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Patsy Rutledge, 72, bank teller.

Texas Today

Dallas chief reverses shootings policy

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas police chief has reversed a policy he set this summer requiring officers involved in shootings or deaths to stay on desk duty until being cleared by a grand jury.

Department officials will now review each case within about two weeks of the incident to determine whether the officer can immediately return to regular duties.

Police Chief David Kunkle told The Dallas Morning News for its Friday editions that he reversed his decision because "there was no assurance that we could get the case in front of the grand jury in any sort of a reasonable or predictable time frame."

It often takes months for cases to be reviewed by grand juries.

The change got mixed reviews from police associations and advocates expressed guarded skepticism.

Man sentenced to life in slaying of couple

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A man has been sentenced to life in prison for the deaths of a young couple who were innocent bystanders to a drive-by shooting more than a year ago.

It took jurors about an hour and 15 minutes Wednesday to convict 22-year-old gang member John Carlos Rios of capital murder in the July 2003 deaths of Saul Ramon Perez and his pregnant fiancée, Claudrey Tarleton, both 18.

Because prosecutors waived the death penalty, Rios received an automatic life sentence, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports in its online editions.

"The tragedy in this case is that two young people about to embark on a future together with a child were killed because of a gang dispute that didn't even involve them," said prosecutor Tiffany Burks.

Traffic stop leads to drug discovery

Pampa police arrest four persons, recover suspected methamphetamine

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Four Pampa residents were arrested Thursday after a 3 a.m. traffic stop by Pampa Police Officer Cade Logue resulted in the discovery of a suspected controlled substance in their vehicle, according to a police report.

Logue stopped the 1994

Ford Mustang, driven by Kimberly Nichole Guenther, 19, 1601 W. Somerville #209, for an alleged expired vehicle registration.

During the stop, he asked for and received verbal consent to search the vehicle.

Logue, along with Sgt. David Lee and Officer Aaron McWilliams, found a quantity of suspected

methamphetamine in the front console and in the back seat, according to the report.

The stop was made in the 400 block of East Tyng, in the vicinity of Optimist Park, a drug free zone.

Arrested along with Guenther were Michael Blaine Cochran, 20, 1234 S. Finley; Amy Laneigh Freeman, 18, 232 Tignor;

and Ian David Spencer, 19, 232 Tignor.

All four were charged with possession of a controlled substance over four grams and less than 200 grams in a drug free zone.

The four were booked into Gray County Jail at 3:44 a.m. Thursday, according to jail records.

Precinct 1 Justice of the

Peace Joe Martinez set Guenther's and Freeman's bonds at \$4,000 each. Spencer's was \$4,500, and Cochran's was set at \$6,500.

Guenther, Freeman and Spencer were released after making bond Thursday.

Cochran remains in Gray County Jail in lieu of bond, according to arrest records.

Celebrating Veterans Day



(Pampa News photos by MARILYN POWERS)

▲ Kay Pitman, music teacher at Travis Elementary School, presents a jar full of money to Danny Martin of Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657. The money was collected by Travis Elementary students during a poppy drive held at the school Thursday as part of its Veterans' Day observance. A patriotic program was presented at the school to honor veterans. Proceeds from poppy sales are used to help disabled veterans.

▲ Staff Sgt. Douglas S. Fulton of the U.S. Army presents the United States flag for the Pledge of Allegiance during a Veterans' Day program yesterday at Travis Elementary School. Fulton is scheduled to go to Iraq soon after Christmas.

Arafat receives emotional, chaotic farewell

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Yasser Arafat was laid to rest in a marble-and-stone grave Friday after his flag-draped coffin was borne through a sea of emotional Palestinians who swarmed the helicopter that brought him from a state funeral in Egypt.

Police fired wildly into the air to keep back the surging crowd at the

West Bank compound known as the Muqata, where Arafat spent his last years as a virtual prisoner.

After Arafat's body was lowered into the ground, Muslim clerics read Quranic verses and the late leader's bodyguards wept and embraced each other.

Frantic mourners surged toward the tomb, trampling the olive tree

saplings that were planted around the grave according to Islamic tradition. One policeman knelt on the marble and kissed the stone.

A black-and-white checkered keffiyeh was planted on a stick in the soil of the grave, arranged in the way Arafat habitually wore his traditional headdress. The Palestinians consider the gravesite temporary.

Palestinian legislator Hanan Ashrawi said the pandemonium was a sign of love.

"President Arafat would have wanted it this way, with exhilaration, feelings of loyalty, pain, sadness and love all at once," she said. "The people reclaimed him. They wanted to

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American forces pushing deeper into Fallujah; Mosul now hotspot

FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP) — American forces Friday pushed deeper into the last remaining insurgent stronghold in Fallujah, and the Iraqi government rushed massive reinforcements to Mosul, the country's third-largest city, where police lost control in the face of insurgent attacks.

Lt. Gen. John Sattler, commander of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, said U.S. and Iraqi forces now occupy about 80 percent of Fallujah, and clearing operations are continuing to find caches of weapons and ammunition.

In Washington, President Bush met Friday with his top ally in the war, British Prime Minister Tony Blair, and warned that with upcoming Iraqi elections, "the desperation of the killers will grow and the violence could escalate." But

he said victory in Iraq would be a blow to terrorists everywhere.

Armed militants in Mosul attacked the main headquarters of a key Kurdish political party and assassinated a senior police officer as the governor asked for security forces to stabilize the situation.

Saadi Ahmed, an official with the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, said an hour-long gun battle broke out Friday between gunmen and the guards at the main headquarters. Guards killed six attackers and captured four others before the rest fled.

On Thursday, guerrillas attacked at least five police stations and political party offices there in what could be a bid to relieve pressure on their allies in Fallujah.

The unrest prompted the government to fire Mosul police chief Brig. Gen.

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Peace in Middle East

Bush, Blair hold news conference after talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Friday the death of Yasser Arafat provides "a great chance to establish a Palestinian state" and a broader Middle East peace.

At a joint White House news conference, Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair pledged their support for a fresh stab at Israeli-Palestinians peace negotiations.

"We'll hold their feet to the fire to make sure that democracy prevails," Bush said.

"We're going to work flat out to deliver this," Blair said.

The president said it was up to Palestinians to elect a democratic government and Arafat's successors to allow freedoms to take root.

Bush, whose policy in Iraq frayed relations with France, Germany and other traditional allies, also said he intends to travel to Europe as soon as possible after his second inaugural, on Jan. 20.

He said he looked forward to using the "combined strength of Europe and America" to advance freedom.

The leaders spoke from the stately East Room shortly

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Federal advisers urge more help for vets with illness

WASHINGTON (AP) — Parting company with the findings of a Clinton administration panel on Gulf War illnesses, a new study concludes more must be learned about the effects of toxic substances on those who fought there.

The Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Illness urges that up to \$60 million be spent over the next four years to monitor and research the health of Gulf War veterans and their children.

The panel distanced itself from the earlier body attributed a series of mysterious ailments to stress under conditions of warfare.

Scientists are coming close to finding a treatment, the panel said in its report, but it also said researchers need substantially more government financial assistance.

The Associated Press obtained a copy of the report in advance of its expected release Friday by Veterans Affairs Secretary Anthony Principi.

'Additional progress in addressing Gulf War veterans' illnesses is not likely to come from a haphazard mix of studies.'

— Research Advisory Committee
Governmental panel

The review committee that Principi formed concluded that "the goal of understanding and treating Gulf War veterans' illnesses is within reach" because of recent research breakthroughs.

But federal research is falling short in large part because studies have not asked important questions and continue to focus on stress to explain the veterans' problems.

"Additional progress in addressing Gulf War veterans' illnesses is not likely to come from a haphazard mix of studies," the panel

said.

Department officials declined comment before the review was made public.

Hundreds of thousands of veterans of the 1991 Gulf War have experienced undiagnosed illnesses they believe are linked to the war, according to Congress' auditing arm. These ailments include chronic fatigue, loss of muscle control, diarrhea, migraines, dizziness, memory problems and loss of balance.

Principi's panel found that more recent studies suggest the veterans' illnesses are

neurological and apparently are linked to exposure to neurotoxins such as the nerve gas sarin, the anti-nerve gas drug pyridostigmine bromide and pesticides that affect the nervous system.

"Research studies conducted since the war have consistently indicated that psychiatric illness, combat experience or other deployment-related stressors do not explain Gulf War veterans' illnesses in the large majority of ill veterans," the review committee said.

The Pentagon has estimated that about 100,000 soldiers were exposed to nerve gas when Iraqi weapons caches were destroyed, although congressional auditors have questioned the Defense Department's estimates.

The Pentagon also has said some soldiers may have been overexposed to pesticides.

The committee said the VA should allocate \$15 million in each of the next four years for a Gulf War illness research program.

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

RUTLEDGE, Patsy Atkinson — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Patsy Atkinson Rutledge, 72

Patsy Atkinson Rutledge, 72, of Amarillo, Texas, died Thursday, Nov. 11, 2004, at Amarillo.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, 2004, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Barry Owens, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating.

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

Mrs. Rutledge was born April 7, 1932, in Childress County, Texas. She was a 1949 graduate of Kirkland High School where she was valedictorian. She married Billy Paul Rutledge on Dec. 24, 1949, in Childress. He preceded her in death in 1968.



Rutledge

She had been a resident of Amarillo for the past 31 years and was a former longtime resident of Pampa.

She was a teller for Security Federal in Pampa and Amarillo. She later was a teller at Amarillo National Bank for many years where she retired.

She was a former member of the First Baptist Church of Pampa.

Survivors include two sons, Tim Rutledge of Amarillo and Kevin Rutledge of Fountain Hills, Ariz.; one sister, Billie Veloni of Paramount, Calif.; and five grandchildren, Justin Rutledge and Brea Rutledge, both of Amarillo, Chanae Elaine Willis of Birmingham, Ala., and Leah Rutledge and Courtney Rutledge, both of Fountain Hills, Ariz.

The family requests memorials be to National Kidney Foundation, Amarillo District, 6141 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

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

Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high around 45. Wind chill values between 20 and 30. East northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Tonight: A 40 percent chance of snow after midnight. Increasing clouds, with a low around 30. Wind chill values between 21 and 26. East wind between 10 and 15 mph. New snow accumulation of less than 1 inch possible.

Saturday: Occasional snow, mixing with rain after 2 p.m. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent. High near 35. Wind chill values between 21 and 28. East wind around 10 mph. New snow accumulation of around 2 inches.

Saturday Night: A chance of snow. Chance of precipitation is 50 percent. Cloudy, with a low near 31. Wind chill values between 24 and 29. East southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday: A chance of snow before 11 a.m., then a chance of rain and snow between 11 a.m. and noon, then a chance of rain after noon. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent. Mostly cloudy, with a high around 41. East southeast wind around 5 mph.

Sunday Night: A chance of rain before 8 p.m., then a chance of rain and snow between 8 p.m. and midnight, then a chance of snow after midnight. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 32. East southeast wind around 10 mph.

Monday: A chance of snow before 9 a.m., then a chance of rain and snow between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., then a chance of rain after 10 a.m. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent. Cloudy, with a high around 43.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa:		Cabot Corp.	35.56	-0.24	Atmos	26.32	-0.05
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Milo	NA	Coca Cola	40.71	-0.25	JCP	39.57	-0.10
Corn	NA	VLO	41.91	+0.44	COP	87.63	+0.87
Soybeans	NA	HAL	37.50	+0.22	SLB	64.75	+0.57
		TRI	34.90	+0.16	enneco	14.94	+0.89
		NOI	33.74	+0.25	CVX	53.63	+0.71
		RMI	66.25	+0.06	WJ Mart	66.58	+0.04
		NCLL	18.11	+0.03	ORLE	27.85	+0.18
		Kerr McGee	58.60	+0.47	NS Grp	20.93	NC
		XOM	49.96	+0.30			
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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Wednesday, Nov. 10

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 600 block of North Somerville. No injuries were reported.

Thursday, Nov. 11

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1100 block of South Christy.

Forgery was reported at United Supermarket, 1420 N. Hobart.

Lost property was reported at Wal-Mart Supercenter. A chain purse and contents valued at \$140 were lost.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of Deane Drive. Damage valued at approximately \$200 was done to a 1993 Ford Taurus.

Larry Dean Fernandez, 27, 801 Murphy, was arrested at Kentucky and Banks streets for capias pro fines for no driver's license, no insurance and no seat belt.

Leander Feltner, 21, Lefors, was arrested in the 500 block of North Gray for public intoxication.

Sheriff

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

Thursday, Nov. 11

Jeremy Wade Brooks, 18, 417 West, was arrested for public intoxication.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following

calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Nov. 11

10:54 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 2700 block of Comanche. A resident was complaining of headaches and nausea. No CO was detected.

11:40 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a CO check in the 800 block of Locust. The alarm appeared to have malfunctioned. No CO was detected.

12:58 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1900 block of North Banks.

2:31 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a small fire in a dumpster in the 1100 block of South Dwight. Firefighters extinguished the fire which did not damage the dumpster.

4:13 p.m. — Two units and five firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Kentucky and Hobart streets. Firefighters helped prepare one patient for transport by ambulance and removed a small amount of spilled anti-freeze.

6:17 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a vehicle fire in the 1000 block of Bond. An abandoned step van in a vacant lot was fully involved when firefighters arrived. The fire destroyed the van.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Nov. 11

12:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Banks and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

4:13 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Kentucky streets and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

6:06 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of 17th Avenue and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

9:01 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

Correction

In a Page 1 article Thursday regarding a citizens group in Lefors, the group was incorrectly named in a press release to the newspaper from the City of Lefors. According to a member of the group, the correct name is Lefors Action Group. Karen Noble, 835-2291, is coordinator for all five committees.

Clarification

The manager of Schneider House Apartments today clarified an Emergency Services report from the Pampa Fire Department printed on Page 2 Wednesday. She said that a firefighter turned a pulley to open the door of an elevator that had stopped between floors and released the one person who was in the elevator.

Retail sales edge up in October, reflecting big drop in auto sales

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers, after a big spending spree in September, grew more cautious last month, with retail sales edging up just 0.2 percent, the government reported Friday.

The Commerce Department said that the small October increase followed a huge 1.6 percent jump in September, which had been the best showing in seven months.

The slowdown last month reflected a big 2.2 percent decline in auto sales. Without this big decline, retail sales would have risen by 0.9 percent last month, the best showing since last May, as various sectors outside of autos showed significant strength.

The Commerce Department said that inventories held by businesses on shelves and backlots edged up a slight 0.1 percent in September after having risen by a much larger 0.7 percent in August.

The slowdown in inventory building reflected a big 0.4 percent drop in inventories held by retailers who fell behind in restocking their shelves in the face of strong sales demand during the month.

Consumer spending is being closely watched as retailers head into the all-important Christmas shopping season.

The big jump in oil prices earlier this year jolted consumers and slowed the overall economy dramatically.

In recent months, growth has rebounded and analysts are forecasting that the economy should finish the year on a strong note.

This view was bolstered last week with a report that businesses created 337,000 new jobs in October, the best showing since March and double what had been forecast.

Worries remain. Analysts are concerned because consumer confidence took a hit in October, falling to a seven-month low as Americans worried about how high energy prices might go. But since hitting record levels of around \$55 per barrel, oil prices have been retreating.

Retail sales have been on a rollercoaster for most of this year with a strong month often followed by a plunge in demand, reflecting the fortunes of auto dealers, who have been forced to return to attractive sales incentives to lure shoppers back into their showrooms.

The 2.2 percent drop in car sales last month had followed a large 4.3 percent gain in September.

The strength in sales last month reflected gains in sales at clothing and accessory stores, department stores, food and beverage stores, gasoline stations and furniture stores.

In addition to the big drop in auto sales, other areas of weakness last month were sales at building supply and garden stores, which fell by 1.1 percent, and sales at electronics and appliance stores, which edged down a slight 0.1 percent.

The Federal Reserve on Wednesday boosted a key interest rate for a fourth time this year with Fed officials reporting improvements in economic growth and job hiring despite the big jump in energy costs.

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Preparing for Veterans Day dinner



(Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS)

Martha Hadley prepares turkey for a dinner at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657, 105 S. Cuyler. The dinner was part of the activities scheduled for Veterans' Day on Thursday.



(Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS)

From left, Kathleen Chaney, Martha Hadley and Nelda Martin arrange seasonal decorations on dining tables at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657. A turkey dinner and silent auction were among the activities at the post Thursday evening as part of Veterans' Day events.

Arafat

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say goodbye without distance."

An Egyptian helicopter carrying Arafat's coffin landed at the Muqata at mid-afternoon and was immediately rushed by tens of thousands of mourners. Hundreds of Palestinian security guards tried for 25 minutes to open the helicopter door to remove the coffin onto a jeep that had plowed through the crowd to clear a path.

Mahmoud Abbas, the new head of the PLO, and Omar Suleiman, Egypt's director of intelligence, tried to get out of the helicopter, but were kept back at first by the huge, chaotic crowd.

As the coffin was carried toward the

grave site, police jumped on top of it, waved their arms and flashed the victory sign. People chanted, "With our blood and our soul we will redeem you Yasser Arafat!"

Stretchers carried away two people who were trampled in the melee.

Under the crush of screaming mourners, plans were hastily scrapped for a stately ceremony with Palestinian officials filing past his coffin.

Some mourners were disappointed they could not properly pay their respects.

"I wanted to say goodbye and I didn't get a chance. I didn't get a glimpse of his coffin," said Hadeje Abu Sharif, 52, a diabetic who fainted during the frenzy. "We have no organization. If we had it, we would have a state."

The failure of police to control the

pandemonium augured poorly for Palestinian hopes to maintain order in the wake of Arafat's death.

Hours earlier, mourners had burst through the gates of the Muqata and climbed over the walls of the compound, thwarting attempts by armed police to keep them off the landing pad.

As Arafat's helicopter touched down, the crowd cried out, "Welcome, welcome Abu Ammar!" using his nom de guerre. "Welcome, welcome old man!"

Buildings and windshields in the West Bank and Gaza were plastered with Arafat's photo and people waved black and white scarves, the colors of his Fatah movement. In Gaza City, hundreds gathered on rooftops, streets and apartment balconies in hopes of catching a glimpse of Arafat's helicopter.

Iraq

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police chief Brig. Gen. Mohammed Kheiri Barhawi, said deputy Gov. Khissrou Gouran. The move followed allegations by local officials that police abandoned their positions and in some cases cooperated with insurgents during Thursday's attacks.

Gov. Duraid Kashmoula said Mosul asked the Iraqi government for help in stabilizing the security situation.

"We asked the central government in Baghdad (for

reinforcements) and God willing they should arrive today," he said. Kashmoula said he believed "there's infiltration among some (security) apparatuses from the saboteurs."

About 250 National Guardsmen have been sent to Mosul from near Iran, said Maj. Gen. Anwar Mohammed Amin, an Iraqi National Guard official in the northern area. More also are being sent from the northern city of Irbil, he said.

In addition, four Iraqi National Guard units were redeployed from bases near

Syria, Gouran said. The units consist of Kurds who used to be in the Kurdish peshmerga militia before being incorporated into the government's security force.

The massive reinforcements indicated the security situation in northern Iraq threatened to spiral out of control.

Gouran also said gunmen tried to storm a food distribution center in the Yarmouk area of Mosul but were forced back by National Guardsmen and security guards. The gunmen were trying to destroy election registration cards held at the

center, Gouran said.

The city's anti-crime unit chief, police Brigadier Mowaffaq Mohammed Dahham, was gunned down near his house, which then was burned down, police officials said on condition of anonymity.

Samarra's police chief, Taleb Shamel, told The Associated Press that he, too, was fired.

There was no confirmation from the Iraqi government in Baghdad because offices were closed Friday, the Muslim day of rest and worship.

Show goes on



(Pampa News photo by BEN BRISCOE)

Carissa Snelgrooves (Laurey), left, performs with Stacy Pepper (Aunt Eller) in a scene from Rodgers' & Hammerstein's musical, "Oklahoma!" The show presented by Pampa High School Choir under the direction of Fred Mays and assisted by Wanetta Hill, opened Thursday at M.K. Brown Auditorium and will continue at 8 p.m., Saturday, and at 2:30 p.m., Sunday. Tickets for the show are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. A hamburger dinner will be served from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room prior to the Saturday night performance for \$5 per person.

Peace

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after the Palestinian leader was laid to rest in a chaotic scene in Ramallah. The Bush

and Blair governments hope a change in Palestinian leadership might open new avenues toward peace.

There was fresh news, too, in Iraq, a chilling reminder of the perilous life of the Middle East: Insurgents

downed a U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter north of Baghdad, wounding three crew members. In their two days of meetings, Blair had hoped to shift Bush's attention from Iraq to the stalled Mideast peace process.

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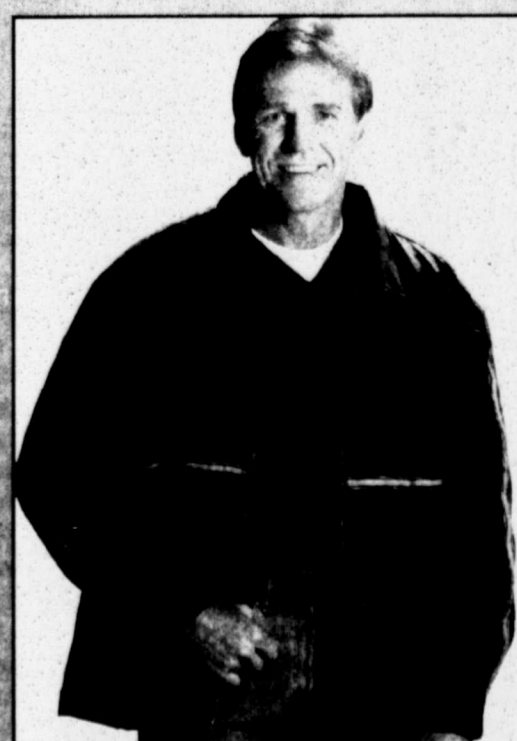
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Viewpoints

UFOs or 'what's that light by the creek?'

"What's that light down the creek?" I asked Jim as we unloaded our rifles after an unsuccessful frog hunt. It was about one o'clock in the morning that warm July night, with a few remaining thunderstorms positioned around the compass.

The stars were vivid in their brightness — the Milky Way was the proverbial roadway in the sky in its clarity, for the moon was not around that night. The Milky Way on a Panhandle night — it doesn't get any better than that, folks.

"That's the night light at the Warner Ranch," Jim responded as he continued unloading his rifle. I was rechecking my rifle when Jim shouted, "Look at that."

Jim and I found our answer to the unsuccessful frog hunt and it was not the answer we were expecting.

The Davis Ranch was a Godsend for this Panhandle boy from my childhood as a Boy Scout, my teenage years, and into adulthood. Billy B. made available a campsite for scouting on the banks of the North Fork of the Red River. I must have participated in 15 years of camping there. Thank you, Billy B. Davis. My love of nature was nurtured by Billy B.'s thoughtfulness and carried on by my friendship with his son, Jim. The flora and fauna of the Davis Ranch, plus its historical significance was a magnet for me. It was Jim's invita-

tion to do some frog-gigging that I had jumped on. Jim and I together jumped onto an event that would be with us for the rest of our lives. Get it? Jumping. Frogs.

When Dennis Palmitier and Jim Davis go frog-gigging, we go well armed. Oh, we have gigs with us — tradition — but have you ever gigged a bull frog with a cottonmouth viper on its tail end? Not fun, particularly when the snake drops back into the water. You just have to wonder where it went. So, with snakes in mind, Jim and I

hunted bull frogs with .22 caliber rifles and powerful flashlights.

We had our pistols with us as well — as I mentioned — Dennis and Jim were armed. You never know when a bull frog will turn on you with a bazooka...

This was frog-gigging night No. 2 for Jim and I as the first night was rather bountiful, so we had to gig; okay, shoot some more bull frogs. We were once again wading through the beaver slough and knee-deep water of McClellan Creek, hoping for some more action, but the

bull frogs were silent, nary a croak or ribbit.

The previous night's hunt was an olio of nature — bull frog's croaking; insects buzzing; night birds singing; the wind whispering through the trees and reeds; beavers slapping in the water — a glory of God's creation.

The second night was the antithesis. It was so quiet. Mother Nature had taken the night off. The only noise was a faint whirling noise of unknown origin. I mean, no frogs, no insects, no birds, no wind, no beavers — nothing.

"Why is your foreman's house all aglow?" I asked Jim as we waded through the slough.

"Well, he's off on vaca-

tion. Must be a car or truck lighting the house — that's a county-maintained road," answered Jim.

Logical answer. "You hear that whirling noise?" Jim nudged me on the arm.

"Yeah, it's been with us since we started, but I haven't seen anything making the noise," I responded.

"Neither have I," Jim seconded.

It was close to one in the morning and we had had enough. Time to head back to the casa. We made our way out of the slough and trudge back to the truck to unload our firearms.

Jim pointed to an object

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Nov. 12, the 317th day of 2004. There are 49 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 12, 1942, the World War II naval Battle of Guadalcanal began. (The Americans ended up winning a major victory over the Japanese.)

On this date:

In 1815, American suffragist Elizabeth Cady Stanton was born in Johnstown, N.Y.

In 1920, baseball got its first "czar" as Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis was elected commissioner of the American and National Leagues.

In 1927, Josef Stalin became the undisputed ruler of the Soviet Union as Leon Trotsky was expelled from the Communist Party.

In 1929, Grace Kelly — the future movie star and Princess of Monaco — was born in Philadelphia.

In 1948, former Japanese premier Hideki Tojo and several other World War II Japanese leaders were sentenced to death by a war crimes tribunal.

In 1977, the city of New Orleans elected its first black mayor, Ernest "Dutch" Morial.

In 1982, Yuri V. Andropov was elected to succeed the late Leonid I. Brezhnev as general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee.

In 1984, space shuttle astronauts Dale Gardner and Joe Allen snared a wander-

ing satellite in history's first space salvage. The Palapa B-2 satellite was secured in Discovery's cargo bay for return to Earth.

In 1990, Japanese Emperor Akihito formally assumed the Chrysanthemum Throne.

In 2001, an American Airlines Airbus A300-600, en route from New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport to the Dominican Republic, crashed 103 seconds after takeoff, killing 265 people.

Ten years ago: President Clinton arrived in the Philippines to open a campaign for free trade in Asia and to commemorate World War II Allied victories in the Pacific. Olympic track-and-field gold medalist Wilma Rudolph died in Nashville, Tenn., at age 54.

Five years ago: President Clinton signed a sweeping measure knocking down Depression-era barriers and allowing banks, investment firms and insurance companies to sell each other's products.

'Money is always there but the pockets change; it is not in the same pockets after a change, and that is all there is to say about money.'

— Gertrude Stein
American author



Reasons we're a divided nation

Recent elections pointed to deepening divisions among American people, but has anyone given serious thought to just why? I have part of the answer, which starts off with a simple example.

Different Americans have different and intensive preferences for cars, food, clothing and entertainment. For example, some Americans love opera and hate rock and roll. Others have opposite preferences, loving rock and roll and hating opera. When's the last time you heard of rock-and-roll lovers in conflict with opera

lovers? It seldom, if ever, happens. Why? Those who love operas get what they want, and those who love rock and roll get what they want, and both can live in peace with one another.

Suppose that instead of freedom in the music market, decisions on what kind of music people could listen to were made in the political arena. It would be either opera or rock and roll. Rock and

rollers would be lined up against opera lovers. Why? It's simple. If the opera lovers win, rock and rollers would lose, and the reverse would happen if rock and rollers won.

Conflict would emerge solely because the decision was made in the political arena.

The prime feature of political decision-making is that it's a zero-sum game. One person or group's gain is of

necessity another person or group's loss. As such, political allocation of resources is conflict enhancing while market allocation is conflict reducing. The greater the number of decisions made in the political arena, the greater is the potential for conflict.

There are other implications of political decision-making. Throughout most of our history, we've lived in relative harmony. That's remarkable because just about every religion, racial and ethnic group in the

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Walter Williams
Columnist



Looking through a mirror, darkly

Observing the frenzied reactions of the blue state elites to the election results is like joining Alice in going through the looking glass

and finding oneself facing giant white rabbits with oversized watches proclaiming they are late, and a strange gentleman wearing a collection of outlandish hats. All around these bizarre characters are discarded Kerry-Edwards buttons and signs.

In this modern wonderland, there is much weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth — and some of the most outlandish jabberwocky ever heard. It is obvious that

everybody here has suddenly become seriously unhinged.

There stands the queen (her name is Barbra), looking at a map showing tiny urban dots colored in blue and an ocean of counties swimming in red. She looks with astonishment at these defiant out-of-control areas peopled by despicable common folk, and repeatedly shouts, "Off with their heads." She is joined by a chorus of her subjects — academics, jour-

nalists, and celebrities — each chanting different interpretations of what happened on Nov. 2, 2004.

You can't avoid seeing what happened to the blue state denizens in these terms not when you are confronted with the absurdity of what they are saying about the avalanche of red state votes that buried their candidate, and what it all portends for America. The sky is falling, they screech — we are doomed. We have

been done in by a horde of dolts.

Want a sample prediction of where the great unwashed in the south and in fly-over country are taking us?

In a requiem for all that is good and just entitled "The Gathering Darkness of the Blue State of Mind," appearing on NewYorkMetro.com, one James Atlas saw the future Nov. 2 has thrust upon the enlightened citizens of the Big Apple:

"On the Fifth Avenue bus, I gazed blankly out the window. The trees in Central Park were still in their vivid

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Michael Reagan
Columnist



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Auditions for 'Ladies of the Alamo' set Nov. 16, 18

ACT I, Pampa's community theater group, will conduct auditions for its second show of the season on Tuesday, Nov. 16, and Thursday, Nov. 18, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the theater on the west side of Pampa Mall.

"Ladies At The Alamo" by Paul Zindel is a play about a

community theater in Texas City, Texas, hitting the big time with a multi-million dollar theater complex and the women who battle for control.

The play, directed by Berinda Turcotte, is part comedy, part tragedy and excellent acting roles for five

women of varying ages.

Dede is the theater director. Bella is her best friend and a notorious lush. Suits is the "gopher" who is on the side of whoever is in power. Joanne is president of the board of directors and the major contributor of theater monies.

Shirley is the movie star who is returning to her home town amidst rumors of a breakdown.

Performance dates are Feb. 18-19 and 25-26.

For more information or a copy of the script, contact Turcotte after 5 p.m. at 665-9369.



Bound for Canada

Jim Glover (left), Low Pressure Compression Corp., and Shawn Clifton (right) Fluid Compressor Corp., agree to distribution rights in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Low Pressure Compression Corp. will be licensed to sell and service Fluid Compressor's liquid ring gas compressor package, which holds a Canadian Patent, and their rotary screw units that are solely manufactured here in Pampa.

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in the eastern sky — hovering above the cottonwood trees — whirling in a counter clockwise motion — like an upside down ice cream cone.

I had a good view of the object as I was watching it through my rifle scope. Dread. Awe. Fascination. Fear. You name it, we had it, for this UFO had been watching our every move the entire time we were in the beaver slough — right above our heads. Mother Nature knew something was amok while Homo Sapien was left in the dark. Sorry, I had to do it again, didn't I?

We piled into the truck and headed to where we thought

the UFO was, only to find nothing. Still very much on edge, we made haste for Pampa, wondering if the UFO was following us.

Fact of fiction? First, let me explain there was no kickapoo joy juice or mara-hoo-hoo with Jim and I that night. Remember, we were well armed.

We were 19 years old at the time and still wet behind the ears, but when it came to firearms and darkness, we were not foolish.

It was definitely a UFO, and the object was with Jim

and I for about five hours that night.

Swamp gas? Give me a break. Two 19-year-old men could make a lot of gas, but never enough to light up the night.

Secondly, a Gray County deputy sheriff had seen the object earlier that very night while on patrol on the Alameda road. Other landowners in the area had seen and reported an unknown object in the night sky that week.

Okay, I believe in UFOs. Jim and I had an up close and

personal encounter that night. The experience has never left my memory. When I look up into our wonderful night sky and gaze into infinity, I wonder which star or planet the UFO traveled from.

The UFO experience taught me to study the night sky, to watch any astronomical event that was to happen in our geographical area — comet, meteor shower, lunar eclipse. The UFO taught me to be aware — and to wonder — wonder when I'll see it again — and maybe, just maybe, I'll be ready the second time around.

Dennis Palmitier is a Pampa native, graduate of Pampa High School and a pharmaceutical sales representative.

Reasons

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world is represented in our country. These are the very racial/ethnic/religious groups that have for centuries been trying to slaughter one another in their home countries, among them: Turks and Armenians, Protestant and Catholic, Muslim and Jew, Croats and Serbs. While we haven't been a perfect nation, there have been no cases of the mass genocide and religious wars that have plagued the globe elsewhere. The closest we've come was the American Indian/European conflict, which pales by comparison.

The reason we've been able to live in relative harmony is that for most of our

history government was small. There wasn't much pie to distribute politically.

When it's the political arena that determines who gets what goodies, the most effective coalitions are those with a proven record of being the most divisive — those based on race, ethnicity, religion and region. As a matter of fact, our most costly conflict involved a coalition based upon region — namely the War of 1861.

Many of the issues that divide us, aside from the Iraq

war, are those best described as a zero-sum game, where one group's gain is of necessity another's loss. Examples are: Racial preferences, Social Security, tax policy, trade restrictions, welfare and a host of other government policies that benefit one American at the expense of another American. You might be tempted to think that the brutal domestic conflict seen in other countries at other times can't happen here. That's nonsense. Americans are not super-humans; we possess the same frailties of other

people in other places. If there were a severe economic calamity, I can imagine a political hustler exploiting those frailties here, just as Adolf Hitler did in Germany, blaming it on the Jews, the blacks, the East Coast, Catholics or free trade.

The best thing the president and Congress can do to heal our country is to reduce the impact of government on our lives. Doing so will not only produce a less divided country and greater economic efficiency but bear greater faith and allegiance to the vision of America held by our founders — a country of limited government.

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autumn plumage, red, yellow, and green set on fire by the early sun. I found myself thinking that what my friend Edgar, the radical novelist, calls "incremental fascism" doesn't seem so incremental anymore.

"There will be a draft, and we'll have to leave the country: No way I'm letting our 17-year-old son, Will, be sent to Iraq. They'll drill the Alaskan tundra for oil, and the polar ice caps will melt; Manhattan will be inundated like in 'The Day After Tomorrow.' They'll teach creationism in the schools; our grandchildren will scratch their armpits like orangutans and laugh, "Can you believe people used to think we were descended from apes?" Anyone who belonged to Students for a Democratic Society 35 years ago will be fingerprinted.

The Patriot Act will be broadened to stifle dissent in the media — Paul Krugman will be sent to Gitmo.

"The deficit will mount, and they'll loot Social Security; I'll end up in an SRO on upper Broadway. And the Jews will be rounded up like in Philip Roth's 'The Plot Against America.' Did only Paul Wolfowitz stand between us and concentration camps in Kentucky? New York will be attacked again and ... Wait. Maybe the guys in power want us to be attacked. What better way to get rid of all those noisome New Yorkers than to have an al Qaeda dirty bomb explode in Grand Central at rush hour? No more need to bail out New York, because there won't be any New York."

Because there are many sane clear-thinking people in New York, I will refrain from adding, "Good riddance."

As many of my conservative colleagues have already noted, these people never,

never, ever seem to get it. Cameron Kerry says with a straight face that John Kerry will run again, which is laughable. The New York Times sets out on a new four-year crusade to elect Hillary Clinton, which is also laughable. Even more laughable is the spectacle of Kerry voters in Palm Beach County seeking therapy for the psychological damage inflicted upon them by the Bush triumph of evil.

Can't these people understand that what they represent — a veiled form of elitist welfare state socialism — is anathema to the real Americans who don't live in La La Land and will vote against anybody who does? They don't understand because they don't know and will never "get" what the red counties know.

Mike Reagan, the eldest son of the late President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the Radio America Network.

Calendar of Events

Pampa Area Literacy Council. Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

Pampa Masonic Lodge #966. Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at 420 W. Kingsmill, stated meeting is the third Thursday of each month at the same time.

Pampa Ministerial Alliance. Pampa Area Ministerial Alliance meets the first Monday of every month. Location changes monthly.

Pampa Prison Ministry. The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call or J.B. Walker at 669-2266.

RCIA. St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church hosts Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) beginning at 7:15 p.m., Wednesdays at 2004 Williston. For more information, call Aloise Martin at 883-4901 or Peggy Rodriguez at 669-2683.

Red Cross. Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers from the community to respond during times of crisis in Pampa and other parts of the county. As well as personal satisfaction, volunteers learn how to protect themselves and cope with disaster by planning ahead, particularly essential during tornado season. In addition, ARC is willing to deliver informational discussions on disaster preparedness to area church or community organizations. For more information, call (806) 669-7121.

The Red Hat Dollies. The Red Hat Dollies (Red Hat Society) meets at 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information or the find out the meeting place, call 665-9297.

St. Mark CME Church. St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

Veterans. To recognize the contributions Texas veterans have made to the liberty we enjoy, Memory Gardens Cemetery is assigning grave spaces to honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. If you are a veteran, you may be qualified for free burial space. However, you must register to obtain the free plot and you must show proof of honorable discharge. A number of veterans' spaces are available.

Certificates will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, call (806) 665-8921.

VFW & Ladies Auxiliary. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1567 meets at 7 p.m., the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the VFW Hall, 105 S. Cuyler. The VFW Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m., the second Tuesday of the month at the VFW Hall.

VFW Bingo. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open one hour early. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Danny Martin, (806) 835-2906.

WDLM Advisory Board. White Deer Land Museum Advisory Board meets at 4:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the museum, 116 S. Cuyler St., Pampa.

Butterfly Garden Club. The Butterfly Garden Club of America offers free butterfly garden seeds (with growing instructions). To receive a packet, send a long SASE with two stamps to: The Butterfly Garden Club of America, P.O. Box 629, Burgin, KY 40310. Limit one free packet per household. Additional packets are available for \$1 each.

Downtown Business Association. Pampa Downtown Business Association meets at 8:30 a.m., the first Thursday of the month at The Coffee Shop on Cuyler. All members are urged to attend.

Golden Spread Coin Club. Golden Spread Coin Club, originally Amarillo Coin Club, meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month. GSCC is a member of American Numismatic Association. For more information, call (806) 352-8281 or (806) 342-9536.

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Religion

Minister's Musings

Anti-Christian hysteria

I have been a preacher now for over 30 years and I have never heard the amount and intensity of anti-Christian bigotry here in the good old U.S.A. that I have since Election Day.

It is crystal clear that anti-Christian comments and editorials and news items fall under the "politically correct" umbrella.

It has been painfully obvious that this has been the case throughout the world for many decades. More Christians have been killed because of their faith in that past 100 years than in the previous 1,900 years.

David B. Barnett estimates in his book "Today's Martyrs" that over 150,000 Christians are being killed throughout the world each year; mostly in Muslim dominated nations. So to hear caustic anti-Christian bigotry pouring out from international voices isn't a shock. However, it is a shock to hear it spewing from the mouths of so many Americans at a level of intensity that in my lifetime I have not seen before in the U.S.A. So why the increase?

The increase is directly connected to this past election. You see, under normal circumstances, there are not enough "real deal Christians" in the U.S.A. to actually cause much of a national stir. But when a nation is divided, split about 50-50 on many issues, then the small percentage of the national population that those "real deal Christians" fill becomes the deciding element. And that has made a bunch of Americans mad as a wet hen.

So what are "real deal Christians" supposed to do about all of this hostility?

Jesus told us what to do and what to think about this kind of treatment. Here are His words recorded in Matthew 5:10-15 from The Message, a modern paraphrase.

"You're blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God's kingdom. Not only that — count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or

throw you out or speak lies about you to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens — give a cheer, even! — for though they don't like it, I do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company. My prophets and witnesses have always gotten into this kind of trouble.

"Let me tell you why you are here. You're here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You've lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage. Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand — shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven."



Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian

1. We are supposed to consider ourselves blessed.
2. We are supposed to rejoice.
3. We are supposed to keep right on being "real deal Christians."

So the next time you turn on the television and you hear yourself disparaged by a blind child of darkness, just grin and receive the blessing from God.
And the next time you hear someone broadcast lies about your spiritual family, just smile and thank God for empowering your faithfulness.

And the next time you hear some blustering heathen ranting about those narrow-minded Christian bigots, just turn the power up two or three notches and shine even brighter.
God bless.

Adventists reaffirm literalism on biblical creation account

By **RICHARD N. OSTLING**
AP Religion Writer

In a society where young adherents often face challenges to their beliefs, the top world authorities of the Seventh-day Adventist Church have reaffirmed the faith's insistence that fidelity to the Bible requires belief in "a literal, recent, six-day creation," no matter what conventional science says.

Recent means that life on Earth began over the relatively short time period suggested by a strictly literal reading of the Bible, "probably 7,000 to 10,000 years," though some Adventists think the planet itself could be billions of years old, explains Angel Rodriguez, director of the church's Biblical Research Institute.

And six days means just that — "literal 24-hour days forming a week identical in time to what we now experience as a week," the Adventist decree says.

The church's statement came last month, after three years of special conferences on the issue of creation. It was approved at a meeting of the Adventists' 293-member Executive Committee at the Silver Spring, Md., headquarters of the church. The faith has 13.6 million members internationally and 936,000 in the United States.

The church's Geoscience Research

Institute — which develops materials to support Genesis literalism — inaugurated the conferences, but no particular event sparked it, Rodriguez said. Rather, church leaders are aware that increasing numbers of Adventists worldwide face questions at college and "need to know how we deal with these complex issues." The statement is meant to stand as a definitive directive.

It follows decades of debate over Darwin's evolution theory in American churches and schools — and certainly won't be the last word.

Skeptics and liberals see Genesis as outright myth, while many religionists meld the Bible's account with Darwinism. The creationist movement, launched by Adventists and others in the 1960s, champions the "young earth" timescale. Other critics of Darwin consider creationism an implausible distraction scientifically, and pursue evidence for an "intelligent design" in nature that implies a divine cause.

The Adventist church's very name proclaims its strict observance of Saturday as the Sabbath, which is fused with a literalism on creation. That, in turn, "interlocks with other doctrines" — as the new statement puts it — creating the foundation for Adventist belief.

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Prison Chapel Choir to sing at Central Baptist

Central Baptist Church, located at Starkweather and Browning streets, will host the Jordan Unit Prison Chapel Choir this Sunday, Nov. 14, at 6 p.m.

Prison Chaplain Willard Kiper will also be speaking on the ministry at the prison and will be presenting the Jordan Chapel Project. This project is an undertaking to build a chapel at the prison since the state of Texas does not fund such projects. It is funded solely by contributions from organizations, churches and individuals.

For more information on this program or the Jordan Chapel Project, contact the church at 665-1631.

New Life Church to host lunch

New Life Church, 801 E. Campbell, will be having a Spanish luncheon from 11 p.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13.

For more information, call 669-3735 or 662-6322.

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Last summer I was attacked by my boss's dog at work, leaving a nasty scar on my nose. My boss, claiming to be a "healing expert," advised me to avoid a trip to the doctor (as they don't put stitches in one's nose, he said) and to instead let him apply "healing oils" to my face. He said the scar would be gone within a month. I naively heeded his advice.

During my remaining time at work, his wife (also my boss and the true owner of the dog) looked after me caringly, always wishing me well on my healing, swearing genuinely by her husband's talents as a healer.

Three months and nine days later, the scar is still there, and on a recent trip to the doctor he informed me that I should have gotten stitches. I now face expensive plastic surgery or dermatological work if I want to be rid of the scar.

I am debating whether I should take legal action. I'd feel guilty because the wife would be the brunt of any lawsuit when, I believe, she sincerely had faith in her husband, but I can't help but feel he cheated me. What should I do? -- DOWNTRODDEN AND DOG-BITTEN

DEAR D&D: It should be as plain as the scar on your nose to your employers that the husband's "healing powers" failed in your case. Put them on notice that you will be getting a referral to a board-certified plastic surgeon or dermatologist to repair the damage to your face, and that you expect them or their insurance provider to pay the bill. If they give you an argument, consult a lawyer. Do not feel guilty. You are the victim.

How the "healer" handles this letter will reveal whether he's truly a healer, or just a heel.

DEAR ABBY: Two months before our wedding, my fiancé, "Frank," and I called it off. We broke up completely for a while, hoping to resolve some problems before tying the knot. At the time, I had a maid of honor and five bridesmaids, all dearest, closest friends.

Since then we have all graduated, and now, a year after our original wedding date, Frank and I are engaged again.

A few of the girls who were supposed to be in the wedding party have drifted away, and as I plan my upcoming wedding, I'm wondering if I must re-invite every member of the original wedding party. I would prefer a smaller number of attendants, to make it a more special group. However, I'm afraid that if I do that, I'll irrevocably damage my friendship with some of these girls. I'd appreciate your advice. -- PARTY-PRUNING BRIDE IN OHIO

DEAR PARTY-PRUNER: As long as you explain to your girlfriends that you are scaling down the wedding in favor of something smaller and more simple, they should understand and not be offended. Some of them may even be relieved to be off the hook for the dresses, shoes and other expenses that go along with the "honor."

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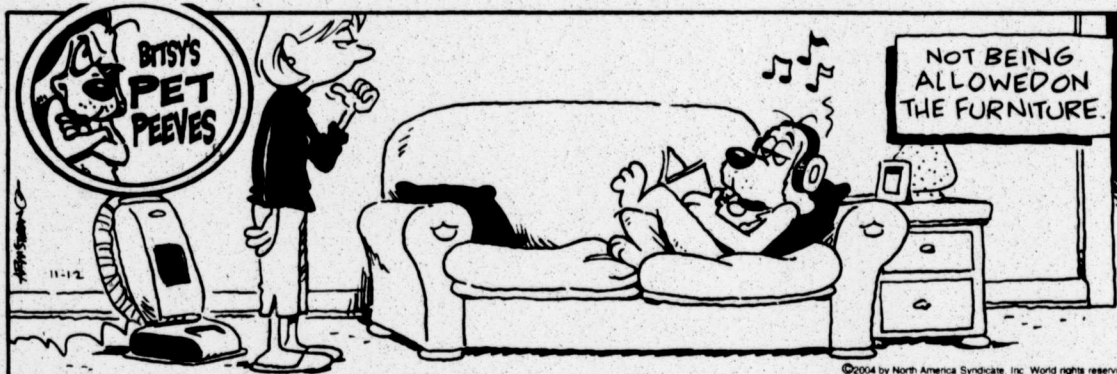
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

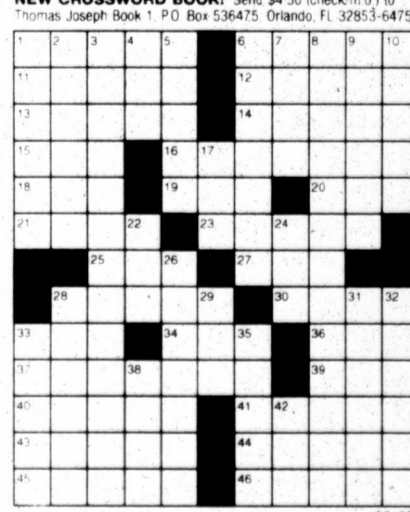
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Sports Day

Coach Parker says new season starts tonight

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The wait is over. The game is here. The Pampa Harvesters and Andrews Mustangs will take to the natural turf of Harvester Field tonight in the opening round of Class 4A Division II Bidistrict playoff competition. The winner tonight will face either El Paso Austin or El Paso Parkland next week.

"I'm excited. Our kids are excited. This has been one of the best weeks of practice we have had," said Pampa Head Coach Heath Parker. "Tonight marks the beginning of a new season."

"Our programs are very similar," said Parker comparing Pampa and Andrews. "They have had a season very much like ours."

Both Pampa and Andrews enter the night with identical overall records of 6-4. Both lost only one district game.

And the similarities don't stop there. Both teams feature stout defenses. Both teams have offenses that use ball control, but will toss in big play attempts to keep your defense honest, and take advantage of it if you're napping.

There are a couple of variables in this game tonight. The weather for sure. It will be cold. There is a chance of something falling from the sky, be it rain, sleet, snow or a combination of all. It will be football weather. Parker says his team is ready so far as weather is concerned. "I am proud of the way our kids handle the cold weather."

But, despite their best efforts not to, many teams play to the performance of its last game. Pampa roughed up Caprock last week, 49-27. Andrews dou-

bled up Lubbock Estacado, 28-14. Caprock won just two games all season, but they were in most of them. Lubbock Estacado went winless this season. Where Pampa all but dominated Caprock, Andrews struggled a bit against Lubbock Estacado.

Both teams had playoff spots wrapped up entering their games last week, so win or lose, the game wasn't all that important on paper. But it may have been in the player's minds.

Pampa knows its defense can stop drives and force turnovers.

Q.B. Cobb, Tyrel Bolin, Jacob Potter and the rest of the Harvester defense grew stronger as the season progressed. The offense knows it is capable of ball control and quick scores.

Pampa quarterback Tyler Doughty showed how much he has matured at that position last week with great reads and decisions.

One key may be his ability to find and hit big TE/DL Brittin East. East has had his man beat a number of times in the past couple weeks but most of Doughty's passes to him have been just a little too long.

Get that problem corrected and Doughty will have a complete arsenal to choose from.

Running back Mark Williams has pounded out some very tough yardage during the season and will most likely be called upon to do the same tonight. The running of Brody Smith has been a huge plus in recent weeks as well.

The challenge will be on the offensive line to give Doughty time to read his options, and the backs holes to run through and room to roam.

Andrews on the other hand may have some lingering questions from last week. It was not a good time to show

'This is a big, big game for us tonight. The team that commits the fewest mistakes while capitalizing on every opportunity will win.'

— Heath Parker
Head Coach, PHS
Football

any weakness.

To struggle against a winless team, knowing you must make a trip to face a team on a 2-game winning streak, scoring 70 points in the process. And on their home field.

Still, this team cannot be overlooked.

Quarterback Jeremy Bueno has racked-up nearly 1,800 passing this year with 16 TDs. "Their offense is based around their quarterback," said Parker.

Running back Isaac McQueen had almost 500 yards rushing and 5 TDs on 117 carries. "Not the year most thought he would have. He is better than his stats suggest," Parker said.

And they have been to the

playoffs 10 consecutive years. There is nothing like playoff experience this time of the year.

Parker notes, "This is our fifth playoff game with Andrews. They have been to the playoffs 10 years in a row. This is a team that went 10-0 last year before losing to Plainview in the first round of the playoffs."

Parker said, "This is a big, big game for us tonight. The team that commits the

fewest mistakes while capitalizing on every opportunity will win."

Parker is concerned about the weather in one aspect tonight.

"We really need our fans in the stands. We need our community to come out and support us tonight. This is a special event for our team and our community."

Tonight's kick off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Harvester Field.



Pampa News photo by BEN BRISCOE

Pampa Senior Seth Foster blows by a couple of Caprock defenders during last week's game.



Photo by CAROLYN THERO

Pampa Senior Brittin East is covered in Longhorns following a pass reception last week.

Pampa swim and dive team to take part in Okla. meet

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa Swimming and Diving Team will be in Oklahoma City tomorrow taking part in the Westmore Invitational at Oklahoma City Community College.

The Harvesters will face some of the best swim and dive teams in Oklahoma during this meet. This will be a first for Pampa.

Pampa's last meet Oct. 29 and 30 in Abilene, where the team placed 7th overall. That meet was called early due to lightning.

Divers were able to get dives in before the meet was called. Pampa's Whitney Penrod placed 5th scoring 292 points, coming just one point short of her own school record. Pedro faced tough competition at this meet, and was able to hold her own and then some.

"Whitney is right on track to return to state again this year," said Coach Greg Miller. "She has been diving all summer in Amarillo with Coach Smith, who believes Whitney can reach the 360 points needed to qualify for High School All American this year."

Coach Miller notes his other swimmers who did well at last month's Abilene meet, including Lydia West, Thomas Wilson and Tyler Wishon, who placed among the top six in individual events.

BIDISTRICT GAMES

Other playoff games of regional interest

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Class 4A
Division I
Palo Duro (8-2) vs.
Frenship (8-2)
(Saturday)

Division II
Randall (5-5) vs. San
Angelo Lake View (6-4)

Class 3A
Division I
Canyon (10-0) vs.
Levelland (4-6)

Division II
Borger (4-5) vs. Lubbock
Cooper (7-3)

Class 2A

Division I
Panhandle (5-5) vs.
Henrietta (9-1)

Division II
Canadian (10-0) vs.
Childress (7-3)
Spearman (8-2) vs.
Holiday (8-2)

Class 1A
Sunray (10-0) vs.
Wellington (8-2)
Stratford (8-2) vs.
Quanah (9-1)

Six-Man
Wheeler 54, Silverton 22
Follett (6-3) vs. Valley
(10-0)

Mules stomp Perryton 30-13

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Perryton was stomped by the Mules of Muleshoe in a Class 3A playoff opener at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo last night, 30-13.

9-2 Muleshoe advances to the next round of 3A playoffs next week when they will face either 5-5 Midland Greenwood or 8-2 Snyder. Those two teams hook up tonight in Midland.

The Mule's defense kept the Ranger offense in check most of the night. While Muleshoe running back Brady Black rolled up 189 yards rushing and two touchdowns.

Perryton, who beat Pampa 26-10 in the Aug. 27 season opener, finishes the season with an overall record of 7-3.

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Cabot Corporation has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 2554 which would authorize continued operation of the Carbon Black Manufacturing Facility located 3 miles west of Pampa on U.S. Highway 60 in Gray County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

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A TODAS LAS PERSONAS Y ENTIDADES INTERESADAS:

Cabot Corporation se ha registrado con la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ o Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) para la renovación de un Permiso de Calidad de Aire Núm. 2554 el cual autorizará continuar el funcionamiento de un(a) Carbon Black Manufacturing Facility, 3 miles west of Pampa on U.S. Hwy. 60, Condado de Gray County, Tejas. Información adicional sobre esta solicitud puede encontrarse en la sección de avisos públicos de esta publicación.

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Nov. 12, 2004

Baylor looks to stop Morency, No. 25 Cowboys

By JEFF LATZKE
The Associated Press

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — While his opponent this week may be no easier to stop, Baylor coach Guy Morriss at least figures he knows what's coming when his team lines up against No. 25 Oklahoma State.

The Cowboys have made no secret about their desire to rely heavily on tailback Vernand Morency, who's sixth in the country with 149.6 yards per game. When Morency has success, the Cowboys do too.

The junior's three lowest rushing totals have been in Oklahoma State's three losses against Texas A&M, Oklahoma and Texas. So, Baylor's goal is clear: Slow down Morency and you slow down Oklahoma State.

"We know what they are going to do," Morriss said. "We just have to do something about it and get it stopped."

It's a different story than last week, when the Bears (3-6, 1-5) ran into Texas Tech's fun-and-gun pass attack. But restraining Morency won't be sim-

ple either.

While subbing for an injured Tatum Bell last year, Morency had 227 yards rushing and a score. In his last 12 games, he's had at least 100 yards in 10. What makes him so difficult to defend?

'I'm like an old mule: the more you tell me I can't do something, I'm going to prove to you that I can.'

— Guy Morriss
Head Coach, Baylor

"You don't just see him getting hit," Morriss said. "He's an elusive kind of kid. He's got good body control, he doesn't take a lot of shots so I think that's why you say he's a durable kind of kid because you just don't see him

taking a lot of punishment."

The other challenge for the Bears (3-6, 1-5) will be winning in a hostile environment as Oklahoma State celebrates Senior Day with its final home game of the season. Baylor has lost its last 35 Big 12 road games, but Morriss said he's hoping a rowdy crowd can get his team fired up.

"It's all how you see it and how you can deal with it from a mental standpoint," Morriss said. "That's something we've got to do is using the opposing fans to our favor and our benefit because in a way it's like slapping you in the face, like someone telling you that you can't do something."

"I'm like an old mule: the more you tell me I can't do something, I'm going to prove to you that I can, and we need to have a little bit more of that attitude."

The Cowboys are hoping the crowd will help heal wounds opened while squandering a 28-point lead against No. 6 Texas and just missing a chance to upset No. 2 Oklahoma.

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13-year old Tyler Jones of Pampa, shows off the winnings earned during the 2004 season at 4B Raceway. Jones was named 4B Raceway Rookie of the Year. Among his accomplishments was winning the Sportsman Gas Truck A-Main during the OFNA Challenge in Amarillo Oct. 22-24. Jones competed against more than 130 other entrants at the challenge.

Pampa's Tyler Jones not too young to drive, wins 4B Rookie of the Year

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The 4B Raceway of Pampa held its monthly Off-Road Radio Control car races Nov. 7. 32 entrants from eight cities and two states competed for top honors under clear skies and mild temperatures.

Among the competitors was 13-year old Tyler Jones of Pampa who was awarded the 4B Raceway Rookie of the Year award. Jones earned the award with his improved driving skills and other accomplishments during the 2004 season.

Results from the Nov. 7 races were:

Monster Truck
1- Kirk Davis (Amarillo)

2- Scott Harrell (Amarillo)
3- Jerel Edwards (Pampa)

Sport Gas Truck

1- Tyler Jones (Pampa)
2- Paul Packebush (Borger)
3- Jerel Edwards (Pampa)

Sport Gas Buggy

1- Hugh McGinnis (Fritch)
2- Chris Durham (Groom)
3- David Reighley (Amarillo)

Expert Gas Buggy

1- Kirk Davis (Amarillo)
2- Kevin Shelton (Amarillo)
3- Scott Harrell (Amarillo)

Santana is unanimous AL Cy Young winner

NEW YORK (AP) — Johan Santana of the Minnesota Twins was a unanimous choice for the American League Cy Young Award on Thursday, rewarded for a stellar second half that helped his team win its third straight division title.

Santana went 20-6 and led the AL with a 2.61 ERA and 265 strikeouts, going 13-0 with a 1.21 ERA in 15 starts after the All-Star break.

He received all 28 first-place votes from the Baseball Writers' Association of America, becoming the first unanimous Cy Young winner since Arizona's Randy Johnson two years ago and the first in the AL since Boston's Pedro Martinez in 2000. He is the 18th unanimous winner overall, the seventh in the AL.

Curt Schilling, 21-6 with a 3.26 ERA in his first season with the Red Sox, received 27 second-place votes and one third for 82 points.

"I'm surprised this has been a unanimous decision," Santana said from Caracas, Venezuela, during a conference call. "I thought this was going to be a real tough race."

Voting was conducted before the start of the postseason, when Schilling beat the Yankees in

Game 6 of the AL championship series and St. Louis in Game 2 of the World Series despite pitching with a dislocated ankle tendon held together by sutures. Boston went on to sweep St. Louis to win the World Series for the first time since 1918.

"It was amazing," Santana said. "To me, he was just a hero. He did great things for Boston and for baseball. That's a role model for a young baseball player to follow."

Schilling, who led the major leagues in wins, has never won a Cy Young Award. He was runner-up for the third time, tying Johnson, a five-time winner, and 1957 winner Warren Spahn for the most second-place finishes.

Santana became the first Venezuelan to win the award, and fans in Caracas honked car horns when they heard the news.

"It's on national TV," he said. "Hopefully, in a couple of hours I'll be addressing the country and letting them know how I feel."

Mariano Rivera of the New York Yankees, who led the major leagues with a career-high 53 saves, received the other second-place vote and 24 thirds for 27 points.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Nov. 13, 2004:

You have an intuitive gift for making money. Learn to trust your instincts, but curb a tendency to take wild risks. You will add to your security and perhaps finally buy that dream home or add that addition you have always wanted. You enjoy your time by yourself, and you actually need it. Discuss goals and risks with others just to get feedback. If you are single, you might date quite a lot and have a great time. Some might find themselves with someone who is unpredictable or unavailable. Don't decide you are in a relationship until you have gone through a full year together. If you are attached, make decisions together, especially about home, income and more getaways. SAGITTARIUS can help you spend your money!

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)

***** Putting some distance between you and your world might help you regain your balance and perspective. Invite a close friend for a drive to a favorite spot. Picnic, explore, just enjoy the scenery and this person. Pack some favorite CDs. Tonight: Restored again.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Someone wants only you and your attention. You might have to say "no" to one or two people. Friends are full of surprises. Make plans to finish a project, and take in a movie or concert. Tonight: Soft music and candles.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Others might be demanding,

but you love it. Cancel plans that might not suit you, and head out with whom and where you want. Your social personality comes out. Apparently, others are aware of your sparkle and humor. Tonight: Wander and socialize.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** A dream might inspire you to go in a certain direction. You might want to stay home and relax or work on a project. Whatever you do around the home will make you happy. Invite a family member to join in. Tonight: Watch a movie.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Although you might have plans, at the last minute someone decides to do something else. Invite a child or very special friend to go off and do something childlike. You renew your spirit and add to your communication. Tonight: Romp away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Finally you opt to move ahead and buy a special item for your home. A partner could be as delighted by the end results as you will be. You add beauty, comfort and harmony to your living style. Tonight: Chat away over dinner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** What you say means more than your actions -- for today! You might want to spend quality time with a special friend or loved one. This time means more than you realize to this person. If you're spending time with a new friend, you tighten your bond. Tonight: Let your imagination speak.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Use your instincts with a purchase when adding to your coffers or when making a purchase that will add to your comfort and ease. Someone discloses a secret, or you might be the

one. Are you sure you want to tell? Remember to zip up your lips. Tonight: Your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** You are all smiles. Friends surround you, and you naturally get what you want. Ask and talk about your dreams. Brainstorm. Express your mentally active side. Music proves extremely soothing. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Don't push too hard. In fact, take the day off with a special friend. You might want to visit someone you really care about. Why not? Wherever you go, people want to chat. Don't put yourself in a position of having to say "no." Tonight: An intimate chat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Instinctively you dig up your friends. Your ideas lead others in different directions. Refuse to fall into an old pattern and do the same old activity. Opt for something totally different. Split town for the day, if you want. Tonight: Frolic the night away.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Others call on you to pitch in and help. You might feel overwhelmed by your responsibilities. Listen to your instincts with an authority figure. You're right-on. A partner chips in and makes your day more pleasurable. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

BORN TODAY

Actress Whoopi Goldberg (1955), actor Chris North (1954), actor Joe Mantegna (1947)

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1 Public Notice

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL
PERMIT NO. 2554

APPLICATION Cabot Corporation, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 2554 which would authorize continued operation of the Carbon Black Manufacturing Facility located 3 miles west of Pampa on U.S. Highway 60 in Gray County, Texas. The existing facility is authorized to emit the following air contaminants: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, organic compounds, sulfur oxide and particulate matter.

The TCEQ received this application on October 04, 2004. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amarillo regional office, and the Office of Emergency Management, City of Pampa, City Hall, 200 West Foster Avenue, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant not previously emitted. The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process. After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382-056(o), a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's

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compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application / permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to dispute issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

INFORMATION Written public comments and requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from Cabot Corporation, P.O. Box 5001, Pampa, Texas 79066 or by calling Mr. Douglas B. Williams, Environmental Coordinator at (806)661-3130. Issuance Date: November 4, 2004

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AVISO DE RECIBO DE SOLICITUD E INTENTO DE OBTENER UNA RENOVACION DE PERMISO DE CALIDAD DE AIRE
SOLICITUD

Cabot Corporation, se ha registrado con la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ o Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) para la renovación de un Permiso de Calidad de Aire Num. 2554, el cual autorizara continuar el funcionamiento de un (a) carbon black manufacturing facility, 3 miles west of Pampa on U.S. Hwy. 60, Pampa, Condado de Gray County, Texas. La instalación existente va a emitir los siguientes contaminantes atmosféricos: nitrógeno oxidos, carbon monoxide, organic compounds, sulfur dioxide and particulate matter. Esta solicitud fue sometida al TCEQ en October 4, 2004. La solicitud esta disponible para revisarse y copiarse en la Oficina Central del TCEQ, en la Oficina Regional del TCEQ en Amarillo, Texas, y en Office of Emergency management, City of Pampa, City Hall, 200 West Foster Avenue, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. El archivo del cumplimiento de las leyes de la instalación, si existe, estara disponible para el publico en la Oficina Regional del TCEQ en (Amarillo, Texas).

El director ejecutivo del TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud se halla administrativamente completa y conducirá un análisis técnico de la solicitud.

COMENTARIOS PUBLICOS / JUNTA PUBLICA Usted puede someter comentarios publicos, solicitar una junta publica, o solicitar una audiencia en controversia sobre esta solicitud a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la dirección a continuación. El TCEQ considerara todos los comentarios publicos en el desarrollo de una decisión final sobre esta solicitud. **El plazo limite para someter sus comentarios es 15 dias despues de la publicacion de este aviso.** Despues del plazo limite para los comentarios publicos, el director ejecutivo preparara una respuesta a todos los comentarios publicos relevantes y materiales o de otro modo significativos.

El proposito de una junta publica es para proveer la oportunidad de someter comentarios, o hacer preguntas sobre la solicitud. Una junta publica sobre la solicitud se llevara a cabo si el director ejecutivo determina que existe un grado significativo de interes publico en la solicitud o si la solicita un legislador local. Una junta publica no es considerada una audiencia en controversia.

Si solo se reciben comentarios sobre esta solicitud, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con un aviso de la decision del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, sera enviada por correo a todos aquellos que hallan sometido comentarios o solicitado que se les incluyera en la lista de correo para esta solicitud. Si la peticion para una audiencia en controversia es sometida a tiempo, el director ejecutivo preparara una decision preliminar sobre la solicitud y un Aviso de Solicitud y Decision Preliminar sera entonces publicado y enviado por correo a todos los que esten en la lista de correo para esta solicitud. El aviso tendra la fecha final para someter comentarios publicos.

Despues del plazo final para someter comentarios publicos subsecuentes a cualquier Aviso de Solicitud y Decision Preliminar, el director ejecutivo considerara los comentarios y preparara una respuesta a todos los comentarios publicos relevantes y materiales, o significativos. Si se reciben comentarios, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decision del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, seran entonces enviadas por correo a todos aquellos que hallan sometido comentarios publicos o que esten en la lista de correo sobre esta solicitud.

OPORTUNIDAD PARA UNA AUDIENCIA EN CONTROVERSIDAD Usted puede peticionar una audiencia en controversia. Una audiencia en controversia es un proceso legal semejante a un juicio civil en una corte de distrito

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estatal. En el caso de que una peticion por escrito para una audiencia en controversia no sea sometida dentro de 15 dias despues de la publicacion de este aviso, el director ejecutivo podra aprobar la solicitud. Si no se reciben peticiones para una audiencia en controversia dentro de este periodo de 15 dias, no habra mas oportunidad para peticionar una audiencia en controversia. Una audiencia en controversia solo se otorgara basada en asuntos en controversia que sean relevantes y materiales a la decision de los Comisionados sobre la solicitud. Ademas, la Comision solo concedera una audiencia en controversia en esos asuntos que fueron presentados durante el periodo de los comentarios publicos y que no se retiraron.

Una persona que pueda ser afectada por las emisiones de contaminantes atmosféricos de la instalación tiene derecho a peticionar una audiencia en controversia. Para solicitar una audiencia en controversia, usted debera proporcionar lo siguiente: (1) su nombre (o, para un grupo o asociación, un representante oficial), dirección postal, numero de telefono durante el dia, y numero de fax, si hay; (2) el nombre del solicitante y el numero de permiso; (3) la oración en ingles "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) una descripción específica de como le perjudicaria la solicitud y las emisiones atmosféricas de una manera que no es comun con los miembros del publico en general; (5) la localización y distancia de su propiedad en relacion a la instalación; y (6) una descripción de como usted usa la propiedad que pudiera ser afectada por la instalación. Si la peticion es hecha por un grupo o asociaciones, el o la miembro o miembros que tienen derecho a pedir una audiencia en controversia y los intereses que el grupo o asociación quieran proteger deberan tambien ser identificados. Usted tambien podra someter sus propuestas de ajustes a la solicitud o permiso que puedan satisfacer sus preocupaciones. Peticiones para una audiencia en controversia deberan someterse por escrito dentro de 15 dias despues de la publicacion de este aviso a la Oficina del Chief Clerk, en la continuación.

Si una peticion para una audiencia en controversia es recibida a tiempo, aviso adicional sera dado. Despues de que se cierran todos los periodos aplicables de comentarios y peticiones, el director ejecutivo mandara la solicitud y todas las peticiones de audiencia en controversia a los Comisionados del TCEQ para su consideración en una junta de Comisionados en su itinerario. Si se concede una audiencia en controversia, el objeto de la audiencia en controversia sera limitado a los asuntos de hecho en disputa relevantes y materiales a la calidad del aire, que hayan surgido durante el periodo de comentarios. Asuntos como el valor de la propiedad, ruido, seguridad de trafico, y zonas municipales estan fuera de lo que la Comision tiene la jurisdicción de considerar en este proceso.

LISTA DE CORREO. Usted puede solicitar que se la ponga en una lista de correo para recibir informacion adicional de esta solicitud solicitando a la Oficina del Chief Clerk en la dirección a continuación. **INFORMACION** Comentarios publicos por escrito, peticiones para una junta publica a peticiones para una audiencia en controversia deberan someterse a la Oficina del Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Para mas informacion sobre esta solicitud o el proceso de permisos, por favor llame a la Oficina de Asistencia Publica, gratis, al 1-800-687-4040. Informacion general sobre el TCEQ se puede encontrar en el www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Mas informacion tambien puede obtenerse de Cabot Corporation, P.O. Box 5001, Pampa, Texas 79066-5001 o llamando al señor Douglas B. Williams, en el (806)661-3130. Fecha de emitido: Noviembre 4, 2004
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COOK: Full time, evenings, IMMEDIATE OPENING. Must have ability to prepare meals for special diets, reliable and dependable. Exper. in a school or medical facility a plus. Please apply in person, CORONADO HEALTHCARE CENTER, 1504 W. Kentucky Ave., Pampa.

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Event Workers- M.K. Brown Civic Center Library Clerk- Lovett Memorial Library

FULL TIME
Repair Technician to perform a variety of tasks in support of the repair and maintenance of the City's water distribution system. Must have a high school diploma or GED equivalent, valid Class A CDL, or ability to obtain within 3 months of employment, some knowledge of general plumbing, pipe fitting and dump truck operation. Position open until filled.

The City of Pampa offers a competitive salary and comprehensive benefits for full time positions. Application for any of the above positions can be made at City Hall, Room 205, EOE.

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50 Building Suppl.
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\$202 QN mattress set, brand new never used with warranty. QN Pillow top double sided mattress set new, still pkgd, warr. list \$550, sell \$236. Full Pillow top Double sided mattress set new, still pkgd, warr. List \$400, sell \$208. Full size mattress set new, never used \$180, \$230 King mattress set, brand new, still pkgd, warranty, \$268 King Pillow top mattress set, brand new, still pkgd, warranty, Queen Cherry sleigh bed, new, still boxed, List \$750 sell \$399, new 7 pc QN cherry wood bdrm set w/sleigh bed, still boxed, sell \$999, new 7 pc QN Pinewood bdrm set w/4 poster bed, still boxed, \$999, Call 806-517-1050.

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Sat., 8 to ? & Sun., 1 to ?
Lots of interesting items!

SAT. & Sun. Across the street from Bartlett's, 413 Brown. Christmas deco & lots of goodies!

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International news

Dutch Cabinet pressured after filmmaker's murder

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — The parliament on Friday asked the government to draft legislation compelling Dutch mosques to employ only imams who have studied Islamic religion in the Netherlands.

The proposal, supported by the government and the opposition, came after a debate in which Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende's government was accused of underestimating Islamic terrorism and failing to protect a filmmaker killed by a suspected Muslim radical on Nov. 2.

Theo van Gogh's killing has triggered a cycle of retaliatory attacks on Islamic buildings and Christian churches that shocked this traditionally peaceful and tolerant nation.

In a sometimes testy debate over the slaying, lawmakers pushed the government to shut down hate-mongering Web sites and broadcasters and to improve monitoring of foreign imams who come to preach at any of the Netherlands' 500 or so mosques.

A vote on the proposal for Dutch-educated imams was delayed.

Justice Minister Piet Hein Donner said it may be discriminatory unless that rule is applied to all religions.

If passed, it would come into force in 2008.

The government narrowly escaped a confidence motion based on its anti-terrorism record that has generated much criticism, even from government supporters.

Jozias van Aartsen, leader

of Balkenende's Liberal allies, said the government had been "lax" and gave "fuzzy explanations" why the man charged with Van Gogh's murder was not tracked more closely even though he consorted with hard-core Islamists on a government watch list.

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"Not all Muslims are terrorists," he said, "but there are a large number of terrorists in this world that feel attached to an identity as Muslim. They want to destroy us."

Interior Minister Johan Remkes said the Dutch intelligence service tracks about 150 radical Muslims who are considered dangerous but lacks the resources to monitor them constantly.

"It is an illusion to think you can have complete operational control over that group 24 hours a day, seven days a week," Remkes said.

Remkes said the man suspected of murdering Van Gogh, Mohammed Bouyeri,

26, was a peripheral figure in an Islamic terrorist network in Amsterdam and wasn't on the list of radicals, Remkes said.

He said the government briefly monitored Bouyeri's cell phone conversations until two weeks before Van Gogh's slaying and knew he consorted with Muslim extremists.

"It is a disgrace that we know potential terrorists are running free in this country," said Geert Wilders, a right-wing lawmaker who demanded that all the suspected radical Muslims on the government's watch list be arrested.

A harsh critic of Islamic fundamentalism, Wilders has gone into hiding since Van Gogh's murder, except during the parliamentary debates.

Also hiding is Somali-born Ayaan Hirsi Ali, a conservative legislator who collaborated with Van Gogh on "Submission," his film that criticized the way Islam treats women.

The government announced new steps to make it easier to infiltrate terrorist networks.

If enacted, investigators will not have to prove "reasonable" suspicion of terrorist activities to conduct searches and detain people — "indications" will suffice.

"When it comes to preparing a terrorist attack, it's better to have 10 possibly innocent people temporarily in jail than one with a bomb on the street," said Maxime Verhagen, the floor leader of Balkenende's own Christian Democrats.

Replica stirs drama near courthouse

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Two dismissed jurors and a boat-turned shrine for Laci Peterson have added this week to the circuslike atmosphere surrounding the murder trial of Scott Peterson.

Deliberations were set to resume Friday after the jury took Veterans Day off. The holiday break came after two straight days of juror dismissals.

On Wednesday, Judge Alfred A. Delucchi dismissed the foreman, a man in his mid-40s who has medical and law degrees. The judge did not disclose his reasoning. Juror No. 5 was replaced by an alternate whose future son-in-law now owns a restaurant that Scott and Laci Peterson once owned in San Luis Obispo.

The action came a day after the removal of another juror who apparently did her own research on the case, violating the judge's order to consider only evidence presented at trial. Each time a juror is dismissed, the panel must begin deliberations anew.

While deliberations went on earlier this week, the drama shifted from the courtroom to a parking lot a few blocks away. Defense attorney Mark Geragos had parked a boat the defense had hoped to use to convince jurors that Peterson couldn't have dumped his wife's body overboard into San Francisco Bay without capsizing.

The boat and its contents — coveralls stuffed with weights and concrete anchors tied to the arms and legs — quickly became

a makeshift shrine, with candles, flowers and hand-lettered signs reading "Rot in Prison" and "Justice for Laci and Conner." Hordes of onlookers gathered around, some even kneeling, praying and weeping before the boat was towed away Wednesday night.

Legal experts said the stunt could be determined as an attempt by Geragos to skirt the court-imposed gag order; the judge could find Geragos in contempt of court if he thinks the lawyer violated it. Such a charge could bring penalties including fines or jail time, though incarceration would be unlikely, said Robert Talbot, a professor at the University of San Francisco School of Law who has observed the trial.

If jurors ultimately conclude that Peterson killed his pregnant wife, Laci, and her fetus on or around Dec. 24, 2002, they must decide whether he's guilty of first- or second-degree murder.

First-degree convictions, carrying the death penalty or life without parole, would mean jurors believe Peterson planned the killings. Second-degree murder convictions don't require a finding of premeditation and carry sentences of 15-years-to-life for each count.

Prosecutors claim Peterson killed Laci, then dumped her weighted body into the bay. The remains of Laci and the fetus were discovered a few miles from where Peterson says he went fishing alone the day his wife vanished.

Second cervical vaccine shows promising results

By JOSEPH B. VERRENGIA
AP Science Writer

Researchers say a second experimental cervical cancer vaccine appears to broadly protect against infection and risky precancerous conditions for more than two years, affirming scientists' belief that the disease could be progressively eradicated in a global campaign much like smallpox and polio.

The study, which was conducted in the United States and Brazil, showed patients given the vaccine sustained a high level of immune response against the virus that spreads cervical cancer, and that it would prevent infection for many years. Whether revaccination ultimately would be needed must be determined by an additional, longer trial, researchers said.

Details appear in Friday's issue of the British medical journal The Lancet. The study was supported by GlaxoSmithKline, the vaccine's manufacturer.

Worldwide, 511,000 women are stricken

with cervical cancer each year, and about half die. It is the leading cancer killer among women in the developing world. In the United States, about 15,000 women get it and about 5,000 die annually.

Cervical cancer is caused by infection with human papilloma virus, or HPV, which is spread through sex. There are dozens of HPV strains, but two of them account for more than 70 percent of cervical cancers.

The GlaxoSmithKline vaccine is designed to prevent infection from both major strains. In the study, researchers recruited 1,113 women at 32 clinics beginning in 2000. The participants, ages 15-25, had no signs of infection. Their cases were followed for 27 months.

About half of the women received the vaccine, while the rest received a placebo.

None of the vaccinated women developed infections or cervical precancerous lesions, said Dartmouth obstetrician Diane M. Harper, the study's lead author. The vaccine also protected 93 percent against abnormal Pap tests, she said.



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