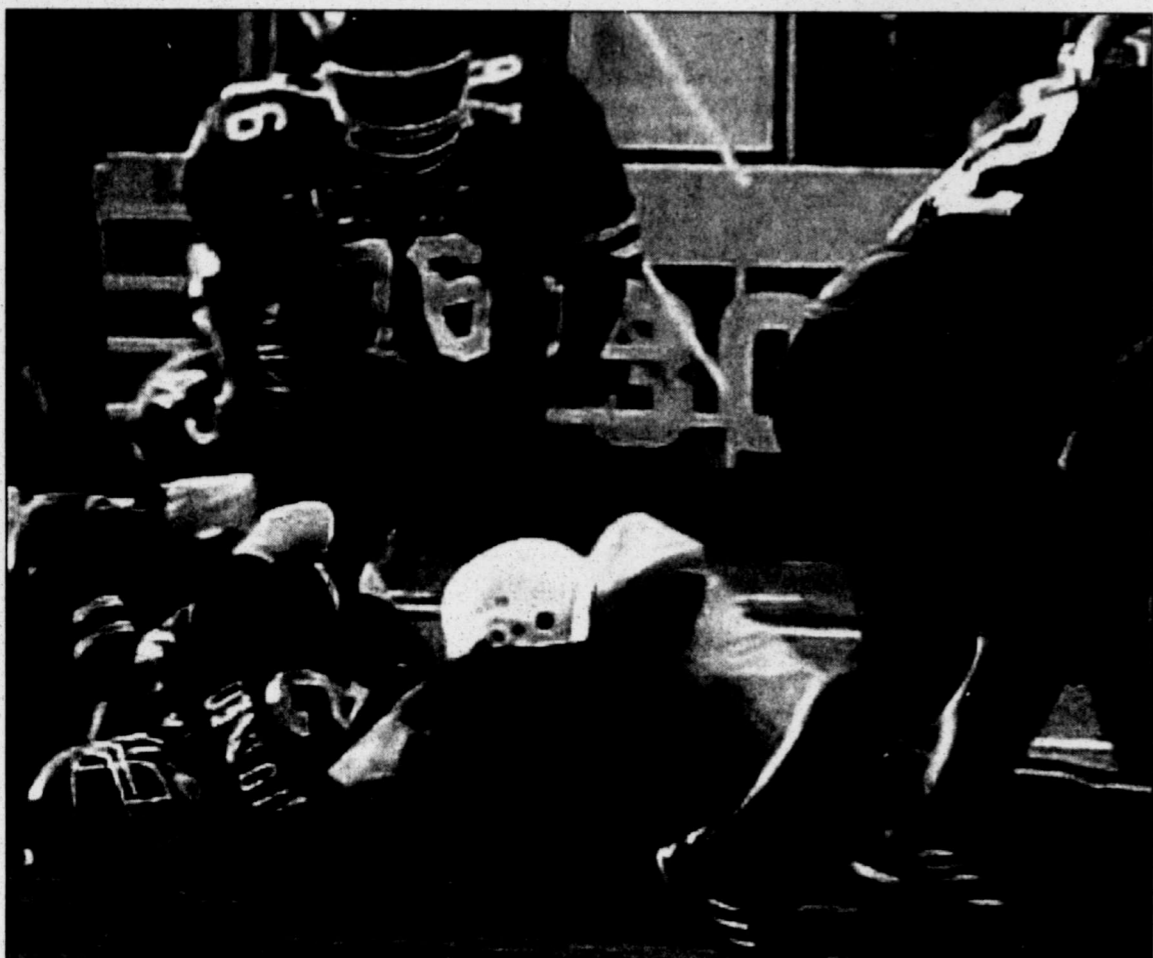
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To the turf



Pampa JV player Zac Ammons takes a Palo Duro running back to the turf in last Thursday's 7-6 win over the Dons. The victory keeps the Harvesters undefeated at 8-0.

UT to honor coach, donor with statues

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas plans to honor former football coach Darrell Royal and attorney and donor Joe Jamail by placing statues of them in its football stadium.

The 8-foot-tall bronze statues will be placed at the southeast corner of Royal-Memorial Stadium overlooking the football field, said Patricia Ohlendorf, the university's vice president for institutional relations and legal affairs.

The school plans to have the statues in place in time for the day after Thanksgiving matchup between the Longhorns and Texas A&M University.

The statue of Jamail, a UT graduate and one of the school's largest benefactors, will be a second casting of one that stands in the law school. The Houston-based law firm Vinson & Elkins is paying for the new sculpture.

The statue of Royal, who

coached the Longhorns to three national championships in 20 years, will be a gift from Jamail. It will depict him walking the sidelines in his younger days.

Darrell's because of their long friendship and deep affection," Harry Reasoner, a partner with Vinson & Elkins, said in Friday's online edition of the Austin American-Statesman.

Other football scores of interest

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

The following are scores that were available at press time:

- Lubbock 10, Amarillo Tascosa 9
- Lubbock Coronado 10, Amarillo 7
- Canyon Randall 35, Amarillo Caprock 10
- Dumas 50, Hereford 13
- Canyon 41, Amarillo River Road 0
- Perryton 27, Borger 17

- Canadian 49, Sanford-Fritch 7
- Childress 41, Electra 18
- Panhandle 33, Stinnett West Texas 12
- Spearman 14, Amarillo Highland Park 0
- Happy 80, Kress 63
- Memphis 28, Claude 14
- Stratford 55, White Deer 14
- Wheeler 66, McLean 18
- Follett 74, Lefors 52
- Miami 58, Samnorwood 19
- Valley 46, Groom 0

Even No. 17 A&M realizes strong start bit unexpected

DALLAS (AP) — Dennis Franchione can relate to people surprised by Texas A&M's five-game winning streak and No. 17 national ranking. Even the coach knows it's a bit unexpected.

"Am I surprised a little bit of where we are? You have to be," Franchione said. "... It was hard, coming off a 4-8 year and knowing how much work we had to do, to think that we could get to this point today. Obviously, it wasn't impossible."

Even after that 20-point loss to Utah in their season opener.

The Aggies (5-1, 3-0 Big 12) have won the rest of their games by an average margin of 22 points. They are tied for the South Division lead with No. 2 Oklahoma (6-0, 3-0), the only teams still undefeated in conference play after less than a month.

Texas A&M is home Saturday to play Colorado (4-2, 1-2). The Sooners, who play at College Station in two weeks, are also home — to play Kansas (3-3, 1-2).

In other Big 12 games Saturday, No. 8 Texas (5-1, 2-1) goes to Texas Tech (4-2, 2-1); Baylor (2-4, 0-3) hosts Iowa State (2-4, 0-3) and both North co-leaders are on the road a week before going head-to-head: Missouri (4-2, 2-1) at No. 22 Oklahoma State (5-1, 2-1) and Nebraska (4-2, 2-1) at Kansas State (2-4, 0-3).

Even after the fast start,

Texas A&M hasn't changed its goals. The Aggies are really just getting started because they set their goals so high.

"We have a pyramid of them and there's almost always something that you're trying to attain," Franchione said. "At the top of our pyramid is the national championship and at the bottom is coming together as a team. I just believe that you only can attain what you've set as a goal."

This week, Franchione marked off the second level of the pyramid as accomplished: "Play smart and play together."

Texas A&M had more than 400 yards total offense in five games, and has an active Big 12 record with 181 consecutive passes without an interception — the only I-A team in the country without one. Colorado has given up at least 400 yards every game.

Kansas had last week off after its first Big 12 win ever against in-state rival Kansas State, and spent some of the extra time preparing for Oklahoma.

Before going to Kansas in 2002, Jayhawks coach Mark Mangino was Oklahoma's assistant head coach for Bob Stoops. This is his first meeting against his former boss.

"This is a long relationship that we have," Mangino said. "It goes back to when we were assistant coaches at Kansas State."

Former A&M player dead

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Todd Holloway, who played more minutes than any player in Texas A&M basketball history and still holds the record for career steals in conference play, has died.

Holloway, 39, died of a heart attack Wednesday in his hometown of Albany, N.Y., the university said in a news release.

Holloway played at A&M from 1984-1987 and was a member of the 1984 All-Southwest Conference team and of the 1986 SWC championship team.

He played in 119 games, starting in 112 for a total of 4,071 minutes. His record 116 steals in conference play still stands.

"Todd was one of the greatest competitors I ever coached," said former A&M coach Shelby Metcalf. "Everybody on the team really liked him and he was very popular around campus."

"He probably won more games for us in the last 10 seconds than anyone else on the team."

The former guard is also ranked in the top 10 in school history in three other categories. He's second in steals with 208, fourth in assists with 491 and ninth in points with 1,331.

He is survived by two sons, Tayon, 20, and Keyshaun, 12.

His funeral is scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday in Albany.

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# Slower, whackier version of polo produces jumbo fun

HUA HIN, Thailand (AP) — With the crack of clashing mallets and the thump of jumbo feet shaking the earth, the game is under way. Tense commands are shouted by pith-helmeted players tied firmly to their two-ton mounts. Very soon there is a muddle in the middle. The beasts collide and the ball disappears in a forest of elephantine legs, raising some dust and much laughter. It's a classic scrum in the whacky sport of elephant polo. It is not fast, it is not furious, yet it is as exhilarating — and as elitist — as the equine sport that inspired the jumbo version. "It is almost like horse polo but in a very slow motion. But I can tell you it is much more difficult," said Raj Kalaan, a retired Indian army colonel and former horse polo player who is now a member of the Chivas

Regal elephant polo team. Kalaan was among the 55 players — including three former players from New Zealand's All Blacks rugby team, three Thai transvestites and professional horse polo experts — who gathered recently in the Thai beach resort town of Hua Hin for the annual King's Cup Elephant Polo Tournament. The 14-team round-robin tournament ended with Thailand's Mobile Easy defeating Australia's Sandalford Winery 6-4 in the final. Sandalford had produced the biggest upset of the tournament by beating two-time defending champion Mercedes Benz. Kalaan, who trains horses on his farm outside New Delhi, India's capital, concedes many people probably think of elephant polo as quirky. "But it is as competi-

tive as any other sport. Once you are out in the middle you want to win. It not always easy," said Kalaan, a former presidential bodyguard and battle tank commander. There is no question elephant polo takes skill. Try

*'It is almost like horse polo but in a very slow motion. But I can tell you it is much more difficult.'*

— Raj Kalaan  
Retired Indian army colonel

hitting an object slightly bigger than a tennis ball, while perched atop a behemoth wielding a 6-foot-long bamboo hammer, or getting your lumbering steed to stop in full stride and turn around when you miss the ball, as players often do. Connecting with the ball is no guarantee of a score. An opponent's elephant blocks a lot of space. "Elephants are the smartest animals I have seen. They really understand that the ball needs to go or not go into the goal," said Oliver Winter, captain of the Mercedes Benz team. "Sometimes I think they enjoy the game more than we do." Elephants, which once were the workhorses of Asia's myriad armies and later beasts of burden in the now-banned logging industry, have lost much of their usefulness in the modern age. Most domesticated elephants in Thailand are now reduced to begging on the streets, with the help of handlers. Winter and Kalaan say

using them for sports keeps their intelligent brains stimulated. Unlike horse polo, the elephant is not controlled by the player trying to hit the ball, but rather by a mahout, or handler, who sits on the animal's neck and directs its movements. Younger elephants tend to be quicker and more agile in making a U-turn or backing up. But they also tend to be naughtier, and are known to pick up the ball with their trunks in the middle of the game and lumber off — a foul. The game is played on a field 100 yards by 60 yards, roughly one-third the size of a horse polo field. A game has two 7-minute halves — known as chukkas — with a 15-minute interval. Three elephants form a team. The rules of the game have been drafted by the

World Elephant Polo Association, which was set up in 1982 to stage annual games in Nepal. Since then, elephant polo tournaments have also been played in Sri Lanka. Thailand joined the ranks by hosting the inaugural King's Cup tournament in 2001 to raise money for conservation of its 1,500 wild and 2,500 domesticated elephants.

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## Dollies



The Red Hat Dollies met for lunch recently at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Above: Joyce Gray, Aileen Ruddick, Geneva Barton, Shirley Nicholson, Helene Baumgardner, Betty Buckingham, Charlotte Hogan, Knoxine Cotham, Rita Geiger, Dorothy Vaughn, Peggy Cloyd and Barbara Trimble.

## Wayne Newton entertains troops

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Las Vegas mainstay Wayne Newton, belting out his trademark version of "Danke Schoen," entertained troops during a recent trip to a U.S. base in Baghdad, the U.S. military said. Newton, along with special guests that included actor Rob Schneider and country

singer Neal McCoy, spent nearly three hours at a 1st Cavalry division camp in the capital on Tuesday. They talked with troops, signed autographs, posed for pictures and shared a meal at the base camp's dining facility, a statement said.

## Party

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tries. Although his career is in the Texas oilfields, McKenzie brings his love of music to Texas public school children through his participation in special programs. His CD "Baxter Barret Brown's Bass Fiddle" includes four songs and nar-

ration by the artist. Joyce Gibson Roach is a graduate of Fort Worth's Texas Christian University. She has been a public school teacher and an adjunct professor of English at TCU, specializing in the literature of the Southwestern United States. An award-winning author of nonfiction and fiction about the American West, Gibson has three times been the winner of the Spur

Award from Western Writers of America, is a Fellow of the Texas State Historical Association, and is a member of the Texas Institute of Letters and of the Texas Folklore Society. Guests will receive free admission to the museum at 4:30 p.m. on the 26th. Books by the authors will be available at the reception. For reservations or for more information, call (806) 651-2232.

## Nursing

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Virginia Sicola, a former WTAMU faculty member, will present "Pre-chemotherapy self-care management instruction in older male veterans with cancer." At 11:15 a.m., Taylor will address "Explicating self-care operations in young women's decision about first sexual experiences." Continuing education units will be awarded. Call Laura Waight, instructor of nursing, at (806) 651-2643 for more information.

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# Lifestyle

## Autumn foliage colors landscape

### Club News

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

#### CattleWomen

Top O' Texas CattleWomen met Oct. 11 at The Fillin' Station in Canadian with President Liz Austin presiding. Present at the meeting were Austin, Amy and Edy Brainard, Dianne Buckingham, Sandra Christner, Berklee and Elysa Clements, Kay Stiles and guest Sharon Swindler of Loveland, Colo.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Austin reminded the group of the state convention Nov. 6-8 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in San Antonio. A count was taken of those planning to attend.

The proposed state budget will be voted on at the upcoming convention. Members were urged to attend.

—The local chapter set up a booth at the Fall Foliage Tour Oct. 16 in Canadian. Sena Brainard was in charge of the booth.

—Members voted to once again make an annual donation to Tralee Crisis Center in the form of several beef gift certificates. Beef gift certificates are available at local banks for purchase as gifts.

—Austin announced the Nov. 1 meeting will be a social and encouraged members to invite guests. Individuals interested in attending the meeting can contact Austin at (806) 826-3689 no later than Oct. 29. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. at Lone Star Restaurant in Pampa.

#### Progressive TEEA

Progressive Texas Extension Education Association Club met Oct. 14 in the home of hostess Mildred Thrasher with President Eva Dennis presiding. Ten members were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes were read. Annual dues will remain \$10 per year.

—Mary Ann Bailey delivered the treasurer and council reports.

—Joan Gray-Soria discussed the all-county agents celebration set for Oct. 26 in Amarillo. Its theme will be "Healthy Food for the Holidays." The main speaker will be Nancy Lester.

The event will include numerous hand-crafts, a tasting bee and more. Tickets are available at the local Extension office at \$8 apiece or in Amarillo for \$10 apiece.

All members are urged to attend. For more information, they should contact Dennis or Ruth Barrett.

—Gray-Soria presented a slide program on her European adventure.

—New member Virginia Horton was welcomed.

—Gray-Soria announced the completion of the new yearbooks, expressing her appreciation of committee members June Rowan, Barrett and Dennis.

—Geneva Barton was appointed to the telephone committee along with Bailey.

—Local 4-H members will continue selling pecans until Thanksgiving.

—Dennis and Gray-Soria won door prizes.

The next meeting will be Nov. 11 at the home of Dennis, 2119 Buck.

#### Pampa Garden Club

Pampa Garden Club met recently in the home of Robin Parsley with President Ruth Barrett presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Secretary Mary Ann Bailey read minutes from the previous meeting. One correction was made.

—Clara Quarry delivered the treasurer's report.

—The Garden Club House will become The Martha Mathney Garden Club House.

—The local club will host the Northern Zone meeting Nov. 11. Cindy Mann and Parsley will be in charge of arrangements.

—Plans for the club's December Festival of Trees were discussed.

—Barrett presented the program.

—The door prize was won by Quarry.

The next meeting will be at the home of Edie Hudson.

## Amarillo art museum to host special soiree

AMARILLO — On Thursday, Oct. 28, Amarillo Museum of Art will present a "Soirée of Art and Music!" with special performances by Kelly Teal, music instructor at Amarillo College, and Amarillo Opera members NaGuanda Miller, soprano, and Raenell McDonough, accompanist.

The soiree will get under way at 7 p.m. in the atrium of the museum.

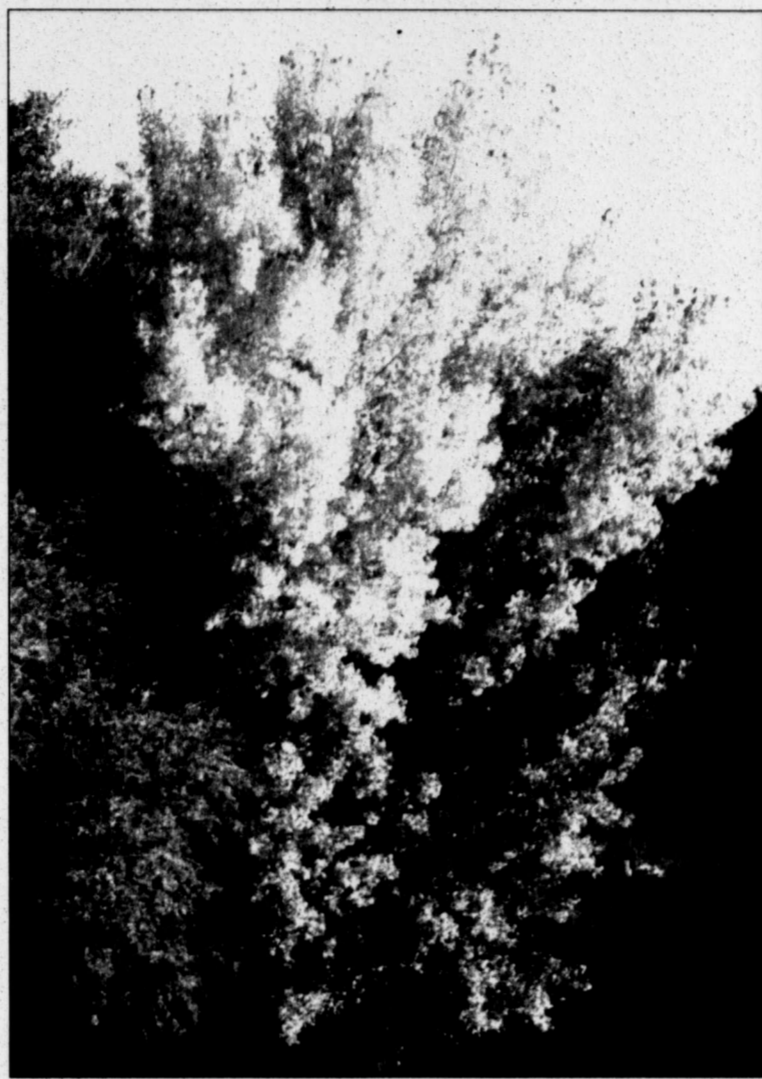
Selections from "La Boheme" as well as 19th Century French art songs will be performed, and the exhibition "Impressionist Art from the Collection of Don and Sybil Harrington" will be available for view-

ing both before and after the performance.

The exhibit features such artists as Renoir, Cassatt, Redon, Vuillard, Corot and Degas. Over 20 works of art are represented in this exhibit, currently on loan from Phoenix Art Museum. The collection was donated by the Harringtons in 1964 to the Phoenix museum, the largest gift, at that time, ever received by the museum.

Refreshments will be served outside Harrington Gallery following the performance.

The event is free and open to the public but seating is limited.



This tree was the first of its group to change color in an area on the north side of 20th Avenue.



Various colors are represented on one plant growing along U.S. Highway 83 near Canadian.

### Story and photos by Marilyn Powers



A yellow leaf contrasts brightly with grass that is still green.



Vines as well as trees change leaf color in the fall.



Sunlight highlights red leaves along U.S. Highway 83 near Canadian.

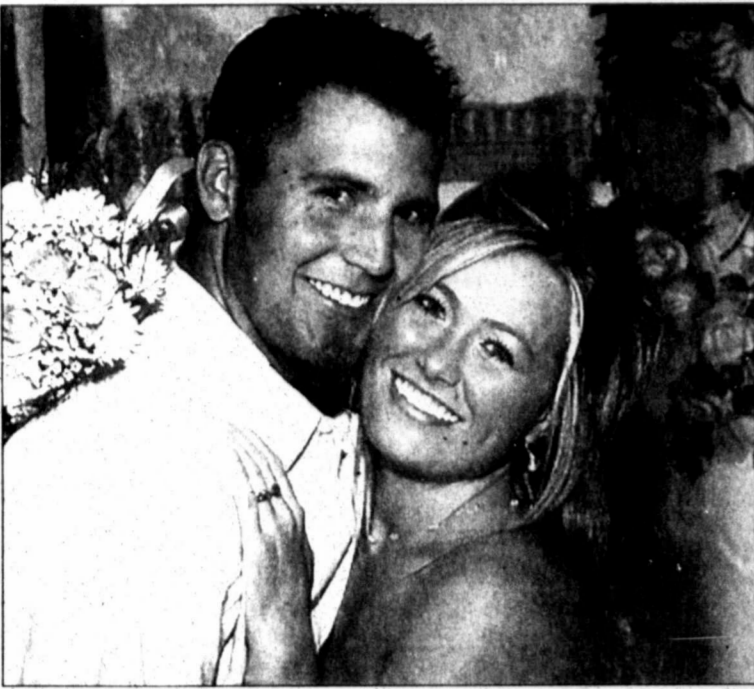


This tree on 20th Avenue sports reddish brown fall foliage.

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Jerren Miller and Brianne Chandler

## Las Vegas chapel site of wedding

Brianne Chandler and Jerren Miller, both of Amarillo, were wed Sept. 11, at Aladdin Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nev., with the Rev. Warren Chester, of Las Vegas, officiating.

On Oct. 23, a reception was held in honor of the couple at The Party Barn in Amarillo.

The bride is the daughter of Sheere White of Amarillo and Bill Chandler of Lubbock. She graduated from Lubbock's Frenship High School and is currently a dental assistant under the employ of Dr. David Duncan.

The groom, son of Walt and Brenda Miller of Pampa, graduated from Pampa High School and is currently employed at Interstate Batteries in Amarillo.

The newlyweds have not as yet announced a honeymoon destination but intend to make their home in Amarillo.

## Newlyweds marry at bride's parents' house in Pampa.

Amber Bowers and Daniel Passini, both of Amarillo, exchanged wedding vows on Sept. 26 at the home of the bride's parents in Pampa.

Pastor Lynn Hancock, of Briarwood Full Gospel Church in Pampa, presided over the ceremony.

A reception was held following the service at the home with Rachel and Nick Biagini of Bovina and Barbara Pipkin of Pampa serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Doyle and Kay Bowers of Pampa.

She graduated from Pampa High School and is currently attending Amarillo College as a theater arts major.

The groom, son of Mike and Kathy Shipp of Pampa and Mrs. Steve Passini of Dalvell, Ill., is also a graduate of PHS.

He is currently attending Southwestern



Amber Bowers and Daniel Passini

University Assembly of God in Waxahachie and plans to become a youth minister.

The newlyweds intend to make their home in Amarillo.

## Harden, Stoddard exchange vows at Calvary Baptist Church

Kristi Brock Harden and Dustin Shane Stoddard, both of Pampa, exchanged wedding vows Oct. 9 at Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa with Richard Bartel, of the church, officiating.

Attending the bride and groom were their children, Karli Harden, Rhett Harden, Alexis Stoddard and Jacob Stoddard.

The bride is the

daughter of Eugene and Paula Brock of Pampa. She attended West Texas A&M University and is currently employed as a RN case manager at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

The groom, son of Susan Ratzlaff of Amarillo and Bob and Betty Stoddard of Albuquerque, N.M., currently owns and operates Stoddard Construction.



Kristi Harden and Dustin Stoddard

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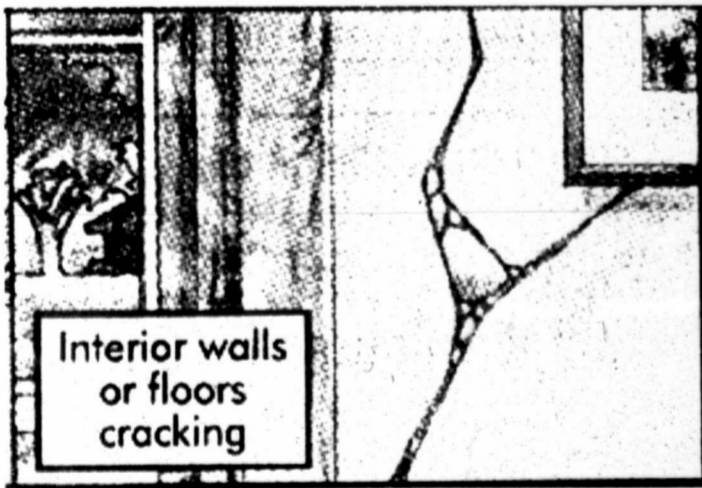
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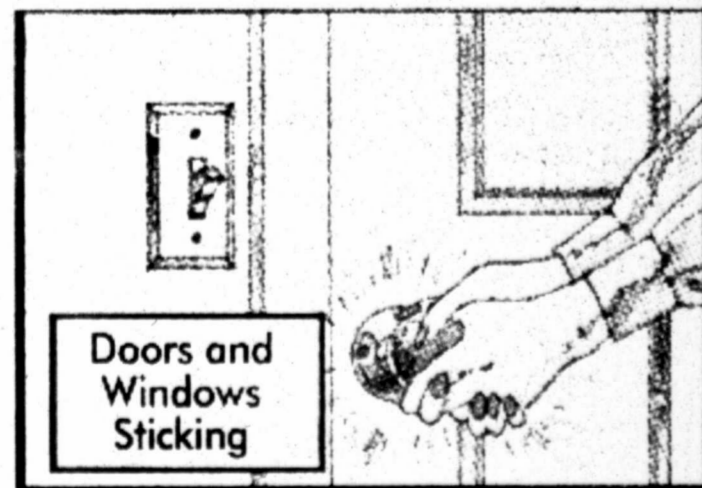
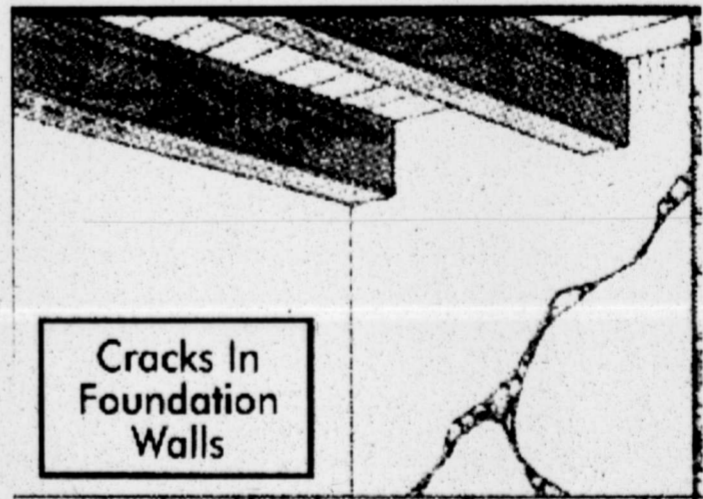
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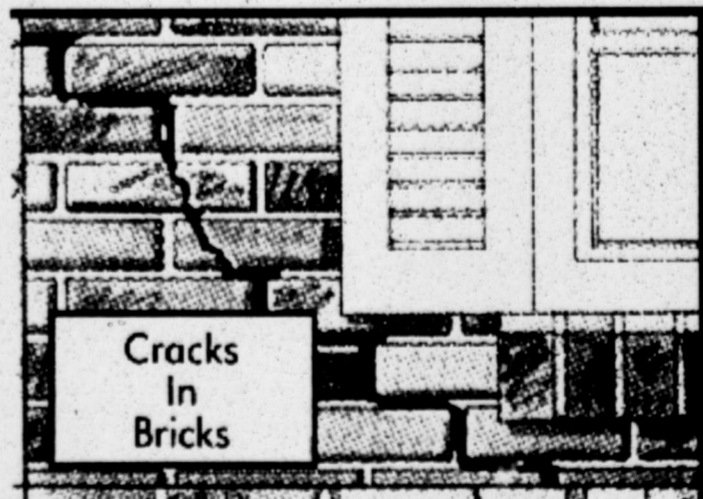
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**Sydney Ellen Larkin**

Sydney Ellen Larkin was born at 9:04 a.m. Sept. 22 at Amarillo, to Dustin and Tanya Larkin of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 7-pounds, 12-ounces and was 20 1/4-inches long. Her proud relatives include brother, Brody Larkin; grandparents, Debbie Latham of Shamrock and Gary and Diana Larkin of Skellytown; and great-grandparents, Don and Floy Larkin of Pampa and DW and Mary Rankins of Shamrock.



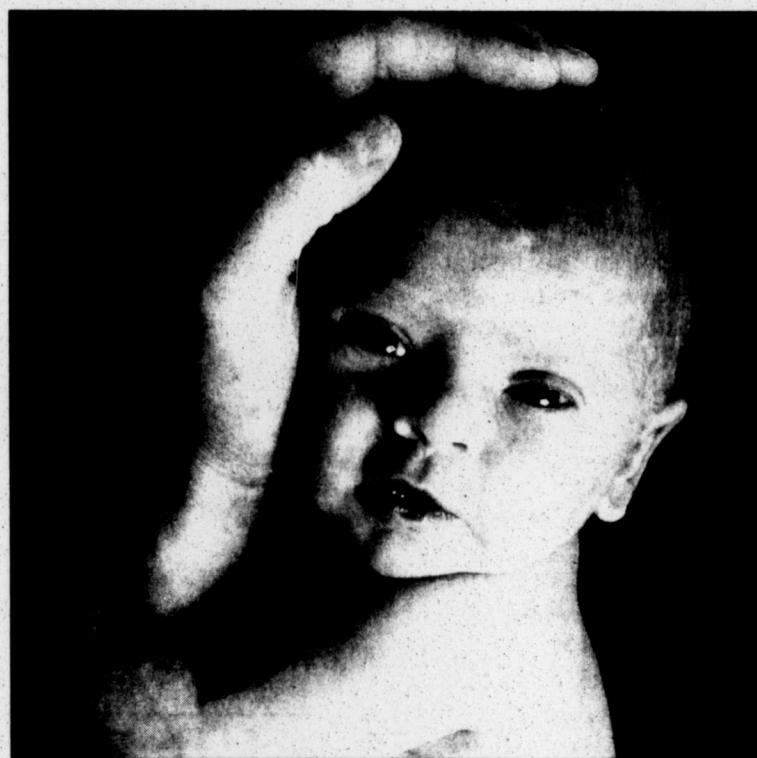
**Lorell Ann-Maree Haynes**

Lorell Ann-Maree Haynes was born at 5:13 p.m. Sept. 14 at BSA Hospital in Amarillo, to Lauren Haynes of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 7-pounds, 14-ounces and was 19 1/2-inches long. The infant's relatives include grandparents, Ronnie and Dennie Haynes of Pampa; and great-grandparents, Judy Haynes and the late H.N. Haynes and the late Frank and Lola Roach.



**Jaedon Dale Brookshire**

Jaedon Dale Brookshire was born Aug. 26, to Joshua and Amber Brookshire of Denton. At birth, the infant weighed 7-pounds, 2-ounces and was 19-inches long. Relatives of the infant include grandparents, Terry and Llaine Brookshire of Pampa, Katherine Reeves of Salina and the late Dale Hayes; and great-grandparents, Ruth Brookshire of Amarillo and Clyde and Vera Davis and Mary Howell, all of Pampa.



**▲ Emileigh Morgan Jones**

Emileigh Morgan Jones was born at 7:45 p.m. Sept. 25 at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Jason and Amber Jones of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 6-pounds, 1-ounce and was 19-inches long. Relatives of the infant include grandparents, Rick and Sandy Crosswhite of Pampa and Mike and Jayne Jones of Brownwood.

**University to offer annual 'Discover Teaching'**

CANYON — Area high school juniors and seniors will be on the West Texas A&M University campus Oct. 28 and Nov. 4 to participate in fall sessions of the University's annual "Discover Teaching."

The WTAMU Division of Education hosts "Discover Teaching" each fall to promote the education profession to high school students. The two sessions will involve more than 125 students from high schools in the Region 16 and Region 17 areas. The theme of the fall sessions is special education.

"These events are necessary for future teacher recruitment in Texas, especially in the high need areas," Gilbert Antunez, recruiting coordinator in the Division of Education, said. "Discover accomplishes two main goals: to help strengthen students' desires to become a teacher and to plant the seed of the education profession in others."

High schools involved in "Discover Teaching" sessions are those that have been involved in other WTAMU events such as Future Teacher summer camp and TexasTEACH partnership events. Most of the students attending are members of their high school Texas Association of Future Educators (T.A.F.E.) organization.

The high school students

will participate from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Dr. Sheryn Johnston, assistant professor of education, will lead a session on special education. Other planned activities include classroom visits, special presentations by WTAMU education faculty members and working with WTAMU

undergraduate education majors.

A "Discover Teaching" for community college students is planned in the spring.

For more information about "Discover Teaching," call (806) 651-2610.

**Ochiltree EECs planning 'Christmas in November'**

PERRYTON — The Annual Christmas in November, sponsored by Ochiltree County Extension Education Clubs, is slated for Thursday, Nov. 4 at the Expo Center in Perryton.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. followed at 10 a.m. by the program, set to conclude at 2:30 p.m.

Featured at the event will be Denise Wilmoth of Expression Flowers -N- Accents in Perryton. She will share ideas for easy decorating for fall and Christmas. Those attending will learn to make a snowman wreath and table decoration, make quick fleece items and more.

Reminders will be given for "Shopping Sense" during the holidays.

Cynthia Shattles, Ochiltree County Extension Agent, will

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Please settle an argument I'm having with my wife. Our 18-year-old daughter, "Crystal," suffers from ADHD. Last June, my wife insisted that Crystal get a summer job. After weeks of searching, the only job Crystal could find was selling door-to-door.

I was afraid that this door-to-door sales might put my daughter in danger, so I quietly approached the owner of a small business nearby and paid her to give Crystal a job. Crystal did well, and it turned out to be a positive work experience -- her first for someone non-family.

My wife just found out what I did, and she is irate. I didn't tell her because she is such a penny-pincher -- she complained about piano lessons for Crystal during her senior year because "she was going to college anyway."

Is what I did so terribly wrong? I think it was a good thing. -- IN THE DOGHOUSE IN MICHIGAN

DEAR "IN": Although you did not mention the toll that having ADHD has taken on your daughter, I'm sure it has been significant. You weren't wrong to want to level the playing field for your daughter and ensure her safety. The benefit to both of you is that she now has a summer of work experience behind her -- and the confidence that goes along with it -- and you had peace of mind. You behaved like a concerned and loving father, and that is laudable.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have a problem with the little boy who lives across the street. Anytime we pull into our driveway, the youngster will come right over to greet us with 100 questions before we can even exit the vehicle.

If we're in our front yard, he will come over and won't leave, even though we tell him we're busy doing yard work. It has

reached the point where we look out the window before we go outside. If he comes over, we go inside immediately. We would like to enjoy all the hard work we have put into our yard and enjoy our patio again.

This may sound selfish, but we just want to be left alone.

How can we handle this without hurting the child's feelings and keep peace with our neighbors? It has plagued us for far too long. -- PRISONERS IN OUR OWN HOME, NORWICH, CONN.

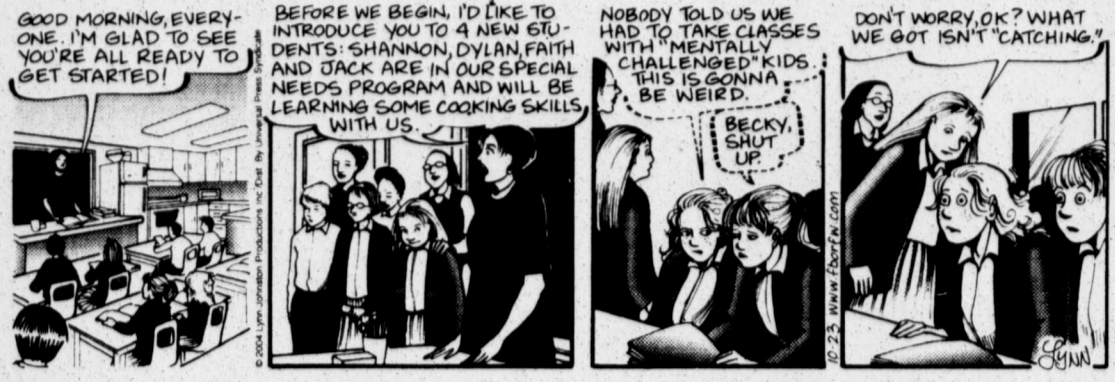
DEAR PRISONERS: You have described a very lonely little boy. I am sure if he had other things to do, and friends to play with, he wouldn't be depending on you for human contact. However, since you and your husband are not child-oriented, I advise you to speak to the boy's parents and urge them to get their son into some activities where he can be entertained and interact with his peers. You would be doing the boy a favor.

DEAR ABBY: I have known "Cassie" for more than a year. We both like each other a lot, but she has asked me to "give her a few weeks" because she needs to regain the trust she lost because of her ex. Well, it has been six weeks, and we barely even talk anymore because she's so busy with work and extracurricular activities. What should I do? -- MATTHEW IN INDIANA

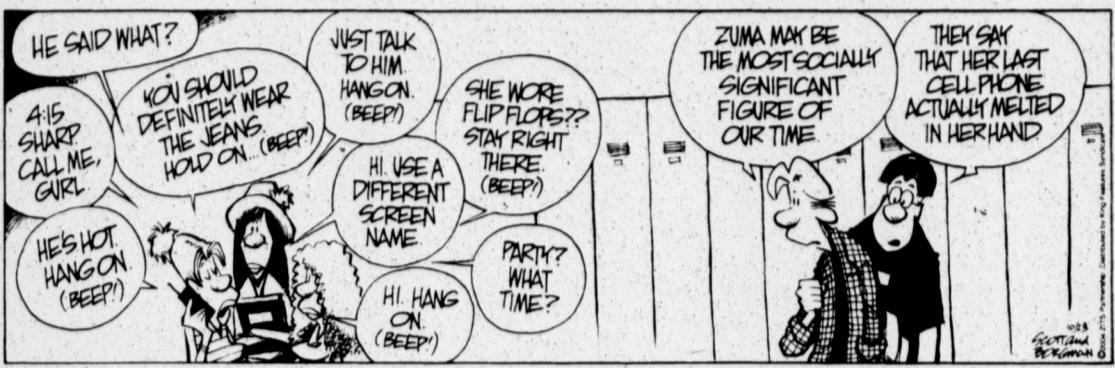
DEAR MATTHEW: Get busy with YOUR work and extracurricular activities. That way you'll have less time to worry about Cassie, who, from my perspective, is nowhere near ready for another relationship with anyone.

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Crossword Puzzle

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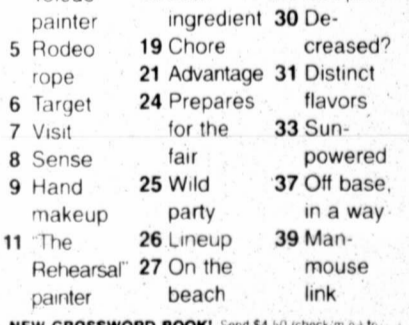
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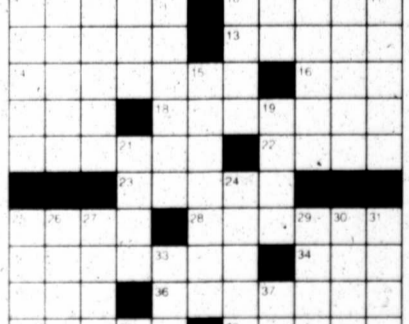
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"Conscience is a little voice inside your head, but sometimes it just whispers."

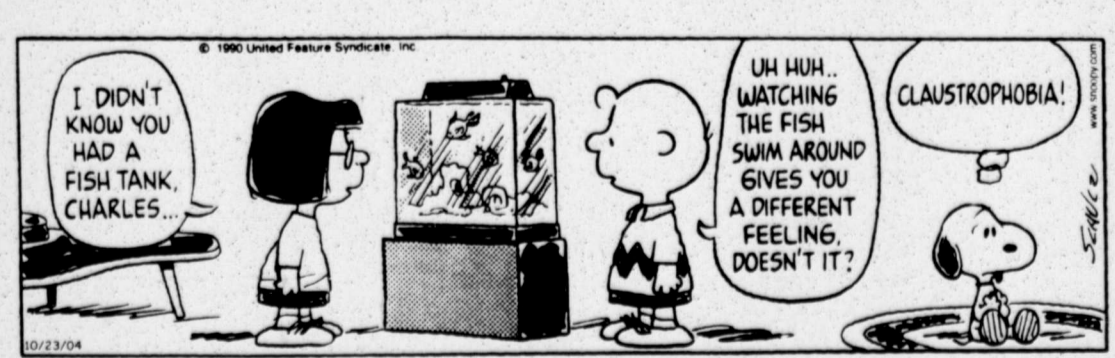
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## **Education Pays**

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# Menus

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**TUESDAY**

Chili rellenos/cheese sauce or mushroom chicken with pasta, Yukon potatoes and vegetables, succotash, turnip greens, beans, black forest cake or bread pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**WEDNESDAY**

Brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, macaroni/tomatoes, California blend, beans, butter pecan cake pineapple squares, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**THURSDAY**

Chicken strips or barbecued sausages/onion rings, potato salad, green beans, cream corn, baked beans, lemon streusel cake or chocolate icebox pie, slaw,

tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

**FRIDAY**

Catfish/hushpuppies or corned beef and cabbage, potato wedges, squash casserole, beans, brownies or peach/pineapple cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or cornbread.

**Meals On Wheels**

**MONDAY**

Pork roast, green beans, tomatoes, pineapple, cornbread salad.

**TUESDAY**

Chicken spaghetti, pickled beets, peas, apricots.

**WEDNESDAY**

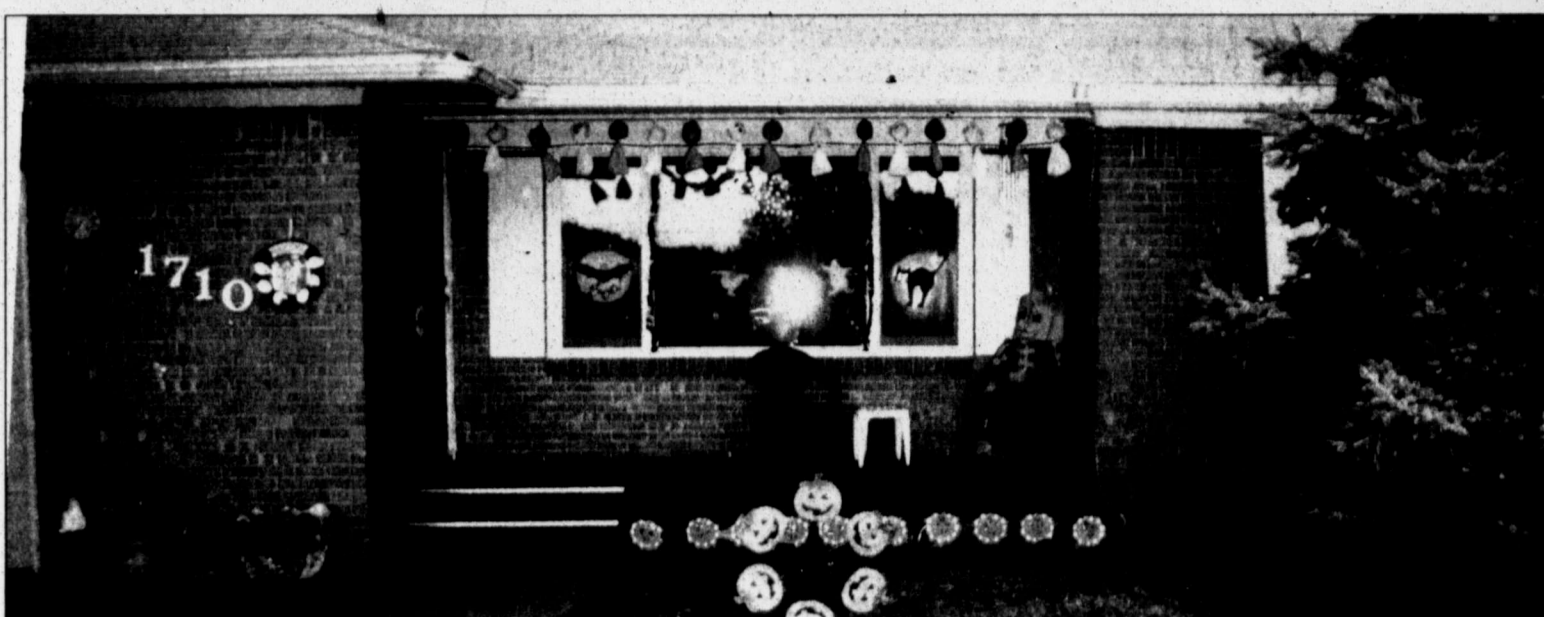
Sausage, cabbage, black-eyed peas, fried potatoes, pineapple.

**THURSDAY**

Oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, autumn salad.

**FRIDAY**

Soft tacos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, salad, peaches.



*In the spirit of Halloween*

The Great Pumpkin and assorted goblins and ghouls might find this residence at 1710 Beech Lane somewhat welcoming. As these fun decorations show, its occupants are not the grinchies of Halloween.

# Policy

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submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office

later than one month past the date of the wedding.

6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

7. Birth announcements will only be published for 0- to 3-month-olds. (See form for more details.)

8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

9. Two anniversary pictures may be placed for a \$25 charge or four extra lines may be added to announcements for \$25 (\$50 for both).

# Heroes

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to initial nervousness at playing a paralyzed character in a film being made by a paralyzed director.

But although Reeve couldn't be on-set, the actors were linked with him a room away by a sound-and-video hookup.

"We could see each other and he would give us directions in the mike," says Chabert, "and if it was a little more intense and private I would hop out of the chair and speak with him, face to face. It felt like he was there. And he really oversaw every little detail."

He also kept things light. "In the chair, every now and then I would get kind of anxious," Chabert confides. "But before every take, Chris would say, 'OK, Lacey, be paralyzed!'"

The role, she adds, "was a little daunting for me at first. As an actress, you use body language as a form of expression. When that was taken away, I felt very exposed. But it was a great exercise for me, to get down to the basics and realize that, when you do something, the audience should read it your eyes. That's what my performance became about."

Without meaning to, Chabert had echoed Reeve from years ago. In a 1998

interview with The Associated Press, he voiced concerns about starring in a TV remake of the Hitchcock thriller "Rear Window," whose protagonist is a man in a wheelchair.

"I was worried that only acting with my voice and my face, I might not be able to communicate effectively enough to tell the story," Reeve acknowledged then. "But I was surprised to find that if I really concentrated, and just let the thoughts happen, that they would read on my face."

After his horseback riding accident in 1995, Reeve also directed the HBO film "In the Gloaming," wrote two autobiographies, and, of course, lobbied extensively for stem-cell research while establishing the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation.

"He created this incredible life for himself with all his accomplishments," says Chabert, sharing one key bit of direction he gave her: "Either you give up, or you make the most of what you have. You have the choice to go on, and with more strength than you had before."

A couple of weeks ago, Reeve left a phone message saying he had just screened a finished version of the film.

"He was so excited about it," she recalls. "I called him back and he called me back, but I was never able to speak to him."

# Keychain remote turns off most TV sets

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Ticked off by the TV? Turn it off — anywhere.

A new keychain gadget that lets people turn off most TVs — anywhere from airports to restaurants — is selling at a faster clip than expected.

"I thought there would just be a trickle, but we are swamped," the inventor, Mitch Altman of San Francisco, said. "I didn't know there were so many people who were into turning TV off."

Hundreds of orders for Altman's \$14.99 TV-B-Gone gadget poured in Monday after the tiny remote control was

announced in Wired magazine and other online media outlets. At times, the unexpected attention overloaded and crashed the Web site of his company, Cornfield Electronics.

The keychain fob works like a universal remote control — but one that only turns TVs on or off. With a zap of a button, the gizmo goes through a string of about 200 infrared codes that controls the power of about 1,000 television models. Altman said the majority of TVs should react within 17 seconds, though it takes a little more than a minute for the gizmo to emit all the trigger codes.

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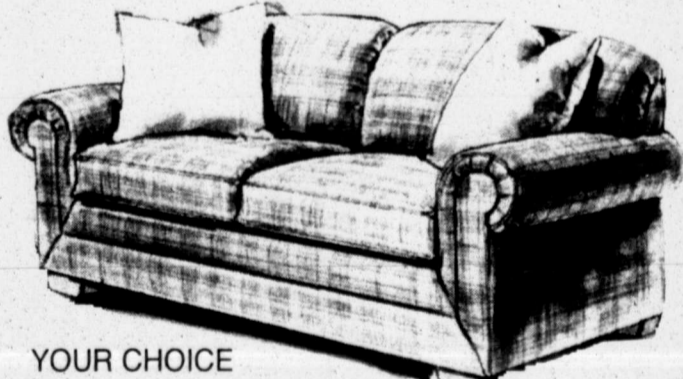
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