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It was only the beginning ...

Pampan recalls D-Day

By **DAVID BOWSER**
Staff Writer

The white hair, the easy grin, the twinkle in the eyes all belie the hell that Dr. Raymond Laycock faced 60 years ago today.

The Normandy Invasion, June 6, 1944, was the Allied Forces' first step back on the continent of Europe. Dr. Laycock, sitting in the living room of his Pampa home,

smiled as he said that most movies on the subject end with the landing that day.

"It was only the beginning," he said.

Laycock, a native of Shamrock, graduated from Shamrock High School in 1934. Two years later, he enrolled at Texas A&M University.

There was a Depression on, he said, and going to college was expensive, no matter how much

you wanted to go.

Commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army in 1940 as he graduated from Texas A&M, Laycock planned to make a career out of the military service. The carnage of World War II changed that. Following the war, he turned to the healing arts and enrolled at the Tennessee College of Medicine.

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Lt. Raymond Laycock



Pampa News photo by **MARILYN POWERS**

Parade pony

John Perez of Liberal, Kan., leads his son Xavier, age 3, on his Shetland pony Dusty, to their place in line for the Top O' Texas Rodeo parade Saturday morning.

'Burnin' the Bricks' to hit city June 11-13

By **DEE DEE LARAMORE**
Editor

A "tremendous response" from businesses and car enthusiasts has added to the excitement for organizers of Pampa's first "Burning the Bricks in June," a weekend full of classic car fun.

Starting Friday, June 11, with a sock hop at the VFW Hall, 106 S. Cuyler, the weekend will continue with a BurnOut Contest, "Cruisin' the Bricks," car show, and Mud Bog competition.

"So far there's been a tremendous response from all the businesses and car people in the area," said Denver Bruner, a member of the High Plains Cruisers car club which is sponsoring the event. "We have people coming from Guymon, Lawton and who knows where else. The Chamber even had an inquiry from Arizona."

"This won't be your typical boring car show," he added. "It is growing every day. There'll be a two-day craft show, lawn mower drag races, mud bogs, car show, car corral, and some swapping going on, plus 'Elvis' will be performing from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

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PAMPA

Smith receives appointment

By **DEE DEE LARAMORE**
Editor

A Pampa son recently received an appointment to the Bush School of Government & Public Service, a division of the Texas A&M University.

Richard B. "Rick" Smith, a 1984 graduate of Pampa High School and son of Price and Carolyn Smith of Pampa, has been named to the school's Development Council.

"Members of the Bush

Development Council are persons of influence and prominence who work for the benefit of the Bush School, and who know what it means to make a difference in serving others," said Dean Dick Chilcoat, in a letter announcing Smith's nomination.

"Our development council is the newest on the Texas A&M campus and has the goal of helping and leading the Bush School to compete with the best professional



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

Friday, June 4
Tammy Sutton, 39, 1220 E. Francis, was arrested for disorderly conduct - noise, and for violation of a promise to appear.

GCSO

Gray County Sheriff's

Office reported the following arrest during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, June 4
Tina Rena Howard, 32, 117 N. Warren, was arrested for 12 counts of issuance of a bad check.

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

Friday, June 4
9:44 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1600 block of East Harvester on a call for medical assistance.

12:23 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to Price Road and Highway 60 on a diesel spill but found nothing.

11:48 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1400 block of North Dwight on a call for medical assistance.

Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance reported the following calls.

Thursday, June 3

10:30 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to BSA, Amarillo, and transported a patient(s) to a local nursing facility.

6:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded the 1500 block of North Nelson. No patient transport.

7:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the rodeo

grounds on a standby.

9:01 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded the 1800 block of North Dwight and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Friday, June 4

1:15 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Sumner and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

2:51 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of South Reid and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

9:24 a.m. - A mobile ICU

responded to the 800 block of Nelson and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

9:42 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of Harvester and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

11:25 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of North Dwight and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

5:04 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Gray County Weather



Pampa News photo by BEN BRISCOE

Sitter Britteni Rice, right, and Mattie Eldridge spend a sunny day this week making chalk drawings on the sidewalk. "This summer I plan to do a lot of swimming and working," Rice said.



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A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms this morning and afternoon with a high near 90. Winds will be out of the southeast between 10 and 15 m.p.h.

The chance of showers will carry over into Sunday evening with thunderstorms

forming shortly before midnight. The low will be near 65 with a 15-20 m.p.h. wind out of the south.

Monday will be partly cloudy and hot with a high in the lower to mid 90s. The wind will be out of the southwest.

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Court indicts trooper for assault on a child

MCKINNEY, Texas (AP) — A state trooper accused of having sex with a 13-year-old girl is facing a first-degree felony charge.

Granver Lee Tolliver Jr., 24, of McKinney was indicted on Thursday on one count of aggravated sexual assault of a child.

If convicted, Tolliver could face punishment ranging from probation to life in prison. A conviction also would trigger the revocation of his police officer's license.

Tolliver, who is the son of Fairview Police Chief Granver Tolliver Sr., has been free on \$25,000 bail since his February arrest. His attorney did not return calls seeking comment.

The patrol officer remains on paid suspension while an internal investigation continues. Department of Public Safety spokeswoman Tela Mange said in Saturday's edition of The Dallas Morning News.

Tolliver was arrested after the mother of a middle school student who lived next to him called police saying she had found notes her

daughter had written that suggested she had a relationship with him, according to McKinney police records.

The eighth-grader initially denied having sex with Tolliver but eventually said she had fallen in love with him and began having a sexual relationship with him in November, the records show.

Under state law, it is a first-degree felony for an adult to have sex with a child under 14.

Tolliver applied to the DPS in June 2001 after being honorably discharged as a sergeant from the Marine Corps. He joined the department in Sierra Blanca in July 2002.

He was reprimanded in January 2003 for having a party at his Sierra Blanca house in which two minors were allowed to drink alcohol.

He also previously had been counseled for acting in an unprofessional manner.

Tolliver requested and was granted a transfer to McKinney in September.



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Ricksha riders

Shelby Langley, far left, and Seth Langley enjoy a ricksha ride with power provided by Charlan Langley, far right. Whitey White, standing, built the rickshaw. The Langleys represented First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School in Saturday morning's Top O' Texas Rodeo parade.

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He interned in New Orleans and returned to the Texas Panhandle to go into private practice in Pampa in 1950. He retired 45 years later, in 1995.

For years Laycock refused to talk about the war. It wasn't until NBC anchorman Tom Brokaw published his book "The Greatest Generation" about World War II, that the retired doctor began sharing his experiences.

Fresh out of college, Laycock had been assigned to a regular Army outfit, the 23rd Regiment of the Second Infantry. For a career-minded junior officer, it was a prestigious posting.

In the fall of 1942, his outfit was sent from Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, to Camp McCoy, Wis., for winter training. By then he had been promoted to captain and was a company commander.

In 1943, his outfit was shipped to Northern Ireland for hand-to-hand combat training and instruction in amphibious landing procedures.

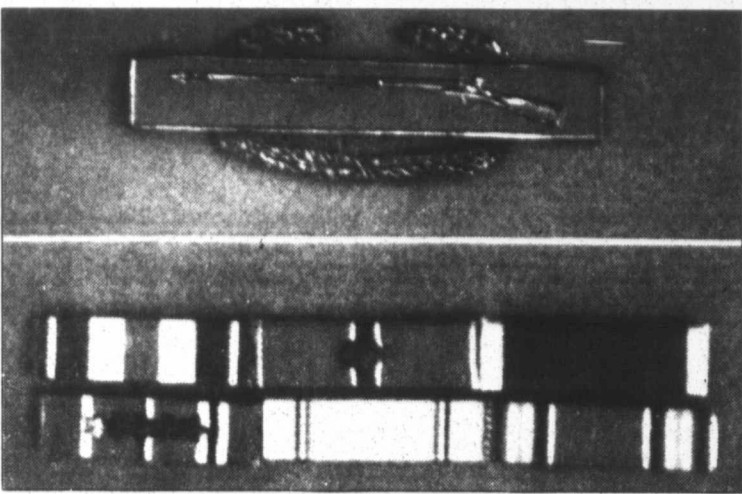
In April 1944, the Second Division joined the First Army in Wales.

"First Army's job was to attack the continent of Europe," Laycock said. "We knew where we were going."

On June 6, Laycock and his men climbed down heavy cargo nets over the sides of the troop transports into the flat-bottomed landing craft pitching a 1,000 yards off the French coast.

"We got off the bigger boat into the LCI, landing craft infantry," Laycock said.

There were five beaches on the Normandy coast



Laycock was awarded (above) a Combat Infantryman's Badge, (below) the Silver Star, Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster, a Purple Heart, Defense Service Medal, Distinguished Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, the French Fourragere, the Belgian Fourragere and European Theater Service Medal with five stars.

being attacked that day. Code-named Juno, Gold, Sword, Utah and Omaha; British and Canadian forces were assigned the first three, U.S. forces were assigned Utah and Omaha. It was on Omaha Beach where the Germans put up the stiffest resistance and the fighting was the bloodiest.

The English Channel was choppy that day as the coxswain turned Laycock's landing craft toward Omaha Beach.

"They were rolling and rocking," Laycock said of the landing craft. "A lot of guys got sick."

The bottom of the boat was filled with vomit from seasick soldiers.

When the small craft neared the beach, the landing ramp at the front of the boat dropped open and the troops jumped in the cold, rough water with their heavy packs. Laycock said he found himself waist deep in water.

Armed with a carbine and pistol, he waded ashore.

"I lost the carbine," Laycock said.

He picked up another off the beach.

Two other Army units were in the initial assault on Omaha Beach the morning of June 6. The Second Division was in reserve and followed the next day, although several Second Division groups went in on June 6 as an advanced guard. Laycock's company was one of the advanced units.

"We landed that afternoon," Laycock said.

He said the water and the beach were littered with bodies.

"There were lots of dead kids," he said quietly.

The beach was in U.S. hands but was still under mortar fire from the Germans, he said.

His company ran across the wet sand and began climbing the bluff beyond. It was there they ran into the deadly fire of German machine gunners.

Laycock and his men had already been up a day and a half by then, and it wasn't going to get much better.

Beyond the beach lay hedgerow country. Each

hedgerow presented cover for German soldiers. Each hedgerow, only feet or yards apart, had to be taken by the infantry soldiers. There wasn't room for the tanks and armored vehicles to maneuver.

The fighting was brutal, often hand-to-hand.

It was late July before the Allied troops were able to break out into the open countryside of France.

Laycock's outfit was assigned to take Brest, a French port to the south of the Normandy beachhead.

After 39 days of vicious fighting, they took it, and found it was almost worthless. Allied bombers had almost destroyed the port.

From there, it was on to the Siegfried Line and the Ardennes in Belgium. They were poised to attack dams on the Ruhr River on Dec. 16, when the Germans launched an attack against them. The two armies met head on.

The Second Infantry held, Laycock said. The unit to the south of them was thrown back, making a bulge in the Allied line. Amid the snow and bitter cold that winter, the Battle of the Bulge was on. Two machine gunners in Laycock's outfit were awarded Medals of Honor posthumously for refusing to withdraw from their emplacements. They continued to lay down covering fire for their comrades as German tanks attacked them.

Laycock was awarded a Silver Star, Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster, a Purple Heart, Defense Service Medal, Distinguished Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, the French Fourragere, the Belgian Fourragere and European

Theater Service Medal with five stars.

By the time Germany surrendered on May 8, 1945, the Second Infantry had spent 217 days in continuous combat. They had taken 30,000 prisoners and covered 1,665 miles. They had fought for much of it an inch at a time.

Perhaps the most vivid evidence of the close combat is the scar that Laycock still carries. The wound for which he was awarded his Purple Heart did not come from a bullet or shrapnel from an artillery shell. It came from a bayonet.

"I was where I shouldn't have been," Laycock grins. "There were Germans there."

After taking care of his attacker, Laycock returned to an aid station where the wound in his right thigh was sewn up, and he returned to his company.

While his medals hang mounted on a wall in his living room, the two items with them are the ones he said he's proudest of, the Second Infantry patch, a Indian head on a white star, and his infantryman's Badge.

"They didn't hand those out with the rations," he said.



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graduate schools of government and public service in the country," he wrote. "The Bush School and its excellence will serve forever as a personal legacy of (former) President George Bush."

"I am excited and proud to be involved with the Bush School," Smith said. "Being asked to assist in the growth and development of an institution which will help mold the future leaders of our communities and nation is an honor."

"It inspires me to see the dedication of the students, staff and the school's name-sake toward the goal of creating a top-tier institution," he said, adding, "Where else can you bump into a former President on your way to class?"

Smith is an entrepreneur and business owner currently involved in the environmental remediation and business consulting industries. He has been

involved in the startup and operation of multiple companies.

He is presently a founding partner of USA Environment, L.P. in the Houston area. Started in December 1999, USA reported 2003 revenues of \$25 million. He also owns and operates AgTech International, Inc., which provides consulting and financing services for start-up and currently operating companies.

His proudest accomplishment, he said, is creating more than 300 jobs for Texas workers.

Smith holds a bachelor of

administration degree from Texas A&M University.

He and Jennie, his wife of 15 years, have three children: Erich, 12; Emily, 10; and Elliott, 8.

His other accomplishments include the Leadership Katy ISD Steering Committee; Campus Action Team at Pattison Elementary School in Katy; member of Second Baptist Church; Texas A&M Association of Former Students, coach for Katy Youth Football and Katy National Little League Baseball and member of United States Adventure Racing Association.

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Viewpoints

Death, taxes, change: It's all in how you look at it

O God of second chances and new beginnings, here I am again.

A plaque bearing these words decorated my desk for several years, both at my previous job and here at the newspaper. Recently, Marilyn Powers asked if she could place it on her desk. I gave it to her with pleasure. Maybe now she'll have the new beginnings and I can rest for awhile.

In the four years since I've returned to The Pampa News we have experienced numer-

ous new beginnings. Today begins another one as we launch a redesign of the paper. We hope the larger type and layout will make the paper more reader-friendly. We also plan to steadily increase the local news throughout and enlist the community to help us make that happen by submitting articles and photographs. We'd also like to see more letters to the editor and persons willing to write a regular column for the Viewpoints page.

With the arrival of new equipment and repairs to the press, we also expect to see the print quality of the paper to continue to improve over the summer months.

Change is difficult. The older I get, the harder it is to change. Young people accept and adapt so easily to change. We older folks tend to dig our heels in to the

Dee Dee Laramore
Editor

ground and grab the door jamba with all our might rather than go through a new door. Most of the time, though, what we find on the other side of the door is quite

exciting. Think of our 2004 graduates. They're facing a new beginning. That wide-open future in front of them may seem daunting right now,

like living inside a house for a lifetime and being allowed outdoors for the first time. The world seems huge, dangerous and compelling, all at the same time.

One thing I know. Change happens. As long as we live in this world, we will experience change. Like death and taxes, change is something from which we can't escape. All we can do is decide how we will react.

A counselor giving a seminar for hospice changed my way of thinking when he

suggested that instead of fighting the change, to modify the way we look at it. Instead of seeing the change as negative, concentrate on the positive aspects.

Sometimes that's hard for me to do. It doesn't come naturally. But when I make a conscious effort to see change in a positive way, the perceived obstacles seem to melt away.

Dee Dee Laramore is the editor of The Pampa News. Reach her at editor@thepampanews.com.

Around Texas ... Admissions rule needs retooling

Gov. Rick Perry is right to recommend that the Legislature revisit the 10 percent rule it passed in 1997 to increase minority admissions at state colleges and universities. Although the rule appears to have achieved its intended goal, it has had unintended and undesirable consequences.

The Legislature meant well. It adopted the rule following a lawsuit and attorney general's ruling that prohibited the University of Texas at Austin and other Texas colleges from using race as a factor in admissions and scholarships. The rule requires state colleges and universities to accept all applicants who graduate in the top 10 percent of their class.

As a consequence, some graduates with lower SATs and weaker academic skills from less rigorous high schools are being admitted at highly selective institutions such as UT, while some graduates with higher SATs and grade point averages from academically demanding schools are being turned away.

To its credit, the 10 percent rule has increased minority admissions at many state schools. Last year UT admitted its most diverse freshman class, with less than 60 percent of the class white for the first time in history.

The downside is that many highly qualified high school graduates must leave the state for their higher education. Many of these top students will not return to bolster the state's ranks of entrepreneurs, professionals, engineers and scientists.

College enrollment in Texas, like so many other measures of civic well-being, lags the national average. No matter what pressures are on the state budget, Texas must find ways to expand and improve its state colleges and universities to meet the educational aspirations of all schoolchildren.

Our state will fail our students and itself if it doesn't.

— From the Houston Chronicle.

Our readers write

Some suggestions for using our taxes

To the editor:

Let me offer the following suggestions for consideration in tax monies for our schools and general fund.

Some 85 percent of gasoline used in the United States passes through Texas, refineries using domestic

and foreign crude and probably some partially refined gasoline, along with refined gasoline, we also supply natural gas and propane. Many states are unwilling to produce fuel for their own consumption. These states are protecting their pristine (?) environments, and has cost them nothing by importing

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IF D-DAY HAD BEEN COVERED BY TODAY'S MEDIA...



More like Homeland 'insecurity'

Homeland security was much in the news recently, with announcements that al-Qaida is planning something big in the United States in the next few months. Such warnings cause us, at the very least, to pause and wonder about the true state of homeland security. The Bush administration says it is good and points to the fact that there have been no attacks on the United States since 9/11.

On the other hand, like much else about this administration, there seems often to be a serious disconnect between rhetoric and performance. While the White House boasts of its anti-terrorist prowess, budget-cut-

ting seems to be the order of the day. To make up for at least some of the enormous tax cuts given to wealthy individuals and corporations, the administration is cutting budgets across the board and that includes homeland security. The euphemism du jour is "efficiency." Increasing efficiency is the reason the number of airport screeners has been cut by 9 percent from the 2003 level, even as air travel rapidly soars toward pre-9/11 levels. The administration likes

to compare current spending with pre-9/11 levels, but that surely is a misleading benchmark. The relevant question today is not how then compares with now, but whether what is spent today is adequate for today's challenges.



Walter Cronkite
Columnist

For instance, the Coast Guard's budget is up 51 percent from its pre-9/11 numbers. But there remain serious questions about the adequacy of that amount now. Asked about it, Coast Guard officials and spokespeople, loyal sailors that they are, insist

that they have enough to execute their mission. But do they really? They are, after all, responsible for the security of 361 ports and 95,000 miles of navigable waterways, and the monitoring of some 20,000 oceangoing vessels and their cargo — a tall order at any time.

To do that job, they want to put in place a new technology that would help keep track of the thousands of ships heading for American ports every day. Transponders on the ships would identify their cargoes en route and automatically advise the Coast Guard. This would give the Coast Guard

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Bush: Battered, but not beaten

THE WHITE HOUSE Battered but not beaten, President Bush met with several journalists here May 26 and said terrorists "want to sow fear so that we'll withdraw. I will not yield to them, to their blackmail, to their murders...."

The "I" was not an anomaly. George W. Bush, taught to identify that one-letter word with ego, infrequently used it in small groups while governor of Texas and during 2001. After 40 months in the Oval Office, though, he is sure about his presidential role and willing to assert it. "The job of the president is to help cultures change," he said. "I can be a voice of cultural change."

He wants to influence domestic culture. He spoke, as he has before, of his opposition to abortion and his desire to "promote a culture of life, (with) every child welcomed to life and pro-

ected by law." He spoke, as he has done recently, about his commitment to a constitutional amendment defining marriage as between a man and a woman, but — as with abortion — cast himself in a supporting role: "People have to speak.... I'll be glad to lend my voice." Asked

Marvin Olasky
Columnist



Asked if something inherently evil in Islam makes the process of peacemaking difficult, the president specified that he was condemning radicals with "a deep desire to spread an ideology that is anti-woman, anti-free thought, anti-art and science."

Is their religion at fault? "They conveniently use religion to kill. The religion I know is not one that encourages killing." Asked again about the nature of Islam, he

smiled and said, "You're trying to lure me down a road... where I'm incapable of winning the debate." Then he stated emphatically that our enemies "have a perverted view of what religions should be.... These are people who will kill at the drop of a hat, and they'll kill anybody. That's not, at least, my view of religion."

He says all this in his intensely personal way. Some politicians orate: The late Barbara Jordan, for example, spoke to one person sitting across a desk from her the way she spoke to an entire Democratic convention, shaping each sentence as if it would soon be etched in marble. But George W. Bush converses: He knows what he wants to say, but he still utters a phrase and stops, looking for a head-nod or a smile of agreement.

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Cruise

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"And we cannot forget Saturday's burn-out contest," Bruner said. "Kingsmill Street will be smokin'! The police will be putting it on and the justices of the peace are the judges."

"There'll be something for everybody. Most importantly, we want the people to know it's free to watch," he said.

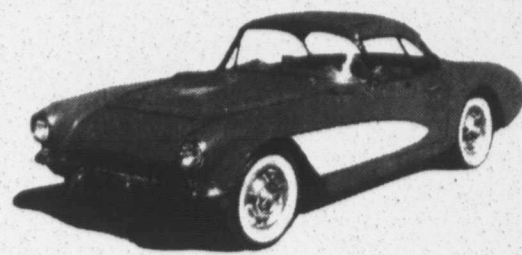
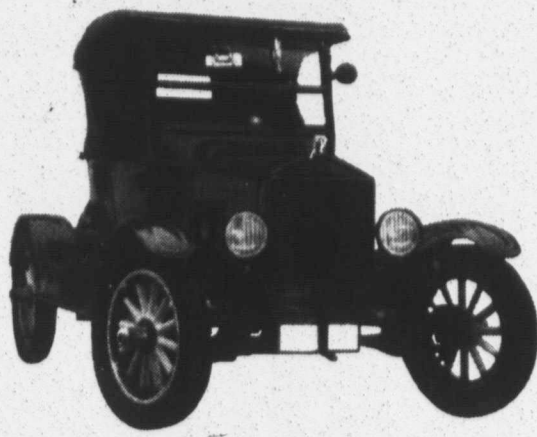
On Saturday evening, vehicles of all kinds - classic, unusual, beautiful, strange - will be lining up for the "Cruisin' the Bricks" along the Cuyler Street Drag from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

"What we are wanting to get out is for the spectators to set up lawn chairs (along the cruise route) and watch the cars go by during the cruise," Bruner said. "Also we want (the public) to come out to Recreation Park and see all that is going on out there."

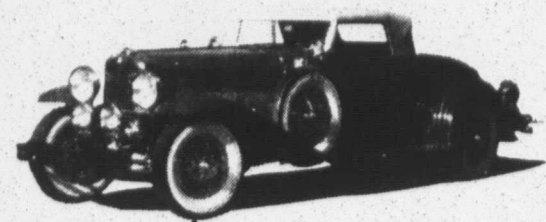
Goodie bags will be given the first 100 entrants in the car show and cruise, and a new 350 long block Chevy engine will be raffled off in the course of the three-day event. Winners must be present to win.

A full schedule of events for "Burning the Bricks in June" is as follows:

Sock Hop. 7-10 p.m., Friday, June 11, downtown at 106 S. Cuyler. Admission will be \$5 per person or \$8 per couple. This event



"Burnin' the Bricks" car show will kick-off with registration from 9-11 a.m., Sunday, June 13, at Recreation Park. Judging for the show, which is being sponsored by High Plains Cruisers, will be from 11-2 p.m.



is being sponsored by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars. Prizes will be awarded for the best costume and dance, and music will be provided by 99.3 KEFH.

Craft Show. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, June 12, and 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, June 13, at Clyde Carruth Pavilion at Recreation Park. For more information about the Craft Show, contact "Sew What" at 665-5993.

Cruisin' the Bricks. 7-10 p.m., Saturday, June 12, Cuyler Street. The High Plains Cruisers will sponsor this controlled cruise event along Cuyler Street drag. Entry fee will be \$10 per vehicle. All entries must be

street legal with closed headers and liability insurance. Registration is set between 1 and 5 p.m. Saturday at the VFW hall at 106 S. Cuyler. Proceeds will help fund a local auto tech scholarship.

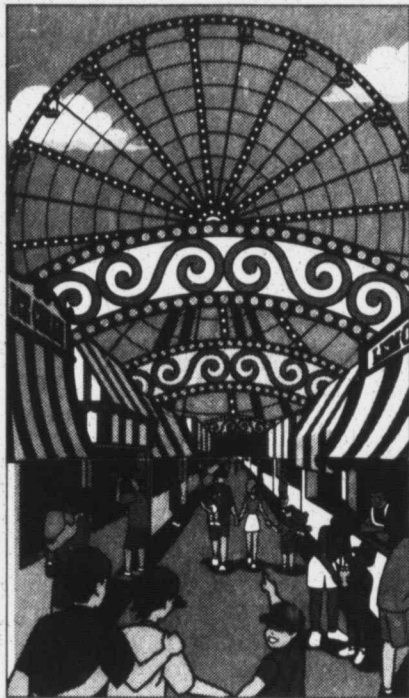
Burn Out Contest. 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, June 12. This contest is being sponsored by Pampa Police Officers Association. Entry fee is \$10. For more information, contact Donny Brown at 669-5700 or 898-5964.

Car Show. The car show will kick-off with registration from 9-11 a.m., Sunday, June 13, at Recreation Park. Judging for the show,

which is being sponsored by High Plains Cruisers, will be from 11-2 p.m. Awards and trophies will be handed-out at 2:30 p.m. First and second place will be recognized in each class. Entry fee is \$10. For more information, call 665-7453.

Mud Bog. 1 p.m., Sunday, June 13, Recreation Park. Registration for the Mud Bog, sponsored by High Plains Off-Road, is set for 9 a.m. Sunday. The mud bog itself will get under way at 1 p.m. at the park. The entry fee is currently \$20. For more information, contact Jeremiah Montgomery at 664-1906 or Shane Kennedy at 595-0715.

PHS Band carnival coming to town



Pampa Harvester Band Booster Club promises thrilling rides, games, delicious good and fun for all ages when their annual carnival rolls into town on Tuesday June 8.

The band's annual carnival fundraiser will be open nightly through Saturday June 12.

Pampa Band Boosters are proud to have The Pride of Texas Shows bringing their wide variety of exciting rides and midway games once again this year.

The Band Carnival is the number one fundraiser for the award winning "Pride" of Pampa Band, booster club members say.

The Booster Club's food trailer will be serving up lots of delicious food. Grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, nachos, frito pies and their famous "Pride" Burgers.

There will also be a wide selection of homemade ice cream each night.

The ever popular "Silent Auction" will have more than 80 items which have been donated by local merchants and restaurants, on sale to the highest bidder.

Pride of Pampa Band has had a steady growth for the past five plus years and money raised at the carnival is used to help buy instruments, uniforms and

help on expenses on their many trips to competitions and sporting events.

Pampa Band Boosters invite everyone to come out and have a great time and support the Band program.

Band Directors are Bruce Collins, Jason Jones, James Carter and Julie Collins.

Band Booster Officers are Greg and Jacque Haddock, Rick and Kathy Bradley, Kim and Suzanne Presson, Dale and Diana Teague, Lane and Janet McNeely, Chuck and Brenda Meyer.

Check the Pampa News City Briefs for daily updates on the carnival.

Bush

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So his "I" sounds not arrogant but self-consciously aware. He said, when asked about how he expresses his Christian faith, "I have a fantastic opportunity to let the light shine," but immediately followed that with a caveat: "I will do so, however, as a secular politician. ... My job is not to promote a religion but to promote the ability of people to worship as they see fit."

In that sense, he is ready to talk about what sustains him as president. His wife: "My marriage is really good." His own prayer: "I pray all the time. You don't need a chapel to pray ... I just do." The prayer of others: When he shakes hands on

the campaign trail, "every other person or every third person says, 'My family prays for you.'" His reading: "I read Oswald Chambers every morning. ... If you can figure out everything he's saying, then you have a depth of understanding of the gospel beyond the emotional."

But President Bush also knows how talking about such matters is suspect, for good reason: "I'm sometimes in a world of fakery, obfuscation (yes, he knows and can use big words), political bank shots, so I'm very mindful of the use of faith in this process." He says he's not concerned about how journalists judge him: "Short-term history will be written by people who didn't particularly want me to be president to begin with." He expresses a deeper concern: You "can't use your

faith as a shallow attempt to garner votes. Otherwise, you'll receive the ultimate condemnation."

One thing that's changed about George W. Bush during his 40 White House months is his short list of presidents he admires. He's still a Reagan and a Lincoln fan, but he now talks more of Lincoln's role as a wartime president. New to his list is Franklin Roosevelt, because of FDR's growing awareness that Hitler had to be stopped: "In the face of another 'ism,' he saw the problems clearly."

No. 43 is also learning more about No. 1, and particularly George Washington's thinking during the troubled Articles of Confederation period of the 1780s. President Bush uses history to make contemporary practical applications: Americans who expect Iraq

to have an elegant constitution in one year's time should look to our own difficult experience.

The president touched on other subjects - his hope for improvements in Sudan and in Cuba, his concern for Israel: "We will stand side by side with Israel if anyone tries to annihilate her" - but came back to what for him is the hardest part of being a war president: "death."

When visiting the grieving, he said, "part of my job is to comfort ... hug them, laugh with them, cry with them, hold them, do whatever I can."

He then said, with his straight-in-the-eyes look: "After most of those encounters, I'm the one who gets inspired. ... You hear amazing statements from the mouths of these grieving souls, inspired by the Almighty."

Insecurity

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time to intercept suspect vessels and prevent nuclear or biological weapons from reaching U.S. shores.

It is a state-of-the-art defensive weapon. But, so far, the Coast Guard can't afford it. Congress has allocated \$40 million for the system, but according to The Associated Press, estimates range from \$62 million to \$120 million to install it in only a dozen of the nation's busiest ports. And there is another problem, described in a report in February by Associated Press reporter

Randall Richard, concerning that system and a dispute between the Coast Guard and a company called MariTEL.

In 1998, despite strenuous Coast Guard protests, the Federal Communications Commission sold a radio frequency at auction to MariTEL. The Guard needs at least a portion of the frequency for the new system. Now you might think such a problem would be settled easily with a little good will and a touch of patriotism. But that's not the way the world works today.

MariTEL paid \$6.8 million for the frequency and told the Coast Guard it might be able to get back that key

slice of the frequency for \$20 million. But the Coast Guard doesn't have the money, and Congress doesn't seem likely to provide it.

Dan Smith, MariTEL's president, was quoted as saying: "It has nothing to do with patriotism. We have over a thousand investors who have put \$85 million in this company." He said he had a responsibility to protect shareholders' interests. MariTEL also offered to let the Coast Guard use the frequency if the company could collect a fee from every ship using it.

But apparently that went nowhere, and the issue now is being reviewed by the FCC, which could conceiv-

ably revoke the sale; and the company is suing the Coast Guard for "telling everyone we're crooks."

In the meantime, knowledgeable people shiver at the thought of a big ship today, packed with modern explosives, detonating in, say, Boston Harbor. The result could be far worse than an airliner flying into a building.

We citizens can only hope that the folks in Washington, without further delay, can provide the money the Coast Guard needs to protect our vulnerable harbors and the major cities astride them - and that there are no other cracks of this dimension in our civil defense.

Our readers write

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fuel from Texas, Europe and Arab nations.

Does Texas have an "export tax" added to all petroleum products we export? We should. Large enough to finance our

schools, pay into an environment fund to protect our possibility of a major catastrophe, and aid the state finances in general. (\$1.00 per barrel gasoline, \$0.02 mcf natural gas and propane. Whatever it takes.) I am not in favor of removing or low-

ing highway tax on gasoline or diesel. I am not in favor of a state income tax, it would become abused like the national income tax.

I am in favor of some Republican, on national TV, asking Senators "Dunkum" Kennedy, "Taxum" Kerry,

and "Noguns" Schumer how much more capacity their states' refineries can handle if Bush releases crude from the national SPR, with increased flow from Arab nations.

James R. Braxton
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Bowers, Biagini wed May 23 at home of bride's parents

Rachel Bowers and Nick Biagini, both of Amarillo, were wed May 23 in the backyard of the home of the bride's parents in Pampa with Pastor Lynn Hancock, of Briarwood Church of Pampa, officiating.

It was a very simple wedding with only the bride's father walking her down the aisle. The couple was married underneath the cottonwood tree. The people who attended were the bride's mother and father; two grandmothers, Pat Kadingo

and Mildred Thrasher; her sister and brother-in-law, Bryan and Joy Hall and their son Ethan; and her brother and sister, Amber and Logan Bowers.

A reception in honor of the couple is planned in July.

The bride is the daughter of Doyle and Kay Bowers of Pampa. She grew up and was born in Pampa.

After graduation, she attended Amarillo College and received an associates degree in nuclear medicine. She has worked at BSA for

the past year-and-a-half and is currently doing traveling nuclear medicine.

Born in the Midwest, the groom is the son of Michael and Naida Biagini of Lansing, Mich. He holds a computer science degree from West Texas A&M University. He currently works as a superintendent at Sinclair Builders in Amarillo.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Cozumel, Mexico, and intend to make their home in Amarillo.



Mr. and Mrs. Nick Biagini

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill

GRAY (WILDCAT & EAST PANHANDLE) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., Ashby, Sec. 3.30.H&GN, PD 3900', for the following wells:

#303, 660' from North & East line of Sec.

#404, 1320' from South & East line of Sec.

GRAY (WILDCAT & EAST PANHANDLE) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., Huggins, Sec. 4.30.H&GN, PD 3900', for the following wells:

#304, 990' from South & 1650' from East line of Sec.

#404, 660' from North & 1320' from West line of Sec.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #8 Fillingim '88', 2173' from South & 1500' from West line, Sec. 88.M-I.H&GN, PD 12175'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-

Con, Inc., #16 J.P. Meek, 2382' from South & 1592' from West line, Sec. 69.M-I.H&GN, PD 11900'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4004P Fillingim, 468' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 40.M-I.H&GN, PD 13500'.

HEMPHILL (FELDMAN Basal Tonkawa) EOG Resources, Inc., #1 Lockhart '58', 990' from South & West line, Sec. 58.42.H&TC, PD 7800'.

Recompletion

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPILL Douglas)

Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #11 Mary Jones, 1667' from North & 2305' from West line, Sec. 21.1.I&GN, PD 13000'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star

Ltd. Partnership, #13 Hobart Ranch '20', 467' from South & East line, Sec. 20.A-

I.H&GN, PD 13500'.

ROBERTS (RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) BlueGrass Energy, Inc., #205 Byrum, 600' from North & 1937' from West line, Sec. 5.B-I.H&GN, PD 10500'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #2050 Sophia, 2600' from North & 487' from East line, Sec. 50.M-I.H&GN, PD 14500'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #1026 Davis, 1950' from South & 500' from West line, Sec. 26.OS-2, L. Landauer, PD 14000'.

WHEELER (P.C.X. Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #1026 Miller, 933' from North & 467' from East line, Sec. 26.—CCSL, PD 13000'.

Applications to Plug-Back HEMPILL (S.E. CANADIAN Lower Morrow) Devon Louisiana Corp., #7 Mathers Ranch, 1320' from North & East line, Sec. 157.41.H&TC, PD 13900'.

Applications to Deepen (within casing)

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT) Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #2 Bowers/D, 900' from South & 1980' from West line, Sec. 255.C.G&MMB&A, PD 15000'.

Amended Intention to Drill HEMPILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW

Granite Wash) B&W Operating, L.L.C., #2 B&W Hefley '4', 1760' from South & 1689' from West line, Sec. 4.4.AB&M, PD 11850'. Amended to change well location

Corrected Intention to Drill

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE Carson Co.) Granitebay Operating, Inc., #25 S.B. Burnett 'G', 2310' from South & 1650' from West line, Sec. 126.5.I&GN, PD 2300'.

Gas Well Completions

GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Taylor-Clayton-Hawley, #4R Taylor Ranch/WHT, Sec. 69.B-2.H&GN, spud 1-20-04, drlg. compl 1-13-04, tested 4-2-04, TD 2650'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con, Inc., #1068 Tepe-Slavin, Sec. 68.41.H&TC, spud 1-18-04, drlg. compl 2-6-04, tested 4-19-04, potential 665 MCF, TD 9100', PBTB 8983' — (New Field applied for)

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #1 Fillingim '88', Sec. 88.M-I.H&GN, spud 1-21-03, drlg. compl 1-13-04, tested 4-29-04, potential 1279 MCF, TD 11630', PBTB 11524'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Peak Operating of Texas L.L.C., #3052 John Vise, Sec. 52.M-I.H&GN, spud 1-25-04, drlg. compl 2-20-04, tested 4-28-04, potential 14800 MCF, TD 12490', PBTB 12409'.

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #11 Norris, Sec. 4-

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MENUS

Week of June 7-11

PISD Summer Program MONDAY

Breakfast: French toast sticks.

Lunch: Steak fingers or pizza, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches, rolls.

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast.

Lunch: Chicken nuggets or pizza, mashed potatoes, English peas, pineapple, rolls.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Pancakes.

Lunch: Cheese nachos or pizza, pinto beans, Spanish rice, sliced apples.

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Apricot Fruit-A-Roo.

Lunch: Chicken salad sandwiches or pizza, vegetarian beans, carrot sticks dip, peaches.

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

Lunch: Hamburgers or pizza, French fries, lettuce/tomato, pickles, pears, pudding.

Kid's Cafe JUNE 8

Hot dogs/chili, tater tots, muffins, fruit.

JUNE 10

Goulash, corn, cornbread, jello cups.

Lunch in the Park MONDAY

Lunch: Pizza, trail mix, fruit cup, milk.

TUESDAY

Lunch: Ham sandwiches, cheese portion, juice, fruit cup, milk.

WEDNESDAY

Lunch: Hamburgers, cheese portion, pickles, fruit cup, milk.

THURSDAY

Lunch: Chicken salad sandwiches, carrot sticks, fruit cup, milk.

FRIDAY

Lunch: Bean burrito, pudding, trail mix, fruit cup, milk.

Senior Citizens MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or

mushroom chicken pasta, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, beans, German chocolate cake or banana pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY

Turkey/dressing or Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, beans, lemon streusel cake or cherry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, cream corn, fried okra, beans, black forest cake or lemon pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or taco salad, tater tots, turnip greens, cheesy hominy, pinto beans, cinnamon swirl cake or chocolate sundae cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or hamburger steak/onion gravy, potato wedges, broccoli casserole, beans, carrot cake or tapioca pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Chicken, tomatoes, mixed vegetables, pears.

TUESDAY

Hamburger, tater tots, apricots.

WEDNESDAY

Tuna salad, macaroni salad, pickled beets, peaches.

THURSDAY

Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, pudding.

FRIDAY

Ravioli, chuckwagon corn, salad, green beans, jello.

Mardi Gras Party
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Band students earn honors

Pampa High School Band students Scott Guthrie, Adam Hagerman, Aly Mackie, Rebecca Middlebrook and Shelley Smith were all honored by Texas Music Educators Association as Texas Music Merit Scholars recently at a special ceremony.

Guthrie is an 11th grade baritone player; Hagerman is a ninth grade bassoonist; Mackie, a 10th grade alto saxophone player; Middlebrook, an 11th grade flutist; and Smith, a 12th grade clarinetist.

The students were nominated for this honor by their director. Last year, fewer than 600 students in Texas were named as Music Merit Scholars.

The award is given to students exhibiting outstanding qualities in scholastic merit, musicianship and citizenship at their school or in their communities during the 2003-2004 school year.

More than 100 citizens turned out for the first series of Pampa's Memorial Day observances.

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More than a dozen show up for lighting workshop

More than a dozen curious citizens turned out recently for the first of what will be a series of workshops on the stage lighting system at Pampa's M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

The workshop was conducted by Lynn Hart, who has worked as lighting designer, director and playwright for the past two seasons with the outdoor drama, "Texas Legacies," in Palo Duro Canyon.

Hart is a graduate of Pampa High School.

The workshop began with the basics of stagecraft and explored some common stage terms.

Many present were likely familiar with most of those terms, but Hart's reminders stressed how important it is to be consistent when someone is announcing or following directions.

His explanation of the "up" and "down" of the stage told something of the history of stagecraft.

During the early times of theater, the audience sat on the ground, so they needed help in viewing the on-stage action.

Therefore, the stage was literally up in the back, and down in the front, so the players at the back of the stage were really higher than the ones in front.

During the course of the workshop, Hart asked the



Lynn Hart, far left, recently conducted a lighting workshop. Among those present were, from left, Fred Mays, Glennette Goode, Jimmy Goode and Lindsey Ammons.

group to follow directions as he called out such movements as "Down Stage Right three steps... Move on stage...towards center." It was something like a child's game of Mother, May I.

Descriptions of the kinds of lights followed, with an explanation for how each can be used.

Using the acronym CHAIM, Hart defined five different characteristics of stage lights: C - Character of

the light - is it a hard or soft light, referring to the edge of the lighting area being either clear or fuzzy.

H=Hue or color, this is determined by the "gel" added in front of the lens of the light.

Three colors of gels are basic to doing stage lighting - red, blue, and green.

A=Angle - what direction is the light coming from. I=Intensity - how bright the light is on the actor or object,

determined by a dimmer switch. M=Movement - how light comes on or off an actor or area of the stage.

Thirteen participants were involved in the first workshop including Janet Whitsell and Diana Bruner with ACT 1, Deanna McGill of Beaux Arts Dance Studio, Fred Mays and Lindsey Ammons from Pampa High School Chorus, Paul Carruth of First Christian Church, Betty Wagner, Rick Nelson,

Randy Hendrick and Jackie Harper with the City of Pampa, Jimmy Goode who works with lighting for Beaux Arts Dance Studio and Glennette Goode with Community Concert Association as well as Loralee Cooley, representing Pampa's tribute to Woody Guthrie and the Parks and Recreation M.K. Brown Auditorium Advisory Board for the City of Pampa.

The next workshop will

include real hands-on work with the lighting instruments to learn how to clean them and re-mount them.

Date of this next session has not been set yet, but it will be in the evening and will run about four hours.

Anyone interested in doing some serious work with the current lighting system at the M.K. Brown Auditorium is urged to contact Glennette Goode (665-1464 office, or 665-8015 home) or Cooley (665-7321 home/studio or e-mail woodyguthrie_pampatx@fa.stmail.fm)

With the interest and commitment by the City Commission to renovate and improve this auditorium, a workshop such as this will also encourage a professional attitude in handling the technical equipment.

According to Cooley, the staff of the Amarillo Globe-News Arts Center, currently being constructed in Amarillo, is interested in working with M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Improvements should include not only structural repairs and equipment updating, but also personnel who are trained to handle state-of-the-art sound and lighting system, and additional personnel to publicize the entire facility for regional use.

No. 3 ice cream brand aims to maintain measured growth

BRENNHAM, Texas (AP) — Most Americans haven't heard of the Texas ice cream that often satisfies President Bush's sweet tooth, but the family that runs the "little creamery in Brenham" doesn't consider it a bad thing.

"That allows us to focus on making and selling ice cream," CEO Paul Kruse

said. "I think everybody here would like to see it grow as we have grown - in a measured way."

The Blue Bell Creameries' fans in the 14 states where its flagship homemade vanilla and other flavors are on supermarket shelves make it the nation's No. 3 selling brand of pack-

aged ice cream, behind No. 1 Dreyer's and Edy's, and No. 2 Breyer's.

Kruse, a former lawyer, is the third generation of Kruses to lead Blue Bell, based 60 miles west of Houston. He intends to stay the course set by his dad, uncle and grandfather - grow methodically and give

customers what they want.

The company, named after a purple flower with bell-shaped blooms, also aims to remain private and to amiably fend off repeated buy-out offers, said Howard Kruse. Paul Kruse's colorful 73-year-old uncle who handed the CEO reins to his nephew in May.

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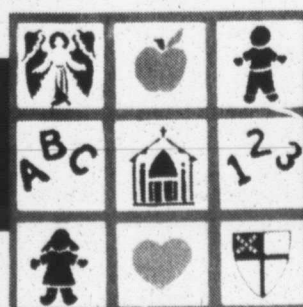


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Success rates same in two types surgery

By LINDA A. JOHNSON
Associated Press Writer

A decade-long study comparing conventional colon cancer surgery with "key-hole" surgery found identical success rates, disproving fears that tumors would be more likely to return if surgeons did not open up the patient's belly for a full view.

In conventional surgery, doctors remove a cancerous colon segment through an eight-inch cut down the abdomen. In keyhole, or laparoscopic, surgery, they operate with a laparoscope, or tiny video camera, and miniaturized surgical instruments that are inserted through half-inch incisions. The diseased section of colon is removed through a two-inch cut.

The biggest comparison of the two procedures to date, involving 48 U.S. and Canadian hospitals, found the same rates of survival,

tumor recurrence and surgical complications. In addition, patients who had laparoscopic surgery had less pain and less time in the hospital.

Experts predicted the results will end the virtual moratorium on such surgery that began in 1994 because of spotty evidence that tumors returned in up to 21 percent of patients getting laparoscopic procedures — much more frequently than with open surgery.

The study was funded by the National Cancer Institute and published in a recent New England Journal of Medicine.

"Now we can say it's safe, it's effective and it's beneficial for patients with colon cancer," said lead researcher Dr. Heidi Nelson, chairwoman of colon and rectal surgery at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. "Patients recovered faster with fewer days in the hospital and fewer days on painkillers."

She said the laparoscopic procedure and the much smaller scars it leaves are less intimidating to many patients.

About 100,000 colon cancer operations are performed in this country each year.

Nelson and other experts predict the laparoscopic surgery now will be performed more frequently.

However, surgeons trained more than a decade ago first must learn the more-difficult laparoscopic technique, which requires lots of practice.

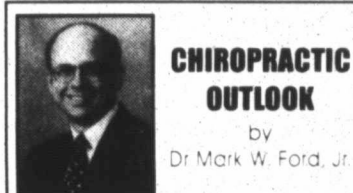
"I don't see an immediate boom," said Dr. Philip B. Paty, a colorectal surgeon at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

In addition, the technique is appropriate only when the tumor is easily reached with laparoscopic instruments and has not spread widely to nearby organs and lymph nodes.

Still, Paty hailed the study, because it included 66 surgeons across North America, showing good results can be achieved in many hospitals.

In an accompanying editorial, Drs. Theodore Pappas and Danny Jacobs of Duke University said cancer surgeons now are deciding whether to endorse laparoscopic procedures for cancer of the liver, pancreas, stomach and esophagus.

The study involved 872 patients. Half were random-



CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.

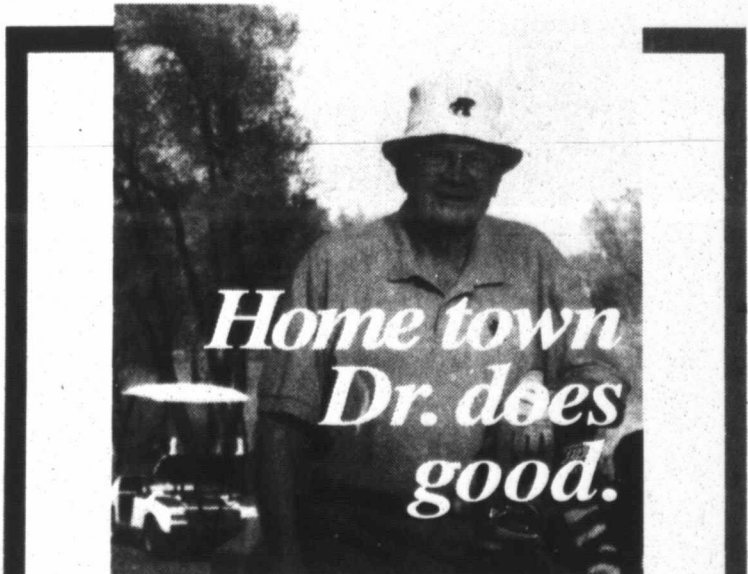
POSTURE OFFERS MAJOR HEALTH CLUES TO CHIROPRACTORS

To Doctors of Chiropractic, posture is much more than the distance from the bottom of your feet to the top of your head. Posture says a lot about the health of your spine and overall well-being. If your spine is centered and balanced, you are in a healthy relationship with the earth's gravity. The gentle pull of gravity is spread out evenly over your body, especially the spine with its many joints, discs, nerves and related tissues.

But if your spine is not balanced, considerable damage can be done to the body. Discs may become inflamed, joints may become distorted, posture will worsen, internal organs will be stressed and the whole spine may shrink and degenerate. Over time, you will lose height as gravity pulls on the subluxated or misaligned spine. Excessive curvature of the upper spine in the elderly can sometimes result in a deformity known as a "dowager's hump," which causes severe pain and loss of movement. As many as 10 million Americans have osteoporosis, and a significant number of these individuals have less-than-perfect posture. Now is the time to get in shape so you do not have this problem when becoming older. Exercise your back and torso, consume adequate calcium, and maintain proper upright posture to help defend against unhealthy spinal curvature. Your chiropractor can provide you with plenty of information on maintaining a healthy back.

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Linda Lance, director of Extended Care Unit at Pampa Regional Medical Center, will present a program for a local multiple sclerosis self-care group at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 10, at FirstBank Southwest, 300 W. Kingsmill. The program is open to the public.

Special program slated for MS meeting

Panhandle Division of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is sponsoring a self-care program in Pampa, Thursday, June 10 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at FirstBank Southwest, 300 W. Kingsmill.

Linda Lance, RN, will be discussing

good bladder health, urinary incontinence and infection control.

Lance is director of the extended care unit at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

She has worked at PRMC for seven years and also has experience in home

health care and ICU.

Anyone interested in these issues or wanting more information about MS is invited to attend.

For more information, contact Gail Lindsey, program director, at (806) 468-7500, option 2.

B vitamins may reduce osteoporosis fracture risk

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Folate and other B vitamins seem even more of a wonder drug than anyone suspected: Already known to prevent severe birth defects and heart attacks, they may also ward off broken bones from osteoporosis, two major studies suggest.

The findings underscore doctors' longstanding recommendation that people take multivitamins. They could also further support the government's decision to require bread and cereal makers to fortify their products with folate, also known as folic acid.

B vitamins are known to reduce levels of homocysteine, an amino acid already linked, at high levels, to an increased risk of heart attacks, strokes and Alzheimer's disease. Now research shows high levels of homocysteine at least double the risk of osteoporosis-related fractures.

A report from Holland found that the risk of such fractures was twice as high in men and women with homocysteine levels in the top 25 percent, compared with those with lower levels. Similarly, a U.S. study found the risk nearly quadrupled in the top 25 percent of men and nearly doubled in the top 25 percent of women, compared with the 25 percent with the

lowest levels.

"The basic way to keep your homocysteine down in a healthy range is to have plenty of B vitamins," said Dr. Douglas P. Kiel, senior author of the U.S. study and director of medical research at Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for Aged Research and Training Institute in Boston.

The studies were reported in a recent New England Journal of Medicine.

Kiel said a standard multivitamin, taken once a day, would bring a person's homocysteine levels below the danger point. Foods naturally rich in B vitamins and calcium can also reduce the risk of broken bones.

Since 1998, when the U.S. government began requiring that folate be added to bread, cereal and other flour products, the resulting drop in Americans' homocysteine levels has been credited with preventing about 48,000 deaths from heart attacks and strokes each year. Also, severe brain and spinal birth defects have dropped 27 percent.

Researchers say it is unclear why the same benefit with fractures has not yet been documented. There is also uncertainty as to how homocysteine levels affect bone strength.

The prevailing theory is that it interferes with crucial chemical bonds

within the bones.

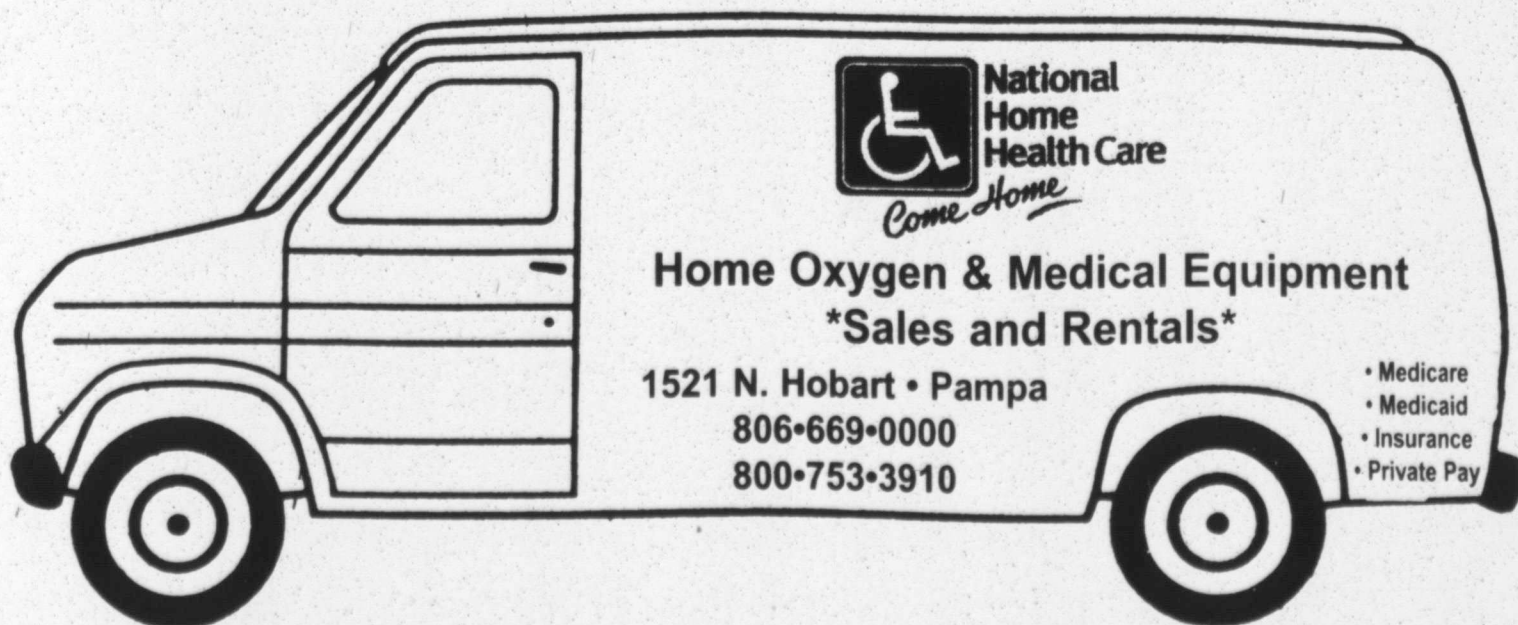
Experts say it is too soon to recommend routine testing of homocysteine levels, which can cost from \$100 to \$200. That is partly because the new studies do not actually prove that high homocysteine levels cause weaker bones.

Kiel's research examined 825 men and 1,174 women, aged 59 to 91, who were part of the Framingham Heart Study, which since 1948 has been studying heart disease risk factors in residents of the Boston suburb. Homocysteine levels in blood samples taken from the patients between 1979 and 1982 were later measured, and the patients were followed for 12 to 15 years to see how many had hip fractures.

Hip fractures are the leading cause of elderly people being forced into nursing homes; they lead to death within a year for about 20 percent of patients, because of infections and other complications, said Dr. Felicia Cosman, clinical director of the National Osteoporosis Foundation.

Among the study participants with the highest homocysteine levels, men were about four times more likely to fracture a hip and women about twice as likely, compared with the 25 per-

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Male eating disorders on the rise, experts say

By MICHAEL HILL
Associated Press Writer

Intentional starvation, cookie binges, vomiting, hospitalization. The details were typical for an eating disorder.

But Jeff Everts might not seem like a typical sufferer. In an era of diet fixation, chiseled underwear models and "a culture of muscularity," some researchers say eating problems among men are getting worse — even as sufferers face a lingering stigma about having a "women's disorder." "We're able to hide it much better," said Everts, a 43-year-old Albuquerque, N.M., resident recovering from anorexia and bulimia. "We don't talk about it, where women would."

Women are more likely to have eating disorders than men. But men can also suffer from bulimia, binge eating and, to a lesser extent, anorexia, according to researchers.

Leigh Cohn, co-author of "Making Weight," believes such disorders afflict about 2 percent of men versus 4 percent to 5 percent of women, and he is convinced the rate for men is on the rise. Other researchers have differing estimates, but there are no definitive studies.

"It's hard to know because men have been so reluctant to seek treatment," Cohn said. "And men, in many cases, are unaware that they have an eating disorder. For example, they may exercise obsessively and just think that's regular guy exercise behavior."

Athletes whose weight is crucial to their performance — jockeys, wrestlers, distance runners and gymnasts — have a higher incidence of eating disorders. Cohn said they can develop bad habits when weight loss is seen as a requirement of the sport.

The root causes can be similar for men and women: genetics, low self-esteem, trauma and cultural influences.

Just as women feel pressured to look like stick-thin magazine models, men can be swayed by images of pumped-up hunks with broad shoulders, six-pack abs and narrow waists. Pictures of perfect bodies can reinforce the belief that "normal" bodies are not OK, researchers say.

And those perfect male images — think muscle-bound movie heroes, magazine cover boys and shirtless rappers — can be hard to ignore.

"I don't know what's on 'NYPD Blue' tonight," Cohn said, "but I'm assuming that we'll see some male skin, because we almost always do."

Researchers at the University of Central Florida released a study this month saying men who watched TV commercials of muscular actors felt unhappy about their own physiques. This "culture of muscularity" can be linked to eating disorders or steroid abuse, the researchers said.

The book "The Adonis Complex" tracks the evolution of boys' action figures from the average GI Joe in the '60s to the absurdly pumped-up toys of today. Scaled to human size, the authors say one Wolverine action figure would have 32-inch biceps.

"Basically they're marketing to men in the same way they marketed to women," said Roberto Olivardia, co-author of the book. "And I think men and young boys have responded to that."

Dr. Theodore Weltzin of Rogers Memorial Hospital in Oconomowoc, Wis., said one study showed 70 percent of high school males dieting. The hospital offers residential treatment for males, and Weltzin says he sees a fair number of dieting men who are "carbohydrate-phobic," as opposed to women sufferers who tend to be fat-phobic.

"More males are engaged in really abnormal eating behavior in terms of skipping meals, in terms of engaging in purging after eating, and laxative use," Weltzin said.

Everts said his disorder became evident in high school in the late '70s when he began eating less and exercising more to become a better athlete. The 5-foot-10 football player got all the way down to 96 pounds, a hospital room and eventually, a psychiatric ward.

"They just basically said, 'If you eat, you'll get out,'" he said. That triggered a new problem: binge eating. Everts eventually found help, though he still considers himself recovering. He now weighs around 134 pounds — within the normal weight range for a man his height.

Researchers say people are becoming more aware of male eating disorders and more men are starting to come forward. But not all.

"My male patients also have to struggle with this layer of, 'Well, does this make me less of a man? Am I gay? What is all of this about?'" Olivardia said.

While there is a stereotype that eating disorders are more prevalent among gay men, Olivardia believes that perception is because gay men are more likely to seek treatment.

He said he has patients in their 40s, meaning they have struggled with eating disorders for up to three decades before getting help.

Weltzin expects to see more male eating disorder cases in the future: "I don't see where percentages are going to go anywhere but up."

On the Net:

National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders:

www.anad.org/site/anadweb/

National Eating Disorders Association:

www.nationaleatingdisorders.org

Rogers Memorial Hospital:

www.rogershospital.org/hospital/Eating/eating.htm

Study: Aspirin might actually cut risk of breast cancer

CHICAGO (AP) — An effective weapon against many women's most feared disease might be as close as their medicine cabinets, according to new research linking aspirin with a reduced risk of breast cancer.

Women who frequently used aspirin were less likely than nonusers to get the most common type of breast cancer, but faced no reduced risk for developing another form of the disease — a distinction the researchers said

may explain why previous studies had conflicting results.

While it's too soon to recommend that women take aspirin to avoid breast cancer, the results are tantalizing and make biological sense, the researchers and other doctors said.

"It's a landmark study," said Dr. Sheryl Gabram, a breast specialist at Loyola University Medical Center in suburban Chicago who was not involved in the

study.

The study is the first to examine whether aspirin might influence the growth of specific types of tumors, said Dr. Raymond DuBois, director of cancer prevention at Vanderbilt University's Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center.

The reduced risk was found for tumors whose growth is fueled by the sex hormones estrogen or progesterone. About 70 percent of women who develop

breast cancer have this type of cancer, called hormone receptor-positive.

Women in the study who used aspirin at least four times a week for at least three months were almost 30 percent less likely to develop hormone-fueled breast cancer than women who used no aspirin.

Aspirin had no effect on the risk of developing the other type of tumor, hormone receptor-negative.

Researchers suspect

aspirin works by interfering with the body's production of estrogen.

But it also can cause side effects such as stomach bleeding and they said more studies are needed to confirm their results.

The study appears in a recent Journal of the American Medical Association and was led by researcher Mary Beth Terry and Dr. Alfred Neugut of Columbia University.

Similar studies have sug-

gested that aspirin might reduce the risks of developing other kinds of cancer, including cancer of the pancreas, cancer of the ovaries, and Hodgkin's disease.

But these studies could not say definitively whether other factors might explain the results.

And like the new breast cancer research, many of these studies relied on people's recollections of how often they took aspirin.

Colon

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ly chosen for the laparoscopic procedure, while the rest got open surgery, with strikingly similar results.

Complications, such as wound infections and bleeding, occurred in 21 percent getting laparoscopy and 20 percent getting open surgery, while 86 percent of patients getting the laparoscopic procedure and 85 percent getting open surgery were alive three years later.

Cancer returned in 16 percent of patients getting laparoscopy, versus 18 percent getting open surgery.

Also, patients getting

laparoscopic surgery needed intravenous narcotics and pain pills about two days less and went home a day earlier.

The patients all had potentially curable cancer. Forty-eight of the laparoscopic patients and 61 of the open surgery patients died of cancer within 4 1/2 years.

Paty said the study's only weakness was that 21 percent of patients slated for the laparoscopic surgery had to be switched to open surgery during the procedure because of problems such as the cancer having spread more than doctors thought.

Surgeons first tried laparoscopic surgery on colon cancer in 1990, after it became popular for remov-

ing the appendix and gallbladder.

Most stopped voluntarily a few years later, at the urging of major medical organizations, because of some poor results.

In both types of colon cancer surgery, the diseased section and some adjacent lymph nodes are cut out, and the two ends are sewn together.

If a laboratory examination of the lymph nodes finds cancer, the patient is usually given chemotherapy.

On the Net: <http://www.nejm.org>
American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons: <http://www.fascrs.org>

Frizzled gene may be culprit of frizzy hair

WASHINGTON (AP) — Having a strange hair life? Blame your parents.

That's right, misbehaving hair may be inherited, according to a study released Monday.

Researchers studying mice determined that the aptly named gene Frizzled 6 controls hair patterns.

Subjects without the gene had strange patterns, including whorls of hair on their hind feet, back of the head and chest.

Some also had tufts and ridges in the hair on their head.

Humans "have a gene that's virtually identical, so there's every reason to think

it would be similar in effect, though that is, at this point, unknown," said researcher Jeremy Nathans of Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

Not having the gene can't be blamed for a simple bad hair day, however.

Rather, it would result in a permanent differences in the hair, such as a cowlick or an unusual whorl.

Nathans "doesn't like the phrase 'bad hair.'"

"These are the things that make life interesting," he said. "We're all different."

The report, published in a recent issue of Proceedings of the National Academy of

Sciences, noted that Frizzled genes were first discovered in fruit flies, where they control wing hair and bristle patterns.

On most flies bristles are all pointing in an orderly way, but without the gene they don't know which way to point, Nathans explained.

The gene was named because flies without it look like they're having a bad bristle day, he said.

Complex hair patterns occur in many mammals, including guinea pigs, prairie dogs, horses, pigs, cattle, dogs and humans, so the researchers wondered if the same genes were at work.

Vitamins

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cent with the lowest levels.

"This should be another wake-up call to eat better, when you're older, especially," Kiel said.

Kiel said the highest homocysteine levels would result in about 9 extra hip fractures per 100 men and 9.5 extra fractures per 100 women over 14 years, the average time the patients were studied.

The report from Erasmus Medical Center in Holland analyzed data from two studies, one in Rotterdam and one in Amsterdam, involving a total of 2,406 people age 55 or older.

Those with the highest levels were 1.9 times more likely than the others to suffer

osteoporosis-related fractures.

Research reports since at least 1985 have hinted at a relationship between homocysteine and osteoporosis, said Dr. Todd Stitlik, associate professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-Newark.

"This is providing more pieces to that puzzle," he said.

Stitlik said that starting a healthier lifestyle even before middle age can head off problems.

Besides taking a multivitamin with folate, vitamin B12 and vitamin B6, he recommends plenty of walking or other weight-bearing exercise and eating foods rich in B vitamins.

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Sports Day

Friday night rodeo gets a little stormy

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Editor

A violent thunderstorm rumbling through the area did not deter the dedicated rodeo athletes and fans during the second performance of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Friday evening.

As the pageantry of the Grand Entry began, clouds gathered in the west, blocking the setting sun that usually burn the necks of the rodeo-goers in the west side stands and blinds those watching the events in the east stands.

But as the bull riding and steer wrestling got under way, the clouds darkened, thunder rumbled and lightning bolts slashed across the horizon. Shortly after 8 p.m., straightline winds in front of the storm kicked up more dust than a herd of Brahmas. Next, rain and small hail swept over the arena stopping the rodeo action for a time as everyone took cover under the stands.

After it was all said and done, Pampa received almost a third of an inch of much-needed moisture, and the rodeo continued with only the mutton busting event canceled and rescheduled for Saturday night.

On Saturday, the last day of the rodeo was to begin with the annual parade at 10 a.m. in M.K. Brown Auditorium. Saturday night, the new Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Queen and Teen Queen were to be announced during the rodeo performance which began at 7:30 p.m.

Here are the results from the Friday night competition:

Bareback Riding: Ardie Maier, Goodwell, Okla., and Dustin Murray, Midwest City, Okla., tied for first place with 78 points each;

Eric Swenson, Bonham, and Eric Strick, Hydro, Okla., tied for second with 76 pts. each; Wes Tow, Amarillo, third place, 75 pts.; and Tim Shirley, Conifer, Colo., fourth place, 74 pts.

Saddle Bronc Riding: Wes Burns, Sedan, N.M., first place, 79 pts.; Marty Eakin, Amarillo, second place, 69 pts.; Mike Outhier, Utopia, third place, 68 pts.; Brandon Biehelle, San Lorenzo, N.M., fourth place, 67 pts.; and Loren Barber, Slate Shoals, fifth place, 65 pts.

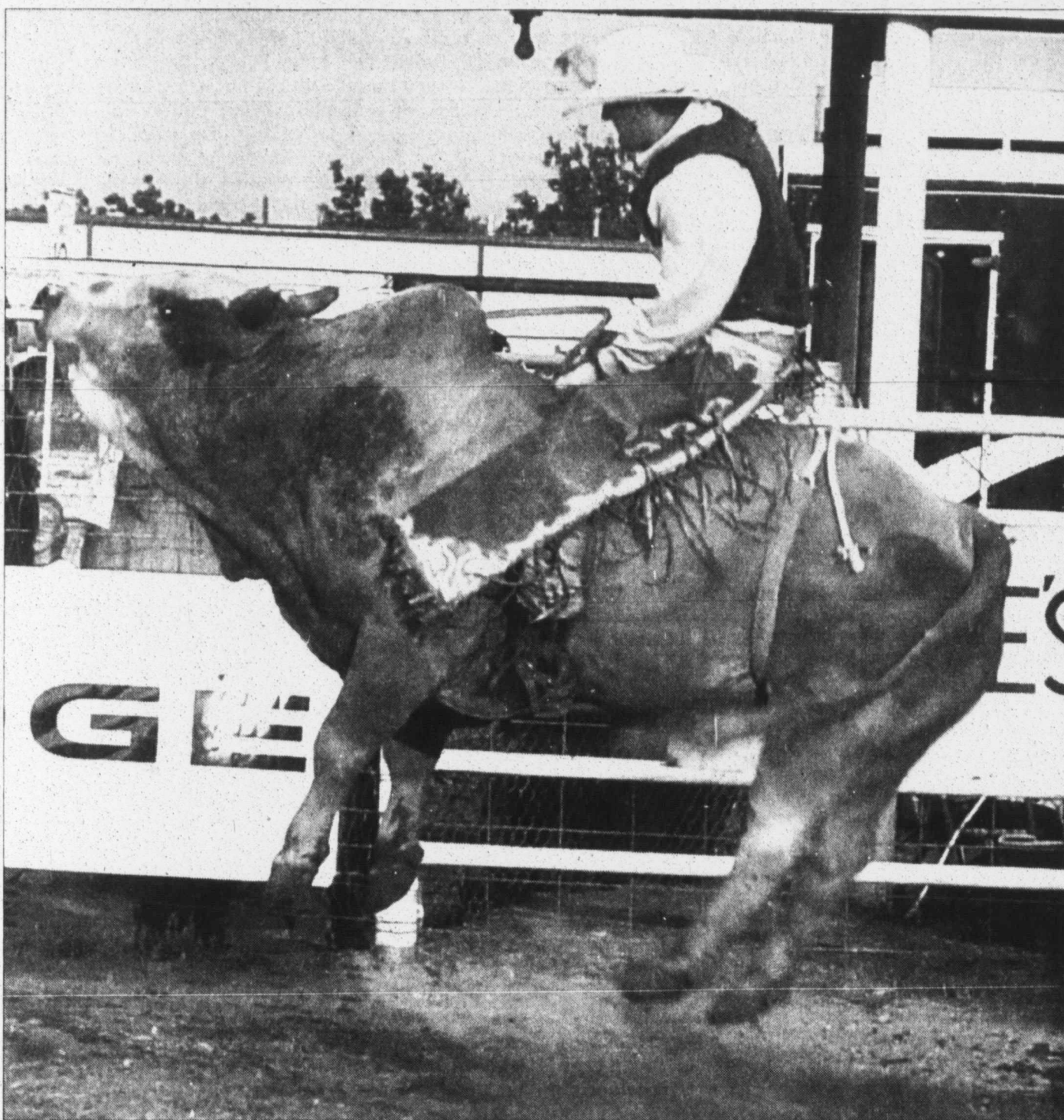
Steer Wrestling: Kurt Goulding, Duncan, Okla., first place, 5.0 seconds; Reece Taylor, Perryton, second place, 6.2 seconds; Chad Van Campen, Granada, Colo., third place, 8.3 seconds; and E.P. Luchinger, Atoka, Okla., fourth place, 12.1 seconds.

Calf Roping: Monty Lewis, Hereford, first place, 12.3 seconds; Wesley McConnel, Portales, N.M., second place, 17.9 seconds; Mike Outhier Utopia, third place, 20.3 seconds; and Joe Moody, Casa Grande, Ariz., fourth place, 26.3 seconds.

Double Mugging: Hank Douglas, Toad Garth, Miles, first place, 32.3 seconds; Tim Mansfield, Dusty Mansfield, Tanner Winkler, second place, 40.4 seconds; Bill Horn, Robbie Cochran, Justin Taylor, third place, 48.7 seconds; and Kelly Culver, Justin Taylor, J.R. Baggett, fourth place, 60 seconds.

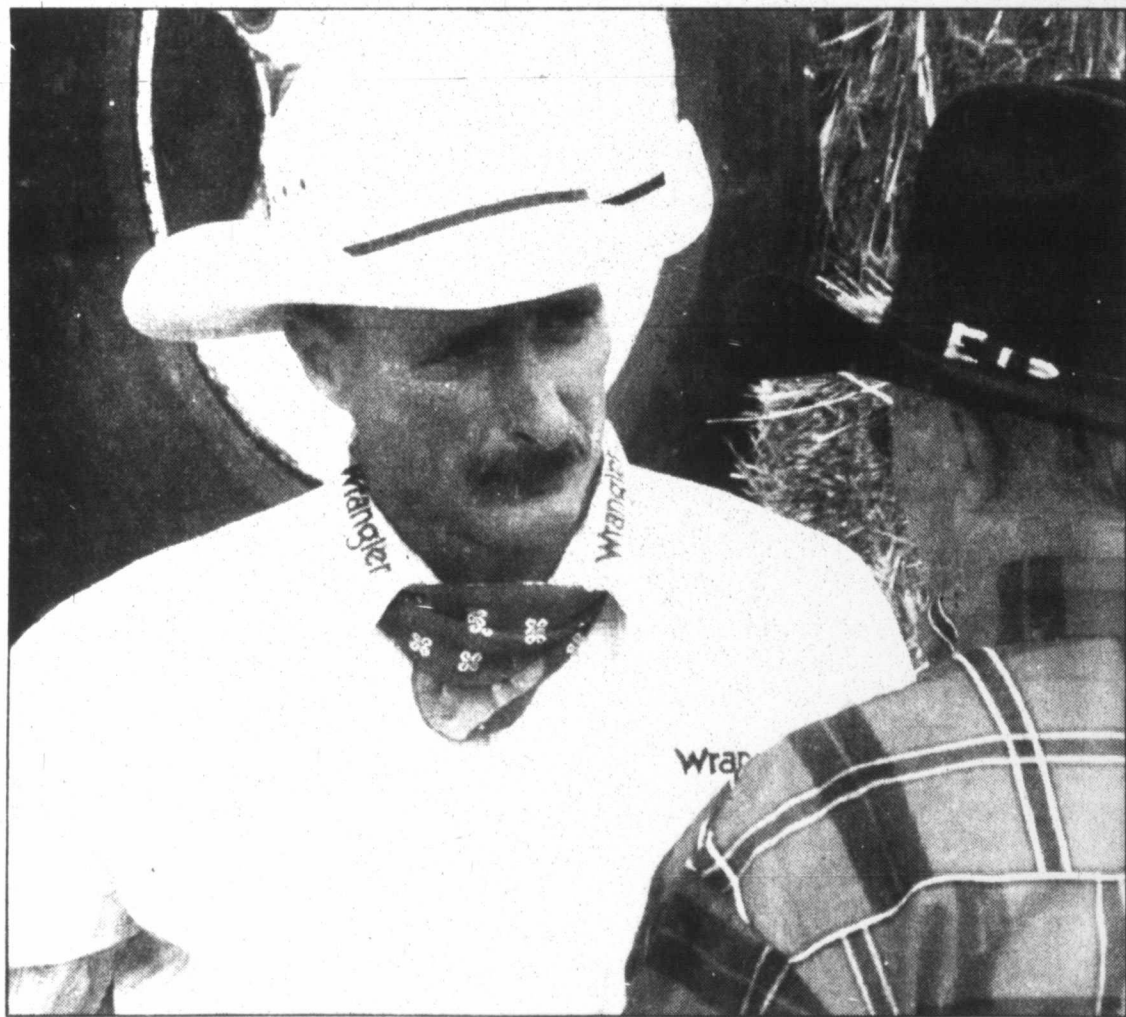
Barrel Race: Janae Ward Addington, Okla., first place, 17.37 seconds; Nanci Pratt, Scott City, Kan., second place, 17.59 seconds; Terra Bynum, Lubbock, and Nicki Zimmerman, Emporia, Kan., both third place with 18.33

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Jesse Hiler, Larkspur, Colo., racks up 74 points to tie for third in the Bull Riding competition during the opening night of the Top O' Texas Rodeo.



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Gary McDaniel, one of the pickup men who assist in the rodeo arena by picking up cowboys after a ride and herding stock, converses with a friend.



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Glen Baggett, a Top O' Texas Rodeo Association director, rounds the barrel during the Celebrity Pickup race Thursday.

Lady Harvester Basketball Camp starting on Monday

Girls interested in playing basketball in the future are invited to hone their skills in the Lady Harvester Basketball Camp starting Monday, June 7, at McNeely Field House.

Openings are available for both the morning and afternoon sessions, said Troy Fry, Pampa High School girls basketball coach.

Girls wanting to participate can sign up Monday, he said.

Morning sessions are girls entering third through fifth grades in the fall. Sessions will be conducted from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, June 7-11.

Afternoon classes are set for upcoming sixth through ninth graders.

Classes will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 7-11.

Cost of the camp is \$50 per person. Girls can sign up on Monday. For more information, call Coach Fry at 665-5113.

Myskina wins French Open in Russian final

PARIS (AP) — Anastasia Myskina watched her opponent's final shot skip past and hesitated, unsure she had won. Then came confirmation from the umpire: Myskina was a French Open champion.

She became the first Russian woman to claim a Grand Slam title, taking advantage of compatriot Elena Dementieva's nervousness and 10 double-faults to win 6-1, 6-2 Saturday.

With unspectacular but steady tennis, the No. 6-seeded Myskina won in 59 minutes, the most lopsided Grand Slam final in 10 years. This was the first all-Russian Grand Slam final and marked the first time in 30 years Russia had even one woman in the final of a major.

The No. 9-seeded Dementieva has long been plagued by an unreliable serve, especially in big matches, and that was the case again in her first major final. She lost her first four service games, and missed her final four

serves — for two more double-faults — to give Myskina a 5-2 lead in the second set.

Myskina herself double-faulted to lose the opening game, then swept the next eight games. She closed the victory when Dementieva sent a return barely long — although there was momentary confusion about where the ball landed.

"It was out, but then everybody was quiet," Myskina said. "Then in the first couple of seconds you couldn't believe that you won a Grand Slam."

When the result became clear, Myskina trotted to the net, where the two pals since childhood embraced.

"It's a Grand Slam. It's a French Open against my friend," Myskina said. "It's too much going on for me right now."

A brass band played the Russian national anthem during the postmatch ceremony as Myskina fought back tears.

Dementieva's best moment of the day came during the trophy presentation when she spoke in fluent French to the delight of the crowd.

"It was the dream of my life to win Roland Garros, and it's a shame that I lost today," she said. "I hope to come back and win next year."

She and Myskina were the first Russians to reach a women's Grand Slam final since Dementieva's coach, Olga Morozova, was the 1974 Wimbledon runner-up.

Argentina also has two players in a Grand Slam final for the first time. No. 3-seeded Guillermo Coria will play unseeded Gaston Gaudio on Sunday, with the winner becoming the first Argentine man to win a major title since Guillermo Vilas at the 1979 Australian Open.

With women's tennis on the rise in Russia in recent years, Myskina has

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Ride

HOUSTON — No. 1 choice Wade Townsend, Western Australia, Philip Hummel, national champion, career wins. So who's the highly touted?

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Rice's aces pitch way to title and likely into draft

HOUSTON (AP) — Jeff Niemann is the No. 1 choice of most major league scouts. Wade Townsend was the top pick of the Western Athletic Conference's coaches. Philip Humber pitched Rice to last year's national championship and has the most career wins.

So who's really the ace of the Rice Owls' highly touted pitching staff?

"There's not really a No. 1 on this team," Townsend said, cracking a mischievous smile. "Unless it's me."

Niemann, Townsend and Humber form the remarkable cast of right-handed arms that carried Rice to its first national championship in any sport last year. Together, all three will likely become the first teammates selected in the first round of the draft since Fresno State's Tom Goodwin, Eddie Zosky and Steve Hoesy in 1989.

Never have three pitchers from the same team all been picked in the first round.

Rice's trio of big, strong pitchers — none shorter than 6-foot-4 — have combined for a 29-5 record in guiding the Owls to a 43-12 mark, their eighth-straight WAC championship and the No. 6 national seed entering this weekend's NCAA Houston Regional.

They stumbled Friday night against Texas Southern (19-33), falling 4-3 in the opening game of the tournament. Humber took the loss, but the Owls have plenty of pitching to make a comeback.

"They'll go down as potentially the best (pitching staff) ever," said Wayne Graham,

coach of the defending College World Series champs. "They've already pitched us to a national championship and they're going to be drafted so high."

That's not faint praise.

Graham knows good pitching when he sees it, having once lured Roger Clemens and Andy Pettitte to San Jacinto Junior College in Pasadena, Texas, a few miles east of Houston. He won five national titles there before moving on to Rice where he developed pitchers like Kenny Baugh, Jon Skaggs and David Aardsma — all first-round picks over the past three years.

That kind of reputation and eye for talent has brought the most skilled of Texas prospects to one of the smallest schools in NCAA Division I-A.

"We have a great recruiting area," Graham said. "There's also a little bit of luck involved."

Thing is, almost any school could have had Niemann, Townsend or Humber. But most overlooked the three coming out of high school. Only Humber was drafted, as a 29th-round pick by the New York Yankees.

Townsend hit .515 and was 6-2 with a 1.80 ERA as a senior at Dripping Springs High School, good enough for all-state honors but not enough to draw much interest from near-

by University of Texas.

The 6-foot-9, 260-pound Niemann was an all-district pitcher at Houston's Lamar High, but his unorthodox arm release scared off college and pro scouts.

Humber, the lone draftee, was considered more of an infielder than pitcher coming out of Carthage High in northeast Texas.

"They weren't as polished and were a little rougher around the edges than most," Rice pitching coach Zane Curry said. "But once they got here, we knew that we had a special group."

All three contributed to Rice's nation-leading 2.79 ERA in 2002, but Humber made the quickest impact, going 11-1 with a 2.77 ERA. He was generally considered the nation's top freshman pitcher that season.

The next season, however, was the year Niemann became — almost quite literally — the biggest thing in college baseball.

Niemann, who looks more like a bulky power forward than hurler, went 17-0 in 18 starts with a 1.70 ERA as a sophomore. His height, command and disarming slider, which he can throw in the 90s, reminds many scouts of 6-foot-10 Randy Johnson of the Arizona Diamondbacks.

That kind of package means Niemann will likely be a top-5 pick in Monday's draft and could be the first pitcher chosen overall.

"Most college kids haven't faced anything like that," Curry said, chuckling.

Niemann has struggled through a nagging groin injury this season, but Rice hasn't missed a beat in trying to become the first repeat national champion since LSU did it in 1996-97.

The Owls cruised to the WAC title and stayed ranked among the nation's top 10 teams even though they had to replace seven of 10 position players from last year's 58-12 team.

The continued improvement of Townsend (11-0, 1.68) and Humber (13-2, 1.80) and the emergence of fourth starter Josh Baker (9-2, 2.69) helped Rice rank first nationally in staff ERA (2.60). The return of a completely healthy Niemann (5-3, 3.34) makes the Owls even more of an imposing opponent.

"We've already reach the pinnacle of college baseball," Niemann said. "There's not as much pressure on us. We've been there before."

Thus, to derail Rice's defense of its title, some team will have the rugged task of taking on "the best college pitching trio ever," according to Baseball America magazine.

There's clearly no need for an ace with that kind of embarrassment of riches.

"It's an honor for all of us to be considered in that way," Humber said. "We're going to do all we can to earn that label."

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— Zane Curry
Rice pitching coach



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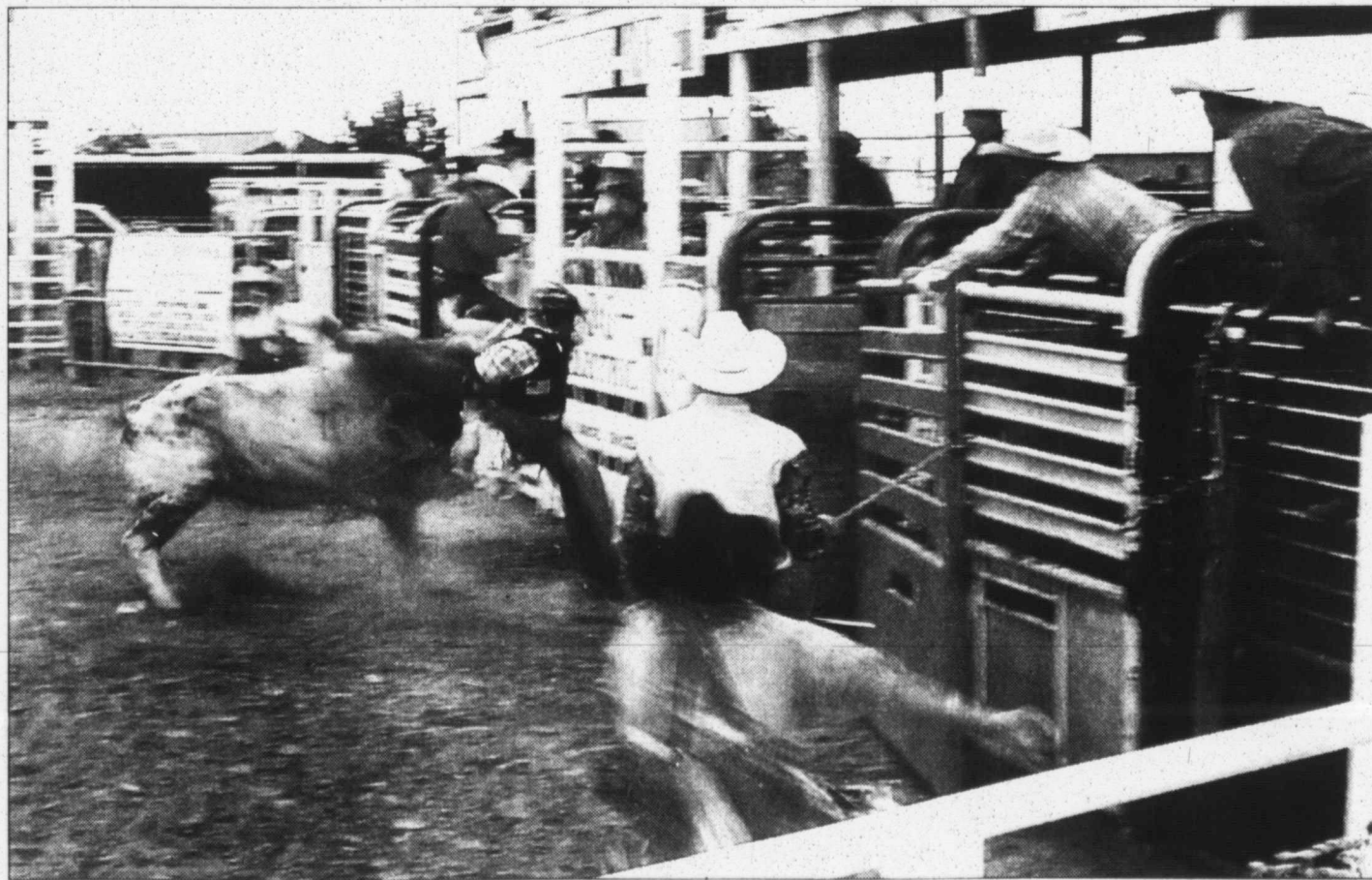
A favorite part of the rodeo each night is the Calf Scramble, pictured here, where the kids climb into the arena and chase calves that have a ribbon tied to their tails. All kids who manage to get close enough to the calves to grab a ribbon win prizes.

Rodeo

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seconds each; Gene Ann Dreyer, Dumas, fourth place, 19.22 seconds; and Karen Marcotte, Vinta, Okla., fifth place, 23.67 seconds.

Bull Riding. Cal Peterson, Parade, S.D., first place, 78 pts.; Dusty Harris, Amarillo, second place, 76 pts.; Lance Bradshaw, Edmond, Okla., third place, 73 pts.; Shawn Patrick, Goodwell, Okla., fourth place, 70 pts.; and Coy Dictson, Mesalero, N.M., fifth place, 64 pts.



Pampa News photo by DEE DEE LARAMORE

A rodeo clown rushes to the aid of No. 50 in the bull riding competition Friday night when the bull sends the hapless cowboy flying. Fortunately, no one was injured.

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been among the nation's most talented young players. and she'll climb to a career-high No. 3 in the rankings next week. Still, the 22-year-old Moscow native wasn't among the favorites in this year's French Open.

She arrived in Paris with a 1-4 lifetime record at Roland Garros but led a wave of

upsets, beating Venus Williams and 2001 champion Jennifer Capriati en route to the title.

The weather for the final was perfect — sunny and 75 degrees — but the tennis less so, especially from Dementieva. The match was as one-sided and error-filled as the two sloppy semifinals, with 50 errors by the two finalists and just 23 winners.

"I was too nervous," Dementieva said. "I couldn't play my game at all."

Myiskina said she had jit-

ters, too, but controlled them once she took the court.

"I was crying before the match. It just came out," she said. "It's good — before match, not during."

The result was the most lopsided in a Grand Slam final since Steffi Graf beat Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario 6-0, 6-2 in the 1994 Australian Open. It was the most one-sided final at Roland Garros since Steffi Graf beat Natasha Zvereva 6-0, 6-0 in 1988.

Dementieva struggled

from the start. In her opening service game she double-faulted, hit an ace and double-faulted again on the first three points. She double-faulted for a third time on break point as the crowd groaned.

"Her serving really helped us out," said Myiskina's coach, Jens Gerlach. "It was an awkward matchup and an awkward match."

Myiskina appeared increasingly relaxed as she took control. But Dementieva struggled with

awkward footwork — a sign of nerves — and was often out of position on shots. Twice she hit swinging volleys into the net.

By the end of the first set, Dementieva had 19 unforced errors. Her best shot may have been a mis-hit lob that landed on the net cord and dropped at the feet of a surprised Myiskina, who dumped her reply into the net.

So vexed was Dementieva by her serve that she screamed at herself in

Russian following one double-fault.

"I said, 'I hate my serve,' which is true," she said. "If I can play a final in a Grand Slam without a serve ... I don't know how to serve."

Tears then welled in Dementieva's eyes.

Myiskina became only the third woman — and the first in 42 years — to win the French Open after saving a match point. She was one point from defeat in her fourth-round victory against Svetlana Kuznetsova.

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DBA officers

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The Pampa Downtown Business Association installed the following new officers during its annual meeting recently: ReDonn Woods, president; Ken Rheams, vice president; Ronnie Holmes, secretary; Ray Duncan, treasurer. Pictured above are board members (left-right) Paul Fleming, Best Sales and Rental; Doug Palmitier, Tarpley Music; Carole Lesly, Heard-Jones; Brandy Reynolds, Top O' Texas Awards and Gifts; Clay Rice, Pampa Chamber of Commerce; Ronnie Holmes, Holmes Gift Shoppe; and Ray Duncan, Duncan, Fraser and Bridges Insurance.

Foreign investors must report U.S. holdings

Foreign investors with an interest in agricultural lands in the United States are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, according to the Gray County Farm Service Agency.

"Any foreign person who acquires or transfers any interest, other than a security interest, in agricultural lands in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction," Matthew C. Street, county executive director of Gray FSA, said.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) Reports with the Farm Service Agency county office in which the land is located.

"Failure to file a report, filing a late report or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land," Street said.

For AFIDA purposes, agricultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching or timber production, if the tracts total 10 acres or more.

Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural.

Street added, "Foreign

investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign."

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— Matthew Street
County FSA executive director

When the AFIDA was signed into law in 1978, the reporting requirement was adopted as part of the same legislation. Data gained from these disclosures is used in the preparation of periodic reports to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities in the United States.

For more information regarding AFIDA and FSA programs, contact the Gray County FSA office at 665-6561. More information is also available at <http://www.usda.gov>.

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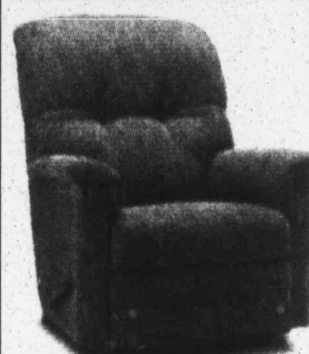
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Shelbie Renee Allison was recently awarded a master of business administration degree from Northeastern University in Oklahoma.



Allison

Allison is a member of Delta Mu Delta and is president of the Society of Business Administration. She received her bachelor of business administration degree in 2002, graduating cum laude. She was a letterman in golf for four years and was among Lone Star Conference Champions in 2001 and 2002, NCAA II National Championship, NCAA II Academic All-American 2001-2002 and NCAA II All-American, the first in the school's history.

Michael Pergeson and Kyle McKee were recently named United States Achievement Academy National Award Winners. Pergeson was named an award-winner in both student council and leadership and service. McKee was an award-winner in honor roll.



Pergeson

The Academy bestows USAA awards upon fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students. The students were nominated for the awards by Starla Kindle, a counselor at Pampa High School.

All USAA award-winners will appear in the USAA Official Yearbook. The Academy selects USAA winners based upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. Other criteria includes academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit and dependability.



McKee

Pergeson is the son of Diane Pergeson of Pampa and is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe McFall of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Pergeson and Pauline Hines, all of Prairie Grove, Ark.

McKee is the son of Frank and Sharon McKee.

Senior Airman Michael Friend, a crew chief on B-1 Bombers, 35th Bomber Squadron, was recently promoted to Quality Chief Instructor on B-1 Bombers.



Friend

Friend is stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base in South Dakota.

CANYON — Degrees were officially conferred on 544 West Texas A&M University students during spring commencement exercises recently at the WTAMU Event Center. The university awarded 429 baccalaureate and 115 master's degrees.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and wore gold honor cords. The three levels of honor recognition are summa cum laude (3.90-4.00), magna cum laude (3.75-3.89) and cum laude (3.50-3.74).

The WTAMU Class of 2004 included 20 graduates with summa cum laude honors, 36 students with magna cum laude honors and 51 with cum laude honors.

Students receiving diplomas included Veronica L. Arreola, cum laude, bachelor of science degree; Jennifer E. Barker, BS; Jonathan L. Bolz, bachelor of business administration degree; Gary D. Brawley, BBA; Courtney J. Cruz, master of science degree; Pamela D. Greer, cum laude, bachelor of general studies; Steven N. Hall, bachelor of arts degree; Phillip E. Holmes, master of business administration; Maurita E. Mulanax, BGS; Amy M. Spearman, BS; David S. Towles, BS; and Molly E. Williams, magna cum laude, BS, all of Pampa.

Travis S. Francis, BS, and Derek R. Maupin, magna cum laude, BBA, both of Canadian; Amber B. Estes, BS, of Mobeetie; Robert M. Lowe, cum laude, BBA, and Lindsay D. Wakefield, summa cum laude, BA, both of

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School's out!

Kiddos finish with a splash

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

Grandview-Hopkins Independent School District ended the school year May 27 with a bang—actually, with a squirt.

Students were allowed to bring water guns and put them to use in the school's playground, after a barbecue meal was served in the gymnasium to students, parents, school employees and others.

"We've been doing this (the meal) every year for the end of school for years. Anyone in the community is welcome. The school provides the barbecue, and Parent-Teacher Organization members bring side dishes," said Principal Solomon Kepley.

The school, which is two miles west of Highway 70 south of Pampa, had 40 students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 6th grade this past year, Kepley said. One of the board members is the fourth generation to serve on the board, he said.

It took three long cafeteria tables to hold the food and drinks for the noon meal. It is unknown how much water was used in the playground gunfights.



Grandview-Hopkins School's mascot, an eagle, guards the main entrance to the building.



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Jensen Stevens enjoys the playground rides behind the school.



Chelsea Winkleblack, left, and Celby Snapp see who has the most firepower—or, in this case, waterpower.

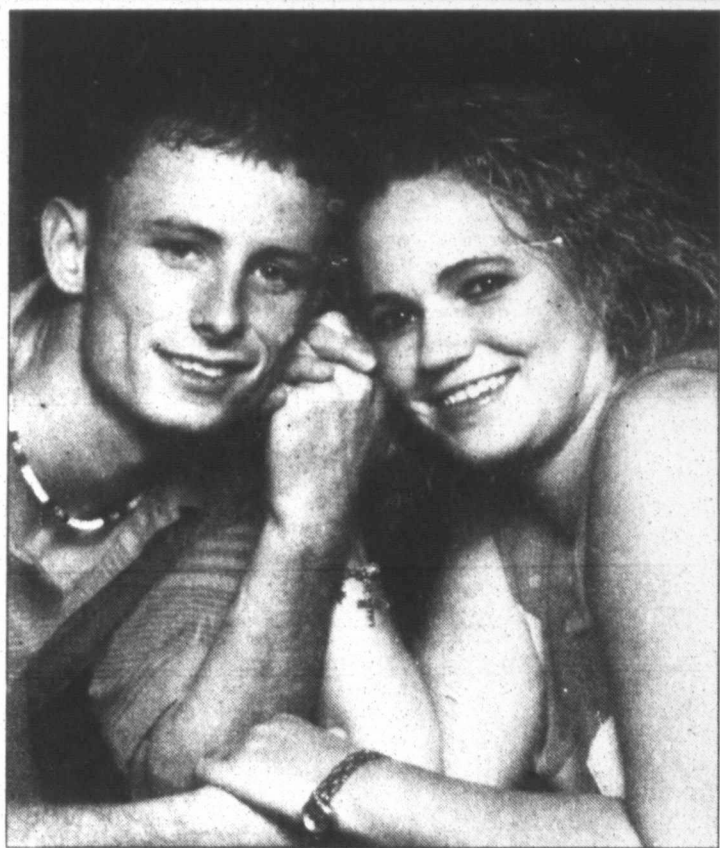


The old Grandview-Hopkins School building stands on the north side of a newer building, which houses grades kindergarten through sixth.



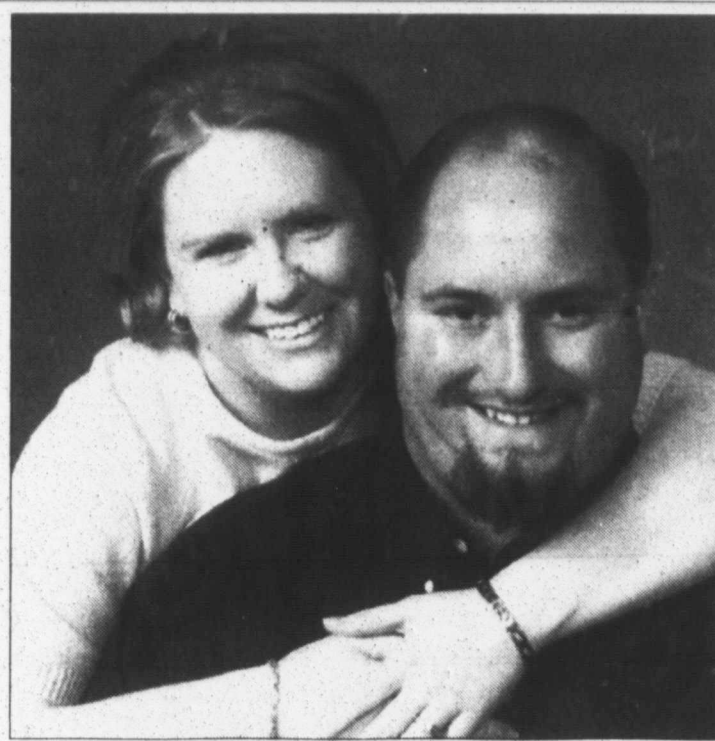
Cheyenne Adams, atop the slide, defends his territory as Mikah Tice looks for targets.

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Sherman/Baggett

Mandy Dawn Baggett of Pampa and Bradley Wayne Sherman of Brady plan to wed Saturday, July 17, at the home of Donna Davis on Waters Ranch near Pampa. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Don Baggett of Pampa and the late Patty Baggett. She graduated from Pampa High School and is employed by McLean Care Center. The prospective groom is the son of Darlene Simmons of Corpus Christi and Carl Sherman of Scottsdale, Ariz. He graduated from Brady High School and is employed by the City of Pampa Water Department.



Smith/Brown

Brianna Brown and David Smith, both of Pampa, plan to wed Saturday, July 17, at Ceta Canyon Church Camp and Retreat Center.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Donnie and Sandy Brown of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch. She graduated from Boys Ranch High School in 1996 and holds an associates degree in interior design from Amarillo College. She is presently employed at FirstBank Southwest Pampa Branch. The prospective groom is the son of Mike and Jenny Smith of Borger. He graduated from Borger High School in 1995. He is a deacon at First Christian Church and is a volunteer with Hoover Fire Department. He is presently employed as yard foreman and truck driver at Texas Pipe and Metal.

Perry appoints Barton to post

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry recently appointed Thomas Barton and 13 other individuals to the State Board of Nurse Examiners, which oversees licensing and regulation of registered and vocational nurses and the accreditation of schools of nursing in Texas.

Of Pampa, Barton is chief nursing officer at Pampa Regional Medical Center. He is a member of the Emergency Nurses Association, the American Organization of Nurse Executives and the Texas Organization of Nurse Executives.

He received a nursing degree from Cabarrus Memorial Hospital School of Nursing and a master's degree from Vanderbilt University in Tennessee. His term will expire Jan. 31, 2009.



Featured here are Education Extension Association Club's outgoing president, June Rowan, left, and incoming president, Eva Dennis.

Makers

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Shamrock; Wesley N. Puryear, BS, of Wheeler; and Lindsey D. Been, magna cum laude, BGS. Tara D. Kirby, BBA, and Stacy B. Lovejoy, BA, all of White Deer.

CANYON — West Texas A&M University recently named approximately 1,200 students to honor lists for the spring 2004 semester. Of that total, 296 were named to the President's List and 902

students were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average of 3.85 or better on a 4.0 scale and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours. Students named to the list include Steven N. Hall, Alicia G. Ingram, Karissa D. Intemann, Ashlei P. Jordan, Valerie G. Molone, Hayle S. Monds, Charity D. Nachtigall, Chasity D. Nachtigall, Andrew J. Swope, Windy T. Wagner and Lauren E. Walters, all of Pampa.

Tamera D. Hartline, Shannon M. Meadows and Sandra Reyes, all of Canadian; Lindsay D. Wakefield of Shamrock; and Lindsey D. Been and Suni J. Petty, both of White Deer.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a GPA between 3.25 and 3.85 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours. Students named to the list include Jarod L. Allen, Gary D. Brawley, Melissa D. Cain, Timothy F. Davis, Pamela D. Greer, Price A. Hall, Clifford A.

Henthorn, Nathanael W. Holmes, Ashley D. Knipp, Randa R. Morris, Evelyn A. Noble, Jinger M. Pajestka, Sammie J. Parsley, Amanda M. Parsons, Anna M. Resendiz, Sarah L. Teague, Jennifer A. Valingo and Jessica L. Williams, all of Pampa.

Angela D. Bivins, Travis S. Francis, Michael C. Graham, Elizabeth A. Hill, Lance W. Krogh, Kathy D. Lee, Desirae S. Manning, Jake W. Ramp, Brianna D. Rankin and Ryley L. Rodriques, all of Canadian; Evan F. Crowell, Julie D. Richardson and Paul T. Weinheimer, all of Groom; Christy R. Cox and Brian A. Fuller, both of McLean; Cheryl M. Herpich of Miami; Robert M. Lowe and Alan M. Segura, both of Shamrock; Kori L. Brame and Sharndon L. Hill, both of Skellytown; Alli O. Moore, Dagen W. Moore and Arlette J. Winkler, all of Wheeler; and Brad W. Britten, Kacey C. Knoke and Cassie L. Petty, all of White Deer.

CANYON — Eighty-

seven students were recently inducted into the Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society at West Texas A&M University.

To be a member of Gamma Beta Phi, currently enrolled graduate or undergraduate students must have at least 30 hours at WTAMU and be in the top 20 percent of their respective class.

Gamma Beta Phi is a service organization as well as an honor society. Members participate in service projects both on campus and in the community throughout the academic year. Dr. Pamela Lockwood, assistant professor of mathematics, is the adviser.

Students inducted into Gamma Beta Phi include Clifford A. Henthorn, Randa Morris and Lauren Walters, all of Pampa; Ryley Rodriques of Canadian; Cody Bivens and Karri Britten, both of Groom; and Kimberly Chaney of Skellytown.

NORMAN, Okla. — The University of Oklahoma recently announced students named to its honor rolls for the 2004 spring semester.

To be eligible for the President's Honor Roll, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university. Students named to the list include Robin Kristine Miranda of Shamrock.

In most colleges to be eligible for the Honor Roll, a student must maintain a 3.5 or higher GPA while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university. Architecture majors must maintain a 3.3 or better GPA and engineering majors a 3.0 or better. Students named to the list include Tyson Cameron Curtis of Pampa and Heath Eldon Flowers of Canadian.

ABILENE — Hardin-Simmons University recently announced its President's and Dean's lists for the 2004 spring semester.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university. Students named to the list include Daniel Kirkpatrick and Melissa Lawrence, both of Pampa.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.75 or higher GPA while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university. Students named to the list include Jessica Conner of Pampa.

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Mrs. David C raig Rems

East weds Rems at Anatole during April 10 ceremony

Cara East and David Craig Rems, both of Plano, were wed April 10 at the Anatole Hotel in Dallas with Pastor Tim Moore, of South West Christian Church of Weatherford, Okla., officiating.

Cara wore a strapless ivory silk gown with pearl crystals and gold overlaid hand embroidered bodice. The dress features a drop waist with sunburst pleating on the skirt and extended chapel train. Covered buttons adorn the entire back of the gown. Victoria McMillian designed the gown for Alvina Valenta Couture. Cara's ivory illusion cage veil was accented with a pearl and rondell

rhinestone tiara, designed by Winters and Rain. The bridesmaids wore strapless mango satin taffeta empire waist gowns. The candle lighters wore mango chiffon gowns with drop waist hip seams. Jim Hjelm designed the gowns for the Occasions collection.

The matron of honor was Kendall East of Coppell. The bridesmaids were Ashli East of Coppell, Andrea Crocker of Nederland, Amy Townsley of Dallas, Jennifer Essler of Pilot Point, Rachel Bowers of Amarillo and Tiffany Walling of Plano. The flower girl was Abigail Crocker of Nederland.

The best man was Eric Rems of Lubbock. The

groomsmen were Chris Ochiltree of Dallas, Dr. John East of Coppell, Marc Mangiacotti of Houston, Sven Essler of Pilot Point, Gary Gootman of Little Elm and Matt Leuschner of Stafford.

The ushers were Jon and Brittin East of Pampa. The candlelighters were Katy and Allison Wolfe of Blue Bell, Pa.

Registering the guests was McKinsie East of Pampa.

Music was provided by String Music of Dallas.

A reception was held at Wyndham Dallas Market Center Hotel.

The bride is the daughter of Edwin and Sandy East of Guymon, Okla., and is the

granddaughter of Odessa East of Pampa and Wanda Chase of Nederland. She holds a degree from Tarleton State University and is employed at the Metroplex Rehab and Pain Medicine Clinic in Carrollton.

The groom is the son of Jackie Gettys of Plano and is the grandson of Melvin Wolfe of Plano. He holds a degree from Johnson and Wales University in Providence, R.I., and is employed at Wyndham Dallas Market Center Hotel in Dallas.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Fajardo, Puerto Rico, and intend to make their home in Coppell.

Baker, Mackie get married May 15 at Country Home Wedding in Canyon

Jennifer Lynn Mackie and John Ed Baker, both of Plainview, were wed May 15 at Country Home Weddings in Canyon with Curtis Brewer, minister of music at First Baptist Church in Odessa, officiating.

The maid of honor was Denise Mackie, sister of the bride of Stillwater, Okla. The matron of honor was Kalie Thompson of Houston, and the bridesmaids were Kimberly Cory of Dallas and Lindsay Black and Andi Turner, both of Plainview.

The best man was Steven Baker, brother of the groom of Odessa. The groomsmen were Josh Odom and Bryan Koerlin, both of San Marcos,

Paul Harkey of Dallas and Brandon Rives of Nacogdoches.

The ushers were Dustin Mathis of Pampa, David Harper, cousin of the bride, and Jamar Jordan, both of Lubbock.

Registering the guests was Chelsea McCullough of Lubbock.

Music was provided by pianist Austin Neal of Odessa, and vocalists Denise Mackie who sang "Love Never Fails," David Harper and Andi Turner who sang "A Page is Turned" during the lighting of a unity candle, and Jennifer and John Ed who sang "Household of Faith."

A reception was held following the ceremony at Country Home Weddings.

The bride is the daughter of Janice and Gary Gulick of Ponca City, Okla., and Jerry and Nancy Mackie; is the granddaughter of Jess and Joyce Mathis and Betty Mackie; and is the great-granddaughter of Ruby Miller and Neva Mackie of Pampa.

She graduated from Pampa High School in 1999 and earned a bachelor of music degree in vocal education from Wayland Baptist University in May. She is currently employed with Wayland Baptist and will begin teaching music with

the school district in Frisco in the fall.

The groom is the son of Joe Don and Loretta Baker of Odessa and is the grandson of Ed and Edith Koerlin and Almer Baker Wilmon of Odessa. He graduated from Odessa High School in 2000 and from Wayland Baptist in May with a degree in church music.

He is currently youth and music minister at First Baptist Church in Quitaque and plans to pursue a master's degree in music at the University of North Texas in the fall.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C.



Mrs. John Ed Baker

Lang, Green exchange vows in Pampa

Courtney Marie Lang and Robert Joseph Green, both of Norman, Okla., were wed Saturday, May 22, at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa with the Rev. Jacob Clemmons, of Ardmore, Okla., officiating.

The maid of honor was Katie Mann of Norman. The bridesmaids were Emily Curtis of Pampa and Lindsay Morris of Norman. The flower girl was Madison Lang of Amarillo.

The best man was Eric Melton of Norman. The

groomsmen were Isaac Christian of Norman and Michael Woodfin of Dallas.

The ushers were Wesley Lang of Amarillo and John and Mike Green of Norman. The candlelighters were (crucifer) Matthew Smith, (acolytes) Hannah Smith and Alex Ragsdale and (thurifer) Bob Loerwald, all of Pampa, and (lector) Kay Fancher of Taos, N.M.

Registering the guests was Kera Green of Norman.

Music was provided by organist Jerry Whitten of

Pampa, vocalists Dillon Hill and Emily Priest, both of Lubbock, and Vienna Conspiracy, a string quartet, of Amarillo.

A reception was held following the service in the church's parish hall.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Karen Lang of Pampa. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a LETTERS degree and is currently employed by Citywide Mortgage of

Norman.

The groom is the son of Ronald and Terry Green of Norman.

He is currently pursuing a degree in business at the University of Oklahoma and is employed with Ideal Homes of Norman.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Playa Del Carmen in Cancun, Mexico, and intend to make their home in Norman.



Mrs. Robert Joseph Green

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Anniversaries



Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Duenkel of Pampa are celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary this month. Eddie Duenkel and Mary Ellen Sanford, both lifelong residents of Pampa, were married June 7, 1959. Children of the couple are Stacey Ladd of Pampa and Shelly Flaherty of Amarillo. They have six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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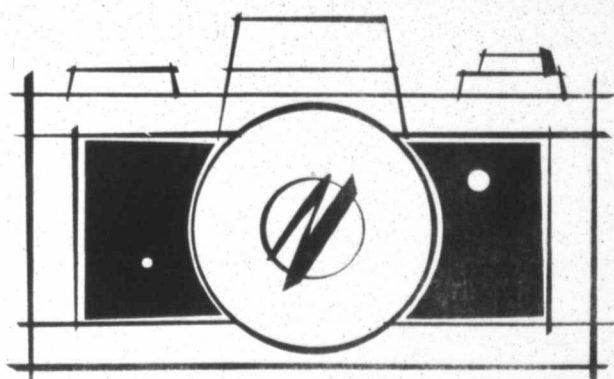
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Young, Sparkman have June wedding at the First Baptist Church in Pampa

Kimberly Elizabeth Sparkman and John Joseph Young IV, both of Brownsville, were wed Saturday, June 5, at First Baptist Church in Pampa with Elder Stephen Porter, of Pampa, officiating.

The matron of honor was Laura-Marie Imel Finley of Owens Mill, Md. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Laura Smith Boynton and Mrs. Desi Hudson Zacharias of Dallas. Mrs. Stephanie Shepard Land, Mrs. Kristiann Kiersh Miller, Mrs. Allison Barnett Sedlak and Miss Amanda Margaret Young, sister of the groom, all of Austin, and Mrs. Kelly Smith Howard of Asheville, N.C. The flower girl was Taylor Simpson of Amarillo.

The best man was the groom's father, John Joseph Young III of Brownsville. The groomsmen were Dr. John Kyle Sparkman, brother of the bride of Houston, Miguel Gonzales and Mark Hodgson of Brownsville, Brandon Barron, Michael Putegnat and David Riener, of Austin and Dennis Young II of Plano.

The scripture reader was Mrs. Libby Youngkin McKelvin of Corpus Christi. The candlelighters were Mrs. Kelley Vinson Simpson of Amarillo and

Ms. Amy Wyn Bradley of Dallas.

The ushers were Stephen Putegnat and Miguel Ortiz, both of Brownsville.

Registering the guests were Ms. Stephanie Nowlin and Ms. Karen Kennedy of Edmond, Okla. Mrs. Jill Odom Weller of Kingwood, Texas, Miss Teresa Cardamone of Midland, Texas, Miss Elizabeth Barney of Lubbock, Texas, Miss Devon Marhean of Brownsville and Miss Francesca Graham of Coppell, Texas, all cousins of the bride and groom, greeted the guests.

Music was provided by Mrs. Stephanie Bowen, harpist of Amarillo. Mrs. Lauren Dugger Weller, vocalist and cousin of the bride of Missouri City, and Jason Jones, trumpeter, and Ms. Doris Goad, organist, both of Pampa.

The bride chose a strapless Duchess satin gown with an A-line skirt covered with English Alencon lace. The empire bodice featured pearls and crystal beading and the chapel length train was accented with three rows of lace detail. She wore a cathedral length veil scattered with pearls and wore her maternal grandmother's wedding ring.



Mrs. John Joseph Young IV

Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Charles E. Weller, Retired of San Antonio, great-uncle and aunt of the bride, were special guests. A reception was held for the couple at Pampa Country Club.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Sparkman of Pampa. She holds a degree from Texas A&M University and belonged to Chi Omega sorority. She is currently employed as an account executive for Kinetic Concepts Inc., in

Brownsville.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Joseph Young III of Brownsville and is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Joseph Young, Junior of Laguna Vista. He holds a degree from Baylor University and is currently employed as vice president of sales for Valley Industrial Shipping Supplies in Brownsville.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Playa Del Carmen, Mexico, and intend to make their home in Rancho Viejo.

White, VanHouten celebrate marriage

Jessikah White and Chris VanHouten, both of Pampa, were wed May 15 in Central Baptist Church of Pampa with Rick Parnell, of the church, officiating.

The maid of honor was Emily Johnson of Pampa. The bridesmaid was Manda White of Pampa.

The flower girls were

Samantha VanHouten and Danielle White, both of Pampa.

The best man was Don VanHouten of Pampa.

The groomsmen was Rickie VanHouten.

The ring bearer was Alex White of Pampa.

The ushers were Andrew VanHouten and James Shawn, both of Pampa.

Registering the guests was Micheala Arzola of Pampa.

Music was provided by Emily Johnson, vocalist, and Amy Parnell, musician, both of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service at the church with Micheala Arzola and Rosalie Ward, both of Pampa, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of William and Darla White of Pampa.

She graduated from Pampa High School and is currently employed at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

The groom is the son of Don and Cheri VanHouten of Pampa.

He graduated from Pampa High School and is employed at Titan.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Amarillo and intend to make their home in Pampa.



Mrs. Chris VanHouten

Club News

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

Progressive TEEA

Progressive Texas Extension Education Association Club met May 27 in Pampa with June Rowan presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Rowan delivered the Council report.

—Lenny Howard was named new Council repre-

sentative and Ruth Barrett Council president.

—Eva Dennis gave a report on a scholarship fundraiser.

—Rowan, Barrett and Dennis were chosen as representatives for the state meeting. Geneva Barton and Elizabeth Alexander are the alternates.

—Members of the chapter will man a concession stand at 6 p.m. June 5 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Each member will provide a batch of homemade cookies.

—Madeline Gawthrop conducted a demonstration on paper-pressing ornaments and small gift bags using recycled items at a TEEA craft workshop this past week. Members were encouraged to bring a friend to the event.

—As outgoing president, Rowan was presented a special gift.

—Marilyn Butler was welcomed back after a lengthy illness.

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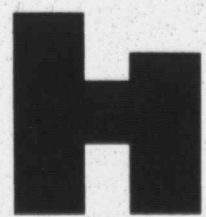
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, June 6, 2004:

Review what you want before you act on it, because your desires could change considerably this year. You have many dreams that you will be capable of making realities. Traveling or a foreigner could open you up to new desires and wishes. Some of you will opt for greater spirituality and/or more education. Avoid gossip at work, as sometimes you won't be getting the whole story. You enjoy the comfort of your home, though some will upgrade their digs. A special relationship heads your way after the summer but before your next birthday. If you are attached, you will bond more closely and act like newfound lovers. AQUARIUS presents a different perspective.

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)

***** You wake up whimsical and expressive. Bring friends together. Allow spontaneity to become an even greater force in your life. Chatter and laughter draw people together, making friends of what were originally acquaintances. Tonight: Where the gang is.

This Week: On Monday and Thursday you take action. Mull over decisions carefully the other days. Research and question as much as you need to.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** An early morning call or suggestion could put your mind on overdrive. Think carefully, knowing what will work. Discuss this issue with an authority figure in your life who counts. You might be quite delighted by what you hear. Tonight: A must show.

This Week: Responsibility drops on you Monday, but you have the magic touch. Success greets you. A meeting could be pivotal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Keep reaching out as you try to find new ways of looking at life. You stretch, and others make suggestions. A trip in the near future could help you open a special door. You find that surrounding yourself with new people presents different styles. Tonight: Opt for adventure.

This Week: Play with an idea Monday. Get opinions before you act on it mid-week. Network from Thursday on.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** A second thought about a key relationship could help you. Sometimes you put this person on a pedestal, which he or she can only fall off of. A money or emotional matter is so vague that there can only be problems. Tonight: Chat away together.

This Week: A chat about money is way overdue. You'll clear the air. Do adequate research, even if it means digging up experts. Act from Thursday on.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Others always want you around, but even more so right now. Your happiness builds because of someone's extra effort to express his or her affection. Others simply want you around. Join up with pals who have similar interests. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

This Week: Buy lottery tickets Wednesday and Thursday. Just don't risk what you cannot afford. Others might be in control, but you are still in control of yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Someone's wisecrack reminds you of a responsibility. You might want to relax, but somehow you feel you need to follow through on this particular project. Make sure you do something you would like, too. Tonight: Whatever you choose to do, relax.

This Week: Dig into work Monday. You need to get a lot done, as others drop into your life and work with requests from Tuesday on. You need to decide what you choose to take on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Be more playful and spontaneous. Your mind leads you in the right direction. A child or amorous relationship draws your attention. You might enjoy a day outing with this person. Choose an activity you both enjoy. Tonight: Be a love.

This Week: You sparkle with playfulness and creativity Monday. Enough! From Tuesday on dig into your work, if you would like to have a weekend. Be open to changes at work and/or in your daily life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** An issue bothers you more than it needs to. Discussions with a partner or best friend help you understand. Someone around you might not be telling you the whole story, and you are choosing to look the other way. Tonight: Stay close to home.

This Week: You're simply not in work mode. Unfortunately, you see the

effects on Thursday. You might have to become a workaholic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Intuitively you know how to please someone you really care for. Communication could be extremely important to this person. Don't make any commitments you cannot keep. Walk and/or picnic by water. Tonight: Follow the music or try a movie.

This Week: Before planning your next few days, on Monday return calls and messages. Information that comes forth could shape your week.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Commit carefully to a project that might cost you a lot. Investigate to see what you want to do and how much is too much. Money slips through your hands like water. Use caution with your wallet, credit cards and funds in general. Tonight: Your treat.

This Week: Juggle finances carefully Monday. From Tuesday on, you might need to become more verbal. Return calls and ask questions. You can get a lot done. Key information comes forth beginning on Wednesday.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** You hit a period where you act on your ideas. You might want to reverse direction out of the blue. Be spontaneous even if others might be reactive. A friendship or relationship builds to a new level. Go with the flow. Tonight: Your wish is another's command.

This Week: Your ruling planet, Uranus, goes retrograde Thursday, causing strong reactions within your life. What comes out needs to be dealt with.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Spending some time alone or at home with close family members works well for you. Take some dreamtime. Learn to spend more time alone. Curl up with a good book or rent a couple of movies. Tonight: Order in. This Week: You slowly build steam. You might need to alter your path Thursday, when a situation appears quite different than it did originally.

BORN TODAY

Tennis player Bjorn Borg (1956), actress Sandra Bernhard (1955), actress Staci Keanan (1975)

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HOROSCOPE ... MONDAY, JUNE 7

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, June 7, 2004:

Reach for the stars and make what you want happen this year. You have unusual creativity and high energy. Others often transform when relating to you. Your softer side emerges. Others want to be near you. Seek them out. Try to walk in others' shoes. Your understanding and growth help you open up. A foreigner presents different views. You also might travel and/or go back to school. Family and security mean a lot through September, when romance, single or attached, becomes a major concern. You will simply enjoy life more. If you are single, you might date a lot, but you will meet someone special later on in your birthday year. If you are attached, you'll find that the old pizzazz returns to your relationship. What fun! AQUARIUS helps your mind grow.

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)

***** Visualize, but also act on what you want while the going is good. You have the ability to see what others don't and break away from patterned thinking. You'll find unusual answers. Experts and research are helpful. A meeting plays a substantial role in your planning. Tonight: Follow your friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Take a stand if need be. Work together with a close associate. Review what would be significant to making an association even more lucrative. Your ability to take a stand and lead tosses you into a position of leadership. Work together as a team. Tonight: A must show.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Investigate new ways of handling others. In fact, ask them how they would like to handle a situation, and follow through. You express unusual charm and intelligence. Push your imagination. Seek unusual answers through talking to others. Tonight: Among the crowd.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Deal with partners, associates and money matters head-on. You will find that answers come forward as you explore options. A work or daily routine might need to be revised. Think positively. Talk and negotiate away. Be open to growth and perhaps change. Tonight: Spend quiet time with a favorite person.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Others seek you out and have a lot of information to share. Meetings provide new information that gives you a sense of direction and causes you to revise your thinking. Listen and consider options. Brainstorming helps you head in a new direction. You might be amazed by others' suggestions. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Pace yourself; be as diplomatic as you can be. Your instincts might be on, but understand that others see you far differently than you see yourself. You are in a position of praise and perhaps able to ask for that pay raise or promotion. Why not? Tonight: Work or at the gym.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Your playfulness, ingenuity and imagination take you down a new path. You find communicating to be a challenge. Walk in another's shoes, and you'll come up with answers. Your understanding means a lot to others. Charge your work with ideas. Tonight:

Let your hair down.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** You need and want feedback from those close to you. Remember, you could be idealizing a friend, associate or loved one, and not seeing him or her clearly. Your ability to relate helps land money. Investment possibilities open up. Tonight: Stay close to home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Realize your priorities, and respond accordingly. Your sixth sense pulls you through. Your premonitions are right-on. Review ideas with others. You have a sympathetic audience, as it turns out. Communication stars. Tonight: Out and about.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Carefully review a matter that involves finances. Be willing to get feedback from an associate or someone who seems to always have money. You might be surprised by what you hear. Change your perspective, if possible. Tonight: Treat yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Your ideas and imagination energize those around you. Make sure you want a relationship to build and develop. Once this person hooks onto you, you might not be able to easily let go. Demonstrate your flex within a meeting. Tonight: You create the fun.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Keep some of your thoughts to yourself. You might seem unnaturally happy to others, but don't let the cat out of the bag just yet. Investigate a partner's way of thinking. You might find a new, more effective path. Tonight: Vanish if you want.

BORN TODAY

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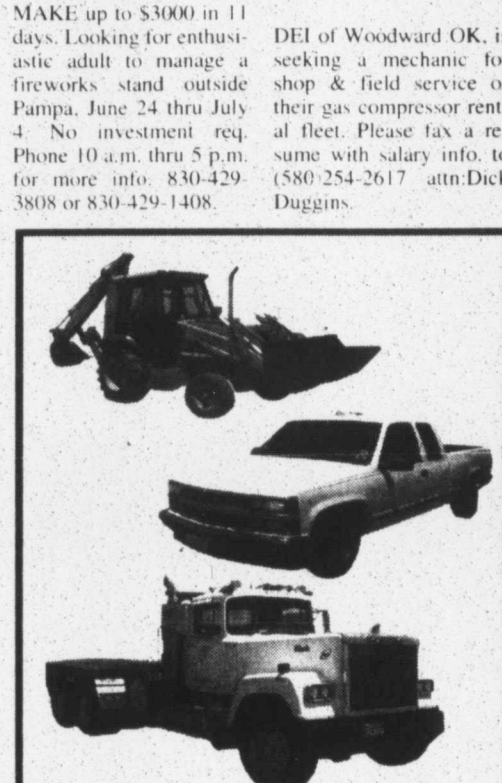
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'Raising Helen' feel-good movie with no surprises

Have you seen the trailer for "Raising Helen?" It looks like a cute, sentimental comedy with the always-bubbly Kate Hudson in the title role. And that's exactly what it is. There are no great surprises, but there are no disappointments either. If you're in the mood for a sweet comedy, you're going to leave the theater feeling good.

Helen is a young, single woman living in Manhattan and working at a top modeling agency. She has an exciting fast-paced and carefree life, as it should be. When her sister and brother-in-law die in a car crash, everything changes. Their three children are left to her, and she must drop her frenetic lifestyle to care for them.

This is the best film of Hudson's growing list of

romantic comedies ("How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days," "Alex and Emma," etc. ...) Normally her lovable goof-ball act is so grating I want to knock her out by the second hour of the movie. She's not outstanding in this either, but she does make Helen a deeper character than usual. She has the same goofiness in "Helen," but she also has more to work with.

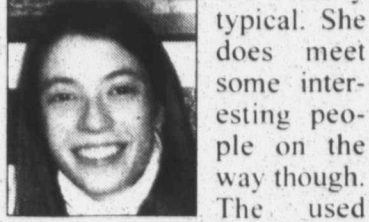
Hudson's chemistry with the kids is the best part of her performance. It's not something you can create. It just happens. She genuinely seems to know and like them. The movie wouldn't work if she was distant from them, but she really connects.

The bad thing is they are just stock kid characters. There is the rebellious teen

(Hayden Panettiere), the kid who gives up his sport after the parents' death (Spencer Breslin), and the spunky youngest (Abigail Breslin). All these young actors have had better roles in the past.

John Corbett is the best addition to the cast. He plays Pastor Dan Parker, the principal of the kids' new Lutheran school. He is also Helen's love interest. Corbett is wonderful. He is laid-back and natural in everything he does. It never even seems like he's acting. In "Helen," he has a playful comic touch. He's so effortlessly relaxed. "Helen" is a simple story.

It's no surprise how it's going to end. It just has to provide the audience something entertaining on the way. For the most part, the situations she has to handle



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are fairly typical. She does meet some interesting people on the way though. The used car salesman, Mickey Massey (Hector Elizondo), and the Indian next door neighbor, Nilma (Sakina Jaffrey), are both quite original.

Director Garry Marshall, whose credits also include "Pretty Woman" and "The Princess Diaries" is good at handing the audience a well-wrapped package. There's

nothing outside the box, but he puts everything together nicely.

Grade: B
Anita Hacker was born and raised in Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High

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