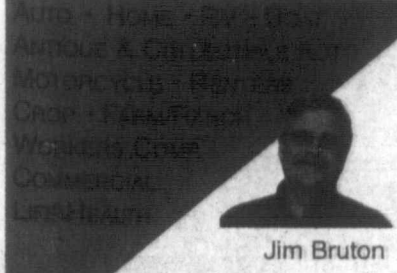


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The wind will still blow in Pampa



Pickens says he won't build wind farm here— CTT says others will

BY DAVID BOWSER AND BETSY PHILLIPS
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T. Boone Pickens announced yesterday afternoon that he's scrapping plans for a large wind farm in Pampa.

The Dallas businessman and Roberts County rancher said last year he would build a 1,000 megawatt wind farm in southern Roberts County and across northern Gray County.

Several county governments had granted tax abatements for the project. But now, according to

In this May 6, 2009, file photo, legendary Texas oil and gas executive T. Boone Pickens discusses his energy plan at the American Wind Energy Association conference Wednesday in Chicago. Plans for the world's largest wind farm in the Texas panhandle have been scrapped, energy baron T. Boone Pickens said Tuesday, July 7, 2009, and he's looking for a home for 687 giant wind turbines. (AP Photo/M. Spencer Green, File)

the Associated Press, Pickens is saying that the lack of a transmission line to carry the power to population centers downstate is a problem.

The State of Texas is planning transmission lines to move the electricity to electrical grids in other parts of the state under their Competitive Renewable Energy Zones, or CREZ, project. Preliminary planning indicates that one set of the lines will come to the Pampa area.

Pickens said his in-

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DPS warns of door to door alarm scams

The Texas Department of Public Safety is urging Texas residents to make sure that any alarm salesperson, company or alarm installer that they hire is licensed by the Private Security Bureau.

The Private Security Bureau has initiated investigations in Houston, San Antonio, Dallas and Austin following reports that numerous unlicensed salespersons, installers and companies have been aggressively marketing their services to residents in those cities—primarily going door to door in neighborhoods. DPS is working with the alarm industry trade associations to investigate these claims, which generally increase in the summer-time.

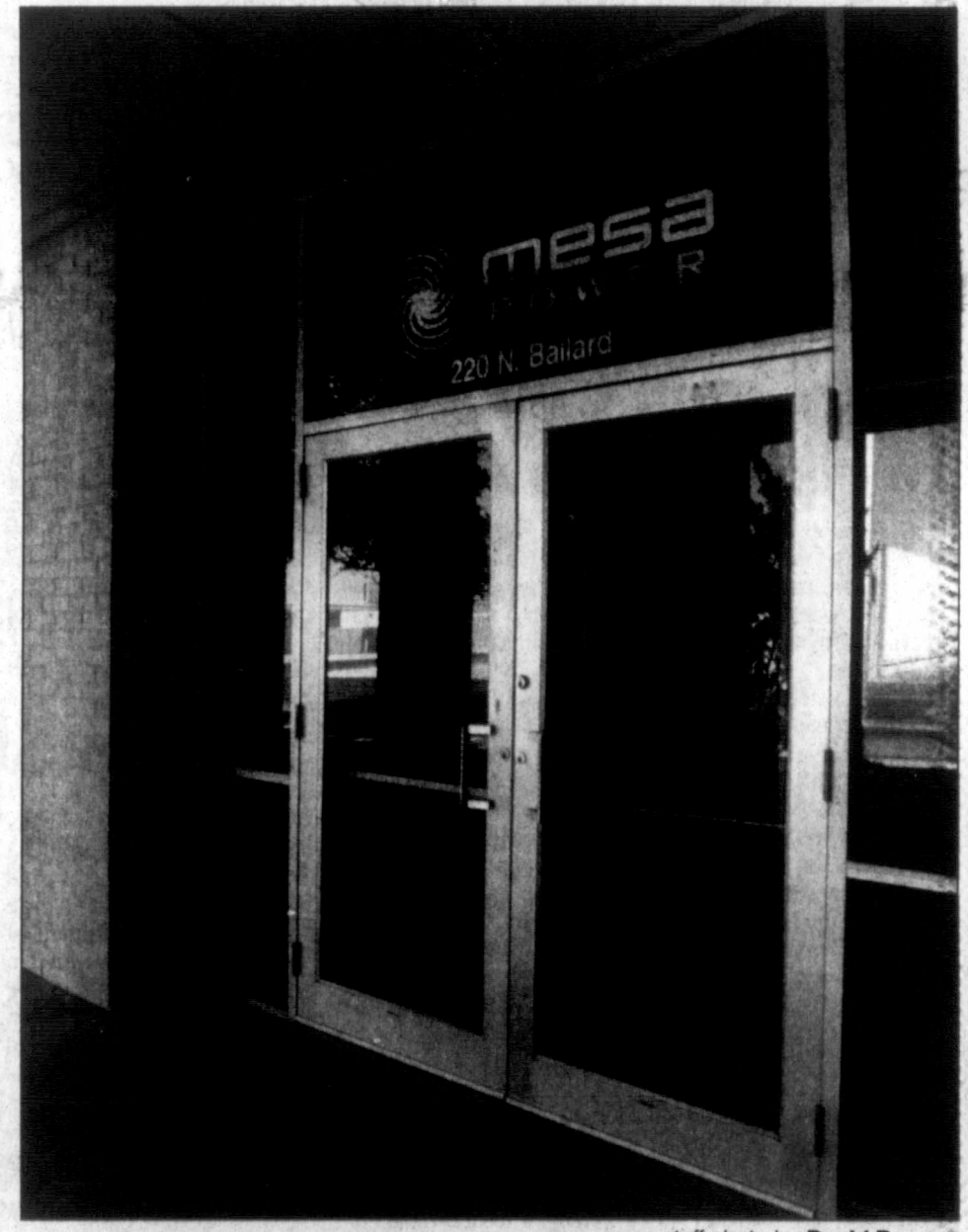
"If someone offering alarm-related services shows up at your door unsolicited, ask them for their DPS Private Security pocket card, which will also have their picture," said Capt. RenEarl Bowie of the DPS Private Security Bureau. "Do not accept any other form of identification as proof you are dealing with a licensed salesperson or installer."

Alarm companies and installers must be licensed to operate legally in the state of Texas. The licensing process includes a criminal background check to help ensure the safety of the public.

To check whether a salesperson or installer is licensed in Texas, please visit the following Web site: http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/psb/individual/individual_search.aspx

To check whether an alarm company is licensed in Texas, please visit the following Web site: http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/psb/company/company_search.aspx

"Beware of aggressive tactics; someone trying to push you into a decision immediately," said Bowie. "We also have numerous complaints of substandard work and broken promises in these situations."



staff photo by David Bowser
 The Mesa Power Building on Ballard stood empty today and the flag pole out front was without color as the once promising wind energy company scraps its plans to build a huge wind farm north of Pampa. Mesa Power closed down its office here last fall after announcing it was scaling back due to the nation's financial woes.

In The Buff Soapworks now open downtown

An assortment of booths featuring items from food to bubbles is now available in downtown Pampa.

At the intersection of Cuyler and Foster you'll find Jodi Benson working on her hand milled and cut soaps. "In the past, I have created craft shows with individual booths, so I thought this would be a logical step for me."

The Iowa native who has been in Pampa for the past six years, explained,

"I used to sell lavender soaps to the nuns back home, they put them in drawers—the aroma lasts for a long time."

In the boutique style store she has an array of soaps from the delicate, sweet fragrances of lavender to the mild exfoliating strength of cinnamon. Some of the soaps have fresh herbs that Benson grows. She has 63 different soaps currently and the number is growing each week. None of her recipes include glycerin.

She has a soap of the month club which features three bars of soap for three, six and nine month subscriptions. She has gift baskets with her luxury bath soaps, lip balm, massage oil, and sugar scrubs. Store hours are 10 a.m.– 4 p.m. Wednesday–Saturday.

Benson is also creating a flea market atmosphere for the remainder of the floor space.

Among booths already open is Antonio Rose—featuring homemade jellies and jams including rose and honey jelly, and baby washable baby swings made of cloth. The booth also has food and drink, and craft items.

Granny's Attic is open with a full line of Avon products.

LeAnn's Creature Comforts, an animal grooming business, will be opening soon.

Benson said she has room for 10 more vendors to set up shop and she's hoping that some of the produce gardeners will come in as well.

She said interested vendors can rent a booth for a month or for a Saturday. Benson also has free space available for nonprofit organizations. She said, "Everyone is welcome, I hope we can bring the community together here."

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PAMPA FORECAST

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		
High 100 Low 73	High 99 Low 75	High 96 Low 72

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 72. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 100. South southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 73. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 99. Southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 75. South southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 96. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Clarendon College to visit area towns

Clarendon College representatives will be visiting area libraries over the next few weeks in series of recruitment and informational fairs.

The College will travel to inform community members of the opportunities available to them as well as keep folks up to date on what's new at the College.

The first stop of this tour will be at the Memphis City Library Tuesday, July 14, 5 to 9 p.m. The second stop will be at Claude Public Library, Wednesday, July 15, 1 to 4 p.m. with a stop

at Collingsworth Public Library in Wellington on Thursday, July 16, 5 to 8:30 p.m. The next visit will be at Shamrock Public Library, Monday, August 3, 5 to 8:30 p.m. The tour will finish up in Clarendon at Burton Memorial Library Thursday, August 6, from 5 to 8:30 p.m.

Admissions and financial aid applications will be available as well as information on all of the programs offered through the college.

For more information call Ashlee Estlack at 874-4808.

Woman robbed, bitten by robber in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A robber left his mark on a San Antonio victim by biting her left arm.

San Antonio police are seeking the man who robbed 65-year-old Rita Cervantes after she cashed a check at a bank and was

getting into her van. She told WOAI-TV that she punched the man, but he bit her and took about \$150.

Obituaries

Geneva Cobb, 87

Pampa — Geneva Cobb, 87, went to be with her Lord and Savior on July 5, 2009 at Amarillo, Texas.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 9, 2009, at Central Baptist Church, with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor, and Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Cobb was born March 11, 1922 in Carson County, and was a graduate of Groom High School. She married Wayne Cobb on June 24, 1942 at Fort Ord, California, near

Monterey, California. He preceded her in death in 1989. She was a member of Central Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School for 50 years. Geneva was a loving mother and grandmother who will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Survivors include two daughters; Sherry Etheredge and husband Jessie of Pampa, and Vickie Young and husband Victor of Amarillo, one sister, Odessa Ray of Howardwick, seven grandchildren; Chad Etheredge and wife Jodi, Brett Etheredge and wife Shae, and Jarred Etheredge

and wife Megan, all of Pampa, Mark Young and wife Robin, Chris Young and wife Denise, Charissa Young and Justin Young, all of Amarillo, 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren, sister-in-law, Wanda Cobb of Overland Park, Kansas and a host of nieces and nephews.

MEMORIALS: Central Baptist Church Building Fund or Mission Fund, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, Texas 79065, or Crisis Pregnancy Support Center, 104 E. Francis, Pampa, Texas 79065.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The family will be at 1043



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Laura Sue Gast, 76

Pampa — Laura Sue Gast, 76, died July 5, 2009 in Pampa, Texas.

Graveside services will be at 12:00 noon on Friday, July 10, 2009, at Fairview Cemetery in Memphis, Texas, with Jackie Blum, officiating. Cremation arrangements are under the

direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Gast was born August 21, 1932 in Knox City. She married Jimmy Lewis Gast in 1956, and he preceded her in death. Laura was a cook for many years in Memphis, Texas. She had been a resident of

Pampa for the past 3 years.

Survivors include her daughter, Ginny Gast of Pampa, her son, Terry Hatfield and wife Teresa of Pampa, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Jimmy Lewis Gast, Jr.

MEMORIALS: American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whitley.com

Emergency Services

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The following people were arrested in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday
 Christopher Charles Perez, 23, of Pampa, was arrested and sent to a Texas Department of Corrections rehabilitation program.

John Kelly Hayes, 48, of Amarillo, was arrested following his indictment on three or more driving while intoxicated charges.

Jose Garcia, 32, of Pampa, was arrested on traffic warrants.

PAMPA PD

The Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the 24 hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Officers made 47 traffic stops and assisted two

motorists. There were 11 animal-related calls.

Tuesday
 One person was reported missing in the 1700 block of North Duncan.

There were two calls reporting violations of a city ordinance.

There was one 911 hang up call.

Officers performed one escort.

A runaway was reported in the 1400 block of North Williston.

A forged check was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie.

Fire investigators went to the 900 block of East Campbell.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 500 block of North Perry and at the intersection of Graham and Pitts.

A traffic complaint was lodged in the 500 block of South Banks and in the 1400 block of Hobart.

Officers responded twice to an alarm in the 900 block of West Kentucky.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1400 West Somerville.

A suspicious person was reported in the 500 block of South Barnes.

A domestic dispute with minor injuries was reported in the 1200 block of East Francis.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of North Duncan.

A suspicious person was reported in the 800 block of North Duncan.

Wednesday
 Officers responded to an alarm in the 2500 block of North Duncan.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 600 block of North Hobart and 1200 block of North Hobart.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

A stolen vehicle was

reported to the police department.

Officers checked a building in the 1200 block of South Dwight.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 400 block of Ash.

Guardian EMS responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Tuesday, July 7 to 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 8

AMBULANCE

An MICU unit responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center for the transfer of a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital.

An MICU unit responded to PRMC, transfer to NWTH.

An MICU unit responded to the 500 block of Lowry, transferred one patient to PRMC.

Presidential records a time capsule of Bush years

LEWISVILLE, Texas (AP) — Spread upon a table are a sampling of gifts to former President George W. Bush: a purse made of vines from the Thai queen, a Texas Rangers jersey autographed by pitcher Nolan Ryan and a framed mosaic of St. Peter's Basilica from the pope.

The gifts, documents and electronic records accumulated during Bush's two terms have gone from the White House to a warehouse in suburban Dallas, just a few miles north of

a turnpike named for his father. They will remain there until Bush's \$300 million presidential library — the nation's 13th and the third in Texas — opens in 2013 on the Southern Methodist University campus near downtown Dallas.

There are about 40,000 artifacts and 65 million documents stored in the facility. The 100 terabytes of electronic records is by far the largest of any presidential collection, as the Bush administration was the first that worked entire-

ly during an era of e-mail.

The Air Force moved the materials from Washington to Texas, the first wartime transfer of presidential records. The move involved 16 18-wheelers and three planes.

"It's a colossal amount of material," Jarrett said. "We won't get to all of it in our lifetime."

The documents and records are filed in labeled boxes stacked neatly upon rows of shelves in different vaults within the warehouse. There are 79 boxes

labeled presidential letters and correspondence.

The warehouse has temperature and humidity controls, and around-the-clock security.

The National Archives and Records Administration has a legal mandate to preserve every presidential record, which covers anything produced by White House staff. A handwritten note scrawled on a cocktail napkin qualifies as a presidential record. So does a draft copy of a State of the Union address.

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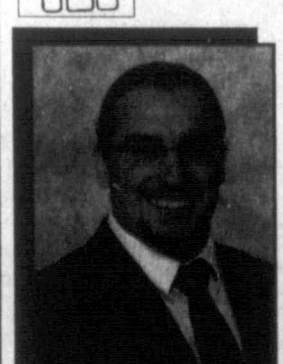
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tial idea to build his own transmission line was more complicated than he thought.

Project Director Cameron Fredkin of Cross Texas Transmission, which is contracted to build transmission lines said Tuesday evening, "Cross Texas Transmission continues to move forward with implementing the Public Utility Commission of Texas's plan to expand the transmission system to allow for delivery of wind resources from the panhandle region by 2013."

"Some of the best wind resources in the state are located in this region," Fredkin said. "Cross Texas Transmission and other transmission service providers continue to work with several wind developers committed to development in the Texas Panhandle."

A year ago, Pickens announced the \$2 billion purchase of 687 wind turbines from GE capable of producing 1,000 megawatts, saying he expected to expand his panhandle wind farm to 4,000 megawatts, but as the economy turned sour, so did his financing.

Last fall, he put the plan on hold, closing his Mesa Power office on Ballard.

Pickens has already ordered 687 turbines, which can stand 400 feet (122 meters) tall — taller than most 30-story buildings.

Pickens' company Mesa Power ordered the turbines from General Electric Co. — a \$2 billion investment — a little more than a year ago. Pickens said he has leases on about 200,000 acres (80,000 hectares) in Texas that were planned for the project, and he might place some of the turbines there, but he's also looking for smaller wind projects to participate in.

But the wind turbines are scheduled to be delivered starting in 2011, and Pickens has to find a place to put them. "When I start receiving those turbines, I've got to ... like I said, my garage won't hold them," the legendary Texas oilman said. "They've got to go someplace."

Gray County Judge Richard Peet said the county commissioners court had created a Reinvestment Zone in anticipation of the Mesa wind farm. That would allow the county to give tax abatements to anyone moving into that area, but Peet said Mesa had never applied for a tax abatement.

"We didn't build our

budget around it," Peet said.

Roberts County Judge Vernon Cook said today that the Roberts County Commission had done preliminary work on a tax abatement for Pickens' wind project, but they hadn't passed it.

Cook said he wasn't surprised by this week's announcement. He said rumors had been flying recently.

"We'll ride the thing out," Cook said, "and see what develops."

The judge said he suspects Pickens is looking more intensely at the bottom line of the project because of the national and worldwide economic conditions that developed since he first announced his proposal for the wind farm.

The Dallas Morning News reported that Mesa Wind is considering six sites in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Wisconsin for smaller wind farms than the one announced for Pampa.

The smaller wind farms would consist of about 150 wind turbines per site.

Clay Rice, executive director of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, said no one with the PEDC has talked with Pickens about his most recent statements.

Rice said he hopes Pickens will put some of the wind turbines here.

"I hope he considers putting one of his smaller wind farms here," Rice said. "It would be a plus."

Rice remains optimistic. "We still have Class 4 Winds," Rice said of a wind energy advocacy group headed by Pampa native A.J. Swope.

Rice said he still expects to see wind projects in the Pampa area.

"The lines are coming," he said.

Rice said the Pampa Economic Development Corporation will still be looking at different opportunities with other industries as well as wind energy.

"We're still excited about wind energy," Rice said.

Renewable energy provides a small fraction of electricity used today, but the wind and solar sectors are the fastest growing in the U.S. In 2008, the U.S. became the world's leading provider of wind power.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Shriners to decide fate of six children's hospitals

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — For generations, children with clubbed feet, severe burns and other debilitating injuries have been treated for free at Shriners hospitals. That care could be in jeopardy.

As the charity's endowment shrivels, the fraternal group known for wearing red fezzes and driving miniature cars in parades faces a serious decision: whether to close six of its hospitals.

About 1,300 Shriners International members who sit on the hospital system's governing body are meeting in San Antonio this week. They are considering permanently closing a quarter of the hospital system's facilities, among other changes.

In an initial vote Monday, the Shriners agreed to keep all 22 of their hospitals open, but no decision is final until the convention ends Thursday.

"People think you can just keep going, but you can't," said Ralph Semb, CEO of Shriners Hospitals for Children. "If nothing changes, in seven years, we go through the endowment fund."

Using an annual \$2 member assessment, the Shriners Hospitals system opened in 1922 with a facility in Shreveport, La., that specialized in treating polio. The modest start has grown into a network of hospitals in the United States, Canada and Mexico that operates on \$856 million a year in donations and investment proceeds.

Patients are treated free of charge, and the hospitals don't take insurance, which has allowed them to provide care without worrying about insurance coverage, limits or bureaucratic procedures, Semb said.

The Florida-based fraternal organization was hit in 2007 with accusations it used money intended for the hospitals to throw parties and that lax accounting mingled hospital dona-

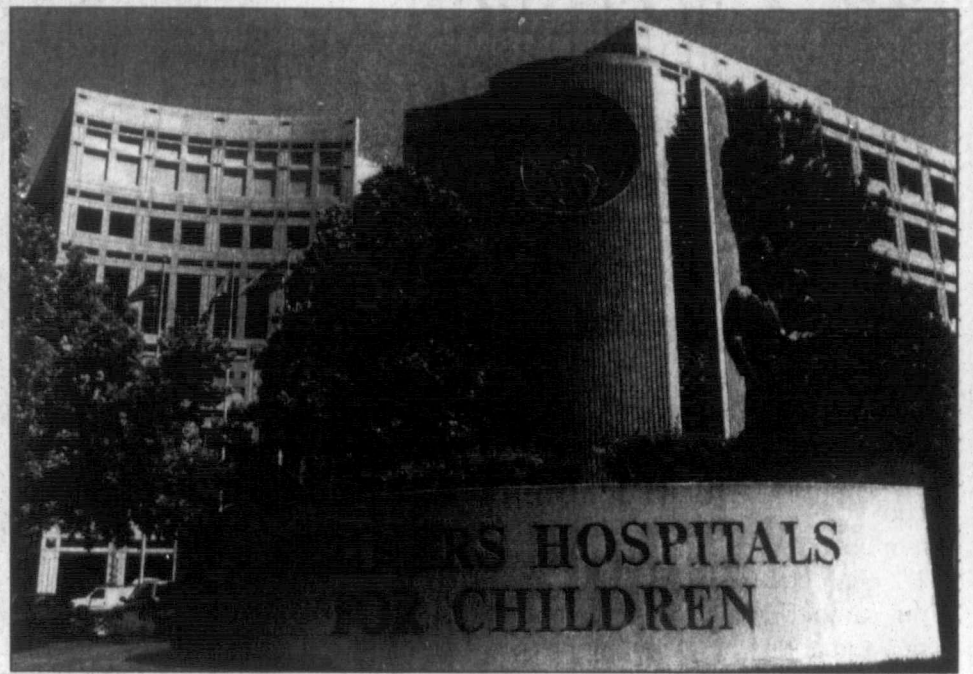
tions and club funds in some locations, claims the Shriners disputed.

Only a fraction of the donations raised by members are used to fund the hospitals. Most of the operating fund comes from an endowment that has shrunk to \$5 billion from \$8 billion in less than a year because of the sputtering economy.

Word of the proposed closures upset many patients and caregivers at the hospitals, where numerous treatments for childhood burns and disfiguring conditions have been pioneered over the last 87 years.

"I've gotten to know these doctors like they're my best friends," said Andrew Willard, 15.

The Shriners hospitals funding crisis has been building for years, Semb said. Dividends and interest from the group's endowment began withering even before the recent recession hammered them with investment losses. Donations leveled off a decade ago, and membership has declined to less than half of what it was 30



The Shriners Hospital for Children Northern California in Sacramento, Calif., where children arrive by the dozens every day at the hospital, in wheelchairs, walkers, on foot and by ambulance, many suffering serious and even life-threatening injuries.

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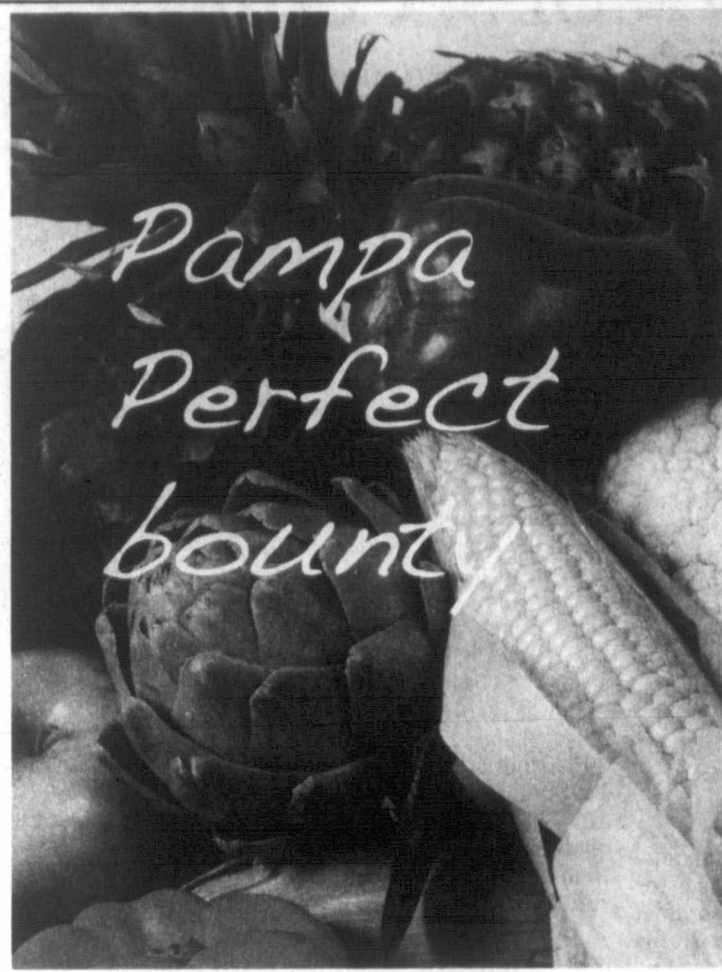
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Pampa Perfect Recipe Collection

SUE'S RECEPTION SALAD

In a 4 quart bowl whip 1 pint whipping cream
 Add: 1 8 oz. cream cheese cut in small dime size pieces refrigerate
 In a saucepan put liquid from
 1 can crushed pineapple
 1 cup finely crushed pecans
 1 bottle marashino cherries
 Add:
 2pkgs lemon jello and bring to a boil set off to cool
 In a bowl dice
 1/2 cup celery fine
 put can of drained pineapple in bowl chop cherries and add to bowl add pinch of salt
 When jello is cooled and starting to jell, pour over pineapple mixture, mix then add to cream mixture.
 Cool overnight if you can keep everyone out of it
 Happy eating of something very special.

Donna S. Daniels



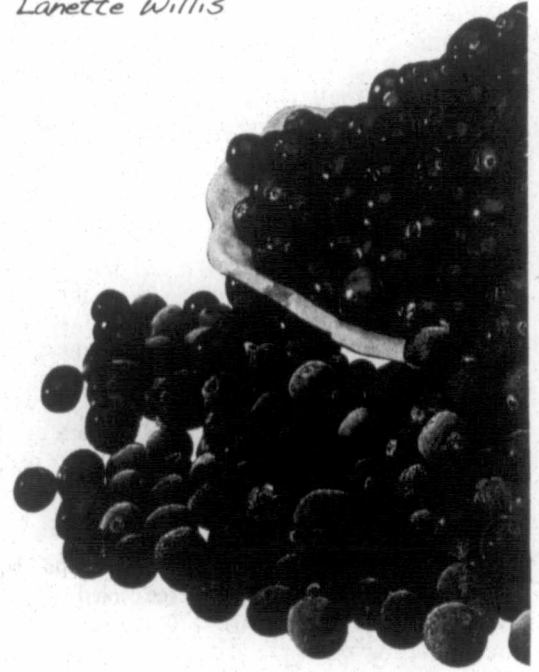
In this week's issues of The Pampa News, we will continue to bring you recipes from the Pampa Perfect Recipe Collection. Winners will be announced in this weekend's issue.

Enjoy these recipes from your friends and neighbors!

CRANBERRY PUNCH

1 quart cranberry juice cocktail
 1 quart apple juice
 1 quart lemon-lime soda pop-chilled
 Combined cranberry juice and apple juice in large container, stirring well to blend. cover and chill thoroughly. Stir in lemon-lime soda pop just before serving. serve chilled. Yields 3 quarts serving size 1/2 cup.

Lanette Willis



SUE'S PARTY POTATO SALAD

Sue's Party Potato Salad
 3 large potatoes boiled whole, then cooked chop:
 1 large onion
 1 green bell pepper
 6 celery sticks
 3 hard boiled eggs
 Add:
 1 large jar chopped pimento
 1 cup shredded cheese
 Mix together:
 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise
 1/2 cup mustard
 juice of one lemon
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 tablespoons celery seed
 When potatoes are cooled, peel and chop them into quarter sized chunks. place potatoes in 6 quart mixing bowl, add vegetables— don't stir yet pour mayo combination over top. Now gently mix (didn't want potatoes crumbled). After mixing, smooth top and sprinkle paprika over top, cover and refrigerate at least two hours for flavors to blend.

Donna S. Daniels

GARDEN PATCH BREAD

Garden-Patch Bread (Bread Machine) 1 1/2 lb.
 I had this recipe featured in the Borger News Herald, August 2001. It's my own. I had a garden that year and was finding ways to use up the vegetables.

Select basic white bread cycle.



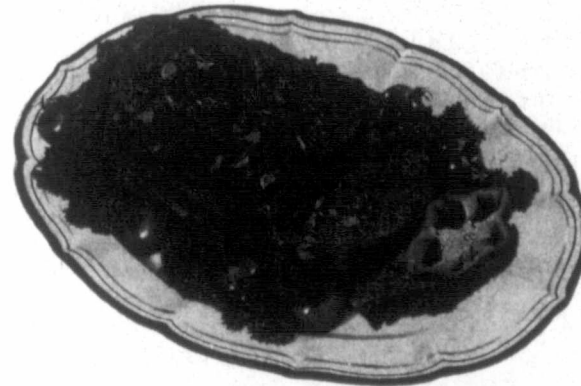
Add ingredients in order.
 1/2 c. water
 1/3 c. tomato juice
 1/2 c. coarsely shredded carrots
 2 tab sliced green onions
 2 tab coarsely chopped green peppers
 1 tab butter or cooking oil (we like butter best)
 3 c. bread flour
 1 tsp. sugar

3/4 tsp. salt
 1/4 tsp. dried basil (crushed)
 1 tsp. active dry yeast or bread machine yeast

Kathy Harrah

LANETTE'S MOM'S SNEAKY MEATLOAF

2 pounds ground beef
 1/2 c. catsup
 1 c. drained spinach
 1/2 c. grated carrots
 1 chopped onion
 2 eggs
 1 1/2 c. oatmeal
 1/4 tsp each salt and pepper
 1/2 tsp garlic powder
 In large bowl add all items



Mix with spoon or hands. Pack into loaf pan bake at 350 degrees about 45 min. 15 minutes before done, add catsup to top.

Lanette Willis

KATHY'S WALLEYE CHOWDER

4 slices of bacon cut into 1/2" pieces
 1/4 c. sliced green onions
 2 c. peeled, 1/2" cubed red potatoes
 1/2 tsp. celery seed
 1/8 tsp. pepper
 3 c. milk
 1.5 lb. walleye, skin removed, cut into 1" pieces
 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen spinach— thawed
 1/2 c. sliced celery
 1 can (14.5 oz.) chicken broth
 1/2 tsp. dried dill weed
 1/4 tsp. salt

3 tbsp. flour
 1 c. whipping cream

In a 6 qt. dutch oven, cook bacon until crisp. Reserve 2 tbsp. dripping and set bacon aside. Add celery and onions to drippings. Cook 5 minutes. Stir constantly. Stir in potatoes, broth, dill weed, celery seed, salt, pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat. Simmer 5 minutes or until fish is firm. Stir in bacon, cream, and spinach. Cook low heat (do not boil) for 5-8 minutes.

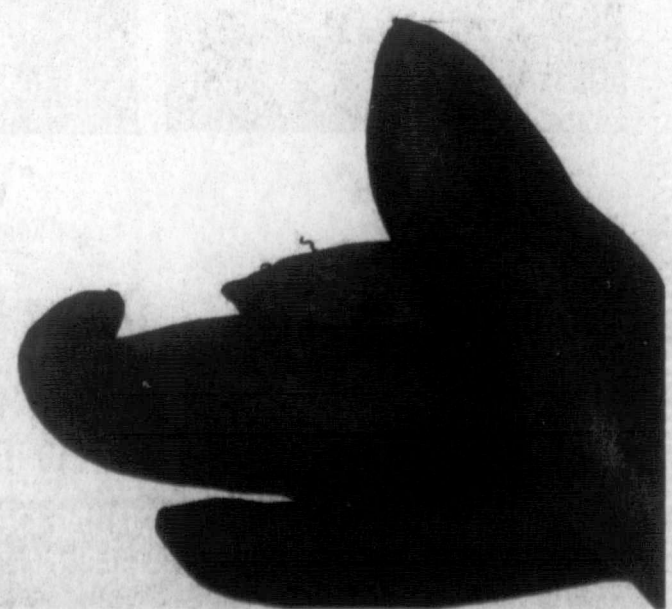
Kathy Harrah

LANETTE'S SWEET POTATOES

2lb cooked sweet potatoes and mashed
 4tbs butter
 1 c. cream
 1/2 tsp salt
 1 c. pineapple syrup
 1/4 c. honey
 1/2 lemon grated

Mash potatoes add butter, cream and salt stir well. Add syrup, honey and grated lemon rind. Put in buttered casserole, add grated pineapple on top bake about 30 min.

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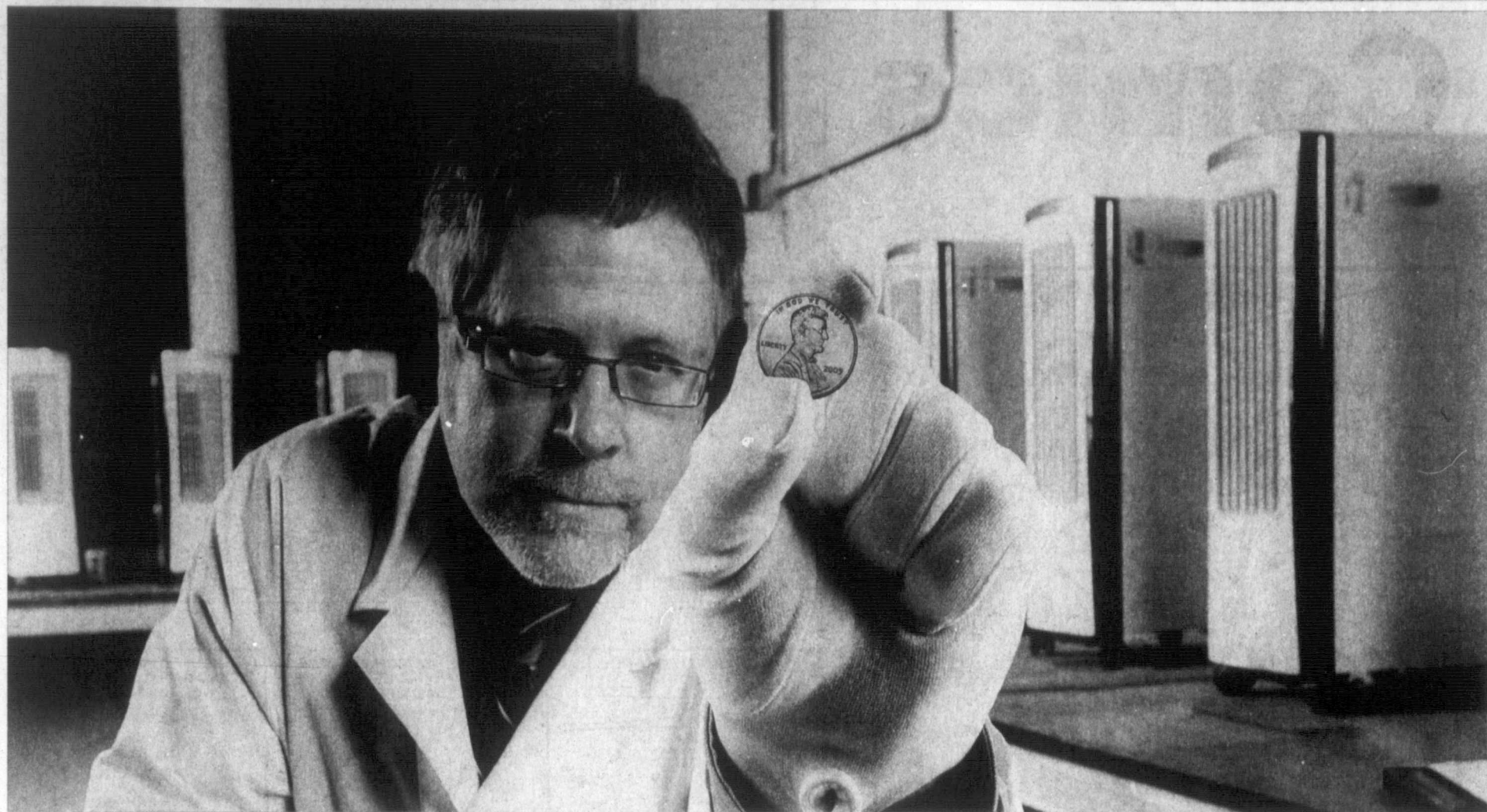
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HOME COOLING BREAKTHROUGH: Everyone wants to stay cool and save money on their energy bills. The Cool Surge has been confirmed to use just pennies of electricity a day. That makes it energy efficient, eco-friendly and a real steal at just two-hundred ninety-eight dollars and shipping because all those who beat the deadline by calling the National Toll Free Hotline at 1-866-428-2484 to order the first Cool Surge are actually getting their second one for free.

Public staying cool for just pennies

Free giveaway launches the home cooling breakthrough that uses about 96% less electricity than air conditioners

Just 48 hours remain to snatch up your second Cool Surge FREE; it easily rolls from room-to-room to quietly blast out cold air for just pennies a day and uses no windows, no vents and no freon

By R.K. BERRY
Universal Media Syndicate

(UMS) - Everyone wants to keep cool this summer. But just turning on your air conditioner sucks the money right out of your pockets.

The Cool Surge® eco-friendly air cooler helps solve both problems. It blasts out ice cooled air but runs for just pennies a day. That's because it uses about 96% less electricity than a typical air conditioner.

And here's the best part, readers of this publication who beat the 48 hour deadline get one FREE when they order one, and cover shipping on each.

This is all happening to announce the Cool Surge portable air cooler that easily rolls from room-to-room so you can take the ice cooled air with you anywhere. That way, everyone who gets them first can immediately turn down the air, save on their electric bill and beat the sweltering heat.

The Cool Surge uses the same energy as a light bulb, yet throws off ice cooled air to keep you cool all day and night. The potential energy savings are absolutely incredible.

During the day, keep it in your living room and at night, just roll it into your bedroom and

enjoy a cool, comfortable night's sleep.

The good news is the Cool Surge portable air cooler is not an air conditioner, so it only costs about a penny an hour to operate and it cools an average sized room up to ten degrees.

"Everyone can use this eco-friendly home cooling technology," says Christopher Gallow, Operations Director. "Air conditioners can cost thousands of dollars. And with a central air conditioner you are paying to cool areas of your home that you're not using. Window air conditioners are even worse because they weigh a ton so they're a hassle to move," confirms Gallow.

So at only two-hundred ninety-eight dollars and shipping, the Cool Surge is a real steal because if you beat the deadline, you'll get a second one free, just cover shipping.

The Cool Surge is as easy to use as a baby's vaporizer and it even comes with two sets of the reusable glacier ice blocks. That gives you a total of eight hours of extra cooling power.

"We can only afford to give away a free Cool Surge to everyone who beats the 48 hour deadline to order one because we've cut out the middleman. That's why you won't find the Cool Surge in the national chain stores," says Gallow.

"People everywhere will be racing to get one

and get their second one free. Our phones will be ringing off the hook," added Gallow.

"That's because owning a Cool Surge is like having your own personal shade follow you around your home," said Gallow.

Consumers have been wishing there was a way to take the coolness with them from room-to-room for decades. Now the Cool Surge portable air cooler makes it a snap.

It effortlessly rolls from room to room and is unbelievably lightweight. "But don't let its light weight fool you, this is one serious piece of equipment," added Gallow.

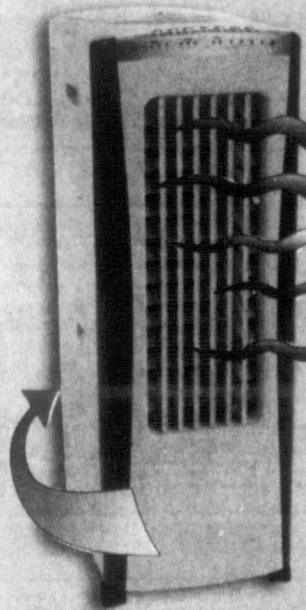
Getting the Cool Surge is the smart way to slash summer electric bills and still stay cool all summer long. And getting the second one free is like putting three hundred bucks in your

pocket.

"We're bracing ourselves for all the calls because everyone wants to save on their electric bills and stay cool this summer. But those that really want to save a ton will be telling our operators they want two and they'll get two free," said Gallow.

"So when the lines are busy keep trying or log onto www.coolsurge.com. We promise to get every call. Then we'll have a delivery truck out to you in no time at all so you can stay cool and start saving on your energy bills right away," Gallow said.

"You'll instantly feel the ice cooled air in any room. You will never have to be hot and miserable again," he said. ■
On the worldwide web: www.coolsurge.com



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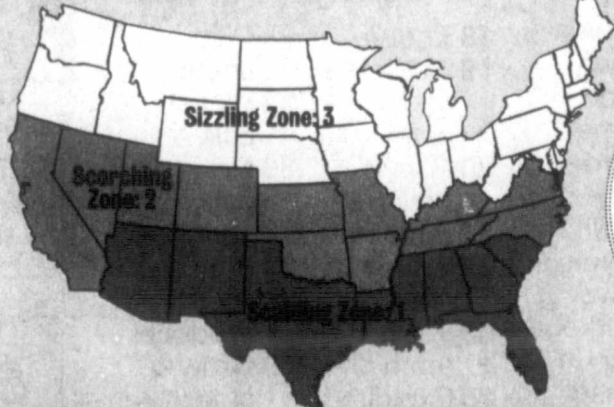
HOW IT WORKS: The Cool Surge portable air cooler is a work of engineering genius from the China coast so advanced that no windows, vents or freon are required. It's as easy to use as a baby's vaporizer and even includes two sets of the reusable glacier ice blocks. That gives you a total of eight hours of extra cooling power. It uses the same electricity as a light bulb, yet it blasts out ice cooled air. The hi-efficiency motor cools the air in an average sized room up to ten degrees so you'll instantly feel cool and refreshed. The 3 cooling levels and auto shut off timer put all the comfort controls at your fingertips. It's so impressive that all transactions less shipping are backed by a full year limited warranty and a 30-day Satisfaction Guarantee.

How to get your free Cool Surge

The National Toll Free Hotlines are now open. All those who beat the 48 hour deadline to order their Cool Surge portable air cooler get their second one free, just cover shipping on each.

They have imposed a strict limit of 2 free Cool Surges per household. Dealers will have to be turned away, but everyone else should be able to get all they need.

Use the map below to locate the weather zone you live in and call the Hotline number for your zone.



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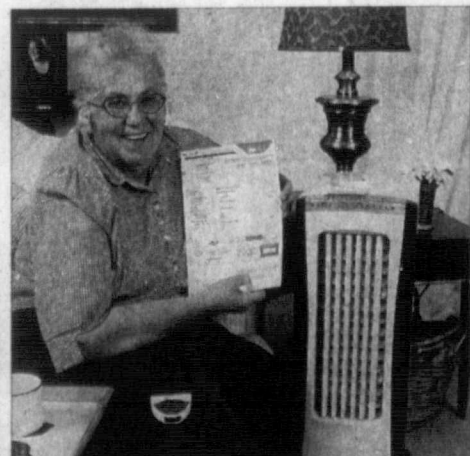
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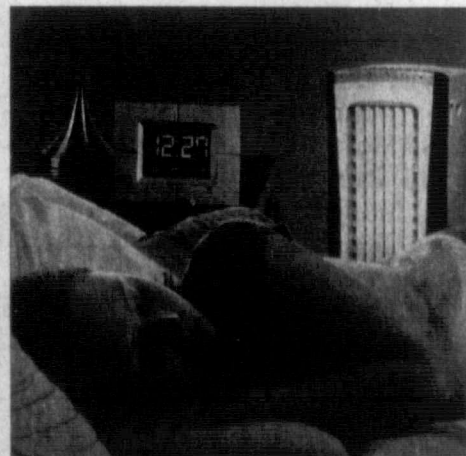
SAVES ON BILLS: Everyone gets lower bills and still stays cool and comfortable. The new Cool Surge uses the same energy as a light bulb, yet it blasts out ice cooled air.



STAY COOL: Everyone keeps cool with the Cool Surge. It's where the kids will play and the family will relax, especially on those hot summer days.



EASILY ROLLS ANYWHERE: This is the Cool Surge portable air cooler that easily rolls from living room to bedroom. No vents, no windows and no freon. Just fill it up and plug it in.



GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP: The built-in sleep setting automatically adjusts the cooling level throughout the night. Everyone wakes up cool and refreshed.

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"Marm! Your help isn't helping!"

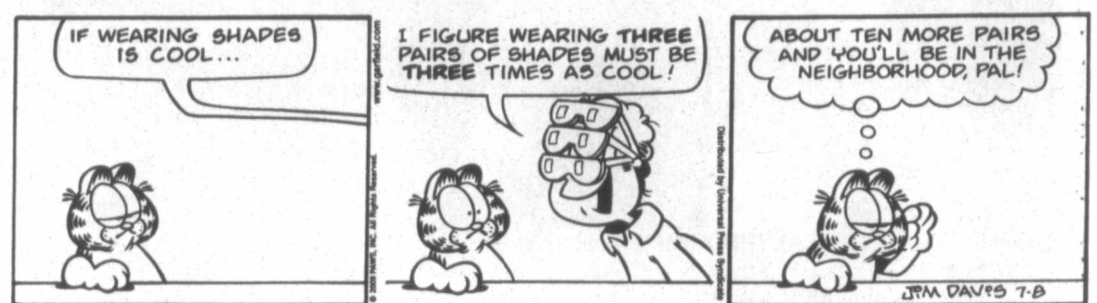
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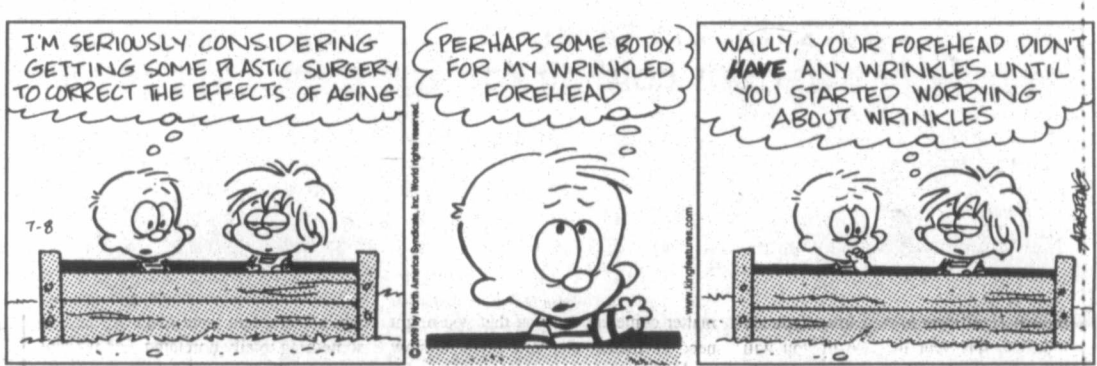
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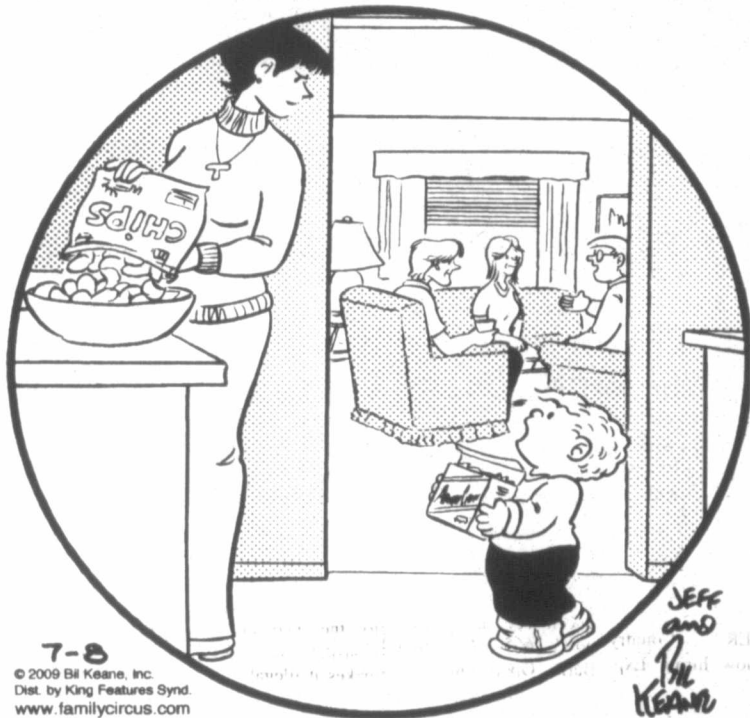


Flo & Friends



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



"Mr. Coverly didn't want any animal crackers. He says he's a vegetarian."

Daily Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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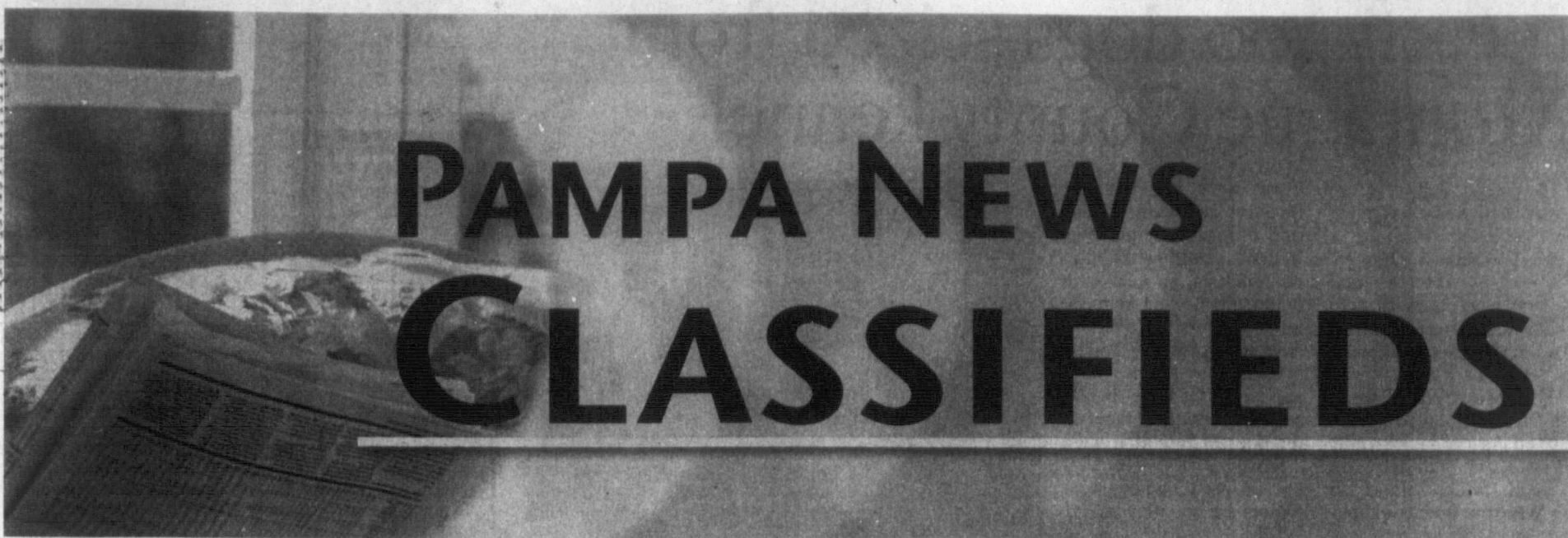
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, July 9, 2009:

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** Knowing what is expected makes a huge difference. Even though a boss could be emotional, you can see eye to eye, though it could be a stretch. Listen to news with an open mind, and you might make an innovative stand. Tonight: Mosey on home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** How you communicate and what you say will make a big difference, especially when dealing with someone in charge. Though sometimes it is a stretch to remain creative, you will want to handle a personal matter in your unique style. Tonight: Others look to you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Your ability to read between the lines helps you understand what is going on with others and their situation. A family member could be dark or withdrawn. Do try to understand. Walk in this person's shoes. Tonight: Put on a favorite piece of music or go to the movies.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Relate to the person involved in each issue. You could be surprised by what goes on if you relax. A personal matter comes up for you that you might need to discuss at a later point, as now could be an inappropriate time. Tonight: Make it cozy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Relate directly to those in charge. Your inability to get past a restriction could improve. Think of how past this situation could serve you. Still, much goes on behind the scenes. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Stay nice and even, learning how to deal with a friend who at best could be considered moody. You know what you want — spend some time making a plan, the first step in making this concept a reality. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Your ability to get past a problem could be reflected directly in your success. Others easily could be emotional and demanding, but nevertheless, you are on top of your game. Tonight: Add that extra sparkle.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Reach out for others, and make a point of moving past a problem, not creating more of one. Sometimes if

you move too quickly, you can incur someone's wrath or irritation. Tonight: Open up to the process.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** No one doubts your ability to communicate and get to the bottom of problems. The issue remains what to do with a stressed-out boss and possibly a certain need to reinforce finances. Tonight: Hanging out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Others continue to demand, while you might want to go off and do something totally unrelated, and perhaps by yourself. Your instincts are generally excellent with your budget, investments and risks. Tonight: Your treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** You are all smiles. Listen to news with a grain of salt. How you get past a problem illuminates the path for others. A partner could be overly serious and demanding. Stop and help this person see a better path. Tonight: Start the weekend early.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Know when to pull back and what is necessary. How you handle a personal matter could change radically if you simply relax. Instead of listening to others' negativity, tap into an innate resourcefulness. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

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Nearly 500 dogs seized from Montague County kennel

BOWIE, Texas (AP) — Nearly 500 dogs were seized Tuesday from a kennel where a Humane Society supervisor said several dead animals were found after complaints the dogs hadn't received proper veterinary care.

The Montague County Sheriff's Department served search warrants at Maggic Pets/Heddins Kennel, which offers on its Web site breeds including pugs, schnauzers, toy beagles, akitas and shitzus.

Cloyce Heddins, the husband of the kennel's owner, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that the dogs received proper care and authorities had bad information. He said his wife, Carol, has heart problems and was taken to a hospital by ambulance when officers arrived.

"We've been in this business a long time," Heddins told the newspaper. "If you raise dogs, you've got to get them veterinary care, especially if you're trying to make a living of it."

Heddins did not immediately return a Tuesday night call from The Associated Press.

Sandy Grambort, a super-

visor with the Humane Society of North Texas, said authorities found dogs in crates double-stacked in outbuildings, as well as in outdoor pens and kennels. Some had skin conditions and open sores, she said.

While not all the dogs appeared to have health problems, she said those in the poorest condition were discovered at the back of the property, where customers are not allowed.

"We are very secure in our case," Grambort said.

Heddins said officers took eight to 10 filing cabinets from the home. He suggested complaints could have come from a few dissatisfied customers.

"Every time someone gets mad they can just call and say someone is not taking care of his dogs, and that makes them subject to an investigation," he said.

The dogs were taken to a Fort Worth warehouse donated to temporarily house them. A Montague County justice of the peace will decide whether to return the animals to the kennel or leave them in the custody of the humane society.



Dogs are unloaded from a climate-controlled truck in Fort Worth, Texas on Tuesday, July 7, 2009. Humane Society officials seized almost 500 dogs from a Kennel in Montague County were temporarily relocated to a warehouse in the Stockyards, where they received health examinations and are being cared for by volunteers.

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Intermediate

Golfer gets hole in 1, wins truck in Navasota

NAVASOTA, Texas (AP) — Sometimes you win. A hole-in-one as part of a shootout at Pecan Lakes Golf Course in Navasota landed a player a new truck.

Wayne Warren on Tuesday won the 2009 Nissan Titan, with a list price starting at more than \$26,000.

Golf course assistant pro Jackson Upcheshaw (UP'-chuh-shaw) says Warren's ball went into the cup on the par 3, 160-yard second hole. He used a 9-iron in the competition that cost \$25 to enter.

Upcheshaw says he heard the ball, "took two bounces and just rolled right in."

Warren could not immediately be reached for comment Wednesday.



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: After returning from a five-day vacation, my wife and I discovered our air-conditioning system was on the fritz, but we were so tired we went to bed anyway.

I woke up the following morning, grabbed a quick shower and, feeling amorous, gently awakened my wife. I suggested she might want to also shower so we could "get close" before the house got too warm. She agreed.

I waited and waited. She seemed to be taking a very long time. When I peeked in I found her scrubbing the shower floor and walls. I was mighty unhappy that my wife would rather scrub the shower than join me in bed.

She says she did nothing wrong and claims I'm making a mountain out of a molehill. What say you? -- STILL HOT AND BOTHERED IN GEORGIA

DEAR STILL H AND B: Has your mind never wandered? Perhaps your wife saw a speck or two of soap scum as she was finishing her shower -- after all, two people had just used it. Rather than becoming upset, you should have gone into the shower to help her get the job done. If you had, things might have worked out differently.

DEAR ABBY: If someone is in an "unhappy" marriage with kids, is it a good idea or bad thing to wait until the kids are adults before considering divorce? The parents of almost everyone I know divorced while they were young. Mine did when I was about 20. But I know many couples who are staying together only for their kids, and I wonder if that's best for everyone. Your thoughts, please. -- "WENDY" IN WASHINGTON

DEAR "WENDY": You have asked a question for which there is no one-size-fits-all answer. It depends on the condition of the marriage and how well both partners can sublimate their frustrations. While staying together for the sake of the kids may seem like an idyllic solution, I have heard from children of dysfunctional couples saying that although their parents didn't fight openly, they could feel the tension between their parents and would have grown up emotionally healthier if their parents had separated.

DEAR ABBY: I have recently started a great new job at a place I love. One day a week I'm unable to be there, so the woman I replaced works that day.

We now share a desk -- which I would not normally mind, but she has left all her belongings on the desk and around the workspace. I'm talking about photos, mementoes, hand creams, shoes, books, etc.

As the primary holder of the position, I think I should be able to keep my personal items in the area and put my own photos on the desk. After all, she is there one day a week only.

I wouldn't be opposed to her having a drawer to herself, or a designated area where she can keep her stuff. I don't want to create animosity between us, so how should I go about this? -- DOESN'T DO MONDAYS

DEAR DOESN'T: Because the woman works on the day that you are off, ask your supervisor or office manager to speak to her. Your request seems reasonable and sensible to me, and frankly, I'm surprised that she hasn't realized it and removed most of her things without having to be prompted.

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