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Block schedule under scrutiny

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
EDITOR

Pampa Independent School District Board of Education gave the nod Thursday for administrators to begin a deeper investigation into the drawbacks and benefits of block scheduling at Pampa High School.

Briefly, a block schedule is similar to a college semester where students receive full credit for a course after they attend a 90-minute class for a 90-day semester.

A traditional class schedule consists of six to eight classes per day, each about 50 minutes long, and students receive credit after attending a course for one school year.

Before making their decision, board members heard opinions from three parents and considered a list of issues that had arisen on the subject.

Dottie Fraser, a former teacher, referred to a recent Amarillo newspaper article showing that four area high schools with exemplary ratings each had traditional schedules of seven or eight classes per day.

She compared these ratings with those of Mansfield and Frenswood high schools. These two schools, she said, were used as examples when Pampa ISD decided to go to block schedule at PHS.

Fraser indicated that the schools had fallen to acceptable ratings after going to block schedules. She said Frenswood had risen from acceptable to exemplary rating after discontinuing the block schedule.

"I have concerns for the students. Is it the best schedule?" she asked, adding that she feels the accelerated block limits students' choices and "doesn't give true credit to our students when they apply for college."

Mike Fraser gave board members a list of web sites which he said showed "some consequences" of block scheduling.

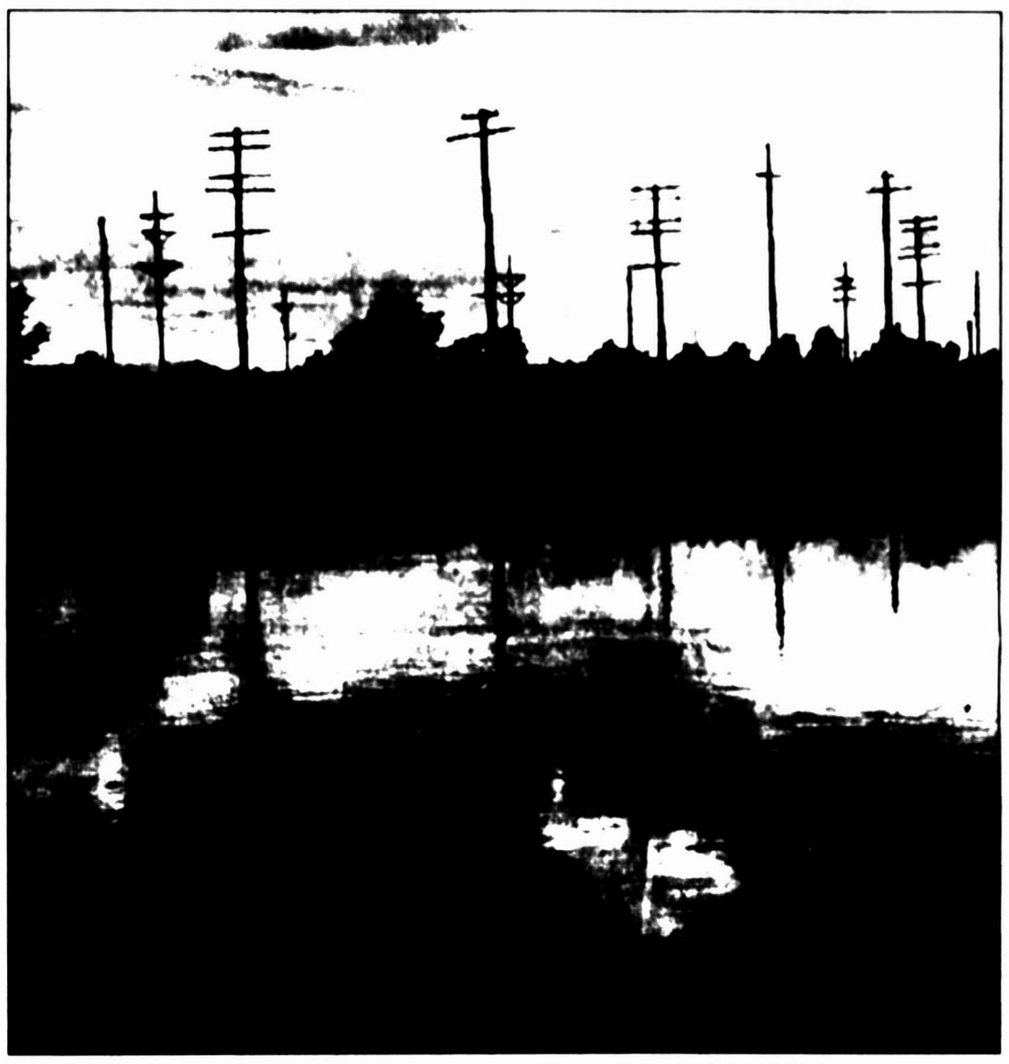
"There's a lot of stuff on block schedule in 1996 and then in 1997 about half of what's there is about problems dealing with block schedules and how to fix them," he explained.

"My main contention is this," Fraser said, "in this case, we're limiting our students to get as well-rounded a learning experience as they can, especially those going to college, and electives are almost out the door."

Sharron Hurst, a teacher speaking as a parent, gave a different perspective from her children's point of view. One of her children had experienced both traditional class schedules and

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Reflections



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Reflections of towering utility poles shine in pools of water in the Pampa area Thursday afternoon. A rain which began Wednesday evening continued through the night and part of Thursday, leaving almost two inches of much needed moisture. Pampa has received 16.88 inches of rain so far this year.

Pickup crash claims life of Pampan, 34

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

A 34-year old Pampa man died late last night after the pickup he was driving struck a concrete fence and post, one mile east of the city.

Pampa Police Department reports identified the victim as Alfredo R. Armendariz, 427 N. Crest. According to police reports, Armendariz was apparently driving west on East Frederic Street when his 1997 Ford F-150 pickup hit the curb on the north side of the highway.

The vehicle then crossed the highway to the south side and struck a concrete fence belonging to Joy Davis, HCR 2, Box 27-J, according to the report. The pickup also struck a 10-inch metal fence post that was behind the fence, officials said.

Pampa firefighters, Pampa police, a Gray County Sheriff's deputy and Rural Metro Ambulance Service personnel responded to the scene of the 11 p.m. accident.

Rural Metro transported the man to Pampa Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman.

Curfman ordered an autopsy to be performed in Lubbock.

The Justice of Peace said the man suffered numerous head injuries.

Cause of the accident is not yet known.

Curfman said a preliminary autopsy report should be available this afternoon.

Armendariz was employed by Service Drilling out of Clinton, Okla., Curfman said.

Funeral services for Armendariz are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Oil boom 'feel' emerges as Guthrie Center focus

By SETH DAVIDSON
SPECIAL TO *THE NEWS*

How many strategy meetings start out with a wailing fiddle, barrelhouse piano, and rousing chorus of our unofficial national anthem?

At least one, and it was here in Pampa on Thursday morning at the Woody Guthrie Music Center.

Pampa's Tribute to Woody Guthrie met with its design team from Austin (the ArchiTexas team working on the courthouse restoration project) to hammer out a template for the center's future.

Architect Elliot Bazan first reviewed the building's structure and declared it in exceedingly good health for a gentleman in excess of 73 years. Larry Irsik then convened the big picture discussion, and each attendee described their view of what the center should do – and what it shouldn't.

Pampa Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee Director John Forrister painted an evocative picture of the building as it was during Woody's time in Pampa as the Harris Drugstore: a "drugstore" in name, the bustling, hustling, raw and ready action on Cuyler Street during Prohibition demanded jake, canned heat, and bathtub concoctions from the numerous storefronts that posed as anything and everything but what the were.

Capturing this feel of the Pampa oil boom heyday emerged as the best contett in which to develop the cener's programming.

Attendees also discuised the need for artifacts of Guthrie's life, and pointed out that as a figure around which to develop a center Guthrie is something of an enigma - his

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Watch 'em steam and chug at Antique Machinery Show

Farm equipment from throughout the area is steaming and chugging to Pampa this weekend to participate in the 25th annual Golden Spread Antique Machinery Show.

Steam, gas engine, and antique tractors and farm machinery will be displayed at the show sponsored by the Golden Spread Antique Machinery Association in Recreation Park, East Highway 60, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 21 and 22.

Arts and crafts, a flea market, swap meet, and musical entertainment tonight and Saturday night, are also planned to take place during the weekend.

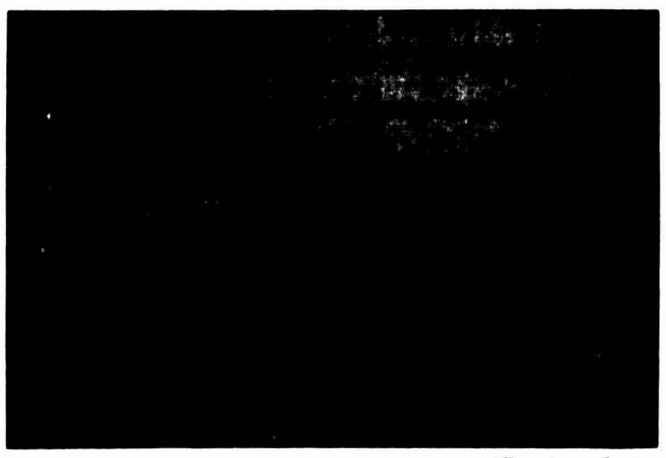
Trophies will be given for Farthest Traveled, Oldest, and People's Choice.

Each day at 1 p.m., the venerable old equipment will line up for a parade, followed by tractor games and antique pulls.

Those attending can see an old-time hay baler baling hay, wheat being threshed, and steam and gas engines at work.

Sunday morning, church services are planned at 9 a.m.

Admission is $5 per person, children 12 and under are free. A two-day pass costs $8.



(Courtesy photo)
J.D. Wilbanks' 1913 Case 60-horse power tractor.

WEATHER

HIGH	LOW
80	51

LOCAL

'Museum Day' events begin on Saturday

PANHANDLE – Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle will host its 37th Annual Museum Day beginning at 9 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 21, at the museum complex.

Activities are planned at the museum as well as at the Country Store, Agricultural Building and high school auditorium.

Museum Day is held in conjunction with Panhandle High School's Homecoming celebration. Alumni from classes ending in 2's or 7's are holding reunions over the weekend.

Other activities will include a trunk presentation by PJHS's gifted and talented classes; Lone Star Pastel Society exhibitions; a barbecue lunch; a founder's day program; performances by Texas Express, an outreach from the outdoor musical "TEXAS"; excerpts of the "Jo Randel and Friends" video; a raffle and more.

DEATHS

Alfredo R. Armendariz, 34, services pending.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Sept. 19

Jeremy Teakell, 29, 533 Powell, was arrested for no valid drivers license and no seat belt.

Approximately $70 in cash was reported stolen in a burglary of a habitation in the 1200 block of North Duncan. Entry was gained through a window.

A phone harassment was reported in the 500 block of Powell.

A bicycle was found in the 700 block of North Hobart. Estimated value was $25.

An assault was reported at Pampa Middle School.

An assault was reported in the 1100 block of Willow Road.

An open container violation was reported in the 1000 block of South Hobart.

Friday, Sept. 20

A gas drive-off was reported in the 1900 block of North Hobart. Estimate of loss was not available.

STOCKS

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

Wheat	4.27
Milo	4.23
Corn	4.94
Soybeans	4.84
Sunflowers	8.50

The following show prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Occidental	28.30	+0.30
Fidelity Mageln	NA	
Puritan	15.21	-0.28

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

BP	41.08	+1.08
Celanese	19.10	+0.05
Cabot Corp.	22.22	+0.27
Cabot Oil Gas	21.29	+0.19
Coca Cola	48.47	+0.80
VLO	29.32	-0.01
Halliburton	13.07	-0.13
Triad Hospitals	38.28	-0.02
NOI	17.90	+0.20
KMI	36.38	-0.57
XCEL	9.05	-0.05
Kerr McGee	41.70	+0.33
Limited	16.03	+0.06
Williams	2.28	-0.02
McDonalds	18.08	+0.23
Exxon Mobil	32.88	+0.52
Atmos	21.50	+0.25
Pioneer Nat.	23.52	+0.05
Penney's	18.39	+0.11
COP	50.09	+0.25
Schlumberger	39.90	+0.54
Tenneco	4.99	+0.08
CVX	70.90	+0.97
Wal-Mart	53.95	+0.25
OKE	18.32	+0.06
NS Group	6.21	+0.05

New York Gold	323.35
Silver	4.65
West Texas Crude	29.50

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance Service reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Sept. 19

3:29 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of West 30th. One patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

3:55 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells. No patient was transported.

3:56 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC to transport a patient to Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

6:50 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of North Wells. One patient was transported to PRMC.

7:14 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home. One patient was transported to PRMC.

10:51 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to East Highway 60 on a motor vehicle accident. One patient was transported to PRMC.

FIRE

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

Thursday, Sept. 19

9:04 a.m. – Two units and six firefighters responded to an alarm at a nursing home in the 1300 block of West Kentucky. The call was cancelled before firefighters arrived.

9:34 a.m. – Two units and six firefighters responded to an alarm at a nursing home in the 1300 block of West Kentucky. It was a false alarm.

10:52 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision one mile east of U.S. Highway 60. Firefighters assisted ambulance personnel in transporting the victim to the hospital.

ACCIDENTS

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

Thursday, Sept. 19

A 1996 Chevrolet Monte Carlo driven by Margie Martinez, 36, 1005 S. Banks, collided with a 1994 Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Mary White McBee, 47, Skellytown, in the 600 block of West Francis. Martinez was cited for failure to yield right-of-way from a private drive.

A 1997 Ford F-150 pickup driven by Alfredo R. Armendariz, 34, 427 N. Crest, crashed into a fence and postal box in the 1500 block of East Frederic. Armendariz was dead on arrival at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

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WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is mostly sunny with highs around 80, and southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight should be mostly clear with lows in the lower 50s, and southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Saturday should be mostly sunny. Highs around 80. Southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Saturday night, mostly clear. Lows in the middle 50s. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Sunday night, mostly clear. Lows around 50. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the middle 70s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 50. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the middle 70s. Tuesday night, mostly cloudy. Lows around 50. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs around 80. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 50. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs around 80.

STATEWIDE

Sunny skies were expected across much of Texas on Friday.

A cold front moved through North Texas on Thursday, bringing rain. But sunny skies were expected Friday in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Recent heavy rains in Southeast Texas caused a washout that derailed 11 cars of a Union Pacific freight train about 9:30 p.m. Thursday between Dayton and Liberty, about one miles west of the Trinity River bridge.

The cars remained upright, however, and no hazardous materials leaked from the cars, Union Pacific spokesman Mark Davis said Friday.

He said the heavy rains washed out about 60 feet of road bed to a depth of 10-feet beneath the track.

Highs in North Texas were expected in the lower 80s with northwest winds from 5 to 10 mph. By nighttime, clear skies were expected with lows near 60 with light and variable winds.

In the Hill Country and south central Texas, sunny skies were expected with highs in the upper 80s and lower 90s. By evening, lows were expected from the mid-50s to lower 60s.

In deep South Texas, mostly cloudy skies were expected early with a slight chance of showers and highs from 85 near the coast to 92 in the west. By evening, lows were expected to be 64 in the west to 74 near the coast.

In the panhandle, mostly sunny skies were expected with highs from 78 to 82. By the evening, mostly clear skies were expected with lows from 46 to 52.

In the Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend area, sunny skies were expected with highs from near 80 near the mountains to 95 along the Rio Grande. By evening, skies should be mostly clear with lows from 50 to 65.

Mosquitoes blamed for Dengue fever in Colonias

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — As the Texas Department of Health confirms seven of 24 suspected cases of dengue fever in Matamoros, Mexico, officials in Brownsville fear the mosquito-borne illness could easily make its way across the Rio Grande to the city.

"The majority of the cases were detected in low-lying colonias in the outskirts of the city because some of those areas have poor drainage, which attracts mosquitoes," said Ernesto Chanes, Matamoros' public health director.

So far, the disease has not crossed into Brownsville, where officials said it has been three years since a dengue case was reported. That case resulted in the death of one man.

Dengue is a viral infection with two degrees of severity. The classic type produces high temperatures, weakness, headaches, rashes and joint pain but is not considered life threatening. The other causes a potentially fatal hemorrhagic fever.

The confirmed cases in Matamoros are classic and no deaths have been reported, Chanes told The Brownsville Herald in its Friday editions.

Brownsville's Public Health Director Josue Ramirez said mosquitoes carrying dengue could easily bring it across the border.

"The risk is there. There are no barriers. The mosquitoes can easily migrate to this side of the Rio Grande," Ramirez said. "There's no wall or screen that would stop them."

Sex-abuse settlements may bankrupt Masonic school

DALLAS (AP) — A financial crisis caused in part by at least $6.9 million paid to settle lawsuits alleging sex abuse at the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas' Masonic Home and School has led to a convention this weekend where masons will decide the school's fate.

Masons have been invited to a rare state membership convention Saturday in Waco, where they will decide whether to close the Fort Worth school or dip into its $50 million endowment fund to continue running it.

Texas Masons Board president Joseph Regian, responding to questions about the lawsuits, said the settlements have nearly drained cash reserves and account for "50 percent" of the financial problems.

Masonic leaders have mailed thousands of fund-raising letters seeking more than $6 million in donations to make up shortfalls attributed primarily to declining donations and bequests. The letters did not mention the settlements.

Regian told The Dallas Morning News for its Friday editions that confidentiality agreements had prevented him from mentioning the settlements as a major cause of the shortfall to the group's 122,000 Texas members or discussing abuse allegations at the school dating to the 1970s.

The Masons, a fraternal civic organization that has hundreds of thousands of members worldwide, supports dozens of boarding schools across the country and a network of boys clubs.

Public allegations of abuse at the boarding schools or within the Masons organization are uncommon, a check of news archives shows.

Regian and school officials said that students at the Fort Worth school are not abused and that since 1999, administrative safeguards, including background checks of staff members, have been in place to better monitor staff and protect children.

The boarding school serves about 135 students and employs 85 adult "house parents" who live on campus. It was established more than 100 years ago and now operates as a 206-acre nonprofit school district that is not subject to state child welfare inspections.

Masons officials declined to disclose the amount paid starting in 1999 to settle a lawsuit alleging that school caretakers were permitted to sexually abuse about a dozen students.

One sentence in the 600-page Masons financial statement for fiscal 1999 reports $6.9 million in settlements for litigation "in which the negligent hiring, supervision and retention of child care providers was alleged."

The 1999 lawsuit — which is sealed except for the original complaint — was filed against Texas Masons and former school director James Stewart on behalf of former student body president Scott Bickle.

Bickle's lawsuit involved at least a dozen other students, his former attorney said. Stewart left the school shortly before Bickle's lawsuit was settled. The lawsuit alleged that school and Masons leaders "had a significant history of documented child sexual abuse at their facility dating as far back as the 1970s" and refused to seek criminal charges "in every confirmed instance of sexual abuse/assault of children residing at the Masonic Home."

Bickle, now a college student living in Plano, declined to discuss his lawsuit or the settlement. He said he feared angering the Masons, who he said still support him with scholarships and other resources.

Bickle's former attorney, Timothy G. Chovanec of Fort Worth, also declined to discuss the lawsuit, citing the confidentiality agreements. He praised the Masons for taking positive steps to protect children since the settlement.

A separate 1994 lawsuit was filed on behalf of former school employee Bryan Butler and 19 children who lived at the home. Butler, who could not be located to comment, said in his lawsuit that he was fired within two weeks of reporting allegations of physical abuse and neglect and sexual abuse of children at the school.

Fort Worth police began an investigation at the Masonic Home and School in 1994. No criminal charges resulting from that investigation could be found.

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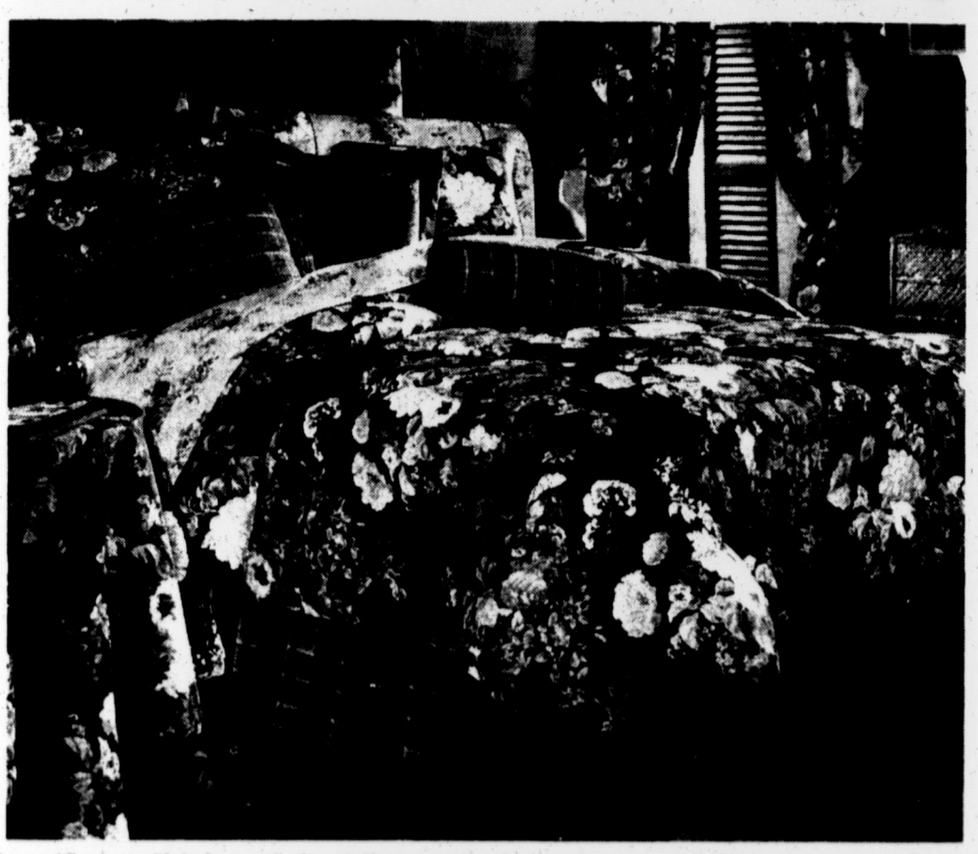
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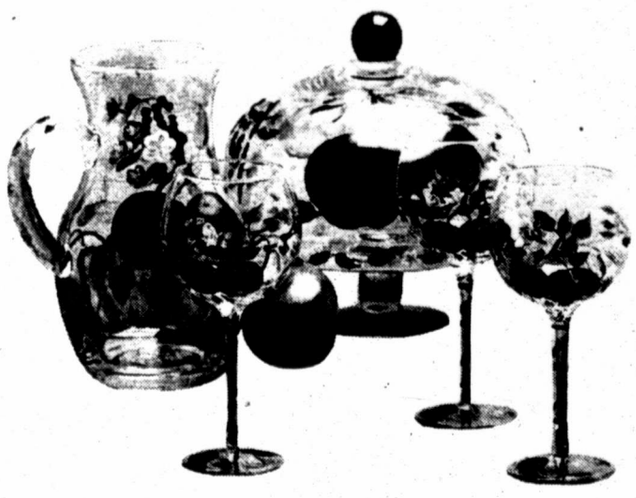
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PPHM celebrates Lone Star State, hosts traveling exhibit

CANYON — Beginning Sept. 21, Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will feature "The Eyes of Texas – The Lone Star State as Seen by Her Artists."

Texas has long been known for its pioneer spirit, and in keeping with this tradition, for the past 20 years Bill and Mary Cheek of Dallas have been among the leaders in the area of collecting artwork created by early Texas artists – technically speaking, those who painted prior to the end of World War II.

For many years, interest in work by these regional artists had waned, and much of it either began collecting dust in family attics or was lost entirely. However, this was the style of work that held the most appeal for the Cheeks.

Bill relates, "I guess I can trace my own fascination with Texas art back to a painting that my mother purchased when I was about six years old. It was a simple image done by a 'Sunday Painter' out in West Texas. I saw that painting all my life, so when I accumulated sufficient means to begin buying art that piece inspired the direction my own collecting would take."

Over the two decades since the Cheeks first began to accrue art, they have become advocates and archivists in what has become a growing field of collecting early Texas art.

In explaining how these Texas painters fit into the larger perspective of American art, Eleanor Jones Harvey, curator of American Art at the Dallas Museum of Art relates, "During the years between the World Wars, Texas art flourished as part of the national 'American Scene' mainstream. Nationally recognized artists Thomas Hart Benton, John Steuart Curry and Grant Wood used their works to promote essential American virtues that we still recognize today."

Harvey explained that these same values can be related to the widely recognized Texas pride, a mythical quality born of the frontier traditions that has characterized descriptions of Americans since the colonial era, adding that it is this mythic element which is "central to both the making and the collecting of early Texas art."

This concept definitely rings true in the formation of the Cheek's collection. Since both husband and wife were raised in rural settings (Bill on a small ranch near San Angelo and Mary, the daughter of a cotton farmer in central Texas) scenes which remind them of their heritage, which focus on the land or depict people engaged in manual labor, have particular appeal.

"What I like about these images is that they convey the values we learned such as the appreciation of nature and the fact that hard work in and of itself has virtue. The subject matter of the paintings is immediately accessible in the art we have chosen," Bill explains. "You see it, and if you are either a native or an adopted Texan those scenes are familiar, and the work grabs you. You say, yes, that's about Texas."

To date, "The Eyes of Texas" is the most extensive collection of early Texas art to be offered to such a large number of venues across the state. The 68 pieces in the exhibit were carefully selected from among more than 150 paintings and prints, which comprise the Cheek's current collection.

Since they first began collecting the works of Texas painters in the early 1980's, the Cheeks have continually added to and honed the contents of their collection in an effort to obtain the widest range of artists painting during this period and the highest quality work available from each artist represented.

Michael Grauer, PPHM curator of Art, comments that due to their generous nature, individual pieces from the collection are constantly on loan to museums both in Texas and across the nation.

"To finally see the individual works as they relate to one another, and to the entire collection, is to gain a glimpse of the enormity and importance, even better, the place early Texas art should hold in (relation) to American and international art."

In commenting on the subject of Early Texas Art, daughter, Rebecca, emphasizes that the work of these early painters does not take a backseat to art created anywhere else.

"This exhibition will be a success if its viewers come to a greater sense of their Texas heritage and an appreciation of those artists who endowed us with their impressions of the state. The recognition of this heritage of determination in the face of the challenge and great love for our land could not be more significant at this time in the light of the tragic events of Sept. 11th. Being a good Texan means being a good American."

The exhibit, which opened to a crowd of more than 1,000 in San Angelo in January of 2002, will travel to eight additional venues across the state during the next three years.

It will be at PPHM from Sept. 21-Feb. 17, 2003. It will then travel to the Art Museum of South Texas (Corpus Christi) from Feb. 28 to May 18, 2003, and other museums afterwards. Its final showing will be at the Tyler Museum of Art Sept. 17, 2004-Jan. 2, 2005.



(Courtesy photo)

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will host a traveling exhibit of Texas art entitled "The Eyes of Texas – The Lone Star State as Seen by Her Artists" from Sept. 21 through Feb. 28. The painting above by Reveau Bassett (1997-1981) is a sample of the art included in the exhibit.

Flag pole dedication ceremony



(Courtesy photo)

Clark Webb raised the flag and led the pledge of alliagance, Aretha Tindall sang, Allen Snapp sang, and Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, gave the invocation at the Flag Pole Dedication Ceremony dedicating the Meredith House courtyard flag and flag pole to resident Audry Huff. The flag and flag pole were donated by the children of Audry Huff in her honor.

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Bush seeking Russia's support on Iraq stance

WASHINGTON (AP) — As Congress promised a quick vote on using military force against Iraq, President Bush on Friday pressed a campaign to swing Russia behind the tough American stance against President Saddam Hussein.

Bush met at the White House with Russia's foreign and defense ministers amid indications there might be room for compromise.

"Russia and the United States firmly believe that the international U.N. inspectors must return to Iraq," Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov said afterward.

The United States considers searching for illicit weapons inadequate. American diplomats are preparing a U.N. resolution to threaten Iraq with military force if it does not disarm.

And on this, Ivanov was silent as he talked to reporters in the White House driveway. "We agreed to pursue an exchange of views on how to make the inspectors more effective," he said.

Ivanov and Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov then went to the State Department to continue their talks with Secretary of State Colin Powell and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

Russia is looking for U.S. support in its threat to attack Chechen rebels in Georgia. "I believe the U.S. shares some of our concerns," the defense minister said.

The defense minister was quoted by the ITAR-Tass news agency as saying that Russia's position on Iraq would depend on the information the Bush administration provides about Baghdad's possession of weapons of mass destruction.

Russia held to its view that an Iraqi offer to readmit weapons inspectors should be accepted. Information on Iraq's weapons programs could be confirmed or disproved only "on the spot," Ivanov said.

Bush wants Congress to approve a resolution authorizing the use of military force against Iraq in what would be a show of unity to back the president's effort to gain support on Iraq from Russia and other wary nations.

Bush called Russian President Vladimir Putin early Friday, before the meeting with high-level Russian officials here. The White House had no immediate comment on the telephone call.

Both Democratic and Republican leaders welcomed a draft proposal that Bush offered Thursday, in which Congress would authorize the president to "use all means," including military force, to defend U.S. national security interests against the threat posed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Senate Republican leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said both the House and Senate could vote on the resolution as early as the first week in October before lawmakers go home to campaign for the Nov. 5 election. He said he was "perfectly happy with the language."

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.; agreed that "there is absolutely no difference of opinion with regard to the threat that Saddam Hussein poses" but said Democrats wanted some changes in the wording of the proposal.

Also Friday, the White House released a policy document emphasizing a change in U.S. military strategy toward reliance on a first-strike or preemptive stance in the post-Cold War era of terrorist threats.

Bush often has talked of this changing national security posture, and "The National Security Strategy of the United States" is a report that the president must, under law, submit to Congress.

"America is now threatened less by conquering states than we are by failing ones," states the document, first reported by The New York Times.

Asked about this, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, voiced some reservations. "The United States should never forecast to the rest of the world that we desire one inch of foreign territory," the Iowa Republican said on NBC's "Today" program.

Bush initially said he didn't need the approval of Congress to take military action against Iraq.

But a show of support from Capitol Hill would be a boost to the president as he presses for a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing force and tries to put together an international coalition to force Iraq to disarm.

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SCHEDULE

block schedules while in high school. The other had block schedule classes only, she said.

"I asked them what they thought about block schedule and they said they had more time to have a concept to be presented to them. Then they think about it and then they go work on it," she said.

She said although she had not talked to her students about block schedules, she once received a letter from a student who commented, "I'm glad to have the time to think about this."

Based on a letter handed out by Board Member Dr. Jay Johnson at the Aug. 29 meeting, Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr presented the board with a matrix defining 12 issues raised in the letter.

Orr asked the board to look at the matrix and decide whether it wanted administrators to exert the time and effort needed to address the issues.

On a motion by Lance DeFever and seconded by Bill Jones, the board unanimously agreed to authorize the administration to proceed.

Following are the 12 issues identified in the matrix:

- Pampa ISD received minimum TAAS scores, therefore it is difficult to ask customers to be satisfied or dig deeper.
- Because there are 30 hours less per course, the block schedule is less effective than the traditional seven-period day.
- Seniors cannot find enough required courses to fill their schedules because of the accelerated block.
- Breaks in course sequencing limit the effectiveness of foreign languages and mathematics instruction.
- The double-blocking of algebra indicates the ineffectivness and inefficiency of the accelerated block. Does the double-blocking of algebra exacerbate scheduling problems for students who have multiple interests, such as choir and athletics?
- The block schedule causes teachers who are coaches to be used inefficiently.
- What is the actual cost differential between the block schedule and a seven-period schedule?

Referring to the cost differential, Johnson said this issue "is not exactly what I would have said."

After discussing it, Orr said he would add that they would address "opportunity costs" as well.

- Austin ISD saved $1.8 million by dropping the block schedule.
- The block schedule results in early graduation that costs the district $30,000 per year due to the loss of Average Daily Attendance (ADA) funding.
- Transfer students avoid the high school because of the difficulty in changing to the block schedule.
- Separate lunch periods are advantageous.
- Students benefit from daily year-long participation in core subject areas.

Administrators plan to gather and analyze data specific to the issues to present to the board.

"If this comes to a vote and we decide we do not support the block would we have the opportunity to examine alternative schedules?" Nancy Coffee asked.

"I think it's not our job to choose schedules," Johnson interjected. "I think it's our job just to see the most effective schedules are used."

In other action Thursday, board members approved the following:

- Assistant Superintendent Mark McVay's annual investment report and a review of the school district's investment policies;
- An extended trip to Washington, D.C., in November for Pampa High School DECA students;
- Oct. 21 as an early release date for staff to attend a seminar on bullying by John Matthews, consultant.
- Joe Martinez as delegate to the Texas Association of School Administrators/ Texas Association School Boards convention in Dallas, Sept. 27. John Curry was selected as alternate.
- Jan. 6, 2003, as the date for on-site Level II School Board Training;
- A bid of $19,059.80 from Culberson Stowers, Inc., for a new mini-van to transport special education students to Amarillo and $14,500 from Bill Allison Auto Sales for a used cargo van for Maintenance Department tools and equipment;
- Policy selections required by the state for retention and promotion of students as presented by Assistant Superintendent Jane Steele. Orr said parents affected by the policy changes will be notified and "frequently asked questions" (FAQs) about the policies will be posted on the school district's web-site;
- A report on Student Citizenship and Honor Code policies by Attorney Dorcas Green of Austin;
- TASB Policy Update 68 for review; and
- August cash receipts and expenditures.

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GUTHRIE

physical and mental degeneration as a result of Huntington's disease meant that, at his death, there were few relics of his life: to a large extent only his music, his words, his pictures, and his persona remain.

The strategy attendees agreed, however, that it is the music that should define the center, and the opportunity for musical performances was listed as a major function that the center should fulfill.

Looking to the future, Forrister pointed out that the Buddy Holly museum in Lubbock now draws in excess of 45,000 visitors per year, and that in the near future Pampa's center could also become a major tourist attraction.

Spawning downtown renovations, Woody walking tours, an identifiable tourism brand for Pampa, and a tribute to America's foremost folk musician - it won't happen overnight, but it's going to happen.

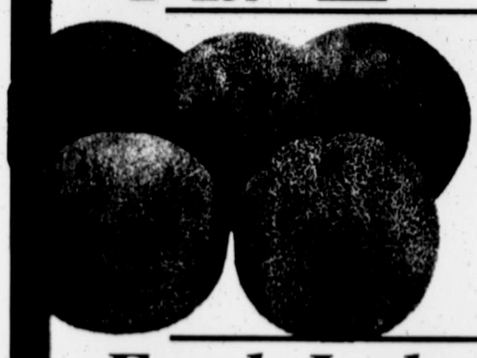
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How blind can we be?

Have you ever thought about just how blind and stupid we humans can be? I was reminded of an excellent example the other day and thought it would be something good for us to think about.

In 1947, two years before I was born, Major League Baseball turned the end of the year selection of their Most Valuable Player for the American League over to the Baseball Writer's Association of America just as they do every year. That year the result was the closest voting in the history of baseball. Not just prior to that year, but even through 2002, the voting in 1947 was the closest ever. It ended up with Joe DiMaggio beating out Ted Williams 202 votes to 201.

Legend and foggy memories tend to remember that Ted Williams was robbed of the award because of the stupidity and blindness of a Boston sports writer named Mel Webb. But that wouldn't be the truth. Williams thought it was the truth and was quoted in his book, "My Turn At Bat," saying the same. But in reality, Webb didn't even vote for the MVP award that year. The identity of the sports writer who completely left Ted Williams off of his top 10 list is still not really known. What we do know is that there was one sports writer who didn't even list Ted Williams as one of the 10 best players in the American League that year.

Now to make matters worse, and most people don't know this fact, there were three sports writers who completely left DiMaggio off of their lists. How blind and stupid is that? It seems that sports writers can be blinded and stupefied by their bigotry, greed, hatred and arrogance. Now what does this have to do with spiritual things?

In John 6, the story called "the feeding of the 5,000" is recorded. Since that was just a count of the men, it was probably more like the feeding of the 15,000. After witnessing the power of God and being filled with the heavenly meal, they were a happy lot. But the next day they discovered that their meal ticket had flown the coop. They went after him and when they found him asked, "What miraculous sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? Our forefathers ate the manna in the desert; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." (John 6:30-31)

What miracle do you think they had in mind for Him to show them? I would be willing to bet that they were looking for a "belly miracle".

Jesus knew they were filled with blindness and stupidity even before they asked to see a miracle. "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate he loaves and had your fill." (John 6:26)

How blind and stupid can humans be? They are not only standing in front of the Son of God, but had been witnesses of the display of God's miraculous power and had eat their fill? Why didn't they see? How could they miss it? How could they be so blind as to miss the Son and only see the food?

The answer: the same way we miss it today. We often choose our job over the Lord. Or our child's sporting event over our commitment to Jesus. Or our vacation time over our Sunday worship time with the saints. Or our own financial desires over God's tithe. And the list goes on and on.

Yes, we humans can be very blind and stupid. We would all do well to ask the Lord to help us see where we are blind and ask Him to give us sight. And we would also do well to ask the Lord to help us see the areas of our lives that have been overrun by stupidity and ask Him to fill our void with knowledge and wisdom. God help us!

Civil rights leader sees no color

BY JAMIE REID
THE BEAUMONT ENTERPRISE

BEAUMONT — The Rev. G.W. Daniels can't think of a country he hasn't visited. Yet, of all the people he has met, he sees no color. He only sees humans as descendants from a common race and place — Africa.

"For thousands of years we lived together on one continent," Daniels said. "But we allowed ourselves to split up. God wanted all men to live together."

The 83-year-old Beaumont civil rights leader said his initiative to integrate the races in the 1960s came from God.

The mild-mannered Daniels was one of three black ministers who were instrumental in the desegregation of Beaumont's public areas.

He sent teenagers into downtown businesses to shop or eat, while adults stood guard outside. After six months of picketing, frequent jail visits for the youngsters and occasional threats, most businesses either hired blacks or agreed to serve them.

For his efforts, Daniels has received numerous awards, which line his office walls at Sunlight Baptist Church, where he continues to preach on Sunday mornings.

"There are more next door, in his other office," Sunlight parishioner Grayland Berry said of the accolades.

Daniels refuses to choose a favorite award or memento, but said he's proud to have been the first black man to preach to a white congregation. A Beaumont Enterprise article about the event hangs on the wall, from July 4, 1983.

For his civil rights strides, the Dallas religious newspaper Elite News inducted Daniels last month into its Religion Hall of Fame. The hall of fame is three years old and has inducted 33 black men into its group. Daniels was inducted along with 13 others, two posthumously.

"It's the only one of its kind," said Jordan Blair, publisher of Elite News. "There's a hall of fame for everything, but none for men of the cloth."

Blair said Daniels was inducted for his leadership in Beaumont. In the 1960s, Daniels, the Rev. Willie Nelson McCarty of Starlight Baptist Church and the Rev. Edward W. Brown of Antioch Baptist Church picketed downtown businesses in an effort to get them to hire and serve blacks.

Daniels would call then Police Chief Willie Bauer and let him know "The Big Three," as the ministers were called, would be sending black teenagers into downtown businesses that day. Children ate and shopped the businesses because they were less likely than adults to attract ridicule, Daniels said.

Many days were uneventful, but Daniels said many of the children were arrested, and one near-attack could have been fatal. One afternoon, an out-of-town man swung a chain at a black woman, which nearly hit the mark — her head.

"But the man was not from Beaumont," Daniels quickly pointed out.

He gives Beaumont residents credit for hiring or serving blacks after six months of steady picketing.

Nevertheless, then-lawyer Theodore Johns recalled being on call when the teens were taken to jail for entering the businesses.

"I can't even count the times now," Johns said of his frequent trips to the jail.

Cleveland Nisby, whose children were some of those in jail, said bottles and bricks were thrown from passing cars at black adults. Nisby, who led an integration movement in Beaumont industry, said the preachers were in the best position to lead the integration fight.

"They were following the will of God," he said. "They were doing the right thing. But someone else, someone without the title of minister, might not have been as successful."

Daniels, who has been pastor of Sunlight for 56 years, said he never had a career choice. He said he "had to preach." He attended Sunlight as a "barefoot boy" and went to school at Adams Elementary. The school is now a charter school, owned by Sunlight.

Daniels, who moved to Beaumont from Arkansas at 8 years old, said he never dreamed of visiting faraway countries and receiving distinguished awards as a child.

Although the pastor has traveled far and racked up many accolades, his parishioners said he remains the same man he was 56 years ago, when he took over at Sunlight. A sign outside the church speaks of Daniels' tradition. It states that women in pants are barred from the house of worship.

"Things have changed tremendously," said parishioner Joyce Roach, "But he has not changed."

As a child, Roach, now 46, said she didn't like the skirts-only tradition, but she grew to appreciate the rule as she aged.

The church also owns two low-income housing buildings, Sunlight Manor Apartments, and Virginia Estates Apartments. The amount of the subsidy a tenant receives is proportional to individual need. Daniels said he opened the apartments in the early 1970s because he noticed the "deplorable living conditions" in the community.

Daniels has also led numerous groups, such as the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas, the National Baptist Convention Publishing Board and Baptist Ministers Union of Beaumont.

His childhood friend, 81-year-old Buster Turner, said Daniels always took on leadership roles.

"In football he was the quarterback; in baseball he was the pitcher," Turner said.

Nisby, another childhood friend, said Daniels will likely never lose his grip on Sunlight.

"I don't think he would live long (without pastoring)," Nisby said of Daniels. "A church to him is like his wife and family."

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Survey finds growth among evangelicals, Roman Catholics

(AP) – The Mormon church and evangelical faiths grew during the past decade while more liberal Protestant denominations shrank, according to a new census of U.S. religions conducted by a Roman Catholic research group.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints grew at the fastest rate, with the Pentecostal denomination Assemblies of God following closely behind, the 2000 Religious Congregations & Membership study found.

The Roman Catholic Church also posted strong growth while its population shifted. More Catholics now live in the West than the traditionally Catholic Midwest, and the Catholic population in the South grew faster than it did in the Northeast.

"That has a lot to do with the growth of the Hispanic population in the United States," said researcher Clifford Grammich, who collected Catholic figures for the study. "How well the church has been holding onto Hispanic Catholics, a study like this can't determine."

The latest version includes Muslims for the first time, finding 1.6 million in the United States. The count was lower by millions than some other surveys, but researchers said the figure was only a tally of those active in mosques, not the total American Muslim population. Estimates of all Muslims vary dramatically from 2 million to 6 million.

The study was conducted by the Glenmary Research Center in Nashville, Tenn., a Catholic research and social service organization that coordinates the study with analysts from several faiths. It's one of just a few religious surveys across denominations.

The 149 participating faiths sent membership estimates to Glenmary, which adjusted the figures to make them comparable. The U.S. Census Bureau does not collect information on religion.

The numbers for each denomination may not be exact, but are close enough to help uncover important trends, said the Rev. Dale Jones, a Church of the Nazarene minister who oversaw the survey.

CHURCH BRIEFS

St. Matthew Episcopal 74th anniversary

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 727 W. Browning, will celebrate St. Matthew's Day and the 74th anniversary of the church on Saturday, Sept. 21, with an organ concert by Luis Gonzales Catalan at 7 p.m.

Father Jake Clemmens, rector, and the congregation of St. Matthew's extend an invitation to the community to join in this celebration with a reception to follow in the courtyard, weather permitting.

New Life Assembly hosting 'Friend Day'

The public is invited to attend "Friend Day," 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, Sunday, Sept. 22, at New Life Assembly of God, Randy Matson and Sumner streets.

"Come and join us in worship and Bible study at New Life Assembly of God church," said Pastor Harold Eggert. "It is a place for the whole family, serving all age groups in both Sunday School and regular service."

Poll: Most Americans pray regularly

BOSTON (AP) — While less than half of Americans regularly attend religious services, more than 60 percent said they prayed once or more a day, according to a poll by The Christian Science Monitor.

A third who prayed regularly said they did so more after the Sept. 11 attacks, but more than 60 percent said the tragedy did not change the amount they prayed.

Less than a third of the more than 900 adults surveyed said the terrorist strikes made them more interested in participating in interfaith services.

Since the war on terror began, many clergy have held worship services with other denominations to promote religious tolerance. Some conservative Christians have resisted, saying interfaith worship sent the wrong message that all religions were the same.

The poll, released last week, included questions asked Aug. 5-9 and Sept. 3-8 and had a margin of error of 3.3 percentage points.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Woman Should Stop Listening To Man With Sympathetic Ear

DEAR ABBY: I am a 36-year-old single woman who has worked as a service dispatcher for the past four years. My longtime boyfriend died of cancer in January 2001.

My relationship with the techs at work is casual and friendly, but one has become very personal. I'll call him Mike. He has been with the company only since December, but we have become very close.

I told Mike about what I went through with my boyfriend's death. He was very understanding. Eventually we slept together. (I hadn't been with anyone since a year before my boyfriend died.)

What complicates things is that Mike is married. In the beginning, it sounded like a divorce was imminent, but since I slept with him, I'm not so sure.

I have tried to tell Mike I shouldn't see him anymore. He insists that he wants to be with me. My head tells me to break things off, but I feel deeply connected to him — like I've known him forever, and I don't want to lose him.

He knew his wife only one month before they married 10 years ago. They now have two kids, 7 and 4. We haven't slept together other than that one time, but we spend every lunch with each other and time every day after work before Mike has to head home.

Are we having an affair, Abby? Should I feel bad for his wife? I see this man every day. I've told him I can't take this anymore, but he always talks me into keeping things as is.

IN LOVE AND LOST, SOMEWHERE IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR IN LOVE AND LOST: Yes, you are having an affair — an emotional affair. And yes, you should feel bad for his wife. He is pouring time and energy into his relationship with you that rightfully should be directed to her and the children.

The only person who can help you out of this mess is you. Mike appears to like things just as they are. That's why he talks you into "keeping things as is." (What a salesman!)

You have experienced one great loss with the death of your boyfriend. It pains me to think about what awaits you when you finally realize that this relationship is going nowhere. Ask yourself how you will feel in another year — or five, or 10 — when things are still "as is."

Better to draw the line now. Trust me on that.

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DEAR ABBY: I have a son who is 28 and going to (maybe) be a father. The young woman he is with had an old boyfriend, so they are not sure whose baby it is. (She is staying friends with both men.)

This is my first grandbaby, and I am trying not to be too happy for fear the baby is not my son's. They are going to perform a test after the baby is born to see who the father is, but in the meantime, I want to give a baby shower. I have been sick and don't know how much time I have left.

Every baby deserves to have a shower. Please tell me what to do.

WANTING TO BE A HAPPY GRANDMA

DEAR WANTING: Have the shower anyway, as a loving gesture toward somebody's grandchild. There's a 50/50 chance it's yours, and if it's not, you will have done a good deed.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

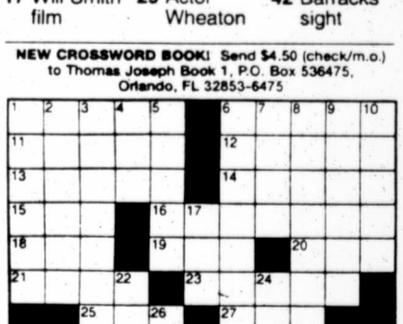
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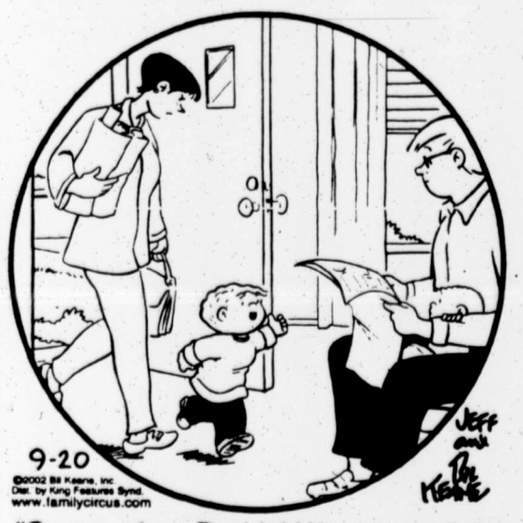
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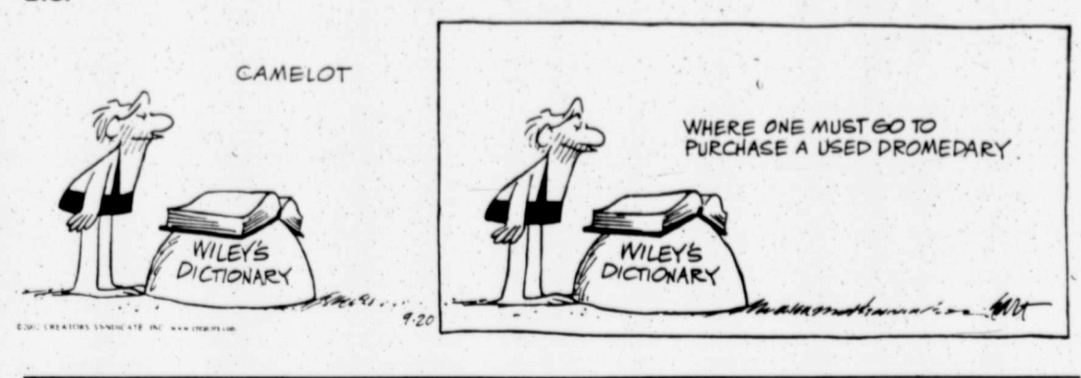
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The Family Circus



"Guess what, Daddy! We drove all the way home with our turn signal on!"

B.C.



Haggar The Horrible



Peanuts



Flo & Friends



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SPORTS

NOTEBOOK

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Middle School is hosting a 7th grade volleyball tournament Saturday with six schools entered in both A and B divisions.

In the A division, Pampa's first match is at 8:45 a.m. against Hereford. Pampa meets Plainview at 8 a.m. in the B division.

Both the Pampa 7th and 8th grade teams are coming off wins over Canyon.

In the 8th grade division, Pampa A won 15-1, 15-9, and Pampa B won 15-2, 16-14.

In the 7th grade division, Pampa A won 15-13, 15-4. and Pampa B won 15-2, 15-2.

"The girls played great! Their serves were on, and they hustled and played hard," said coach Deanna Polasek. "They are really playing well together."

GOLF

PLAINVIEW — The Pampa High girls' golf team competed in triangular and dual meets recently at Plainview Country Club.

Megan Shannon led Pampa with a 90, followed by Michelle Haley 102.

Both the Pampa boys' and girls' teams host meets Sept. 28 at Pampa Country Club and Hidden Hills courses.

RODEO

DUMAS — Brant Atwood of Pampa won the bullriding event at a Tri-State High School Rodeo in Dumas. His winning score was 76.

Zack Cobb of Pampa was fourth in steer wrestling and Q.B. Cobb, also of Pampa, was eighth in calf roping.

In the girls' division, Karra Daniel of Pampa was 10th in barrel racing.

Pampa hosts a Tri-State High School Rodeo on Sept. 28, beginning at 10 a.m. in the Top O' Texas Arena.

WRESTLING

PAMPA — Wrestling sign-ups for Pampa youngsters will be held Sept. 30, starting at 6:30 p.m. in the MPAC building, located west of the Harvester football field.

The sign-ups are for both boys and girls, ages 4 through 15 years of age. The wrestling program is approved by both the Texas Amateur Wrestling Association, USA, and the University Interscholastic League.

Youngsters will learn collegiate wrestling taught by qualified coaches, according to coach Rick Urquhart.

Each wrestler will compete against someone their own age and weight with emphasis on discipline, sportsmanship and the team concept, coach Urquhart said.

"This is a great start for college scholarships in wrestling," Urquhart said.

The season begins in October and home tournaments will be held every weekend.

For further information, please call coach Rick Urquhart at 665-8321.

Flashback

1972: Pampa defeated Borger 22-6 in 8th grade football action.

David Caldwell ran for two touchdowns and Russell Matlock also ran for a TD.

Dennis Webb had a fumble recovery and Russell Matlock an interception to lead the defense.

Bears keep winning the close ones

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

The Chicago Bears have won their last 12 games that have been decided by seven points or less. This year they've won their first two games by a total of five points.

"If you want to say luck, say luck," says wide receiver Marty Booker. "But we have a winning attitude."

The Bears are favored by 2 1/2 points Sunday when they meet New Orleans, another 2-0 team, in their temporary home in Champaign, Ill. The Saints have been impressive, knocking off two supposed contenders, Tampa Bay on the road and Green Bay at home.

The Bears have been their usual selves, scoring a last-minute touchdown to beat Minnesota at home, then winning in Atlanta 14-13 when the Falcons' Jay Feely missed a 45-yard field-goal attempt with just over a minute to go.

"We figure the other team is not going to be able to make a play, or we will be able to," says safety Mike Brown, whose interceptions in three games over the past two years have helped the Bears pull out games.

Pro Picks

As is customary when they win, the Saints are depending on defense.

They had three fumbles and an interception against the Packers last week and pressured Brett Favre all game, sacking him once and forcing two intentional grounding calls.

BEARS, 16-15

St. Louis (minus 1 1/2) at Tampa Bay (Monday night)

Surprised by the spread? The Rams are winless and the Bucs have beaten them on Monday night in each of the past two seasons.

Law of averages.

RAMS, 24-20

Washington (plus 8 1/2) at San Francisco

The Redskins won 38-7 in their exhibition in Japan in early August, and Steve Mariucci wasn't happy about the way Steve Spurrier kept throwing against his scrubs late in the game.

MARIUCCI, 38-7

New York Jets (plus 6) at Miami

Two conflicting streaks: The Jets have beaten the Dolphins eight straight times; the Dolphins have won 16 straight at home in August and September.

DOLPHINS, 16-8

Carolina (plus 6) at Minnesota

Nice as the Carolina start is, the Panthers have beaten two of the NFL's worst teams at home.

VIKINGS, 30-20

Kansas City (plus 8 1/2) at New England

The Patriots could let down after clobbering Pittsburgh and the Jets. But Bill Belichick won't let them.

PATRIOTS 31-13

Dallas (plus 8 1/2) at Philadelphia

The Eagles may be as good as they looked Monday night.

EAGLES, 27-11

Buffalo (plus 9) at Denver

Can the Bills make it three overtime games in a row?

BRONCOS, 58-52 (OT)

Green Bay (minus 8) at Detroit

Until last season, the Lions had beaten the Packers seven straight times at home. This is the new Ford Field and Joey Harrington is starting at quarterback for the Lions."

PACKERS, 40-7

Seattle (plus 6 1/2) at New York Giants

The Seahawks are headed for a long season.

GIANTS, 27-8

Indianapolis (minus 12) at Houston

San Diego exposed the Texans for what they are: a true expansion team.

COLTS, 24-10

Cleveland (plus 4 1/2) at Tennessee

Steve McNair and Eddie George are hurting again. Defense does it.

TITANS, 17-13

San Diego (minus 1) at Arizona

The Chargers step up in class.

CARDINALS, 16-13

Cincinnati (plus 7 1/2) at Atlanta

Gus Frerotte note: Michael Vick is a natural left-hander.

FALCONS, 33-5

LAST WEEK: 9-7 (spread), 8-8 (Straight up)

SEASON: 15-16-1 (spread) 19-13 (straight up)

Players of the Week



Based on their performances last week, the Pampa coaching staff selected (l-r) Johnny Moore, varsity, special teams; Brandon McElroy, varsity offense; Cam Seger, junior varsity; Sherrod Young, (freshmen vs. Palo Duro) and Tristan Brown, varsity defense, as Players of the Week against Amarillo High.

Harvesters play host to Bulldogs

PAMPA — The deadlock will be broken when Pampa and Borger clash tonight at 7:30 in Harvester Stadium.

The record in the longtime rivalry is all even at 34-34 with three ties. There will be no more ties since the University Interscholastic League approved an overtime format.

Pampa has a 2-1 record while Borger is 1-2.

"Borger has struggled against a pretty stiff schedule, but I think they could be a sleeping giant. They return quite a bit of experience," said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier.

Borger was dropped from 4A to 3A and out of Pampa's district this season. It will be the first meeting in several seasons when a playoff spot wasn't on the line between the two teams. A year ago, Pampa clinched a playoff spot by defeating Borger 20-7. Two years ago, Borger knocked Pampa out of the playoffs with a 13-0 win.

The Harvesters will be without junior strong safety Andrew Curtis for the third consecutive game. Curtis is out with a knee injury.

"He wants to play. He's eager to get back in there, but it's very doubtful if he'll be playing," Cavalier said.

Operating Co. Cowboys open Optimist season with victory

PAMPA — The Operating Co. Cowboys kicked off the 2002 Optimist Club football season with a 32-0 win over the Dolphins.

"The Cowboys met with a fired-up Dolphin team that never said die, or quit, no matter what the score showed. The Dolphins battled hard throughout the game," said Cowboys' coach Mando Ramirez.

The Cowboys' first possession came after a fumble recovery by Daniel Smith. The Cowboys drove the ball 47 yards on the ground with Sergio Salazar Jr. scoring from six yards out.

The Cowboys recovered another Dolphin fumble, this one by Jemal Wheeler. The Cowboys were able to move the ball both rushing and passing. Chase Herriman completed two passes to big receiver Matt Smith with Herriman scored from the five to make the score 12-0 at the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter, the Cowboys Matt Smith intercepted a pass, giving his team the ball on the Dolphins' 20. From there, Thomas Fraser rambled into the end zone to give the Cowboys a 18-0 halftime lead.

Midway through the third quarter, Chase Herriman scored on a 35-yard pass interception.

The extra point was missed, making the score 24-0 after three quarters.

After a Cowboy kickoff, the Dolphins fumbled and Dillon Johnson recovered for the Cowboys. On the next play, the Cowboys' Jessie Jimenez fumbled with the Dolphins recovering on their own 40. After moving to the Cowboy 45, a pass intercepted by safety Leonel Madrid.

Again, the Cowboys moved the ball well on the ground with Thomas Fraser, Sergio Salazar Jr. and Zach Organ carrying the load. Cowboys' quarterback Chase Herriman scored his third touchdown on a five-yard run. Zach Organ added the PAT to make the final score 32-0.

Sergio Salazar Jr. and Thomas Fraser did an outstanding job on defense for the Cowboys. Sergio Salazar and Zach Organ did well moving the ball on the ground.

Hunting season Open House to be held at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area

FRITCH — Hunters are invited to attend an open house to be held Sept. 27, starting at 6 p.m. at the National Park Service Headquarters, located at 419 E. Broadway in Fritch.

National Park Service Rangers, Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Wardens and Biologists will be present to answer questions and receive imput from hunters. Anyone interested in hunting at the park is encouraged to attend. Hunting maps will be available that show where hunting is allowed within the park.

Six months of hunting at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area began on Sept. 1 with the opening of dove season. Hunting and fishing at the park is permitted in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. The NPS (National Park Service) retains authority for regulating the proper use of the recreation area. TP&W (Texas Parks & Wildlife) manages the harvesting of fish and wildlife within the park through a "Memorandum of Understanding" with the NPS.

No hunting or firearms are allowed within Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument. As an increased safety measure within the park boundaries during the general gun season (Nov. 23-Dec. 8, 2002) and the special youth hunt (Oct. 26-27, 2002), all hunters are required to wear blaze orange, consisting of both a hat vest with a combined total area equal to 500 square inches to be worn conspicuously above the waist. In addition, during the fall youth hunt all accompanying individuals must also wear blaze orange.

For more information, contact park headquarters at 806-857-3151.

HR mark tied

SEATTLE (AP) — Alex Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro of Texas tied a major league record by homering in the same game for the 15th time this season.

Rodriguez and Palmeiro equaled the mark set by Barry Bonds and Rich Aurilia for San Francisco last season.

With his major league-leading 56th homer, a 414-foot shot to center field, Rodriguez tied Ken Griffey Jr. for the sixth most homers in the American League in a season. Griffey had 56 homers for the Mariners in 1997 and 1998.

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4-H Rifle Contest



(Photo by Emily Elliott)

Standing in front of the the Military Sciences Building at Texas A&M are (l-r) Dirk Swope, Bobby Brummett, James Richardson and Adam Brown. The building was the site of the Texas 4-H Roundup Rifle Contest.

Gray County team places at Texas 4-H Rifle Contest

COLLEGE STATION — The Gray County 4-H Rifle Team finished 11th out of 24 teams in the Texas 4-H Roundup Rifle COntest at Texas A&M University. Team members are James Richardson, Dirk Swope, Adam Brown and Bobby Brummett, all of Pampa.

The Roundup Rifle Contest is the only 4-H shooting sports event that requires qualification in order to compete.

Entry into the match comes through district matches. The top two teams and top two individuals in each district are eligible to compete.

The event itself is a half-course, three-position small-bore rifle match fired at 50 feet on an A-36 target. each shooter fires 20 record shots in the prone, standing and kneeling positions for a total of 60 shots and a possible score of 600 points.

The Gray County team finished with a team score of 1,399.

Individual scores for the team were James Richardson 184—129-172—485; Dirk Swope 181-111-159-451; Adam Brown 178-104-168—450, and Bobby Brummett 177-117-127—421. (Scores listed in order are prone, standing, kneeling and total).

The team score is computed by dropping the lowest score in each position to create a three-score composite, then summing those composite scores.

Richardson, 16, is the son of Tom and Kathy Richardson. Swope, 15, is the son of Rick and Leslie Swope. Brown, 16, is the son of David and Debbie Brown. Brummett, 16, is the son of April Brummett.

Dodgers close in on Giants in wildcard race

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Odalis Perez pitched a seven-hitter and Brian Jordan hit a three-run double as the Los Angeles Dodgers defeated San Francisco 6-3 Thursday night to climb within one game of the Giants in the NL wild-card race.

The teams split the four-game series, and are not scheduled to play again this season. Both clubs have nine games left.

Perez (15-9) struck out seven and walked two in his fourth career complete game. All four of the Dodgers' complete games this season belong to Perez.

The Dodgers scored all six runs in the third inning to chase Livan Hernandez (11-16).

Jordan continued his big hitting in September, going 3-for-4 and driving in three runs. He has 24 RBIs in 18 games this month, which leads the NL.

Reggie Sanders hit a two-run homer with two outs in the ninth for the Giants.

Hernandez retired the first six hitters before getting tagged when Los Angeles sent 10 batters to the plate in the third.

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at Harvester Lanes
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(Week 2)

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Pampa Transmission	5	3
Team Two	5	3
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GB's Contractors	2	6

Week's Top Scores
High game: Carla Schiffman 264; High series: Carla Schiffman 615; High handicap game: Carla Schiffman 264; High handicap series: Judy Anderson 652.

Caprock League
(Week 3)

Team	Won	Lost
Harvester Lanes	10	2
L.E.R.A	8	4
Red's Pro Shop	7	5
Culligan	7	5
Schiffman Machine Co.	6	6
Team Five	5	7
Byrum Farms	3	9
Team Eight	2	10

Week's Top Scores
High game: Ashleigh Burns 300; High series: Carla Schiffman 711; High handicap game: Ashleigh Burns 336; High handicap series: Terry Underwood 779.

Harvester Women's League
(Week 3)

Team	Won	Lost
Schiffman Machine Co.	10	2
Rug Express	9	3
Peggy's Place	8	4
O'Brien Enterprises	8	4
Davis Minit Mart	6	6
Gymnastics of Pampa	5	7
Big Uns	4	8
Harvester Lanes	4	8
Coney Island	4	8
Spooky	0	10

Week's Top Scores
High game: Jo Hicks 206; High scratch series: Jo Hicks 509; High handicap game: Peggy Rodriguez 249; High handicap series: Andie Roberson 678.

Harvester Women's League
(Week 2)

Team	Won	Lost
Schiffman Machine	7	1
O'Brien Enterprises	6	2
Rug Express	6	2
Davis Minit Mart	5	3
Harvester Lanes	4	4
Peggy's Place	4	4
Gymnastics of Pampa	3	5
Big Uns	3	5
Coney Island	1	7
Spooky		0 8

High game: Peggy Chase 211; High series: Peggy Chase 586; High handicap game: Pat Butler 247; High handicap series: O'Nita Robinson 663.

FOOTBALL

National Football League
At A Glance

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	70	34
New England	2	0	0	1.000	74	21
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	76	76
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	75
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	1	1	0	.500	22	34
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	41	46
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	48	44
Tennessee	1	1	0	.500	40	45
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	59	47
Baltimore	0	2	0	.000	7	35
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	13	54
Pittsburgh	0	2	0	.000	31	60
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	47	30
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	61	34
San Diego	2	0	0	1.000	58	9
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	56	62
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	31	32
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	39	37
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	61	34
Washington	1	1	0	.500	38	60
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	2	0	0	1.000	41	14
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	61	40
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	45	26
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	47	51
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	41	36
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	57	69
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	28	80
Minnesota	0	2	0	.000	62	72
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	47	44
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	30	37
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	30	55
St. Louis	0	2	0	.000	37	49

Sunday's Games
N.Y. Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Houston, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at New England, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Green Bay at Detroit, 4:15 p.m.
Seattle at N.Y. Giants, 4:15 p.m.
Washington at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Pittsburgh, Oakland, Jacksonville, Baltimore
Monday's Game
St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 9 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 29
Dallas at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Miami at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Houston at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Cincinnati, 4:05 p.m.
New England at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
Tennessee at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Seattle, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Indianapolis, Washington, Atlanta, San Francisco
Monday, Sept. 30
Denver at Baltimore, 9 p.m.

BASEBALL

American League
At A Glance

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	95	57	.625	—
Boston	86	66	.566	9
Toronto	71	82	.464	24 1/2
Baltimore	67	85	.441	28
Tampa Bay	51	101	.336	44
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Minnesota	89	63	.586	—
Chicago	76	77	.497	13 1/2
Cleveland	68	85	.444	21 1/2
Kansas City	59	94	.386	30 1/2
Detroit	54	98	.355	35
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	96	57	.627	—
Anaheim	95	58	.621	1
Seattle	88	65	.575	8
Texas	70	83	.458	26

x-clinched division

Wednesday's Games
Cleveland 6, Boston 4
Toronto 2, Baltimore 1
Minnesota 2, Detroit 0
N.Y. Yankees 7, Tampa Bay 1
Chicago White Sox 3, Kansas City 1
Seattle 3, Texas 2, 10 innings
Oakland 7, Anaheim 4
Thursday's Games
Oakland 5, Anaheim 3
Minnesota at Detroit, ppd., rain
Toronto 9, Baltimore 3
Tampa Bay 3, N.Y. Yankees 2, 10 innings
Kansas City 2, Chicago White Sox 1
Texas 12, Seattle 7, 10 innings

National League
At A Glance

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	96	55	.636	—
Montreal	77	76	.503	20
Philadelphia	75	78	.490	22
New York	73	79	.480	23 1/2
Florida	73	80	.477	24
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	89	63	.586	—
Houston	81	72	.529	8 1/2
Cincinnati	75	78	.490	14 1/2
Pittsburgh	67	86	.438	22 1/2
Chicago	64	89	.418	25 1/2
Milwaukee	54	98	.355	35
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	94	58	.618	—
San Francisco	87	66	.569	7 1/2
Los Angeles	86	67	.562	8 1/2
Colorado	69	84	.451	25 1/2
San Diego	64	89	.418	30 1/2

x-clinched division

Wednesday's Games
Montreal 4, Florida 2, 11 innings
Philadelphia 6, Atlanta 5
Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 2
N.Y. Mets 2, Chicago Cubs 1
Houston 3, Milwaukee 1
St. Louis 8, Colorado 5
Arizona 10, San Diego 3
San Francisco 7, Los Angeles 4
Thursday's Games
Milwaukee 5, Houston 4
St. Louis 12, Colorado 6
Arizona 3, San Diego 1
Montreal 6, Florida 5
Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 4
N.Y. Mets 3, Chicago Cubs 2, 12 innings
Atlanta 6, Philadelphia 0
Los Angeles 6, San Francisco 3

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Sept. 21, 2002:

You know where you're going. Don't let obstacles stop you. Just look at these interruptions as challenges. Break patterns, discovering new ways of thinking and growing. You will often juggle others' demands with your own needs. You could become quite an expert. Bosses often give you strong directions. Consider working for yourself. Decisions you make this year will help you start a new luck cycle next year. You have a good sense of direction, knowing your limits but also demonstrating the ability to take risks. If you are single, you will meet someone very special who helps you head in a new direction. You break your relating patterns. If you are attached, your relationship develops a new tone. Both of you gain by spending more time together away from the crowds. ARIES understands you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ The Full Moon only adds to your discomfort. Sleep in if you can. Don't let others' moods affect you. By the afternoon, you get a new lease on life. What was difficult now becomes easy, especially with a loved one or partner. Tonight: Understand the possibilities.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★ A money issue could bother you. Perhaps a risk was out of line or too wild. You could feel the ramifications when you least expect it. Resolutions made later in the day stick. Make an extra effort at home or in the garden. Tonight: Allow yourself to relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You get much more done than you thought possible, even if it means doing something you don't want to do this morning. Put yourself on cruise control by the afternoon. Be spontaneous with friends. A pal lets you know how much he or she cares. Tonight: Where the gang is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might decide to head in another direction. Creativity demands a change in plans. What might seem like an additional responsibility turns into a delightful happening. Greet a family member warmly. Tonight: Out on the town.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could be unhappy about a partner's pressure, which might cause you to reverse plans. Still, you'll like the outcome if you just hang in there. An important conversation puts you on cloud nine in the afternoon. Don't allow anyone to rain on your parade. Tonight: Out enjoying yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Use care when dealing with those around you. Your instincts guide you when evaluating a money matter. Discussions with a close associate or loved one help both of you see the big picture. Take in the view. Act on what you discover together. Tonight: Close to home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might be entrenched in a project, but stop and clear the air. Your perspective changes considerably as a result. Join friends for a fun get-together. Stay in the present with your friends, not worrying too much about the past or future. Tonight: And the party goes on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Friends drive a hard bargain. You try to meet everyone's requests but still go on overload. Schedule some quality time just for yourself. What will help you relax? Do just that this afternoon. It is time to chill out and do your thing. Tonight: Don't be responsible for anyone but yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You juggle way too many demands in an attempt to complete a project. Visit with loved ones and maintain domestic responsibilities. Step out of the pressure cooker. Now, isn't that more like it? Find a pal and go fishing! Tonight: Enjoy yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Understand a relative or in-law better and you'll solve what could ultimately be a difficult situation. You feel as if you don't have the energy to follow through on certain details. Treat yourself to a lazy afternoon and put your feet up. Tonight: Don't feel like you have to do anything.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You realize that a change in how you deal with your funds is overdue. Although you see the logic in a change, you still might be tempted to explore yet another option. Make calls and hop on the Net. Figure out what works for you. Tonight: Out and about.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You know what you're doing, even if others question you. Take charge of a particular matter that no one seems at ease with. Still, difficulties arise when a family member doesn't appreciate your efforts. Avoid the War of the Roses for now. Tonight: Treat another to dinner.

BORN TODAY
Musician Faith Hill (1967), actress Ricki Lake (1968), writer H.G. Wells (1866)

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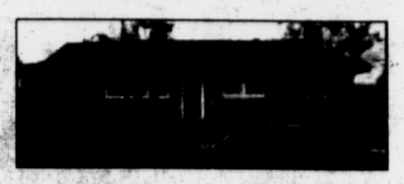
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MOVING Sale: 713 Lefors, Sat & Sun. 8-?? Too much to list, our trashmay be your treasure. Everything must go!!

921 Malone, Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tools, lots of clothes, furniture and miscellaenous.

GARAGE Sale 9-21, 2544 Mary Ellen 7-1, furn., clothes, exercise machine, golf bag.

LG. 2 family garage sale Sat. 8-5, 402 Hattie (Miami) crafts supply, ceramic molds, disque pieces, wood cut outs for tole painting, quilt material, 5 in. squares & cut aways, ribbons, laces, beads & flowers & much misc.

2407 Christine
Sat. 8-1
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2619 Chestnut Sat. only 8:00 am-1:00 pm Safe, fan, light fixtures, doors, formals, stuff for everyone. CASH ONLY.

69a Garage Sales

2214 N Nelson Fri 3-? Sat. 7-3 Clothes, misc. items and some furniture!

2611 Chestnut Sat. only 8:00 am-3:00 pm. Multi-Family Sale, clothes kids & adults, toys decorator items, wood for tole painting. No Early Birds. Cash Only

BIG garage sale 1936 N. Wells, Fri. 8-12, Sat. 8-12 baby items, double stroller, kids clothes, lots of misc. Too much to list.

GARAGE Sale, stove w/micro, water bed, more, 2101 N. Dwight, Sat. & Sun. 8-?

2 Family Garage Sale, Sat. 21st, 1836 N. Faulkner, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Children, adult clothes, furni., toys, much more

GARAGE Sale
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Fri. & Sat. 9-5
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RESCHEDULED Lrg. Gar. Sale, 1821 Lea, Sept. 21st, 8-5 p.m. Lrg Avon & Jim Beam bottle collections, tools, more items added.

2545 Mary Ellen, 3-7 PM, Friday, Furniture, Home Decor. items, clothes.

2 fam. sale, Sat. 8-4. couch, 5 drawer chest, TV, lots of misc., Hwy. 273 S. or S. Barnes.

GARAGE sale, 446 Hill, Fri.-Sun., 9-5.

3 Family Garage Sale, Sat. 8-?, 2234 Mary Ellen, costume jewelry, Mary Kay, lg. mens clothing, bicycles, linens, full set 1990 Major League BB cards.

MOVING sale, Sat. 8-? Corner of Dogwood & 700 Mora, sewing mach., glassware, x-mas decor., Mary Kay, linens, cabinets, etc.

3 Family Garage sale, 600 N. Banks, Sat. 8-? Table & chairs, weight bench, baby clothes, lots of misc., lots of new items.

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it:

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

9-20 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

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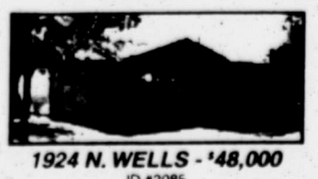
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Of course, I went back, and things were good for a while.

A friend of mine [illegible] inviting me to [illegible] physical [illegible] drug and alcohol rehab. They [illegible] I was desperate and welcomed [illegible]

I spent 28 days [illegible] learned many [illegible] again. He also [illegible] and I [illegible]

I returned to my [illegible] back to [illegible] started. I decided to [illegible] about. I felt he was [illegible] to escape my [illegible]

My abuser went on the program and succeeded really well. I got pregnant again and had a little girl. She was amazing, and I spent all my time devoted to my children. I went to my [illegible] daily group [illegible] learned to [illegible] about the parents of abuse, and how it happens and [illegible] given how successful it ends.

I learned that I was a good wife and a good [illegible] My husband [illegible] by the [illegible] part-time job. The [illegible] and [illegible] the crisis center began to grow.

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I [illegible] only [illegible] abuser. I want to thank you all so much for all the help you gave me. I did escape, and I am alive. My children are alive, and we are doing well. Thank you so much.

—Anonymous

West Texas A&M hosting book lecture series

CANYON — The results are in, and 10 have been chosen. Now, West Texas A&M University honors students and the general public have the chance to decide if they think these really are the best books for an educated person to read.

Dr. Sean Kelly, WTAMU assistant professor of English and philosophy, polled the WTAMU faculty and comprised a list of what they thought to be the top 10 books every educated person should read. He is using the list to challenge students in WTAMU's Honors Program to think about the word "education."

"Every semester, college professors prepare reading lists for their courses," Kelly said. "The names and books on these lists greatly influence a college student's perception of what 'educated' people should, should not, do or do not read. By asking the faculty, I hoped to get a representative account of how we at WTAMU define 'education.'"

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Nine of the top 10 books will be discussed by experts from the WTAMU faculty in a lecture series open to the general public.

Participants in the lectures will examine why each of these books made the list over others and how this list defines the word "educated." The 10th book, Shakespeare's Hamlet, will not be part of the lecture series because Shakespeare made the list twice, and the series will cover one text per author.

Each lecture will be in the Cornette Library Lecture Room on campus from 4-6 p.m and is open to all students and the general public.

A schedule of lectures is as follows:

Monday, Sept. 23. Plato's "Republic," Dr. Martin Jacobsen

Monday, Sept. 30. Dante's "Inferno," Dr. Shearle Furnish

Tuesday, Oct. 15. Cervante's "Don Quixote," Dr. Doug Werden

Monday, Oct. 21. Shakespeare's "King Lear," Dr. Jerry Craven

Monday, Oct. 28. The Bible, Dr. Charmazel Dudt

Monday, Nov. 4. Milton's "Paradise Lost," President Russell Long

Tuesday, Nov. 19. "The Humanities and the Great Books," Dr. Sean Kelly

Monday, Nov. 25. Tolstoy's "War and Peace," Dr. Richard Moseley

Tuesday, Nov. 26. Kuhn's "The Structure of Scientific Revolutions, "Dr. Robert Wright

Monday, Dec. 2. Twain's "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," Dr. Alex Hunt

TPMHMR launching awareness campaign

Dignity and quality of life are the focal points of a month-long celebration in September by Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation (TPMHMR), according to executive director Sandy Skelton.

September is Destination Dignity Month and serves as an opportunity for the community to better understand the obstacles people with mental disabilities face and the contributions they make to society.

The panhandle has made a strong commitment to community-based care to ensure people with mental disabilities receive the care they need.

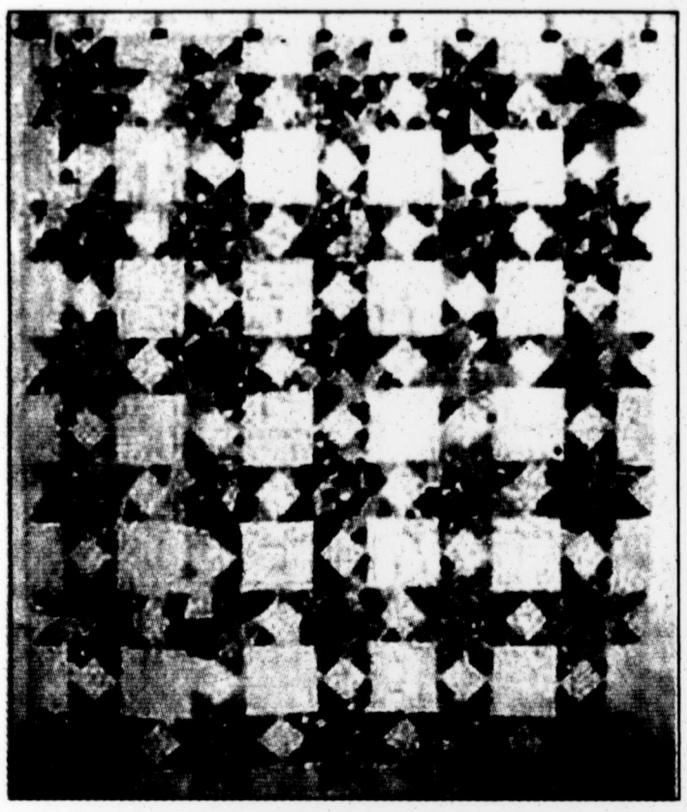
Public awareness concerning mental retardation and mental illness if often limited to the obstacles individuals face and the tragedies that arise from lack of adequate treatment. By setting aside the month of September, TPHMHMR hopes to foster a greater public awareness of the accomplishments and recovery new high-quality treatments and services can bring to folks suffering from a mental illness.

Many individuals served by the agency lead productive and useful lives in dignity. They have a quality of life that enriches not only them, but the community as well.

Destination Dignity is a statewide effort by Texas Council of Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers, Inc., a statewide association.

TPMHMR serves the uppermost 21 counties of the Texas Panhandle. The center provides a variety of services for people of all ages with mental illness and/or mental retardation. For more information, contact the agency at (806) 337-1000.

PPQG quilt show



(Courtesy photo)

This Eight-Pointed Star quilt is one of the older quilts to be featured in the Oct. 5-6 Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild's "Century of Quilts" show at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Guild members are currently seeking quilts made throughout the past century to be displayed during the show. A workday has been scheduled Sept. 23 to assist anyone wishing to enter an older quilt with entry preparations. For more information, call Susie Edwards at 665-4268 or Liza Harrison at 669-6469.

CEAP funding available for needy families

Panhandle Community Services has received additional funding for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) which provides emergency utility assistance to low-income, elderly, and disabled/handicapped people.

CEAP assistance is not an entitlement program and is determined by a priority matrix system which targets those most in need.

To apply, Social Security cards for everyone in the household, proof of income, current electric and gas bills, and a 12-month billing history of electric and gas bills must be furnished.

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