

HI-TECH WARHEAD

White House drops plans for nuclear 'bunker-buster'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is abandoning its push to develop a "bunker-buster" nuclear warhead and instead will pursue a conventional weapon that can penetrate hardened underground targets.

Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., said Tuesday that lawmakers had agreed to drop funding for the proposed nuclear bunker-buster from the Energy Department's budget for the 12 months beginning Oct. 1. He said the Energy Department had requested the move because it no longer planned to pursue a nuclear bunker-buster.

The decision was hailed by opponents of new nuclear weapons. Development of such a warhead has been the subject of intense debate in Congress for several

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Administration officials had argued they needed a tactical nuclear warhead that could destroy deeply buried targets including bunkers tunneled into solid rock. Potential adversaries increasingly are building hardened retreats deep beneath the earth, immune to conventional weapons, the officials said.



Jordan Shook and Brandon Leith were tempted to throw their pumpkin slime and seeds at some of their fellow Create-a-Beat Art students, but Mrs. Blain, their teacher, dissuaded them.

Gray County Weather

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Increasing clouds, with a high around 68. South-southeast wind around 15 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 44. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 64. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Obituaries

Marjorie Katherine Barnes, 78

Marjorie Katherine Barnes, 78, formerly Dorothy Langley and husband William of Corpus Christi, Karen Marsh and husband Britt of Pampa, and Kathy Poor and husband John of Eakly, Oklahoma; two sons, Jimmie Barnes and wife Sue of Bridgeport and Eddie Barnes and wife Carrel of Horseshoe Bay; seven sisters, Jerry Leonard of Galveston, Ginger Cook of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Linda Griffin of Cleveland, Oklahoma, and Pat Monholland, Marie Speaker, Ruth Reynolds and Sammie Boyd, all of Sallisaw; two brothers, Dan Sells and John Sells, both of Sallisaw; 11 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.



Barnes

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, October 27, 2005, in Akins Cemetery in Sallisaw, Oklahoma, under the direction of Mallory-Martin Funeral home of Sallisaw.

Viewing will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today at Mallory-Martin Funeral Home in Sallisaw. After the services the family will meet with friends in the conference room located at Motel 6 from noon to 5 p.m.

Mrs. Barnes was preceded in death by her parents, grandparents, husband and one son.

Survivors include three daughters,

Services tomorrow

HEARD, Jewel D. — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Crestview Memorial Park, Wichita Falls.

Semptra on trial for allegedly squeezing gas supplies

SAN DIEGO (AP) — When executives of three big utility companies met at a hotel in Phoenix nine years ago, they were there to draw up a scheme that limited supplies, drove up prices and ultimately cost consumers billions of dollars, according to a class-action lawsuit going to trial here.

The 11 executives have all filed sworn depositions denying a conspiracy, and an executive for Semptra Energy, the parent of the two utilities named in the complaint, dismisses the allegation as "nonsense."

A jury, sworn in Tuesday, will ultimately decide which side is telling the truth.

Opening statements in the trial, which is

expected to last six months, were to begin today. Among those expected to testify were Stephen Baum, Semptra chairman and chief executive officer, and Edwin Guiles, chairman and chief executive of Southern California Gas and San Diego Gas & Electric.

The stakes are potentially huge. Under California law, the nearly \$8 billion in damages alleged by all classes would triple to about \$23 billion if Semptra loses. Plaintiffs include Continental Forge Co., a Compton company that makes precision aluminum parts, the city and county of Los Angeles and the city of Long Beach.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Aulebery Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.28
Milo	2.76
Corn	3.74
Soybeans	4.73

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY	76.16	+0.03
BP PLC ADR	56.50	+1.08
Cabot Corp	32.48	+0.51
Celanese	16.63	+0.13
Cabot Oil Gas	48.59	+0.19
Coca Cola	42.79	+0.33
VLO	101.30	+0.25
HAL	59.06	-0.34
TKI	42.59	-0.30
KMI	90.51	-0.62
XCEL	18.58	+0.03
Kerr McGee	85.43	-0.44
XOM	57.01	-0.19
Nat'l Oilwell	60.75	-0.20
Limited	19.50	+0.11
Williams	22.86	-0.11
MCD	32.98	-0.02
Atmos	26.13	-0.20
Pioneer Nat	50.01	-0.50
JCP	50.30	+0.39
COP	62.90	+0.46
SLB	86.50	+0.83
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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Tuesday, Oct. 25

Twenty traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the intersection of Kentucky and Lefors streets and the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Motorist assistance was rendered at the intersection of Somerville and Hobart streets.

A vehicle accident was reported at the intersection of Harvester and Coffee streets.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered at the intersection of Highway 60 and Price Road, the intersection of Tyng and Tignor streets, and the 200 block of North Russell.

Emergency medical services assistance was rendered in the 400 block of East Browning, the 2100 block of Williston, the 1100 block of North Russell and the 500 block of North Nelson.

A civil matter was reported in the 2400 block of Fir.

One residential alarm and one business alarm were reported. One open door was reported.

A welfare check was made in the 400 block of East Frederic.

Warrant service was attempted on three occasions.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 300 block of South Cuyler and the intersection of Georgia and Christine streets.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 800 block of South Hobart.

A prowler was reported in the 200 block of Tignor.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 300 block of Tignor.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 300 block of North Hobart.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported at Pampa Junior High School, 2401 Charles, and the intersection of Somerville and Wells streets.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart and the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Harassment was reported in the police department lobby.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 900 block of South Faulkner.

Forgery was reported at Allsup's, 309 N. Hobart.

Theft by check was reported at Allsup's, 309 N. Hobart.

Theft was reported at United Supermarket, 1420 N. Hobart, concerning shoplifters.

Theft was reported in the 200 block of East Kentucky. A gun valued at \$150 was taken.

Nancy Gail Jacoby, 32, 1304 Mary Ellen, was arrested in the 2200 block of Duncan on a Randall County charge of aggravated theft by check.

Heather Lindstrom, 27, 1124 Sierra, was arrested in the 200 block of West Brown for possession of stolen property

and a capias pro fine for no seat belt.

Charles Clifton Butterfield, 34, 933 S. Faulkner, was arrested in the 900 block of South Faulkner for public intoxication and a capias pro fine for unrestrained child.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident today.

Saturday, Oct. 8

12 p.m. — A 1994 Pontiac, driven by Michael Andrew Chaney, 32, 2600 N. Hobart, collided with a legally parked 1996 Dodge Ram 1500, owned by Terry Matthew Whitely, 912 S. Sumner, in the 900 block of South Sumner. No injuries were reported. Chaney was cited on Oct. 19 for a hit and run.

Sheriff

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

Tuesday, Oct. 25

Eddie Wayne Lawrence Jr., 24, 1133 Juniper, was arrested for resisting arrest, evading arrest, criminal trespass and no driver's license.

Fire

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

Tuesday, Oct. 25

12:21 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 1500 block of Kentucky on a medical assist.

8:19 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1100 block of Russell on a medical assist.

Ambulance

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

Tuesday, Oct. 25

12:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

5:04 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient to PRMC.

7:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2100 block of Williston and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:17 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of North Russell and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:44 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Nelson. No transport.

10:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to a local nursing facility.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

3:51 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Osborne.

Floridians express frustration with pace of Hurricane Wilma relief

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Floridians already were waiting in long lines for gasoline at sunrise today as they voiced frustration at the slow arrival of relief following the destruction of Hurricane Wilma.

Police watched over the few gas stations that were open as a precaution in case motorists' tempers flared while they waited for hours to buy fuel.

"I'm usually awake by this hour, but I need gas for my generator so

I can go to work and make some money," said Hector Vasquez, 36, who repairs windows. "This shouldn't be this difficult."

Florida Power & Light, the state's biggest utility, said Wilma affected more of its 4.3 million customers

than any other natural disaster in the company's history. By early Wednesday, 13 percent of FPL's customers who lost service had their lights back on.

The 21st storm in the busiest Atlantic hurricane season on

record, Wilma was blamed for at least five deaths in Florida. Before hitting the United States, the Category 3 hurricane killed at least four people in Mexico, one in Jamaica and 12 in Haiti.

Cop Corner

Accidents! Accidents! Accidents! This is the last one of these for a while.

Have you ever backed out of your driveway and into your neighbor's car? Isn't that embarrassing? It really happens more than you think, but the serious backing accidents happen on congested streets or on the higher speed limit streets.

Backing is always a problem. You must pay attention in three directions and steer the car all at the same time. I think the angle parking spaces on Hobart and in the downtown area are a real backing accident magnet.

What are we to do? You can begin your backing safety checks before you get in your car. Take a look at the traffic patterns as you get in your car. If there is a bunch of traffic, then be very cautious.

When you get in your car, buckle your seat belt. Yes, you can turn around to look out the back window.

Place your car in reverse and start backing. Go slowly and check for oncoming traffic constantly.

If it is safe, then complete the backing movement. Only back into the traffic lane enough to clear the car to your left. Put it in drive and go on to your next location.

In the event a car hits your car coming down the street, I'm sorry but you will get the ticket. It is the driver backing up that has the responsibility to make sure the way is clear.

Oh, if you are on a private parking lot, back up and hit another car that is unoccupied, call the police. It is the right thing to do. You won't get a ticket and the other person will get their car fixed.



LT. FRED COURTNEY

Cop Corner provided by Pampa Police Department

Marriage

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into the Constitution it will open floodgates for litigation.

"Every trial attorney, divorce attorney or anybody contesting inheritance, child support or medical decisions will have a road map and clear constitutional standing to clog the courts on every minute disagreement there is," she said.

Kelly Shackelford, president of Free Market Foundation, agrees with Chisum.

"Deceptive phone calls are now going out telling people to vote NO because of a supposed flaw in the legislation of Prop. 2," he wrote on the Free Market Web site. "There must be a lot of them because we are getting calls from a number of supporters who are confused."

Tours

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ance.

"Lamar has seen the greatest growth in accountability in recent years, thanks to great teachers and a great administrator," Porter said.

The committee traveled to Carver at the conclusion of Lamar's tour. While the consultants were concerned, they had few comments on the building.

The facility is not large enough to house all central administration staff. Also, there are some health concerns for employees in the building. The inspectors felt consideration should be given to constructing a facility to replace Horace Mann and Carver Center.

This week's final meeting will begin at 6 p.m. today in the Lamar library. The committee will begin at Travis Elementary next week and conclude the meeting at Horace Mann.

City

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Section B of state law. While a Section A economic development corporation has many more restrictions, it has less oversight. A Section B corporation has fewer restrictions, but increased oversight.

"I know there are a number of people opposed to this," Meaker said, "but I have yet to have a good explanation of the fears."

He said he'd like to leave this place a little better than he found it.

"I know if we get another system implemented, and I hope we do, there are bound

to be some mistakes made," Meaker said. "The only way you don't make mistakes is if you don't do anything."

He said the biggest mistake would be not to do anything.

Meaker said the residents of Pampa are supporting the economic development corporations of other cities through sales taxes.

He said if a new PEDC is established, he wants the naysayers to apply to be on the board.

"That should give them additional oversight on something they're concerned about," he said.

In other business, the three commissioners who met approved the purchase of two new police cars. The

low bid of \$45,541.50 for two fully equipped cars went to Fenton Motors of Pampa. Mayor Lonny Robbins and Commissioner Faustina Curry were absent.

Pampa Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner said the bid this year was \$3,000 less than the one last year.

The three commissioners present, Brad Pingel, Lana Miller and Mayor Pro Tem Ray Boring, also set a time following the next commission meeting on Nov. 8 for a planning session.

City Manager John Horst said he had developed a list of items to be discussed from City Attorney Don Lane and the directors of the various departments in the city.

Birkes

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another facet of art," Birkes explained.

"Art is all around us," she said, "and the more we understand it, the more we can appreciate it and the world about us. I prefer realism over contemporary art work. I look at art more for the aesthetic enjoyment rather than trying to figure

out what the artist is trying to say, and probably not making the correct interpretation.

"I like color and what I can do with it in a painting, along with the interplay of lights and darks. Art teaches one to be observant of what is about us — to notice colors, shapes, and details in nature, even buildings and people's expressions. Being observant, we can appreciate the diversity about us. God's creation is amazing!

"I do not pretend to be a skilled artist. Years ago I took a couple of classes in Austin while in high school and a few classes in Pampa from Dord Fitz and Dr. Emilio Cabellero. The art show gave me an incentive to get busy and brush up this year, so I have taken short classes from Jack Sorenson, Amy Winton, and David Rindlisbacher. Art is a hobby, not a priority, and, unfortunately, too many things take precedence. I

really enjoy painting and can lose myself in painting. I also have noticed that we always manage visiting art galleries on trips."

Darlene and her husband Wallace Birkes moved to Pampa in 1970 from California. Wallace holds an architectural engineering degree from Texas A&M University. He was supervisor and engineer during construction of college campuses at Redwood City and Oakland.

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Viewpoints

Why Clinton was obsessed with gas prices

Former FBI director Louis Freeh writes movingly of his disappointment that President Bill Clinton did little or nothing to intervene with the Saudi monarchy to let his agents question the accused perpetrators of the 1996 Khobar Towers bombing. But he is at a loss to understand the president's conduct.

In an earlier terror attack, the Saudis had cut off the heads of the suspected terrorists before the FBI could question them. To avoid a repeat, Freeh went to the president and emphasized the importance of intervening with the Saudis to allow questioning.

The Saudis, of course, didn't want the FBI interrogating their suspects for fear

that the depth of the al Qaeda network that had grown in Saudi Arabia might be exposed to American — and world — view. But why did Clinton do nothing in the face of the appeals of his FBI chief?

Freeh implies that lust for donations to his Presidential Library might have entered into the equation, but the Khobar attack materialized long before Clinton was focused on his retirement. His gaze was, instead, squarely fixed on the next election — and the soaring gas prices that represented a mortal peril to his chances.

Because his 1993 deficit-reduction package (sounds quaint now, doesn't it?) had raised the gas tax a nickel, Clinton was worried that

he'd get blamed for any price spike. A nominal increase in car-licensing fees had cost him the Arkansas governorship in 1980, and the lesson he drew — don't mess with people's cars — resonated deeply in his political worldview.

Originally, Clinton had resisted raising gas prices and tried instead to pass Al Gore's well-nigh-incomprehensible plan to tax energy based on its BTU output. But nobody understood the tax and Congress, reverting to the tried and true, raised gas taxes instead. Ever since, Clinton had watched gas

prices intently. "If gas goes down or stays the same, I'll be OK," he told me. "But if it goes up, I'm cooked."

And in the spring of 1996, as the summer driving season approached gas prices were spiking.



Dick Morris
Columnist

Republicans, eager to tie the prices to the Clinton tax hike, introduced legislation to repeal the nickel increase and forced Clinton to defend it even as prices rose.

Clinton was obsessed with gas prices. We would talk about them all the time. Every poll probed the issue and measured the level of

popular animosity over their increase and the extent to which Clinton himself was blamed. When we were alone in the White House, after the staff had been put to bed, Clinton would ask my advice on the issue and we would discuss the need to get the Saudis to increase petroleum production.

In direct and indirect ways, Clinton sent messages to the Saudi monarchy: If you want to help me, you'll increase oil production and hold down prices. When oil production rose and the price began to level off — as the summer faded and then return to normal, the president was very relieved.

Until Freeh spoke out, I didn't know that Clinton had failed to press the Saudis to

let in the FBI. But his reasons for not doing so are quite clear. For him to have picked up the phone and demanded that the Saudis let the FBI question their suspects would have risked annoying them by implying skepticism about their toughness on terrorism. And Clinton could not risk alienating Riyadh.

So even as Clinton was mouthing his determination to find those responsible for the Khobar Towers bombing, he was sending the Saudis a message, by his refusal to make the phone call, that Freeh's demands were not his top priority, gas prices were.

—Dick Morris was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20 years.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 26, the 299th day of 2005. There are 66 days left in the year.

'In the time of your life, live — so that in that wondrous time you shall not add to the misery and sorrow of the world, but shall smile to the infinite variety and mystery of it.'

— William Saroyan
American author
(1908-1981)

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 26, 1881, the "Gunfight at the OK Corral" took place in Tombstone, Ariz., as Wyatt Earp, his two brothers and "Doc" Holliday confronted Ike Clanton's gang. Three members of Clanton's gang were killed; Earp's brothers were wounded.

On this date: In 1774, the First Continental Congress adjourned in Philadelphia.

In 1825, the Erie Canal opened in upstate New York,

connecting Lake Erie and the Hudson River.

In 1942, the U.S. ship Hornet was sunk in the Battle of Santa Cruz Islands during World War II.

In 1957, the Soviet Union announced that defense minister Marshal Georgi Zhukov had been relieved of his duties.

Our readers write

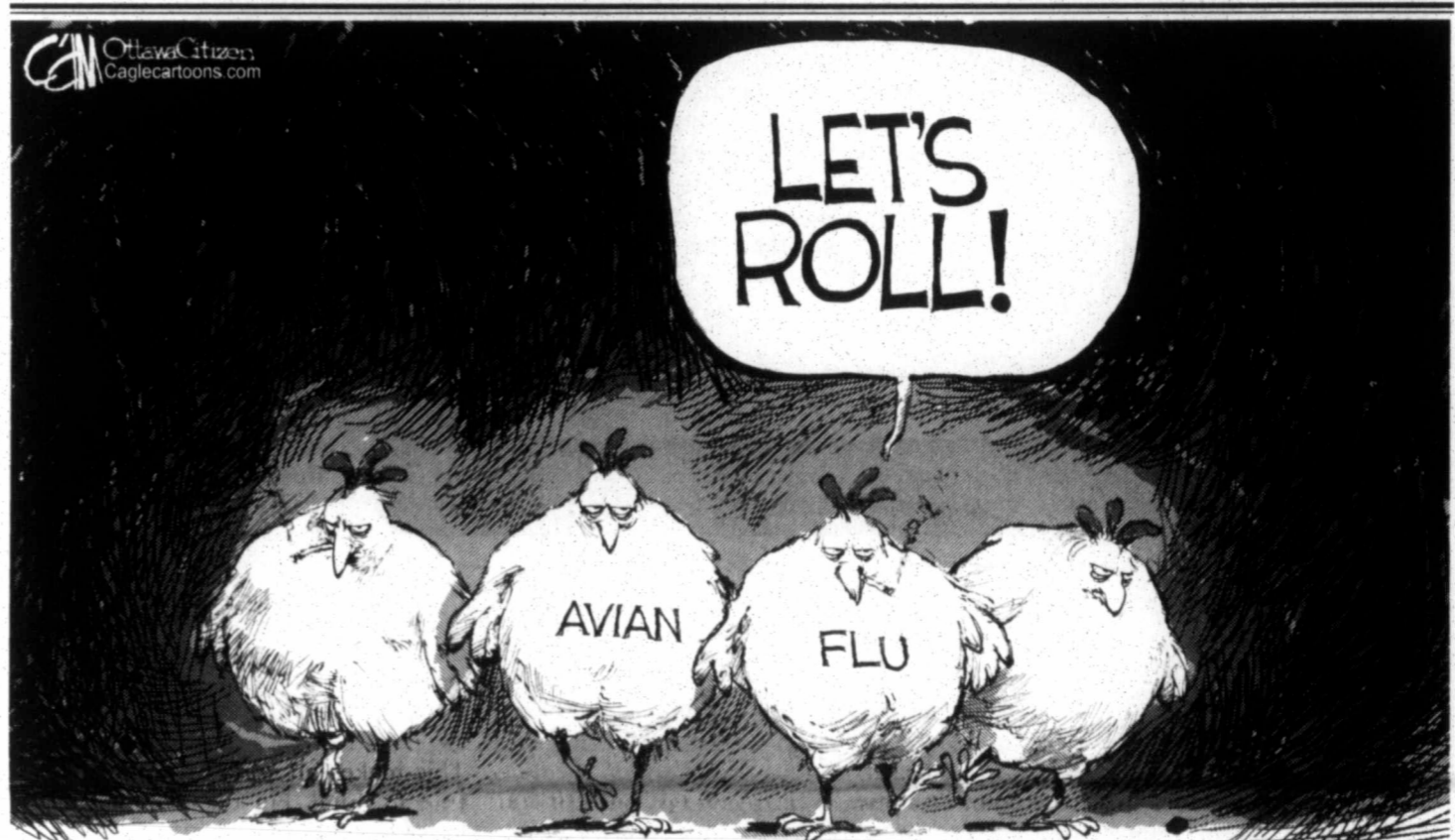
Why can't we just get along?

In the words of Rodney King after the LA riots, "Why can't we just get along?" There have been many negative letters to the editor against the EDC. Well, I would like to throw in my 2 cents worth.

First, I would like to tell you how I feel about the first EDC. I thought it was a good idea when I voted for it, and I still was for it when it was dissolved. Mistakes? Yes, there were a few mistakes, but there were also some positive things that came from it — i.e. two dairies and

United Medicorp. Now, it's not every day that I can agree with Calvin Lacy. Usually, he is telling me something bad about W-YA, and I'm telling him the truth about Hillary and Slick Willie. He is right. The Pampa economy is healthy right now, but what do we do after this oil boom slows down? I took the anti-EDC peoples' advice and looked up EDC on the attorney general's Web site and found some interesting things.

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THE FOUR CHICKENS OF THE APOCALYPSE ...

Don't worry too much about the bird flu

As of now, so far as we know, on Planet Earth about 60 people out of 6 billion have died of bird flu. All were involved in handling sick birds. There is, as of now, no recorded case of bird flu being transmitted from one human to another — something that is necessary before even an epidemic, much less a pandemic, could occur.

An epidemic is a widespread outbreak of a disease in a particular community at a particular time. A pandemic is an outbreak of disease in a whole country or in several countries. Pandemics occur, on the average, every 30 to 40 years.

What I'm trying to do is add some perspective to the current semihysteria being whipped up by politicians and the media. Certainly the virus that causes bird flu could mutate so that it could be transmitted from human to human. Such mutations, while typical of viruses,

ordinarily occur over a period of years, not overnight.

If you are inclined toward hypochondria, reading an article on viruses in a good encyclopedia will give you the creeps. There are zillions of them, but fortunately most of them are harmless.

They are not really critters, but parasitic bits of protein that have to attach themselves to living cells. They are so small, they can only be seen by an electron microscope, which was invented in the 1940s. A Russian in 1892 and a Dutchman in 1898 began to suspect that there was some kind of infectious agent that was not a bacterium or a microorganism. Whatever it was, it was small enough to pass through a porcelain filter that stopped bacteria. That

fact, by the way, should limit one's faith in latex as protection against viral infections.

So, before you let politicians, the media, the pharmaceutical companies and the grant hogs at the National Institutes of Health

scare you with stories about being wiped out by a bird-flu pandemic, consider the following: If you

are more than 50 years old, you've already lived through two pandemics of flu and probably didn't even know it.

At any moment, some new virus might appear that would cause mankind big problems. Earth is a hazardous environment. Humans are all mortal. The only people who have ever gotten off the planet alive are astronauts and cosmonauts.

If the bird-flu virus should mutate so that it can travel human to human, there is no vaccine for it. It would have to be treated with the old methods of trying to isolate those infected with it. The only thing individuals could do to protect themselves would be to avoid crowds, stop picking their noses or using their fingers as toothpicks, and wash their hands several times a day.

At any rate, pandemics — even the bad one in 1918-1919 — run their course and stop on their own, usually in a year or two. Even the 1918 one killed only about 550,000 Americans, and so it is well to keep in mind for perspective purposes that, on average, 2 million of us die every year from one cause or another.

I'm just trying to say keep a stiff upper lip and don't let the new phenomenon of 24/7 television tie your knickers

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Texas Thoughts

■ Oct. 16
The Dallas Morning News on action in Sudan:

The U.S. ambassador to the U.N., John Bolton, caused quite a little dust-up the other day by expressing disinterest in hearing a parade of reports on the deteriorating situation in Darfur. His point, he said, was not that the U.S. doesn't care, but that it cares enough to insist that it's time for action, not just talk.

Recent events in Darfur show how terribly right he is.

In the past week, both sides of the Sudanese gov-

ernment and its Arab militia proxies on one hand, black rebel groups on the other launched deadly attacks on villages and even refugee camps. Several African Union peacekeepers were killed trying to shield civilians. Dozens of peacekeepers were kidnapped and held hostage.

Peace talks designed to find a stable political solution are hamstrung by the refusal of some rebel splinter groups even to come to the table. Meanwhile, Sudan is effectively thumping its nose at the African Union.

The Khartoum govern-

ment has refused to let 70 of the 105 armored personnel carriers needed by African Union troops into the country. On Tuesday, a government statement derided the organization's reports of spiraling violence in Darfur, saying the African Union is "not in a position to give moral lessons to a founding member of the African Union."

"The AU's mission of forging an 'African solution to an African crisis' has not achieved the intended outcome," concluded the World Markets Research Centre, a spinoff of Global Insight, a

company that tracks international developments for major corporations. "Unless the international community bolsters the presence and capabilities of the AU mission and considers an expanded international input in Darfur, it will be all the more difficult to reverse the recent renewed violence and lawlessness."

Mr. Bolton suggests that the U.N. crack down even further on the flow of arms into Sudan. That sounds like a good idea. Other nations emphasize forcing Sudan to

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Russian gas exporter interested in U.S. natural gas pipelines

HOUSTON (AP) — Moscow-based Gazprom, the world's largest producer and exporter of natural gas, wants to buy interest in liquefied natural gas pipelines and terminals in the United States.

Gazprom Chairman Alexander Medvedev said Tuesday in Houston that, in exchange for that ownership, the company would allow Western energy companies to have a

part in developing the Shtokman Field in the Barents Sea.

"Our principle is simple. We want to be involved in all parts of the value chain," Medvedev said in today's

editions of the Houston Chronicle. "For access to our strategic reserve base, we want equal access to the downstream and midstream assets."

Only companies that were

willing to help Gazprom buy stakes in U.S. pipelines and terminals were put on a short list for the Shtokman project, said Medvedev, who was in Houston as part of a Russia-U.S. energy symposium.

Two U.S. companies, Houston-based ConocoPhillips and San Ramon, Calif.-based Chevron, made the list. Irving-based Exxon Mobil Corp. did not.



Stormie Blain, teacher of Create-a-Beat's advanced art class, shows Brandon Leith the ins and outs of cleaning out his pumpkin and getting it ready for carving.



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Letters

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There are 123 cities in the state of Texas that have adopted a 4A tax.

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There are 87 cities that have both. Huh!

Some of the towns in our area that have adopted one or the other are Miami, Midland, Wichita Falls, Clarendon, Dalhart, Fritch, Groom, McLean, Spearman, Stratford, Wheeler, Amarillo, Borger, Canadian, Childress, Hereford, Levelland, Memphis, Odessa, Plainview, Panhandle, Perryton, Quanah, Shamrock, and Wellington.

It looks like it would be hard not to support some of these EDCs. It makes no sense to me why we are not in the game. Is 4B better than 4A? I can't tell you that. But I do trust my elected officials to handle our tax money as if it were their own. If they don't, then they will be held accountable when it is election time.

Now in closing, whether you are for it or against it I would hope everyone gets out to vote. There have been many people who have died for this right. It is your obligation. One more thing about these anti-EDC

people, are these the same people who said our world as we know it would end after the Swine Genetic Research Facility came in? I mean, the water would go bad. It would bring in undesirable people to our community. Oh, y'all don't know what I'm talking about?

I'm sorry for talking over your heads.

Now, a 1/2-cent tax on \$10,000 worth of goods would be \$50. That's not too much to ask for to give Pampa a chance to keep its people.

Anyway, I hope I have not offended anyone with my wit. It's not for everyone. But after this election I hope we can all work together to make Pampa the best city in Texas, the best state in the USA, the best doggone country in the world.

**Bob Cummings
Pampa**

P.S. Thanks to our elected officials, the old EDC board, the EDC board that had to dissolve the 4A EDC, and the individuals who are spearheading this push for another one.

**You cannot believe
everything you read ...**

An advertisement paid for by the promoters of a new economic devel-

opment corporation tells us not to believe all that we read in the papers. I agree — truer words were never spoken!

In the same issue of Oct. 24, I found a perfect example of the need for caution in the headline on the front page of The Pampa News. It said "Early voters favor EDC issue." This makes all sorts of implications leap to mind, but the first one was how can this reporter have such knowledge when the ballots won't be counted for another two weeks or so?

It turns out as we read on that he merely means that more people were voting early Monday on the EDC issue than were voting on the Constitutional amendments. But who would know that from the misleading headline that preceded the article? At this point, a more compelling question might be why does this newspaper "spin" the EDC proposition so often?

One giant step to restore the battered confidence and trust of Pampans would be to cease the thinly-disguised deceptive practices that have been put before us again and again by the news media. If and when that happens, the people might be more prone to listen when various interests plead for our "trust."

**Edna L. Haydon
Pampa**

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in a knot. It is the nature of that business to be in a continuing state of fretting about something. It was one of Shakespeare's characters, I think, who put the matter so well: We all owe God a death, so if we pay today we are quit for tomorrow.

For the sake of your mental health, turn off your TV, then practice good personal

Sudan

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cooperate with investigations by the International Criminal Court. Despite U.S. reservations about the court, our government should not short-circuit any action designed to bring the perpetrators of these atrocities to heel.

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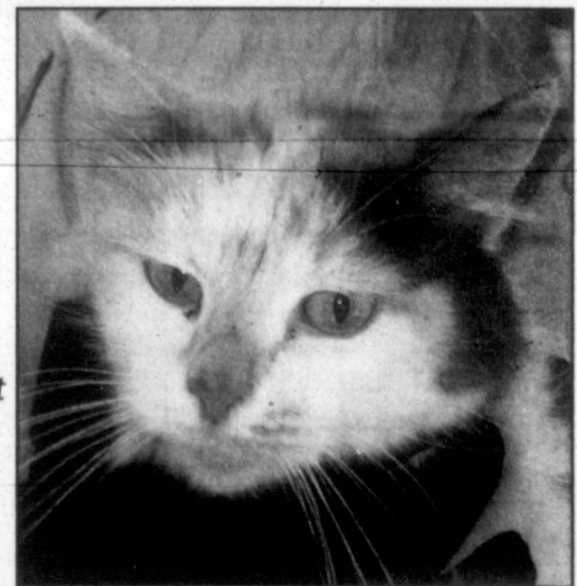
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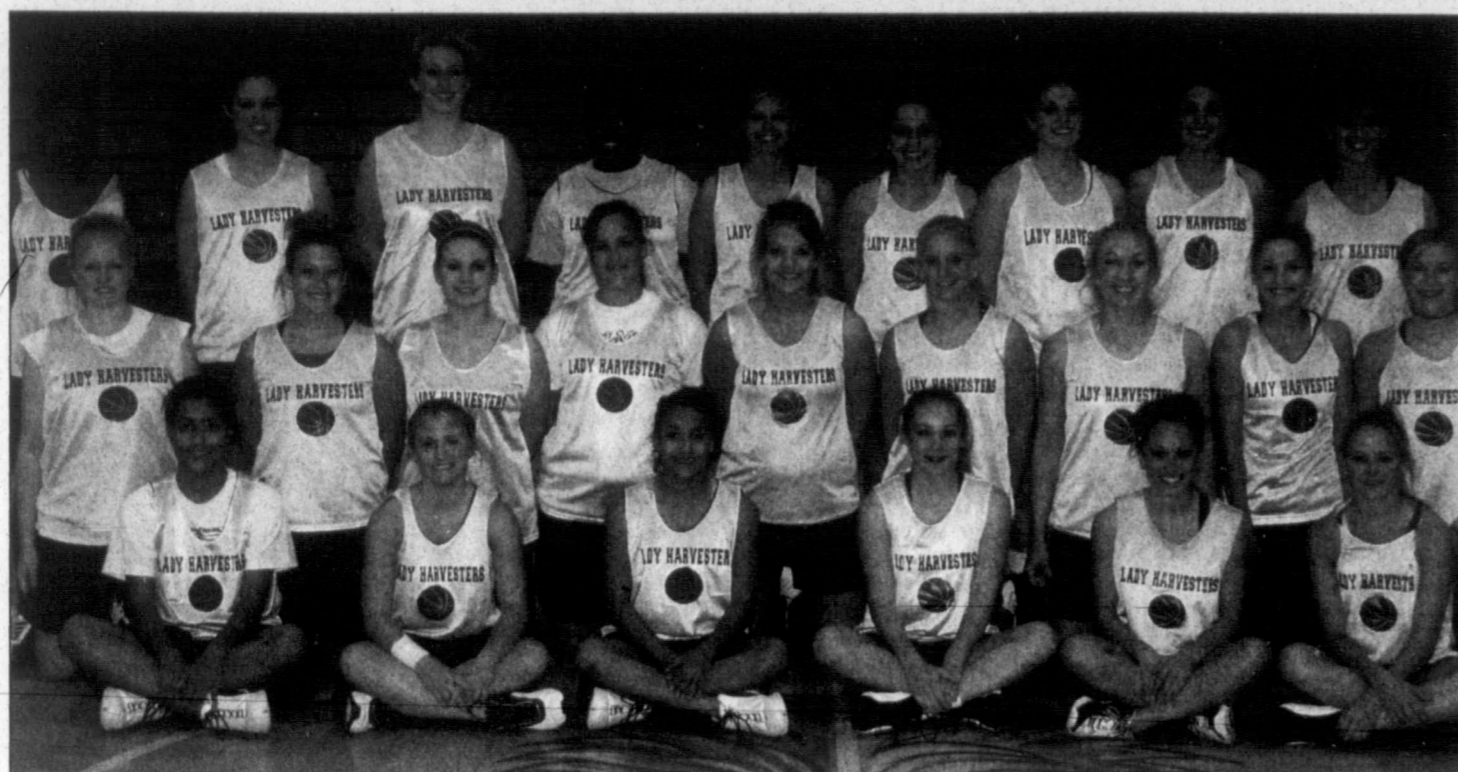
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Sports Day



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The 2005-2006 Lady Harvesters varsity and junior varsity members are (left to right) Back row- Amber Brown, Holly Owens, McKinsie East, Ashley Brown, Halei Skinner, Callie Cobb, Jackie Gerber, Audrey Dunn, and Candice Dildy. Middle row- Layce Beesley, Stephanie Polasek, Meagan Crawford, Sara Foster, Haili Kotara, Kelsie Wyatt, Krissy Alexander, Krishna Henderson, and Britteni Rice. Front row- Tricia Moore, Katherine Cree, Jasmine Moore, Angela Mechelay, Felicia Urban, and Tamara Trevathan.

Pampa to scrimmage Tascosa; Meet the Harvesters Saturday

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Lady Harvesters Scrimmage

The Pit will soon come to life with the sound of squeaking sneakers, foul whistles and free throws as the 2005-2006 Harvesters basketball season draws near.

The Lady Harvesters varsity squad will tip things off Monday with a 5:30 p.m. scrimmage against the Lady Rebels of Tascosa. The JV team will host Stratford in the MPAC building. That game is also set for the 5:30 p.m. start.

Bags of Halloween treats will be given to kids who attend the scrimmage.

Meet the Harvesters

Pampa basketball fans can get to know those who will comprise the 2005-2006 season during Meet the Harvesters day, Saturday beginning at 7 p.m. at McNeely Field House. Harvester and Lady Harvester players will be on hand for the annual meet-and-greet, along with their respective coaches. A shoot-out is also on tap. Halloween candy will be given out as well.

For more information, contact the PHS athletic office at 669-4830.

8th grade A and B teams tame Warriors

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa Junior High 8th grade A and B football teams took care of business Tuesday against the Westover Park Warriors. Pampa has just one game left in the season which comes against Plainview Tuesday.

Pampa A 30, Westover Park A 12

Pampa scoring:

-A.J. Rodriguez scored on a 27-yard pass from Alex Clendening. Nathan Webb ran in the extra-point.
-Webb scored on a 5-yard run.
-Braden Hunt scored on a 15-yard pass from Clendening.

Webb ran in the extra-point.

-Clendening scored on a 1-yard run. Webb ran in the extra-point.

-Mitchell Kilgo and Hunt each intercepted passes to lead the green team to a 30-0 lead at half-time.

Record- 3-5.

Pampa B 14, Westover B 8

Pampa Scoring:

-Tye Powell scored on a 23-yard pass from Anthony Allen.
-Allen scored on a 3-yard run. Dillion Wallace ran in the extra-point.
Record- 4-3.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

WNBA star Sheryl Swoopes comes out

NEW YORK (AP) — Houston Comets forward Sheryl Swoopes is opening up about being a lesbian, telling a magazine that she's "tired of having to hide my feelings about the person I care about."

Swoopes, honored last month as the WNBA's Most Valuable Player, told ESPN The Magazine for a story on newsmagazines today that she didn't always know she was gay and fears that coming out could jeopardize her status as a role model.

"Do I think I was born this way? No," Swoopes said. "And that's probably confusing to some, because I know a lot of people believe that you are."

Swoopes, who was married and has an 8-year-old son, said her 1999 divorce "wasn't because I'm gay."

She said her reason for coming out now is merely because she wants to be honest.

"It's not something that I want to throw in people's faces. I'm just at a point in my life where I'm tired of having to pretend to be somebody I'm not," the 34-year-old Swoopes said. "I'm tired of having to hide my feelings about the person I care about. About the person I love."

A release from ESPN The Magazine about the story did

not disclose the identity of Swoopes' partner.

A five-time All-Star and three-time Olympic gold medalist, Swoopes is the WNBA's only three-time MVP. She played for the Comets during their run of four championships from 1997-2000, but missed the 2001 season with a knee injury.

She said her biggest worry about her revelation is that people will be afraid to look up to her.

"I don't want that to happen," she said. "Being gay has nothing to do with the three gold medals or the three MVPs or the four championships I've won. I'm still the same person. I'm Sheryl."

Swoopes led the WNBA in scoring last year, averaging 18.6 points. She also averaged 4.3 assists and 2.65 steals while making 85 percent of her free throws and playing a league-high 37.1 minutes a game.

She said it "irritates" her that no one talks about gays playing in men's sports, but that it's become an issue in the WNBA.

"Sexuality and gender don't change anyone's performance on the court," she said. "Women play just as hard as guys do. We're just as competitive."

Astros miss plenty of chances during Game 3

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros had the bases loaded in the ninth inning. They had runners in scoring position again in the 10th, 11th and 14th innings.

Only one big problem: The object of the game is to get those runners home.

Even without getting a hit during the final six innings of another long post-season game, the Astros had 10 baserunners in that span. They left them all stranded, and find themselves in a hole that no team has ever come back from in the World Series.

"You could point to those situations," Lance Berkman said. "But they had a lot of those situations, too."

Except the White Sox are up 3-0 in

the World Series after winning 7-5 in 14 innings Tuesday night.

Geoff Blum led off the 14th for Chicago with a home run off Ezequiel Astacio, the seventh Astros pitcher who later allowed a bases-loaded walk.

The Astros still had a chance after another walk and an error by shortstop Juan Uribe on Brad Ausmus' two-out grounder in the bottom of the 14th. But Adam Everett ended the longest World Series game — 5 hours, 41 minutes after it started — with an infield popout.

"We had some momentum going our way. We had every chance in the world to win the ballgame and failed to

put the ball in play," manager Phil Garner said. "We didn't hit the ball hard."

Houston didn't have a hit after Jason Lane's two-out RBI double in the eighth inning that tied the game at 5. Eight White Sox relievers issued 10 walks (one intentional) and hit a batter over seven innings, but gave up only one run.

"It's amazing we were in the ballgame," said Garner, whose team left 15 runners on bases, at least two each in the eighth through 11th innings.

Because of all their missed chances in Game 3, the Astros now have very little — if any — chance of winning.

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HIGH SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

Some girls join six-man high school football teams

By **BETSY BLANEY**
Associated Press

Alice Blair dons her pads and uniform alone in the tiny girls locker room at Paint Creek High School.

As she heads outside to join her Pirates teammates, she endures whistles and cat calls from members of the Lueders-Avoca six-man football team, the recent homecoming opponent for Gov. Rick Perry's alma mater.

She glances back briefly, flashes a half-hearted smile but doesn't slow her step.

"Jerks," she mumbles as she leaves the building.

Paint Creek, about 170 miles southwest of Dallas, had the last word against the Raiders, winning 44-19 Saturday.

Blair, 15, is among a handful of high school girls who because of dwindling enrollment in rural districts are playing six-man football this season so their schools can field a team. Ariel Blair, Alice Blair's younger sister, played for a time earlier this season but decided to leave the team several weeks ago.

The sisters aren't alone. In Megargel, about 60 miles northeast of Paint Creek, as many as three girls have played for the team this season after some of the boys were ruled academically ineligible.

Statewide, 113 schools compete in six-man football, which originated in Nebraska in the early 1930s and came to Texas a few years later.

Blair, who plays split end and guard on offense and "basically everything" on defense, said she's gotten negative feedback from some opposing players and some stu-

dents at her own school. Some of the girls at Paint Creek (2-6) think she shouldn't be playing, she said.

"They think it's not right, and they think I'm disgracing the school," said Alice, 5-foot-3 and 159 pounds. "But all the guys and the other girls cheer me on."

Perry said Tuesday that when he attended Paint Creek — he graduated in 1968 — there were plenty of "very good female athletes," though at the time there were enough males to round out the team without them.

It's different now, though, with the community's population dropping and the girls capable of contributing, he said.

"It's that old proverbial good ol' college try, in this, good ol' Paint Creek try," Perry said. "Those young ladies are just carrying on the tradition of good team spirit."

Alice Blair played last year as a freshman but didn't see much playing time because there were more players on the team, first-year Pirates coach Russ Wilson said. When this season began, Paint Creek had five boys for its six-man team. The Blair sisters boosted the roster to seven.

After several games, Ariel Blair, 14 and a freshman who also participates in basketball, golf, tennis, track and cross country, decided to leave the team.

"I just didn't feel I was good at the sport," she said. "It was harder than any others."

Wilson doesn't ease off on Alice Blair, who played every down in a game earlier this fall because the team didn't have enough players to substitute. The roster size has fluctuated from six and eight, Wilson said.

Teammates don't cut her any slack, either. "They expect the same out of her as they would any other teammate," Wilson said.

"She always has a good attitude. She goes as hard as she can."

The sisters' mother Ann Blair said her eldest daughter was a junior varsity cheerleader before she came to her last year and said she wanted to play football.

Ann Blair was supportive but didn't think her daughter would last.

"I've always told my daughters they can do whatever they put their minds to," Ann Blair said. "Every time she goes on the football field, I pray to the good Lord that she won't get hurt. It's a very tough game."

She, too, hears negatives about her daughter. The comments come from parents, "but I don't pay attention to it anymore. Of course, she's not as tough as the boys, but she's really getting a lot better."

Pete Contreras, athletic coordinator for the University Interscholastic League, said girls playing football isn't unusual in the years leading to varsity. But it's not typical for girls to play after that, he said.

"At the high school level, if there is a girl playing, it's more than likely going to be a special skills player like a field goal kicker," he said.

At Megargel (3-5), grades forced a few boys off the team early in the season, coach Shannon Brown said.

Two girls — sophomore Jessica Bruhnson and senior Darcy Dunbar — stepped forward and are still playing, but Dunbar probably won't finish the season probably because she's no longer needed, he said. Some of the boys who were removed for academic reasons have returned.

Brown has been impressed by the girls' fortitude.

"They do everything I ask," Brown said. "They haven't complained."

Because the team would have had too few players to compete had the girls not stepped forward, "Everyone's glad that they've played," Brown said.

For Alice Blair, the chance to play football for her school has earned the respect of teammates.

"As long as I practice real hard and do what's expected in games, they think it's awesome," she said.

How six-man football differs from 11-man

Some of the ways that six-man football in Texas differs from 11-man, which mostly follows NCAA rules.

- Each team has six players.
- The field is 80 yards by 40 yards.
- When one team is ahead by 45 or more points at or after halftime, the game ends.
- Quarters are 10 minutes.
- Offenses must gain 15 yards to get a first down.
- At least three players need to be on the line of scrimmage at the snap.
- The quarterback must hand off, pitch or throw the ball before it can cross the line of scrimmage. Linemen may receive a forward hand-off at any time. The ball, however, may not be handed forward to the snapper through his legs.
- All players are eligible to catch a forward pass. The ball is dead when a passer catches his own pass. If a forward pass is thrown to the snapper, it must travel at least a yard in the air.
- Field goals are worth four points, kicked extra points are two points and runs or passes for extra points are one point.

Game 3

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The only team that came back from a 3-0 deficit to win a best-of-seven series was Boston over the New York Yankees in last year's AL championship series. The Red Sox then swept St. Louis in the World Series, a feat the White Sox will try to accomplish against Houston in Game 4 on Wednesday night, when Brandon Backe is set to start for the Astros.

"I think we had a chance

to win all three games," Berkman said. "We just didn't do it."

If they don't do it in Game 4, they will still be the team that's been in one city the longest without having ever won a World Series game. They cleared only one hurdle by getting here.

With Game 3 still tied at 5, the Astros had the bases loaded with two outs in the ninth after two walks and then an intentional walk to Berkman. No. 4 hitter Morgan Ensberg struck out to end the inning.

"It's difficult," Ensberg

said, followed by a long pause. "Sorry, I'm having a tough time."

Soon after that, Ensberg, whose second-inning single gave him his 14th RBI this postseason, walked away from his locker.

Orlando Palmeiro drew a leadoff walk in the 10th, and didn't move to second until Everett walked with two outs. But Chris Burke, whose homer in the 18th won the NL division series clincher against Atlanta, grounded out.

The Astros had two runners on after Willy Taveras

was hit by a pitch and Berkman walked with one out in the 11th. Ensberg popped out to shortstop before Palmeiro's comebacker ended the inning.

"We had a chance to win the ballgame when we had the top of our lineup up," Garner said.

Jose Vizcaino led off the 13th with another walk — the eighth straight Astros runner that reached without a hit — before Craig Biggio and Taveras both took called third strikes. Berkman then hit an inning-ending grounder.

NBA GMs pick Spurs

NEW YORK (AP) The San Antonio Spurs are overwhelming favorites to repeat as NBA champions, according to an NBA.com survey of the league's general managers.

The Spurs received 77 percent of the vote among the approximately 25 GMs who responded. That percentage is the highest a team has received in the four years the survey has been conducted. The defending champions got

96 percent of the vote to win the Western Conference and 100 percent to win the Southwest Division.

Miami also was a unanimous pick to win the Southeast. Results were posted beginning Tuesday on NBA.com.

San Antonio star Tim Duncan got more than 78 percent of the votes as the league's top power forward and is the favorite to win another MVP award.

Wrap up



A Palo Duro receiver loses control of the football while being tackled by Harvester defensive players Eric Kingcade (#40) and Taylor Fatheree (#80). Pampa, who fell to the Dons Saturday, 35-7, will host Dumas Friday night at Harvester Field.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 27, 2005: You have an element of creativity, magnetism and luck that makes you a sure winner. You might be surprised that spontaneity plays a big role in your life. If you follow your sixth sense, knowing what your goal is, you will get just that. Your friendships will increase, and as a result, so will your opportunities. Where you funnel your innate ingenuity proves to be a special area of success. If you are single, romance could be very exciting, though not necessarily stable. Let a bond go through a year before you decide you are really in a relationship. If you are attached, you could find that this year is one of the most exciting of your married life. Add more spontaneity. VIRGO helps you hit a home run.

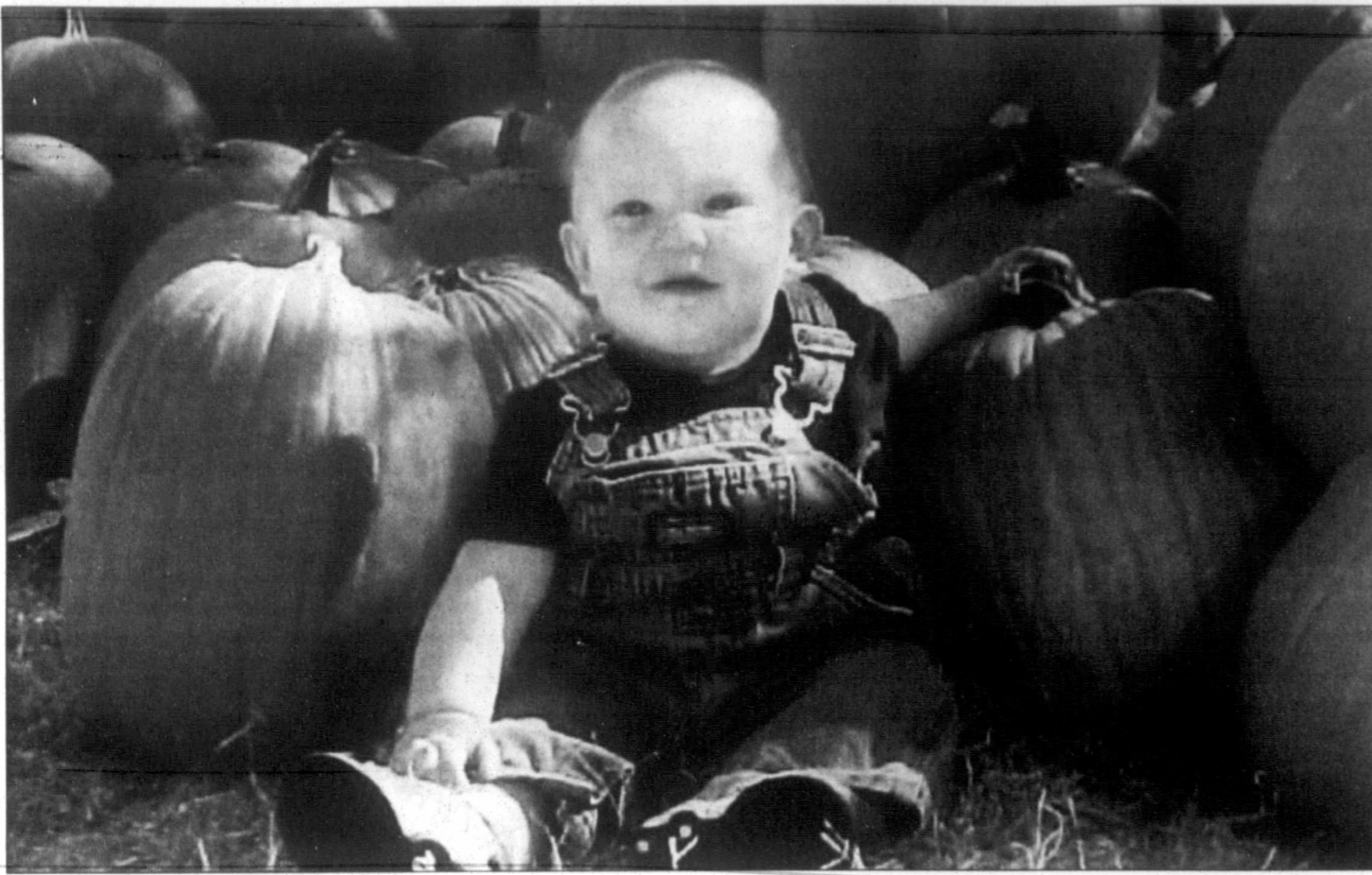
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ******* Sometimes the road less traveled is the only way to go. You might get some jarring insights as you head down this path. The growth and understanding you gain will be enormous. Don't give up. Tonight: When you tumble or fall, it means it is time to slow down.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ********* If you think about it, often it's your expectations that cause you a problem. Work on realism and be gracious about what you are given. A surprise could knock you on your door when you least expect it. Tonight: Let your imagination run wild.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ******* Your efforts might be way beyond the call of duty, but you still might get a bit of a jolt. What you need to know is that you are doing your best, even if someone might not agree or might have a very different idea. Tonight: Do some fall shopping.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ********* Look beyond



Pumpkin patch

Clay Snapp, 7-month-old son of Brian and Alisha Snapp, recently helped his sister Corby pick a pumpkin during a Grandview Hopkins school excursion to Schaffer's Pumpkin Patch.

Fourth man charged after mob attack

DALLAS (AP) — A bond of \$500,000 on a murder charge, according to a jailer who declined to be identified. Horton was arrested Tuesday in the investigation of an Oct. 2 beating in Dallas that left Joseph Anthony Davis Jr. dead.

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People in the news

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — You can count Marcia Cross among the fans of "Desperate Housewives" who want the characters' stories to connect again.

"I think it would be nice if we start spending a little more time together," said Cross, who plays Bree on the hit ABC series.

"I think in the first few episodes (of the second season) we weren't, but that wasn't anything sort of set in stone, it's just sometimes things just evolve," the 43-year-old actress told AP Radio recently.

Cross said there are scenes that haven't aired yet, and she's not worried about backlash from viewers and critics.

"You know what, with a show that's successful that's bound to happen, so it'll pass," she said.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Craig Ferguson is adding another hosting gig to his TV

duties. Ferguson, host of the "Late Late Show," will preside over the 32nd annual People's Choice Awards, to be televised Jan. 10 on CBS, it was announced Tuesday.

The show will honor performers in television, movies and music. New and revamped categories include "Favorite On-Screen Match-up," "Favorite Female Action Star" and "Favorite Family Movie."

CBS will broadcast the show live from the Shrine Auditorium.

NEW YORK (AP) — Megan Mullally's daytime syndicated talk-variety show has been sold in four top markets for a fall 2006 launch.

The not-yet-titled series has been picked up by NBC owned-and-operated stations in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and San Francisco, NBC Universal Domestic Television Distribution announced this week.

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— Marcia Cross
Actress

Events calendar

Pampa Community Concert Association Presents "Live on Stage" 2005-06 concert series includes the following programs: Susan Egan, Broadway vocalist, Feb. 18, 2006; St. Petersburg Classic Ballet, March 4, 2006; and The Coats, vocal harmonic band, April 30, 2006. Additional concerts, featuring with other performers, have been scheduled in area towns. For more information on any of these events or a complete area concert schedule, call 665-2631. PCCA memberships are available.

Kwahadi Kiva Indian Museum in Amarillo will play host to the "20th annual Indian Summer performances" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Dinner is available. For more information, call the museum at (806) 335-3175.

Caprock Canyons State Park and Trailway at Quitaque has announced the following upcoming programs: 10 a.m. Saturday, "Canyon Walk & Talk" with evening program at 7 p.m. To learn more, contact the park at (806) 455-1492.

Gray County Community Network is again offering computer

classes to the public. These classes are offered for a nominal fee of \$20 per six-hour class to cover expenses. Each class is offered from 6-9 p.m. on two evenings for a total of six hours. Interested persons are urged to register at www.graycounty.net. For more information, call 669-4707. Microsoft Word "Basic Word Processing" will be offered Thursday; Microsoft Excel "Basic Spreadsheet," Nov. 1 and 3; Internet Basics, Nov. 8 and 10; and PhotoShop Elements, Nov. 15 and 17.

To raise funds for the United Way, Pampa Meals on Wheels will host a tail-gate party and bake sale from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday on the east side of the Meals on Wheels building. The meal will consist of chili, beans, cornbread, Frito pie, tea, and dessert. Cost will be \$5 per plate. Bake sale items are sought. For more information, contact the Meals on Wheels at 669-1007.

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout October. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

Man indicted in suitcase death case

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A San Antonio man has been indicted on capital murder and aggravated sexual assault charges in the deaths of a woman found stuffed into a suitcase dumped in a landfill and her unborn child. The indictment filed Tuesday alleges that Rosendo Rodriguez III, 25, raped and killed Summer Baldwin; that he killed Baldwin and the unborn child; and that he killed a child under 6 years

old, referring to the unborn child. "It's really three capital murder charges," Lubbock County Interim Criminal District Attorney Matt Powell said. "He could have the right to have those separated and tried one at a time." A sanitation worker found the body of Baldwin, 29, on Sept 13 at a city landfill about 15 miles northwest of Lubbock.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Just before my daughter returned to college, my wife and I took her and her boyfriend, "Justin," out to dinner. It was the first time we'd met him, although they have been going out for about six months. They attend colleges a good distance apart, and see each other about once a month but talk daily.

As the dinner conversation progressed, I asked Justin what his major was and what he plans to do after college. He said he wants to be in the film industry. I asked what he planned to do if it didn't work out. He responded, "Go into the family business." I asked what business Justin's family was in. He responded that his family didn't have a business, that he had meant our family business. Then he said, by the way, he would change how we were running it to produce more cash by slowing down our expansion plans. I was speechless. My daughter told us later that she and Justin had never discussed it before.

My wife and I are in our 40s. We don't plan on retiring soon, or letting any of our own kids take over running the business. My wife says we should drop it. I think we should make it clear to Justin that our family business should not be his backup plan. If he did marry our daughter and wanted to come to work for the family business, he might be welcome. However, he certainly would not have the control he thinks he would. What are your thoughts on this matter, Abby? -- **NOT READY TO RETIRE IN N.Y.**

DEAR NOT READY TO RETIRE: I'll say this for Justin, he has youth and enthusiasm going for him; he speaks his mind and his contingency plan shows he has an eye to the future. Your wife is telling you to let it drop in the hope that the romance will go nowhere. However, on the chance that it will go forward, you'd be doing the young man a favor to bring him back to planet Earth regarding your business.

P.S. If I were you, I'd think long and hard before deciding to welcome him into it.

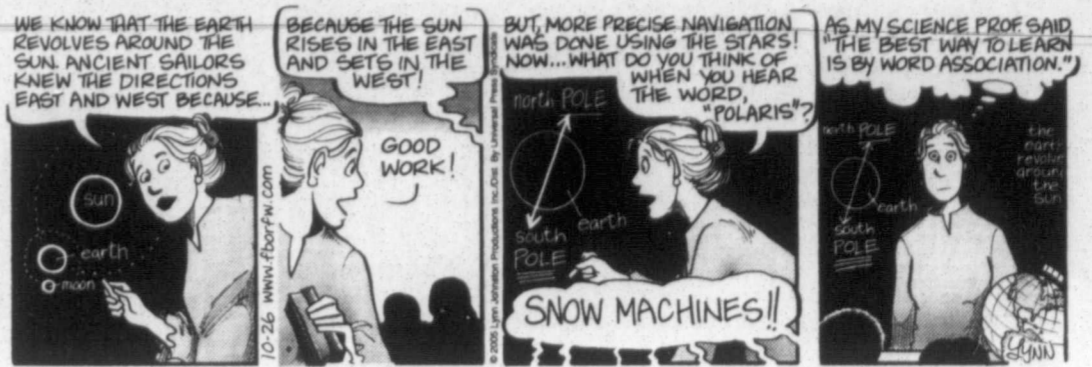
DEAR ABBY: I am 19, and six months pregnant by a 28-year-old man. My pregnancy was a shock. At the time I became pregnant I had a job, but three months ago the business downsized and I was laid off. My boyfriend is in jail and will be for the next two years. He has promised that we'll be together when he gets out, but I'm not sure if I believe him. He has two other kids with two other women, and he didn't stay with either of them.

My aunt has been paying my rent for me or I would be out on the street. I'm afraid, because I don't know how I can survive and support another living person. I had considered going to college, but how can I work, go to school and take care of a baby all by myself?

I don't want to have to depend on my aunt for everything. She says I should place my baby for adoption, but I'm not sure she's right. I took the responsibility of making this baby, so I believe it's my responsibility to face the consequences of raising it until the day I die. Can you help me decide what to do? I guess you could say my life is one big mess, and I don't know how to get out of it. -- **SCARED IN THE MIDWEST**

DEAR SCARED: A baby is supposed to be a blessing, not a "consequence." You are an intelligent young woman, and you are asking the right questions. Your aunt may have the right idea. Sit down with a pencil and paper and ask yourself, "What can I give to this baby?" Then ask yourself what a couple who wants a child but is unable to have one of their own could do for it. It is possible that the most loving gift you could give your baby is a family who would love it and provide for it in a way that you cannot.

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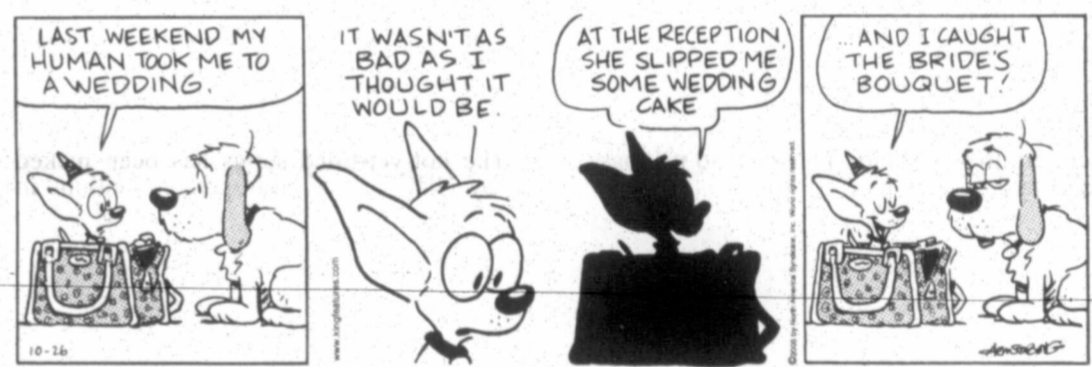
Garfield



Beetle Bailey



Marvin



Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

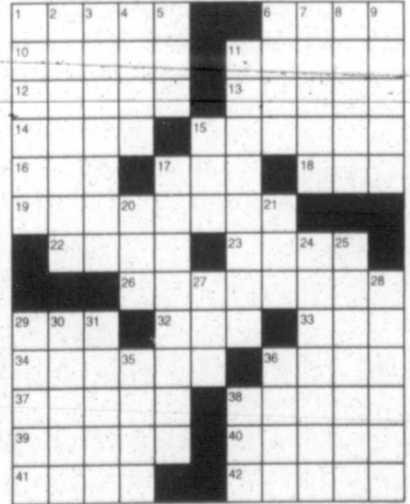
- ACROSS**
- 41 Beach cover
 - 6 Novel "History Is Made at Night" star
 - 10 Cheboygan's lake
 - 11 TV ad
 - 12 Paid for a hand
 - 13 Gave an edge
 - 14 Puts in turf
 - 15 Urban grocery
 - 16 Holiday lead-in
 - 17 Family sort
 - 18 Spoke
 - 19 Took back
 - 22 Took the trolley
 - 23 Bulls or Bears
 - 26 Poured the wine
 - 29 Used a spade
 - 32 Moonshine holder
 - 33 Sigma follower
 - 34 "Oh, sure!"
 - 36 Physics amount
 - 37 Ranch critter
 - 38 Premiere
 - 39 Old grouch
 - 40 Love, in Livorno
- DOWN**
- 1 Star Fleet weapon
 - 2 Go too long
 - 3 Chrysler Building's style
 - 4 Low digits
 - 5 Wrap up
 - 6 Spur on
 - 7 Solitary
 - 8 Psi
 - 9 Right now
 - 11 Message-leaving
 - 15 Drill part
 - 17 Kind of reaction
 - 20 Throw in
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 - 24 Encouraging cry
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Yesterday's answer

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Marmaduke

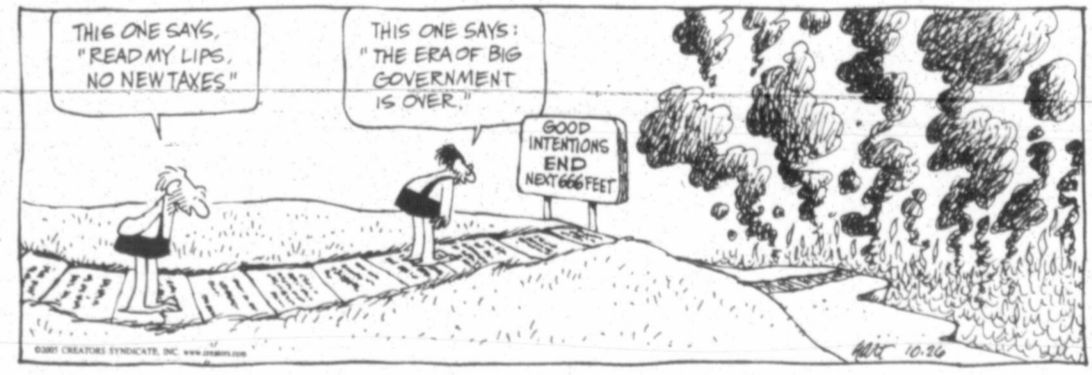


The Family Circus

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



B.C.



Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Flo & Friends



Blondie

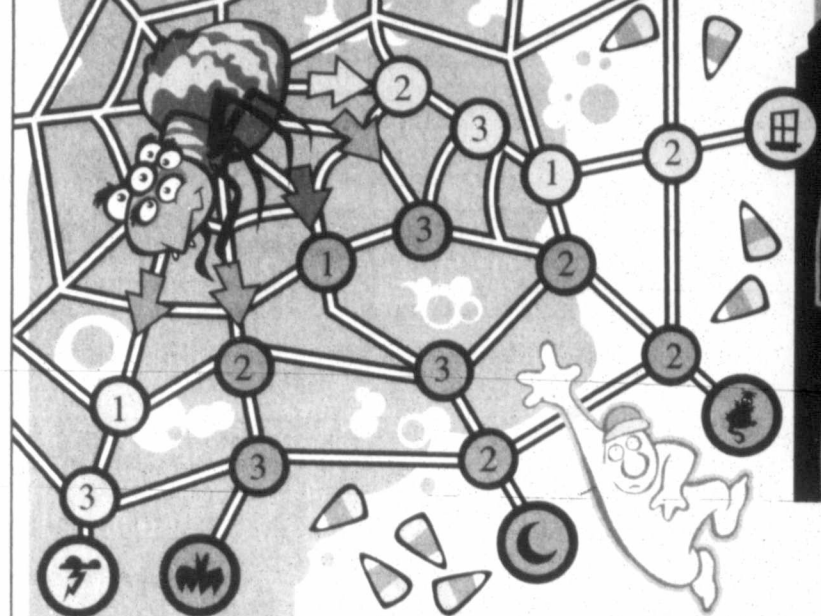


A Newspaper Activity Page for Young People

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This Week: Halloween

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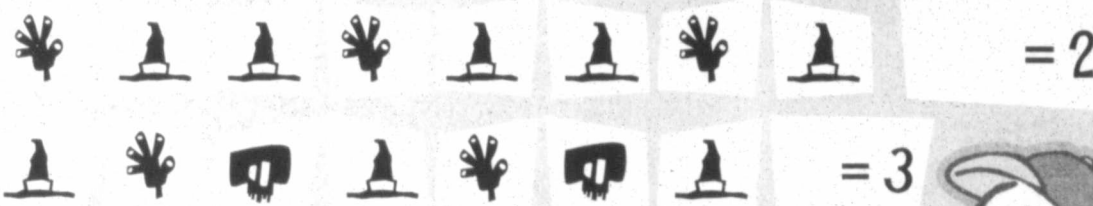


Hurry! Gunther is caught in the web! Add up the numbers on each strand to free him. Then draw each symbol where it belongs on the Secret Code.

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Calculate sums to 10.

Mysterious Pattern Clues

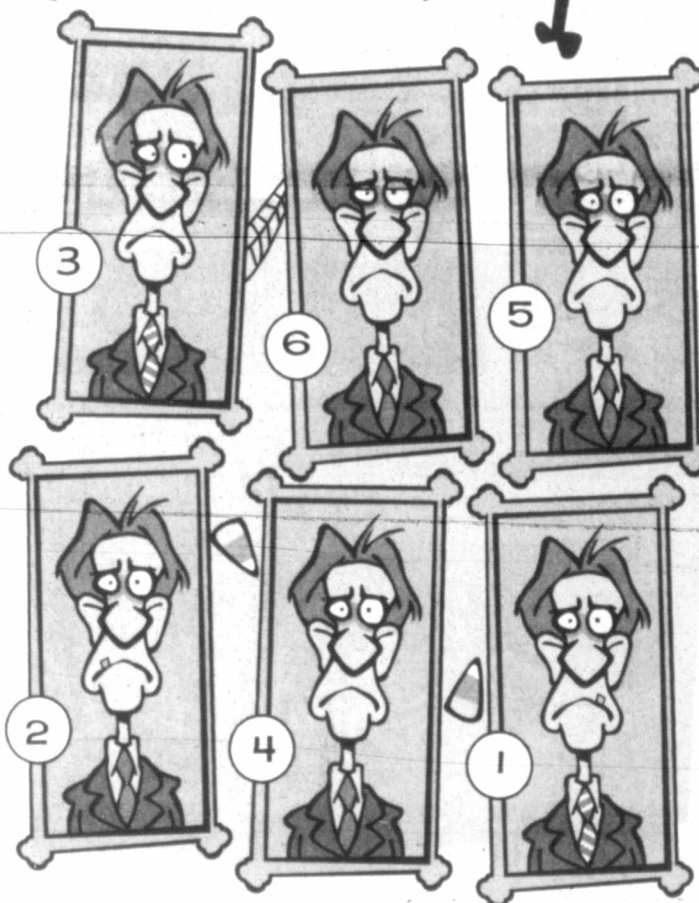
Draw the symbol that comes next in each row below to complete the pattern. Then draw each symbol where it belongs on the Secret Code.



Standards Link: Math/Probability: Identify, describe and extend simple patterns.

Puzzling Portraits

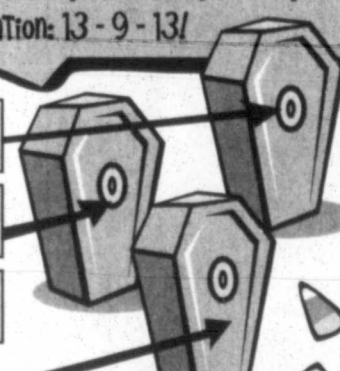
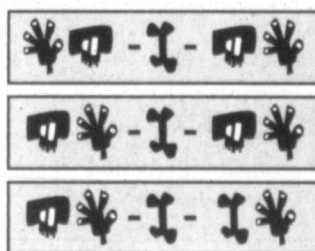
Find the two portraits of Uncle McCreaky that are identical. Add the numbers of those two portraits to discover this symbol:



How many pieces of candy corn can you find on this page in one minute?

Congratulations, Math Explorers. The fact that you have made it this far shows that you have great math abilities. Now you must tackle one last challenge — finding the combination to the lock on the treasure chest.

My grandfather brought three chests home from a trip to a strange count's castle in Transylvania. To discover which one holds the treasure, find the lock with the combination: 13 - 9 - 13!



Extra! Extra! Number Hunt

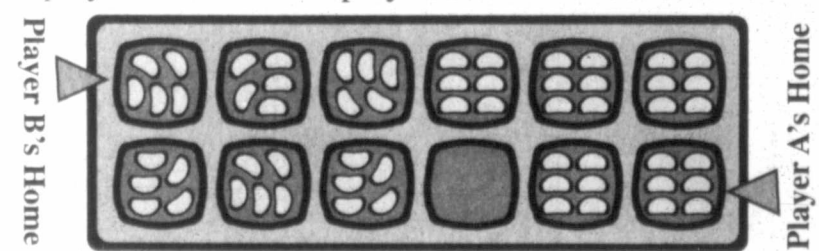
See how many numbers you can find on the front page. Circle in green numbers that show amounts of money. Circle in red the numbers that show dates. Find and circle in other colors at least three other kinds of information the numbers on the front page provide, such as time, dates, populations, page numbers, etc.

Standards Link: Number Sense: Identify numbers, money amounts, dates.

Ms. Quiz's Bean Game

How to Play

- Put 5 beans in each empty egg cup in an egg carton.
- Each player picks one cup at one end of the egg carton to be home.
- Taking turns, players pick up all of the beans in one cup (never from the "home" cups, though). Put one bean in each space, moving counter-clockwise around the carton. If you pass either home cup, drop a bean in there.
- The game is over when all of the beans are in the players' homes. The player with the most beans wins.



This is what the egg carton will look like after one turn.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step directions.

Double Double Word Search

HALLOWEEN HAUNTED MANSION SECRET BEANS MCCREAKY MONEY LOCK SYMBOL WEB CHEST CLUES MATH TRIP TRAIL

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Create a Problem

Choose an article or advertisement in today's newspaper and use the information in it to make up a math word problem. Trade problems with a friend and compare your answers.

Standards Link: Math Reasoning: Make decisions about how to set up and solve a problem.



Why didn't the skeleton go to the Halloween party?

ANSWER: Because he had no body to go with.

Kid Scoop News Navigator

Advertising!

If you're looking for something to buy, you'll find all sorts of sweet stuff in the newspaper ads. Did you know that the words in a newspaper ad are called **copy**? Pictures in an ad are called **art**.

Put an ad together using the copy and art below. Cut out the copy and art and paste them on another piece of paper to create your ad.

SAVE 25%

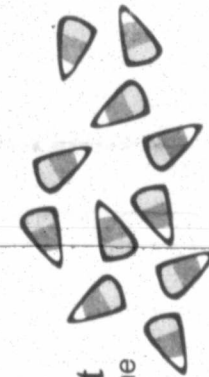
on all size bags of Candy Corn

Ghostly's Market Exp. 10-1-05

HALLOWEEN SALE



Save up to 40% on Halloween decorations, costumes and candy this weekend at Ghostly's Market.



Ghostly's Market
13 Weeping Willow Lane



Standards Link: Language Arts/Research: Understand the organization of information documents.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **COMBINATION**

One meaning of the noun **combination** means numbers or a secret code used to open a lock.

The explorers opened the lock when they discovered the combination.

Use the word **combination** in a sentence today when talking with your friends, parents or teachers.

Write On!

Halloween Jokes and Riddles

Share your favorite Halloween joke or riddle with a friend. Share two or more.