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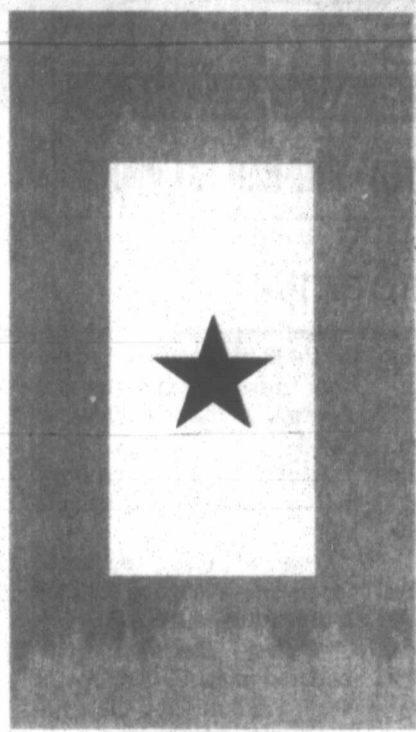
Blue/Gold Star mothers sought for recognition

by Rachel Stennett
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The names of local Blue and Gold Star mothers are being sought for a recognition ceremony in conjunction with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall replica coming to Pampa in November. The week-long series of events, to be hosted by the Pampa Post 1657 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) will include a ceremony honoring the mothers of military personnel. According to American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., a Gold Star mother is a term applied to mothers whose son or daughter has died in

war combat. The Blue Star mothers of America, Inc. defines a Blue Star mother as a mother or stepmother who has a son or daughter currently serving in the military, or who has been honorably discharged from the U.S. Armed Forces. Danny Martin, president of Pampa VFW, first saw the traveling memorial in Perryton and was moved by it. "The wall is like a magnet. It draws you in and you don't want to leave it," Martin said. "It's like a Band-Aid for moms and dads and families of veterans of any war." The memorial committee wants to honor the star

mothers by placing a wreath on the wall as a memorial to those who have served and are serving in war. Martin feels the action would have a stronger impact if a Blue or Gold Star mother could place the wreath on the memorial. Any Gold or Blue Star mothers interested in being a part of the ceremony can contact Martin or his wife Nelda at the VFW at 664-4500. The committee plans to have various events during the week the wall is in Pampa including keynote speakers, a parade, ceremonies to honor fire fighters



Hoagie's Deli robbed

What police term a "botched robbery" occurred Wednesday at Hoagie's Deli. According to a police report, a man wearing dark clothing, gloves and a mask entered the business after regular business hours through an unlocked rear door. The man, who was carrying a gun, startled an employee who was cleaning. The employee ran to a restroom, locked the door and called 911. When officers arrived, the report said, they found the employee in the restroom, but the robber had fled the

and police officers and the Ladies Auxiliary will have a meal for meal honoring veterans for Veteran's Day on Nov. 11.

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CASA treats officers to lunch

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Local law enforcement officers were served all the fried chicken, mashed potatoes, coleslaw and dessert they could eat Thursday during a luncheon at The Brown Alliance, 315 N. Ballard. The free appreciation luncheon was sponsored by CASA of the High Plains and The Bridge, co-tenants of The Brown Alliance. "They work a lot with The Bridge and with child abuse issues," said Ofelia Marszal, volunteer coordinator for CASA of the High Plains. "We just want to thank them for the endless hours they put in on child abuse cases here to help solve the

staff photo by Marilyn Powers
 Shelly Bohannon, left, an interviewer with The Bridge, serves pie to Pampa Police Chief Logan Stout Thursday at a luncheon for local law enforcement officers at The Brown Alliance, 315 N. Ballard.

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Ford to hold open house at new location on Price Road

by Rachel Stennett
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having an open house on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to celebrate the opening of

their new location on Price Road.



staff photo by Rachel Stennett
 Nancy Ruff and Alana Etchison sit in the new facility at the main campus of the Ford Family Chiropractic office. They will hold an open house on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to celebrate the opening of their new facility. The open house will offer free screenings, a bounce house for kids, free food, and tours of the new campus. The Pampa Fire Department and Police Department will be at the open house from 10:30 a.m.-4:30 pm as a part of the Coffee Memorial Blood Center "Boots vs. Badges" blood drive.

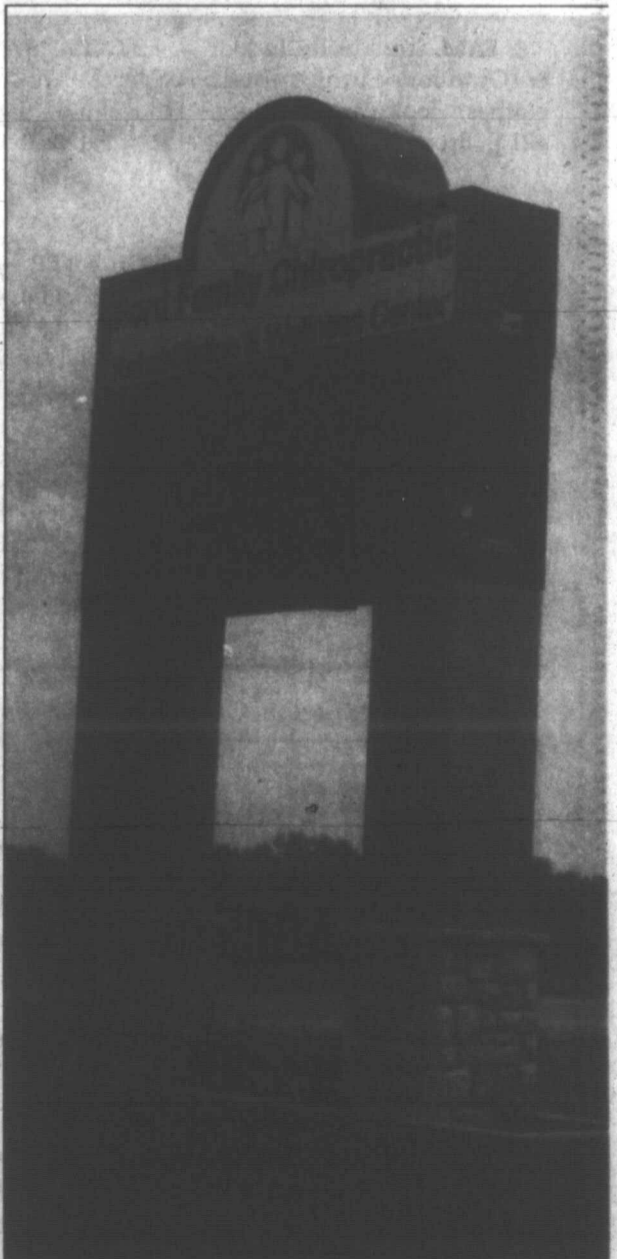
The open house will offer multiple free screenings and food. The screenings will include a bone density screening for osteoporosis, a digital foot screening for potential imbalances, and a surface EMG computerized nerve test. The open house will also offer free fajitas and cake, while supplies last.

Ford Family Chiropractic will also be sponsoring the Coffee Memorial Blood Center's, "Boots verses Badges Blood Drive." Both the Pampa Fire Department and Pampa Police Department will be at the open house with their mascots Sparky and Safety Pup.

Dr. Mark W. Ford, owner and head chiropractor, felt the need to have an open house as a way to say thank you to the Pampa community.

"We wanted to say thank you to the community for letting us serve them for 20 years," Ford said. "We are all about the quality of life and helping people function."




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Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 88.
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Sunday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 87.
Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 71.

Monday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 89.
Monday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 69.

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Obituaries

Services tomorrow

JAMES, Billie Jean — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.
RALLS, Jenny Lind Myatt — Memorial graveside services, 11 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

William Harvey 'Bill' Locke, Jr., 82

AMARILLO — William Harvey "Bill" Locke, Jr., 82, died Aug. 21, 2008.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, 2008, in Victory Baptist Church in Stinnett with Mike Kelley and the Rev. J.D. Young officiating. Arrangements are by Cox-LaGrone Funeral Home, 4180 Canyon Drive, in Amarillo.

Known by W.H. and also "Dub," Mr. Locke was born Nov. 22, 1925, in Wheeler

County to William Harvey Locke, Sr. and Polly Angelina Sizemore Locke.

He married Wanda Fern Gipson on Jan. 17, 1948, in Twitty, Texas. He was a World War II Veteran of the U.S. Navy Seabees Locke 63rd Battalion in the Pacific from 1943-1946.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Anna

Belle; and a great-grandson, Clifford Blake Allen.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda; a daughter, Peggy Koehler and husband Raymond of Pampa; four sons, Kelly Locke and Billie Welty of Amarillo, Colin Locke and wife Rhonda of Stinnett, Kevin Locke and David Torres of Amarillo, and Shannon

Locke and wife Tanya of Fort Worth; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; a brother, J.W. Locke and wife Joyce of Amarillo; and a cousin Lem Locke and wife Dorothy of Paris, Texas; and his special companion, his Schнауzer, "Abby."

MEMORIALS: The family suggests memorials to the V.A. Hospice of Amarillo.

The family will be gathering at 401 East Broadway in Stinnett.



Emergency Services

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the period from 7 a.m. Tuesday to 7 a.m. Thursday.

Tuesday, Aug. 19

Twelve traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were received from the 1000 block of Farley and the 100 block of East Randy Matson.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 1200 block of South Faulkner, the 1100 block of Varnon Drive, the 1000 block of Huff Road, the intersection of Montagu and Perry streets, the 1000 block of Varnon Drive (twice), the 1000 block of South Wells, the 800 block of South Sumner, the 1000 block of East Foster, the 500 block of North Sumner, the 500 block of North Roberta, the 600 block of North Zimmers, the 200 block of West Browning, the 1100 block of North Starkweather and the 1400 block of North Russell.

A runaway was reported in

the 2400 block of Evergreen.

A missing person was reported in the 800 block of Beryl.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

One attempt to serve papers was made and resulted in at least one arrest.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 2100 block of North Faulkner and the 1500 block of North Banks.

A suspicious person call was received from the intersection of Starkweather and Browning streets.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 700 block of North Somerville.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart, the 1800 block of Alcock, the 1800 block of North Sumner and the 500 block of Montagu.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of South Christy. A vehicle window valued at approximately \$250 was broken.

At least one arrest was

made in connection with a domestic disturbance which was reported in the 2200 block of North Wells.

No injuries were reported in connection with a domestic disturbance which was reported in the 700 block of Scott.

Assault was reported in the 500 block of Lefors. Minor injuries were reported in connection with the incident.

One alarm was reported.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. The owner of the vehicle returned and paid for the fuel.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. Fuel valued at \$8 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of North Christy and the 700 block of North Perry.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of West Brown. The incident involved use of a debit card and a value of approximately \$75.

Theft was reported in the

police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 800 block of North Gray. A cordless drill and tin snips were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$115.

Burglary was reported in the 100 block of South Naida. A television valued at \$25 was taken.

Wednesday, Aug. 20

Thirty-eight traffic stops were made. At least one arrest was made in connection with a stop at the intersection of Cuyler and Tyng streets.

Traffic complaints were received from the 1900 block of North Hobart, the 1400 block of West Somerville and on two occasions in the 1900 block of Hamilton.

Vehicle accidents were reported on Walnut Street, in the 1300 block of Duncan and at the intersection of Somerville and Kentucky streets. Another complaint was made at the police department lobby.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 400 block of North Dwight, the 600 block of North Sumner, the 600 block of North Christy, the 1000 block of Prairie Drive (three calls), the 400 block of Purviance, the 200 block of West Browning, the 2300 block of Chestnut, the 1100 block of North Starkweather, the intersection of 26th Avenue and Perryton Parkway, the 1400 block of North Russell, the 1200 block of Wilcox, the 400 block of North Frost, the 1100 block of Prairie Drive, the 2500 block of Dogwood, the 900 block of South Faulkner, the 2200 block of North Sumner and the 700 block of West Wilks. A complaint was made at the police department lobby, as well.

Welfare checks were made in the 1200 block of Finley, the 1500 block of North Christy, and the intersection of 18th and Sumner streets.

A civil matter was reported

in the police department lobby.

A runaway was reported in the 2100 block of Williston.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Starkweather and Francis streets, and the 200 block of North Sumner.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 400 block of Hughes.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1200 block of Garland.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of West 30th and the 800 block of East Francis.

Criminal mischief was reported at the intersection of Brunow and Talley streets.

Harassment was reported in the 800 block of Scott and the 1500 block of Dogwood.

One alarm was reported.

One building check was made.

Identity theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Burglary was reported in the 900 block of East Browning. A television, CD player, hutch, two lamps and microwave were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$2,700.

Robbery was reported at Hoagie's Deli, 1201 N. Hobart.

Thursday, Aug. 21

A traffic complaint was received from the 1400 block of East Kingsmill.

An animal complaint was received from the 100 block of South Wells.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Buckler and Dwight streets, and the 1000 block of South Christy. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 1000 block of South Christy.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of Roberta, the 1400 block of West Somerville, the 400 block of Carr and on twice in the 400 block of Pitts. At least one arrest was made in connection with the second report in the 400 block of Pitts.

An arrest was made for driving while intoxicated as a result of a follow-up investigation in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

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

Tuesday, Aug. 19

Anthony Dwayne Baston, 19, of Pampa was arrested in the 400 block of Magnolia by Pampa Police Department for assault causing bodily injury.

Sedrel Allen McGuffin Jr., 50, of Pampa was arrested in the 900 block of South Cuyler by Pampa PD for no driver's license, no inspection, expired motor vehicle inspection and five capias pro fines.

Wednesday, Aug. 20

Jeffrey Baker, 43, of Pampa was arrested in the 100 block of Tyng by Pampa PD for no valid driver's license.

Thomas Anthony Himes, 25, of York, Pa., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

Vincent R. Barrucco, 26, of Philadelphia, Pa., was arrested by DPS for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

Paul Maynard Johnson, 56, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a fugitive warrant out of Benton County, Ark.

Thursday, Aug. 21

Bradley Devon Scott, 24, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of South Christy by Pampa PD on a probation violation for criminal trespass.

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Do you believe in miracles and signs?

Do you believe that God still sometimes performs miracles? Most people answer that question one of three ways — "absolutely!", "no way!" or "I don't have a clue."

At the outset of this article, let me make it clear where I stand on this issue. I believe that God not only can still perform miracles, but that sometimes He still does perform miracles. Now the reason I want to make that clear is because the rest of this article might leave a different impression. Then why am I writing an article that might give people the wrong impression of my views? Because of the incredible abundance of fakes and false teachers.

A fake is someone who professes to be able to perform miracles but can't.

A false teacher (in the context of this article) is someone who actually does perform a miracle or sign or wonder, but their teaching is seriously flawed.

So how do we recognize fakes, and what should we do with them? To identify a fake just look for these signs. If a person claims to be a miracle worker, but can't ever do anything that measures up to the quality and power of the miracles in the Bible, then they are a fake. (See Acts 8:9-24.)

If someone is always blaming someone else's "lack of faith" for the miracle not happening, then they are a fake. If a preacher claims to work miracles, but won't ever let anyone up on the stage or in front of the crowd until after they have already been healed, then he is a fake.

If a preacher claims to be a worker of miracles but is always saying, "Now you can't test the Lord," then most likely he is a fake. What do we do with fakes? In Old Testament Israel, they would have been stoned. But since we live in New Testament times and in America we should just "mark" them as the fakes that they are by spreading the word to fellow believers.

What about false teachers who work miracles? Check out Matthew 7:21-23: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord,

Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only those who do the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?' Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'"

Notice that Jesus didn't say they were lying about being able to prophecy, cast out demons or perform miracles. What does that mean? It means that they did prophecy, cast out demons and perform miracles. But equally true and a much, much bigger deal was when Jesus said, "I never knew you."

Just because a person gives an accurate prophecy, doesn't mean that they are one of Jesus' faithful disciples, and the same is true with anyone who can cast out demons or perform miracles. On its own that is not "the proof" that someone is a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ, and it never has been. If the message and teaching of a believer doesn't match that of Jesus, then no amount of miracles or prophecies can change the fact that they are a false teacher.

What should we do with false teachers? Once again, in Old Testament Israel, they would have been stoned. But since we live in New Testament times and in America we have different orders. Romans 16:17-18: "I urge you, brothers and sisters, to watch out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them. For such people are not serving our Lord Christ, but their own appetites. By smooth talk and flattery they deceive the minds of naive people."

So what do we do with false teachers? KEEP AWAY FROM THEM! And of course we would also have a responsibility to "mark" them too, warning fellow believers.

God bless.

Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian



Church briefs ...

Hobart Baptist Church, 1100 W. Crawford, will conduct a vacation Bible school for children in kindergarten through fifth grade and a back-to-school party will be from 7-9 p.m. and include food, music, door prizes and more. The VBS will last from 4-6 p.m. and will include food, face painting, games and more. The back-to-school party will

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Viewpoints

Trials of motherhood require love, love, love

Today is my son's second birthday. Two years have come and gone, and I find myself dealing with a strange little beast known as a toddler. That's one thing I wish I had thought more about two years ago. I was so concerned with getting a new baby to sleep through the night that I forgot to think about what I would do with a small, seemingly adorable 1-year-old — and now 2-year-old — who constantly tells me "No!" and runs away the precise minute I tell him to, "Come here, please."

I spent seven years teaching high school kids, and I have yet to run into the student who has given me more lessons in humility than my own flesh and blood.

Nate Bailey is an insanely energetic little boy. One nursery worker at church calls him the most "climbiest kid ever was." He climbs and jumps and possesses no fear.

It's scary. He is happiest outdoors, and aside from nap and bed times, he never stops. It's been like this since he began running, I mean walking, at the age of 10 months.

Nate is also quite the talker, which also began about a year ago. Lots of words, lots of things to say, but most of them rude. Like "Nate's TURN!" and "Nate's toys!" and "Stoppit!" I hear that's what toddlers like to say... it doesn't mean I like it.

Apparently there are others similar to my crazy kid; I've read about them in James Dobson's "Strong-Will'd Child" parenting book. But I must say, I never envisioned having to read it three times by the time my son turned 2. I didn't think I would have to deal with the daily onslaught of a small person repeatedly testing every inch of patience I possess. I thought that happened at 13.

Case in point: I took my little guy to the doctor this week. Taking Nate to the doctor

ranks up there with getting my cavities filled — with a touch of humiliation added to the mix.

It starts before we're even in the car. We go to the garage.

"Nate's Screwdriver!" he exclaims as we walk by the toolbox. My child also has a fetish for tools. Not baby tools. Not plastic tools or Fisher-Price tools, but the kind that could kill a person.

"No tools, Nate. We're going to the doctor. Time to get in the car," I reply.

We walk to the back car door. I'm dragging him and he's yelling "Nate's tools!"

"Get in the car," I ask nicely.

"Get in the car, Nate," I repeat, thinking he could hear me over his urge for tools.

"Nate. Get in the car. Please. GET IN THE CAR!" (He acts like he's deaf. I try an alternative annoyance tactic.)

"Getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar-getinthecar," I say over and over in a monotone voice until he can't stand it and gets in car. (Hey, what do you know? It worked.)

At this point, I know what many of you are thinking, "Why don't you pick him up and put him in the car?"

Tried it. That would elicit a "Nate do it!" yell from the boy. Which would most certainly escalate into what many of you actually think I should have done in the first place when he didn't do what I asked: Spank him!

Well, here's the deal. I tried that six months ago. I spanked, and spanked every single, little time he disobeyed me, or acted out in accidental or purposeful defiance — I tried to break the habit. But that got me

nowhere. Seriously, if he's not afraid to stand on the dog, or walk on top of the backs of the couch before jumping onto the end table, I can tell you he doesn't really care about getting spanked.

And I can spank as hard as the next mom. I even have a canister full of spatulas. Not so effective. Occasionally, yes. All day, every day? No.

I remember in the "good old days" one spanking from my dad cured me for at least a month, and here our less-than-2-year old barely cries when I whoop him. Again, adding to my dismay with this whole motherhood deal.

So then I started doing some research on the "Time Out" thing. It used to be called standing in the corner, back in my day. Either way — I tried that. It worked well for a while, even though I had to physically restrain him there. Until recently. Now he puts himself in "time out" when he gets mad. He just marches to the corner and stands there without me saying a word. Man, there goes another mom-tactic.

Which leads me to our time at the doctor's office. It almost always begins and ends with tantrums. Yelling, screaming, hitting. (Him, not me.) Over stupid things like, "Let's go sit down, Nate..."

"No!" he yells as he throws the waiting room table book across the waiting room, missing that really sick-looking woman's head by inches.

"Nathanael Bailey?" the nurse says, opening the pearly gates to let us in to the actual doctor's office. Now his behavior will get worse, but it will just be the doctor, nurse and I who have to witness it.

He crawls up on the bed covered with sanitary paper and proceeds to mangle it to pieces while wiggling all over the place. I pull the stockpile out of my purse.

"Nate, you want stickers?"

My distraction techniques are not effective today. He throws the stickers.

"We don't throw things!" I bark.

I get out some snack food; he turns his head away, followed by more wiggling and desperate pleas to steal the medical equipment off the wall. He climbs onto the doctor's rolling chair and spins around, climbs down, and heads for the door — yelping when I block him from getting out.

He wiggles his way through the exam, whining and ignoring my silent cries for him to please be quiet and be still! Maybe he feels the small office walls are closing in on him. I don't know what it is, but it's exhausting, and it's the same every time we're there. I'm losing my mind, and it's not even lunchtime yet!

The doctor diagnoses and leaves. Nate runs out after him. I quickly divert the child, and we finally get back into the car.

"Hold you?" he asks gently, holding my neck and hugging me before I can get him into the car seat.

Oh, happy day! My baby has resurfaced! He loves me! And he's not screaming or yelling or writhing on the ground!

"Mommy hold you," I say back, hugging him and conforming to his baby language without even thinking about it.

My son's going to be a leader some day, I repeatedly tell myself on days like these, somehow trying to reassure myself as to how this fierce independence, never-ending energy and strong personality are going to play out.

But today, he's still my baby.

Miranda Bailey

Guest Columnist



OPEC countries afraid of high oil prices

Oil replaced coal as fuel for trains because it was cheaper than coal. No solution to the problem of importing so much foreign oil will work if it's based on a substitute fuel more expensive than oil.

As Winnie-the-Pooh was fond of saying, that is something we should keep in our heads. Another fact to keep in mind is that in a free-market system, the more expensive oil becomes, the greater the incentive to find a substitute.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which is always wrongly blamed for high oil prices, is afraid of high oil prices. OPEC is afraid of high oil prices because it knows that high prices will drive the search for a substitute. Most of the OPEC countries have nothing to export except oil. Saudi Arabia was poor, very poor, before the discovery of oil. It and the other desert oil kingdoms and sheikdoms have no desire to be poor again. They would like to see a more moderate price for oil — high enough to be profitable but low enough not to alarm consumers.

Charley Reese

Columnist



could affect the price of oil if they cut back on production or if war disrupted the flow of oil. But OPEC hasn't cut production during the recent run-up in the price of oil. Other factors involved are speculators, the decline of the value of the U.S. dollar (a big factor), an increase in demand from countries like China and India, and jitters caused by politicians' war talk.

Economics is not a science and has nothing to do with math, despite the fascination with numbers among academics, economists, journalists and politicians. Economics is just human psychology at work in the pursuit of wealth. Greed and fear are the drivers. Neither the greed nor the fear is necessarily based on a rational assessment of the situation. Humans are, at best, rational only in short spurts.

George Soros, the financier some conservatives love to hate, says you can never

escape from the bubble-and-bust cycle. Greed creates the bubble, and fear helps with the bust. It's human nature to join the bandwagon.

I saw that happen in Orlando when Walt Disney World opened. Apparently, a number of developers hired the same consultants, all of whom said to their respective clients, "Yes, there is a market for more hotel rooms." That was true, but only up to a point. Consequently, too many

hotels were built too soon, and several had to go through a number of bankruptcies before price and demand reached an equilibrium. The man who tipped me off to the coming bust in hotels was a mattress salesman. "Dey got too much dough in doz rooms for it to pay," he said. He was right. The frenzy of building had pushed the cost-per-room too high.

As is always the case with cycles, it evened out. In the long run, Orlando went from

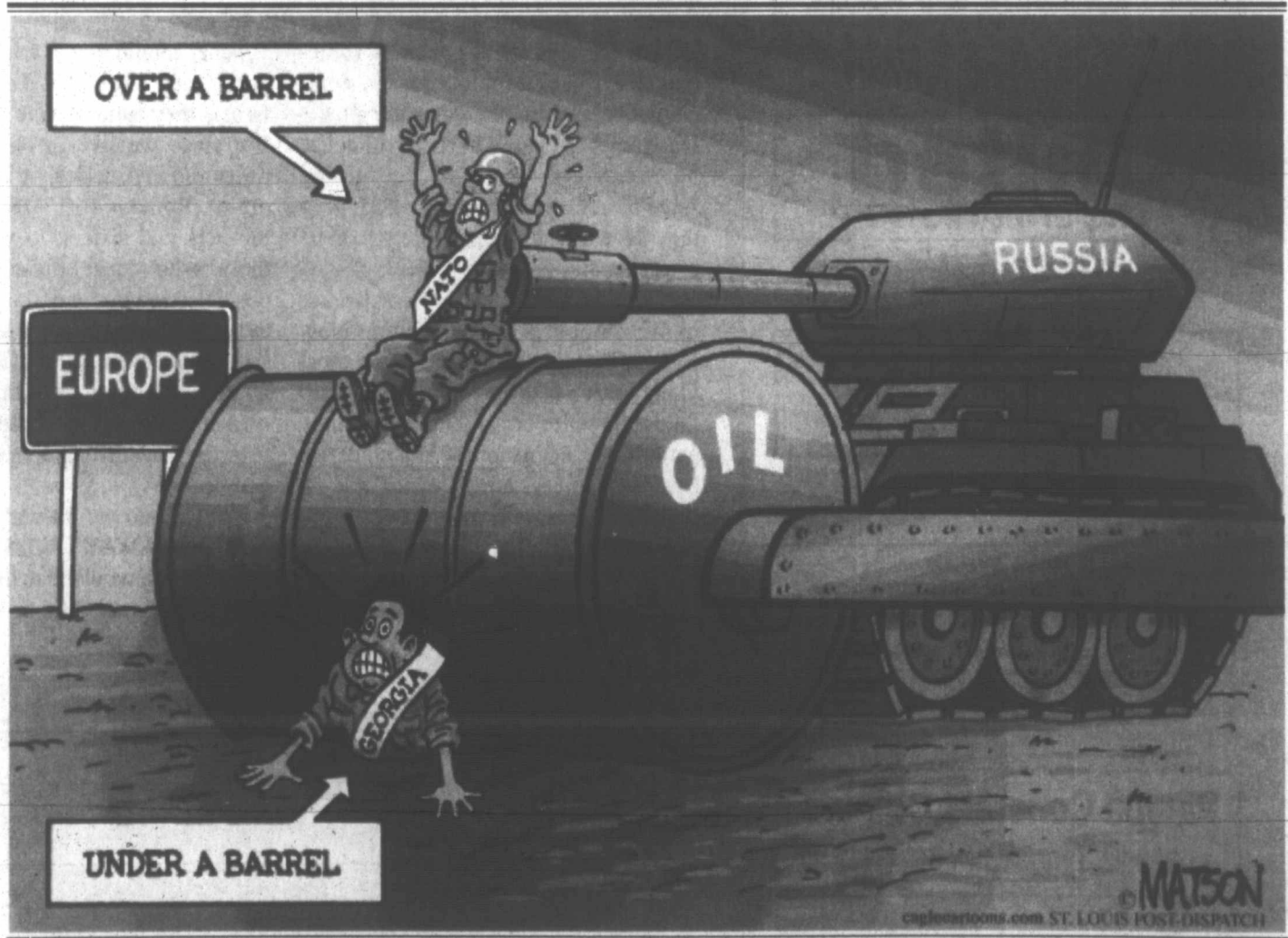
about 3,000 hotel rooms to more than 100,000. I think Las Vegas is the only city with more rooms. The smartest developers made the big bucks.

The energy situation will even out eventually. Maybe it will be a technological breakthrough. Maybe it will be a reduction in demand. Maybe there will be some new oil finds. The human race cannot exist without energy. It was the Industrial Revolution, powered by fossil fuels, that really ended

human slavery.

Just don't let the blabber by politicians put you in a panic. Remember, America has been increasing its use of foreign oil steadily for decades, and Congress aided and abetted the process. Only when gasoline hit \$4 a gallon did Congress see any political advantage in declaring a "crisis." There is no crisis, and there is no short-term solution.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press
 Today is Friday, Aug. 22, the 235th day of 2008. There are 131 days left in the year.
 Today's Highlight in History:
 On Aug. 22, 1968, Pope Paul VI arrived in Bogota, Colombia, for the start of the first papal visit to South America.
 On this date:
 In 1485, England's King Richard III was killed in the Battle of Bosworth Field, ending the War of the Roses.
 In 1787, inventor John Fitch demon-

strated his steamboat on the Delaware River to delegates from the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia.
 In 1846, Gen. Stephen W. Kearny proclaimed all of New Mexico a territory of the United States.
 In 1851, the schooner America outraced more than a dozen British vessels off the English coast to win a trophy that came to be known as the America's Cup.
 In 1904, Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping was born in Sichuan province.
 In 1910, Japan annexed Korea, which remained under Japanese colonial rule

until 1945.
 In 1956, President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon were nominated for second terms in office by the Republican National Convention in San Francisco.
 In 1978, President Jomo Kenyatta, a leading figure in Kenya's struggle for independence, died; Vice President Daniel arap Moi was sworn in as acting president.
 In 1985, 55 people died when fire broke out aboard a British Airtours charter jet on a runway at Manchester Airport in England.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Ben" and I have been married for two years. His dog, "Lucky," adores him. The problem is, Lucky bites me every time I get near Ben, especially when we are trying to get intimate. If we lock Lucky out of the room, he barks frantically the whole time. So much for romance. Ben refuses to get rid of Lucky. He has told me that if the dog goes, he goes -- and he means it. I want a normal life with my husband, but he has chosen his dog over his wife. Can you offer any solution? -- **ONCE BITTEN, TWICE SHY IN OHIO**

DEAR ONCE BITTEN: I'll try. Your husband is an irresponsible pet owner. He has allowed Lucky to become "top dog" in your household by permitting the animal to control HIM rather than vice versa. Tell him that if he wants to "get lucky," he is going to have to assume control of his dog. This will take the assistance of a qualified dog trainer or other animal behavior specialist and should be done immediately because "once bitten" is once too often.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 16, and my 13-year-old stepsister, "Cindy," is mentally retarded. She stays here every other weekend, and it's embarrassing when I have friends over. We don't have an extra room, so my mom and stepfather make me share a room with her. Cindy is obsessed with me. She won't leave me alone the whole weekend and follows me around asking stupid questions. She also stares at my body when I get undressed, which makes me uncomfortable. I'm not modest and undress in front of other girls, but I don't like being stared at. She also can't keep her hands off my stuff. I have been spending the night at a friend's as often as I can to get away from her. But now my mother and stepfather say I can go on sleepovers only on weekends Cindy is not here. They say she misses me and seems hurt that I'm not here to be with her. They say Cindy cried last weekend

because she thinks I don't love her. Well, duh! I've never even LIKED her. She is supposed to be here spending "quality time" with her father, not me, so shouldn't I be able to get away rather than have her drive me crazy the whole time? -- **FED UP IN LANCASTER, PA.**

DEAR FED UP: You are obviously very angry, but you're aiming it in the wrong direction. None of this is your stepsister's fault. Cindy is a little girl mentally, and she idolizes you. She may be slow, but she isn't stupid. She recognizes rejection when she sees it. I recommend a compromise. You should not have to entertain your stepsister every single time she visits. While it would be caring and compassionate to spend time with her, you should not be forced into it. Keeping her occupied should be your parents' responsibility. An adult should advocate for you in this matter. If my reply is sufficient, show it to your mother and stepfather. If it isn't, then enlist the help of another adult to talk to them with you.

DEAR ABBY: Singing is my one true passion. However, whenever I sing, my friends make fun of me. One of my friends did compliment me, but I'm not sure I completely believe her. My choir director says I have a beautiful voice, but how can I tell if she's just being nice? -- **UNSURE IN SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

DEAR UNSURE: Ask her if you can sing a solo.

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Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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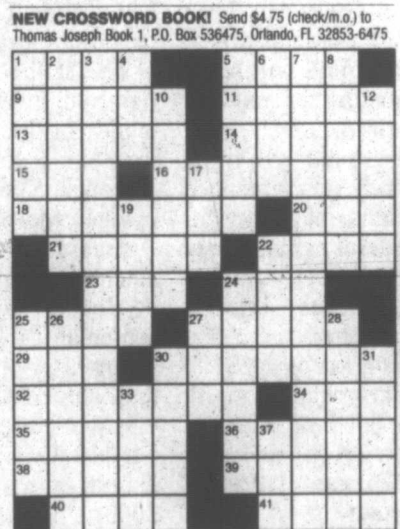
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- 28 Gary of "CSI: NY"
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Yesterday's answer

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8. Tourist stop
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"A side-by-side refrigerator does not mean my side by your side."

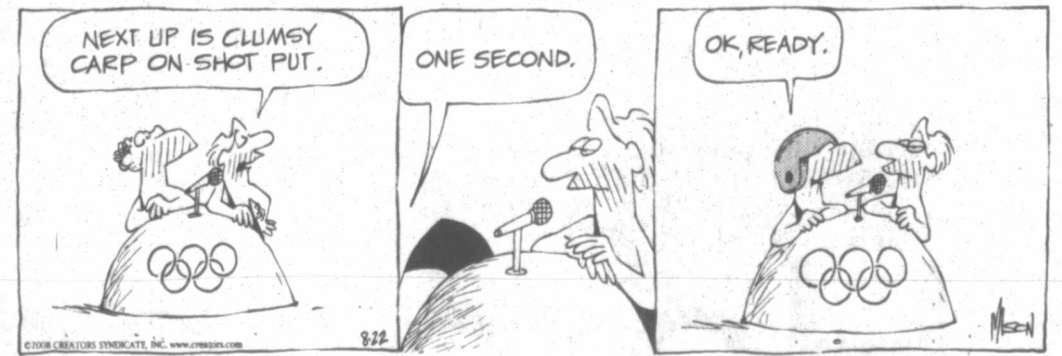
The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



"Did the Smif'sonian people get the idea for that castle from Disneyland?"

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Sports

Jamaicans beat themselves, lose chance at sweep

BEIJING (AP) — Someone finally beat Jamaica in the sprints. The Jamaicans.

The Jamaican women spoiled the country's shot at sweeping the Olympic sprints Friday when Sherone Simpson never got the stick to Kerron Stewart between the second and third legs of the 400-meter relay.

That opened the door for Russia to win the gold in 42.31 seconds, followed by Belgium and Nigeria.

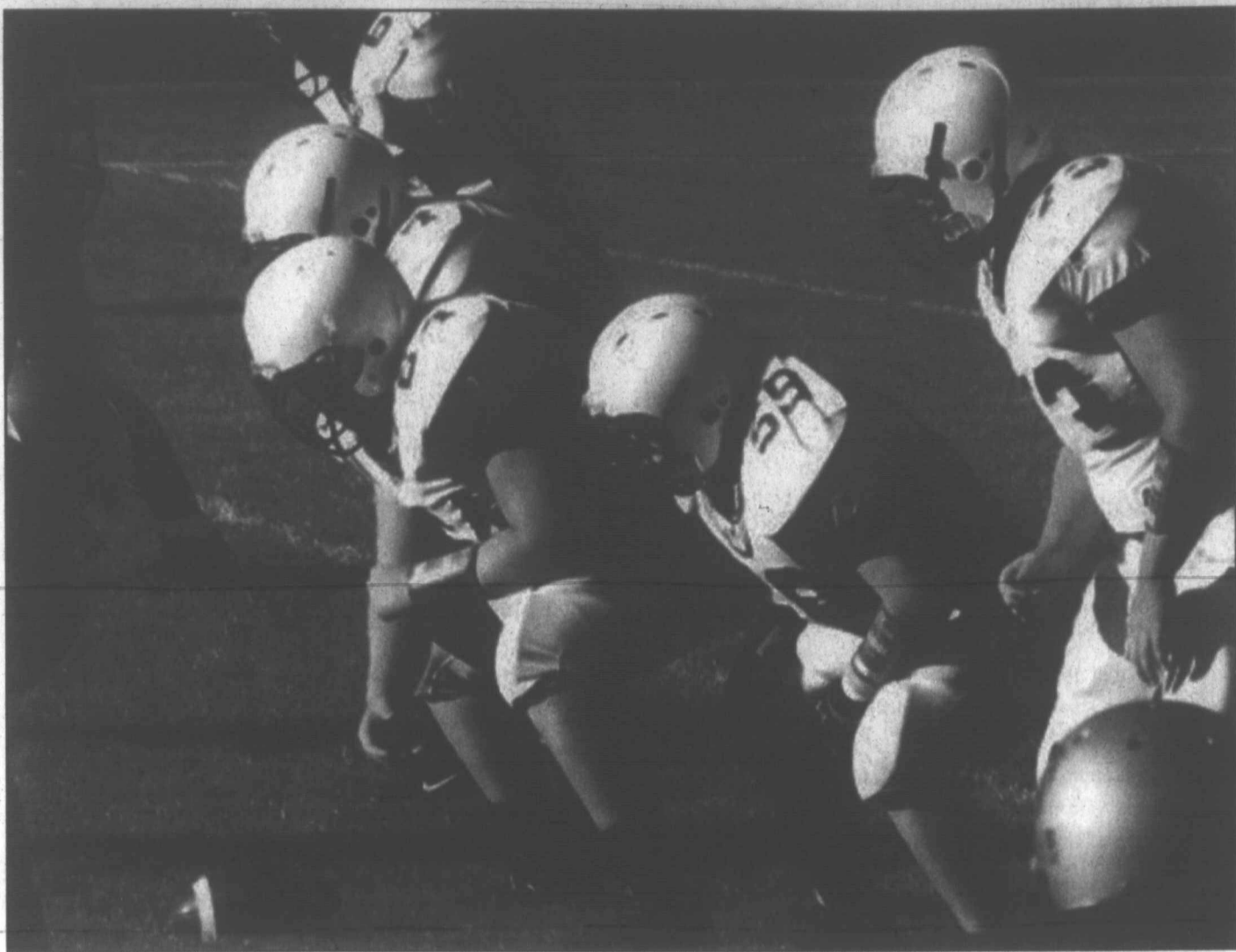
Jamaica was the prohibitive favorite in the race, with two gold and five overall sprint medals already won by its four-woman lineup, and without any competition from the United States, which botched a handoff in preliminaries the night before.

Simpson was pushing Jamaica into the lead near the end of her leg. Stewart took off, reached her arm back and never received the baton. Simpson ran into Stewart and stopped running, which left Veronica Campbell-Brown, who ran the fastest 200 meters in a decade the night before, without a chance to run her anchor leg.

"I can't find nothing to say," Stewart said. "I did what I was supposed to do, she did what she was supposed to do, but I guess it wasn't God's will."

With only the men's 400 relay remaining, Jamaica fell to 4-for-5 in the Olympic sprints, leaving the United States in 1984 as the only country to sweep all six Olympic sprints.

Earlier, Tirunesh Dibaba of Ethiopia completed an unprecedented women's distance double by adding the 5,000 meters to her 10K victory.



The varsity offensive line faces off against the Dalhart Wolves in last night's scrimmage in Dalhart. Courtesy Photo

Football Booster Club Update

The Harvester Football Booster Club met Monday, August 18th. Meet the Harvesters was originally scheduled for Tuesday, August 19th, but has been rescheduled due to the rain.

"Coach Cavalier will be taking the football players to Panhandle to practice on their turf field because ours is too wet due to the huge amounts of rain," Reagan Louise said. "Meet the Harvesters will be Thursday, August 28th between the Freshman and JV football games. Anyone still wanting to place an ad, business or personal, has until Wednesday to contact Kim Skinner with that information."

The next meeting will be Monday, August 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Ready Room at Valhalla.

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

8-22 CRYPTOQUOTE

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— XQIDN YDLEYT

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: A MISERY IS NOT TO BE MEASURED FROM THE NATURE OF THE EVIL, BUT FROM THE TEMPER OF THE SUFFERER. — JOSEPH ADDISON

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Aug. 23, 2008:
Basics play a dominant role in your life and birthday year. The unexpected occurs frequently, and as a result, you learn to work with different situations. You will flex far more than in the past, as others often seem to come to you with surprises. Share more of your opinions and be willing to share more of yourself. Learn to detach and look at the whole picture. If you are single, you could meet someone quite exotic in the next few months. Though this person might not be your life mate, he or she could open many doors. It is also possible that he or she could be "Mr. or Ms. Right." If you are attached, planning a special trip or taking on a key project binds you closer together. GEMINI pushes you into the limelight.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Expenses could be overwhelming, especially as you are inclined to make a purchase. Even going top-of-the-line, it could backfire. Express feelings, even if you are uncomfortable. Tonight: Hang out.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You do not accept challenges easily, and right now is no exception. It will take some creativity to handle tension involving a risk between a child and a loved one. If you do not know which way to go, trust your instincts. Tonight: Your treat.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You will tend to move slowly

and deliberately. The morning could be problematic if you take conversations, situations and issues personally. You get a second wind late in the day. Suddenly, a project is a piece of a cake. Tonight: As you like.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Examine motives all you want, but do not fuss too much, ignoring an invitation. Getting together with others makes you smile. A party blossoms out of a simple get-together. Know when you have had enough. Tonight: Others wonder where you are. Mystery entices.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Handle what is on your plate. You will feel much better when you let go and decide to relax and party. You could be surprised by what happens when you are less intense and more relaxed. Tonight: Aim for what you want.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Take off this morning, if you have day plans. Read between the lines with a request, understanding the implications. You could find that sticking around could be a definite problem. Tonight: Honor a request.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ How you deal with someone might be a lot different when you get a better sense of what might be going on with him or her. Reach out for someone at a distance. A talk and get-together is long overdue. Tonight: Try very different.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Defer to others, and understand what is happening with them. As plans evolve, you can decide if you want to go your own way. Laughter and fun mix with special pals or a group of friends. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

You won't even be given a chance to say "no."
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Get a project done, knowing how good you will feel when you have opened some time. In fact, start making plans for mid-afternoon. Accept that invitation, or go off and join friends. Tonight: Christen your weekend.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Your creativity bubbles forth and might encourage you to take a leap of faith. Use the daylight hours to the max. Kick back and relax in the late afternoon. Get together with friends and share news. Tonight: Chat with friends.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Handle a personal or domestic matter. Clearly, expenses feel like a runaway freight train. You will need to pull back and gain a better perspective. Let go of problems and enjoy yourself. Act like a kid again. Tonight: Romp the night away with a lively partner.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Chat up a storm and share more of yourself. Your lively nature allows you greater give and take. Others feel comfortable and relaxed in your company. Lighten up with a family member. An unexpected surge of energy is contagious. Tonight: Entertain at home.

BORN TODAY
King of France Louis XVI (1754), economist Arnold Toynbee (1852), dancer Gene Kelly (1912)

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Blonska stripped of heptathlon silver for doping

BEIJING (AP) — International Association of Athletics Federations to adjust the heptathlon results and consider further sanctions against Blonska.

The Ukrainian Olympic committee was ordered to return Blonska's medal "as soon as possible."

American Hyleas Fountain is in line to take the silver, with Russia's Tatiana Chernova moving from fourth to bronze.

The IOC also reserved the right to take sanctions against Blonska's coach and husband, Sergei Blonsky.

The 30-year-old Blonska faces a lifetime ban for a second doping offense. She was suspended from 2003-05 for using the steroid stanozolol.

Blonska's backup "B" sample came back positive Thursday.

The IOC said she expressed "shock" at the results and couldn't understand how the banned substance wound up in her system.

Though she apologized and said she felt ashamed, Blonska blamed her husband, who has served as her coach for five years, for the failed doping test.

"She expressed that she trusted him to take care of her training and diet," the IOC said. "She indicated that they had expressly agreed that she would not take any prohibited substances. However, her relationship with her husband was currently conflictual."

Blonska's expulsion was welcomed by Carolina Kluff, the 2004 Olympic heptathlon champion who finished ninth in the long jump Friday.

"She doesn't deserve my thought," the Swede said. "I am just happy she got caught and is out of the sport forever."

Britain's Kelly Sotherton, who moves up to fourth in the heptathlon results, had complained for months that Blonska should be barred from the Olympics because of her previous doping record.

"It's great news, even if it's quite negative," she said. "It's great news for my event and the other girls, especially as there was a medal on the line and hopefully that's the last of her. I won't have to talk about her again or compete against her again."

Blonska is the biggest name among the five athletes who have tested positive so far at the games and is the second to be stripped of a medal. Previously disqualified were Greek hurdler Fani Halkia, North Korean shooter Kim Jong Su, Spanish cyclist Isabel Moreno and Vietnamese gymnast Thi Nguan Thuong Do. Kim was stripped of silver and bronze medals.

"The IOC has carried out more than 4,600 doping tests so far, and the figure is expected to surpass 5,000 by the close of the games Sunday night."

Ukrainian team officials apologized for Blonska's positive test but suggested it was an "extraordinary case" because of her husband's role.

The IOC said Ukrainian officials should investigate his behavior and report back to the committee. A hearing on the case is scheduled to be held in the Ukraine next Friday.

AP Sports Writer Pat Graham contributed to this report.

Jones moved from Fort Worth to San Antonio pending release

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Former U.S. track star Marion Jones has been moved from a federal prison in Fort Worth and will serve the remainder of her sentence in San Antonio.

The disgraced Olympic star in January was sentenced to six months in prison for lying to federal agents about her use of performance-enhancing drugs and a check-fraud scam.

Jones also was ordered to do 400 hours of community service in each of the two years following her release.

Federal Bureau of Prisons spokeswoman Traci Billingsley says Jones on Tuesday was transferred to a community corrections center in San Antonio.

The Dallas Morning News reported Friday the transfer is part of the process toward the Sept. 5 scheduled release of Jones. She entered prison in early March.

President Bush has not acted on requests, on behalf of Jones, to commute her sentence.

Jones repeatedly denied that she used performance-enhancing drugs, then admitted last October she lied to investigators in November 2003.

Hooker wins gold medal for Australia

BEIJING (AP) — Steve Hooker of Australia has won the gold medal in the men's pole vault, Australia's first in track and field at the Beijing Olympics.

Hooker cleared 5.90 (19-4 1/4) on his third attempt in Friday night's final, immediately after world indoors champion Yevgeniy Lukyanenko of Russia had failed at his last attempt on the same height and took silver at 5.85 (19-2 1/4).

Hooker was attempting an Olympic record 5.96 (19-6 1/2).

Denys Yurchenko of Ukraine cleared 5.70 (18-8 1/4) and still was eligible at greater heights but withdrew with an injury and settled for bronze.

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Open house

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Ford Family Chiropractic started operating from its new location on Mar. 17. They opened the location, which is now considered

their main campus at 701 N. Price Rd, so they could better serve their patients.

"I've listened to the patients over the years," Ford said, "I know what their needs are and that's what it's all about."

The new location is over

twice the size of the previous location, which allows the doctors at Ford Family Chiropractic to serve as a rehabilitation facility and wellness center, along with traditional chiropractic services.

Ford Family has also purchased two additional build-

ings directly next to the main campus, which they plan to use for expansion in the future. The North campus will eventually be a spa-like massage therapy and will also be a women's fitness center and senior citizens fitness center. The West campus will offer aquatic physical

therapy, and possibly even a Christian bookstore.

Dr. Ford said it is important to offer quality chiropractic and rehabilitative services in Pampa.

"People shouldn't have to feel like they need to go to Amarillo for good care," he said. "We have the second

and third ranked female chiropractors in the panhandle."

Ford runs the office with daughter Dr. Samantha Ford, and a serving intern who is soon to be doctor, Jacque Weaver.

Lunch

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problem in Gray County. We know it takes a lot of manpower from their departments to do this."

Another reason for the appreciation luncheon was the donation given by Pampa Peace Officers Association

to The Brown Alliance to furnish the facility's kitchen.

The Bridge is a children's advocacy center which opened in Amarillo in 1989. Its services include recording interviews by trained interviewers of abused children for forensic purposes and providing a place where trained medical personnel may examine sexually

abused children.

CASA trains community volunteers to act as advocates in the best interest of abused and neglected children who have been removed from their homes. CASA volunteers visit with all parties involved in the child's care, including teachers, counselors and protective services workers, to

gather information and to act as a voice for the child in and out of the courtroom.

The Brown Alliance opened in 2006 at 315 N. Ballard as a collaboration between The Bridge and CASA of the High Plains.

Robbery

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scene.

The business is located at

1201 N. Hobart Street in the Coronado Shopping Center.

Police would not release what was stolen in the robbery, nor would they release

the name of the employee, citing "fear of retaliation."

Anyone with information of the crime should contact Crime Stoppers at 669-2222.

or the Pampa Police Department at 669-5700.

DPS: Crime database filled with gaps

AUSTIN (AP) — Too many counties are still doing a poor job of reporting criminal information to the state's crime database, the Texas Department of Public Safety said.

Although officials in Dallas and other poorly reporting counties promised in 2004 to do better, DPS says counties in the most recent assessment submitted outcomes on just 69 percent of criminal charges. That is the same percentage from four years ago. In 1993, Texas began requiring counties to report criminal information to DPS, but lawmakers didn't authorize funding or penalties for noncompli-

ance. Inadequate information in the database means gaps for officials who conduct background checks on schoolteachers and volunteers who work with children. The poorly updated state crime database also can affect background checks run by employers on job applicants and landlords checking on prospective tenants.

Everyone from job applicants to people trying to adopt children or buy guns can be affected, according to Angie Klein, manager of the DPS criminal history records bureau.

She attributed the counties' lack of progress to slow

resolution of many felony cases, and glitches in big urban counties, which can bring down statewide compliance rates.

"It's hard to keep trained personnel," said Klein in Thursday's online edition of The Dallas Morning News.

Of Texas' 254 counties, only 106 report to DPS electronically.

Allen Clemson, the Dallas County commissioners' court administrator, said officials in smaller cities may forget to tell DPS when they drop charges.

No one knows how many Texans didn't get a job because an acquittal or dismissal wasn't in the system,

Klein said.

Officials said job-seekers who had become frustrated because their acquittals or charge dismissals are not in the database are complaining. DPS, as a result, has gone from 10 employees in its error resolution unit to 20.

Experts say repairing the DPS system may require more state funds and will certainly take better coordination among hundreds of local agencies and elected officials.

This fall, a Senate panel will look at how to improve background checks.

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Residents, staff at center stage activities to help celebrate 'games'

The activity department at Pampa Nursing Center recently held its own version of the Olympic games. The Olympic spirit and theme was displayed in the center with decorations made by residents during arts and crafts. Both staff and residents alike wore red, white and blue to show their support of the American teams participating in the games in Beijing.

"Our residents had a fantastic time," said Kristie Fuller, the center's activity director. "They worked very hard over the past month training for these events."

Fuller announced the games while Activity Assistant Ana Rodriguez refereed.

The games were attended by the center's staff, family members and residents. Petra Bennett, Nikki Putman and Brooke Alley assisted with events as volunteers.

"As the excitement and

competitive spirits soared, we were all reminded that pride for one's personal accomplishments really has no age limit," said Jennifer Ewing who manages the center's business office.

The activities concluded with a special awards ceremony. Residents were served Red-Ribbon-Floats and ribbons.

Sherry Begert and Wandell Curry both earned "bull's-eye awards" while TD Smiley, Alva Dennis, Wandell Curry, Lena Watson and Dorothy Woodruff, all received "Good Job Awards."

Winners and competitive categories are as follows:

Golden Ring Toss - Edger Reseck, gold; Harold Norton, silver; and Sherry Begert, bronze.

Quarter Horse Shoe Derby - Harold Norton, gold; Carolyn Rutherford, silver; and Alva Dennis, bronze.



Courtesy Photo

Harold Norton aimed a yellow ring at a target recently during a special competition at Pampa Nursing Center to mark the Olympic games in Beijing. Ana Rodriguez, right, activity assistant, and TD Smiley looked on as Norton prepared to throw.

Target Tennis - Sherry Begert, silver; Harold Norton, silver; and Velma Bush, bronze.

◆ See accompanying photo on page 4-B.



Courtesy Photo

Ana Rodriguez, center, recently refereed a series of "Olympic" games at Pampa Nursing Center with the help of volunteers Brooke Alley, Nikki Putman and Petra Bennett. Rodriguez is assistant activity director at the center.



Courtesy Photos

LEFT: Edgar Reseck, left, recently won the Golden Ring Toss at Pampa Nursing Center. Reseck is pictured with Assistant Activity Director Ana Rodriguez. RIGHT: Velma Bush, left, recently earned a "bronze" award in target tennis at Pampa Nursing Center. Rodriguez helped conduct the series of games to help residents, guests and staff mark the Olympics in Beijing.

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Harvard reclaims top spot in latest US News list

By **JUSTIN POPE**
AP Education Writer

Harvard University is the country's oldest, wealthiest and most selective university. Now it's back on top of the U.S. News & World Report college rankings, claiming sole possession of the No. 1 spot for the first time in 12 years.

Princeton slips to No. 2, ending eight straight years of at least sharing the top ranking. The latest edition hits newsstands Monday, but was to be published Friday on the magazine's Web site.

Yale follows at No. 3, and MIT and Stanford tie for fourth. The University of California, Berkeley is the highest-ranked public university, at No. 21 overall. In a separate list for liberal arts colleges, Amherst moves up one spot to tie Williams, its rival just up the road in Massachusetts, for the top spot.

In an e-mailed statement, Harvard Faculty of Arts and Sciences spokesman Robert Mitchell said that "it is always

nice to be recognized in this way. However, our admissions officers always tell prospective students that they should select a college or university that best suits their needs, not by its position in a ranking."

The ranking formula takes account of factors such as SAT scores, peer reputation, selectivity and alumni giving.

So how did Harvard edge past its Ivy League rival? A comparison of last year's numbers points to one category where it moved ahead of Princeton — average class size. Harvard reports the percentage of students in classes under 20 students rose from 69 percent to 75 percent since last year's report, while the percentage in classes bigger than 50 fell from 13 percent to 9 percent.

Asked whether Harvard had made a particular effort to reduce class sizes, Mitchell said: "We have worked and will continue to work very hard to enhance the academic experience for undergraduate students." Since 2000, he said, Harvard has added 86 freshman seminars (which have fewer than 12 students), and more than 100 tenure-track faculty,

while its student body size has stayed about the same.

While U.S. News' often-criticized but closely followed traditional rankings typically get most of the most attention, they rarely change much from year to year. So the magazine has been adding new lists to keep things interesting.

Debuting this year are rankings identifying "Up and Comers" — innovative institutions that college officials identify as poised to move up in the rankings in the coming years. Topping that list are George Mason University in Virginia, Clemson in South Carolina, the University of Southern California and Arizona State.

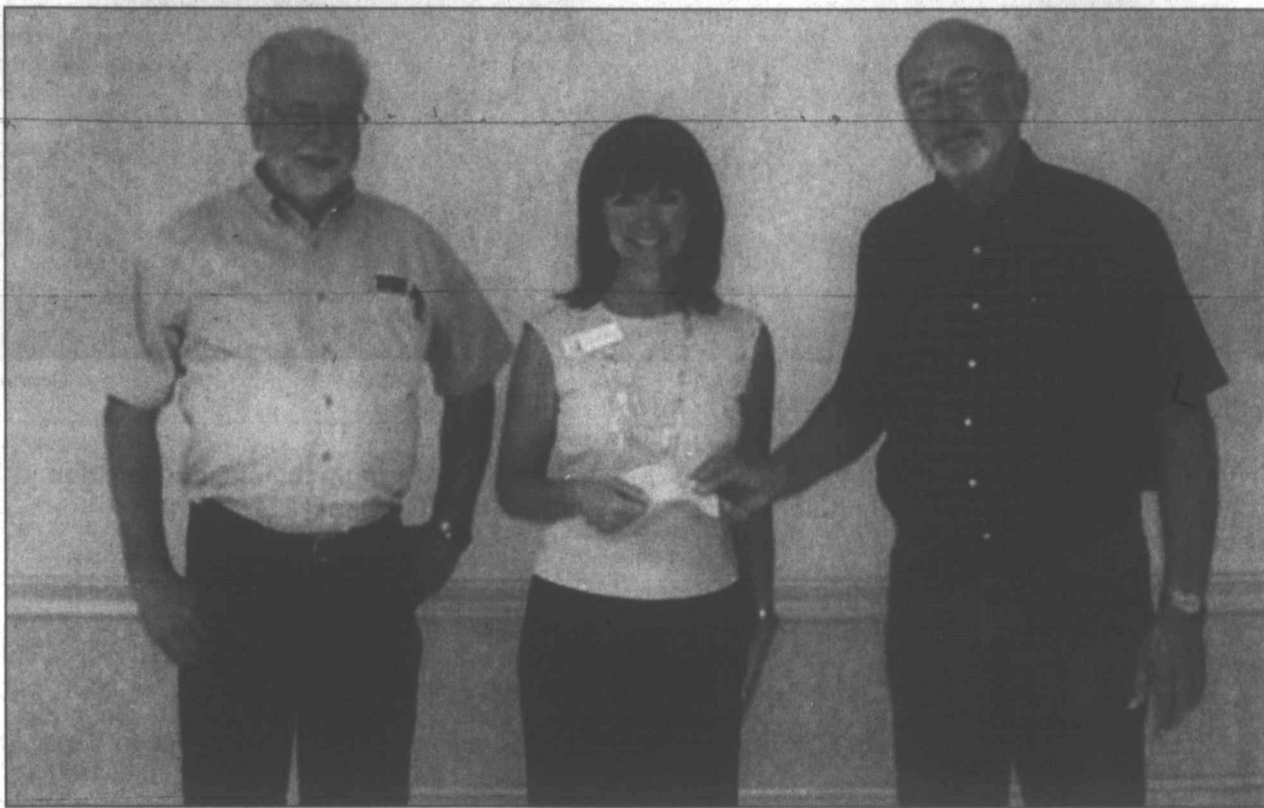
"One of the criticisms of the rankings is that they move very slowly, it takes a long time for schools to improve," said Brian Kelly, the magazine's editor. "They may be doing things today that aren't going to be reflected for five years in the rankings. We want to find a way to illuminate some schools that are doing some really interesting thing."

Also new this year are rankings based on a survey of high school guidance counselors, a group that has often criticized the magazine's mathematical formula.

The survey was sent to counselors at about 1,600 high schools, and about one-quarter responded. Respondents put many of the same schools at the very top of the list, with Harvard, MIT, Princeton and Yale tying for first in their survey. But a number of schools do better in the counselors' survey than in the traditional rankings. For instance, Cornell

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Nancy Seliger with the Amarillo Globe News Center, was recently presented a \$1,000 donation from the Downtown Pampa Kiwanis for Window on a Wider World. Above, from left: Pampa Kiwanis Vice President Lacy Ransom, Seliger and Pampa Kiwanis President Pat Bagley.

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• **A farm bill meeting** is scheduled from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Aug. 25 at Fair Park Auditorium in Childress for producers with Farm Bill questions. The guest speaker will be Dr. Joe Outlaw, AgriLife Extension economist and co-director of Agricultural and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M University. The program will include an explanation of the Average Crop Revenue Election, changes on payment limitations, adjusted gross income criteria for payment eligibility and more. For additional information, call Lonnie Jenschke at (940) 937-2351 or at ljenschke@tamu.edu.

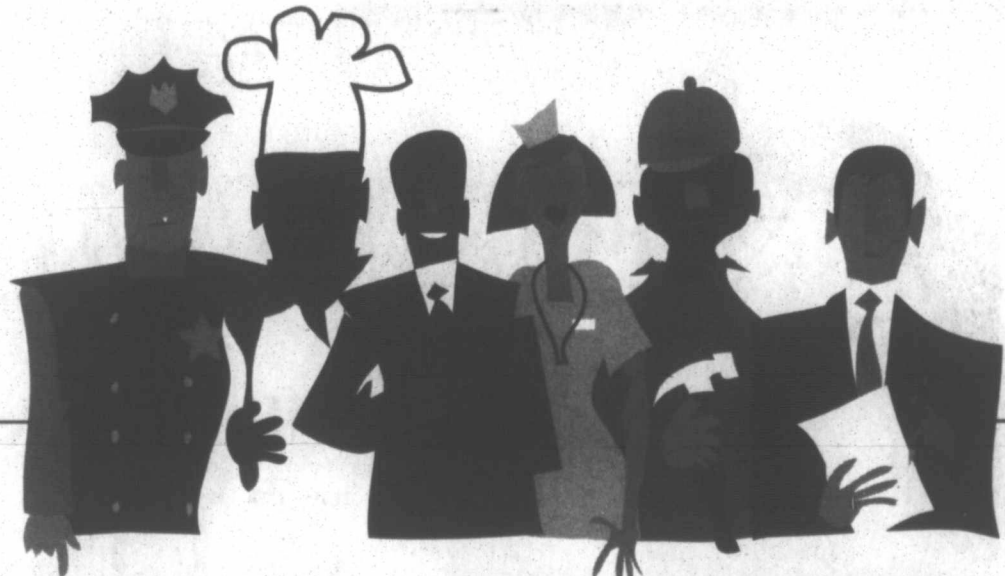
• **Harrington Cancer Center's Pampa Support Group** will meet at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 26 in the second floor classroom at Pampa Regional Medical Center. The featured speaker will be Stan McKeever, a social worker with the cancer center. His topic will

be "Lessons Learned from Cancer." The meeting is open to the public.

• **Services-To-At-Risk Youth and Their Families** will conduct a free "Back in Control Parenting Workshop" from 8:45 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 6 at Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation Children's Services Building in Amarillo. Participants must preregister to join. Instructors will be Janice James, MA, UCAP coordinator, QMHP, and Ruth Sullivan, QMHP, STAR case manager II. Continuing education units will be available. For more information, call (806) 359-2005.

• **The Greater Amarillo Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure** will stage its 2008 "pink luncheon" at 12 p.m. Sept. 9 in the Heritage Room of Amarillo Civic Center in Amarillo. Reservations are required. Tickets are \$35 a piece. For more information, call (806) 354-9706 or visit www.komenamarillo.org on the Internet.

• **Pampa Book Club** is scheduled to meet at Lovett Memorial Library on the following dates: Sept. 10 ("Cool Sassy Tree" by Olive Ann Burns); Oct. 8 ("Facing Terror" by Carrie McDonnell); and Nov. 12 ("Mother of Pearl" by Melinda Haynes).



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HHS: Doctors can refuse to provide abortions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration on Thursday proposed stronger job protections for doctors and other health care workers who refuse to participate in abortions because of religious or moral objections.

Health and Human Services Secretary Michael Leavitt said that health care professionals should not face retaliation from employers or from medical societies because they object to abortion.

"Freedom of conscience is not to be surrendered upon issuance of a medical degree," said Leavitt. "This nation was built on a foundation of free speech. The first principle of free speech is protected conscience."

The proposed rule, which applies to institutions receiving government money, would require as many as 584,000 employers ranging from major hospitals to doctors' offices and nursing homes to certify in writing that they are complying with several federal laws that protect the conscience rights of health care workers. Violations could lead to a loss of government funding and legal action to recoup federal money already paid.

Abortion foes called it a victory for the First Amendment, but abortion rights supporters said they feared the rule could stretch the definition of abortion to include birth control, and served notice that they intend to challenge the administration.

"Women's ability to manage their own health care is at risk of being compromised by politics and ideology," Cecile Richards, president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, said in a statement.

Abortion rights groups

had complained that earlier drafts contained vague language that might block access to birth control, and they said the latest version has not addressed all of their concerns.

The rule "fails to give assurances that current laws about abortion will not be stretched to cover birth control," said Nancy Keenan, president of NARAL Pro-Choice America.

But Tony Perkins, president of the conservative Family Research Council, said it upholds basic constitutional freedoms.

"This proposal ensures that doctors and other medical personnel will retain the constitutional right to listen to their own conscience when it comes to performing or participating in an abortion," Perkins said. "These regulations will ensure that pro-life medical personnel will not be forced to engage in the unconscionable killing of innocent human life."

Leavitt said the regulation was intended to protect practitioners who have moral objections to abortion and sterilization, and would not interfere with patients' ability to get birth control or any legal medical procedure.

"Nothing in the new regulation in any way changes a patient's right to any legal procedure," he said, noting that a patient could go to another provider.

"This regulation is not about contraception," Leavitt added. "It's about abortion and conscience. It is very closely focused on abortion and physician's conscience."

The 42-page rule seeks to set up a system for enforcing conscience protections in three separate federal laws, the earliest of which dates to

the 1970s. In some cases, the laws aim to protect both providers who refuse to take part in abortions and those

who do.

The regulation is written to apply to a broad swath of the health care work force,

not doctors alone. Accordingly, an employee whose task it is to clean the instruments used in a partic-

ular procedure would be covered. Also covered would be volunteers and trainees.



Celebrating the Olympics!

Courtesy Photo

Sherry Begert, left, recently displayed a host of ribbons she won during a special competition at Pampa Nursing Center to mark the Olympic games in Beijing. Congratulating her is the center's Activity Assistant Ana Rodriguez.

Colleges

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and Brown universities were 14th and 16th, respectively, in the main rankings but tied for fifth with the counselors.

The U.S. News rankings remain

the best-known but have spawned a range of competitors. The latest include Forbes.com, which published its first-ever rankings this month, focusing on student achievement and ranking Princeton at the top.

A big theme this year is the environment. This year's college guide from Princeton Review (not affiliated with the university) includes a new category of "green ratings" for col-

leges. The National Wildlife Federation this week put out a campus environmental report card that doesn't rank campuses but highlights ones with policies it considers exemplary.

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